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## From the Director

Now that the days are shorter and the temperatures are lower, I wanted to share with you many of the ways you can enjoy library services from the comfort of your own home. Don't get me wrong — we love it when you visit one of the three library locations. As a matter of fact, many patrons tell me this is the best library around because of our people. Our great staff are busy making sure our online offerings are user friendly as well.



If you haven't checked out our website in a while please do. We debuted a new design at the end of January and have been adding new features ever since. In addition to access to our catalog and information about our hours and phone numbers, you can learn about upcoming programs, good books to read, community events and even job openings. For those of you on the go, we also have a mobile app available for iPhone/iPad and Android devices with many of the same features. You can find us on Twitter and Facebook for library updates, and Goodreads for adult and youth book recommendations and discussions. We are also on Instagram to share photos and YouTube to deliver entertaining and informative videos.

From our website you can download an electronic book, audiobook, or magazine, plus music and movies. In partnership with 15 libraries in the central Ohio area, our Digital Downloads collection now includes over 134,000 eBooks, audiobooks, movies and music. Last year UAPL patrons checked out over 38,000 items from this collection and I predict we will top 55,000 this year. New this year is our Zinio Magazine collection which includes 149 of the most popular titles in the US. You can find everything from *Astronomy* and *Consumer Reports* to *Rolling Stone* and *Working Mother*. Patrons have downloaded over 11,000 issues so far this year and a brand new feature includes the ability to download back issues of the titles we carry. And for your music, our Freegal collection of over 7 million songs from over 28,000 music labels includes both songs and music videos. Patrons can download up to two per week.

In addition to materials we also provide fun and useful activities on our website and other social media outlets. You can join an online book club on the website. Upload a photograph on Instagram to participate in our Monthly "Picture This" Photo contest; or watch tutorials and book reviews on YouTube. We'll even answer your questions via text or email.

So stay warm this winter and remember we're here for you even if you don't leave the comfort of your own home.

*Chris Taylor*

## From the Board President

In 2013 the board continued to work with library administration to maintain a balanced budget in a difficult economy. The challenge was, and is, to prioritize those expenditures that must be incurred now to maintain and improve existing facilities and services while, at the same time, postponing those expenditures that can wait another year or perhaps two. There is simply not enough revenue to do everything we would like to do now. Fortunately, we can report success largely due to a five-year budget planning process we worked through committees to bring about.



The \$2.5 million Energy Conservation Measures (ECM) project is a good example of the value of long-term planning and saving. By careful planning and revenue management, we are able to significantly improve the HVAC system while avoiding the need to borrow or incur financing costs. More details can be found on page 4 of this publication.

We continue to look for opportunities to provide outstanding services as economically as possible. For example, we could participate in consortia to save on utilities, health care and other necessary expenditures. The Board and administration will continue to plan the library's annual budget through this five-year forecast.

*John H. Buntch*

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**On the cover:** Miller Park Branch Manager Kate Albers checks out a DVD to Lorri Gorno Dean and her son Emerson. Learn about new circulation policies on page 18.



# News and Views

## Holiday Closings

UA libraries will be closed on Tuesday, December 24 and Wednesday, December 25. Regular hours resume Thursday, December 26. We will close at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, December 31 and remain closed on Wednesday, January 1. Regular hours resume on Thursday, January 2. All UAPL locations will be open on Martin Luther King, Jr. Day and Presidents Day. Happy Holidays!

## Register Your UA Book Club

Do you belong to an Upper Arlington book club? If so, your club could win a prize package just for providing information about your club and its members. Visit our website at [www.ualibrary.org](http://www.ualibrary.org) and click the Book Club Giveaway link. You'll be entered to win up to 10 copies of a book of your choice, plus a gift card to Huffman's Market. It's a prize worth up to \$350.

## Library Partners with UA-KID on Collection

The UAPL is collaborating with local organization Upper Arlington-Kids Identified with Dyslexia (UA-KID) to provide a new collection of reading resources for children struggling with dyslexia. UA-KID has donated decodable children's books and adult nonfiction books about the learning disability for the purpose of educating and spreading awareness. The collection will be housed in the Youth Services Department and is anticipated to circulate by the end of 2013.

## UAPL Ranks in 99th Percentile Nationwide

*Library Journal* magazine has named the UAPL a four-star library in its annual Index of Public Library Service. We ranked 16th out of 1,367 libraries in our budget category, putting us in the 99th percentile of libraries nationwide.

## Get Health Insurance Marketplace Info

Overwhelmed by the new Affordable Care Act? Our Reference Department can help you navigate the new Health Insurance Marketplace. Check out the printed materials in the Main Library's Reference Department or at the Miller Park and Lane Road Branches. You'll also find several helpful links in the Hot Topics section of our website.

## Upcoming Board of Trustees Meetings

All meetings of the UAPL Board of Trustees are open to the public. The Board generally meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 5 p.m. in Meeting Room B of the Main Library. At press time, board meetings are scheduled for December 17, January 21 and February 18.



Four employees received "You Make a Difference" awards at our annual staff inservice day. This year's winners are (l-r) Cindy Johnson, Alexa Elgabri, Tracie Steele and Sue Emrick. Staff are nominated by peers and chosen by managers.



UAPL Director Chris Taylor, UA Schools Superintendent Paul Imhoff and members of UA-KID celebrate a new community collaboration. Pictured are (l-r) Chris Taylor, Kathryn Smith-Ripper, Melissa Shanklin, Kristi Frenken, Hamdy Elsayed-Awad, Paul Imhoff, Debbie Segor, Brett Tingley and Anita DiPasquale.



Youth Services Manager Dena Little models an outfit from our "Human Body" Discovery Kit. These kits feature learning resources on a variety of topics.

# FAQs on Library's HVAC and Lighting Upgrade

## **Q: What is the Energy Conservation Measures project?**

**A:** The Energy Conservation Measures (ECM) project is a \$2.5 million equipment replacement and energy efficiency project that replaces the heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) system at the Main Library. It also upgrades the lighting technology at the Lane Road Branch and reconfigures lighting in various places at the Main Library. The library has been planning and saving for three years to make this project fully funded.

## **Q: Why is the library doing this project now?**

**A:** Our current heating and cooling equipment is 20 years past its expected useful life cycle. The lighting technology at Lane Road Branch is obsolete. By upgrading equipment with newer technology, we'll use less energy and lower our energy bills.

## **Q: How much money will the library save on its energy bill?**

**A:** We anticipate a savings of about \$40,000 during the first year, or about a 25% reduction in consumption.

## **Q: How will patrons benefit?**

**A:** Hot and cold spots in the buildings will be improved. Regulated temperatures will offer patrons a comfortable and enjoyable experience. Improved lighting will make browsing the collection easier and reduce computer glare.

## **Q: Where and when will patrons see the benefit?**

**A:** Improved lighting will be most evident at the Lane Road Branch as well as in the Media, Reference and Youth Services Departments at the Main Library. Look for these improvements by Spring 2014. We anticipate improved temperature control with the new HVAC system by July 2014.

## **Q: Will library hours change or will access to some areas be limited?**

**A:** The library will remain open with regular hours throughout the project. All public spaces will continue to be accessible throughout the project. Any heating or cooling disruptions will be localized and minimal in impact.

## **Q: How will the library keep patrons informed of progress?**

**A:** For updates, visit our website, Facebook or Twitter pages.



# Enter Our 2nd Annual Gingerbread Contest

You're invited to show your sweet and creative side with our 2nd Annual Gingerbread Building Contest.

Decorate a gingerbread house or other design, and bring it to the Main Library by 6 p.m. on Friday, December 6. Divisions include house/building or other; age categories are family or adult. Children ages 9-12 can build and enter a graham cracker house at our youth program on December 4. See page 5 for details.

Our celebrity judging panel will rate the structures based on originality/creativity; difficulty; precision and overall appearance. This year's judges include WCMH-TV Meteorologist Ben Gelber; Jeni's Splendid Ice Creams Founder Jeni Britton Bauer; and UA Mayor Don Leach. Impress them with your entry and you could win a blue ribbon and a gift card to a local merchant, courtesy of

the Friends of the UAPL. Entries will be displayed and winners announced during our annual Holiday Happiness event on Saturday, December 7.

Complete rules and a pre-registration form are available at any UAPL location or online at [gingerbread.ualibrary.org](http://gingerbread.ualibrary.org).



# Youth Winter Reading Program Begins January 6

Young readers can beat the winter blues by joining our annual Winter Reading Club. This year's theme is "Book BINGO!"

Those in preschool through grade 12 can participate by stopping by any UAPL location to pick up a BINGO card. On the card you'll find 24 literacy and library activity spaces. When you've completed enough activities to form a BINGO (vertical, horizontal, or diagonal line across the card), return your card and drop it into the lucky box. When you've completed a card, take another one and play again!

Each player who completes and turns in their BINGO card will receive a bookmark, and each entry earns a chance to win some fun grand prizes. There will be drawings after the end of the Winter Reading Program for four different age categories: infants-PreK, grades K-2, grades 3-5, and grades 6-12. Thanks to our generous Friends of the UAPL for donating the prizes.

This biblio-BINGO runs from January 6 through February 15. Prizes will be drawn on February 17.







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## Youth Gingerbread House Competition

**Wednesday, December 4 at 6:30 p.m.** Ages 9-12  
*Meeting Room B; 90 min.* Registration opens November 20

You bring your creativity, we provide the supplies! Kids will have 90 minutes to build a gingerbread house out of graham crackers, frosting and candies. Finished houses will be displayed in the Youth Department and judged by a celebrity panel during Holiday Happiness on Dec. 7. First and second place winners will receive a prize. Participants need not be present; winners will be notified.



**Related reading:** *The Gingerbread Book* by Allen D. Bragdon

## Youth Chess Club

**Thursday, December 5 at 4 p.m.** Grades 3-6  
**Thursday, January 2 at 4 p.m.** Registration opens  
**Thursday, February 6 at 4 p.m.** two weeks prior  
*Youth Activity Room; 45 min.*

Checkmate! Young chess lovers of all levels are welcome to join our Youth Chess Club. Our local teen experts will moderate, help beginners and suggest strategies to players.



**Related reading:** *Chess in Action* by Paul Mantell

## Holiday Movie: *The Bishop's Wife*

**Thursday, December 5 at 7 p.m.** All ages  
*Friends Theater; 120 mins.* No registration

Join us for a showing of the holiday classic *The Bishop's Wife* starring Cary Grant, David Niven and Loretta Young. In this 1947 film, a bishop trying to get a new cathedral built prays for guidance. An angel soon arrives, but his guidance isn't about fundraising.

**Related DVD:** *Miracle on 42nd Street*

## Holiday Happiness

**Saturday, December 7 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.** All ages  
*Atrium; Youth Activity Room; Friends Theater* No registration

Come to our 42nd annual Holiday Happiness event! Enjoy activities, displays, music and other holiday traditions. Vote for your favorite tree in our Avenue of Trees competition, check out the entries in our gingerbread building contest, and sing along to *Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer*. **Santa and Mrs. Claus will visit from 12-2 p.m.**

**Related reading:** *Christmas Crafting With Kids: 35 Projects for the Festive Season* by Catherine Woram

## Write a Novel in 30 Days!

**Wednesday, December 11 at 7 p.m.** Teens & adults  
*Friends Theater; 60 min.* No registration

Did you write 50,000 words during National Novel Writing Month in November? Here's your next step! Get advice from author **Jody Casella** on turning that rough draft into something presentable.

**Related reading:** *Thin Space* by Jody Casella

## LEGO Lit

**Thursday, December 12 at 4 p.m.** Grades K-4  
**Thursday, January 9 at 4 p.m.** Registration opens  
**Thursday, February 13 at 4 p.m.** two weeks prior  
*Meeting Room B; 45 min.*

When books and LEGOs collide, you get LEGO Lit! Each month we share a story and build around a theme. The Friends of the UAPL provide the LEGOs, you provide the fun.



**Related reading:** *Cool Creations in 39 Pieces* by Sean Kenney

## Red Cross Blood Drive

**Saturday, December 14 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m.** Adults  
**Saturday, February 8 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m.** No registration  
*Friends Theater & Meeting Room B*

Give the gift of life by donating blood at a Red Cross Blood Drive. Visit the website below and use sponsor code UAPL to make an appointment. Walk-ins also encouraged.

**More info:** [www.redcrossblood.org/make-donation](http://www.redcrossblood.org/make-donation)



## Holiday Music: The Signs of Christmas Choir

**Saturday, December 14 at 12 p.m.**

*Atrium; 30 min.*

All ages  
No registration

The Signs of Christmas Choir will perform a selection of holiday music that will include performances in American Sign Language. Every year, the volunteer choir comes together to spread holiday cheer and continue their mission to promote deaf/hard of hearing awareness through the beauty of American Sign Language.



**More info:** [www.signsofchristmas.org](http://www.signsofchristmas.org)

## Jingle Bell Storytime

**Monday, December 16 at 10:30 a.m.**

*Youth Activity Room; 30 min.*

Preschoolers  
No registration

Dash through the snow to this fun music-and-movement storytime featuring jingle bells, snowballs and more.

**Related reading:** *J is for Jingle Bells* by Laura Purdie Salas

## UAHS Exam Study Rooms

**December 17-19 at 6:30 p.m.**

*Various locations; 120 min.*

Grades 9-12  
No registration

Looking for a quiet place to study? Have a group that needs space to prepare for exams? We'll have open rooms available these three nights for students who need a dedicated study space. Look for the welcome sign directing you to the designated and open study spaces. High schoolers only, please. Snacks and covered beverages are permitted.

## Family Books and Build

**Saturday, December 21 at 10:30 a.m.**

**Saturday, January 18 at 10:30 a.m.**

**Saturday, February 15 at 10:30 a.m.**

*Youth Activity Room; 45 min.*

Ages 3-10  
Registration opens  
two weeks prior

Children and caregivers — join us for stories, building and fun! Each month we'll read a story for inspiration, then the building will begin with our LEGO and LEGO Duplo blocks. Please note children will not be able to keep their creations.



**Related reading:** *The LEGO Book* by Daniel Lipkowitz

## Family Holiday Movie Marathon

**Sunday, December 22 at 1:30 p.m.**

*Friends Theater; 3 hrs.*

All Ages  
No registration

Join us for a whole afternoon of holiday movies that the entire family can enjoy! We'll show several favorites including *The Snowman*, the animated *How the Grinch Stole Christmas*, and *Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer*. Bring a snack and enjoy one or all of these movies.



**Related DVD:** *Scoot and Kassie's Christmas Adventure*

## MuVChat: Elf

**Monday, December 23 at 2 p.m.**

*Friends Theater; 120 min.*

Grades 6+  
No registration

Funny movie + ur txt msgs=funnier movie! MuVChat allows viewers to txt n yr jokes and have them appear onscreen during a movie. We'll provide the movie (*Elf*) and you bring your phone, friends and sense of humor.



**Related DVD:** *Elf*

## Countdown to Noon!

**Tuesday, December 31 at 11:15 a.m.**

*Youth Activity Room; 45 min.*

Preschoolers  
No registration

It's a PreK party for those too young to make it to midnight! We'll have music, dancing, crafts and snacks. Let's welcome the new year early with a grand "countdown to noon!"

**Related reading:** *The Night Before New Year's* by Natasha Wing

## Columbus Children's Theatre: The Princess and The Pea

**Saturday, January 4 at 10:15 a.m.**

*Friends Theater; 45 min.*

Ages 3+  
Free tickets required

Meet the cast from Columbus Children's Theatre's production of *The Princess and the Pea*. Actors will perform a short scene from the show and provide a craft. Characters will be available after the program for photos. Free tickets are required and will be available in the Youth Services Dept. beginning Dec. 21.



**More info:** [www.colschildrenstheatre.org](http://www.colschildrenstheatre.org)



## Downton Abbey Season 4 Premiere Party

**Sunday, January 5 at 7:30 p.m.**

Adults

*Friends Theater; 3½ hrs.* Registration opens December 2

Are you a *Downton Abbey* fan? Join us after hours at the library for the premiere of the fourth season of the hit TV series. We'll have a trivia contest with prizes, *Downton Abbey* bingo, and some Dowager Countess-approved snacks. Dress up in your best *Downton Abbey* couture and be entered in a prize drawing. The program airs from 9-11 p.m. Our doors will open at 7:30 p.m. for premiere activities. Please note that if you are not in by 8:15 p.m., the doors will be locked and you will not be able to enter.



**Related reading:** *Behind the Scenes at Downton Abbey* by Emma Rowley

## Drop In and Make a Calendar

**Monday, January 6; 10 a.m.-9 p.m.**

Kids

**Tuesday, January 7; 10 a.m.-9 p.m.**

No registration

*Youth Department*

Stop by to make a calendar you can use all year long.

**Related reading:** *All About the Months* by Joanne Randolph

## Book Bingo Winter Reading Club

**January 6-February 15**

Infants-grade 12

Registration opens January 6

Beat the winter blues with our 2014 Winter Reading Program — “Book Bingo!” Stop by any UAPL location to pick up a bingo card. Complete your card to be entered into a prize drawing held after the program ends. Winners will be contacted Feb. 17. Prizes are grouped into infant-PreK, K-2, 3-5, and 6-12.

## Focus on Health: Stress Headaches and Sleep

**Tuesday, January 7 at 7 p.m.**

Adults

*Friends Theater; 60 min.*

No registration

Join **Dr. Erik Hensel** for a discussion on natural ways and healthy choices that will improve sleep, and prevent and eliminate stress headaches. Dr. Hensel received his Bachelor of Science in Biology with a Chemistry minor from the University of Minnesota Duluth. He attended Chiropractic school at Northwestern Health Sciences University in Bloomington, MN. While in Chiropractic school, Dr. Hensel pursued specialty classes in Applied Kinesiology, functional medicine and nutrition. He is passionate about educating people to enable them to make healthier choices in order to achieve wellness, prevent disease and alleviate symptoms.

**Related reading:** *The Superstress Solution* by Dr. Roberta Lee

## Feed Down Fines

**Saturday, January 11 from 12:30-4:30 p.m.**

All ages

*Meeting Room A*

No registration

Got fines? Got food? The UAPL will waive \$1 of your fines for every canned or boxed food item that you donate to the Mid-Ohio Foodbank, up to a total of \$10. Drop off your donations anytime between 12:30-4:30 p.m. A few guidelines...**check expiration dates in advance.** The foodbank cannot accept expired items according to federal regulations. **Boxes must be unopened.** We cannot accept individual packets from an opened box. Visit the Mid-Ohio Foodbank's website for more information on the items that are most needed.

**More info:** [www.midohiofoodbank.org/hold-a-food-drive](http://www.midohiofoodbank.org/hold-a-food-drive)

## Nail Art

**Saturday, January 11 at 2 p.m.**

Grades 6+

*Youth Activity Room; 60 min.*

Registration opens Dec. 28

Teens! We'll have nail polish, gems, tape and other supplies available so you can rock your nails in the new year.



**Related reading:** *Nail Art Sourcebook* by Pansy Alexander-Potter and Mineko Sugita

## The New Iranian Cinema: *My Tehran for Sale*

**Sunday, January 12 at 2 p.m.**

Adults

*Friends Theater; 120 min.*

No registration

Join OSU's **Steve Hunt** as he starts our study of Iranian cinema with *My Tehran for Sale*, an internationally acclaimed art house film by Iranian avant-garde filmmaker Granaz Moussavi. The film explores contemporary Tehran and its underground art scene by following the trials of a terminally ill young actress, Marzieh. Marzieh has been banned by the authorities from working in the theater, so she begins a desperate quest for securing political asylum in Australia. (2009, 95 min., NR)



**Related DVD:** *Baran*



## Building Challenge Workshop: 100

**Wednesday, January 15 at 3:30 p.m.**

Youth Activity Room; 60 min.

Grades K-5

No registration

Are you a creative builder? Do you enjoy problem solving? If so, this workshop is for you! We'll build a series of challenges using only the object given — sets of 100 things!

**Related reading:** *Many Ways to 100* by Betsy Franco

## Book Circle: *Maisie Dobbs*

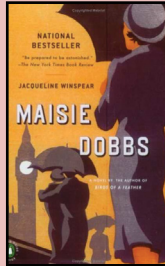
**Wednesday, January 15 at 1:30 p.m.**

Meeting Room B; 90 min.

Adults

No registration

Join us for an informal discussion of *Maisie Dobbs* by Jacqueline Winspear. Maisie Dobbs isn't just any young housemaid. Through her own natural intelligence—and the patronage of her benevolent employers—she works her way into college at Cambridge. When World War I breaks out, Maisie goes to the front as a nurse. It is there that she learns that coincidences are meaningful and the truth elusive. After the War, Maisie sets up on her own as a private investigator. But her very first assignment, seemingly an ordinary infidelity case, soon reveals a much deeper, darker web of secrets, which will force Maisie to revisit the horrors of the Great War and the love she left behind.



**Required reading:** *Maisie Dobbs* by Jacqueline Winspear

## With Only Five Plums: The Story of a Survivor of the Lidice Massacre of WWII

**Thursday, January 16 at 7 p.m.**

Friends Theater; 60 min.

Adults & teens

No registration

**Terry Eisele**, author of *With Only Five Plums*, will explain the events of one of the most shocking events of the Second World War — the massacre of Lidice, Czechoslovakia. Eisele's graphic novel recounts the series of interviews he did in the mid-1990s with one of the few survivors of the massacre, Anna Nesorova. The author's talk will also touch on the process of collaborating with artist Jonathon Riddle in the creation of the graphic novel.

**Related reading:** *With Only Five Plums* by Terry Eisele

## eBook and eReader Q & A

**Sunday, January 19 from 1:30-3:30**

**Saturday, February 1 from 10:30-12:30**

**Sunday, February 16 from 1:30-3:30**

Meeting Room B

Adults

Registration

opens Jan. 2

Join Media Services staff for an introductory, individualized session on using eReaders for downloading the library's eBooks and audiobooks. Bring your library card and device. If you're using a Nook or a Sony reader, we encourage you to bring your laptop if you have one.



## Mary Poppins Sing-a-Long

**Monday, January 20 at 2 p.m.**

Friends Theater; 2½ hrs.

All ages

No registration

Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious, Let's Go Fly a Kite, A Spoonful of Sugar — feel free to sing along as everyone's favorite nanny flies into our theater for this fun event.

**Related DVD:** *Mary Poppins*

## Focus on Health: Type II Diabetes

**Tuesday, January 21 at 7 p.m.**

Friends Theater; 60 min.

Adults

No registration

Type 2 diabetes is the most common form of the disease. The American Diabetes Association estimates that 28.5 million Americans are currently living with type 2 diabetes. It's a disease that can often be prevented and managed by making adjustments to health and lifestyle habits. Learn more from our presenter, **Dr. Erik Hensel**.

**Related reading:** *The Complete Diabetes Guide for Type 2 Diabetes* by Karen Graham

## High School Book Club

**UAHS students:** Join us for a lively discussion of classic and contemporary literature. Stop by the school's learning center to pick up a copy of this month's title.

Please note: This book discussion meets at UA High School.

**Friday Jan. 24 @ 3:15 PM**

**Friday Feb. 21 @ 3:15 PM**



## The Tolerant Society: The First Amendment and the Price of Free Expression

**Wednesday, January 22 at 7 p.m.**

*Friends Theater; 60 min.*

Adults

No registration

Lee Bollinger, president of Columbia University and former dean of the University of Michigan School of Law, has written that the value of the First Amendment in American society is its ability to produce collective restraint in confronting anti-social behavior. Join **Jeffrey Vernon**, doctoral candidate at OSU, to discuss Bollinger's concept of "The Tolerant Society," as it relates to recent events and a century of court decisions controlling extremist and anti-social speech.

**Related reading:** *The Harm in Hate Speech* by Jeremy Waldron

## The New Iranian Cinema: *No One Knows About Persian Cats*

**Sunday, January 26 at 2 p.m.**

*Friends Theater; 120 min.*

Adults

No registration

This film was co-written by Iranian-American journalist Roxana Saberi, and was shot entirely in secret. The film follows a pair of young musicians, Negar and Ashkan—recently released from prison and on a mission to take their rock band to Europe. They are forbidden to play in Iran, so they plan their escape abroad with the help of a music promoter. They decide to have one last show before leaving, embarking on a dangerous journey through the city's vibrant and diverse underground music scene, comprising a large number of illegal independent bands. *No One Knows About Persian Cats* features extraordinary performances by real underground musicians. **Steve Hunt** returns to introduce the film and lead a discussion following the movie. (2009, 107 min., NR)



**Related DVD:** *Turtles Can Fly*

## Science Investigation: Bubble Gum

**Wednesday, January 29 at 3:30 p.m.**

*Youth Activity Room; 60 min*

Grades 2-5

Registration opens Jan. 15

Hear a story about everyone's favorite chewy treat and visit stations including guess the number of gumballs, figure out the flavor, biggest bubble and finish with a grand gumball engineering challenge.



**Related reading:** *Pop! The Invention of Bubble Gum* by Meghan McCarthy

## Live at the Library: The Andy Shaw Band

**Thursday, January 30 at 7 p.m.**

*Friends Theater; 90 min.*

Adults

No registration

**The Andy Shaw Band** is a reggae and blues influenced rock band that is based in Columbus. They played 135 shows in 2012 throughout the United States, including a performance at the SXSW festival. They also charted at #12 nationally on Jambands.com.

**More info:** [andyshawband.bandcamp.com](http://andyshawband.bandcamp.com)

## Columbus Children's Theatre: *Arthur and the Magic Sword*

**Saturday, February 1 at 10:30 a.m.**

*Friends Theater; 45 min.*

Ages 6+

Free tickets required

Meet the cast from Columbus Children's Theatre's upcoming performance of *Arthur*. Actors will perform a short scene from the show and provide a craft. Characters will be available after the program for photos. Free tickets required and will be available Jan. 18.

**More info:** [www.colschildrenstheatre.org](http://www.colschildrenstheatre.org)

## Library Open House for Parents of UA Kindergartners and First Graders

**Tuesday, February 4 at 7 p.m.**

*Friends Theater; 45 min.*

Adults

No registration

Parents of UA kindergartners and first graders are invited to a 25-minute presentation about services specifically for these students. The presentation will be followed by Q & A. Join us to find out what your library has to offer.

## Shadow Puppet Workshop

**Wednesday, February 5 at 4 p.m.**

*Youth Activity Room; 60 min.*

Grades 3-12

Registration opens Jan. 22

In this hands-on workshop puppeteer **Rebecca Riley** will perform a shadow puppet show called the Goblin Lair about a young child, a goblin and a magical spell. Workshop participants will learn about shadow puppetry and make their own shadow puppet to take home.



**Related reading:** *Making Shadow Puppets* by Jill Bryant

## Exploring the Pearls of the Adriatic

**Wednesday, February 5 at 7 p.m.**

*Friends Theater; 90 min.*

Adults

No registration

Croatia and Montenegro are becoming popular travel destinations, as tourists are drawn to the unique charms of these one-time territories of the former Yugoslavia. Appealing features include beautiful coastal scenery, rustic villages, spectacular mountains, friendly people, and great food. Join **Gene Gilliom** for an up-close exploration of these fabled lands through beautiful photographs and native music.

**Related reading:** *A Taste of Croatia: Savoring the Food, People and Traditions of Croatia's Adriatic Coast* by Karen Evenden

## Live at the Library: The Saturday Giant

**Thursday, February 6 at 7 p.m.**

*Friends Theater; 90 min.*

Adults

No registration

One man band **The Saturday Giant** brings music to the computer age with a result that includes elements of rock, folk, hip hop and pop. The Saturday Giant uses looping technology to create live feeds of different instruments during his performance that allow him to build complex music as a solo act.

**More info:** [thesaturdaygiant.bandcamp.com](http://thesaturdaygiant.bandcamp.com)

## The New Iranian Cinema: A Separation

**Sunday, February 9 at 2 p.m.**

*Friends Theater; 2½ hrs.*

Adults

No registration

Winner of the 2012 Academy Award for best foreign language film, *A Separation* is a compelling drama about the dissolution of a marriage. Simin and her husband Nader face a choice between providing better opportunities for their daughter by leaving Iran, or staying to look after a parent with Alzheimer's. Simin sues for divorce when Nader negates on their plan and refuses to leave behind his Alzheimer-suffering father. **Steve Hunt** will present the movie and follow up with a discussion after the screening. (2012, 123 min., PG-13)

**Related DVD:** *The Fish Fall in Love*

## Blind Date with a Book

**February 10-14**

*Youth Services Dept.*

Teens

No registration

Looking for a special Valentine this year? Drop by our Young Adult section any time this week and choose a mysterious, wrapped book. The only thing you'll know about your "date" is the genre – mystery, humor, adventure, sports, etc. Take a chance on falling in love with a great story this Valentine's Day. We've got just your type!

## Drop-In Valentine Craft

**February 13-14 from 10 a.m.-9 p.m.**

*Youth Services Dept.*

Kids

No registration

Stop by at your convenience and make a valentine for someone special in your life. Supplies will be available in the Youth Services Department throughout the day on February 13 and 14.

**Related reading:** *Valentine Crafts* by Greta Speechley

## Live at the Library: Angela Perley and the Howlin' Moons

**Thursday, February 13 at 7 p.m.**

*Friends Theater; 90 min.*

Adults

No registration

Angela Perley, Billy Zehnal (bass), Chris Connor (lead guitar), and Steve Rupp (drums) formed their band in Columbus in 2009. Influenced by the classic sounds of Loretta Lynn, Patsy Cline, Bob Dylan and Wanda Jackson, Perley and her band are part rock 'n' roll and part rockabilly, with a pinch of R&B and some southern-sounding country sass.

**More info:** <http://www.angelaperley.com/music>

## Newspaper Engineering Challenge

**Tuesday, February 18 at 3:30 p.m.**

*Youth Activity Room; 60 min.*

Grades 2-5

Registration opens February 4

Learn about load and force, then test your knowledge by building a chair that will hold your weight – made from newspapers! Think it can't be done? Give it a try!



**Related reading:** *Down the Back of the Chair* by Margaret Mahy

## Book Circle: The Last Runaway

**Wednesday, February 19 at 1:30 p.m.**

*Meeting Room B; 60 min.*

Adults

No registration

Join us for an informal discussion of *The Last Runaway* by Tracy Chevalier. In Ohio in 1850, life is a trial for a modest English Quaker stranded far from home. Untethered from the moment she leaves England, Honor Bright is forced by family tragedy to rely on strangers in an alien, untamed landscape. Drawn into the clandestine activities of the Underground Railroad, Honor befriends two exceptional people who embody the startling power of defiance.

**Required reading:** *The Last Runaway* by Tracy Chevalier



## Columbus Children's Theatre: Freckleface Strawberry The Musical

**Wednesday, February 19 at 7 p.m.**

*Friends Theater; 45 min.*

Ages 4+

Free tickets required

Meet the cast from Columbus Children's Theatre's upcoming event. Actors will perform a short scene from the show and provide a craft. Characters will be available after the program for photos. Free tickets required and will be available February 5.



**More info:** [www.colschildrenstheatre.org](http://www.colschildrenstheatre.org)

## Live at the Library: The New Salty Caramels

**Thursday, February 20 at 7 p.m.**

*Friends Theater; 90 min.*

Adults

No registration

In the fall of 2012, four sultry women set out to form Columbus' best all female band. Their music is the perfect blend of salty and sweet, just like their favorite Jeni's ice cream flavor that their band is named for. They will rock your socks off with their sassy, nostalgic tunes. Band members Molly Winters, Emily Ng, Sarah Overdier, and Paige Strickling sing and play guitar, bass, drums, saw, kazoo, washboard, glockenspiel, and more.

**More info:** [www.thesaltycaramels.net/media.html](http://www.thesaltycaramels.net/media.html)

## The New Iranian Cinema: *This is Not a Film*

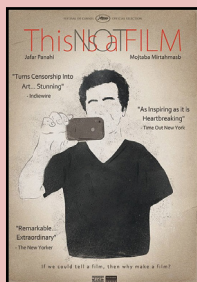
**Sunday, February 23 at 2 p.m.**

*Friends Theater; 90 min.*

Adults

No registration

We conclude our study of Iranian cinema with the documentary *This is Not a Film*. In 2011, Jafar Panahi, the award-winning Iranian director, was under house arrest for a month while appealing his sentence — six years in prison and a 20-year ban from filmmaking. In defiance of the ban, he decided to document his days and share it with the rest of the world. The result is this clandestine documentary, shot partially on an iPhone and smuggled out of Iran in time for submission to Cannes Film Festival. **Steve Hunt** will introduce the film and will follow with a discussion after the movie. (2011, 75 min., NR)



**Related DVD:** *Letters From Iran*

## Explore Peru with Two Wandering Women

**Wednesday, February 26 at 7 p.m.**

*Friends Theater; 60 min.*

Adults

No registration

Two Wandering Women return to the library with their exploration of an amazing country: Peru. The Peruvian Amazon is one of the most pristine, untouched rain forests on the earth. At the same time, Peru's rich architecture and culture shows influences from Spanish Colonial times as well as pre-Columbian civilizations such as the Inca Empire, Chavin, Moche and Nasca. Join **Nancy Staley** and **Carol Gray** as they wander through Peru seeing amazing sights and basking in the local culture.

**Related DVD:** *Destination Peru*

## Live at the Library: Maza Blaska

**Thursday, February 27 at 7 p.m.**

*Friends Theater; 90 min.*

Adults

No registration

**Maza Blaska** is the musical collaboration of Yoni Mizrahi and Sam Corlett. Showcasing a wide range of performance and arrangement styles, the duo leads a rotating cast of eclectic players and has appeared on stage as an intimate two-person folk act, a 10-member big band ensemble, and everywhere in between. With sounds and influences spanning the globe, Maza Blaska songs fuse African and South American poly-rhythms with guitar riffs and vocal melodies reminiscent of psychedelic pop music of the 1960s and 70s.

**More info:** <http://mazablaska.bandcamp.com>

## Meet the Staff



**Name:** Sarah Dailey

**Position:** Deputy Fiscal Officer

**Year you joined UAPL:** 2007

**My memorable UAPL experience:** When the Youth department held Star Wars Day. The people who were hired to come in dressed as characters from Star Wars went all out with their costumes. It was fun to see children excited about Star Wars Day and dressed up in their own Star Wars gear.

**What I'm reading now:** I just finished *A Game of Thrones*, the *Graphic Novel* by George R. R. Martin.

# Storytimes

## Main Library

Jan. 13- Feb. 27

### Babytime (0-24 months)

Mon @ 10:15    Wed @ 11:15

### Tales for Twos & Threes (2-3 years)

Mon @ 11:15    Thur @ 10:15

### Preschool (3 ½-6 years)

Tue @ 10:15    Wed @ 10:15

### Family Evening Storytime (all ages)

Mon @ 7:00



## Lane Road Library

Jan. 14- Feb. 27

### Babytime (0-24 months)

Wed @ 11:15    Thur @ 10:15

### Tales for Twos & Threes (2-3 years)

Tue @ 10:15    Wed @ 10:15

### Stories & Crafts (3-5 years)

Tue @ 1:00



## Miller Park Library

Jan. 14- Feb. 27

### Babytime (0-24 months)

Tue @ 10:15    Thur @ 11:15

### Stories & Songs (2 ½-5 years)

Tue @ 11:15    Thur @ 10:15







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## Let's Speak English

**Mondays, December 2-16 at 1 p.m.** Adults  
**Mondays, February 3-March 31 at 1 p.m.** No registration  
 90 min.

Let's Speak English is an opportunity to practice speaking with ESOL trained volunteers.

**Related reading:** *Writing Better English for ESOL Learners* by Edward Swick

## Winter Crafts

**Thursday, December 12 at 4 p.m.** Ages 2+  
 60 min. No registration

Drop in and create crafts that celebrate all things chilly, snowy and wintry. We'll make fun crafts like reindeer antlers and a paper plate snowman.



**Related reading:** *Winter Friends* by Mary Quattlebaum

## Book Bingo Winter Reading Club

**January 6-February 15** Infants-grade 12  
 Registration opens January 6

Beat the winter blues with our 2014 Winter Reading Program — "Book Bingo!" Stop by any UAPL location to pick up a bingo card. Complete your card to be entered into a prize drawing held after the program ends. Winners will be contacted Feb. 17. Prizes are grouped into infant-PreK, K-2, 3-5, and 6-12.

## Fairy Tale Crafts

**Thursday, January 16 at 4 p.m.** Ages 2+  
 60 min. No registration

Fall down the rabbit hole and make crafts related to your favorite fairy tales. We'll create fun crafts based on Rapunzel, Jack and the Beanstalk, and Goldilocks and the Three Bears.



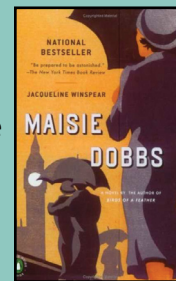
**Related reading:** *Hansel and Gretel* by Cynthia Rylant

## Book Circle: *Maisie Dobbs*

**Tuesday, January 21 at 7 p.m.**  
 90 min.

Adults  
 No registration

Join us for an informal discussion of *Maisie Dobbs* by Jacqueline Winspear. Maisie Dobbs isn't just any young housemaid. Through her own natural intelligence—and the patronage of her benevolent employers—she works her way into college at Cambridge. When World War I breaks out, Maisie goes to the front as a nurse. It is there that she learns that coincidences are meaningful and the truth elusive. After the War, Maisie sets up on her own as a private investigator. But her very first assignment, seemingly an ordinary infidelity case, soon reveals a much deeper, darker web of secrets, which will force Maisie to revisit the horrors of the Great War and the love she left behind.



**Required reading:** *Maisie Dobbs* by Jacqueline Winspear

## Make Bowties and Bows

**Wednesday, January 22 at 5 p.m.** Grades 6-12  
 60 min. Registration opens January 8

Start the new year with a classy new accessory! Stop by and make a bow or a bowtie.



## Penguin Party

**Thursday, January 30 at 4 p.m.** Ages 2+  
 60 min. Registration opens January 16

Enjoy a story, crafts and activities all about penguins.

**Related reading:** *Happy Birthday, Tacky!* by Helen Lester

## Magic Tree House: *Abe Lincoln at Last!*

**Tuesday, February 11 at 4 p.m.** Grades K+  
 60 min. Registration opens January 28

Are you ready for a presidential adventure? Travel with Jack and Annie to Washington D.C. in the 1860s as they try to find Abraham Lincoln. We'll talk about the book and do fun activities.

**Related reading:** *Abe Lincoln at Last* by Mary Pope Osborne

## Book Circle: *The Last Runaway*

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90 min.

Adults

No registration

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**Required reading:** *The Last Runaway* by Tracy Chevalier

## Nocturnal Animal Crafts

**Thursday, February 20 at 4 p.m.**

60 min.

Ages 2+

No registration

Come learn about nocturnal animals with stories and crafts related to bats, owls and your other favorite animals who only come out at night.



**Related reading:** *Owl Babies* by Martin Waddell

## Shadow Puppets Workshop

**Saturday, February 22 at 11 a.m.**

60 min.

Grades 3-12

Registration opens February 8

In this hands-on workshop, puppeteer **Rebecca Riley** will perform a shadow puppet show called the Goblin Lair about a young child, a goblin and a magical spell. Workshop participants will learn about shadow puppetry and make their own shadow puppet to take home.

**Related reading:** *Making Shadow Puppets* by Jill Bryant

## Teen Pre Pub Giveaway

**Wednesday, February 26 at 5 p.m.**

60 min.

Grades 9-12

No registration

Read it before anyone else! Here's a chance to snag an advanced reader copy of a book that hasn't been published yet. Participants may keep the book they choose; special stipulations may apply.



# Friends of the UAPL Hold Winter Book Sale

Whether you are dodging the cold by staying in or planning an escape to warmer places, no doubt you will need something great to read.

Once again Friends of the UAPL volunteers have been busy collecting, organizing and preparing thousands of books for the next big sale, which runs from Sunday, February 16 through Sunday, March 2 in the atrium of the Main Library, 2800 Tremont Road.

You'd be surprised at the wonderful things our generous patrons donate. Clearly book lovers themselves, they know their once-loved treasures are sure to find good homes. The library has been fortunate to receive everything from nearly new best sellers to rare antique collectible gems. And let's not forget about the kids! It's not unusual for Dr. Suess and Harry Potter to make appearances in our sales.

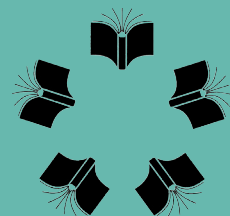
But perhaps the best kept secret is the prices. Friends' book prices have remained unchanged for the past 20 years. Most hardbacks are \$2.00 and paperbacks 50¢. Children's and teen books range from only 25¢ to \$1.00.

On February 16, the sale features large-sized, rare and special interest books that due to their uniqueness get priced separately, but are still incredible bargains for the serious or casual collector.

On the final day of the sale — March 2 from 1-3 p.m. — Friends members are able to purchase a brown grocery bag of books for just \$5. Nonmember price for a bag is \$10. We owe a special thank you to Huffman's Market for generously donating the grocery bags.

Started in 1977, the Friends of the UAPL is a volunteer organization that has been instrumental in helping the library acquire the things it needs to keep patrons happy. In fact, the Friends routinely raise over \$90,000 annually! The Friends is a fun group of hard-working, book-loving folks who enjoy working with the library and patrons. If this sounds like you, they can always use more help. Check at the Friends or circulation desk in the library for more information. And don't forget to follow them on Facebook! With all of the inside scoop on sales and activities, you'll always be up to date.

Mark your calendars for our next sale February 16-March 2.



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Public Library



# MONEY MATTERS

by Kate Hemleben, Fiscal Officer

There is no denying it: winter is on its way. That means our antiquated cooling system has performed for the last time. Next summer the Main Library will have brand new equipment to keep patrons cool. By the same token, this winter will be the last time the old boilers will be used to warm us, thanks to the impending Energy Conservation Measures (ECM) project.

In my last article I shared details about our largest project: updating the Main Library's HVAC system. This system is over 45 years old — well past its prime. After three years of planning and saving, in July the Library committed approximately \$2.5 million for this project, which also includes some lighting upgrades at most of our buildings. You can learn more about the ECM project on page 4.

I'm pleased to share that the planning and installation has started. The project management on this undertaking is top notch. Ameresco's project management team is very organized, knowledgeable and transparent. The Library and Ameresco, along with the subcontractors, will meet weekly over the next ten months to review work done and discuss the next set of work plans. These meetings keep the project moving forward, allow time for questions, and most importantly, keep all involved parties on the same page. There will be about four months of planning before the first HVAC installation starts. Thanks to prior planning by library administration and Ameresco, we anticipate that this project will be finished on time.

Look to our website at [www.ualibrary.org](http://www.ualibrary.org) and our Facebook page for more updates as work is completed.

## Update on Public Library Fund (PLF) Revenue

In my summer 2013 article, I wrote about Governor Kasich's proposed budget. He had recommended increasing the PLF by approximately 4% in the first year of the biennium, then about an additional 3% in the following year. This was exciting to hear, especially since the PLF had been cut and frozen in previous biennium budgets.

However, the state legislature made some adjustments to the biennium budget that ended up cutting income tax revenue, which will have a direct impact on the PLF. At press time, the true impact of these changes is still not known. What we do know is that public libraries will receive the same percent going forward as we did in state fiscal year 2013. Public libraries will receive about 1.66% of the State's general revenue fund for the next biennium. Prior to the decline of the economy in 2009, libraries were getting 2.22% of the general revenue fund. To date, that's a 25% reduction in state funding.



The chart below from the Ohio Library Council shows the GRF Tax Revenue and the PLF distribution since State FY 2008. To date, in every year with the exception of one the PLF saw a reduction of funding from the prior year.

Ohio Library Council  
General Revenue Fund (GRF) Tax Revenue & Public Library Fund Distribution  
Fiscal Years 2008-2015

Fiscal Year	GRF Tax Rev. incl. LGF & PLF Dist. (in millions)	Annual % Change	PLF Distribution	Annual % Change	PLF % of GRF
2008	\$ 20,521		\$ 449,588,703		2.22%
2009	\$ 18,208	-11.27%	\$ 414,168,315	-7.88%	2.22%
2010	\$ 17,217	-5.44%	\$ 340,617,891	-17.76%	1.97%
2011	\$ 18,761	8.97%	\$ 367,596,035	7.92%	1.97%
2012	\$ 19,947	6.32%	\$ 352,167,669	-4.20%	95% of FY11
2013	\$ 21,707	8.82%	\$ 344,252,252	-2.25%	95% of FY11
2014*	\$ 20,640	-4.92%	\$ 337,700,000	-1.90%	1.66%
2015*	\$ 22,300	8.04%	\$ 365,300,000	8.17%	1.66%

\* estimated

With the official numbers now in, the news is not optimistic. The Upper Arlington Public Library will receive about \$26,000 less in 2013, and we'll receive about \$60,000 less in 2014 than in 2013. Over the two-year period, the UAPL will have lost about \$86,000 in state funding. This loss will have an impact on the monies available to fund much-needed projects in our capital plan.

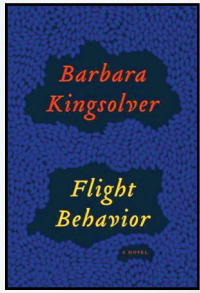
## Shared Services

The library continues to talk with both the City of Upper Arlington and the Upper Arlington Schools regarding shared services. Each entity has leadership that embraces the potential partnership between the city, schools and library as extremely important. The library continues to look at consortia for new opportunities such as purchasing electricity, health care and a library cataloging system. One thing we have learned is that there are a lot of consortia out there, and new ones are constantly being formed. Finding the right consortium takes planning and research in order to continue to provide savings for years to come.

As you can see, there's a lot going on all throughout the library to ensure your experience is great and your investment is sound. Consider this analogy: your library is like a duck swimming on a pond. All is calm and running smoothly on the surface, while underneath the water the legs are constantly paddling along.



# Looking for a Good Book? Try these UAPL Staff Picks

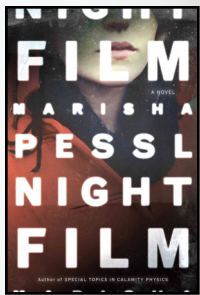


## **Flight Behavior by Barbara Kingsolver**

*Flight Behavior* takes an interesting, thought-provoking look at love and loss through the lens of science and religion, education and superstition — all in a small-town Appalachian setting. Having grown up in a similar setting in Ohio, I could see some of my past self in protagonist Dellarobia, as well as pieces of

people that I grew up with in the characters that surround her. However, her dreams and aspirations for herself and her children are universally relatable, regardless of your geographic background.

— Evan Struble, Media Services

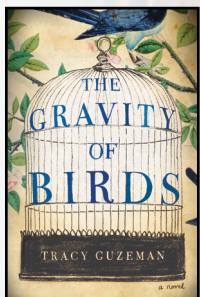


## **Night Film by Marisha Pessl**

Imagine if Stephen King wrote *The DaVinci Code* about a reclusive filmmaker with a cult following. Add a dash of humor, some black magic, and a super creepy interactive app for your smartphone or tablet and you're one step closer to Pessl's *Night Film*, which is by no means for the faint of heart. Meet Scott McGrath, a

once highly regarded journalist whose career took a nose dive during an exposé of cult filmmaker Stanislas Cordova. The sudden suicide of Cordova's daughter plunges Scott back into Cordova's world, along with a rag tag band of investigators, to determine what exactly happened to Ashley Cordova. A captivating and haunting read where everything is far from what it seems.

— Jen Downing, Adult Services

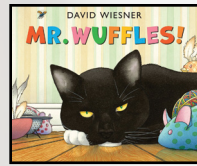


## **The Gravity of Birds by Tracie Guzman**

I was completely captivated by the inhabitants of this book. This well-written novel is part adventure, part cliffhanger romance, part mystery and part comedy. The story centers on the search for two sisters who were the subjects of a painting in the early career of a now extremely famous artist. The search is triggered by the

artist's request to his biographer to find them and is made more difficult by the artist's sudden stroke and the secrets he holds but cannot communicate. Guzman's writing style is simple but at the same time poetic and evocative. She does not hide her sympathies for her characters and she made me want to meet them all.

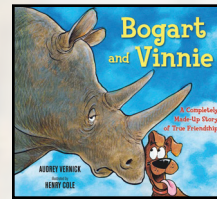
— Nancy Roth, Administration



## **Mr. Wuffles by David Wiesner**

Mr. Wuffles the cat resists all efforts as his human tries to tempt him with new playthings. But he is fascinated with a round metal toy-like object that turns out to be a miniature alien space craft filled with extraterrestrials. As Mr. Wuffles bats around this new "toy," the spaceship is damaged and the aliens must evade Mr. Wuffles, repair their craft and escape. Gorgeous artwork reveals multiple levels of storytelling along with a cryptic language that curious kids will want to decode. An intriguing, smart and rich story for older children.

— Tracie Steele, Youth Services

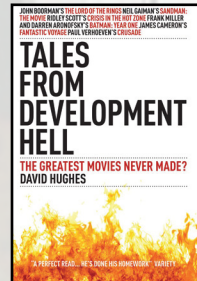


## **Bogart and Vinnie: A Completely Made-Up Story of True Friendship by Audrey Vernick**

Poor Bogart. He just wants to be left alone to enjoy his quiet life as the only rhinoceros in the nature preserve.

But when Vinnie, an extremely cheerful fellow, wanders away from his family, Bogart's life changes forever. Silly fun captures a happy dog's internal exuberance. The illustrations elevate the text to a whole new level.

— Laura Griffin, Youth Services

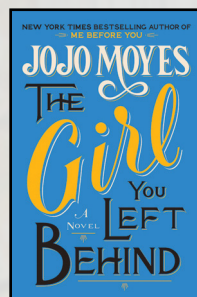


## **Tales From Development Hell: The Greatest Movies Never Made? by David Hughes**

Covering films that never made it into production as well as those that did (though radically altered from their original screenplays), this is an interesting read about the process of getting a movie made. Readers will learn why one screenplay

can have so many credited authors, how a star's ego can influence a script, and why the last Indiana Jones movie was so lousy.

— David Hertz, Information Technology



## **The Girl You Left Behind by JoJo Moyes**

This book is told in alternating narratives by a woman living in a German-occupied village during World War I era France and a woman living in modern London. The stories are linked by a painting of the French woman that ends up in the possession of the English woman nearly a hundred years later. This novel blends

historical mystery with a modern day love story that is engaging and well paced. I didn't want to put it down until I was finished.

— Jennifer Faure, Adult Services





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## Home for the Holidays

**Thursday, December 5 at 4 p.m.**  
120 min.

All ages  
No registration

Bring your family to the Miller Park Library to celebrate the holiday season. We'll have cookies and drinks, caroling with **Brian Griffin**, and a craft for the children. There will also be the chance to write a letter to Santa, who will visit from 5-6 p.m. Don't miss Miller Park's annual holiday event!



**Related reading:** *Dear Santa: The Letters of James B. Dobbins* by Bill Harley

## Reading to Rover

**Tuesday, December 10 at 7 p.m.**  
**Tuesday, January 14 at 7 p.m.**  
**Tuesday, February 11 at 7 p.m.**  
60 min.

Grades K-5  
No registration

Meet some therapy dogs from Central Ohio Good Shepherds! Improve your reading skills by reading to furry friends and learn more about this wonderful organization.

**Related reading:** *How Rocket Learned to Read* by Tad Hills

## Tiny Transforming Books

**Wednesday, December 11 at 6:30 p.m.**  
120 min. Registration opens November 27

Learn how to make a Star Accordion mini-book from our in-house artist. The process combines origami and bookbinding techniques. Tools and supplies will be provided for all participants. At the end of the evening, you will have your own handmade book and instructions to take home. You can use your new-found skills to make delightful holiday gifts and ornaments.



**Related reading:** *Creating Books & Boxes* by Benjamin D. Rinehart

## Domino Day

**Thursday, January 2 from 10 a.m.-9 p.m.**  
All day

All ages  
No registration

Play dominoes at the Miller Park Library! We'll have several domino sets and instructions available. You can even make your own set to take home, while supplies last.



**Related reading:** *Dominoes* by Elizabeth Dana Jaffe

## Sing-a-Story

**Friday, January 17 at 10:30 a.m.**  
**Friday, February 21 at 10:30 a.m.**  
45 min.

Preschoolers  
No registration

Join our in-house musician **Brian Griffin** and his guitar for a morning of stories and songs.

## Book Bingo Winter Reading Club

**January 6-February 15**  
Infants-grade 12  
Registration opens January 6

Beat the winter blues with our Winter Reading Program! Visit any UAPL location to pick up a bingo card. Complete your card to be entered into a prize drawing held after the program ends. Prizes are divided into four age groups.

## Caldecott Crafts

**Saturday, January 25 at 11 a.m.**  
60 min. Registration opens January 11

The Caldecott Medal is awarded for the best illustrations in a children's book by an American illustrator. The 2014 winner will be announced on January 27. Come celebrate with us, listen to a story, and make crafts based on past picture book winners.

**Related reading:** *This is Not My Hat* by Jon Klassen

## Valentine's Day Crafts

**Wednesday, February 12 from 10 a.m.-9 p.m.**  
All day

Kids  
No registration

Drop in anytime today to make a Valentine's Day card or craft. Feel free to bring your own shoebox to decorate with our supplies.



**Related reading:** *Valentine Surprise* by Corinne Demas

## UAPL Showcases Local Music

The Main Library has started building a new special collection that is sure to please fans of the local music scene. Our Media Services Department is home to a small selection of CDs by Ohio musicians representing a variety of genres from rock to classical to jazz. While this music has always been available classified by specific genres, this marks the first time it has been housed together under a common call number, making it easier for those interested in all kinds of local artists to discover.

Our Media Services staff has compiled a list of local artists' work to add to the collection, but we're always looking for other possible additions. If you're an Ohio-based musician who is interested in having your work circulate at the Upper Arlington Public Library, please contact Media Services Manager Shahin Shoar at [sshoar@ualibrary.org](mailto:sshoar@ualibrary.org) for more details.

To coincide with our local CD collection, we're introducing a new program series for adults and teens: "Live at the Library." This series showcases local talent representing eclectic musical tastes. We kick off with five consecutive Wednesday performances held at 7 p.m. in the Main Library's Friends Theater.

**The Andy Shaw Band**

**The Saturday Giant**

**Angela Perley and the Howlin' Moons**

**The New Salty Caramels**

**Maza Blaska**

**January 30**

**February 6**

**February 13**

**February 20**

**February 27**



## Trustee Bill Shkurti Wins Ohio Library Council Award

At its annual convention in October, the Ohio Library Council named UAPL Board of Trustees member William J. Shkurti as the recipient of the 2013 Trustee Award of Achievement.

This honor recognizes an individual library board member or entire board of trustees who demonstrate distinguished service and innovative leadership within the community or across Ohio.



*William J. Shkurti*

Bill Shkurti has greatly impacted and strengthened the relationship between the library board and library administration. During a critical time in the history of the UAPL, Shkurti demonstrated leadership as a member of the Finance Committee in developing a five-year budget plan. As part of the budget planning process, Shkurti assisted library administration in carefully analyzing revenues and projecting costs.

He also assisted in the passage of a library levy in 2012. During the levy campaign, Shkurti spoke numerous times with city council members, community leaders, organizations, and library staff to build an understanding of the library's funding and its long-term financial picture. In addition to his responsibilities as a UAPL Trustee, Shkurti has contributed to the larger public library community as a presenter at OLC's New Director's Workshop Series and New Trustee Workshops.

## Library Makes Changes to Circulation Policies

The UAPL's Collection Committee met throughout 2013 to review our collection policies and develop our collection philosophy. We also evaluated our item limits and loan periods as compared to our fellow Franklin County library systems. After months of work, the committee has changed three policies that go into effect on January 1, 2014.

The first change reduces the number of books, magazines and audiobooks that can be checked out to one card at any given time. This limit will decrease from 100 items to 50. This limit puts us in line with other area libraries and, as we learned from an internal review of checkouts, already meets the bulk of our patron's needs.

The second change affects several loan periods. The fiction DVD loan period will increase from 5 days to 7 days.



The nonfiction DVD loan period will decrease from 14 days to 7 days. This makes it convenient for patrons who visit the library once each week and creates less confusion by having the same loan period for all DVDs. The loan period for music CDs will decrease from 28 days to 14 days. Items can still be renewed up to five times if there are no requests for them.

The third change is with the number of copies of books we buy in relation to the number of holds per title. We currently purchase one copy of the book for every five holds. Beginning in January, we will purchase one copy for every three holds. We had decreased this ratio in 2009 due to budget cuts and are now in a position to return to the 3 to 1 ratio. This will increase the speed that holds get filled.





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