

SUMMER READING BOOK LIST



FICTION

- Angel Down* by Daniel Kraus
- Buckeye* by Patrick Ryan
- Helm* by Sarah Hall
- The Jungle* Graphic Novel illustrated by Kristina Gehrman
- Make Room! Make Room!* by Harry Harrison
- These Heathens* by Mia McKenzie
- The True True Story of Raja the Gullible (and His Mother)* by Rabih Alameddine

NONFICTION

- Algospeak: How Social Media Is Transforming the Future of Language* by Adam Aleksić
- Fear Less: Poetry in Perilous Times* by Tracy K. Smith
- The Last Cows: On Ranching, Wonder and a Woman's Heart* by Kathryn Wilder
- Murderland: Crime and Bloodlust in the Time of Serial Killers* by Caroline Fraser
- Putting Myself Together: Writing 1974-* by Jamaica Kincaid

Win prizes for reading! Find out more at siouxcitylibrary.org/adult-summer-reading

Tear off this handy bookmark and take Summer Reading with you! Progress must be submitted on Beanstack by July 31, 2026 to be eligible for prizes.

READ & WIN

Our FREE Beanstack App makes it easy to participate in Summer Reading!

Scan the QR code  with your phone's camera to log in on the website or visit siouxcitylibrary.beanstack.org



-OR- Download the app from your app store.

- Find your library: **Sioux City Public Library (IA)**
- Create an account online or click "Sign Up" on the app.
- Join virtual challenges, read, and earn badges for a chance to win prizes!

BEANSTACK BADGES = PRIZE ENTRIES!



Here are *some* of the ways to earn badges for prize entries on the *Beanstack Tracker App*:


- REGISTER ON BEANSTACK
- Visit a Library location
- Tell a friend about Summer Reading
- Complete a Summer Reading Bingo Card
- Check out a 3 to Go book bundle
- Complete a Library "Side Quest"

Check the **Beanstack Tracker App** for ALL the ways to earn badges. Additional opportunities to earn prize entries may be added so check the app for updates!

2026

ADULT SUMMER READING

PLANT A SEED, READ!



SIoux CITY PUBLIC LIBRARY

siouxcitylibrary.org

PARTICIPATE ALL SUMMER!

Earn tickets on the **Beanstack App** by completing activities for a chance to win prizes June 1-July 31.

LIBRARY BINGO!

Stop into any Sioux City Public Library location and pick up a Bingo Card! Bring completed Bingo Cards to the Upper Level Reference Desk at the AalFs Downtown Library, 529 Pierce St., for a free book! *Prizes are limited.



SIDE QUESTS

Participate in a Summer Reading scavenger hunt! Find clues on Beanstack or at the Upper Level Reference Desk. New Side Quests every two weeks!

MONDAY MOVIE MATINEES

Enjoy movies on Mondays at the Morningside Branch Library, 4005 Morningside Ave. Movies start at 1pm.

JUNE: Plant a seed...

June 1: **Field of Dreams** (1989) PG

June 8: **The Grapes of Wrath** (1940) TV-PG

June 15: **NO MOVIE**

June 22: **Babe** (1995) TV-PG

June 29: **A Tree Grows in Brooklyn** (1945) PG



JULY: Plant a seed... in SPACE!

July 6: **The Martian** (2015) PG-13

July 13: **Signs** (2002) PG-13

July 20: **Alien** (1979) R

July 27: **Invasion of the Body Snatchers** (1956)

For Library hours, locations, and more information please visit siouxcitylibrary.org or call 712-255-2933

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EVENT DETAILS

JUNE

Summer Reading Trivia Night!

Wednesday, June 3 • 6:30-8:30pm • Buffalo Alice • 1022 4th St.
Join the Library for Trivia Night. Win books for prizes and learn about the Adult Summer Reading program!

Open Book Club: *The Lilac People* by Milo Todd
Monday, June 8 • 10am • Morningside Branch Library
Monday, June 8 • 5pm • AalFs Downtown Library
Join in a lively discussion on the book of the month!



Bad Seeds: A Sioux City True Crime Downtown Walking Tour - same walk occurs again on July 18
Tuesday, June 9 • 6:30pm • Starts at AalFs Downtown Library
Step into Sioux City's past on a guided true crime walking tour in the heart of the city. Presented by Sarah Enright.

Build a Bird Habitat • Families Welcome!
Saturday, June 13 • 2-4pm • AalFs Downtown Library
Build and decorate your own bird house and bird feeder!

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Open Book Club: *To Save and Destroy* by Viet Thanh Nguyen
Monday, July 6 • 10am • Morningside Branch Library
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Popcorn Tasting Event • Families Welcome!
Saturday, July 11 • 2-3pm • AalFs Downtown Library
Sample a variety of popcorn flavors. Then, vote for your favorite!

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Puzzle Competition
Wednesday, July 22 • 6-8pm • AalFs Downtown Library
Registration required - register online or call 712-255-2933
Register your team of 4-6 puzzlers and work to complete a 500-piece puzzle for a chance to win prizes! All teams will complete the same puzzle. Puzzles are designed for adults, but families with older children are welcome to form a team. Teams of fewer than four participants may be combined.

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