This year’s Summer Reading Program offers a universe of stories... and programs... and prizes!

LFPL’s Summer Reading Program has been a Louisville tradition for nearly a century – helping children and teens avoid summer learning loss by encouraging them to read for fun over the summer. This year’s program, A Universe of Stories, is presented by the Library Foundation and is free for newborns through 12th graders.

To complete the program, school-aged children need to read ten books, teens read six books, and preschool-aged children and younger need to read, or have read to them, 20 books. Everyone who completes will receive an alien pencil pouch (kids) or small tech bag (teens), as well as free passes to area attractions—like Kentucky Science Center, Squire Boone Caverns, Louisville Bats Baseball and more—and coupons for free treats from Ehler’s Ice Cream and Fazoli’s.

LFPL’s Summer Reading Program is FREE and runs June 1 - August 3. You can register:
- Online: LFPL.org/SummerReading
- By Phone: (502) 574-1611
- By Email: Beanstack@LFPL.org

CULTURAL PASS
The Cultural Pass—presented by the Fund for the Arts, the Arts and Culture Alliance, Metro Government, and the Library—returns June 1, offering free arts and cultural experiences for youth and young adults during the summer. For more information, including how to register, visit LFPL.org/SummerReading.
Haiti: Historical Trends to Present Tensions

Wed., May 22, 6:30 p.m. • Main Library

In recent years, news headlines about Haiti have covered civil unrest, political assassination, and recovery from earthquakes. However, stories rarely explore the reasons why Haiti has arrived at these critical points.

In this class, Dr. Charlton Yingling, UofL Associate Professor of History, will explore highlights from the deep and rich history of Haiti over the past two centuries to better explain the importance of this country and the momentous events taking place there today.

Register: www.LFPL.org/MyLibraryU

Northeast Regional’s Greatest Day of Play returns June 29

The Northeast Regional Library is once again hosting a day full of art, games, and creative outdoor activities for the whole family. The Greatest Day of Play returns Saturday, June 29, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Come play in our giant mud puddle (be prepared to get messy), run through our water play area, watch performances from local arts groups, build things, make art, and so much more!

The Greatest Day of Play is free and will be held on Northeast’s 13.5 acre campus. For more information, please call (502) 394-0379.
Planting for Pollinators with Jefferson Co. Master Gardener Assoc.  Mon., June 17, 6:30 PM

HIGHLANDS-SHELBY PARK

Evening Book Group  Wed., May 1, 6:30 PM: Outlawed by Anna North  Wed., June 5, 6:30 PM: Verity by Colleen Hoover
Wild Flowers of Kentucky & Indiana with Amy Shah  Mon., May 6, 7 PM

Nonfiction Book Group  Tue., May 7, 1 PM: How to Change Your Mind: What the New Science of Psychedelics Teaches Us about Consciousness, Dying, Addiction, Depression, and Transcendence by Michael Pollan  Tue., June 4, 1 PM: This is All I Got: A New Mother’s Search for Home by Lauren Sandler

Friends of the Library Meetings  Mon., May 13 & June 10, 6:30 PM. Call 574-1672 for virtual options

Local Author Booktalk with Deanna O’Daniel  Wed., May 15, 7 PM Memorial Deanna O’Daniel discusses Louisville history through the lens of her books.

BAUBuy: Inflation Reduction Act Strategy  Sat., May 18, 2:00-3:30 PM Presented by Sarah Lynn Cunningham with Louisville Climate Action Network. Learn how to use federal rebates and tax credits to cut your carbon footprint.

IROQUOIS

Health Insurance 101 with the Asclepius Initiative  Wed., May 1, 6 PM Get help navigating the world of health care coverage.

Planting for Pollinators with Jefferson Co. Master Gardener Assoc.  Wed., May 8, 6 PM

Sit & Stitch  Mon., May 13 & June 10, 12-1 PM

Adult Book Discussion  Tue., May 14 & June 11, 1:30 PM Call 574-1720 for titles.

Friends of the Iroquois Library Meeting  Sun., June 9, 2-3:30 PM

JEFFERSONTOWN

Friends of the Jeffersontown Library Meeting  Wed., May 8, 10:30 AM


Planting for Pollinators with Jefferson Co. Master Gardener Assoc.  Sat., May 18, 2 PM

Direct Seed Sowing for Late Spring/Early Summer with Jefferson Co. Master Gardener Assoc.  Wed., May 29, 2024

Not Your Average Book Club  Mon., May 27, 7 PM: Historical Fiction Mon., June 24, 7 PM: Suspense

Direct Seed Sowing for Late Spring/Early Summer with Jefferson Co. Master Gardener Assoc.  Wed., May 29, 6 PM

NORTHEAST

Maker Pavilion 101 Orientation  Mondays at 6:30 PM (exec. May 27) Required before use of Maker Studio or scheduled appointments. Children under 13 must be with an adult; teens under 18 must have a signed waiver by adult.

Chair Yoga  Thursdays at 10 AM Ages 18+

Creative Writing Group  Tue., May 7 & June 11, 7-8 PM Register: 394-0379

Movie & Craft Night: Ferris Bueller’s Day Off  Tue., May 14, 6-8 PM Refreshments provided. Register: Jeanne.Eberenz@lfl.org Ages 18+

Friends of the Northeast Regional Library Book Sale  Sat., May 18, 9 AM-5 PM & Sun., May 19, 1-5 PM

Adult Book Discussion Group  Mon., May 20, 7 PM: Seabiscuit: An American Legend by Laura Hillenbrand Mon., June 17, 7 PM: A Dark Room in Glitter Ball City: Murder, Secrets, and Scandal in Old Louisville by David Domine

Sew a Tote Bag!  Tue., May 21, 6-8 PM Register: Fiona.Eden@lfl.org Ages 18+

Friends of the Northeast Library Meetings  Thu., May 23 & June 27, 6 PM

Cultivating & Cooking with Fresh Herbs with Jefferson Co. Master Gardener Assoc.  Tue., May 28, 6 PM

LGBTQ+ Book Discussion  Tue., June 18, 7 PM Fun Home by Allison Bechdel Ages 18+

Intro to TinkerCAD 3D Design with LVL1  Sat., June 22, 3-4:30 PM Basic computer skills required. Register: Jeanie.Eberenz@lfl.org Ages 18+

Happy 5th Birthday, Northeast Regional Library!  Mon., June 24, 1-3 PM Enjoy cookies, punch, and birthday activities for all ages.

OFFSITE

Falls City Book Club  Tue., May 14, 7 PM The Tobacco Wives by Adele Myers Meets at Falls City Taproom, 901 E. Liberty St.

Style Spotting Architecture Walks  Thu., May 16, 6 PM: Central Park Meets at the Old Louisville Visitor’s Center. Thu., June 20, 6 PM: Butchtown Meets at the corner of Adams and E. Washington Sts. Register: 574-1649

Club de Lectura y Análisis de Cuentos Cortos en Español  Mon., May 20 & June 17, 5:30-6:30 PM Nos encontraremos en el Heine Brothers de Outer Loop. Portland Cemetery Tour  Sat., May 25, 10 AM Meets at 3534 Pizarn Ave entrance. Register: 574-1649

Louisville Pride Center Outreach  Thu., June 6, 6-8 PM: Board Game Night! Meets at Pride Center (1244 S. 3rd St.)

LGBTQIA Book Club Sat., June 29, 4 PM Ages 18+ Meets at Foxing Bookstore, 1314 Bluegrass Ave. Light refreshments will be served. Register: 933-0029

PORTLAND

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ST. MATTHEWS

English Conversation Club  Mondays 6-7 PM Call 547-1771 for more info.

2024 Home Cleaning & Organizing  Mon., May 6, 2:30-3 PM: Kids & Outdoor Spaces Mon., June 3, 2-3:30 PM: Living Spaces & Storage Areas Register: Patricia.Christopher@lfl.org

Growing Your Own Tomatoes  Tue., May 7, 2 PM

Stephen King Book Discussion  Wed., May 8, 6 PM: Salem’s Lot Wed., June 12, 6 PM: The Outsider

Afternoon Book Discussion  Thu., May 9, 2 PM: The Joy Luck Club by Amy Tan Thu., June 13, 2 PM: The Nightingale by Kristin Hannah

Adult Book Discussion  Tue., May 14, 2 PM: Insomnia by Sarah Pinborough Tue., June 11, 2 PM: The Marriage Portrait by Maggie O’Farrell

Movie Discussion Group  Tue., May 21, 2 PM: Godzilla (1954) Tue., June 18, 2 PM: Prisoners (2013)

Night Owls Book Discussion  Tue., May 21, 6:30 PM: Horse by Geraldine Brooks Tue., June 18, 6:30 PM: Lark Ascending by Silas House

Direct Seed Sowing for Late Spring/Early Summer with Jefferson Co. Master Gardener Assoc.  Sat., May 25, 2 PM

Louisville Miniature Club  Fri., May 31-Sun. June 2 during regular library hours

The Louisville History Series with Steve Wiser – Presidential Visits to Louisville  Tue., June 4, 3 PM

Ms. Bev’s Bookmarks Drop-In  Mon., June 10 –Sun., June 16 during regular library hours

How to Tell Stories with Video Games  Sat., June 15, 2-4 PM Craft stories for video games with Louisville Makes Games.

Planting for Pollinators with Jefferson Co. Master Gardener Assoc.  Wed., June 26, 6 PM

Greater Louisville LEGO User Group Exhibit  Fri., June 28-Sun., June 30, during regular library hours

Community Jigsaw Puzzle & Board Game Swap  Sat., June 29, 10 AM-4 PM Swap gently used puzzles and board games in good condition.

SHAWNEE

Health Insurance 101 with the Asclepius Initiative  Tue., May 14, 6 PM Get help navigating the world of health care coverage.


Scam Academy Sat., May 18, 11 AM-12:30 PM Learn how to tell when someone’s trying to sell you something. Featuring infomercial bingo!

Zoning Matters: Conversation with a City Planner  Tue., June 19, 3-7 PM

Planting for Pollinators with Jefferson Co. Master Gardener Assoc.  Mon., June 24, 6 PM

SHIVELY

Shively Book Discussion  Thu., May 2, 6:30 PM: Crying in H Mart by Michelle Zauner Thu., June 6, 6:30 PM: The Sweetness of Water by Nathan Harris

Resume & Job Application Help Tuesdays, Fridays & Saturdays Walk-in or by appointment (574-1730 or britt.walford@lfl.org)

Health Insurance 101 with the Asclepius Initiative  Thu., May 9, 6 PM Get help navigating the world of health care coverage.

Adult Game Night  Thu., May 16 & June 20, 6-8 PM

Shively Chess Club  Sat., June 1, 11 AM-12:30 PM All ages

Direct Seed Sowing for Late Spring/Early Summer with Jefferson Co. Master Gardener Assoc.  Thu., June 13, 6 PM

Shively Job & Education Fair  Thu., June 27, 4-6 PM Ages 16+ Presented in partnership with Kentuckiana Works.
Health Insurance 101 with the Asclepius Initiative
Thu., May 23, 6 PM
Slow Flow Yoga Sat., June 8- July 13, 10 AM
Bring your own mat and towel.
Cultivating & Cooking with Fresh Herbs with Jefferson Co. Master Gardener Assoc.
Thu., June 20, 6 PM
Veterans Affairs Town Hall Tue., June 25, 5:30-7:30 PM

VIRTUAL
Virtual Craft & Chat Session Thu., May 16, 3 PM
Limited kits available at South Central Regional Library. Register: Liz.Magee@lfpl.org Ages 13+

WESTERN
Zoning Matters: Conversation with a City Planner Tue., May 7, 3-7 PM
Western Book Discussion Group Tue., May 7, 6 PM: Lovecraft Country by Matt Ruff Tue., June 4, 6 PM: Somebody's Daughter: A Memoir by Ashley C. Ford

Twisted Cork Crafts
Tue., May 21 & June 25, 6-7:30 PM

Hyster Sisters Club Sat., May 25 & June 8, 10:30 AM-12 PM
Find support if you have had or are about to have a hysterectomy.
Health Insurance 101 with the Asclepius Initiative Sat., May 25, 12:30 PM Get help navigating the world of health care coverage.

Graphic Novel Discussion Group Sat., May 25, 2:30 PM: Film & Television Series Like...Totally Tubular '80s Tue., May 28 & June 18, 6-7:30 PM Trivia, games, crafts!

African-American Pathfinders: LGBTQ+ Sat., June 8, 1:30 PM
Cultivating & Cooking with Fresh Herbs with Jefferson Co. Master Gardener Assoc. Sat., June 22, 2 PM

ALL COLLIDER programs are free at the South Central Regional Library. Email Liz.Magee@lfpl.org to register.

Intro to Laser Cutting Thu., May 23, 11 AM Register: Liz.Magee@lfpl.org Ages 13+

Sewing Basics Thu., May 30, 10-11:30 AM Register: Liz.Magee@lfpl.org Ages 13+

Direct Seed Sowing for Late Spring/Early Summer with Jefferson Co. Master Gardener Assoc. Sat., June 15, 2 PM
Brian Frederick: Meet the Goats Tue., June 25, 2 PM Meet fiber artist Brian Frederick's Ngora goats, Betty and Boon. All ages

SOUTHWEST
Writing Workshop Mon., May 6 & June 3, 17, 6-8 PM Ages 18+
Southwest Friends of the Library meeting Tue., May 7, 3:30-4:30 PM
Tabletop Tuesday Tue., May 7 & June 4, 6-8 PM Board games and tabletop RPGs. Ages 18+
Open Art Studio Mon., May 13 & June 10, 17, 6-8 PM Create with a variety of media. Ages 18+
Southwest & Sensibility Book Club Tue., May 14 & June 11, 6 PM Call 933-0029 for titles.

Free Computer Classes

COMPUTER BASICS Main - Thu., June 6, 2 PM

MICROSOFT EXCEL 1 Southwest-Fri, May 17, 1-3 PM Register: 933-0029

MICROSOFT EXCEL 2 Southwest-Fri, May 31, 1-3 PM Register: 933-0029

MICROSOFT EXCEL 3 Southwest-Fri, June 14, 1-3 PM Register: 933-0029

MICROSOFT EXCEL 4 Southwest-Fri, June 28, 1-3 PM Register: 933-0029

MICROSOFT PUBLISHER Crescent Hill - Thu., June 20, 6:30 PM Register: 574-1793

GOOGLE ACCOUNTS Main - Thu., May 9, 2 PM

COMPUTER HELP BY APPOINTMENT Main: 574-1770 • Bon Air: 574-1795

Crescent Hill: 574-1793 • Fairdale: 375-2051

Iroquois: 574-1720 • Jeffersontown: 287-5713

Middletown: 245-7332 • Newburg: 479-6160

Northeast: 394-0379 • St. Matthews: 574-1771

Shawnee: 574-1722 • Shively: 574-1730

South Central: 964-3515 • Southwest: 933-0029

Western: 574-1779

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Teen Choice movies. Snacks provided.

For middle and high school students.

Games & Crafts

school students.

Teen space with art cart and board games. For

Teen Tuesdays

Bring your own garment to dye (no towels please).
Tue., June 11, 10:30 AM (Ages 12-18)
Learn fun, healthy recipes and basic cooking

Japanese Calligraphy with the Japan/American
Society of Kentucky Wed., June 26, 2:30 PM
Ages 12-18 Register: 394-0379

Point with Rhythm Science Sound
Wed., June 6, 2:30 PM Ages 12-18
Limit 20. Register: 394-0379 or
NortheastYouthServices@lfpl.org

Sampling and Remixing with Rhythm Science Sound
Wed., June 12, 2:30 PM Ages 12-18
Limit 20. Register: 394-0379 or
NortheastYouthServices@lfpl.org

Growing Cooks Cooking Workshop with Norton Healthcare Fri., June 21, 2:30 PM Ages 12-18
Learn fun, healthy recipes and basic cooking skills. Limit 20. Register: 394-0379 or
NortheastYouthServices@lfpl.org

Happy 5th Birthday, Northeast Regional Library! Mon., June 24, 1-3 PM Enjoy cookies, punch, and birthday activities for all ages.

Japanese Calligraphy with the Japan/American Society of Kentucky Wed., June 26, 2:30 PM Ages 12-18 Register: 394-0379 or NortheastYouthServices@lfpl.org

Greatest Day of Play Sat., June 29, 10 AM-2 PM A day of play full of imagination, art, games, fun, performances, and activities led by local community groups. Dress to get messy! All ages

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ST. MATTHEWS
ACT Practice Test Sat., May 18, 10:30 AM–2:30 PM Grades 7–12 Limit 25. Register 574-1771 or elineyouthservices@lfpl.org

Community Jigsaw Puzzle & Board Game Swap Sat., June 29, 10 AM-4 PM Swap gently used puzzles and board games in good condition. Call 574-1771 to arrange drop-off prior to program date.

SHAWNEE
Just for Teens! Wed., May 1, 4 PM: Build and Race a Robot Thu., May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 4 PM: Drawing with Jennifer Laura Palmer Tue., May 7, 14, 21, 28, 4 PM: Spotlight with Drama by George Wed., May 8, 15, 22, 29, 4 PM: Game Hour Tue., June 4, 3 PM: Sketchbook Journaling with Jennifer Laura Palmer Thu., June 6, 3 PM: Making Monsters with Ryan Case Thoughts Out Loud Mental Health & Violence Prevention Barber Shop Tue., June 4, 11, 25, 12-3 PM Ages 12-18


SHLEYV
Teen Space Wed., 5:30-7 PM (exc. May 8 & 15) Art, games, movies, and activities.

Family Movie Monday Mon., May 13, 6 PM: The Princess and the Frog Mon., June 10, 6 PM: The Sandlot

Teen Art Flow Tue., May 21 & June 18, 5:30-7 PM Make something new each month! For middle and high school students. Limit 15. Register: 574-1730.

Teen Space - While You Were Sleeping Wed., June 12, 5:30 PM Learn about nocturnal animals with Second Chances Wildlife. For middle & high school students.

SOUTH CENTRAL

Teen Time Mondays 4-6 PM (exc. May 27)
Video games, board games, & crafts for middle and high school students.

Maker Lab Open Hours Tuesdays in May, 5:30-6:30 PM (exc. May 28)
Wednesdays in May & June (exc. June 19), 12:30-4:30 PM Fridays, 12:30-4:30 PM (exc. May 3) Patrons ages 13+ must complete Maker 101 training and have a waiver signed by an adult to use equipment.

El Circulo en Espanol (Spanish Circle) Tue., May 14 & June 11, 6-7 PM

COLLIDER Artist-in-Residence Programs Registration required: Liz Magee@lfpl.org
May: Donnyelle Jackson Thu., May 16, 6 PM: Symmetrical Motion Drawing (Ages 6+)
Thu., May 23, 6 PM: Blind Contour Self-Portrait (All ages)
Thu., May 30, 6 PM: Galactic Glow Paint & Tea Sip (Ages 13+)
June: Olivia A. Cole Tue., June 4, 3:30 PM: ’Where I’m From’ and Writing About Anger (Ages 10-18)
Tue., June 25, 5:30 PM: Making Visual Poems (All ages)

Dungeons & Dragons Sat., May 18 & June 1, 15, 12:30-2:30 PM Teen Volunteer Board Sat., May 18 & June 15, 2 PM Call 964-3515 for info. Ages 12-17
Intro to Laser Cutting Thu., May 23, 11 AM Register: Liz.Magee@lfpl.org Ages 13+
Sewing Basics Thu., May 30, 10-11:30 AM Register: Liz.Magee@lfpl.org Ages 13+
Briana Frederick: Meet the Goats Tue., June 25, 2 PM Meet fiber artist Briana Frederick’s Ngora goats, Betty and Boon. All ages

SOUTHWEST
Teen Space Mondays 4-5 PM (exc. May 27)
Video games, movies, crafts, and activities for middle and high school students.

WESTERN
May the 4th Be with You Fri., May 3, 1 PM Make crafts to celebrate Star Wars Day. Age 5-18
Western Book Discussion Group Tue., May 7, 6 PM: Lovecraft Country by Matt Ruff Tue., June 4, 6 PM: Somebody’s Daughter: A Memoir by Ashley C. Ford
card Board Crusaders, Thu., May 9 & June 6, 6 PM Card and board games. Ages 12-18
Snap, Crackle, Pop - Build with LEGO Thu., May 23 & June 20, 6-7 PM Ages 12-18

Graphic Novel Discussion Group Sat., May 25, 2:30 PM: Film & Television Series

Outer Space Tote Bags Thu., June 27, 6 PM Decorate tote bags with paint and stencils.
**Programs for KIDS**

**MAIN LIBRARY**

**Monday Movies at Main**
Mon., May 6, 6 PM: Wonka (2023)
Mon., June 3, 6 PM: Space Jam (1996) Ages 4-12

**Stay & Play**
Mon., May 13, 2-3:30 PM
Dramatic play for ages 3-6.

**Summer Reading Kickoff & Cultural Pass Showcase**
Sat., June 1, 10 AM-1 PM Fun activities, Cultural Pass experiences, and performances!

**StageOne Storytellers**
Wed., May 15, 4-5 PM Ages 0-3

**Ambo Dance Theatre: A Universe of Stories - Dancing Your Favorite Books!**
Mon., June 2, 2 PM All ages

**Boys, Books & Ballet with Louisville Ballet**
Thu., June 6, 6 PM Families and children of all ages and gender identities are welcome.

**Louisville Nature Center: Animals in My Backyard**
Mon., June 10, 2 PM Ages 4-10 Limit 20. Register: 574-1620

**Flamenco Louisville Cultural Pass Event**
Sun., June 12, 2 PM

**American Printing House for the Blind: Connect the Dots**
Mon., June 24, 2 PM Ages 8-12
Learn about braille. Limit 20. Register: 574-1620

**BON AIR**

**Kelly Creagh: Creating Creepy Campfire Stories**
Wed., June 13, 2:30 PM Ages 11-18

**SAR: I Spy in the American Revolution**
Wed., June 20, 2:30 PM Ages 8-12
Presented by the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.

**Rhythm Science Sound: Making Music with Nature**
Wed., June 26, 2:30 PM Ages 10-18
Limit 20. Register: 574-1795

**CRESCENT HILL**

**Chess Club**
Sat., May 18 & June 15, 10:30-12 PM

**Brittany J. Thurman: Jump and Fly Storytime**
Thu., June 6, 2:30 PM Ages 5-12

**Brightside Kids: The Lorax**
Wed., June 12, 3 PM Ages 3-6 Register: 574-1793 Stories, games, and crafts inspired by Dr. Seuss

**Second Chances Wildlife: Co-existing with Native Wildlife**
Thu., June 13, 2:30 PM All ages

**Commonwealth Theatre Center: Discover Drama**
Thu., June 20, 2:30 PM Ages 6-12

**AMR: A Global Medical Response Solution presents Touch-a-Truck!**
Sat., June 22, 10:30-11:30 AM All ages
Tour ambulance with EMS and learn hands-only CPR.

**The Japan/America Society of Kentucky: Celebrate Tanabata Star Festival**
Thu., June 27, 2:30 PM Register: 574-1793 Ages 6-15

**FAIRDALE**

**Kids ONLY Club**
Thursdays 5:30-6:30 PM Ages 6-12
Explore video games, STEM, movies, and more.

**StageOne Storytellers**
Wed., May 22, 10:30 & 11:30 AM

**HIGHLANDS-SHELBY PARK**

**Kid’s Club**
Tuesdays 3:30-5:30 PM Ages 4-10 Crafts, board games, LEGOs, plus space-themed fun in June!
June 4: Rocket Launching
June 11: Outer Space Collage Art
June 18: Galaxy Shaker Bottles
June 25: Stranded Astronaut Escape Room

**Mini Masterpieces**
Wed., May 8, 3:30 PM José Posada Grades K-6
Wed., June 12, 3:30 PM Alma Thomas

**WAGS: Read with a Therapy Dog**
Wed., May 15, 4-5 PM Ages 0-19

**StageOne Storytellers**
Thu., May 16, 10:15 AM & 11:15 AM Ages 0-5
Audiences help tell the story through music, interaction, and LOTS of imagination!

**Summer Starter Book Giveaway**
Wed., May 22, 6-8 PM Ages 0-19

**Read the Movies Club**
Grades K-6
Wed., May 29, 6 PM: James and the Giant Peach
Wed., June 26, 6 PM: Where the Wild Things Are

**Tom Causey: Adventures in Outer Space**
Sat., June 8, 11 AM Ages 6-12

**Thomas Freese: Star Stories**
Sat., June 15, 11 AM Ages 6-12

**IROQUOIS**

**Little Bookworms Book Club**
Thu., May 2 & June 6, 1:30 PM Ages 6-11

**WAGS (Wonderful Animals Giving Support)**
Thu., May 9 & June 13, 3:30-7:30 PM
Read with a therapy dog. All ages

**Family Art Night**
Thu., May 16, 6:30 PM All ages
Thu., June 20, 6:30-7:30 PM: Tie Dye (bring a garment to dye)

**Second Chances Wildlife: Awesome Opossum**
Wed., June 5, 2 PM All ages

**The Grand Library Museum of Masterpieces**
Sat., June 8, 10:30 AM Create themed art to display in the Library.

**Tom Causey: Sherlock Holmes & The Case of the Missing Jewel**
Wed., June 12, 2 PM Ages 6-12

**Brightside Kids: Pollinators**
Wed., June 26, 2 PM Learn about pollination and bees, plant seeds, and more! Limit 30. Register: 574-1720 Ages 3-6

**JEFFERSONTOWN**

**Universe of Stories Family Storytime**
Sat., June 8, 10:30 AM Ages 3-7

**Tie-Dye Tuesday with Face Painting**
Tue., June 11, 10:30 AM All ages
Bring your own garment to dye (no towels please).

**Communities Excel through Martial Arts with Terry Greenwell**
Wed., June 12, 2 PM Ages 6-12
Limit 20. Register: 245-3292

**Upbeat: Move & Groove!**
Mon., June 24, 11 AM All ages

**Second Chances Wildlife: Animal Adaptations**
Tue., June 25, 2 PM Ages 8-12

**MIDDLETOWN**

**Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month Take & Make**
May 1-31 during regular library hours
One kit per child while supplies last. Best for ages 4-11.

**Tom Causey: Adventures in Outer Space**
Tue., June 4, 2 PM Ages 6-12

**American Printing House for the Blind: Connect the Dots with American Printing House Museum**
Tue., June 20, 2 PM Ages 8+
Learn about braille. Register: 394-0379 or NortheastYouthServices@lfpl.org

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**Moana**
Sat., June 8, 11 AM-3 PM Ages 6-12
Parents and children of all ages and gender identities are welcome.

**Second Chances Wildlife: Batty About Bats**
Sat., June 8, 3-4:30 PM Ages 6-12 Limit 20. Register: 394-0379 or NortheastYouthServices@lfpl.org

**Kids Yoga with Good Karma Yoga**
Thu., June 6, 2 PM Ages 7-12

**Differences Make You Magical with Magician Cody Clark**
Thu., June 13, 2 PM Ages 5-12

**Boys, Books & Ballet with Louisville Ballet**
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**OFFSITE**

**Outdoor Explore After-School Program**
Mondays in May, 5:30-7 PM (exc. May 27) Ages 7-12
Hands-on nature programs with Louisville ECHO in Shively Park (1902 Park Rd). Call 574-1730 for more info.

**Nature Play & Storytime at Jefferson Memorial Forest**
Mon, May 13, 10:30 AM Ages 6 & under
11311 Mitchell Hill Road

**ST. MATTHEWS**

**Reading with Mercy the Comfort Dog**
Thu., May 2 & June 6, 3-4 PM Grades K-5
Register for a 15-minute slot to read aloud to a certified comfort dog. Register: 574-1771

**Mixed-Up Monday**
Mon., May 13, 10:15 AM Stories, songs, and activities. Ages 2-6

**Family Movie Nights**
Thu., May 30, 6:15 PM: Moana
Thu., June 27, 6:15 PM: Zootopia

**Rhythm Science Sound: Making Music with Nature**
Sat., June 8, 3-4:30 PM Ages 6-12 Limit 20. Register: ElinYouthServices@lfpl.org or 574-1771
Decorate tote bags with paint and stencils.

**Outer Space Tote Bags**
Sat., May 18, 11 AM

Make crafts to celebrate Star Wars Day. Age 5-18

**May the 4th Be with You**

Southwest Block Party Sat., June 29, 10 AM-4 PM Swap gently used puzzles and board games in good condition. Call 574-1771 to arrange drop-off prior to program date.

**SHAYLEY**

We Got Game! Sat., May 25 & June 22, 1:30-3 PM Fun-filled games and activities. Ages 6-12

Father’s Day Crafts Sat., June 8, 1:30-3 PM Ages 5-12

Louisville Nature Center: Animals In My Backyard Thu., June 13, 2 PM Ages 4-10 Limit 20. Register: 574-1722

**SOUTHWEST**

Drop-in Mother’s Day Crafts Thu., May 9, 5-8 PM All ages

COLLIDER Artist-in-Residence Programs Registration required: Liz Magee@lfpl.org

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Thu., May 23, 6 PM: Blind Contour Self-Portrait (All ages)
June: Olivia A. Cole Tue., June 25, 5:30 PM: Making Visual Poems (All ages)

Chalk the Walk! Sat., May 25, during regular library hours
Decorate your own sidewalk square! All ages

Tom Causey: Adventures in Outer Space Wed., May 15, 3 PM

**SOUTHWEST BLOCK PARTY**
Sat., June 29, 2-3 PM All ages

Decorate your own sidewalk square! All ages

Sat., June 22, during regular library hours

**WESTERN**

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My Louisville Storytime: Marresa Burke Sat., May 18, 11 AM

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Decorate tote bags with paint and stencils.
Healing Power: The Perfect Book at the Perfect Time

On her most recent trip to the Louisville Free Public Library (LFPL), Amy was not on the hunt for the latest bestseller. She needed to find a very specific kind of book – and she needed to have it in hand before her son's doctor's appointment the following week.

As a cancer survivor, two-year-old Adam was nervous about his quarterly follow-up appointment with the oncologist. “He doesn’t really understand what’s going on but knows there are ‘ouchies’ involved and doesn’t feel in control of his body,” says mom, Amy. “My other son, Eric, is a four-year-old with big feelings and lots of worries about his little brother.”

Amy needed books to help her boys process their fears and anxieties, so she headed to the children’s section at her local library and spotted Allyson, a friendly face amidst the shelves of stories. After explaining what she was looking for, Amy followed the librarian straight to the stacks.

“It quickly became evident that [Allyson] was not only a kind person but clearly a very skilled and talented children’s librarian,” says Amy. “She not only knew immediately the different sections to take me to but had specific books in mind, knowing the titles and authors.”

So, how did the appointment go? Adam brought his library books with him – his oncologist even requested the name and author of his favorite title so they could get a copy for the office.

Best of all, Adam remains in remission, his courage bolstered by the stories they shared.

Help our library staff continue to provide kids like Adam and Eric with the right book at just the right time.

Amy and her family are grateful for Allyson and workers like her, whose dedication and expertise have a profound impact on children in the community every day. A gift to the Library Foundation can help expand the library collection, provide family support programs like Summer Reading and S.T.E.A.M. Day, and build new libraries so every child can access safe spaces year-round.

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