Programs for Youth DECEMBER 2014 / JANUARY / FEBRUARY 2015

Shaker Library

Main Library Bertram Woods Branch

20600 Fayette Road

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Programs Preschoolers for

Play and Learn Station

A free preschool literacy program offering interactive opportunities for parents or caregivers to explore with their children, ages birth to 5 years.

10 am-noon Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays 6-8 pm Tuesdays

No registration required. (Closed December 27 and 31.)



Play and Learn Station for Caregivers

A preschool literacy program offering interactive opportunities for nonparent caregivers to explore with children, ages birth to 5 years.

10 am-noon Wednesdays

A one-time registration is required; please call Family Connections at 216-921-2023.

Play and Learn programs are offered at Main Library in partnership with Family Connections.



Shaker Library and the 1000 Books Foundation invite you to participate in a free program which encourages you to read 1000 books with your child before he or she starts Kindergarten. It's easy to participate! Read with your child and keep track of the books you share. For every 100 books shared, visit Shaker Library and receive a special certificate. Visit the Children's Room at either library or the website for more information.

www.shakerlibrary.org 1000booksbeforekindergarten.org



Nestlings

(Birth to 15 months with a grown-up) It's never too soon to start sharing books with babies! Enjoy songs and rhymes, books and bounces in this class for babies.

Winter Session: January 5-February 24 9:30 am Mondays at Main Library 10 am Tuesdays at Woods Branch (No registration required; groups of six or more please call ahead to check space availability.)

Fledglings



(15 to 24 months with a grown-up)

Experience the wonder of words with your child through stories, songs,

movement, puppets and fun. Winter Session: January 5-February 24 10:30 am Mondays at Main Library 11 am Tuesdays at Woods Branch (No registration required; groups of six or more please call ahead to check



space availability.)

Terrific Twos



Stories, songs, and movement for 2-yearolds with a grown-up.

Winter Session: January 6-February 26 10 am Tuesdays at Main Library

10 am Thursdays at Woods Branch (No registration required; groups of six or more please call ahead to check space availability.)



For 3, 4, and 5 year olds

Winter Session: January 7-February 26 10 am Wednesdays at Main Library 11 am Thursdays at Woods Branch (No registration required; groups of six or more please call ahead to check space availability.) No programs January 19.



Demo Class at Woods Branch Kindermusik of Cleveland offers a free class of musical fun and learning. 10:30 am Friday, December 12 for toddlers 18 months to 3.5 years 11:30 am Friday, December 12 for babies birth to 17 months Register in person, online, or by phone beginning November 28.



Music Together Demo Class at Main Library

Join Teresa Underwood Miller of Sing and Swing, for a free Music Together class. Music Together is a research-based, developmentally appropriate music and movement class for children from birth to age 5 with a parent or caregiver.

9:30 or 10:30 am Monday, December 15 Register in person, online, or by phone beginning December 1.

School Age

Read to a Dog at Main Library (K-6)



Our doggy listeners are certified with Therapy Dogs International and love to listen to stories. School-age children can sign up for a 15minute time slot. If you register online please call the

children's desk to request your time slot.

4-5:30 PM Thursdays December 18, January 15, and February 19

Register in person, by phone, or online two weeks before each program.

Book Party at Woods Branch



How to Train Your Dragon Book Party

(Grades 1 - 5)

Be a Viking Hero and help us celebrate Hiccup Horrendous Haddock III (also known as the Dragon Whisperer) with activities, a craft, and a snack.

4:15-5 pm Thursday, December 4Register in person, online, or by phone beginning November 20.

MLK Writing Contest for Students in Grades 3-8

Describe the characteristics a person needs to bring about change. What can **you** do in your lifetime to make positive changes? Entries are available at the Children's Desks at both libraries and are due back by December 19. Prizes will be awarded for first, second, and third place in each age category, and winners will be announced at a Reception at 4:30 p.m. Friday, January 16, 2015 at the Main Library.

MAGIC & MYTHS African-American Magicians from the Past



Learn, laugh, and experience live magic as you travel through time with Rory Rennick for a dynamic, historical magical presentation celebrating African-American magicians of the past.

7 pm Monday, February 9

Register in person, online, or by phone beginning January 26.

Reading Skills Center at Main Library (Grades 1-4)

The Reading Skills Center provides an opportunity for students to get some extra reading practice, work on increasing their reading level, or brush up on reading skills before taking a standardized test. Each student can spend up to 15 minutes reading one-on-one with a helpful teacher, and up to 15 minutes independently reading or practicing skills using online resources, per day. An adult must be present to register the child at the first visit.

4:30-6 pm Mondays, Tuesdays & Wednesdays beginning September 8 Meeting Room F (second floor) (Closed December 22-31, January 19, and February 16.)



Writers Club at Main Library (Grades 2-4)

This enriching program encourages children to express themselves using their imagination and words. Poetry, creative fiction, writing letters, postcards and newsletters, as well as creating menus and maps are just some of the writing forms young writers will explore.

4:15-5 pm Tuesdays, January 13-February 17

Register in person, online, or by phone beginning December 30.



Graphic Novels Fan Club at Main Library (Grades 4 - 6)

Do you love graphic novels, comic books, or Manga? Come hang out with us! Share your favorites and discover what else you might like. Snacks provided.

4:15 pm Thursdays, January 22, and February 26 *No registration required.*

American Girl Doll Programs at Woods Branch

Travel back in time and discover life as seen through the eyes of the American Girl dolls. Listen to a reading from one of the books in the doll's series, make a craft, and enjoy a snack. Dolls welcome!



Meet American Girl Doll Kirsten 2:30-3:15 pm Saturday, January 10

Visit the Minnesota Territory in 1854 and learn about life on the frontier.

Register in person, online, or by phone beginning December 27.



Meet American Girl Doll Addy 2:30-3:15 pm Saturday, February 7

Learn about life during the Civil War and how Addy's family escaped to freedom.

Register in person, online, or by phone beginning January 24.



Hour of Code at Main Library (Grade 4 to adult)

During Computer Science Education Week, join students all over the world for an Hour of Code—a one-hour introduction to computer science, designed to demystify code with fun and easy tutorials. No experience necessary!

4:15 pm Thursday, December 11. *Register in person, online, or by phone beginning November 28.*



Visit the Children's Room to talk with librarians and watch demos of fun learning and book apps for kids. Bring your own device to download your favorites!

2-3 pm Monday, December 29. *No registration required.*