

Chattahoochee
Valley Libraries

SUMMER 2024
PROGRAM GUIDE

ADVENTURE BEGINS

— AT YOUR LIBRARY —



MAY

JUNE

JULY

AUG.

**SATURDAY
MAY 11th**

Columbus Public Library

10am-3pm

FREE!



LOOK WHO'S COMING TO COLUMBUS!

FEATURED ENTERTAINMENT:

DJ Solo

Flashback Foto Booth

Twist Your World

Balloon Twister

Face Painters

FEATURED COSTUMED CHARACTERS:

Biscuit

Bluey

Clifford

Martha Speaks



Vashti Harrison

NYT bestselling author/illustrator of *BIG*, *Hair Love*, and *Little Leaders*.



Matt de la Peña

NYT bestselling author of *Last Stop on Market Street* and *Milo Imagines the World*.



Alyssa Capucilli

Bestselling creator and author of the beloved *Biscuit* books.



R. Gregory Christie

Renowned multi-award-winning children's book author and illustrator.



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Columbus Children's

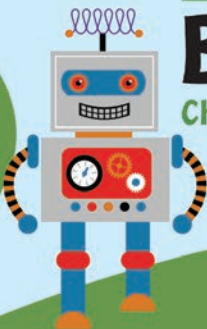


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ADVENTURE — BEGINS AT — YOUR LIBRARY™

2024 SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

MAY 11 - JULY 31, 2024

Read Books! Win Things!

It's that simple. ALL TOGETHER NOW – the Chattahoochee Valley Libraries Summer Reading Challenge – returns **starting May 11th**.

To participate, **READ & FILL OUT YOUR READING LOG**. You can keep track of your reading with the individual or family log on the back cover of this guide.

- **Kids up to age 11:** read 10 books (or, if you're reading chapter books, read for four hours total).
- **Teen and adults:** read for five hours

Bring your completed log to your local branch of the Chattahoochee Valley Libraries for a small treasure chest prize and an entry into our Grand Prize Drawing for games, gift cards, tech toys, and more.

And pick up another log! Each new log can earn you another entry for a grand prize drawing!



Families Can Read Together, Too!

We have a special reading log for families that read together... its on page 19! This way you don't have to complete a form for each child. Just read those books together, then bring the family log to your Library. Everyone listed gets an entry prize and one entry into their age group's Grand Prize Drawing!

For complete details, visit,
CVLGA.org.



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- Dedicated Teen Department
- Enlarged Computer Lab



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Columbus Public Library

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Columbus, GA 31906
706-243-2669

CHILDREN & FAMILY PROGRAMS

Unless otherwise indicated, all children's programs will be in the Aflac Children's Department.

TAKE AND MAKE: KAWAII CLUB (Families and Children)

Do you like cute things with googly eyes? Or adorable miniatures that can fit into the palm of your hand? Stop by and make something KAWAII with our Take and Make bundles. Bundles are limited to a first-come, first-served basis.

New bags are ready every Tuesday at 10:00am

TAKE AND MAKE: ORIGAMI (Families and Children)

Take a mental health break! Fold up something cute and exciting to get your brain back on track. Origami Take and Make bundles are limited to a first-come, first-served basis.

New bags are ready every Tuesday at 10:00am

DISCOVERY HUB (Ages 3-5)

Join us for this dynamic programming series tailored to expose young minds to a world of discovery and wonder.

Wed. May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | 11:00am – Let's Go Outside

Wed. June 5, 12, 19, 26 | 11:00am – Try Something New

Wed. July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 | 11:00am – Clash of the Tastes (vegan-friendly)

Wed. August 7, 14, 21, 28 | 11:00am – Create and Relax

Synovus Meeting Room A

KIDS' CORNER (Families and Children)

Kids can come together to play games, socialize, or be creative.

Wed. May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | 4:00pm

Wed. June 5, 12, 19, 26 | 4:00pm

Wed. July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 | 4:00pm

SIMPLE STEPS STORYTIME: FAMILY (Ages 0-5)

Let's get ready to read! Based on our Simple Steps to Early Literacy, this storytime helps shape growing minds with rhymes, games, songs, and stories galore! Sing, Talk, Read, Write, and Play – your child is on their way!

Thur. May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 | 10:00am

Thur. June 6, 13, 20, 27 | 10:00am

Thur. July 11, 18, 25 | 10:00am

Thur. August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | 10:00am

Synovus Meeting Rooms A + B

LEGOs® IN THE LIBRARY (Families and Children)

Build. Create. Engage. Discover. Join us in using your brain to construct LEGO® Brick masterpieces based on a challenge theme. Where we learn, we win!

Thur. May 2, 16, 30 | 4:00pm

Thur. June 13, 27 | 4:00pm

Thur. July 11, 25 | 4:00pm

 Self-directed program during Library hours.

 Reservations requested. Call 706-243-2814.

 Appointment required. See program description for more info.

 Special guest appearance.

SIMPLE STEPS STORYTIME: RHYTHM AND RHYME (Ages 0-5)

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Synovus Meeting Rooms A + B

SCAVENGER HUNTS (Families and Children)

Keep an eye out! There are many things to be found, sneaky or creepy and hidden around. Stop by on your own time – complete at your speed! A new hunt is posted every Sunday and is available all week!

Sun. May 5 – A Day in Paris

Sun. July 7 – Paw Patrol

Sun. May 12 – Garden Bird

Sun. July 14 – Famous Musicians

Sun. May 19 – 80s

Sun. July 21 – Weird Animals

Sun. May 26 – Disney Fun

Sun. July 28 – At the Beach

Sun. June 2 – Cottagecore

Sun. August 4 – Bluey

Sun. June 9 – Butterflies

Sun. August 11 – National Parks of the US

Sun. June 16 – Dinosaurs

Sun. August 18 – Ocean Animals

Sun. June 23 – Astrology

Sun. August 25 – Zoo Animals

Sun. June 30 – Dragons

SIMPLE STEPS STORYTIME: BABIES AND TODDLERS (0-36 Months)

Let's get ready to read! Based on our Simple Steps to Early Literacy, this storytime helps shape growing minds with rhymes, games, songs, and stories galore! Sing, Talk, Read, Write, and Play – your child is on their way!

Mon. May 6, 13, 20 | 10:00am

Mon. June 3, 10, 17, 24 | 10:00am

Mon. July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | 10:00am

Mon. August 5, 12, 19, 26 | 10:00am

Synovus Meeting Rooms A + B

KIDS' ART STUDIO (Ages 5-12)

Join us and get creative! Each session allows you to unleash your inner artist by experimenting with different materials and styles.

Mon. May 6, 20 | 4:00pm

Mon. June 3, 17 | 4:00pm

Mon. July 1, 15 | 4:00pm

FAMILY FUN NIGHT (Families and Children)

Bring the whole family for a night of fun! Games, trivia, and creativity abound. Each family night brings a little something different.

Thur. May 9 | 4:00pm – Movie Night: *Princess and the Frog* (G)

Thur. May 23 | 4:00pm – Movie Night: *Hercules* (G)

Thur. June 6 | 4:00pm – DIY Bird Feeders

Thur. June 20 | 4:00pm – Rock Painting

Thur. July 18 | 4:00pm – DIY Puppets

PONY BEAD PARTY (Ages 5-12)

Use beads to elevate your unique style! Make personalized necklaces and bracelets that complement all of your vibes.

Mon. May 13 | 4:00pm

Mon. June 10, 24 | 4:00pm

Mon. July 8, 22 | 4:00pm

Synovus Meeting Room A

BEE DAY (Families and Children)

Join us out in the Yancey Children's Garden as we celebrate the humble bee. Learn to talk like a bee, explore the importance of pollination, and work together like a team of worker bees to complete a relay!

Fri. May 17 | 4:00pm

GRANNYCORE SUMMER (Families and Children)

We're slowing things down this summer and enjoying the simpler things in life. Join us for a themed activity designed to help you relax and embrace your inner granny!

Fri. June 7 | 4:00pm – Flower Pressing & Suncatchers

Fri. June 14 | 4:00pm – Crochet for Beginners

Fri. June 21 | 4:00pm – Scrapbooking

Fri. June 28 | 4:00pm – Square Dancing

Fri. July 5 | 4:00pm – Bingo

Fri. July 12 | 4:00pm – Genealogy

Fri. July 19 | 4:00pm – Puzzles & Games

DADS & DINOS: A FATHER'S DAY DINOSAUR DIG

(Families and Children)

Do you know what makes Father's Day even better? Dinosaurs! Bring your paleontology passion, a healthy dose of discovery, and maybe your dad! Supplies, dinosaurs, and fun are provided. Fathers are optional, but love for dinosaurs is mandatory.

Tues. June 18 | 4:00pm

SUMMER OLYMPICS (Families and Children)

Before you watch the Opening Ceremonies for the 2024 Summer Olympics in Paris, France, come compete in the End of Summer Reading Olympics with your friends, family, and librarians!

Fri. July 26 | 4:00pm

★ **FAMILY FRIENDLY MOVIES** ★

SUMMER CINEMA (Families and Children) 📺

Beat the heat – join us for a family-friendly movie! Dress up, sing-along, bring snacks, and enjoy the show. All movies will be shown with closed captions.

Fri. June 7 | 2:00pm – *101 Dalmatians* (animated version) (G)

Fri. June 14 | 2:00pm – *A Goofy Movie* (G)

Fri. June 21 | 2:00pm – *Anastasia* (G)

Fri. June 28 | 2:00pm – *Robin Hood* (G)

Fri. July 5 | 2:00pm – *Cinderella* (G)

Fri. July 12 | 2:00pm – *Mulan* (G)

Fri. July 19 | 2:00pm – *Tangled* (PG)

Fri. July 26 | 2:00pm – *Tarzan* (animated version) (G)

Auditorium

TEEN PROGRAMS

Unless otherwise indicated, all teen programs will be in the Teen Department. Teen programs are for youth aged 12 years old through 12th grade. For groups of 5 or more, please call 706-243-2811 or email cpl-ya@cvlga.org.

TEEN ADVENTURE CRAFTERNOON

Drop in and join us as we foray into a variety of crafts, including beaded bracelets and watercolors. Whether you're attempting something new or enjoying a favorite craft, it's sure to be an adventure! All supplies provided.

Tues. June 11 | 3:30pm

WATER YOU DRINKING, TEENS?

How are you staying hydrated? Drop by the Teen Department and try your hand at some WaterTok creations and copycat coffeehouse beverages. All supplies provided.

Tues. June 25 | 3:30pm

TEEN COSPLAY CRAFT CRAWL

Come sample some cosplay crafts at our different creative stations, and learn a little bit about the origins and art of cosplay.

Tues. July 9 | 3:30pm

TOTALLY JAW-SOME SHARK WEEK CELEBRATION

It's Shark Week! Drop in to the Teen Department and help us FIN-ish up the summer with shark themed activities, a movie, and snacks.

Tues. July 23 | 3:30pm

ADULT PROGRAMS

BOARD GAMES AT THE LIBRARY

Meet-up with other board game enthusiasts for an afternoon of fun. Choose from the wide selection of board games in our collection or feel free to bring your own!

Saturdays | 12:00-3:00pm

Second Floor Fiction Section

HISTORY CRAFT HOUR

Listen to a short history presentation and spark your creativity with a related craft. New topics and crafts every month. Though crafts are designed for adults, all ages are welcome!

Wed. May 1 | 4:00pm – Boy's Own Adventure Stories, Clay Trinket Dish

Wed. June 5 | 4:00pm – Keith Haring, Potato-printed Tote Bags

Wed. July 3 | 4:00pm –

The History of Mushrooms, Grow Your Own Mushrooms

Wed. August 7 | 4:00pm – Zheng He, 3D Paper Sculpture

Betty Van Cleave Meeting Room

QUEER CRAFTERNOONS

From stitching to Sudoku, bring your project and join us to enjoy this safe space to listen to stories, be creative, and swap crafty tips! As we craft, we'll listen to podcasts or audiobook clips with queer characters, storylines, or authors. While everyone is welcome, this program is designed to be a comfortable space for members of our queer community.

Thur. May 2 | 4:30pm

Thur. June 6 | 4:30pm

Thur. July 11 | 4:30pm

Thur. August 1 | 4:30pm

Betty Van Cleave Meeting Room

RADON EDUCATIONAL CLASS

Learn what radon is, how it gets into a home, how it increases lung cancer risk, how it is tested, and how it is fixed. Each attendee will be provided with a free one time use radon test kit. This class will be led by Radon Educator Derek Cooper from the UGA Extension.

Tues. May 7 | 11:00am

Betty Van Cleave Meeting Room

CHESS AT THE LIBRARY

Join us for an afternoon of playing chess, learning different strategies, and meeting new people. All skill levels are welcome.

Tues. May 7, 14 | 4:00-5:30pm

Tues. June 4, 11 | 4:00-5:30pm

Tues. July 2, 16 | 4:00-5:30pm

Tues. August 6, 20 | 4:00-5:30pm

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COMPUTER BASICS LEARNING LAB

Need help on the computer? Library staff will provide roving instruction on basic computer skills like using a mouse and keyboard, Microsoft Word, Internet, email, and Library resources.

Tues. May 14 | 11:00am

Tues. June 11 | 11:00am

Tues. July 9 | 11:00am

Rothschild Technology Room

WORD NERDS

We'll play Scrabble, Boggle and do crossword puzzles while having friendly discussions.

Wed. May 15 | 5:30-7:30pm

Wed. July 17 | 5:30-7:30pm

Wed. June 19 | 5:30-7:30pm

Wed. August 21 | 5:30-7:30pm

Betty Van Cleave Meeting Room

SMARTPHONE BASICS LAB

Got a question about your smartphone? During this open lab hour, staff will do a quick demonstration of one useful smartphone feature and answer questions for both Android and Apple devices. All learning levels are welcome!

Fri. May 17 | 4:00pm – Scanning Documents to PDF with your Phone

Fri. June 14 | 4:00pm – Using QR codes

Fri. August 9 | 4:00pm – Taking Screenshots

Rothschild Technology Room

NATIONAL PARK VIRTUAL TOUR

Join us for a virtual adventure as we tour a national park with a National Park Service Ranger!

Sat. May 18 | 11:00am – Glacier National Park

Sat. June 15 | 11:00am – Yellowstone National Park

Sat. July 20 | 11:00am – Hawaii Volcanoes National Park

Sat. August 17 | 11:00am – Voyageurs National Park

Auditorium

ADVENTURE TO THE PAST: GEORGIA DESTINATIONS

Learn how your Library card can get you free admission to Georgia Parks and Museums and plan your trip as we view free digital exhibits. Then, we'll tell you how the Library can help you preserve your own memorable moments using our high-quality scanner, oral history recorder, and other tools!

Tues. May 21 | 3:00pm – Moments in Time: The Breman Museum

Tues. June 18 | 3:00pm – Inductee Speeches: Georgia Sports Hall of Fame

Tues. July 2 | 3:00pm – Veteran Voices: The Atlanta History Center

Betty Van Cleave Meeting Room

INTRODUCTION TO FINDING GRANTS *(for nonprofit organizations)*

Come learn how to use Foundation Directory Online (by Candid) to find funding for your non-profit organization! Full database access is available at the Columbus Public Library.

Tues. May 21 | 4:00pm

Tues. June 18 | 4:00pm

Tues. July 16 | 4:00pm

Rothschild Technology Room

READ ALIKES IN ROTHSCHILD

Learn new ways to use technology to find books like ones you've enjoyed in the past. Conversations about books are encouraged, too!

Wed. May 22 | 6:00pm

Rothschild Technology Room

ADVENTURE OUTDOORS: CAMPING 101

Interested in camping but feeling unprepared? Join us to learn the basics! We'll talk about proper clothing, gear to bring, safety tips, and recommendations on great camping sites around Georgia.

Tues. May 28 | 6:00pm

Betty Van Cleave Meeting Room

CREATIVE WRITING POWER HOUR

Feel like expressing yourself through the written word? This event caters to aspiring authors at all levels of experience. Share a poem, short story, or graphic novel you've been working on or brainstorm an idea and get constructive feedback from fellow creative writing enthusiasts and Library staff.

Wed. May 29 | 5:00pm

Wed. June 26 | 5:00pm

Wed. July 31 | 5:00pm

Wed. August 28 | 5:00pm

Betty Van Cleave Meeting Room

LEVEL UP YOUR TECH SKILLS

During these classes, staff will feature technology and digital resources that will help you level up your tech know-how.

Fri. May 31 | 4:00-5:30pm – Taking Better Photos with your Smartphone Camera

Fri. June 28 | 4:00-5:30pm – Editing Photos in the Canva App

Synovus Meeting Room A

Fri. July 26 | 4:00-5:30pm – Getting the Most Out of Your Google Account

Fri. August 30 | 4:00-5:30pm – Using the Internet 101

Rothschild Technology Room

LAW AT THE LIBRARY: KNOW YOUR RIGHTS

Join us to listen to Ed Berry, an attorney with 30+ years of experience, address common legal concerns for the LGBTQIA+ community and ask questions about how you can best be prepared in a legal emergency.

Tues. June 25 | 4:00pm

Betty Van Cleave Meeting Room

MOCKTAIL MIXING AT THE LIBRARY 🍹

Celebrate summer with an afternoon of craft mocktail creation!

Learn about the art of these mocktails, snag some recipes to try at home, and sample a few favorites while you're here! Supplies are limited. To register, please call our Adult Services Reference Desk at 706-243-2691.

Sat. July 13 | 4:00pm

Synovus Meeting Room A

ALL AGES

SUMMER SOLSTICE CELEBRATION: PLANETARIUM IN THE LIBRARY

Join us on this Summer Solstice for an afternoon of space exploration with Columbus State University's Coca-Cola Space Science Center here at the Library! Tour the solar system in a portable planetarium and enjoy various space-themed crafts and activities! Space in the planetarium is limited and is first come, first served.

Thur. June 20 | 2:00-6:00pm

Grand Reading Room

★ SUMMER MOVIES ★

SECOND MONDAY MOVIE CLUB

Join us for a cinematic night in! We will be watching award-winning historical feature films that took a creative approach to history!

Mon. May 13 | 6:30pm – *Elizabeth: The Golden Age* (2007; PG-13)

Mon. June 10 | 6:30pm – *Milk* (2008; R)

Mon. July 8 | 6:30pm – *Race* (2016; PG-13)

Mon. August 1 | 6:30pm – *Shakespeare in Love* (1998; R)

Auditorium

SECOND MONDAY MOVIE CLUB: FILM VS. FACTS

Good movie, bad history? If you enjoyed the Second Monday Movie Club choice, join us the next day to learn about how the film compares to the facts!

Mon. May 14 | 6:30pm –

England's Golden Age during Elizabeth I's Reign

Mon. June 11 | 6:30pm –

Gay Rights Activist and Politician, Harvey Milk

Mon. July 9 | 6:30pm – Athletic Superstar Jesse Owens

Mon. August 13 | 6:30pm – The Life of William Shakespeare

Auditorium

BOOK CLUBS

PRESIDENTIAL PICKS BOOK CLUB

We'll discuss a different book each month featuring a U.S. President and/or the First Family.

Wed. May 1 | 6:00pm –

First Lady from Plains by Rosalynn Carter

Wed. June 5 | 6:00pm –

A Full Life by Jimmy Carter

Wed. July 3 | 6:00pm –

Decision Points by George W. Bush

Wed. August 7 | 6:00pm –

The Triumph of Nancy Reagan by Karen Tumulty

Betty Van Cleave Meeting Room

CRAFTY COZIES BOOK CLUB

Love a good cozy mystery? Each month we'll spotlight a cozy subgenre and discuss what we're currently reading while working on a fun craft! We'll also exchange book suggestions and chat about our favorite cozy authors.

Sat. May 4 | 11:00am – Magic, Miniature Fairy Houses

Sat. June 1 | 11:00am – Seaside Settings, Seashell Wind Chimes

Sat. July 6 | 11:00am – Historical, Lighthouse Birdfeeders

Sat. August 3 | 11:00am – Bookshops, Craft – Book Nooks

Betty Van Cleave Meeting Room

PEACH STATE PERPS

We'll discuss a different book each month related to a crime in Georgia.

Wed. May 8 | 6:00pm –

The Columbus Stocking Strangler by William Rawlings

Wed. June 12 | 6:00pm –

After Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil by Marilyn J. Bardsley

Wed. July 10 | 6:00pm –

First half of *Death Trap* by M. William Phelps

Wed. August 14 | 6:00pm –

Second half of *Death Trap* by M. William Phelps

Betty Van Cleave Meeting Room

FOREVER YOUNG ADULT BOOK CLUB

Forever Young Adult Book Club is for readers who are a little less Y and a bit more A, but who still enjoy a good YA book. Find out what we are reading next and get event reminders by connecting with us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/fyacolumbusga>.

Fri. May 10 | 7:00pm

Fri. July 12 | 7:00pm

Fri. June 14 | 7:00pm

Fri. August 9 | 7:00pm

Midtown Coffee House, 1342 13th Street

ADVENTURE COOKS: COOKBOOK BOOK CLUB

Travel the globe through your kitchen! Each month we will discuss a cuisine from a different region or country around the world. Participants are encouraged to prepare a recipe from a book in our Library catalog and share the dish and their experience making it. Please remember to bring a serving utensil and enough for at least 10 folks to sample.

Thur. May 16 | 5:00pm – Mexican Cuisine

Thur. June 13 | 5:00pm – French Cuisine

Thur. July 18 | 5:00pm – Indian Cuisine

Thur. August 15 | 5:00pm – Italian Cuisine

Synovus Meeting Room A

Y'ALL MEANS ALL BOOK CLUB

This monthly book club will discuss books across all genres that feature authors, characters, and stories that celebrate and reflect the diversity of the LGBTQIA+ experience.

Fri. May 24 | 7:00pm – *Honey Girl* by Morgan Rogers

Fri. June 28 | 7:00pm – *Cemetery Boys* by Aiden Thomas

Fri. July 26 | 7:00pm –

All This Could be Different by Sarah Thankam Mathews

Fri. August 30 | 7:00pm –

The Long Way to a Small Angry Planet by Becky Chambers

Banks Food Hall, 1002 Bay Avenue

GENEALOGY & LOCAL HISTORY

COMMUNITY MEMORY PROJECT

Share photos and documents with the Library to help us fill our local history collection with community memories! All locally impactful stories are welcome contributions and those who have lived experiences as veterans, Jewish-Americans, and members of the LGBTQIA+ community are encouraged to contribute.

By appointment with Adult Services staff

PRESERVING YOUR FAMILY HISTORY

Learn preservation strategies for your old photos and documents. We'll also go over how to use the Library's archival scanner to save the items digitally.

Thur. May 2 | 3:00pm

Thur. August 8 | 3:00pm

Betty Van Cleave Meeting Room

GENEALOGY BASICS: BEGINNER'S GUIDE

Are you interested in researching your genealogy, but aren't sure where to start? Join us for an introduction to basic genealogy records, learn about the Library's genealogy resources, and take a short tour of the Genealogy and Local History Room.

Thur. May 16 | 3:00pm-4:30pm

Thur. June 20 | 3:00pm-4:30pm

Thur. July 18 | 3:00pm-4:30pm

Thur. August 15 | 3:00pm-4:30pm

Betty Van Cleave Meeting Room

FINDING YOUR ANCESTORS' MILITARY RECORDS

Learn to find military records from different time periods and wars. This includes using Fold3, a site by Ancestry.com that you can access with your Library card.

Thur. May 23 | 3:00pm

Betty Van Cleave Meeting Room

LOCAL HISTORY GROUP CHAT

This group will be learning about events and people in Columbus and the surrounding areas. You're invited to read a book, newspaper articles, watch videos, and otherwise learn about the topic. Then, come prepared to discuss and learn more!

Thur. May 30 | 3:00pm –

Jacob and Isaac Moses, and the Experience of Antebellum Jews in the South

Thur. June 27 | 3:00pm –

Alma Thomas

Thur. July 25 | 3:00pm – R.C. Cola

Thur. August 29 | 3:00pm –

The Tragedy and Triumph of Phenix City

Betty Van Cleave Meeting Room

GEORGIA GENEALOGY AND LOCAL HISTORY RESOURCES

This class will feature online and in-person resources from around the state of Georgia.

Thur. June 13 | 3:00pm

Betty Van Cleave Meeting Room

DEEP ROOTS: CELEBRATE JUNETEENTH BY HONORING BLACK HISTORY

Join us on June 19 as we celebrate Juneteenth with an introduction to both Black genealogy and local Black history. We'll end with a focus on preserving history as we offer tips for keeping family photos and records.

Wed. June 19 | 3:00pm

Betty Van Cleave Meeting Room

Mildred L. Terry Public Library

640 Veterans Parkway
Columbus, GA 31901
706-243-2782



Reservations requested.
Call 706-243-2782.



Appointment required.
See program description for more info.

Unless otherwise indicated, all programs will be in the AKA Room. For information about our programs or to reserve your spot, please call 706-243-2782 or email us at mlt@cvlga.org.

CHILDREN & FAMILY PROGRAMS

SIMPLE STEPS STATIONS: PLAY (Ages 3-5)

These playtime sessions offer the perfect opportunity for babies to develop crucial motor skills, ignite their imagination, and foster social interactions with other tiny adventurers.

Mondays between 10:00am and 12noon June - July

SIMPLE STEPS STORYTIME: PRESCHOOL (Ages 3-5)

Let's get ready to read! This storytime, based on our Simple Steps to Early Literacy, helps shape growing minds with rhymes, games, songs, and stories galore. Sing, Talk, Read, Write, Play – and your child is on their way!

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Wed. June 5, 12, 19, 26 | 11:00am

Wed. July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 | 11:00am

Wed. August 7, 14, 21, 28 | 11:00am

MAY THE FOURTH BE WITH YOU!

Join us in a galaxy far, far away as we celebrate Star Wars Day! Unleash your inner Jedi or Sith and immerse yourself in an adventure filled with crafts and creativity. Costumes are encouraged, to bring out your favorite characters and embrace the Force!

Sat. May 4 | All Day

Claudya Muller Family Area

UNPLUG...FOR CHESS' SAKE (Families)

Chess imitates life. Watch the moves you make! Learn winning strategies for chess & for life, from encouraging community mentors.

Tues. May 7, 14, 21, 28 | 4:30pm

Tues. June 4, 11, 18, 25 | 4:30pm

Tues. July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 | 4:30pm

Tues. August 6, 13, 20, 27 | 4:30pm

Claudya Muller Family Area

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS

Everyone is welcome to join our campaign! We are seeking both new players and experienced Dungeon Masters who can lead one or more sessions!

Tues. May 21 | 6:00pm

Tues. June 18 | 6:00pm

Tues. July 16 | 6:00pm

Tues. August 20 | 6:00pm

UNO, DOS, TRES CRAFT! (Ages 4-8) 🗑️

Uno, Dos, Tres Craft! introduces Spanish to children in a hands-on form. Through crafts and stories, concepts such as numbers, colors, animals, and family are used to explore a new culture.

Sat. May 25 | 3:00pm
Sat. July 20 | 3:00pm
Sat. June 22 | 3:00pm
Sat. August 17 | 3:00pm
FOL Room

JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION

Join us for a joyous Juneteenth celebration full of music, history, and fun for all ages!

Tues. June 18 | 6:00-7:00pm

ADVENTURE AWAITS: NATURE CRAFTING SERIES

Welcome to a crafting journey that draws its inspiration from the beauty and wonders of the natural world! Our nature-inspired craft series invites you to explore the artistry found amongst us!

Tues. June 25 | 11:00am – Do You See What I See? (Binoculars)
Tues. July 2 | 11:00am – Tweet Treat (Bird Feeder)
Tues. July 9 | 11:00am – Natures Stamps (Nature Prints)
Tues. July 16 | 11:00am – Leafy Vessel (Leaf Bowl)
Tues. July 23 | 11:00am – Whisper of Wind (Windsock)

LAST LAP OF SUMMER

Join us for the grand finale of Summer Reading – the Sprint Fest Relay Race! Gather your friends, family, and fellow book enthusiasts for an unforgettable celebration of teamwork, literary accomplishments, and boundless fun!

Tues. July 30 | 6:00pm
AKA Room / Courtyard

SIGHT WORDS SUPPORT 🗑️

Is your child (K-3) struggling to learn high frequency words? Call us at 706-243-2782 to set up a 30-minute One-on-One sight words practice session.

Thur. August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | 3:00-5:00pm

HARRY POTTER NIGHT

The Hogwarts Express now boards quarterly from Platform 9¾ to a Hogwarts satellite campus – Mildred L. Terry Public Library! Costumes and Muggles are welcome!

Tues. August 6 | 6:00pm

TEEN PROGRAMS

LIVE FROM THE NEWSROOM: CHANNEL 64

Explore the ins and outs of how live news broadcasting is done, then create a broadcast of your own! In search of teen anchors, writers and producers. No experience required.

Tues. June 11 | 6:00pm

RACE AGAINST TIME

Work with a partner and compete against your peers. Search for hidden clues before time runs out in this amazing scavenger hunt. Explore, uncover and discover!

Tues. July 9 | 6:00pm

ADVENTURE IN OUTER SPACE

Learn about the wonders of the Solar System with our friends from the Coca Cola Space Science Center while enjoying a DIY Ice Cream Sundae that is out of this world!

Tues. August 13 | 6:00pm

ADULT PROGRAMS

TECHNOLOGY TUTORING 🗑️

Looking to improve your technology skills, or better understand your devices? Call us at 706-243-2782 to set up a 30-minute One-on-One Session!

Mondays | 10:30am, 11:00am, or 4:00pm
Wednesdays | 3:00pm and 3:30pm | open lab 4:00-5:00pm
Thursdays | 10:30am and 11:00am
FOL Room

GET HOOKED! CROCHET CLUB

Adults of all experience levels are welcome to this non-judgmental group of crochet enthusiasts who enjoy teaching as much as creating and sharing projects with the community.

Sat. May 11, 25 | 4:00pm Sat. July 13, 27 | 4:00pm
Sat. June 8, 22 | 4:00pm Sat. August 10, 24 | 4:00pm
FOL Room

THIRD ANNUAL LOC JUBILEE CELEBRATION

Long for luscious 'locs' but 'dread' the journey? Join us for a Naturally U" Loc Celebration to learn about starting and maintaining your locs!

Sat. July 20 | 3:00pm

BOOK CLUBS

BOOKS -N- BREWS

Like books? Like brews? This adult book club is the perfect "mix" for a lazy Saturday afternoon! New members are always welcome!

Sat. May 4 | 2:00pm –
Fuzz: When Nature Breaks the Law by Mary Roach
Sat. June 1 | 2:00pm – *Identical Strangers: A Memoir of Twins Separated and Reunited* by Elyse Schein and Paula Bernstein
Sat. July 6 | 2:00pm – *Bad Blood: Secrets and Lies in a Silicon Valley Startup* by John Carreyrou
Sat. August 3 | 2:00pm –
A Woman of No Importance: The Untold Story of the American Spy Who Helped Win World War II by Sonia Purnell
Iron Bank Coffee Company, 6 11th Street

PAGE TURNERS

Join us the 2nd Saturday of each month for a lively book discussion of popular titles. New members are always welcome!

Sat. May 11 | 1:00pm –
The Curious Charms of Arthur Pepper by Phaedra Patrick
Sat. June 8 | 1:00pm –
The Invisible Ache: Black Men Identifying Their Pain and Reclaiming Their Power by Courtney B. Vance and Dr. Robin L. Smith
Sat. July 13 | 1:00pm – *The Sweetness of Water* by Nathan Harris
Sat. August 10 | 1:00pm –
The Only Woman in the Room by Marie Benedict

North Columbus Public Library

5689 Armour Road
Columbus, GA 31909
706-748-2855

CHILDREN & FAMILY PROGRAMS

Unless otherwise indicated, all programs will be in the Large Conference Room.

MOMMY & ME AT THE LIBRARY

Celebrate MOM at this special event. We will make special crafts and snacks for our favorite ladies.

Thur. May 16 | 3:00pm

SIMPLE STEPS STORYTIME: BABIES & TODDLERS

(Ages 0-24 months)

Let's get ready to read! Based on our Simple Steps to Early Literacy, this storytime helps shape growing minds with rhymes, games, songs, and stories galore! Sing, Talk, Read, Write, and Play – your child is on their way!

Tue. May 21, 28 | 10:00am

Tue. June 4, 11, 18, 25 | 10:00am

Tue. July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 | 10:00am

Children's Department

SIMPLE STEPS STORYTIME: PRESCHOOL (Ages 3-5 years)

Let's get ready to read! Based on our Simple Steps to Early Literacy, this storytime helps shape growing minds with rhymes, games, songs, and stories galore! Sing, Talk, Read, Write, and Play – your child is on their way!

Tue. May 21, 28 | 11:00am

Tue. June 4, 11, 18, 25 | 11:00am

Tue. July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 | 11:00am

Children's Department

MUSICAL ADVENTURES

Learn about instruments, musicians, and music styles. The musical adventure changes every week, but always ends with a dance party!

Wed. May 29 | 11:00am

Wed. June 12, 26 | 11:00am

Wed. July 10, 24 | 11:00am

Children's Department

PASSPORT TO FUN! A LIBRARY ADVENTURE SERIES (Ages 5-12)

Summer's the perfect time for fun with friends and family at the Library! Join us for a special series filled with crafts, learning activities, and ADVENTURE!

Thur. May 30 | 3:00pm – DIY Explorer Gear and Trail Mix Recipes

Thur. June 6 | 3:00pm – Mineral Mania!

Thur. June 13 | 3:00pm – Summer Adventure Collage Boards

Thur. June 20 | 3:00pm – Father's Day Daddy & Me Library Camp Out

Thur. June 27 | 3:00pm – Adventures with Coding

Thur. July 11 | 3:00pm – Build A Spaceship...with Food!

Thur. July 18 | 3:00pm – Hot Air Balloons



Self-directed program during Library hours.



Reservations requested. Call 706-748-2855.



Appointment required. See program description for more info.

LEGOs® IN THE LIBRARY (Families)

Build. Create. Engage. Discover. Join us in using your brain to construct LEGO® Brick masterpieces based on a challenge theme. When we learn, we win!

Sat. June 1 | 3:00pm

Sat. June 15 | 3:00pm

Sat. July 13 | 3:00pm

JUNETEENTH PARTY

Happy Juneteenth! Celebrate freedom for all with crafts and treats at North Columbus Public Library!

Wed. June 19 | 3:00pm

SENSORY SCAVENGER HUNT (Ages 4-7)

Go on a sensory scavenger hunt around the Library and explore each of the five senses!

Fri. June 21 | 11:00am

Fri. July 19 | 11:00am

Children's Department

POKÉTHON

Enjoy themed crafts and activities and meet other Pokémon enthusiasts! Test your knowledge with trivia, trade cards, and more. Themed costumes/attire is encouraged.

Fri. June 21 | 3:00pm

SUMMER READING WRAP-UP PARTY: CHOOSE YOUR OWN ADVENTURE! (Ages 12 and under)

Celebrate the end of summer reading with games, crafts, and treats for the whole family!

Thur. July 25 | 3:00pm

★ FAMILY FRIENDLY MOVIES ★

SUMMER CINEMA: MOVIES & MUNCHIES (Families and Children)

Bring a blanket or towel and join us for a family-friendly movie! Light snacks are provided, or you can bring your own.

Mon. June 3 | 10:00am – *Trolls Band Together* (PG)

Mon. June 17 | 10:00am – *The Little Mermaid* (PG)

Mon. July 1 | 10:00am – *Elemental* (PG)

Mon. July 15 | 10:00am – *Super Mario Bros. Movie* (PG)

TEEN PROGRAMS

D&D AT THE LIBRARY: TEEN VERSION

Play Dungeons and Dragons at the Library! Pick a pre-made character and join in a mini quest each week. Registration preferred.

Thur. May 23 | 5:00pm

Thur. June 20 | 5:00pm

Thur. July 18 | 5:00pm

ANIME PAINT 'N' SIP

A special after-hours event for teens. Paint an anime-inspired masterpiece on canvas and enjoy DIY boba tea. Teens only. Reservations and permission forms required.

Sat. June 15 | 6:30pm

LIBRARY LARPING PARTY

A special after-hours event for teens. Get into character and take over the Library on live-action quest. Teens only. Reservations and permission forms required.

Sat. July 13 | 6:30pm

HARRY POTTER PARTY: AN AFTER-HOURS TEEN EVENT

Celebrate the end of summer reading at this special after-hours event for teens. Enjoy all things Harry Potter, including trivia, food, crafts, and more! "When in doubt, go to the Library." Teens only. Reservations and permission forms required.

Sat. July 27 | 6:30pm

ADULT PROGRAMS

CRAFT & SWAP: AN ADULT AFTERNOON

Bring your own project from home or do one provided by Library staff (while supplies last)! This monthly program encourages socialization and conversation, as attendees are invited to bring craft supplies to swap. Each attendee is limited to one box or bag. Leftover supplies will be donated to the Library or local charities.

Tues. May 7 | 4:00pm Tues. July 2 | 4:00pm

Tues. June 4 | 4:00pm

COFFEE & COLORING: AN ADULT AFTERNOON

De-stress and unwind with this surprisingly relaxing activity. Enjoy coffee or tea and color to your heart's content!

Tues. May 14 | 4:00pm Tues. July 9 | 4:00pm

Tues. June 11 | 4:00pm

D&D AT THE LIBRARY: ADULT VERSION

Whether you're a seasoned player or just want to see what all the fuss is about, play Dungeons and Dragons at the Library! Pick a pre-made character and join in a mini quest. Registration preferred.

Sat. May 18 | 4:00pm Sat. July 20 | 4:00pm

BRITISH TEA-V

Enjoy a cuppa while you chat with other British TV fans. Participants can discuss shows, share recommendations, watch clips, or even watch a full episode! Tea & light refreshments provided.

Tues. May 21 | 4:00pm Tues. July 16 | 4:00pm

Tues. June 18 | 4:00pm

A HAUNTING IN VENICE

Bring your lunch to the Library and screen the 2023 movie *A Haunting in Venice* (PG-13) based on Agatha Christie's novel *Halloween Party*. Popcorn provided.

Sat. May 25 | 11:00am

TIME OUT FOR ADULTS: GAMES AT THE LIBRARY

Take a break and have fun with other adults at the Library! Staff will provide card and board games for some friendly competition. Feel free to bring your own games to share! Light refreshments provided.

Tues. May 28 | 4:00pm Tues. July 23 | 4:00pm

Tues. June 25 | 4:00pm

CRAFT 4 A CAUSE

Get creative while giving back to the community! We find a deserving community group and provide all the material for a special craft.

Fri. May 31 | 4:00pm – Blankets for Comfort for Critters

Fri. June 14 | 4:00pm – Crafts for Debra Smith Wellness Center for HIV Education & Prevention

Fri. July 12 | 4:00pm – Door Décor for Easter Seals

MYTHOLOGY MEET-UPS

Learn stories from various world mythologies, do activities, discuss mythology, and enjoy the company of other mythology lovers!

Sat. June 8 | 3:00pm – Myths vs. Folklore vs. Fairy Tales

Sat. July 6 | 3:00pm – Mythology in Pop Culture

IT'S A MYSTERY! SUMMER READING WRAP UP PARTY

Can you solve the mystery?! Test your sleuthing skills by working through various puzzles. Light refreshments provided.

Fri. July 26 | 3:00pm

VOTING IN GEORGIA

We welcome a representative from the League of Women Voters of the Chattahoochee Valley to give a nonpartisan presentation on voter rights and information.

Sat. August 3 | 2:00pm

ALL AGES

HOOKS & NEEDLES: CROCHET AND KNITTING

Spin yarns and stitch together new friendships while creating masterpieces of the fiber arts. All are welcome, from beginners to pros.

Fri. May 24 | 11:00am

Fri. June 21 | 11:00am

Fri. July 19 | 11:00am

BIRD WATCH QUEST

Go on an indoor bird-watching quest and learn amazing facts about various bird species in a fun, interactive way!

June 3-7 | All Day

LANGUAGE LAB | BEGINNERS' FRENCH AND ASL

Interested in learning the American Sign Language and French? Join other beginners to learn and practice! On se voit là-bas!

Mon. June 10 | 11:00am - French

Mon. June 24 | 11:00am – French

Mon. July 8 | 11:00am – ASL

Mon. July 22 | 11:00am – ASL

PLANT AND SEED SWAP

Learn about our seed library and swap plants, seeds or cuttings with others. Meet fellow plant enthusiasts and find the perfect new plant for your home! UGA Extension Services volunteer Master Gardeners will be on hand to answer questions.

Sat. June 29 | 3:00pm

BOOK CLUBS

BRING YOUR OWN BOOK CLUB

A book club for busy people! We have no assigned reading; simply share what you are currently reading or read most recently in a relaxed, informal discussion. It's a great way to add to your TBR list!

Thur. May 9 | 5:30pm

Thur. June 6 | 5:30pm

Thur. July 18 | 5:30pm

Thur. August 1 | 5:30pm

PRIDE MONTH BOOK CLUB

We have no assigned reading; simply share your favorite LGBTQIA+ reads in a relaxed, informal discussion. It's a great way to add to your TBR list!

Fri. June 7 | 3:00pm

South Columbus Public Library

TEMPORARY LOCATION:

Our Lady of Lourdes
1973 Torch Hill Road,
Columbus, GA 31903
706-683-8805

CHILDREN & FAMILY PROGRAMS

SIMPLE STEPS STORYTIME (Families)

Let's get ready to read! This storytime, based on our Simple Steps to Early Literacy, helps shape growing minds with rhymes, games, songs, and stories galore! Sing, Talk, Read, Write, Play – and your child is on their way!

Thur. May 2, 16, 30 | 10:00am Thur. July 11, 25 | 10:00am

Thur. June 6, 20 | 10:00am

Children's Room

ADOPT A READING BUDDY (Families)

Read with us as we get to know Biscuit, the adorable puppy. This early reader series is great for those beginning to read. All readers will get to adopt their very own puppy book buddy (animal figurine) to read along with them! Pick up your puppy before they are all gone!

Tues. May 7 | 3:00pm

Teen Room

SIMPLE STEPS STORYTIME: SENSORY STATIONS (Ages 2-5)

Let's get ready to read! This playtime program, based on our Simple Steps to Early Literacy, helps shape growing minds with sensory play galore! Sing, Talk, Read, Write, Play – and your child is on their way! Play space is limited on a first-come, first-served basis.

Thur. May 9, 23 | 10:00am Thur. July 18 | 10:00am

Thur. June 13, 27 | 10:00am

Children's Room

ROCK, PAPER, SCISSORS, STEAM! (Ages 5-12)

Explore interesting topics, make awesome creations, and challenge your imagination during these STEAM learning labs.

Tues. May 28 | 2:00pm – Soap Science

Tues. June 4 | 2:00pm – Geodes and Gemstones

Tues. June 25 | 2:00pm – Paper Maker

Tues. July 2 | 2:00pm – Candy Lab

Teen Room

REPTILES ON THE ROAD (Families)

Bring the whole family to enjoy this animal encounter brought to the Library by Oxbow Meadows Environmental Learning Center.

Tues. June 11 | 2:00pm Wed. July 10 | 2:00pm

Teen Room

JUNETEENTH – EMPOWERMENT POSTERS & BUTTONS (Families)

Juneteenth, the federal holiday remembering the end of slavery, is a wonderful time for reflection on how the world should be a better place for all people. Make awesome posters and buttons to display the positive changes you want to see here and everywhere.

Wed. June 19 | 4:00pm

Teen Room

CAMP READ-A-LONG (Families)

Join us around our "campfire" for a family storytime featuring stories, an edible craft, and a flashlight game.

Tues. July 16 | 2:00pm

Children's and Teen Rooms

ROAD TRIP TRIVIA (Families)

Let's go explore the world! Compete with your friends and family to find out who is the smartest and savviest Blooket player!

Wed. July 24 | 4:00pm

Teen Room

SOUTH'S SUMMER READING CELEBRATION (Families)

Celebrate your accomplishment in finishing the Summer Reading Program with our community. Enjoy one more fun adventure before summer ends. Pick up your prize, eat treats, and have fun!

Tues. July 30 | 2:00pm

Teen Room

★ FAMILY FRIENDLY MOVIES ★

WATCH & UNWIND (Families)

Escape the everyday world (& the hot weather) with a fun film you can enjoy while you color, craft, or create! Be prepared for a productive & quiet (but not silent!) screening experience. Space is limited, first-come, first-served seating.

Fri. May 31 | 10:30am –

Trolls Band Together (PG) with fuzzy velvet poster coloring

Fri. June 14 | 10:30am – *Wonka* (PG) with clay candy-making

Fri. June 28 | 10:30am – *Wish* (PG) with pixel art

Fri. July 12 | 10:30am –

Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Mutant Mayhem (PG) with origami

Fri. July 26 | 10:30am – *The Little Mermaid* (PG) with watercolors

Teen Room

TEEN PROGRAMS

Unless otherwise indicated, all programs will be in the Teen Room.

TEEN TAKEOVER

What do YOU want to do? Movies? Crafts and DIY? Gaming? You help us decide. All materials are provided.

Wed. May 1, 15 | 4:00pm Wed. July 3 | 4:00pm

Wed. June 12 | 4:00pm

CHESS AT THE LIBRARY (Ages 9-16)

Join us for an afternoon of playing chess, learning different strategies, and meeting new people. All skill levels are welcome.

Wed. May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | 5:00pm

Wed. June 5, 12, 19, 26 | 5:00pm

Wed. July 3, 10, 17, 24 | 5:00pm

Wed. August 7, 14, 21, 28 | 5:00pm

GALACTIC FREEDOM FIESTA

May the Fourth Be with You, the Empire has been defeated! Have fun, you will! Try out Storm Trooper bowling, make your own piñata, create *Star Wars* crafts, and enjoy delicioso treats!

Fri. May 3 | 4:00pm

SELF-CARE WITH SULWE

Join us as we celebrate Columbus Children's Book Festival guest illustrator Vashti Harrison with a reading of *Sulwe* by Lupita Nyong'o and discussion of self-care regimens.

Wed. May 8 | 4:00pm

END OF SCHOOL LO-FI KICKBACK

Stressful school year? We've got the answer. Come hang out with us as we listen to some chill music and enjoy some snacks to end the school year.

Wed. May 22 | 4:00pm

GET YOUR GAME ON

Enjoy your favorite game cravings such as video and computer games, coding and STEM activities, board games, and more!

Wed. May 29 | 4:00pm

ADVENTURE BEGINS AT YOUR LIBRARY: SCOUT ADVENTURES

Come learn about the Scouts, their adventures, and learn the fundamentals of archery.

Wed. June 5 | 4:00pm

ADVENTURE BEGINS AT YOUR LIBRARY: SCAVENGER HUNT

Can you find all the clues? Let's go on an adventure with a scavenger hunt. Help us find our way to the end.

Wed. June 26 | 4:00pm

ADVENTURE BEGINS AT YOUR LIBRARY: MAKE YOUR MARK

Show off your adventurous spirit with temporary tattoo markers.

Wed. July 17 | 4:00pm

ADULT PROGRAMS

COFFEE & CONVERSATION

Enjoy a cup of coffee and sit down for a conversation. A group gathering to discuss the topics of the day, in a relaxing environment.

Thur. May 2, 16 | 11:00am

Thur. June 6, 20 | 11:00am

Thur. July 18 | 11:00am

Adult Circulation Room

BOOK CLUBS

SHH... WE'RE READING BOOK CLUB (Formerly Dessert & Drama Book Club)

Take a break from your day and escape into a book. Each month we will focus on a book by an African American author. Love to read a variety of books? Want to chat with others about the story? This is the club for you! Follow us on Facebook for reminders.

Sat. May 25 | 3:00pm – *Remembering Whitney: My Story of Love, Loss, and the Night the Music Stopped* by Cissy Houston

Sat. June 22 | 3:00pm –

Across the Way by Mary Monroe

Sat. July 20 | 3:00pm –

The Art of Scandal by Regina Black

Adult Circulation Room

Parks Memorial Public Library

 Self-directed program during Library hours.

890 Wall Street, Richland, GA 31825, 229-887-2103

All programs will be in the Meeting Room unless noted.

CHILDREN & FAMILY PROGRAMS

CREATIVE KIDS (Ages 4-8)

We'll provide the supplies; you provide the creativity. Let's make some really cool crafts and artwork and maybe have a scavenger hunt!

Tues. June 4 | 3:00pm

CRAFTS

Come on by and cool down with some cool crafts. We'll provide the supplies and instructions.

Tues. July 9 | 3:00pm

A DAY AT THE MOVIES

We'll screen one of the latest family-friendly films for you. Be sure to check at the Service Desk for the title.

Tues. August 6 | 3:00pm

Conference Room

TEEN PROGRAMS

BRACELET BUILDING

Just ask Taylor, bracelets are IT! Bring your ideas, we'll have the supplies to make some poppin' wrist bangles.

Tues. June 11 | 3:00pm

SCAVENGER HUNT

Ready to sleuth? Use our clues to find the hidden trinkets, books, and messages around our Library.

Tues. July 16 | 3:00pm

BOARD GAMES

We'll have the boards out... or you can bring your own!

Tues. August 13 | 3:00pm

Conference Room

ADULT PROGRAMS

WORD SEARCH

How many words can you find?

Tues. June 18 | 3:00pm

CRAFTS

Art - Painting.

Tues. July 23 | 3:00pm

BOARD GAMES AT THE LIBRARY

I challenge you! We provide the games.

Tues. August 20 | 3:00pm

Conference Room

CHAIR YOGA

Get in shape ... Gently!

Tues. June 4, 11, 18, 25 | 11:00am

Thur. June 6, 13, 20, 27 | 11:00am

Tues. July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 | 11:00am

Thur. July 11, 18, 25 | 11:00am

Tues. August 6, 13, 20, 27 | 11:00am

Thur. August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | 11:00am

Cusseta-Chattahoochee Public Library

 Reservations requested. Call 706-989-3700.

262 Broad Street, Cusseta, GA 31805
706-989-3700

CHILDREN & FAMILY PROGRAMS

HOMESCHOOL HAPPENINGS (All Ages)

Meet and learn with other homeschoolers! Hands-on activities, stories, experiments, and sharing.

Thur. May 16 | 11:00am Thur. July 11 | 11:00am
Thur. June 13 | 11:00am Thur. August 8, 22 | 11:00am

Multipurpose Room

THE "ADVENTURE BEGINS" STORYTIME: FAMILIES (Ages 0-12)

Celebrate our Summer Reading Program with storytimes, crafts, and other fun activities.

Fri. May 31 | 11:00am Fri. July 5, 12, 19, 26 | 11:00am
Fri. June 7, 14, 21, 28 | 11:00am

ADVENTURE TIME MOVIE DAY (All Ages)

Come celebrate Summer Reading and watch an adventure movie with family and friends! Call ahead at 706-989-3700 for movie titles.

Mon. June 3, 10, 17, 24 | 11:00am
Mon. July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | 11:00am

TEEN PROGRAMS

TEEN TAKEOVER (Ages 12-18)

Come play games, watch a movie, make a craft, or do an activity.

Tues. May 14, 28 | 4:00pm Tues. July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 | 4:00pm
Tues. June 4, 11, 18, 25 | 4:00pm

Makerspace Room

TEEN GAME DAY (Ages 12-18)

Come play chess or other board games with other teens.

Fri. June 7, 14, 21, 28 | 2:00pm Fri. July 5, 12, 19 | 2:00pm

Makerspace Room

ADULT PROGRAMS

ADULT CRAFT TIME

Enjoy some conversation while beading, painting, and more!

Thur. May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 | 3:00pm Thur. July 11, 18, 25 | 3:00pm
Thur. June 6, 13, 20, 27 | 3:00pm Thur. Aug. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | 3:00pm

Multipurpose Room

MOVE IT MONDAY

Let's get moving with a walking workout for adults that are wanting to improve their overall health and wellness.

Mon. May 6, 13, 20, 27 | 5:00pm Mon. July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | 5:00pm
Mon. June 3, 10, 17, 24 | 5:00pm Mon. August 5, 12, 19, 26 | 5:00pm

Multipurpose Room

ALL AGES

END OF SUMMER PARTY

Join us as we celebrate the end of our Summer Reading Challenge with food, games, and fun!

Fri. July 26 | 11:00am-12:30pm

BOOK CLUBS

NOVEL-TEA BOOK CLUB

Sip some flavorful teas while discussing the latest tasty novel!

Thur. May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 | 2:00pm Thur. July 11, 18, 25 | 2:00pm
Thur. June 6, 13, 20, 27 | 2:00pm Thur. Aug. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | 2:00pm

Multipurpose Room

VISIT US

Columbus Public Library

3000 Macon Road, 31906
706-243-2669 or 800-652-0782
Monday-Thursday: 10am-8pm
Friday & Saturday: 10am-6pm
Sunday: 1:30pm-6pm

Mildred L. Terry Public Library

640 Veterans Parkway, 31901
706-243-2782
Monday: 10am-6pm
Tuesday: 10am-8pm
Wednesday-Saturday: 10am-6pm
Sunday: Closed

North Columbus Public Library

5689 Armour Road, 31909
706-748-2855
Monday-Wednesday: 10am-6pm
Thursday: 10am-8pm
Friday & Saturday: 10am-6pm
Sunday: Closed

South Columbus Public Library

UNDER RENOVATION
Address during construction:
Our Lady of Lourdes
1973 Torch Hill Road, 31903
706-683-8805
Monday & Tuesday: 10am-6pm
Wednesday: 10am-8pm
Thursday-Saturday: 10am-6pm
Sunday: Closed

Cusseta-Chattahoochee Public Library

262 Broad Street, Cusseta, GA 31805
706-989-3700
Monday, Tuesday & Thursday:
10am-1pm; 1:30pm-6pm
Friday: 10am-1pm; 1:30pm-4pm
Saturday: 10am-2pm
Wednesday and Sunday: Closed

Marion County Public Library

123 East 5th Avenue, Buena Vista, GA 31803
229-649-6385
Monday-Wednesday & Friday:
10am-12:30pm; 1pm-5:30pm
Saturday: 10am-2pm
Thursday & Sunday: Closed

Parks Memorial Public Library

890 Wall Street, Richland, GA 31825
229-887-2103
Monday-Wednesday: 9:30am-5:30pm
Thursday & Saturday: 9:30am-1:30pm
Friday and Sunday: Closed

Double Churches 24 Hour Library

1241 Double Churches Road, 31904
(Next To Double Churches
Elementary School)

Midland 24 Hour Library

6600 Flat Rock Road, 31820
(Behind McDonalds off US-80)

Marion County Public Library

123 East Avenue
Buena Vista, GA 31803
229-649-6385

All programs will be in the Meeting Room.

CHILDREN & FAMILY PROGRAMS

TABLE TOP CRAFTS (Families)

Stop by any time to make a themed craft for yourself or one for a community friend! Come expand your imagination and creativity with us! All crafting items needed will be supplied.

Daily through July.

SIMPLE STEPS STORYTIME (Ages 0-5)

Let's get ready to read! This storytime, based on our Simple Steps to Early Literacy, helps shape growing minds with rhymes, games, songs and stories galore! Sing, Talk, Read, Write, Play – and your child is on their way!

Tues. June 11, 25 | 10:30am

Tues. July 9, 23 | 10:30am

ADVENTURE CLUB: FARMING AND CARS (Ages 6-11)

Explore farming as Mrs. Brianna Weber, Outreach Coordinator with the Georgia Farm Bureau, unveils the fruitful secrets behind the colorful paint we see on vehicles.

Wed. June 5 | 2:00pm

ADVENTURE CLUB: OCEAN EXPLORATION (Ages 6-11)

Discover hidden secrets of the ocean with us as Mr. Hugh Spinney reveals lost treasures found on his deep-sea diving adventures.

Wed. June 19 | 2:00pm

ADVENTURE CLUB: SMOKEY BEAR AND FRIENDS (Ages 6-11)

Learn the "how to's" of fire safety from fire safety expert Smokey Bear and his forest Ranger pals. Smokey will be onsite for pictures, hugs, and to share his own life saving story.

Wed. July 3 | 2:00pm

ADVENTURE CLUB: FOOD SAFETY TRAVEL TIPS (Ages 6-11)

Planning a family road trip or an outdoor adventure? Do you know how to properly contain and store your food? Please join us as Ms. Brenda Salter, county extension agent at Fort Valley State University, shares advice on food and drink safety while traveling.

Wed. July 17 | 2:00pm

TEEN PROGRAMS

LIGHT LUNCH AND LEARN (Ages 12+)

"Food for Thought!" We've all heard, but we often forget how food has an impact on our minds! Join us as we dive into learning and exploring some tasty options that nourish our brains for better memory processing and learning.

Wed. May 29 | 11:00am – 1:00pm

URBAN SURVIVAL GUIDE WORKSHOP (Ages 12+)

Do you know what to do in an emergency when city or local resources are not available? Join us in learning how to take care of yourself and your family, if basic needs are not available in a city environment. Come explore the introduction to preparedness!

Wed. June 12 | 3:30pm

DIGITAL SCAVENGER HUNT (Ages 12+)

Continue your summer with a hunt! Come participate in our Digital Scavenger Hunt! Participants will seek to find QR codes located in establishments around town. A list of participating businesses will be provided to assist in your search. You can seek at your own speed. Bring your findings to this Library for special recognition.

Daily July 1 – August 31

CAPTURE THAT: SMART PHONE FILMMAKING (Ages 12+)

You've seen the short films, now try the art and techniques for yourself! Bring your smart phone to this introductory session and learn the basic principles of creating a short film with it! Will your film be a trendy masterpiece or a total mess? There's only one way to find out! We look forward to seeing you for this two-part workshop!

Wed. July 10 | 1:00pm

Fri. July 19 | 1:00pm

ALL AGES

ROCK THE LIBRARY

Are you ready to Rock the Library?! Join us on a tour across the world with Mr. Sam Schiro as he presents his geological findings from Alaska to the Middle East. Afterwards you will create your own beautifully painted rock! Whether you're creating art for the first time, or you're a master painter, there is a place for you here! All art supplies will be provided.

Wed. July 24 | 2:00pm

★ SUMMER MOVIES ★

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Round up the family and meet us at MCPL for Summer Cinema! Join us for an afternoon fun with family and friends, enjoying a fan favorite movie! All movies selected will be family appropriate. Refreshments will be provided. Call 229-649-6385 for movie titles.

Fri. June 7, 21 | 3:30pm

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

10th Annual Columbus Children's Book Festival

May 11 • 10am-3pm
Columbus Public Library

Last Day to Submit Your Reading Logs for the Grand Prize Drawing

July 31
All Branch Locations or
Online with Beanstack

Tools 4 School Back to School Giveaway

August 2 • Time TBD
Columbus Public Library

Friends of Libraries BIG BOOK SALE

August 23-25
Synovus Meeting Rooms,
Columbus Public Library

Manhattan Short Film Festival

September 28 • 2pm
September 30 • 6:30pm
October 3 • 6:30pm
Columbus Public Library



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OFFICIAL FAMILY READING LOG

Here's an easy way to make sure the entire family is reading this summer! Have a Parent or older relative (including older siblings) or babysitter (well, anyone really!) read to your children.

After you've read **10 books**, fill out this Reading Log and bring it to your local branch of the Chattahoochee Valley Libraries. Everyone on the list gets a small prize and an entry into our Grand Prize Drawing for some awesome BIG prizes.

Primary Reader _____ Age _____

Primary Reader _____ Age _____

Child One Name _____ Age _____

Child Two Name _____ Age _____

Child Three Name _____ Age _____

Child Four Name _____ Age _____

If you have additional readers, please attach additional Reading Logs

Zip code _____ Phone _____

Email _____

School _____

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LIST YOUR BOOKS HERE

- 1 _____
- 2 _____
- 3 _____
- 4 _____
- 5 _____
- 6 _____
- 7 _____
- 8 _____
- 9 _____
- 10 _____



Learn more at cvlga.org

Prefer to enter your reading online?

Try our BEANSTACK app and website! Just use your device or phone and this QR code or visit CVLGA.Beanstack.org.



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Finished?

Be sure to pick up another log! Every completed log earns you another entry!

The Summer Reading Challenge ends July 31, 2024. Grand Prize Winners will be notified starting August 4. Any Grand Prizes not claimed by August 31, 2024 may be forfeited.

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Name _____ Age _____
 Zip code _____ Phone _____
 Email _____
 School _____

OFFICIAL INDIVIDUAL READING LOG

KIDS UP TO AGE 12... (Babies too!) LIST YOUR BOOKS HERE

Fill in this log and bring it to your local branch of the Chattahoochee Valley Libraries for a small treasure chest prize and an entry into our Grand Prize Drawing!

READING CHAPTER BOOKS instead of Picture Books? Just log your reading time in the Teen/Adult section to the right.

- 1 _____
- 2 _____
- 3 _____
- 4 _____
- 5 _____
- 6 _____
- 7 _____
- 8 _____
- 9 _____
- 10 _____



Prefer to enter your reading online?

Try our BEANSTACK app and website! Just use your device or phone and this QR code or visit CVLGA.Beanstack.org.



TEENS, ADULTS, & KIDS READING FOR FUN... LIST YOUR BOOKS HERE

Five hours of reading gets you your entry! Put your titles in the spaces below, each one represents 15 minutes of reading. Anything you read counts... books, magazines, or anything online!

1st HOUR	_____

2nd HOUR	_____

3rd HOUR	_____

4th HOUR	_____

5th HOUR	_____

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