

# LIBRARY NEWS!

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April



Spring is here, and April is a great time to explore everything your library has to offer! As the days get longer and warmer, we have a variety of programs, resources, and new materials for all ages to enjoy. From children's activities and community events to helpful online resources you can access from home, there's something for everyone at the library.

Be sure to check out this month's programs, discover new books and movies, and explore some of the digital resources available with your library card. We look forward to seeing you at the library this April!

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## NEW ITEMS!

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### ADULT FICTION

**The Fair Weather Friend by Jessie Garcia**

It's always sunny in Detroit for Faith Richards. The popular TV meteorologist, endearingly referred to as "The Fair Weather Friend" by her viewers, has the world by the tail. But one night, Faith leaves work on a dinner break and never returns. Her body is found the next morning. The town is reeling, suspects emerge, and long-buried secrets are uncovered. While her allies rally, her list of adversaries also grows. Little does anyone know that only the deepest secrets will expose the truth.



### YOUNG ADULT FICTION

**Sibylline by Melissa de la Cruz**

Raven, Atticus, and Dorian have dreamed of attending Sibylline for as long as they can remember. But when the magical Ivy League university rejects them, the friends' plans for a future studying the arcane together begin crashing down. Until they decide to steal an education. Getting jobs on campus, they sneak into lectures and swipe forbidden texts, dodging the administration's watchful eye. In the quiet of night, in the thrill of secrecy, their magic awakens. And so do long-buried attractions that turn their friendship into something more. But like magic, love can create, and it can destroy. As unrequited feelings and resentment threaten to fracture their bond, the trio discovers an insidious magic that has sunk its claws into Sibylline, killing students and corroding the very bones of the university. Now the three intruders may be the key to saving the institution from wreckage... if they don't wreck one another first.



### JUVENILE FICTION

**Cincinnati Lee, Curse Breaker by Heidi Heilig**

Cincinnati Lee's great great (great?) grandfather is famous. His adventures discovering ancient artifacts have been made into movies, and his work is widely respected by museums across the world. The thing is, in that line of work, you're bound to get cursed. And that leaves your great great (great?) granddaughter to break the curse by returning the artifacts you "preserved." Cincinnati's own adventure begins in the Cosmopolitan Museum in New York City, where her single mom works and Cincinnati has grown up. Soon she learns about the ancient Spear of Destiny -- and its potential to right all the wrongs in her family's past. Or bring about the end of the world. It all depends on whose hands it falls into. Cincinnati must beat two relic hunters to the spear, and her quest will take her to surprising locations throughout the city and even across the Atlantic Ocean. Along the way, she'll make a new friend (which is not the easiest thing to do), make some enemies (surprisingly easy to do), and ultimately learn what makes the world worth saving.



# Resources

**Financial Literacy** is an online resource available through the library that helps users learn essential money management skills. It includes articles, videos, and interactive tools on topics such as budgeting, saving, credit, investing, and entrepreneurship. Financial calculators also allow users to explore real-life situations like paying off loans or planning for future expenses.



Designed to make financial concepts easy to understand, the resource is great for students, families, and anyone wanting to build confidence in managing their money. Access Financial Literacy for free through the library's online resources.

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**Digital Literacy** is an online resource available through the library that helps students and families understand how to safely and effectively use technology. The database includes articles, videos, and interactive activities covering topics such as online safety, cyberbullying, privacy, social media, research skills, and digital communication.



Designed especially for teens and young learners, the resource explains important digital topics in clear, engaging language and helps build the skills needed to navigate today's online world. Whether researching a school project or learning how to be a responsible digital citizen, Digital Literacy is a helpful tool available free through the library's online resources.

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