

December 2022 Events at the Octavia Fellin Public Library

Special Events

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Friends of the Octavia Fellin Public Library (FOFPL) Membership drive

The Friends of the Octavia Fellin Public Library is having a membership drive through the end of the year. The Friends is a non-profit organization focused on investing in our library's continued success and growth, and enhancing the quality of life for the people in our community. Visit the library to sign up, or look for our booth at Arts Crawl! Join Friends of OFPL today for \$10 per year or \$25 for 3 years! Take advantage of member benefits like discounts at select local businesses and book sales, volunteer opportunities to fund-raise and advocate for the library, and early notification of new library materials! Support your library! Email bmartin@gallupnm.gov or call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

Unwrap the Gift of Reading

Begin the holiday cheer early by unwrapping the gift of reading at OFPL! Throughout the month of December select a wrapped book to check out, unwrap, and read! Rate it by filling out the card with each book. Return it by **January 14th** to be entered in a prize drawing. Post a picture with your book on social media and tag us [@galluplibrary](#) for a second entry into the drawing. Email bmartin@gallupnm.gov or call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

Mitten Tree

In the spirit of holiday giving OFPL will be collecting new mittens, gloves, hats, scarves, socks, and earmuffs to decorate our Mitten Tree! Donations will be accepted throughout the month of December and will benefit the children and families of McKinley County. Help provide our community with warm hands and warm hearts. Email bmartin@gallupnm.gov or call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

Chess Club

Join the chess club at OFPL! **Every Tuesday and Friday at 4:30 PM at the Children & Youth Library.** Through the game of chess, members of the club are able to bond and improve their chess skills. Tuesday we will learn and practice chess theory and strategy together. Friday we will compete in a tournament-style format. **Prizes will be awarded!** All ages are welcome, although this is targeted at the age 8-18 range. Participants do not need to attend every event. Email pneilson@gallupnm.gov or call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

Holiday Ornaments at Rio West Mall

Join OFPL *in-person* at the **Rio West Mall** on **December 10th from 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM** to spread some holiday cheer! Make your own ornaments this holiday season. While you're there, take a break from crafting and play some Virtual Reality games! Email bmartin@gallupnm.gov or call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

Chunky Knit Blanket Workshop

Join OFPL *in-person* at the **Main Library** on **December 13th at 4:00 PM** for a hands-on chunky knit blanket workshop! Make your own chunky knit blanket to keep warm this season and enjoy a nice cup of hot cocoa at OFPL. Email jwhitman@gallupnm.gov or call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

Teen Paint Night

Join OFPL *in-person* at the **Children & Youth Library** on **December 14th & 28th at 5:00 PM** to learn various techniques using paint! Create your own glitch-inspired graphics in this immersive workshop as we build skills in drawing and painting. Email jwhitman@gallupnm.gov or call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

Navajo Rug Weaving

Diné weaver Lois A. Becenti with Diné Be' iinà – The Navajo Lifeway will host Navajo Rug Weaving Classes every month. Join OFPL *in-person* at the **Main Library** on **December 16th from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM**. Learn the fundamentals and techniques of rug weaving in traditional Diné style, including warping, carding and spinning. Please bring your own weaving materials and/or projects. Email bmartin@gallupnm.gov or call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

Self-Care Tuesday

Give the gift of love and self care this holiday season! Join OFPL *in-person* at the **Main Library** on **December 20th at 4:00 PM** to make your own gingerbread body scrub. Watch our Self-Care playlist on YouTube to improve your mental, emotional, and physical health with a variety of self-care tutorials. Ingredient lists for each product are available at ofpl.online. Email jwhitman@gallupnm.gov or call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

Holiday Closure

The **Octavia Fellin Public Library** and the **Children & Youth Library** will be closed **December 23rd through December 26th for the Christmas Holiday**. During that time, OFPL's online services, as always, will be available at ofpl.online featuring downloadable magazines, e-books, audio-books, streaming movies, virtual programs, and many other resources. Email bmartin@gallupnm.gov or call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

Main Library Weekly Events

Midweek Matinee at OFPL

Join OFPL *in-person* at the Main Library every Wednesday at 4:00 PM for weekly film screenings of award-winning, classics, documentaries, newly released, and specially selected films. Email bmartin@gallupnm.gov or call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

- **December 7th - Krampus (Krampusnacht)**
2015 | PG-13 | 1 hr 38 min
A boy who has a bad Christmas accidentally summons a festive demon to his family home.
- **December 14th - Rise of the Planet of the Apes (Monkey Day)**
2011 | PG-13 | 1 hr. 45 min.
A substance designed to help the brain repair itself gives advanced intelligence to a chimpanzee who leads an ape uprising.
- **December 21st - The Revenant (Winter Solstice)**
2015 | R | 2 hrs. 36 min.
A frontiersman on a fur trading expedition in the 1820s fights for survival after being mauled by a bear and left for dead by members of his own hunting team.
- **December 28th - Fall**
2022 | PG-13 | 1 hr. 47 min.
Best friends Becky and Hunter find themselves at the top of a 2,000-foot radio tower.

Creative Corner

Join OFPL *in-person* at the Main Library every Friday at 3:00 PM. Create your own art using materials found around your home! Can't make the in-person workshop? Watch a video replay on our YouTube channel. Supply kits are available at OFPL on a first-come, first-served basis using the [Supply Request Form](#) at ofpl.online. Email jwhitman@gallupnm.gov or call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

- **December 2nd - Paper Iris Book Cover**
Need to spice up your book covers? Create a unique iris book cover out of paper
- **December 9th - Charcoal Krampus Art**
You better watch out, You better not cry, You better not pout, I'm telling you why... Krampus is comin' to town! Celebrate Winter solstice by creating your own Krampus-inspired art using charcoal.
- **December 16th - LED Circuit Bookmarks**
Learn the basics of circuitry as we make our own LED bookmarks.
- **December 23rd - Artist Trading Cards (ATCs) Virtual**
Create your own miniature pieces of art to trade. Learn how to make your own artist trading card (ATC) with an interactive workshop inspired by Courtney Cerruti's CreativeBug class.
- **December 30th - Recycled Magazine Mosaic**
Learn how to create a faux ceramic mosaic using recycled magazines.

Children & Youth Library Weekly Events

Eureka!

Join OFPL *in-person* at the Children & Youth Library every Monday at 4:00 PM for **STREAM** workshops and activities for kids and tweens (ages 5-12). Eureka! **STREAM** workshops explore topics in Science, Technology, Reading, Engineering, Art, and Making. In December we will be exploring the work of women pioneers in science and engineering. Email pneilson@gallupnm.gov or call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

- **December 5th - Kyla Edison & Geology**
Be inspired by the work of geologist Kyla Edison, and then use the Mohs scale of hardness to compare and analyze different rocks.
- **December 12th - Jasmine Sadler & Balloon Rockets**
Be inspired by the work of aerospace engineer and CEO Jasmine Sadler, and then try your hand at creating your own model rocket which uses the principle of Newton's Third Law to propel itself, just like a real rocket.
- **December 19th - Valerie Duprat & Wind Power**
Be inspired by the work of engineer and surfboard builder Valerie Duprat, and then try your hand at building your own wind-powered vehicle.
- **December 26th - Sydney Hamilton & Catapults (Virtual)**
Be inspired by the work of aerospace engineer Sydney Hamilton, and then design and build a catapult that can launch a paper plane into the air.

Family Storytime

Join OFPL *in-person* at the Children & Youth Library every Monday and Wednesday at 11:00 AM for storytime activities, songs, rhymes, finger plays, and read-aloud stories! This month, we learn about winter and celebrate the joys of this chilly season. Ages 0-5. Email pneilson@gallupnm.gov or call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

Monday:	December 5th Animals in Winter	Wednesday:	December 7th Animals in Winter
	December 12th Winter Celebrations		December 14th Winter Celebrations
	December 19th Cookies		December 21st Cookies
	December 26th Holiday Closure		December 28th Winter Wonderland

Tinker Tech

Join OFPL at the Children & Youth Library every Wednesday at 4:00 PM for an interactive, hands-on tech program for tweens & teens. Stimulate your creative thinking and learn how to use computer coding to create art, tell stories, and design games! Email pneilson@gallupnm.gov or call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

- **December 7th - Minecraft Voyage Aquatic**
Use block coding to explore and build underwater Minecraft worlds with code.
- **December 14th - Minecraft Hero's Journey**
Use block coding to journey through Minecraft with code.
- **December 21st - Minecraft Adventurer**
Use code to create a custom, open-ended Minecraft adventure.
- **December 28th - Minecraft Designer**
Use code to customize the look of various Minecraft elements.

Crafty Kids

Join us *in person* at the Children & Youth Library every Thursday at 4:00 PM for family-friendly crafts with step-by-step tutorials for all skill levels and ages. Supply kits are available at OFPL on a first-come, first-served basis using the [Supply Request Form](#) at ofpl.online. Email hetsitty@gallupnm.gov or call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

- **December 1st - Tissue Paper Hot Air Balloon**
Celebrate the 41st Annual Red Rock Balloon Rally by constructing a hot air balloon..
- **December 8th - Felt Christmas Tree**
Make a felt Christmas tree ornament this holiday season!
- **December 15th - Tin Can Snowman**
Use recycled tin cans to build a snowman
- **December 22nd - Christmas Stocking**
Design a Christmas stocking with felt this holiday season!.
- **December 29th - Q-Tip Dragonfly**
Create a Dragonfly using a q-tip and acrylic paint.

Get up and Game

Join us *in person* at the Children & Youth Library every Friday anytime between 1:00 PM and 5:00 PM to unwind from a busy week! Get up and Game with video games and fun for the whole family including virtual reality! Email pneilson@gallupnm.gov or call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

Kidz Cinema

Join OFPL *in-person* at the **Children & Youth Library every Saturday at 2:00 PM** for weekly family oriented film screenings. Email pneilson@gallupnm.gov or call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

- **December 3rd - Frozen**

2013 | PG | 1 hr. 48 min.

When the newly crowned Queen Elsa accidentally uses her power to turn things into ice to curse her home in infinite winter, her sister Anna teams up with a mountain man, his playful reindeer, and a snowman to change the weather condition.

- **December 10th - Snow Buddies**

2008 | G | 1 hr. 27 min.

In this spin-off of the Air Bud franchise, five pups follow an ice cream transport truck to a plane and end up flying with the ice cream shipment to Alaska. There they find a pup friend and a boy who needs five dogs for a big race.

- **December 17th - The Polar Express**

2004 | G | 1 hr. 40 min.

On Christmas Eve, a young boy embarks on a magical adventure to the North Pole on the Polar Express, while learning about friendship, bravery, and the spirit of Christmas.

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