

DISCOVER

2022 WINTER AT THE LIBRARY



2022 PHOTO CONTEST

Bloomfield Township Public Library is pleased to announce its sixth annual photo contest. This year's theme is "Tell Us a Story," with entrants being encouraged to include the elements of a story within the frame of their photo. What is the plot? Who are the characters? Where is it taking place? This photography challenge is one of setting the scene rather than capturing a single moment. What story will you tell?

Photographs can be either color or black and white, and digital or print. All ages may enter. Entrants will be grouped into three age categories (up to age 13; 13-18; and 18 and up). The contest opens January 17, 2022. To be eligible, photos must be taken by Bloomfield Township residents between May 1, 2021 and March 13, 2022. The deadline to enter photos is March 13, 2022 at midnight. Winners will be announced and honored at a reception at the Library on Saturday, April 9, 2022. Look for additional details on the Library's website and inside the Library.

COMMUNITY QUILT PROJECT

CREATE YOUR INCREDIBLE JOURNEY

COMMUNITY QUILT RECEPTION

Get cozy at the Library for our special Community Quilt unveiling reception! In the spring of 2021, we invited patrons to design a quilt panel to depict their unique stories and many of you contributed to the project. Our Community Quilt has been completed thanks to a generous donation from the Friends of the Library.

Enjoy hot cocoa, cookies, and live music while learning more about the incredible journey of our community. All are welcome!

Saturday, December 11
11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Winter Reading Challenge

DECEMBER 20, 2021 - JANUARY 31, 2022



VISIT WWW.BTPL.ORG/READING-PROGRAMS FOR MORE INFORMATION.



Bloomfield Township Public Library
Virtual Branch

Visit the **Library's Virtual Branch** at www.btpl.org/virtual for on-demand programming available 24/7. View monthly book recommendations and book talks, history lectures, videos on how to use the library's free databases, and prerecorded family story times. 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 new in Youth Services, including story times, book clubs, art programs, and more. Registration information can be found online by visiting the Virtual Branch at www.btpl.org/virtual or the Events Calendar at www.btpl.org/events.

OUTDOOR LIVE PROGRAMS

Programs will be held outdoors in-person on the Youth Services Terrace. Please dress for the weather. In the case of inclement weather, that day's program will be canceled. Space is limited.

Outdoor Winter Family Story Time

Tuesdays, December 7 – 21, 11 a.m., 3-week session

Registration is required and begins November 15.

Thursdays, January 6 – 27, 11 a.m., 4-week session

Registration is required and begins December 20.

Tuesdays, February 8 – March 1, 11 a.m., 4-week session

Registration is required and begins January 24.

Grab your coats, hats, mittens, and blankets for an outdoor family story time. Cozy up and enjoy stories, songs, rhymes, movement, and more. Register once for each multi-week session.

Storybook STEM

Thursday, December 30, 2 p.m.

Registration is required and begins December 6.

Come experience a storybook favorite in an interactive way. This STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) activity is designed for children ages 5-10. Be sure to dress warm for this fun outdoor event.

ONLINE BOOK DISCUSSIONS

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

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

Tuesday, January 25, 5 p.m., *Registration begins January 3.*

Book Worms, Grades 2-3

Wednesday, December 1, 7 p.m., *Registration begins November 8.*

Wednesday, February 2, 5 p.m., *Registration begins January 10.*

Paperbacks & Snacks, Grades 4-5

Thursday, December 9, 7 p.m., *Registration begins November 15.*

Tuesday, February 8, 5 p.m., *Registration begins January 14.*

Book Chat, Grades 6-8

Wednesday, January 12, 7 p.m., *Registration begins December 20.*

LIVE INTERACTIVE VIRTUAL EVENTS

To register for these live programs, please visit www.btpl.org/virtual.

Family Story Time

Various dates at 10:30 a.m.

Thursdays, December 9 – 23, 3-week session

Registration is required and begins November 15.

Tuesdays, January 4 – 25, 4-week session

Registration is required and begins December 20.

Thursdays, February 10 – March 3, 4-week session

Registration is required and begins January 24.

Please register once for each multi-week session. A new, unique Zoom link will be sent out to all registered participants each week approximately one hour before story time.

Family PJ Story Time

Tuesdays at 7 p.m.

December 14, January 11, and February 15

Registration is required for each 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.

Virtual Art Lab via Zoom

Thursdays at 4:30 p.m.

December 16, *Registration is required and begins November 18.*

January 20, *Registration is required and begins December 16.*

February 17, *Registration is required and begins January 20.*

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.

Literary Scavenger Hunt

Wednesday, December 29, 2 p.m.

Registration is required and begins December 6.

Do you like scavenger hunts? What about a scavenger hunt about your favorite books? Ms. Nicole will highlight some of the best books for ages 10-13 while you find things in your home that fit into this super fun hunt held over Zoom.

Hygge and Cocoa for Tweens

Thursday, January 6, 7:30 p.m.

Registration is required and begins December 13.

Hygge (pronounced hoo-gah) is a Danish word that encompasses the feeling of cozy contentment. Tweens ages 10-13 are invited to join us from a comfortable spot at home on Zoom as we explore the concept of Hygge as a group and practice relaxation techniques. You'll also be able to pick up your own kit filled with relaxing activities, ideas, and more to surround yourself with what makes you feel the warmth and light of Hygge.

Adults & Teens

Adult Services currently offers book and movie discussions, a knitting club, writing clubs, and an English language conversation group, allowing many opportunities for you to connect with others at the Library. Most clubs offer online options if you prefer to attend virtually. Visit www.btpl.org/adult for more information.

RETURN OF ADULT SERVICES KITS

After a long hiatus, VITALITY and STEM kits are back on the shelves. These have been updated and are ready to be checked out.

- VITALITY Kits provide seniors and their caregivers a convenient way to learn about many common health conditions and issues.
- STEM Kits are a collection of learning resources and games focused on science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.

IN-PERSON PROGRAMS

For more information visit www.btpl.org/events.

Teen and Adult Escape Room

Thursday, December 30, 1 – 3 p.m.

Registration is required and begins November 15.

It's a race against time as teams compete to solve the mystery first. Teens ages 13 and up and adults are all invited to play. Email AskTeen@btpl.org to register.

Adult and Teen Sensory Story Time

Mondays at 11 a.m., December 13, January 10, and February 14

No registration required.

Join us for a fun sensory story time – including stories, songs, movement, and art – for adults and teens with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities accompanied by a support person.

Sensory-Friendly Movies for Adults and Teens

Fridays at 11 a.m., January 28 and February 25

No registration required.

Adults and teens with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities and their caregivers are invited to enjoy an hour-long documentary in a stress-free environment with the lights up and the sound down.

TEEN PROGRAMMING

For teens ages 13-18. Participants may attend in-person or online. For more information or to register email AskTeen@btpl.org.

Teen Advisory Board (TAB)

Wednesday, January 12, 4 p.m.

Teens are invited to attend the TAB meetings to discuss books, make arts and crafts, enjoy snacks, play games, and more.

Teen Book Club

Thursday, February 3, 4 p.m.

Join us for a fun book discussion and snacks. We will be reading *The Ballad of Songbirds and Snakes* by Suzanne Collins.

Technology



WINTER TECH CLASSES

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

PowerPoint Basics

Saturday, December 11, 1:30 p.m.

PowerPoint is a powerful program that allows you to quickly create professional-looking high-impact, dynamic presentations. Designing slides to share your information has never been easier when you learn the basics of PowerPoint from our Systems staff.

Intro to Social Media

Wednesday, December 22, 5:30 p.m.

Learn the ins and outs of social media platforms such as Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and LinkedIn.

Microsoft Excel

Saturday, January 8, 1:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 5, 1:30 p.m.

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

Google Workspace

Wednesday, January 19, 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, February 16, 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.

Scanning and Photo Editing

Saturday, February 5, 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.

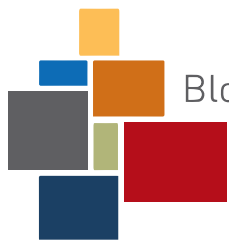
Concerts @ the Library

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., 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. Attendees are required to wear masks for these events.



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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 Noon - 5:30 p.m.

Holiday Closings

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
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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.

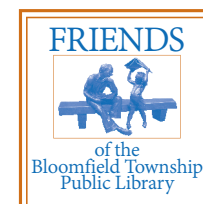
Friends of the Library

Second Saturday Sale Dates
January 8 and February 12
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,
or at the door on Second Saturday Sale dates.



Please visit the Friends Facebook page
www.facebook.com/FriendsBTPL
for further updates.



Make it your
quest to join
the Friends
today!

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The Sixth Annual Photo Contest, a
return of Chamber Music Concerts,
and a Cozy Community Quilt Reception.
Details available at www.btpl.org.