



Youth Services Newsletter • Summer 2022

## Children's Programs

### Summer Reading Challenge

**May 26-July 31**

Pack up your tent, trail mix, and compass because this Summer we're going to "Read Beyond the Beaten Path!" Starting May 26, you can begin to log your reading. Sign up on your own with the Beanstack app, or visit us at the library to get started. Read 10 books to earn a prize pack, including a free book, passes & coupons to area businesses, and an entry to the Grand Prize Drawing. You can earn more chances to win the Grand Prize for every additional 10 books you read and log this Summer!

### JewelRide Books for Bikes Reading Challenge

**May 26-July 31 | K-8th Grade**

Read books this summer and you could win a bike! For each book you read, you will get an entry into a drawing for a free bike from The Cyclery and Fitness Center shop. There will be 14 bikes awarded throughout the drawing of raffle tickets. This challenge is generously sponsored by JewelRide, a metro-east medical transport company and other local businesses. Sign up on your own with the Beanstack app, or visit us at the library to get started.

### Kickoff Party

**Thursday, May 26 | 4:30-6:30pm**

Join us in City Park right outside the Library, alongside the City of Edwardsville Parks & Recreation to start the Summer off right! Learn about Summer Reading while enjoying free ice cream, the ELF Book Sale, music & fun with the Bubble Bus, and many more activities provided by community partners.

### STEM Center Planetarium

#### Registration Required

**Wednesday, June 1 | 1-4pm**

Observe the constellations & learn about outer space as the SIUE STEM Center Planetarium visits the library. Register for one of the the 3 afternoon sessions, each 1 hour long. Additionally, drop in during this time for an open-for-all Story Stones activity!

### Read to a Dog

#### Registration Required

**Saturdays, May 14, June 4 & July 2  
10-11am | Ages up to 11 years old**

Max the golden retriever will be visiting the library and wants to listen to you read! Each reader will have 15 minutes to read a story of their choice to Max.

### Children's Movie Matinees

**Mondays, June 6-July 18 at 1pm**

A feature film showing and free popcorn every week! Contact the library for movie titles.

(No movie July 4 - Library Closed)

### Story Time & Playgroup

Enjoy stories, songs, & bubbles! Then stay & play with friends.

### Toddler Time

**Tuesdays, June 7- July 19**

10-11am | Ages 0-2

### Preschool Story Time

**Thursdays, June 9-July 21**

10-11am | Ages 3-5

### Lego Club

**Wednesdays, June 15 & July 13**

4-5pm | Ages 5-11

We'll supply the Legos - just bring your imagination!

### Happy Habitats at Watershed

#### Registration Required

**Monday, June 27 | 9:30-11am**

**For Grades K-2**

Learn all about the habitats of creatures in our own area at Watershed Nature Center! We will share a story, create crafts, explore the trail, and more.

### Opera Edwardsville Presents Goldilocks and the Three Singing Bears

**Saturday, July 9 at 10am**

The magic of Mozart and other operatic composers meets the world of children's theater in this operatic adaptation of the classic fable, Goldilocks and the Three Bears. The performance has been created especially for the enjoyment of children and families.



**Teen Programs**

### **Entertainer Afternoons**

June 8 Celia & Little Celia  
June 15 The Butterfly House  
June 22 Papa & Jackie Wright  
June 29 Sheltered Reality

### **Wednesdays at 1pm**

July 6 Chef Bananas  
July 13 Mad Science  
July 20 Treehouse Wildlife Center

# Teen Programs Grades 6-12



## **Summer Reading Challenge**

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## **Game Night**

**Tuesdays, June 7-Aug 2 | 6-7:30pm**

Game Night is back at the Library every week! Go on a quest with fellow players in the classic collaborative game, Dungeons & Dragons. Or you can drop in with friends to play one of our assorted tabletop games.

## **Teen Movie Matinees**

**Tuesdays, June 7-July 19 at 1pm**

A feature film showing and free popcorn every week! Contact the library for movie titles.

(No movie June 28 - Election Day)

## **Teen Advisory Board**

Join us to share ideas about making the library a great place for teens!

[Apply online!](#)

## **Aru Shah Book Club**

**Registration Required**

Enter the world of Hindu mythology as we take on the Pandava book series by Roshani Chokshi. Once you register, stop by the Youth Desk to pick up a free copy of the book.

**Thursday, May 19 | 4-5pm**

*Aru Shah & the Tree of Wishes*

**Thursday, June 30 | 4-5pm**

*Aru Shah & the City of Gold*

**Thursday, July 28 | 4-5pm**

*Aru Shah & the Nectar of Immortality*



## **"Campfire" Stories**

**Registration Required**

**Wednesday, June 22 | 7-8pm**

Gather around the "campfire," make a s'more, and take a turn sharing your favorite spooky tales!

## **Interactive Movie**

**Registration Required**

**Saturday, July 23 | 1pm**

Somebody once told me about this masterpiece movie about an ogre who goes on a journey with a donkey. Join the adventure at our interactive version, including a script to follow and snacks!



## **DIY Take Home Kits**

Cultivate creativity with a new project each month to work on at home! Sign up for each kit that you would like and pick it up during our open hours of the week listed.

## **Paracord Survival Bracelet**

**Registration Required**

**June 13-18**

Become more prepared for unexpected emergency situations by making this useful & versatile cord into a part of your daily fashion.

## **Tie-Dye Socks**

**Registration Required**

**July 11-16**

Summer Camp Vibes!  
Use colorful inks to tie & dye a fresh pair of socks with ease.

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## **Current Hours of Operation**

Mon-Thurs 9am - 8pm

Fri 9am - 6pm

Sat 9am - 5pm

Sun 1pm-5pm



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**Twitch Streaming 101**

**Wednesday, June 1 | 6:30 PM**

Sam B. will go over the elements needed to start streaming on Twitch. This talk will cover best practices with hardware, networking, audio and video in addition to navigating the Twitch community and self-promotion.

**Basics of Nuclear Medicine**

**Thursday, June 16 | 6:00 PM**

Presented by Dr. Michael Shaw. Since the discovery of radioactivity, our understanding has steadily increased about how nuclear materials can be used to improve health. From improved scanning techniques to tissue-specific therapies, the current state-of-the-art includes an impressive set of technologies for the diagnosis and treatment of a number of diseases.

**Black History 101  
Mobile Museum**

**Saturday, June 25 | 10 AM - 2 PM**

Khalid el-Hakim, founder and curator of the Black History 101 Mobile Museum, will bring some of the 7,000+ original artifacts of Black memorabilia dating from the trans-Atlantic slave trade era to hip-hop culture. Drop in to see this special one-day exhibit.

**Coloring for Grown-Ups**

Join us for a relaxing and fun afternoon session of coloring. We will provide colored pencils and adult coloring books along with refreshments.

**Saturday, May 21 1:00-3:00 PM**

**Saturday, June 18 1:00-3:00 PM**

**Saturday, July 16 1:00-3:00 PM**

**Coventry Crafters**

Enjoy crafts, snacks, and lively conversation! Adult crafters bring portable crafts – needlework, quilting, scrapbooking, knitting, etc.

**Monday, May 9 6:00-7:30 PM**

**Monday, June 13 6:00-7:30 PM**

**Monday, July 11 6:00-7:30 PM**

**Irish in St. Louis**

**Thursday, June 30 | 6:30 PM**

Patrick Murphy introduces us to priests and gangsters, artists and revolutionaries, entrepreneurs and entertainers. He takes us to the rough and tumble neighborhoods of 19th century Kerry Patch and Dogtown, where immigrants and their children forged paths into the city's mainstream while preserving their Irish identity.

**Wrestling at the Chase**

**Thursday, July 21 | 6:30 PM**

From 1959 to 1983, Chase Park Plaza Hotel hosted the stars of professional wrestling's golden era. These weekly events were recorded and broadcast on local TV as "Wrestling at the Chase." Author and producer Ed Wheatley will speak on this significant piece of wrestling history.

**Movie Matinees**

Bring a brown bag lunch, and we'll provide drinks and popcorn. For movie titles, please call the library or visit [edwardsvillelibrary.org](http://edwardsvillelibrary.org).

**Thursday, May 19 12:00 PM**

**Thursday, June 16 12:00 PM**

**Thursday, July 21 12:00 PM**

**Chair Yoga**

Registered yoga teacher Julie Hamilton will lead these classes using modifications of many common yoga poses. Perfect for seniors and for others with disabilities or challenges such as chronic illness, pain, or stiffness.

**Saturday, May 28 10:00-11:00 AM**

**Saturday, June 18 10:00-11:00 AM**

**Saturday, July 23 10:00-11:00 AM**

**Crafternoons**

Registration Required

**Sundays**

**June 12 & June 19**

**July 10 & July 17**

**2:00-4:00 PM**

Kelcey leads two Sunday Crafternoon sessions a month. Registrations open on the First of each month. Check [edwardsvillelibrary.org](http://edwardsvillelibrary.org) for more details.



**True Crime  
Book Club**

Join other armchair detectives in discussing the shocking details and events found in this popular non-fiction subgenre.

**Under the Banner of  
Heaven**

**by Jon Krakauer**

**Tuesday, May 31 6:30PM**

**American Fire**

**by Monica Hesse**

**Tuesday, June 28 6:30PM**

**Last Call**

**by Elon Green**

**Tuesday, July 26 6:30PM**

**EPL  
Book Club**

Our longstanding monthly book discussion group returns. Extra copies of books will be available at the adult circulation desk.

**Crying in H Mart**  
**by Michelle Zauner**

**Thursday, May 19  
6:30 PM**

**Freshwater**  
**by Akwaeke Emezi**

**Thursday, June 23  
6:30 PM**

**Behind the Beautiful  
Forevers**  
**by Katherine Boo**

**Thursday, July 28  
6:30 PM**