

The Big Read

A community-wide celebration of

Edgar Allan Poe

Pick up your copy of *Great Tales and Poems of Edgar Allan Poe* at one of the following locations.

The Independence Public Library

220 East Maple

The Independence Community College Library

Located in the Academic Building on campus.

1057 West College Avenue

Magnolia Scents by Design

106 N Pennsylvania Avenue

My Town Media

309 N Pennsylvania Ave

Poe Themed ICC Open Mic Night

Wednesday, April 15th at 7:00PM

Independence Community College Library

This extra-special Open Mic is presented in conjunction with the Independence Public Library as part of their Big Read celebration! All performers will share their favorite Poe pieces or read something original that is Poe-inspired. It should be great, creepy fun!

Big Read Kick-Off with MC Lars

Thursday, April 30th at 7:00PM

Independence High School Performing Arts Center

Indie Hip-Hop artist, MC Lars, will give a free concert featuring Edgar Allan Poe. The community is invited

to hear songs such as "Flow like Poe," "Annabel Lee R.I.P.," and "Hey There Ophelia." This family friendly night is a must see. All who attend will receive a free copy of "Great Tales and Poems of Edgar Allan Poe."

Online Poe Poetry Discussion

Begins on Monday, May 4th

This online poetry discussion can be accessed through the Independence Public Library's website www.iplks.org. The discussion will be using the book "Great Tales and Poems of Edgar Allan Poe."

Teen Online Discussion

Begins on Monday, May 4th

Teens are invited to participate in this online book discussion that can be accessed it through the Independence Public Library's website www.iplks.org. The discussion will be over the book "Great Tales and Poems of Edgar Allan Poe."

Poe Detective Stories Discussion at Ane Mae's

Tuesday, May, 5th at 12:00PM

Ane Mae's Coffee & Sandwich House

John Long will be leading this discussion at Ane Mae's Coffee and Sandwich Shop, 325 N Penn Ave Ste 101, Independence, KS. The discussion will be over Edgar Allan Poe's detective Stories: *The Murders in the Rue Morgue, The Purloined Letter, and The Gold-Bug*. The discussion will use the book "Great Tales and Poems of Edgar Allan Poe."

Elk City, KS Book Discussion

Tuesday, May 5th at 6:00PM

Elk City Community Center

Sue and Wayne Landwher will lead this discussion in Elk City, on: *Descent Into the Maelström, The Raven, and Masque of the Red Death*. The discussion will be using the book "Great Tales and Poems of Edgar Allan Poe."

Poe Discussion at the ICC Library

Wednesday, May 6th at 5:00PM

Independence Community College Library

ICC professors James Yates and Lori Martin will lead a discussion over "Great Tales and Poems of Edgar Allan Poe." The discussion will take place at the ICC library located in the Academic Building. The stories that will be discussed are: *Message Found in a Bottle, A Decent into the Maelström, The Pit and the Pendulum, and Wilma Wilson*.

Poe Fiesta!

Thursday, May 7th at 6:00PM

Ana Rojas dirigirá este evento divertido y emocionante. Habrá comida , artesanías, y traducción de Historias de Poe del español al Inglés . Habrá copias de *Cuentos/Tales* de Edgar Allan Poe," regalados en este evento.

Children's Art Project

Thursday, May 7th at 4:00PM

Children up to age 10 are invited to a Poe party! Mr. Blinn will be reading *Edgar Gets Ready For Bed* by Jennifer Adams. There will be a Raven pin craft and snacks! Children who attend will also receive a copy of the book.

Teen Graphic Novel Discussion

Wednesday, May 13th at 5:00

Kriztina Smith will lead teens in a discussion over *Edgar Allan Poe's Tales of Mystery and Madness*, a graphic novel illustrated by Gris Grimly. Following the discussion there will be refreshments and teens are able to keep their copy of the graphic novel.

Teen Art Project

Thursday, May 14th at 5:00PM

Teens can get POE crazy creating multimedia art, inspired by Poe. Art work will then be on display throughout the library.

Poe Panel

Thursday, May 14th at 6:00PM

How has Poe influenced movies, television, and literature? Eric Monder, adjunct professor of film at Bethany College and critic for *Film Journal International* and *The Hollywood Reporter*, and Lori Martin, associate professor of English at ICC will discuss the lasting effects Poe has had on various forms of media.

Sycamore, KS Book Discussion

Tuesday, May 19th at 6:00PM

Sycamore Community Center

Brandon West will lead a discussion in Sycamore at the Sycamore Community Center, on: *The Tell-Tale Heart*, *The Cask of Amontillado*, *The Black Cat* *Ligeia*, *The Masque of the Red Death*, and *The Fall of the House of Usher*, using the book "Great Tales and Poems of Edgar Allan Poe."

Poe's Horror Story Discussion

Thursday, May 21st at 6:00PM

Brandon West will lead a discussion of some of Edgar Allan Poe's darker works. The stories for this discussion will be: *The Tell-Tale Heart*, *The Cask of Amontillado*, *The Black Cat*, *Ligeia*, *The Masque of the Red Death*, and *The Fall of the House of Usher*. The discussion will be using the book "Great Tales and Poems of Edgar Allan Poe."

Adult Night Out!

Tuesday, June 2nd at 6:00PM

Adults are invited to a craft night at the library, creating Poe inspired jewelry. Join Julie Hildebrand, Library Director, for an evening of fun and creativity. Create jewelry that is as mysterious, and intriguing as Poe's works.

Vincent Price and Edgar Allen Poe Film Discussion

Thursday, June 4th at 6:00PM

Dr. James Yates from the Independence Community College will be using Vincent Price film adaptations of Poe's works to discuss how Poe influenced the Horror film genre.

Poe Crawl

Friday, June 5th at 7:00PM

Starting at Turbo's Bar and Grill,

Ending at Uncle Jack's Bar & Grill

Need a night out? Join the library in a Poe themed pub crawl. Starting at Turbo's, Poe

Crawl attendees will receive a bracelet that gives them access to specials throughout the night.

Participants will receive a copy of "Great Tales and Poems of Edgar Allan Poe," a Poe koozie, and a Poe T-shirt. The second stop on the crawl will be Uncle Jack's, which will host a Poe Themed Trivia Contest.

****The Independence Public Library in partnership with Americab will be hosting free and safe rides home from 11:00PM to 2:30AM!**