to speak about his career as a writer, the process of creating a book, where his ideas come from, and how to come up with your own stories. Don’t miss this incredible opportunity to meet Neal Shusterman and get his autograph on your copy of The Toll, Scythe, Unwind, or another one of his many (did we mention he’s written over 30?) outstanding books at the Orem Library on Saturday, December 14, at 12:00 pm in the Storytelling Wing.

Shusterman’s latest series, the Art of a Scythe, dives even further into high-stakes questions surrounding life and death. In the first book, Scythe, human—has conquered hunger, disease, war, and finally death, with the help of the Thunderhead, an incorporeal entity of artificial intelligence which runs the world. Now the only way for humans to die is at the hand of a Scythe, a person ordained to kill a certain number of people in order to control the size of the population. Two teens, Citra and Rowan, are chosen to be apprentices to a Scythe and must train in the art of “gleaning” others—a role that neither wants, but neither dares refuse, knowing the consequences of failure could mean losing their own life. The series continues with Thunderhead, released in 2018, and concludes in The Toll, to be released November 5, 2019. In promotion of the highly anticipated finale to the Art of a Scythe, Neal Shusterman will be touring 10 states, 16 cities, in 5+ weeks, visiting schools and libraries across the nation.

Neal and his son Jarrod co-wrote a YA thriller, Dry, about the life and death decisions one California teen is forced to make to protect herself and her brother when the water taps run dry. If you’re the sort of reader who enjoys reading into the wee hours of the night, unable to put the book down before you know what’s going to happen next, Shusterman is your man. His dystopic worlds are some of the most imaginative and shocking out there, presenting suspenseful and thought-provoking scenarios that cause you to ponder deeper ethical questions about the nature of our existence, how we value and cherish life, and how we cope with decay, demise, and death. In the Unwind series, which includes four books and several short story collections and novellas, unwanted teens are “unwound” and harvested for their body parts, unless they can survive until their eighteenth birthday. In the Everlost trilogy, two teens lose their lives in a car crash, but their souls get stuck in a strange and frightening limbo called Everlost, where unsavory souls run wild and anyone whostands still for too long sinks to the center of the Earth.
Christmas is Music
by Lori Stevens

Is music one of your favorite things about the holidays? Did you know people have been writing Christmas music for over 1500 years? The earliest Christmas songs we know of are those based on traditional Christian motifs, which were performed in the 4th century AD. The Friendly Beasts has its origins in the 12th century and In Dulci Jubilo was composed about a hundred years later. Many of the Christmas carols we sing today were written in the 16th and 17th centuries, including Hark! The Herald Angels Sing, O Come, All Ye Faithful, Silent Night, O Little Town of Bethlehem, and O Holy Night. Probably one of the most famous Christmas songs, Jingle Bells, wasn’t written for Christmas at all, but for Thanksgiving. Other songs like Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas and ’Twill Be Home for Christmas cheered the soldiers in World War II. What is the most popular Christmas song? According to Billboard magazine, which counts airplay, sales, and streaming, the most popular Christmas song is Mariah Carey’s All I Want for Christmas is You. It is so popular, in fact, it breaks into Billboard’s Hot 100 list every December.

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**NOVEMBER & DECEMBER 2019 CALENDAR**

**DECEMBER 9, MONDAY**
6:00 PM  Fireplace  
Santa Claus Comes to the Library  
Even Santa knows the best place to find great holiday books, music, and movies. Join the jolly old elf and share your Christmas wishes with him in front of the fireplace.

6:30 PM  Media Auditorium  
Film Screening: Chances Are (PG, 1989)

**DECEMBER 11, WEDNESDAY**
7:00 PM  Fireplace  
Chauntenettes  
Utah Valley's favorite women's choir will entertain with festive music of the season.

**DECEMBER 12, THURSDAY**
7:00 PM  Storytelling Wing  
Scary Ghost Stories and Tales of the Glories with Danny B. Stewart  
Local folklorist Danny B. Stewart will share Christmas ghost stories, as well as lost holiday traditions.

**DECEMBER 13, FRIDAY**
6:30 PM  Media Auditorium  
Film Screening: Bill & Ted's Excellent Adventure (PG, 1989)

7:00 PM  Fireplace  
Timpanogos Chorale  
Love holiday music? Don't miss the Timpanogos Chorale for this evening of beautiful favorites.

**DECEMBER 14, SATURDAY**
12:00 PM  Storytelling Wing  
Neal Shusterman  
Local author Neal Shusterman will be available for sale.

2:00 PM  Media Auditorium  
Film Screening: Uncle Buck (PG, 1989)

2:00 PM  Media Auditorium  
Family Flix: Santa's Apprentice (G, 2010)  
Santa doesn't want to retire, but rules are rules and he must train someone to replace him. The lucky winner, to be chosen from among millions of children, must be named Nicholas, be an orphan, and have a pure heart. On the other side of the planet, there is a little boy who is a perfect match, but his lack of self-confidence and fear of heights make him a poor contestant. Will Santa agree to step down, and help his apprentice take his place? Recommended for all ages. 80 min.

**DECEMBER 16, MONDAY**
6:30 PM  Media Auditorium  
Film Screening: Prancer (G, 1989)

**DECEMBER 17, TUESDAY**
7:00 PM  Fireplace  
Wastach Classical Guitar  
Beautiful sounds abound in this evening of holiday carols performed by students and premiere performers of this classical guitar ensemble.

**DECEMBER 20, FRIDAY**
6:30 PM  Media Auditorium  
Film Screening: National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation (PG-13, 1989)

**DECEMBER 23, MONDAY**
6:30 PM  Media Auditorium  
Film Screening: Uncle Buck (PG, 1989)

**DECEMBER 24-25, TUESDAY-WEDNESDAY**  
CLOSED  
Christmas

**DECEMBER 27, FRIDAY**
6:30 PM  Media Auditorium  
Film Screening: Weekend at Bernie's (PG-13, 1989)

**DECEMBER 30, MONDAY**
6:30 PM  Media Auditorium  
Film Screening: Steel Magnolias (PG, 1989)

**DECEMBER 31, TUESDAY**
Happy New Year's Eve! Library closes at 6 PM

**JANUARY 1, WEDNESDAY**  
CLOSED  
New Year's Day

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**NOVEMBER EVENTS**

**DECEMBER EVENTS**

**CHRISTMAS WISHES WINTER RECEPTION**
12:00 PM  Media Auditorium  
Meet with Santa Claus and 1st Lady Monthly Holiday Craft  
Santa Claus Comes to the Library  
Do you love ukulele? Do you love Christmas? This is the concert for you! Join the Happy Valley Ukulee for some cute and catchy Christmas music.

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**MUSIC & MOVEMENT**  
Through November 18 (Cancelled in December)

**TODDLER TALES**  
(Cancelled in December)

**PRESCHOOL STORYTIME**  
(Cancelled in December)

**Minecraft Club**  
(ages 8 to 14)

**LEGO LAB**  
(ages 7 & under)

**FAMILY EVENING STORYTIME**  
(Cancelled in December)

**BUNCING BABIES**  
(Cancelled in December)

**BILINGUAL STORYTIME**  
(Cancelled in December)

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**PINS & NEEDLES**  
Knitting & Crafting Group

**OREM LIBRARY BOOK CLUB**  
(Odd months)

Books are available at the main floor general reference desk.

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**WELCOME BABY: READY TO LEARN**  
Parent workshop on early literacy and education with United Way.

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**TEEN**

**TEEN LIBRARY COUNCIL**  
(Ages 14–18)

**FREECOCAMP OREM MEETUP**

Try out coding lessons and projects with a community of coders.

**UNIVERSITY OF UTAH: RELEAUNCH**

The ReLaunch Program is a series of workshops that provides tech skills and support for women returning to work. This is a three-week support group for women returning to the workforce that meets Wednesdays at 12 pm in the Orem Library's Media Auditorium. Lunch and childcare provided. For more info, email digitalinclusion@unitedwayayuc.org or call 801-691-5375.

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**NOVEMBER 6, 13, & 20, WEDNESDAY**

**CHILDREN**

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(through November 18)  
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**NOVEMBER 7, THURSDAY**

7:00 PM  Media Auditorium  
Food Sense: Smoothies  
Join experts from Utah Extension as they share pocket and palate friendly meals just in time for the holidays. Come learn how to make a delicious smoothie full of nutrition. We’ll talk about creating a healthy lifestyle and the importance of physical activity.

7:00 PM  Media Auditorium  
Timp Tellers: Story Round Robin  
Come prepared with a story you would like to practice. We'll pair up and share stories, then repeat. We usually get to tell our story 4 to 5 times during the night.
NOVEMBER & DECEMBER 2019 CALENDAR

NOVEMBER 8, FRIDAY
6:30 PM  Media Auditorium
Film Screening: Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade (PG-13, 1989)

NOVEMBER 9, SATURDAY
2:00 PM  Media Auditorium
Family Film: Miss Minooes (PG, 2001)
Miss Minooes is a cat who is transformed into a young woman and befriends Tibble, a shy, bumbling reporter. Miss Minooes organizes the neighborhood felines into a news-gathering service and helps Tibble become a star reporter. He soon turns investigative and discovers that the popular chairman of the Club For Friends of Animals and boss of a nearby factory has evil plans. This movie will be shown in Dutch with English subtitles. Recommended for ages 7+, 86 min.

NOVEMBER 11, MONDAY
6:30 PM  Media Auditorium
Film Screening: Honey, I Shrunk the Kids (PG, 1989)
7:00 PM  Fireplace
Morning Star
In honor of Native American Heritage month, join the Fields family for an evening of Native American folktales, legends, traditional music and intricate hoop dancing.

NOVEMBER 12, TUESDAY
7:00 PM  Fireplace
Cantorum Chamber Choir
Join Cantorum Chamber Choir for a fall concert with beautiful music from the Renaissance to modern day.

NOVEMBER 14, THURSDAY
7:00 PM  Storytelling Wing
Food Sense: Omelettes and Egg Dishes
Join experts from USU Extension as they share pocket and palate friendly meals just in time for the holidays. Eggs are a great healthy protein source. Come learn how to create delicious egg recipes and create a healthy lifestyle.

NOVEMBER 15, FRIDAY
6:30 PM  Media Auditorium
Film Screening: Say Anything (PG-13, 1989)

NOVEMBER 16, SATURDAY
7:00 PM  Media Auditorium
Teen After Hours: Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse (PG, 2018)
Join us for treats and a special after hours screening of Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse at the library. Doors open at 6:30 pm and the film starts at 7 pm. The library will be closed during the program and teens are expected to remain until the film is finished. For ages 12–18 only.

NOVEMBER 18, MONDAY
6:30 PM  Media Auditorium
Film Screening: Dead Poets Society (PG, 1989)
7:00 PM  Fireplace
Kindness Kickoff
Celebrate Orem’s 4th annual Kindness Week, which runs November 18–25, with a concert of uplifting musical numbers, choral pieces, and dances.

NOVEMBER 20, WEDNESDAY
7:00 PM  Storytelling Wing
Utah Valley Earth Forum:
Our Growth, Its Consequences, and Our Response
Utah and Utah Valley are growing very fast. How does rapid population growth affect our overall health and well-being? How do we—and how should we—deal with and respond to our rapid growth? Join us for an important and lively discussion.

7:00 PM  Book Discussion Room
Orem Library Book Club:
The Wright Brothers by David McCullough
November 20 | 7 pm | Book Discussion Room
Call Julie at 801-229-7197, or see a reference desk for more information.

NOVEMBER 21, THURSDAY
7:00 PM  Storytelling Wing
Food Sense: Fruity Desserts
Join experts from USU Extension as they share pocket and palate-friendly meals just in time for the holidays. Learn how desserts can be a healthy part of your diet. We’ll teach you how to create a fruity dessert and create a healthy lifestyle.

NOVEMBER 22, FRIDAY
6:30 PM  Media Auditorium
Film Screening: Henry V (PG-13, 1989)

NOVEMBER 25, MONDAY
6:30 PM  Media Auditorium
Film Screening: Back to the Future Part II (PG, 1989)
7:00 PM  Fireplace
Musica Antiqua
Join Musica Antiqua for an evening of beautiful Renaissance music.

NOVEMBER 27, WEDNESDAY
6:00 PM  Media Auditorium
Utah Valley Earth Forum:
National Federation of the Blind
The public is invited to attend meetings of the Utah Valley Chapter of the NFB of Utah.

NOVEMBER 28-29, THURSDAY–FRIDAY
CLOSED
Thanksgiving

DECEMBER EVENTS

DECEMBER 2, MONDAY
6:00 & 7:30 PM  Fireplace
Utah Baroque Ensemble
Warm up your voices and join us for this traditional sing-along and family concert with the Utah Baroque Ensemble. There will be two performances, one from 6–7 pm for younger elves, and repeated at 7:30–8:30 for the older ones.
6:30 PM  Media Auditorium
Film Screening: Kiki’s Delivery Service (G, 1989)

DECEMBER 4, WEDNESDAY
7:00 PM  Media Auditorium
Mapleton Chorale
Join this wonderful community choir for Christmas music from around the world.

DECEMBER 5, THURSDAY
7:00 PM  Fireplace
Utah Valley Handbell Choir
Ring in the holidays with the Utah Valley Handbell Choir. We’ll enjoy an evening of old and new favorites!
7:00 PM  Media Auditorium
Timp Tellers: Record Your Stories
Ever needed a recording of your work? Tonight you can get just that. Come with a prepared story and a recording device. We will be a great audience to make the stories come alive.

DECEMBER 6, FRIDAY
6:30 PM  Media Auditorium
Film Screening: Batman (PG-13, 1989)
7:00 PM  Fireplace
Desert Hills High School Chamber Choir
Join this terrific high school choir from St. George for a concert of family holiday music.

DECEMBER 7, SATURDAY
1:00 PM  Media Auditorium
Twine Scene: A Little Women Christmas Party
There’s a new film adaptation of Little Women coming this Christmas and a new library program for tweens! Celebrate the March sisters and this timeless novel by Louisa May Alcott with a character quiz, Civil War-era games and crafts, and authentic Alcott family refreshments. For ages 8-12.