



Around the Library

ALL PROGRAMS ARE FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

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CHILDREN

Children 8 and younger should be accompanied by an adult or caregiver age 12 or older.



Music and Movement Story Time

Every Monday, 11:00 a.m.

(No program December 21)

Develop early literacy skills with music, dancing, yoga, singing, and stories. Best for children ages 3-6. Attendance is limited and registration is required. **IP**



ABC Playgroup

Every Tuesday, 11:00 a.m.

(No program December 22)

A fun way for 3- and 4-year-olds to learn reading skills through playing, singing, talking, and writing. Attendance is limited and registration is required. **IP**



Preschool Story Time

Every Wednesday, 11:00 a.m.

(No program December 23)

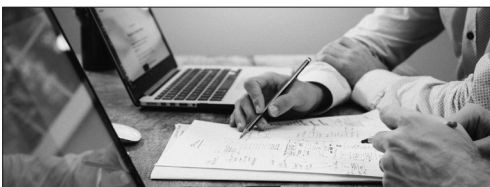
Stories, songs, and activities. Attendance is limited and registration is required. **IP**

ALL AGES

Read for Fines

All Year Long

Reduce overdue fines by \$1 for every 15 minutes you read at BPL. Stop by any service desk for more info.



Resume Review

All Year Long

Need someone to look over your resume? Drop it off or email it to IT@beloitlibrary.org, and our resident experts will review it and get back to you with feedback in a few days. Ask any staff member for details about this service!

Beanstack Reading Challenges

All Year Long

Check out beloitlibrary.beanstack.org for most recent challenges and get signed up to earn badges and win prizes!



Downtown Beloit Story Stroll

Every Day through December 31

Stroll through downtown Beloit while reading Wisconsin author Jean Ottelien's book *The Silver Snow Day*. Complete the Story Stroll Challenge on Beanstack to be entered to win a copy of the book! <https://beloitlibrary.beanstack.org>.

Downtown Beloit Story Stroll Author Visit

December 11, 10:00 a.m.

Via Facebook Live

Meet children's author Jean Ottelien via Facebook Live! Her book *The Silver Snow Day* is on display downtown Beloit through December 31. **OL**

SCHOOL AGE

Saturday Stories

Saturday, December 12 at 2:00 p.m.

Join us for stories and crafts about the holidays. Attendance is limited and registration is required. **IP**

TEENS



Elf for Teens

Saturday, December 5 at 2:00 p.m.

Join us for a screening of the holiday classic *Elf*. We'll have snacks and BINGO to go along with it. Attendance is limited and registration is required. **IP**

ADULTS

Stateline Night Writers

Every Wednesday, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Via Zoom

Meet other writers for hints, tips, suggestions, and encouragement. Stateline Night Writers is currently virtual. If you'd like to join, email Jerry at jerrypetersonbooks@gmail.com. **OL**

4th Wednesday Book Discussion

Wednesday, December 16, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Via Zoom

(Note early date due to holidays)

Read the book and join us virtually for a healthy discussion. This month's book is *The Book of Longings* by Sue Monk Kidd. To participate, email Katharine at kclark@beloitlibrary.org. **OL**

A Journey Through America's National Parks System

Thursday, December 3 at 6:30 p.m.

In-Person and via Facebook Live

David Kroese will share his motivation for leaving a 25-year career in the corporate world to become one of about 50 people known to have visited all 422 National Park Service units in 2017 and how the adventure became a book. *Registration required for in-person participation.* **HY**

Author Visit: Bill Mathis

Thursday, December 10 at 7:00 p.m.

Via Facebook Live

Join us as local author Bill Mathis launches his latest novel, *Revenge is Necessary*. This new release is a psychological thriller and Mathis' fourth published book. **OL**

The History of Christmas

Tuesday, December 15 at 6:30 p.m.

Via Facebook Live

BPL staffer and historian Alex Carlson will share the history of the Christmas holiday. **OL**

MOVIES

FABL Film Night: *Love Actually*

Wednesday, December 2 at 6:00 p.m.

Join us for this monthly film series featuring a new release chosen and sponsored by our Friends. *Attendance is limited and registration is required.* **IP**

Great Musicals: *Babes in Toyland*

Wednesday, December 16 at 6:00 p.m.

Join us for this monthly film series featuring great musicals from Broadway and Hollywood. *Attendance is limited and registration is required.* **IP**

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Hours

Monday-Thursday 9:30 a.m.-9:00 p.m.

Friday-Saturday 9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Library Director

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Friends at Beloit Library (FABL)

FABL provides support to the library through the sale of donated books. Its funding enables staff to initiate new and exciting programs that go above and beyond the scope of public funding. New volunteer members are always welcome, as are donations of gently used books! (608) 364-5770

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Children

Children 8 and younger should be accompanied by an adult or caregiver age 12 or older.

Accessibility

The library is wheelchair accessible. Ask about other assistive devices.

The library has hearing loops in our Community Room and at all service desks for patrons who use hearing aids



or cochlear implants. Headsets also are available for use while in our Community Room. Please ask if you need assistance.



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GUIDE TO PROGRAMMING TYPES

IP = In Person **HY** = Hybrid **OL** = Online