

DISCOVER

2020 WINTER AT THE LIBRARY



Bloomfield Township Public
Library



New Year, New Space

It's been a hectic year filled with building projects, but we're almost finished! The new lobby floor has been installed, and the main entry is back to normal (most importantly, though, the coffee and vending machines are back). The library roof has been completely rejuvenated, and the hammering and footsteps overhead are a distant memory. These projects provided much needed facility upgrades to our beautiful building, and will help protect this precious community resource and benefit patrons for many years to come.

Last on the list for 2019 is the completion of the Commons, which is a new area in the Library designed to improve overall seating capacity by 70. This reimagined space will be completely refreshed with new carpeting and paint, as well as a new electrical system that will provide better access for users. New furniture has been ordered for this space and is scheduled to be in place by the end of the year. Thank you to everyone who provided feedback on the different furniture types and kinds of activities that the furniture in this area needs to support. We hope you love the new Commons!

Inside:

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

Accessibility Support @ the Library

Bloomfield Township Public Library created the Youth and Adult Special Needs Collection to serve and support people in the community with disabilities, along with their caregivers and educators. Disability language has evolved in the past decade, and the term 'special needs' can be considered offensive, as it implies the needs of a person with a disability are special, even though everyone has unique needs. After careful consideration, research, and discussion with disability self-advocates, the Youth Services and Adult Services departments are updating the name of this fantastic group of resources to the Accessibility Support Collection (ASC).

The content of the collection and the Library's commitment to serving people of all abilities has not changed. The Library still offers materials in a wide variety of different formats such as:

- Therapeutic Toys and Games – our toy collection contains accessibility support materials that encourage cognitive, motor, visual, auditory, and social development.
- Discovery Skills Kits – these all-in-one kits in a backpack contain books, small toys, games and other manipulatives to teach a particular concept or life skill.
- Assistive Technology – the Library has many items available including C-Pen reader pens, LED handheld bar magnifier with yellow tracker line, See 'N Solve calculator, and more.
- Vitality Kits – contain resources focused on improving the quality of life for our senior citizens and their caregivers by educating and enriching people about the many aspects of aging.
- Hundreds of other materials, including DVDs and CDs, signed story kits, story boxes, speech therapy card sets, interactive Braille, large print, and high-interest/low-reading level books.

The Library also has an inclusive technology station designed for people of all abilities, Braille signage, and a library-by-mail service for those who are not able to leave their homes.

Bloomfield Township Public Library remains committed to serving learners and readers of all abilities. Thanks in part to the Friends of the Library, the resources in the Accessibility Services Collection continue to grow. For more information, please call the Library at (248) 642-5800 or visit our Youth or Adult Services librarians.

Coming to the Library in 2020...

Many exciting events are being planned for 2020 based on the theme "In Motion," including our Fourth Annual Photo Contest. The contest is open for submissions from Monday, January 13 through Sunday, March 15. A special awards reception will be held to honor the winners on Saturday, April 18, and is open to all. "In Motion" will continue to inspire programs throughout the year, including a special summer read-a-thon and fall event. Stay up-to-date on all of the latest Library happenings by following the Bloomfield Township Public Library on social media and signing up for our monthly newsletter at www.btpl.org.

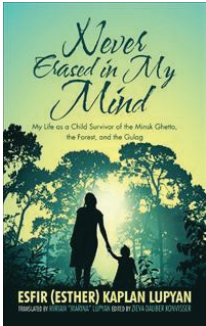
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WWW.BTPL.ORG

Adults

AUTHOR VISITS



International Holocaust Remembrance Day: Meet a Survivor

Monday, January 27, 7:00 p.m.

No registration required.

Hear Holocaust survivor Esfir (Esther) Kaplan Lupyán discuss her experiences and her book *Never Erased in My Mind: My Life as a Child Survivor of the Minsk Ghetto, the Forest, and the Gulag*. Copies of the book will be available for purchase and signing.

Botanicals: Intimate Portraits by Laurie Tennent

Saturday, February 1, 1:00 p.m. *No registration required.*

Laurie Tennent has been an award-winning international photographer and gallery-represented artist for over 25 years. Tennent will visit the Library with some of her large-scale works and discuss her new approach to the botanical illustration genre. Copies of her book *Botanicals: Intimate Portraits* will be available for purchase and signing.

EVENTS, LECTURES AND WORKSHOPS

2019 Gale Graduation

Tuesday, December 10, 2:00 p.m. *No registration required.*

If you completed a Gale Course in 2019, you are invited to mingle with other graduates, enjoy cake and refreshments and maybe win a prize. Gale Courses begin the second Wednesday of each month. Contact Adult Services for more information.

Speed Dating with a Book

Thursday, February 13, 7:00 p.m.

Registration is required and begins January 13.

Get in the Valentine's weekend mood with a night of literary speed dating. Our amazing Adult Services librarians are ready to help you find the book of your dreams by introducing you to four new books every five minutes. Join us for a night of fast talk, laughter, and great books.

ONGOING PROGRAMS @ THE LIBRARY

For a full listing of our ongoing programs, writing groups, book clubs, sensory story times and movie, and Knit 'n Stitch, please visit www.btpl.org or stop by the Adult Services desk.

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.

Library Tour: Discover Your Library

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

Monday, December 9, 7:00 p.m. *Registration begins November 9.*

Thursday, January 9, 3:00 p.m. *Registration begins December 9.*

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



New Year, New You!

Join us for a fun series of programs to kick off your new year.

Self-Defense Karate with Sensei Andrea Moon

Saturday, January 11, 1:00 p.m.

Registration is required and begins December 11.

Students will learn practical techniques to use in various situations. For ages 14 to 114.

Keeping Nutrition Real with Trader Joe's

Saturday, January 18, 1:00 p.m. *No registration required.*

This program will touch on turning nutrition and healthy eating into a lifestyle with facts, information and simple recipes using Trader Joe's products.

Time for a Declutter

Monday, January 20, 7:00 p.m. *No registration required.*

Do you have a space that needs organizing in your home? Help is here! This fun presentation by professional organizer Soo Porter will provide you with tips and suggestions on achieving and maintaining your organizing goals.

Life Skills 101 Series

Tuesdays, February 4, February 11 and February 18, 6:30 p.m.

Registration is required and begins January 4.

Registration is for the entire series.

Come and learn about useful things that used to be taught in Home Economics including cooking, finance, home maintenance, traffic courtesy and laundry.

Teens

Teen After Hours: Harry Potter Break Out

Friday, December 27, 6:30 p.m.

Registration is required and begins November 27.

For ages 13-18. Work with other participants and decipher the clues to escape our Muggle mystery; costumes encouraged. Prizes and refreshments will be provided.

Teen Advisory Board

Tuesday, January 14, 3:30 p.m. *Registration is ongoing.*

For ages 13-18. Discuss books for the Library's teen collection and help promote reading and the Library to teens.

Teen Book Club: *We Were Liars* by E. Lockhart

Tuesday, February 18, 3:30 p.m.

Registration is required and begins January 18.

For ages 13-18. Join with other teens to discuss the teen book club selection. Copies available in the Book Club collection.

Youth

DROP-IN PROGRAMS

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

Flaky Frosty Fun

Monday, December 23, 10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Drop-in and create snowflakes to decorate the Youth Room or take home.

Watercolor and Salt Painting Party

Friday, December 27, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Learn how watercolor paint and salt react to create unique, one-of-a-kind art. Join us to explore color and texture. Stay for a little while, or stay and play the whole time. Ages 4 and older with an adult.

Ring in the New Year Early!

Tuesday, December 31, 11:00 a.m.

Want to ring in the New Year but can't stay up until midnight? Join the celebration as we count down to the other 12:00...NOON! All ages are welcome as we create noise makers, fashion accessories, room decorations and other festive things to ring in the New Year. *Thank you to the Friends of the Library for sponsoring this program.*

Once Upon a Time...in LEGO

Thursday, January 2, 1:00 p.m.

We supply the LEGO, you supply the imagination as you create the tale of your dreams. For ages 6 and older.

Wee ALL Play

Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m., January 8 – February 26

Drop in for unstructured play and discovery for children newborn–3 years. Caregivers and little ones can interact with toys and books that support each child's learning and development. Adaptive toys for children with low vision, motor difficulties or other accessibility needs will be included. *Thank you to the Friends of the Library for sponsoring this program.*

Family Fort Night

Friday, January 17, 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Bring blankets and sheets to transform tables, chairs, nooks and crannies into your family's personal fort. Read stories, eat snacks and have fun at this after-hours family event.

Happy Hearts

Friday, February 14, 10:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Share the love by making a card or decoration to give or keep. Drop-in fun for all ages.

WINTER READING CHALLENGE

Sunday, December 1 – Saturday, January 11

All ages are encouraged to join us for our Winter Reading Challenge. Warm up with a good book, challenge yourself and win prizes! Visit www.btpl.org/winterreading for additional information and to register.

STORY TIMES

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

Bilingual Stories

Arabic, Wednesday, December 4, 6:00 p.m.

Hebrew, Wednesday, January 15, 6:30 p.m.

German, Saturday, February 8, 11:00 a.m.

No registration required.

If you love languages like we do, join us and our guest readers for very special story times and crafts! All ages welcome.

Book 'N Play

Saturdays at 11:00 am

December 14, Registration begins November 9.

January 11, Registration begins December 14.

February 15, Registration begins January 11.

Listen, engage, and play! Discover a picture book through the senses. Visuals, movement, and multisensory activities included. Adaptive story play for explorers of all abilities, ages 3-7, along with a favorite adult.

Family Story Time

Mondays at 10:00 a.m.

December 16, January 6, February 24

No registration required.

For children and families of all ages. Join us in the Story Room for stories, movement and more. Drop-in fun for everyone.

Mother Goose Club

Thursdays at 10:00 a.m.

January 9 – February 27, 8-week session

Registration is required and begins December 16.

Simple stories, nursery rhymes, finger plays, music and movement for toddlers ages 6-24 months with a loving adult.

Movers and Shakers

Fridays at 10:00 a.m.

January 10 – February 28, 8-week session

Registration is required and begins December 16.

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.

January 7 – February 25, 8-week session

Registration is required and begins December 16.

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.

Beary Sleepy Story Time

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

No registration required.

Families are invited to snuggle up together to enjoy stories, rhymes, and songs all about bears. This sleepy story time is for all ages and will include a craft at the end. Attendees are welcome to wear pajamas and bring a favorite teddy bear from home.





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 at 6:30 p.m.

December 19, Registration is required and begins November 21.

January 23, Registration is required and begins December 19.

February 20, Registration is required and begins January 23.

Explore different art mediums, some traditional and some not, in this creative program for young people ages 10-13. Thank you to the Friends of the Library for sponsoring this program.

Superheroes and Princesses

Saturday, December 21, 1:00 pm

Registration is required and begins November 25.

Join us in making your own superhero or princess out of perler beads. For children in preschool and elementary school. Children ages 6 and younger will need an adult helper.

Bullet Journaling for the New Year, New You!

Friday, January 3, 1:00 p.m.

Registration is required and begins December 13.

What is a bullet journal? It's a calendar, notepad, to-do list, and scrapbook, and you can learn how to do it all at this workshop. Get yourself organized for the new year! For ages 10-14.

My First Signs

Mondays at 10:00 a.m.

January 13 – February 17, 6-week session

Registration is required and begins December 20.

Babies from newborn–3 years and their caregivers will learn the most useful starter signs including those for food, drink, pets, family, bedtime and more with signing instructor Lynn Dowe.

Middle School Paint Along

Monday, February 17, 1:00 p.m.

Registration is required and begins January 27.

You don't need to be a professional artist to create a masterpiece. Follow along step-by-step to create your own work of art to take home. All supplies are included. Grades 4-8.

BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Join us for the book discussion group that is right for you. Registration is required. Titles will be available in December. Thank you to the Friends of the Library for supporting these discussions.

My First Book Group, Grades K-1 with an Adult

Days vary, 6:30 p.m.

Monday, December 9, Registration begins November 13.

Thursday, January 9, Registration begins December 9.

Wednesday, February 5, Registration begins January 9.

Book Worms, Grades 2-3

Days vary, 6:30 p.m.

Monday, December 2, Registration begins November 7.

Tuesday, January 14, Registration begins December 2.

Monday, February 10, Registration begins January 14.

Paperbacks & Snacks, Grades 4-5

Days vary, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, December 12, Registration begins November 12.

Monday, January 13, Registration begins December 12.

Tuesday, February 11, Registration begins January 13.

Book Chat, Grades 6-8

Days vary, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, December 11, Registration begins November 14.

Thursday, January 16, Registration begins December 11.

Monday, February 24, Registration begins January 16.

ADAPTIVE PROGRAMMING



Youth SENSEational Story Time

Thursdays at 12:30 p.m., January 16 and February 13

No registration required.

This monthly story time is developed for youths with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities. Visuals, interactive preschool-level stories, adaptive movement, and multi-sensory activities engage the senses. For children, ages 3-12, with a favorite adult.

CONCERTS, PERFORMANCES AND EVENTS FOR ALL AGES

These events are free. Unless indicated, no registration is required.

Paul Vondiziano: Classical Guitar

Friday, December 13, 7:00 p.m.

International audiences have hailed Paul Vondiziano as a superb and prestigious guitarist who plays music from Bach to Mediterranean composers with brilliant technique. He is among the most capable and inspiring musicians around, as his masterful playing creates complete freedom for musical expression.

Rob Crozier Jazz Ensemble

Friday, February 7, 7:00 p.m.

The Ann Arbor-based Rob Crozier Jazz Ensemble has established itself as one of Michigan's premier jazz ensembles performing hard-swinging jazz mixed with Crozier's unique blend of funk and world music.

K-9 Unit Demonstration

Wednesday, February 19, 7:00 p.m.

For all ages. Learn what it takes to be a police dog with officers from the Bloomfield Township Police Department, along with their K-9 partners Max and Kody.

Chamber Music Concerts

***SPECIAL EVENT Tuesday, January 7 at 7:00 p.m.**

All other concerts are Fridays at 7:00 p.m.

January 24, February 21, March 27 and April 24, 2020

This popular concert series featuring student musicians from the University of Michigan School of Music, Theatre, and Dance is back for another season. On Tuesday, January 7 we welcome University of Michigan Professor and pianist Christopher Harding for a special event.



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, December 5, 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, December 17, 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

Thursday, December 19, 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, January 4, 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, January 7, 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, January 18, 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.

Introduction to Shutterfly and Digital Photobooks

Thursday, January 23, 6:00 p.m.

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

Internet Security

Thursday, February 6, 6:00 p.m.

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

Computer Basics

Monday, February 10, 6:00 p.m.

New to a computer? Don't worry we can help.

Introduction to Google Apps

Thursday, February 27, 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

Drop-In Download Help

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

December 11, January 8, February 12 *No registration is required.*

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

Kanopy

Wednesday, December 11, 2 p.m.

Registration is required and begins November 11.

Find out how to stream award-winning films, documentaries and great kids' content from our new Kanopy digital service.

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

January 6, 8, 13, 15, 22, 27, 29, and February 3

Students build fashion-themed programs including a fashion walk, a stylist tool, and a pattern maker.

Art

February 5, 10, 12, 24, 26, March 2, 4, and 9

Students create animations, interactive artwork, photograph filters, and other exciting, artistic projects using code.

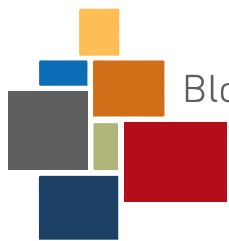
OPEN LAB

**Thursdays, December 12, January 9, and February 13
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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Friday
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Saturday
9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

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

Library Closings

Tuesday, December 24
Wednesday, December 25
Wednesday, January 1
*The Library closes at 5:30 p.m.
on Tuesday, December 31 for
New Year's Eve*

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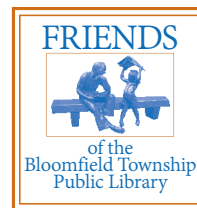
Friends of the Library

Second Saturday Sales

December 14
January 11
February 8
Saturdays 10:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.*
*9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. for Friends members only.
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Read-a-thon and special Fall event
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