

## NEW AND NOTABLE

The year is almost over! Can you believe it? 2022 has great things in store! Keep an eye out in the newsletter for dates for Adult Game Nights, Drop-In Tech Help, and Escape Rooms. Storytime, Music Makers, kids activities, and exciting teen events will all be back, too! Be sure to check out the Library's Facebook page and website calendar for the most up-to-date announcements and event info.

We are so excited to announce that the Library received two major grants in October. The Dollar General Literacy Foundation awarded the Library \$2500. These funds were used to purchase Wonderbooks, a print book with a pre-loaded audio player attached, and Launchpads, tablets designed for kids ages 3-10, containing pre-loaded education games. Find them in our catalog at [www.brookingslibrary.org](http://www.brookingslibrary.org)

We also received a \$3000 grant from the American Library Association to participate in Libraries Transforming Communities: Focus on Small and Rural Libraries, an initiative that helps library workers better serve their small and rural communities. This money will go towards Black History Month events and a community conversation in February 2022! Details for these events will be coming soon

Finally, the BPL staff would like to wish everyone the warmest holiday wishes and a happy New Year from the bottom of our hearts.

## Featured Collections: Wonderbooks

Kids can listen and learn with our Wonderbook collection! Each Wonderbook is a print book with a ready-to-play audiobook attached! Both picture books and chapter books are available. Find them here: <http://bit.ly/BPLwonder>

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# ADULT ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

## Adult Book Clubs

We are offering our book clubs both in-person and online! We will meet in the Library's Cooper Room with social distancing encouraged. If you wish to join via Zoom, watch Facebook and our website calendar for the links and more information. Feel free to email Mikaela at [mneubauer@cityofbrookings-sd.gov](mailto:mneubauer@cityofbrookings-sd.gov) to be put on a mailing list! Books will be available to check out a month before the meeting takes place.

### Fiction

Next meeting:  
Tuesday, February 8  
@ 6:30pm

Transcendent Kingdom by Yaa Gyasi



In  
person  
and on  
Zoom!

March Meeting: March 8

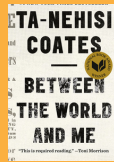
The Book of Lost  
Friends  
by Lisa Wingate



### Nonfiction

Next meeting:  
Monday, February 28  
@ 6:30pm

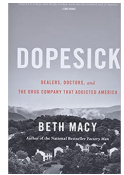
Between the World and Me by Ta-Nehisi Coates



In  
person  
and on  
Zoom!

March Meeting: March 28

Dopesick  
by Beth Macy



### Booked for Murder

This month's meeting:  
Monday, December 6  
@ 12pm  
Planning for 2022



In  
person  
and on  
Zoom!

To Be Decided

## Adult Craft Classes (RR)

Each month's class will be offered both in the afternoon and evening in December. However, we will be moving to only one 6:30pm class in January. Space is limited, so please call the Library to register on or after the given registration date. If there are fewer than 5 participants signed up for a class, the Library will cancel the class. If you can't make it to the class, we can provide you with instructions. If you've signed up and can't make it to the class, please let the Library know so that if there's an alternate list we can let someone else take your place.

### IN-PERSON CRAFT CLASSES

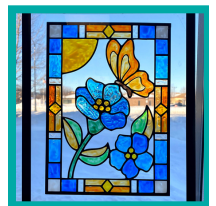
Antiqued Canning Lid  
Snowman  
Registration Starts  
November 30

2:00pm Class- December 7  
6:30pm Class- December 16



Faux Stained Glass  
Painting  
Registration Starts  
January 13

6:30pm Class- January 20



(RR) - registration required

## DIY Spa Gift Workshop (RR)

Thursday, December 2 at 6:00pm  
in the Library's Cooper room

Come make some soothing gifts, like bath salts, bath bombs, and sugar scrubs, at the Library!



Space is limited and registration is required. Call the Library to sign up.

## Movie Night

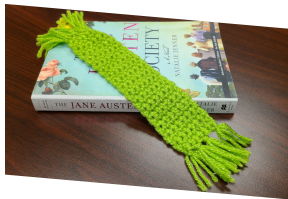
Thursday, December 9th  
at 5:30pm in the  
Cooper Room



All are welcome and popcorn is provided!  
December's Movie: Last Christmas  
1 hour and 43 minutes, Rated PG-13

## Crochet 101 Class (RR)

Saturday, December 11 at 9:30am  
in the Library's Cooper Room



Learn the basic stitches, tools, and techniques you need to get started with crochet! We'll learn to hold the yarn and hooks,

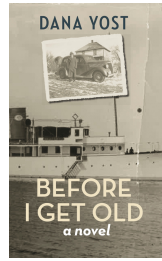
create a foundation chain, complete a single crochet and double crochet, make rows and turn, and interpret patterns, all while completing a bookmark to hold your place in your favorite book.

Space is limited and registration is required. Yarn and hooks will be provided for in-class use. Call the Library starting December 1 to reserve your spot.

**(RR) - registration required**

## Author Talk with Dana Yost

December 14 at 6:30pm in the  
Cooper Room and streamed on Zoom



Sioux Falls Author Dana Yost will visit the Library to do a reading of his new book, "Before I Get Old." Set in southwestern Minnesota, eastern South Dakota, and Door County,

Wisconsin, in the 1930s and 1950s, this novel asks the question "What if you had to choose between following your dreams or following your duty to place and people?"

## Adult Trivia Night

"A Year in Review" (RR)

Friday, December 17 at 6:30pm in the  
Library's Cooper Room

Do you think you remember what happened this year? Gather your friends and put your minds to the test at our 2021 themed trivia night. This is a non-pub pub-quiz, so ages 16 and up are invited to join. Popcorn is provided!

Registration is required, so please contact the Library to register your team of 4 or fewer starting December 13!

## To-Go Spice of Life Club: Fenugreek (RR)



Participants will receive kits containing pre-measured spices, information, and a recipe to cook at home. This month's spice is Fenugreek and the kit will include a recipe for Persian Beef, Herb, and Kidney Bean Stew! Pick-up will be the week of December 27.

Registration is required each month. Call the Library starting December 20 to sign up.

# Teen Scene

## Teen Board Games

Thursday, December 9 @ 6:30pm in the YA Area

Hang out in the YA area and play a variety of games with other teens!



## Screen and Scribble

Tuesday, December 21 @ 2:00pm in the Cooper Room

Join us for an afternoon movie with snacks and coloring!  
We will be watching Elf!



## Anime Club

Wednesdays from 3:00-4:30pm in the Cooper Room  
No Anime Club on December 22nd or 29th.

Watch Anime, talk about Manga & Anime with friends, and win great prizes!



## Teen (RR) To-Go Craft

Register for a craft kit by stopping into the Library, or by calling/emailing Katie\* starting Monday, December 6.

### Paper Bag Stars



## Puppetry Club

Grades 5-12



Practices Monday, December 13 and Tuesday, December 14 @ 6:00pm, with show on

Tuesday, December 14 @ 7:00pm in the Children's Activity Room.

## Teen Holiday Trivia

Saturday, December 4 at 3:00pm in the Library's Cooper Room

Test your holiday knowledge by competing in a fun quiz! Snacks and drinks are provided and prizes will be awarded to the winners.

## Teen Gaming

Monday, December 6 @ 3:45pm AND Wednesday, December 22 @ 2:00pm in the Cooper Room

Play video games and compete against your friends!



## Minecraft Treat Workshop (RR)

Tuesday, December 28 @ 2:00pm in the Cooper Room

Make a sweet treat that looks like your favorite Minecraft character!

Supplies are provided.  
Email Katie\* to reserve your spot.



## Pop Socket Decorating (RR)

Thursday, December 30 @ 6:30pm in the Cooper Room

Customize your own Pop Socket for your phone! We'll provide the materials! Space is limited and registration is required. Email Katie\* to reserve your spot.

## STEAM Activity

Tuesday, December 14 @ 3:45pm Cooper Room- Join in on a

Turing Tumble competition with prizes for the winners!



(RR) - registration required

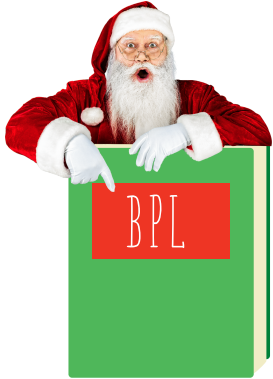
\*- Katie's email is [kburggraff@cityofbrookings-sd.gov](mailto:kburggraff@cityofbrookings-sd.gov)



# KID'S CORNER

## Holiday Story Time

Saturday, December 18 at  
10:00am in the Children's  
Activity Room



Join us for some  
stories, crafts, and  
a special guest.  
Ho, Ho, Ho!

## Music Makers (RR)

**REGISTRATION OPENS DECEMBER 6**

Come join the fun  
as caregivers and  
their kids dance  
and sing in this  
rhythm and  
movement class  
geared to age 5  
and under.



Sessions are offered Mondays 10:45am &  
1pm and registration is required.

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

**@BPLKids**



(RR) - registration required

## Puppet Show

Tuesday, December 14 at 7:00pm  
in the Children's Activity Room



Come watch a fun  
puppet show suitable  
for all ages!

If your child is 5th grade or older and  
would like to be a puppeteer, please  
contact the Children's Department to get or  
our Puppeteer Remind list.

## Take the 1000 Books Before Kindergarten Challenge

Help your child prepare for one of life's  
biggest milestones: Kindergarten! Does it  
sound hard? Not really if you think about it!

- \* If you read just 1 book a night, you will  
have read 365 books in a year.
- \* In two years that is 730 books!
- \* 1,095 books in three years!!!

After the first 100 books, your child's  
picture is added to our display. We look  
forward to celebrating with you when you  
complete the challenge.

Stop by the Library's circulation desk and  
pick up your first reading log.

# December 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			<b>1</b> 3pm Anime Club Crochet Class Registration Begins	<b>2</b> 6:00pm DIY Spa Gift Workshop (RR)	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 3:00pm Teen Holiday Trivia
<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> 12pm Booked for Murder 3:45pm Teen Gaming Music Makers Registration Begins Teen Craft Registration Begins	<b>7</b> 2:00pm Adult Craft Class (RR)	<b>8</b> 3pm Anime Club	<b>9</b> 5:30pm Movie Night 6:30pm Teen Board Game Night	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> 9:30am Crochet Class (RR)
<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> 6:00pm Puppet Practice Adult Trivia Registration	<b>14</b> 3:45 Teen STEAM 6:00pm Puppet Practice 6:30pm Fiction Book Club 6:30pm Dana Yost Author Talk 7:00pm Puppet Show	<b>15</b> 3pm Anime Club	<b>16</b> 12:00pm Library Board Meeting* 6:30pm Adult Craft (RR)	<b>17</b> 1:00pm Teen Japanese Snack Tasting 6:30pm Trivia Night (RR)	<b>18</b> 10:00am Holiday Story Time
<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> Spice Club Registration Begins	<b>21</b> 2:00pm Teen Screen and Scribble	<b>22</b> 2:00pm Teen Gaming	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> CLOSED FOR CHRISTMAS EVE	<b>25</b> CLOSED FOR CHRISTMAS DAY
<b>26</b> CLOSED	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> 2:00pm Minecraft Treat Workshop (RR)	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> 6:30pm Teen Pop Socket Decorating (RR)	<b>31</b> CLOSED FOR NEW YEAR'S EVE	CLOSED FOR NEW YEAR'S DAY

Green-Teen Activities

Blue-Adult Activities

Red- Kids Activities

(RR)-Registration Required

\*Library Board meetings are  
open to the public

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