



## **August Programs at the Public Library of Youngstown & Mahoning County**

YOUNGSTOWN (June 17, 2021/For Immediate Release) - Mark your calendars to attend these August programs at the Public Library of Youngstown & Mahoning County.

### **Summer Discovery Children's Author Visit – Grace Lin**

Children that completed the Library's Summer Discovery program will receive an invitation to attend a virtual interactive visit with award-winning children's book author and illustrator Grace Lin. Grace, a Caldecott and Newbery Medal winner, is the author of picture books, early readers and middle-grade novels. She will be discussing her books and answering questions on August 6 at 11 a.m. Participants will receive a Zoom link invitation upon completion of the Summer Discovery Program.

**Zoom 11 a.m. Fri., Aug. 6**

### **Book Clubs, Music, Movies and More**

**A Day at the Lake** - This summer, join us at the lake! Tri-Lakes Library, that is. Read lake-themed books and then gather on the benches in the garden outside the building for an outdoor (socially-distanced) book club. August book selection is "Death and Life of the Great Lakes" by Dan Egan (nonfiction). Feel free to bring your own chair, cushion, umbrella, or snack. Rain date is August 11. Registration is required and space is limited for social distancing. Please register each individual that will attend. Adults.

**Tri-Lakes 1 p.m. Wed., Aug. 4**

**Shelf Indulgence** - Join us as we dive into Amish domestic drama, formulaic popular fiction, X-rated romance, and every book in between. Some books are too often overlooked by "the book club crowd," but that doesn't mean they don't fly off the library shelves: paperbacks with hairless hunks and doe-eyed damsels on the covers, for example, or cozy mysteries where perky pets solve murders. Join us as we dive into Amish domestic drama, formulaic popular fiction, X-rated romance, and every book in between Adults.

**Facebook @LibraryMahoningCounty 7 p.m. Tues., Aug. 10**

**Time Traveler's Book Club** - Welcome to the Time Traveler's Book Club. This month we're heading to the future with "The Butterfly Kid" by Chester Anderson. Join us on Facebook to watch and leave a comment. Adults.

**Facebook @LibraryMahoningCounty 7 p.m. Tues., Aug. 17**

## Early Learning

**Family Story Time** - Come join us as we read, sing, dance, and play outside at the Austintown Library. Bring a blanket for your group and join us for outdoor story time. In the case of inclement weather, the program will be rescheduled. Registration is required, and space is limited for social distancing. Total attendance is limited to five groups of up to five people, with groups being socially distanced from each other. Register one adult who is then able to bring up to four additional individuals with them. This group of up to five people will be seated together, but socially distanced from others attending program. Babies, Toddlers, Preschoolers, Children.  
**Austintown 11:30 a.m. Wed., Aug. 4**

**Kindergarten Readiness Stations To-Go** - Stop by any branch for a Kindergarten Readiness Station To-Go Kit. These kits include fun activities and information that you can use at home to help your preschooler get ready for kindergarten. While supplies last. Ages 3-5 years.  
**All Libraries Library Hours August**

## Children and Families

**Chapter Book Chat** - Come share with other kids the chapter books you've been reading. Miss Julie will be on hand to moderate the discussion and share a chapter or two from some of her favorite chapter books. Whether it's good or bad, funny or sad, come share with other kids the chapter books you've been reading! Miss Julie will be on hand to moderate the discussion and share a chapter or two from some of her favorite chapter books. Those books will be available for checkout. Perfect for developing readers who are eager to start reading longer books. Ages 8-11. Registration is required, and space is limited for social distancing. Please register each child and adult that will attend. In the case of inclement weather, the program will be rescheduled. Children.  
**Austintown 11:30 a.m. Wed., Aug. 11**

**Draw Along with Miss Julie** - Learn along with Miss Julie as she teaches you how to draw cartoon animals to celebrate our Tails & Tales summer reading program. Learn how to draw adorable cartoon animals using letter and number shapes. This class is perfect for ages 6-10.  
**Austintown 11:30 a.m. Wed., Aug. 18**

**LEGO STEAM Challenges** - Grab your LEGOs or other building blocks and join us on Zoom for some fun building challenges. Registration with email required. Children.  
**Zoom 10 a.m. Sat., Aug. 14**

**Lucy Lu at the Library** - Each child will be given a 15-minute reading session with therapy dog Lucy Lu while spots remain. Third Tuesday of each month. Sign up or call 330-744-8636 to register for your appointment. Hand sanitizer will be available for anyone after they pet Lucy. Lucy Lu is part of P.A.W.S. Therapy Team, a 501(c)3 nonprofit registered with the State of Ohio. Registration is required and space is limited for social distancing. Please register each child and adult that will attend. Children.

**Tri-Lakes Call for appointment for sessionb on Tues., Aug. 17**

**Take & Make Craft Kits for Kids** - Pick up your free take & make craft kit at Boardman branch. While supplies last. Children.

**Boardman Library Hours August**

### Teen

**Book Banter** - Book Banter is for readers of Young Adult fiction who like to break down what they are reading critically, or to just hear varying viewpoints on some great YA books. Join us each week on Facebook and Instagram as two librarians discuss and deconstruct a work of fiction, digging into character development, plot points, point of view and more, and give you a thumbs up or down. They may agree or disagree, but either way you will get a heads up on books you might like to add to your TBR pile or those titles that you can save for later. Teens.

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**4 p.m. Wed., Aug. 4, 11, 18, 25**

**Ceramic Painting for Teens with Ms. Tracy** - Do you like to paint? Come to the Austintown Library and choose one piece of ceramic art to call your own! For Ages 12-18. Supplies will be provided. Registration is required, and space is limited for social distancing.

**Austintown 3 p.m. Thurs., Aug. 5**

### Creative Learning

**Fiber Arts LIVE!** - Join us on the fourth Wednesday of each month at 11 a.m. for librarian-led discussion on all things fiber arts. Watch live and participate in the chat. Teens and Adults.

**Facebook @LibraryMahoningCounty 11a.m. Wed., Aug. 25**

### All Ages

**Dial-a-Story** - Call 234-287-2020 to hear stories read aloud. Choose from picture books, a chapter book, teen and adult short stories, poems and more. Stories are read by PLYMC Librarians and local theater groups. You can access this fun service 24/7. All Ages.

**Call 234-287-2020 any time**

### For Your Health

**Dance If You Want To** - Connect with others in a socially distanced manner as we listen to the same songs but stretch and move in our own space. Registration is required and space is limited for social distancing. Please register each individual that will attend. Adults.

**Poland 6 p.m. Wed., Aug. 4, 18**

**Grief 101** - Grief 101 is a one-hour presentation on understanding the grieving process and how grief affects everything in our life. Kim Calhoun, Bereavement Facilitator from Hospice of the Valley, will discuss coping with feelings of sadness, anger, guilt, anxiety, and emptiness. She will

demonstrate a few intentional steps that can help an individual begin to regain a sense of order and peace. You don't need to face this transition alone. This program is open to anyone who has experienced a loss. Literature on grief, the company of supportive others, and information about the grieving process will be provided. Meeting every fourth Thursday of the month. Please register with an email address to receive a Zoom invitation within 24 hours of the program. You do not need to appear on camera; you can remain anonymous. Adults.

**Zoom 5:30 p.m. Thurs., Aug. 26**

**Take a Walk @ the Library** - Join us at the Poland Library for a leisurely walk around the neighborhood. Wear your comfy shoes and join Poland Library staff for a 30- to 40-minute walk. Interested walkers should meet in the parking lot of the Poland library on Monday mornings at 10 a.m. Registration is required and space is limited for social distancing. Please register each individual that will attend. Adults.

**Poland 10 a.m. Mon., Aug. 2, 9, 16, 23**

## **Movies**

**Saturday Movie Matinee** - Join us at one of two times on Saturdays for a family-friendly movie. You are welcome to bring your own snacks and drinks to enjoy during the movie. First showing starts at 11am. Second showing starts at 2pm. Registration is required and space is limited for social distancing. Please register each person that will attend. All Ages.

**Newport 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Sat., Aug. 7, 14, 21, 28**

## **Adults**

**'I Read YA'** - Let's talk about YA! Let's read and discuss. For fans of YA literature between the ages of 18 and 118. This month's book will be "Firekeeper's Daughter" by Angeline Boulley. This debut novel was an instant NY Times bestseller. It's soon to be adapted at Netflix for TV with President Barack Obama and Michelle Obama's production company, Higher Ground. Adults.

**Boardman 5:30 p.m. Mon., Aug. 16**

**One Page RPGs!** – Join a small group of intrepid role-playing gamers and try out a one-page RPG. No experience needed. Whether you're a newbie looking for a way to learn how to play, or a roleplaying veteran without the time to commit to a major campaign, there's room for you at this virtual tabletop. Sessions will last about 60 minutes and will take place on Zoom. Space is limited so register soon. Please include an email address to receive a Zoom invitation, which will be sent within 24-hours of the program starting. Adults.

**Zoom 3 p.m. Sat., Aug. 28**

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