JANUARY 2026 LIBRARY PROGRAMS

January 2026 Library Programs

- **Saturday Opening:** January 10th, 2026 at 10am-2pm.
- CLOSED: New Year's Day (1/1/26-1/2/26) & Martin Luther King Jr. Day (1/19/26).
 - Celebrates: New Year's Day (1/1/26) & Martin Luther King Jr. Day (1/19/26).

Tiny Tots

Winter Storytime & Coloring Session

Tuesday, December 30th @12:30pm | Ages 6 months – 2 years.

Welcome the (almost) new year with a cozy story and simple coloring fun!

Storytime & Craft

Tuesday, January 13th @12:30pm | Ages 6 months – 2 years.

Kick off the new year with a story and a simple hands-on craft perfect for little learners!

Join us for a fun, creative morning designed to build early literacy skills and spark imagination.

Little Bookworms

New Year's Scavenger Hunt

Tuesday, January 6th @4pm | Ages 3-5.

Ring in the new year with a fun, hands-on scavenger hunt! Little ones can explore the library, search for hidden items, and enjoy a playful activity that encourages curiosity and early learning.

LEGO Free Building

Tuesday, January 20th @3-5pm | Ages 3-5.

Let your child's imagination shine! Join us for an open LEGO building session where young builders can create, explore, and have fun with fellow bookworms. All materials provided – just bring your creativity!

Young Explorers

Craft

Thursday, January 15th @4pm | Ages 6-10.

Kick off the new year with a hands-on craft adventure! Young explorers can create themed projects, try new materials, and have fun discovering their creative side.

Winter Reading Challenge

Dates: 1/1/26-1/30/26 | Ages 6-10.

Bundle up with books this winter! Join our Young Explorers Winter Reading Challenge and track your reading to earn fun prizes. Discover new stories, unlock challenges, and celebrate your reading adventures all month long.

Tweens/Teens

Vision Board Workshop

Thursday, January 8th @3:30-5pm | Ages 11-17.

Start the new year with inspiration! Join us for a creative Vision Board Workshop where tweens and teens can set goals, explore dreams, and design a personalized vision board using provided craft supplies and magazines.

Warm Up & Write Hour

Tuesday, January 27th @4-5pm | Ages 11-17.

Get your creativity flowing! Join us for a relaxed hour of writing prompts, warm-up exercises, and guided practice. Share ideas, spark inspiration, and have fun putting pen to paper.

Adults

Book Club

Monday, January 26th @4:30-6pm | Ages 18+.

Book: The Battle of the Bookshops by Poppy Alexander.

Vision Board Workshop

Friday, January 9th @3:30-5pm | Ages 18+.

Kick off the new year with intention! Join us for a hands-on workshop where adults can create personalized vision boards to set goals, spark creativity, and visualize 2026. All materials provided.

Resolve to Read Challenge

Dates: 1/1/26-1/30/26 | Ages 18+.

Start 2026 with a reading goal! Adults are invited to read during January and participate in our fun, low-pressure reading challenge.

Everyone

Puzzle Time

Dates: 1/5/26-1/30/26 | During the library's operation hours.

Join us at the library for Puzzle Time – a fun, all-ages activity where everyone can help complete a community jigsaw puzzle throughout the month.

New Year's Resolution Wall

Dates: 12/30/25-1/30/26 | During the library's operation hours.

Stop by the W.H. Walters Free Public Library this January and add your 2026 goals,

hopes, or words of inspiration to our community Resolution Wall!

How to Participate:

- 1) Take a sticky note.
- 2) Write one goal for the new year.
- 3) Stick it on the wall & be inspired by others!

Board Game Day

Thursday, January 22nd, 2026 at 12-5pm.

Join us for an open-play Board Game Day at the library. Enjoy a wide selection of games

- from quick card games to strategy favorites. Come solo or bring family and friends for

a relaxed, social afternoon of fun.





Everyone: New Year's Resolution Wall: 12/30/25-1/30/26.

Everyone: Puzzle Time: 1/5/26-1/30/26.

Young Explorers. Winter Reading Challenge: 1/1/26-1/30/26.

Adults: Resolve to Read Challenge: 1/1/26-1/30/26.

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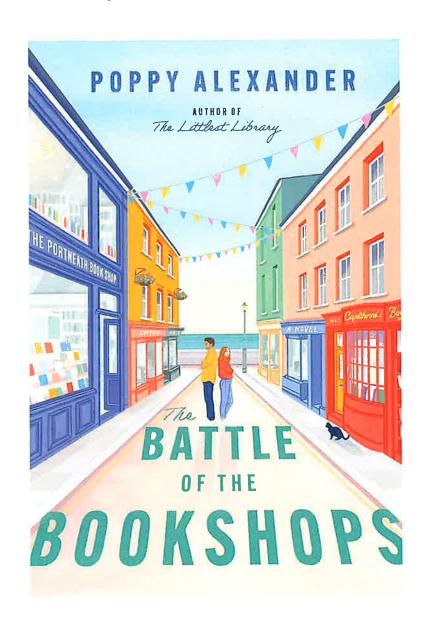
Saturday	CLOSED 3	10 OPEN 10AM- 2PM	CLOSED	24 CLOSED	31 CLOSED
Friday	CLOSED	9 <u>Adults:</u> Vision Board Workshop @3:30-5pm	16	23	30
Thursday	CLOSED New Year's Day MARPY VEAR!	8 <u>Tweens/Teens:</u> Vision Board Workshop @3:30-5pm	Young Explorers. Craft @4pm	22 <u>Everyone:</u> Board Game Day @12-5pm	27 28 29 30 CLC
Wednesday	CLOSED	CLOSED	14 CLOSED	CLOSED	28 CLOSED
Tuesday	<u>Tiny Tots:</u> Storytime & Coloring @12:30pm	6 <u>Little Bookworms:</u> New Year's Scavenger Hunt @4pm	13 Tiny Tots & Little Bookworms: Storytime & Craft @12:30pm	20 <u>Little Bookworms:</u> LEGO Free Building @3-5pm	27 <u>Tweens/Teens:</u> Warm Up & Write Hour @4- 5pm
Monday	<u>Adults.</u> Book Club @4:30-6pm	5 Fall into Winter Reading Challenge log sheets due by 6pm.	Library Board Reorganization Meeting followed by Regular Meeting at 7pm.	19 CLOSED Martin Luther King Jr. Day	26 <u>Adults:</u> Book Club @4:30-6pm
Sunday	CLOSED	4 CLOSED	CLOSED	18 CLOSED	CLOSED

Please Note: All activity & craft programs require at least 5 participants registered in advance to take place. Planning crafts takes time and resources, and your early registration helps us prepare accordingly. Thank you for your continued support!

BOOK CLUB FOR ADULTS

JANUARY 2026 BOOK:

The Battle of the Bookshops by Poppy Alexander



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Add your resolution to the wall!

How to Participate:

- 1) Take a sticky note.
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Ideas to get you started:

- Read more books
- Try a new hobby
- Be kind to myself
- Spend more time with family or friends



W.H. Walters Free Public Library – For Kids Ages 6–10.

Reading Activities

(Check off each activity as you complete it!)

Read...

- A book with snow on the cover
- \Boxed A book about friendship
- ☐ A book recommended by a librarian
- □ A book with animals in winter
- ☐ A book that makes you laugh
- □ A picture book you've never read before
- A book with a blue cover
- □ A nonfiction book
- □ A book someone in your family chooses for you

Winter-Themed Fun

- □ Read under a blanket
- ☐ Read with a family member
- Read for 20 minutes without stopping
- Read by a window and look for signs of winter
- Draw a picture of your favorite book character
- Listen to an audiobook
- Visit the library and check out a book

3 Bonus Challenges

(Complete any you like!)

 Write a short review of a book you loved □ Read a book from a new section in the library □ Teach someone a fact you learned from a book 	
Ⅲ My Favorite Winter Book	
Title: Author:	
Why I liked it:	
Reader Information	
Name: Age:	

**** Instructions for Caregivers

Help your reader choose books, set up cozy reading time, and celebrate their progress.1 When finished, bring this sheet back to the library for a small prize!



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W.H. Walters Free Public Library — Adult Edition (Ages 18+).

☐ Read a book that is the first in a series

☐ Read a book in a genre you rarely choose ☐ Read for 20 minutes three days in a row

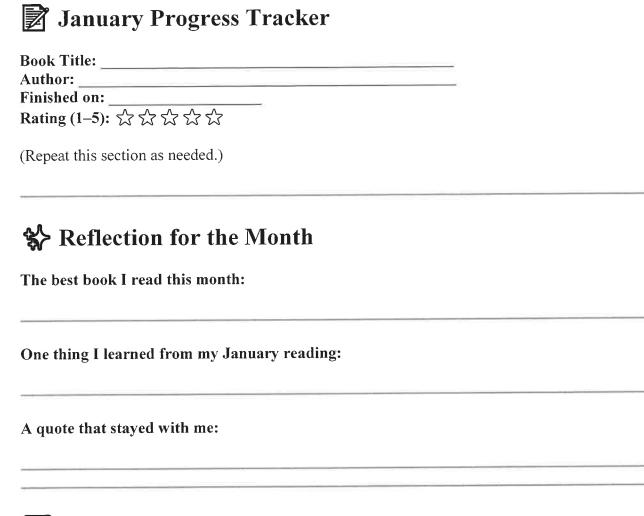
☐ Read a book from the library's New Arrivals shelf

☐ Read a book by an author from a different cultural background

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Start the new year with a reading intention!	Complete as many	prompts as you'	d like dı	ıring
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January.	
January F	Reading Goals
This month, I want to books	to read:
My reading intentio	n for 2026:
□ January I	Reading Prompts
(Complete 5 for a sm	all prize!)
□ Read a boo	k you've been meaning to start for months
	k under 300 pages
■ Read a boo	k by an author you've never heard of
■ Read a boo	k published in the last two years
	k recommended by a librarian
	ter-themed book (snow, cold, cozy setting, winter setting)
□ Read a nor	fiction book about personal growth or wellness





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Return this form to the library by January 30, 2026 to earn a small prize!