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Petit Branch Library
December 2025 Events

The library will be closed Thursday, December 25 for Christmas and Thursday, January 1 for New Year's Day.

Art Exhibit

**Feathers of Light: A Journey through
Grief and Renewal**
Carol Kolceski
Throughout December

A deeply personal watercolor exhibition capturing one artist's path through grief, remembrance, and spiritual healing following the loss of her twin brother, Rick. For more information about the exhibit please see the calendar event listing at onlib.org.



Art Reception
Saturday, December 13
2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Join us for a small reception to meet and connect with this month's artist, Carol Kolceski.

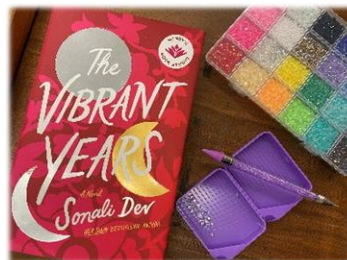
For Everyone

Westcott Community Center Food Drive
Throughout December

Petit will be collecting food for the Westcott Food Pantry. Any donations are appreciated as there is a particularly high need for food at this time. Suggested donation items include: canned foods (vegetables, fruit, soup, chili, tuna, etc.), rice, pasta, pasta sauce, boxed mac & cheese, peanut butter, jelly, oatmeal, beans, toilet paper, paper towels, laundry pods, and tissues.

For Adults

Book Bedazzling
Saturday, December 6 – Saturday, December 13
Stop by Petit for this drop-in craft to add bling to your books! Use colorful rhinestone gems, tweezers, wax pencils, and glue to bring some sparkle to your favorite book cover or to make a truly unique book gift. The craft will be up all week, while supplies last. To ensure supplies for everyone, we ask that patrons do not bedazzle the entire cover of a book. **Please bring your own book for this craft or buy one from our Book Sale cart. Please do NOT use library books.**



Westcott Readers: Book Discussion Group
Monday, December 15
6:30 p.m.

Join us to discuss *What You Are Looking for is in the Library* by Michiko Aoyama – a book about the magic of libraries and the discovery of connection. Attend in person or via Zoom. If attending via Zoom please register in advance through the calendar event listing at onlib.org.





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For Teens

Picture Frame Decorating
Saturday, December 20
2:30 p.m.

Need a one-of-a-kind piece for your room? Or a last-minute gift? Stop by Petit to decorate your own picture frame! All materials will be provided, including 4x6 inch picture frames, paint, magazines, beads, and gems. Participants can also print one color photo on cardstock free of charge for their frame. **For ages 12 and up. Registration required. Call or drop by to register.**

For Children

Read, Sing, and Play: Story Time
Tuesdays, December 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30
10:30 a.m.

Combined toddler and preschool story time for children ages 1½ to 5 and their families or caregivers. Includes stories, rhymes, fingerplays, and songs. We ask that daycare centers, nursery schools, preschools, and pre-kindergarten programs please make an appointment for a special story time.

Saturday Story Time
Saturday, December 6
10:30 a.m.

All the fun of Tuesday's "Read, Sing, and Play" but on Saturday! Combined toddler and preschool story time intended for ages birth to 5 years and their families or caregivers. Includes stories, rhymes, fingerplays, and songs.

Make Your Own: Straw Rockets
Monday, December 8 – Saturday, December 20
Create your own paper rocket using straws and plastic pipettes!

Boredom Busters STEM Kits: Osmo Mania
Saturday, December 20 – Saturday, December 27
Osmo learning kits are back at Petit! Osmo merges hands-on exploration with innovative technology, engaging children in the learning process. Best for ages 5-12.

Make Your Own: Handprint Penguins
Monday, December 22 – Saturday, January 3
Stop by Petit anytime to create your own penguins out of construction paper by tracing your hand. Be sure to give them cute little beaks, round white bellies, and goody eyes!



Holiday Recess Events

Noon Year's Eve Party
Wednesday, December 31
11:00 a.m.



Get a head start on celebrating the New Year at Petit Branch Library. We're counting down to noon, with snacks, button making, and other fun activities. It's the perfect way for children to celebrate the New Year. **Recommended for ages 3 and up.**

Shrinky Dink Keychains
Friday, January 2
2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Turn your drawings into your own keychain with Shrinky Dink plastic! Create your own design and when you are done, watch it shrink down to one-third its size. **Recommended for ages 7 and up; younger if accompanied by an adult.**

Gaymers Day
Saturday, January 3
2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Think you've got game? Stop by Petit to find out! Syracuse Gaymers, a group of LGBTQ+ gamers and nerds, will be here for a fun Saturday session of board games and video games, both retro and current. **Recommended for ages 8 and up.**