

DISCOVER

2022 FALL AT THE LIBRARY



Strategic Planning @ the Library

This fall the Library is working on a new multi-year strategic plan and we want to hear from YOU! The Library is soliciting input from the community through surveys, focus groups, and interviews.

Scan the QR code on the right to take the community survey and share your dreams for the Library. Additional ways to participate



will be shared in upcoming e-newsletters and on the Library's website and social media pages, so be on the lookout for more opportunities to get involved.

After the uncertainty of the last few years, this is a good time to celebrate past successes, assess what's working, deepen community connections, and set a course for the next three-plus years!

The Bloomfield Township Public Library Board of Trustees

The Bloomfield Township Public Library Board of Trustees has welcomed three new members this past year. Through a public appointment process led by the Library Board of Trustees, Shane Spradlin was appointed in March 2022, and Joy Murray and Keith Carduner were appointed in July 2022. All three bring impressive experience in areas such as finance, law, library operations, leadership, and project management. "The appointment process is competitive, and Shane, Joy, and Keith rose to the top of a pool of qualified and dedicated residents. I am thrilled to welcome them to the Library Board of Trustees," said Library Board President Joan Luksik.

Mr. Spradlin, Ms. Murray, and Dr. Carduner join three established Trustees on the Library Board. Joan Luksik has served on the Board since 2008, Judy Lindstrom since 2010, and Danielle Gillman since 2021. The Library Trustees attend monthly meetings, serve on several committees, have fiduciary responsibility for the Library, and are active participants in Library activities.

The newly appointed Trustees fill vacancies left by Tom Deska, Sandra Edwards, and Grant Gerhart, whose resignations were accepted by the Board earlier this year. We are grateful for their combined years of devoted and capable service to the community and the Library. We wish them well as they embark on new chapters in their lives.



Pictured at left are the current members of the Bloomfield Township Public Library Board of Trustees. Top row, from left to right: Keith Carduner, Danielle Gillman, and Judy Lindstrom. Bottom row, left to right: Joan Luksik, Joy Murray, and Shane Spradlin.

JOIN A LIBRARY BOOK CLUB



Fall Into a Good Book (Club)!

Did you know that the Library offers a variety of book clubs and book discussion groups for all ages? With six different adult book clubs, a quarterly teen book club, and book discussions for children in kindergarten through 6th grade, there is sure to be an option that fits your needs. Contact the Adult or Youth Services librarians today at (248) 642-5800 for more information.



Youth

FALL PROGRAMMING

Check out everything your Library has for you this fall, including story times, book clubs, art programs, kits, and more. Programs are developed to engage children of all abilities with activities that are appropriate for a specific age or grade level, so please register for events based on this recommendation. Registration and program information can be found by visiting the Library's Events Calendar at www.btpl.org/events or by calling the Youth Services Desk at (248) 642-5800. If your child requires additional accommodations for programs such as amplification, large print or Braille media options, dimmed lighting, etc., contact Youth Services.

STORY TIMES

Preschool STEAMtime: Story Time and Discovery

Tuesdays, September 13 – October 4, 10:30 a.m., 4-week session

Registration is required and begins August 22.

Tuesdays, October 18 – November 8, 10:30 a.m., 4-week session

Registration is required and begins September 26.

Tuesdays, November 22 – December 13, 10:30 a.m., 4-week session

Registration is required and begins October 31.

Preschoolers, ages 3 and up, can explore STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and math) through stories, rhymes, music, and discovery activities together with their grown-up.

Wee Read Baby and Toddler Story Time

Thursdays, September 15 – September 29, 3-week session

Registration is required and begins August 22.

Thursdays, October 20 – November 10, 4-week session

Registration is required and begins September 26.

Thursdays, December 1 – December 15, 3-week session.

Registration is required and begins October 31.

Simple stories, finger-plays, lap bounces, songs, and play for little sitters, crawlers, and toddlers along with their grown-up.



Outdoor Family Story Time*

Fridays at 11 a.m.

September 9, October 7, and November 4. *No registration required.*

**In the case of inclement weather, Story Time will be held inside.*

Join us outside for story time this fall on the Youth Terrace. Grab your jackets, hats, and blankets. Families can cozy up together for stories, songs, rhymes, movement, and more fun. For families of all ages.

Virtual Family PJ Story Time Live on Zoom**

Wednesdays at 7 p.m.

September 28, October 19, and November 30

Registration is required for each session.

***Live virtual events may be dependent on the library building being open.*

Your entire family is invited to attend this bedtime story time designed for all ages. Settle in to a cozy space at home in your comfiest clothes or pajamas. Registered attendees will receive a Zoom link prior to the event.

BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Visit the Events Calendar at www.btpl.org/events to register for these programs. Print copies of the book will be available for all registered participants at the Youth Services Desk, or can be checked out/downloaded as eAudio or eBook formats through OverDrive or hoopla.

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

Wednesday, September 14, 6:30 p.m., *Registration begins August 17.*

Monday, October 10, 6:30 p.m., *Registration begins September 14.*

Monday, November 21, 6:30 p.m., *Registration begins October 10.*

Book Worms, Grades 2 – 3

Tuesday, September 20, 6:30 p.m., *Registration begins August 23.*

Wednesday, October 12, 6:30 p.m., *Registration begins September 20.*

Tuesday, November 15, 6:30 p.m., *Registration begins October 12.*

Paperbacks & Snacks, Grades 4 – 6

Wednesday, September 21, 6:30 p.m., *Registration begins August 24.*

Thursday, October 13, 6:30 p.m., *Registration begins September 21.*

Wednesday, November 16, 6:30 p.m., *Registration begins October 13.*

CAREGIVER WORKSHOPS

Baby Safety Workshop

CAR SEAT SAFETY



Ascension
Providence

FOR PARENTS AND
CAREGIVERS



Baby Safety Workshop: Car Seat Safety

Monday, September 19, 7 p.m.

Registration is required and begins August 29.

Join us for a special Baby Safety Month presentation. Hear directly from an injury prevention trauma nurse ways to keep your kids safe in cars. Ask questions, learn about rear facing car seat guidelines, and how to qualify for Safe Kids Oakland County's free car seat program.



Adaptive Umbrella
An Accessibility Workshop

Virtual Adaptive Umbrella Workshop

(Live on Zoom)

Thursday, October 6, 10 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Registration is required and begins August 1.

Join us for our 7th biennial accessibility workshop featuring interactive sessions about current accessibility topics. Led by disability self-advocates and professionals working with the disability community, this workshop is geared to librarians, educators, and caregivers.

Dyslexia Workshop with the Michigan Dyslexia Institute

Tuesday, October 18, 7 p.m.

Registration is required and begins September 27.

Learn all about dyslexia, how to advocate for your child before and after diagnosis, and different instruction techniques. Presented by the Michigan Dyslexia Institute, a nonprofit dedicated to serving adults and children who have dyslexia.

SPECIAL YOUTH EVENTS



Trick or Treat at the Library!

Wednesday, October 26, 4:30 p.m. – 7 p.m.

No registration is required for this drop-in event.

Grab your costume and drop in for trick-or-treating at the Library. Stop in at Youth Services to pick up your official trick-or-treating bag and your first treats. Then follow the special enclosed map to each station around the Library, where we will be passing out peanut-free goodies, Halloween-themed mini-craft kits, stickers, and other cool surprises.

Mermazing Party

Saturday, November 5, 10:30 a.m.

Registration is required and begins October 15.

Dive into this under-the-sea program where we'll make a splash with merfolk crafts and activities. For ages 4 – 8 years with a grown-up.

ANY TIME FUN!

In addition to scheduled programming, the Library offers various activities that you can participate in at any time.

Stories and Stuff Subscription Book Boxes

Youth Services offers a subscription book service for Grades 3 – 8. Sign up your child to receive one library book and some neat gifts each month for three months in a row based on their favorite topics. Keep the box and gifts, but make sure to return the book when you have finished reading it. The next subscription sign-up begins November 1.

KidLITCast

Join us online at www.btpl.org/youth-on-demand for our weekly podcast reading of a classic children's story. From September 7 through October 12, a new chapter of Oscar Wilde's *Stories for Children* will be released every Wednesday to listen to at any time.

Take and Make Kits

Pick up a take-home craft, activity, or science-at-home kit in the Youth Room while supplies last. Upcoming kit releases include: DIY Fidgets and STEAM Kaleidoscope kits in September, *Nightmare Before Christmas* Interactive Movie kits and Owl Pellet kits in October, and DINOvember Diorama and GNOMEvember kits in November.

Virtual Programs On-Demand

In addition to live programming, check out our podcast episodes and other pre-recorded activities to enjoy any time on our Youth Vimeo channel at www.btpl.org/youth-on-demand or www.btpl.org/virtual.

ARTS AND CRAFTS PROGRAMS

Art Lab

Thursday, September 8, 6:30 p.m. (Special Pewabic Tile Takeover!), *Registration is required and begins August 18.*

Thursday, October 27, 4:30 p.m., *Registration begins October 3.*

Thursday, November 17, 4:30 p.m., *Registration begins October 27.*

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.

Art Lab Junior

Monday, October 17, 6:30 p.m., *Registration begins September 19.*

Monday, November 14, 6:30 p.m., *Registration begins October 17.*

Experiment with making arts and crafts using different materials. We will focus on the process of creativity in this program for children ages 7 – 9.

Teens

TEEN PROGRAMS

Designed for teens ages 13 – 18. Register through the Events Calendar at www.btpl.org/events, or by emailing AskTeen@btpl.org. Nonresidents may sign up one week prior to the program if space is available.

Teen Advisory Board (TAB)

Wednesday, September 14, 3:30 p.m. – 5 p.m.

Registration is required and begins August 14.

All teens are welcome to attend our TAB meetings. We discuss books, make arts and crafts, play games, and more. Snacks provided.



Teen After Hours Halloween Event

Alien Attack! Escape the Library!

Friday, October 28, 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Registration is required and begins September 1.

Teens are invited for an out-of-this-world evening with an escape room, scavenger hunt, hide-n-seek, and Halloween fun at the Library. Costumes are optional.

Teen Book Club

Wednesday, November 9, 4 p.m. – 5 p.m.

Registration is required and begins September 1.

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



Adults



LIBRARY CLUBS AND GROUPS

The Library has a number of clubs that meet regularly during the year. Registration is required for these groups. Email AskAdult@btpl.org or call (248) 642-5800 and ask for the Adult Services Desk for more information or to sign up. A virtual option is available upon request.

Librarian-Led Book Clubs

30 Minute Lunchtime Club, third Monday each month, 1 p.m.

Books in Bars Book Club, fourth Monday each month, 6 p.m.
at the Rusty Bucket (Square Lake and Telegraph)

Classics Book Club, third Tuesday every other month, 7 p.m.

Volunteer-Led Book Clubs

Mystery Book Club, third Wednesday each month, 1 p.m.

Thursday Book Club, fourth Thursday each month, 10 a.m.

Tuesday Book Club, third Tuesday each month, 10 a.m.

Movie Discussion Club

First Thursday each month, 7 p.m. beginning in October

Watch a selected movie at home before joining the discussion at the Library. All movies are in the Library's media collection and on Kanopy.

Memoir Writers' Group

Second and fourth Tuesdays each month, 1 p.m.

Participants meet informally to share stories and writing ideas.

Writers' Rendezvous

Second and fourth Wednesdays each month, 6:30 p.m.

This workshop-structured group of fiction and nonfiction writers is welcoming new members.

HISTORY COMES ALIVE LECTURE SERIES

No registration is required. A virtual option is available upon request.

Codename Midnight: Detroit and the Underground Railroad

Tuesday, November 1, 7 p.m.

Detroit Historical Society Assistant Curator Billy Winkler discusses the Detroit Underground Railroad Station, codenamed Midnight, and the challenges faced by abolitionists and freedom seekers attempting to evade slave catchers and gain their freedom by traveling to Canada.

Harriet Quimby: Michigan's New Woman Aviator

Tuesday, November 8, 7 p.m.

Robert Myers, the Director of History Programming of the Michigan Historical Society, presents the story of Harriet Quimby. A Michigan native, Harriet was a true Renaissance woman as not only an aviator, but also as a drama critic for *Leslie's Illustrated Weekly*, a motion picture screenwriter for D. W. Griffith, and a stage actress.

The American Guide Series: The WPA's Travel Books of the 1930s

Tuesday, November 15, 7 p.m.

Historian Jim Craft returns to discuss the Federal Writers' Project, a New Deal program established by President Franklin D. Roosevelt to create work for unemployed artists, musicians, actors and writers, an outcome of which was the American Guide Series.

DROP-IN ADULT PROGRAMMING

These events do not require registration.

Genealogy Workshop with the Daughters of the American Revolution Piety Hill Chapter

Saturday, October 15, 1 p.m. – 3 p.m.

Whether you are beginning your genealogy research or are more advanced, all are welcome to attend for free 20-minute consultations with experienced genealogists.

Fiber Arts Club

First Tuesday each month, 10 a.m. – 12 noon

Anyone who knits, crochets, embroiders, or creates with any type of fiber art is welcome to bring the project you're currently working on and enjoy meeting with other fiber artists of all skill levels.

Sensory Story Time for Adults and Teens

Second Monday each month, 11 a.m. beginning in October

Adults and teens with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities as well as their caregivers are invited for a story time filled with interactive stories, songs, art projects, and sensory crafts.

English Language Conversation Group

Every Friday from 10 a.m. – 12 noon

All levels of comfort with English are welcome to join and participate in this weekly drop-in meeting. A virtual option is also available.

FALL CONCERT SERIES

Concerts are free and open to all; no registration is required.

Thank you to the Friends of the Library
for sponsoring our concert series.

Nessa: Ancient Song Discovery Project

Friday, September 9, 7 p.m.

Nessa will guide listeners to the inner reaches of Celtic culture with deep passionate stories of mermaids, fairies, and selkies, along with fun, upbeat jigs and reels during this Celtic fusion concert experience.

Ara Topouzian Trio

Friday, November 11, 7 p.m.

Topouzian's traditional musical style keeps his Armenian heritage alive. His repertoire also includes music from around the Middle East plus jazz, fusion, new age and blues. He is nationally recognized for his artistry on the kanun (Middle Eastern lap harp).

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

Fridays at 7 p.m.

November 18, February 17, March 17, and April 14

Talented student musicians from the University of Michigan School of Music, Theatre, and Dance will thrill audiences with stirring performances of chamber music pieces.

Computers & Technology

FALL TECH CLASSES

Join Systems staff for expert-led, subject-specific tech classes. Township residents may register at www.btpl.org/events, by emailing AskTech@btpl.org, or by calling (248) 642-5800, ext. 405. Basic computer skills are all that is required to participate. Classes are limited to eight participants and will be held in person in our computer lab. If circumstances require a class to be conducted remotely, a Zoom link will be sent to all registered attendees.

PowerPoint Basics

Saturday, September 10, 1:30 p.m.

Saturday, October 29, 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.

Google Apps

Wednesday, September 14, 5:30 p.m.

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

Google Apps seamlessly and securely brings together your documents, photos, sheets, and calendar. This class has tips, resources, inspiration, and help links for each app. A Google account is required.

Intro to Social Media

Wednesday, September 28, 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, November 16, 5:30 p.m.

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

Microsoft Excel

Saturday, October 1, 1:30 p.m.

Saturday, November 12, 1:30 p.m.

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

Scanning and Photo Editing

Saturday, October 15, 1:30 p.m.

Saturday, November 19, 1:30 p.m.

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

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, or even how to use your personal digital device. Stop by or call the Computer Help Desk at (248) 642-5800, ext. 405, or email AskTech@btpl.org to set up a personal help session with an expert either in person or via Zoom.

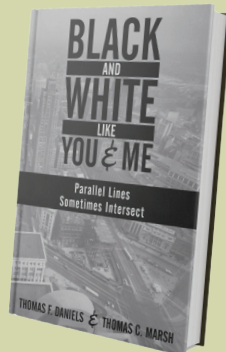
LIVE FEATURED EVENTS @ THE LIBRARY

Author Visit: *Black and White Like You and Me* By Thomas F. Daniels and Thomas C. Marsh

Tuesday, September 13, 7 p.m.

No registration required.

Co-authors Tom Daniels and Tom Marsh will discuss their lives, their upbringing, their successes, and their regrets growing up in Detroit, then becoming friends later in life.



MANHATTAN SHORT

2022 MANHATTAN SHORT Film Festival

Saturday, September 24, 2 p.m.

Wednesday, September 28, 6:30 p.m.

No registration required. Both sessions will have the same content.

Join us along with over 100,000 film lovers in over 500 cities across six continents to view and vote on the finalist's films in the 25th Annual MANHATTAN SHORT Film Festival.



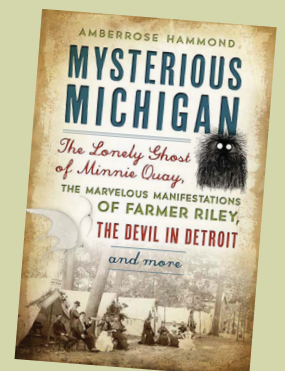
Author Visit: *Mysterious Michigan – Legends, Monsters, Hauntings, and True Crime from Michigan* by Amberrose Hammond

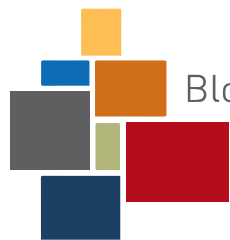
Thursday, October 27, 7 p.m.

No registration required.

Researcher and author Amberrose Hammond will take you on a strange and fun journey into the supernatural past of the Great Lakes state. Explore legends, ghosts, monsters and more! For over twenty years, Amberrose has

been researching the supernatural, weird, and off-beat history of Michigan. An avid local history and cemetery enthusiast, she has lectured extensively around the state at libraries, conferences, and historical cemetery tours, and has shared her love of Michigan's weird side with thousands. Amberrose is the author of *Ghosts and Legends of Michigan's West Coast*, *Wicked Ottawa County*, *Wicked Grand Rapids*, and *Mysterious Michigan*. Books will be available for purchase and signing.





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Library Hours

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

12 noon - 5:30 p.m.

Holiday Closings

Sunday and Monday, September 4 and 5

Thursday, November 24

Closing at 5:30 p.m. on Thanksgiving Eve,

Wednesday, November 23

Saturday and Sunday, December 24 and 25

Sunday, January 1

Board of Trustees

Keith Carduner
Danielle Gillman
Judy Lindstrom
Joan Luksik
Joy Murray
Shane Spradlin

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 (*subject to change*)

September 10, October 8, and November 12

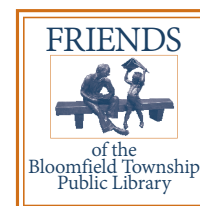
Saturdays, 11 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.*

**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 the most up-to-date information.



Make it your
quest to join
the Friends
today!

Get Involved @ the Library

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

Visit www.btpl.org/employment-volunteer or contact the Volunteer Coordinator at (248) 642-5800 for more information.