

# FEBRUARY

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>"Read 'em and Weed" - Gardening Group</p> <p>The Berkeley Public Library is happy to introduce a new casual gardening group where you can meet with like-minded neighbors and chat plants and all things gardening, swap seedlings, exchange tips, or learn new skills. All levels of experience welcome! We will offer printed materials, presentations, and occasional guest speakers on a range of topics including natives, pollinators, container gardening, water gardens, and more.</p>					1
3 Fit & Strong 10:00-11:30	4 Taco'Bout Books 6:30	5 Teen Study 4:00 Chair Yoga 2:00 Book Group 6:30	6 Fit & Strong 10:00-11:30 Story Time 1:00	7 Crafternoon 4:00	8
10 Fit & Strong 10:00 Bingo 1:00 Switch 3:30	11 Home-School Connections 1:00	12 Chair Yoga 2:00	13 Fit & Strong 10:00-11:30 Story Time 1:00	14	15
17 Bunco 1:00	18 "Read 'em and Weed" 6:30	19 Chair Yoga 2:00 Anime Club 4:00	20 Fit & Strong 10:00-11:30 Story Time 1:00	21	22 Board Games & Chess 2:00
24	25 Home-School Connections 1:00	26 Chair Yoga 2:00	27 Fit & Strong 10:00-11:30 Story Time 1:00	28	

## Library Information

**Print & Fax Resources**

The BPL provides access to self-service copying, scanning, faxing and remote printing!

**Library Board of Trustees**


Library Board of Trustee meetings are open to the public and typically held on the fourth Wednesday each month.

**Mango Languages**

Did you know that your Berkeley Library Card gives you instant access, 24 hours a day, to Mango Languages? Learn a new language (or brush up on one you already know) from your PC, tablet, or smartphone. New this year: we've added American Sign Language to the long list of available self-paced courses!

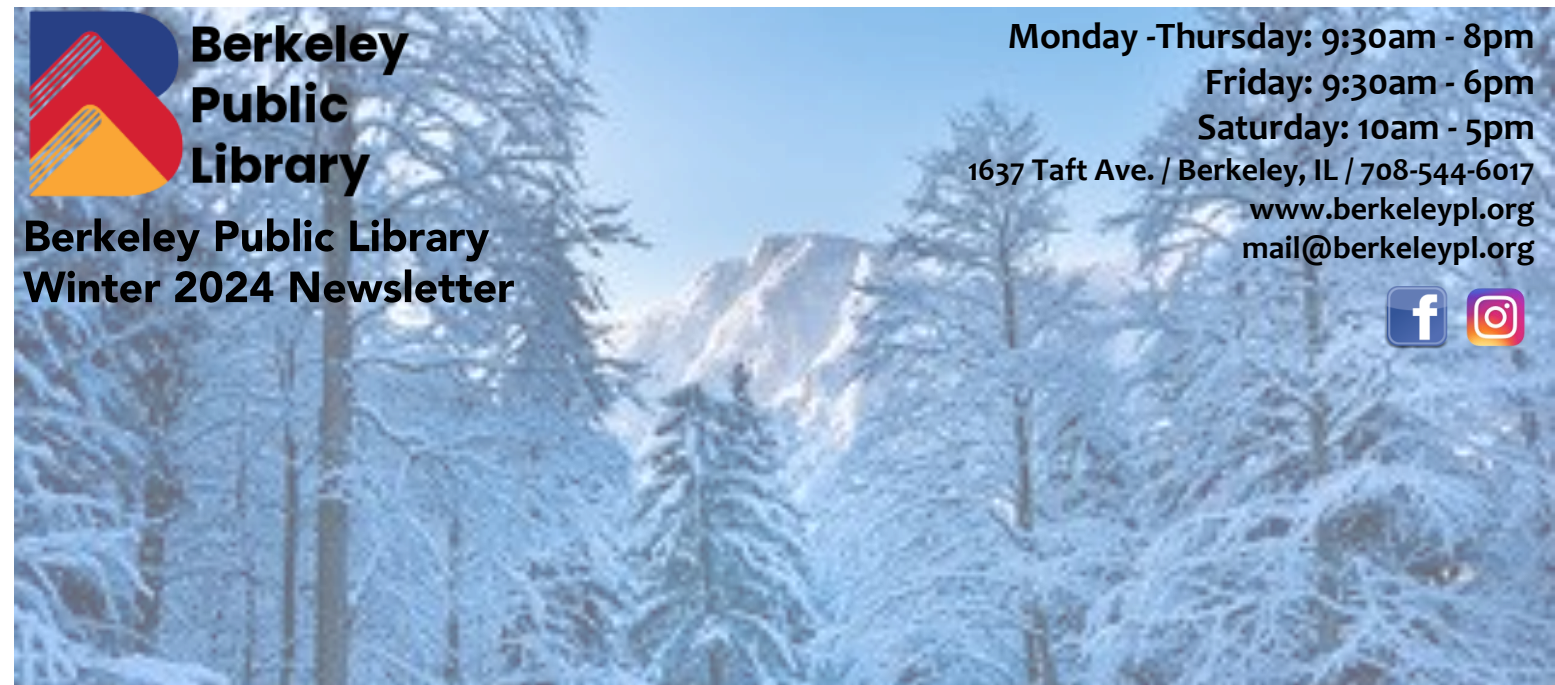


Download the free SWAN Libraries + app lets you store your library card, manage your account, and find books, movies, and more from your phone or tablet. If you had the previous version of the SWAN Libraries app, please delete, and download the new SWAN Libraries + app.



**Note from the Director**

Snow has you stuck inside? Don't forget we offer solutions if you can't make it in during the cold winter months. We're happy to continue to offer homebound delivery, there's stories by phone with Touch Tone Tales, and your library card gives you access to over 30,000 ebooks (and e-magazines!).



**Berkeley Public Library**  
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**Winter 2024 Newsletter**

**Monday -Thursday: 9:30am - 8pm**  
**Friday: 9:30am - 6pm**  
**Saturday: 10am - 5pm**  
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## Holiday Open House

Bring the whole family and celebrate the upcoming holidays at your library! Holiday stories, crafts, hot cocoa, and Santa for the kids. Hot tea and apple cider, crafting, and socializing with friends and neighbors for the grown ups. No registration required!

**Saturday, December 7 @ 1:00-3:00pm**

## I-PASS on Demand Event

Free I-PASS Sticker Tags and I - PASS Assist. Sticker Tags available for every passenger vehicle.

**Saturday, December 14 @ 11:00am-2:00pm**

## Introduction to Making Mocktails

Join Marcy Lautanen-Raleigh of Backyard Patch Herbs as she demonstrates making mocktails using the herbs and spices you have right in your own kitchen cabinet. Registration requested.

**Saturday, January 11 @ 1:00-2:30pm**

## Fit & Strong

This is a 90 minute (60 minute workout/30 minute discussion) group exercise and educational program lead by an AgeOptions, certified instructor. It is an evidence based program intended to help those with osteoarthritis and/or with joint pain, stiffness, joint mobility, and strength. It includes stretching, aerobic, and strength training exercises. Registration required.

**Monday and Thursdays beginning January 6th-  
 April 3rd @ 10:00-11:30am**

## Taco'Bout Books

Join us as we introduce another book club at the Berkeley Public Library! Our new group will meet at Berkeley's Taco Express once a month to Taco'Bout books. Books available at the library for check out before the meeting at Taco Express. Registration requested.

**Tuesdays, January 7, February 4 @ 6:30-7:30pm**

# DECEMBER

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2	3 Home-School Connections 1:00	4 Story Time 10:30 Chair Yoga 2:00	5	6	7 Holiday Open House 1:00-3:00
9 Bingo 1:00	10	11 Story Time 10:30 Chair Yoga 2:00 Book Group 6:30	12	13 Tea & Mystery 10:30	14 I-Pass On Demand 11:00
16 Bunco 1:00	17 Home-School Connections 1:00	18 Story Time 10:30	19	20	21
23 Switch Gaming 3:30	24 <b>LIBRARY</b> <b>CLOSED</b>	25 <b>LIBRARY</b> <b>CLOSED</b>	26 Switch Gaming 1:00	27	28 Board Games & Chess 2:00
30	31 <b>LIBRARY</b> <b>CLOSED</b>	<b>Holiday Vacation - Switch Gaming</b> Don't sit around the house on your school break, come join your fellow gamers as we battle it out in Mario Kart, Super Smash Bros, and other popular games! <b>Thursdays, December 26 &amp; January 2. 1:00-3:00pm</b>			

# JANUARY

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## Programs for Kids & Parents

### Story Time

This February, Story Time is changing up a bit and moving days and times! Check our Facebook, website, or newsletter for dates to make sure you don't miss out!



### COMICS PLUS



Like reading comic books, graphic novels, and manga? Try *ComicsPlus!* Every title is available online with just your library card 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, on your computer, tablet or phone—no holds or wait lists required.

### Touch Tone Tales

Enjoy a story from anywhere you have access to a phone! Dial in to 708-708-0778 for a picture book, chapter book, joke, or riddle. Available 24/7 to all!

### Take-home Craft Kits

We are happy to continue to offer take-home craft kits for kids! Limited quantities, so stop by at the beginning of each month to make sure you get yours!

#### Story Time:

**Dec**– Ornaments  
**Jan**– Acetate Snowflake  
**Feb**– Valentines

#### Youth:

**Dec**– Memory Ornaments  
**Jan**– Polar Bears  
**Feb**– Slap Bracelets

## Programs for Teens and Adults

### Gaming

Join your fellow gamers every Monday this winter as we battle it out in Mario Kart, Super Smash Bros, and other popular games.  
**Sat, Dec 23, Jan 13, Feb 10 @ 3:30-5:30pm**

### Board Games + Chess

Join us in a friendly game of chess, checkers, mancala, or a variety of board games.  
**Sat, Dec 28, Jan 25, Feb 22 @ 2:00-4:00pm**

### Tea and Mystery Movie

Join us for a mystery movie from the past. See if you can figure out 'whodunnit' before the end of the movie. Tea and light refreshments will be served.  
**Friday, Dec 13 @ 10:30am**

### Anime Club

Calling all teens! We're happy to introduce a monthly anime club just for you! You help pick what anime to watch, we'll provide a snack (or two), and have fun crafts available as well! Register in advance to vote on what we watch!  
**Wed, Jan 15, Feb 19 @ 4:00-6:00pm**

### Chair Yoga

Please join us for gentle chair yoga exercises with certified instructor, Victoria Jackson.  
**Wed, Dec 4, 11, Jan 8, 15, 22, 29, Feb 5, 12, 19, 26 @ 2:00pm**

### Adult Book Group

Join us on the second Wednesday of each month for a lively talk about the featured book. Copies available in advance in a variety of formats.  
**Wednesdays, Dec 11, Jan 8, Feb 5 @ 6:30pm**