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## Waukee Winter Reading Program Combines Art and Bingo

**Waukee**, **lowa** — The Waukee Public Library Winter Reading Program starts November 15! This year's theme is "The Art of Reading", and instead of reading logs, participants will utilize bingo cards. All ages of children, teens and adults can take on the challenge. Bingo cards have squares to fill in for reading time, attending program events, participating in art-related activities and more. Participants win a pin and are entered into the grand prize drawing once they get a bingo (five squares anywhere on the card). If they fill up all 25 squares for blackout bingo, they receive a tote bag and are entered into the grand prize drawing again.

The program goes through January 31. Participants may register in-person at the Library (950 Warrior Lane) or online at WaukeeLibrary.Beanstack.org.

"Our participants have fun with the reading programs during both the summer and winter months, but we thought pulling in the bingo element would make the program even more interactive and encourage readers to explore art and other activities," said Youth Services Librarian Keri Weston-Stoll.

The Library will host a kick-off event on Saturday, Nov. 17. The 10 a.m. program with acclaimed artist and author Tim Read will feature humorous live cartoon illustration and improvisational storytelling with help from the audience. Advance registration is required for the free kick-off event. Visit WaukeePublicLibrary.org to register.

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The Waukee Public Library operates as part of the City of Waukee. It is governed by a seven-member board of trustees. In 2017 alone, nearly 118,961 visitors walked through the library doors and 183,000 items were checked out. In addition to providing books, digital materials, meeting space and computer access, the Waukee Public Library hosts hundreds of programs and events each year to educate and enlighten Waukee area citizens of all ages.