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## Discover Newsletter

A poster for chamber music concerts. It features a large yellow treble clef on the left. To the right of the clef, the text reads: "SCHOOL OF MUSIC, THEATRE &amp; DANCE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN", "CHAMBER MUSIC CONCERTS", "AT BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY", "FRIDAY, APRIL 11 @ 7 P.M.", and "SATURDAY, APRIL 12 @ 3 P.M.". Below the Saturday date, it says "\*Different Music Programs Each Day". The background of the poster is a faint watermark of musical staff lines.

Student musicians from the University of Michigan School of Music, Theatre, and Dance will perform two different **chamber music concerts** on Friday, April 11 at 7 p.m., and Saturday, April 12 at 3 p.m. Program details will be released the week of the events and can be viewed by visiting [www.btpl.org/events](http://www.btpl.org/events). All ages are welcome; however, we ask that guests be mindful that chamber music concerts are intended for a thoughtful and attentive audience.

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### You've Got MeL!



Looking for a book, movie, or CD that isn't on our shelves? Try MeLCat! This free service lets you borrow items from hundreds of libraries all over Michigan and have them delivered to Bloomfield Township Public Library for you to pick up. It's easy to use – just search, request, and enjoy! Visit [mel.org](http://mel.org) and select "MyMeLCat" or click on the MeLCat link in your online Library searches. MeLCat was made possible in part by the Institute of Museum and Library Services through the Library of Michigan.

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## Adult and Teen Services Programs @ the Library

**Diamond Art!**  
**Teen Craft Day**  
Wednesday, April 9  
4 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.



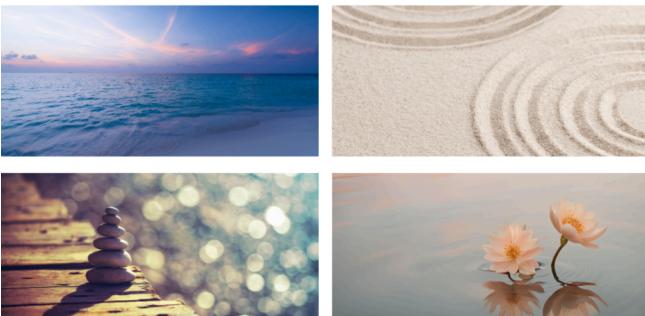
A small image showing diamond art supplies (beads) and a completed diamond art piece featuring a colorful floral design.

### [Teen Craft Day: Diamond Art](#)

Wednesday, April 9, 4 p.m.

*Registration is required.* Diamond art is easy to learn, relaxing, and rewarding. You'll have your choice of art to create. Art and supplies can also be taken home to finish.

**Silence**  
Between the Shelves:  
A Six-Week Meditation Series



Four small images illustrating the meditation series: a sunset over water, ripples in sand, stacked stones, and lotus flowers.

### [Silence Between the Shelves: A Six-Week Meditation Series](#)

Mondays, 7 p.m., April 14 – May 19,  
6-week session

*Registration is required.* This 6-week series, grounded in evidence-based practices, is designed for beginners and those looking to deepen their mindfulness skills. Each session introduces practical techniques like breath focus, mindful movement, and loving-kindness meditation to help participants develop personal practice and reduce stress. Open to all levels.



## DEMYSTIFYING COMPOSTING

Best Practices to Create a Healthy Soil Amendment

### [Lecture:](#)

### [Demystifying Composting – Best Practices to Create a Healthy Soil Amendment](#)

Tuesday, April 22, 7 p.m.

*Registration is required.* Master Gardener Sara Covatta is passionate about making composting accessible to all. Utilizing good humor and helpful demonstrations, Sara will cover the basics of at-home composting, introduce you to the Bokashi method of composting kitchen scraps, and help you create a valuable, living soil amendment for your garden.



#### Lecture:

#### Working With, Not Against, Your Garden

**Tuesday, April 29, 7 p.m.**

*Registration is required.* Learn to avoid pesky situations that lead to frustration with your garden. Master Gardener Louise Sloan shares insights and info to make gardening a joy and not a chore. You'll leave with tips and resources to help you and your garden grow both this season, and many more to come.

### Spring on in to Youth Services

#### **Help us celebrate National Library Week by being a Star Reader!**

From Sunday, April 6 – Saturday, April 12, bring your favorite book to the Youth Services Department and have your photo taken with it in celebration of National Library Week. All participants will have their names entered into a special drawing. 20 lucky Star Readers will have their photo featured on READ posters that will be displayed monthly at the Library.



#### Unicorn Party

**Wednesday, April 9, 5:30 p.m.**

*No registration is required.* It's National Unicorn Day! Celebrate all things unicorn with crafts and activities for all ages.

#### Stuffed Animal Sleepover

**Thursday, April 17, 4 p.m. – 6 p.m. drop off**

**Friday, April 18, Noon – 6:30 p.m. pick up**

*Registration is required.* Ever wonder what happens at the Library after it's closed? Your stuffed friend can spend the night and find out! Bring your stuffed animal to the Youth Services Desk on Thursday afternoon, and pick them up, along with a special souvenir, the next day.

#### **STUFFED ANIMAL SLEEPOVER**



#### Brick Builders: Robots

**Wednesday, April 15, 6:30 p.m.**

*No registration is required.* Junior architects, ages 6 and up, are invited to join us for building fun with LEGO bricks. Create your own masterpiece or do a theme building challenge with your friends.



### [Baby Parade](#)

Saturday, April 19, 10:30 a.m.

Registration is required. Our youngest friends are invited to bring their stroller or wagon to the Library to make a float for our Baby Parade.

Decorations will be provided, but you must bring your own stroller or wagon. For birth through age 3 with an adult.



### [Sensory Story Time](#)

Saturday, April 26, 11 a.m.

Registration is required. Join us in an adaptive story time experience for youth of all abilities, including those who have sensory integration challenges. Participants can expect stories with gentle engagement, visual aids, adaptive movement, low lights, and low sounds. For children ages 3 and up with a grown-up.

## UPCOMING EVENTS



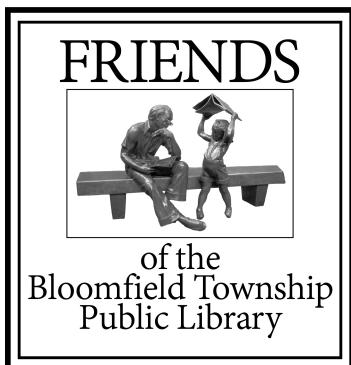
Visit our [Calendar of Events](#) for upcoming programs at the Library including:

- [Caregivers Sleep Training Workshop](#), Monday, April 7, 7 p.m.
- [Tots and Friends Playtime](#), Fridays, 10 a.m. – 12 noon
- [Microsoft Excel I](#), Monday, April 14, 5:30 p.m.
- [Science Fiction/Fantasy Book Club](#) – *The Butcher of the Forest* by Premee Mohamed, Tuesday, April 15, 7 p.m.
- [Gamer Lounge](#) for Ages 8 – 13, Friday, April 18, 4 p.m. – 6 p.m.
- [Microsoft Excel II](#), Monday, April 21, 5:30 p.m.
- [Don't Get Scammed!](#), Wednesday, April 23, 5:30 p.m.
- ["Fade to Black" Romance/Romantasy Book Club](#) – *Four Eids and a Funeral* by Faridah Abike-lyimide, Friday, April 25, 4 p.m.





Applications for the **Jeanette P. Myers Memorial Scholarship** are being accepted now through Sunday, June 1, 2025. The Myers Memorial Scholarship provides funds to support the post-secondary education of past or present employees of Bloomfield Township Public Library or their families, Library volunteers, or Library cardholders. Scholarship guidelines and application forms are available at the Library's Welcome Desk and [on the Library's website](#). A total amount of up to \$500 will be awarded to one or more scholarship applicants to use for books, tuition, or other relevant expenses to assist in working toward an associate, bachelor, or graduate degree, or for the pursuit of other higher education.



### Friends of the Library

The Friends of the Library will hold their next **Second Saturday Sale**, Saturday, April 12, from 11 a.m. – 3 p.m., with a members-only sale period from 10 a.m. – 11 a.m. ([memberships available](#) at the door). Bring a bag or box for your purchase. Donations are also being accepted in the Book Donation Room on the west end of the building during the Library's open hours. For the most up-to-date Friends information, please visit the [library's website](#), or the Friend's [Facebook](#) or [Instagram](#) pages.

### Library Hours

Mon. - Thurs.: 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.

### Holiday Closings

The Library will be closed Sunday, April 20 for Easter.

### Library Board

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