SUMMER AT SHAKER LIBRARY
Programs for Children, Teens, and Adults
Summer Reading Program: May 28—September 1, 2019

Books! Prizes! Fun!
Summer reading is for everyone! Programs for Preschool, School-Age, Teens, and Adults.
Register in person or online at shakerlibrary.org.

Track your summer reading with Beanstack—the app that will help keep everyone motivated to read all summer. Earn digital badges, write and share reviews, and get personalized book recommendations. We think you’ll love it!

Sounds of Summer Reading Kickoff Event at Main Library
Join us for an all-ages event celebrating music, books, and reading presented in partnership with the Shaker Schools, the City of Shaker Heights Recreation Department, Family Connections, S.A.M.S. the Greater Cleveland Food Bank, and Friends of the Shaker Library.

- Enjoy music and snacks at the dance party.
- Make a craft or read to a dog.
- Learn how to download books on your mobile device from OverDrive.
- Head outside for fun and games, if the weather permits.
- Sign up the whole family for summer reading!

6-8 pm Thursday, June 6
No registration required.
Play and Learn Station at Main Library
Play and Learn Station is a special place for children from birth to age 5 and their parents, grandparents, and caregivers. Located on the Main Library second floor, it is filled with pre-literacy activities and “stations” where children play and learn. Programs are offered in partnership with Family Connections and no registration is required unless noted.

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

Play and Learn Babies
A special room filled with literacy-based activities just for babies from birth to 12 months and their parents or caregivers.
10 am-noon Thursdays

Play and Learn Station for Caregivers
A preschool literacy program offering interactive opportunities for non-parent caregivers to explore with their children, ages birth to 5 years.
10 am-noon Wednesdays
A one-time registration is required; please call Family Connections at 216-921-2023.
Drop-In Story Times

Develop important pre-literacy skills and share the joy of reading with a child. No registration is required, but groups of six or more should call ahead to check for space availability.

Summer Session: June 10 - August 1

Nestlings
It is never too soon to start sharing books with babies! Enjoy songs and rhymes, books and bounces in this class for babies birth to 15 months with a grown-up.
10 am Mondays at Main Library
10 am Tuesdays at Woods Branch

Fledglings
Experience the wonder of words with your child through stories and songs, movement, puppets and fun in this story time for children 15-24 months with a grown-up.
11 am Mondays at Main Library
11 am Tuesdays at Woods Branch

Terrific Twos
Stories, songs, and movement for 2 year olds with a grown-up.
10:30 am Tuesdays at Main Library
10 am Thursdays at Woods Branch

Stories for 3, 4, and 5 Year Olds
Join us for stories, rhymes, songs, and fun.
11:30 am Tuesdays at Main Library
1:30 pm Thursdays at Woods Branch

Family Story Time
Stories, songs, rhymes, and fun for children from birth to 5 years with a grown-up.
7 pm Mondays at Woods Branch

Astronauts, Aliens, and Asteroids Story Time at Main Library
Blast off to outer space in a special story time program for children ages 3-6 with a grown-up. Hear some fun stories with *universal* appeal, sample some astronaut ice cream, and make a space craft.
4-4:45 pm Wednesday, July 17
Register in person, online, or by phone beginning July 3.

Stuffed Animal Sleepover at Main Library
In this two-day program, kids bring their plush toys for an early bedtime story time and then leave them behind for an overnight sleepover. The next afternoon see all the fun the “stuffies” had overnight and make a special keepsake scrapbook. For preschool-grade 3.
4-5 pm Wednesday and Thursday, July 31 and August 1
Register in person, online, or by phone beginning July 17.

Mini Drive-In Movie at Main Library
Toddlers can make a cardboard box car and watch a movie. For ages 12-36 months.
10-10:45 am Monday, August 5
Register in person, online, or by phone beginning July 22.

Music Together Demo Class at Main Library
Families will sing, play instruments, and move together in this 45-minute class led by instructors from Sing and Swing. Music Together is a research-based, developmentally-appropriate music and movement class for children from birth to 5 years with a grown-up.
10-10:45 am Monday, August 12
11-11:45 am Monday, August 12
Register in person, online, or by phone beginning July 29.
For Bigger Kids

How to Read a Nutrition Label at Main Library
Join a Heinen’s Wellness Consultant to learn how the food you eat can help keep your hair healthy and build strong muscles. Snacks provided. For grades K-12.
Noon-1 pm Monday, June 10
Register in person, online, or by phone beginning May 28.

All About Sugar at Main Library
Did you know there are different types of sugar? Join a Heinen’s Wellness Consultant to learn about them and how they affect your body and mind. Snacks provided. For grades K-12.
Noon-1 pm Monday, July 22
Register in person, online, or by phone beginning July 8.

Easy-to-Make Snacks at Main Library
Join a Heinen’s Wellness Consultant to learn what types of foods are so easy that anyone can make them! Snacks provided. For grades K-12.
Noon-1 pm Monday, August 12
Register in person, online, or by phone beginning July 29.

Tiny Gardens at Woods Branch
Learn gardening basics and build one to take home. Pots, soil, and seeds provided, but feel free to bring your own. For grades K-6.
2:30-3:30 pm Wednesday, June 26
Register in person, online, or by phone beginning June 12.

Explore Fossils with Mr. Bernosky at Main Library
Learn about fossils with a local fossils expert, Michael Bernosky of the Shaker Heights Schools.
7-8 pm Thursday, June 27
Register in person, online, or by phone beginning May 28.

Every Kid in a Park for 4th Graders at Main Library
Park rangers will lead activities that teach about Ohio’s parks and the National Park System. 4th graders will receive a pass for free entry to America's national parks!
2-3 pm Saturday, June 22
Register in person, online, or by phone beginning May 22.

Science and Technology

Constellation Cookies at Main Library
Decorate a cookie to look like a constellation and then listen to “heavenly” stories. For grades K-6.
4:15-5 pm Monday, June 17
Register in person, online, or by phone beginning June 3.

Tabletop Hovercraft
Make a balloon-powered hovercraft that’s fun to play with and easy to take home. For grades K-3.
4:15-5 pm Tuesday, July 9 at Main Library
2:30-3:30 pm Wednesday, July 10 at Woods Branch
Register in person, online, or by phone beginning two weeks before each program.
On July 20, 1969, Neil Armstrong was the first person to walk on the moon. Celebrate the 50th anniversary of this historic milestone when staff from the Cleveland Museum of Natural History bring their inflatable traveling planetarium show to the Library.

2-3 pm Saturday, July 20
3:30-4:30 pm Saturday, July 20

Space is limited to 25 people per session. Register in person, online, or by phone beginning July 6.

DIY Lava Lamp at Main Library
Make your own nonelectric "lava" lamp to take home. For grades K-3.
4:15-5 pm Thursday, July 25
Register in person, online, or by phone beginning July 11.

Lego Free Play at Main Library
Come and build together. For grades K-6.
4-5 pm Wednesday, June 5, July 10, and August 14
No registration required.

Wii Wednesday at Main Library
Whether racing friends in Mario Kart or dancing until you drop, you'll have a blast with the Wii! For grades K-6.
4-5 pm Wednesday, June 19, July 24, and August 28
No registration required.

Recycled Art
Use your imagination to create fantastic works of art with recycled material. For all ages.
3-5 pm Wednesday, June 19 at Woods Branch
4:15-5 pm Monday, August 5 at Main Library
No registration required.

Alien Masks at Main Library
Have out-of-this-world fun making a wacky alien mask. For all ages.
4:15-5 pm Monday, July 15
No registration required.

Make Your Own Spaceship at Woods Branch
Make and decorate a model spaceship from a paper tube. For all ages.
3:30-4:15 Wednesday, July 24
No registration required.

How to Draw Anything at Main Library
From robots to rabbits and cats to cars, practice combining shapes and lines to sketch whatever you like. For grades 4-6.
4:15-5 pm Thursday, August 8
Register in person, online, or by phone beginning July 25.

Outdoor Art in the Woods Branch Reading Garden
Be prepared to get a little messy. For preschool-grade 6. No registration required. In the event of inclement weather, programs will be held indoors.

Balloon Planets
Create your own colorful solar system.
4-4:45 pm Thursday, June 13

Spray Paint Nebula
Use watercolor spray paint to create a nebula.
4-4:45 pm Thursday, July 11

Photo courtesy of the Cleveland National History Museum.

Creativity

Fun & Games
Free Reading & Math Summer Review for Students Entering Grades 1-8
Students may sign up for daily, 25-minute, one-on-one appointments with a certified teacher. A parent or guardian must be present to register the student before the session begins. Please request an appointment in person, online, or by phone. Appointment requests submitted May 28-June 9 will receive priority consideration.
Session 1: Monday through Thursday, June 17-27
Session 2: Monday through Thursday, July 8-18
Session 3: Monday through Thursday, July 22-August 1

This program is generously funded by

Space Book Bingo Party at Main Library
Play a fun bingo trivia game after hearing about some great science fiction books. You could win a prize and enjoy a snack as well! For grades 4-6.
4-5 pm Tuesday, June 11
Register in person, online, or by phone beginning May 28.

Read to a Dog at Main Library
Our doggy listeners are certified therapy dogs and love to listen to stories. Each child may register for a 15-minute time slot. For grades K-6.
4-5:30 pm Thursday, June 20, July 18, and August 15
Register in person, online, or by phone beginning two weeks before each program.

Twisted Teen Titles at Main Library
Can you unscramble these Twisted Teen Titles? Need a little help? Drop by the Teen Section on the main floor anytime. For grades 7-12.
May 29-August 12
No registration required.

Chess Club at Main Library
A fun chess club for teens and adults of all levels of ability. The library provides the chess sets and refreshments.
6-8 pm Monday, June 10, June 24, July 8, July 22, August 12, and August 26

Teens Swap Books at Main Library
Drop in with a book or two and swap in the Teen Center. Books must be in good condition. Snacks provided. For grades 7-12.
2:45-3:15 pm Wednesday, June 12
No registration required.

Origami Food at Main Library
Learn how to make some tasty looking origami! Snacks provided. For grades 7-12.
2:45-3:45 pm Tuesday, June 25
No registration required.

Hello Cello! at Main Library
Cellist Ida Mercer from the Music School Settlement introduces the cello in this program for all ages. Watch the process of unpacking the instrument, the bow, and the accessories required in its playing. Enjoy hearing several short pieces performed.
2-3 pm Sunday, June 2
Composting 101 with the Rust Belt Riders at Main Library
Learn how to turn kitchen waste into gardeners' gold.
6:30-8:30 pm Tuesday, June 18
Register in person, online, or by phone.

Juneteenth Celebration at Main Library
Juneteenth is the oldest known celebration commemorating the end of slavery in the United States. Commemorate the day with us.
7-8 pm Wednesday, June 19
Register in person, online or by phone.

Tales of a Crooked River: A Brief History of the Cuyahoga River at Main Library
The Cuyahoga River has been named “River of the Year” by American Rivers, and is being honored for its role in sparking the modern environmental movement after it caught fire 50 years ago. Join us as we discuss the past, present, and future of this historic waterway.
7-8:30 pm Thursday, June 20
Register in person, online, or by phone beginning May 20.

Tips for Writers on Book Contests and Awards at Main Library
Book awards not only encourage writers, they also provide them additional ways to publicize their works. Charlotte Cook, MFA, will share tips on these awards, including how to pick the right contests and how to select categories that fit the writers’ works.
2-4 pm Saturday, July 20
Register in person, online, or by phone beginning June 20.

Doula 101 at Main Library
Join Birthing Beautiful Communities for a presentation on the role of a doula—a person who supports another through labor, birth, and the early weeks of parenthood.
7-8:30 pm Tuesday, July 23
Register in person, online, or by phone beginning June 23.
Aging in Place On a Budget
Maximum Accessible Housing of Ohio (MAHO) discusses accessibility basics in all areas of the home and focuses on solutions that help to increase safety and efficiency. It also includes information on costs and resources.
2-4 pm Saturday, June 22
Register in person, online, or by phone beginning May 22.

The Van Sweringens Remake the Face of Cleveland at Main Library
Joseph Blake, SHHS Class of 1964, wrote his University of Notre Dame thesis on the Van Sweringen developments in Cleveland. He returns for his 55th reunion to share his expertise on their influence on Cleveland.
2-4 pm Saturday, August 3
Register in person, online, or by phone beginning July 3.

Sketchbook Workshop at Woods Branch
Get a jump on Octavofest! Gene Epstein and Ellie Strong will lead a sketchbook-making workshop to create a single, signature pamphlet binding with a wrap-around cover.
7 pm Wednesday, August 14
Register in person, online, or by phone beginning July 15.

For Seniors at Main Library

The Distance Home by Paula Saunders
10-11:30 am Tuesday, June 11

Song of the Lion by Anne Hillerman
7:30-8:30 pm Tuesday, June 11

The Short and Tragic Life of Robert Peace by Jeff Hobbs
2-3 pm Tuesday, June 25

The House of Broken Angels by Luis Alberto Urrea
10-11:30 am Tuesday, July 9

The Food Explorer by Daniel Stone
10-11:30 am Tuesday, August 13

At Bertram Woods Branch
Register in person, online, or by phone one month before the discussion and pick up a copy of the book at the Woods Branch Circulation Desk.

Cook the Book!
Half Baked Harvest: Recipes from My Barn in the Mountains by Tieghan Gerard
7-8:30 pm Wednesday, June 5

Americanah by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie
2-3 pm Saturday, July 20
Ongoing Adult Programs

These programs meet on a regular basis throughout the year. All adults are welcome and no registration is necessary except where noted.

Game Night for Adults at Main Library
Adults can unwind with our collection of board and PS4 games along with refreshments.
6-8:30 pm Tuesday, June 4, July 2, August 6

English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESL) at Main Library
Free ESL class for adults who wish to learn to speak and read English. All are welcome and may start any Tuesday evening.
7-8:30 pm Tuesday, June 4, 11, 18, 25, July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, and August 6, 13, 20, 27

Knit Morning at Main Library
Bring a project and get or give help at this creative morning moderated by an experienced knitter. All ability levels are welcome.
10-12 pm Wednesday, June 5, July 3, and August 7

Coffee and Conversation at Main Library
An informal opportunity for patrons and staff to talk and share about mutual interests.
10:30-11:30 am Thursday, June 6, June 20 and July 18

Chess Club at Main Library
A fun chess club for teens and adults of all levels of ability. The library provides the chess sets and refreshments.
6-8 pm Monday, June 10, June 24, July 8, July 22, August 12 and 26

Knit Night at Bertram Woods
Join others to give and get help with knitting and crocheting. All ability levels are welcome.
7-8:45 pm Wednesday, June 19, July 17, and August 21

Genealogy at Main Library
The African-American Genealogical Society of Cleveland presents topics of interest to all beginning and seasoned genealogists. A short business meeting, with all guests welcome, is followed by a monthly presentation, after which small groups meet to get tips and to discuss genealogy troubleshooting.
9:30-1:30 pm Saturday June 22, July 27

Tri-C ABLE /GED at Main Library
Free adult basic education and GED preparation provided by Tri-C ABLE. Register in advance at http://www.tri-c.edu/able-ged-esol or call: 216-371-7138.
10 am-noon Monday-Thursday
July 1-August 9

Art Gallery Exhibits

Oil Paintings by Margaret Ann Pappas
June 3-July 29
Enjoy the art of Margaret Ann Pappas on display on Main Library second floor.

Meet-the-Artist Reception
Meet Margaret Ann Pappas who has been painting in oils for years. Enjoy her artwork along with refreshments at this Friends of the Shaker Library-sponsored event.
2-3 pm Sunday, June 9

“HOME” Art Exhibit
August 5-August 30
An exhibition of art work created in various media by Jewish Family Services Association and PLAN art therapy clients, representing their interpretations of the value of “home” and what it means to them. JFSA is supported in part by the residents of Cuyahoga County through a public grant from Cuyahoga Arts & Culture.

Meet-the-Artists Reception
5-6:30 pm Thursday, August 8
Summer Reading is for everyone! Thanks to Friends of the Shaker Library for its sustained support for summer reading. Look for the latest gift from the Friends—a colorfully wrapped van—traveling between libraries. The Friends has been moving the Library forward since 1980.

We can never have too many Friends. Join today. Please complete this form, enclose your payment, and return to Friends of the Shaker Library, 16500 Van Aken Boulevard Shaker Heights, Ohio 44120

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