

LET IT SNOW

PROGRAMS | WINTER 2021-2022



We are pleased to present Let It Snow for adults and teens. Our winter reading program returns with a collectible mug for completers. Read a minimum of six books **between January 3 and March 31** to receive the 2022 Let It Snow ceramic 15 oz. mug.

Participants who finish an additional four titles are entered into a drawing to win an iPad, an experience or other prizes. Participate online at kdl.org/snow or pick up a printed form at any KDL branch when the program begins.



Programs, events, classes and library scenes may be photographed or videotaped for library promotional purposes. Notify library staff if you prefer not to be photographed.



Byron Township Branch Hours

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
—	9:30 to 8:00	9:30 to 8:00	9:30 to 8:00	12:00 to 8:00	9:30 to 5:00	9:30 to 5:00

Closed: **Christmas Eve**, Friday, Dec. 24

Christmas Day, Saturday, Dec. 25

New Year's Eve*, Friday, Dec. 31

*All branches close at 5:00 PM

New Year's Day, Saturday, Jan. 1

Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Monday, Jan. 17

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**Byron Township
Branch**

8191 Byron Center Ave. SW

BYRON TOWNSHIP BRANCH

For All Ages



Byron Twp. Branch's 7th Annual Gingerbread House Contest

Daily, Dec. 2 - 23, During branch open hours

Show off your creative gingerbread masterpiece!

Contest entries will be accepted in four categories: kids age 11 and under, teens age 12-17, adults, and families or groups. Prizes will be awarded by popular vote and by judges' choice. Showcase entries should be on a sturdy base no larger than 15" by 15" and may be dropped off during branch open hours from Wednesday, Dec. 1 through Wednesday, Dec. 8.

Popular voting will take place at the library during open hours Thursday, Dec. 9 through Thursday, Dec. 16. View the winning creations Friday, Dec. 17 through Thursday, Dec. 23. Entries in the teen, adult and families/group categories must be made of gingerbread; entries in the kids' category may be made of graham crackers. Kits are welcome to be used in all categories. Decorations must be edible. Stop in at the branch to pick up a registration form.



For All Ages *Continued*

Ready for Reindeer!

Monday, Dec. 6, 3:30 PM

Traveling all the way from the North Pole (via Rooftop Landing Reindeer Farms), live reindeer will be visiting the library. Dress warmly and don't forget the camera!



Winter Wonder Stories

Wednesday, Dec. 8, 10:00 AM

Wednesday, Dec. 8, 11:00 AM

Friday, Dec. 10, 10:00 AM

Friday, Dec. 10, 11:00 AM

Get cozy while listening to seasonal stories then create fun, winter-themed crafts.



SnowFest Craft Time!

Saturday, Jan. 15, 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM

Celebrate the snowy season with winter-themed craft making fun for the family.

Heart to Heart Craft Party

Monday, Feb. 14, 3:30 PM

Roses are red, violets are blue, join our Valentine event, just for you! Celebrate Valentine's Day with crafts.



For additional program information, visit

KDL.ORG/EVENTS

BYRON TOWNSHIP BRANCH

For Young Children (ages 0-5)

Babytime

Mondays, Dec. 6 – Feb. 28, 10:00 AM

No program Monday, Jan. 17.

Delight and engage your baby with songs, a story and playtime. Get to know other families and help your baby develop listening and language skills. **For babies from birth to 18 months with a caregiver.**



Toddler Time

Wednesdays, Jan. 12 - Feb. 23, 10:00 AM and 11:00 AM

Nurture your toddler's love of books through music, movement and stories while helping to develop their language, motor and social skills.

Family Storytime

Fridays, Jan. 14 – Feb. 25, 10:00 AM and 11:00 AM

Read and sing together as a family. Enjoy stories, music, movement and rhymes that develop early literacy skills.



For School-Age (ages 5-10)

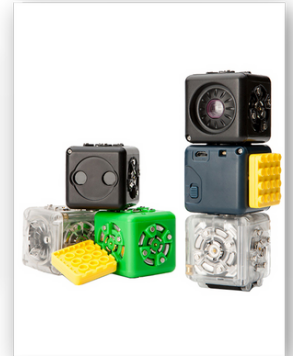
KDL Lab Experience

Tuesday, Dec. 7, 3:30 PM

Tuesday, Jan. 4, 3:30 PM

Tuesday, Feb. 1, 3:30 PM

Allow children to think creatively, tinker, explore and collaborate while engaging in unfacilitated, hands-on activities based on STEM concepts.



For Adults (18+)

Watercolors

Thursday, Dec. 9, 6:30 PM

Lions & Rabbits will guide learning about color mixing, creating color schemes and wet blending. Please bring a work shirt to protect your clothing. *Registration required*

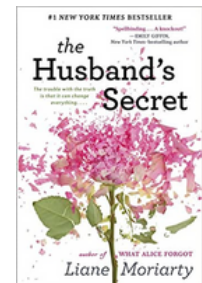


LIONS & RABBITS
CENTER FOR THE ARTS

Byron Twp. Book Discussion

Thursdays, 6:30 PM

Join in on fun, informal discussions of great books.



Jan. 27, *The Last Days of Night* by Graham Moore

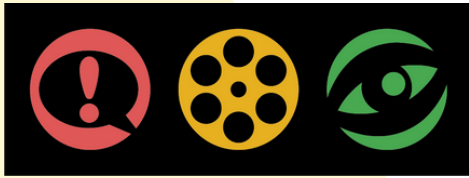
Feb. 24, *The Husband's Secret* by Liane Moriarty



For additional program information, visit

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WINTER SPECIALS



KENT COUNTY
**TEEN
FILM
FESTIVAL**

Lights! Camera! Action!

All Kent County teens, grades 6-12, are invited to enter Kent District Library's 12th annual Teen Filmmaking Contest.

Deadline for film submission is Friday, Jan. 21. Selected films will be screened at Celebration Cinema GR North.

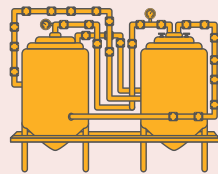
Saturday, Feb. 26, 10:30 AM to 2:00 PM
2121 Celebration Dr. NE, Grand Rapids



KDaLe programs and events
are for adults 21 and older.

KDaLe Brewery Tours

Tour the inner workings of your favorite local breweries. Go to kdl.org/kdale for times and locations.



KDaLe Home Brewing Competition

Register by Jan. 24 at kdl.org/kdale

If you think your home brew has what it takes to be crowned champion, here's your chance! Enter our 5th annual "Book Inspired Brewing" competition to see how your beer stacks up.

Beer submissions must be delivered by Monday, Feb. 28.
Complete rules are at kdl.org/kdale.

KDaLe Tap Takeover | Horrocks Market

Friday, Feb. 4, 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Join us at Horrocks Market as we celebrate the 6th year of KDaLe with a special KDaLe tap takeover. Beer City Brewers from all over the area took us up on the challenge to create their own book inspired beer. Sample all of these great new local brews and meet a few of the brewers who created them.

4455 Breton Road SE, Kentwood.

KDaLe Quest Guide

Attend KDaLe programs, visit our brewery partners and win prizes! Pick up your KDaLe Quest Guide at any KDL branch and begin working towards earning a KDaLe pint glass and chances at more prizes.



KDL.ORG/LIVESTREAM

WIMEE'S
WORDS®

Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays,
Dec. 1-16, Jan. 4-27 and
Feb. 1-24, 4:00 PM

Wimee's Words sparks imagination and inspires creative thinking with interactive wordplay, songs and stories; celebrates the diversity of languages and cultures; showcases technology that invites creativity and much more! **For families.**



Elementary Graphic Novel Book Club*

Mondays, Dec. 6 & 27, Jan. 10 & 24
and Feb. 7 & 21, 6:30 PM

If you love to read and discover new books, join us for our Graphic Novel Book Club! For selected titles and to sign up for book club meetings, visit kdl.org/events.

For school-age children.

Elementary Book Talks

Mondays, Dec. 13, Jan. 3 & 31 and Feb. 14 & 28, 6:30 PM

Looking for your next great read? Tune in for expert recommendations from KDL youth staff. We'll tell you all about our favorite new books, including graphic novels, nonfiction, picture books, chapter books and more! **For school-age children.**

Real Grown-ups Read YA | Book Discussion*

Tuesdays, 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM

Dec. 21, *Dash & Lily's Book of Dares*
by Rachel Cohn and David Levithan

Jan. 18, *A Song Below Water* by Bethany Morrow

Feb. 15, *Muse* by Brittany Cavallaro

Calling all grown-ups who'd rather read books "for young adults!" There's no shame in checking out teen reads in this group. **For adults.**

What We're Learning | Tile Work

Watch this virtual workshop with Home Repair Services of Kent County; then come to a hands-on session later. Learn how to become an expert in measuring, cutting and laying tile to make a beautiful backsplash or re-cover a floor. **For adults.**

***All online book clubs require pre-registration**

An email address is required for registration and instructions for how to join on Zoom. This program will be monitored by KDL staff and you will have the option of joining with or without video. Parents are encouraged to read book reviews of each week's chosen title in advance to determine if the book is one their child will enjoy. Zoom and the Zoom logo are trademarks of Zoom Video Communications, Inc.