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# Indiana State Library

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### State Library to accept applications for 2025 Bicentennial Research Fellowship



In honor of the Indiana State Library's 200th anniversary, the Indiana State Library Bicentennial Committee, in conjunction with the Indiana State Library Foundation, will support one Indiana State Library Bicentennial Research Fellowship for 2025.

Emerging or established researchers and historians who are

### Upcoming workshops and important dates

[What's Up Wednesday: Material Challenges: ACPL's Journey of Training Staff](#)

When: July 10, 10-11 a.m.

Where: Webinar

[Summer Lecture Series: Land Platting and Genealogy](#)

When: July 13, 11 a.m.- 12:30 p.m.

Where: Indiana State Library

[Professional Development Roundtable](#)

When: July 18, 2-3 p.m.

Where: Webinar

[Summer Lecture Series: Murderer in the Family Tree, an Author Talks Event Featuring Indiana Author Stephen Terrell](#)

When: Aug. 10, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Where: Indiana State Library

[Supplementing Science of Reading from the Library and](#)

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## Indiana library jobs



This week's new Indiana library jobs

[Reference Department Head](#)  
Elkhart Public Library

[Makerspace and Circulation  
Assistant](#)  
Harrison County Public Library

[Regional Branch Manager](#)  
Indianapolis Public Library

[Social Work Manager](#)  
Indianapolis Public Library

[K-5 Librarian and Literacy  
Coordinator \(part-time\)](#)  
Martin Luther King Community  
Center at IPS School #43, Butler  
University College of Education

[Zoo passes available at the library](#)  
Perry County Public Library

[Programming Director](#)  
Sheridan Public Library

[Makerspace and IT Manager](#)  
Westfield Washington Public Library

Those who would like their Indiana library job posting to be listed in the Wednesday Word must submit the position and its description to the Indiana State Library. Click [here](#) for submission guidelines and to submit.

## In the news

prepared to conduct and publish new research and scholarship with a focus on Indiana history, or a specific collection housed at the Indiana State Library, are encouraged to apply. The fellowship provides a \$1,000 stipend to support in-person research for five consecutive work days at the Indiana State Library in downtown Indianapolis.

Applicants must be emerging or established historians, researchers, authors, post-docs or graduate students with proven writing skills, a demonstrated passion for Indiana history and the ability to perform in-person research at the Indiana State Library for five consecutive days, Monday through Friday, between Jan. 6-Dec. 19, 2025. Applicants can be based anywhere in the U.S., but the committee particularly encourages Indiana residents outside of Marion County to apply.

Those interested should submit a completed [Indiana State Library Bicentennial Application](#) along with a one-page research statement or proposal, a resume or CV with a maximum of three pages, one letter of recommendation and up to three writing samples. The application should be submitted [via email](#). Writing samples may be submitted as PDF or Word files and should be no longer than 20 pages each.

The application period opens on Tuesday, Sept. 3. The application deadline is Tuesday, Nov. 26. The Fellowship will be awarded by Tuesday, Dec. 31.

A Bicentennial Research Fellowship Review Committee composed of staff librarians and historians will convene to review all application documents and award the fellowship. All applicants will receive written

## [TeachingBooks](#)

When: Aug. 21, 11 a.m.-12 p.m.  
Where: Webinar

## [Every Child Ready to Read and School Readiness in Storytime](#)

When: Aug. 23, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Central Time  
Where: Oakland City-Columbia Township Public Library

## [Webmaster Roundtable](#)

When: Aug. 27, 2-3 p.m.  
Where: Webinar

## [What's Up Wednesday: Indiana Legal Help - How Can Libraries Support Publicly Accessible Legal Information](#)

When: Aug. 28, 10-11 a.m.  
Where: Webinar

## [Every Child Ready to Read and School Readiness in Storytime](#)

When: Sept. 9, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.  
Where: Marion Public Library

## [Every Child Ready to Read and School Readiness in Storytime](#)

When: Sept. 17, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Central Time  
Where: La Porte County Public Library

## [Science of Reading](#)

When: Sept. 18, 11 a.m.-12 p.m.  
Where: Webinar

## [Difference is You Support Staff Conference](#)

When: Sept. 20, 9 a.m.-3:45 p.m.  
Where: Indiana State Library

## [What's Up Wednesday: Adult Programming Made Easy](#)

When: Sept. 25, 10-11 a.m.  
Where: Webinar



[ACPL offers multiple options for e-books, demand increases](#)

Allen County Public Library

[Allen County library system honors volunteers, celebrates awards](#)

Allen County Public Library

[Imagination Library receives RCCF President's Award](#)

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library of Indiana

[Eckhart Public Library seeks community feedback](#)

Eckhart Public Library

[Jasmine the Camel visits the library](#)

Milford Public Library

[North Webster Community Public Library thanks summer reading sponsors for encouraging education](#)

North Webster Community Public Library

[Women Entrepreneurs Matter hosts 'Fun in the Sun' event](#)

St. Joe County Public Library

[Bring pet food to Globe-Trotting Fridays July 5](#)

Syracuse Public Library

[West Lafayette library's programs bring adventure – and free books](#)

West Lafayette Public Library

## Is your library making news?

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notification via email on whether they have been selected for the fellowship. The application review will take place between December 2-20.

Click [here](#) to read more about the upcoming Bicentennial Research Fellowship.

## Crown Point Community Library cuts ribbon on 'Walk the Dog' art project



The City of Crown Point has unveiled the signage for its public art project, "Walk the Dog."

"Walk the Dog" is a project by the City of Crown Point and Chicago-based artist and Crown Point native Lewis Iain. "Walk the Dog" is a multi-faceted project anchored by a 4-foot-tall fiberglass bulldog painted to illustrate Crown Point's rich history. The project includes a coloring book and a historic walking tour with signage, both of which depict the historic sites showcased on the bulldog.

The Crown Point Community Library provided the historical research for the signs and companion website page for the project. The Indiana Destination Development Corporation and the Crown Point Redevelopment Commission funded the multi-faceted "Walk The Dog" project.

The city and the library hosted an unveiling for the signs on June 18 at the Historic Lake Courthouse, located at 1 Courthouse Square.



Welcome to the Government Information Minute. Every other week, government information librarians at the Indiana State Library cover current resources on governmental data at the state, national and international levels, all to keep the public well-informed. Follow the Indiana State Data Center on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) and feel free to leave comments and suggestions.

## Firework safety



It's that time of year when Americans everywhere will be celebrating the Fourth of July holiday with family, friends and fireworks. [Get Prepared Indiana](#), part of Indiana Homeland Security, offers helpful [fireworks safety tips](#), as well as information on when and where fireworks can be set off legally. To get familiar with the fireworks laws in Indiana, as they can differ from place to place, click [here](#). It's also important to check local ordinances for any fireworks limitations that might exist in the area.

Last year, there were 9,700 people treated for fireworks injuries in the emergency room. The most common injuries included burns to the hands or fingers. A new report from the

section.

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### State Library blog



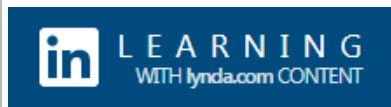
Follow the [Indiana State Library's blog](#) for weekly posts covering all aspects of the State Library.

Indiana library employees who would like to contribute a guest blog, please send an [email](#) with an idea.

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### Free training for librarians and library employees on LinkedIn Learning



"Special thanks goes to the Werkowski family for making this project a reality and the Stewards of the Square, who inspired many with the original Best in Show Exhibit featuring dozens of bulldogs across Crown Point," the library said in a statement.

### North Webster Community Public Library expands Teen Space with Switch, gaming computers



*Daniel Hager, Zach Ott and Alanna Church play video games in the new North Webster Community Public Library Teen Space*

The North Webster Community Public Library has announced the expansion of its Teen Space, now featuring a Nintendo Switch and four gaming computers. Teens and tweens are invited to enjoy these new additions any time the library is open.

The Nintendo Switch offers a dynamic gaming experience, allowing teens to challenge friends in a Mario Kart tournament or unwind with solo adventures in Minecraft. Additionally, the four gaming computers provide access to educational software plus a variety of popular games, such as Roblox, creating a versatile space for entertainment and learning.

The North Webster Community Public Library welcomes all teens and tweens to explore these new features and make the most of the expanded Teen Space. The library is open Monday through Thursday

[U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission](#) highlights the hazards posed by consumer use of fireworks. CPSC is raising awareness and sharing safety tips on how to prevent these types of injuries and deaths over the holiday. Using proper safety measures, and common sense, can help prevent these types of injuries and ensure your holiday celebrations go smoothly.

### Creative aging programming supported at 36 libraries across Indiana



**INDIANA ARTS COMMISSION**  
MAKING THE ARTS HAPPEN

The Indiana Arts Commission has announced that 36 libraries have received training and grant funding through Lifelong Arts Indiana, a program that promotes arts and creativity services for adults ages 65 and older. Each library will receive up to \$5,000 to host programming for older adults, supported by the Indiana Arts Commission in partnership with the Family and Social Services Administration.

The Evansville Vanderburgh Public Library's project, "Sheep to Cloth" with Peggy Taylor, will introduce the fundamentals of weaving to a group of seniors at the library. Led by fiber artist Peggy Taylor, participants will explore natural fibers and the ins and outs of wool dyeing and will create a finished woven piece.

### Text and Learn for Kindergarten program information



from 10 a.m.-7 p.m.; Friday from 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; and Saturday from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. The library is located at 110 E. North St. in North Webster.

Participating libraries were identified through a partnership with the Indiana State Library and were offered an opportunity to attend a training on creative aging best practices and apply for an early action grant to deploy their learnings in their own communities.

Click [here](#) to read the full Indiana Arts Commission press release, including the complete list of libraries receiving funding and the projects they will support.

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