


# JANUARY 2025

## YOUTH SERVICES EVENTS

Z. J. Loussac Library

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			<b>1</b> <i>All APL locations closed for New Year's Day</i>	<b>2</b> <b>2PM:</b> Build-It Afternoon	<b>3</b> <b>2PM:</b> Explore Auroras	<b>4</b> <b>10AM-5PM:</b> Craft Time <b>11AM:</b> Family Storytime
<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> <b>11AM:</b> Preschool Storytime <b>6PM:</b> Zine Workshop	<b>8</b> <b>11AM:</b> Toddler Storytime <b>4:30PM:</b> Teen Game Time	<b>9</b> <b>11AM:</b> Toddler Storytime <b>4PM:</b> PAWSitive Reading <b>5:30PM:</b> Dungeons & Dragons	<b>10</b> <b>11AM:</b> Baby Storytime <b>4PM:</b> VolunTEEN Fridays	<b>11</b> <b>10AM-5PM:</b> LEGO Time <b>12PM:</b> Art Inspired
<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> <b>10AM-12PM:</b> Early Literacy Games	<b>14</b> <b>11AM:</b> Preschool Storytime <b>4:15PM:</b> New Year, New Budget for Teens	<b>15</b> <b>11AM:</b> Toddler Storytime <b>4:30PM:</b> Teen Game Time	<b>16</b> <b>11AM:</b> Toddler Storytime <b>4:30PM:</b> Teen Crafternoon	<b>17</b> <b>11AM:</b> Baby Storytime <b>4PM:</b> VolunTEEN Fridays	<b>18</b> <b>10AM-5PM:</b> Craft Time <b>11AM:</b> Family Storytime <i>Branch locations closed for Martin Luther King Jr. Day.</i>
<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> <i>Closed for Martin Luther King Jr. Day</i>	<b>21</b> <b>11AM:</b> Preschool Storytime <b>4:15PM:</b> New Year, New Budget for Teens	<b>22</b> <b>11AM:</b> Toddler Storytime <b>4:30PM:</b> Teen Game Time	<b>23</b> <b>11AM:</b> Toddler Storytime <b>4:30PM:</b> Stamp Making	<b>24</b> <b>11AM:</b> Baby Storytime <b>4PM:</b> VolunTEEN Fridays	<b>25</b> <b>10AM-5PM:</b> LEGO Time <b>1-4PM:</b> Community School Fair 2025 <b>2PM:</b> Magician Meet Up
<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> <b>10AM-12PM:</b> Early Literacy Games	<b>28</b> <b>11AM:</b> Preschool Storytime	<b>29</b> <b>11AM:</b> Toddler Storytime <b>4:30PM:</b> Teen Game Time	<b>30</b> <b>11AM:</b> Toddler Storytime	<b>31</b> <b>11AM:</b> Baby Storytime <b>4PM:</b> VolunTEEN Fridays	 ANCHORAGE PUBLIC LIBRARY

## WEEKLY STORYTIMES

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## TEEN

## ALL AGES

### PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

Tuesdays at 11AM  
A half hour of stories, songs and movement, for ages 3-5. Followed by a play time with early literacy toys.

### TODDLER STORYTIME

Wednesdays & Thursdays at 11AM  
Twenty minutes of short stories and songs for children 3 and under and their caregivers.

### BABY STORYTIME & PLAY TIME

Fridays at 11AM  
Twenty minutes of rhymes, songs, and fingerplays for infants, birth to 18 months, and their caregivers. Followed by a special baby playtime.

### FAMILY STORYTIME

First and third Saturdays at 11AM  
A half hour of stories, songs, and more to build early literacy skills.

### EARLY LITERACY GAMES

Monday, January 13 & 27, 10AM-12PM  
Try out different early literacy, language, and math toys to help prepare preschoolers for kindergarten.

## AGES 6-12

### EXPLORE AURORAS

Friday, January 3, 2-4PM  
Learn about magnets and how they affect light, create chalk art auroras, and more in this hands-on STEM program. Best for elementary school ages and older; will include very small parts.

### PAWSITIVE READING

Thursday, January 9, 4-5:30PM  
Sign-up to read to a dog! Therapy dogs are patient listeners for new and struggling readers. Reading sessions are 15 minutes and can be reserved in-person starting at 3:45PM on the day of the event.

### ART INSPIRED

Saturday, January 11, 12-1PM  
Led by students from South Anchorage High School, our classes are designed to provide youth with a creative outlet to express themselves and build confidence.

### STAMP MAKING

Thursday, January 23, 4:30-5:30PM  
Try your hand at making a stamp with simple tools!

### TEEN GAME TIME

Wednesdays, 4:30-5:30PM  
Come enjoy time in the Teen Underground playing video games, board games, and more!

### ZINE WORKSHOP

Tuesday, January 7, 6-8PM  
Join local artist MK for a workshop to make your own zine! All supplies will be provided.

### DUNGEONS & DRAGONS

Thursday, January 9, 5:30-9PM  
Join APL for an evening of Dungeons and Dragons. New and experienced players are welcome. Character creation begins at 5:30, gameplay starts at 6. **Ages 14+.**

### VOLUNTEEN FRIDAYS

Friday January 10, 17, 24, & 31, 4-5:30PM  
Are you an Anchorage teen in 9th-12th grade in need of volunteer hours? Come work as many or as little volunteer shifts as you can happily fit into your schedule.

### NEW YEAR, NEW BUDGET FOR TEENS

Tuesday, January 14 & 21, 4:15-5:45PM  
Start the new year off right by creating a personal budget based on savings, lifestyle goals, and day-to-day situations.

### TEEN CRAFTERNOON

Thursday, January 16, 4-5:30PM  
Join us for an afternoon of arts and crafts. Supplies provided, just bring your creativity!

### MAGICIAN MEET UP

Saturday, January 25, 2-3PM  
Meet other local teen magicians and practice your skills together. Card tricks, illusions, sleight of hand, and more!

### BUILD-IT AFTERNOON

Thursday, January 2, 2-4PM  
Come challenge your engineering and artistic talents with a variety of building materials. Families with children of all ages are welcome, but scissor skills highly recommended.

### CRAFT TIME

Saturday, January 4 & 18, 10AM-5PM  
Get creative and make a work of art! We'll have a variety of art supplies to make whatever you want.

### LEGO TIME

Saturday, January 11 & 25, 10AM-5PM  
Stop by for some free build time - just bring your imagination!

### COMMUNITY SCHOOL FAIR

Saturday, January 25, 1-4PM  
Explore multiple schooling options for your child, including preschool programs.

## EVENTS ACROSS APL—

### CHUGIAK-EAGLE RIVER

#### PRESCHOOL OPEN PLAY

Saturday, January 11, 10:30 AM-12:30 PM  
Drop in and enjoy our space to meet and socialize with other caregivers and preschoolers. Play with the library's toys, look at books, and have fun!

### GERRISH (GIRDWOOD)

#### COOKIE SWAP

Friday, January 3, 4 PM  
Join us in swapping holiday cookies, share your favorite recipes, and enjoy a cozy afternoon at the Library.

### MOUNTAIN VIEW

#### CRAFT-A-KAZOO

Saturday, January 25, 1-4PM  
Celebrate Kazoo Day (1/28) by making your very own kazoo!

### MULDOON

#### NONFICTION STORYTIME

Tuesday, January 28, 10:30AM  
3 compelling nonfiction stories plus a related activity. Ideal for ages 3-5 with caregiver, but all families welcome.