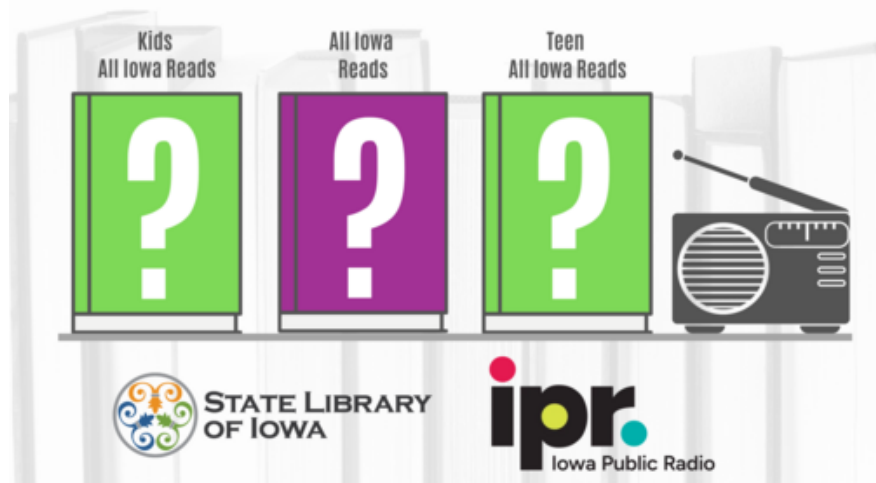




October 2023

All Iowa Reads 2024 Announcement



Tune in to *Talk of Iowa* October 18!

The 2024 All Iowa Reads season will be soon upon us!

Join us as we partner with Iowa Public Radio (IPR) again to announce the new titles for the 2024 All Iowa Reads, Teen All Iowa Reads, and Kids All Iowa Reads programs on *Talk of Iowa* **Wednesday, October 18**.

Talk of Iowa runs weekdays at 10:00 a.m. on Iowa Public Radio. The All Iowa Reads portion of the program will begin promptly at 10:40 a.m.

Host Charity Nebbe will be joined by Kamryn Kronschnabel of Charles City Public Library and member of the All Iowa Reads selection committee; and Janeé Jackson-Doering, Youth Services Consultant at the State Library of Iowa and chair of the Kids and Teen selection committees, to reveal the new titles and authors for 2024.

Stream the program live at www.iowapublicradio.org or tune in to your local IPR radio station.

[Find out more about All Iowa Reads](#)

November POP YS Live



Our monthly webinar series focuses on trends and best practices in services and programming for those working in Youth Services librarianship around the state. All webinars will be recorded.

Reader's Advisory for Kids and Teens

Wednesday, Nov. 8, 1:00-2:00 PM

For this installment of Pop YS Live, State Library Consultant Janeé Jackson-Doering and a panel of practitioner experts will take you through the basics of RA for Youth Services - everything from nailing the 'what should I read next?' conversation to sources you should follow so you can recommend the latest and greatest titles to kids, teens, and their caregivers. We'll also want to hear your tips and tricks in the chat!

Save the Date: Pop YS Con!



POP YS Con is back! We hope you'll join us April 8-9, 2024 in Ames at the Gateway Hotel and Conference Center in Ames. Watch for registration to open in early 2024.

Previously known as Kids First, Pop YS (Youth Services) Con is a conference is for all library staff working with youth from babies through teenagers.

More information to come!

Summer Library 2023 Program Survey



Thank You!

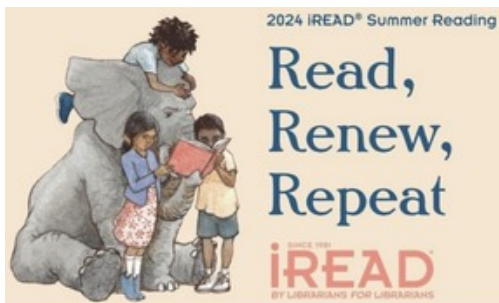
We collected feedback from **194 libraries** for our 2023 Summer Library Program Survey.

The winner of the prize book giveaway is the **Upham Memorial Library in Fredericksburg!** We will be sending the prize pack of books via IA Shares.

Also, a big **thanks** to all of the libraries that sent photos of their summer events! Take a look at the link below:

[2023 Summer Reading Pictures](#)

Additional Upcoming Youth Services CE Opportunities



Pop YS Live | iREAD Summer Reading 2024 Preview
Wednesday, Oct. 18, 1:00 to 2:00 p.m.

Join representatives from the iREAD team as they cover some basics about the program, an introduction to the 2024 theme (Read, Renew, Repeat!), and share how you can get involved with planning 2024 and beyond.

Check It Out

Tuesday, October 24, 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Join us for our webinar spotlighting the best new books for ages 0-18. Janeé will share book talks on the latest titles - including book suggestions for Storytime! There's a book prize bag giveaway, too! Check It Out! shares collection development tips, trends, and more!



Register for Check It Out

Big Ideas Book Discussion: The Art of Talking with Children

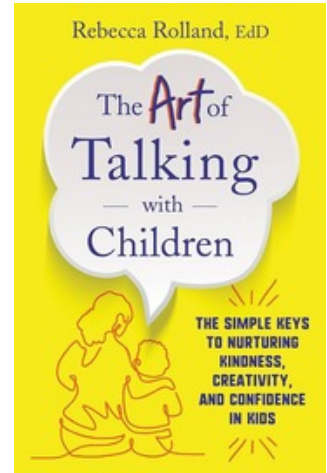
Friday, November 17, 9:30 to 11:00 a.m.

Join Northwest District Consultant Bonnie McKewen and Janeé to discuss "The Art of Talking With Children: Simple Keys to Nurturing Kindness, Creativity, and Confidence in Kids" by Rebecca Rolland.

From the book: "[This book] arms adults with practical tools to help them have productive and meaningful conversations with children of all ages—whether it's engaging an obstinate toddler or getting the most monosyllabic adolescent to open up...it shows us how quality communication—or rich talk—can help us build the skills and capacities children need to thrive."

We'll discuss the ideas presented, and see how they apply to how all staff can better serve the library's youngest patrons and their caregivers!

Register for the Big Ideas Book Discussion



Reader Beware...You're In For a Scare!



Check Out Janeé's Favorite Spooky (and Not So Spooky) Reads!

- **Meowloween** - written by Diane Muldrow; illustrated by Tiffany Chen

- ***The Great Zombie Pumpkin Parade*** - written by Robert Burleigh; illustrated by Wendell Minor
- ***Ghoulia series*** - written/illustrated by Barbara Cantini
- ***Eerie Tales From the School of Screams*** - written/illustrated by Graham Annable
- ***Scarewaves*** - written/illustrated by Trevor Henderson
- ***You're Not Supposed To Die Tonight*** - written by Kalynn Bayron
- ***She Is a Haunting*** - written by Trang Thanh Tran
- ***What Stalks Among Us*** - written by Sarah Hollowell

Resource of the Month

Brightly

Brightly is a great resource for kids, teens, and families. Their popular articles and topics are sorted by age groups: Baby & Toddler (Ages 0-2), Pre-K (Ages 3-5), Growing Reader (Ages 6-8), Tween (Ages 9-12) and Teen (Ages 13 and up).

Use this website to find books that fit a timely theme or upcoming holiday, free printables/activities, themed book lists, recorded readalouds, and more!

The logo for Brightly, featuring the word "Brightly" in a black serif font on an orange rectangular background.

[More From Brightly](#)

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