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November!

As the days grow shorter and the air turns crisp, November is the perfect time to cozy up with a good book and enjoy all that your library has to offer!

Whether you're looking for new reads to enjoy by the fire, family-friendly programs, or resources to help with your holiday planning, we've got something for everyone.

Stop by your local branch to see what's new, or check out our digital collections from the comfort of home.

Let's make this season one of gratitude, community, and great stories!

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NEW ITEMS!

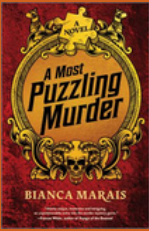
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ADULT FICTION

A Most Puzzling Murder by Bianca Marais

How do you solve a murder that hasn't happened yet? Destiny Whip is a former child prodigy, world-renowned enigmatologist and very, very alone. A life filled with loss has made her a recluse, an existence she's content to endure until a letter arrives inviting her to interview for the position of Scruffmore family historian. Not only does an internet search for the name yield almost nothing, it's a role she never applied to in the first place! She decodes the invitation's hidden message with ease, and its promise to reveal her family



secrets proves too powerful a draw for the orphaned Destiny, who soon finds herself on Eerie Island. It's a place whose inhabitants are almost as inhospitable as the tempestuous weather, a snarled mess of secrets and motives connected by their mistrust for one another. Their newly arrived guest proves to be just as much an enigma to them as they are to her.

YOUNG ADULT FICTION

I Will Follow by Eireann Corrigan

The first time Nora saw one of Shea's videos on TikTok, something just clicked. You know how you can see someone and know you're supposed to be in each other's lives? Well, that's how Nora felt. She knows Shea is a big star, with nearly a million followers, and Nora isn't. But, really, all Nora needs is her own viral moment. And who better to help her with that than Shea? If life isn't going to give Nora entry into Shea's world, Nora's going to have to take matters into her own hands. Meeting Shea. Kidnapping her. Holding her hostage until Shea finally understands... They are meant to be best, best friends.



JUVENILE FICTION

The Last Rhee Witch by Jenna Lee-Yun

Since her mother died when she was five years old, it's always just been Ronnie Miller and her dad. Two Korean Americans who, thanks to Ronnie's dad's adoption by white parents, have never felt all that Korean. But Ronnie is okay with that--as long as she has her dad and her best friend Jack, Ronnie is 99% certain she can get through anything.



But as much as she wants everything to stay the same, the world--and her dad--has other plans. Now, Ronnie and Jack are headed away to sleepaway camp for the first time ever. Camp Foster promises all of the outdoorsy activities that Ronnie has so far managed to avoid: ropes courses, scavenger hunts, kayaking on the lake. Ugh. But she can do this. As long as she has Jack. As it turns out, an old manor in the woods is the kind of place that's crawling with secrets. Secrets like a mysterious gwishin haunting the grounds, a blood-red scarf wrapped too tightly around her ghostly neck. And a witch-hunting dokkaebi intent on finding and silencing the last Rhee witch. And the strange habit all the counselors have of rhyming when they speak...

Resources

Big Library Read

The Village Beyond the Mist

by Sachiko Kashiwaba, Avery Fischer Udagawa, Sarah Skaer

Available in Libby with no waitlists or holds from
November 18 – December 2

Lina's father had suggested she go "someplace different" for the summer, and she's beginning to wish she hadn't listened. She could be at her grandma's house in Nagano now, instead of trudging through a forest in search of a town that might not even exist. But when a gust of wind carries off her umbrella, it leads Lina down a secret path between the trees to a strange and incredible world. In the hidden village of Misty Valley, centaurs roam the cobblestone streets and gnomes visit shops stuffed with spellbooks and enchanted desserts. All magic has a dark side, though, and sometimes even sorcerers need a human's helping hand.



<https://www.biglibraryread.com/>

Available in eBook and eAudiobook



November is the season for gathering, gratitude, and—of course—great food! Whether you're planning your Thanksgiving feast, looking for a new family favorite, or just love exploring regional flavors, the library has the perfect resource for you.

With AtoZ Food America, you can browse thousands of recipes from all 50 states, from classic comfort foods to hidden culinary gems.

AtoZ Food America goes beyond recipes—it's a celebration of American food culture! Learn about state food traditions, discover regional specialties, explore holiday menus, and even find helpful guides on food history and cooking techniques. Best of all, it's free with your library card and available anytime from home. Visit <https://www.heartland.lib.mo.us/craftshobbies>, [AtoZ Food America](#) through our library's website and start exploring delicious new dishes to share with family and friends this season!

Family Game Nights

Looking for some family fun this November? Join us for Family Game Nights at the library! We'll have a great selection of board and card games for all ages—perfect for a cozy evening of laughter, friendly competition, and quality time together. It's a wonderful way to unwind, meet other families, and make new memories before the busy holiday season begins. Bring your family, your friends, and your game face—we'll provide the fun!



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