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December Movies
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WORLD WIDE CINEMA
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Friday, December 13, 7PM
A tender love story between two young women in a country that still criminalizes homosexuality. Despite the political rivalry between their families, Kena and Ziki encourage each other to pursue their dreams in a conservative society. When love blossoms between them, the girls must choose between happiness and safety.

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December Bookraiser Event
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The new library construction is progressing by leaps and bounds. Please pitch in and help us reach the fundraising finish line. $320,000 is needed to fully stock the new building with an expanded collection of literature and learning resources. There are many reasons to be a “bookraiser,” but one big reason to do so — the 21st century library-museum complex will be a community treasure! Stop by any public desk at the Library or visit: missoulapubliclibrary.org today for giving tools.

Breaking News! Want to automatically double the value of your gift? Rockin Rudy’s will match every dollar raised in MPL’s December Bookraiser, up to $10,000. Let’s do this!

Managing Daily Parenting Stress
Tuesday, December 11, 6:00-8:00 PM in the Large Meeting Room
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Call (406)728-2400 ext. 8605 for more information.
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The Library Book
Susan Orlean
Tuesday, December 10, at 7 PM in the Boardroom
A re-opening of the unsolved mystery of the most catastrophic library fire in American history. A novel that delivers a dazzling homage to a beloved institution.

2nd Wednesday Book Group
Ishi In Two Worlds: A Biography of the Last Wild Indian in North America
Theodora Krober
Wednesday, December 11, at 7 PM in the Boardroom
The life story of the Yahi Indian that was the lone survivor of a doomed tribe. Starving and full of terror from the white murderers of his family, Ishi was brought to safety in California.

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MPL Branches: Big Sky High School, Cordova, Frenchtown, Lolo, Potomac, Stanley Lake, and the W.O.W. Bus (mobile tech branch). See website for branch hours/locations
MPL Director: Honoré Bray | MPL Board of Trustees Chair: Barbara Siers | Library Foundation Chair: Fie Schmit | Friends of the Library Chair: Barbara Theroux
**FOOD FOR FINES**
December 1 – 7, 2019

Donations to the Missoula Food Bank will erase overdue fines.

**COUNTY GIVING TREE**
Benefitting Missoula Aging Services, Animal Control, & Youth Homes

**TOILETREE**
To benefit the YWCA, Donate personal hygiene items to adorn the tree.

**DECEMBER 1 – 18, 2019**

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**COMPUTER CLASSES**

**Space is limited to 6 participants; Sign-up at a public desk**

Dec. 5: Easy Steps to eBooks – NOON-1 PM
This class is an introduction and overview of the eBook resources available at the library. The instructor will cover how to use various eReaders to access the library’s collection. Attendees are encouraged to bring their eReaders to class.

Dec. 12: Beginning Word – NOON-1 PM
An introduction to word processing including how to create a document, manipulate the text and font, use templates and many more fun tricks! No experience necessary.

**MAKERSPACE**

**Registration required for most classes; Space is limited to 8 participants per workshop.**

**3D Printing 101 Workshop**

**Wednesday, Dec. 4, 6:30-7:30 PM**

Come and learn about how to use MPL’s 3D printers during this workshop! Topics covered include how to set up prints, where to find 3D objects online to print, and resources available for 3D modeling and scanning. Space is limited to 8 participants per workshop. Register online at: https://tinyurl.com/mpl3dprinting101dec2019

**Weekly Offerings:**

**Community Creative Writing Workshop**
Tuesdays (12/3, 12/10, 12/17) from 6-7:30 PM

**Open Hours**
Mondays (12/2, 12/9, 12/16, 12/23, 12/30) 10 AM-1 PM & 2-6 PM
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Tuesdays (12/3, 12/10, 12/17) 10 AM-1 PM & 2-6 PM
Wednesdays (12/4, 12/11, 12/18) 10 AM-1 PM & 2-6 PM
Thursdays (12/5, 12/12, 12/19) 10 AM-1 PM & 2-6 PM
Fridays (12/6, 12/13, 12/20, 12/27) 1-6 PM
Saturdays (12/7, 12/14, 12/21) 1-6 PM

**Watercolor Painting**
Fridays (12/6, 12/13, 12/20, 12/27) NOON-2 PM

**Meets in the Large Meeting Room**