



PROGRAMS and ACTIVITIES

For All Ages
June 1-August 31
2025



MILWAUKEE
PUBLIC LIBRARY



Atkinson Branch

ADULTS Summer Reading Kickoff

Monday, June 2, 5-7 pm

Celebrate the start of the Summer Reading Program.

Summer Job Fair

Wednesday, June 4, 11 am-1 pm

Meet and speak with companies that are offering a variety of entry level job opportunities.

Plant Swap

Saturday, June 7, 10-11 am

Enjoy a fun hour of plant swapping!

Milwaukee Justice Center Mobile Legal Clinic

Thursday, June 26, 2-4 pm

Sit down with a volunteer attorney, completely free of cost, to discuss your legal situation and the options that are available to you.

CHILDREN Spin Pop Boom

Monday, June 23, 2-3 pm

Watch as the Mad Scientist is able to defy gravity and create an extra hand. Hear amazing sounds from our Didgeridoo tubes and create an amazing explosion of foam in this energetic show.

You Build It!

Saturday, June 28, 11 am-12 pm

Calling all architects! Enjoy open building time with Magna-Tiles, LEGO® Bricks, Tinker Toys and construction straws.

Meet the Instrument Story Time

Monday, June 30, 2-3 pm

Listen to a story featuring a musical instrument and participate in movement and musical activities led by a Wisconsin Conservatory of Music teaching artist.

Art Cart

Monday, July 7, 2-3 pm

Raid the art cart this summer at the library and create a masterpiece!

Book Jacket Bingo

Monday, July 14, 2-3 pm

Hear about great books during a fun game of Book Jacket Bingo.

Snap Circuits

Monday, July 21, 2-3 pm

Explore the basics of electronics by snapping circuits together through instructional projects.

Read and Press

Friday, July 25, 2-3 pm

Learn about the process from idea to wearable creation using vinyl and a heat press.

Miss Kim's Amazing Animals

Monday, July 28, 2-3 pm

Animals are fun, but petting animals is even more fun with Ms. Kim's animals. Let's have a wild time!

Let's Build with Play Dough

Monday, August 4, 2-3 pm

Use your imagination to creatively build using play dough.

Back to School Ice Cream Party

Monday, August 11, 2-3 pm

Celebrate the end of summer with a bowl of ice cream.

TEENS MASTERing LEGO®

Wednesday, June 25, 4-5:30 pm

Meet and create with a LEGO® MASTER. Challenge your creativity against yourself and friends. All youth and young adults welcome. Registration required!

Game Time

Thursday, June 26, 4:30-5:30 pm

Spend the afternoon playing board games! We'll have Uno, Jenga, Battleship, checkers and more!

Trivia

Thursday, July 10, 3-4 pm

Join us for a trivia challenge. Use your general knowledge to answer questions and win prizes!

Your Move MKE: All Elements of Hip Hop

Thursday, July 17, 1-2 pm

Enjoy an all-in-one hip hop elements session with graffiti art, beat production, writing, freestyling, beatboxing, and breakdancing.

Shrinky Dinks

Thursday, August 14, 3-4 pm

Make your own Shrinky Dink creation. Color, cut out designs and bake!



Bay View Branch

ADULTS Crafting Connections

First Monday of each month, 1-3 pm

A monthly craft program for older adults. Come for the crafts, stay for the community!

Gentle Stretch and Movement

Tuesdays, 2-3 pm

Increase flexibility while decreasing stress through a guided gentle sequence of stretches. Focus on range of motion, balance and body awareness. Unwind and restore your wellbeing.

Tech-splanation @ MPL

Wednesdays, June 4, 25, 12-1:30 pm

Do you have a question about your smartphone, tablet, or other electronic device? Need help accessing library resources? We can help!

Death Café

Saturdays, June 7, July 19, August 9, 1-3 pm

A Death Café is a place for people of all ages to discuss issues related to death and dying, while sharing a warm drink and a sweet snack.

Summer Reading Kickoff

Monday, June 9, All Day

Celebrate the start of the Summer Reading Program.

Rent for Success

Monday, July 14, 5-7:30 pm

Rent for Success is a FREE 2.5-hour tenant training program designed to educate and empower renters. Registration required.

CHILDREN Story Time and Play Group

Thursdays, 10:30-11:30 am (June 15-August 16)

A 20-minute story time for young children is followed by open play time. For children ages 3 and under, with a caregiver.

You Build It

Thursdays, June 19, July 3, 17, 31, August 14, 2-3 pm

Calling all architects! Enjoy open building time with Magna-Tiles, LEGO® Bricks, Tinker Toys and construction straws.

Art Cart

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Sssensational Snakes!

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Let's learn about SNAKES! The Wehr Nature Center will present a program dispelling snake myths and teaching about all the things that make snakes sssensational!

Milwaukee Public Museum on the Move: The Beautiful World of Butterflies

Monday, July 28, 3-4 pm

Butterflies may be beautiful, but that's not why they're important! Join us to learn about the residents of MPM's Butterfly Vivarium. This event is limited to 30 attendees, first-come, first-served.

TEENS MASTERing LEGO®: Back to School

Saturday, August 23, 1-3 pm

Meet and create with a LEGO® MASTER. Challenge your creativity against yourself and friends. All youth and young adults welcome. Registration required!

Push the Button

Thursdays, July 3, 17, August 21, 2-3:30 pm

Pin your personality! Design and press one-of-a-kind buttons to wear or share.

Game Night

Tuesdays, July 8, August 12, 4-6 pm

Board games, card games, Nintendo switch games. Join the library for a night of games!

Teen Zone

Wednesdays, 3:30-5:30 pm (July 9-August 27)

Game, snack, hang out and maybe make a friend! Enjoy arts and crafts, the Nintendo Switch, board games, or just hang and watch some anime.

Community Art Build for Youth

Wednesday, July 30, 1-2:30 pm

Wrap up summer with a hands-on art event presented by Art Build Workers! Experience community art making and express yourself through banner painting and screen printing.

Intro to Filmmaking

Thursday, August 7, 2-3:15 pm

Learn how to make movies with your iPhone! In this hands-on workshop, you'll be introduced to the basics of filmmaking using free editing services and professional equipment!



Capitol Branch

ALL AGES Craft & Chill

Tuesdays, July 22, 29, 5-6 pm

Craft and Chill at the library. Create a portable zen garden or sensory bottle while enjoying a healthy snack.

ADULTS Milwaukee Justice Center Mobile Legal Clinic

Thursday, June 5, 2-4 pm

Sit down with a volunteer attorney, completely free of cost, to discuss your legal situation and the options that are available to you.

Gentle Yoga

Fridays, 1-2 pm beginning June 6

Gentle Yoga focused on low-impact standing and chair-assisted poses.

Tech-splanation @ MPL

Tuesdays, June 10, June 24, 1-2:30 pm

Do you have a question about your smartphone, tablet, or other electronic device? Need help accessing library resources? We can help!

Crafting Club

Thursdays, June 12, July 10, August 14, 1-2:30 pm

Enjoy a chance to visit and be crafty with other adults. Supplies will be provided each month based on a theme, but feel free to bring your own project and just be with other crafty folks.

Getting Started with Computers

Tuesdays, 1:30-3 pm

July 1 Computer Basics, July 8 Internet Basics, July 15 Cybersecurity Basics, July 22 Email Basics

This series of absolute basics is intended for newcomers to technology. No prior experience is needed, just an eagerness to learn.

CHILDREN Story Time

Fridays, 10:30-11:15 am (June 8-August 16)

Young children and their caregivers are invited to a story time filled with stories, songs and fingerplays.

Family Friendly Flicks

Tuesdays, June 10, July 15, August 12, 5-7 pm

Join us for Family Friendly Flicks. The library offers the Kanopy collection of movies and shows that you can access anywhere for free with your library card! Learn more at www.kanopy.com/en/mpl or visit your local branch library. The popcorn is on us!

You Build It!

Fridays, June 20, July 18, August 1, 1-3 pm

Calling all architects! Enjoy open building time with Magna-Tiles, LEGO® Bricks, Tinker Toys and construction straws. Challenge yourself or your friends to build something new this summer.

Sssensational Snakes!

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Bucket Drumming

Friday, August 8, 1-2 pm

Make music with a 5-gallon bucket and a pair of drumsticks! Participants will learn basic rhythm patterns and will tell their own story through collaboration, composition, and call-and-response.

TEENS Intro to Filmmaking!

Monday, June 23, 1-2:15 pm

Learn how to make movies with your iPhone! In this hands-on workshop, you'll be introduced to the basics of filmmaking; lighting, sound, cinematography, pre-production, and post-production. In addition to technique and editing, you'll learn the best free sites and apps to guide you on your cinematic exploration!

Intro to Illustration with Rachal Duggan

Wednesday, July 16, 1-2 pm

In this engaging and interactive workshop, participants will be creating many drawings through games and unexpected prompts led by author and illustrator Rachal Duggan. All skill levels are welcome.



Center Street Branch

ALL AGES Movie Night

Mondays, June 9, July 14, August 11, 5-7:30 pm

Join us and watch a movie at the library.

Summer Reading Kickoff for All Ages

Monday, June 16, 12-8 pm

Sign up for Summer Reading and enjoy fun activities at the library. Sample our summer programs, including art, games, science, and reading activities, and earn your first prize!

ADULTS Getting Started with Computers: Computer Basics

Fridays, August 8, 15, 22, 29, 11 am-12:30 pm

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Milwaukee Justice Center Mobile Legal Clinic

Thursday, August 14, 2-4 pm

Sit down with a volunteer attorney, completely free of cost, to discuss your legal situation and the options that are available to you.

CHILDREN Board Game Night

Tuesdays, 5-7:30 pm

Join us for a night of board game fun for all ages! Whether you're new to board games or a seasoned player, stop by to play an old classic or find a new favorite.

Family Story Time

Wednesdays, 3-3:30 pm (June 8-August 16)

Come share books, songs, and other activities in a story time built to help your child with their pre-reading and reading skills, no matter their age.
Held in the children's room.

Sensory Story Time

Mondays, June 30, July 28, August 25, 6-7 pm

A special story time for kids who may be on the autism spectrum, have sensory-related needs, or feel overwhelmed by noises and crowds. Fidget toys and soothing items will be provided, and families are encouraged to bring any accessories or toys that help their child feel comfortable.

Read Together Book Club

Wednesdays, June 11, 18, 25, July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, August 6, 13, 3:30-4 pm

Each week we will read a book, chapter, or short story together, taking turns with the reading and sharing our thoughts afterwards. This is a great opportunity to build reading skills in a low-stress, fun setting. Caregivers are welcome to participate.

Black Cowboys and Buffalo Soldiers

Monday, June 16, 4-5 pm

Learn about horses, Black Cowboys, and Buffalo Soldiers and hang out with a real horse with Milwaukee treasure, Kevin Nichols! Program will be held outside. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Meet the Instrument Story Time

Monday, June 23, 4-5 pm

Enjoy a special, musical story time! Listen to a story featuring a musical instrument and participate in movement and musical activities led by a Wisconsin Conservatory of Music teaching artist.

Science in the Summer

Mondays, July 7, 14, 21, 28, August 4, 11, 4-5 pm

Do you look at the world around you, think about why things happen, play and experiment, and talk with others about what you learn? Join us for a series of activities where we explore science in our daily lives.

TEENS Your Move MKE: Hip Hop

Thursday, June 26, 1-2 pm

An all-in-one hip hop elements session with graffiti art, beat production, writing, freestyling, beatboxing, and breakdancing.

ArtLab

Thursdays, June 26-August 28, 3-5 pm

Calling all teens and tweens: ArtLab is a dedicated space to experiment with a variety of art supplies and mediums. Try out new art supplies and learn new techniques for creative self-expression.

Sidewalk Chalk

Tuesdays, July 1-August 26, 3-5 pm

Enjoy cool treats and ice water while we decorate the sidewalks outside the library with fun chalk drawings and lettering (weather permitting).

Community Art Build for Youth

Friday, August 1, 1-2:30 pm

Wrap up summer with a hands-on art event presented by Art Build Workers! Join us for this unique experience of community art making, and express yourself through banner painting and screen printing. 5



Central Library

ALL AGES Summer Reading Kickoff

Saturday, May 31, 10 am-1 pm

Gather the whole family for a day of interactive learning and fun! Sign up for our summer reading program and pick up a book to take home!

ADULTS Worker Connection Program: Job Assistance

Wednesdays, 10:30 am-4 pm

Get one-on-one help with job searching, resume writing, online applications and more!

Central Library Walking Club

Wednesdays, 10:30 am-12 pm

Meet under the dome of the Central Library and take a two-mile loop through this historic neighborhood. The club meets rain or shine.

Green Roof Tour

Wednesdays, 12:30 pm & Saturdays, 1:30 pm

Enjoy a short tour of the library's Green Roof!

Guided Architectural Tour

Saturdays, 11 am

Enjoy a tour of the historic Central Library.

Back to Business: Microsoft Word/Excel

Mondays, June 2, 9, 16, 23, 4-6 pm

Fridays, June 6, 13, 20, 27, 10:30 am-12:30 pm

This Level 1 series of classes will give an overview of the two most popular office suite programs.

Breaking Free: Understanding & Overcoming Bankruptcy

Tuesdays, June 3, 17, 5-6:30 pm

Learn about the process, alternatives, and scams in Session One (6/3). In Session Two (6/17), discover strategies for rebuilding credit and financial stability.

Chair Yoga

Thursdays, June 5-July 17, 10:30-11:30 am

Enjoy the benefits of yoga while practicing safely and at your own pace.

Central Film Club

Fridays, June 6, 20, July 11, 25, August 8, 22, 3-5:30 pm

Watch an exciting selection of movies all summer long!

A Look Back: 1950s Milwaukee

Saturday, June 7, 1-3 pm

Explore Milwaukee's history in the 1950s as described by local history resources.

Tech-splanation @ MPL

Tuesdays, June 10, 17, 24, 12-1:30 pm

Need help accessing library resources on your electronic device? We can help!

Cybersafe - Online Security for Small Businesses

Tuesday, June 10, 5-6:30 pm

Small business owners are increasingly being targeted by cyber criminals. With valuable assets at stake and often limited resources for robust security, these businesses can be more vulnerable.

Patent Search Made Simple: A Workshop for Inventors

Thursday, June 12, 1-2:30 pm

Learn how to use the United State's Patent and Trademark Office's Patent Public Search tool to perform your prior art patent search.

Beyond Books

Mondays, June 16, August 18, 4:30-6:30 pm

Explore some of the Milwaukee Public Library's unique archives and special collections in our Art, Music and Recreation Room.

Intellectual Property Brief Advice Clinic

Wednesdays, June 25, July 30, August 27, 3-5 pm

Attend a free, brief consultation with an IP attorney to ask questions about getting started on protecting your patent or trademark.

Small Business Resources 101

Thursdays, June 26, August 28, 4:30-5:30 pm

Learn about free business resources!

ChatGPT Unlocked

Tuesdays, July 15, August 26, 10:30 am-12:30 pm

In this beginner-friendly class, you'll learn what ChatGPT is, how it works, and how you can use it in your daily life.

Treasures of the Great Lakes

Mondays, July 21, August 18, 11:30 am-12:30 pm

Learn about a different aspect of the Great Lakes Marine Collection each month. Of interest to divers, genealogists, or anyone interested in learning more about Great Lakes history.

Art Book Club: ZINES!

Monday, July 21, 4:30-6:30 pm

Join us in Central's Art Room for a very special summer edition of Art Book Club: ZINES!

Preserving Family Memories

Saturday, July 26, 10 am-12 pm

Join us to learn some basic preservation techniques to protect your family memories.

Business Beyond Borders Series

See online calendar for series descriptions.

Saturday, July 26, 11 am-12 pm: *Starting a Food Business: From Passion to Profits*

Saturday, August 9, 11 am-12 pm: *Marketing Your Food Business*

Wednesday, August 13, 5-6:30 pm: *Milwaukee Night Market Outing*

Getting Started with Computers:

Mondays, August 4, 11, 18, 25, 5-6:30 pm

This series of absolute basics is intended for newcomers to technology. No prior experience is needed, just an eagerness to learn.

CHILDREN ABC Academy

Saturdays, 10:30-11:30 am (beginning June 7)

Stories and a fun letter craft help build pre-reading and fine motor skills to support early literacy. This interactive program focuses on letter recognition. Each week, learn all about a new letter!

Story Time and Play Group

Tuesdays, 10:30-11:15 am (June 8-August 16)

A 20-minute story time for young children is followed by open play time. For children ages 3 and under, with a caregiver.

You Build It!

Wednesdays, June 4, 11, 4-5 pm;

Wednesdays, June 18-Aug. 27, 2-3 pm

Come build with us! We'll supply a variety of building materials and you'll bring the creativity. Meet friends and see what you can create together.

Story Time

Thursdays, 10:30-11 am (June 8-August 16)

Young children and their caregivers are invited to story time filled with fun stories, songs, and finger plays.

Baby Story Time

Thursdays, 11-11:20 am (June 8-August 16)

Share simple stories, playful songs and gentle movement in this lapsit story time for babies aged 0-18 months, with a caregiver.

Monday Fun Day

Mondays, June 2, 9, 4-4:45 pm

Mondays, June 16-August 25, 2-2:45 pm

Hands-on, fun activities are paired with great books from the Children's Room collection. Visit our online calendar of events, programs, and classes at mpl.org or check in at the Central Library Children's Room for a more detailed schedule.

Milwaukee Public Museum on the Move: The Beautiful World of Butterflies

Monday, July 7, 2-3 pm

Butterflies may be beautiful, but that's not why they're important! Join us to learn about the residents of MPM's Butterfly Vivarium. This event is limited to 30 attendees, first-come, first-served.

Fox & Branch

Monday, August 18, 2-3 pm

Kick up your heels to the fiddlin' good music of Fox & Branch at this family friendly concert!

TEENS Monthly Makers

Tuesdays, June 10, 4-5 pm; July 8, August 12, 2-3 pm

Drop in to hang out with other crafters, sample new crafts, or bring your own work-in-progress!

Anime Club

Thursdays, June 26, July 24, August 28, 2-3 pm

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 practice your own anime art or make a fun craft.

Intro to Illustration with Rachal Duggan

Tuesday, July 15, 1-2 pm

In this engaging and interactive workshop, participants will be creating many drawings through games and unexpected prompts lead by author and illustrator Rachal Duggan. All skill levels are welcome. Held in Art, Music, and Recreation Room on the 2nd floor of Central Library.

Your Move MKE: All Elements of Hip Hop

Thursday, August 7, 1-2 pm

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.



East Branch

ADULTS Death Café

Tuesdays, June 3, July 1, August 5, 1-3 pm

People of all ages discuss issues related to death and dying, while sharing a warm drink and a sweet snack.

Tech-splanation @ MPL

Tuesdays, June 3, 10, 17, 24, 5-6 pm

Learn to access library resources on electronic devices.

Romance Readers Book Club

Tuesdays, June 3, August 5, 6-7 pm

Readers seasoned and new to the genre are invited!

Crosswords, Coloring, and Community

Wednesdays, June 4, July 2, August 6, 11:30 am-1 pm

Crosswords, puzzles, coloring and beverages.

Getting Started with Computers: Email Basics

Thursday, June 5, 2-3:30 pm

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Craft, Chat & Chill (for adults & teens)

Thursdays, June 5, July 3, August 7, 3:30-5 pm

Bring a craft and cool off with friends! No craft? We will provide a rotating craft each month this summer.

Summer Reading Program Kickoff

Tuesday, June 10, 6-7 pm

DIY a Summer Reading 'zine while hearing about exciting new books. Guests who attend and sign up for the adult summer reading program will be entered to win a mystery bundle of books!

Milwaukee Justice Center Mobile Legal Clinic

Thursday, July 31, 2-4 pm

A volunteer attorney will discuss your legal situation and the options that are available to you for free.

CHILDREN Toddler Story Time

Wednesdays, 10-10:30 am (June 8-August 16)

A 30-minute story time filled with stories, songs and fingerplays all designed to help little ones develop important literacy skills.

Baby Story Time

Thursdays, 10-10:30 am (June 8-August 16)

Share stories, songs and movement in this lapsit story time for babies aged 0-18 months, with a caregiver.

Chart the Stars

Wednesday, June 11, 3:30-5 pm

Learn all about what constellations you can see in your own backyard! Create your own guidebook and participate in an activity to test your star-seeking skills!

Summer Story Time Series for Families

Fridays, 3:30-4:30 pm

June 13: "Pokko and The Drum" by Matthew Forsythe

July 11: "Becoming Charley" by Kelly DiPucchio

August 8: "See This Little Dot" by Laetitia Devernay

Each story time will be 10-15 minutes long and will have a story and craft that focuses on a different theme.

Sssensational Snakes!

Wednesday, June 25, 2-3 pm

The Wehr Nature Center will present a program dispelling snake myths and teaching about snakes.

Chalk the Walk: Make East Beautiful!

Wednesday, July 9, 3:30-5 pm

All are welcome to come chalk the walk in front of the library for the neighborhood to see. Children under 17 must be accompanied by an adult. *In case of bad weather, rescheduled to Wednesday, July 16, 3:30-5 pm.*

Fox & Branch

Wednesday, July 16, 2-3 pm

Kick up your heels to the fiddlin' good music!

Wind Chimes

Wednesday, August 13, 3:30-5 pm

Decorate your own backyard by creating your own wind chimes out of household products.

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Good Hope Branch

ALL AGES Readshare: Summer Reading Kickoff

Friday, June 13, 3-4 pm

Looking for book recommendations - or advice on what to read or listen to? Enjoy snacks and a chance to share your favorite recommendations. Sign yourself and your children up for Summer Reading! Everyone between the ages of 0 to 18 will be able to choose a brand-new book when they sign up, and adults get a coupon for a free pick from the Bookseller Used Book Store or the ever-changing Branch Book Cart.

ADULTS Knot Just Knitting

Second and third Mondays, 5:30-6:30 pm

Knit, crochet, embroider, tat, sew, mend or work on other fiber-related projects in community.

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Jigsaw Puzzle Night

Tuesdays, June 17, July 15, August 26, 6:30-7:30 pm

Spend a relaxing hour putting together a jigsaw puzzle.

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CHILDREN Story Time and Play Group

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Kids Knit and Crochet Club

Tuesdays, June 10, 24, July 8, 22, August 5, 19, 1-2 pm

Learn to knit and crochet by creating small projects! Needles, hooks and yarn will be provided.

Summer Family Film Series

Thursday, June 12, 1-3 pm – *Labyrinth*, PG

Tuesday, July 22, 6-7:30 pm – *Abel's Island*, NR;
Home Sweet Home, NR

Saturday, August 2, 1-3 pm – *The Last Unicorn*, PG

Enjoy a family-friendly film at the library while exploring Kanopy, a database filled with movies and TV shows that you can access with your library card! Light refreshments served.

You Build It!

Fridays, June 20, July 18, August 15, 1-2 pm

Calling all architects! Enjoy open building time with Magna-Tiles, LEGO® Bricks, Tinker Toys and construction straws.

Paws to Read

Thursdays, June 26, July 24, August 21, 2-3 pm

Children practice reading aloud and improve their fluency by sharing a story with a cuddly certified therapy dog.

Drop-In Art With VibeZ

Wednesday, July 9, 1-2 pm

Unleash your creativity with VibeZ Creative Arts. Draw your own manga and anime to take home.

Milwaukee Public Museum on the Move:

Dinosaur Hunt

Wednesday, August 6, 1-2 pm

Join us on a trip back in time to the Mesozoic Era where we'll learn all about dinosaurs and the scientists who study them! This event is limited to 30 attendees, first-come, first-served.

TEENS Intro to Filmmaking!

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Community Art Build for Youth

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Mitchell Street Branch

ALL AGES Summer Reading Kickoff

Tuesday, June 17, 3-5:30 pm

Cool off with a paleta and a free book when you sign up for summer reading. Try your hand at making buttons, bookmarks, and more - then stay for movie night starting at 6 pm.

Backyard Book Buffet

Saturday, August 2, 12-2 pm

Check out our summer program for adults, with a picnic-themed meal, games, and oodles of books to delight every reader! In the event of inclement weather, this program will be held indoors. All supplies will be provided. Registration is required at mpl.org/calendar. Walk-ins welcome if space permits.

Fall in Love with Books

Saturday, August 23, See branch for times

MKE Literary Fest unites Milwaukee's poets, authors, and storytellers for a dynamic experience featuring local literary vendors, live readings, workshops, and panels. Readers can connect with creators across genres and others who share a love for reading, writing, and discovery.

ADULTS Mystery Book Club

Mondays, June 2, July 7, August 4, 6-7 pm

Friends new and old are invited to meet and discuss mysteries and share ideas for other good reads.

Snack Hack: 2.0

Tuesdays, 12:30-1:30 pm

Let's eat! Snack Hack explores the world of food through cooking demonstrations that focus on nutritional elements, food groups, cooking principles, and the history of food.

Capacitación en conexiones digitales

Tuesdays, June 3, 24, July 1, 5-7 pm

La Biblioteca Pública de Milwaukee se ha asociado con Everyone On para ofrecer capacitación en habilidades digitales.

Voces de la Frontera Citizenship Class

Wednesdays, 4:30-5:45 pm

In partnership with MPL, Voces de la Frontera offers Citizenship Classes for the English Exam. The class is presented in English and Spanish.

Medicare 101

Tuesday, June 24, 2-3 pm

Understand the A,B,C, and D of Medicare with Milwaukee County Aging and Disability Services.

Milwaukee Justice Center Mobile Legal Clinic

Fridays, July 11, August 8, 2-4 pm

Sit down with a volunteer attorney, completely free of cost, to discuss your legal situation and the options that are available to you.

Mobile Legal Clinic Estate Planning

Friday, August 1, 1-4 pm

Get help with basic wills, powers of attorney, and living wills. By appointment only. Obtenga ayuda con testamentos básicos, poderes notariales y testamentos vitales. Solo con cita previa.

CHILDREN Snack Hack: Kids Kitchen

Tuesdays, 4-5 pm

You are what you eat! This food literacy program is designed for children, youth, and families to explore the world of food.

Outdoor Story Time and Play Group

Wednesdays, 10:30-11:15 am (June 8-August 16)

A 20-minute story time for young children is followed by open play time. For children ages 3 and under, with a caregiver. Bring your blankets and/or chairs for this outdoor story time. *Held inside if inclement weather.*

Choose Your Own Adventure With AI

Tuesday, June 3, 4-5 pm

Ever wonder about AI? Get an introduction to AI and use it to make Choose Your Own Adventure stories in a group setting. Families are welcome to join.

Art Cart

Tuesdays, 4-5 pm

June 17 – Show Your Pride Self Portraits

July 15 – Summer Scenes

August 12– Friendship Bracelets

Raid the art cart this summer at the library and create a masterpiece! Each month there will be a suggested prompt, but you are free to create whatever you'd like.

Kanopy Movie Night

Tuesdays, June 17, July 15, August 26, 6-7:30 pm

Join us at the library for Kanopy family films. Kanopy is a database of movies and shows that you have access to with your library card! Learn more at kanopy.com/en/mpl or visit your local branch library.

June 17 – Earth to Echo

July 15 – Kensuke's Kingdom

August 26 – The Amazing Adventure of Marchello the Cat

Drop-in Art with VibeZ

Wednesday, June 25, 2-3 pm

Unleash your creativity with VibeZ Creative Arts. Draw your own manga and anime to take home.

Cuentacuentos - Read, Sing and Play Story Time in Spanish

sábados, 28 de junio, 26 de julio, de 9:30-10:15 am

Lean, canten y jueguen durante esta serie especial de la hora del cuento en español para los niños pequeños y sus cuidadores.

Miss Kim's Amazing Animals

Wednesday, July 23, 2-3 pm

Learn about Ms. Kim's amazing live animals in an entertaining and educational way.

TEENS Paper & Ink

Mondays, June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 3:30-5 pm

Express yourself through creative writing. This weekly series is designed for young writers of all experience levels. We will write, share, and offer strengths-based feedback in a low-key, judgment-free setting. Journals, pens and pencils, and snacks will be provided.

Mario Kart Matchup

Thursday, July 17, 3:30-5:30 pm

We'll be playing Mario Kart 8 Deluxe for Nintendo Switch. Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places. Registration is encouraged, but spots may be available on the day of the tournament, so show up ready to play or to cheer other players on.

Your Move MKE: All Elements of Hip Hop

Thursday, July 24, 1-2 pm

Join us for an all-in-one hip hop elements session and be introduced to graffiti art, beat production, writing, freestyling, beatboxing, and breakdancing.

Community Art Build for Youth

Monday, August 4, 3:30-5 pm

Wrap up summer with a hands-on art event presented by Art Build Workers! Join us for this unique experience of community art making, and express yourself through banner painting and screen printing.



Tippecanoe Branch

ALL AGES Summer Reading Ice Cream Social

Tuesday, June 10, 5-7 pm

All ages are invited to sign-up for the 2025 Summer Reading Program while enjoying ice cream!

Bingo Night

Thursdays, June 26, July 31, 4:45-5:45 pm

Beat the heat and have some fun this summer with a friendly game of BINGO! All ages welcome and prizes awarded as supplies last.

ADULTS Tippecanoe Walking Club

Thursdays, 11:30 am-12:30 pm

Join us in a weekly walking exploration of our historic neighborhood.

Tech-splanation @ MPL

Tuesdays, June 10, 24, 1-2:30 pm

Do you have a question about your smartphone, tablet, or other electronic device? Need help accessing library resources? We can help!

Fiber Arts with Friends

Thursdays, June 12, August 21, 4:45-5:45 pm

Bring your projects for a monthly social fiber arts get-together! All experience levels encouraged. We welcome knitting, crochet, tatting, sewing, mending or other fiber-related projects.

Adult Crafting

Tuesdays, June 17, July 15, August 26, 5:30-7 pm

Don't let the kids have all the fun! Join us for adult skill level craft projects and create something you can proudly display in your home. Projects change monthly. Registration recommended.

History Buff Book Club

Mondays, June 23, July 21, August 18, 5:30-7 pm

Calling all history buffs, History Buff Book Club is here! Please join us for a monthly non-fiction, history related book discussion.

Gentle Chair Yoga

Thursdays, July 3, 17, 24, August 7, 14, 21, 10:30-11:30 am

Yoga focused on low-impact standing and chair-assisted poses. Register online at mpl.org/calendar

Getting Started with Computers: Computer Basics

Thursday, July 3, 4-5:30 pm

This series of absolute basics is intended for newcomers to technology. No prior experience is needed, just an eagerness to learn.

Getting Started with Computers: Internet Basics

Thursday, July 10, 4-5:30 pm

This series of absolute basics is intended for newcomers to technology. No prior experience is needed, just an eagerness to learn.

Free Notary Public Event

Saturday, July 12, 1:30-3:30 pm

Licensed, bonded, and insured Notary Public Stephanie Stevens-Khan will be available and offering free, basic notary services.

Getting Started with Computers: Cybersecurity

Thursday, July 17, 4-5:30 pm

This series of absolute basics is intended for newcomers to technology. No prior experience is needed, just an eagerness to learn.

Getting Started with Computers: Email Basics

Thursday, July 24, 4-5:30 pm

This series of absolute basics is intended for newcomers to technology. No prior experience is needed, just an eagerness to learn.

CHILDREN Family Story Time

Tuesdays, 6:15-6:45 pm (June 8-August 9)

Families are invited to a 30-minute story time filled with stories, songs, and movement all designed to help young children develop important literacy skills needed prior to learning how to read. *No story time June 10.*

Outdoor Story Time

Wednesdays, 10:45-11:15 am (June 8-August 9)

Young children and their caregivers are invited to story time filled with fun stories, songs, and finger plays. Designed to help little ones develop important literacy skills needed prior to learning how to read. Bring your blankets and/or chairs for this outdoor story time.

Will be held inside during inclement weather.

My Pride Letters

Saturday, June 7, 10:30-11:30 am

It's Pride Month! Inspired by the picture book *Pride Puppy!* by Robin Stevenson, let's explore the letters of the alphabet that make up our lives and create colorful banners celebrating ourselves.

Sensory Play Time

Fridays, June 13, July 11, August 8, 10:30-11:30 am

Babies, toddlers, and preschoolers are invited to drop-in and play with sensory toys and activities. Recommended for children 6 months to 5 years old with a caregiver.

Fox & Branch

Thursday, June 26, 2-3 pm

Kick up your heels to the fiddlin' good music of Fox & Branch at this family-friendly concert!

Urban Ecology Center: Urban Wildlife

Thursday, July 17, 2-3 pm

Uncover the amazing animals living in our city! From owls to foxes, learn how they adapt and thrive. Enjoy fun activities like spotting wildlife clues, building habitats, and storytelling with books or puppets - perfect for curious kids and families! This event is limited to 26 attendees, first-come, first-served.

TEENS Job Fair

Tuesday, June 3, 4-7 pm

Join us to speak with employers such as Public Allies of Milwaukee, the Milwaukee Recreation Department, the Milwaukee Police Aide & the Milwaukee Fire Cadet program, and the Air Force! This free event is just for TEENS ages 16-19. Come prepared with your resume and business-appropriate dress attire.

Intro to Illustration with Rachal Duggan

Wednesday, June 11, 3:30-4:30 pm

In this engaging and interactive workshop, participants will be creating many drawings through games and unexpected prompts lead by author and illustrator Rachal Duggan. All skill levels are welcome.

DIY Button Making

Wednesday, June 25, 1:30-3 pm

Snack and craft while using our supplies to make buttons from comics, magazines, or even a photo from your phone! Tell your friends!

Intro to Magic: The Gathering

Sunday, July 13, 2-4 pm

Learn how to play the exciting tabletop card game Magic: The Gathering from gaming experts at the Tippecanoe Library! Gamers from Battle Brothers Wargaming will be in house to sit down with you and show you the basics of the game. To top it off, you get to take home a free starter deck of MTG cards while supplies last.

Fabulous Feature Friday!

Fridays, July 18, August 1, 15, 29, 3-5:30 pm

Teens are invited to snack, watch a movie, or create art! Movies will be rated PG-13, PG, or G.

Intro to Filmmaking!

Monday, August 4, 2-3:15 pm

Learn how to make movies with your iPhone! In this hands-on workshop, you'll be introduced to the basics of filmmaking; lighting, sound, cinematography, pre-production, and post-production. In addition to technique and editing, you'll learn the best free sites and apps to guide you on your cinematic exploration!



Villard Square Branch

ADULTS Tech-splanation @ MPL

Tuesdays, June 3, 17, 1-2:30 pm

Learn to access library resources on electronic devices.

'Appy Hour @ MPL - Libby

Tuesday, June 10, 6-7 pm

Discover your new favorite app!

Armchair Travel

Thursdays, June 12, July 17, August 14, 1-3 pm

Join us for an immersive Armchair Travel experience featuring virtual tours, history, and culture.

Rent for Success

Monday, June 23, 5-7:30 pm

A FREE 2.5-hour tenant training program designed to educate and empower renters. Register online.

Board Games and Brownies

Tuesday, July 22, 6-7:30 pm

Play board games and enjoy a sweet treat.

Milwaukee Justice Center Mobile Legal Clinic

Thursday, July 24, 2-4 pm

A volunteer attorney will discuss your legal situation and the options that are available to you for free.

Paint & Sip

Tuesday, August 19, 6-7:30 pm

Express your creativity with an adult, beginner paint by numbers kit.

CHILDREN Story Time and Play Group

Wednesdays, 11-11:30 am (June 8-August 16)

Story time for young children is followed by open play time. For children ages 3 and under, with a caregiver.

You Build It!

Fridays, June 13, 27, July 11, 25, August 1, 15, 29, 3-4 pm

Calling all architects! Enjoy open building time with Magna-Tiles, LEGO® Bricks, Tinker Toys and more.

Summer Reading Kickoff: Bluey Bash

Saturday, June 14, 12-1 pm

It's a Bluey Bash at the library! Drop in for crafts, activities, games and a special visit from Bluey herself!

Black Cowboys and Buffalo Soldiers

Tuesday, June 24, 4-5 pm

Learn about horses, Black Cowboys, and Buffalo Soldiers and hang out with a real horse! Program held outside. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Pajama Story Time

Tuesdays, June 24, July 29, August 26, 6-6:30 pm

Join us for songs, rhymes, and favorite read-aloud books during this story time for the whole family. Come dressed in your comfiest pajamas or bring a stuffed animal friend!

Urban Ecology Center: Sustainability Basics

Tuesday, July 29, 3-4 pm

Learn the basics of sustainable living and discover how your choices can positively impact the planet. Limited to 26 attendees, first-come, first-served.

Clay Creations

Mondays, August 4, Thursday, August 7, 3-5 pm

Get your hands dirty and see what you can create with air dry clay.

Chalk the Walk: Make Villard Square Beautiful!

Saturday, August 9, 12-2 pm

All are welcome to come chalk the walk in front of the library. Children under 17 must be accompanied by an adult. *In case of inclement weather, the event will be rescheduled to Friday, August 22, 12-2 pm.*

TEENS DIY Pride Book Bags

Friday, June 6, 4-5:15 pm

Express your pride or allyship by creating a colorful book bag.

Teen Tuesdays

Tuesdays, June 17, July 1, 15, 29, August 12, 3-6 pm

Come chill in Villard Square's Teen Zone to enjoy arts & crafts, play games, or just snack and chat.

Summer Skate Party

Thursday, June 26, 1-4 pm

The MKE Recreation Wacky Wheels Skate Van will be on-site providing free roller skating for teens, kids, and families. Enjoy the free use of skates or bring your own skates or rollerblades. Socks are required! Waivers must be signed by each child's parent or guardian: download and print, or get copies at the library on the day of the event.

Your Move MKE: All Elements of Hip Hop

Thursday, July 10, 1-2 pm

This all-in-one hip hop elements session includes graffiti art, beat production, writing, freestyling, beatboxing, and breakdancing.

Boba Paint and Sip

Saturday, July 12, 2-3:30 pm

Join us for a teen only boba tea paint and sip. Supplies will be first-come, first-served.



Washington Park Branch



ALL AGES Summer Reading Kickoff

Friday, June 6, 3-5 pm

Sign up for Summer Reading and enjoy snacks and fun activities at the library. Everyone aged 0 to 18 will be able to choose a brand-new book when they sign up, and adults get a coupon for a free pick from the Bookseller or the ever-changing Branch Book Cart.

ADULTS Resume Re-charge

Tuesdays, June 3, 17, July 1, 15, August 12, 26, 3-4 pm

Get assistance creating a resume or polishing up your old resume. Make sure to bring a list of previous jobs with the work dates and/or an old resume.

Stepping Up Walking Club

Wednesdays, 10:15-11:15 am

Young children and their caregivers are invited to story time filled with fun stories, songs, and finger plays.

Movies - Summer Series

Fridays, June 20, July 18, August 15, 1-3 pm

Enjoy a movie and popcorn.

Cybersafe: Online Security for Small Businesses

Wednesday, June 25, 4-5:30 pm

Small businesses can be vulnerable to cyber criminal attacks. Learn how to protect your valuable assets.

Milwaukee Justice Center Mobile Legal Clinic

Thursday, July 17, 2-4 pm

A volunteer attorney will discuss your legal situation and the options that are available to you for free.

CHILDREN Story Time

Fridays, 10:30-11 am (June 8-August 16)

Young children and their caregivers are invited to story time filled with fun stories, songs, and finger plays.

Series Celebrations!

Mondays, June 9, 16, 23, 30, July 14, 21, 28,

August 4, 11, 18, 25, 12-2 pm

Tuesdays, June 10, 17, 24, July 1, 15, 22, 29,

August 5, 12, 19, 26, 12-2 pm

Find your new favorite book series by participating in art projects, science experiments, and imaginative play! From Easy Readers to chapter books, picture books to graphic novels, we'll focus the fun each week on a series of excellent books.

Milwaukee Public Museum on the Move:

Dinosaur Hunt

Thursday, July 24, 1-2 pm

Join us on a trip back in time to the Mesozoic Era, where we'll learn all about dinosaurs and the scientists who study them! This event is limited to 30 attendees, first-come, first-served.

Miss Kim's Amazing Animals

Thursday, August 7, 1-2 pm

Animals are fun, but petting animals is even more fun! Learn about Ms. Kim's amazing animals in an entertaining and educational way. Let's have a wild time!

TEENS Anime Club

Thursdays, June 12, July 10, August 14, 4-5 pm

your favorite series, and enjoy making art and crafts. Snacks and supplies are provided.

DIY Pride Swag

Tuesday, June 17, 3-4 pm

June is a month full of celebrations - gear up with us for a chance to create DIY Pride and Juneteenth buttons and décor. Supplies will be provided!

Summer Skate Party

Tuesday, July 1, 1-4 pm

The MKE Recreation Wacky Wheels Skate Van will be on-site providing free roller skating for teens, kids, and families. Enjoy the free use of skates or bring your own skates or rollerblades. Socks are required! Roller skating will take place in the library parking lot. Waivers must be signed by each child's parent or guardian: download and print them, or get copies at the library on the day of the event.

Community Art Build for Youth

Wednesday, August 6, 1-2:30 pm

Wrap up summer with a hands-on art event presented by Art Build Workers! Join us for this unique experience of community art making, and express yourself through banner painting and screen printing.

Bingo Night

Tuesday, August 26, 5-6:30 pm

Join us for a few rounds of bingo and snacks. Back-to-school prizes for the winners and a fun time guaranteed!



Zablocki Branch

ALL AGES Summer Reading Kickoff

Wednesday, June 25, 1-5 pm

Sign up for Summer Reading and build your own Ice Cream Sundae! Stay and enjoy fun activities at the library!

ADULTS Drop-in ESL Tutoring for Adults

Mondays, 1-2 pm

Meet with an experienced tutor for help with English.

Drop-in ESL Tutoring for Adults

Mondays, 7-7:45 pm

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Tech-splanation @ MPL

Tuesdays, June 3, 17, 1-2 pm

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Novel Ideas Book Club

Mondays, June 9, July 14, August 11, 6-7 pm

Join us at Zablocki Branch Library for a monthly discussion of a literary fiction book. See monthly calendar for details.

Classic Movie Club

Wednesdays, June 11, July 9, August 13, 12:30-2:30 pm

Are you looking for something to do on a Wednesday afternoon? Join us once a month for a classic movie.

Common Scams and Frauds Targeting Seniors

Friday, June 13, 10:30-11:30 am

The Wisconsin Bureau of Consumer Protection will discuss the details of common scams that target seniors, the warning signs of a scam, and what to do if you or someone you know falls victim to a scam.

History at Noon: Lunchtime Journeys Through the Past - Famous Milwaukeeans

Wednesdays, June 18, July 16, August 20, 12:30-1:30 pm

Each month, we'll explore a different theme, period, or historical event, uncovering the stories that have shaped our world. Whether it's a deep dive into local history, the lives of historical figures, or pivotal moments in global history, you'll be transported through time while sharing a meal with others.

Musical Bingo for Older Adults

Wednesdays, June 25, August 27, 10:30-11:30 am

Join us for a fun-filled morning of Musical Bingo! Get ready for an exciting twist on the classic game as we mix music and bingo into a perfect combo.

Resume Writing Workshop

Thursdays, June 26, July 17, August 21, 1-2 pm

Applying for jobs? Get help with the process through our Resume Writing Workshop. We'll give you the information you need to write a strong resume.

Crafty Adults @ Zablocki

Mondays, June 30, July 28, Tuesday, August 26, 6-7:30 pm

Monthly craft programs for adults at Zablocki Branch Library. Registration is required. You can register in person, or online at mpl.org/calendar. Participation is limited. Supplies included.

Safe Online Shopping

Friday, July 11, 10:30-11:30 am

The Wisconsin Bureau of Consumer Protection will present information on safe online shopping. Learn how to avoid scams and keep your personal information safe when buying online.

Career Navigator Job Help

Thursdays, July 17, August 21, 2:30-4:30 pm

Career Navigators will provide hands-on services to patrons, guiding patrons through the navigation system of employment.

Motor Vehicle Repair

Friday, August 15, 10:30-11:30 am

The Wisconsin Bureau of Consumer Protection will present information on Motor Vehicle Repair contracts under Wisconsin law.

An Evening with the Kitchen Boys

Monday, August 18, 6-7:30 pm

Join us in the courtyard for an evening with The Kitchen Boys. Come and listen to old time Appalachian Mountain Music with a smattering of Celtic, Johnny Cash and folk songs mixed into the offering.

CHILDREN Story Time and Play Group

Wednesdays, 10:30-11:30 am (June 15-August 16)

A 20-minute story time for young children is followed by open play time. For children ages 3 and under, with a caregiver.

You Build It

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Art Cart

Wednesdays, July 9, 23, August 6, 2-3 pm

Raid the art cart this summer at the library and create a masterpiece! We'll have sample projects, but you are free to create whatever you'd like.

Meet the Instrument

Wednesday, July 9, 4:30-5:30 pm

The Wisconsin Conservatory of Music is visiting the library for a musical story time! Listen to a story featuring a musical instrument and participate in movement and musical activities led by a WCM teaching artist.

Bembé Drum & Dance

Wednesday, July 23, 4:30-5:30 pm

Join Bembé Drum & Dance for an Afro-Latino drum and dance presentation and workshop on the musical tradition of Afro-Puerto Rican Bomba! Play, dance, sing and learn about this tradition with Bembé Music Director, Bony Benavides, and Bembe Program and Dance Director, Imani Jalil. All ages and abilities are welcome to join us for this educational and interactive experience with Bembé!

TEENS Anime Club

Fridays, June 6, August 1, 4-5 pm

Watch and discuss your favorite anime series. We'll stream shows, enjoy Japanese snacks, and make a cute craft! All supplies provided.

Fun Fridays

Fridays, June 13, 20, 27, July 18, 25, August 8, 15, 22, 29, 4-5 pm

Drop in during Fun Fridays! to hang out, mess around, and geek out with others in an art and technology rich environment.

Summer Skate Party

Monday, June 23, 1-4 pm

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Milwaukee Public Library Outreach Programs

Summer at MPL extends beyond our buildings!
Look for as at Juneteenth, PrideFest, Mexican
Fiesta - community events large and small!

Wonderfully Wild Wednesdays at Westlawn Gardens

Westlawn Community Garden - 62nd and W. Custer Ave.

Wednesdays, June 18, July 16, 3-5 pm

Westlawn PopSpot - 64th and Silver Spring (shelter
near the bus stop)

Wednesday, July 30, 3-5 pm

Get wonderfully WILD outside with programs featuring family activities and a chance to check in with the Milwaukee Public Library. Encourage your child to celebrate summer reading by reading what they enjoy! Explore great books, fun activities, and learn more about what the public library has to offer. Staff will be on hand for card registration and to update your account. *Brought to you by Milwaukee Public Library in partnership with the Housing Authority City of Milwaukee (HACM), Westlawn Gardens, Browning School, Silver Spring Neighborhood Center, Milwaukee Office of Early Childhood Initiatives.*

Milwaukee Public Library at the Playground June 23-August 15

Read, create, and discover all summer long! Relax and read on a picnic blanket, explore our Tub of Books, or try a fun STEAM challenge. Check www.mpl.org for locations, dates and times.

Hora de cuentos - Cuentacuentos virtuales viernes 20 de junio, 18 de julio, 15 de agosto, de 9:30-10 am

¡Diviértanse con nosotros el tercer viernes del mes! Los niños pequeños y las personas que los cuidan están invitados a los programas virtuales llenos de cuentos, canciones y actividades de juego. Todos los programas están diseñados para ayudar a los pequeños a desarrollar habilidades de la alfabetización.

Registrarse en línea: www.mpl.org/calendar

DJ Bizzon Virtual Dance Party

Thursday, July 31, 2-3 pm

Bust a move and celebrate summer reading with an all-ages, virtual dance party hosted by Milwaukee's own DJ Bizzon!

Register here: milpublib.qrd.by/DanceParty.

Ready to Read Early Literacy Workshops

MPL offers free, Registry-approved Tier 2
trainings for early childhood educators.

Dialogic Reading

Saturday, June 21, 10 am-1 pm

Registration opens June 2

Mitchell Street Branch | 906 W. Historic Mitchell St.

Dialogic reading is an effective way to read with young children that will build their early literacy skills. Learn what it is and effective strategies to use during your read alouds.

Tier 2 Continuing Education: 3.0 hours

Sparkling Toddlers' Vivid Vocabulary

Saturday, July 26, 10 am-1 pm

Registration opens July 7

East Branch | 2320 N. Cramer St.

This workshop includes fun and enriching ways to build the expressive verbal skills of toddlers who are 1-3 years old in your care. Learn how vocabulary can be boosted through play, in a developmentally appropriate way. Become acquainted with language-building books and teachable moments to seize during daily routines. Be ready to explore our play materials as you decide what ideas might work best in your classroom!

Tier 2 Continuing Education: 3.0 hours

Using Books to Encourage Positive Behavior

Saturday, August 16, 10 am-1 pm

Registration opens July 28

Villard Square Branch | 5190 N. 35th St.

Young children's behavior can both entertain and challenge us! During this session you will explore books and activities that can be used to help redirect children's behavior and address topics such as anger, sharing, and friendship. Often, discussing these topics starting with books is the first step to dealing with challenging behaviors, and guiding children toward the behaviors we want!

Tier 2 Continuing Education: 3.0 hours



Watch for the Martin Luther King Branch **GRAND OPENING!!!**



**Everyone will be invited to the Grand Opening of the new
Martin Luther King Branch Library this summer!**

**The new branch will be located at:
2901 N. Martin Luther King Jr. Dr.**

**Join us for the ribbon cutting, live entertainment, free giveaways and more -
then get ready to attend summer programs at MPL's newest branch!**

**Watch the library's website at mpl.org for updates or sign up for the library's
newsletter at mpl.org/newsletter.**

Visit Your Milwaukee Public Library Today!

Central | 814 W. Wisconsin Ave.

Monday-Tuesday 10 am-7 pm
Wednesday-Friday 10 am-6 pm
Saturday 9 am-5 pm
Sunday 1-5 pm (1st floor only)

Atkinson | 1960 W. Atkinson Ave.

Monday-Tuesday 12-8 pm
Wednesday-Friday 10 am-6 pm
Saturday 9 am-5 pm

Bay View | 2566 S. Kinnickinnic Ave.

Monday-Tuesday 12-8 pm
Wednesday-Friday 10 am-6 pm
Saturday 9 am-5 pm

Capitol | 3969 N. 74th St.

Monday-Tuesday 12-8 pm
Wednesday-Friday 10 am-6 pm
Saturday 9 am-5 pm

Center Street | 2727 W. Fond du Lac Ave.

Monday-Tuesday 12-8 pm
Wednesday-Friday 10 am-6 pm
Saturday 9 am-5 pm

East | 2320 N. Cramer St.

Monday-Tuesday 12-8 pm
Wednesday-Friday 10 am-6 pm
Saturday 9 am-5 pm

Good Hope | 7715 W. Good Hope Rd.

Monday-Tuesday 12-8 pm
Wednesday-Friday 10 am-6 pm
Saturday 9 am-5 pm
Sunday 1-5 pm

Martin Luther King | 2767 N. MLK Dr.

Coming this summer: 2901 N. Martin Luther King Dr.

Monday-Tuesday 12-8 pm
Wednesday-Friday 10 am-6 pm
Saturday 9 am-5 pm

Mitchell Street | 906 W. Historic Mitchell St.

Monday-Tuesday 12-8 pm
Wednesday-Friday 10 am-6 pm
Saturday 9 am-5 pm

Tippecanoe | 3912 S. Howell Ave.

Monday-Tuesday 12-8 pm
Wednesday-Friday 10 am-6 pm
Saturday 9 am-5 pm
Sunday 1-5 pm

Villard Square | 5190 N. 35th St.

Monday-Tuesday 12-8 pm
Wednesday-Friday 10 am-6 pm
Saturday 9 am-5 pm

Washington Park | 2121 N. Sherman Blvd.

Monday-Tuesday 12-8 pm
Wednesday-Friday 10 am-6 pm
Saturday 9 am-5 pm

Zablocki | 3501 W. Oklahoma Ave.

Monday-Tuesday 12-8 pm
Wednesday-Friday 10 am-6 pm
Saturday 9 am-5 pm

Library hours may vary and are subject to change; call to confirm. Classes and activities are subject to change or cancellation; visit the library's webpage at mpl.org for up-to-date information.

Reasonable accommodations will be provided upon request. Contact the City of Milwaukee ADA Coordinator, 414-286-3475 or adacoordinator@milwaukee.gov no later than 72 hours before the scheduled event. 2025



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