

GARY PUBLIC LIBRARY PROGRAMS & EVENTS

For children, teens and adults

January / February 2026

LOCATIONS & HOURS

**GARY PUBLIC LIBRARY
AND CULTURAL CENTER**
220 W. 5th. Ave. 886-2484
Monday - Thursday.....9am - 8pm
Friday & Saturday.....9am - 5pm

TECHMOBILE
(219) 886-2484 x 358
Monday - Friday.....9am - 4pm

MAKERSPACE
(219) 886-2484 x 332 CALL FOR INFO

NEW WINTER BRANCH HOURS
for Kennedy & Woodson
beginning December 1, 2025:

KENNEDY BRANCH
3953 Broadway 887-8112
Monday - Thursday 10am - 6pm
closed: Friday & Saturday

WOODSON BRANCH
501 S. Lake Street 938-3941
Monday - Thursday 10am - 6pm
closed: Friday & Saturday

HOLIDAY CLOSINGS - ALL UNITS OF THE GARY PUBLIC LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED:

MONDAY, January 19 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, HOURS WILL RESUME ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 20

MONDAY, February 16 in observance of Presidents' Day, HOURS WILL RESUME ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17



GARY PUBLIC LIBRARY
Free Sunday Jazz Concerts
January 18 & February 15, 2026
3 - 5pm

Gary Public Library and Cultural Center
220 W. 5th Avenue Gary, IN

co-sponsored by the Greater Gary American Jazz Association
Entrance through the north parking lot side only.

Library closed - no library service. Doors open at 2:30pm.
Sunday Jazz Concerts will be held the 3rd Sunday of each month,
September through May.

GARY PUBLIC LIBRARY PRESENTS

**SATURDAY
CHESS
TOURNAMENTS**

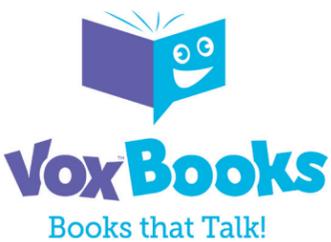


January 24,
& February 7, 2025
from 10am - Noon

- All ages welcome!
(Not USCF sanctioned)
- Walk-ins welcome
- 30 minute games
- Free!
- Registration is encouraged
but not required

Email:
weind@garypubliclibrary.org

at Gary Public Library and Cultural Center, 220 W. 5th Avenue, Gary, IN
219.886.2484 for more information. www.garypubliclibrary.org/events



To make learning more fun and engaging, look for VOX books at the Gary Public Library. Designed for children ages 2 to 10, the "books that move" and "books that talk" use the latest in storytelling technology to engage curious young minds. Picture books, chapter books and non-fiction titles with audio and sound effects may be borrowed for free from any library location. They are also free and available through the web, <https://ivox.library-ideas.com> or download the app. You will need your library card and pin number. For more information go to www.garypubliclibrary.org.

JANUARY PROGRAMS FOR YOUNG ADULTS

Teen Zone Art Club ("I Have a Dream")

- Join us for a writing and mural art project to be displayed at the library. For ages 10 - 19 @ **MakerSpace, 3 - 4:30pm, Monday 12 & 26**

Teen Zone Teen Makers (Cricut Course with Devon)

- Learn to use Cricut Design Space, prep materials, and make your first project to take home. No experience needed. For ages 10 - 19 @ **MakerSpace, 4 - 5pm, Wednesday 14 & 21**

Teen Zone Steam Club

- Our monthly program features activities in science, technology, engineering, arts, and math. For ages 10 - 19 @ **MakerSpace, 10am - 12pm, Saturday 17 & 31**



Teen Zone Teen Advisory (Board & Game Night)

- The Library is YOUR library. Join GPL's first Teen Advisory Sessions and help your local library create upcoming teen programs and initiatives that help and interest you for the next coming year! Light refreshments will be served. Parents welcome. For ages 13 and up @ **MakerSpace, 3 - 4:30pm, Wednesday 28**

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Teen Zone Movie Night

- Black History Month Themed Movie – Light refreshments will be served. Parents welcome. For ages 12 and up @ **MakerSpace, 5 - 7pm, Wednesday 4, 11, 25**



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**CELEBRATE
BLACK HISTORY**



Follow us using @GPL1908 on Facebook, Instagram & Twitter

www.garypubliclibrary.org/events Print copies available at all library locations.

**"Charmed I'm Sure" Etiquette Program
@ Children's Services**

Join us for a lesson in manners presented by Ms. Shakinah Bullock, **Tuesday, January 13 @ 5 - 6pm**

JANUARY PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN



3 Saturday

- New Year's Story Hour, 1 - 2pm @ Children's Services

5 Monday

- New Year Talk - Let's gather together to talk about the new year, 3 - 5pm @ Kennedy Branch

6 Tuesday

- Bookmark Craft, 5 - 7pm @ Children's Services

7 Wednesday

- Winter Wonderland Craft - Let's make a winter scene, 3 - 5pm @ Kennedy Branch

8 Thursday

- Story Hour, 10 - 11am @ Children's Services

9 Thursday

- Cloud Craft - Let's make clouds using cotton balls, 3 - 5pm @ Kennedy Branch

12 Monday

- Martin Luther King Jr. Story Hour, 5 - 6pm @ Children's Services
- Let's Make Snowflakes, 3 - 5pm @ Kennedy Branch

14 Wednesday

- Computer Day, 3 - 5pm @ Kennedy Branch

16 Thursday

- Free Day - Let's play games and puzzles, 3 - 5pm @ Kennedy Branch

20 Tuesday

- Movie Night - Join us in the Arts Theater, 5 - 7pm @ Children's Services

21 Wednesday

- Happy Mittens - Design your own mittens, 3 - 5pm @ Kennedy Branch



22 Thursday

- Story Hour, 10 - 11am @ Children's Services

23 Thursday

- Hidden Objects Activity, 3 - 5pm @ Kennedy Branch



26 Monday

- Story Hour, 5 - 6pm @ Children's Services
- Penguin Craft, 3 - 5pm @ Kennedy Branch

28 Wednesday

- Winter Tree Craft, 3 - 5pm @ Kennedy Branch

29 Thursday

- Snowman Card Craft, 3 - 5pm @ Kennedy Branch

31 Saturday

- Board Game Day, 1 - 3pm @ Children's Services

Read A BOOK!

FEBRUARY PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN

2 Monday

- Story Hour - Featuring Black History Month and Groundhog Day themed stories, 5 - 6pm @ Children's Services
- Valentine's Hearts Craft, 3 - 5pm @ Kennedy Branch

4 Wednesday

- Valentine Card Craft, 3 - 5pm @ Kennedy Branch

5 Thursday

- Black History Month Activity, 3 - 5pm @ Kennedy Branch

7 Saturday

- Valentine Card Craft, 1 - 3pm @ Children's Services

9 Thursday

- Free Day - Let's play games and puzzles, 3 - 5pm @ Kennedy Branch

10 Tuesday

- Valentine Card Craft, 5 - 7pm @ Children's Services

11 Wednesday

- Computer Day, 3 - 5pm @ Kennedy Branch

12 Thursday

- Valentine's Day Story Hour, 10 - 11am @ Children's Services
- Computer Day, 3 - 5pm @ Kennedy Branch

13 Friday

- President's Day Story Hour, 3 - 4pm @ Children's Services

18 Wednesday

- Black History Month Story Hour, 10 - 11am @ Children's Services
- Panda Bear Craft - Let's make a panda bear card, 3 - 5pm @ Kennedy Branch

19 Thursday

- Free Talk, 3 - 5 @ Kennedy Branch

21 Saturday

- Black History Month Bookmark Craft, 1:30 - 3:30 pm @ Children's Services

23 Monday

- Free Day - Let's play games and puzzles, 3 - 5pm @ Kennedy Branch

24 Tuesday

- Black History Month Story Hour, 5 - 6pm @ Children's Services

25 Wednesday

- Computer Day, 3 - 5pm @ Kennedy Branch

26 Thursday

- Paper Roll Frog Craft, 3 - 5pm @ Kennedy Branch

28 Saturday

- Board Game Day, 1 - 3pm @ Children's Services

