

# DISCOVER

## 2021 FALL AT THE LIBRARY



Katherine Bryant began her role as Assistant Director with the Library on September 7, 2021. She replaces former Assistant Director Tera Moon, who stepped into the position of Library Director in May 2021.

A Detroit-area native, Katherine is excited to be back in Michigan with her husband and young daughter after working as a regional manager with the Nashville Public Library in Tennessee for the past decade. During her career there, Katherine launched a ukulele lending library and seed exchange program, promoted the library at community events, and fostered a strong culture of customer service and workplace engagement.

Katherine states, "I am honored and delighted to have been selected as Assistant Director. I find myself constantly in awe of the extensive library collection, beautiful grounds and building, the dedicated staff, volunteers, and Library Board, and supportive community. I look forward to working alongside Tera and the Library staff in providing first-rate library service to Bloomfield Township."

## Services Resume @ the Library

Are you working remotely, but wishing for a change of scenery? Do you need a quiet place to study or read, away from the distractions of your home? Is your organization looking for a meeting space? Bloomfield Township Public Library may be your solution once again!

We are pleased to announce that we have entered **Phase Five of our reopening plan – Cautious Full Service**. The Library has resumed its regular hours with no time limit for visits, so stop in and browse the collections, use the computers, or speak with library staff. Study rooms are once again available for Township residents with a valid library card, and there is plenty of open seating throughout the Library. Meeting rooms are also available for rent by Bloomfield Township residents and businesses, and the Vending Café is open.

When you visit the Library, masks are strongly encouraged for all, regardless of vaccination status, but not required. Please keep six feet between yourself and other patrons and staff, wash your hands frequently, and stay home if you are sick or have been exposed to COVID-19. The Library conducts regular cleaning and disinfecting and has improved the air filtration system to help prevent the spread of the virus in our building.

The drive-up materials return and Virtual Branch are open 24/7. Curbside service remains available for your convenience.

Please visit [www.btpl.org/curbside-service](http://www.btpl.org/curbside-service) for details. Library programs are a

mix of both virtual and in-person, with most youth programming staying online for now to help keep our young patrons who do not have access to vaccines safe.

We are eager to see you once again at the Library and want to thank all of our patrons, staff members, and the entire Bloomfield Township community for their continued support!

## REGULAR HOURS RETURN

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

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

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

Sunday - Noon - 5:30 p.m.



### Bloomfield Township Public Library Virtual Branch

Visit the **Library's Virtual Branch** at [www.btpl.org/virtual](http://www.btpl.org/virtual) for up-to-date programming and a list of virtual events. Sign up for book clubs, enjoy virtual arts and crafts projects, receive ebook/ereader help, or view prerecorded book talks, materials recommendations 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.



# Youth

Check out everything the Library has to offer this fall, including story times, book clubs, art programs, and more at [www.btpl.org](http://www.btpl.org). Registration for programs can be found by visiting the Virtual Branch web page at [www.btpl.org/virtual](http://www.btpl.org/virtual). Please note: some live events may be dependent on the library building's open status.

## ONLINE BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Check the Virtual Branch web page at [www.btpl.org/virtual](http://www.btpl.org/virtual) for a list of books being discussed. Space is limited for these programs, and advance registration is required.

**All Book Discussions meet at 7 p.m. on the dates listed.**

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

**Tuesday, November 2**, Registration begins October 11.

### Book Worms, Grades 2-3

**Wednesday, December 1**, Registration begins November 8.

### Paperbacks & Snacks, Grades 4-5

**Tuesday, October 26**, Registration begins October 4.

**Thursday, December 9**, Registration begins November 15.

### Book Chat, Grades 6-8

**Thursday, November 11**, Registration begins October 20.

## INTERACTIVE VIRTUAL EVENTS



Registration is required for each Virtual Art Lab program.

Explore different art mediums, some traditional and some not, in this creative program for young people ages 10 – 13. Material packets for registered participants will be provided. Thank you to the Friends of the Library for sponsoring this program.

## ON-DEMAND PROGRAMMING

In addition to live programming, check out the Library's videos on-demand featuring book talks, activities, crafts, and more:

- Visit the **Youth Services video channel** for over 40 videos available 24/7 at [www.btpl.org/youth-on-demand](http://www.btpl.org/youth-on-demand).
- If you missed one of our live **story times**, a list of recordings can be found at [www.btpl.org/ys-post/virtual-story-times-on-demand](http://www.btpl.org/ys-post/virtual-story-times-on-demand).
- And don't forget to check out Youth Services' new **Book Bitz!** video channel. For more information visit the Virtual Branch webpage at [www.btpl.org/virtual](http://www.btpl.org/virtual).



## LIVE VIRTUAL STORY TIMES

A new, unique Zoom link will be sent out to all registered participants each week approximately one hour before story time.

### Little Zoomers Infant/Toddler Story Time

**Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.**

**November 4 – November 18, 3-week session**

Registration is required and begins October 18.

### Preschool Story Time

**Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.**

**November 2 – November 23, 4-week session**

Registration is required and begins October 18.



Registration is required for each Family PJ Story Time date.

Gather the entire family, dress up in your comfiest pajamas, and settle into a cozy spot at home for a fun family bedtime story time via Zoom. All ages welcome to attend.



# Adults & Teens

## BOOK CLUBS, VIRTUAL AND IN-PERSON

Adult Services has resumed both its librarian and volunteer-led book clubs in-person. Zoom options are available for those who wish to participate from home. More information can be found at [www.btpl.org/virtual](http://www.btpl.org/virtual). To register, please call (248) 642-5800, visit the Adult Services Desk, or email [AskAdult@btpl.org](mailto:AskAdult@btpl.org).

## IN-PERSON LECTURES

**The American Army in Normandy, from Omaha Beach to the Falaise Gap, with Historian Jim Craft**

**Tuesday, November 9, 7 p.m.**

*No registration required.* Join us at the Library or virtually as historian Jim Craft discusses the lead-up to, duration, and aftermath of the Allied Invasion that began on June 6, 1944. To attend virtually, please email [AskAdult@btpl.org](mailto:AskAdult@btpl.org) or call the Library at (248) 642-5800, ext. 171.

## VIDEOS ON-DEMAND

Enjoy a wide variety of video presentations from anywhere, at your convenience. Visit the Adult Services' Vimeo channel, [www.btpl.org/adult-on-demand](http://www.btpl.org/adult-on-demand), for recorded book talks, database demonstrations, virtual read-along videos and special presentations.

**We Say No: The History of Prohibition in America**

*Available to view through October 31.*

Oakland University Professor Bruce Zellers discusses the effort to limit alcohol consumption in the United States.

## IN-PERSON TEEN EVENTS

Visit [www.btpl.org/teen](http://www.btpl.org/teen) for registration and up-to-date information.



**Friday, October 29, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.**

*Registration is required.* Join us for an after-hours evening featuring games, hide-and-seek, and other fun events. Teens ages 13-18 will have the entire library to themselves (with librarian supervision, of course). Halloween costumes are optional, but welcome.

**Teen Craft Day**

**Saturday, November 20, 1 – 4 p.m.**

Visit the Library anytime during this Craft Open House to make up to three craft items. While supplies last; no registration required.

# Technology



## GENERAL TECH ASSISTANCE

If you are in need of general technical assistance, ask away anytime! All tech topics are welcome, including Microsoft products, web applications, social media, email, and even how to use your personal digital device. Stop by or call the Computer Help Desk at (248) 642-5800 ext. 121, or email [AskTech@btpl.org](mailto:AskTech@btpl.org) to set up a personal help session with an expert either in person or via Zoom.

## FALL TECH CLASSES

Join Systems staff for an expert-led, subject-specific tech class. Township residents can register by emailing [AskTech@btpl.org](mailto:AskTech@btpl.org) or calling (248) 642-5800, ext. 121. Basic computer skills are all that is required to participate, and classes are limited to eight participants.

**Scanning and Photo Editing**

**Saturday, November 6, 1:30 p.m.**

Learn the basics of scanning and photo editing in our computer lab. Systems staff will show you the basics so that you can get started digitizing your old photos.

**Google Workspace**

**Wednesday, November 17, 5:30 p.m.**

Google Workspace (formerly G Suite) seamlessly and securely brings together messaging, meetings, docs, and tasks. This class will provide tips, resources, inspiration, and help links for each app. A Google account is required.

**Microsoft Excel**

**Saturday, December 4, 1:30 p.m.**

Learn basic spreadsheet skills and explore other in-depth Excel topics and online resources.

## Concerts @ the Library

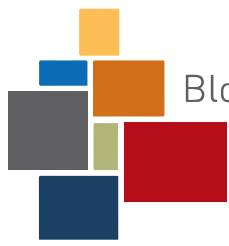
All ages welcome. Concerts are free and no registration is required.

**University of Michigan School of Music, Theatre and Dance Chamber Music Concerts**

**Fridays at 7 p.m.**

**November 19, January 21, and March 25**

This popular concert series returns for 2021/2022 season. Talented student musicians from the University of Michigan School of Music, Theatre, and Dance will thrill audiences with stirring performances of chamber music pieces.



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**Sunday**  
12 Noon - 5:30 p.m.

### Holiday Closings

**Thursday, November 25**  
*Closing at 5:30 p.m. on Thanksgiving Eve,  
Wednesday, November 24.*  
**Friday – Sunday, December 24, 25, and 26**  
**Saturday and Sunday, January 1 and 2**  
*Closing at 5:30 p.m. on New Year's Eve,  
Friday, December 31.*

### Board of Trustees

Tom Deska  
Sandra Edwards  
Grant Gerhart  
Danielle Gillman  
Judy Lindstrom  
Joan Luksik

Meetings are at 7 p.m. the third Tuesday  
of each month except April, which is the  
fourth Tuesday.

For the most current information or to view  
meeting packets visit [www.btpl.org](http://www.btpl.org).

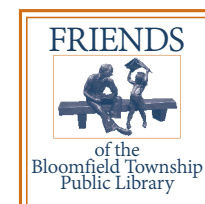
### Friends of the Library

**Second Saturday Sale Dates**  
**November 13 and December 11**  
Saturdays, 11 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.\*  
\*10 a.m. – 11 a.m. for Friends members only.

Memberships available at [www.btpl.org/friends](http://www.btpl.org/friends),  
or at the door on Second Saturday Sale dates.



Please visit the Friends Facebook page  
[www.facebook.com/FriendsBTPL](https://www.facebook.com/FriendsBTPL)  
for further updates.



Make it your  
quest to join  
the Friends  
today!

# The Library is Open 24/7

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24 hours a day, seven days a week!  
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