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Hours & Locations



Downtown Library

303 E. Kirkwood Avenue | Bloomington, IN 47408 | (812) 349-3050

Monday–Thursday 9 AM–9 PM

Friday–Saturday 10 AM–6 PM

Sunday..... 12–6 PM



Ellettsville Branch

600 W. Temperance Street | Ellettsville, IN 47429 | (812) 876-1272

Monday–Thursday 9 AM–7 PM

Friday–Saturday 10 AM–6 PM

Sunday..... 12–6 PM



Southwest Branch

890 W. Gordon Pike | Bloomington, IN 47403 | (812) 349-3110

Monday–Thursday 9 AM–7 PM

Friday–Saturday 10 AM–6 PM

Sunday..... 12–6 PM



Bookmobile

(812) 349-3174



Library Closures



Memorial Day Monday, May 27

Juneteenth Wednesday, June 19

Independence Day Thursday, July 4

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May Programs

▼ All-Ages Downtown Programs

Tallest Sunflower Competition

Pick up seeds starting May 1

Join us for our Tallest Sunflower Competition! **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

Discardia Mending Day

**May 11 | 12–4 PM
Meeting Room 2A**

Drop in and bring any clothes or other textiles in need of repair; please clean items first. Discardia will be on-hand to show you how to mend them or do it for you.

All-Ages Day at The Ground Floor

**May 12 | 12–6 PM
The Ground Floor**

Curious about The Ground Floor teen space, but you aren't a teen? Patrons of all ages are invited to check it out on the second Sunday of the month.

Garden Planting Party

**May 15 | 5–6 PM
Garden**

Come and help us plant the garden at the Downtown Library!

Mike Familant Live Searchin' America Tour '24: The Bigfoot Experience

May 19 | 3–4 PM

Auditorium

Mike Familant recounts his experiences searching for North America's most iconic cryptid, Bigfoot.

Shawms & Stories: Chaucer's Canterbury Tales

May 26 | 2–3:30 PM

Auditorium

Forgotten Clefs presents a captivating community education event inspired by the timeless tales of Chaucer's *Canterbury Tales*.

▼ All-Ages Ellettsville Programs

All-Ages Day at the Ellettsville Teen Space

**May 25 | 12–6 PM
Teen Space**

Curious about the Ellettsville Teen Space, but you aren't a teen? Patrons of all ages are invited to check it out on the fourth Saturday of the month.



All ages

Downtown Library

Ellettsville Branch

▼ All-Ages External Location Programs

Board Game Night **May 21 | 6–8 PM** **Hopscotch Kitchen**

It's game night! Join us to chat and play a fun selection of board games out in the community at Hopscotch Kitchen (235 W. Dodds Street, Bloomington).



All ages



Children



Tween

▼ Children's & Tween Downtown Programs

LEGO® Club **May 5 and 19 | 2–3 PM** **Children's Program Room**

Unleash your imagination and creativity with fellow LEGO® builders! Ages 5–12.

Pajama Storytime **May 8 | 5:30–6 PM** **Children's Program Room**

Wind down for the night with a special pajama storytime with Miss Lindsay! We'll be reading books, singing songs, and watching felt stories to help us fall asleep. Ages birth–6.

Introduction to Miniature Painting **May 12 | 1–2:30 PM** **Children's Program Room**

Get guidance from an expert as you paint miniatures for tabletop roleplaying games. Supplies and miniatures will be provided. All skill levels are welcome. Ages 9–12.

Baby Play **May 17 | 1:30–2:30 PM** **Children's Program Room**

Play, learn, and get to know other parents. We'll have sensory toys and other manipulatives to facilitate a fun time for all. Ages birth–2.

External Location

Downtown Library

Preschool Storytime

May 2, 9, and 16
10–10:30 AM

Meeting Room B

Join in the fun with stories, songs, puppets, and more that encourage the development of early literacy skills. Ages 3–6.

Preschool Discovery

May 2, 9, and 16
10:30–11 AM

Meeting Room A

Discover more at the Library! Following each Preschool Storytime, join us for a fun craft experience. Ages 3–6.

Tiny to Two

May 7 and 21
10–10:30 AM

Meeting Room B

Families with babies and toddlers play, sing, read, and talk together. Ages birth–2.

Growing Gardeners: Compost

May 14 | 4–5 PM
**Garden and Meeting
Room B**

If you're interested in learning about gardening and helping the Ellettsville Branch garden, join us for Growing Gardeners, a kid's gardening club. Ages 7–12. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

LEGO® Club

May 20 | 4–5 PM
Meeting Room A

Unleash your imagination and creativity with fellow LEGO® builders! Ages 5–12.

Baby Lamb Yoga

May 25 | 2–3 PM
Meeting Room A/B

Join yoga instructor and local farmer Lauren McCalister for some physical and mental exercises in mindfulness...with baby lambs! All abilities are welcome. Yoga mats will be provided. Ages 8–12. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**



Children



Tween

▼ Teen Downtown Programs

Homeschool Hangout Hour

May 1 and 15 | 2–3 PM

The Ground Floor

Calling all homeschooled teens! Drop by The Ground Floor for a chance to hangout with other homeschoolers, do some crafts, play some games, or get some homework done. Ages 12–19.

D&D Club

May 1 and 8 | 4–6 PM

Meeting Room 1C

Drop in, adventure through fantastic realms, then leave whenever you'd like. All skill levels are welcome. Ages 12–19.

Rangers of Shadow Deep

Miniature Making

May 2 | 4–6 PM

The Ground Floor

Join us to make your very own custom miniature for *Rangers of Shadow Deep*, a D&D-like wargame. No experience required. Ages 12–19.

Teen Anime Night:

Ranking of Kings

May 2 | 6–9 PM

The Ground Floor

Join us as we start the first season of *Ranking of Kings*. We'll chat, craft, and eat snacks. Ages 12–19.

Star Wars Movie Marathon

May 4 | 12–6 PM

The Ground Floor

Help us celebrate *Star Wars* Day with snacks, good conversation, and a movie marathon featuring the first three *Star Wars* Episodes. Ages 12–19.

Character Creation

Workshop

May 6 | 4–6 PM

Meeting Room 1C

Need help creating characters? RPG rules can be intimidating. We've got the books and the character sheets, you just bring your imagination! Ages 12–19.

Viewing Party:

Trolls Band Together

May 6 | 6–8 PM

The Ground Floor

Join us for a screening of *Trolls Band Together*. We'll watch our favorite Trolls go on another adventure while we enjoy snacks and good conversation. Ages 12–19.



Teen



Teen

Eurovision Watch Party

May 7 | 2–6 PM

May 9 | 3–6 PM

May 11 | 2–6 PM

The Ground Floor

Join us as we watch the spectacular performances of the 2024 Eurovision Song Contest! We'll enjoy snacks and drinks while we watch this year's contestants perform their original songs. Ages 12–19.

Pizza Parley

May 7 | 3:30–4 PM

The Ground Floor

Come for a discussion about relationships, dating, and other tough topics. Stay for the conversation and the pizza. Ages 12–19.

RPG Club: *Pathfinder*

May 9 | 4–6 PM

Meeting Room 1B

Join us to traverse magical worlds in a fantastical adventure! This is an ongoing adventure. Ages 12–19. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

MCPL Hot Ones

May 13 | 4–5 PM

Auditorium

Join us for a Hot Ones-style interview where you'll get to help interrogate featured MCPL staff members. Watch them attempt to answer tough questions while they taste sizzling sauces. Ages 12–19.

Viewing Party: *Wonka*

May 13 | 6–8 PM

The Ground Floor

Join us for a screening of *Wonka*. We'll watch the origins of Willy Wonka while we enjoy snacks and good conversation. Ages 12–19.

Teen Craft Club: Polymer Clay Mushroom Magnets

May 14 | 4–5 PM

The Ground Floor

Dive into a new craft project each month with other art lovers! This month, we'll be making polymer clay mushroom magnets. Ages 12–19.

3D Printing Workshop

May 14 | 5–6 PM

The Ground Floor

Ready to level up your 3D modeling skills? Join us to learn the basics, and we'll help design a model that you can keep. Ages 12–19.

Monsters & Mayhem

May 15 | 4–6 PM

Meeting Room 214

May 22 | 4–6 PM

Meeting Room 1C

Test your mettle against monsters and mayhem in a new RPG. All skill levels are welcome at these drop-in sessions. Ages 12–19.

Rangers of Shadow Deep
May 16 and 30 | 4–6 PM
The Ground Floor

Join us for *Rangers of Shadow Deep*, a D&D-like wargame with custom character creation. No experience required. Ages 12–19. **Please email sott@mcpl.info to register.**

Teen Anime Night: Suzume
May 16 | 6–9 PM
The Ground Floor

Join us as we watch *Suzume*. We'll chat, craft, and eat snacks. Ages 12–19.

Author Event: Lies My Teacher Told Me
by Nate Powell
May 19 | 2–4 PM
Meeting Room 1 B/C

Bloomington illustrator Nate Powell will be at the Downtown Library to discuss his new book, the graphic adaptation of *Lies My Teacher Told Me*. Age 13 and up.

RPG Club: Fairytale Adventures
May 20 | 4–6 PM
Meeting Room 2A

Join us to traverse magical worlds in a fantastical ongoing adventure! Anyone can play and all skill levels are welcome. Ages 12–19. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

GM Training: How to Plan a One-Shot
May 21 | 4–5:30 PM
Meeting Room 1C

Want to run role-playing games for your friends? Join us to learn some tips and tools to start your own tabletop role-playing game! Ages 12–19.

RPG & Tea
May 21 | 6–7 PM
The Ground Floor

Let's talk about RPGs! Join us to chat with other gamers and discuss role-playing game ideas and experiences. Ages 12–19.

Miniature Painting 101
May 23 | 4–5:30 PM
The Ground Floor

Come try your hand at miniature painting! We've got the minis, paints, brushes, and know-how. All skill levels are welcome. Ages 12–19.

Super Smash Bros.™ Tournament
May 26 | 2–5 PM
The Ground Floor

Think you have what it takes to be a *Super Smash Bros.™* champion? Come and find out! Please arrive promptly, as we will set the tournament bracket at 2 PM. Ages 12–19.



Teen Advisory Board

May 28 | 3:30–4:30 PM
Meeting Room 1C

The Teen Advisory Board is your opportunity to guide the Downtown Library's programs and services! Ages 12–19.



Teen

One-Shot RPG Club

May 29 | 4–6 PM
Meeting Room 1C

Explore a variety of short and exciting games! Each session will be a new, self-contained adventure. Dice and characters will be provided. Anyone can play and all skill levels are welcome. Ages 12–19.

▼ Teen Ellettsville Programs

Teen Gardening Day

May 2, 9, and 16
3:30–4:30 PM

May 23 and 30

2:30–3:30 PM

Garden

Help maintain and beautify the Ellettsville Branch garden! Ages 12–19.

D&D Club

May 3 | 3:30–5 PM

Meeting Room A

Drop in, adventure through fantastic realms, then leave whenever you'd like. All skill levels are welcome. Ages 12–19.

Star Wars Trivia

May 6 | 3:30–4:30 PM

Teen Space

Put your knowledge of *Star Wars* to the test by competing for fun and prizes in this trivia challenge! Ages 12–19.

Teen Craft Club: Polymer Clay Mushroom Magnets

May 7 | 3:30–4:30 PM
Teen Space

Dive into a new craft project each month with other art lovers! This month, we'll be making polymer clay mushroom magnets. Ages 12–19.

Edible Architecture

May 8 | 3:30–4:30 PM
Teen Space

For this challenge, we'll create architectural structures using only edible supplies. Ages 12–19.

Trading Card Game Club: Magic: The Gathering

May 13 | 4–5 PM

Meeting Room A

Use decks from the Ellettsville Branch or bring your own in this club that celebrates trading card games. All levels of experience are welcome. Ages 12–19.

Miniature Painting 101

May 15 | 3:30–4:30 PM

Teen Space

Come try your hand at miniature painting. We've got the minis, paints, brushes, and know-how. All skill levels are welcome. Ages 12–19.

RPG Guild:

Monster of the Week

May 17 | 3:30–5 PM

Meeting Room A

Drop in, adventure through fantastic realms, then leave whenever you'd like. This program is designed to be short and fun for players of all skill levels. Ages 12–19.

Read to a Dog

May 21 | 3:30–4:30 PM

Teen Space

What's up, dog? De-stress from finals and hang out with some four-legged friends at the Ellettsville Branch! Ages 12–19.

Last Day of School Party

May 22 | 3–4:30 PM

Teen Space

You made it! Celebrate the end of school and the beginning of summer with games, crafts, and snacks at the Ellettsville Branch. Ages 12–19.



Teen

▼ Adult Downtown Programs

Free HIV & HCV Testing

May 1 | 2–4 PM

Meeting Room 2A

Receive free testing for HIV and HCV, as well as referral for Hepatitis C and HIV treatment, and access to PrEP medication. Age 18 and up.

Craft Club for Adults:

Galaxy Art

May 1 | 7–8 PM

Meeting Room 2B

To celebrate our Summer Reading Program theme, join us as we use different types of paints and materials to make space-inspired galaxy art! Age 18 and up. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

Novel Horizons:

A Mixed Media Club

May 6 | 6–7 PM

Meeting Room 2B

Novel Horizons is not a traditional book club! In this low-stress club, you will read, watch, play, or listen to media that follows a specific theme. This month's theme is comfort, feel-good, and cozy. Drinks and snacks will be provided. Age 18 and up; recommended for ages 18–32.

Searching for Grants with Foundation Directory

May 8 | 10 AM–12 PM

Meeting Room 2A

Looking for grants for your nonprofit and not sure where to begin? Come learn how to use Candid's Foundation Directory, a prospect research tool with over 239,000 grantmaker profiles. Age 18 and up. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

Creative Constructs

May 8 | 4:30–6 PM

Library Commons

This dynamic program invites enthusiasts to explore the artistry and construction of LEGO®, miniature models, and Gundam models. Age 18 and up; recommended for ages 18–32.

Hoosier Character:

Mapping 19th

Century Indiana

May 8 | 6–7:30 PM

Meeting Room 1B

Learn how historians, residents, and property owners are digging into their history to find out who lived on their land prior to 1900. Age 18 and up.



Adult

**Short Attention Span
Book Club: *This is How
You Lose the Time War***

**May 8 | 6:30–8 PM
Meeting Room 2A**

Don't always get the book read? This is the book club for you. Dive into short stories and novellas of all genres. This month's selection is *This is How You Lose the Time War*. Age 18 and up. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

**Empower Me to Be Clutter
Free: Barriers & Strategies**

**May 13 | 6–7 PM
Meeting Room 2C**

This session will provide de-cluttering strategies and discusses the emotional barriers that often prevent us from letting go of our things. Age 18 and up.

Show + Tell + Make

**May 16 | 6:30–7:30 PM
Library Commons**

Love creating? Want to share what you create with others? This is your monthly chance to show off your artistic talents and spend time making something new. Age 18 and up. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

**Author Event: *Lies
My Teacher Told Me*
by Nate Powell**

**May 19 | 2–4 PM
Meeting Room 1 B/C**

Bloomington illustrator Nate Powell will be at the Downtown Library to discuss his new book, the graphic adaptation of *Lies My Teacher Told Me*. Age 13 and up.

Fiber Arts Club

**May 20 | 6–7:30 PM
Meeting Room 2B**

Do you enjoy fiber arts? Join us for this low-stress program; we'll hang out, drink tea, and work on personal projects. Age 18 and up; recommended for ages 18-32.

**Famine of Cadavers:
Hoosier Grave Robbing
in the Late 19th Century**

**May 21 | 6–7:30 PM
Meeting Room 1B**

Join author Chris Flook as he talks about his book, *Indianapolis Graverobbing: A Syndicate of Death*. Age 18 and up.



▼ Adult Ellettsville Programs

Prenatal Yoga

May 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30
5:30–6:30 PM

Meeting Room B

Prenatal yoga is a gentle exercise that supports your changing body's needs, builds strength, and deepens awareness of your mind, body, and connection with your baby. Age 18 and up.



Adult

Makers Meet-up

May 18 | 2–3:30 PM
Meeting Room B

Makers Meet-Up is a monthly get-together for crafters, makers, and artists of all skill-levels and media. Age 18 and up.

Ellettsville Book Group: *Exhalation: Stories* by Ted Chiang

May 23 | 1–2 PM
Meeting Room B

Join us to discuss a dynamic mix of fiction and nonfiction. This month's selection is *Exhalation: Stories* by Ted Chiang. Age 18 and up. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

Mystery Monday Book Club: *I Have Some Questions for You* by Rebecca Makkai

May 6 | 6–7 PM
Meeting Room B

A book club for mystery and true crime readers! Join us to discuss what you're reading, share recommendations, and get the scoop on the latest mystery and true crime books at MCPL. Age 18 and up.

Ellettsville Branch

External Location

▼ Adult External Location Programs

Books on Tap: *Jailbird* by Kurt Vonnegut May 20 | 6:30–8 PM Morgenstern's Bookstore and Cafe

This month's selection is *Jailbird* by Kurt Vonnegut, in honor of the Granfalloon annual festival. Our meeting location is Morgenstern's Bookstore and Cafe (849 S. Auto Mall Road, Bloomington). Age 21 and up. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

Green Peeps Book Club: *We Are All Completely Beside Ourselves* by Karen Joy Fowler May 30 | 6–8 PM RCA Community Park

This month, join us at RCA Community Park (1400 W. RCA Park Drive, Bloomington) for a discussion about *We Are All Completely Beside Ourselves* by Karen Joy Fowler. Age 18 and up. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

Adventure Begins at Your Library!

This summer, take a journey through space with our free, all-ages Summer Reading Program! Read for fun, complete activities, and attend events to earn prizes! Pick up a game board beginning **June 1** at any MCPL location.



Scan the QR code or go to mcpl.info/SRP to learn more.



June Programs

▼ All-Ages Downtown Programs

Community Resource Fair

June 1 | 11 AM–4 PM
Meeting Room 1B/C

Come connect with various community organizations for help navigating Bloomington's social assistance programs.

Family Board Game Night

June 3 | 5–7 PM
Meeting Room 2B/C

June 20 | 5–7 PM
Children's Program Room

Bring the whole family to the Downtown Library for a night of board game fun! We'll have a selection of games to choose from, but feel free to bring along favorites or new games you want to play.

Art & the Cosmic Connection

June 7 | 3–4 PM
Children's Program Room

Using NASA imagery, participants will use various space images to inspire original artwork. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

Discardia Mending Day

June 8 | 12–4 PM
Meeting Room 2A

Drop in and bring any clothes or other textiles in need of repair; please clean items first. Discardia will be on-hand to show you how to mend them or do it for you.

All-Ages Day at The Ground Floor

June 9 | 12–6 PM
The Ground Floor

Curious about The Ground Floor teen space, but you aren't a teen? Patrons of all ages are invited to check it out on the second Sunday of the month.

Family Movie Night: Home

June 10 | 5:30–7 PM
Auditorium

Come down to the Downtown Library for a family-friendly movie viewing.



All ages

▼ All-Ages Ellettsville Programs

Summer Reading Kickoff Party

June 1 | 12–3 PM
Meeting Room A/B

Come join us for this family-friendly kickoff to summer with games, activities, and crafts. While you're here, get registered for our Summer Reading Program.

All-Ages Day at the Ellettsville Teen Space

June 22 | 12–6 PM
Teen Space

Curious about the Ellettsville Teen Space, but you aren't a teen? Patrons of all ages are invited to check it out on the fourth Saturday of the month.



All ages

▼ All-Ages External Location Programs

Movie Night at Flatwoods Park: *Lightyear*

June 14 | 7:30–10:45 PM
Flatwoods Park

Join us for a screening of *Lightyear* at Flatwoods Park (9499 West Flatwoods Road, Gosport, IN).

Board Game Night

June 18 | 6–8 PM
Hopscotch Kitchen

It's game night! Join us to chat and play a fun selection of board games out in the community at Hopscotch Kitchen (235 W. Dodds Street, Bloomington).

Ellettsville Branch

External Location

▼ Children's & Tween Downtown Programs

LEGO® Club

June 2 and 16 | 2–3 PM
Children's Program Room

Unleash your imagination and creativity with fellow LEGO® builders! Ages 5–12.

Queer Kitties RPG

June 3 | 2–3:30 PM
Children's Program Room

Join us for a magical tween-tailored role-playing game. This program is in partnership with Middle Way House Queer Talk programs. Ages 8–12. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

Preschool Storytime: Downtown Library

June 4, 11, 18, and 25
10–10:30 AM

Children's Program Room

Join in the fun with stories, songs, puppets, and more that encourage the development of early literacy skills. Ages 3–6.

Little Makers

June 4, 11, and 18
10:45–11:30 AM

Children's Program Room

Explore your creativity with different materials and techniques at this fun, open-ended art experience. Dress to mess. Ages 3–6.

Tween D&D

June 4 | 2:30–4 PM
June 5 | 5:30–7 PM

Children's Program Room

New to *Dungeons & Dragons*? Already a seasoned adventurer? Drop in for an ongoing *D&D* game at the Downtown Library. We'll make characters and go on new adventures every two weeks. Ages 9–12. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

Wonderful Ones

June 5, 12, and 26
9:30–10:15 AM

Children's Program Room

Families with newborns to 18 months play, sing, read, and talk together, then enjoy toy time. Ages birth–18 months.

Terrific Twos

June 5, 12, and 26
10:30–11:15 AM

Children's Program Room

Families with babies ages 18 months to 3 years play, sing, read, and talk together, then enjoy toy time.

Bright Star Theater Presents:

Jack's Adventure in Space

June 5 | 10:30–11:30 AM
Auditorium

Hold on to your seat as Jack blasts off on an imagination-powered adventure through space! Ages 4–12.



Children



Tween

Summer Recess

June 6, 13, and 27

10:30–11:30 AM

Children's Program Room

Calling all elementary-aged kids! School is out and it's recess time! Come to the Downtown Library to play a variety of games and hang out with other kids. Ages 5–12.

Pajama Storytime

June 12 | 5:30–6 PM

Children's Program Room

Wind down for the night with a special pajama story time with Miss Lindsay! We'll be reading books, singing songs, and watching felt stories to help us fall asleep. Ages birth–6.

Crafts in the Stacks

June 13 and 27

5:30–7 PM

Children's Program Room

Try out new hands-on, DIY projects as you learn new crafting skills each month. Supplies will be provided to complete each project. Ages 7–12.

Alien Control Task Force

June 14 | 7–8 PM

Children's Program Room

Help defend the Downtown Library from an invasion! Ages 9–12. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

Kids LEGO® Masters

June 15 and 29

10:30 AM–12 PM

Children's Program Room

Are you a LEGO® Master? Flex your building muscles in this fun and friendly competition to complete the monthly challenge and add your name to the MCPL LEGO® Wall of Fame! Ages 8–12. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

River City Puppets:

Upside Down Fairy Town

June 15 | 2–3 PM

Auditorium

The fairy tales have gotten all mixed up in Fairy Town! Help the storyteller untangle the tales in time to celebrate Fairy Tale Day. Ages 4–12.

Bingo Bonanza

June 17 | 2–3 PM

Children's Program Room

Get ready to shout "Bingo!" Enjoy some friendly competition, eat snacks, and maybe even win some prizes! Ages 5–12.

3D Printing for Kids

June 18 | 3–5 PM

Tween Space

Learn how 3D printing works, then print your own model to keep! Please note 3D printing takes time; you may need to return at a later date to collect your print. Ages 6–12. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**



Children



Tween



Children



Tween

Baby Play

June 21 | 1:30–2:30 PM
Children's Program Room

Play, learn, and get to know other parents. We'll have sensory toys and other manipulatives to facilitate a fun time for all. Ages birth–2.

Jackbox Game Night

June 24 | 6–7 PM
Children's Program Room

Get settled in for a hilarious hour of Jackbox Games! Ages 7–12. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

Preschool Math and Science

June 25
10: 45–11:30 AM
Children's Program Room

Learning begins with curiosity and wonder. Hands-on workstations strengthen your young scientist's independent math and comprehension skills as you investigate science topics together. Ages 3–6.

Galactic Gala

June 28 | 7–8:30 PM
Atrium

Get ready to moonwalk, meteor shuffle, and do the robot through the galaxy! Ages birth–12.

Tween Interest Group (TWIG)

June 30 | 2:30–3:30 PM
Children's Program Room

Drop in and share your voice with the Downtown Library to help us plan the future of tween services. Ages 7–12.

Tiny to Two

June 4 and 18

10–10:30 AM

Meeting Room B

Families with babies and toddlers play, sing, read, and talk together. Ages birth–2.

Bright Star Theater

Presents:

Jack's Adventure in Space

June 5 | 1–2 PM

Meeting Room A/B

Hold on to your seat as Jack blasts off on an imagination-powered adventure through space! Ages 4–12.

Preschool Storytime

June 6, 13, and 20

10–10:30 AM

Meeting Room B

Join in the fun with stories, songs, puppets, and more that encourage the development of early literacy skills. Ages 3–6.

Preschool Discovery

June 6, 13, and 20

10:30–11 AM

Meeting Room A

Discover more at the Library! Following each Preschool Storytime, join us for a fun craft experience. Ages 3–6.

Growing Gardeners: Bugs

June 11 | 3–4 PM

Garden and

Meeting Room B

If you're interested in learning about gardening and helping the Ellettsville Branch garden, join us for Growing Gardeners, a kid's gardening club. Ages 7–12. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

River City Puppets:

Upside Down Fairy Town

June 15 | 2–3 PM

Meeting Room A/B

The fairy tales have gotten all mixed up in Fairy Town! Help the storyteller untangle the tales in time to celebrate Fairy Tale Day. Ages 4–12.

LEGO® Club

June 17 | 4–5 PM

Meeting Room A

Unleash your imagination and creativity with fellow LEGO® builders! Ages 5–12.

Summer Solstice Celebration

June 20 | 3–4 PM

Meeting Room B

Celebrate the longest day of the year and the first official day of summer with crafts, stories, and games. Ages 6–12. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**



Children



Tween

▼ Teen Downtown Programs

Teen Craft Club:

Galaxy Jars

June 3 | 3–4 PM

The Ground Floor

Dive into a new craft project each month with other art lovers! This month, we'll be making galaxy jars. Ages 12–19.

Viewing Party: *Inside Out*

June 3 | 6–8 PM

The Ground Floor

Join us for a screening of *Inside Out*. We'll watch Riley's emotions come to life while we enjoy snacks and good conversation. Ages 12–19.

Queer Kitties RPG

June 4 | 3:30–5 PM

Meeting Room 1C

Join us for a magical adventure in which our kittens will work together and support each other as they escape trash town. All skill levels are welcome. Ages 12–19.

RPG & Tea

June 4 and 18 | 6–7 PM

The Ground Floor

Let's talk about RPGs! Join us to chat with other gamers and discuss role-playing game ideas and experiences. Ages 12–19.

D&D Club

June 5 | 4–6 PM

Meeting Room 1C

Drop in, adventure through fantastic realms, then leave whenever you'd like. All skill levels are welcome. Ages 12–19.

Miniature Painting 101

June 6 | 2–4 PM

The Ground Floor

Come try your hand at miniature painting! We've got the minis, paints, brushes, and know-how. All skill levels are welcome. Ages 12–19.

Alien Escape Room

June 6 | 3:30–6 PM

The Ground Floor and Meeting Room 1C

Celebrate our Summer Reading Program with an afternoon of fun and deduction. Can you defeat the aliens in time? Come and find out! Ages 12–19. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

Know Your Glow

June 7 | 7–9:30 PM

Meeting Room 1B/C

Join us for a fun and free after-hours glow stick and blacklight dance extravaganza! Ages 12–20.



Teen

Dragon Boat Festival

June 8 | 12–1 PM

Meeting Room 2B

Join us in celebrating the Dragon Boat Festival. Families are welcome, but content is designed for age 12 and up. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

Nancy Drew Playthrough: *Treasure in the Royal Tower*

June 10, 11, 13, and 14

2:30–4 PM

The Ground Floor

Work as a group to play through an old-school, point-and-click mystery game. The game will be played over four days. Drop in any time! Ages 12–19.

In-Person *Among Us*

June 10 | 4–5 PM

The Ground Floor

Come help us figure out who the imposter is during a few rounds of in-person *Among Us*! Ages 12–19.

3D Printing Workshop

June 11 | 5–6 PM

The Ground Floor

Ready to level up your 3D modeling skills? Join us to learn the basics, and we'll help design a model that you can keep. Ages 12–19.

Monsters & Mayhem

June 12 | 4–6 PM

Meeting Room 1C

Test your mettle against monsters and mayhem in a new RPG. All skill levels are welcome at these drop-in sessions. Players discover new challenges and a different gameplay style than *D&D*. Ages 12–19.

Rangers of Shadow Deep

June 13 | 4–6 PM

June 20 | 2–4 PM

The Ground Floor

Join us for *Rangers of Shadow Deep*, a *D&D*-like wargame with custom character creation. No experience required. Ages 12–19. **Please email sott@mcpl.info to register.**

Teen Anime Night: *Yuri on Ice*

June 13 | 6–9 PM

The Ground Floor

Join us as we watch *Yuri on Ice*. We'll chat, craft, and eat snacks. Ages 12–19.



Teen



Teen

Cosplay Camp: Magnificent Tomes! **June 17 and 18 | 2–4 PM** **The Ground Floor**

Join us for a two-day program where we'll craft and decorate custom book boxes from EVA foam and poster board. All supplies will be provided. Ages 12–19. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

Rainbow Necklaces **June 20 | 6–7 PM** **The Ground Floor**

Learn how to make stunning rainbow necklaces using different jewelry techniques! Ages 12–19.

Graphic Novel Tea Time: *Invisible Kingdom* by G. Willow Wilson **June 22 | 2–3 PM** **The Ground Floor**

An afternoon spent sipping tea and discussing graphic novels is time well spent! We'll be discussing *Invisible Kingdom*. Check out a copy from The Ground Floor or online with Hoopla. Ages 12–19.

***Super Smash Bros.*TM Tournament** **June 23 | 2–5 PM** **The Ground Floor**

Think you have what it takes to be a *Super Smash Bros.*TM champion? Come and find out! Please arrive promptly, as we will set the tournament bracket at 2 PM. Ages 12–19.

Epic Heroes D&D **June 24, 25, 27, and 28** **2–5 PM** **Meeting Room 1B/C**

Go on an adventure of epic proportions in this special, high-level *Dungeons & Dragons* edition of our Summer Reading Program! Ages 12–19. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

Viewing Party: WALL-E **June 24 | 6–8 PM** **The Ground Floor**

Join us for a screening of Disney's *WALL-E*. We'll watch the adventures of Wall-E and EVE while we enjoy snacks and good conversation. Ages 12–19.

Rainbow Felted Mushrooms **June 26 | 3–4 PM** **The Ground Floor**

Learn how to make rainbow needle-felted mushrooms! Ages 12–19.

Teen Anime Night: *A Sign of Affection* **June 27 | 6–9 PM** **The Ground Floor**

Join us as watch *A Sign of Affection*. We'll chat, craft, and eat snacks. Ages 12–19.

▼ Teen Ellettsville Programs

Teen Craft Club:

Galaxy Jars

June 4 | 1–2 PM

Teen Space

Dive into a new craft project each month with other art lovers! This month, we'll be making galaxy jars. Ages 12–19.

Teen Gardening Day

June 6, 13, 20, and 27

2:30–3:30 PM

Garden

Help maintain and beautify the Ellettsville Branch garden! Ages 12–19.

D&D Club

June 7 and 21

3:30–5 PM

Meeting Room A

Drop in, adventure through fantastic realms, then leave whenever you'd like. All skill levels are welcome. Ages 12–19.

Trading Card Game Club:

Pokémon

June 10 | 3:30–4:30 PM

Meeting Room A

Use decks from the Ellettsville Branch or bring your own in this club that celebrates trading card games. All levels of experience are welcome. Ages 12–19.

RPG Guild: *Starhold*

June 12 | 2:30–4 PM

Meeting Room A

Drop in, adventure through fantastic realms, then leave whenever you'd like. This program is designed to be short and fun for players of all skill levels. Ages 12–19.

Edible Architecture: James Webb Space Telescope

June 17 | 2:30–3:30 PM

Teen Space

For this challenge, we'll create architectural structures using only edible supplies. Ages 12–19.

Super Smash Bros.™ Ultimate Tournament

June 18 | 2:30–3:30 PM

Teen Space

Compete against fellow teens in games of *Super Smash Bros.™ Ultimate*. Ages 12–19.

Basketball Trivia

June 24 | 2:30–3:30 PM

Teen Space

Put your knowledge of the NBA and basketball to the test by competing for fun and prizes in this trivia challenge! Ages 12–19.



Teen



Teen

Teen Advisory Board

June 25 | 2:30–3:30 PM

Teen Space

This is your opportunity to guide the Ellettsville Branch's programs and services! Help plan events, work on projects, and make the Library a fun and welcoming space for teens. Ages 12–19.



Adult

Miniature Painting 101

June 26 | 3:30–4:30 PM

Teen Space

Come try your hand at miniature painting! We've got the minis, paints, brushes, and know-how. All skill levels are welcome. Ages 12–19.

After-Hours Movie Night:

Five Nights at Freddy's

June 28 | 7–9 PM

Meeting Room A

Join us after the Ellettsville Branch closes to watch *Five Nights at Freddy's*. Snacks and refreshments will be provided. Ages 12–19.

▼ Adult Downtown Programs

Free HIV & HCV Testing

June 5 | 2–4 PM

Meeting Room 2A

Receive free testing for HIV and HCV, as well as referral for Hepatitis C and HIV treatment, and access to PrEP medication. Age 18 and up.

Craft Club for Adults:

Galaxy Art

June 5 | 7–8 PM

Meeting Room 2B

To celebrate our Summer Reading Program theme, join us as we use different types of paints and materials to make space-inspired galaxy art! Age 18 and up. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

Creative Constructs

June 5 | 4:30–6 PM

Library Commons

This dynamic program invites enthusiasts to explore the artistry and construction of LEGO®, miniature models, and Gundam models. Age 18 and up; recommended for ages 18–32.

Dragon Boat Festival

June 8 | 12–1 PM

Meeting Room 2B

Join us in celebrating the Dragon Boat Festival. Families are welcome, but content is designed for age 12 and up. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

Fiber Arts Club

June 10 | 6–7:30 PM
Meeting Room 2B

Do you enjoy fiber arts? Join us for this low-stress program; we'll hang out, drink tea, and work on personal projects. Age 18 and up; recommended for ages 18–32.

Empower Me to Be Clutter Free: Paper Clutter

June 10 | 6–7 PM
Meeting Room 1B

Learn how to address paper clutter. Age 18 and up.

Lemonade Social

June 12 | 5–6:30 PM
Meeting Room 2B

Stop in and slow down, enjoy a cool drink, and for those interested, we'll be making friendship bracelets! Age 18 and up; recommended for ages 18–32.

Short Attention Span Book Club: *Grief is the Thing with Feathers* by Max Porter

June 12 | 6:30–8 PM
Meeting Room 2A

Don't always get the book read? This is the book club for you. Dive into short stories and novellas of all genres. This month's selection is *Grief is the Thing with Feathers*. Age 18 and up. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

Show + Tell + Make

June 20 | 6:15–7:45 PM
Library Commons

Love creating? Want to share what you create with others? This is your monthly chance to show off your artistic talents and spend time making something new. Age 18 and up. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

Sewable Sashes

June 24 | 5:30–7 PM
Meeting Room 2B

Join us for an engaging and hands-on program where participants will learn the art of sewing to create unique, scout-like badges for a sash. Age 18 and up; recommended for ages 18–32.



Adult

▼ Adult Ellettsville Programs

Mystery Monday Book Club: *Murder Your Employer: The McMasters Guide to Homicide* by Rupert Holmes **June 3 | 6–7 PM** **Meeting Room A/B**

A book club for mystery and true crime readers! Join us to discuss what you're reading, share recommendations, and get the scoop on the latest mystery and true crime books at MCPL. Age 18 and up.

Makers Meet-up **June 8 | 2–3:30 PM** **Meeting Room B**

Makers Meet-Up is a monthly get-together for crafters, makers, and artists of all skill-levels and media. Age 18 and up.

Ellettsville Book Group: *The Divorcees* by Rowan Beard **June 20 | 1–2 PM** **Meeting Room A**

Join us on the third Thursday of the month to discuss a dynamic mix of fiction and nonfiction. This month's selection is *The Divorcees* by Rowan Beard. Age 18 and up. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

Adult Craft Night: Photo Embroidery **June 27 | 6:30–8 PM** **Meeting Room B**

Add interest to old photos using basic embroidery stitches. All supplies will be provided. Age 18 and up. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

▼ Adult External Location Programs

Books on Tap: *The Martian* by Andy Weir **June 24 | 6:30–8 PM** **Morgenstern's Bookstore and Cafe**

This month's selection is *The Martian* by Andy Weir, in honor of our Summer Reading Program. Our meeting location is Morgenstern's Bookstore and Cafe (849 S. Auto Mall Road, Bloomington). Age 21 and up. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

Green Peeps Book Club: *Crossings* by Ben Goldfarb **June 27 | 6–8 PM** **Latimer Woods**

This month, join us for a walk through Latimer Woods (3200 E. Buick Cadillac Boulevard, Bloomington) and a discussion of *Crossings: How Road Ecology is Shaping the Future of Our Planet* by Ben Goldfarb. Age 18 and up. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**



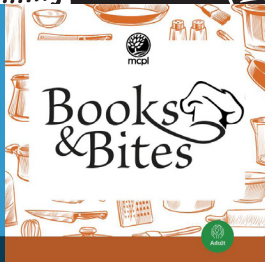
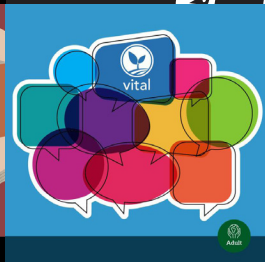
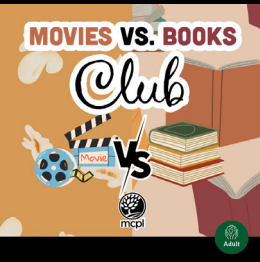
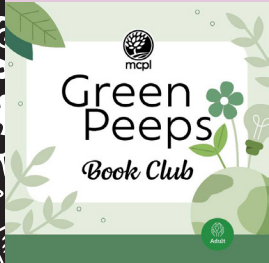
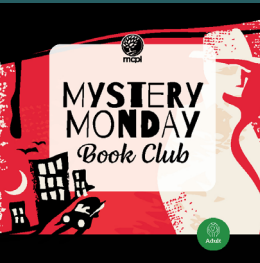
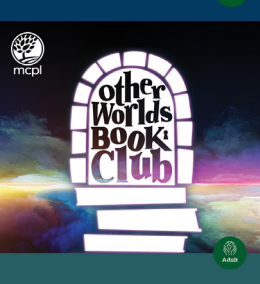
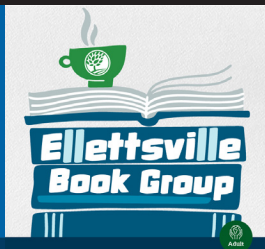
Adult

Join a Book Club!

The Library has more than 10 book clubs that span a variety of interests, including cooking, mystery, nature, science fiction, and much more.



Scan the QR code or go to mcpl.info/bookclub to learn more.



July Programs

▼ All-Ages Downtown Programs

Family Board Game Night

July 1 | 5–7 PM

Meeting Room 2B/C

Bring the whole family to the Downtown Library for a night of board game fun! We'll have a selection of games to choose from, but feel free to bring along favorites or new games you want to play.

Family Movie Night:

Lightyear

July 8 | 5:30–7 PM

Auditorium

Come down to the Downtown Library for a family-friendly movie viewing.

Discardia Mending Day

July 13 | 12–4 PM

Meeting Room 2A

Drop in and bring any clothes or other textiles in need of repair; please clean items first. Discardia will be on-hand to show you how to mend them or do it for you.

Family Dance with Katie Zukof and Supertrad

July 13 | 2–3 PM

Meeting Room 1B/C

All abilities are welcome to join in some traditional American dances taught by Katie Zukof with live music provided by Supertrad (Sam Bartlett and Eric Schedler).

All-Ages Day at The Ground Floor

July 14 | 12–6 PM

The Ground Floor

Curious about The Ground Floor teen space, but you aren't a teen? Patrons of all ages are invited to check it out on the second Sunday of the month.

Puppets from Space: Creative Workshop

July 18 | 3–5 PM

Children's Program Room

Create your own puppet from scratch using everyday household supplies! Learn how to give your puppet a personality and bring it to life in a space-themed puppet show!

International Zine Library Day!

July 21 | 12–4 PM

Library Commons

July 21 is International Zine Library Day! Join us for a day of hands-on workshops, zine creation, and meeting local collaborators and zine makers.



All ages

The Tricky Max Comedy Magic Show

July 31 | 5:30–6:30 PM
Auditorium

Ahoy there, magic lovers! Join Tricky Max and his swashbuckling band of puppets on a high-seas adventure to find magic and secret treasure! Age 4 and up.

▼ **All-Ages Ellettsville Programs**

All-Ages Day at the Ellettsville Teen Space

July 27 | 12–6 PM
Teen Space

Curious about the Ellettsville Teen Space, but you aren't a teen? Patrons of all ages are invited to check it out on the fourth Saturday of the month.

The Tricky Max Comedy Magic Show

July 31 | 2–2:45 PM
Meeting Room A/B

Ahoy there, magic lovers! Join Tricky Max and his swashbuckling band of puppets on a high-seas adventure to find magic and secret treasure! Age 4 and up.

▼ **All-Ages External Location Programs**

Board Game Night

July 16 | 6–8 PM
Hopscotch Kitchen

It's game night! Join us to chat and play a fun selection of board games out in the community at Hopscotch Kitchen (235 W. Dodds Street, Bloomington).



All ages

Downtown Library

Ellettsville Branch

External Location

▼ Children's & Tween Downtown Programs



Children



Tween

Preschool Storytime:

Downtown Library

July 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30

10–10:30 AM

Children's Program Room

Join in the fun with stories, songs, puppets, and more that encourage the development of early literacy skills. Ages 3–6.

Little Makers

July 2, 9, 16, and 23

10:45–11:30 AM

Children's Program Room

Explore your creativity with different materials and techniques at this fun, open-ended art experience. Dress to mess. Ages 3–6.

Tween D&D

July 2 and 16 | 2:30–4 PM

July 3 and 17 | 5:30–7 PM

Children's Program Room

New to *Dungeons & Dragons*? Already a seasoned adventurer? Drop in for an ongoing D&D game at the Downtown Library. We'll make characters and go on new adventures every two weeks. Ages 9–12. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

Wonderful Ones

July 3, 10, 17, 24, and 31

9:30–10:15 AM

Children's Program Room

Families with newborns to 18 months play, sing, read, and talk together, then enjoy toy time. Ages birth–18 months.

Terrific Twos

July 3, 10, 17, 24, and 31

10:30–11:15 AM

Children's Program Room

Families with babies ages 18 months to 3 years play, sing, read, and talk together, then enjoy toy time.

Farm Animals

Meet & Greet

July 5 | 10 AM–12 PM

Children's Program Room

Meet live farm animals! Seasonally available baby animals such as rabbits, chicks, and goats and reptiles from Cedar Valley Farm & Forest will be present. Ages birth–8.

LEGO® Club

July 7 and 21 | 2–3 PM

Children's Program Room

Unleash your imagination and creativity with fellow LEGO® builders! Ages 5–12.

Kids DUPLO Masters

July 8 | 10 AM–12 PM

Children's Program Room

Come build with us! Develop your creativity and coordination skills with DUPLO sets. Other kinds of stacking blocks will be provided for little builders of all abilities. Ages birth–6.

Pajama Storytime

July 10 | 5:30–6 PM

Children's Program Room

Wind down for the night with a special pajama story time with Miss Lindsay! We'll be reading books, singing songs, and watching felt stories to help us fall asleep. Ages birth–6.

Summer Recess

July 11, 18, and 25

10:30–11:30 AM

Children's Program Room

Calling all elementary-aged kids! School is out and it's recess time! Come to the Downtown Library to play a variety of games and hang out with other kids. Ages 5–12.

Crafts in the Stacks

July 11 and 25

5:30–7 PM

Children's Program Room

Try out new hands-on, DIY projects as you learn new crafting skills each month. Supplies will be provided to complete each project. Ages 7–12.

Tween Tech Hour

July 12 | 3–4 PM

Children's Program Room

Get out of the heat and come try out some different tech tools! Ages 9–12. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

Kids LEGO® Masters

July 13 and 27

10:30 AM–12 PM

Children's Program Room

Are you a LEGO® Master? Flex your building muscles in this fun and friendly competition to complete the monthly challenge and add your name to the MCPL LEGO® Wall of Fame! Ages 8–12. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

Taste Testers:

Oreos Edition

July 14 | 1–2 PM

Children's Program Room

Do you have a refined palate? Are you able to guess complex flavors? Join us to test your tastebuds! Ages 9–12.

Baby Play

July 19 | 1:30–2:30 PM

Children's Program Room

Play, learn, and get to know other parents. We'll have sensory toys and other manipulatives to facilitate a fun time for all. Ages birth–2.

Interstellar Storytime

July 20 | 11–11:45 AM

Children's Program Room

Join us for a space-themed storytime where we'll explore the cosmos, meet other travelers, and discover the wonders of the universe through enchanting tales! Ages 3–7.



Children



Tween



Tween Reads Book Club: A Rover's Story by Jasmine Warga

July 20 | 2–3 PM
Children's Program Room

Get to know other tweens through crafts and activities in this book club. This month's selection is *A Rover's Story*. Ages 9–12. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**



Library Olympics

July 22 | 10–11 AM
Children's Program Room

The Summer Olympics are coming to Paris, but the Library Olympics are coming to MCPL! Age 5 and up.

Sensory Shenanigans in Space!

July 25 and 27 | 2–3 PM
Children's Program Room

Explore space-themed sensory play and encourage curiosity, creativity, and problem-solving! Dress to mess. Ages birth–5. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

Space Golf: Glow-in-the-Dark Golfing

July 26 | 7–8 PM
Children's Program Room

An eight-hole mini-golf course set up throughout the Downtown Library's Children's Department will take you on a wondrous adventure! Age 6 and up. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

Tween Interest Group (TWIG)

July 28 | 2:30–3:30 PM
Children's Program Room

Drop in and share your voice with the Downtown Library to help us plan the future of tween services. Ages 7–12.

8-Hour Comic Book Day

July 29 | 10 AM–6 PM
Meeting Room 1B/C

We're teaming up with Vintage Phoenix Comic Books for our annual celebration of comics and manga! Age 7 and up.

Preschool Math & Science

July 30 | 10:45–11:30 AM
Children's Program Room

Learning begins with curiosity and wonder. Hands-on workstations strengthen your young scientist's independent math and comprehension skills as you investigate science topics together. Ages 3–6.

Blast Off Builders

July 31 | 2–4 PM
Children's Program Room

Young space enthusiasts will design and construct their own cardboard rocket ships, exploring the wonders of space while honing their creativity and engineering skills. Ages 7–12.

Tiny to Two

July 2 and 16

10–10:30 AM

Meeting Room B

Families with babies and toddlers play, sing, read, and talk together. Ages birth–2.

STEAM Club: Outer Space

July 9 | 3–4 PM

Meeting Room A/B

Explore outer space with a variety of science activities. Ages 7–12. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

Preschool Storytime

July 11 and 18

10–10:30 AM

Meeting Room B

Join in the fun with stories, songs, puppets, and more that encourage the development of early literacy skills. Ages 3–6.

Preschool Discovery

July 11 and 18

10:30–11 AM

Meeting Room A

Discover more at the Library! Following each Preschool Storytime, join us for a fun craft experience. Ages 3–6.

LEGO® Club

July 15 | 4–5 PM

Meeting Room A

Unleash your imagination and creativity with fellow LEGO® builders! Ages 5–12.

Growing Gardeners: Harvesting

July 16 | 3–4 PM

Garden and

Meeting Room B

If you're interested in learning about gardening and helping the Ellettsville Branch garden, join us for Growing Gardeners, a kid's gardening club. Ages 7–12. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

Tween Hangout

July 24 | 2–4 PM

Meeting Room A

Let's soak up the last few weeks of summer vacation. Stop by and hang out! We'll have snacks, crafts, and a movie playing. Ages 9–12.



Children



Tween

▼ Teen Downtown Programs

RPG Club: Pathfinder

July 1 | 4–6 PM
Meeting Room 1B

Join us to traverse magical worlds in a fantastical adventure! This is an ongoing adventure. Ages 12–19. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

Pizza Parley

July 2 | 3:30–4 PM
The Ground Floor

Come for a discussion about relationships, dating, and other tough topics. Stay for the conversation and the pizza. Ages 12–19.

RPG & Tea

July 2 and 30 | 6–7 PM
The Ground Floor

Let's talk about RPGs! Join us to chat with other gamers and discuss role-playing game ideas and experiences. Ages 12–19.

Books & Boba: Book Adaptations

July 6 | 2–3 PM
The Ground Floor

Join us for this book club where we'll enjoy boba drinks while we chat about various themed books. This month, bring a book adaptation to chat about. Boba from Bapu Fresh will be provided! Ages 12–19.

Space Knights RPG

July 8 and 22 | 2–4 PM
Meeting Room 1C

Join us for a special RPG adventure through space, with knights, princesses, and jousting tournaments! Ages 12–19.

Viewing Party: Home

July 8 | 6–8 PM
The Ground Floor

Join us for a screening of Dreamworks' *Home*. We'll watch the adventures of young Tip and misfit alien, Oh, while we enjoy snacks and good conversation. Ages 12–19.

3D Printing Workshop

July 9 | 5–6 PM
The Ground Floor

Ready to level up your 3D modeling skills? Join us to learn the basics, and we'll help design a model that you can keep. Ages 12–19.

D&D Club

July 10 | 4–6 PM
Meeting Room 1C

July 17 | 4–6 PM
Meeting Room 2A

Drop in, adventure through fantastic realms, then leave whenever you'd like. All skill levels are welcome. Ages 12–19.



Teen

Rangers of Shadow Deep
July 11 and 25 | 2–5 PM
The Ground Floor

Join us for *Rangers of Shadow Deep*, a D&D-like wargame with custom character creation. No experience required. Ages 12–19. **Please email sott@mcpl.info to register.**

Teen Anime Night:
The Boy and the Beast
July 11 | 6–9 PM
The Ground Floor

Join us as we watch *The Boy and the Beast*. We'll chat, craft, and eat snacks. Ages 12–19.

Art Camp:
Fabric Moth Wings
July 15, 16, and 17
2–4 PM
The Ground Floor

Over three days, sew and paint five-foot wide moth wings out of fabric and fabric paint. You must attend all three days. All supplies will be provided. Ages 12–19. **Please register at mcpl.info/events**

MCPL Hot Ones
July 15 | 4–5 PM
Auditorium

Join us for a Hot Ones-style interview, where you'll get to help interrogate featured MCPL employees.

Miniature Painting 101
July 18 | 2–4 PM
The Ground Floor

Come try your hand at miniature painting! We've got the minis, paints, brushes, and know-how. All skill levels are welcome. Ages 12–19.

Super Smash Bros.™
Tournament
July 21 | 2–5 PM
The Ground Floor

Think you have what it takes to be a *Super Smash Bros.™* champion? Come and find out! Please arrive promptly, as we will set the tournament bracket at 2 PM. Ages 12–19.

Viewing Party:
Chicken Little
July 22 | 6–8 PM
The Ground Floor

Join us for a screening of *Chicken Little*. We'll watch Chicken Little try to save the town while we enjoy snacks and good conversation. Ages 12–19.

Monster Makers:
Slimes & Oozes
July 23 and 26 | 2–4 PM
Meeting Room 1C

Make your own monsters! We'll use resin to create and decorate our own custom slimes and oozes, perfect for use as RPG miniatures. Ages 12–19. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**



Teen

Monsters & Mayhem

July 24 and 31 | 4–6 PM
Meeting Room 1C

Test your mettle against monsters and mayhem in a new RPG. All skill levels are welcome at these drop-in sessions.

Players discover new challenges and a different gameplay style than *D&D*. Ages 12–19.



Teen

Teen Anime Night: *Shangri-La Frontier*

July 25 | 6–9 PM
The Ground Floor

Join us as we watch *Shangri-La Frontier*. We'll chat, craft, and eat snacks. Ages 12–19.

8-Hour Comic Book Day

July 29 | 10 AM–6 PM
Meeting Room 1B/C

We're teaming up with Vintage Phoenix Comic Books for our annual celebration of comics and manga! Age 7 and up.

Teen Advisory Board

July 30 | 3:30–4:30 PM
Meeting Room 1C

The Teen Advisory Board is your opportunity to guide the Downtown Library's programs and services! Ages 12–19.

Teen Ellettsville Programs

Fortnite Trivia

July 1 | 2:30–3:30 PM
Teen Space

Hop on the Battle Bus and put your *Fortnite* knowledge to the test by competing for fun and prizes in this trivia challenge! Ages 12–19.

Teen Craft Club: Cricut Maker Open Lab

July 2 | 1–2 PM
Teen Space

Dive into a new craft project each month with other art lovers! Join us to show off your work, chat with fellow artists, and make some crafts. Ages 12–19.

D&D Club

July 5 and 19 | 3:30–5 PM
Meeting Room A

Drop in, adventure through fantastic realms, then leave whenever you'd like. All skill levels are welcome. Ages 12–19.

Trading Card Game Club: *Yu-Gi-Oh!*

July 8 | 3:30–4:30 PM
Meeting Room A

Use decks from the Ellettsville Branch or bring your own in this club that celebrates trading card games. All levels of experience are welcome. Ages 12–19.

**RPG Guild:
Stars Without Number
July 10 | 2:30–4 PM
Meeting Room A**

Drop in, adventure through fantastic realms, then leave whenever you'd like. This program is designed to be short and fun for players of all skill levels. Ages 12–19.

**Teen Gardening Day
July 11, 18, and 25
2:30–3:30 PM
Garden**

Help maintain and beautify the Ellettsville Branch garden! Ages 12–19.

**Mario Kart 8 Deluxe
Tournament
July 16 | 2:30–3:30 PM
Teen Space**

Compete against fellow teens in games of *Mario Kart 8 Deluxe*! Ages 12–19.

**Miniature Painting 101
July 17 | 3:30–4:30 PM
Teen Space**

Come try your hand at miniature painting! We've got the minis, paints, brushes, and know-how. All skill levels are welcome. Ages 12–19.

**Edible Architecture:
Mars Opportunity Rover
July 22 | 2:30–3:30 PM
Teen Space**

For this challenge, we'll create architectural structures using only edible supplies. Ages 12–19.



Teen

▼ Adult Downtown Programs

Popsicle Social

July 3 | 5–6:30 PM

Meeting Room 2C

Stop in and slow down, enjoy a cool popsicle, and for those interested, we'll be making collages! Ages 18 and up; recommended for ages 18–32.

Craft Club for Adults:

Galaxy Art

July 3 | 7–8 PM

Meeting Room 2B

To celebrate our Summer Reading Program theme, join us as we use different types of paints and materials to make space-inspired galaxy art! Age 18 and up. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

Empower Me to Be Clutter Free: Storage

July 8 | 6–7 PM

Meeting Room 1B

Discuss how to store your things so that you can maintain the order you've created in your home or office. Age 18 and up.

Short Attention Span Book Club: *The Ocean at the End of the Lane* by Neil Gaiman

July 10 | 6:30–8 PM

Meeting Room 2A

Don't always get the book read? This is the book club for you. Dive into short stories and novellas of all genres.

This month's selection is *The Ocean at the End of the Lane*. Age 18 and up. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

Fiber Arts Club

July 15 | 6–7:30 PM

Meeting Room 2B

Do you enjoy fiber arts? Join us for this low-stress program; we'll hang out, drink tea, and work on personal projects. Age 18 and up; recommended for ages 18–32.

Planting a Fall Garden

July 18 | 6–8 PM

Meeting Room 1B

Join us to make a basic fall garden plan. Learn what to plant and how to prepare for both the hot and the frosty days ahead. Age 18 and up. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**



Adult

Show + Tell + Make

July 18 | 6:30–7:30 PM

Library Commons

Love creating? Want to share what you create with others? This is your monthly chance to show off your artistic talents and spend time making something new. Age 18 and up. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

Creative Constructs

July 22 | 4:30–6 PM

Library Commons

This dynamic program invites enthusiasts to explore the artistry and construction of LEGO®, miniature models, and Gundam models. Age 18 and up; recommended for ages 18–32.

▼ Adult Ellettsville Programs

Mystery Monday Book Club: *The Benevolent Society of Ill-Mannered Ladies* by Alison Goodman

July 1 | 6–7 PM

Meeting Room B

A book club for mystery and true crime readers! Join us to discuss what you're reading, share recommendations, and get the scoop on the latest mystery and true crime books at MCPL. Age 18 and up.

Rafael Frumkin:

Live at the Library!

July 25 | 6:30–8 PM

Auditorium

Join us for a talk with author Rafael Frumkin. His latest book is *Bugsy & Other Stories*. The author will read selections from their work, followed by a discussion and Q&A. Age 18 and up.

8-Hour Comic Book Day

July 29 | 10 AM–6 PM

Meeting Room 1B/C

We're teaming up with Vintage Phoenix Comic Books for our annual celebration of comics and manga! Age 7 and up.

Makers Meet-Up

July 13 | 2–3:30 PM

Meeting Room B

Makers Meet-Up is a monthly get-together for crafters, makers, and artists of all skill-levels and media. Age 18 and up.



Adult

Ellettsville Book Group:
***Greta & Valdin* by**
Rebecca K. Reilly
July 18 | 1–2 PM
Meeting Room B

Join us the third Thursday of the month to discuss a dynamic mix of fiction and nonfiction. This month's selection is *Greta & Valdin*. Age 18 and up. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**



Adult

Adult Craft Night:
Fairy House
July 31 | 6:30–8 PM
Meeting Room B

Make a fairy house to add some magic to your garden space. All supplies will be provided. Age 18 and up. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

▼ **Adult External Location Programs**

Green Peeps Book Club:
The Rain Heron
by Robbie Arnott
July 25 | 6–8 PM
Leonard Springs
Nature Park

This month, join us at Leonard Springs Nature Park (4685 S. Leonard Springs Road, Bloomington). We'll walk to the waterfall, then discuss *The Rain Heron* by Robbie Arnott. Age 18 and up. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

Books on Tap:
A Psalm for the Wild-Built
by Becky Chambers
July 29 | 6:30–8 PM
Morgenstern's
Bookstore and Cafe

This month's selection is *A Psalm for the Wild-Built* by Becky Chambers. Our meeting location is Morgenstern's Bookstore and Cafe (849 S. Auto Mall Road, Bloomington). Age 21 and up. **Please register at mcpl.info/events.**

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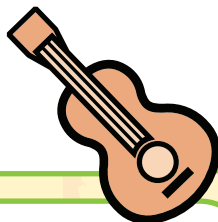
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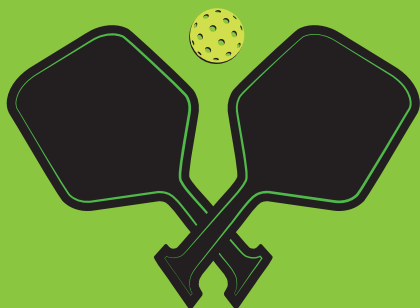


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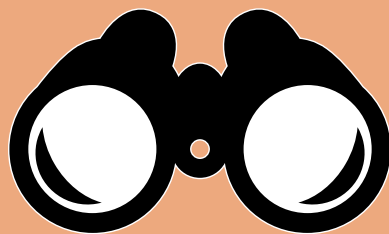
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Strategic Plan 2024–2026

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