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Livingston Municipal Library

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## Upcoming Events

### September

Library Card Signup Month

**Sept. 10** *Lab Girl* (Pushing the Limits, 5pm)

**Sept. 19** Friends Meeting

**Sept. 19** Talk Like a Pirate Day

**Sept. 21** Book Adoption Day

### October

**Oct. 8** *The Wright Brothers* (Pushing the Limits, 5pm)

**Oct. 21-27** Friends of Libraries Week

**Oct. 23** *Stories for a Dark and Stormy Night* (Bernadette Nason)

**Oct. 31** Book or Treat

### November

Texas Writers Exhibit

**Nov. 5** *The Relic* (Pushing the Limits, 5pm)

**Nov. 15** Harvest Celebration

**Nov. 16** Book Adoption Day

## Falling into fall...

As autumn quickly approaches, we have many activities and events to get you more involved at Livingston Municipal Library!

On **Sept. 19 (11:00am)**, The **Friends of the Library** will have a **membership meeting**, so if you would like to learn more about the Friends and their contributions to the library, you are encouraged to attend. The Friends will also host two **Book Adoption Days** this fall, on **Sept. 21 (10:00am-2:00pm)** and **Nov. 16 (10:00am-2:00pm)**. You can choose from the wide selection of hardbacks, paperbacks, movies, and audiobooks, and make a donation of your choice to the Friends. All proceeds from book adoptions support the library's collection development, special events, and programming.

**Sept. 19** is also **International Talk Like a Pirate Day**, so you can bring your pirate gear and help us celebrate during an afternoon story time adventure. The program starts at **4:00pm**.

Acclaimed storyteller **Bernadette Nason** will join us on **Oct. 23 (3:00pm)** to present "**Stories for a Dark and Stormy Night.**" These creepy tales are appropriate for early childhood through elementary age.

The spooky fun continues with a Halloween **Book or Treat (Oct. 31, 4:00pm)**, a family-friendly celebration including a costume contest and book giveaway. It promises to be spooky (but not too spooky!).

Join us on **Nov. 15 (4:00pm)** for a **Harvest Celebration** to usher in Thanksgiving. There will be plenty of harvest-themed crafts and activities.

The **2019 Texas Writers Exhibit**, highlighting the

accomplishments of some of the best creative writers in our state, will be on display at our library from **Nov. 1** through **Nov. 30**.

**Tai-Chi** classes will be offered on **Thursdays (1:00pm)** during September and October.

Don't forget that Livingston Municipal Library offers one-on-one technology training sessions several times per week, as well as **Tech Tuesday** sessions on the **2nd and 4th Tuesday** of each month, from **3:30pm-4:30pm**. Upcoming Tech Tuesday topics include **Resume Basics (September)**, **Android Basics (October)** and **Online Safety & Security (November)**. To sign up for any of our tech training sessions, please reach us by phone (**936.327.4252**) or email at [library@livingstonlibrary.net](mailto:library@livingstonlibrary.net).

If you were wondering what your library is worth, stop by and apply for a library card to find out! **September** is **Library Card Sign-Up Month**, and what better ways to celebrate than getting a card for the first time or renewing your membership. A library card is a low cost way to access thousands of books, audiobooks, and movies.

City of Livingston residents can obtain a card for free, while Polk County residents can get a card for a \$5.00 annual membership fee. When you consider the average cost of hardback books (\$25.00), mass market paperbacks (\$9.00), e-books (\$2.99 to \$9.99), and Blu-ray discs (\$20.00 or more), we hope you'll see that the membership fee is well worth it.

For a complete list of events, please visit our website.

Find us anywhere!

[www.livingstonlibrary.net](http://www.livingstonlibrary.net)

*If one cannot enjoy reading a book over again, there is no use in reading at all. ~ Oscar Wilde*

## Reader's Corner

If you liked *The fifth season*, try...

- A crown for cold silver* - Alex Marshall (FIC MAR)
- Binti* - Nnedi Okorafor (FIC OKO)
- Sevенеves* - Neal Stephenson (FIC STE)
- All the birds in the sky* - Charlie Jane Anders (e-book)
- Name of the wind* - Patrick Rothfuss (e-book)
- Red rising* - Pierce Brown (e-book)

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### Hours

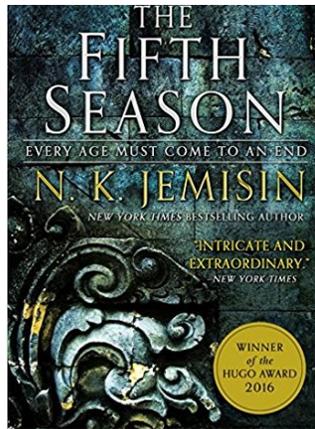
Sunday - Closed  
Mon - Fri : 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.  
Saturday : 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

The library will be closed on:

Sept. 1 & Sept 3  
(Labor Day)

Nov. 10 & Nov. 12  
(Veterans Day)

Nov. 22 - Nov. 24  
(Thanksgiving)



## Exploring Science Fiction and Fantasy

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| 327.12 COR <i>Cyberspies</i>                    | 809.3 CLE <i>Ten billion tomorrows</i>            | 355 ROA <i>Grunt : the curious science of humans at war</i> |
| 523.1 TYS <i>Startalk</i>                       | 001.944 LOX <i>Abominable science (+e-book)</i>   | 133.901 SHR <i>Old souls</i>                                |
| 158.2 GOL <i>Social intelligence</i>            | 364.152 STA <i>The killer of little shepherds</i> | 520.22 TRE <i>Space atlas</i>                               |
| 001.942 BUL <i>The myth and mystery of UFOs</i> | <i>When gadgets betray us (e-book)</i>            | 130 VOL <i>Fringe-ology</i>                                 |
| 001.94 KRU <i>The monster hunters (+e-book)</i> | 591.68 SHA <i>How to clone a mammoth</i>          | 741.2 ROL <i>How to draw sci-fi utopias and dystopias</i>   |

## Friends of the Library Book Adoptions

Sept. 21, 2018 10am - 2pm  
Nov. 16, 2018 10am - 2pm

National Friends of Libraries week is Oct. 21 - Oct. 27, and what better way to celebrate than by joining the friends! There are five membership tiers (**Individual, Family, Patron, Supporting, Benefactor**), and if you are interested volunteering, leading story times, grant-writing, or offering input on the direction of the Friends, we would love for you to become a Friend!

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## Author Spotlight: N.K. Jemisin

### Speculative Fiction (SciFi/Fantasy)

(Adapted from [nkjemisin.com](http://nkjemisin.com))

N.K. Jemisin has been changing the face of speculative fiction since 2010, with her first novel, *The hundred thousand kingdoms* (Inheritance Trilogy, #1). Jemisin creates multicultural worlds only recently seen in the science fiction and fantasy genres.

"The only way to enact change in such a system is to destabilize it — unfreeze it" Jemisin writes. "Then quickly push through changes before a new state of stable equilibrium is reached and the system freezes again."

And push through Jemisin has. In 2016, she became the first African-American writer to win a Hugo award for her novel, *The fifth season* (The Broken Earth, #1), about a planet undergoing drastic climate change. The following year, she again won the Hugo for *The obelisk gate*, the sequel to *The fifth season*. In a historic feat, the final novel in the trilogy, *The stone sky*, also won a Hugo Award when

the winners were announced in August.

Jemisin, who currently lives in Brooklyn, NY, earned a degree in psychology from Tulane University, as well as a Master of Education from the University of Maryland. In addition to her fiction writing, she also reviews the latest science fiction and fantasy literature for The New York Times in the column, *Otherworldly*.

Jemisin is candid about her literary motivations. "We all have futures," she writes. "We all have pasts. We all have stories...we all get to dream."

For more information on Jemisin, please visit her official site listed above.

