

CAMAS PUBLIC LIBRARY

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Program Guide

A Century in the Books!



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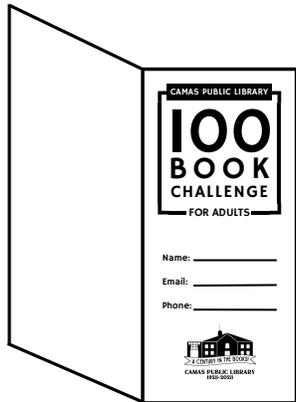
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OF THE CAMAS LIBRARY

Spring 2023

MEMORY LIBRARY

Help us build our Memory Library! As part of our yearlong celebration of the Library's centennial, we are collecting stories from the community about the Library. We will ask a different question each month and invite you to record your stories to add to our story collection. For all ages.

To participate you can visit the Library's booth at our 4th Avenue entrance to record your stories. You can also participate from home with your personal computer or device by visiting CamasPL.org/memorylibrary



100 BOOK CHALLENGE

January 1 - December 31, 2023

To celebrate our centennial year, we are challenging you to read 100 books in 2023!

Pick up a tracker at the Library, or you can print one from home: CamasPL.org/100bookchallenge

When you complete the challenge, come by the front desk to get your photo taken for our Power Readers Wall and get your prize! For adults.

View all events at
CamasPL.org/centennialevents

TIMELINE

- **April 4, 1923** - Camas Library Opens!
The collection had 150 State Library books in the space donated by Thayer's drugstore.
- **January 5, 1938** - Camas residents are top readers! Per Washington State Library reports, for the third year in a row, Camas has the highest per capita reading record in the state!
- **May 31, 1940** - Camas City Hall/Library complex at 4th & Franklin opens.
- **January 10, 1948** - First Storytime!
Story hour was first held with 60 children in attendance.
- **January 13, 1981** - Friends of the Camas Public Library incorporated.
- **January 1, 1992** - Online card catalog is installed.
- **January 1, 1994** - The Camas Library receives its first Internet-connected computer.
- **May 10, 2003** - Grand Opening of the renovated and expanded Library.
- **April 4, 2023** - The Library celebrates 100 years!

For more important dates:
time.graphics/line/725563

THE VIRGINIA WARREN COLLECTION

In 2019, local historian Virginia Warren donated 3 volumes of her scrapbook collection to the Library. These scrapbooks contain newspaper clippings, information, and photos documenting Camas-area history. As part of the centennial celebrations, we are happy to present digitizations of Virginia's historical work for all to read.

To view the Virginia Warren Collection:
CamasPL.org/virginiawarren



JOIN US FOR MORE ONLINE

Read your way through a timeline of Library history or browse through the images and keepsakes from Virginia Warren's scrapbook, currently being digitized. Everything is linked from our centennial website at

CamasPL.org/centennial



COOK THE BOOK

Tuesday, April 25

6:30 p.m. | Meeting Room B

Calling all culinary enthusiasts! Do you like exploring and trying new recipes? Then this is the group for you! For our centennial month, we'll be making recipes from the 1920s. For adults.



UNSOLVED: TAKE HOME KIT

Starting May 1

It's the Pernam Library's 100 year celebration, and everyone is having fun and enjoying each other's company until a scream echoes throughout the building. A murder has just occurred. Can you solve the mystery? Pick up a kit and play at home. For teens and adults.

HISTORY SPEAKS!

WILL THE 2020S ROAR LIKE THE 1920S?

Friday, May 19

6:30 p.m. | Meeting Rooms A & B

A pandemic, protests, and economic jolts ushered in the so-called "Roaring Twenties." Americans adjusted in ways both innovative and counterproductive. What lessons from the 1920s can we apply to our own looming 20s? Historian William Woodward charts the eerily familiar developments of a century ago: shattered idealism, social clashes, domestic terrorism, culture wars, disorienting technologies, and fearsome disease. For adults.



1920S MURDER MYSTERY

Friday, June 16

6:30 p.m. | Meeting Rooms A & B

It's 1923, and the party seems endless at Jay Glittersby's New York mansion...until a shot rings out, and an unwelcome guest is found dead. Join us for a 1920s-themed murder mystery to celebrate the Library's centennial year. Costumes encouraged. For adults.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

On April 4, 1923, the Women's Club of Camas formed the Camas Public Library. Come celebrate the Library's birthday! All day we will have giveaways, treats, and a scavenger hunt for kids. Every 100th person to enter the Library will get a special prize!

100TH BIRTHDAY PARTY

Tuesday, April 4

4-6 p.m. | Totem Pole Room

Get a tasty treat while enjoying a live swing band and dancers! For all ages.

SPRING BINGO

Wednesday, April 5

2 p.m. | Virtual

Join us for a fun bingo game via Zoom that celebrates the Library's 100th Birthday! Winners get prizes. For kids K-5.



TEEN DIY LIBRARY MERCH

Thursday, April 6

2:30 p.m. | Meeting Rooms A & B

Join us to commemorate our 100th year by creating a one of a kind item of your choice! We'll use a Cricut and vinyl to make a tote, keychain or mug! For teens.

SECOND STORY GALLERY RECEPTION

Friday, April 7

5 p.m. | Gallery

Please join us during April's First Friday event in downtown Camas for a reception of the current gallery show at Second Story Gallery: *A Century in the Books!*

VIRTUAL TRIVIA NIGHT: SPECIAL EDITION

Saturday, April 8

7 p.m. | Virtual

Enjoy a lively trivia night from the comfort of your own home! To celebrate the Library's 100th birthday, in this special edition of Virtual Trivia Night we will be focusing on history from the last 100 years. For all ages.

SECOND STORY GALLERY

A CENTURY IN THE BOOKS!

March & April

During the months of March and April, we will present *A Century in the Books*, an exhibit that showcases a timeline of Library milestones over the past 100 years. From the initial conception for a public library space to the current building on 4th Avenue, enjoy a walkthrough time to see historical photos and learn interesting facts from the past one hundred years.

Reception: Friday, March 3, 5-8 p.m.

COMMON THREADS

May & June

In conjunction with the Library's centennial celebration, the Second Story Gallery will be presenting *Common Threads*. The exhibition's theme is local history, and it will highlight local artists who have created artwork that engages with the history of this region, and/or reflects on its community and environment. However, the history of this region encompasses far more than just what is included in news headlines, but also cultural, environmental, personal, and social history touchstones.

Reception: Friday, May 5, 5-8 p.m.



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100TH DAY CELEBRATION

Monday, April 10

4:30 p.m. | Meeting Rooms A & B

Join us for a celebration of the 100th day of 2023, the Library's centennial year! We'll have several activity stations all to do with the number 100! For kids K-5.

COVER TO COVER BOOK CLUB

Tuesday, April 18

6:30 p.m. | Meeting Room A

This month, we'll be reading *Gods of Jade and Shadow* by Silvia Moreno-Garcia. Set in the Jazz Age, the Mayan god of death sends a young woman on a harrowing, life-changing journey in this one-of-a-kind fairy tale inspired by Mexican folklore. For adults.

HISTORY SPEAKS!

THE FORGOTTEN FRONT: GENDER, LABOR, AND POLITICS IN CAMAS, WASHINGTON, AND THE NORTHWEST PAPER INDUSTRY, 1913-1918

Wednesday, April 26

6 p.m. | Meeting Rooms A & B

Bradley Richardson, Executive Director of the Clark County Historical Museum, will share the fascinating research from his doctoral dissertation, "The Forgotten Front: Gender, Labor, and Politics in Camas, Washington, and the Northwest Paper Industry, 1913-1918." Learn more about the oft-named Forgotten Mayor of Camas, Oliver T. Clark! For adults.



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