

# DISCOVER

## 2019 SUMMER AT THE LIBRARY



Bloomfield Township Public  
**Library**

### A Summer of Projects

In addition to creating the new space called The Commons, a few other building projects will be completed this year. A special thank you to our residents who voted for a 10-year millage in 2014. Money raised from that millage has allowed us to complete these vital projects.

Perhaps you've been in the Library during a rainstorm and know that our roof needs some attention. This summer, phase one of a two-phase roof rejuvenation project will begin. Phase two is scheduled to occur next year. This project will most likely cause some noise and temporary debris outside.

Another big project coming this summer is the installation of a new floor in the lobby. Current flooring has been much less durable than expected, and with heavy wear has become so degraded in spots that the sub-flooring is visible. New flooring will be installed in August. This project will be disruptive at times, and the library entrance will be affected. During renovations the following areas will be inaccessible: the Vending Café, vending machines, Library Shop, all Meeting Rooms (including the Community Room), and the restrooms near the Vending Café.

With all of the work scheduled throughout this summer, we aim to keep disruptions to a minimum. Please bear with us as we improve the Library!

### Big Changes Happening @ the Library!

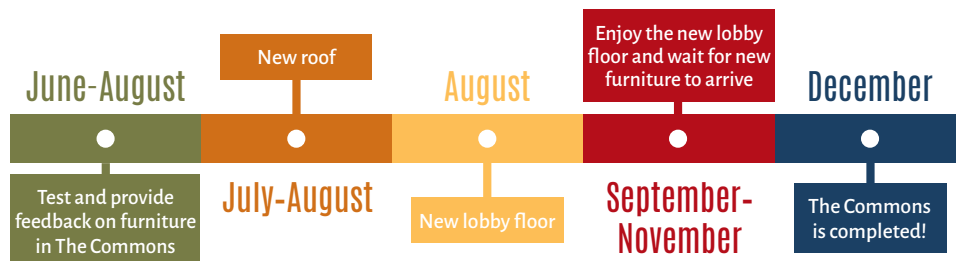
Over the past few years, it has become increasingly apparent that more seating is needed throughout the Library. During the Library's 2015 Strategic Planning process, patrons shared that they would like more space for working on projects, studying together, and gathering as a community. In response to this request, staff spent the past few years researching trends in library design and observing how our spaces are used.

**What have we noticed?** Every afternoon the Vending Café becomes very crowded and lacks seating for all who would like to use it. At certain times during the school year, we observe many students who are unable to find the kind of space they need to work together on projects and studying. During peak use times you can often find people sitting on the floor crowded around electricity outlets. It is our desire to address these needs of our patrons.

**What have we learned?** Libraries are evolving beyond books, and are becoming community gathering spaces. (*Don't worry – books are still vital! They're not going anywhere.*) An article published in the *Oakland Press* in March 2019 reported on ways public libraries are making changes to make them more appealing to non-traditional users. One area librarian stated, "Libraries are realizing that the very space they have is really important to the community."

**What will we do?** We are creating a new space called "The Commons." Our entire media collection has been moved into Adult and Youth Services, and the area where Media was will be reconfigured to offer more seating. Throughout the summer, different furniture models and layouts will be tested and evaluated. Your feedback is incredibly important, so we invite the community to visit the Library during this time to try out and evaluate the furniture. Please know that what you see during the summer will not be the end product. After thorough testing, this fall permanent furniture will be ordered, with the new space completed by the end of the year.

We are incredibly proud to provide our community with excellent services and collections housed in a beautiful building. We love to see so many people use the Library in so many different ways. We have listened, observed, researched, designed, and really thought about what will serve you best. It is our goal to continue to be "the place to discover" both great stories and great spaces.



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

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# Adults

## EVENTS, LECTURES, AND WORKSHOPS

### Grand Circus Detroit Coding Workshops

**Wednesdays, June 19 and July 17 at 6:00 p.m.** *Registration is required.*

The Library is pleased to announce a partnership with Grand Circus, a technology training company, to offer free computer coding boot camps at the Library. Please visit our website at [www.btpl.org](http://www.btpl.org) for more information.

### Summer Nights Trivia

**Wednesdays, June 19 and July 17 at 6:30 p.m.** *No registration required.*

Join us for trivia nights at the Library this summer! Bring teammates or come alone and partner up at the door. Prizes and refreshments will be provided. Doors open at 6:00 p.m.

### Meet Donut Dolly Joann Puffer Kotcher

**Saturday, June 22, 2:00 p.m.** *No registration required.*

Joann Puffer Kotcher, one of the first women allowed in a combat zone, will discuss the riveting story of her service as an American Red Cross Donut Dolly. All are welcome and donuts will be served.

### Meet Sister Pie's Lisa Ludwinski

**Thursday, July 18, 7:00 p.m.** *No registration required.*

Meet the head baker of Detroit's own Sister Pie bakery for stories about her business, tales from her new cookbook, and (of course) pie.

## BOOK CLUB ANNUAL SIGN UP

The Library has a number of book clubs that meet throughout the year. Each August, we open registration for the upcoming year and ask that patrons register if they wish to continue participating. Please contact Adult Services for more information, along with the dates for each group's sign up.

# Teens

### Summer Teen Advisory Board

**Tuesday, June 18, 4:00 p.m.** *Registration is ongoing.*

For teens ages 13-18. TAB is back for the summer! Discuss books for the Library's Teen Collection and help promote reading and the Library to teens.

### After-Hours Escape Mystery for Teens

**Friday, June 28, 6:30 p.m.** *Registration is required and begins May 28.*

For ages 13-18. Work with other participants to find clues, solve puzzles, and escape our mystery scenario. Prizes and refreshments will be provided.

### Teen Book Club: *And We Stay* by Jenny Hubbard

**Tuesday, July 23, 6:00 p.m.** *Registration is required and begins June 22.*

For ages 13-18. Join with other teens to discuss the teen book club selection for the summer, *And We Stay* by Jenny Hubbard. Books are available in the teen collection.

## SHARE YOUR STORY @ THE LIBRARY

### English Language Conversation Hour

**Fridays, 12:00 p.m.** *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 life experiences with others.

## MAKE IT @ THE LIBRARY ADULT AND TEEN PROGRAMS

### Flip Flap Frenzy Scrapbook Craft with Traci Romeo

**Saturday, June 29, 11:00 a.m.**

*Registration is required and begins May 27.*

For teens and adults. Learn to create a two-page "Flip Flap" birthday mini album journal. All materials will be supplied. Great for beginners or old pros.

### 3D Art Pen Project for Adults

**Tuesday, July 16, 1:00 p.m.**

*Registration is required and begins June 16.*

Learn to design a simple craft with our 3D art pens. All materials will be supplied. No previous experience necessary.

### 3D Art Pen Project for Teens

**Tuesday, July 16, 6:00 p.m.**

*Registration is required and begins June 16.*

For ages 13-18. Learn to design a simple craft with our 3D art pens. All materials will be supplied. No previous experience necessary.

## SPECIAL NEEDS PROGRAMMING FOR TEENS AND ADULTS

### Adult and Teen Sensory Story Time

**Mondays, June 10 and July 8, 11:00 a.m.** *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, June 28 and July 26, 11:00 a.m.** *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.



## SUMMER @ THE LIBRARY READING PROGRAM FOR ALL AGES!

**June 17 – July 31**

Read books, attend programs, and discover a world of imagination and exploration during the Library's Family Summer Reading Program, "A Universe of Stories." This program is open to both young and old alike.

Register and pick up your reading game sheet in Youth Services, or reading log in Adult Services. You may also register online at [www.btpl.org](http://www.btpl.org). Kids have the opportunity to enter weekly drawings and win fun prizes. Teens and adults who turn in their reading logs by July 31 have a chance to win great prizes. This summer, why not slow down, look around and rediscover reading for fun and adventure?

### Summer @ the Library Kick Off Event

**Monday, June 17, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.**

Celebrate summer and the beginning of "A Universe of Stories" summer reading program. Join the program, create projects, and have some fun. Your summer at the Library begins tonight! All ages welcome.

### Gratitude Steel Band, Ice Cream Social and Summer Reading Finale

**Wednesday, July 31, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.**

*Ice cream in the Youth Story Room from 1:00 – 2:00 p.m.*

*Gratitude Steel Band performs from 2:00 – 3:00 p.m.*

Everyone is welcome to join us in the Youth Room for steel drums, Caribbean music, and a tasty summer treat. Meet your personal summer reading goal by July 31 and enter the drawing to win a GRAND PRIZE!



## Library Tour: Discover Your Library

Registration is required for the Library Tour. See dates below.

**Thursday, June 27, 7:00 p.m.** Registration begins May 27.

**Saturday, July 20, 2:00 p.m.** Registration begins June 20.

**Thursday, August 8, 11:00 a.m.** Registration begins July 8.

Find out about the exciting new changes coming to our Library spaces during this hour-long tour.

# Youth

## DROP-IN PROGRAMS

Drop-in programs are open to all; no registration is required.

### LEGO Club – *My Summer Vacation*

**Friday, June 28, 11:00 a.m.**

We supply the LEGO, you supply the imagination. The theme is "My Summer Vacation." For ages 6 and older.

### Meet the Author: Rhonda Gowler Greene

**Tuesday, July 9, 6:30 p.m.**

Meet Rhonda Gowler Greene, author of *The First Men Who Went to the Moon*, *No Pirates Allowed*, *Barnyard Song*, and more. In celebration of the 50th anniversary of Apollo 11's historic moon landing, Ms. Greene will present a detailed photographic journey of Apollo 11's trip to the moon and back. Learn about her process for writing books and where she gets her ideas. Recommended for ages 6 and older.

### Book and Play: *How to Catch a Star*

**Thursday, July 11, 3:00 p.m.**

Join this multisensory exploration of the story *How to Catch a Star* by Oliver Jeffers. Listen to, and then experience, the story with activity and discovery stations throughout the room. For children of all abilities, ages 3-7, along with a favorite adult.



### Joel's Astroreader Magical Comedy Show

**Monday, July 15, 7:00 p.m.**

Launch into reading with Spaceman Joel featuring dazzling magic, silly stunts, goofy gadgets and lots of laughing. Children ages 5 and older welcome.

### Fly Me to the Moon

**Tuesday, July 16, 6:30 p.m.**

3, 2, 1....BLAST OFF! Fly into space in honor of earth's moon and other space bodies. Enjoy a variety of crafts and activities, and be sure to practice your moonwalk as we celebrate the upcoming 50th anniversary of the Apollo 11 moon landing. All ages welcome. Children under the age of 6 must be accompanied by an adult.

### Family Story Time

**Days vary, 10:00 a.m.**

**Wednesday, June 19**

**Monday, July 1**

**Friday, July 19**

**Tuesday, July 30**

For children and families of all ages. Join us in the Youth Story Room for stories, songs, stretches, crafts and more.

### Bored? Puzzled?

**Tuesday, August 6, 9:30 a.m. – 8:30 p.m.**

Join us for a day filled with your favorite board games, puzzles, and brain teasers. Quiet fun for everyone. All ages welcome.



## REGISTERED PROGRAMS

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

### Minecraft Perler Beads

**Thursday, June 20, 2:00 p.m.**

*Registration is required and begins May 28.*

Are you a fan of Minecraft? Join us in creating your own Minecraft creation with perler beads! Ages 8-13. Space is limited.

### Little Foodies: Space Snacks

**Thursday, June 27, 2:00 p.m.**

*Registration is required and begins June 3.*

Little chefs ages 4-7 are invited to join us for stories and fun recipes with an out-of-this-world twist.

### 4th Wall Theatre Workshop

**Monday, July 8, 6:30 p.m.**

*Registration is required and begins June 17.*

For kids of all abilities ages 6-12. Instructors from the 4th Wall Theatre Company ([www.4thwallkids.com](http://www.4thwallkids.com)) will teach young actors the basics of theater. Kids will learn to sing, dance, and act through interactive theater games and activities. There will be a special "Theater in Space" performance based on the book *Star in the Jar* at the end!

### Bilingual Stories

**Friday, July 12, 11:00 a.m.**

*Registration is required and begins June 19.*

Aimez-vous les livres? Oui? If you love languages like we do, join us and our guest reader Melissa Baril for a very special space-themed French story time and craft! Ages 5-8 welcome.

### Night Sky Paint Along

**Wednesday, July 17, 3:00 p.m.**

*Registration is required and begins June 26.*

No experience is needed to paint a night sky work of art! Follow along and create your own night sky painting to take home. All supplies are included. Ages 8-13.

### Intergalactic Escape Room

**Wednesday, July 24, 11:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m. and 2:30 p.m.**

*Registration is required and begins July 1.*

Work together to find hidden objects, crack codes and escape before time runs out. All time slots will be the same puzzles. Please register for one time slot only. For ages 10-13.

## PROGRAMS IN THE COMMUNITY

### Listen, Look, Learn: Story Time at Cranbrook Art Museum

**June 22, July 27 and August 24**

Join library staff as part of Cranbrook Art Museum's "Listen, Look, Learn: Story Time." For details visit <https://cranbrookartmuseum.org>.

### Summer Adventure Camp at the E.L. Johnson Nature Center

**August 19-23, 9:00 a.m. – Noon**

Join us at the E.L. Johnson Nature Center August 19-23 during their Summer Adventure Camp "Once Upon a Time." For program details or to register, visit their website at [www.bloomfield.org/nature](http://www.bloomfield.org/nature).



## SUMMER BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Join us for the discussion group that is right for you.

Registration is required. Titles will be available in May.

### My First Book Group, Ages 5-6 with an Adult

**Tuesday, July 2, 10:00 a.m.** *Registration begins June 11.*

### Book Worms, Ages 7-8

**Wednesday, June 26, 2:00 p.m.** *Registration begins June 3.*

### Paperbacks & Snacks, Ages 9-10

**Wednesday, July 10, 7:00 p.m.** *Registration begins June 17.*

### Book Chat, Ages 11-13

**Thursday, July 25, 7:00 p.m.** *Registration begins July 1.*

## CONCERTS, PERFORMANCES AND EVENTS FOR ALL AGES

These events are free.

Unless indicated, no registration is required.

### Randy Kaplan Family Concert

**Monday, June 24, 7:00 p.m.**

A rollicking concert filled with lively tunes and silly lyrics for the entire family to enjoy. All ages welcome.

### Cranbrook Institute of Science presents the Acheson Mobile Planetarium

**Tuesday, June 25, 1:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m.**

*Registration is required and begins June 3.*

*Register for one time slot only.*

Enter this portable, digital planetarium and journey through the night sky discovering distant stars, planets, constellations, and beyond. All participants will be required to sit on the ground. Ages 8 to Adult. Space is limited, so register early.

### Joey Leone: Shades of Blues in America II

**Friday, July 26, 7:00 p.m.**

Joey is back for an encore performance showcasing the mosaic of Blues music and its influence on American music. All ages welcome.

### Take a Trip to the Stars: Astronomy for Kids

**Monday, July 29, 6:30 p.m.**

Buckle up young astronauts, because we're going to take a trip to the stars with physics and astronomy professor Jesse Mason! Together you'll zoom from frozen planets to colliding galaxies, explode light into pieces, and hear space stories about our unbelievable universe. For ages 8 and older.



# 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

**Thursday, June 6, 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 Microsoft Excel

**Saturday, June 15, 2:00 p.m.**

**Saturday, August 17, 2:00 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

**Tuesday, June 25, 6:00 p.m.**

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

### Introduction to Social Networking

**Tuesday, July 2, 6:00 p.m.**

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

### Internet Security

**Tuesday, July 9, 6:00 p.m.**

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

### PowerPoint 2

**Thursday, July 18, 6:00 p.m.**

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

### Introduction to Scanning and Basic Photo Editing

**Thursday, August 1, 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.

### Computer Basics

**Monday, August 12, 6:00 p.m.**

Are you new to a computer? Don't worry we can help.

### Introduction to Shutterfly and Digital Photobooks

**Tuesday, August 20, 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, August 29, 6:00 p.m.**

Bring your documents to life with Google Apps, everything you need 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

### Wall Street Wednesday

**Wednesday, June 12, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.**

*No registration is required.*

Stop by the lobby for a chance to learn about our online databases ValueLine, Morningstar and more. We will have trivia questions and prizes.

### Drop-In Download Help

**Second Thursday of each month, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.**

**June 13, July 11, August 8**

*No registration is required.*

Stop by for a little extra help with accessing OverDrive, RBDigital, Freegal, hoopla or Kanopy on your tablet or smartphone.

## 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.

### Game Design

**June 17, 19, 24, 26, July 8, 10, 15, and 17, 4:30 p.m.**

In Game Design, students learn basic video game coding concepts by making different types of games, including racing, platform, launching, and more!

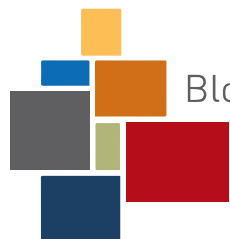
## OPEN LAB

**Thursdays, June 13, July 11 and August 15, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.**

*No registration is required.*



Do you have tech questions? We have answers! Join our technology staff in the Computer Lab to receive one-on-one assistance from our experienced Techs! Topics can include: Microsoft products, web applications, social media, email, and even how to use your personal device. Assistance is offered in 15-minute segments on a first-come, first-served basis.



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### 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

**Thursday, July 4**  
**Sunday, September 1**  
**Monday, September 2**

### Board of Trustees

Tom Deska  
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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](http://www.btpl.org).

### Friends of the Library

#### **Second Saturday Sales**

**June 8**

**July 13**

**August 10**

Saturdays 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

*The first hour for Friends members only.*

*Memberships available at the door.*



Follow the Friends on Facebook  
at [www.facebook.com/FriendsBTPL](http://www.facebook.com/FriendsBTPL)

# Get Involved at the Library

Volunteers are needed year-round. The Library  
has a variety of volunteer positions for all ages.

**Contact the Volunteer Coordinator at  
248-642-5800 for more information.**