

Dreaming Dreams No Mortal Ever Dared to Dream

*Do
you
know
Poe?*

 **THE BIG
READ**
DEARBORN

Schedule of Events
February-March 2016

What is The Big Read?

The Big Read is a program of the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA), designed to revitalize the role of literature in American culture and to encourage citizens to read for pleasure and enlightenment. In collaboration with many local partners, Dearborn Public Library is one of 75 organizations that received a grant in May 2015 to host a Big Read program in their community. The Big Read Dearborn, themed ***Dreaming Dreams No Mortal Ever Dared to Dream Before***, will focus on the great tales and poems of Edgar Allan Poe and will take place in February and March 2016. This literary adventure will provide opportunities for the community to “get to know Poe.” *All events are free and open to all ages and require no registration unless otherwise noted.*

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Saturday, February 6, 2-4 p.m.



BIG READ KICKOFF EVENT

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library, 16301 Michigan, Dearborn
 "Dreams" art exhibit, music from Poe's day, dramatizations of his work, free books and tabloids, Poe craft, light refreshments, and more.



Monday, February 8, 7-8:30 p.m.

Poe Film Festival: The Black Cat (1934)



Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library Auditorium
American honeymooners in Hungary are trapped in the home of a Satan-worshiping priest when the bride is taken there for medical help following a road accident. Starring Boris Karloff and Bela Lugosi.



Tuesday, February 9, 6-7 p.m.

Cranial Capacity of Corvids: What It Really Means to Be a "Bird Brain"



Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library, Room 30

Blue Jays, Gray Jays, American Crows, and Common Ravens are included in this fascinating and globally distributed group of birds. Their animated lifestyles and “deep thinking” have carved out a place in many international cultures and literature, including Edgar Allan Poe’s famous poem, "The Raven." Join corvid researcher Dr. Star Kraven-Madd of Concorvidae University (in partnership with Naturalist Dorothy McLeer and the University of Michigan-Dearborn's Environmental Interpretive Center) for a look at the antics and problem-solving abilities of these intriguing Michigan residents.



Wednesday, February 10, 1-3 p.m.

"Dreams" Ice Sculpture

Exhibit opens Location: Henry Ford College, 5101 Evergreen Rd., Dearborn



Thursday, February 11, 7-8 p.m.

Book Discussion

Location: Arab American National Museum, Russell J. Ebeid Library & Resource Center,
13624 Michigan Ave., Dearborn

Discuss Poe's "Great Stories and Poems."

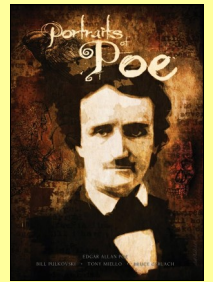


Saturday, February 13, 2-3 p.m.

Portraits of Poe

Location: Green Brain Comics, 13936 Michigan Ave., Dearborn

Meet the illustrators of *Portraits of Poe*, enjoy light refreshments and free signed copies of the book while supplies last. Registration is required. To register, call (313) 943-2330 or visit dearbornlibrary.org



Sunday, February 14, 2-3 p.m.

Valentine's Day Discussion of "Annabel Lee"



Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library, Room 30

Discuss Poe's "Annabel Lee" in English and Arabic with librarian Patty Podzikowski.

Pick up a free copy of the book at any Dearborn Public Library.



Tuesday, February 16, 7-8:30 p.m.



Forensic Art: Capturing the Living, Identifying the Dead

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library, Room 30

Detective Sarah Krebs is an experienced forensic artist who creates both drawings and 3-D recreations. She has had recent news coverage of her successes solving cases in Detroit and will discuss identifying, locating missing persons, victims, criminals, and much more.



Wednesday, February 17, 7-8 p.m.

Classics Revisited Book Discussion

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library, Ford Room

Discuss Poe's "Great Tales and Poems."



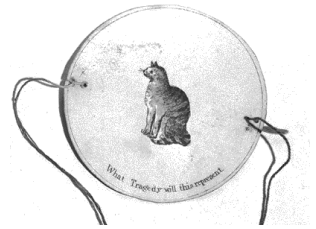
Thursday, February 18, 11 a.m.-7 p.m.

Poe Craft

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library, Youth Services Department

Make a Thaumatrope, a moving picture toy popular during the era of Edgar Allan Poe.

Available while supplies last. Younger children may require assistance from caregivers.



Thursday, February 18, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Pizza & Pages Teen Book Discussion

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library, Youth Services Department

Discuss Poe's "Great Tales and Poems" with dessert around a campfire. Pizza provided. Grades 7-12.

No parents or younger siblings. Registration encouraged. Registration begins February 4.



Saturday, February 20, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Poe Writing Workshop

Location: Ford Community and Performing Arts Center, 15801 Michigan Ave.,
Dearborn, Wet Room 1

Learn from Dearborn's own Anne Gautreau tips on how to write like Poe.



Monday, February 22, 7-8:30 p.m.

Poe Film Festival: House of Usher (1960)

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library Auditorium

A man, upon entering his fiancée's family mansion, discovers a savage family curse and fears that his future brother-in-law has entombed his bride-to-be prematurely.

Starring Vincent Price. Not rated. 79 minutes.



Tuesday, February 23, 6:30-7 p.m.

Daring Dreams Storytime

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library, Youth Services Department

Enjoy some of our quirkier picture books and a craft in the spirit of Poe. Ages 5-8 years.

(Younger children welcome, but please be aware that some stories may be scary.) Space is limited.



Wednesday, February 24, 7-11 p.m.

Poe Pub Crawl

Locations: Dearborn Brewing, 21930 Michigan Ave., Dearborn (7-9 p.m.)
and Bailey's, 22091 Michigan Ave., Dearborn (9:15-11 p.m.)
Join the crawl and discuss Poe while having a Poe inspired drink along the way.



Thursday, February 25, 7-8 p.m.

Dreaming Dreams Keynote Panel Discussion

Location: UM-D Mardigian Library, Room 1212, 4901 Evergreen Rd., Dearborn
Join professors Shelly Jarenski of University of Michigan-Dearborn, Stephen Rachman of Michigan State University, and John Rietz of Henry Ford College to explore the role of dreams in Poe's works.



Saturday, February 27, 2-4 p.m.

No Mortal Dares to Dream Tween+ Party

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library, Youth Services Department
In this bleak Midwinter, celebrate all things Poe. Snacks, craft, and a little storytelling are all waiting, if you dare to come. Grades 4+. No younger siblings. Space is limited.



Tuesday, March 1, 7-8 p.m.

Return of the Raven Puppet Show

Location: Caroline Kennedy Library, 24590 George St., Dearborn Heights
Youth Librarian Mr. Jim is faced with doing a cheerful humorous program dealing with the works of Edgar Allan Poe. However, Edgar Allan Poe didn't write any poems or stories that are cheerful and humorous. It's Tiberious T. Tiger to the rescue. Only time travel might be involved. Will Jim be able to do a program or is his career as a storyteller, in the mortal words of the Raven, "Nevermore"?



Wednesday, March 2, 1-2 p.m.

Book Discussion

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library, Room 30
Discuss Poe's works with Poe enthusiast David Spence.



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Wednesday, March 2, 6-7 p.m.

Medicine, Mental Illness & the Macabre: Malady in the Works of Poe

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library, Room 30



This discussion will focus on descriptions of medicine and psychology in Poe's writing. It is widely believed that Poe suffered from mental illness himself and his own experiences may have informed the ways in which he described his characters. Drawing from such classic Poe tales as "The Fall of the House of Usher," "The Tell-Tale Heart," and "The Black Cat," we will delve into the madness and medicine of the man and his stories.

Thursday, March 3, 7-8 p.m.

Mortuary Science Lecture

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library, Room 30

Learn about mortuary science with Professor Mark Evely of Wayne State University.



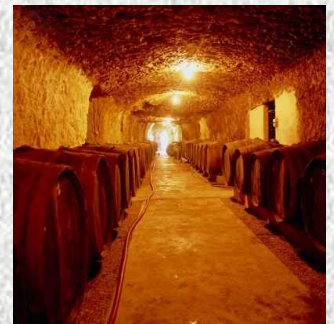
Friday, March 4, 6-8 p.m.

Cask of Amontillado Wine Tasting

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library

Come and taste a variety of fine wines. Purchase tickets (\$15 each) at the Henry Ford Centennial Library. Light hors d'oeuvres included. Space is limited.

Ages 21 and over. ***Sponsored by the Dearborn Public Library Foundation.***

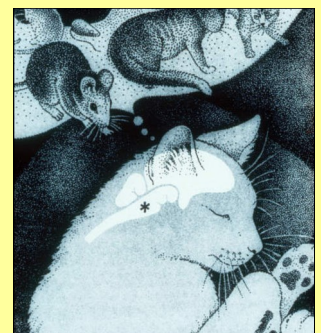


Saturday, March 5, 10-12 a.m.

Dream Interpretation with Mike Stratton

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library Auditorium

Dreams are a fascinating way of exploring the mystery of the human experience. Is it science or art? In his work with dreams, Mike Stratton takes an approach that focuses on dream appreciation rather than dream interpretation. He believes that dreams are meant to inform us and help us to learn lessons, but there is a way to live with the dream and appreciate its message without taking a "fast food" approach to labeling meanings diminishing the message of the dream. Join him for this special talk to learn more about your dreams.



Monday, March 7, 7-8:30 p.m.

Poe Film Festival: Tales of Terror (1962)

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library Auditorium

Three tales of terror involve a grieving widower and the daughter he abandoned; a drunkard and his wife's black cat; and a hypnotist who prolongs the moment of a man's death. Starring Vincent Price. Directed by Roger Corman. Not rated. 89 minutes.



Tuesday, March 8, 12-1 p.m.

Book Discussion

Location: University of Michigan-Dearborn, Mardigian Library

Discuss Poe's "Great Tales and Poems" with Mardigian Library's book group, R.E.A.D.

Tuesday, March 8, 6:30-7 p.m.

Daring Dreams Storytime

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Tuesday, March 8, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Return of the Raven Puppet Show

Location: JFK, Jr. Library, 24602 Van Born Rd., Dearborn Heights

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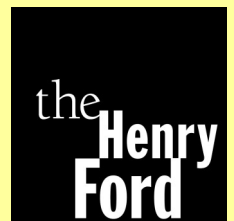


Wednesday, March 9, 6-7 p.m.

The Gothic Revival

Location: The Henry Ford, Benson Ford Research Center Conference Room,
20900 Oakwood, Dearborn

Charles Sable, Curator of Decorative Arts at The Henry Ford, will talk about the origins of Gothic Revival (GR), tying in Poe's Dark Romanticism, and calling out examples of GR in the museum's collec-



Thursday, March 10, 6-8 p.m.

Dearborn Arsenal in Poe's Time

Location: Dearborn Historical Museum, 915 Brady St., Dearborn
Learn what Dearborn was like in Poe's day.





Friday, March 11, 6-8:30 p.m.

Whodunnit at the Library

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library, Mezzanine Level

Help solve a mystery at the library! Purchase tickets (\$30 each or two for \$50) at Henry Ford Centennial Library. Includes show, dinner buffet, and beer & wine. Dinner served at 6:15 p.m., show starts at 7 p.m. Ages 21 and over.

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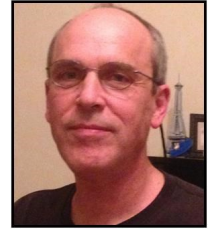


Monday, March 14, 12-1 p.m.

Book Discussion

Location: Henry Ford College, Eshleman Library, 5101 Evergreen Rd., Dearborn

Discuss Poe's "Great Tales and Poems" with Professor John Rietz of Henry Ford College.



Tuesday, March 15, 6-7 p.m.

Al Aaraaf Lecture

Location: Arab American National Museum, Auditorium, 13624 Michigan Ave., Dearborn

Using Poe's early poem "Al Aaraaf" as a focal point, Professor Stephen Rachman of Michigan State University will explore Poe's interest in Arab and Islamic literature, his orientalism, and its connections to his more famous works.



Wednesday, March 16, 7-8:30 p.m.

Paranormal Investigations: The Spirit of Poe



Location: Caroline Kennedy Library, 24590 George St., Dearborn Heights

Kristy Robinett has always had helpers in spirit, but when she was thirteen, she met the most fascinating spirit guide of all: Edgar Allan Poe. Robinett's book, *Forevermore: Guided in Spirit by Edgar Allan Poe*, tells the true story of how Edgar Allan Poe helps Kristy fulfill her destiny as a writer and a psychic medium. In this talk, Kristy will discuss the life, death and the afterlife of Poe, but even more so, she will show how personal growth can come

from the unlikely places.

Thursday, March 17, 11 a.m.-7 p.m.

Poe Craft

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library, Youth Services Department

Enjoy a Poe inspired craft. Available while supplies last. Younger children may require assistance from caregivers.



Thursday, March 17, 6-7 p.m.

ESL Book Discussion

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library, Room 30

Discuss Poe's "Great Tales and Poems" using bilingual copies of the book (English/Arabic). Pick up a free copy of the book at any Dearborn Public Library.

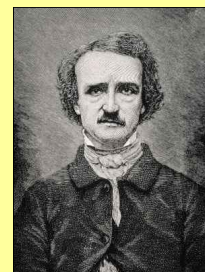


Saturday, March 19, 2-4 p.m.

Wrap Up Event: Meet Poe!

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library Auditorium

This is your chance to meet Poe, hear his story, and ask him questions!



Saturday, February 6– Thursday, February 25

"Dreams" Art Exhibit

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library, Rotunda area

Do you have any original artwork that represents the theme "Dreaming Dreams No Mortal Ever Dared to Dream Before"? **Submit it on Tuesday, February 2 between 3 and 7 p.m. at Henry Ford Centennial Library** for a chance to be part of this exhibit, which is coordinated by the Artists' Society of Dearborn. \$25 per entry or \$30 for two.

For more details, visit bigreaddearborn.org



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Attend any of these events and receive a drawing slip to enter to win a free night at the Poe House, courtesy of Dearborn Inn. The more events you attend, the better chance you have of winning!*

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*Must be 21 or older to enter drawing.



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Starting February 6, stop by any Dearborn Public Library to pick up a free copy of the *Do You Know Poe? Tabloid*, created by students at the Michael Berry Career Center



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