# Clinton-Macomb Public Library

# Library Matters





# FROM the DIRECTOR...

I have always appreciated the generations of CMPL Library Boards that have placed facilities sustainability high on the list of goals when developing a new library building. While high quality finishes such as terrazzo, wood paneling, quartz and stainless steel have a cost, the payback is in materials that hold up and still look good many years and uses later. Can you believe the Main Library will be 20 years old this year? Neither can many of our visitors, some who even think the building is still brand new!

While the Library Board members also strove for efficiency in operational costs, a new level of environmental sustainability was incorporated into the North Branch that opened in 2021. To start, the North Branch has a geothermal heating and cooling system that leverages the Earth's stable temperature of around 55°. In the summer, liquid glycol circulates through three circuits in 54 wells that go 300 feet into the ground (over six times the height of the top of the dome). Heat is transported into the earth and dissipates back to 55°, which in turn is used for cooling the air in the library. In the winter the process is reversed and the liquid absorbs heat in the ground to 55°, reducing the job of the boilers to heat the air.

The North Branch has many features to help with water quality including radiant heat on concrete areas close to the building eliminating the need for calcium chloride in the winter and detention forebays that help slow the runoff of water during storms as well as to filter it. The east side of the building features several areas of native plants and landscaped areas that will have a more natural look in contrast to the mowed areas of grass. The goals are to supply food for pollinators such as bees and butterflies, but also to reduce the use of fertilizers and weed control that can end up in the McBride Drain and ultimately Lake Saint Clair.

Both the South Branch and North Branch use LED lighting throughout which is much more efficient than the fluorescent and halide lights currently in use at the Main Library. As the Main Library is due for updates in the next couple of years we will be taking a close look at how we can bring it in line with our other facilities to keep not just the building but to help with environmental sustainability for decades to come.

We look forward to serving you and your family soon!

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# MUSIC AT MAIN

The Music at Main concert series is back! Stop by the Main Library on a select Sunday afternoon for a free concert. Join us for a free hour of music open to all ages. No registration is required to attend these concerts.

Sun., Jan. 15 at 2 p.m.: shortFUZE Band Sun., Feb. 5 at 2 p.m.: Matthew Ball boogie woogie piano

Sun., March 12 at 2 p.m.: South Street Dixie Band Sun., May 7 at 2 p.m.: Hubbell Street Jazz

# **Tiny Art Show**

# Sat., Feb. 4-Tues., Feb. 28 | South Branch

Display your artistic talents in our Tiny Art Show to be held at the South Branch. Be creative, have fun, you may use your own materials if you so desire.

- Register Jan. 1-14 to reserve your kit.
- Kits may be picked up Jan. 16-23 at the CMPL location that you select at registration.
- Return your masterpiece Jan. 26-31 to any location.
- Visit the Art Show displayed in the South Branch showcase Feb. 4-28.

Paintings will be returned after the Tiny Art Show. This program is for adults, teens, and children over 8. Register each family member separately. This is not a juried art show; no prizes will be awarded. Questions? Call (586) 226-5073 or email southbranch@cmpl.org.

# **Upcoming Collection Changes**

Over the next year or so we will be making some changes to our nonfiction book collections. If you've visited the Children's nonfiction area at the Main Library you have seen how we've divided the books into categories. We're expanding this model for all our Adult and Children's nonfiction books at all locations. At the North and South Branches, the Children's and Adult nonfiction books are currently shelved together. These collections will also be separated. Staff will be on hand throughout the process to answer questions, explain the changes, and help you find your next favorite nonfiction read!

# **Poetry Contest**

### Jan. 2-March 31, 2023 | All locations

In spring we will once again partner with Tomlinson Arboretum committee members to create a Poetry Walk in the Arboretum. This year we'd like to display your poem in the park! One poem will be selected from each of three grade level categories, plus adults. See our website and social media for more information!

- Poems must address the theme of trees or nature in general.
- Each line of the poem should be less than 40 characters and the poem must fit on an 8 x 14 inch page at 18 point font.
- Poems are due on or before March 31.
- Poets whose work is selected to be posted in the Arboretum will receive a \$20 Barnes & Noble gift card.

# Tech Programs for Adults

### **Tech Tutoring**

# Mondays, 1 p.m.-3 p.m. | North Branch Wednesdays, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. | South Branch

Stop by for drop-in help using your smartphone, tablet, or other portable device.

# **Improve Your Computer Skills**

### Assorted dates and times | Main Library

We continue to offer small, hands-on computer classes on the following topics: Computer Basics, Internet Basics, Email Basics, Files & Folders, Microsoft Word, Microsoft Excel, and Staying Safe Online. Classes run throughout the winter. Please call (586) 226-5040 or visit the events calendar to register.

We would like to thank the Macomb Township Board of Trustees for the recent appointment of James L. Veal, Jr., to the Library Board. Welcome, James!

James and his wife Angela have been residents of Macomb Township for the past 18 years where they raised their three sons, Aaron, Nicholas, and Zachary. As frequent users of all three of the library's facilities and attendees at many programs, the Veal family was recognized as library "Super Users" and was asked to be part of the dedica-



tion ceremony of the South Branch in 2014. Of course, they were also excited about the new North Branch opening closer to home and attended both the ground-breaking and dedication of that building, too.

James is a mechanical engineer by profession and currently leads the body structures design team at General Motors for the 2022 GMC HUMMER EV Pickup and 2024 GMC HUMMER EV SUV. He holds a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and a master's degree in mechanical engineering from the California Institute of Technology. He even has one patent pending!

James attends Welcome Missionary Baptist Church in Pontiac where he has been an active member for 23 years. He was ordained as a Deacon in 2014 and currently serves as the Deacons Ministry treasurer. He is a co-leader of his church's Men and Boys Advancement STEM activities and Vacation Bible School Teacher for Pre-teens. Additionally, he volunteers as a recruiter and interviewer for prospective students in the Southeastern MI area who have applied to MIT. His hobbies include traveling, cooking and spending quality time with family and friends.

James values CMPL as a "jewel" not only for this community, but as a great example of what a library system can be for other up and coming libraries.

### On the Cover

Cozy up with Winter Reading and the 1-2-3: Climate Change reading initiative this winter. See pages four, five, and the back cover for more information.



A new year means a new reading initiative at CMPL! 1-2-3 is one topic, two communities and three books suitable for various ages about one topic. Our goal is to provide our communities with forums to learn about, think about, and discuss challenging contemporary issues. This year we will provide intentional programming centering on climate change.

We have selected a picture book, middle grade book, and adult nonfiction book that focus on our theme. Book discussions will take place for teens and adults. We will also offer additional programs on climate change. We have selected the following books:

- The Tantrum That Saved the World by Megan Herbert and Michael E. Mann
- Dry by Neal Shusterman and Jarrod Shusterman
- The Story of More: How we got to climate change and where to go from here by Hope Jahren

Read on regarding the programs and events we have scheduled through April to help you learn more about climate and how you can help the planet.

# PROGRAMS FOR KIDS

# 1-2-3 Climate Change for Kids

Sat., Jan. 7 at 2:30 p.m. | South Branch

Come chat about climate change and participate in some hands-on fun with the Cranbrook Institute of Science. Recommended for ages 7-12, but all ages welcome.

### **SCRAP Crafts**

Tues., Feb. 21 at 2 p.m. | Main Library Thurs., April 6 at 2 p.m. | North Branch

Kids, grades K-5, are welcome to explore creative possibilities for recycling household items with SCRAP Creative Reuse Center of Ann Arbor.

**Feb. 21:** Knitting Needle Windchimes **April 6:** Marker Lid Jump Ropes

# Plarn?! Reduce, Reuse, Recycle Fri., April 14 at 4 p.m. | North Branch

Did you know you can make yarn out of plastic bags? Learn how in this family program! Bring your own plastic bags to reuse (or use some of ours) and leave with ideas on how to use your new plarn.

# PROGRAMS FOR TEENS

# **Upcycled Art**

Mon., Jan. 9 at 5 p.m. | Main Library

Teens in grades 6-12 are invited to make art from a variety of materials.

# **Upcycled Newspaper Baskets**

Sat., Feb. 18 at 3 p.m. | Main Library

Turn old newspapers into unique and useful baskets, then customize them to match your décor!

# **BOOK DISCUSSIONS**

#### Let's Get Real Book Discussion

Mon., April 17 at 6 p.m. | Main Library

Join our book discussion group to discuss the adult 1-2-3 selection, *The Story of More: How We Got to Climate Change and Where to Go From Here* by Hope Jahren.

# 1-2-3 Climate Change Teen Book Chat Wed., April 19 at 6:30 p.m. | South Branch

Join Teen staff to chat about *Dry* by Neal Shusterman and challenge yourselves against the elements to see how long you would survive a water crisis. Join us for this hybrid book discussion/role playing session where we test your choices to survive our own fictional water crisis.

# **PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS**

# **Mending 101**

# Tues., Jan. 24 at 6:30 p.m. | Main Library

Don't 86 it - Fix it! Replacing a button, patching holes, sashiko mending and knitwear darning will all be covered in this overview of mending techniques. The EPA estimates that 13 million tons of clothing and footwear were thrown out in 2018. Let's reduce our need to shop and learn to repair our clothing. All attendees will receive a resource list, and may bring a piece of clothing they'd like to save to get advice on how best to mend it.

# Simple, Serious, Solvable with Chris Edwards: Climate Change as of 2023

# Wed., Jan. 25 at 6:30 p.m. | Zoom

# Wed., March 22 at 6:30 p.m. | Main Library

Chris Edwards, a familiar face to Detroit viewers having served as chief meteorologist for Fox-affiliate WJBK, presents this excellent introduction to climate change including the facts and history, focusing on the science behind the topic and impacts localized to southeast Michigan. Join us to explore the significant challenges we face and learn more about what each of us can do. The March event will be an in-person encore of the virtual program presented on Jan. 25.

### **Sierra Club Climate Series**

Gerald Hasspacher, co-chair of the Sierra Club Southeast Michigan, will present a four-part series on how climate change is impacting natural resources. Attend one or more.

### **Climate Change and Water Resources**

### Wed., Jan 11 at 6:30 p.m. | Main Library

The first session of this series on natural resources focuses on water quality. Mr. Hasspacher will approach local water quality issues through a global lens. This presentation will help attendees better understand local water resources in a changing climate.

### **Climate Change and Land Resources**

#### Wed., Feb. 22 at 6:30 p.m. | Main Library

The second in the series explores how climate change affects land resources. This session focuses on how increasing temperatures and decreasing water resources negatively impact the ability of the land to provide sustenance for humans, animals, birds, insects, and plants.

#### **Climate Change and Air Resources**

#### Wed., March 8 at 6:30 p.m. | Main Library

The third in the series, Climate Change and Air Resources, will focus on the permanent addition of greenhouse gases as it relates to air quality.

# Climate Change Review & Conclusions Series: Earth Day Special Edition Sat., April 22 at 10:30 a.m. | Main Library

Celebrate Earth Day with a general overview of the topic, ideas for audience members to help mitigate climate change, and suggestions for how to communicate about this challenging topic. Please join us to learn more details on the importance of saving the Earth.

#### Registration is required for all events unless otherwise noted. See page 6.

# **Design-a-Card Contest Winners**

The 2022 Design-a-Card contest has ended and you have voted for the winners! If you need a library card, or you'd like to get a new design, visit any CMPL location and pick up a new card starting in mid-January. Thank you to everyone who entered and to those who voted. Here are the new CMPL library cards:











# Renew Your Reading

Movie matinees and nights are back at the Main Library! Join us in-person to enjoy a movie on the big screen. Tuesday matinees will have the subtitles turned on. Evening movies will not have subtitles. **No registration is required.** 



# Where the Crawdads Sing

Tues., Jan. 10 at 1 p.m. and Wed., Jan. 18 at 6:30 p.m. Rated PG-13, 125 minutes



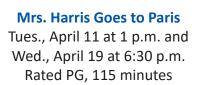
### **Marry Me**

Tues., Feb. 14 at 1 p.m. and Wed., Feb. 15 at 6:30 p.m. Rated PG-13, 112 minutes



#### **Elvis**

Tues., March 14 at 1 p.m. and Wed., March 15 at 6 p.m. Rated PG-13, 159 minutes





# Facebook Chats

#### Select dates and times | Facebook

Get to know your librarians, learn about books and materials you'll want to check out and just have some fun. Visit our Facebook page at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/cmplib">https://www.facebook.com/cmplib</a> to view these events.

2nd Wednesday at 12 p.m.: PopMat Chat 3rd Monday at 2 p.m.: Children's Chat

# A year-long reading challenge for adults

From January 1 to December 30, 2023, challenge yourself by reading six books from the following eight categories:

Reading

- Read the 1-2-3 book for adults: The Story of More: How we got to climate change and where to go from here by Hope Jahren
- Read a book from the May or September 2023 Chapter One handout.
- Read a book set somewhere you'd like to visit.
- Read a book set in the decade of your childhood.
- Read a book about a book or library.
- Read a book by a Michigan author.
- Read the first book in a series.
- Read a book that is the inspiration for a movie or TV show you loved.

Residents of the CMPL service area who complete six prompts are entered for a completion pin and an entry into a raffle for a basket full of gift cards for a night on the town courtesy of CMPL. After you've finished, visit any CMPL location to claim your prize. Please note: You MUST read six books to be entered into the prize drawing. The winner will be notified in early January 2024.

# **Program Registration Information**

**Registration is required for all programs.** A library card is required for registration. Priority registration is given to residents in our service area and opens *two* weeks prior to the event. For online and hybrid programs, you will receive an email with details about how to join via Zoom prior to the start of the program.

You may register online at https://cmpl.libnet.info/events or call us at (586) 226-5000 to have us register for you.

For the safety of our librarians and your fellow program attendees, we ask that anyone who is experiencing symptoms of, or has been recently exposed to, COVID-19 to please refrain from attending library programs in person. Thank you for your cooperation.

# Book Discussions for Children

# Book Discussions for Adults

#### **Book Blasters Book Club**

# Saturdays at 1 p.m. | South Branch

Children ages 7-9 can read a book and create a craft. Register the month prior to each event to ensure that you receive a book.

Jan. 21: Sidney & Sydney: Third Grade Mixup by Michele Jakubowski

**Feb. 18:** *Anna Hibiscus* by Atinuke **March 18:** *Frindle* by Andrew Clements **April 15:** *The Great Cake Mystery* by Alexander McCall Smith



# **Xtreme Readers Book Club**

#### Saturdays at 1 p.m. | South Branch

Children ages 10-12 can read a book and create a craft. Register the month prior to each event to ensure that you receive a book.

Jan. 21: Framed by James Ponti

**Feb. 18:** The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe by C.S. Lewis

March 18: Hello, Universe by Erin Entrada Kelly
April 15: The Girl Who Drank the Moon by Kelly Barnhill

# **Graphic Novel Book Club (GNBC)**

# Tues., March 7 at 4:30 p.m. | Main Library

Kids ages 9-12 are invited to join the Graphic Novel Book Club to discuss and discover new graphic novels and talk about them! We will be discussing *Sorceline* by Sylvia Douyé. Book pickup begins on Feb. 7 at 9 a.m.

# **Bound Together: Family Chapter Book Club**

# Sat., April 8 and Tues., April 11 at 6 p.m. | North Branch

Kids ages 7-12 and their grown-ups are invited to a two-part series that encourages reading together. Starting Feb. 13, pick up your copy of the book, *Mrs. Frishy and the Rats of NIMH* by Robert O'Brien, from



your selected branch. Read the book together over the next few weeks, then join us for two fun events. One registration per family, please.

Sat., April 8 at 3 p.m.: Enjoy the 1982 animated movie based on the book.

Tues., April 11: Join the librarians to discuss the book together.

# **Books on Tap**

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Mondays at 6 p.m. | Zoom

Discuss a recent fiction title with other book lovers. Please note, the winter sessions will take place on Zoom.



Jan. 9: The Night She Disappeared by Lisa Jewell

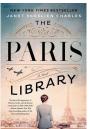
**Feb. 13:** Beach Read by Emily Henry **March 13:** Lessons in Chemistry by Bonnie Garmus

**April 10:** The Displacements by Bruce Holsinger

# **South Branch Book Discussion**

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturdays at 12 p.m. | South Branch

Meet other book lovers at this discussion.



Jan. 14: The Lions of Fifth Avenue by Fiona Davis

**Feb. 11:** *The Paris Library* by Janet Skeslien Charles

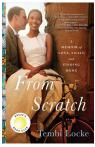
March 11: The History of Bees by Maja Lunde

April 8: The Orphan Daughter by Cari Noga

#### Let's Get Real

# 3rd Mondays at 6 p.m. | Main Library

Join our book discussion group featuring some of the best nonfiction titles published in recent years!



**Jan. 16:** The House of Gucci by Sara Gay Forden

**Feb. 20:** From Scratch by Tembi Locke **March 20:** Never Caught by Erica Dunbar **April 17:** The Story of More: How We Got to Climate Change and Where to Go From Here by Hope Jahren

# **Mystery Book Discussion**

# 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays at 10 a.m. | North Branch

Mystery lovers will enjoy a lively discussion.



Jan. 17: *The Hunting Party* by Lucy Foley Feb. 21: *It Takes One* by Kate Kessler March 21: *The Missing Hours* by Emma Kavanagh

**April 18:** *Murder in the White House* by Margaret Truman



Please note: In-person programs may be rescheduled to online Zoom events if there are a high number of COVID cases in our area. See the Events calendar for more information.

# English as a Second Language (ESL) Conversation Group

# Saturdays, 10 a.m.-12 p.m. | Main Library

Would you like to improve your English conversation skills? Join our informal group and improve your English by participating in learning exercises that include topics such as pronunciation, life skills, current events, and learner-suggested topics. These are all conducted in a friendly, no-pressure atmosphere with no testing. No registration is required.

# **Writing Group**

Tuesdays: Jan. 3, Feb. 7, March 7, and April 4 at

6:30 p.m. | Main Library

Join us once a month to practice and discuss writing in a supportive and encouraging environment. Adult writers are welcome.



# **Knit & Crochet Meet Up**

Tuesdays: Jan. 3, Jan. 17, Jan. 31, Feb. 14, Feb. 28, March 14, March 28, April 11, and April 25 at 6 p.m. | Main Library



Do you enjoy crocheting, knitting, or another craft? Hang out and show off your new creations! All ages and skill levels are welcome. **No registration required.** 

### **Mitten Tales and Talk**

# Select Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. | Main Library and Zoom

Relax and listen to a short story read aloud by a librarian, followed by a discussion. All stories relate to Michigan! Registrants may attend in person or online via Zoom. When registering, please select if you will attend online or in person.

Jan. 4: Under the Grid by Andrew Dana Hudson

Feb. 1: The Rainy Season by Tobias Buckell

March 1: What We Know About Glaciers by Christine Day

**April 5:** *Rites* by Matthew Baker

# **CMPL Memory Café**

# Thursdays: Jan. 5 and March 2 at 10 a.m. | Main Library and Feb. 2 and April 6 at 10 a.m. | South Branch

A Memory Café offers a place where people living with dementia and their caregivers can socialize and connect with others in similar situations. We offer a short, themed learning experience followed by refreshments and time for chatting. See the CMPL Events calendar for themes.

# **Medicare Counseling**

Fridays: Jan. 6, Feb. 3, March 3, April 14, 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. | Main Library

Tuesdays: Jan. 17, Feb. 21, March 21, and April 18, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. | South Branch

Medicare/Medicaid counseling sessions will take place by appointment only at the Main Library and South Branch. Please call the Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program (MMAP) at (800) 803-7174 to schedule a meeting to review your options with a MMAP counselor.

# ADULT GAMING PROGRAMS

# **Adult Board Game Night**

Thursdays: Jan 12 and April 14 at 6 p.m. | Main Library

Thurs., Feb. 9 at 6 p.m. | North Branch Thurs., March 9 at 6 p.m. | South Branch

We're opening up our library's collection for a board game night! Bring some friends and we'll provide the games. While children are not prohibited from attending this event, all games are intended for ages 12+.

# **18+ Dungeons and Dragons**

Thursdays: Jan. 19, Feb. 16, March 16, and April 20 at 6 p.m. | Main Library

Join us for monthly Dungeons and Dragons at the Main Library! Please pre-register so we can assist you with character creation before the event. Librarians will DM these events.

#### Trivia Live!

Tuesdays: Jan. 31, Feb. 28, March 28, and April 25 at 6:30 p.m. | Zoom

Join us for a fun night of pub style trivia. Each week will have new categories with a prize going to the winner!



# Crafts for Adults

# Our Island Jewel: Detroit's Belle Isle Park

# Mon., Feb. 6 at 7 p.m. | Main Library

Often called the crowning jewel of Detroit's riverfront, Belle Isle has a long and storied history. The park has hosted world class sporting events, musical performances and family parties. It has also witnessed massacre, riot and military incursion. But for a few twists of fate, this beloved island might have been a much different place. This program is presented by Brendon Roney, Manager of Digital Projects, Detroit Historical Society.

### We Found Our Roots!

# Mon., March 6 at 3 p.m. | Main Library

Hear genealogical quests from everyday people. Their journeys will make you laugh, maybe cry, and learn a surprise or two as we explore genealogy.

# **Spring Cooking**

# Tues., March 21 at 6:30 p.m. | **South Branch**

Mary Spencer from TASTE will prepare a few Spring dishes. Samples of the recipes will be served.



# **Lighthouses and Lifesaving on the Great Lakes** Mon., March 27 at 7 p.m. | Main Library



Some of our best historical images of legendary Great Lakes lighthouses come from vintage postcards. Local historian Linda Osborne-Cynowa shares her favorite postcard images of these iconic landmarks.

# **Arrgh: A History of Piracy on the Great Lakes** Wed., April 19 at 3 p.m. | North Branch

Join us for a historical and cultural re-examination of piracy on the Great Lakes. No parrots or peg legs included but expect a healthy dose of thievery, mutiny, and other unsavory tales. This program is presented by Ellen Kennedy, Education & Visitor Experience Director, National Museum of the Great Lakes.

# **DIA Bus Trip**

# Thurs., April 27 at 12 p.m. | Main Library

tered by April 13 in order to secure the bus.

Join us on a bus trip to the Detroit Institute of Arts. A bus from the DIA will pick us up at the Main Library and take us down to the museum to explore the galleries. Participants must be 55+. We will be at the museum until 3 p.m. and will return around 4 p.m. Registration begins March 27. A minimum of 25 people must be regis-

# **Botanical Casting: Winter**

### Fri., Jan. 20 or Sat., Jan. 21 at 10 a.m. | North Branch

Gather and bring to class a few small, fresh botanical sample(s) from nature to make a plaster bas relief casting. Get out and enjoy the beautiful natural world! Need ideas for your casting? Winter is a great time to

find holly, pine needles, cedar sprigs, spruce, juniper clippings, and other conifers. Given the unpredictable winter season, some samples will be provided if you cannot locate any botanicals on



your nature walk. This program does require drying time so you will need to return to pick up your finished piece of botanical art. The same program will be held on two dates; please sign up for only one session.

# **Virtual Lotus Flower Lantern Craft Workshop** for Adults

# Mon., Jan. 23 at 2:30 p.m. | Zoom

Let us celebrate the Korean New Year at CMPL by making a lotus lantern and learning about Korea. The Korean Spirit And Culture Promotion Project (KSCPP) will provide a lesson on how to make a lotus lantern with step by step instructions. In addition to this lesson, KSCPP will provide information on Korea by showing a short documentary film. Upon registration, stop by the Adult Nonfiction Desk at the Main Library to collect your lantern craft kit. One kit per person.

# **Alcohol Ink Sunset Painting**

# Fri., March 24 or Sat., April 1 at 10 a.m. | North **Branch**

Ah summer dreamin'! Create an alcohol ink sunset on tile. Please wear old clothes; this program could be messy. This program does require drying time and the application of a fixative spray so you will need to return to pick up your finished tile. The same program will be held on two dates; please sign up for only one session.



### **Crafts for Our Planet**

### Sat., March 25 at 1:30 p.m. | South Branch

Plants give us oxygen and help clean the air. Make a seed heart and hanging planter to beautify the community and reduce pollution.



### **Preschool Fair**

# Sat., Jan. 28 at 10 a.m. | Main Library

Will your child be heading off to preschool next fall? How do you decide which preschool program is best

for your child? The Clinton-Macomb Public Library wants to help you with this important decision when we host the annual preschool fair. More than a dozen area preschools will have displays showcasing their programs and a representative to answer questions. Come by any time during the morning to learn about these schools.



#### **Celebrate MLK Day**



# Mon., Jan. 16 at 2:30 p.m. | North Branch

Children, ages 3-12, are invited for a story and craft to celebrate the life and contributions of Martin Luther King, Jr.

# The Kids' Table: Adventures in Healthy Cooking

# Sat., Feb. 11 at 10 a.m. | Zoom

Join us to make Sweet Potato Smoked Gouda Mac and Cheese! For kids 8-12, with adult supervision. This program is intended for children to practice food preparation skills. The amount of supervision/assistance/support needed is specific to each family, based on a variety of factors, including the age, experience, skill set, and maturity. Each family should determine with their child in advance what the child is allowed to do on their own, and when they need to ask for help.

Skills used: chopping, mincing, grating, measuring, stirring and sprinkling. Stove and oven use is required. Ingredient list and recipe will be provided upon registration. The Zoom link to be provided prior to the presentation.

Registration is required for all events unless otherwise noted. Register online at https://cmpl.org or call us at (586) 226-5000 to have us register for you. See page 6 for full details.

# **Bree Paulsen, Graphic Novelist**

### Mon., Feb. 20 at 2 p.m. | Zoom

Join us on Zoom as graphic novelist Bree Paulsen discusses what it is like to create and publish a graphic novel. Bree is the author and illustrator of *Garlie & the Vampire* and *Garlie & the Witch*. This program is for ages 7-12.

# **Morning Movies with Hoopla**

### Wed., Feb. 22 at 10 a.m. | South Branch

Celebrate African-American children's authors and illustrators with a double-feature movie featuring two animated children's stories and popcorn. Recommended for all ages. Enjoy *Going Down Home With Daddy*, written by Kelly Starling Lyons and illustrated by Daniel



Min and *Saturday*, written and illustrated by Oge Mora. These animated picture books are available on hoopla.

### **5th Grade Battle of the Books**

# Sun., March 5 at 2 p.m. | Main Library

5th graders who live in or go to school in Clinton or Macomb Townships are invited to participate! You just



need a team of 2-5 5th graders and an adult coach. The battle will take place on Sunday, March 5 at 2 p.m. Visit http://cmpl.org/bob for full rules and to get registered. Only one registration per team is required.

# **Toddler Yoga**

### Sat., March 11 at 2 p.m. | North Branch

Toddlers and their caregivers are invited to play yoga with songs, puppets and stories! Bark in downward dog, hiss in cobra pose, and flutter butterfly wings as we stretch, sing, balance, twist, bend! Fun, animated poses combine with engaging songs, puppets and stories in this yoga adventure. Please bring a yoga mat or beach towel to the program.

# **A2 Magic Workshop**

### Wed., April 5 at 2 p.m. | South Branch

Tweens 8-12 years old, join us for a magic workshop where you'll learn some awesome, yet simple tricks to amaze your family and friends. All props and materials will be provided.

# Crafts and Fun

# **Snow Day, Snow Play**

# Sat., Feb. 4 at 11 a.m. | Main Library

Join us for some (indoor) snow-themed crafts and games - we'll have "snow" much fun! This program is for ages 2-5.



#### **Wild About Trains**



# Mon., Feb. 13 at 10 a.m. | Main Library

Join us as we read a train story, then build our own train engines out of cardboard boxes. This program is for ages 2-6.

# **Seven Ponds Nature Center: Preschool Nature Play**

# Thurs., Feb. 16 at 10 a.m. | South Branch

Through touching, singing, and acting, kids will learn about nature in a fun-filled way. A friendly live animal will conclude the program. This program is for children 3-4 years old.

# The Sound of Science

# Mon., March 13 at 4:30 p.m. | South Branch

Learn about the science of sound by making a screaming balloon. Recommended for ages 5-12.

# **Fantasy Map Making**

# Fri., April 7 at 2 p.m. | Main Library

Have you ever wanted to design your own world? Do



you like imagining what a map of your favorite book universe would look like? Come learn some basic map making skills and design your own fantasy map.

# **Spring Fling Fun!**

### Sat., April 29 at 11 a.m. | Main Library

It's time to celebrate spring. Come join us for some spring-themed fun, games, and crafts. This program is for ages 2-5.



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#### **Car Day**

# Tues., Jan. 3 at 10 a.m. | Main Library

Bring your 2-6 year old and some Matchboxsized cars (or other wheeled vehicles) to the Main Library where we



will have pretend roads for them to drive on and to play with other kids.

### **Obstacle Course**

# Thurs., Jan. 5 at 10 a.m. | South Branch

Burn up some energy crawling, jumping and hopping through an obstacle course set up just for toddlers and preschoolers. This program is for ages 2-5.



# **Little Art Explorers**

Fridays: Jan. 13, Feb. 10, March 10, and April 21 at 11 a.m. | Main Library

Children ages 3-5 can explore, discover, and create with different art materials and techniques in this open-ended art class. Please dress for a mess!

#### **Let It Flow Art Sessions**

# Fridays: Jan. 27, Feb. 24, March 24, and April 28 at 4:30 p.m. | North Branch

Children ages 6-12 are welcome to free their inner creativity at this open-ended art session. A variety of materials will be available for kids to let it flow.

# **Kazoo the Winter Blues Away**

# Mon., Jan. 30 at 3 p.m. | South Branch

Chase away the mid-winter blues by making a kazoo, then kazooing along to your favorite songs. Recommended for ages 3+.

#### **Stuffed Animal Salon**

#### Wed., Feb. 15 at 10 a.m. | South Branch

Show your stuffed animals some love with a spa day and take home a craft. Recommended for ages 2+. This program is intended for stuffed animals. Please leave your living animals at home.



# **Candy Sushi**

# Wed., Feb. 22 at 3 p.m. | North Branch

Tweens ages 8-12 will have fun creating their own dessert "sushi" made entirely out of Rice Krispies treats and other candy.

# Story Times & Early Lit

# **Winter Party**

### Thurs., Feb. 23 at 2 p.m. | Main Library

Join us for some winter fun! We will have games, crafts, and more. This program is for ages 8-12.

# **Leap into Science**

# Fri., Feb. 24 at 10 a.m. | Main Library

Join us as we celebrate Leap Into Science Week and explore light and shadow for ages 3-6.



#### **Mini Golf March Madness**

### Fri., March 31 at 11 a.m. | South Branch

Design your own customized mini golf course. Team up or build solo. Recommended for ages 7-12. Supplies provided by the library.



# **Poetry Pins**

# Mon., April 3 at 4:30 p.m. | South Branch

Create your own poem or recreate your favorite poem from old library materials. Recommended for all ages. Younger participants are welcome to join in the fun by drawing pictures inspired by their favorite poems.

# **Tween Program: Lanyard Keychains**

### Sat., April 1 at 3 p.m. | South Branch

Tweens, ages 8-12, come and have fun making colorful lanyard keychains.

# **How Does Your Garden Grow? Terrarium Build**

#### Tues., April 4 at 2 p.m. | North Branch

Kids ages 7-12 will learn the science that helps their

garden grow as we look at the connections between plants and their environments. All supplies provided for kids to create their own terrarium.



# **Are You Disaster Ready?**

# Mon., April 17 at 4:30 p.m. | South Branch

Learn more about how to survive common natural disasters and be ready to put your survival skills to the test. Recommended for ages 7-12.

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# **Story Times**

# Select dates and times | All locations

Story times will take place the week of Jan. 9 through the week of Feb. 6. Session II will take place the week of Feb. 27 through the week of March 27. Session III will take place the week of April 17 through the week of May 15.



### Main Library | In-person

Mondays at 9:30 a.m.: Tot Time (12-23 months)
Mondays at 10:15 a.m.: Little Listeners (2-3 years)
Mondays at 11 a.m.: Little Listeners (2-3 years)

# North Branch | In-person

Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m.: Rock N Read (2-5 years)
Tuesdays at 10:15 a.m.: Rock N Read (2-5 years)
Wednesdays at 10 a.m.: Tot Time (12-23 months)
Thursdays at 10 a.m.: Preschool Story Time (3-6 years)

#### South Branch | In-person

Tuesdays at 10 a.m.: Little Listeners (2-3 years)

### Virtual Story Times | Zoom

Mondays at 9:15 a.m.: Baby Story Time (0-23 months) Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m.: Rock N Read (all ages)

### **Pajamarama**

# Wednesdays: Jan. 11, Feb. 8, March 8, and April 12 at 6:30 p.m. | Zoom

Put on your favorite jammies and join us for a fun virtual story time with books, action rhymes, and songs.

# **Dream Big!: Stories and Craft**

# Sat., Jan. 14 at 2:30 p.m. | North Branch

Join us for stories celebrating our differences and dreaming big dreams. We will also make dream boxes. This program is for ages 8-12.



# **Family Evening Story Time**

Tuesdays: Jan. 17, Feb. 21, March 21, and April 18 at 6:30 p.m. | North Branch

Parents and kids of all ages are welcome to the Creative/ Story Room to share stories.

# **Story Time at the Mall at Partridge Creek**

### Various Dates at 10 a.m. | Mall at Partridge Creek

Join us at the Mall at Partridge Creek for a big, fun story time! We will have stories, songs, and a craft. The mall is located at 17420 Hall Road, Clinton Twp., MI 48038. Story times will be held in a store front by Things Remembered and Claire's within the Mall at Partridge Creek. This location is subject to change.

Tues., Jan. 10: Snow Story Time

Tues., Feb. 14: Valentine's Day Story Time Tues., March 14: St. Patrick's Day Story Time

Tues., April 11: Spring Story Time

# **PAWS for Reading**

#### Select dates and times | All locations

Do you have a child who has a hard time reading? Help

them gain confidence in their skills by reading to a trained PAWS dog. **No registration is required.** 

Main Library: Third Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

**North Branch:** Fourth Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.

**South Branch:** Second Mondays at 6:30 p.m.



# **Grow, Play, Learn**

Thursdays: Jan. 12, Jan. 19, Jan. 26, Feb. 2, and Feb. 9

at 10 a.m. | Main Library

Mondays: March 27, April 3, April 10, April 17, and

April 24 at 10 a.m. | North Branch

This program is open to ages 1-3 and their caregivers. As a part of our Family Place Libraries initiative, our five-week parent/child workshop is returning this quarter. This is a fun, play-based program where families can relax, make friends, and talk one-on-one with specialists on child development. We ask that families attend only one Grow, Play, Learn session per year.



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# **Story Time Battle**

### Select Wednesdays at 6 p.m. | Main Library

Join us for a Story Time Battle! Librarians will battle it out to determine what theme will win. Who will win? Only you can decide! Recommended for ages 2-7. You are invited to come in pajamas and/or comfortable clothing if you would like.

Jan. 18: Sharks vs. Mermaids Feb. 15: Fruits vs. Veggies March 29: Aliens vs. Ghosts April 26: Pizza vs. Tacos

# **Farm-Themed Sensory Play**

Thurs., Feb. 23 at 10 a.m. | North Branch Thurs., April 13 at 10 a.m. | South Branch

Kids ages 2-5 can join us for a story and some farm-themed sensory activities!



# **Maple Sugaring with Dinosaur Hill**

### Sat., March 4 at 11 a.m. | South Branch

Learn how maple syrup is made with this presentation from Dinosaur Hill. Recommended for families with preschoolers.



# **Planet Play**

# Fri., March 17 at 10 a.m. | North Branch

Children ages 3-5 are invited to share a story, game and craft about caring for planet Earth.

# **Playdough Learning**

# Wed., April 12 at 10 a.m. | Main Library

Did you know you can use it to learn? Kids ages 2-5 will use playdough to make letters and shapes, learn to count, and more!



# View a Program on YouTube

Winter can be a tough time to get the kids ready and to the library on time. If you and the kiddos don't feel like



leaving the house, you can still view a CMPL program on our YouTube channel, @cmplibrary. Take a look at the programs we have available:

Early Literacy: http://bit.ly/CMPLearlylit On Demand: http://bit.ly/CMPLondemand





### **Volunteens**

Wednesdays: Jan. 4, Feb. 1, March 1, and April 5 at 6 p.m. | Main Library

Join us for a quick chat about what's going on for teens at CMPL. We'll go over program ideas and you'll earn volunteer hours! We might have a few fun games as well.

# **Teen Virtual Game Night**

Thursdays: Jan. 5, Jan. 19, Feb. 2, Feb. 16, March 2, March 16, April 6, and April 20 at 6:30 p.m. | Zoom

Join us as we partner with other libraries around the state for online games! This event uses Zoom and the Board Game Arena website to play virtual tabletop games. Please fill out the Virtual Game Night form here to make sure we have your correct Board Game Arena username and to receive game invitations:

bit.ly/TeenBoardGameNight. A Zoom invitation will be sent via e-mail at least 1 hour before the event.

# **Mini Masquerade Party!**

Sat., Jan. 7, 5:30-7:30 p.m. | Main Library

Kick off 2023 in a BIG way with our Mini Masquerade!



Tiny treats, games, and activities, BIG fun. Come dressed to impress, or just to have fun! We'll kick off the party with a minicraft at 5:30 p.m. then continue the night with lots of games, treats, and activities.

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And don't forget, this is a masquerade party so masks and costumes are very much encouraged! We might even have a

surprise or two in store for those who do.

This is an after hours program. Late arrivals after 6 p.m. cannot be admitted once the doors are locked.

# **Toshokan Anime Club**

Wednesdays: Jan. 11, Jan. 25, Feb. 8, Feb. 22, March 8, March 22, April 12, and April 26 at 7 p.m. | North Branch

Love Anime or Manga? Then the CMPL Toshokan Anime Club is for you! Join us every month to hang out and chat about your favorite or least favorite Anime or Manga, try fun snacks, and (DUH) watch Anime! All Anime shown in CMPL's Toshokan Anime Club will be rated TV-14 and under only.

#### **Teen Art: Paint and Pour**

# Select Tuesdays at 7 p.m. | Main Library

Join us as we learn some chill painting skills that would make Mr. Ross proud. Follow along step-by-step and you'll end up with your very own masterpiece!

Jan. 17: Geometric Shapes

Feb. 14: Heart Landscape Watercolor March 28: Donut with Sprinkles April 25: Neon Glow Jellyfish

# **Personalized Decorative Mugs**

# Sat., Jan. 28 at 4 p.m. | South Branch

Create your own personalized mug by using sharpies to replicate an existing pattern, logo or drawing, or free drawing whatever you would like.



#### **Super Secret Book Box**

# Mondays: Jan. 30, Feb. 27, March 27, and April 24 | Pick up at any CMPL location

Love to read but not sure what to read next, or want to try a surprise suggestion by Teen Librarian? Sign up for Super Secret Book Box (SSBB)! SSBB is a monthly program where participants will receive one of our curated Book Box kits containing the following:

- 1 book to read and return
- 1 book to keep
- Snacks and treats
- A fun activity
- Maybe even more surprises!

Registration is open the 1st through the 15th. Book Boxes are available for pickup starting the last Monday of the month.

# stress Relief Week

# **Video Game Day**

# Mon., Jan. 16 at 5 p.m. | Main Library

Drop in for a break from studying to just to chill and game with friends.

### **Teen Art: Paint and Pour**

# Tues., Jan. 17 at 7 p.m. | Main Library

Follow along step-by-step and you'll end up with your very own masterpiece! At this session we will paint geometric shapes.



#### **DIY Chocolate Treats**

### Wed., Jan. 18 at 7 p.m. | Main Library

Want a tasty treat and a break from test prep? Come make your own chocolate treats!

# **Teen Virtual Game Night**

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# **Snack Day**

#### Fri., Jan. 20, 3-6 p.m. | Main Library

Stop by the Children's Activity Room or Children's Reference Desk to pick up a snack as you celebrate the end of exam week!



#### **DIY Bird Feeder**

# Mon., April 3 at 4 p.m. | Main Library

Take everyday objects and learn how to turn them into a one-ofa-kind bird feeder.

REMINDER: Parents and younger siblings will not be able to attend teen programs. Programs are for teens entering grades 6 through 12.

#### **DIY Geometric Shelves**

# Mon., Feb. 6 at 6:30 p.m. | North Branch Wed., March 15 at 6:30 p.m. | South Branch

Create and customize your own wooden geometric display shelves!



# **Video Game Day**

# Mon., Feb. 20 at 4 p.m. | South Branch

Join us for some fun free gaming during our video game day!

# **Sweet Popcorn Treats**

# Sat., Feb. 25 at 4 p.m. | South Branch

Learn how to make variations of kettle corn, like classic, elephant ear popcorn, and caramel corn as well as chocolate-based unicorn and monster popcorn.



# **Oreo Birthday Taste Test**

# Mon., March 6 at 7 p.m. | Main Library

Celebrate the 111th birthday of Oreos with a taste test challenge!

# **Glass Photo Magnets**

### Sat., March 25 at 4 p.m. | South Branch

Create fun and decorative magnets to put in your locker, on your fridge, or anywhere magnetic in your house,



using old manga/graphic novel pages, original art, decorative paper, or your own photos! CMPL can pre-print photos teens would like to use in the making of their magnets. Attendees will

be emailed ahead of time to submit any photos they would like pre-printed.

#### **Resin Geode Coasters**

### Sat., April 22 at 4 p.m. | South Branch

Celebrate Earth Day by creating a slice of the Earth! Have fun being a rock scientist and using resin, mica powder, glitter, and foil to create your own geode-like coaster.



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#### **South Branch**

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# **Hours of Service**

Monday-Thursday 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. Sunday\* 12 p.m. - 6 p.m. \*Main Library only

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# Winter Reading Bingo

# Jan. 13-Feb. 27 | All locations

The cold winter days provide plenty of opportunity to participate in Winter Reading at CMPL! Just complete a row or cover all the badges between Jan. 13 and Feb. 27 to complete the program. Complete the bingo board online at **cmpl.beanstack.org/reader365** or fill out this board and return it to the library to have us log for you. Please note that the reading badges are cumulative. If you read for a half hour, check the 30 minute badge. If you read for 30 minutes the following day, check the 60 minute badge and so on. Prizes will be awarded!

