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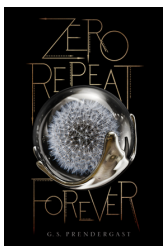
2020 is almost over! Whew! The Library can help you pass the time until then with books, movies, games, and winter activities and events.

We have some great news here at the Library! If you've noticed that our Director, Ashia Gustafson, isn't around, it's because she had a baby girl. Caitlyn Elaine arrived on October 30th and she's precious. Did you know that we have had FIVE staff pregnancies at the Library in 2020? We're so excited to have all of these little ones as part of the BPL family!

CONGRATS
ASHIA! 

During this busy and chilly season, we hope that you stay warm, stay safe, and stay reading. Until next year!

THE (INTERIM) DIRECTOR RECOMMENDS: ZERO REPEAT FOREVER BY GABRIELLE PRENDERGAST



He has no voice, or name, only a rank, Eighth. He doesn't know the details of the mission, only the directives that hum in his mind. Dart the humans. Leave them where they fall.

His job is to protect his Offside. Let her do the shooting. Until a human kills her...Sixteen year-old Raven is at summer camp when the terrifying armored Nahx invade, annihilating entire cities, taking control of the Earth.

Isolated in the wilderness, Raven and her friends have only a fragment of instruction from the human resistance. Shelter in place. Which seems like good advice at first. Stay put. Await rescue. Raven doesn't like feeling helpless but what choice does she have?

Then a Nahx kills her boyfriend. Thrown together in a violent, unfamiliar world, Eighth and Raven should feel only hate and fear. But when Raven is injured, and Eighth deserts his unit, their survival depends on trusting each other. (Summary from Goodreads)

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Featured Service: Legal Forms by Gale

If you're looking for downloadable and customizable legal documents, Legal Forms by Gale is the place to go! It even includes documents tailored to South Dakota residents. Access it at <http://bit.ly/legalbpl>



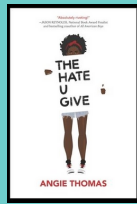
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ADULT ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

Virtual Adult Book Clubs

Watch Facebook and our website for more information on times and how to join or feel free to email Mikaela at mneubauer@cityofbrookings.org to register and learn more. Books will be available to check out a month before the meeting takes place.

Fiction



The Hate U Give by Angie Thomas
February 9th



The Hideaway by Lauren K. Denton
March 9th

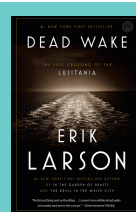


The Atomic Weight of Love by Elizabeth Church
April 13th

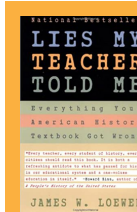
Nonfiction



Bad Blood by John Carreyrou
February 22nd



Dead Wake by Erik Larson
March 22nd



Lies My Teacher Told Me by James Loewen
April 26th

Murder



December 7th
Planning for 2021

The complete schedule for next year will be announced on December 8th!

Adult To-Go Craft Kits

We have craft kits available for curbside pick-up! Each kit includes instructions and all of the supplies you need to make the crafts.

The limited crafts are registration only. This is first come, first serve and you are limited to one craft per season (January- March). We will try to sign you up for you top ranked craft, but it will depend on availability. We are also offering open crafts with no limit for sign-up. To register for these open crafts, call in to the Library during the sign-up window and we will contact you when your kit is ready for pick-up.

Open

Ugly Christmas Sweater Ornaments
Sign up
December 7-11



Tassel Paperclip Bookmarks
Sign up
January 4-8



Limited

Sign up for the January through March limited crafts will open on DECEMBER 14TH. We will post the link to the registration form on our website, as well as on our Facebook page.

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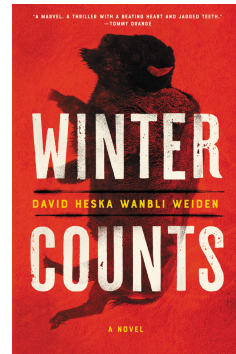
DECEMBER EVENTS

The links to these Zoom events can be found on the Brookings Public Library website or Facebook page.

Author Talk with David Heska Wanbli Weiden Thursday, December 10th at 6:30pm on Zoom

Join author David Heska Wanbli Weiden as he discusses his new book *Winter Counts*.

Weiden is an enrolled member of the Sicangu Lakota nation and his novel is the story of a local Native American enforcer on the Rosebud Indian Reservation who becomes obsessed with finding and stopping the dealer who is bringing increasingly dangerous drugs into his community. It's a Native thriller, an examination of the broken criminal justice system on reservations, and a meditation on Native identity



Mindfulness for the Holidays Tuesday, December 15th at 6:30pm on Zoom



SD Statewide Family Engagement Center Learning Specialist, Elisabetta Giomo James, will teach ways to be mindful and care for your mental health in a time of COVID and holiday chaos.

Thank you to South Dakota Statewide Family Engagement Center for sponsoring this opportunity and for Brookings NAMI for partnering with the Library to put on this event.



(RR) - registration required

Teen Scene

"Back to the Books" Reading Challenge

The last day to log points is December 13th, so keep logging your reading, submitting book reviews, and participating in online events and activities to earn points toward the grand prize. We will also draw for one random winner from anyone who participated in the challenge. Visit the "Teen" section under Library Services at brookingslibrary.org to register.

Anime Club

Wednesdays at 3pm

Watch Anime, talk about Manga & Anime with friends, and win great prizes! We will host this club in the Cooper Room, with masks required and social distancing in place.

The last Anime Club meeting for the year will be on December 16th. Anime Club will resume in January 2021!



To-Go Crafts (RR)

Crafts are released monthly, and supplies will be available from the Library!

Craft instructions are available on our website at <http://bit.ly/teencrafts>, then contact Katie at kburggraff@cityofbrookings.org to sign up for each craft and pick up supplies!

December:
Puffy Paint
Window
Clings



Book Clubs (RR)

Join our Sweet Reads or SnackChat book clubs! Once you are registered, you will get a copy of the book and we will meet to discuss it on Discord. Visit <https://bit.ly/3aWYhG1> to sign up!



SWEET READS

Grades 6-8 via Discord
December 8 @ 6-7 PM

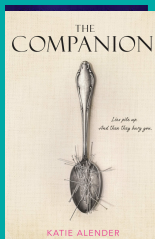
The Kingdom of Back by
Marie Lu



SnackChat

Grades 9-12 via Discord
December 8 @ 7-8 PM.

The Companion by
Katie Alender



Are you excited for more fun activities in 2021?



Follow the
Brookings
Public Library
to stay up to
date!

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KID'S CORNER

Disney Parade Floats

Join the Parade with our Family Crafts! Every couple of weeks we will feature a new Disney Paper Parks float. Supplies can be picked up in the Children's Department, front foyer, or ask for a set when you call to pick up through our Curbside service. This craft is perfect for the family to make together.



Letters to Santa

This year the Brookings Public Library, in connection with the Brookings Arts Council and Honeycomb Gifts, will be hosting Letters to Santa.

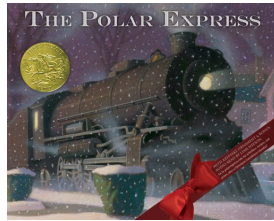
Drop off your letter to Santa at the children's section of the Library, Honeycomb Gifts, or the Brookings Arts Council (you can drop yours off at the BAC through the mail slot). Please include a self addressed return envelope (we'll take care of the stamp), then a letter from



Santa will be sent back to your child! This is FREE, but please make sure your child's name is legible and a return envelope is included with your letter!

What's Katherine Reading?

THE POLAR EXPRESS by Chris Van Allsburg



Did you hear that sleigh bell? One young boy, whose friends are beginning to doubt Santa's existence, stays awake listening for that telltale jingle to validate his faith. What he hears instead is the toot of a train horn, signaling the beginning of one of the most beautiful Christmas books of all time.

Winter Activities



Do you like to get crafty and creative? Do you love learning about science through crazy and exciting experiments? Look no further than the Library for cool projects that will keep kids entertained and learning over the winter months.

The Children's Department will offer to-go craft kits and take-home science experiments during December and January! Details will be announced soon!

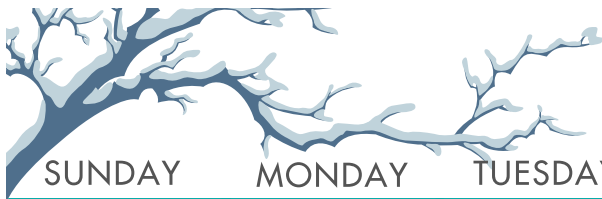


Keep up with news from the Children's Department on our Facebook Page




@BPLKids



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DECEMBER 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Clay Competition winners announced	2 3:00pm Anime Club	3	4	5
6	7 12:00pm Booked for Murder 	8 6:00pm Sweet Reads Book Club  7:00pm SnackChat Book Club 	9 3:00pm Anime Club	10 6:30pm David Weiden Author Talk 	11	12
13	14	15 6:30pm Mindfulness for the Holidays 	16 3:00pm Anime Club	17 12:00pm Library Board Meeting *	18	19
20	21	22	23	24 LIBRARY CLOSING AT 5PM FOR CHRISTMAS EVE	25 CLOSED FOR CHRISTMAS DAY	26
27	28	29	30	31 LIBRARY CLOSING AT 5PM FOR NEW YEAR'S EVE	January 2021 1 CLOSED FOR NEW YEAR'S DAY	2

Red-Kids Activities

Green-Teen Activities

Blue-Adult Activities

RR-Registration Required

 - Discord event

 - Zoom event

 - Facebook event

*Library Board meetings are open to the public

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