LOCATIONS

ELDERBURG BRANCH
6400 W. Hemlock Drive, Eldersburg
410-386-4460

FINKSBURG BRANCH
2265 Old Westminster Pike, Finksburg
410-386-4505

MOUNT AIRY BRANCH
705 Ridge Avenue, Mount Airy
410-386-4470 or 301-829-5290

NORTH CARROLL BRANCH
2255 Hanover Pike, Hampstead
410-386-4480

TANEYTOWN BRANCH
10 Grand Drive, Taneytown
410-386-4510

WESTMINSTER BRANCH
50 E. Main Street, Westminster
410-386-4490

EXPLORATION COMMONS AT 50 EAST
50 E. Main Street, Westminster
443-293-3000

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CCPL HOURS & HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

Monday – Thursday: 9:00 AM – 8:00 PM
Friday & Saturday: 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM

CCPL will be closed on Tuesday, July 4 in observance of Independence Day

Check library.carr.org for weather-related closings and program updates.
Storytime with Author Melinda Beatty
Saturday, 7/1 at 10 AM
Ages Birth - 8. Join us for a special storytime program with the author of the new picture book *Tell the Truth, Pangolin*, Melinda Beatty. Melinda will lead us through Pangolin’s story, tell us what it’s like to be a real-life author, and guide us through a fun activity!

July 4th Luminaries
Saturday, 7/1 at 3 PM • Registration opens 6/17
Adults. Keep your Independence Day bright with these beautiful mason jar luminaries! The perfect craft for the holiday weekend.

Writing Group
Wednesdays at 9:15 AM • 7/5 - 7/26
Adults. Writers of all levels and genres are invited to join our weekly writing group. It is a flexible, drop-in, stay-as-long-as-you-like environment. The primary goal is to dedicate quiet time away from the daily chaos to make consistent progress on your novel or children's book. Bring your current project to work on during this time. At 10 AM, we will brainstorm, critique, and share knowledge about upcoming events and the book publishing industry. You are welcome to share a short piece of writing during this time for critique.

Move & Groove Storytime
Wednesdays at 10 and 11 AM • 7/5 - 7/26
Ages Birth - 8. Join us for this energetic and interactive storytime. Explore your favorite children's books (and find some new ones) through song, dance, and creative movement!

Family Game Night
Wednesday, 7/5 at 6 PM
All Ages. Whether you prefer board games, card games, or anything in between, we’ve got something everyone will enjoy! Bring your grown-up and be ready to play.

Eldersburg Hooked on Crochet
Wednesdays at 6 PM • 7/5 - 7/26
Mondays at 12:30 PM • 7/10, 7/24
Ages 12 - Adults. Join this friendly crochet group open to beginners and experienced crocheters alike. Those new to crocheting should bring a size J hook and a light-colored, worsted-weight yarn to the class.

Read and Play
Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10 AM • 7/6 - 7/27
Ages Birth - 24 Months. Join your little one at a storytime featuring interactive books, rhymes, music, and movement, followed by playgroup activities that allow children to practice skills and socialize.

Family Storytime
Tuesdays and Thursdays at 11 AM • 7/11 - 7/25
Ages Birth - 8. We’ll share books, stories, rhymes, music, and movement. Come talk, sing, read, write, and play together in a format appropriate for young children.

Elementary STEM: Maryland Wildlife
Thursday, 7/6 at 2 PM
Ages 6 - 12. Join us as we explore the common and not-so-common wildlife found in Maryland! Participants will have the opportunity to feel pelts from some of these critters. Presented by 4-H Extension Educator Torrey Silliman.

Play Baby Play
Friday, 7/7 at 10 AM
Ages Birth - 24 Months. You’re invited to a morning playgroup just for little ones! Enjoy a warm and inviting space where you and your child can play with our toys, practice gross motor skills on our baby obstacle course, enjoy music, and socialize with others.

Teen Service Learning Drop-In: Cards for First Responders with ButterWorks Bakery USA
Friday, 7/7 at 2 PM
Ages 12 - 17. Drop in to spread kindness and earn service learning hours by creating cards for first responders. Cards will be donated to ButterWorks Bakery USA to deliver to first responders alongside cupcakes as part of their Cupcakes for Caregivers program!

Saturday Adventures
Saturdays at 10 AM • 7/8, 7/22 - 7/29
Ages Birth - 8. Come to the library Saturday morning for a new adventure! Stories, songs, dancing, crafts, something new and different each week.

Ask a Master Gardener Plant Clinic
Saturdays at 10 AM • 7/8, 7/29
Adults. Do you have a question you’d like to ask a University of Maryland Extension Master Gardener? Bring plant samples or photos for identification or diagnosis to an Ask a Master Gardener plant clinic. Get advice on veggies, landscape plants, insects, lawns, and more. Pick up publications from the university and borrow library books, too!

Peaceful Melodies with Lydia Bandy
Saturday, 7/8 at 12 PM
All Ages. Enjoy the soothing sounds of piano or harp as Lydia Bandy fills the library with beautiful calming music.

Decoupage: Custom Frames
Saturday, 7/8 at 2 PM • Registration opens 6/24
Adults. Experience the stunning effects of decoupage as we use various decorative paper, tissue paper, and embellishments to transform plain, ordinary picture frames into customized treasures. All supplies will be provided and limited to one picture frame per person. All attendees need to register.

Open Mah Jongg
Monday, 7/10 at 6 PM
Adults. Join us for a friendly game of American Mah Jongg. We welcome experienced players and newer players for casual, non-competitive play.

Ask a Master Gardener Plant Clinic
Sunday, 7/15 at 2 PM • 7/29
Adults. Join us for an afternoon of test-tasting different Oreos and trying to guess their flavor. After our Oreo guessing game, we will play a short cookie-themed trivia game. All attendees need to register. Refreshments will be served.

Gentle Yoga
Thursdays at 6:30 PM
Ages 13 - Adults. This gentle yoga class allows students of various abilities and physical conditions to develop their yoga practice comfortably. There are many appealing aspects of yoga, including increased flexibility, relaxation, strength, improved balance, stress, and pain relief. No experience is necessary. Please wear comfortable clothing; bring a mat and a blanket. All attendees need to register.

All Together Now Fitness
Friday, 7/14 at 10 AM
Ages 4 - 10. Move your body! Join physical education teacher Chris Vaughn and move your body with different physical activity stations. You will be throwing, kicking, and going through an obstacle course. Join us in the fun! We’ll be outside, weather permitting, so remember your sunscreen and a water bottle.
**Teen Afternoon Movie: The Princess Bride**
**Saturday, 7/15 at 2 PM**

Ages 12 - 17. Join us for an inconceivable afternoon of adventure and true love with an interactive movie extravaganza featuring *The Princess Bride*! There will be light refreshments and lots of fun! Refreshments will be served.

**Three Billy Goats Gruff Puppet Show**
**Saturday, 7/15 at 10 AM**

Monday, 7/17 at 10 AM and 2 PM

Ages 3 - 12. The Three Billy Goats Gruff are heading out on a road trip to the ocean for fun in the sun! Oh no, the cranky, stinky troll won’t let them cross the bridge to get to the beach! What’s a goat to do? Will the Three Billy Goats Gruff ever make it to the ocean? See the puppet show and go on this hilarious adventure with the Three Billy Goats Gruff to find out!

**Elementary STEM: Birds of Flight**
**Wednesday, 7/19 at 2 PM**

Ages 6 - 12. Birds are one of three groups of animals that have evolved the ability to fly (along with insects and bats). But why do birds fly? And how do they do it? Join us to discover the answer to these questions. Come ready to move as we play a migration simulation game! Taught by 4-H Extension Educator Torrey Silliman.

**Inked with Aliza Layne**
**Thursday, 7/20 at 6 PM**

Ages 12 - 18. Join us for an exciting creative workshop where you learn the art of creating graphic novels and comics with Mx. Aliza Layne, local cartoonist, illustrator, storyteller, and author of Stonewall Honor Book *Beetle and the Hollowbones*! You can look forward to a short class on the unique language of comics, followed by an opportunity to discuss your creative work. Please bring your art, sketchbooks, or a synopsis of your current story-driven project (your novel, graphic novel, video game, or any type of story) if you would like feedback from Aliza. Drawing during class is encouraged, and all artistic levels are welcome, so come express yourself, get creative, and make connections!

**Music Together®**
**Friday, 7/21 at 10 AM - Registration opens 7/7**

Ages Birth - 5. Calling all babies, toddlers, preschoolers, and their grown-ups! Join Katie Gamer from Syke’d Music for a fun, interactive Music Together® demo class. Experience a sample of our most loved songs from the Music Together® Family Favorites song collection. Each registration is for one family.

**Creative Kids: Collage Picture Frames**
**Friday, 7/21 at 2 PM**

Ages 6 - 12. Art activities, especially for elementary-aged kids! Express your creativity through collage and leave with a unique picture frame all your own.

**bookPETS**
**Saturday, 7/22 at 2 PM**

Ages 4 - 17. Come to the library and read a story to a book-loving dog. Research shows that reading to animals can boost reading skills in children as well as help with emotional and social skills. Struggling readers are encouraged to participate.

**Real Estate Strategies for the Special Needs Community**
**Saturday, 7/22 at 2 PM - Registration opens 7/8**

Adults. Explore housing options for the special needs community. Topics featured will include smart home technology, individual/group housing, public transportation, partners in communication, and REALTOR® relationships. Materials shared include a visual social narrative that can ease the anxiety of transitioning to a new home. Refreshments will be served.

**Ready, Set, VIOLIN**
**Monday, 7/24 and 7/31 at 10 AM - Registration opens 7/10**

Ages 2 - 6. Do you have a child that loves the violin, but you’re not sure if they are ready for lessons? Join the Ready, Set, VIOLIN class to find out! This class provides an opportunity to explore violin lessons without a financial commitment. During the free, 2-week class, families prepare for formal lessons by learning the skills required for successful lessons. Parents and adult caregivers participate in the class. All materials will be provided. No violin is required; the Suzuki method begins on the box violin and then moves to a real violin when the child is ready. The Suzuki method educates children in the same way they learn their native language, through immersion! All concepts are taught through play, games, stories, and picture books. Adults will have a better understanding of the Suzuki method of education by the end of the class.

**Minecraft Monday**
**Monday, 7/24 at 3 PM - Registration opens 7/10**

Ages 12 - 17. Come play Minecraft with other players on our special library Minecraft server.

**Prediabetes Info Session**
**Tuesday, 7/25 at 2 PM - Registration opens 7/11**

Adults. One in three Americans has prediabetes. Do you? Prediabetes increases the risk of type 2 diabetes, heart disease, and stroke. But there is good news. Most prediabetes can be delayed or even reversed! This information session will go over the proven lifestyle changes you can make to delay or reduce your risk of complications from diabetes and the free or low-cost resources available to you in the community. Presented by the Carroll County Health Department.

**Coffee with the Classics: Some Like It Hot**
**Friday, 7/28 at 10 AM - Registration opens 7/14**

Adults. Cool off with *Some Like It Hot*, a classic comedy starring Marilyn Monroe, Tony Curtis, and Jack Lemmon. All attendees need to register. Refreshments will be served.

**Radical Reptiles**
**Friday, 7/28 at 2 PM**

Ages 4 - 12. Nicole Osborne presents an exciting line-up of exotic reptiles in this interactive program - with a chance to hold/touch the reptiles! Learn about reptile care, fun facts, and more!

**Cyber Security Conundrum Section 1**
**Saturday, 7/29 at 10 AM - Registration opens 7/15**

Ages 16 - Adults. Join us to learn effective ways to avoid the security snare that can compromise our systems. How to safely identify and remove scareware popups without touching them will be covered along with other topics. Instructor Joseph Selph is a past adjunct professor of math and computer technologies with 13 years of experience involving cyber security analysis, network tech, and computer forensic investigations.

**Kindness Blooms Cross-Stitch**
**Saturday, 7/29 at 2 PM - Registration opens 7/15**

Adults. Learn a new craft! We will cross-stitch a flower to celebrate kindness, friendship, and unity. All materials will be provided, and crafters of all levels are welcome.

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**Monday, 7/31 from 1 - 3 PM**

All Ages. Calling all wizards, witches, and muggles! Join us for a magic-filled program as we celebrate Harry Potter’s birthday throughout the library!
Teens and Threes Together
Tuesdays at 11 AM • Thursdays at 9:45 AM • 7/6 - 7/27
Ages 2 - 3. This lively, fast-paced storytime for young children includes books, songs, fingerplays, and movement.

Read and Play
Tuesdays at 9:45 AM • Thursdays at 11 AM • 7/6 - 7/27
Ages Birth ~ 24 Months. Join your little one at a storytime featuring interactive books, rhymes, music, and movement, followed by playgroup activities that allow children to practice skills and socialize.

Three Billy Goats Gruff Puppet Show
Friday, 7/7 at 10:30 AM • Registration opens 6/23
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Ages 3 - 12. The Three Billy Goats Gruff are heading off on a road trip to the ocean for fun in the sun! Oh no, the cranky, stinky troll won’t let them cross the bridge to get to the beach! What a goat to do? Will the Three Billy Goats Gruff ever make it to the ocean? See the puppet show and go on this hilarious adventure with the Three Billy Goats Gruff to find out! All attendees need to register.

Volunteer Opportunity at the Finksburg Branch Garden
Saturday, 7/8 from 9 - 11 AM • Registration opens 6/24
Ages 14 - 17. Are you in need of service hours? Do you like working outside and don’t mind getting your hands dirty? If so, this may be the perfect volunteer opportunity for you! We are looking for students to assist our local Master Gardeners with the maintenance of the Finksburg Branch Gardens. Please dress appropriately, wear sunscreen, and bring water. Garden clean-up days are weather-dependent. All attendees need to register.

Carroll County Writers Group
Saturday, 7/8 at 1:15 PM
Adults. Please join the Carroll County Chapter of the Maryland Writers Association as we meet to exchange writing and publishing information and advice.

PAWS to Read
Saturday, 7/8 at 2 PM • Registration opens 6/24
Ages 4 - Adults. Come to the library to visit with or read to a book-loving dog. Research shows that reading to animals boosts reading skills in children and helps with social skills and emotional health for all ages. Adults and seniors can come to de-stress and relax with a fuzzy friend. Walk-ins welcome! Only kids need to register.

Carroll County Critique Group
Saturday, 7/8 at 3:30 PM
Adults. Please join the Carroll County Critique Group as we meet to discuss our writing efforts and achievements.

Kid’s Paint Playground
Monday, 7/10 at 10 AM • Registration opens 6/26
Ages 6 - 12. Join us for an artistic adventure as we make paintings together! Please dress in anticipation of the mess. Only kids need to register.

Teens Paint!
Monday, 7/10 at 1 PM • Registration opens 6/26
Ages 12 - 18. Attendees will receive instruction and create a beginner-level painting inspired by our Summer Reading theme, All Together Now. Please wear old clothes or bring an apron. All supplies will be provided.

Pajama Party Storytime
Tuesdays at 6:30 PM • 7/11 - 7/25
Ages Birth ~ 8. Wear your pajamas, bring your favorite stuffed animal, and listen to stories before bed. This storytime introduces stories through books, songs, and activities appropriate for young children.

Chess at the Library
Wednesdays at 4 PM • 7/12, 7/26
Ages 7 - Adults. Are you a chess champion or want to learn? Show off your best moves against other chess players! Experienced and novice chess players are welcome.

Carroll County Farm Museum
Hoff Barn Traveling Trunk
Friday, 7/14 at 10 AM • Registration opens 6/30
Ages 8 - 11. Curious about Carroll County’s history and what it meant to be a farmer here? Join Carroll County Farm Museum volunteers as they unpack the Hoff Barn Traveling Trunk and discover how you would have spent your summers in the 1790s. This presentation is geared for students in 3rd - 5th grades. Only kids need to register.

Design Your Own Cardboard Car
Saturday, 7/15 at 10 AM • Registration opens 7/1
Ages 2 - 6. Make a car out of cardboard and duct tape! We will have boxes, cardboard shapes, and colorful duct tape for you to design with. Please register once per family. Only kids need to register.

All Together Now Fitness
Monday, 7/17 at 10 AM • Registration opens 7/3
Ages 4 - 10. Move your body! Join physical education teacher Chris Vaughn and move your body with different physical activity stations. You will be throwing, kicking, and going through an obstacle course. Join us in the fun! We’ll be outside, weather permitting, so remember your sunscreen and a water bottle. Only kids need to register.

Teen Biblio-Boxes
Kit Pickup: Starting Thursday, 7/18
Registration opens 6/27
Ages 12 - 18. Register to receive a curated box of great reads and fun activities hand-picked by your local librarians. Please note: Boxes will be available starting on the event date and will be held for one week.

Inked with Aliza Layne
Thursday, 7/20 at 2 PM • Registration opens 7/6
Ages 12 - 18. Join us for an exciting creative workshop where you learn the art of creating graphic novels and comics with Ms. Aliza Layne, local cartoonist, illustrator, storyteller, and author of Stonewall Honor Book Beetle and the Hollowbones! You can look forward to a short class on the unique language of comics, followed by an opportunity to discuss your creative work. Please bring your art, sketchbooks, or a synopsis of your current story-driven project (your novel, graphic novel, video game, or any type of story) if you would like feedback from Aliza. Drawing during class is encouraged, and all artistic levels are welcome, so come express yourself, get creative, and make connections!

Sensory Sensitive Storytime
Friday, 7/21 at 11:30 AM • Registration opens 7/7
Ages 3 - 6. This inclusive program welcomes children of all abilities and their caregivers to a supportive, judgment-free storytime.

The Engineering Design Process
Friday, 7/21 at 1 PM • Registration opens 7/7
Ages 8 - 18. Did you know that an engineer is just a creative problem-solver? We’ll learn each step of an engineer’s problem-solving process and work together to solve an engineering challenge! Come ready to chat with others and think up creative solutions. Only kids need to register.
Monday, 7/10 at 6 PM
Adults. This month’s selection is Lightning Down: a World War II Story of Survival by Tom Clavin. A Celebrating America program.

Dungeons & Dragons Adventure Afternoon
Saturday, 7/22 at 1 PM - Registration opens 7/8
Ages 11 - 18. Calling brave heroes for a quest in Dungeons & Dragons! Whether this is your first adventure or your twentieth, join us for an evening of fantastic deeds! On the road to the town of Etran’s Folly, our heroes are waylaid by strange creatures. No sooner do they hit town are they met with a strange mystery...a mystery that will take us the whole summer to unravel! Join us in June, July, and August to solve the mystery of Etran’s Folly and the strange happenings therein. A choice of playable 5th-level characters, dice, pencils, and other necessary supplies will be provided. All attendees need to register.

Hurry, Hurry, Here Comes the Firetruck!
Monday, 7/24 at 10 AM - Registration opens 7/10
Ages 2 - Adults. Reese Fire Department will be here with firefighters, equipment, and emergency vehicles. We will start in our Large Meeting Room for a safety equipment demo and finish the visit outside to see the emergency vehicles. All attendees need to register.

Radical Reptiles
Friday, 7/28 at 10 AM - Registration opens 7/14
Ages 4 - 12. Nicole Osborne presents an exciting line-up of exotic reptiles in this interactive program - with a chance to hold/touch the reptiles! Learn about reptile care, fun facts, and more! All attendees need to register.

Animals in the Library?
Monday, 7/31 at 1 PM - Registration opens 7/17
Ages 4 - Adults. Have you ever thought about rescuing an animal? Learn about the process with The Humane Way Animal Rescue, Inc., who will bring some rescued animal friends. They will be accepting donations of snuffle mats and dog and cat beds at the program if you would like to contribute. All attendees need to register.

ONLINE EVENTS
Watch our online events on listed platform. Zoom login information will be emailed to participants one hour before the program starts.

Marlene at Home: Out & About at a Local Ice Cream Store
Tuesday, 7/11 at 7 PM
on Facebook and YouTube
Sunday, 7/9 at 3 PM
Adults. The Simmons Home Made Ice Cream Store is celebrating its 100th anniversary! The Simmons family still runs this local business and serves Grandma Estie Simmons’s secret ice cream recipe that she made for her family and neighbors in the 1920s. Get the scoop about a place where memories are made by joining Marlene at Home: Out and About.

Deep Relaxation Class Online
on Zoom
Wednesdays at 7 PM
7/12 - Registration opens 6/28
7/26 - Registration opens 7/12
Ages 13 - Adults. All experience levels are welcome to participate in this one-hour virtual hatha yoga practice. Bring your yoga mat, additional cushions, or blankets, and have a clean open space for the class. All attendees need to register.

Dungeons & Dragons Online
on Zoom
Tuesday, 7/11 at 4 PM
Registration opens 6/27
Ages 12 - 17. Join us for a session of Dungeons & Dragons played entirely online! This session is for beginners and avid players alike. All attendees need to register.

Wizards and Witches Trivia Night
on Zoom
Monday, 7/17 at 6:30 PM
Registration opens 7/3
Ages 12 - Adults. From Gandalf and Merlin to Glinda and Hermione, join us in celebrating magical worlds and characters by testing your knowledge of the most iconic wizards and witches in popular culture during this exciting trivia quiz! All attendees need to register.
Family Storytime
Mondays at 10 AM - 7/3 - 7/31
Ages Birth - 8. Come talk, sing, read, write, and play together in a format appropriate for young children.

Movie Mondays: The Philadelphia Story
Monday, 7/3 at 1 PM
Adults. This month’s selection is The Philadelphia Story starring Cary Grant, Katherine Hepburn, and Jimmy Stewart. Refreshments will be served.

Mount Airy Knitters
Wednesdays at 10 AM - 7/5 - 7/26
Adults. Join the Mount Airy Knitters for a weekly roundtable of knitting, conversation, and fun. All experience levels are welcome.

Three Billy Goats Gruff Puppet Show
Monday, 7/10 at 6:30 PM
Tuesday, 7/11 at 10 AM
Ages 3 - 12. The Three Billy Goats Gruff are heading off on a road trip to the ocean for fun in the sun! Oh no, the cranky, stinky troll won’t let them cross the bridge to get to the beach! What’s a goat to do? Will the Three Billy Goats Gruff ever make it to the ocean? See the puppet show and go on this hilarious adventure with the Three Billy Goats Gruff to find out!

Kool-Aid Lip Gloss
Wednesday, 7/12 at 2 PM • Registration opens 6/28
Ages 5 - 12. We’ll turn coconut oil, Kool-Aid, sugar, and water into fashionable, non-toxic lip gloss! Only kids need to register.

Family Movie Event: Dr. Seuss’ The Lorax
Thursday, 7/13 at 4 PM
Ages 5 - 12. Bring a soft pillow or cushion and join us for a Dr. Seuss’ The Lorax screening! The film is rated PG.

All Together Now Fitness
Friday, 7/14 at 2 PM
Ages 4 - 10. Join physical education teacher Chris Vaughn and move your body with different physical activity stations. We’ll be outside, weather permitting, so remember your sunscreen and a water bottle.

LEGO® Creations
Saturday, 7/15 at 11 AM
Ages 5 - Adults. Join us for a LEGO® program where you can build whatever you would like! We supply the blocks, and you supply the creativity!

Read with a Furry Friend
Saturday, 7/15 at 2 PM
Ages 3 - Adults. KPETS’ trained reading dogs provide a relaxed, informal atmosphere for kids to practice reading. Every dog enjoys a good story!

Read and Play
Tuesdays at 10 AM - 7/18 - 7/25
Ages Birth - 24 Months. Join your little one at a storytime featuring interactive books, rhymes, music, and movement, followed by playgroup activities. Siblings are welcome to attend this program.

All Ages Movie Night: Scooby-Doo and the Witch’s Ghost
Tuesday, 7/18 at 5:30 PM
All Ages. CCPL’s Mount Airy Branch invites you to bring a pillow or cushion and join us for an all-ages screening of the classic Scooby-Doo and the Witch’s Ghost. Scooby-Doo and the gang are visiting a horror author in Salem, Massachusetts when a spooky ghost starts haunting the town. Will the gang be able to solve the mystery behind this haunted town? And who is this mysterious band, The Hex Girls? Find out in Scooby-Doo and the Witch’s Ghost!

Ask a Master Gardener
Wednesday, 7/19 at 10 AM
Adults. This month’s title is The Mayhem Magical Circus with Gregory May
Wednesday, 7/26 at 10 AM
Ages 5 - 12. Join professional knucklehead - and former Ringling Brothers circus performer - Gregory May as he builds his wacky circus show. Over a dozen audience volunteers will join him as he juggles, walks on a rolling globe, spins plates and cowboy ropes, and messes up magic tricks with tons of fun and lots of laughs! It’s a wild ride for the whole family! Weather permitting, we will be outside. Don’t forget your sunscreen and a water bottle.

Inked with Aliza Layne
Wednesday, 7/26 at 6 PM • Registration opens 7/12
Ages 12 - 18. Join us for an exciting creative workshop where you learn the art of creating graphic novels and comics with Mx. Aliza Layne, local cartoonist, illustrator, storyteller, and author of Stonewall Honor Book Beetle and the Hollowbones! You can look forward to a short class on the unique language of comics, followed by an opportunity to discuss your creative work. Please bring your art, sketchbooks, or a synopsis of your current story-driven project if you would like feedback from Aliza. Drawing during class is encouraged, and all artistic levels are welcome!

Cardboard City
Friday, 7/28 at 11 AM
All Ages. Let’s build a cardboard city! Together we’ll design and create our very own city from recycled materials. All supplies will be provided.

Serenity Journaling
Friday, 7/28 at 2 PM
Adults. Serenity Journaling is an opportunity to take a few minutes to slow down, think, and write. Join Maria as she provides us with some contemporary and remembrance topics that we can write about and relax. After we free-write together, sharing is optional but encouraged!

Wayback Crafts: Tie Dye T-Shirts
Saturday, 7/29 at 1 PM • Registration opens 7/15
Ages 11 - 18. Calling all teens to this afternoon of whimsy, strategy, competition, and cooperation! Feel free to bring a favorite game or learn a new one from our curated collection of unique indie hits and classic favorites. Come with a group or make new friends!

Craftapalooza
Tuesday, 7/25 at 2 PM
Ages 3 - 12. It’s a DIY frenzy! We’ve gathered extras of our favorite crafts from past storytimes and programs, and we need your help to bring them to life. Join us for an afternoon of cutting, pasting, drawing, and creating.

Mount Airy Teen Advisory Board
Tuesday, 7/25 at 6:30 PM
Ages 11 - 17. Calling all teens with a love of the library! Help us plan teen programming and influence our teen collections. We want you for our Teen Advisory Board! Need service hours? We’ve got those too!

Inked with Aliza Layne
Monday, 7/3 at 1 PM
Adults. This month’s title is The Giver of Stars by Jojo Moyes.

The Mayhem Magical Circus with Gregory May
Wednesday, 7/26 at 10 AM
Ages 5 - 12. Join us for a craft from the past. We will be outside the branch tie-dying t-shirts. Feel free to bring a clean white shirt or unisex large shirts will be provided. All attendees need to register.

The Giver of Stars
Wednesday, 7/19 at 1 PM
Adults. This month’s title is The Giver of Stars by Jojo Moyes.

Thursday, 7/27 at 12 PM
Adults. This month we will be discussing 1776 by David McCullough.
• OFFSITE EVENTS •

at Wildwood Park Gazebo
400 Park Avenue, Mount Airy

Wildwood Storytime with CCPL’s Mount Airy Branch
Thursdays at 10 AM • 7/6 - 7/27
Ages Birth - 8. We’ll share books, stories, rhymes, music, and movement. Talk, sing, read, write, and play together in a format appropriate for young children. In the event of inclement weather, we will meet indoors at CCPL’s Mount Airy Branch.

Bike Rally
Saturday, 7/8 at 10 AM
All Ages. Grab your trike, bike, walking bike, or scooter, and meet us near Wildwood Park’s gazebo. We’ll ride around the park, have fun stops along the loop, and end at the playground! Wagons are welcome, and you can always walk, too! Please make sure to bring water and snacks.

at Rails to Trails at Watkins Park
615 Center St., Mount Airy

Outdoor Hike and Exploration
Friday, 7/28 at 10 AM
Ages 2 - 8. Meet us at the Mount Airy Rails to Trails path near Watkins Park for outdoor exploration geared toward young children. We will explore nature, have a scavenger hunt, and walk down the trail. Please make sure to bring water.

Move and Learn
Mondays at 10 AM • 7/10 - 7/24
Ages Birth - 8. A theme-based storytelling featuring an age-appropriate story, songs, and learning activities, with a concentration on creative movement.

North Carroll Knitters Group
Monday, 7/3 and Tuesday, 7/18 at 1 PM
Adults. Knitters and crocheters are welcome to join this gathering to share tips, projects, and patterns.

Family Storytime
Wednesdays at 10 AM • 7/5 - 7/19
Ages Birth - 8. We’ll share books, stories, rhymes, music, and movement. Come talk, sing, read, write, and play together in a format appropriate for young children.

Monster Bag Mask
Wednesday, 7/5 at 1 PM • Registration opens 6/21
Ages 8 - 13. Use simple paper supplies to create a fun, scary or amusing mask.

Family Fun Night
Wednesday at 6:30 PM • 7/5, 7/19 - 7/26
Ages Birth - 8. Join us for family fun and enjoy stories, music, crafts, play, and being together with friends.

Soolah Hoops
Thursday, 7/6 at 10 AM • Registration opens 6/22
Ages 5 - 18. Join us at the library and take part in some hula hoop fun! A hula hoop professional, Soolah Hoops, will demonstrate her expertise. She will involve the audience in some interactive hula hoop play and games.

Read to a Dog
Thursday, 7/6 at 6 PM
Ages 4 - 12. Read to a puppy from the Seeing Eye Puppy Raising Program! Reading to a dog can increase a child’s self-esteem and confidence levels in reading, especially for struggling readers.

Read and Play
Fridays at 10 AM • 7/7 - 7/28
Ages Birth - 24 Months. Join your little one at a storytime featuring interactive books, rhymes, music, and movement, followed by playgroup activities that allow children to practice skills and socialize.

Kids Craft Club: Sock Puppet
Saturday, 7/8 at 10 AM • Registration opens 6/24
Ages 8 - 13. Create an original puppet out of a colorful sock.

All Carroll’s Wonderful Butterflies
Saturday, 7/8 at 1 PM
Adults. Our gardens come alive in July with butterflies in all shapes, sizes, and colors. Learn how to identify the most common butterfly visitors and make a quick guide to take home.

Marvel Superhero Crafts for Teens
Monday, 7/10 at 2 PM • Registration opens 6/26
Ages 11 - 17. Join us to make several Marvel superhero crafts, including shrinky dinks, a clothespin superhero figure, and more!

Preschool Vision Screening
Tuesday, 7/11 from 9:30 AM - 12 PM
Ages 2 - 6. Drop by for a free vision screening for preschool-aged children. Offered in partnership with the Lineboro-Manchester Lions Club

What to Do When Bees Get in Your Pants
Tuesday, 7/11 at 6 PM
Adults. Learn the basics about honeybees, native bees, and the benefits that accrue from their work. See a real bee hive (no bees) to grasp how bees live in the hive, how they organize, their natural cycle, and their uses for the products they produce.

Three Billy Goats Gruff Puppet Show
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Thursday, 7/13 at 10 AM
Ages 3 - 12. The Three Billy Goats Gruff are heading off on a road trip to the ocean for fun in the sun! Oh no, the cranky, stinky troll won’t let them cross the bridge to get to the beach! What’s a goat to do? Will the Three Billy Goats Gruff ever make it to the ocean? See the puppet show and go on this hilarious adventure with the Three Billy Goats Gruff to find out!

Make a Fantasy-Themed Luminary Jar
Thursday, 7/13 at 2 PM • Registration opens 6/29
Ages: 11 - 17. Make a fantasy-themed luminary jar. All supplies will be provided for you.

Harry Potter Advanced Wand-Making and Potions
Monday, 7/17 at 2 PM • Registration opens 7/3
Ages 11 - 17. Do you enjoy the magical world of Harry Potter? Join us to design your own wand, create Siren’s Tears, and more.

Wednesday Addams Escape Room
Wednesday, 7/19 at 2 PM • Registration opens 7/5
Ages 11 - 17. Join us for a Wednesday Addams-themed escape room set at the Nevermore Academy. Gather clues, solve puzzles, and try to escape in time.

Can You Find Gnome-E-O?
Thursday, 7/20 - Tuesday, 8/22 during library hours
All Ages. Gnome-E-O is ready for some exciting soccer matches this summer! He will be stopping by the library in hopes you will search down, under, or all over to find him! Tell us where you found him, get a sticker, and fill out a ticket for a chance for a prize pack.

The Mayhem Magical Circus with Gregory May
Thursday, 7/20 at 10 AM
Ages 5 - 12. Join professional knucklehead - and former Ringling Brothers circus performer - Gregory May as he builds his wacky circus show. Over a dozen audience volunteers will join him as he juggles, walks on a rolling globe, spins plates and cowboy ropes, and messes up magic tricks with tons of fun and lots of laughs!

Multiple Sclerosis Support Group
Thursday, 7/20 at 6 PM
Adults. Speaking with other people who have multiple sclerosis can be one of the most empowering and helpful things for someone with MS. This group is part of the MS Focus Independent Support Group Network.
**Harry Potter: The Care of Magical Creatures and Other Projects**  
**Monday, 7/24 at 2 PM • Registration opens 7/10**  
Ages 11 - 17. Join us to make your own Monster Book of Monsters, a Remembrall, and more!

**Radical Reptiles**  
**Wednesday, 7/26 at 9 AM**  
Ages 4 - 12. Nicole Osborne presents an exciting line-up of exotic reptiles in this interactive program - with a chance to hold/touch the reptiles!  
*This program is reserved for neurodivergent individuals who prefer a smaller group setting.*

**Inked with Aliza Layne**  
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**Crazy for Crafting**  
**Thursday, 7/27 at 6 PM • Registration opens 7/13**  
Adults. This month we will be using glassware to make a garden sculpture. All attendees need to register.

**All Together Now Fitness**  
**Monday, 7/31 at 10 AM**  
Ages 4 - 10. Move your body! Join physical education teacher Chris Vaughn and move your body with different physical activity stations. You will be throwing, kicking, and going through an obstacle course. Join us in the fun! We’ll be outside, weather permitting, so remember your sunscreen and a water bottle.
Taneytown Branch to pick up a paper Corky, then take a Taneytown and is asking for your help! Stop by CCPL’s All Ages. Join artist Moriah Tyler from the Carroll County Arts Council as she leads us in creating a community collage for display in our library. Drop in for long or short; be old or young; have art skills or none; we need you all!

Making Art All Together

Saturdays at 10 AM • 7/1, 7/29
All Ages. Join artist Moriah Tyler from the Carroll County Arts Council as she leads us in creating a community collage for display in our library. Drop in for long or short; be old or young; have art skills or none; we need you all!

Holiday Drop-In Crafts: 4th of July

Monday, 7/3 at 1 PM
All Ages. Join the fun as we celebrate Independence Day with drop-in crafts!

Y2Krafts

Monday, 7/3 at 6 PM • Registration opens 6/19
Ages 12 - 18. Get framed! Create fun and unique photo projects and a handmade frame to display them in. All attendees need to register.

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Come Create

Monday, 7/10 at 6 PM • Registration opens 6/26
Adults. Doing crafts improves your mood, reduces stress, and it’s fun! Explore your inner artist. All supplies will be provided. All attendees need to register.

All Fruits Have Seeds

Tuesday, 7/11 at 1:30 PM
Ages 4 - 9. Join us for an introduction to seeds - where they come from, their purpose, and how different fruits carry seeds places. We’ll look at seed packets, examine various seeds, and “sprout our own seeds” to take home and grow!

Iris Dance Workshop

Tuesday, 6/30 PM
Ages 2 - 6. Join Cierra O'Keefe, a world championship level Irish dancer, for a beginner "Shamrock Session," including Irish dance basics and traditional ceilidh practice. Cierra loves spreading her passion for Irish dance, culture, and music with audiences worldwide!

Framed

Saturday, 7/8 at 1 PM • Registration opens 6/24
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Family Storytime

Thursdays at 10 AM • 7/6, 7/20 - 7/27
Ages Birth - 8. We’ll share books, stories, rhymes, music, and movement. Come talk, sing, read, write, and play together in a format appropriate for young children.

Pony Power!

Thursday, 7/6 at 1:30 PM • Registration opens 6/22
Ages 7 - 17. Head down to the Library Farm to learn about ponies and horses, then have a visit with a live pony!

Teen Service Learning Drop-In: Book Display

Friday, 7/7 at 2:30 PM
Ages 12 - 18. Teens can earn service learning hours by dropping in to create a library book display. As a group, we will select books and decorate a display cube to be up for the month of July.

Bee Kind to Our Earth Recycle Craft

Wednesday, 7/12 at 1:30 PM • Registration opens 6/28
Ages 7 - 12. Turn trash into treasures! Save the earth and make a cool craft while you're at it!

Taneytown Anime Club

Wednesday, 7/12 at 6 PM • Registration opens 6/28
Ages 11 - 17. Join us to watch the latest and greatest anime with other Taneytown teens! Refreshments will be served.

Beach Fun

Thursday, 7/13 at 10 AM • Registration opens 6/29
Ages 2 - 6. Join us for some summer fun! We will sing songs, read stories, and have fun with sand and water. Please bring an old shirt if you don't want to get dirty. Bring a beach towel, and plan to have a fun beach day!

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Super Smash Bros. Tournament

Saturday, 7/15 at 1 PM • Registration opens 7/1
Ages 11 - 17. CCPL's Taneytown Branch is having a monthly Super Smash Bros. tournament, so join us to show you’re the best Super Smash Bros. player in town! No prizes, just glory to the winner!

Preschool Vision Screening

Monday, 7/17 and Tuesdays, 7/18 from 9 AM - 2 PM
Ages Birth - 6. This free vision screening for preschool-aged children will test for lazy eye, nearsightedness, farsightedness, and depth perception. Children must be accompanied by an adult caregiver. In partnership with the Deer Park Lions Club.

Summer Lunch at the Library

Mondays - Fridays at 12 PM
7/3 - 7/31
Ages Birth - 18. CCPL’s Taneytown Branch will partner with Carroll County Public Schools and the US Department of Agriculture to provide free summer meals for kids and teens. There is no enrollment and no cost. In addition to our computers and Play & Learn Center, we will feature many programs before and after the lunches. Join us for fun and food on weekdays this summer.
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DIY Buttons & Bees
Wednesday, 7/19 at 1:30 PM • Registration opens 7/5
Ages 6 - 11. Join the fun as we learn to use buttons and bees to create a beautiful masterpiece. Bring your creativity!

STEAM Team: Engineering Design
Thursday, 7/20 at 1:30 PM • Registration opens 7/6
Ages 7 - 12. Did you know that an engineer is just a creative problem-solver? We’ll learn each step of an engineer’s problem-solving process and work together to solve an engineering challenge! Come ready to chat with others and think up creative solutions. Taught by 4-H Extension Educator Torrey Silliman.

Reading Together
Thursday, 7/20 at 6 PM
Adults. We will read stories and poems out loud and talk about them. There is no homework, no pressure. Non-readers or bookworms, you can sit back and listen or join the conversation as much or as little as you like. Unwind and enjoy some time out in this alternative to the traditional book club.

¡Ayúdame! Spanish Language Practice
Friday, 7/21 at 10:30 AM
Adults. This conversation club was created to help the librarian and others learn and practice Spanish. All levels welcome; native speakers, too. No pressure, no judgment. ¡Aprender juntos es divertido!

Junior Gardeners’ Workshop: Summer Flower Arrangement
Saturday, 7/22 at 11 AM • Registration opens 7/8
Ages 8 - 17. Join the members of the Silver Fancy Garden Club and create a beautiful fresh flower arrangement. All supplies will be provided.

Puzzle Swap
Saturday, 7/22 at 12 PM
All Ages. Looking for a new puzzle to put together? Then come to the library’s puzzle swap! Bring a puzzle of good quality with no missing pieces to the Taneytown Branch of CCPL anytime between 7/15 and 7/21 and get a swap ticket. Then stop by during the program to exchange your swap ticket for a new puzzle!

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The Scoop on Soil
Tuesday, 7/25 at 1:30 PM
Ages 4 - 10. Without soil, there would be no plants; without plants or soil, there would be no food for us to eat. Learn what soil is made of, the creatures that help to make soil healthy, and how we all depend on healthy soil for healthy food. Make a garden in a bottle - a small, recycled planter made from recycled containers with fast-sprouting seeds inside.

Let’s Get Crafty
Tuesday, 7/25 at 6 PM • Registration opens 7/11
Adults. Come craft with us! We will have a fun and EASY craft project each month. No experience or creative skills are needed! Bring a friend and craft together, or meet new people with a shared love of crafting. All attendees need to register.

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Bee Kind to Our Community
Thursday, 7/27 at 1:30 PM • Registration opens 7/13
Ages 7 - Adults. Let’s bee kind to our community members – both two and four-legged! Join us to make pet toys for the Carroll County Humane Society and crafts for Lorien Taneytown.

Mugs and Magazines: Drop-in Library Helpers
Thursday, 7/27 at 4 PM
All Ages. Bring a mug and a helping hand to support future art programs here at the library. Young and old are welcome to gather to help cut and process withdrawn magazines. Drop in with your cup; we will provide something to fill it with (coffee, tea, cider, cocoa.) Meet new people and relax with this simple task. Service-learning hours can be arranged for those aged 12 - 17. Refreshments will be served.

You can now borrow a Chromebook with broadband access from CCPL! Everything is provided to access the Internet through Wi-Fi or broadband service.

Funded by a Maryland Emergency Education Relief (MEER) Grant through the Department of Housing and Community Development Office of Statewide Broadband, these devices will help us address the deficit of broadband resources available to unserved and underserved students in Carroll County.

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Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 10 AM • 7/5 - 7/26
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Transitioning to Medicare Part 1
Wednesday, 7/12 at 5 PM • Registration opens 6/28
Adults. Are you or someone you care about eligible for Medicare? Come and find out how to maximize your Medicare health benefits. This seminar will cover the four parts of Medicare (Parts A, B, C, and D), Medicare Supplement (Medigap) plans, available preventive services, and how to protect yourself from healthcare fraud. We will also cover Medicare Savings Programs, which help pay for Medicare beneficiary out-of-pocket costs. These are not all low-income programs. All attendees need to register.

Twos and Threes Together
Wednesdays at 11 AM • Thursdays at 10 AM • 7/5 - 7/27
Ages 2 - 3. This lively, fast-paced storytime for young children includes books, songs, fingerplays, and movement.

Yoga for Strengthening and Brain Health: Upper Body
Saturday, 7/8 at 10 AM • Registration opens 6/24
Ages 16 - Adults. Laurel Brennan (occupational therapist, yoga instructor, and functional medicine practitioner) will facilitate vinyasa yoga for brain health, focusing on upper body strengthening using your own body weight and/or external resistance plus relaxation. Modifications will be offered for chair yoga as well. We will conclude with a short meditation. Please bring a yoga mat, optional hand weights, and a resistance band if desired. Please fill out the attached waiver and bring it to this event. All attendees need to register.

Teen Advisory Board
Teen Advisory Board! Need service hours? We’ve got you covered. Register beginning 2 weeks before a program at library.carr.org.

Mid-Week Movie and Munch: DC League of Super-Pets
Wednesday, 7/5 at 6 PM
All Ages. Join us for popcorn and a movie! Superman and his dog Krypto share superpowers and fight crime side-by-side as best friends until the Justice League gets kidnapped! Krypto must convince a ragtag group of animals to master their newfound powers for a rescue mission. The movie is rated PG and is 1 hour and 45 minutes. Refreshments will be served.

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Vids and Vines: The Color Purple
Thursday, 7/27 at 1 PM • Registration opens 7/13
Ages 16 - Adults. Join us for our monthly movie/book discussion club. Where we will discuss which was better, the book or the movie. This month we’re talking about *The Color Purple* by Alice Walker. Please read the book before the meeting. We will watch the film together and then discuss the book and the movie to discover which is better!

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Teen After Hours:
Stranger Things Escape Room
Friday, 7/28 at 6:30 PM • Registration opens 7/14
Ages 11 - 17. Can you escape from the Upside Down? Join the Westminster Teen Advisory Board for after-hours fun as we explore Hawkins with escape room puzzles, snacks, and other activities. Registration and permission slips are required. All attendees need to register. Refreshments will be served.

Which was Better?: The Color Purple
Thursday, 7/27 at 1 PM • Registration opens 7/13
Ages 16 - Adults. Our May selection is *The Hate U Give* by Angie Thomas. Attendees are welcome to attend in person at CCPL’s Westminster Branch or virtually through Zoom.

Pajama Party Storytime
Tuesdays at 7 PM • 7/11 - 7/25
Ages Birth - 8. Wear your pajamas, bring your favorite stuffed animal, and listen to stories before bed. This storytime introduces stories through books, songs, and activities appropriate for young children.

Transitioning to Medicare Part 2
Wednesday, 7/19 at 5 PM • Registration opens 7/5
Adults. Are you or someone you care about eligible for Medicare? Come and find out how to maximize your Medicare health benefits. This seminar focuses on Medicare Supplement/Medigap and Medicare Advantage plans. Learn about the different Medigap plans and your period of guaranteed issue rights under original Medicare. These secondary/supplemental plans can cover some or all of Medicare’s out-of-pocket costs. We will also discuss a different way to obtain all services covered by Medicare and more: Medicare Advantage Plans. All attendees need to register.

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K-Pop Party
Saturday, 7/22 from 11 AM - 2 PM
All Ages. Join us for a celebration of everything K-Pop! Drop in for games, crafts, music, and more! Wear your favorite K-pop outfit. Goodie bags will be available while supplies last.

Westminster Branch
Teen Advisory Board
Monday, 7/24 at 3:30 PM • Registration opens 7/10
Ages 12 - 17. Calling all teens looking for leadership roles in planning library programs. We want you for our Teen Advisory Board! Need service hours? We’ve got those too! Participants can join us in person or log in virtually through Zoom by registering.

Mid-Week Movie and Munch: The Super Mario Bros. Movie
Wednesday, 7/26 at 6 PM
All Ages. Join us for popcorn and a movie! With help from Princess Peach, Mario prepares to square off against the all-powerful Bowser to stop his plans from conquering the world. The film is rated PG and is 1 hour and 32 minutes.

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Family Baking Class:
Soft Pretzels
Saturday, 7/1 at 1:30 PM • Registration opens 6/17
Ages 6 - Adults. Learn how to make delicious soft pretzels and a dipping sauce to go with them. One registration per group, up to four participants. For families with children ages six and up, children must be accompanied by an adult. $15.00

Cooking for Wellness: No Sugar Sauces with Pulled Chicken Sandwiches
Monday, 7/3 at 1:30 PM • Registration opens 6/19
Ages 13 - Adults. Registered Dietitian Dana Mealing will share how to make some classic summer sauces without added sugar and artificial sweeteners. Enjoy the sauces with some pulled chicken sandwiches, and discuss other factors that may be making it hard to control your high blood sugar this summer. This class is provided through The Partnership for a Healthier Carroll County and Carroll Hospital. $5.00

Intro to 3D Scanning
Monday, 7/3 at 3 PM • Registration opens 6/19
Ages 13 - Adults. 3D scanning is a digital design process that enables the creation of detailed and accurate models of real-world objects. We will demonstrate the use of our handheld Artec Leo 3D Scanner and highlight some recent projects that have been created with it.

Family Cooking Class:
Harry Potter Sweets and Treats
Wednesday, 7/5 at 11 AM • Registration opens 6/21
Ages 6 - Adults. Families will make Butterbeer, Chocolate Frogs, and Pumpkin Pasties! One registration fee per group, up to four participants. For families with children ages six and up, children must be accompanied by an adult. $10.00

Custom Cookie Stencils with Adobe Illustrator
Thursday, 7/6 at 1 PM • Registration opens 6/22
Ages 16 - Adults. Learn to use Adobe Illustrator and our Fusion Pro laser to create a custom cookie stencil in this hybrid makerspace/teaching kitchen class! Exploration Commons laser use certification or a basic computer experience is required. No previous experience with design software is required.

Intro to Basic Sewing Skills
Thursday, 7/6 at 5 PM • Registration opens 6/22
Ages 16 - Adults. This hands-on class will cover everything you need to know about caring for your knives and how to use them. This is a beginner class.

Sewing Skills: Fabric Cutting
Thursday, 7/6 at 5:30 PM • Registration opens 6/22
Ages 14 - Adults. Learn to use rotary cutters for precision cutting safely. Learn how the cutting mat can help you cut with speed and accuracy. This is a beginner-friendly class; no sewing experience is required.

Inclusive Cooks: Summer Rolls
Friday, 7/7 at 10 AM • Registration opens 6/23
Adults. We’ll make and enjoy delicious Vietnamese-inspired summer rolls with two dipping sauces. This series is for people with disabilities and people without.

Teen Cooking Class:
Harry Potter Sweets and Treats
Monday, 7/10 at 1 PM • Registration opens 6/26
Ages 11 - 17. Enjoy the sweets and treats featured in Harry Potter in this hands-on cooking class. We will make Butterbeer, Chocolate Frogs, and Pumpkin Pasties! $10.00

Making for Seniors: Introduction to 3D Printing and Design with Tinkercad
Tuesday, 7/11 at 10 AM • Registration opens 6/27
Adults. Learning new technology should be fun, not intimidating! Join us for a basic hands-on session where we’ll create a simple 3D design project to be printed on Exploration Commons’ 3D printers. Previous basic computer experience is required. No previous experience with 3D printing or design software is needed.

Pairs Cooking Class:
Sweet and Savory Waffles
Wednesday, 7/12 at 10 AM • Registration opens 6/28
Ages 14 - Adults. Pass the syrup! In this pairs class, you’ll make and taste sweet and savory varieties of this breakfast favorite. The registration fee is for two attendees. $10.00

Practical Fusion 360
Wednesday, 7/12 at 5:30 PM • Registration opens 6/28
Ages 14 - Adults. Digital design using tools such as Fusion 360 is a fundamental skill that unlocks the full potential of maker technologies such as 3D printing and many others that depend on a digital file to define the shape and size of a real-world object to be made. This introductory seminar will explore the Fusion 360 design software, examine resources for continued learning, and get hands-on experience. Fusion 360 is professional-level software, and participants should be proficient in using a Windows PC.

Intro to Basic Sewing Skills
Thursday, 7/13 at 10 AM • Registration opens 6/29
Ages 14 - Adults. Learn the necessary basics to feel comfortable using a sewing machine. This is a beginner-level class; you will leave feeling about the next steps to take toward sewing your projects. This program includes Exploration Commons Sewing Machine Certification for independent use.

Fusion 360:
Designing for the 3D Printer
Thursday, 7/13 at 5:30 PM • Registration opens 6/29
Ages 12 - Adults. We will go over the basic features of Fusion 360. Participants will have the opportunity to explore the program with hands-on instruction and create a 3D printable project. No experience is required!

Family Class: Cake Decorating
Friday, 7/14 at 1 PM • Registration opens 6/30
Ages 6 - Adults. We’ll learn some basic frosting, piping, and cake-decorating techniques. Each family will decorate one 8” round chocolate cake loaded with toppings (drip icing, cookies, sprinkles, frosted text, etc.) as you choose! For families with children ages six and up, children must be accompanied by an adult. Please indicate the number of attendees and the ages of children. $20.00

Creating Jewelry with Makerspace Technology
Saturday, 7/15 at 10 AM • Registration opens 7/1
Ages 16 - Adults. Learn about the types of jewelry you can make with our makerspace technology. We will review the available equipment, selecting appropriate materials, and setting up design files for success. Using Adobe Illustrator and the Epilog Fusion Pro laser, participants will make either a pair of earrings or a necklace to take home. This is an introductory level program; no previous experience with design software or laser cutting (or certification) is required.

Kids Cooking Class: Summer Rolls
Monday, 7/17 at 1 PM • Registration opens 7/3
Ages 10 - 14. We’ll make and enjoy delicious Vietnamese-inspired summer rolls with two dipping sauces, including a peanut dipping sauce.

Sewing: Serger Basics
Tuesday, 7/18 at 5:30 PM • Registration opens 7/4
Ages 14 - Adults. Learn about the sewing, cutting, proper threading, and operating basics of the versatile serger/overlock sewing machine. This is a beginner-level class, and no sewing experience is required. This program includes Exploration Commons Serger Certification for independent use.

Teen Cooking Class: Summer Rolls
Wednesday, 7/19 at 6 PM • Registration opens 7/5
Ages 13 - 18. We’ll make and enjoy delicious Vietnamese-inspired summer rolls with two dipping sauces, including a peanut dipping sauce.

Cosplay Series:
Make a Custom Tabard
Thursday, 7/20 at 10:30 AM • Registration opens 7/6
Ages 13 - Adults. Create a custom tabard for RenFest, LARP, cosplay, and more! We’ve simplified our tabard program - we’ll cut our tabard from fabric, sew single-fold bias tape for edging, and finish with a custom design you create on Adobe Illustrator and cut using our Cricut Maker. $5.00

Family Baking Class:
Classic Chocolate Chip Cookies
Thursday, 7/20 at 5:30 PM • Registration opens 7/6
Ages 6 - Adults. Come learn to bake the BEST chocolate chip cookies. One registration per family, maximum family size of four. For families with children ages six and up, children must be accompanied by an adult. Please indicate the number of attendees and the ages of children. $10.00
Intro to Laser Cutting  
Friday, 7/21 at 11 AM • Registration opens 7/7
Saturday, 7/29 at 3 PM • Registration opens 7/15
Ages 12 - Adults. This beginner-level laser cutter class will walk you through design basics, machine use, and safety procedures. At the instructor's discretion, customers who successfully complete this program will be certified to use Exploration Commons' Fusion Pro laser cutter.

Intro to CNC Routing  
Friday, 7/21 and 7/28 at 2 PM • Registration opens 7/7
Ages 16 - Adults. This two-part program will introduce you to design basics, machine use, and safety procedures for our Iconic i2015 CNC router. At the instructor's discretion, customers who successfully complete both sessions of this program will be certified to use Exploration Commons' CNC machine.

Summer Baking: Fresh Fruit Tarts  
Saturday, 7/22 at 10 AM • Registration opens 7/8
Ages 10 - 16. Learn the necessary basics to feel comfortable using a sewing machine. This is a beginner-level class; you will leave feeling confident about the next steps to take toward sewing your projects.

Focaccia Bread Art  
Wednesday, 7/26 at 3 PM • Registration opens 7/12
Ages 16 - Adults. Create your own fanciful bread art using fresh focaccia dough, veggies, and herbs. $10.00

Teen Cooking Class: Easy Summer Dessert  
Wednesday, 7/26 at 5:30 PM • Registration opens 7/12
Ages 13 - 18. In this hands-on class, we will make a summer dessert that celebrates the season's fresh fruit. $10.00

Kids’ Intro to Basic Sewing Skills  
Thursday, 7/27 at 5 PM • Registration opens 7/13
Ages 10 - 16. Learn the necessary basics to feel comfortable using a sewing machine. This is a beginner-level class; you will leave feeling confident about the next steps to take toward sewing your projects.

Techniques for Laser Engraving Photos  
Saturday, 7/29 at 9:30 AM
Adults. Learn some tips and tricks on using Adobe Photoshop and Illustrator to optimize photos for laser engraving. We’ll edit three example photos together in class and discuss common problems and editing techniques to apply when preparing your photos for laser engraving.

Let’s Start a Podcast!  
Tuesday, 7/25 at 6 PM • Registration opens 7/11
Ages 15 - Adults. Do you want to get into podcasting but don’t know where to start? This is the class for you! We will cover the basics of the different recording software we offer, along with an introduction to the equipment we provide in the Audio/Video Lab.

Mock Trial Camp  
Monday, 7/17 and Tuesday, 7/18 from 10 AM - 3:30 PM
Registration now open
Ages 11 - 14. Mock Trial Camp is designed for students entering grades 6 - 9. In this two-day competition, students will learn about Mock Trial by taking on a legal case, either civil or criminal in nature, that challenges them to think critically about timely issues. Acting as attorneys and witnesses, students portray the defense or plaintiff/prosecution and are scored on their performances by the judges. Parents are welcome to attend the final arguments on 7/18. Full details will be emailed to registrants.

Presented by Carroll County Public Library and Carroll County Public Schools.

Wednesday, 7/26 at 9:30 AM • Registration opens 7/12
Ages 16 - Adults. Join Douglas Tallamy, author of Nature’s Best Hope, for a virtual presentation on Homegrown National Park®, a grassroots call-to-action to regenerate biodiversity and ecosystem function.
As individuals, we can create diverse ecosystems in our yards, communities, and surrounding lands by reducing lawns, planting native plants, and removing non-native invasive species. The initial goal of HNP® is to create a national movement to restore 20 million acres with native plants, an area representing ½ of what is currently private property in the United States. We are at a critical point where we are losing so many native plants and animal species that our natural life support is in jeopardy. However, by making small changes, we can restore healthy ecological networks and weather the challenges ahead.
Register to attend the watch party at Exploration Commons at 50 East. Attendees will be joined by moderator and Carroll County Master Gardener Laura O’Callaghan and will be eligible for prize drawings. All attendees need to register.
Those who are unable to attend the watch party can join virtually and will receive a link via email 24 hours before the event start time.
This program is generously funded through the Laura and Dave O’Callaghan Garden Grant.

Register for free at ccpl.librarymarket.com/event/homegrown-national-park

Note: Registration verifies your acceptance of Exploration Commons’ program cancellation and kitchen safety procedures. Register online at library.carr.org. $ and R Registration fee required and register online at explorationcommons.carr.org.
SUMMER READS: JADZIA AXELROD
Friday, 7/7 at 6 PM
Westminster Branch • 50 E. Main St. • Westminster


SUMMER READS: TERAH SHELTON HARRIS
Thursday, 7/20 at 6:30 PM • Registration now open
Exploration Commons • 50 E. Main St. • Westminster

Adults. From author Terah Shelton Harris comes *One Summer in Savannah*, a compelling debut that glows with bittersweet heart and touching emotion, deeply interrogating questions of family, redemption, and unconditional love in the sweltering summer heat of Savannah, as two people discover what it means to truly forgive. Books will be available for purchase and signing. Presented by A Likely Story Bookstore and Carroll County Public Library.

Register for free at ccpl.librarymarket.com/event/terah-shelton-harris

SUMMER READS: C.W. GOODYEAR
Saturday, 7/8 at 2 PM • Registration now open
Carroll Lutheran Village - Krug Chapel
300 St. Luke Circle. • Westminster

Adults. C.W. Goodyear is a fresh new voice in the field of narrative biography. *President Garfield: From Radical to Unifier* is American history at its finest. It is about an impoverished boy working his way from the frontier to the Presidency. Books will be available for purchase and signing. Presented by A Likely Story Bookstore, Carroll Lutheran Village, and Carroll County Public Library.

Register for free at ccpl.librarymarket.com/event/president-garfield

SUMMER READS: AMIEE GIBBS
Thursday, 7/27 at 6:30 PM • Registration now open
Exploration Commons • 50 E. Main St. • Westminster

Adults. Amiee Gibbs grew up in rural Maryland, where she still lives on an allegedly haunted road but has dreams of running away to Ireland. Her first novel, *The Carnivale of Curiosities*, is a dazzling gothic tale of Faustian bargains, jealousy, and murder set in a spectacular circus, where star-crossed lovers’ destinies are forged at an unexpected price. Books will be available for purchase and signing. Presented by A Likely Story Bookstore and Carroll County Public Library.

Register for free at ccpl.librarymarket.com/event/amiee-gibbs
SUMMER READS: LAURA LIPPMAN
Saturday, 7/29 at 2 PM • Registration now open
Exploration Commons • 50 E. Main St. • Westminster

Adults. Laura Lippman has been recognized as a distinctive voice in mystery fiction and named one of the “essential” crime writers of the last 100 years. In her latest work, Prom Mom, Laura tells the story of Amber Glass, desperately trying to escape her tabloid past but compulsively drawn back to the city of her youth and the prom date, who destroyed everything she was reaching for. Books will be available for signing and purchase. Presented by A Likely Story Bookstore and Carroll County Public Library.

Register for free at ccpl.librarymarket.com/event/laura-lippman

INKED WITH ALIZA LAYNE
Ages 12 - 18. Join us for an exciting creative workshop where you learn the art of creating graphic novels and comics with Mx. Aliza Layne, local cartoonist, illustrator, storyteller, and author of Stonewall Honor Book Beetle and the Hollowbones! You can look forward to a short class on the unique language of comics, followed by an opportunity to discuss your creative work. Please bring your art, sketchbooks, or a synopsis of your current story-driven project (your novel, graphic novel, video game, or any type of story) if you would like feedback from Aliza. Drawing during class is encouraged, and all artistic levels are welcome, so come express yourself, get creative, and make connections!

FINKSBURG BRANCH
Thursday, 7/20 at 2 PM • Registration opens 7/6

ELDERSBURG BRANCH
Thursday, 7/20 at 6 PM

TANEYTOWN BRANCH
Wednesday, 7/26 at 2 PM • Registration opens 7/12

MOUNT AIRY BRANCH
Wednesday, 7/26 at 6 PM • Registration opens 7/12

NORTH CARROLL BRANCH
Thursdays, 7/27 at 2 PM • Registration opens 7/13

WESTMINSTER BRANCH
Thursdays, 7/27 at 6 PM • Registration opens 7/13

Register for your preferred location at bit.ly/Inked-with-Aliza-Layne

Register beginning 2 weeks before a program at library.carr.org.
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