

Celebrating Barbie: Small Part of Amanda Kieler's Barbie Collection Featured at Webb Shadle Public Library

Lifesized Barbie Box available for photos provided by The Grand Theater



Indianola, Iowa Aug 29, 2023 ([IssueWire.com](https://www.issuewire.com)) - The Webb Shadle Library is thrilled to announce an enchanting new display that is sure to capture the hearts of visitors of all ages. Altoona resident and avid Barbie enthusiast, Amanda Kieler, is graciously sharing a glimpse of her impressive 320+ piece Barbie collection.

Amanda Kieler's Barbie collection journey began at the age of 12 when her mother gifted her the first doll as a reward for her exceptional academic achievement of receiving straight A's. From that moment, her collection blossomed into a treasure trove of 320 unique dolls, each with its own cherished memory or story. The collection reflects her passion for the iconic dolls, highlighting her profound appreciation for their diverse narratives and captivating designs.

Amanda's deep connection to her collection is complemented by her equally enthusiastic husband, who is an ardent collector of vintage Transformers. Together, they've cultivated an environment of mutual respect for each other's unique interests, showcasing their commitment to celebrating individual passions within their loving partnership.

"I have reasons for loving all the different ones," Amanda explains. "They all have different stories or memories associated with them, and some of them I think are really pretty."

In celebration of this captivating collection, the Webb Shadle Library is delighted to host a display that reflects Amanda's deep love for Barbie and her dedication to preserving cherished memories. The library's catalog has 50 Barbie-themed books and the display case has become a whimsical showcase of childhood nostalgia, fashion, and creativity.

In a remarkable collaboration, the Grand Theater in Knoxville has generously donated their movie promotional signage for the recent Barbie movie. Visitors are invited to embrace the magic of this collection and capture treasured memories by taking photos in the life sized Barbie box.

This display comes at an opportune time as it ties in beautifully with the recent "Barbie" movie directed by Greta Gerwig, rekindling the fascination with the iconic doll on both a cultural and cinematic level. The library invites visitors to immerse themselves in the captivating stories and vibrant history behind Barbie, creating an engaging and enriching display for patrons of all ages.

Explore the Webb Shadle Library in Pleasantville, Iowa, to delve into this display and discover the library's dedication to nurturing a passion for literature and cultural appreciation. The display will be available for viewing starting this Friday, August 25th, for the next few weeks.

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