



**teen summer challenge**  
**MILWAUKEE PUBLIC LIBRARY**

**JUNE 1 - AUGUST 30, 2024**

**AGES 13-18**

**Sign up all summer long! Visit any MPL branch  
or go to [MPLteensummerchallenge.org](https://MPLteensummerchallenge.org)**

# Welcome to the Teen Summer Challenge

This summer the design is up to you! When you sign up you'll get a free book and a blank journal to track your reading in a way that is uniquely yours. After signing up, pick up your free book at any Milwaukee Public Library location.

## How to Participate

### READ AND REVIEW:

- Read and log your books. Goal: Read three books this summer!
- Write book reviews in your journal or online at [mpl.beanstack.org](http://mpl.beanstack.org)

### USE YOUR JOURNAL:

- Design a tracking page to use with the badge stickers so you can track your reading and reviews.
- Use other pages to respond to writing prompts, document your summer, and get creative.

### ENTER THE GRAND PRIZE DRAWING:

- Read three books to complete the Teen Summer Challenge!
- One book: 1 entry (earn up to 3 entries)
- Write three reviews: 1 entry
- Complete three journal prompts: 1 entry
- Check in at the library or scan the QR code below to log your reading, reviews and activities online at [mpl.beanstack.org](http://mpl.beanstack.org)

### TEEN SUMMER CHALLENGE GRAND PRIZE:

- One winner from each MPL location will win a TABLET.

### IMPORTANT DATES

**Saturday, June 1** 1st day to sign-up in person or online and begin tracking.  
**Friday, August 30** Last day to track your progress and pick-up a new book at MPL to take home.





# TEEN EVENTS

## Candy Terrariums

Create a custom (and edible!) terrarium at the Milwaukee Public Library! Using cookies, candy, and more, you'll create five layers that mimic the growing conditions of a succulent terrarium—no green thumb necessary!

### Atkinson

Wednesday, June 26, 3-4 p.m.

### Bay View

Friday, July 26, 4-5 p.m.

### Capitol

Friday, June 28, 4-5 p.m.

### Center Street

Friday, June 21, 3-4 p.m.

### Central Children's Room

Monday, June 24, 4-5 p.m.

### East

Wednesday, June 26, 3-4 p.m.

### Good Hope

Tuesday, June 18, 3-4 p.m.

### Mitchell Street

Friday, June 21, 3-4 p.m.

### Tippecanoe

Monday, June 24, 4-5 p.m.

### Villard Square

Thursday, June 20, 3-4 p.m.

### Washington Park

Thursday, June 20, 3-4 p.m.

### Zablocki

Tuesday, June 18, 3-4 p.m.

## Clay Creators

Experiment and get your hands dirty with air dry clay and create a small handmade item. Air clay typically takes 24-hours to harden. You can take the item home to dry or pick it up a different day.

### Atkinson

Wednesday, July 24, 3-4 p.m.

### Bay View

Friday, June 14, 4-5 p.m.

### Capitol

Friday, Aug. 2, 4-5 p.m.

### Center Street

Friday, July 19, 3-4 p.m.

### Central Children's Room

Saturday, July 27, 2-3 p.m.

### East

Wednesday, July 24, 3-4 p.m.

### Good Hope

Tuesday, July 16, 3-4 p.m.

### Mitchell Street

Friday, July 19, 3-4 p.m.

### Tippecanoe

Monday, July 22, 4-5 p.m.

### Villard Square

Thursday, July 18, 3-4 p.m.

### Washington Park

Thursday, July 18, 3-4 p.m.

### Zablocki

Tuesday, July 16, 3-4 p.m.

## Eco-Bags

Make an eco-friendly bag to carry your summer reading books! We'll re-purpose vintage T-shirts into a simple no-sew cotton bag. Use our button maker to make a couple of cute pins to add to your creation! Bring your own t-shirt. Limited supplies are available.

### Atkinson

Wednesday, Aug. 7, 3-4 p.m.

### Bay View

Wednesday, June 5, 3-4 p.m.

### Capitol

Friday, Aug. 9, 4-5 p.m.

### Center Street

Friday, Aug. 2, 3-4 p.m.

### East

Wednesday, Aug. 7, 3-4 p.m.

### Good Hope

Tuesday, July 30, 3-4 p.m.

### Mitchell Street

Saturday, July 13, 3-4 p.m.

### Tippecanoe

Monday, Aug. 5, 4-5 p.m.

### Washington Park

Thursday, Aug. 1, 3-4 p.m.

### Villard Square

Thursday, Aug. 1, 3-4 p.m.

### Zablocki

Wednesday, July 24, 3-4 p.m.

# TEEN EVENTS

## Mini Galaxy Jars

Create a mesmerizing and calming galaxy that you can hold in your hands! We will supply all of the materials for you to create a unique necklace or keychain of your choice. Personalize your design with a constellation of stars and listen to some of our playlists on Freegal Music!

### Bay View

Tuesday, Aug. 6, 4-5 p.m.

### Capitol

Friday, July 19, 4-5 p.m.

### Center Street

Saturday, June 29, 3-4 p.m.

### Good Hope

Tuesday, Aug. 6, 3-4 p.m.

### Mitchell Street

Saturday, July 27, 3-4 p.m.

### Tippecanoe

Monday, June 17, 4-5 p.m.

### Villard Square

Thursday, July 11, 3-4 p.m.

### Zablocki

Thursday, June 27, 3-4 p.m.

## Photo Bookmarks

Use our supplies to take pictures, print them, decorate a bookmark, and laminate them for a fun gift to make or keep for yourself! Our libraries will have art supplies available for you to decorate your bookmark as you see fit. Join us for fun with technology!

### Capitol

Friday, June 21, 4-5 p.m.

### Central Rotary Club of

### Milwaukee Community Room

Monday, Aug. 5, 4-5 p.m.

### Mitchell Street

Saturday, Aug. 10, 3-4 p.m.

### Tippecanoe

Monday, July 1, 4-5 p.m.

### Zablocki

Tuesday, Aug. 6, 3-4 p.m.

## Pizza Gardens

Start your very own pizza garden from seed! We'll provide the starter pots and seeds and you can show up and commit to your very own miniature edible garden.

### Atkinson

Wednesday, July 10, 3-4 p.m.

### Bay View

Tuesday, July 9, 4-5 p.m.

### Capitol

Friday, July 12, 4-5p.m.

### Central Children's Room

Saturday, June 29, 2-3 p.m.

### Center Street

Friday, July 5, 3-4 p.m.

### East

Wednesday, July 10, 3-4 p.m.

### Good Hope

Tuesday, July 2, 3-4 p.m.

### Mitchell Street

Friday, July 5, 3-4 p.m.

### Tippecanoe

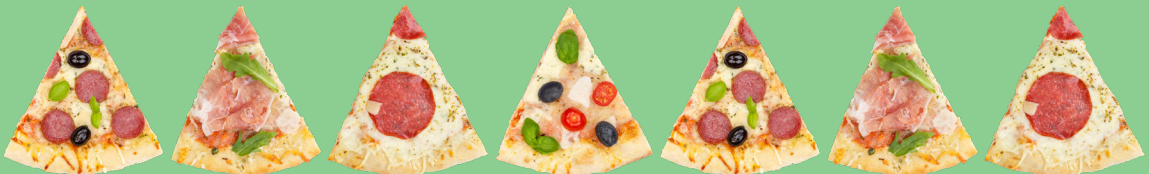
Monday, July 8, 4-5 p.m.

### Washington Park

Thursday, Aug. 8, 3-4 p.m.

### Zablocki

Tuesday, July 2, 3-4 p.m.





# TEEN EVENTS

## **Anime-nia**

Do you have a favorite anime series you can't stop talking about? Join us to meet other anime and manga fans, watch your favorite series, and draw your own art in an anime style.

### **Central Children's Room**

Thursdays, June 27, July 25, and Aug. 22, 4-5 p.m.

## **Art Journaling**

Visual thinkers and reluctant writers will get a boost of inspiration by learning the elements of Art Journaling. In this guided activity, teens will learn to combine visual and verbal expression to manifest their interests and goals, and use visual imagery as a prompt to jump-start their writing.

### **Center Street**

Saturday, June 20, 1-4 p.m.

## **Builder's Lab**

Explore a potential love for construction and fabrication using popsicle sticks! Make popsicle stick phone stands, boxes, photo frames, and more!

### **Villard Square**

Wednesday, July 10, and  
Thursday, Aug. 15, 3-4 p.m.

## **Financial Literacy for Teens with SecureFutures**

Learn the basics of your first paychecks, write checks, and get information on doing your taxes. We'll also discuss the basics of savings accounts and credit lines.

### **Villard Square**

Thursdays, June 6, 13, 20, 4-5:30 p.m.

## **Show Your Pride**

Show your pride at the library this summer! Drop by the Teen Zone at Bay View on Tuesdays this June to make a button or two to take home. All paper and stickers will be provided, but feel free to bring your own to make a fully custom creation.

### **Bay View**

Tuesdays, June 4, 11, 18, and 25, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

## **Sidewalk Chalk**

Get outside and decorate the courtyard at Center Street this summer! Join us on Tuesdays for guided drawing with sidewalk chalk, with a tent for shade and water to help keep cool.

(Weather permitting)

### **Center Street**

Tuesdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, Aug. 6, 13, 20, and 27, 2-4 p.m.

## **Teen Zone at Bay View**

Drop by the newly renovated Teen Zone at Bay View! Play a Nintendo Switch game, play a board game, or just hang out. The choice is yours.

### **Bay View**

Weekdays from 3-5:30 p.m.

# TEEN EVENTS

## Step with Confidence

Join this dynamic program that merges stepping with self-discovery! Local educator and cheer coach Tina Hannah will lead sessions all summer that will empower you to step up your confidence, navigate peer pressure, and explore the facts of life while learning Tik Tok-worthy moves.



### Atkinson

Wednesdays, July 17 and 31, 3-4:30 p.m.

### Bay View

Friday, July 19, 4-5:30 p.m.

### Capitol

Friday, July 26, 4-5:30 p.m.

### Center Street

Saturday, July 27, 3-4:30 p.m.

### Central Rotary Club of Milwaukee

Community Room

Monday, July 22, 4-5:30 p.m.

### Good Hope

Tuesdays, June 25 and July 23, 3-4:30 p.m.

### Mitchell Street

Friday, Aug. 2, 3-4:30 p.m.

### Villard Square

Thursdays, June 27, July 25, and Aug. 8, 3-4:30 p.m.

## Theater Skills Workshops with First Stage

Try your hand at theater! Learn skills to collaborate in an ensemble, speaking and listening, and best of all, build your self-esteem. Open to all experience levels.

### Atkinson

Wednesday, July 3, 3-3:45 p.m.

### Bay View

Friday, July 5, 4-4:45 p.m.

### Capitol

Friday, July 5, 4-4:45 p.m.

### Central Children's Room

Monday, July 1, 4-4:45 p.m.

### East

Wednesday, July 3, 3-3:45 p.m.

### Good Hope

Tuesday, July 9, 3-3:45 p.m.

### Zablocki

Tuesday, July 9, 3-3:45 p.m.



## All Elements Hip Hop with Your Move MKE

Join us for an all-in-one hip hop elements session, where you will be introduced to graffiti art, beat production, writing, freestyling, beatboxing, and breakdancing. Whichever medium piques your interest, this is the place to find the element that speaks most to you.



### Central Rotary Club of Milwaukee Community Room

Monday, June 17, 4-5 p.m.

### Center Street

Saturday, July 13, 3-4 p.m.

### Mitchell Street

Saturday, June 29, 3-4 p.m.

### Washington Park

Thursday, June 27, 3-4 p.m.



# TEEN EVENTS



## Phone and Content 101

Learn how to best use your phone and the best practices for varying types of content capture. We'll explore tools that help and how not to need them!

### Tippecanoe

Monday, July 15, 4-5 p.m.

### Washington Park

Thursday, July 25, 3-4 p.m.



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## Beginner's Yoga for Teens

Have you ever been curious about yoga? This could be your thing! Try it out for free with experienced yoga instructors. If you have your mats or yoga blocks, please bring them in.

### Central Rotary Club of Milwaukee Community Room

Monday, July 29, 4-4:45 p.m.

### Washington Park

Thursday, July 11,  
3-3:45 p.m.

### East

Wednesday, July 31, 3-3:45 p.m.



## Learn to Breakdance with ill Threadz

Explore the gravity-defying realm of breakdancing, where bodies move with precision and creativity knows no bounds! Dive into a culture that's both a dance form and a powerful means of self-expression with this breakdance workshop lead by Jose Antonio Vargas of ill Threadz Milwaukee. Beginners are welcome!

### Center Street

Saturday, June 15, 3-5 p.m.



# MAKERSPACES - OPEN MAKER TIME



## FIND A MAKERSPACE AT THESE BRANCHES:

**Good Hope**  
7715 W. Good Hope Rd.

**Mitchell Street**  
906 W. Historic Mitchell St.

**Washington Park**  
2121 N. Sherman Blvd.

**THE FOLLOWING EQUIPMENT WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR YOU TO USE\*:  
COMPUTERS & LAPTOPS WITH PROFESSIONAL DESIGN SOFTWARE  
RECORDING STUDIO • DSLR CAMERAS • GAMING & VR EQUIPMENT  
LASER CUTTER • 3D PRINTER • VIDEO MAKING EQUIPMENT**

\*For a full list of equipment and availability by location,  
visit [mpl.org/Makerspace](http://mpl.org/Makerspace)



## DROP IN TO HANG OUT, MESS AROUND, AND GEEK OUT.

**Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 1:30-5:30 p.m.**

In addition to MPL Holiday Closings, the Makerspaces will be closed on the following dates:

**Good Hope**  
Thursday, June 6

**Mitchell Street**  
Monday-Thursday, Aug. 5-8

**Washington Park**  
Thursday, Aug. 15



# MAKERSPACES - SPECIAL EVENTS

LEARN NEW SKILLS! Join us for workshops in the Makerspace. All events are free! Events happen during Open Maker Time at all locations unless otherwise indicated.

**Mondays and Wednesdays from 2:30-4:30 p.m.\***

Schedules are subject to change. Please visit [mpl.org/Makerspace](http://mpl.org/Makerspace) or follow us on Instagram @MPLCreates for updates.

## JUNE

**Monday, June 3**

Game Prototyping and Design

**Wednesday, June 5**

Simple Sewing

**Monday, June 10**

Big Origami

**Wednesday, June 12**

Photo Editing & Retouching with

Adobe Photoshop

**Monday, June 17**

Starting Seedlings

**\*Thursday, June 20**

Summer Solstice Cyanotype Celebration

**Monday, June 24**

Button Making with Adobe Illustrator

**Wednesday, June 26**

Tech Toys

## JULY

**Monday, July 1**

Augmented Reality & Virtual Reality

**Wednesday, July 3**

Tabletop Towers & Bridges

**Monday, July 8**

Paper Marbling

**Wednesday, July 10**

Digital Collage with Adobe Photoshop

**Monday, July 15**

Paper Crafts with Cricut

**Wednesday, July 17**

Manufacturing

**Monday, July 22**

Digitize a Drawing with Adobe Illustrator

**Wednesday, July 24**

Tensegrity Model

**Monday, July 29**

Chalk Art

**Wednesday, July 31**

Tech Toys

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## AUGUST

**Monday, Aug. 5**

Storyboarding for Animation

*Only at Good Hope &  
Washington Park*

**Wednesday, Aug. 7**

Stop Motion Animation

*Only at Good Hope &  
Washington Park*

**Monday, Aug. 12**

Film making: Foley Art - Art with Sound

**Wednesday, Aug. 14**

Digital Art and Perler Beads

**Monday, Aug. 19**

Grid Compositions with Adobe InDesign

**Wednesday, Aug. 21**

Book Binding

**Monday, Aug. 26**

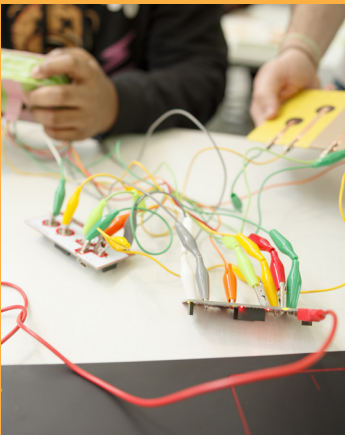
DIY Volcano Model

**Wednesday, Aug. 28**

Tech Toys

## BOOK AN APPOINTMENT

Reserve time to work on your special project.  
Visit [mpl.org/Makerspace](http://mpl.org/Makerspace) to learn more.





# MOVIE SHOWINGS

## End the summer with a book-themed movie!

Celebrate summer reading...with a book-ish movie on us! Join us at select Milwaukee Public Library locations for screenings listed below. Bring your friends and we'll provide the big screen, candy, and popcorn! Movie synopses provided by swank.com.



### Mitchell Street

Tuesday, Aug. 6, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

*Five Nights at Freddy's* (2023) PG-13

Down on his luck and running out of options, Mike Schmidt agrees to take a job as a night shift security guard at Freddy Fazbear's Pizza. However, he quickly realizes that things aren't quite as they seem at Freddy's when the animatronic creatures at the restaurant come alive, hungry for revenge.



### Central Rotary Club of Milwaukee Community Room

Saturday, Aug. 10, 1-3:30 p.m.

*The Hunger Games: The Ballad of Songbirds and Snakes* (2023) PG-13

Coriolanus Snow is having a hard time adjusting to the fall of his family's legacy after they suffered enormous losses during the war of the Districts and the Capitol. To regain his family's stature, he accepts a job mentoring tributes invented for the upcoming tenth Hunger Games. A prequel to The Hunger Games series.



### Good Hope

Tuesday, Aug. 13, 5-7 p.m.

*Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse* (2018) PG

After a bite from a radioactive spider, Miles Morales becomes the one and only Spider-Man. When a dimensional gateway opens up, Miles soon realizes he isn't the only spider superhero as he meets many different versions of Spider-Man from other universes, including the original Peter Parker.

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**Center Street** 2727 W. Fond du Lac Ave. • **Central** 814 W. Wisconsin Ave. • **East** 2320 N. Cramer St.  
**Good Hope** 7715 W. Good Hope Rd. • **M.L. King (Temporary Branch)** 2767 N. Martin Luther King Jr. Dr.  
**Mitchell Street** 906 W. Historic Mitchell St. • **Tippecanoe** 3912 S. Howell Ave. •  
**Villard Square** 5190 N. 35th St. • **Washington Park** 2121 N. Sherman Blvd.  
**Zablocki** 3501 W. Oklahoma Ave.

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