

# library happenings



The Paperback Writers are back!

See them and other performers as part of SUMMER @ YOUR LIBRARY.

Find a complete schedule of events on pages 12-13.

#### LIBRARY INFO

#### LIBRARY CLOSINGS

Memorial Day: Sunday and Monday, May 26 and 27 Juneteenth: Wednesday, June 19 Independence Day: Thursday, July 4

#### **EQUITY STATEMENT**

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I believe in the power of our libraries to transform lives and enrich our communities. Whether you're seeking a guiet space to dive into a good book, or a database to explore new opportunities, you'll find it in the walls of a library.

But our libraries are more than just a repository of books and information, they are essential pillars of our communities. They help bridge the digital divide by connecting eligible residents to free Chromebooks. They help keep our communities safe by providing gun locks at no cost and they provide opportunities for people of all ages, backgrounds and abilities to learn, grow and thrive.

In Anne Arundel County, we recognize the growing role that our libraries play in our communities — even as we face increasing costs for labor, goods and services. Our responsible budgeting practices and willingness to invest in the people and institutions that support our quality of life helped us achieve triple-A bond ratings from all three credit ratings agencies for the first time in our history — and helped us maintain those ratings this year.



Scan to view how this year's budget invests in the future of Anne Arundel

This year's budget reflects our continued commitment to our libraries by funding a market-rate salary adjustment for library staff, supporting the space and staff expansion of Discoveries: The Library at the Mall and fully funding the new Glen Burnie Library capital project.

I hope you will take advantage of the many opportunities our libraries offer and explore the endless possibilities, one page at a time.

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The Paperback Writers - Back row, left to right: Leslie Shepley (Brooklyn Park), Catherine Hollerbach (Headquarters), Kristina Banks (Headquarters), John Arenas (Brooklyn Park).

Front row, left to right: Caroline Sharp (Linthicum), Joe Doyle (Severn), Melanie Landmann (Broadneck), Amanda Spino (Busch Annapolis), Faith Harless (Eastport-Annapolis Neck). Not pictured: Lynn Garretson (Broadneck).

#### Library STEM Programs Promote Science, Technology, Engineering and Math Skills

STEM education fosters a love of math and science by encouraging learners to engage in inquiry, logical reasoning, collaboration and investigation. In Library Happenings, programs that incorporate STEM principles are designated with this icon:

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This donor funded icon brings awareness to the many wonderful programs and experiences that are a reality at the library thanks to community donors.

# happy pride month

#### Rainbow Storutime

Families of all kinds are invited for stories and songs of diversity, love and friendship. All are welcome! Broadneck

Saturday, June 22 at 10:30 AM Discoveries: The Library at the Mall

Friday, June 7 at 10:30 AM

Glen Burnie

Saturday, June 22 at 10:30 AM Severna Park

Saturday, June 15 at 11 AM

For preschoolers

#### From Twilight to Sunshine: LGBTQ+ History in Maryland

After reviewing the early years, this program will look at the beginnings of the current movement toward LGBTQ+ visibility and rights. Presenters: Enoch Pratt Free Library and Baltimore Heritage LGBTQ+ History Walking Tour Guides

#### For adults

Linthicum

Saturday, August 24 at 11 AM

Monday, July 1 at 6:30 PM Severna Park

Monday, June 24 at 6:30 PM

#### **Busch Annapolis** Little Artist

✓ Monday, June 10 at 10:30 AM Explore open-ended art activities and different art mediums while being inspired by Andy Warhol.

#### For preschoolers

#### Crofton

#### 1.000 Books Rainhow Rall

Saturday, June 15 at 10:30 AM Enjoy stories and songs of diversity, love and friendship.

For preschoolers

#### Deale

#### **Pride Family Social**

Saturday, June 15 from 1-3 PM Come together to meet, socialize and grow your community with other LGBTO+ families. Children are welcome. Light refreshments provided.

## **Discoveries: The** Library at the Mall

☑ Library Lock-In: Pride Night

Friday, June 14 at 5:30 PM Enjoy a low-key night of crafts, snacks, video games and more!

#### For teens

#### **Edgewater Pride BinGLOW**

Thursday, June 27 at 5:30 PM Celebrate Pride Month with glowin-the-dark family bingo! Wear your brightest and most colorful attire.

#### For all ages

## JOIN US!



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#### Glen Burnie

## Pride Month Teen Movie Night

Wednesday, June 5 at 6 PM Hang out and celebrate with an LGBTQ+ themed movie night! Friends of all identities and orientations welcome.

#### Glen Burnie, continued LGBTO+ Trivia Night

Thursday, June 13 at 6:30 PM Test your knowledge and learn something new at our Pride Month LGBTQ+ themed trivia night.

#### **Mountain Road**

#### Be Gau. Do Crimes Role-Playing Game

Thursday, June 20 at 6 PM Join friends in cyberpunk role-playing inspired by the events of Stonewall and celebrate queer liberation.

#### For teens

#### LGBTeen Crafternoon Partau

Thursday, June 27 at 2 PM Join us at the library for queer camaraderie, pride-themed crafts and snacks for an afternoon of fun. For teens

#### **MockTales**

Saturday, June 29 at 11 AM Celebrate Pride Month by drinking gueer-themed mocktails while talking about gueer books and crafts. For teens and adults

#### Odenton

#### Let's Celebrate Differences: Pride

Saturday, June 22 at 2 PM Celebrate differences with Kindness Grows Here, Inc., as local teens read their favorite LGBTQ+ themed children's books.

#### Riviera Beach

Teen Movie Night: Love, Simon (PG-13, 2018)

Tuesday, June 11 at 6 PM

#### Severna Park

#### The First Pride was a Riot: The **Enduring Legacy of Stonewall**

Saturday, June 15 at 2 PM Saundra Mitchell, acclaimed editor of the LGBTQIA+ anthology series All Out, Out Now, Out There and awardwinning author presents an informal history of the Stonewall uprisings and how they form the basis for today's Pride parades and festivals, but also remain a call to arms for LGBTQIA+ people and their allies to stand up and demand equality for all.

## **Pride Art Nights**

Pieces created can be submitted to the Pride Art Show. on display at the Odenton Library from June 25 August 15. Submission deadline is June 18. Supplies provided. See *aacpl.net/events* for gallery hours.

#### For adults and teens

Crofton

Thursday, June 13 at 6:30 PM **☑** Maryland City at Russett

Tuesday, June 11 at 6:30 PM Odenton

Tuesday, June 4 at 6 PM

Monday, June 17 at 6 PM (CD Painting) Tuesday, June 25 at 6 PM (Art Show Reception)





#### **ADULTS**

#### **Arnold Senior Center Book Club**



The Alice Network by Kate Quinn Monday, June 3 at 2 PM





Lady Tan's Circle of Women by Lisa See Monday, August 5 at 2 PM

#### **Beginner Line Dancing Fun**

Thursdays, June 6, July 18 and August 1 at 6 PM Learn some more beginner soul line dances and discover a fun, low impact physical activity! Presenter: Jessie's Soul Line Dancers

#### Yoqa Nidra

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Tuesdays, July 23 and August 27 at 6 PM Discover how Yoga Nidra can help relieve the effects of stress, insomnia, chronic pain and anxiety. Bring your own mat, pillows and blanket. Presenter: Joan Livingston

#### **KIDS**

#### Early Reader Book Club

Tuesdays, June 18, July 9 and August 13 at 4 PM Children in kindergarten through second grade can practice their reading skills through group reading, activities and games based on popular beginner reader books.

#### **PRESCHOOL**

#### **Toddler Tinker Time**

Friday, July 12 at 10:30 AM Imaginative fun featuring open-ended, handson exploration of different materials and manipulatives. Get creative, messy and inventive through play!

#### **Pirate Storytime**

Saturday, August 3 at 10:30 and 11:30 AM Learn how to talk and dance like a pirate while also enjoying some nautical tales of treasure, adventure and sailing the seven seas!

## Kindergarten Readiness

(No classes August 26 – September 2)

**Babies in Bloom** 

Mondays at 10:30 AM **Toddler Time** 

Mondays at 11:30 AM

**Preschool Storytime** 

Tuesdays at 10:30 and 11:30 AM Wednesdays at 5:30 PM

Photos below: Customers are enjoying the new shelving recently installed at the Broadneck Library. The branch was closed for two weeks (opened two days ahead of schedule) to remove all the books and materials, move in the new shelves and reshelve the items. Many thanks to our customers for their patience and to our amazing branch and maintenance staff for their herculean efforts!

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Making Reef Balls: Building Artificial Reefs Friday, June 21 at 10 AM: Making Reef Balls Saturday, June 22 at 10 AM Watching Them "Hatch" Join us and the Coastal Conservation Association of Maryland to build artificial reefs for Chesapeake Bay oysters!

#### National Night Out Community Event

Tuesday, August 6 at 6 PM

Enjoy games, giveaways and free food, community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie.

#### Eat Around the World Family Potluck

Wednesday, August 21 at 6 PM Bring a dish serving at least 10 people to share for our potluck supper! Please ensure it's ready-to-eat, as we can't reheat or cook food at the library.

#### **ADULTS**

#### Summer Film Series: Hollywood on Hollywood

Mondays in July as listed below at 6 PM Each film will be introduced by area cinephile Ann Glenn with info about the film's production, director and stars followed by a Q&A session.



The Player (R, 1992) July 8



(PG-13, 2016) July 15



The Bad and the Beautiful (NR, 1952) July 22

Sunset Boulevard (NR, 1950) July 29

#### Cricut Design Basics

Friday, July 26 at 3 PM

Learn how to use Cricut Design Studio software for making designs with our Makerspace's Cricut Maker machine.

#### Hobbu Fair

Saturday, July 27 at 1 PM Meet with a variety of local organizations, clubs and hobby groups that you can learn from and join!

#### **TEENS**

#### **✓** Summer Teen Lock-In

Friday, June 14 at 6 PM Celebrate the end of school and the start of summer at an after-hours party! Enjoy sweet

treats, colorful crafts, games and more.

#### ✓ Let's Make Bad Art!

Thursday, July 11 at 2 PM

We'll provide a plethora of inspiring materials, but feel free to bring any of your own materials, media and muses.

#### **KIDS**

#### Elementary Olympics: Indoor Field Day Monday, July 29 at 2 PM

Take a break from the summer heat and stay active with games and art projects as part of our indoor Summer Olympics!

#### **PRESCHOOL**

#### 1000 Books Before Kindergarten Dance Partu!

Monday, August 12 at 10:30 AM Begin your 1000 Books Before Kindergarten journey or celebrate milestones with a dance party! New signups receive a free book and bag prize. Dress up for added fun!

## Kindergarten Readiness

(No classes August 26 – September 2)

#### **Babies in Bloom**

Thursdays and Fridays at 10:15 AM

#### **Toddler Time**

Tuesdays at 10:15 AM

#### **Preschool Storytime**

Wednesdays at 10:15 AM

#### **Family Storytime**

- Tuesday, June 4 at 6 PM: Little Scientist Monday, June 17 at 6 PM: Preschool Craft
- Saturday, June 29 at 10:30 AM: Baby Artist Wednesday, July 31 at 6 PM: Sharks
- Thursday, August 8 at 6 PM: Preschool LEGO® **Build and Play**

Tuesday, August 13 at 6 PM: Little Yogis

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# **DISCOVERIES: THE LIBRARY AT THE MALL**

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## © Drop-in Family Lego® Build and Play Challenge

Friday June 14 from 3-4:30 PM, Saturdays, July 20 and August 17 from 1-3 PM

Drop-in for build and play fun. We'll provide plenty of Legos®!

#### Taste the World! Potluck and Games

Tuesday, July 30 at 6 PM

Bring a homemade (or store-bought) dish that represents your culture or a culture of personal interest. Learn about different cultures via yummy international/national cuisines. Your food should serve at least 10 people. We cannot reheat or cook food at the library so bring food ready to eat.

#### **ADULTS**

#### SoCo Hallyu

Thursdays, June 6 and 20, July 11 and August 15 and 29 at 6 PM

Explore East Asia's shows, music and cultures from Japan to the Philippines. You will have a chance to create a dish to share, with tea and snacks provided.

#### Cardio Drumming for Fun and Fitness

Fridays, June 7, July 5 and August 9 at 11:45 AM Saturdays, June 29, July 27 and August 31 at 11:45 AM Enjoy an energizing and adaptable program where you can stand or sit. We will tap, stretch and move to music while drumming on large fitness balls.



#### Mixed Level Hatha Yoga Class

Mondays, June 10, July 8 and August 12 at 7 PM Enjoy a beginner to

advanced Hatha Yoga class with a certified Yoga instructor. Mat, props and blanket provided or bring your own.

#### **TEENS**

#### Anime & Manga Club

Mondays, June 3 and 17, July 1 and 15 and August 5 and 19 at 6 PM

Share your favorites, what you are currently watching and reading, artwork and cosplay! We will have discussions, play games and more!

#### **PRESCHOOL**

#### Young Child at Play

Fridays, June 21, July 19 and August 16 at 10:30 AM Young children will enjoy books, music

and developmentallyappropriate toys and activities.

# Kindergarten Readiness (No classes August 26 – September 2)

**Babies in Bloom** 

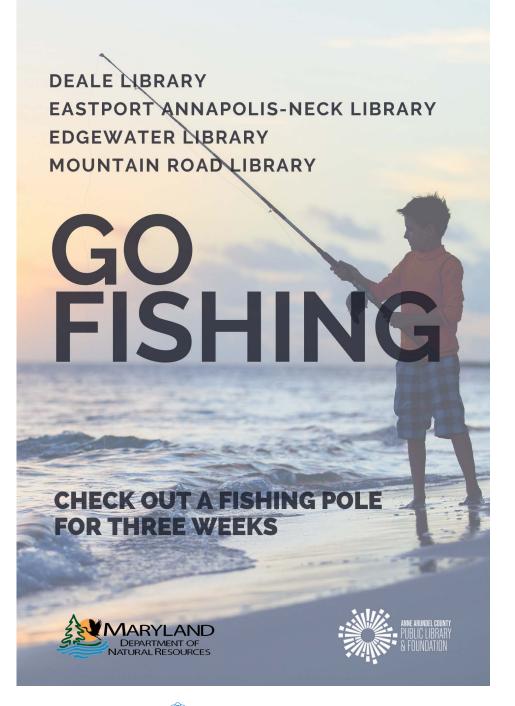
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**Toddler Time** 

Wednesdays at 10:30 AM

**Preschool Storytime** 

Tuesdays at 10:30 AM



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#### **Bodacious '80s Music Trivia**

Saturday, June 29 at 2 PM
Join us for a totally tubular '80s trivia afternoon!
Radical '80s attire welcome!

#### **ADULTS**

#### Citizenship Mock Interviews

Saturday, July 6 at 2 PM

Practice for the U.S. citizenship interview with us. Our supportive environment offers mock interviews and resources to boost confidence for this vital naturalization step.

#### **Summer Mocktails and Refreshers**

Tuesday, July 16 at 6 PM

Use simple ingredients to create summer drinks to pair with your favorite beach reads.

#### All Abilities Art

Tuesday, July 23 at 1 PM

We welcome teen and adult artists of all abilities to an hour of making art and new friends.

#### **Summer Scrapbooking**

Saturday, August 10 at 2 PM

Stop by the library to create a scrapbook page of your summer memories!

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#### **TEENS**

#### ☑ �� Alien Adventure Escape Room!

Monday, July 15 at 1 PM

Will you be able to escape the aliens? Work together as a team to solve the puzzles!

#### ☑ ᅠ Tech Takedown at the Mall

Monday, August 5 at 2 PM

Take apart various electronics in this breaker space event. Safety goggles must be worn.

#### **KIDS**

#### Bike Rodeo!

Saturday, June 8 at 1 PM
Meet outside on the Westfield Annapolis'
Green Garage where we'll have a bike rodeo to
practice your skills! Bikes and safety equipment
recommended.

Partners: Bike AAA, Anne Arundel County Police and Pedal Power Kids

#### Summer Skills with Discoveries

Saturdays as listed below at 2 PM

Build your skills or learn a new one! Kids will work on practical skills in this series.

THINGS NEEDED

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June 22: **Gardening** 

July 13: **Creative Writing** 

August 17: **Food Prep** 

DONATIONS NEEDED

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FOR DISCOVERIES: THE LIBRARY AT THE MALL

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#### Adventure Begins at Your Park

Wednesday, June 26 at 9:30 AM

**PRESCHOOL** 

Join us at Generals Highway Corridor Park in Crownsville as we walk a trail together for an interactive storytime!

#### Pretend Play Adventures

Saturday, July 20 at 2 PM

Pretend to explore the adventurous world beyond the library!

#### Discoveries Olympics

Saturday, July 27 from noon to 5 PM
Families can drop in to participate in the
Discoveries Olympics! Games and an obstacle
course will be available for preschoolers to show
off their athletic skills.

#### Let's Play K: Kindergarten Readiness Fun

Friday, August 2 at 10:30 AM

Enjoy interactive and play-based activities to help children prepare for kindergarten.



#### **Ballet Storytime and Preview**

Saturday, August 24 at 2 PM

The Ballet Theater of Maryland will share how ballet and movement can tell a story and take us on adventures, just like a book! Enjoy a preview from an upcoming show.

## Kindergarten Readiness

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## Babies in Bloom

Tuesdays at 10:30 AM

**Toddler Time** 

Mondays at 10:30 and 11:30 AM

#### **Preschool Storytime**

Thursdays at 10:30 AM
Family Storytime

Saturdays at 10:30 AM

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#### **ALL**

#### ✓ Open Mic Night

Thursdays, June 27, July 25 and August 22 at 7 PM Join us as an audience member or a performer for a night of songs, dancing and poetry at our open mic night! Family-friendly acts of under five-minutes

#### **ADULTS**

#### Cookbook Club

Choose a recipe that fits the monthly theme from a cookbook of your choice. Prepare the recipe at home and bring it to share. Call the branch for more information.

#### **Taste the Rainbow**

Wednesday, June 12 at 6:30 PM

#### Cheese

Wednesday, July 10 at 6:30 PM

#### ✓ Ready to Vote!

Thursday, August 29 at 6:30 PM Join the Board of Elections and League of Women Voters for a hybrid, non-partisan event. Learn about upcoming timelines, ballot box security, becoming an election judge and more! Includes Q&A, voter registration and resources. Register for online access.



#### **TEENS**

#### **Perler Bead Fun!**

Monday, June 17 at 6 PM Express your creativity and create a colorful piece of art using perler beads.

#### **KIDS**

#### Chalk the Walk. Bubble Wands & Ice Cream Social

Tuesday, July 9 at 2 PM Rain date: Thursday, July 18 at 2 PM Decorate our sidewalks with chalk, make a bubble wand and share some ice cream to celebrate Summer @ Your Library!

## Kindergarten Readiness

#### **Babies in Bloom**

Wednesdays at 10 AM

#### **Toddler Time**

Thursdays at 10 AM

#### **Preschool Storytime**

Tuesdays at 10 AM

#### **Family Storytime**

Thursdays, June 6 and August 1 at 6 PM

# (No classes August 26 – September 2)

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#### **ALL**

#### ☑ Live-Action Oregon Trail Game

Saturday, June 22 at 10 AM

Experience the Oregon Trail game brought to life! Teams journey through the library courtyard like 19th-century pioneers. Outdoors, weather permitting.

#### **ADULTS**

#### **Line Dancing for Beginners**

Tuesdays, June 18, July 16 and August 20 at 5:30 PM Learn more beginner line dances and discover a fun, low impact physical activity!

#### Intentional Grandparenting

Wednesday, June 26 at 2 PM

Listen to how grandparents have wisdom and experiences that can easily be shared in grandchild interactions.

Presenter: TEACH Institute and Parenting Center at Anne Arundel Community College

#### Crafty Seniors

Wednesdays, July 17 and August 21 at 3 PM Bring your craft or join us to create your own art using library supplies!

#### Interactive Movie Night: Barbie

Thursday, July 25 at 6:30 PM Enjoy an interactive viewing experience of *Barbie* (PG-13, 2023) with scripts provided for select scenes, Mojo Dojo bingo

and Barbie trivia. Snacks provided.

#### **TEENS**

#### Anne Arundel Community College Info Session

Monday, June 3 at 6 PM

Meet with an admissions officer from Anne Arundel Community College to learn about the admissions process, majors offered, transferability of credits and student support services.

#### ✓ International Snack Food Tasting

Wednesday, July 10 at 7 PM

Explore other cultures through sweet and savory prepackaged snacks and vote on your favorites. Foods that have common allergens will be clearly labeled.

#### **KIDS**

#### ✓ Story Hike at the Smithsonian Environmental Research Center

Friday, June 14 at 1 PM

Learn hiking etiquette, explore Fox Creek Nature trail and observe wildlife with a 1.3-mile hike. This is not stroller friendly. Wear comfy shoes, dress for weather and carpool due to limited parking.

#### Library Olympics

Thursday, August 1 at 4 PM Test your library skills in a variety of challenges including book stacking, speed-alphabetizing,



#### **PRESCHOOL**

#### Process Art for Littles

Saturday, July 13 at 10 AM

Explore open-ended art activities with a focus on the creative process. Mess-friendly clothes recommended.

#### Purple Crayon Party

Monday, July 29 at 10:30 AM

Celebrate the classic children's book Harold and

the Purple Cravon with fun and games!

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**Toddler Time** 

#### Tuesdays at 10:30 AM

**Preschool Storytime** 

Wednesdays at 10:30 AM

#### **Family Storytime**

Monday, June 17 at 5:30 PM: Bedtime Stories for Little Gardeners

Monday, July 22 at 5:30 PM: Bedtime Stories for Little Explorers

Thursday, August 8 at 6:30 PM: Family Camp-Out



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Library Happenings

June, July and August 2024

CROFTON LIBRARY

#### **ADULTS**

#### **Anime Program**

Saturday, June 1 at 2 PM Share in the love of Japanese animation and comics! Join your fellow Otaku and enjoy anime watching, manga discussions, games, creating and

more! Snacks provided and cosplay is welcome!

#### Homeschool Curriculum, Book, Puzzle and Game Swap

Wednesday, June 12 at 1 PM Celebrate the end of the school year by helping others get ready for the next. Bring your gently used books and materials and exchange them for "new to you" curriculum tools.

#### Crofton Houseplant Club

Mondays, June 24, July 29 and August 26 at 6:30 PM Houseplant enthusiasts of all levels, join us for a fun evening! Bring your favorite plant or a sad one. We'll have show-and-tell and Q&A!

#### Adult Book Club



The Splendid and the Vile by Erik Larson Thursday, July 11 at 2 PM

#### **TEENS**

#### **Reading Rebels**

Teens will discuss their choice of gut-punching and bop books, followed by snacks and activities.

#### **Summer Reading List**

Thursday, June 27 at 4:30 PM



**Granity Studios** (various books) Wednesday, July 31 at 4:30 PM

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**Babies in Bloom** 

Tuesdays at 10 AM

**Toddler Time** 

Wednesdays at 10 and 11 AM

**Preschool Storytime** 

Thursdays at 10 and 11 AM

## DO WE STILL LOVE HOUSEPLANTS?

When the world shut down for COVID, many people got interested in houseplants. The Crofton Library embraced this trend and took it to a higher level!

The library offers high ceilings and lots of windows and has always had a few plants scattered around the building, but they were often ignored or overlooked. As the library prepared to reopen in June 2020, they procured "sneeze guards," for added protection but the desk service design left large gaps in between the panels. To discourage customers from sticking their heads through the gaps, staff put a couple of the larger plants in the space. They were practical and added a nice touch.

And so, they stayed, and then winter came, and they stayed. People commented on them, and they gave away a couple of spider plant babies, and life went on. The plants stayed and the staff made sure they were watered and nurtured.

Then came October 2021, when staff member Catherine Jellison had several large tropical plants on her deck at home that needed to come inside, but she had no room. It seemed a shame to throw them away, so she asked the then branch manager if she could take them to the library for the winter. to live in one of the large windows. The manager gave the okay and thus began the greening of the

The plants loved it at the library (all that light!), and the customers loved the plants. In early 2022, the staff put up a display of forsythia branches at the customer service desk along with a sign explaining how to force blooms indoors. People really liked that too and so they added more, similar educational displays throughout the year.

Gradually, more and more plants from staff members made their way to the library. They tried to bring the most interesting, strange-looking ones that they had, to show people that there is more to houseplant life than spider plants and peace lilies.

As the plant collection grew, the staff wanted to make it an educational experience for the customers, so they created and attached attractive signage to each plant giving the botanical name, common name and a QR code leading to care information. The most popular plants are the pencil cactus, the mistletoe cactus, the curly locks cactus and the ponytail palms. They also have a 14-foot ficus that gets a lot of attention! At just over 100 in total, the number of plants looks great and the branch is exploring the concept of plants that customers could "check out," like a plant library of

In July 2023, the library started a monthly Houseplant Club, which has been very popular and even offers a plant/cuttings/pots/etc. swap at the end of each meeting.

Over the past year, the library staff have also worked with Farm Unity to create a vegetable garden on library property for the community. Farm Unity provided the volunteers, the Library Foundation also provided some financial support and the garden produced over 600 pounds of vegetables that were distributed to the community free of charge. Farm Unity is now working to create a pollinator garden next to the vegetable garden. There is also now a mobile greenhouse in the library with some seedlings that will be transplanted into the garden, so the community can see the process from seed to produce!

The library has come a long way from dying houseplants in the lobby to a blossoming atmosphere of growth, learning and cooperation within the branch and community.

— Catherine Hollerbach



#### Family Craft Night: Reusable T-Shirt Bag

Tuesday, July 23 at 7 PM

Make a reusable shopping bag from a t-shirt. No sewing required! All supplies will be provided.

#### **ADULTS**

#### The Mindful Art of Zentangle

Monday, July 29 at 7 PM

Join us for a meditative art session led by a certified Zentangle instructor. We will provide supplies for the first 12 participants. Find a complete list of supplies at aacpl.net/events.

#### **TEENS**

#### ▼ Teen Game Night

Wednesday, August 14 at 6 PM Play games with other teens! Snacks provided.

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#### **KIDS**

#### Science Saturdaus

Saturdays as listed below at 10:30 AM Explore a different science topic the second Saturday of each month. June 8: **LEGO® Challenge** July 13: **Newspaper Adventure Challenge** 

August 10: Colorful Chromatography

## Kindergarten Readiness

This program will be held rain or shine.

Nature Connections with a Wildlife Ranger

Wednesdays, July 24 and August 7 at 10:30 AM

Embark on adventures with a Patuxent Research

Refuge. Connect with nature, dress for outdoors.

(No classes August 26 — September 2)

from Patuxent Research Refuge

#### Babies in Bloom

Mondays at 10:30 AM

For kids

#### **Toddler Time**

Tuesdays at 10:30 AM

#### **Preschool Storytime**

Tuesdays at 11:30 AM

#### **Family Storytime**

Saturday, June 1 at 10:30 AM: Meet a Flute Player Saturday, July 20 at 10:30 AM: Magical, Musical Math for Preschoolers

## **✓** Online Events for Adults

#### **Virtual Visits**

Online presentations on topics of interest. Monday, June 3 at 7 PM: Better Smartphone **Photography** 

Tuesday, July 9 at 7 PM: Antiques & Collectibles: Just the Basics, Please

Monday, August 12 at 6:30 PM: The Art of Looking

#### The Great Movies Discussion: Summer Edition

Fridays, June 7, July 5 and August 2 at 7 PM Each month, we will discuss a specific movie from our Kanopy collection. Watch the movie on Kanopy beforehand, then join us for a lively Friday evening discussion on Zoom.

#### English Conversation Club Club de conversación en inglés

Mondays, June 17, July 15 and August 19 at 7 PM Lunes 17 de junio, 15 de julio y 19 de agosto a las

Get together to practice speaking English. All levels and native languages are welcome.

Únase a nosotros para practicar Inglés. Se requiere inscripción para recibir el link de Zoom.

#### Learn about Canva

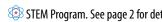
Tuesday, July 30 at noon This program will cover all the basic tools, functions and navigation on Canva.

#### Virtual Trivia Night with NCC

Wednesday, August 28 at 7 PM

Join us for virtual trivia night with New Castle County Libraries (DE) as you compete against players from another state! We will be using Kahoot! to play.







# ADVENTURE BEGINS AT YOUR LIBRARY! PSST

Sign up for the Summer @ Your Library (S@YL) guest at any branch or online and pick up a gameboard to earn prizes along the way. Use the Beanstack Tracker app or sign up at <u>aacpl.beanstack.org</u>. Enjoy fun events and activities planned to encourage you. Learn more at *aacpl.net/summer*.

**Broadneck** 

**Brooklun Park** 

**Busch Annanolis** 



**JUGGLING FUNNY STORIES** 

**BABA BOMANI'S OPEN MIC** 

practical skill of essay writing.

**Brooklun Park** 

Discoveries

Crofton

Wednesday, July 31 at 11 AM

Saturday, August 3 at 2 PM

Tuesday, July 16 at 4 PM

Monday, July 1 at 11 AM

**Rusch Annanolis** 

Tuesday, July 2 at 2 PM

Eastport-Annapolis Neck

Friday, July 19 at 11 AM

Monday, July 29 at 11 AM

Friday, July 12 at 11 AM

**Eastport-Annapolis Neck** 

Monday, July 1 at 3 PM

Monday, July 1 at 6:30 PM

Linthicum

MS. NIKI'S MUSIC CLASS

Discoveries

Join nationally-known Chris Fascione as he brings children's stories to life with

Enjoy a multi-media presentation featuring hip-hop song writing compared to the

Thursday, July 25 at 1 PM

MANGOS TO APPLES TUMBLE FROM A FILIPINO RAINBOW

Experience the Mango Poem—a journey through the rainbow spectrum and dive

into indigenous mythology, encountering sea creatures and spoken word poetry.

Monday, July 15 at 2 PM

**Maryland City at Russett** 

Friday, July 19 at 2 PM

Track down the elusive rainbow lizard! Face choices at every turn. Make the wrong

Thursday, July 11 at 1 PM

Wednesday, July 10 at 3 PM

Experience "a new age cross between Mary Poppins and Ms. Frizzle" with Ms. Niki!

Riviera Beach

Monday, June 24 at 2 PM

Monday, June 24 at 11 AM

Join her colorful adventure through original upbeat songs and classic twists.

**ECO ADVENTURES: ULTIMATE ANIMAL ADVENTURE** 

Glen Burnie

**Mountain Road** 

choice...and mayhem ensues! Live animals included!

Friday, July 19 at 3 PM

Discoveries

Glen Burnie

Linthicum

Monday, July 29 at 1 and 3 PM

**Mountain Road** 

Riviera Reach

Monday, July 15 at 11 AM

Tuesday, July 23 at 1 PM

Wednesday, July 3 at 6 PM

Wednesday, July 17 at 11 AM

Tuesday, July 30 at 6 PM

Riviera Beach

acting, storytelling, comedy and juggling, engaging both adults and kids.

#### S@YL KICKOFF EVENTS

Enjoy activities and crafts to welcome the season and register for S@YL.

**Broadneck** Eastport-Annapolis Neck Wednesday, June 26 at 2 PM Tuesday, June 25 at 2 PM **Busch Annapolis Maryland City at Russett** 

#### Thursday, June 20 at 2 PM Tuesday, June 25 at 4 PM

**BOOKS! THE MAGIC IS REAL!** 

Popular magician Joe Romano weaves magic with stories about adventure.

**Eastport-Annapolis Neck** 

Monday, July 22 at 1 PM

Monday, July 1 at 11 AM

Monday, July 22 at 11 AM

**Maruland City at Russett** 

**Mountain Road** 

and 1 PM

FLYING V THEATRE PRESENTS: BULLEKETROET

Edgewater

Glen Burnie

using funky grooves, exotic musical instruments and comedy.

for the whole family about honesty and greed.

Monday, July 1 at 2 and 4 PM

Wednesday, June 26 at 11 AM

Wednesday, July 31 at 2 PM

Thursday, July 11 at 4 PM

Tuesday, July 23 at 4 PM

Groovy Nate® is a children's entertainer who creates fun and educational shows

Edgewater

5:30 PM

Glen Burnie

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Monday, July 8 at 2 and 4 PM **Brooklun Park** Wednesday, July 10 at 11 AM

**Busch Annapolis** 

Monday, July 15 at noon and 2 PM

Saturday, July 27 at 1 and 3 PM

Friday, July 19 at 1 and 3 PM

Discoveries

**Broadneck** 

Crofton

Wednesday, July 3 at 1 and

Tuesday, July 30 at 2 and

Wednesday, July 3 at 1 and

**GROOVY NATE** 

Thursday, July 18 at 11 AM and 1 PM

Friday, August 2 at 1 and 3 PM

Monday, July 15 at 1 and 3 PM

Wednesday, June 26 at 1:30 PM Saturday, June 1 at 11 AM

Saturday, June 1 at 1 PM

## Tuesday, June 25 at 6 PM

Tuesday, July 9 at 4 PM

Monday, July 8 at 11 AM

MR. LILO LIVE!

Saturday, July 6 at 1 PM

Songs by Lilo Gonzalez spread a message of cultural unity for a better world. **Discoveries** 

Friday, June 28 at 2 PM Eastnort-Annanolis Neck

Tuesday, July 30 at 6 PM **Edgewater** Saturday, August 3 at 11 AM

Glen Burnie Saturday, August 3 at 3 PM

#### **Maruland City at Russett** Wednesday, July 31 at 1 PM

Tuesday, July 30 at 3 PM Severna Park Saturday, July 13 at 11 AM

Saturday, August 3 at 1 PM

Tuesday, July 23 at 1:30 PM

Severna Park

**Mountain Road** 

Odenton

Severn

6:30 PM

**Riviera Beach** 

Severna Park

Tuesday, July 16 at 6:30 PM

Tuesday, July 2 at 6:30 PM

Saturday, July 27 at 3 PM

Monday, July 15 at 6:30 PM

Wednesday, July 31 at

#### STEAM ADVENTURE WITH THE SCIENCE GUYS

Young scientists dive into a thrilling STEAM adventure, overcoming gravity challenges and electrifying obstacles, exploring physics, chemistry and more!

**Broadneck** 

**Busch Annapolis** 

Wednesday, July 24 at 6 PM

and 7:30 PM Thursday, June 27 at 6 PM Monday, June 24 at 3:30 and Riviera Beach **Brooklun Park** Friday, July 5 at 1 and 3 PM Tuesday, July 23 at 11 AM

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Thursday, June 27 at 5:30

Deale Wednesday, July 17 at 5 Thursday, June 27 at 3 PM

#### Eastport-Annapolis Neck

Thursday, June 27 at noon Edgewater Wednesday, July 24 at 3 PM

Wednesday, June 26 at 3 PM **Maruland City at Russett** 

#### Wednesday, June 26 at 6 PM ANNAPOLIS OPERA PRESENTS: STORIES THROUGH MUSIC

Every song tells a story. Learn the meanings behind classical and popular music favorites through a fun and interactive concert for all ages.

Eastport-Annapolis Neck

Monday, July 8 at 6:30 PM

Monday, July 1 at 6:30 PM

Wednesday, June 26 at

Monday, July 29 at 6:30 PM

**Maryland City at Russett** 

Wednesday, July 10 at

Edgewater

Glen Burnie

6:30 рм

**Broadneck** 

Thursday, July 25 at 6:30 PM Brooklun Park Saturday, July 6 at 3 PM **Busch Annapolis** 

Monday, June 24 at 6:30 PM Saturday, June 29 at 3 PM

Tuesday, July 23 at 6:30 PM

Thursday, July 18 at 6:30 PM

Monday, June 24 at 11 AM

## Based on Dutch lore, Bulleketroet is an international exchange and puppet show

Monday, July 8 at 3 and 5 PM

Severna Park

#### **S@YL MIDWAY PARTY**

Celebrate the halfway point in your summer reading challenge! Choose your own adventure from a selection of games, crafts and other activities.

**Discoveries** Wednesday, July 10 Glen Burnie Wednesday, July 10 at 2 PM





Sign up now!

# T'S NOT JUST FOR KIDS!



(for adults 18+)

One lucky winner will win four airline tickets courtesy of Southwest Airlines. Get entered for two chances to win simply by using your library. Fill out a diagonal, column, or row and you're automatically entered one chance in the drawing. Fill out your

entire card and you get entered in for a second chance!



## **ROCK AND RHYME WITH MR. JON AND FRIENDS**

Multiple Parents' Choice Award winner Mr. Jon uses songs, rhymes, books and puppets to entertain all ages.

Crofton

Tuesday, July 9 at noon and 2 PM

Linthicum

Saturday, July 6 at 2 PM Wednesday, July 10 at 4 PM

**Mountain Road** 

Monday, July 22 at 11 AM and 1 PM

Wednesday, July 24 at 11 AM and 1 PM

Riviera Beach

Monday July 8 at 11 AM and 1 PM

#### THE PAPERBACK WRITERS — AN ADVENTURE SINGALONG

AACPL staff band The Paperback Writers are back for another summer of music and fun! Join us for covers of classic adventure-themed songs.

**Rusch Annanolis** 

Thursday, June 13 at 3 PM

Glen Burnie

Thursday, August 8 at 3 PM

Edgewater

Riviera Beach

Severn

Thursday, July 11 at 3 PM

Thursday, August 22 at 2 PM

Thursday, August 22 at 2 PM

Saturday, August 17 at 1 PM

**SUMMER @ YOUR LIBRARY GRAND FINALES!** Come out and celebrate the end of the Summer @ Your Library.

Crofton

Tuesday, August 6 at 2 and 6 PM (teens) Saturday, August 10 at 2 PM (adults)

Crofton

Thursday, August 15 at 2 pm (children)

Friday, August 23 at 6 PM









Edgewater

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**Busch Annapolis** 





**Maruland City at Russett** 

Severna Park

Thursday, July 25 at 3 and 5 PM

Tuesday, July 2 at 1 and 3 PM



















#### **ALL**



#### Dog Days

Saturday, August 24 at 10 AM Drop in to meet one of the visiting therapy dogs and have a ball with

our activities and crafts. The SPCA will be accepting donations of pet items needed at this event.

#### **ADULTS**

#### **Housing Resources**

Monday, June 10 at 6:30 PM Representatives from Arundel Community Development Services will be sharing information on housing resources available to county residents including homebuying assistance and foreclosure prevention.

#### The Queer Agenda Book Club

A monthly book club that reads queer books in a queer and trans-affirming setting. All identities are welcome!



The House in the Cerulean Sea bv T.J. Klune

Tuesday, June 18 at 7 PM



The Lesbiana's Guide to Catholic School by Sonora Reyes Tuesday, July 16 at 7 PM



Greta and Valdin by Rebecca K Reilly Tuesday, August 20

at 7 PM



#### No Stress Art

Saturday, June 29 at 2 PM For those who like arts and crafts but don't consider themselves artistic, try out process art! Materials provided.

#### Scrapbooking Hangout

Friday, July 26 at 2 PM

Work on an independent project and share ideas! Bring your own photos and scrapbook (limited available) and we will provide a variety of craft

#### Miniature Figure Painting Party

Wednesday, August 7 at 6 PM Paint your own miniature figure for tabletop games! We provide paint, brushes and a limited number of mini figurines or bring your own.

#### For adults, teens and kids

#### Save the Music

Monday, August 26 at 6 PM Discover how to digitize your cherished vintage music collection, including phonograph records, audio cassettes and music CDs, using our Memory Lab equipment.

#### **TEENS**

#### Craft for a Cause: Heart Pillows

Tuesday, July 23 at 6 PM

Make heart pillows for cancer patients — and earn service hours at the same time! Finished pillows will be donated to Kits to Heart.

#### **KIDS**

#### **☑** Book Tasting for Kids

Saturday, July 20 at 2 PM

Join us as we eat snacks, take a taste of a variety of books and make a menu of our favorites!

### Adventure Begins at Your Tabletop: TTRPGs

Saturday, July 27 at 2 PM

Younger audiences learn how to play **Dungeons** and Dragons with simpler table-top role playing game rules.

#### **PRESCHOOL**

#### Preschool Dinosaur Adventure

Tuesday, August 6 at 2 and 5:30 PM Complete a scavenger hunt, stomp on the dance floor, create a dinosaur masterpiece and more!

## Kindergarten Readiness

(No classes August 26 — September 2)

#### **Babies in Bloom**

Mondays at 10:15 AM

#### **Toddler Time**

Tuesdays at 10:15 and 11:15 AM

#### **Preschool Storytime**

Thursdays at 10:15 and 11:15 AM

#### **Family Storytime**

Saturdays, June 8, July 13 and August 10 at 10:15 AM

#### **ADULTS**

#### Severn Summer Dance Series

Dance, laugh and make new friends in our beginner-friendly dancing programs! Saturday, June 15 at 2 PM: Line Dancing Monday, July 22 at 6 PM: **K-pop** (see below) Thursday, August 29 at 6 PM: Swing Dancing

#### Severn Plant Club Meeting

Thursday, July 11 at 6 PM Calling all plant enthusiasts, regardless of experience! Join us to discuss outdoor gardening. Share joys, challenges and tips for summer success.

#### Severn Summer Dance Series: K-pop Dance 세베른 여름 댄스 시리즈: 케이팝 댄스

Monday, July 22 at 6 PM

Join us to learn the choreography to the chorus of BTS's **Butter**.

케이팝이나 방탄소년단에 관심이 있으신가요? 춤을 좋아하세요? 그럼 같이 방탄소년단의 Butter 코러스 부분의 안무를 배워보세요.

#### **TEENS**

#### Teen Anime Hangout

Tuesdays, June 4, July 2 and August 6 at 6 PM Watch anime, talk about manga, play games and more. Cosplay is always welcome!

#### Teen Advisory Board Meeting

Thursdays, June 20, July 18 and August 15 at 6 PM Join us to share your thoughts about improving teen spaces and programming!

#### **PRESCHOOL**

#### ✓ 🕸 Save the Princess! Escape Room

Saturday, August 10 at 10:30 AM, 11:45 AM, 2:30 and

Solve fairytale riddles and mysteries to escape!

## Kindergarten Readiness

(No classes August 26 — September 2)

#### **Babies in Bloom**

Wednesdays at 10:30 AM

**Toddler Time** Thursdays at 10:30 AM

#### **Preschool Storytime**

Tuesdays at 10:30 AM

## **Family Storytime**

Fridays at 10:30 AM



road visiting underserved communities and serving customers lacking transportation to the nearby Severn Library. The vehicle called Twig (think smaller than a branch) is bringing programs, resources and a collection of books to residents. The vehicle's bold exterior design is the brainchild of local artist Comacell Brown. You can find Twig's schedule at *aacpl.net/services/Severn*.

The Twig outreach vehicle aims to transform communities and promote awareness of the invaluable resources offered by the library system. By reaching out to underserved residents and delivering a wealth of books, digital resources and services directly to their doorsteps, Twig is actively breaking down barriers and bridging the gap between people and knowledge. Our mission is to empower individuals with the necessary tools to enhance their personal growth, education and overall well-being.

The outreach vehicle at AACPL has already visited Anne Arundel County Public School classrooms, family support centers, public housing and mobile home neighborhoods, farmers' markets, child development centers, parks, food pantry sites, camps, children clubs, neighborhood festivals, gardening centers, coffee shops and more. Since its launch, Severn Library staff have made 116 outreach visits and served 3,114 customers.

Twig outreach is also committed to providing regular library services to the community through recurring weekly visits to various locations. Our

weekly stops include The Boys and Girls Clubs in both Meade Village and the Severn Center and Sarah's House, where we aim to engage families and foster a love for reading. Also, we serve local commuters through weekly visits to the bus stop at Arundel Mills Mall, ensuring that the library is available to those on the go and possibly lacking transportation to the library. Our outreach efforts extend to seniors as well, with dedicated weekly visits to the senior center situated at the Severn Center. At every Twig outreach stop, individuals can not only access and return books but also sign up for library cards and utilize our Chromebooks.

A customer from the bus stop recently said, "This library actually found ME, as I was waiting at the bus stop located at the Arundel Mills Mall.. Something told me to stop by your guy's book truck, which was parked that day right at the bus stop. The woman and man who helped me were very kind and they even had free books they gave away, and I got one. This was perfect timing for me as I had told God that I had just been wanting to start reading again...l am so excited for this new chapter at a new library."

# PRIDE MONTH ART SHOW

**June 1 through 18:** Submit artwork\* to the Odenton Library. Tuesday, June 25: Art Show Reception 6 to 8 PM June 25 through August 15: Collection will remain on display.

\*Artwork can be anything that can be hung on a wall: paintings, drawings, graphic designs, collages, poetry/written word, handicrafts etc. Art may be submitted anonymously or under a pseudonym. For more information call or visit the Odenton Library.

SHARE YOUR STORY WITH PRIDE

# **BROOKLYN PARK LIBRARY**

# **GLEN BURNIE LIBRARY**





#### **ADULTS**

#### Language Exchange

#### Intercambio de Idiomas

Wednesdays, June 12, July 17 and August 21 at 6 PM Miércoles 12 de junio, 17 de julio y 21 de agosto a las 6 PM

Join a group of English and Spanish speakers to practice speaking either language in a fun and informal setting.

Únase a un grupo de hablantes de inglés y español para practicar hablar cualquiera de los dos idiomas en un ambiente divertido e informal.

#### **Dungeons & Dragons**

Saturdays, June 15, July 13 and August 10 at 1:30 PM For beginners and seasoned dungeon crawlers. Make new friends and adventure together into the forgotten realms and beyond!

#### **KIDS**

#### Party with Nintendo Switch!

Tuesdays, June 11, July 9 and August 13 at 4 PM Play games and have fun with fellow fans of the Nintendo Switch video game system!

#### Summerween Masquerade

Monday, June 17 at 2 PM

Put on your best costume and join us for a mask craft, a masquerade and a chance to win prizes!

#### Whimsical Wednesdaus

Wednesdays in July at 1 PM

Stop by every Wednesday in July to try out a new adventurous activity.

#### Paint like Pollock!

Thursday, August 8 at 2 PM At this event enjoy throwing paint around like the famous painter Jackson Pollock!

#### Science Shines!

Monday, August 19 at 2 PM Join us for a miniature scavenger hunt and create a sun catcher with what you find!

#### **PRESCHOOL**



#### Storytime with Author Juanita **Banks-Whittington**

Monday, July 8 at 11:30 AM The author will read her book, *I Love* My Daddy, followed by a fun activity.

#### Muthical Creature Tea Partu

Saturday, August 24 at 2 PM Join us for a special tea party and stories about mythical creatures!

## Kindergarten Readiness

(No classes August 26 — September 2)

#### **Babies in Bloom**

Mondays at 11:30 AM

#### **Toddler Time**

Mondays at 10:30 AM

#### **Preschool Storytime**

Thursdays at 10:30 AM

#### ALL

#### **Campfire Stories**

Mondays, June 10 and July 8 at 6:30 PM Join us outdoors by the campfire! Craft new story endings or adventures. Enjoy tasty marshmallow treats afterward!

#### Art Museum Night

Thursday, July 11 at 6 PM

Join our summer art museum! Submit your familyappropriate art at the Glen Burnie Library between July 1-7 with a name, contact and description. Pick up by July 18.

#### **ADULTS**

#### Chair Supported Yoga

Friday, June 7 at 11 AM

Practice gentle movement, breathing and meditation with a chair-supported, beginnerfriendly yoga practice.

#### Navy Band Tuba Euphonium Ouartet

Saturday, June 22 at 2:30 PM

Experience the internationally-acclaimed Navy Band Tuba/Euphonium Quartet, a leading force in low brass music!

#### Death Café

Mondays, June 24, July 22 and August 26 at 6 PM Discuss death with no agenda, objectives or themes. This is not a grief counseling group.

#### Drop-In Blood Pressure Screenings

Friday, June 28 at 11 AM

Drop in for a blood pressure screening courtesy of the University of Maryland's Baltimore Washington Medical Center's Community Health Department.

#### **TEENS**

#### **▼** After Hours Teen Lock-In Adventure

Friday, June 28 at 6 PM

Teens take over the library at an after-hours adventure party! We'll have crafts, games, snacks and lots of fun activities to explore. Signed permission slip required.

#### **KIDS**

#### Math Club

Fridays, June 14 and 28, July 12 and 26 and August 9 and 23 at 3 PM

Build your math skills this summer with art, games and puzzles! No prior knowledge required, drop in for one session or come to all.

#### Series Safari

Curious readers will have the opportunity to explore some of their favorite characters and their adventures in this hands-on program. Drop in anytime between 3-5 PM.



Pig the Pug by Aaron Blabey Wednesday, June 26

#### Who Would Win by Jerry Pallotta

Wednesday, July 24



## Diary of a Wimpy Kid by Jeff Kinney

Wednesday, August 28

#### Yoga for Social and Emotional Learning

Wednesdays, July 17 and August 21 at 2:30 PM Yoga enhances confidence and self-regulation, connecting mind and body. Join our family-friendly yoga session for elementary-aged yogis!

## Kindergarten Readiness

(No classes August 26 — September 2)

#### **Babies in Bloom** Mondays at 10:30 AM

**Toddler Time** 

Wednesdays at 10:30 AM

#### **Preschool Storytime**

Thursdays at 10:30 AM

## **Family Storytime**

Saturdays, June 1, 15 and 29; July 13, 20 and 27; and August 10, 17 and 24 at 10:30 AM







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# Free Chromebook Giveaway for Eligible County Residents\* Computadoras gratuitas para los residentes elegibles del condado\*

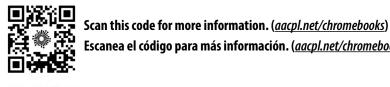
Together with Anne Arundel County and the State of Maryland, AACPL is proud to participate in a free Chromebook giveaway for eligible Anne Arundel County residents. Distribution events are listed at right.

Junto con el condado de Anne Arundel y el estado de Maryland, AACPL se enorgullece de participar en un sorteo gratuito de Chromebook para los residentes elegibles del condado de Anne Arundel. Los eventos de distribución se enumeran a la derecha.

#### PROOF OF ELIGIBILITY AND RESIDENCY ARE REQUIRED. SE REQUIERE PRUEBA DE ELEGIBILIDAD Y RESIDENCIA.

\*See below to determine your eligibility and make an appointment.

\*Consulte a continuación para determinar su elegibilidad y programar una cita.



Escanea el código para más información. (aacpl.net/chromebooks) Scan this code to make an appointment. (aacpl.as.me/schedule.php)

Registration opens 2 weeks prior to each event. Escanea el código para hacer una cita. (aacpl.as.me/schedule.php) La inscripción comienza 2 semanas antes de cada evento.

#### Branch/Sucursal Date/Fecha Annapolis

**Odenton** 

Thursday, May 16: 1 to 4 PM Jueves 16 de Mayo: 1 a 4 PM

Wednesday, May 22: 1 to 4 PM Miércoles 22 de Mayo: 1 a 4 PM

Jueves 23 de Mayo: 1 a 4 PM:

Brooklyn Park Thursday, May 23: 1 to 4 PM

**Odenton** Wednesday, June 5: 1 to 4 PM

Miércoles 5 de Junio: 1 a 4 PM Discoveries

Saturday, June 8: 1 to 4 PM Sábado 8 de Junio: 1 a 4 PM



Library Happenings



Kindergarten Readiness

(No classes August 26 — September 2)

**Preschool Storytime** 

Celebrate Pride Month by drinking gueer-themed

Join us for an introduction to Tarot. This event will

include how to find spreads, how to read the cards

and how to apply these skills to your mindfulness

mocktails while talking about queer books and

**Babies in Bloom** 

**Toddler Time** 

Wednesdays at 11 AM

Saturday, June 29 at 11 AM

maybe even doing a craft.

Wednesday, July 31 at 7 PM

**Tarot for Mindfulness** 

For adults and teens

**TEENS** 

Fridays at 11 AM

Tuesdays at 11 AM

**MockTales** 

#### **ALL**

#### Open Mic Night

Monday, June 10 at 6:30 PM

Join us as an audience member or a performer for a night of songs, dancing and poetry at our open mic night! Family-friendly acts of under five-minutes

#### **ADULTS**

#### **Caregiver Connect: Building Positive Relationships and Routines**

Friday, June 7 at 10:30 AM Strengthen caregiver-child bonds with positive communication. Discover behavior management strategies, connect with caregivers and make routine charts together!

#### Chair Yoga for Adults

Friday, June 14 at 10:30 AM

Visit us for a morning of socializing and learning some new chair yoga poses. Bring a towel to help with stretches.

#### ✓ Dungeons & Dragons in the Library

Mondays, June 24, July 22 and August 26 at 6:30 PM For beginners and seasoned dungeon crawlers. Make new friends and adventure together into the Forgotten Realms and beyond!

#### **Donuts and Discussion for Adults**

Fridays, June 28, July 26 and August 23 at 10:30 AM Visit us for a morning of learning, socializing and donuts.

#### **TEENS**

#### Teen Gaming Afternoons

Tuesdays, June 18 and July 23 at 2:30 PM: Super Smash Bros. Tournament

Tuesday, August 20 at 2:30 PM: Mario Kart **Tournament** 

#### **KIDS**

#### Paws to Read

Saturdays, June 1 and August 3 at 10 AM Improve reading skills while enjoying the rapt attention of canine tutors. Call to make an appointment two weeks in advance.

#### **STFAM Tuesdaus**

Tuesday, June 25 at 2:30: Sidewalk Chalk Party Tuesday, July 30 at 2:30 PM: Spinning Tops

## Kindergarten Readiness

(No classes August 26 — September 2)

#### **Babies in Bloom**

Wednesdays at 10:15 AM

#### **Toddler Time**

Thursdays at 10:30 AM

#### **Preschool Storytime**

Tuesdays in June, July 2, 9, 16, 23 and August 6, 13 at 10:30 AM (Linthicum Park)

#### Family Storytime at the **Benton Ave. Park**

Tuesdays, June 4-August 13 at 10:30 AM

#### **PRESCHOOL**

Monday, June 3 at 6:30 PM Kick off summer with outdoor music and movement led by Ms. Caroline. Program moves

#### Cultural Arts Tour of the Polynesian Triangle

Saturday, July 20 at 10:30 AM

Enjoy an interactive program to introduce audiences to Pacific geography, greetings, live music and drumming. Learn a simple Hawaiian hula dance!

Monday, August 19 at 6 PM Tuesday, August 20 at 10 AM

Drive your vehicle through Tape Town and explore fun areas along the way as we learn through play.

#### Summertime Adventure Music & Movement

indoors for inclement weather.

#### **Tape Town**





eading aloud to children from birth helps strengthen language skills and build vocabulary — two 🟥 important tools for learning to read. The 1000 Books

Before Kindergarten program will help your child become a reader and prepare for kindergarten and beyond.

Register at any library or use the Beanstack Tracker app. Scan the code at left to get started. 

> For more information, ask at any AACPL branch or visit aacpl.net/kindergarten.

#### ALL

#### Summer Extravaganza!!

Thursday, August 8 at 2 PM Celebrate summer with games, crafts and fun!

#### **ADULTS**

#### **Movie Mondaus**







Mondays as listed below at 10:30 AM Join us for coffee and snacks as we watch movie selections from across the world. June 3: **Rafiki** (NR, 2018)

July 1: **Official Competition** (R, 2021) August 5: Mr. Malcolm's List (PG, 2022)

#### Financial Literacy for Women

Tuesday, June 4 at 7 PM

Learn about financial literacy for women from a financial advisor and get actionable insights to improve your financial security.

#### **☑** What's Cooking?

Thursdays as listed below at 6:30 PM Every month we come together and share dishes across a theme, so be sure to bring enough to feed at least five people and a copy of your recipe.

June 13: July 11: Auaust 8: Brunch Salad

#### Stitch n'Chat

Saturdays, June 15, July 13 and August 10 at 2 PM Join us for some social stitching! All types of stitchers are welcome.

#### Adult Book Club: In-Person and ✓ Virtual



Last Night at the Telegraph Club bv Malinda Lo Tuesday, June 25 at 7 PM



The Bride Test by Helen Hoang Tuesday, July 30 at 7 PM



White Horse by Erika Wurth Tuesday, August 27 at 7 PM

#### Be Gay, Do Crimes Role-Playing Game Thursday, June 20 at 6 PM Join your friends in a cyberpunk role-playing event



#### LGBTeen Crafternoon Partau

queer liberation.

Thursday, June 27 at 2 PM

Join us for gueer camaraderie, pride-themed crafts and snacks for an afternoon of fun.

inspired by the events of Stonewall and celebrate

#### **Creating a Fun Souvenir**



Wednesday, July 17 at 6:30 PM Learn how to start and use a travel journal while on your adventures! Supplies are limited.

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Art from Tik Tok: Pastels

Wednesday, August 21 at 6:30 PM Create a pastel horizon that is seen on Tik Tok!







with 1000+ video classes in painting, knitting, crafting, sewing & more!

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(FOR FREE)

**AACPL.NET/CREATIVEBUG** 



18 Registration is required and begins two weeks before the program at *aacpl.net/events*. STEM Program. See page 2 for details. June, July and August 2024 Library Happenings



#### **ALL**

#### Glass Art

Saturday, June 15 at 1 PM Make unique sea glass art. Supplies will be provided but feel free to bring your own sea glass, stones or anything else you have collected on the beach.

#### **Game Night**

Tuesday, June 18 at 6:30 PM: Board Games Tuesday, July 16 at 6 PM: Family Bingo Wednesday, August 21 at 6:30 PM: Board Games

#### **ADULTS**

#### **Ouiet Reading Club**

Thursdays, June 20, July 18 and August 15 at 6 PM Join us for a cozy evening with your book and quiet company. Classical music will be playing softly in the background.

#### Pasadena Senior Center Book Club



The Whalebone Theater by Joanna Ouinn Wednesday, June 26 at noon



The Library Book by Susan Orlean Wednesday, August 28 at noon



Homecomina bv Kate Morton Wednesday, August 28 at noon

#### **MOVIE NIGHTS FOR KIDS**



Charlotte's Web (G, 2006) Thursday, July 11 at 6 PM



Wonder Park (PG, 2019) Wednesday, August 14 at 6 PM

#### **PRESCHOOL**

#### **Bedtime Stories**

Wednesdays as listed below at 6:30 PM Come in your pajamas and bring a stuffy. June 5: Blastoff to Bedtime!

July 17: **Bedtime Story** August 7: Bedtime Routines

## Kindergarten Readiness

(No classes August 26 — September 2)

#### **Babies in Bloom**

Mondays at 10:30 AM

#### **Toddler Time**

Thursdays at 10:30 AM

#### **Preschool Storytime**

Saturdays at 10:30 AM











From left: Library Foundation Director Ian Marchanti. Library Foundation President Karen Smith, Jaxton Murphy, Maryland State Delegate Nic Kipke, County Executive Steuart Pittman, County Councilman Nathan Volke, Architect Brian Walbridge and Branch Manager Johanna Doty cut the ribbon on the new library on April 25.

#### **MOVIES AT THE LIBRARY**



The Super Mario Bros. Movie (PG, 2023) Saturday, June 22 at 2 PM



Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Mutant **Mayhem** (PG, 2023) Saturday, July 6 at 2 PM



**Logan** (R, 2017) Thursday, July 11 at 6 PM



Beetlejuice (PG, 1988) Thursday, August 22 at 6:15 PM

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**Preschool Storytime** 

#### Thursdays at 10 and 11 AM

**Family Storytime** 

Mondays, June 3 and August 5 at 6 PM: Pajama Family Storytime



FREEDOM DAY

Monday, June 10 at 6 PM

Archivist and historian Chris Haley will discuss some of the historic legislative measures completed both locally and nationally which led up to the June 19,1865 emancipation of the enslaved in Galveston, Texas, what we now call Juneteenth.

All libraries will be closed on June 19 to mark Juneteenth.

#### **ALL**

#### **Homeschool Book Swap**

Saturday, June 22 at 11 AM Donate gently used books starting at 10:30 AM. Swap materials at 11 AM. Leftover books will be donated.

#### Library Resource Tour for Homeschoolers

Monday, August 5 at 2 PM

Join us for a guided tour through our digital resources to learn how the library can help homeschoolers.

#### **ADULTS**

#### Community Shred Event

Saturday, June 8 at 10 AM Participants can bring four bank-size boxes of

#### Stitchin' in the Stacks

Tuesdays, June 11, July 9 and August 13 at 2 and

materials to be shredded in the library parking lot.

#### Department of Labor Presents: A Series **Elder Scams and Reverse Mortgages**

Wednesday, June 12 at 3 PM

Is Your Mortgage Late? Don't Wait! Friday, July 19 at 3 PM

Vocational Rehab and Workforce Dev, Adult Learning

Friday, August 23 at 3 PM

#### Anne Arundel Community College Information Session

Mondays, June 17, July 15 and August 19 at 6 PM Trying to decide what's the next step after high school? Looking to change careers? Want to finish a degree, or do you simply want to take a few classes? This session can help.

#### Mindful Making

Tuesdays, June 25, July 16 and August 20 at 6 PM Practice mindfulness with crafting. Bring your project and join fellow crafters on the main library

#### **TEENS**

#### **Homeschool Teens**

Friday, August 23 at 11 AM Hang out with other homeschool teens as we

play a variety of games, try out some cool library technology and more!

#### **KIDS**

## **Sizzlin' STEM**

Wednesday, August 14 at 6 PM It's the dog days of summer, and things are really

heating up in the library science lab! See the STEM experiments our mad scientists are cooking up! Mess-friendly clothes recommended.



20 STEM Program. See page 2 for details. June, July and August 2024 21 Library Happenings

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# **Sweet Success**

Thank you to our friends at Always Ice Cream for their dedication to the library with the *Dragons Love Toffee* campaign. With your support, we scooped up \$2,184 to ensure lifelong literacy and learning. We can't wait for 2025!

Staff at all libraries were treated to Dragons Love Toffee ice cream cakes, which were hand-delivered by foundation staff and board members.

Photo: Diane Rinaldo of the AACPL Foundation Board of Directors delivered an ice cream cake to the Broadneck Library. Staff members Lynn Garretson (left) and Jennifer Hetherington (right) look forward to the treat!

# Giving Week

Many thanks to the 350 community donors who have ensured youth and adult literacy will continue to thrive (we can't do it without you!) and that Summer @ Your Library and other programs will be offered in the coming year.

Together, we raised over \$47,000. Every dollar counts towards making your library transform lives!

# Esther D. Robinson Memorial Tree at the eastport-annapolis neck library



Make a memorial gift to honor a loved one and support literacy and learning. Learn more at aacpl.net/EANtree, call 410-222-1199 or scan the code.



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# Your Donations in Action



# Fine-Motor Skill Building for Preschoolers

Kindergarten readiness programs are in full force at our branches. More than 100 people had fun squishing and creating with play dough at the Edgewater Library recently. They didn't have time to think about the fine motor skills they were honing; they were just having fun! Over six tables offered different stations where eager littles could build and create. All our preschool friends had a great time thanks to the staff who created four batches of homemade play dough. Community donors funded the ingredients and other supplies.



# Library Staff Out in the Community

Broadneck Library staff recently participated in Broadneck High School's first STEAM Fair. Over 340 students and adults learned about building manipulatives to develop foundational math and science skills. Staff brought donor-funded, hands-on educational construction building toys so everyone could unleash creativity and build critical thinking skills. Donors like you make outreach a successful reality for our community.

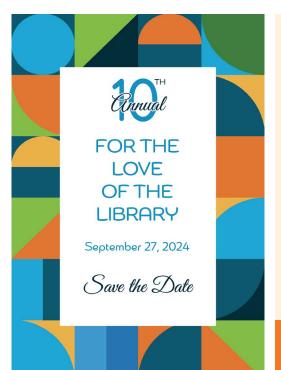
The Anne Arundel County Public Library Foundation (#20-5804064) is a charitable organization under section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

# Library Merch

Wear your library love on your sleeve — or on a mug or totebag — with custom-designed AACPL merchandise, available online at Bonfire. One hundred percent of our proceeds go to support your library.

See the whole line of products at <u>bonfire.com/store/aacpl</u>.
You can also scan the code or call 410-222-1199.





# FOR THE LOVE OF THE LIBRARY

# TOP FOUR REASONS YOU SHOULD COME TO THIS YEAR'S SIGNATURE EVENT:

- To raise funds for your library
- To mix and mingle with other library lovers
- To learn things you never knew about the library
- It's a blast!

GET TICKETS **NOW** AT *AACPL.NET/FOUNDATION/EVENTS*.

SAVE \$25 PER TICKET BEFORE SEPTEMBER 13!



# Read Between the Wines

SUNDAY, JUNE 30, 5-8 PM
Join us at the beautiful Great
Frogs Winery to enjoy charcuterie,
wine, live music and fun. Let's
raise a glass to literacy for all!
Proceeds benefit the many donorfunded programs at the library!

Buy tickets today and support your library! Scan this code or visit

aacpl.net/foundation/events.

## **Cheers to AACPL!**

Local breweries are again partnering with the library to host a month-long celebration of Literacy and Justice for All! Mark your calendars starting October 1 and look for more details on brewery dates and times.

## Support Your Library

Public funding doesn't do it all!
Your donation can increase
kindergarten readiness, connect
residents to technology and
digital resources and create
welcoming, accessible spaces for
residents of all ages.
Support your library with a
donation today!

**AACPL.NET/DONATE** 

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22 Library Happenings

# KINDERGARTEN READINESS



## ➡ Bilingual Storytime | Hora Del Cuento Bilingüe

Young children will enjoy stories, songs, rhymes and activities while building ready to read skills in English and a variety of languages.

Los niños pequeños disfrutarán de historias, canciones, rimas y actividades mientras desarrollan habilidades de lectura en inglés y en español.

#### Brooklun Park

Tuesdays, June 4, July 2 and August 6 at 11:30 AM Martes 4 de junio, 2 de julio y 6 de agosto a las 11:30 AM

#### **Busch Annapolis**

Saturday, July 27 at 10:30 AM Sábado 27 de julio a las 10:30 AM

#### Discoveries: The Library at the Mall

Friday, June 28 at 10:30 AM Viernes 28 de junio a las 10:30 AM

Eastport-Annapolis Neck

Saturday, June 8 at 10:30 AM

#### Sábado 8 de junio a las 10:30 AM Glen Burnie

Saturdays, June 8, July 6 and August 3 at 10:30 AM

Sábados 8 de junio, 6 de julio y 3 de agosto a las 10:30 AM

#### **Music and Movement**

Sing, chant, play instruments and dance while exploring sounds, rhythms and patterns that make up our language.

#### **Brooklun Park**

Fridays at 11:30 AM, and Saturday, June 29 at 11:30 AM

#### Deale

Saturdays, June 29 and August 31 at 10:30 AM

#### Discoveries: The Library at the Mall

Fridays, June 21, July 19 and August 16 at 10:30 and 11:30 AM

#### Eastport-Annapolis Neck

Saturdays, June 1, July 6 and August 3 at 10 AM

#### Edgewater

Saturdays, June 8 and July 6 at 10:30 AM

#### Glen Burnie

Thursdays at 10 AM

#### Linthicum

(Dog Days of Summer Campfire) Monday, August 5 at 6:30 PM

#### Maryland City at Russett

Saturday, August 17 at 10:30 AM

#### Severna Park

Thursday, August 1 at 5:30 PM

In addition to these programs, AACPL's Kindergarten Readiness initiative includes these Every Child Ready to Read classes: Babies in Bloom, Toddler Time, Preschool Storytime and Family Storytime, which are listed on each branch page in *Library Happenings*.

Scan the code at right for a complete schedule of AACPL Kindergarten Readiness programs.

Please note: There will be no Every Child Ready to Read classes Monday, August 26 — Monday, September 2.



Rilingual Program



# **Anne Arundel County Public Library Branch Locations**

All libraries are open Monday through Thursday: 10 AM to 9 PM and Friday and Saturday: 10 AM to 5 PM (except where noted below) \*Discoveries hours: Monday through Thursday: 10 AM to 8 PM and Friday and Saturday: 10 AM to 5 PM

#### Broadneck

1275 Green Holly Dr., Annapolis, MD 21409 410-222-1905

#### **Brooklyn Park**

1 East 11th Ave., Baltimore, MD 21225 410-222-6260

#### Michael E. Busch Annapolis

1410 West St., Annapolis, MD 21401 410-222-1750

#### Crofton

1681 Riedel Rd., Crofton, MD 21114 410-222-7915

5940 Deale-Churchton Rd, Deale, MD 20751 410-222-1925 and 410-867-4164

### \*Discoveries: The Library at the Mall

2550 Annapolis Mall Rd., Annapolis MD 21401 410-222-0133

#### **Eastport-Annapolis Neck**

269 Hillsmere Dr., Annapolis, MD 21403 410-222-1770

#### Edgewater

25 Stepneys Ln., Edgewater, MD 21037 410-222-1538

#### Glen Burnie (& Library by Mail)

1010 Eastway, Glen Burnie, MD 21060 410-222-6270

#### Linthicum

400 Shipley Rd., Linthicum, MD 21090 410-222-6265

#### **Maryland City at Russett**

3501 Russett Common, Laurel, MD 20724 410-222-1070

#### **Mountain Road**

4115 Mountain Rd., Pasadena, MD 21122 410-222-6699

1325 Annapolis Rd., Odenton, MD 21113 410-222-6277

#### Riviera Beach

1130 Duvall Highway, Pasadena, MD 21122 410-222-6285

#### Severn

2624 Annapolis Rd., Severn, MD 21144 410-222-6280

#### Severna Park

45 W. McKinsey Rd., Severna Park, MD 21146 410-222-6290



Anyone needing special accommodations should contact the appropriate library branch at least seven days in advance of the event. TTY users, please call via Maryland Relay 7-1-1. All materials are available in an alternative format upon request.