

OCTOBER 2026

YOUTH SERVICES EVENTS

Z. J. Loussac Library

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 ANCHORAGE PUBLIC LIBRARY				1 11AM: Toddler Storytime	2 11AM: Baby Storytime 1:30PM: Baby Storytime 4PM: Switch Game Time	3 10AM-5PM: Craft Time 11AM: Family Storytime 3PM: Teen Book Club: Horror
4	5 11AM: Anchorage Firefighters Special Storytime	6 11AM: Preschool Storytime 4PM: Teen Driving Practice with Center for Safe Alaskans	7 11AM: Toddler Storytime 4PM: VolunTEEN Wednesdays	8 11AM: Toddler Storytime 5:30PM: Dungeons & Dragons 4PM: Pawsitive Reading	9 11AM: Baby Storytime 1:30PM: Baby Storytime 4PM: Switch Game Time	10 10AM-5PM: LEGO Time <i>Branches closed for Indigenous Peoples' Day</i>
11	12 <i>Closed for Indigenous Peoples' Day</i>	13 11AM: Preschool Storytime 6PM: Zine Workshop	14 11AM: Toddler Storytime 3:30PM: Be Ready! 4PM: VolunTEEN Wednesdays	15 11AM: Toddler Storytime 2PM: Manipulation Stations 4PM: Books + Board Games	16 11AM: Baby Storytime 1PM: Explore: Binary Code Bracelets 1:30PM: Baby Storytime 4PM: Switch Game Time	17 10AM-5PM: Craft Time 11AM: Family Storytime
18	19 11AM: Hora de Cuentos - Spanish Language Storytime	20 11AM: Preschool Storytime 3PM: Teen Crafternoon: Button Making 4PM: Craft Club: Yarn Stars	21 11AM: Toddler Storytime 4PM: VolunTEEN Wednesdays	22 11AM: Toddler Storytime	23 11AM: Baby Storytime 1:30PM: Baby Storytime 4PM: Switch Game Time	24 10AM-5PM: LEGO Time
25	26 10AM-12PM: Early Literacy Games	27 11AM: Preschool Storytime	28 11AM: Toddler Storytime 2PM: Author Event with Michaela Goade 4PM: VolunTEEN Wednesdays	29 11AM: Toddler Storytime	30 10AM-2PM: Haunted Mini-Golf 11AM: Baby Storytime 1:30PM: Baby Storytime 4PM: Switch Game Time 4PM: Family Movie Night	31 11AM: Not-So-Spooky Storytime 3PM: Teen Movie Night

STORYTIMES

5 & UNDER

ALL AGES

TEEN

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

Tues. 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

Wed. & Thurs. at 11AM
Twenty-five minutes of short stories and songs for children 3 and under and their caregivers.

BABY STORYTIME & PLAY TIME

Fri. at 11AM & 1:30PM
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 & third Sat. at 11AM
A half hour of stories, songs, and more to build early literacy skills. The first Family Storytime of the month will have an American Sign Language interpreter available.

Please note: Free entry tickets are required and available starting 15 minutes before storytime.

ANCHORAGE FIREFIGHTERS SPECIAL STORYTIME

Monday, October 5, 11AM
Join us for a very special storytime with a guest reader firefighter from Anchorage Fire Department in honor of National Fire Prevention Week. After the storytime, junior firefighters can try some hands-on activities and crafts.

EARLY LITERACY GAMES

Monday, October 26, 10AM-12PM
Try out different early literacy, language, and math toys to help prepare preschoolers for kindergarten.

HORA DE CUENTOS - SPANISH STORYTIME

Monday, October 19, 11AM
Disfruten de cuentos, música, movimiento y rimas que desarrollan las habilidades de alfabetización temprana de sus niños. Hora de cuentos en español presenta cuentos y canciones en español para niños y sus adultos. *Enjoy stories, music, movement, and rhymes that develop your children's early literacy skills. Spanish language storytime features stories and songs in Spanish for children and their grownups.*

MANIPULATION STATIONS

Thursday, October 15, 2-3PM
Explore different stations with activities like sorting, stacking and more. This program is designed for children 3-5 and their caregivers to help build fine motor skills and hand-eye coordination through play!

NOT-SO-SPOOKY STORYTIME

Saturday, October 31, 11AM
Enjoy some not-so- spooky stories and songs, plus create a Halloween craft. Costumes encouraged!

CRAFT TIME

Saturday, October 3 & 17, 10AM-5PM
Get creative and make a work of art! We'll have art supplies to make whatever you want.

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

Friday, October 30, 4-5:45PM
Join us for a family-friendly movie and delicious popcorn. This month's movie: Hocus Pocus (1993).

HAUNTED MINI-GOLF

Friday, October 30, 10AM-2PM
Mini golf your way around the second floor library stacks in this fun but spooky, Halloween themed, all-ages drop in event.

LEGO TIME

Saturday, October 10 & 24, 10AM-5PM
Stop by for some free build time-- just bring your imagination!

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AUTHOR EVENT WITH MICHAELA GOADE

Wednesday, October 28, 2-3PM
Enjoy a reading of one of Michaela's books followed by a presentation about her work and how she draws inspiration for her art, plus you'll see behind the scenes into the art and book-making process.

BE READY!

Wednesday, October 14, 3:30-4:30PM
Anchorage's Office of Emergency Management will help kids plan for earthquakes and other unexpected situations. Practice what to do for an earthquake, build an emergency kit, and more.

BOOKS + BOARD GAMES

Thursday, October 15, 4-5:30PM
Come join us to try new board games and make new friends with Tier 1 Cards & Games!

CRAFT CLUB: YARN STARS

Tuesday, October 20, 4-5PM
Join us to weave a star out of yarn and cardboard!

EXPLORE: BINARY CODE BRACELETS

Friday, October 16, 1-3PM
Learn how to make your own binary code bracelet and try other hands-on interactive STEM challenges with UAA College of Engineering. This program is intended for children in grades 3-10 (ages 8+).

PAWSITIVE READING

Thursday, October 8, 4-5PM
Sign-up to read to a therapy dog! Reading sessions are 10 minutes and can be reserved in-person starting at 3:45PM on the day of the event. The final session begins at 4:50PM.

DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS

Thursday, October 8, 5:30-9PM
Bring your own campaign or join our beginner's table. Character creation starts at 5:30PM, gameplay starts at 6PM. Participants must be 14+.

TEEN BOOK CLUB: HORROR

Saturday, October 3, 3-4PM
Read a book of your choice that fits the theme of the month and talk about your selection with other teens.

TEEN DRIVING PRACTICE WITH CENTER FOR SAFE ALASKANS

Tuesday, October 6, 4-6PM
The Center for Safe Alaskans offers a free computer-based driving tool to test teens' (aged 13+) ability to handle road hazards.

SWITCH GAME TIME

Fridays, 4-5PM
Come enjoy some time in the teen space playing various video games on our Nintendo Switch!

TEEN CRAFTERNOON: BUTTON MAKING

Tuesday, October 20, 3-5PM
Make your own button from scratch using various art supplies.

TEEN MOVIE NIGHT

Saturday, October 31, 3-5PM
Join us for a teen-friendly movie and delicious popcorn! This month's movie: Five Nights at Freddy's 2 (2025)

VOLUNTEEN WEDNESDAYS

Wednesdays, 4-6PM
Anchorage teens in 9th-12th grade can come to the Loussac Library every Wednesday to get volunteer hours.

ZINE WORKSHOP

Tuesday, October 13, 6-8PM
Make a zine to take home with you. Recommended for ages 14+, adult topics may be discussed.