

Odell Public Library OUTREACH



MARCH 2025

With the weather improving, Odell is happy to see an influx of readers coming out of hibernation and some of our 'snow birds' returning. This month, be on the lookout for a Friends program on Funeral preparations, all of our regular kids' activities, and our second Tiny Art Show, beginning Monday, March 10th.



March is Women's History Month!

Delve into these classic Adult novels & learn more about the impact made by some of history's most prolific female writers!



Display by Victoria

March 2025 PROGRAMS

LEGO Club

10:30 - 12:00

1st Saturday of the month

All ages welcome
Come build at Odell!





3rd Saturdays @ Odell

Pokémon Club


10 - 11:30 A.M.
Odell Program Room

Play the card game, trade with friends, and meet up with other Pokémon fans!
All ages.

12 - 3 P.M.
Odell Program Room

Bring your decks and play/trade with other MTG enthusiasts. Ages 10+



March Storytimes



6:30 - 7:00 PM

THURS 06	 SNAKES
THURS 13	 HIPPOS
THURS 20	 FROGS & TOADS
THURS 27	 ALLIGATORS

Perfect for Preschoolers!  Stories, Songs, Rhymes, & Art

Lego fun!



TINY ART | TAKE TWO



We still have a handful of Tiny Art Kits to give out at Odell! Artists of all ages and abilities are invited to pick up a Tiny Art Kit, containing a 4"x4" canvas, acrylic paints, brush, and instructions beginning Monday, February 10. Tiny masterpieces should be returned to Odell by Saturday, March 1 to be displayed in the Tiny Art Show running March 3-29. A selection of artwork will then be showcased uptown at the Loft on Main throughout April. Our inaugural Tiny Art Show took place in Spring 2022 and featured over 350 artworks. This free project is for anyone in the community. We believe that EVERYONE IS AN ARTIST. Not a painter? All mediums and materials welcome -- just keep it tiny! More details below.

Please return artwork by March 7th.



Create your own tiny masterpiece with this free tiny art kit! Inside you'll find a 4"x4" canvas, acrylic paints, and a brush. Feel free to use other mediums or materials, but make sure to keep your art tiny! Any theme or subject can be explored; we just ask that all submissions are family-friendly. This activity is open to EVERYONE. No matter the skill level, creating art is great for the mind and soul!

**Return artwork to Odell Public Library
by Friday, March 7, 2025**

Your art will be featured at Odell in a Tiny Art Show throughout the month of March. A portion of Tiny Art will then move to Morrison's own art gallery: the Loft on Main! This program is proudly sponsored by Odell Public Library and the Loft on Main, with special financial support from Thrivent financial. Use your creativity and make some art!

TIPS FOR CREATING A MASTERPIECE

- **Prepare a place to work.** Make sure there is plenty of light. Organize your materials.
- **Create a concept.** What are you going to create? What are you trying to express?
- **Sketch your design** using a sharp pencil.
- **Check your composition.** While art has no rules, there are some principles that can make your masterpiece a little more pleasing. Is your composition balanced? What/where is your focal point? Is there movement? Unity?
- **Think about color.** Remember, there are 3 primary colors (red, blue, yellow). Combinations of primary colors produce secondary colors (orange, green, violet). Adding white brightens; black deepens the shade. Have fun experimenting!
- **Enjoy!** Stay determined. Be patient. Keep creating!



ODELL PUBLIC LIBRARY

307 S. Madison St./Morrison,IL

HOURS:

Monday 10:00 AM—6:00 PM
Tuesday 2:00 PM—8:00 PM
Wednesday 10:00 AM—6:00 PM
Thursday 2:00 PM—8:00 PM
Friday 2:00 PM—5:00 PM
Saturday 10:00 AM—3:00 PM

THE LOFT ON MAIN

112 E. Main St./Morrison,IL

HOURS:

Thursday 10:00 AM—2:00 PM
Friday 10:00 AM—4:00 PM
Saturday 10:00 AM—4:00 PM



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THE LOFT ON MAIN

FEBRUARY 2025 | AROUND ODELL



1) Henry S. smiles next to his Kapla Block creation at Odell's February 13th Absolute Science program. We spy a future engineer! 2) Max investigates some rockin' rocks and gems at Absolute Science. 3) Our Storytime crew created carrot butterflies with Miss Amy! 4) Shaq thought the gyrosphere at Absolute Science was pretty amazing!



THANK YOU

Four students from Sauk Valley Community College's Impact Program volunteered at Odell's Absolute Science event on February 13. The students helped set up, assisted families during the program, and helped clean up which made everything run so smoothly. Over 35 kids (and their caregivers!) loved this program. Thank you!

ODELL LIBRARY FRIENDS

Funerals 101



Tuesday, March 4, 2025
6:30 PM – Odell Program Room

Steve Owen, owner and Director of Bosma-Renkes Funeral Home, will share valuable information on how, when, and why to plan for the loss of a loved one.

Question & answer session to follow.

*This free program is sponsored
by the Odell Public Library Friends.
No registration necessary.*



Curious how you can become a **Friend**? The Odell Public Library Friends are patrons who support the library through fundraising, advocacy, and programming. Friends have no age requirement or financial commitment; they are simply a group of people who love and support the library! Does this sound like you? The Odell Public Library Friends are currently looking for members. All are welcome.

Next Meeting:
Tuesday, March 4
1 p.m.
Odell Program Room

ODELL
Public Library
— friends —

The latest book orders can be found by scrolling to the bottom of Odell's [website](#) or stopping by the circulation desk. You can "Adopt-a-Book" for just \$15 to ensure the first read!

PUTNAM & ZOO PASSES

Looking to explore locally? Check out Odell's Putnam Museum or Niabi Zoo pass and enjoy a day at this Quad Cities museum on us! Passes are available to adult Odell library card holders on a first-come, first-serve basis. Call us at 772-7323 to reserve your pass!

ALWAYS AVAILABLE

- Odell Play Kitchen & Puppet Theater
- Discovery Book Packs
- Leapfrog Readers
- Hot Spot checkouts
- Free library cards for kids
- Free wi-fi and public computers
- LEGO cart
- Coloring and activity pages
- Access to Ancestry.com
- Educate Station: K-5 Curriculum



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