CATALOG

EVENTS

RESOURCES

April 2025

HOURS

What is happening at JPL?



- Joplin Reads Together Programs: <u>April 1 April 24</u> Children's Chess Club: April 3
- Teen's Word Wave Poetry Event: April 4
- Teen's Succulent Saturday: <u>April 12</u> ■ Teen Takeout Kit: April 15
- LEGO Buildathon: <u>April 19</u> Super Saturday: Garden Day: <u>April 26</u> Adulting 101: Finances: April 29

The Library will be closed April 20 for Easter Sunday. View the online calendar for MORE events for Children, Teens & Adults.

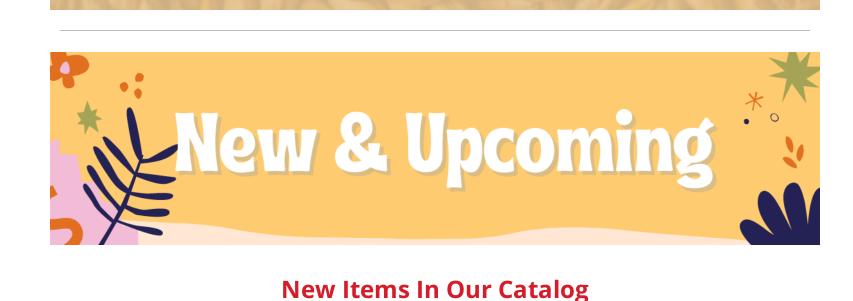


Joplin Reads Together: April 2025 Joplin Reads Together is HERE! We hope you've been reading the 2025 book, *The Lager Queen*

of Minnesota, and are excited for the lineup of events centered around this best-selling book! In its third year, Joplin Reads Together is a community-focused, month-long campaign

centered upon one adult novel. Community members are encouraged to read the selected title and have the opportunity to further explore the themes and topics in the novel by attending book discussions and programming events offered throughout the entire month of April. This year's lineup includes the following:



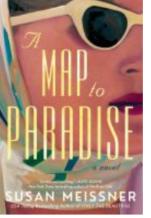


New Fiction

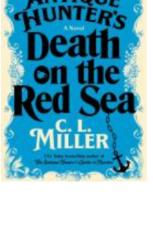


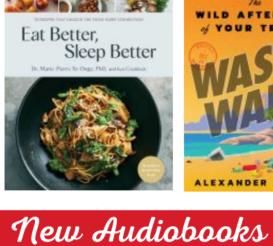






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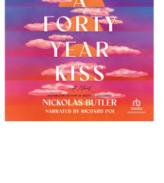
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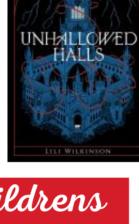
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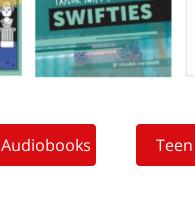


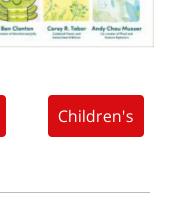




















NEW Database: UniversalClass Joplin Public Library recently added a NEW database, UniversalClass! With 600+ courses in 35+ subject **600+** Online Courses areas, there's something for every patron, including job seekers, lifelong learners, and DIYers. Patrons can Learn (almost) anything. pick up new skills and earn IACET-accredited Anytime. Anywhere. Continuing Education Units in everything from

computer skills and candle making to finance and feng shui. Learners can audit courses for fun or complete full-



the same fundraiser this year as well.

SOME CURRENT TITLES INCLUDE:

instructor who gives feedback and guidance to make the most of each course. Learners can access courses anytime, anywhere, on almost any device, all for FREE with your Joplin Public Library card!

length courses with quizzes and assignments to earn CEUs. All assignments are reviewed by a real human

Lucky Day Collection: Spring for a Book As you walk through the front doors of the Library, one of the first things you'll see is the Lucky Day Collection, on top of our New Fiction shelves. This collection of fiction and nonfiction titles is a first-come, first-serve selection that allows library visitors the chance to come into the library and find a book that has a long waiting list. Books in the Lucky Day Collection cannot be placed on hold, so when you find and check out a book that you would normally have to wait weeks or months to get, it's your lucky day!

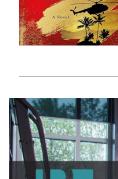
which books are most popular and those requested the most by JPL patrons. Lucky Day Collection books are for in-person circulation only. Titles can be checked out for a two week period.

With funds raised, librarians purchase extra copies of the most popular titles. They research

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The Friends of the Joplin Public Library have funded the Lucky Day

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Earlier this year, a call for entry was released to our community requesting they create works of art based on their experiences or impressions of the American Midwest. Encompassing a variety of style and mediums, as well as interpretations of life in the Midwest, we received 26 pieces of art in answer to the call. *My Midwest* will be on display in the Local History area of Joplin Public Library through April 27th, in conjunction with the Joplin Reads Together event.



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