

# 2018

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## SUNDAY

## MONDAY

## TUESDAY

### 1

"Here we are! Sunset and Camden!" Screen legend **Debbie Reynolds** was born on this day in 1932. Plan a screening of one of her **iconic films**.

### International Fact-Checking Day

Share **resources** that will help your community responsibly navigate information in a **post-truth, alternative fact culture**.

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**Book Release:** In ***The Female Persuasion*** by Meg Wolitzer, "Greer Kadetsky is a shy college freshman when she meets the woman she hopes will change her life—Faith Frank, a central pillar of the women's movement for decades."

### 8

Highlight resources in your collection on the Chinese philosophy of creating harmonious surroundings for **International Feng Shui Awareness Day**, or invite a local expert to your library to **share tips on organization and peaceful design**.

### 9

Introduce an activity that will appeal to both your crafters and gardeners. Add a little beauty to home gardens with **beaded wind chimes**.

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**Book Release:** In ***Paper Girls, Vol. 4*** by Brian K. Vaughan, "An intrepid newspaper deliverer, Tiffany, is launched from the prehistoric past into the year 2000."

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Explore the **American Kitefliers Association** website for regional resources and events for **Go Fly a Kite Day**. Plan a fun family event with stunt kite demonstrations and **DIY kite building**.

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Host a beginner's **Tai Chi** or yoga class to encourage your community to practice self-care on **National Stress Awareness Day**. Share "**9 Strategies for Battling Stress**" from *Popular Science* magazine.

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Set up a passive programming station and invite patrons to create original poetry to display and share on **International Haiku Poetry Day**.

### 22

Get crafty with projects inspired by nature for **Earth Day**. Make **river rock welcome mats** or **portable flower presses** that can inspire nature walks.

Remind your patrons to look up toward the night sky for the **Lyrid Meteor Shower**.

### 23

Work with your Parks and Recreation Department to promote and host family events for **National Picnic Day**. Plan a storytime or **field day** in your community and encourage participants to bring blankets and picnic lunches to enjoy the outdoors.

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Encourage patrons to get creative: Hold an adult coloring program or **paint night event**.

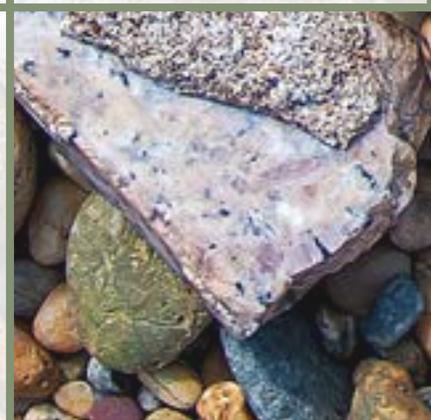


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Work with local cultural groups to plan an event for **International Dance Day**, which celebrates forms of dance across the world. Host demonstrations of different ethnic dances or invite teachers to present beginners classes.

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Invite a local hairstylist to your library for a **Daddy Daughter Hair Factory** class at your library on **Hairstylist Appreciation Day**. Help dads build confidence in helping their daughter's feel and look great.



# APRIL

## Adult Engagement Calendar

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## WEDNESDAY

## THURSDAY

## FRIDAY

## SATURDAY

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Lead your patrons on a walking tour of your library or community for **National Walking Day**. Create an audiobook display and highlight your eAudio collection to encourage them to listen to books on the go.

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Check with your Department of Transportation or tourism board for free copies of your state's road map for **Read a Road Map Day**. Help patrons plan their next road trip with resources in your travel collection, or remember favorite trips by **embroidering old maps**.

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Create a display of all things Scotland and **Outlander** on **National Tartan Day**. Celebrate Scottish heritage with a bagpipe demonstration.

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Celebrate **New Beer's Day**, which commemorates the 21st Amendment, with a demonstration about home brewing or that highlights local micro-breweries in your community.

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Sponsor a donation drive for a local shelter, or plan a program with a veterinarian to speak about selecting the perfect pet for your family on **National Pet Day**.

12

Create a display of books and movies that celebrate space travel for **International Day of Human Space Flight**. Pair your display with a view of **The Right Stuff**, the 1983 movie that focuses on our first astronauts.

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Invite patrons to send in funny "**pet shaming**" pictures on **Blame Someone Else Day** (always the first Friday the 13th of the year). Make sure they tag pics with your library's name on social media so you can see them.

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Work with a local museum or art gallery to host an event for **Slow Art Day**, "a global event with a simple mission: help more people discover for themselves the joy of looking at and loving art."

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**World Amateur Radio Day**  
Host a meet-up at your library for **Ham Radio** enthusiasts and those interested in learning more about the popular hobby. Guide the group to resources they can use to get started in the fun, social activity.

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Send your librarians out into the community for **National High Five Day**. Visit local organizations to promote library programs and services and have fun getting to know patrons.

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Thank your library volunteers with a little **sunshine and appreciation** on **Volunteer Recognition Day**.

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**Money Smart Week** (April 21 – 28) is a national initiative between the American Library Association and the Federal Reserve Bank to provide financial literacy programming to communities. Check out ALA's list of resources for participating.

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Host an event to celebrate **National DNA Day**. Register your event online and get activity ideas from the **National Human Genome Research Institute**.

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Set up an easy **slow-cooker chocolate bar** with sprinkles drizzle on tasty treats for **National Pretzel Day**.

Encourage staff to participate in **Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day**. Invite children to help plan and host a family program for the day.

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Celebrate the Great Bambino on **Babe Ruth Day** with a screening of the 1992 movie **The Babe** starring John Goodman. On this day in 1947, Babe Ruth appeared at Yankee Stadium to thank his former club.

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Encourage your community to bring their favorite board games to the library for **International Tabletop Day**. Consider starting a **circulating collection** for families to enjoy gaming together at home.

### Drop Everything and Read Month

- Create a **BINGO card reading challenge**.
- Plan a month-long **Instagram challenge**.

### Community Service Month

- Plan a service day at the library for spring cleaning.
- Organize a park clean-up day.
- Donate weeded books to local organizations.

### National Car Care Month

- Host an Adulting 101 class on basic car care.
- Highlight **car-repair resources** in your library.