



June/ July 2022 Program Guide

**Bartholomew County
Public Library**

536 Fifth Street
Columbus Indiana

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www.mybcpl.org

Adult

* Unless otherwise noted, register at mybcpl.org/events to receive Zoom links or other event info.

Adult Take & Make

Available starting Friday, June 3

Soak up some lavender-scented tranquility with a luxurious bath soak made from Epsom salt and essential oil! First come, first serve. Pick up your kit at the Adult Circulation desk.

Bartholomew County Writer's Group

Thursday, June 9, 6:00 – 7:30 pm

Tuesday, July 14, 6:00 – 7:30 pm

Meeting Room 4

Make connections, learn, and share with other area authors.

Yoga Basics on the Plaza

Mondays in June, 9:00 – 10:00 am

Monday, July 11, 18, & 25, 9:00 – 10:00 am

Explore the practice of yoga and its philosophy and benefits with Registered Yoga Teacher Jenn Willhite. These are free sessions. Please bring your own mat. NO class on July 4th, as the library will be closed.

Skill Builders

Wednesday, June 8, 1:30 – 2:30 pm

Lower Level Reception Area

Skill Builders is a program for adults with developmental or intellectual disabilities. Skill Builders is now meeting in person at the Columbus branch. This month, we will be rock painting! Email Sandy Allman at sallman@mybcpl.org to register.

Dementia Friends Information Session

Friday, June 10, 2:00 – 3:00 pm

Friday, July 1, 2:00 – 3:00 pm

via Zoom

Become a Dementia Friend and attend a one-hour workshop with Sandy Allman, a trained Dementia Champion representing Dementia Friends Indiana. Learn about the stigma associated with dementia, and how to create community environments that are welcoming to those living with this disease. Help us become a Dementia Friendly Community

Games on the Plaza

Monday, June 13, 2:00 – 5:00 pm

on the Plaza

Stop by the library plaza to try out new tabletop games, some of which are available for checkout from the Library of Things.

Herbs in the Garden

Tuesday, June 14, 6:00 – 7:00 pm

Red Room

In this program hosted by the South Central Indiana Master Gardener Association (SCIMGA), Joyce Miller will talk about growing and using herbs. She will focus on the nutritional and medicinal benefits of the herbs and highlight some that need special care. The program will be followed by a SCIMGA business meeting, which is also open to the public.

Comics Advisory Board

Wednesday, June 15, 4:30 – 5:30 pm

Wednesday, July 20, 4:30 – 5:30 pm

Meeting Room 3

Calling all Comic fans and Manga enthusiasts! Join staff members Tia and Dakota in the new Comics Advisory Board to talk about graphics and manga!

Columbus Viewfinders Photography Club

Monday, June 20, 6:00 – 7:45 pm

Monday, July 18, 6:00 – 7:45 pm

Meeting Room 4

Learn about different photography topics and share what you know. Minimal annual dues involved after one to two meetings.

Adults Reading YA Book Club

Monday, June 20, 6:00 – 7:30 pm

Papa's Grill, 3780 W Jonathan Moore Pike

Celebrate Pride Month by reading a book by a queer author and come prepared to share what you read with the group. We'll meet at Papa's Grill and enjoy appetizers courtesy of the Friends of Bartholomew County Public Library.

Adult Craft Night

Monday, June 27, 6:00 – 7:00 pm

Lower Level Reception

BCPL Craft Night is back! Come make a seaside candle with Shelly. This will be a blue candle in a glass vase with twine wrapped around it, and a starfish attached to the rope. Register at mybcpl.org/events. Limit of 15.



American Red Cross Blood Drive

Tuesday, July 5, 1:00 – 6:00 pm

Lower Level Reception

Your blood donation matters. Register at redcrossblood.org.

What's Eating My Plants?

Tuesday, July 12, 6:00 – 7:00 pm

Red Room

In this program hosted by the South Central Indiana Master Gardener Association (SCIMGA), Dr. Barbara Hass-Jacobus, Program Director and Lecturer in Biology at IUPUI, will present on destructive and beneficial insects in the garden. This program will be followed by a SCIMGA business meeting, which is also open to the public.

Lawn Care Myths Debunked!

Wednesday, July 13, 6:00 – 7:00 pm

Red Room

Debunk some basic lawn care myths with Purdue Extension Educator Jeff Hermes. Learn the best times to reseed, fertilize, and apply pesticides with the lawn care calendar. Bring your questions - there will be plenty of time to ask specific questions to your situation. Every lawn is different!

Skill Builders

Thursday, July 14, 1:30 – 2:30 pm

Lower Level Reception Area

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Writing the Moments that Matter:

Capturing Stories Creatively

Friday, July 15 & 22, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Meeting Room 4

If you want to learn how to best share your most enriching, edifying or life-changing events with family and friends, come explore the art of creative story writing with local author, Karen Sjoblom. In Part 1 (July 15), you'll learn how to narrow your topic, craft your message, play with dialogue, and utilize humor and pathos to capture your most remarkable moments. Then, return for Part 2 to read your drafts aloud and gain valuable feedback and encouragement from your peers. Register at mybcpl.org/events. Limit of 10.

Adult Craft Night

Tuesday, July 19, 6:00 – 7:00 pm

Lower Level Reception

Join staff member Shelly (no pun intended!) in making a framed seashell collage. This will be a white or black frame with various sizes of seashells displayed in it to hang on your wall! Register at mybcpl.org/events. Limit of 15.

All Book'd Book Club

Tuesday, July 26, 5:30 – 6:30 pm

Meeting Room 4/ via Zoom

Join library staff members Shelly and Maria for a book discussion. The book title pick for this month is *At the Edge of the Haight* by Katherine Seligman. You can attend in-person, or via Zoom. Pick up a copy of the book at the library, or via curbside service.

This month, All Book'd Book Club is collecting food for the "Food for Friends" shelf inside the Library. If you are able, please consider bringing a non-perishable food item with you!

Memory Kits

Memory kits are a resource for caregivers of loved ones with dementia, with content designed for adults. Most items were purchased from the Alzheimer's Store. Each themed kit has activities to provide hours of entertainment for your loved one.

For more information, contact Sandy Allman, sallman@mybcpl.org.



All Ages

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Summer Reading Kick-off

at Columbus

June 6, 5:00 – 7:00 pm, on the Plaza

at Hope

June 8, 3:00 – 5:00 pm

Join us for *argh*-some activities like a bouncy slide, dunk tank, snow cones from Sno Biz, and mermaid storytime!

With special appearances from Pirate Dave and his crewmates, it's *shore* to be a *whale* of a good time.

Hope to sea you there!

Tomato Planting with Purdue Extension

Wednesday, June 1, 5:30 – 6:30 pm

on the Plaza

Learn about growing productive plants in containers with Purdue Extension Educator Cora Carter. No matter your situation, if you have a backyard, patio, porch, or balcony, you can grow a tomato. Each family/household will get to plant and take home 1 bucket with a tomato plant. Space is limited – registration required. Rain makes the location the Lower Level Reception Area on the ground floor of Main.

Oceans and Possibilities

Available through June

Visit our Columbus location to explore fun and whimsical art by Indiana artist Greg Potter, courtesy of the Columbus Museum of Art & Design (CMAD). Art will be on display on the main level near the front doors and in the lower level reception area. Visitors are encouraged to pick up a coloring sheet or to write a short story about their favorite artworks.

Paint Along

Thursday, June 2, 4:00 – 5:00 pm

Thursday, June 23, 6:00 – 7:00 pm

Lower Level Reception Area

Join artist Greg Potter of our "Oceans and Possibilities" art exhibit and paint along to create your own unique artwork! The June 2 session will feature a version of *Starry Night*, and the June 23 session will be more abstract. All supplies will be provided. Children between 8 and 12 who register must bring an adult with them to the program; if the adult also wishes to paint, they will need to register as well, as supplies are limited.

The Great Brickish Makeoff

Submissions accepted Jun 13 – 25

Voting period June 27 – July 9

Prizewinners notified July 15

It's time for the Summer 2022 Great Brickish Make-Off Challenge! We invite you to use brick-style blocks to create an original design inspired by this year's theme: oceans! You can use your own bricks at home, or you can use Legos provided here at the library. Entries will be displayed in the library where they are submitted, and a fan favorite and up to three entries per age group will be chosen to win a new Lego set! Pick up an information sheet and a registration form at the library.

Bermuda Triangle Escape Room

Saturday, June 25 in the Red Room

10:00 – 11:00 am & 11:30 – 12:30 pm - All Ages

2:00 – 3:00 pm - Teens

3:30 – 4:30 pm - Adults

Welcome, travelers! I'm so glad you decided to embark on this journey with us. This is a non-stop flight from Washington, DC to San Juan, Puerto Rico. We're looking at a smooth journey over the Bermuda Triangle today, but if anything goes wrong, we'll be looking to you to help out. Make sure you look all around you as you board the plane so you know where everything is. Registration required. Limit 15 per hour.

Stitching is Fun for Everyone

Saturday, July 9, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Meeting Room 4

Drop in between 10am and 2pm to learn the basics of stitching with members of the Embroiderer's Guild of America!

Henry Moore's Birthday Party

Saturday, July 30, 2:00 – 3:00 pm

on the Plaza

Join us on the Plaza for birthday cake and watercolor painting to celebrate the birthday of Henry Moore, sculptor of the Large Arch!

Concerts

Northbound Hounds on the Plaza

Friday, June 10, 6:00 – 7:30 pm
on the Plaza

Join us on the Library Plaza for a concert by Northbound Hounds. Bring your own chairs. This event can also be viewed live at facebook.com/mybcpl.

Banister Family Bluegrass Band on the Plaza

Friday, June 17, 6:00 pm
on the Plaza

Enjoy high-energy bluegrass and classic country music on the Library Plaza. Bring your own chairs, or view the concert live at facebook.com/mybcpl.

Jeroco on the Plaza

Friday, July 15, 6:00 pm
on the Plaza

Join us on the Library Plaza for a concert by Jeroco. Bring your own chairs. This event can also be viewed live at facebook.com/mybcpl.

The Fabulous Hickbilys on the Plaza

Friday, July 29, 6:00 – 7:30 pm
on the Plaza

Enjoy the energetic sounds of the Fabulous Hickbilys on the Library Plaza! Bring your own chair, or view at facebook.com/mybcpl.

Community Partners



Juneteenth Celebration

Saturday, June 18, 4:00 – 8:00 pm
Visitor's Center/Library Plaza

Look for library staff at the Juneteenth celebration. Storytimes will be held on the children's patio at 4:30 and 5:30pm. Other activities will be available from 4-6pm on the Library Plaza!

Stone Belt Art Display

Available through July

Come and enjoy artwork created by artists at Stone Belt Disability Services by visiting an ocean and environmental-themed exhibition at BCPL. The exhibition will be available for viewing all month.

Sandi's Closet is a no cost, pop up shopping experience for people living with dementia.

To donate, volunteer, or reserve a Sandi's Closet event for your organization, please email us at sandisclosetpopupshop@gmail.com

The Alzheimer's Association Walk to End

Alzheimer's® is the world's largest event to raise awareness and funds for Alzheimer's care, support and research. Held annually in more than 600 communities nationwide, this inspiring event calls on participants of all ages and abilities to join the fight against the disease.

Join the fight for Alzheimer's first survivor. Register today at alz.org/walk.

At Hope

Storytime with Mr. Dave!

Thursdays in June & July, 10:00 am
Town Square Bandstand

Call Mr. Dave at 812-546-5310 for more information!

Teens-Only Summer Reading Kickoff Celebration

Wednesday, June 8, 3:00 – 5:00 pm
Hope Annex

Celebrate the start of Summer Reading with crafts, games, snacks and drinks with Teen Staff. This event happens concurrently with the library-wide celebration. Make sure to stop by the dunk tank for a chance to dunk Dakota.

Teens June

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Mondays

Teens-Only Summer Reading Kickoff Celebration

Monday, June 6, 5:00 – 7:00 pm

Teen Area

Celebrate the start of Summer Reading with crafts, games, snacks and drinks with Teen Staff. This event happens concurrently with the library-wide celebration. Make sure to stop by the Plaza for an attempt at dunking Dakota in the dunk tank.

Teen Digital Music Production

Monday, June 13, 3:00 – 4:00 pm

Red Room

In this program, we'll go over some basics of creating music using Audiotool.com. Audiotool is a free digital audio workstation (DAW) with a surprisingly robust offering of digital instruments, effects, and samples. Use one of the library's Chromebooks to participate, or bring your own laptop.

Teen Advisory Board (TAB) Meeting

Monday, June 20, 4:00 – 5:00 pm

Conference Room

Help plan future teen programs and events with Christina!

Teen Poetry Workshop: Zines!

Monday, June 27, 3:00 – 5:00 pm

Conference Room

In this special offering of our teen poetry workshop, we'll collaborate on assembling a poetry zine for the library's infamous Zine Collection! Write a poem, draw some art, or print out your favorite poems/artwork to contribute to an original zine!

Tuesdays

Teen STEAM: Geocaching

Tuesday, June 7, 4:00 – 5:00 pm

Teen Area

Geocaching is an outdoor treasure hunting adventure that uses GPS. Learn to find these treasures and make your own! We will start in the Teen Area and explore downtown Columbus.

Tuesdays (cont.)

Teen STEAM: Gardening

Tuesday, June 14 & 21, 4:00 – 5:00 pm
on the Patio

Help tend to the teen garden and Irwin Gardens by planting seeds, watering, pruning, and thinning plants, and other assorted tasks.

Pride Month Book Club

Tuesday, June 28, 4:00 – 5:00 pm

Conference Room

Celebrate Pride month at this special edition of Teen Book Club. Read a queer book, watch a queer movie or TV show, play a queer video game, or listen to queer music to talk about at this meeting. Snacks and drinks will be provided.

Wednesdays

Watch-It WednesGAY: *Love, Simon*

Wednesday, June 1, 4:00 – 6:00 pm

Red Room

Part one of the Pride Month movie marathon! Watch teen romcom *Love, Simon*, the 2018 adaptation of Becky Albertali's *Simon vs the Homo sapiens Agenda*. Popcorn and drinks provided.

Watch-It WednesGAY: *The Half of It*

Wednesday, June 15, 4:00 – 6:00 pm

Red Room

Part two of the Pride Month movie marathon! Watch teen romcom *The Half of It*, directed by Alice Wu. Popcorn and drinks provided.

Watch-It WednesGAY: *Prom*

Wednesday, June 22, 4:00 – 6:00 pm

Red Room

Part three of the Pride Month movie marathon! Watch the Netflix musical *Prom*, based on the Broadway musical of the same name. Popcorn and drinks provided.

Watch-It WednesGAY: *Heartstopper*

Wednesday, June 29, 4:00 – 6:00 pm

Red Room

Part four of the Pride Month movie marathon! Watch the new Netflix series *Heartstopper*, based on the graphic novels of the same name by Alice Oseman. Popcorn and drinks provided.



Thursdays

Thursgame: Giant Jenga

Thursday, June 2, 4:00 – 5:00 pm
on the Patio

Experience the library's new Giant Jenga with teen staff.

Thursgame: Unstable Unicorns

Thursday, June 9, 2:00 – 5:00 pm
on the Patio

Play Unstable Unicorns with the Teen Staff. Bring friends, build a perfect stable, sabotage friends, lose friends, unicorns are your friends now.

Thursgame: Dungeons and Dragons

Thursday, June 16, 4:00 – 5:30 pm
on the Patio

Join the fifth season of Teen D&D, perfect for beginners and returning players. Dice, character sheets, and other materials provided. Limit 6 participants. Registration required.

Thursgame: Pirate Live Action Role Play (LARP)

Thursday, June 23, 3:00 – 6:00 pm
Mill Race Park

Play as a pirate stranded on a desert island as you attempt to steal supplies in order to escape the island. Build and break alliances, outwit the other pirates, and win treasure. (Note: this event will include water balloons). Registration required.

Thursgame: Happy Little Dinosaurs

Thursday, June 30, 2:00 – 5:00 pm
Teen Area

Avoid disasters in this card game to be the last dinosaur standing.

Fridays

Teen Anime Club

Friday, June 3, 3:00 – 5:00 pm
Red Room

Discuss your favorite anime and manga with others as we make anime-inspired crafts.

Teen DIY: Seashell Art

Friday, June 10, 3:00 – 4:00 pm
Teen Area

Use seashells to make your own unique art creation. All supplies provided.

Teen DIY: Bedazzle Sunglasses

Friday, June 17, 3:00 – 4:00 pm
Teen Area

Bedazzle a pair of shades any way you like. All supplies provided.

Teen DIY: Sea Slime

Friday, June 24, 3:00 – 4:00 pm
Teen Area

Make a translucent slime resembling the sea, little creatures included. All supplies provided.

Saturdays

Teen Pro Gamer Club

Saturday, June 11, 3:00 – 5:00 pm
Red Room

That's right: pro gamer club is meeting in person at the library! Play games on the library's Nintendo Switch with your fellow teens. Feel free to bring your own Switch, joycons, games, etc. as well!



Teens July

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Zine Workshop

Monday, July 18, 3:00 – 5:00 pm
Lower Level Reception

Learn to make zines (self-published works of original or appropriated texts and images). Make your own, which you can take home or add to the library's notorious zine collection. All supplies provided.

Teen Poetry Workshop

Monday, July 18, 3:00 – 4:00 pm
Meeting Room 4

This program provides young adult writers with the space to write and share original works of poetry in a supportive environment.

Teen Advisory Board (TAB) Meeting

Monday, July 18, 4:00 – 5:00 pm
Conference Room

Help plan future teen programs and events with Christina!

Teen Anime Club

Monday, July 25, 4:00 – 5:00 pm
Red Room

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Tuesdays

Teen STEAM: Gardening

Tuesday, July 5 & 12, 4:00 – 5:00 pm
on the Patio

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Tuesdays (cont.)

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Teen Book Club: Oceans of Possibilities

Tuesday, July 26, 4:00 – 5:00 pm
Conference Room

Read a book, watch a movie or TV show, play a video game, or listen to music related to the Summer Reading Program theme to talk about at this meeting. Snacks and drinks will be provided.

Wednesdays

Watch-It Wednesday: *Jaws*

Wednesday, July 6, 4:00 – 6:00 pm
Red Room

Watch Steven Spielberg's 1975 horror film as part of this month's Oceans of Possibilities-themed movie marathon. Popcorn and drinks provided.

Watch-It Wednesday:

The Little Mermaid Singalong

Wednesday, July 13, 4:00 – 6:00 pm
Red Room

Sing along (or don't) to Disney's *The Little Mermaid*, as part of this month's Oceans of Possibilities-themed movie marathon. Popcorn and drinks provided.

Watch-It Wednesday: *Underwater*

Wednesday, July 20, 4:00 – 6:00 pm
Red Room

Watch the 2020 thriller *Underwater*, as part of this month's Oceans of Possibilities-themed movie marathon. Popcorn and drinks provided.

Watch-It Wednesday: *Moana* Singalong

Wednesday, July 27, 4:00 – 6:00 pm
Red Room

Sing along (or don't) to Disney's *Moana*, as part of this month's Oceans of Possibilities-themed movie marathon. Popcorn and drinks provided.



Thursdays

Thursgame: Casino Nite

Thursday, July 7, 4:00 – 6:00 pm

Teen Area

Learn to play casino card games like Poker and Blackjack with Teen Staff! Maybe we'll play Go Fish as well? Who knows!

Teen RPG: Percy Jackson & the Olympians

Thursday, July 14, 4:00 – 6:00 pm

Conference Room

Explore the world of Percy Jackson by creating your own demigod character attending Camp Half-Blood. This game will use Jason Mills' Demigods system.

Thursgame: Battleship Tournament

Thursday, July 21, 2:00 – 5:00 pm

Teen Area

Participate in a tournament-style game of the classic game, Battleship.

Thursgame: Dungeons and Dragons

Thursday, July 28, 4:00 – 5:30 pm

Conference Room

Join the fifth season of Teen D&D, perfect for beginners and returning players. Dice, character sheets, and other materials provided. Limit 6 participants. Registration required.

Fridays

Teen DIY: Moss Ball Habitats

Friday, July 1, 3:00 – 4:00 pm

Teen Area

Make a cute little habitat for a cute little moss friend! All materials and moss balls provided.

Teen DIY: Sea Creature Terrariums

Friday, July 15, 3:00 – 4:00 pm

Teen Area

Make a little place for your sea creatures to live. All supplies provided.

Teen Lock-In: Oceans of Possibilities

Friday, July 22, 6:30 – 11:30 pm

Teen Area

Come celebrate the end of summer with your friends as we play games, watch movies, make crafts, and eat snacks! Registration required. Limit 20.

Teen DIY: Painted Bookends

Friday, July 29, 3:00 – 4:00 pm

Teen Area

Paint a bookend from the Teen shelves and leave your artistic legacy for-ev-er!

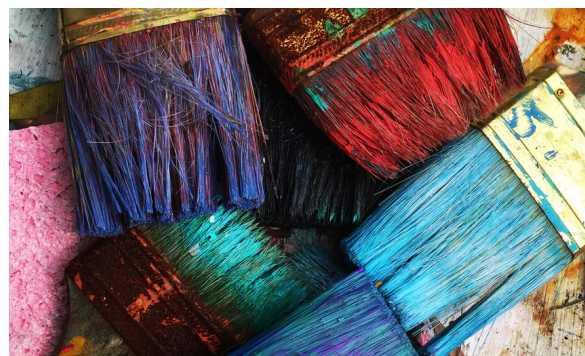
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Storywalk

StoryWalks®

Enjoy some fresh air and one of our StoryWalks®! A StoryWalk® is a picture book you read as you walk along a path or sidewalk.

Blackwell Park StoryWalk®

Together with the Columbus Parks and Recreation Department, we are excited to bring you *Don't Worry, Little Crab* by Chris Haughton in June, and *Marlo* by Christopher Browne in July.

The StoryWalk is located along the People Trail near the Pollinator Park in Blackwell Park.

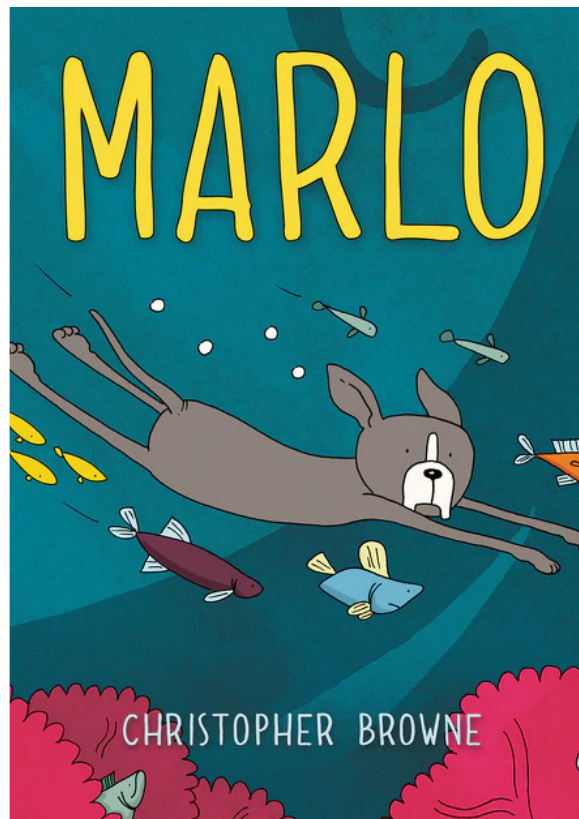
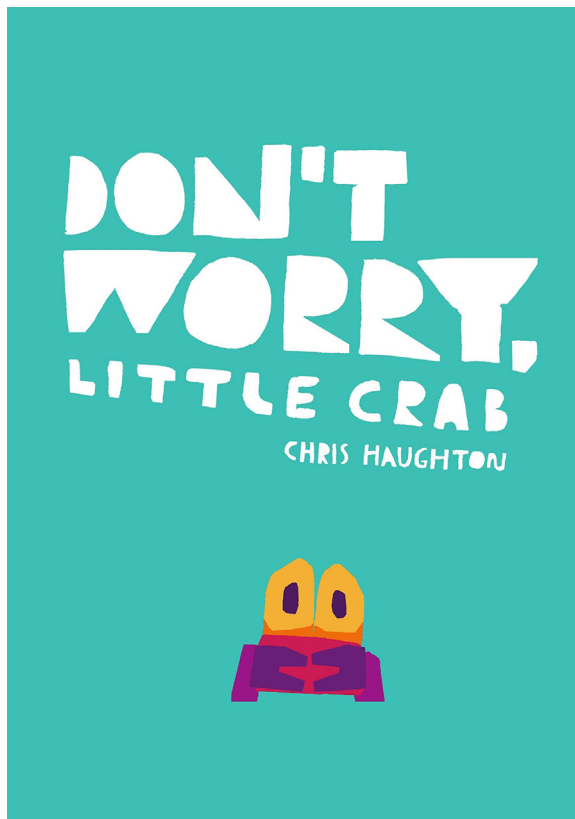
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Dial-a-Story

812-579-4321

Call in for a new story each week, or to follow along with any of our storywalks! Children who call in each week will also receive a secret code for 20 points towards their summer reading goal!





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Storytimes

Storytimes will be held outdoors on the library patio unless the program description indicates otherwise. Please feel free to bring blankets or camp chairs to sit on. Programs may be moved to an indoor location in the event of rain, so please check in at the children's desk to find out where the program is occurring.

Masks are strongly encouraged for ages 3 and up for any program held in the Storytime Room due to limited space and ventilation.

Mondays at Millrace Storytime: Ages 1-5 📍

Monday, June 13, 20, & 27, 10:00 – 10:30 am

Monday, July 11, 18, & 25, 10:00 – 10:30 am

Mill Race Park Amphitheater

Enjoy a storytime at the beautiful Mill Race Park! We will meet at the Amphitheater near the 5th Street park entrance. These storytimes are geared towards children ages 1-5.

Toddler Time 📍

Ages 18 mo. – 3 years

Tuesdays in June, 10:00 – 10:30 am

Tuesday, July 12, 18, & 25, 10:00 – 10:30 am

on the Patio

Join us outside on the patio for Toddler Time! This relaxed program is a toddler-friendly introduction to storytime. Toddler time is geared towards children ages 18 months to 3 years old.

Storytime 📍

Ages 3 - 5

Tuesdays in June, 11:00 – 11:30 am

Tuesday, July 12, 19, 26, 11:00 – 11:30 am

on the Patio

Join us outside on the patio for Storytime!

Storytime 📍

Ages 1 - 5

Monday, June 13 & 27, 6:00 – 6:30 pm

Thursdays in June, 1:00 – 1:30 pm

Monday, July 11 & 25, 6:00 – 6:30 pm

Thursday July 14, 21, & 28, 1:00 – 1:30 pm

on the Patio

We'll have stories, songs, and rhymes on the patio! This storytime is geared towards children ages 1-5, but all ages are welcome.

Library Babies 📍

Thursdays in June, 10:00 – 10:30 am

Thursday, July 14, 21, & 28, 10:00 – 10:30 am

Storytime Room

This relaxed program is a baby-friendly introduction to storytime. Library Babies is geared towards children birth to 18 months and their caregivers. Registration is required and will be limited to 5 family groups per session. To register, please call the Children's Desk at **812-379-1288**.

French Storytime 📍

Thursday, June 2, 4:00 – 4:30 pm

Thursday, July 7, 4:00 – 4:30 pm

Storytime Room

Join Columbus Indiana ACCUEIL for a special French storytime for ages 2-8.

Reading with Lottie 📍

Monday, June 6 & 20, 11:00 am – 12:00 pm

Thursday, June 23, 3:45 – 4:45 pm

Thursday, July 7, 3:45 – 4:45 pm

Monday, July 11 & 18, 11:00 am – 12:00 pm

Storytime Room

Come practice your reading skills and read to Lottie, the Great Dane, in one of 4 individual story sessions! Each session lasts 15 minutes. This program is first come, first served. Pick up a ticket at the Children's Desk starting half an hour before the program.

Farmers Market Storytime 📍

Saturday, June 18, 9:00 – 9:30 am

Saturday, July 23, 9:00 – 9:30 am

Columbus Farmers Market

Enjoy a storytime at the Farmers Market before you start your shopping! Library staff will meet at the entertainment area of the Farmers Market at 9am to share stories, songs, and rhymes.

Seahorse Storytime and Stuffing 🐠

Ages 3-8

Friday, July 15, 2:00 – 2:30 pm

Lower Level Reception Area

Registration Required

Join library staff to learn about seahorses and to make your own stuffed seahorse to snuggle! All supplies are provided. Registration is required for each child who wishes to make a seahorse.

Kids

Get Creative!

Programs for the artists, designers, and engineers in your family.

Block o' Clock

Ages 0-5

Thursdays in June, 11:00 – 11:30 am

Thursday, July 14, 21, 28, 11:00 – 11:30 am

Children's Department

A littles-friendly version of Builder's Guild! Join library staff and fellow budding builders to create, share, and have fun with Megablox! Several varieties of blocks may be available for free play, and staff may offer gentle challenges according to participants' abilities. We will meet near the giant blocks in the back of the department.

Builder's Guild

Grades K - 6

Friday, June 3, 3:30 – 4:30 pm

Friday, July 1, 3:30 – 4:30 pm

Children's Department

Join library staff and fellow builders to create, share, and have fun! Each session will feature a building challenge as well as free play, and participants' creations may be featured in one of our library display cases. Building supplies may include Legos, K'nex, or any of our other building toys and materials.

Kids' Art Studio

Fridays in June and July, 12:30 – 1:30 pm

Storytime Room

Calling all artists and mess-makers! Join library staff and unleash your creativity each week - we'll provide all the supplies you need. This is an open-ended drop-in program, and art supplies available will vary according to attendance and interest.

Artistic Tuesday

Tuesdays in June and July, 12:30 – 1:00 pm

Patio or Storytime Room

Registration Required

Join library staff for arts and crafts! Each week, we will create a different project. Supplies and space are limited, so registration is required for each week you wish to participate. Check in at the desk before each session to find out if we will be on the patio or in the storytime room (we will choose the space that best suits that week's craft).

Drama Club

Monday, June 13, 20, 27, & July 11

4:00 – 5:00 pm, Storytime Room

Registration Required

Calling all actors, writers, storytellers, and drama queens and kings! Regular kids are welcome too! Join library staff as we work to put together a special storytime session, including selecting a story, scripting it, creating props, rehearsing, and finally, performing! **We will perform our story at the July 11 Family Storytime at 6pm.** Families of club members are invited to attend. We will order pizza during our final rehearsal on the 11th.

Origami Workshop

Friday, June 24, 4:00 – 5:00 pm

Friday, July 29, 4:00 – 5:00 pm

Children's Department

Join library staff and learn to make and decorate fun origami creations! In June, we will make adorable sea creatures like crabs and sharks! In July, our creations will be summer-themed butterflies and cute melon bookmarks!

Tween Explore More: Circuit building

Thursday, July 14, 4:00 – 5:00 pm

Storytime Room

Registration Required

Each month kids in grades 3-6 can explore a new hobby or interest. This month, we will build circuits to create ocean dwelling angler fish that really light up!

Ocean Explorers









Saturday, July 16, 1:00 – 2:00 pm

on the Patio

Registration Required

Join library staff to create and explore! We will make an aquascope and use it to explore underwater.

BCPL supports the 40 Developmental Assets through our ongoing programming and engagement with the youth of Bartholomew County. Every encounter is an opportunity to build upon these assets to help foster healthy development among our young people.

 Support	 Constructive Use of Time
 Empowerment	 Commitment to Learning
 Boundaries and Expectations	 Positive Values
 Social Competencies	 Positive Identity



Up and Moving

Programs centered around physical activity and movement.

Hike at Touch the Earth Natural Area with Sycamore Land Trust

Monday, June 6, 10:00 – 11:00 am

Touch the Earth Natural Area

Registration Required

The Sycamore Land Trust environmental education director will lead us on a hike through Touch the Earth Natural Area, located at North Country Club Road off State Road 46 (directions available online). This hike is for children in grades kindergarten through third grade and their caregiver. Caregivers are required to stay with their children for the entire hike. Please bring your own bug spray, sunscreen, and water. Please keep in mind that there are no restrooms available at this location. This program may be canceled due to inclement weather so keep an eye on the events calendar and social media. Registration is required, please register once per vehicle attending as parking will be limited.

Patio Playdate

Tuesdays in June, 11:30 am – 12:00 pm

Tuesday, July 12, 19, & 26, 11:30 am – 12:00 pm on the Patio

Join us outside on the patio for a relaxed playdate! We'll have outdoor toys and music for families to meet, talk, and play on the patio. Playdates are geared towards children ages 1-5. If it rains, families are invited to play together indoors.

D.I.G. Time (Drop in Gardening)

Monday, June 13 & 27, 2:00 – 2:30 pm

Monday, July 11 & 25, 2:00 – 2:30 pm on the Patio

Come get dirty and help things grow at Drop-in Gardening Time! Each D.I.G. time will be a little different but they will all be full of dirt, plants, and fun! This program is for kids of all ages and their caregivers. D.I.G. Time may be cancelled due to weather, so keep an eye on our events page and social media.

Kids Yoga

Ages 2 - 4: Tuesday, June 14, 10:30 – 11:00 am

Ages 2 - 4: Tuesday, July 12, 10:30 – 11:00 am

Ages 5 - 8: Monday, June 20, 2:00 – 2:30 pm

Ages 5 - 8: Monday, July 18, 2:00 – 2:30 pm

Library Plaza

Join Elemental Yoga for a yoga adventure as we explore, imagine and move. No yoga experience is necessary. Please bring your yoga mat and your imagination.

Cardio Drumming

Grades 1 - 6

Wednesday, June 15 & 29, 4:00 – 4:30 pm

Wednesday, July 13 & 27, 4:00 – 4:30 pm

Red Room

Registration Required

What do you get when you combine drumsticks, laundry baskets, and yoga balls? Cardio drumming! Join us as we create our own beats to popular songs and learn some percussion techniques, too! Participants are encouraged to bring a water bottle and to wear comfortable shoes and clothing. Registration is required for each session you wish to attend.

Obstacle Course

Saturday, June 18, 10:30 am – 12:00 pm

Children's Department

Come walk the plank and dodge the sharks in this obstacle course. This is a drop-in program.

Take & Make Programs

Kids Kitchen

Register by June 7th

Pick up begins June 7th

Do you enjoy cooking? Register at mybcpl.org for your own jello fish bowl kit! All included food ingredients and materials are prepared safely using gloves on a sanitized surface.

Kids Kitchen

Register by July 5th

Pick up begins July 5th

Do you enjoy cooking? Register by July 5th for your own blue slushie kit! All included food ingredients and materials are prepared safely using gloves on a sanitized surface. You will need a blender at home for this kit.

Kids

Fun and Games

The name says it all – fun programs for curious kids and families!

Game Time

**Wednesdays in June and July, 12:30 – 1:30 pm
on the Patio**

Join library staff to play a variety of board games, movement games, and even some giant games! This program is a drop-in program and activities offered will vary according to attendance and interest.

TableToppers

Friday, June 10, 4:00 – 5:00 pm

Friday, July 8, 4:00 – 5:00 pm

Children's Department

Play games, make friends, and have fun! Each session, we will choose a tabletop game or two to play together. Registration is encouraged for planning purposes, but not required. If we have a large group, we may divide up in order to accommodate all players.

Family Game Night with Turning Point

Tuesday, June 14, 6:00 – 7:00 pm

Tuesday, July 12, 6:00 – 7:00 pm

Children's Department/ Library Patio

Join us for an evening of family fun and games with Turning Point! We will provide board games and giant games, and you'll make the fun. We may even give away some games to take home!

Tween Explore More:

Bermuda Triangle Escape Room 

Thursday, June 16, 4:00 – 5:00 pm

Conference Room

Registration Required

Each month kids in grades 3-6 can explore a new hobby or interest. This month, join library staff as they break-out of this Bermuda Triangle-themed escape room. Space is limited, so registration is required to participate.

Treasure Hunters

Friday, June 17, 4:00 – 5:00 pm

Clifty Park

Friday, July 15, 4:00 – 5:00 pm

Mill Race

Join library staff as we geocache and search for “treasure” around Bartholomew County! In June, we will meet at the playground shelter at Clifty Park. In July, we will meet at the playground at Mill Race Park. We will be walking around during this event, so please wear comfortable clothing and shoes, and apply sunscreen or bug spray if desired. Parents are requested to stay at the park during this event.

Family STEAM Night

Monday, June 20, 6:00 – 6:30 pm

Monday, July 18, 6:00 – 6:30 pm

on the Patio

Children of all ages and their caregivers will splash, play, and learn as we investigate science, technology, engineering, art, and math topics related to water!

Fan Club: Pokémon

Wednesday, June 22, 4:00 – 4:45 pm

on the Patio

Come enjoy a juice box on the patio and meet other Pokémon fans! We'll have Pokémon trivia and prizes, pokeball throwing practice, Pokémon crafts, and tables set up to battle your Pokémon deck against a friend's! Registration is requested but not required.

Fan Club: Dragons!

Thursday, July 21, 4:00 – 4:45 pm

on the Patio

If you love *Wings of Fire*, *How to Train Your Dragon*, or Dragons in general, this is the Fan Club for you! Cool off with a juice box, win a prize in dragon trivia, design your ideal dragon, and try your hand at dragon training! Registration is requested but not required.

Pirate LARP (Live Action Role Play) for Tweens

Friday, July 22, 4:00 – 5:00 pm

on the Patio

Registration Required

Tweens in grades 3-6 are invited to solve their way through a live action pirate adventure! Teams will move through challenges and obstacles in a race against each other to find the buried treasure. Invite your friends and form your own team, or join a team once you arrive. Pirate costumes are encouraged!



...and More!

Whalemobile 🌐

Friday, June 17, 9:30 – 11:30 am
on the Plaza

Registration Required

At this whale-y cool program, naturalist and environmental educator Cynde McInnis will teach us about whales and ocean conservation from inside a life-size model of a whale! This program is for ages 5 and up only. Caregivers are not required to go into the whale with children, but if they would like to, they must be registered, as space is limited. Please register for only one time slot, if you miss your slot, we cannot guarantee space in another time slot. In the event of bad weather, the program will be held inside the library.

Kids Who Care 🌐

Monday, June 20, 11:00 am – 12:00 pm
on the Patio

Calling all kids (and grownups) who care! Join library staff as we learn together through community service and engagement. This month, we will be meeting with Turning Point on the library patio to learn more about building healthy relationships and how we can help promote and support them in our community. As part of this session, we will be collecting food for shelter residents at Turning Point, and you are invited to bring a box of your favorite breakfast cereal or favorite non-perishable snack to donate. This program is appropriate for children and families of all ages who are looking for service opportunities or just want to help and show how much they care. Discussion of relationships will be age-appropriate for young children. Registration for this program is encouraged for planning purposes, but not required.

Hurricane STEM Challenge 🌐

Wednesday, July 20, 4:00 – 5:00 pm
on the Patio

Registration Required

Join library staff for a hurricane STEM challenge. Supplies are limited, so registration is required to participate.



Game Time



Fan Club: Pokémon



Whalemobile

Summer Reading Program 2022



Summer is here, and we are once again teaming up with multiple community organizations to bring a cohesive summer learning experience to Bartholomew County! Join us from June 1 to July 22 as we celebrate lifelong learning in and around our community.

Why should I participate?

It's fun! You can learn and earn prizes at the same time, including books, coupons, and raffle entries. You can also earn digital badges to keep track of your accomplishments and share them with your friends and family members.

What do I need to do to participate and earn points/ prizes?

You can earn points in two ways: reading books, and participating in fun activities in and around the community. Every time you read or complete an activity, log it online for points!

Every 60 points (approximately 1 hour of participation) will allow you to "Level up" and earn an entry in that week's gift card raffle.

Every 300 points you earn can be redeemed for a book or coupon from the library.

If you reach 1500 points (25 hours of participation) over the course of the summer, you will earn a master learner badge and be entered into a grand prize drawing for \$100!

Rumor has it that some activities will earn you a secret code which can be entered for additional points and badges – so pay attention!

How do I sign up?

Register online at mybcpl.bookpoints.org. If you don't have internet access, we can help you with this at the library (or you can participate screen-free – read on)!

Sign up and track either the number of books you have read or the number of minutes you have read - it's up to you!

Note that families only need to create one account; you will be able to add multiple "readers" (participants) to your family account and still track individually.

How should I track my reading?

When tracking minutes read, you earn a point for every minute you spend reading, which is great if you spend a lot of time with your books! Tracking books read, on the other hand, allows you to count each individual book you read towards your reading goal, which is a good option if you read a lot of shorter books, such as picture books or easy readers.

Screen-free participation

Patrons who do not wish to track their participation online can participate by completing a tracking and activity sheet, which can be picked up at any library branch or outreach event.

For more information, contact the library at 812-379-1276.

