

DECEMBER 2022

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Registration for December programs begins **Monday, November 21 at 9:00 am.**

## LIBRARY HOURS

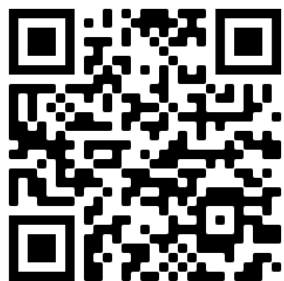
**Monday - Thursday:** 9 am - 8 pm  
**Friday - Saturday:** 10 am - 5 pm  
**Sunday:** 12 pm - 5 pm

When Cromaïne is closed, the materials return, wireless in the parking lot and virtual library services on our website are all open.

## LIBRARY CLOSING DATES

**Friday, December 23 through Monday, December 26**  
Closed for the Christmas Holiday

**Friday, December 30 through Monday, January 2**  
Closed for the New Year's Holiday



Scan the QR code to visit our online calendar for a full listing of our events and programs!

## PROGRAM KEY

Use this key to find out more about programs!

**R REGISTER**

Registration required for this program or kit: register online or by phone

**V VIRTUAL**

This program is held virtually. See the program listing online for details

**K TAKE-HOME KIT**

Stop by the library to pick up a kit

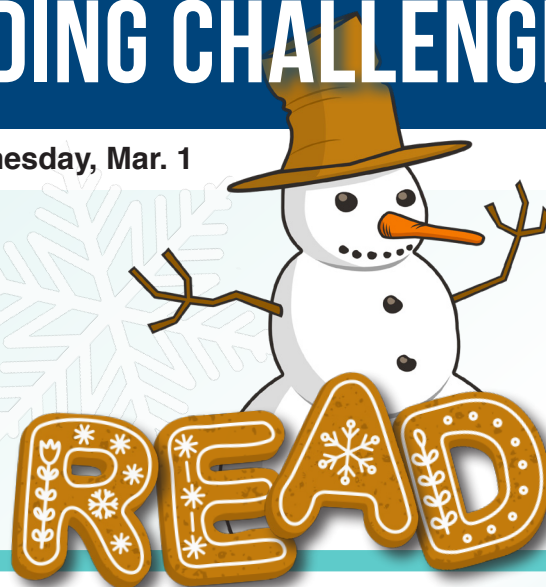
**D DROP-IN**

No registration necessary for this kit or program

# WINTER READING CHALLENGE

**Thursday, Dec. 1 through Wednesday, Mar. 1**

**Snuggle up with a good book this winter!** Complete the reading activities for your age group to earn an entry into our grand prize drawing. Prizes include gift cards to Amazon, Target, and more! Learn more about your age group's challenge and how to log your progress by visiting [bit.ly/CromaïneWRC](http://bit.ly/CromaïneWRC).



## ALL AGES

### **D WINTER READING WARM-UP**

**Thursday, Dec. 1 All Day**

It's Winter Reading Challenge time! Stop by anytime to pick up your challenge sheet and enjoy crafts, activities, and more.

### **D GINGERBREAD CHARACTER CONTEST**

**Thursday, Dec. 1 through Thursday, Dec. 22**

Create a book-inspired gingerbread person! Pick up an entry form and gingerbread person cut-out from the Youth Desk beginning December 1. Entries accepted December 1 through December 22 at 8:00 pm.

### **R VISIT WITH SANTA**

**Saturday, Dec. 3 from 10:15 am to 12:00 pm**

Bring your camera and meet a very special man! Enjoy cookie decorating, crafts, and fun activities while you wait for your turn to meet Santa.

### **D POLAR EXPRESS WEEK**

**Sunday, Dec. 11 through Saturday, Dec. 17 All Day**

All aboard! Visit the second floor Youth Area any time this week to enjoy a Polar Express-themed craft and other activities.

### **D K SOCK SNOW FRIEND TAKE-HOME KIT**

**Saturday, Dec. 17 All Day**  
Make your very own no-sew snow friend.

## **D K** NEW YEAR'S EVE TAKE-HOME KIT

**Tuesday, Dec. 27 All Day**

Get ready to ring in the new year with some fun props to enjoy and activities to do while you are waiting for the ball to drop (no matter what time it actually is)!

## **R** T-REX TEA PARTY

**Wednesday, Dec. 28 @ 10:00 am**

Have a tea-riffic morning with a T-Rex! Join us for dinosaur stories, crafts, activities, snacks, and photo ops with our not-so-scary dinosaur pal.

## **PRE-K** Preschool and under

## **R** SUN AND MOON STORYTIME

**Thursday, Dec. 8 @ 10:00 am**

As we approach the shortest days of the year, explore the sun, moon, day, and night through books, songs, crafts, and activities.

## **R** SECOND SATURDAY STORYTIME

**Saturday, Dec. 10 @ 10:30 am**

Enjoy a storytime perfect for busy, working families! Read, sing, and play alongside your little one as they develop early literacy skills in this interactive storytime with themed crafts and activities designed to build fine motor and thinking skills.

## **R** COOKIE MONSTERS STORYTIME

**Wednesday, Dec. 14 @ 10:00 am**

Enjoy stories and songs about monsters, then decorate cookies to take home!

## **R** WINTER STORIES & COCOA STORYTIME

**Thursday, Dec. 15 @ 6:30 pm**

Enjoy winter themed stories and songs, while sipping hot cocoa.



## **YOUTH** Kindergarten through 4th grades

## **R** CRAFTY KIDS CLUB

**Wednesday, Dec. 7 @ 4:30 pm**

Use our supplies and your imagination to create something unique in this open-ended art program!

## **R** HOMESCHOOL BOOK CLUB

**Tuesday, Dec. 13 @ 2:00 pm**

Discuss books, get ideas for new reads, and enjoy crafts and activities. Read any book you'd like based on the monthly theme and come ready to tell us all about it. This month's theme: Winter Stories.

## **R** WINTER CRAFTS & COOKIES

**Wednesday, Dec. 14 @ 4:30 pm**

Join us for winter crafts and cookie decorating.

## **R** GRADES 3-4 BOOK CLUB

**Tuesday, Dec. 20 @ 6:30 pm**

Join us each month to discuss a new book and enjoy crafts and activities. This month: Ben Yokoyama and the Cookie of Doom by Matthew A. Swanson. Register and visit the Youth Reference Desk to receive a free copy of the book.

## **R** PASSPORT PALS: HOLIDAY EDITION

**Wednesday, Dec. 21 @ 4:30 pm**

Learn what holidays are celebrated during the winter season around the world with holiday crafts and snacks.

## **TWEEN** 5th through 7th grades

## **R** TWEEN BOOK TASTING

**Monday, Dec. 12 @ 6:30 pm**

Join us for a book tasting! We'll provide Tween books to peruse in several different genres, snacks for each course, and a book journal so you can write down all the books you want to add to your TBR list!

## **R V K** VIRTUAL TWEEN BOOK CLUB

**Monday, Dec. 19 @ 6:30 pm**

Read outside your comfort zone! Sign up to receive a free copy of this month's book and a box of goodies. This month: Eva Evergreen by Julie Abe.

## **TWEEN + TEEN**

**5th through 12th grades**

## **R** TWEEN & TEEN MAKER MONDAYS

**Monday, Dec. 5 @ 6:30 pm**

Hang out and create anything you'd like in this open-ended art program.

## **R** TWEEN & TEEN TAKE-OUT BOXES

**Wednesday, Dec. 7 All Day**

Sign up each month to receive a box filled with one or two library books hand-picked just for you, a sweet or savory treat, and other fun surprises! This month's theme: Winter. These boxes are funded through the generous support of the Friends of the Cromaïne Library.

## **TEEN** 7th through 12th grades

## **D** TAB (TEEN ADVISORY BOARD)

**Thursday, Dec. 1 @ 3:30 pm**

Brainstorm program ideas, talk about books, work on projects, meet other teens, snack & chat.

## **R** ORNAMENT DECORATING

**Thursday, Dec. 8 @ 3:30 pm**

Create an ornament to decorate your tree, or to give as a gift!

## **R** TEEN D&D

**Wednesday, Dec. 14 @ 5:30 pm**

The game continues! Please note this campaign is full, but add yourself to the waitlist and you will be notified should a space become available.

## **R** CREEPY CHRISTMAS

**Thursday, Dec. 15 @ 3:30 pm**

Enter our Creepy Christmas sweater contest, decorate zombie gingerbread, learn about creepy Christmas traditions from around the world, and more!

## **R** TEEN MEDITATION

**Monday, Dec. 19 @ 3:30 pm**

Decompress from midterm stress with tea and a guided meditation session.

## **R** TEEN DE-STRESS WITH DOGS

**Tuesday, Dec. 20 @ 3:30 pm**

Celebrate the end of both the first semester and exams by petting dogs!

# ADULT

## **K** ADULT CRAFT KITS

**Fridays, Dec. 2 & 16 All Day**

**R** Dec. 2: Winter Scene Terrarium

**D** Dec. 16: Peppermint Bath Bombs

## **R** RECIPE CLUB AND POTLUCK

**Friday, Dec. 2 @ 1:00 pm**

Bring a favorite dish to pass and a copy of the recipe to share!

## **R V** CROMAINE'S DESERT ISLAND FAVORITES VIDEO

**Monday, Dec. 5 @ 10:00 am**

This month: books about homebrewing.

## **R** WRITERS' WORKSHOP: BUILDING A WRITING PRACTICE

**Monday, Dec. 5 @ 6:30 pm**

Building a life that includes writing might be easier than you think. Author Sarah Carson will share strategies and we'll practice some writing together. Writers of all experience levels and genres welcome.

## **R** TECH TIME

**Tuesday, Dec. 6 @ 1:00 pm**

Join the Cromaine Adult Services Librarians for one-on-one help with your electronic device. Please note: we cannot fix malfunctions, replace parts, or remove viruses.

## **R** THE MYSTERIES OF MEAD: ONE OF OUR OLDEST BEVERAGES

**Tuesday, Dec. 6 @ 6:30 pm**

Join Patti Smith to learn about the earliest forms of mead, how it came to be, and how it is made. Small samples will be provided: must be 21 or older to attend this program.

## **D** CROMAINE LIBRARY @ HARTLAND BREWING TRIVIA

**Wednesday, Dec. 7 @ 7:00 pm**

Join Cromaine Library staff as they play against the community at Hartland Brewing Co.'s trivia night. Any team that beats us gets a cool Cromaine swag bag!

## **R** SATURDAY MATINEE

**Saturday, Dec. 10 @ 2:00 pm**

Participate in this unique book and movie club! Read the book, watch the movie at Cromaine (movie style snacks provided), and discuss your thoughts. This month, Nothing Lasts Forever by Roderick Thorpe and its film adaptation: Die Hard. This film is rated R. This program is for those over 18.

## **R** RESUME REVIEW WITH MICHIGANWORKS!

**Monday, Dec. 12 All Day**

Half-hour appointments for resume review are made directly with Michigan Works! resume expert, Patty Sudbay. Call 517-552-2106 or email her at [psudbay@mwse.org](mailto:psudbay@mwse.org) to arrange your appointment. Meetings are held by telephone or Zoom.

## **R** MEDITATION: BACK TO BASICS

**Monday, Dec. 12 @ 6:30 pm**

Join yoga instructor and ayurveda health counselor Darcel Hawkins to learn how to cultivate balance, awareness, and calm through the practice of meditation. No experience necessary.

## **R** YOGA WITH DEBBIE

**Tuesdays, Dec. 13 & 20 @ 6:30 pm**

**Thursday, Dec. 15 @ 10:00 am**

Join Debbie for a relaxing yoga session. Beginners welcome! Bring your own mat, and register for each session separately.

## **R** PERE MARQUETTE 1225 AND THE POLAR EXPRESS

**Wednesday, Dec. 14 @ 6:30 pm**

The Steam Railroading Institute of Owosso covers the history of the Pere Marquette 1225 steam locomotive and its involvement in the film The Polar Express, the impact of the railroad on Michigan, and how the institute maintains 1940's technology.

## **R** WINTER-THEMED STOP MOTION ANIMATION WORKSHOP

**Thursday, Dec. 15 @ 6:00 pm**

Learn from a professional stop-motion animator with credits in film and television and, utilizing professional animation set-ups, create two of your own winter-themed scenes! Teens welcome, too!

## **R** MOVIE @ THE HARTLAND MUSIC HALL

**Monday, Dec. 19 @ 1:00 pm**

Enjoy a movie at the historic Hartland Music Hall. This month's movie: White Christmas (1954).

## **R** MEDICARE QUESTIONS? THE LIVINGSTON COUNTY MMAP TEAM HAS ANSWERS!

**Monday, Dec. 19 @ 6:00 pm**

MMAP (Michigan Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program) provides unbiased information/assistance to Medicare beneficiaries and caregivers. Confidential appointments are available at 6:00 and 7:30. Meetings are held via telephone call from an MMAP representative's private/unlisted phone number so be sure to answer at your start time. To register, call 810-632-5200, ext. 104.

## **R** SNOWMAN KEY CRAFT

**Wednesday, Dec. 28 @ 1:00 pm**

We provide all the supplies you need to repurpose a no-longer needed key and create an adorable winter ornament during this in-person program!

# BOOK CLUBS

## **D** FICTION BOOK CLUB

**Thursday, Dec. 1 @ 6:30 pm**

Black Cake by Charmaine Wilkerson.

## **D** NON-FICTION BOOK CLUB

**Thursday, Dec. 8 @ 6:30 pm**

The Undoing Project: A Friendship That Changed Our Minds by Michael Lewis.

## **D** MYSTERY BOOK CLUB

**Tuesday, Dec. 13 @ 6:30 pm**

The Woman in the Library by Sulari Gentill.

