

DISCOVER

2021 WINTER AT THE LIBRARY



Library eResources

During the harsh winter months, utilizing the Library's free online eResources can be an excellent alternative to venturing out in bad weather. Discover the many digital offerings available right at your fingertips with your Bloomfield Township Public Library card or eCard by visiting www.btpl.org, including:

- The Library's **Downloads** section, which provides free online access to digital movies, television series, ebooks, music, and more. Many of these services offer downloadable apps, or are available through streaming devices such as Chromecast, Roku, and AppleTV.
- Parents and students can utilize over 30 free eResources in **Youth Databases** by clicking on the Research tab of the Library's website. These include homework help, literacy and math sites for young children, foreign language learning, test prep, and live tutoring.
- Found under the Research tab of the website, the **Adult Databases** section contains over 24 categories of digital resources, such as Consumer Protection, Genealogy, and Career Help, as well as free access to numerous online newspapers and magazines.

For assistance with any of these services, please call the Library at (248) 642-5800 during normal business hours, or email AskTech@btpl.org anytime.

The Incredible Journey @ the Library

You are invited to join the Library on "The Incredible Journey" through several special programs planned during the months of January through April, 2021.

Winter Reading Challenge – All ages are encouraged to sign up for the Library's online winter reading program taking place from January 1 to March 20, 2021. Warm up with a good book, challenge yourself, and win prizes. Visit www.btpl.org/reading-programs to register, or email AskYouth@btpl.org or AskAdult@btpl.org for more information.

Photo Contest – Calling all amateur photographers for the Library's 5th Annual Photo Contest. An incredible journey can be a trip from one place to another, or it could be a path of personal transformation. This year's theme asks photographers to capture part of a significant passage in their life. The contest opens January 11, 2021 for Bloomfield Township residents only. Entries will be grouped into three age categories (12 and younger; 13-18; and 19 and older). The deadline to enter photos is March 14, 2021 at midnight. Further details and an entry form can be found at www.btpl.org/photo-contest.



Read-a-thon – Join us Saturday, March 20, 2021 beginning at 10 a.m. for a virtual read-a-thon featuring *The Incredible Journey* by Sheila Burnford. Bloomfield Township residents of all ages who are able to read aloud from the book on their own are welcome to participate. Families are encouraged to join in the fun, whether as readers or as listeners. Volunteer reader registration begins February 1. Check the website for details.

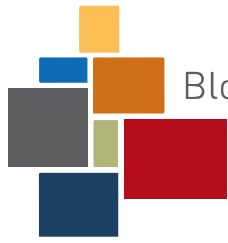
Community Quilt Project: Create Your Incredible Journey – All ages are invited to create their own customized panel to be included in the Library's community quilt. Beginning March 22, precut squares and instructions will be available by request on a first-come, first-served basis. You may use any medium you like to depict your own "incredible journey" – paint, embroidery, printing, dyeing, etc. Completed panels must be returned by April 10 to be included in the quilt, which will be put on display at the end of April.



Bloomfield Township Public Library Virtual Branch

Visit the **Library's Virtual Branch** at www.btpl.org/virtual for up-to-date recorded programming and a list of live virtual events. View book talks and materials recommendations, receive ebook/reader help, sign up for book clubs, participate in virtual arts and crafts projects, and more. Be sure to check back often for the latest content. All virtual programming, both live and recorded, is closed captioned for expanded accessibility.





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WINTER ACTIVITIES AND RESOURCES

Tech Open Lab

Join technology staff throughout the month via Zoom as they discuss various tech topics. Visit the Library's Virtual Branch webpage for dates, times, and subjects. To register email AskTech@btpl.org.

Virtual Teen Club and Teen Advisory Board

Teens ages 13-18 are invited to join Adult Services librarians each month for special Zoom games and TAB advisory meetings. Registration is required. Email AskTeen@btpl.org for more information.

Youth and Adult Services Book Clubs

The Library's book clubs return virtually this January. Visit www.btpl.org/virtual for more information. Registration is required and space is limited.

- My First Book Club (Grades K-1)
- Bookworms (Grades 2-3)
- Paperbacks & Snacks (Grades 4-5)
- Book Chat (Grades 6-8)
- 30-Minute Lunchtime Club (Adult/Teen)
- BYOB-Bring Your Own Book Club (Adult/Teen)
- Classics Book Club (Adult/Teen)
- Nonfiction Book Club (Adult/Teen)

Virtual Learning Resources



Homework Help

- **Brainfuse HelpNow** offers expert online tutoring help, every day from 2 pm - 11 pm.
- **Writer's Reference Center** is a one-stop location for tools necessary to write and research effectively plus access to style and grammar guides and vocabulary-building dictionaries.
- **Power Search** provides access to thousands of full-text newspaper and journal articles.
- Find **Gale Biography, Science, U.S. History, World History, Literature Resources, Opposing Viewpoints** and more, available online 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, free with your library card.