SATURDAY MAY 11th
Columbus Public Library
10am-3pm
FREE!

LOOK WHO’S COMING TO COLUMBUS!

**Vashti Harrison**
NYT bestselling author/ illustrator of *BIG, Hair Love, and Little Leaders.*

**Matt de la Peña**
NYT bestselling author of *Last Stop on Market Street* and *Milo Imagines the World.*

**Alyssa Capucilli**
Bestselling creator and author of the beloved *Biscuit* books.

**R. Gregory Christie**

FEATURED ENTERTAINMENT:
- DJ Solo
- Flashback Foto Booth
- Twist Your World Balloon Twister
- Face Painters

FEATURED COSTUMED CHARACTERS:
- Biscuit
- Bluey
- Clifford
- Martha Speaks

Community Partners

Food Vendors

Autographs

Festival BookStore

**Columbus Children’s Book Festival**
CHATTahoochee Valley LIBRARIES

VISIT cvlga.org OR CALL 706-243-2669 FOR MORE INFORMATION
# 2024 Summer Reading Challenge

**MAY 11 - JULY 31, 2024**

**Read Books! Win Things!**

It’s that simple. ALL TOGETHER NOW – the Chattahoochee Valley Libraries Summer Reading Challenge – returns starting May 11th.

To participate, **READ & FILL OUT YOUR READING LOG.** You can keep track of your reading with the individual or family log on the back cover of this guide.

- **Kids up to age 11:** read 10 books (or, if you’re reading chapter books, read for four hours total).
- **Teen and adults:** read for five hours

Bring your completed log to your local branch of the Chattahoochee Valley Libraries for a small treasure chest prize and an entry into our Grand Prize Drawing for games, gift cards, tech toys, and more.

**And pick up another log!** Each new log can earn you another entry for a grand prize drawing!

## Families Can Read Together, Too!

We have a special reading log for families that read together... its on page 19! This way you don’t have to complete a form for each child. Just read those books together, then bring the family log to your Library. Everyone listed gets an entry prize and one entry into their age group’s Grand Prize Drawing!

For complete details, visit, [CVLGA.org](http://CVLGA.org).

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**2024 Summer Programs**
South Columbus Public Library
REVITALIZED • RENEWED • REOPENING SOON!

COMING FALL 2024!

Featured Improvements:
• Enhanced Children’s Department
• New Reading Room
• Dedicated Teen Department
• Enlarged Computer Lab

Chattahoochee Valley Libraries

2024 Summer Programs
During LENA Start, families use LENA’s patented “talk pedometer technology” to measure their child’s language environment. Classes also include a parent kit, children’s books and other incentives that you’ll learn about during sessions.

**Talk Builds Babies’ Brains!**

A free 10-week program for families with children ages birth to 36 months. During LENA Start, families use LENA’s patented “talk pedometer technology” to measure their child’s language environment. Classes also include a parent kit, children’s books and other incentives that you’ll learn about during sessions.

**Now Available!**

Complete the LENA registration form and we’ll contact you once new classes are scheduled.

Shop early for the best selection!

**Big Book Sale**

Friday, August 23
Saturday, August 24
1:30 PM – 5 PM

Sunday, August 25
10 AM – 5 PM

All books priced at $2 or less!

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Muscogee County Library Foundation
Friends of the Library

Virtual and in-person programs!
CHILDREN & FAMILY PROGRAMS

Unless otherwise indicated, all children’s programs will be in the Aflac Children’s Department.

TAKE AND MAKE: KAWAII CLUB (Families and Children) 🔄
Do you like cute things with googly eyes? Or adorable miniatures that can fit into the palm of your hand? Stop by and make something KAWAII with our Take and Make bundles. Bundles are limited to a first-come, first-served basis. New bags are ready every Tuesday at 10:00am

TAKE AND MAKE: ORIGAMI (Families and Children) 🔄
Take a mental health break! Fold up something cute and exciting to get your brain back on track. Origami Take and Make bundles are limited to a first-come, first-served basis. New bags are ready every Tuesday at 10:00am

DISCOVERY HUB (Ages 3-5) 📚
Join us for this dynamic programming series tailored to expose young minds to a world of discovery and wonder.

- Wed. May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | 11:00am – Let’s Go Outside
- Wed. June 5, 12, 19, 26 | 11:00am – Try Something New
- Wed. July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 | 11:00am – Clash of the Tastes (vegan-friendly)
- Wed. August 7, 14, 21, 28 | 11:00am – Create and Relax

Synovus Meeting Room A

KIDS’ CORNER (Families and Children)
Kids can come together to play games, socialize, or be creative.

- Wed. May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | 4:00pm
- Wed. June 5, 12, 19, 26 | 4:00pm
- Wed. July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 | 4:00pm

SIMPLE STEPS STORYTIME: FAMILY (Ages 0-5)
Let’s get ready to read! Based on our Simple Steps to Early Literacy, this storytime helps shape growing minds with rhymes, games, songs, and stories galore! Sing, Talk, Read, Write, and Play – your child is on their way!

- Thur. May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 | 10:00am
- Thur. June 6, 13, 20, 27 | 10:00am
- Thur. July 11, 18, 25 | 10:00am
- Thur. August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | 10:00am

Synovus Meeting Rooms A + B

LEGOs® IN THE LIBRARY (Families and Children) 🚭
Build. Create. Engage. Discover. Join us in using your brain to construct LEGO® Brick masterpieces based on a challenge theme. Where we learn, we win!

- Thur. May 2, 16 | 4:00pm
- Thur. June 13, 27 | 4:00pm
- Thur. July 11, 25 | 4:00pm

SIMPLE STEPS STORYTIME: RHYTHM AND RHYME (Ages 0-5)
Let’s get ready to read! Based on our Simple Steps to Early Literacy, this storytime helps shape growing minds with rhymes, games, songs, and stories galore! Sing, Talk, Read, Write, and play – your child is on their way!

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Synovus Meeting Rooms A + B

SCAVENGER HUNTS (Families and Children) 🔄
Keep an eye out! There are many things to be found, sneaky or creepy and hidden around. Stop by on your own time – complete at your speed! A new hunt is posted every Sunday and is available all week!

- Sun. May 5 – A Day in Paris
- Sun. June 2 – Cottagecore
- Sun. July 7 – Paw Patrol
- Sun. July 21 – Weird Animals

- Sun. May 12 – Garden Birds
- Sun. June 16 – Dinosaurs
- Sun. July 14 – Famous Musicians
- Sun. June 20 – Disney Fun
- Sun. July 18 – Ocean Animals
- Sun. July 28 – At the Beach
- Sun. June 26 – Butterflies
- Sun. July 31 – Famous Musicians

SIMPLE STEPS STORYTIME: BABIES AND TODDLERS (0-36 Months)
Let’s get ready to read! Based on our Simple Steps to Early Literacy, this storytime helps shape growing minds with rhymes, games, songs, and stories galore! Sing, Talk, Read, Write, and Play – your child is on their way!

- Mon. May 6, 13, 20 | 10:00am
- Mon. June 3, 10, 17, 24 | 10:00am
- Mon. July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | 10:00am
- Mon. August 5, 12, 19, 26 | 10:00am

Synovus Meeting Rooms A + B

KIDS’ ART STUDIO (Ages 5-12)
Join us and get creative! Each session allows you to unleash your inner artist by experimenting with different materials and styles.

- Mon. May 6, 20 | 4:00pm
- Mon. June 3, 17 | 4:00pm
- Mon. July 1, 15 | 4:00pm

FAMILY FUN NIGHT (Families and Children)
Bring the whole family for a night of fun! Games, trivia, and creativity abound. Each family night brings a little something different.

- Thur. May 9 | 4:00pm – Movie Night: Princess and the Frog (G)
- Thur. May 23 | 4:00pm – Movie Night: Hercules (G)
- Thur. June 6 | 4:00pm – DIY Bird Feeders
- Thur. June 20 | 4:00pm – Rock Painting
- Thur. July 18 | 4:00pm – DIY Puppets
**PONY BEAD PARTY (Ages 5-12)**
Use beads to elevate your unique style! Make personalized necklaces and bracelets that complement all of your vibes.
Mon. May 13 | 4:00pm
Mon. June 10, 24 | 4:00pm
Mon. July 8, 22 | 4:00pm
Synovus Meeting Room A

**BEE DAY (Families and Children)**
Join us out in the Yancey Children’s Garden as we celebrate the humble bee. Learn to talk like a bee, explore the importance of pollination, and work together like a team of worker bees to complete a relay!
Fri. May 17 | 4:00pm

**GRANNYCORE SUMMER (Families and Children)**
We’re slowing things down this summer and enjoying the simpler things in life. Join us for a themed activity designed to help you relax and embrace your inner granny!
Fri. June 7 | 4:00pm – Flower Pressing & Suncatchers
Fri. June 14 | 4:00pm – Crochet for Beginners
Fri. June 21 | 4:00pm – Scrapbooking
Fri. June 28 | 4:00pm – Square Dancing
Fri. July 5 | 4:00pm – Bingo
Fri. July 12 | 4:00pm – Genealogy
Fri. July 19 | 4:00pm – Puzzles & Games

**DADS & DINOS: A FATHER’S DAY DINOSAUR DIG (Families and Children)**
Do you know what makes Father’s Day even better? Dinosaurs! Bring your paleontology passion, a healthy dose of discovery, and maybe your dad! Supplies, dinosaurs, and fun are provided. Fathers are optional, but love for dinosaurs is mandatory.
Tues. June 18 | 4:00pm

**SUMMER OLYMPICS (Families and Children)**
Before you watch the Opening Ceremonies for the 2024 Summer Olympics in Paris, France, come compete in the End of Summer Reading Olympics with your friends, family, and librarians!
Fri. July 26 | 4:00pm

**★ FAMILY FRIENDLY MOVIES ★**

**SUMMER CINEMA (Families and Children) **
Beat the heat – join us for a family-friendly movie! Dress up, sing-along, bring snacks, and enjoy the show. All movies will be shown with closed captions.
Fri. June 7 | 2:00pm – *101 Dalmatians* (animated version) (G)
Fri. June 14 | 2:00pm – *A Goofy Movie* (G)
Fri. June 21 | 2:00pm – *Anastasia* (G)
Fri. June 28 | 2:00pm – *Robin Hood* (G)
Fri. July 5 | 2:00pm – *Cinderella* (G)
Fri. July 12 | 2:00pm – *Mulan* (G)
Fri. July 19 | 2:00pm – *Tangled* (PG)
Fri. July 26 | 2:00pm – *Tarzan* (animated version) (G)
Auditorium

**QUEER CRAFTERNOONS**
From stitching to Sudoku, bring your project and join us to enjoy this safe space to listen to stories, be creative, and swap crafty tips! As we craft, we’ll listen to podcasts or audiobook clips with queer characters, storylines, or authors. While everyone is welcome, this program is designed to be a comfortable space for members of our queer community.
Thur. May 2 | 4:30pm
Thur. June 6 | 4:30pm
Thur. July 11 | 4:30pm
Thur. August 1 | 4:30pm
Betty Van Cleave Meeting Room

**TEEN PROGRAMS**
Unless otherwise indicated, all teen programs will be in the Teen Department. Teen programs are for youth aged 12 years old through 12th grade. For groups of 5 or more, please call 706-243-2811 or email cpl-ya@cvlga.org.

**TEEN ADVENTURE CRAFTERNOON**
Drop in and join us as we foray into a variety of crafts, including beaded bracelets and watercolors. Whether you’re attempting something new or enjoying a favorite craft, it’s sure to be an adventure! All supplies provided.
Tues. June 11 | 3:30pm

**WATER YOU DRINKING, TEENS?**
How are you staying hydrated? Drop by the Teen Department and try your hand at some WaterTok creations and copycat coffeehouse beverages. All supplies provided.
Tues. June 25 | 3:30pm

**TEEN COSPLAY CRAFT CRAWL**
Come sample some cosplay crafts at our different creative stations, and learn a little bit about the origins and art of cosplay.
Tues. July 9 | 3:30pm

**ADULT PROGRAMS**

**BOARD GAMES AT THE LIBRARY**
Meet-up with other board game enthusiasts for an afternoon of fun. Choose from the wide selection of board games in our collection or feel free to bring your own!
Saturdays | 12:00-3:00pm
Second Floor Fiction Section

**HISTORY CRAFT HOUR**
Listen to a short history presentation and spark your creativity with a related craft. New topics and crafts every month. Though crafts are designed for adults, all ages are welcome!
Wed. May 1 | 4:00pm – Boy’s Own Adventure Stories, Clay Trinket Dish
Wed. June 5 | 4:00pm – Keith Haring, Potato-printed Tote Bags
Wed. July 3 | 4:00pm - The History of Mushrooms, Grow Your Own Mushrooms
Wed. August 7 | 4:00pm – Zheng He, 3D Paper Sculpture
Betty Van Cleave Meeting Room
**RADON EDUCATIONAL CLASS**
Learn what radon is, how it gets into a home, how it increases lung cancer risk, how it is tested, and how it is fixed. Each attendee will be provided with a free one time use radon test kit. This class will be led by Radon Educator Derek Cooper from the UGA Extension.

Tues. May 7 | 11:00am
*Betty Van Cleave Meeting Room*

**CHESS AT THE LIBRARY**
Join us for an afternoon of playing chess, learning different strategies, and meeting new people. All skill levels are welcome.

Tues. May 7, 14 | 4:00-5:30pm
Tues. June 4, 11 | 4:00-5:30pm
Tues. July 2, 16 | 4:00-5:30pm
Tues. August 6, 20 | 4:00-5:30pm

*Synovus Meeting Room B*

**COMPUTER BASICS LEARNING LAB**
Need help on the computer? Library staff will provide roving instruction on basic computer skills like using a mouse and keyboard, Microsoft Word, Internet, email, and Library resources.

Tues. May 14 | 11:00am
Tues. June 11 | 11:00am
Tues. July 9 | 11:00am
*Rothschild Technology Room*

**WORD NERDS**
We’ll play Scrabble, Boggle and do crossword puzzles while having friendly discussions.

Wed. May 15 | 5:30-7:30pm
Wed. June 19 | 5:30-7:30pm

*Betty Van Cleave Meeting Room*

**SMARTPHONE BASICS LAB**
Got a question about your smartphone? During this open lab hour, staff will do a quick demonstration of one useful smartphone feature and answer questions for both Android and Apple devices. All learning levels are welcome!

Fri. May 17 | 4:00pm – Scanning Documents to PDF with your Phone
Fri. June 14 | 4:00pm – Using QR codes
Fri. August 9 | 4:00pm – Taking Screenshots

*Rothschild Technology Room*

**NATIONAL PARK VIRTUAL TOUR**
Join us for a virtual adventure as we tour a national park with a National Park Service Ranger!

Sat. May 18 | 11:00am – Glacier National Park
Sat. June 15 | 11:00am – Yellowstone National Park
Sat. July 20 | 11:00am – Hawaii Volcanoes National Park
Sat. August 17 | 11:00am – Voyageurs National Park

*Auditorium*

**ADVENTURE TO THE PAST: GEORGIA DESTINATIONS**
Learn how your Library card can get you free admission to Georgia Parks and Museums and plan your trip as we view free digital exhibits. Then, we’ll tell you how the Library can help you preserve your own memorable moments using our high-quality scanner, oral history recorder, and other tools!

Tues. May 21 | 3:00pm – Moments in Time: The Breman Museum
Tues. June 18 | 3:00pm – Inductee Speeches: Georgia Sports Hall of Fame
Tues. July 2 | 3:00pm – Veteran Voices: The Atlanta History Center

*Betty Van Cleave Meeting Room*

**INTRODUCTION TO FINDING GRANTS** *(for nonprofit organizations)*
Come learn how to use Foundation Directory Online (by Candid) to find funding for your non-profit organization! Full database access is available at the Columbus Public Library.

Tues. May 21 | 4:00pm
Tues. June 18 | 4:00pm
Tues. July 16 | 4:00pm

*Rothschild Technology Room*

**READ A LIKES IN ROTHSCHILD**
Learn new ways to use technology to find books like ones you’ve enjoyed in the past. Conversations about books are encouraged, too!

Wed. May 22 | 6:00pm

*Rothschild Technology Room*

**ADVENTURE OUTDOORS: CAMPING 101**
Interested in camping but feeling unprepared? Join us to learn the basics! We’ll talk about proper clothing, gear to bring, safety tips, and recommendations on great camping sites around Georgia.

Tues. May 28 | 6:00pm

*Betty Van Cleave Meeting Room*

**CREATIVE WRITING POWER HOUR**
Feel like expressing yourself through the written word? This event caters to aspiring authors at all levels of experience. Share a poem, short story, or graphic novel you’ve been working on or brainstorm an idea and get constructive feedback from fellow creative writing enthusiasts and Library staff.

Wed. May 29 | 5:00pm
Wed. June 26 | 5:00pm
Wed. July 21 | 5:00pm
Wed. August 28 | 5:00pm

*Betty Van Cleave Meeting Room*

**LEVEL UP YOUR TECH SKILLS**
During these classes, staff will feature technology and digital resources that will help you level up your tech know-how.

Fri. May 31 | 4:00-5:30pm – Taking Better Photos with your Smartphone Camera
Fri. June 28 | 4:00-5:30pm – Editing Photos in the Canva App
Fri. July 26 | 4:00-5:30pm – Getting the Most Out of Your Google Account
Fri. August 30 | 4:00-5:30pm – Using the Internet 101

*Rothschild Technology Room*

**LAW AT THE LIBRARY: KNOW YOUR RIGHTS**
Join us to listen to Ed Berry, an attorney with 30+ years of experience, address common legal concerns for the LGBTQIA+ community and ask questions about how you can best be prepared in a legal emergency.

Tues. June 25 | 5:00pm

*Betty Van Cleave Meeting Room*

**MOCKTAIL MIXING AT THE LIBRARY**
Celebrate summer with an afternoon of craft mocktail creation! Learn about the art of these mocktails, snag some recipes to try at home, and sample a few favorites while you’re here! Supplies are limited. To register, please call our Adult Services Reference Desk at 706-243-2691.

Sat. July 13 | 4:00pm

*Synovus Meeting Room A*
**SUMMER MOVIES**

SECOND MONDAY MOVIE CLUB
Join us for a cinematic night in! We will be watching award-winning historical feature films that took a creative approach to history!

- **Mon. May 13 | 6:30pm** – *Elizabeth: The Golden Age* (2007; PG-13)
- **Mon. June 10 | 6:30pm** – *Milk* (2008; R)
- **Mon. July 8 | 6:30pm** – *Race* (2016; PG-13)
- **Mon. August 1 | 6:30pm** – *Shakespeare in Love* (1998; R)

Auditorium

SECOND MONDAY MOVIE CLUB: FILM VS. FACTS
Good movie, bad history? If you enjoyed the Second Monday Movie Club choice, join us the next day to learn about how the film compares to the facts!

- **Mon. May 14 | 6:30pm** – England’s Golden Age during Elizabeth I’s Reign
- **Mon. June 11 | 6:30pm** – Gay Rights Activist and Politician, Harvey Milk
- **Mon. July 9 | 6:30pm** – Athletic Superstar Jesse Owens
- **Mon. August 13 | 6:30pm** – The Life of William Shakespeare

Auditorium

**BOOK CLUBS**

PRESIDENTIAL PICKS BOOK CLUB
We’ll discuss a different book each month featuring a U.S. President and/or the First Family.

- **Wed. May 1 | 6:00pm** – *First Lady from Plains* by Rosalynn Carter
- **Wed. June 5 | 6:00pm** – *A Full Life* by Jimmy Carter
- **Wed. July 3 | 6:00pm** – *Decision Points* by George W. Bush
- **Wed. August 7 | 6:00pm** – *The Triumph of Nancy Reagan* by Karen Tumulty

Betty Van Cleave Meeting Room

CRAGTY COZIES BOOK CLUB
Love a good cozy mystery? Each month we’ll spotlight a cozy subgenre and discuss what we’re currently reading while working on a fun craft! We’ll also exchange book suggestions and chat about our favorite cozy authors.

- **Sat. May 4 | 11:00am** – Magic, Miniature Fairy Houses
- **Sat. June 1 | 11:00am** – Seaside Settings, Seashell Wind Chimes
- **Sat. July 6 | 11:00am** – Historical, Lighthouse Birdfeeders
- **Sat. August 3 | 11:00am** – Bookshops, Craft – Book Nooks

Betty Van Cleave Meeting Room

**GENEALOGY & LOCAL HISTORY**

COMMUNITY MEMORY PROJECT
Share photos and documents with the Library to help us fill our local history collection with community memories! All locally impactful stories are welcome contributions and those who have lived experiences as veterans, Jewish-Americans, and members of the LGBTQIA+ community are encouraged to contribute.

By appointment with Adult Services staff

PRESERVING YOUR FAMILY HISTORY
Learn preservation strategies for your old photos and documents. We’ll also go over how to use the Library’s archival scanner to save the items digitally.

- **Thur. May 2 | 3:00pm**
- **Thur. August 8 | 3:00pm**

Betty Van Cleave Meeting Room
CHILDREN & FAMILY PROGRAMS

SIMPLE STEPS STATIONS: PLAY (Ages 3-5)
These playtime sessions offer the perfect opportunity for babies to develop crucial motor skills, ignite their imagination, and foster social interactions with other tiny adventurers.
Mondays between 10:00am and 12noon June - July

SIMPLE STEPS STORYTIME: PRESCHOOL (Ages 3-5)
Let’s get ready to read! This storytime, based on our Simple Steps to Early Literacy, helps shape growing minds with rhymes, games, songs, and stories galore. Sing, Talk, Read, Write, Play – and your child is on their way!
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MAY THE FOURTH BE WITH YOU!
Join us in a galaxy far, far away as we celebrate Star Wars Day! Unleash your inner Jedi or Sith and immerse yourself in an adventure filled with crafts and creativity. Costumes are encouraged, to bring out your favorite characters and embrace the Force!
Sat. May 4 | All Day
Claudya Muller Family Area

UNPLUG...FOR CHESS’ SAKE (Families)
Chess imitates life. Watch the moves you make! Learn winning strategies for chess & for life, from encouraging community mentors.
Tues. May 7, 14, 21, 28 | 4:30pm
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Claudya Muller Family Area

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS
Everyone is welcome to join our campaign! We are seeking both new players and experienced Dungeon Masters who can lead one or more sessions!
Tues. May 21 | 6:00pm
Tues. June 18 | 6:00pm
Tues. July 16 | 6:00pm
Tues. August 20 | 6:00pm

GENEALOGY BASICS: BEGINNER’S GUIDE
Are you interested in researching your genealogy, but aren’t sure where to start? Join us for an introduction to basic genealogy records, learn about the Library’s genealogy resources, and take a short tour of the Genealogy and Local History Room.
Thur. May 16 | 3:00pm-4:30pm
Thur. June 20 | 3:00pm-4:30pm
Thur. July 18 | 3:00pm-4:30pm
Thur. August 15 | 3:00pm-4:30pm
Betty Van Cleave Meeting Room

FINDING YOUR ANCESTORS’ MILITARY RECORDS
Learn to find military records from different time periods and wars. This includes using Fold3, a site by Ancestry.com that you can access with your Library card.
Thur. May 23 | 3:00pm
Betty Van Cleave Meeting Room

LOCAL HISTORY GROUP CHAT
This group will be learning about events and people in Columbus and the surrounding areas. You’re invited to read a book, newspaper articles, watch videos, and otherwise learn about the topic. Then, come prepared to discuss and learn more!
Thur. May 30 | 3:00pm – Jacob and Isaac Moses, and the Experience of Antebellum Jews in the South
Thur. June 27 | 3:00pm – Alma Thomas
Thur. July 25 | 3:00pm – R.C. Cola
Thur. August 29 | 3:00pm – The Tragedy and Triumph of Phenix City
Betty Van Cleave Meeting Room

GEORGIA GENEALOGY AND LOCAL HISTORY RESOURCES
This class will feature online and in-person resources from around the state of Georgia.
Thur. June 13 | 3:00pm
Betty Van Cleave Meeting Room

DEEP ROOTS: CELEBRATE JUNETEENTH BY HONORING BLACK HISTORY
Join us on June 19 as we celebrate Juneteenth with an introduction to both Black genealogy and local Black history. We’ll end with a focus on preserving history as we offer tips for keeping family photos and records.
Wed. June 19 | 3:00pm
Betty Van Cleave Meeting Room

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Columbus Public Library / Mildred L. Terry Public Library
UNO, DOS, TRES CRAFT! (Ages 4-8)
Uno, Dos, Tres Craft! introduces Spanish to children in a hands-on form. Through crafts and stories, concepts such as numbers, colors, animals, and family are used to explore a new culture.
Sat. May 25 | 3:00pm  
Sat. July 20 | 3:00pm  
Sat. June 22 | 3:00pm  
Sat. August 17 | 3:00pm  

FOL Room

JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION
Join us for a joyous Juneteenth celebration full of music, history, and fun for all ages!
Tues. June 18 | 6:00-7:00pm

ADVENTURE AWAITS: NATURE CRAFTING SERIES
Welcome to a crafting journey that draws its inspiration from the beauty and wonders of the natural world! Our nature-inspired craft series invites you to explore the artistry found amongst us!
Tues. June 25 | 11:00am – Do You See What I See? (Binoculars)  
Tues. July 2 | 11:00am – Tweet Treat (Bird Feeder)  
Tues. July 9 | 11:00am – Natures Stamps (Nature Prints)  
Tues. July 16 | 11:00am – Leafy Vessel (Leaf Bowl)  
Tues. July 23 | 11:00am – Whisper of Wind (Windsock)

LAST LAP OF SUMMER
Join us for the grand finale of Summer Reading – the Sprint Fest Relay Race! Gather your friends, family, and fellow book enthusiasts for an unforgettable celebration of teamwork, literary accomplishments, and boundless fun!
Tues. July 30 | 6:00pm

AKA Room / Courtyard

SIGHT WORDS SUPPORT
Is your child (K-3) struggling to learn high frequency words? Call us at 706-243-2782 to set up a 30-minute One-on-One sight words practice session.
Thur. August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | 3:00-5:00pm

HARRY POTTER NIGHT
The Hogwarts Express now boards quarterly from Platform 9¾ to a Hogwarts satellite campus – Mildred L. Terry Public Library! Costumes and Muggles are welcome!
Tues. August 6 | 6:00pm

BOOK CLUBS

BOOKS -N- BREWS
Like books? Like brews? This adult book club is the perfect “mix” for a lazy Saturday afternoon! New members are always welcome!
Sat. May 4 | 2:00pm – Fuzz: When Nature Breaks the Law by Mary Roach  
Sat. June 1 | 2:00pm – Identical Strangers: A Memoir of Twins Separated and Reunited by Elyse Schein and Paula Bernstein  
Sat. July 6 | 2:00pm – Bad Blood: Secrets and Lies in a Silicon Valley Startup by John Carreyrou  
Sat. August 3 | 2:00pm – A Woman of No Importance: The Untold Story of the American Spy Who Helped Win World War II by Sonia Purnell

Iron Bank Coffee Company, 6 11th Street

PAGE TURNERS
Join us the 2nd Saturday of each month for a lively book discussion of popular titles. New members are always welcome!
Sat. May 11 | 1:00pm – The Curious Charms of Arthur Pepper by Phaedra Patrick  
Sat. June 8 | 1:00pm – The Invisible Ache: Black Men Identifying Their Pain and Reclaiming Their Power by Courtney B. Vance and Dr. Robin L. Smith  
Sat. July 13 | 1:00pm – The Sweetness of Water by Nathan Harris  
Sat. August 10 | 1:00pm – The Only Woman in the Room by Marie Benedict

ADVENTURE IN OUTER SPACE
Learn about the wonders of the Solar System with our friends from the Coca Cola Space Science Center while enjoying a DIY Ice Cream Sundae that is out of this world!
Tues. August 13 | 6:00pm

ADULT PROGRAMS

TECHNOLOGY TUTORING
Looking to improve your technology skills, or better understand your devices? Call us at 706-243-2782 to set up a 30-minute One-on-One Session!
Mondays | 10:30am, 11:00am, or 4:00pm  
Wednesdays | 3:00pm and 3:30pm | open lab 4:00-5:00pm  
Thursdays | 10:30am and 11:00am

FOL Room

GET HOOKED! CROCHET CLUB
Adults of all experience levels are welcome to this non-judgmental group of crochet enthusiasts who enjoy teaching as much as creating and sharing projects with the community.
Sat. May 11, 25 | 4:00pm  
Sat. June 8, 22 | 4:00pm  
Sat. August 10, 24 | 4:00pm

FOL Room

THIRD ANNUAL LOC JUBILEE CELEBRATION
Long for luscious ‘locs’ but ‘dread’ the journey? Join us for a Naturally U” Loc Celebration to learn about starting and maintaining your locs!
Sat. July 20 | 3:00pm

TEEN PROGRAMS

LIVE FROM THE NEWSROOM: CHANNEL 64
Explore the ins and outs of how live news broadcasting is done, then create a broadcast of your own! In search of teen anchors, writers and producers. No experience required.
Tues. June 11 | 6:00pm

RACE AGAINST TIME
Work with a partner and compete against your peers. Search for hidden clues before time runs out in this amazing scavenger hunt. Explore, uncover and discover!
Tues. July 9 | 6:00pm
CHILDREN & FAMILY PROGRAMS

CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT

LEGOS® IN THE LIBRARY (Families)
Build. Create. Engage. Discover. Join us in using your brain to construct LEGO® Brick masterpieces based on a challenge theme. When we learn, we win!
Sat. June 1 | 3:00pm
Sat. June 15 | 3:00pm
Sat. July 13 | 3:00pm

JUNETEENTH PARTY 🎉
Happy Juneteenth! Celebrate freedom for all with crafts and treats at North Columbus Public Library!
Wed. June 19 | 3:00pm

SENSORY SCAVENGER HUNT (Ages 4-7)
Go on a sensory scavenger hunt around the Library and explore each of the five senses!
Fri. June 21 | 11:00am
Fri. July 19 | 11:00am
Children's Department

POKÉTHON
Enjoy themed crafts and activities and meet other Pokémon enthusiasts! Test your knowledge with trivia, trade cards, and more. Themed costumes/attire is encouraged.
Fri. June 21 | 3:00pm

SUMMER READING WRAP-UP PARTY: CHOOSE YOUR OWN ADVENTURE! (Ages 12 and under)
Celebrate the end of summer reading with games, crafts, and treats for the whole family!
Thur. July 25 | 3:00pm

FAMILY FRIENDLY MOVIES ★
SUMMER CINEMA: MOVIES & MUNCHIES (Families and Children)
Bring a blanket or towel and join us for a family-friendly movie! Light snacks are provided, or you can bring your own.
Mon. June 3 | 10:00am – Trolls Band Together (PG)
Mon. June 17 | 10:00am – The Little Mermaid (PG)
Mon. July 1 | 10:00am – Elemental (PG)
Mon. July 15 | 10:00am – Super Mario Bros. Movie (PG)

TEEN PROGRAMS
D&D AT THE LIBRARY: TEEN VERSION
Play Dungeons and Dragons at the Library! Pick a pre-made character and join in a mini quest each week. Registration preferred.
Thur. May 23 | 5:00pm
Thur. June 20 | 5:00pm
Thur. July 18 | 5:00pm

ANIME PAINT 'N' SIP
A special after-hours event for teens. Paint an anime-inspired masterpiece on canvas and enjoy DIY boba tea. Teens only. Reservations and permission forms required.
Sat. June 15 | 6:30pm
LIBRARY LARPING PARTY
A special after-hours event for teens. Get into character and take over the Library on live-action quest. Teens only. Reservations and permission forms required.
Sat. July 13 | 6:30pm

HARRY POTTER PARTY: AN AFTER-HOURS TEEN EVENT
Celebrate the end of summer reading at this special after-hours event for teens. Enjoy all things Harry Potter, including trivia, food, crafts, and more! "When in doubt, go to the Library." Teens only. Reservations and permission forms required.
Sat. July 27 | 6:30pm

ADULT PROGRAMS

CRAFT & SWAP: AN ADULT AFTERNOON
Bring your own project from home or do one provided by Library staff (while supplies last)! This monthly program encourages socialization and conversation, as attendees are invited to bring craft supplies to swap. Each attendee is limited to one box or bag. Leftover supplies will be donated to the Library or local charities.

Tues. May 7 | 4:00pm  Tues. July 2 | 4:00pm
Tues. June 4 | 4:00pm

COFFEE & COLORING: AN ADULT AFTERNOON
De-stress and unwind with this surprisingly relaxing activity. Enjoy coffee or tea and color to your heart's content!

Tues. May 14 | 4:00pm  Tues. July 9 | 4:00pm
Tues. June 11 | 4:00pm

D&D AT THE LIBRARY: ADULT VERSION
Whether you're a seasoned player or just want to see what all the fuss is about, play Dungeons and Dragons at the Library! Pick a pre-made character and join in a mini quest. Registration preferred.

Sat. May 18 | 4:00pm  Sat. July 20 | 4:00pm

BRITISH TEA-V
Enjoy a cuppa while you chat with other British TV fans. Participants can discuss shows, share recommendations, watch clips, or even watch a full episode! Tea & light refreshments provided.

Tues. May 21 | 4:00pm  Tues. July 16 | 4:00pm
Tues. June 18 | 4:00pm

A HAUNTING IN VENICE
Bring your lunch to the Library and screen the 2023 movie A Haunting in Venice (PG-13) based on Agatha Christie's novel Halloween Party. Popcorn provided.
Sat. May 25 | 11:00am

TIME OUT FOR ADULTS: GAMES AT THE LIBRARY
Take a break and have fun with other adults at the Library! Staff will provide card and board games for some friendly competition. Feel free to bring your own games to share! Light refreshments provided.

Tues. May 28 | 4:00pm  Tues. July 23 | 4:00pm
Tues. June 25 | 4:00pm

CRAFT 4 A CAUSE
Get creative while giving back to the community! We find a deserving community group and provide all the material for a special craft.

Fri. May 31 | 4:00pm – Blankets for Comfort Critters
Fri. June 14 | 4:00pm – Crafts for Debra Smith Wellness Center for HIV Education & Prevention
Fri. July 12 | 4:00pm – Door Décor for Easter Seals

MYTHOLOGY MEET-UPS
Learn stories from various world mythologies, do activities, discuss mythology, and enjoy the company of other mythology lovers!

Sat. June 8 | 3:00pm – Myths vs. Folklore vs. Fairy Tales
Sat. July 6 | 3:00pm – Mythology in Pop Culture

IT’S A MYSTERY! SUMMER READING WRAP UP PARTY
Can you solve the mystery?! Test your sleuthing skills by working through various puzzles. Light refreshments provided.
Fri. July 26 | 3:00pm

VOTING IN GEORGIA
We welcome a representative from the League of Women Voters of the Chattahoochee Valley to give a nonpartisan presentation on voter rights and information.
Sat. August 3 | 2:00pm

ALL AGES

HOOKS & NEEDLES: CROCHET AND KNITTING
Spin yarns and stitch together new friendships while creating masterpieces of the fiber arts. All are welcome, from beginners to pros.

Fri. May 24 | 11:00am
Fri. June 21 | 11:00am
Fri. July 19 | 11:00am

BIRD WATCH QUEST
Go on an indoor bird-watching quest and learn amazing facts about various bird species in a fun, interactive way!

June 3-7 | All Day

LANGUAGE LAB | BEGINNERS’ FRENCH AND ASL
Interested in learning the American Sign Language and French? Join other beginners to learn and practice! On se voit là-bas!

Mon. June 10 | 11:00am - French
Mon. June 24 | 11:00am – French
Mon. July 8 | 11:00am – ASL
Mon. July 22 | 11:00am – ASL

PLANT AND SEED SWAP
Learn about our seed library and swap plants, seeds or cuttings with others. Meet fellow plant enthusiasts and find the perfect new plant for your home! UGA Extension Services volunteer Master Gardeners will be on hand to answer questions.
Sat. June 29 | 3:00pm

BOOK CLUBS

BRING YOUR OWN BOOK CLUB
A book club for busy people! We have no assigned reading; simply share what you are currently reading or read most recently in a relaxed, informal discussion. It’s a great way to add to your TBR list!

Thur. May 9 | 5:30pm
Thur. June 6 | 5:30pm
Thur. July 18 | 5:30pm
Thur. August 1 | 5:30pm

PRIDE MONTH BOOK CLUB
We have no assigned reading; simply share your favorite LGBTQIA+ reads in a relaxed, informal discussion. It’s a great way to add to your TBR list!
Fri. June 7 | 3:00pm

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CHILDREN & FAMILY PROGRAMS

SIMPLE STEPS STORYTIME (Families)
Let’s get ready to read! This storytime, based on our Simple Steps to Early Literacy, helps shape growing minds with rhymes, games, songs, and stories galore! Sing, Talk, Read, Write, Play – and your child is on their way!
Thur. May 2, 16, 30 | 10:00am  Thu. July 11, 25 | 10:00am
Children's Room

ADOPT A READING BUDDY (Families)
Read with us as we get to know Biscuit, the adorable puppy. This early reader series is great for those beginning to read. All readers will get to adopt their very own puppy book buddy (animal figurine) to read along with them! Pick up your puppy before they are all gone!
Tues. May 7 | 3:00pm
Teen Room

SIMPLE STEPS STORYTIME: SENSORY STATIONS (Ages 2-5)
Let’s get ready to read! This playtime program, based on our Simple Steps to Early Literacy, helps shape growing minds with sensory play galore! Sing, Talk, Read, Write, Play – and your child is on their way! Play space is limited on a first-come, first-served basis.
Thur. May 9, 23 | 10:00am  Thu. July 18 | 10:00am
Thur. June 13, 27 | 10:00am
Children's Room

ROCK, PAPER, SCISSORS, STEAM! (Ages 5-12)
Explore interesting topics, make awesome creations, and challenge your imagination during these STEAM learning labs.
Tues. May 28 | 2:00pm  – Soap Science
Tues. June 4 | 2:00pm  – Geodes and Gemstones
Tues. June 25 | 2:00pm  – Paper Maker
Tues. July 2 | 2:00pm  – Candy Lab
Teen Room

REPTILES ON THE ROAD (Families)
Bring the whole family to enjoy this animal encounter brought to the Library by Oxbow Meadows Environmental Learning Center.
Tues. June 11 | 2:00pm  Wed. July 10 | 2:00pm
Teen Room

JUNETEENTH – EMPOWERMENT POSTERS & BUTTONS (Families)
Juneteenth, the federal holiday remembering the end of slavery, is a wonderful time for reflection on how the world should be a better place for all people. Make awesome posters and buttons to display the positive changes you want to see here and everywhere.
Wed. June 19 | 4:00pm
Teen Room

CAMP READ-A-LONG (Families)
Join us around our “campfire” for a family storytime featuring stories, an edible craft, and a flashlight game.
Tues. July 16 | 2:00pm
Children's and Teen Rooms

ROAD TRIP TRIVIA (Families)
Let’s go explore the world! Compete with your friends and family to find out who is the smartest and savviest Booklet player!
Wed. July 24 | 4:00pm
Teen Room

SOUTH’S SUMMER READING CELEBRATION (Families)
Celebrate your accomplishment in finishing the Summer Reading Program with our community. Enjoy one more fun adventure before summer ends. Pick up your prize, eat treats, and have fun!
Tues. July 30 | 2:00pm
Teen Room

★ FAMILY FRIENDLY MOVIES ★

WATCH & UNWIND (Families)
Escape the everyday world (& the hot weather) with a fun film you can enjoy while you color, craft, or create! Be prepared for a productive & quiet (but not silent!) screening experience. Space is limited, first-come, first-served seating.
Fri. May 31 | 10:30am – Trolls Band Together (PG) with fuzzy velvet poster coloring
Fri. June 14 | 10:30am – Wonka (PG) with clay candy-making
Fri. June 28 | 10:30am – Wish (PG) with pixel art
Fri. July 12 | 10:30am – Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Mutant Mayhem (PG) with origami
Fri. July 26 | 10:30am – The Little Mermaid (PG) with watercolors
Teen Room

TEEN PROGRAMS

TEEN TAKEOVER
What do YOU want to do? Movies? Crafts and DIY? Gaming? You help us decide. All materials are provided.
Wed. May 1, 15 | 4:00pm  Wed. July 3 | 4:00 pm
Wed. June 12 | 4:00pm

CHESS AT THE LIBRARY (Ages 9-16)
Join us for an afternoon of playing chess, learning different strategies, and meeting new people. All skill levels are welcome.
Wed. May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | 5:00pm
Wed. June 5, 12, 19, 26 | 5:00pm
Wed. July 3, 10, 17, 24 | 5:00pm
Wed. August 7, 14, 21, 28 | 5:00pm

GALACTIC FREEDOM FIESTA
May the Fourth Be with You, the Empire has been defeated! Have fun, you will! Try out Storm Trooper bowling, make your own piñata, create Star Wars crafts, and enjoy delicioso treats!
Fri. May 3 | 4:00pm

SELF-CARE WITH SULWE
Join us as we celebrate Columbus Children’s Book Festival guest illustrator Vashti Harrison with a reading of Sulwe by Lupita Nyong’o and discussion of self-care regimens.
Wed. May 8 | 4:00pm

2024 Summer Programs
END OF SCHOOL LO-FI KICKBACK
Stressful school year? We've got the answer. Come hang out with us as we listen to some chill music and enjoy some snacks to end the school year.
Wed. May 22 | 4:00pm

GET YOUR GAME ON
Enjoy your favorite game cravings such as video and computer games, coding and STEM activities, board games, and more!
Wed. May 29 | 4:00pm

ADVENTURE BEGINS AT YOUR LIBRARY: SCOUT ADVENTURES
Come learn about the Scouts, their adventures, and learn the fundamentals of archery.
Wed. June 5 | 4:00pm

ADVENTURE BEGINS AT YOUR LIBRARY: SCAVENGER HUNT
Can you find all the clues? Let’s go on an adventure with a scavenger hunt. Help us find our way to the end.
Wed. June 26 | 4:00pm

ADVENTURE BEGINS AT YOUR LIBRARY: MAKE YOUR MARK
Show off your adventurous spirit with temporary tattoo markers.
Wed. July 17 | 4:00pm

ADULT PROGRAMS

COFFEE & CONVERSATION
Enjoy a cup of coffee and sit down for a conversation. A group gathering to discuss the topics of the day, in a relaxing environment.
Thur. May 2, 16 | 11:00am
Thur. June 6, 20 | 11:00am
Thur. July 18 | 11:00am
Adult Circulation Room

BOOK CLUBS

SHH... WE'RE READING BOOK CLUB
(Formerly Dessert & Drama Book Club)
Take a break from your day and escape into a book. Each month we will focus on a book by an African American author. Love to read a variety of books? Want to chat with others about the story? This is the club for you! Follow us on Facebook for reminders.
Sat. May 25 | 3:00pm – Remembering Whitney: My Story of Love, Loss, and the Night the Music Stopped by Cissy Houston
Sat. June 22 | 3:00pm
Across the Way by Mary Monroe
Sat. July 20 | 3:00pm – The Art of Scandal by Regina Black
Adult Circulation Room

Parks Memorial
Public Library

890 Wall Street, Richland, GA 31825, 229-887-2103

All programs will be in the Meeting Room unless noted.

CHILDREN & FAMILY PROGRAMS

CREATIVE KIDS (Ages 4-8)
We'll provide the supplies; you provide the creativity. Let's make some really cool crafts and artwork and maybe have a scavenger hunt!
Tues. June 4 | 3:00pm

CRAFTS
Come on by and cool down with some cool crafts. We'll provide the supplies and instructions.
Tues. July 9 | 3:00pm

A DAY AT THE MOVIES
We'll screen one of the latest family-friendly films for you. Be sure to check at the Service Desk for the title.
Tues. August 6 | 3:00pm
Conference Room

TEEN PROGRAMS

BRACELET BUILDING
Just ask Taylor, bracelets are IT! Bring your ideas, we'll have the supplies to make some poppin' wrist bangles.
Tues. June 11 | 3:00pm

SCAVENGER HUNT
Ready to sleuth? Use our clues to find the hidden trinkets, books, and messages around our Library.
Tues. July 16 | 3:00pm

BOARD GAMES
We'll have the boards out... or you can bring your own!
Tues. August 13 | 3:00pm
Conference Room

ADULT PROGRAMS

WORD SEARCH
How many words can you find?
Tues. June 18 | 3:00pm

CRAFTS
Art - Painting.
Tues. July 23 | 3:00pm

BOARD GAMES AT THE LIBRARY
I challenge you! We provide the games.
Tues. August 20 | 3:00pm
Conference Room

CHAIR YOGA
Get in shape ... Gently!
Tues. June 4, 11, 18, 25 | 11:00am
Tues. July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 | 11:00am
Thur. June 6, 13, 20, 27 | 11:00am
Thur. July 18, 25, 30 | 11:00am
Thur. August 6, 13, 20, 22, 29 | 11:00am

Self-directed program during Library hours.
CHILDREN & FAMILY PROGRAMS

HOMESCHOOL HAPPENINGS (All Ages)
Meet and learn with other homeschoolers! Hands-on activities, stories, experiments, and sharing.
Thur. May 16 | 11:00am Thu. July 11 | 11:00am
Thur. June 13 | 11:00am Thur. August 8, 22 | 11:00am
Multipurpose Room

THE "ADVENTURE BEGINS" STORYTIME: FAMILIES (Ages 0-12)
Celebrate our Summer Reading Program with storytimes, crafts, and other fun activities.
Fri. May 31 | 11:00am Fri. July 5, 12, 19, 26 | 11:00am
Fri. June 7, 14, 21, 28 | 11:00am

ADVENTURE TIME MOVIE DAY (All Ages)
Come celebrate Summer Reading and watch an adventure movie with family and friends! Call ahead at 706-989-3700 for movie titles.
Mon. June 3, 10, 17, 24 | 11:00am
Mon. July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | 11:00am

TEEN PROGRAMS

TEEN TAKEOVER (Ages 12-18)
Come play games, watch a movie, make a craft, or do an activity.
Tues. May 14, 28 | 4:00pm Tues. July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 | 4:00pm
Tues. June 4, 11, 18, 25 | 4:00pm
Makerspace Room

BOOK CLUBS

NOVEL-TEA BOOK CLUB
Sip some flavorful teas while discussing the latest tasty novel!
Thu. May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 | 2:00pm Thu. July 11, 18, 25 | 2:00pm
Thu. June 6, 13, 20, 27 | 2:00pm
Thu. Aug. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | 2:00pm
Multipurpose Room
CHILDREN & FAMILY PROGRAMS

TABLE TOP CRAFTS (Families)
Stop by any time to make a themed craft for yourself or one for a community friend! Come expand your imagination and creativity with us! All crafting items needed will be supplied.
Daily through July.

SIMPLE STEPS STORYTIME (Ages 0-5)
Let’s get ready to read! This storytime, based on our Simple Steps to Early Literacy, helps shape growing minds with rhymes, games, songs and stories galore! Sing, Talk, Read, Write, Play – and your child is on their way!
Tues. June 11, 25 | 10:30am
Tues. July 9, 23 | 10:30am

ADVENTURE CLUB: FARMING AND CARS (Ages 6-11)
Explore farming as Mrs. Brianna Weber, Outreach Coordinator with the Georgia Farm Bureau, unveils the fruitful secrets behind the colorful paint we see on vehicles.
Wed. June 5 | 2:00pm

ADVENTURE CLUB: OCEAN EXPLORATION (Ages 6-11)
Discover hidden secrets of the ocean with us as Mr. Hugh Spinney reveals lost treasures found on his deep-sea diving adventures.
Wed. June 19 | 2:00pm

ADVENTURE CLUB: SMOKEY BEAR AND FRIENDS (Ages 6-11)
Learn the “how to’s” of fire safety from fire safety expert Smokey Bear and his forest Ranger pals. Smokey will be onsite for pictures, hugs, and to share his own life saving story.
Wed. July 3 | 2:00pm

ADVENTURE CLUB: FOOD SAFETY TRAVEL TIPS (Ages 6-11)
Planning a family road trip or an outdoor adventure? Do you know how to properly contain and store your food? Please join us as Ms. Brenda Salter, county extension agent at Fort Valley State University, shares advice on food and drink safety while traveling.
Wed. July 17 | 2:00pm

TEEN PROGRAMS

LIGHT LUNCH AND LEARN (Ages 12+)
“Food for Thought!” We’ve all heard, but we often forget how food has an impact on our minds! Join us as we dive into learning and exploring some tasty options that nourish our brains for better memory processing and learning.
Wed. May 29 | 11:00am – 1:00pm

URBAN SURVIVAL GUIDE WORKSHOP (Ages 12+)
Do you know what to do in an emergency when city or local resources are not available? Join us in learning how to take care of yourself and your family, if basic needs are not available in a city environment. Come explore the introduction to preparedness!
Wed. June 12 | 3:30pm

DIGITAL SCAVENGER HUNT (Ages 12+)
Continue your summer with a hunt! Come participate in our Digital Scavenger Hunt! Participants will seek to find QR codes located in establishments around town. A list of participating businesses will be provided to assist in your search. You can seek at your own speed. Bring your findings to this Library for special recognition.
Daily July 1 – August 31

CAPTURE THAT: SMART PHONE FILMMAKING (Ages 12+)
You’ve seen the short films, now try the art and techniques for yourself! Bring your smart phone to this introductory session and learn the basic principles of creating a short film with it! Will your film be a trendy masterpiece or a total mess? There’s only one way to find out! We look forward to seeing you for this two-part workshop!
Wed. July 10 | 1:00pm
Fri. July 19 | 1:00pm

ALL AGES

ROCK THE LIBRARY
Are you ready to Rock the Library?! Join us on a tour across the world with Mr. Sam Schiro as he presents his geological findings from Alaska to the Middle East. Afterwards you will create your own beautifully painted rock! Whether you’re creating art for the first time, or you’re a master painter, there is a place for you here! All art supplies will be provided.
Wed. July 24 | 2:00pm

SUMMER MOVIES ★

SUMMER MOVIES
Round up the family and meet us at MCPL for Summer Cinema! Join us for an afternoon fun with family and friends, enjoying a fan favorite movie! All movies selected will be family appropriate. Refreshments will be provided. Call 229-649-6385 for movie titles.
Fri. June 7, 21 | 3:30pm
10th Annual Columbus Children’s Book Festival
May 11 • 10am-3pm
Columbus Public Library

Last Day to Submit Your Reading Logs for the Grand Prize Drawing
July 31
All Branch Locations or Online with Beanstack

Tools 4 School Back to School Giveaway
August 2 • Time TBD
Columbus Public Library

Friends of Libraries BIG BOOK SALE
August 23-25
Synovus Meeting Rooms, Columbus Public Library

Manhattan Short Film Festival
September 28 • 2pm
September 30 • 6:30pm
October 3 • 6:30pm
Columbus Public Library

Use your Chattahoochee Valley Libraries card to receive free admission or a special discount at over 15 unique cultural destinations including Georgia Parks and the Atlanta Zoo.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Your Library Card is Your Pass to Adventure!

SCAN HERE for more info

2024 Summer Programs
Here’s an easy way to make sure the entire family is reading this summer! Have a Parent or older relative (including older siblings) or babysitter (well, anyone really!) read to your children.

After you’ve read 10 books, fill out this Reading Log and bring it to your local branch of the Chattahoochee Valley Libraries. Everyone on the list gets a small prize and an entry into our Grand Prize Drawing for some awesome BIG prizes.

**LIST YOUR BOOKS HERE**

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If you have additional readers, please attach additional Reading Logs

Primary Reader ____________________________ Age ________
Primary Reader ____________________________ Age ________
Child One Name ____________________________ Age ________
Child Two Name ____________________________ Age ________
Child Three Name ____________________________ Age ________
Child Four Name ____________________________ Age ________

If you have additional readers, please attach additional Reading Logs

Zip code ____________________________ Phone ____________________________
Email ____________________________
School ____________________________

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Finished?

Be sure to pick up another log! Every completed log earns you another entry!

The Summer Reading Challenge ends July 31, 2024. Grand Prize Winners will be notified starting August 4. Any Grand Prizes not claimed by August 31, 2024 may be forfeited.

**Prefer to enter your reading online?**

Try our BEANSTACK app and website! Just use your device or phone and this QR code or visit CVLGA.Beanstack.org.
2024 SUMMER READING CHALLENGE
MAY 11 - JULY 31, 2024

ADVENTURE BEGINS AT YOUR LIBRARY™

OFFICIAL INDIVIDUAL READING LOG

KIDS UP TO AGE 12... (Babies too!)
LIST YOUR BOOKS HERE

Fill in this log and bring it to your local branch of the Chattahoochee Valley Libraries for a small treasure chest prize and an entry into our Grand Prize Drawing!

READING CHAPTER BOOKS instead of Picture Books? Just log your reading time in the Teen/Adult section to the right.

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Prefer to enter your reading online?
Try our BEANSTACK app and website! Just use your device or phone and this QR code or visit CVLGA.Beanstack.org.

TEENS, ADULTS, & KIDS
READING FOR FUN... LIST YOUR BOOKS HERE

Five hours of reading gets you your entry! Put your titles in the spaces below, each one represents 15 minutes of reading. Anything you read counts... books, magazines, or anything online!

1st HOUR
2nd HOUR
3rd HOUR
4th HOUR
5th HOUR

Name________________________________________________________ Age
Zip code________________________ Phone_________________________
Email_________________________________________________________________
School_________________________________________________________________

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