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NASHVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY SPINS INTO THE VINYL REVIVAL WITH PILOT COLLECTION

New collection brings vinyl records to two branches, celebrating Music City's iconic sounds and the renewed popularity of LPs

NASHVILLE, Tenn. – Nashville Public Library is turning up the volume with the launch of its pilot vinyl collection, offering residents the chance to rediscover the charm of LPs at the Green Hills and Madison branches.

For the next year, adult library cardholders can explore a collection of more than 250 records, spanning genres like rock, country, folk, jazz, classical and more.

In true Music City fashion, NPL is embracing the resurgence of vinyl, a trend that has reignited music lovers' passion for analog sound. Whether you're a seasoned collector or a casual listener, the collection has something for everyone, celebrating both Nashville's rich musical heritage and the timeless appeal of LPs.

"Vinyl records are more than just music. They're a way to celebrate the sounds that have helped shape American culture — including here in Nashville, a city famous worldwide for its rich, diverse and inspiring songs," said Terri Luke, NPL's Interim Director. "We're excited to bring this pilot collection to life, as one more way everyone in Nashville can explore and enjoy the Library collection."

Library cardholders can browse the vinyl collection online, check out LPs for 21 days, place holds on these items, and have them transferred to any branch for pickup. To preserve the integrity of the records, all LPs must be returned inside the library rather than through book drops.

As one of only a handful of public libraries nationwide offering a vinyl collection, NPL is proud to innovate in serving its community. After one year, NPL will evaluate the success of this pilot collection and determine its future.

The vinyl collection is one of many ways NPL connects Nashvillians with music:

- Borrow musical instruments like guitars, keyboards and ukuleles through the Library of Things
- Stream and download music with Freegal and Hoopla
- Check out record players to enjoy LPs at home
- Learn to play an instrument with online lessons from ArtistWorks
- Explore more than 600 musical instruction books for voice and instruments

For more information about the vinyl collection and other resources, visit library.nashville.org.

About Nashville Public Library

With more than 2 million books, movies and music items to choose from — plus great programming and resources to improve early and adult literacy, STEAM, ESL and other key skills — NPL is Nashville's gateway to some of the best resources our city has to offer. Every year, across our 21-location system, thousands of visitors discover how our library lives up to our philosophy: at NPL, books are only half the story.

Learn more: library.nashville.org

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