

# Library eCard

Bloomfield Township Public Library is now offering a Library eCard to Bloomfield Township residents who are not able to make it into the Library during regular business hours, or who are homebound, but use a computer or tablet. The eCard allows access to the Library's online electronic resources for those without a traditional library card. This includes library databases, as well as various forms of downloadable content through partner applications such as OverDrive, hoopla, Freegal and RBdigital.

Residents with a traditional library card are already able to use all of these wonderful online resources with their library card number. Residents without a traditional card can register online anytime at *www.btpl.org* by searching for "eCard." After completing the online form they will be sent an eCard barcode number (upon verification of residency in Bloomfield Township) via email within one business day. There is no need to come into the Library to apply.



# The Library 24/7

Did you know you are able to access the Library's online services 24 hours a day, seven days a week using your Bloomfield Township Public Library card or eCard? Discover the many great digital resources available right at your fingertips by visiting *www.btpl.org* for free – anytime, anywhere – even when the Library is closed.



 Looking to download audiobooks or eBooks? Visit the Library's website under Downloads, Audiobooks or Books, and click on the link for OverDrive. Browse over 7,000 book titles and checkout digital materials that can be automatically downloaded for offline use.



• To read the latest editions and past issues of many of today's popular magazines, including *People*, *National Geographic*, *Martha Stewart Living*, and *Newsweek*, click RBdigital located under Downloads, Magazines.



• The Library's Downloads section also gives you online access to movies and television series through hoopla. Your hoopla account can even be used from a streaming device such as Chromecast, AppleTV, FireTV or Roku.



 For music lovers we offer Freegal, which offers access to 15 million songs and 40,000 music videos. For mobile play, download the no-cost Freegal app through the Apple App Store, Google Play Store, or on Amazon.



 Your library card unlocks online access to career and homework-help through Tutor.com. This service allows you to work with trained educators and advisers in real-time.

For help with any of these services or other technology, drop in during our monthly Open Lab and Digital Download Help sessions for one-on-one assistance, or visit or call our Computer Help Desk at 248-642-5800, ext. 405 during normal business hours.

# Changes are Coming to the Library!

This spring the inside and outside of the Library building will get some much-needed attention. Inside, there are plans to move around some collections. Outside, the roof will undergo necessary repairs. We know that these changes will bring noise and some questions, but the result will be a refreshing change to the look of the Library. Stay tuned to this newsletter, our eNewsletter and social media accounts for more information as work progresses.



The current media area is scheduled to be transformed.

#### Inside: Programs for all ages, concerts, book clubs, story times, and more

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# Adults

## EVENTS, LECTURES, AND WORKSHOPS

#### **Readers' Club**

#### Mondays, March 11 and May 13, 7:00 p.m.

Registration is required and is ongoing. Get great book recommendations, discuss authors and books with other readers, and learn about reading resources from an expert librarian.

#### "You've Finished Your Manuscript, Now What?" with Barbara Bloom of Bloom Ink Wednesday, March 13, 7:00 p.m.

Registration is required and begins February 13.

With more than 20 years of publishing experience, freelance editor and writer Barbara Bloom of Bloom Ink will take writers through the publishing process, including both traditional and self-publishing.

#### Michigan Opera Theatre Page to Stage: Fairy Tales in Song Wednesday, March 27, 7:00 p.m. No registration required.

Join artists from Michigan Opera Theatre as they explore the history behind some of the world's most well-known fairy tales and the ways they've been represented through the performing arts. This event includes a lecture and musical selections from a range of operas and musicals, including MOT's upcoming production of *Hansel and Gretel*.

# Stratford Festival Speaker Series – A Look Behind the Curtain Wednesday April 10, 7:00 p.m. *No registration required.*

Past brilliance inspires today's inventiveness. Liza Giffen, Director of Archives at the Stratford Festival, and Nora Polley, Archives Assistant, retired Stratford stage manager and author of *Whenever You're Ready*, a collection of stories from her long career at Stratford, discuss the artistic heritage and intriguing stories that spur new creativity each season at the Stratford Festival. All are welcome to attend.

#### Perennial Gardening 101 with English Gardens Tuesday, April 16, 7:00 p.m. No registration required.

Perennials are plants that come back year after year to add color and texture to the garden. An English Gardens expert will share tips on selecting plants and caring for them throughout the year.

#### Michigan Author Series: Joe Grimm, The Faygo Book Saturday, April 27, 2:00 p.m. No registration required.

All are welcome for a fascinating presentation on the story of Faygo, Detroit's beloved soda pop, and its beginnings over a hundred years ago with two Russian immigrant brothers who were looking to get out of the baking business. Enjoy photos from *The Faygo Book*, a pop quiz, and maybe even a sing-along!

## SHARE YOUR STORY @ THE LIBRARY

#### English Language Conversation Hour

**Fridays, 12:00 noon** No registration required. ESL tutor Molly Renwick and a librarian will facilitate a discussion for those who want to practice their English skills with others.

#### **Coffee and Conversation**

Third Friday of each month, 11:00 a.m. *No registration required.* Enjoy a cup of coffee and discuss some hot topics.

#### **Memoir Writers'**

#### Second and Fourth Tuesday of each month, 1:00 p.m.

*Registration is required and is ongoing.* Share stories and writing ideas with other aspiring writers. No obligation to bring material — just come and become familiar with the idea of sharing your experiences.

## SPECIAL NEEDS PROGRAMMING FOR ADULTS, TEENS AND CHILDREN

# SENSEational Story Time Saturdays at 11:00 a.m.

March 9, Registration is required and begins February 16. April 13, Registration is required and begins March 9. May 18, Registration is required and begins April 13. This multisensory story time is geared to children ages 3-10 who have developmental delays, are on the autism spectrum, or have other special needs. Great for English Language Learners. Siblings welcome!

#### Adult and Teen Sensory Storytime Mondays at 11:00 a.m., March 11, April 8, May 13

*No registration required.* Join us for a fun sensory story time – including stories, songs, movement, and art – for adults and teens with special needs accompanied by a support person.

#### Sensory-Friendly Movie for Adults and Teens Fridays at 11:00 a.m., March 22, April 26, May 24

*No registration required.* Adults and teens with special needs and their caregivers are invited to enjoy an hour-long documentary in a stress-free environment with the lights up and the sound down.

#### ArtABILITY

#### Friday, May 17, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. No registration required.

An accessible, after-hours, multi-sensory exploration of art and literature for people of all ages with disabilities. Visitors can explore the Bloomfield Hills Schools student art show with audio description, touchable Library art, and sensory literary art activities. Special Guest: The Henry Ford Museum – "Art on the Move: a Tactile Tour of Transportation History," with a hands-on assembly line activity.

## CONCERTS

Concerts are free; no registration required.

### Cliff Monear Quartet

#### Friday, March 1, 7:00 p.m.

Cliff Monear and his jazz quartet are one of the busiest performing rhythm sections in the Midwest. Cliff's cascading, instinctively right piano is always on the money, never intruding, but always bright and punctual in time and personal color shadings.

#### Chamber Music Concerts Fridays at 7:00 p.m. March 22 April 12

This popular concert series is back for the 2018-2019 season. Student musicians from the University of Michigan School of Music, Theatre, and Dance will thrill audiences with performances of chamber music pieces.

# Teens

### Teen Advisory Board

#### Tuesday, March 5, 4:00 p.m.

*Registration is required and is ongoing.* For teens ages 13-18. Discuss and recommend materials for the Library's Teen Collections.

# For All Ages

#### Library Tour: Discover Your Library Saturday, March 9, 2:00 p.m.

Registration is required and begins February 9. Stop by for a fun, informational tour of the building and learn about our great resources.

#### 2019 "Light & Dark" Photo Contest Reception

Saturday, April 13, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m., winners announced at 3:00 p.m. Since January 14, 2019, Bloomfield Township residents have been submitting photos to the Library's 2019 "Light & Dark" photo contest. Deadline to enter is midnight, March 17, 2019. Eleven photographers will be honored during this special reception at the Library.

#### Geek Out Day at the Library

Saturday, May 4, 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. No registration required. Celebrate Star Wars Day and Free Comic Book Day with a Saturday of geekiness for all ages at the Library! Enjoy a cosplay contest, games, prizes, and more. At noon, ages 13 and up can join us for a Marvel vs. DC Trivia contest, where your superhero knowledge can win you great prizes.

## MAKE IT @ THE LIBRARY FOR ADULTS AND TEENS: PLAY, CREATE AND DISCOVER

# After-Hours Robot Challenge for Adults and Teens Friday, March 15, 6:30 p.m.

Registration is required and begins February 15. Test your navigation skills with Spheros and BB-8 on our obstacle course. For ages 13-Adult.

# Happy Day Scrapbook Layout with instructor Traci Romeo Wednesday, May 29, 6:00 p.m.

Registration is required and begins April 29. Learn embossing, die cutting, layouts, and paper cutting techniques to capture a single event or relationship. All materials are included. No previous scrapbooking experience required. For ages 13 through adult.

# Youth

#### MARCH IS NATIONAL READING MONTH! Celebrate books, children and reading all month long.

Bloomfield Township preschools, elementaries, early intervention programs, and daycare centers are invited to schedule a special story time or book talk during **National Reading Month**. Make a field trip to us or we can come to you! To schedule a visit, call Youth Services at 248-642-5800, ext. 173.

#### First Grade Readers Rally – March 4-22

The Library celebrates young readers during National Reading Month with this annual event. We invite first grade classes to the Library, along with their teachers, and then honor them with books and other library treasures. Details will be available through area schools. *This award-winning program is generously supported by the Friends of the Library.* 

## DROP-IN PROGRAMS

# SENSE ploration: Touch and Feel Discovery Play Tuesday, March 19, 11:00 a.m.

Play with and explore things that are squishy, squashy, sandy, sloshy, messy and mushy! A sensory playdate for all abilities, ages 2-6 with adult.

# Family Movie: *Ralph Breaks the Internet* Monday, April 1, 2:00 p.m.

Bring the whole family to enjoy a movie in the Story Room. Six years after *Wreck-It Ralph*, Ralph and Vanellope embark on a new adventure exploring the world of the internet. Rated PG; running time 112 minutes. *Thank you to the Friends of the Library for sponsoring our family movie events.* 

#### Leftover Craft Day Tuesday, April 2, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Drop in anytime to create art from craft program leftovers – or design your own work of art from scratch. All ages and abilities are welcome.

## LEGO Club – Up in the Air

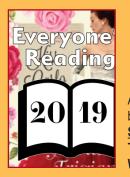
Thursday, April 4, 2:00 p.m. We supply the LEGO, you supply the imagination as you explore the theme

#### Flower Crafts

#### Saturday, May 11, 2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

"Up in the Air." For ages 6 and older.

April showers bring May flowers! Children and grown-ups alike can drop in to make simple colorful flower crafts in celebration of springtime. Children ages 6 and under must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver.



# EVERYONE'S READING 2019: KISS CARLO BY ADRIANA TRIGIANI

Adriana Trigiani is the author of the popular *Big Stone Gap* book series and *Valentine* trilogy, along with other bestselling novels including *Lucia*, *Lucia* and *The Shoemaker's Wife*. She is also a television writer and film director. **Speaking Engagements:** 

**Tuesday, April 2, 7:00 p.m.** — Temple Beth El, 7400 Telegraph Road, Bloomfield Township, Ml **Wednesday, April 3, 7:00 p.m.** — Adat Shalom Synagogue, 29901 Middlebelt Road, Farmington Hills, MI

Tickets for the two speaking engagements will be available on **Monday**, **March 4**. Bloomfield Township residents are eligible for two tickets per library card, per household to one of the two speaking engagements. Register for tickets online at *www.btpl.org*, call, or visit the Adult Services desk starting March 4.



## REGISTERED PROGRAMS

Due to popularity and available space, the following activities require advance registration. Residents may sign up online at **www.btpl.org.** Non-residents may register one week before these activities, unless otherwise noted. Please choose programs based on your child's age.

#### Art Lab

#### Thursdays, 6:30 p.m.

March 14, Registration is required and begins February 14. April 18, Registration is required and begins March 14. May 16, Registration is required and begins April 18. Explore different art mediums, some traditional and some not, in our newest program for young people ages 10-13.

#### **Fairy Houses**

**Friday, April 5, 3:00 p.m.** Registration is required and begins March 11. Create a miniature forest world where fairy folk reside, using a variety of provided materials. This event is designed for ages 8-13. Due to limited materials, participants must register in advance.

#### Slimy Saturday

#### Saturday, April 6, 11:00 a.m.

Registration is required and begins March 11.

Glitter slime, gross slime — join us as we make all kinds of slime! Work with the many supplies we give you. You can even enter one of your freshly made slimes into one of three prize categories. Ages 8-13.

#### **BOOK DISCUSSIONS**

Join us for the discussion group that is right for you. Registration is required. Titles will be available in February.

My First Book Group, Grades K-1 with an Adult Days vary, 6:30 p.m. Monday, March 4, Registration begins February 5. Wednesday, April 10, Registration begins March 4.

Book Worms, Grades 2-3 Days vary, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 13, Registration begins February 18. Monday, April 22, Registration begins March 13.

Paperbacks & Snacks, Grades 4-5 Days vary, 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 26, Registration begins February 11. Thursday, April 25, Registration begins March 26.

Book Chat, Grades 6-8 Days vary, NEW TIME: 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 20, Registration begins February 28. Thursday, April 11, Registration begins March 20.

### STORY TIMES

Stories, rhymes, and discovery for all ages and abilities.

#### Wee ALL Play

#### Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m., April 3 - May 29

No registration required.

Drop in for unstructured play and discovery in the Story Room for children newborn–36 months with their caregiver. *Thank you to the Friends of the Library for sponsoring this program.* 

#### Mother Goose Club

#### Thursdays at 10:00 a.m., April 11 – May 9, 5-week session

Registration is required and begins March 18.

Stories, nursery rhymes, finger plays, music and movement for ages 6-24 months with an adult.

#### **Movers and Shakers**

# Fridays at 10:00 a.m., April 12 – May 10, 4-week session (No class May 3)

Registration is required and begins March 18. For older toddlers and early preschoolers ages 2-3 years, ready for

"interactive" story time fun, but not quite ready to be on their own yet, accompanied by their special grown-up.

#### Tinker Tales

#### Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m., April 9 – May 7, 5-week session

Registration is required and begins March 18.

Children, ages 3-5 years, come to this story time on their own as they become independent enough to participate and explore without a parent or caregiver. They will "tinker" in a story time filled with tales, rhymes, music and scientific discovery.

#### **Tablet Tales**

#### Saturday, March 16, 11:00 a.m.

Registration is required and begins February 23.

A digital story time for children ages 3-5 with an adult. We will explore using technology and apps to tell stories, learn songs, encourage movement and have fun!

#### Family Story Time

#### Mondays at 10:00 a.m., March 11, April 8, May 6

No registration required. For children and families of all ages. Join us in the Story Room for stories, songs, and more. Drop-in fun for everyone.

#### Pajama Story Time

Wednesday, May 29, 6:30 p.m.

No registration required. Snuggle up in your comfy PJs and enjoy cozy stories and simple crafts for all ages.

## CAREGIVER WORKSHOPS ...

#### Supporting the Struggling Reader with Pete Pullen, Head of School, Eton Academy Monday, March 18, 7:00 p.m.

Registration is required and begins February 25. Learn what could be causing your child to struggle with reading. Join Pete for an interactive presentation and discussion of strategies to help you support your student at home with reading and comprehension challenges.

#### Help! My Child Won't Listen! an Early On Caregiver Workshop Monday, May 13, 7:00 p.m.

Registration is required and begins April 22.

What can we do to help our toddler listen to what we say? Are you struggling with a child who doesn't listen? Is bedtime, mealtime, getting dressed or other routines a battleground? Learn what is happening during a child's development that makes toddler behavior so challenging. Survival tips included! Presented by Early On Oakland educator Marian Orihel, M.Ed., Infant Mental Health Specialist.





# Computers & Technology

**REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED** for all computer and technology classes unless otherwise noted. Registration is open only to Bloomfield Township residents. If waitlisted, please do not attend unless notified by email. Register online or call the Computer Help Desk, 248-642-5800, ext. 405.

## CLASSES FOR ADULTS AND TEENS

#### Introduction to Microsoft Word

Tuesday, March 12, 6:00 p.m.

Make Microsoft Word really work for you in a hands-on, how-to session. Basic Windows operating skills are required.

# Introduction to Social Networking Tuesday, March 19, 6:00 p.m.

Systems staff will introduce you to Facebook, Twitter, Pinterest, and LinkedIn. Basic Windows operating skills are required.

#### Introduction to Microsoft Excel

Tuesday, March 26, 6:00 p.m.

Using a spreadsheet can organize your life — if you know how to set it up. Library staff will teach you how. Basic Windows operating skills are required.

#### Introduction to PowerPoint

#### Saturday, April 6, 2:00 p.m.

Learn how to create a PowerPoint presentation. Basic Windows operating skills are required.

# Introduction to Scanning and Basic Photo Editing Tuesday, April 16, 6:00 p.m.

Learn to use our scanner and basic editing software to digitize documents and edit your photos. Basic Windows operating skills are required.

#### PowerPoint 2 Saturday, April 20, 2:00 p.m.

Learn how to take your PowerPoint presentation to the next level. Basic Windows operating skills and Introduction to PowerPoint are required.

#### **Internet Security**

#### Thursday, May 2, 6:00 p.m.

What everyone must know about protecting themselves online. Basic Windows operating skills are required.

Computer Basics Monday, May 13, 6:00 p.m. Are you new to a computer? Don't worry we can help.

### Introduction to Shutterfly and Digital Photobooks

#### Tuesday, May 21, 6:00 p.m.

Learn how to create your own customized photobook that can be purchased using commercial online services such as Shutterfly.

#### Introduction to Google Apps Thursday, May 30, 6:00 p.m.

All you need to do your best work, together in one package that works seamlessly from your computer, phone or tablet. Google account and basic Windows operating skills are required.

## TECHNOLOGY BEYOND THE DESKTOP

## Digital Download Help

Second Thursday of each month, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. March 14, April 11, May 9

*No registration is required.* Stop by for a little extra help downloading from OverDrive, RBdigital, hoopla or Freegal on your digital device.

#### World Almanac Wednesday

Wednesday, March 20, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

*No registration is required.* Stop by for a chance to learn about our online databases World Almanac and World Almanac Kids.

#### Music Monday Monday, April 8, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

*No registration is required.* Stop in to find out all about our online music databases: Freegal, Alexander Street Press Music Online, and hoopla.

## CLASSES FOR KIDS

#### GOOGLE CS FIRST COMPUTER CODING FOR KIDS GRADES 4-8

Meets Mondays and Wednesdays for 8 sessions, 4:30 – 6:00 p.m. Computer programming for kids ages 9-14. Google CS First introduces students to computer science and the programming language Scratch.

#### Fashion and Design March 4, 6, 11, 13, 18, 20, 25 and 27, 4:30 p.m.

In Fashion and Design, students learn how computer science and technology are used in the fashion industry while building fashion-themed programs, like a fashion walk, a stylist tool, and a pattern maker.

#### Art

#### April 15, 17, 22, 24, 29, May 1, 6 and 8, 4:30 p.m.

In Art, students create animations, interactive artwork, photograph filters, and other exciting, artistic projects.

#### Friends

#### May 20, 22, 27, 29, June 3, 5, 10 and 12, 4:30 p.m.

Students are encouraged to sign up with a friend or make a new friend in the club. Friends emphasizes teamwork by allowing club members to tell the story of how their friendship started and imagine a company together.

## OPEN LAB

#### March 4 and 14, April 1 and 11, May 6 and 16, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

No registration required; sign ups are available. Do you have tech questions? We have answers! Join library staff for informal, one-on-one assistance from experienced Techs offered in 15-minute segments on a first come, first served basis. \*NOTE: If you are in need of a longer session, we now offer Open Lab sign ups in 30-minute increments. Call the Computer Help Desk at 248-642-5800, ext. 405 to reserve a spot.



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# DISCOVER 2019 SPRING AT THE LIBRARY

# Library Hours

Monday-Thursday 9:30 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Friday 9:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Saturday 9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Sunday 12:00 noon - 5:30 p.m.

## Library Closings

Sunday, April 21 Friday, May 3 Sunday, May 26 Monday, May 27

## Board of Trustees

Tom Deska Sandra Edwards Grant Gerhart Eli Greenbaum Judy Lindstrom Joan Luksik Meetings are 7:00 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month except April, which is the fourth Tuesday.

View meeting packets at www.btpl.org.

## Friends of the Library

#### Second Saturday Sales March 9

April 13 and 14 (Saturday and Sunday) May 11 Saturdays 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Sundays 12:00 noon - 3:30 p.m. On Saturdays, the first hour for Friends members only. Memberships available at the door.



Follow the Friends on Facebook at www.facebook.com/FriendsBTPL

# Coming this Summer...

# A Universe of Stories...

Summer reading fun for children and families.

Details and program information for the Library's annual reading incentive program will be available in May.