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SUMMER 2025 MAGAZINE



PROGRAMS & EVENTS



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HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

6/19 - Juneteenth

7/4 - Independence Day

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Letter from the Director



Dear Community Members,

As we approach the warmer months, I'm thrilled to announce the launch of our annual Summer Reading Program with this year's inspiring theme: "Color Our World." This beloved tradition continues our commitment to fostering a love of reading and learning in children throughout our community.

Reading is one of the most powerful gifts we can give our children. Beyond building vocabulary and comprehension skills, reading opens doors to new worlds, sparks imagination, and creates

foundations for lifelong learning. Studies consistently show that children who read during summer months return to school better prepared to continue their academic journey.

Each of our branch locations will offer unique "Color Our World" activities tailored to their communities. Children can track their reading progress, earn rainbow-themed rewards, and participate in special events all summer long.

I invite families to visit your local library branch, meet our dedicated staff, and discover the colorful adventures waiting inside books and beyond. Together, let's make this summer one of exploration, discovery, and joy through reading as we color our world with imagination. Happy reading!

Staff Highlight: Summer Hindt



Summer has worked at Wicomico Public Library since 2022 as a Branch Assistant at the Centre Branch. Her job includes a variety of tasks besides working at the Circulation Desk. She is very good at teaching Arts and Crafts and runs many programs with expertise. Summer excels in customer service, is always pleasant and helpful to all patrons.

Summer grew up in the library, which has been a significant part of her life. As a teenager, she began volunteering at the Centre Library and realized that her desire was to become a

librarian. Making connections with people has always been a favorite aspect of the job.

A great deal of thought goes into Summer's programs, but she finds the effort rewarding and worth every minute. Her success is rooted in her compassion, patience, and dedication to assisting the patrons who visit the branch. Wicomico Public Library is very proud to have her as an employee.

Summer Reading!



Join the Color Our World Summer Reading Challenge at Wicomico Public Library, June 1 through August 23! This year, you choose your own reading goal: 15, 25, 40, or 60 days. The activities and challenges are the same for everyone, making it easy for the whole family to join in the fun.

Every month, we'll draw prize winners from those signed up; just by participating, you could win something cool! Finish your reading goal and return your game board by August 23 to complete the challenge.

Want to go digital? Track your progress online at wicomicolibrary.beanstack.org or download the Beanstack App. This summer, let books brighten your world!



SUMMER READING T-SHIRTS

Sarbanes Children's Librarians are ready to color your world!

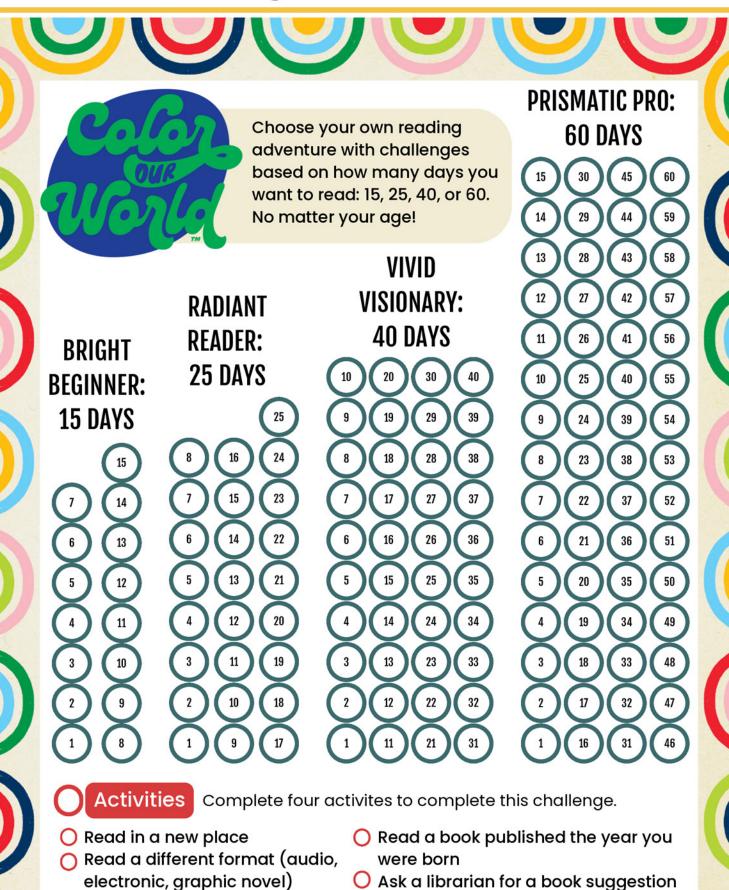
Introducing this year's Summer Reading T-shirt! You can pick up your shirt for **\$5** at any Wicomico Library Branch. Grab yours today and let the adventure begin!

YOUR SUMMER READING **COULD WIN YOU A PRIZE!**

Each month this summer, readers of all ages have a chance to win fun prizes just by joining and participating in the Summer Reading Challenge!

From creative sketch kits and cool games to Wow Water Pads and collectible Funko Pops, there's something exciting for everyone. Sign up, get reading, and you might score a prize just for being part of the fun!

Summer Reading Gameboard



Attend a library program

Read a book set in Maryland

Community Spotlight: Story Walks



Want to read a book but still enjoy the great outdoors? StoryWalk is a fun way to get exercise and enjoy reading at the same time. The Library is partnering with Wicomico County Recreation and Parks to bring Storywalks® to three local parks:

- 6/13 6/27: Humane Society
- 7/11-7/25: Adkins Mill Park
- 8/8 8/29: Crooked Oak Playground



Mobile Library will have a Storytime Craft at each park as a special event. Come for stories, music, and a craft! Starting at 10 am.

- 6/18 Humane Society
- 7/16 Adkins Mill Park
- 8/13 Crooked Oak Playground



YEAR-ROUND RIVERWALK STORYWALK

Enjoy the outdoors this spring and summer with our Riverwalk Storywalk® in Downtown Salisbury! These events combine reading and walking, making for a fun, interactive experience for all ages.

- 5/16 6/27: "Anywhere Artist" by Nikki Slade-Robinson
- 6/27 -8/8: "Apple Pie 4th of July" by Janet S. Wong

The Salisbury Riverwalk StoryWalk® was created by Wicomico Public Library and funded by the Chesapeake Bay Trust and the City of Salisbury.







(410) 749-3612 Monday - Thursday: 10am - 7pm Friday - Saturday: 10am - 5pm Sunday: 1pm - 5pm

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

PRESCHOOL PLAYGROUP

MON: 6/2, 6/9, 6/16, 6/23, 6/30, 7/7, 7/14, 7/21, 7/28, 8/4 & 8/11; 10:30AM - 11:30AM

Calling all children ages 0-5 and their caregivers! Join us for Preschool Playgroup every Monday morning for a fun-filled session of free play and social interaction. Kids can explore, learn, and build social skills through play with their peers.

COZY STORYTIME

TUE: 6/3, 7/1 & 8/5; 6:00PM - 6:30PM Cozy Storytime is designed to be accessible. We will read gentle stories and sing soothing songs. We'll provide noise-cancelling headphones, fidgets, low lighting, and a quiet corner. Come in your pajamas and bring your favorite snuggly toy.

STEM TIME

WED: 6/4, 6/18, 7/2, 7/16, 8/6 & 8/20; 4:00PM - 5:30PM

Bring your curiosity and imagination to play with Sphero Indi and Bolt, Snap Circuits, littleBits, and more! We'll experiment and tinker, using critical thinking, teamwork, and communication skills to code, build, and have fun!

STORYTIME

THU: 6/5, 6/12, 6/26, 7/3, 7/10, 7/17, 7/24, 7/31, 8/7 & 8/14; 10:30AM - 11:30AM

Join us every Thursday morning for a delightful hour of stories, songs, and interactive fun designed for children ages 0-5 and their caregivers. Our engaging storytime helps foster early literacy skills and supports your child's brain development and well-being.

PAWS TO READ

MON: 6/9, 6/23, 7/14, 7/28, 8/11 & 8/25; 5:30PM - 6:30PM

Paws to Read allows your child to read aloud to a dog for 5 - 7 minutes. A volunteer will be present during the entire session. This activity helps build reading confidence in children while they are relaxing and having fun.

CRUZ THE TRAFFIC SAFETY CAR TUE, JUN. 17; 11AM – 12PM

Cruz the Traffic Safety Car is helping kick off summer. With the help of his friends from the Maryland Highway Safety Office, he'll help children learn how to bike and walk safely.



VISIT WITH A CHINCOTEAGUE PONY

FRI, JUN. 20; 2PM- 4PM

Let's meet a Chincoteague Pony! We will start in the library where we will learn how to interact with the pony, then we will finish outside.



GROWING UP WILD!*

MON: 6/23, 7/28 & 8/25; 2PM - 3PM Growing Up WILD is an early childhood education curriculum that builds on children's sense of wonder about nature and invites them to explore wildlife and the world around them. For children ages 3 - 7.



STORY TAPESTRIES

STORY TAPESTRIES WITH ARIANNA ROSS

TUE, JUN. 24; 2:30PM - 3:30PM
Explore the colors, sounds, art and stories of the world.
Celebrate life on land, underwater and in the sky. You will leave dancing like a monkey and roaring like a tiger! The show will be followed by a an art and literacy activity.



COLORFUL CHALK CREATIONS*
THU, JUN. 26; 2PM - 3PM

Come have some messy fun as we make homemade chalk and conduct a chalk chemical reaction science experiment.

TEDDY BEAR TEA PARTY*

FRI, JUN. 27; 10:30AM - 12:30PM

Join us for a charming and educational experience at the Teddy Bear Tea Party, where toddlers and their favorite stuffed friends will create lasting memories! It's an opportunity for young children to develop social skills, fine motor skills, and enjoy a magical tea party experience. Attendees are encouraged to wear tea-party attire and bring their favorite stuffie (you too, grown-ups!).

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CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS



CHINCOTEAGUE BAY FIELD STATION SUMMER FUN

TUE, JUL. 1; 11AM - 12PM

Chincoteague Bay Field Station is joining us at the Sarbanes Branch for summer animal fun! Join us for stories and crafts, and learn a little bit about some of our Eastern Shore wildlife.

MS. RACHEL PARTY: A MUSICAL PLAYDATE FOR LITTLE ONES*

TUE, JUL. 8; 11AM - 1PM

Join us for a fun-filled party featuring Ms. Rachel's most beloved songs and activities! This interactive event is designed for children ages 0-5 and their caregivers to sing, dance, and play together. Bring your little ones and get ready for a joyful celebration of music, learning, and connection!



REHOBOTH SUMMER CHILDREN'S THEATRE PRESENTS ALADDIN

TUE, JUL. 15; 11AM - 12PM

Rehoboth Summer Children's Theatre is joining us again this summer with Aladdin, one of the most popular tales from the collection of stories know as 1001 Arabian Nights.

SLIME-STRAVAGANZA, SUMMER **EDITION***

SAT, JUL. 26; 2:00PM - 3:30PM It's not a Saturday, it's a Slimeurday! To celebrate a summer of color, let's create brightly colored slimes. You can make up to three different colors, with or without fun slime mix-ins. Ages 6-11.

EXPLORING THE SHORE WITH MARYLAND COASTAL BAYS*

TUE, AUG. 5; 11AM - 12PM

Summertime means beach time. but there's so much more to our shores than swimming and sunbathing! Our friends from Maryland Coastal Bays are coming to the Sarbanes Branch

STORYTELLER BETH OHLSSON

TUE, AUG. 12; 11AM - 12PM

Get ready to take storytelling to the next level with Beth Ohlsson! Beth Ohlsson is a storyteller who has created and transformed stories for 25+ years. From tales of whimsy for children and families to historical narration of women through time, Beth brings to life the stories from which our vast heritages are founded connecting our past with our present.



STORYTIME WITH SHERMAN TUE, AUG. 19; 11AM - 12PM

Join us at the Sarbanes branch for a special summer storytime with Sherman, the mascot of the Delmarva Shorebirds!

CHILDREN & TEEN PROGRAMS



PROJECT WILD

MON: 6/9, 7/14 & 8/11; 2:00PM - 3:30PM

Project WILD is a conservation and environmental program that focuses on wildlife and habitat. The goal of Project WILD is to develop awareness, knowledge, skills, and commitment resulting in informed decisions, responsible behavior, and constructive actions concerning wildlife and the environment. Ages 6-18

LET'S COLOR THE WORLD TOGETHER.



WE ARE LIMITLESS STUDIOS

TUE, JUN. 24; 11AM – 12PM

You've seen their art all over Salisbury: We Are Limitless Studios are the creators behind many of the incredible murals throughout the city. They are joining us at the Sarbanes branch to share a little art-making magic this summer.



THE AMAZING JOSINI! TUE, JUL. 22; 11AM - 12PM

Come and meet the Amazing Josini; a magician, musician, comedian, and ventriloquist all rolled into one. There's a reason why we call him amazing!

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ALL AGES

GIVING SUNSHINE

JUN 1 - AUG. 31

Join us this summer for our exciting donation program! Let's come together to spread kindness and create a positive impact in our community.

COLOR OUR WORLD BOOKMARK PROGRAM*

TUE, JUN. 3; 10:00AM - 12:00PM Bring your creativity to life and celebrate the vibrant colors of the world with our custom-designed bookmarks. This DIY bookmark program is perfect for people of all ages who want to create colorful, personalized bookmarks that reflect their unique personality.

THE MINIATURE WORKSHOP: **DOLLHOUSE EDITION**

THU: 6/12, 7/10 & 8/14; 4:30PM - 6:30PM

Step into a world of miniature magic at The Miniature Workshop: Dollhouse Edition. Whether you're a long-time dollhouse enthusiast or just discovering the charm of these tiny worlds, this program offers something for everyone.

TIE DYE IN THE PARK

FRI, JUN. 13; 2PM - 4PM

Celebrate the Summer with us and tie-dye in the park! Located at the Riverwalk Games Park across from the Sarbanes Branch. Bring your own cotton item to dye or the library will have a limited supply of items available to dye. In the event of rain, the program will be held inside in the Children's Program Room.

BLACK HISTORY LIVING MUSEUM - PART II*

SAT, JUN. 14; 1PM - 4PM Our Living History Museum is an immersive experience showcasing the accomplishments of notable national and local African Americans brought to life through short biographical presentations. The Living History Museum highlights the many contributions of African Americans of all degrees of recognizability across disciplines-- arts, sciences, politics, entertainment, and sports.

BEAT THE HEAT FAN CRAFT*

FRI, JUL. 18; 2PM - 3PM

Join us for a fun and creative summer event where you'll learn to paint your own beautiful, foldable fans to stay cool and stylish.

CASCADING CARLOS

TUE, JUL. 29; 11AM - 12PM

It's that time again - time for a visit from Cascading Carlos! He'll dazzle and entertain you with his juggling prowess. He'll give everyone time to practice their juggling skills. And he'll make everyone's day a little bit brighter!

BUILD-A-BOOK WORKSHOP*

SAT, AUG. 2; 1PM - 3PM

Come down to Sarbanes for a fun and creative book making workshop! Open to children aged 6 and up, this interactive session will guide participants through the process of crafting their very own handmade books. All materials will be provided. Come and unleash your inner author and artist!

JUST FOR TEENS

ANIME AND MANGA CLUB

TUE: 6/10, 7/8 & 8/12; 5:30PM - 6:30PM Anime and Manga Club members meet the second Tuesday of each month to talk about manga and watch a member selected anime movie/show. Open to middle and high school students.

TEEN ACTION BOARD (TAB) MEETING

TUE: 6/17, 7/15 & 8/19; 5:30PM - 6:30PM All middle and high school students are invited to our TAB (Teen Action Board) Meeting, TAB meetings are a forum where students' opinions and suggestions are heard. TAB members provide feedback on programs, assist with planning new programs and events and are library advocates. TAB members earn 1 service learning hour for each meeting attended.



CROCHET 101*

TUE: 6/24, 7/22 & 8/26; 5:30PM - 6:30PM

If you'd like to learn to crochet and are in middle or high school, join us the 4th Tuesday of each month! We'll use tutorials from the library resource, Creativebug, and one on one instruction to start you crocheting for fun and to make scarves for our community.

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ADULTING 101: LIFE SKILLS FOR TEENS*

THU, JUL. 17; 3PM - 4PM

Adulting 101: Life Skills for Teens is a hands-on program designed to equip teenagers with essential real-world skills, preparing them for independence and success in adulthood.

This session will focus on tools and basic repairs.

TEENS AND ADULT PROGRAM

SKETCH A PICTURE OF YOUR PET* SAT, AUG. 16; 10:30AM - 12:00PM Bring a picture of your pet! Our expert artists will lead you through sketching your own masterpiece starring your animal friend.

ADULT PROGRAMS



COMPUTER TUTOR*

MON: 6/2, 6/9, 6/16, 6/23, 6/30, 7/7, 7/14, 7/21, 7/28, 8/4, 8/11, 8/18 & 8/25; 10:30AM - 11:30AM

Learn the basics in our Computer Tutor series!

Self-paced, hands-on learning for just the basics or do you just have a computer question? Stop-in and we'll help! Registration is preferred, but walk-ins are welcome.

COFFEE CLUB

FRI: 6/6, 6/20, 7/18, 8/1 & 8/15; 10:30AM - 11:30AM

Let's talk books! Join us for coffee and discussion.

Coffee and cups provided, but feel free to bring your own. We will be meeting on the main floor.



COLORFUEL NUTRITION*

WED, JUN 11; 3PM - 4PM

Learn the power of phytonutrients in fruits and vegetables. We will talk about what phytonutrients are, their health benefits, and how different colors of fruits and vegetables provide unique nutrients.

This program is presented by Tidal Health.



ADULT TRIVIA NIGHT*

THU: 6/12, 7/10 & 8/14; 7PM - 9PM Think you know it all? Come prove it at The Brick Room, where an adult trivia night will be hosted! There will be teams of five individuals, so grab your friends, co-workers, or some family members.

Participants are required to be at least twenty-one years of age. Drinks will be available for purchase. Registration is highly recommended.



"FOR THE RECORD" MUSIC CLUB

SAT: 6/21; 3:00PM - 4:30PM

Update your music library at our new monthly music listening club, "For the Record," where attendees will share songs and albums to play. Feel free to bring your own CDs and/or playlists. All genres welcome!!! Dress comfy and enjoy the shared vibes.:-) 18+ ONLY II MEETS MONTHLY ON 3rd SATURDAYS



COLOR AND CALM CONNECTION

WED, JUL. 9; 3PM - 4PM

Relaxation through art and mindfulness. Participants will explore the benefits of mindful coloring combined with deep breathing techniques. Through guided breathing exercises and intentional coloring, you'll learn how to calm the nervous system, enhance mindfulness, and express creativity as a form of self-care. No artistic experience is needed-just an open mind and a willingness to unwind!

This program is presented by Tidal Health.

^{*}Registration is required. For more information or to register, visit the Events Calendar at www.wicomicolibrary.org/events

Centre Library

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Sunday: CLOSED

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

PAINT! WITH MARBLES!*

WED, JUL 2; 5:30PM - 6:30PM

Make your very own modern art as we explore paint and marbles on canvas!

Each piece will be completely unique!

SCIENCE FOR KIDS! RAINBOW WALKING WATER EXPERIMENT!*

TUE, JUL 8: 4PM - 5PM

The walking water experiment is a fun way for kids to learn about science! It shows how water moves through tiny spaces (like a straw or paper towel), soaks into things, and mixes colors. Kids also get to learn fun stuff about water, like how it sticks to itself and other things.

FELT MAGNETS*

FRI, AUG. 22; 4PM - 5PM

Looking for a cute art project that can live on the fridge forever? Look no further, for felt magnets are here! These summer themed magnets are perfect for holding works of art to the fridge, or even your shopping list.

KIDS & TEEN PROGRAMS

SKETCHBOOK SOCIAL*

TUE: 6/3, 7/1 & 8/5; 5PM - 6PM

A social art club just for teens and tweens! Bring your current art project and chat with others as you work!



TEEN PROGRAMS

ART EXPLORATION*

WED: 6/11, 6/25, 7/9, 7/23, 8/13 & 8/27; 5PM - 6PM

Calling all middle and high schoolers, adventure awaits! Let's get creative and explore a different art medium every week, with hands on learning that will result in an awesome piece of artwork you'll get to take home with you.

EVERYONE

MAKE YOUR OWN SUMMER **READING TOTES!***

THU, JUN. 12; 5PM - 6:30PM

Summer reading is here! Why not design your own tote bag! Using precut shapes, you'll pick out how you want your tote bag to look and we'll iron on the designs, sealing it into your bag!

BUBBLE PAINTING*

FRI, JUN. 13; 3PM - 4PM

Have you ever wanted to paint with bubbles? Now you can!! Join us at the Centre branch as we make your very own unique card and envelope set, perfect for any occassion!

ROCK PHOTO HOLDERS*

FRI, JUN. 27; 3PM - 4PM

Kick off the Summer Season with a unique place to store a memory! Rocks, markers, and some wire is all you need for this lovely creation.

WHAT REALLY IS MUSIC?*

FRI, JUL. 11; 4PM - 5PM

Come explore the answers as we talk about music, and sounds that some instruments make!

TEEN & ADULT PROGRAMS

CROSS STITCH ZODIAC CONSTELLATIONS!*

THU, JUN. 5; 5PM - 6:30PM

Let's take a look into the world of cross stitching by creating these beginner constellation designs! You'll pick your constellation, and together we'll learn our first few stitches to put this beautiful piece together.

INTRO TO BOOK BINDING*

THU, JUL. 3; 5PM - 6:30PM

Ever wanted to make your own book? This class will go over coptic book binding, a style of book binding that uses only thread to weave your book together. It's beginner friendly and makes an awesome book which you can take home!

BLACKOUT POETRY*

FRI, JUL. 25; 4PM – 5PM

Come learn a new take on poetry, and express yourself! Blackout poetry is a unique way to write a poem, without having to worry about spelling tricky words!

BRUSH PEN CALLIGRAPHY*

THU, AUG. 14; 5PM - 6PM

Calligraphy can be a beautiful addition to any project. It's a neat skill, but can be intimidating to start. In this class we'll go over the basics, and teach you a few styles (aka fonts) that you can practice and use in your own projects!

MONOGRAM BUTTON MOSAIC*

FRI, AUG. 29; 4PM - 5PM

Add a cute new art piece to your dorm, office, or even classroom! These Monogram Button pieces will truly reflect your vibes!

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Sunday: CLOSED

ADULT PROGRAMS

COLORING FOR ADULTS

MON: 6/2, 6/16, 6/30, 7/14, 7/28 & 8/11; 5:30PM - 7:00PM

Join us as we color our world. We will provide coloring pages, a wide variety of pens, markers and more for you to create a work of



COFFEE CLUB @ THE CENTRE BRANCH

THU: 6/5, 6/12, 6/26, 7/3, 7/10, 7/17, 7/24, 7/31, 8/7, 8/14, 8/21 & 8/28; 10:30AM - 12:00PM

Stop by Centre Branch on Thursday mornings and join the Coffee Club. Enjoy coffee, tea, or hot chocolate, meet new friends, and chat with others to start your day right! Help us save waste; bring a mug!

DIVINATION SERIES -INTRODUCTION TO TAROT*

MON, JUN. 9; 5PM - 7PM

Enter the fascinating world of divination. In this session we dive into the rich symbolism and intuitive art of Tarot reading. Perfect for beginners or those seeking to deepen their understanding of the cards.

Program led by Nicole Blackwater of Blackwater Apothecary.

BUDGETING IN AN IMPOSSIBLE ECONOMY*

SAT, JUN. 14; 11:00AM - 12:30PM Learn the basics and complexities of budgeting in a tight economy. How to manage the differences between wants and needs.

PASSPORT INFORMATION SESSION*

WED, JUN. 18; 5PM - 7PM

Come learn about how to apply for a United States passport. We will go over what is required to apply for a passport, how long it takes and what you will need to bring to your passport application appointment. Learn all about the process and what a passport will do for you.

DIVINATION SERIES - RUNE READING*

MON, JUN. 23; 5PM – 7PM

Enter the fascinating world of divination. This session focuses on Rune Reading. Join us as we discover the ancient Norse art of Rune casting and how to use Runes as a tool for guidance and introspection.

Program led by Nicole Blackwater of Blackwater Apothecary.

MEMORY LAB ORIENTATION*

TUE, JUN. 24; 5PM – 7PM

Discover how to preserve your precious memories at our Memory Lab at the Centre **Branch! This session will** introduce you to the library's new DIY digitization space, where you can convert old photos, documents, 8mm reel-to-reel film, VHS tapes, cassettes, vinyl records, film negatives, slides, and more into digital formats. Learn what materials you can bring, how to use the equipment, and best practices for saving and storing your digitized memories.



INTERVIEW DO'S AND DON'TS*

SAT, JUN. 28; 11:00AM - 12:30PM Interview Do's and Don'ts, is a valuable workshop designed to help you ace your next job interview! Led by an experienced human resources professional, this session will cover essential best practices for interview preparation, including how to answer common questions, what employers look for, and strategies to make a lasting impression.

DIVINATION SERIES - PALMISTRY*

MON, JUL. 7; 5PM - 7PM

Enter the fascinating world of divination. This session focuses on Palmistry. Unlock the secrets of the hands and how Palmistry can reveal insights about personality, life paths and potential.

Program led by Nicole Blackwater of Blackwater Apothecary.

DIVINATION SERIES -TASSEOGRAPHY*

MON, JUL. 21; 5PM – 7PM

Enter the fascinating world of divination. This session focuses on Tasseography. Explore the art of reading tea leaves or coffee grounds, an intuitive practice steeped in history and mystique.

Program led by Nicole Blackwater of Blackwater Apothecary.

Pittsville Library

ADULT PROGRAMS

RAISING THE ROOST: A CHICKEN PRIMER*

WED: 6/4, 6/18, 7/2, 7/16 & 7/30; 6PM - 7PM

"Raising the Roost: A Chicken Primer" is an exciting five part series designed to help you start your journey to raising backyard birds with confidence!

Learn essential tips on feeding, housing, and caring for your flock, and discover the joy of fresh eggs, companionship, and sustainable living. Join us and become a part of the growing community of backyard bird enthusiasts!

COFFEE CLUB @ THE PITTSVILLE **BRANCH**

THU: 6/5, 6/12, 6/26, 7/3, 7/10, 7/17, 7/24, 7/31, 8/7, 8/14, 8/21 & 8/28; 10:30AM - 12:00PM

Coffee Club (Formally known as Coffee Klatch), is back at the Pittsville Branch. Join us every Thursday morning for coffee and conversation. No registration required, just drop in!

BEEKEEPING FOR BEGINNERS: INTRODUCTION TO BEEKEEPING*

WED: 6/11, 6/25, 7/9, 7/23 & 8/6; 5PM - 7PM

Interested in beekeeping but not sure where to start? Join us for our series on Beekeeping for Beginners, an introduction to the essentials of starting your own hive! This series will be led by a local beekeeper who has learned through trial and error, experiencing both the challenges and rewards of the art and science of backyard beekeeping.

ALL AGES

MAKE YOUR OWN SUMMER **READING TOTES!***

TUE, JUN. 17; 5PM - 7PM

Summer reading is here! But how are you going to carry all those lovely books home? Why not design your own tote bag! Using precut shapes, you'll pick out how you want your tote bag to look and we'll iron on the designs, sealing it into your bag! Perfect for library books, or whatever else you need to carry!

SUMMER READING COLLABORATIVE COLORING MURAL PROJECT*

MON, JUN. 30; 5:00PM - 6:45PM We are making a group mural to hang in the library! Everyone gets a piece to color with their own artistic flair and then we will put all the pieces together to unveil our group masterpiece!

KIDS & TEENS PROGRAMS

BUILD A SANDCASTLE: A COLORING CRAFT*

TUE, JUL. 22; 5:00PM - 6:45PM Creating a sandcastle is as easy as color, cut and glue! This coloring craft makes it possible for kids to create their own sandcastles and bring them home! (With no sand for you to clean up.)

KIDS' PAINT NIGHT: PAINT WITH 0-TIPS*

WED, AUG. 13; 5:00PM - 6:45PM Bring the kids for a fun paint night of their own! They will be painting flowers using Q-tips instead of brushes to create their masterpieces!

TEEN & ADULT PROGRAMS

Monday - Thursday: 10am - 7pm Friday - Saturday: 10am - 5pm

(410) 835-2353

Sunday: CLOSED

EASY SEWING WITH KRISTIE*

TUE: 6/10, 7/8 & 8/12 ; 5:00PM - 6:45PM Join us for Easy Sewing with Kristie, a fun and beginnerfriendly hand-sewing class featuring simple embroidery techniques!

DIY FABRIC WREATH*

TUE, AUG. 5; 5PM - 7PM

Come and learn how to make an easy wreath with fabric scraps. This is a great way to get rid of that scrap fabric stash. All materials are provided and no sewing skills needed.

MISS NELSON IS MISSING! ESCAPE ROOM MYSTERY AND STORYTIME*

MON, AUG. 11; 5PM - 7PM

HELP! Miss Nelson has gone missing and you are the only ones that can find her! Work together to find Miss Nelson in this Escape Room Style Mystery and Storytime.

MAKE YOUR OWN ACRYLIC **KEYCHAINS WITH CRICUT VINYL***

WED, AUG. 13; 5PM – 7PM Why not design your own keychain? Using precut vinyl shapes, you'll pick out how you want your keychain to look and we'll teach how to transfer and layer the cricut vinyl to make your masterpiece!

LET'S MAKE "WHAT'S YOUR WORD?" BRACELETS*

MON, AUG. 18; 5PM - 7PM

Create a personalized daily reminder of your intent as a bracelet. You will get to choose your inspirational word to stamp on a metal token set in a bracelet or that can be added to keyring or necklace you already have.

^{*}Registration is required. For more information or to register, visit the Events Calendar at www.wicomicolibrary.org/events

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LOCAL AUTHOR TALK - UNTIA DRUMMOND-BIGELOW

SAT, JUN. 7; 11:00AM - 11:45AM **WESTSIDE COMMUNITY CENTER**

Come out and meet our own accomplished author, Untia Drummond-Bigelow! She has worked with the library's volunteers and Friends for years. Untia is the author of the children's book Aniya's Journey. In this book, Untia focuses on self-love and self-discovery.

SCAVENGER HUNT

TUE, JUN. 17; 10AM - 11AM **PEMBERTON PARK**

We will give you a list of things to find around the park. What a wonderful way to stop and observe the colors of our world!

ROCK PAINTING

TUE, JUN. 17; 11AM - 12PM PEMBERTON PARK

Join us for some rock painting! We provide the rocks and paint! You provide the creativity!

BIRDS IN THE PARK

FRI, JUN 27; 10:00AM - 11:30AM BEN'S RED SWINGS

Do you love to watch the colorful birds native to the Eastern Shore? Come out to Ben's Red Swings and meet up with other bird enthusiasts to talk about our feathered friends and do some bird watching!

FUN WITH DIGITAL ART*

FRI, JUL. 11; 10:00AM - 11:30AM YMCA PARKING LOT

Visit our Mobile Learning Lab at the YMCA parking lot to try your hand at digital art. If you have been wanting to use a digital drawing pad, here is your chance! When you finish, you may print your creation or email it to yourself.

EXPLORING OUR COLORFUL MICROSCOPIC WORLD

FRI, JUL. 18; 10:00AM - 11:30AM ADKINS MILL PARK

Walk around the park and get an up close view of all the beautiful nature summer has to offer. We will be there with our Mobile Learning Lab's handheld microscopes.

ANIMAL STORY TIME AND COLOR YOUR OWN BOOK

FRI, JUL. 25; 10AM - 12PM **SALISBURY ZOO**

Join our staff for a fun storytime! Your child can color pages in a zoo animal book during the program or take it home. They'll enjoy discovering the animals as they explore the zoo!

MAGIC THE GATHERING GAME DAY

FRI, JUL. 22; 10AM - 12PM CENTRE AT SALISBURY'S PARKING LOT Stop by our Mobile Learning Lab to play a round of Magic the

Gathering! New to the game? Our staff can teach you how to

JIGSAW PUZZLE COMPETITION*

SAT, AUG. 2; 1:00PM - 3:30PM WESTSIDE COMMUNITY CENTER

Grab a partner and head to the Westside Community Center for our Jigsaw Puzzle Competition. Teams of two will compete to see who is the fastest puzzle solving team. Registration for both team members is required.

STEM FREE PLAY

FRI, AUG. 8; 1:00PM - 2:30PM WINTERPLACE PARK

Is your child interested in STEM? We will have some of our STEM activities out on the Mobile Learning Lab for kids ages 6-11 to try out.



Let Wicomico Public Library's Mobile Learning Lab bring FREE Family Law Help to you!

Get FREE legal assistance from licensed attorneys via Zoom and law staff support to prepare legal documents. Services cover family law topics like divorce, custody, name changes, and court preparation.

This program series is in partnership with the Circuit **Court for Wicomico County** Family Services Program.

Current stops (IPM - 4PM):

- 6/11: Billy Gene Jackson Sr.
- 6/25: YMCA
- 7/9: Willards Lions Club
- 7/23: Sharptown Town Hall
- 8/13: Westside Community Center in Bivalve
- 8/27: Boys and Girls Club on Jersey Road

3D PENS WORKSHOP*

FRI, AUG. 22; 1PM - 3PM YMCA PARKING LOT

Come out to the Mobile Learning Lab parked YMCA parking lot and try out our 3D pens. Bring your imagination to 3D life! This program is for ages 10 and up.

MARIO MAKER GAME DESIGN*

MON, AUG. 25; 1PM - 3PM CENTRE AT SALISBURY PARKING LOT

Do you want to be a video game designer? Well here is your chance to give it a try! Mario Maker Game Design game lets you design your own video game.

Virtual Programs and Online Services

VIRTUAL AUTHOR TALKS

Enjoy a range of talks from bestselling authors and thought leaders.

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FOR MORE INFORMATION **AND TO REGISTER:**





A TALK WITH SMITHSONIAN TROPICAL INSTITUTE



WED, JUNE 4TH AT 2 PM

AN AUTHOR TALK WITH KATHERINE APPLEGATE



TUE, JUNE 24TH AT 4 PM

AN AUTHOR TALK WITH **MARIE LU**



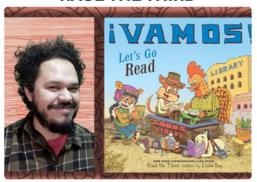
THU, JULY 17TH AT 4 PM

AN AUTHOR TALK WITH **LISA JEWELL**



TUE, JUNE 10TH AT 2 PM

AN AUTHOR TALK WITH RAUL THE THIRD



TUE, JULY 8TH AT 4 PM

AN AUTHOR TALK WITH **REX OGLE**



WED, JULY 23RD AT 4 PM

Friends Foundation



Meet Marty Neat: A Champion for Community & Libraries!

As part of our commitment to keeping you connected with the Friends Foundation, we're excited to introduce you to the Board of Directors—the dedicated individuals working behind the scenes to support Wicomico Public Library. First up, meet our Chair, Marty Neat!

Marty knows how to build strong foundations—whether in banking, community service, or now, as the Chair of the Friends Foundation of Wicomico Public Library!

Marty spent nearly four decades leading First Shore Federal, growing it into one of the region's strongest financial institutions. But beyond banking, his real passion has always been giving back. He has served on and led an impressive list of local organizations, including TidalHealth, Wor-Wic Community College, United Way of the Lower Eastern Shore, Salisbury Zoo, Greater Salisbury Committee, **Humane Society of Wicomico** County, and the Salisbury Area Chamber of Commerce-just to name a few!

Marty's dedication to community service has been widely recognized, with major awards from the Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore, Habitat for Humanity, Boy Scouts of America, Salisbury University, and many more. Through First Shore Federal, he was also honored with the Maryland Business Philanthropy Award for his commitment to corporate giving.

When he's not busy making an impact, Marty can often be found indulging in one of his greatest passions—baseball! As part of a dedicated group of friends, he has traveled to every Major League Baseball stadium in the country. Whether he's cheering from the stands or discussing stats, Marty brings the same enthusiasm to America's pastime as he does to strengthening our community.

Now in retirement, he's bringing that same vision, energy, and dedication to the Friends Foundation, ensuring Wicomico's libraries continue to thrive. A lifelong believer in the power of community, Marty knows that great libraries build great communities and he's here to make sure ours is the best it can be!

Welcome aboard, Marty-we're lucky to have you leading the way!

Friends Foundation Board of Directors:

- Marty Neat, Chair
- Chip Dashiell, Scott Duncan, Seth Hershberger, Jack Long, Audrey Orr, BJ Summers, Tony Sarbanes, Megan Outten, Bill McCain, Eric Johnston, Britta Holloway, Stephen Farrow, Ray Hoy, and Michael Wigley

Stay tuned as we continue introducing the incredible individuals shaping the future of Wicomico Public Library!



BECOME A MEMBER!

The Friends Foundation of Wicomico Public Library provides support for this necessary public institution. Being a Friend shows your commitment to the Library, its resources, services, and educational opportunities.

Visit our Friends Foundation of Wicomico Public Library website for the current membership levels and perks available!

To join securely online, visit grco.de/wplfriends or scan the OR code:



SCAN THE QR CODE TO BECOME A FRIENDS MEMBER OR SUPPORT THE WICOMICO LIBRARY BY **DONATING TODAY!**

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