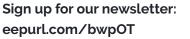
Reading Public Library June - August 2025 Programs

Age Group | All Ages

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Wednesday June 4

The Smithsonian Tropical Institute

Join RPL Librarians as we watch a recording of Ben Gratwicke and Dr. Gina Della Togna talk

Saturday June 7

Join RPL Librarians and Mandarin Storytime

volunteers for a special storytime all about the

STORYTIME

June 7 | 10:30am

in the Community Room

No registration required

Dragon Boat Festival Storytime

about endangered and extinct animals!

Author Event | Friends Speaker Series | Virtual Event | All Ages

Presents: Extinctopedia

3:30pm - 4:15pm

10:30am - 11:30am

Dragon Boat Festival!

Storytimes | Children

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REGISTERED EVENTS

Sign up at https://bit.ly/4111jmV or call 781-944-0840.

Monday June 2

ENGLISHATLARGE

English Conversation Group

10:00am - 11:30am

Would you like to improve your conversational English skills in a fun, friendly, free setting? Join us for Monday morning meetups this summer in the Studio

In-Person Event | Meet Ups | Adults

Forever Chemicals: What You Need to Know

00pm - 8:30pm PFAS, the forever chemicals found in everyday products, are coursing through the veins of 97% of Americans. Journalist Sharon Udasin will

discuss how we got here. Author Event | Health & Wellness | In-Person Event | Lectures | Adults

Tuesday June 3

Crochet & Knit Drop-In Meetup

7:00pm - 8:30pm

Needlecraft in good company! Bring your crochet hooks, knitting needles, yarn, quilting, or other fiber craft for a monthly community drop-in

In-Person Event | Meet Ups | Teens, Adults

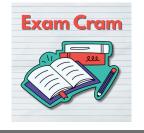


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Exam Cram for Teens!

2:30pm - 8:00pm

Looking for a space to study for Finals? Come to the library to study in teen-only spaces!



Tuesday June 10

The Making of a Thriller with Author Lisa Jewell

2:00pm - 3:00pm

Join us for a virtual author talk with NYT bestselling author Lisa Jewell as she discusses her latest thriller, "Don't Let Him In," releasing June 24.

Author Event | Friends Speaker Series | Virtual Event | Adults



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Monday August 18

REGISTERED EVENT

Camp Kindergarten (ages 5 & 6) 10:00am - 11:00am

Celebrate the start of school!

Friends Sponsored Program | Summer Reading | Children

Tuesday August 19

REGISTERED EVENT

Camp Kindergarten (ages 5 & 6)

10:00am - 11:00am

Celebrate the start of school! Friends Sponsored Program | Summer Reading | Children



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10:00am - 11:00am Celebrate the start of school!

Friends Sponsored Program | Summer

Reading | Children

Thursday August 21

REGISTERED EVENT

Camp Kindergarten (ages 5 & 6)

10:00am - 11:00am Celebrate the start of school! Friends Sponsored Program | Summer Reading | Children

REGISTERED EVENT



GUILD HALL

Robotics for Teens! with Guild Hall 2:00pm - 4:00pm

Are you ready for a robot Adventure? Friends Sponsored Program | Summer Reading | Teens

Saturday August 23



Reading Voices: Tell Your Story, LIVE!

12:00pm - 3:00pm

Everyone has a story to tell - what's yours? Take your writing or personal experience from page to stage and tell us out loud in a Moth-style live community storytelling event.

In-Person Event | Meet Ups | Performances & Special Events | Teens, Adults

Tuesday August 26

Word of Mouth Book Discussion

10:00am - 12:00pm

Have you read any good books lately? Stop by and share! Join us for an informal monthly discussion of what people are currently reading.

Book Group | In-Person Event | Meet Ups | Adults

Thursday August 28

Thriving in a World of Constant Chaos with Dr. Tasha Eurich

2:00pm- 3:00pm

Working too much but feel like it's never enough? Trying to grin and bear it with resilient persistence? Dr. Tasha Eurich offers solutions for thriving without feeling like you're simply surviving

Author Event | Friends Speaker Series Virtual Event

Friday August 29





Plant Lab 3:30pm - 4:30pm Pico de Gallo

Friends Sponsored Program | STEAM | Children

















Wednesday August 20



Tuesday June 10

REGISTERED EVENT

Community Narcan Training 6:00pm - 6:45pm SAVE A LIFE Classes & Workshops | Adults

Wednesday June 11



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READING PUBLIC LIBRARY

REGISTERED EVENT

Afternoon Mah Jongg

12:30pm - 2:30pm If you are looking for a regularly-scheduled, friendly, low-stress Mah Jongg game to keep your skills up, look no further than this monthly gathering! Meet Ups | Adults

Friday June 13



Summer Sizzlers: Book Talks. Mocktails, & Friends

7:00pm - 9:00pm

Kick back with great reads, ice cold mocktails. and a raffle of the evening's most popular titles. Doors open at 6:30.

Friends Sponsored Program | In-Person Event | Adults

Saturday June 14

Mandarin Storytime 11:15am - 11:45am Join local Mandarin speakers for an immersive storytime experience! Community | Children

Monday June 16

REGISTERED EVENT

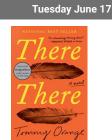
Good Humor: Unfreezing Your **Cartooning Talents**



7:00pm - 8:30pm

Welcome aboard to the first of three workshops designed to nurture your inner cartoonist. We will explore the past, present, and future of cartooning -- as a form of art and as a means of expressing ideas. All of these classes will be highly interactive and participatory.

Classes & Workshops | Friends Sponsored Program | Teens, Adults



Fact or Fiction Book Group 7:00pm - 8:30pm

Fact or Fiction Book Group, an inclusive participant-facilitated adult reading group, meets monthly for lively, insightful reactions to a title

Book Group | In-Person Event | Adults

Wednesday June 18



Partners and Allies for Inclusive Reading (PAIR)

6:00pm - 7:30pm

This is the monthly meeting of the Partners and Allies for Inclusive Reading.

Community | Teens, Adults

Wednesdays June 18-July 30





Treats & Beats (Ages 0-5)

6:30pm - 7:00pm A family storytime for the after-dinner crowd

Storytimes

Tuesday August 12



Vehicle Day 7:30am - 9:00am

Our annual touch-a-truck event for all ages! Friends Sponsored Program Performances & Special Events | Summer Reading All Ages



The Art of Storytelling and Successful Public Speaking

7:00- 8:00pm

Join professional speaking coaches from Redwood Speaking to learn the art of powerful storytelling and successful public speaking. This workshop will be offered twice: Mon., 7/28 & Tues., 8/12, 7-8pm.

Classes & Workshops | Friends Sponsored Program | Teens, Adults



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Thursday August 14







Bike Rally (ages 5 and up)

10:00am - 11:00am

Fun for families on wheels! Friends Sponsored Program Performances & Special Events | Summer Reading Children, Adults

REGISTERED EVENT

Picklemania! 7:00pm - 8:30pm

Make your own iar of old-fashioned fermented pickles using water, salt, and spices. Therapy Gardens will share a variety of additional pickling techniques, including vinegar brines, bread-and-butter brines, as well as lower-sodium options.

Classes & Workshops | Friends Sponsored Program | Teens, Adults





REGISTERED EVENT

Plant Lab 3:30pm - 4:30pm Harvest & Plan

Friends Sponsored Program | STEAM | Children

Saturday August 16

Mandarin Storytime

11:00am - 12:00pm

Join local Mandarin speakers for an immersive storytime experience!

Community | Children



Crafting Drop-In for Teens! Collage & Junk Journal 1:00pm - 3:00pm

Looking for something to do on the weekend? Friends Sponsored Program | Teens







Friday June 20

Branching Out: Readers' Reef 10:00am - 11:00am

Join us for one of our summer reading program events. Registration encouraged. For kids entering grades 1-6.

Friends Sponsored Program | Summer Reading | Children



REGISTERED EVENT

Plant Lab 3:30pm - 4:30pm Garden Fresh Spring Rolls Let's turn the greens in the garden into a tasty snack!

Friends Sponsored Program | STEAM | Children



Friday June 20



Community Garden Party 5:00pm - 6:30pm

Dig into summer with your neighbors at our Community Garden Party! Performances & Special Events | All Ages

Saturday June 21

Mandarin Storvtime 11:15am - 11:45am Join local Mandarin speakers for an immersive storytime experience!

Community | Children

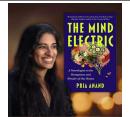
REGISTERED EVENT

6:00pm - 8:00pm

Join us in making lifelike flowers out of paper. You will complete at least two types of flowers to take home at the end of the



Thursday July 31



The Mind Electric: The Strangeness and Wonder of Our Brains

2:00pm - 3:00pm

Join us for a virtual author talk with neurologist Pria Anand, as she discusses her new book, The Mind Electric, how our brains catalog our experiences, and how medicine interprets our stories.

Author Event | Friends Speaker Series | Virtual Event | Adults

Friday August 1

The PopUpCycler 10:00am - 5:00pm

Raise environmental awareness by collecting plastic trash and turning it into public art. This hands-on 2-day event will teach participants how to upcycle and learn about preserving natural resources.

Classes & Workshops | Friends Sponsored Program | STEAM All Ages

Saturday August 2

Join local Mandarin speakers for an immersive

Mandarin Storvtime

11:00am - 12:00pm

storytime experience!

Community | Children

Saturday August 2





REGISTERED EVENT

Pop-up Nonfiction Book Club 2:00pm - 3:00pm

Join us to celebrate the 50th anniversary of this seminal title, a thought-provoking exploration of the impact of World War I.

Book Group | Standalone Event | Adults

Tuesday August 5



Crochet & Knit Drop-In Meetup

crochet hooks, knitting needles, yarn, guilting, or other fiber craft for a monthly community drop-in.



7:00pm - 8:30pm

Needlecraft in good company! Bring your

In-Person Event | Meet Ups | Teens, Adults







Thursday August 7, 2025

REGISTERED EVENT

Craft Connect Charcute 6:00pm - 8:00pm

Hang out with your favorite tween!

Community | Meet Ups | Summer Reading | Children. Adults

Saturday August 9

Silent Reading Party and chat

12:00pm - 2:00pm

Kick back in the fresh air for reading and discussion, and beach vibes out on the library lawn! Join us for refreshing lunchtime summer snacks and beverages, and share with others what you're reading!

Friends Sponsored Program | In-Person Event | Summer Reading | Teens, Adults



10:00am - 12:00pm

Watch Party: Living the Otter Life with Katherine Applegate

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Tuesday June 24

Word of Mouth Book Discussion

Have you read any good books lately? Stop by

discussion of what people are currently reading.

and share! Join us for an informal monthly

4.00nm - 4.30nm

Join RPL Librarians as we watch a live interview via video with award-winning author Katherine Applegate.

Author Event | Friends Speaker Series | Friends Sponsored Program Children

Wednesday June 25

Paper Flowers with Mary

Classes & Workshops | Friends Sponsored

class Program | Teens, Adults Celebrate Freedom with food, music and dance.

Monday June 23

Juneteenth Freedom Festival

REGISTERED EVENT

1:00pm - 7:00pm

Community | All Ages

Good Humor: Unfreezing Your **Cartooning Talents** 7:00pm - 8:30pm Classes & Workshops | Friends Sponsored Program | Teens, Adults



Thursday June 26

PREGISTERED EVENT

Felted Woodland Toadstools for Teens!

- 2:00pm 3:30pm
- Create charming toadstools!

Friends Sponsored Program | Summer Reading | Teens, Children



REGISTERED EVENT

Branching Out: Planets & Pages

6:00pm - 7:00pm

Join us for one of our summer reading program events. Registration encouraged. For kids entering grades 1-6. Friends Sponsored Program | Summer Reading | Children



Friday June 27

Studio 64 Book Club 10:30am - 12:00pm

Mandarin Storytime

11:15am - 11:45am

storytime experience!

Community | Children

REGISTERED EVENT

Cartooning Talents

Program | Teens, Adults

7:00pm - 8:30pm

drop-in.

7:00pm - 8:30pm

Good Humor: Unfreezing Your

In our third and final workshop, we open with an extensive discussion of the prior

week's homework assignment results.

Classes & Workshops | Friends Sponsored

Tuesday July 1

Crochet & Knit Drop-In Meetup

Needlecraft in good company! Bring your

crochet hooks, knitting needles, yarn, quilting,

or other fiber craft for a monthly community

In-Person Event | Meet Ups | Teens, Adults

The Studio 64 Book Group meets the fourth Friday of the month at 10:30am in the Studio space at the Library. We explore different genres, formats, eras and narrative structures in this lively meeting.

Book Group | In-Person Event | Adults

Saturday June 28

Join local Mandarin speakers for an immersive

Monday June 30

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Wednesday July 2

Treats & Beats (Ages 0-5) 6:30pm - 7:00pm A family storytime for the after-dinner crowd. Storytimes | Children



A music-and-movement storytime for families_



Saturday July 5

Mandarin Storytime

11:00am - 12:00pm

Join local Mandarin speakers for an immersive storytime experience!

Community | Children



Crafting Drop-In for Teens! Modeling Clay

1:00pm - 3:00pm

Looking for something to do on the weekend?

Friends Sponsored Program | Teens

Saturday July 26

Mandarin Storytime

11:00am - 12:00pm Join local Mandarin speakers for an immersive storytime experience! Community | Children



Crafting Drop-In for Teens! Beads 1:00pm - 3:00pm Looking for something to do on the weekend? Friends Sponsored Program | Teens

Monday July 28

REGISTERED EVENT

Branching Out: Backyard Bash

2:00pm - 3:00pm

Join us for one of our summer reading program events. Registration encouraged. For kids entering grades 1-6.

Friends Sponsored Program | Summer Reading | Children



Monday July 28



The Art of Storytelling and Successful Public Speaking 7:00pm - 8:00pm

Join professional speaking coaches from Redwood Speaking to learn the art of powerful storytelling and successful public speaking. This workshop will be offered twice: July 28, & August 12, 7-8 pm. Classes & Workshops | Friends Sponsored Program | Teens, Adults

Tuesday July 29

Stuffed Animal Sleepover

9:00am - 9:00pm

Drop off your stuffie in the Children's Room to spend the night!

Summer Reading | Children



Word of Mouth Book Discussion 10:00am - 12:00pm

Have you read any good books lately? Stop by and share! Join us for an informal monthly discussion of what people are currently reading. Book Group | Meet Ups | Adults

Tuesday July 29



REGISTERED EVENT

Tween Tournaments: Water Races

3:00pm - 4:00pm

Can your boat float? Can it make it across water? Let's find out! Registration is required.

Friends Sponsored Program | STEAM | Summer Reading | Children

Wednesday July 30

Treats & Beats (Ages 0-5)

6:30pm - 7:00pm

A family storytime for the after-dinner crowd. Storytimes | Children

Thursday July 31



The PopUpCycler 1:00pm - 5:00pm

Raise environmental awareness by collecting plastic trash and turning it into public art. This hands-on 2-day event will teach participants how to upcycle and learn about preserving natural resources.

Classes & Workshops | Friends Sponsored Program | STEAM All Ages

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Monday July 7

Silent Reading Party

2:30pm - 4:30pm Come to read in community, stay to talk about your title, wear an extraordinary hat, one in keeping with the theme of your book's protagonist or plot.

Friends Sponsored Program | In-Person Event | Summer Reading | Teens, Adults



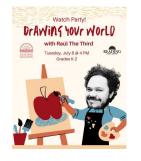
Tuesday July 8

Watch Party: Drawing Your World with Raúl The Third

4:00pm - 4:30pm

Join RPL Librarians as we watch a live interview with Raúl The Third via video.

Author Event | Friends Speaker Series | Friends Sponsored Program Children



REGISTERED EVENT

Own Your Voice: Unleash Your Story in Writing

6:30pm - 8:30pm

Learn how to write and refine a compelling story through this workshop by Reading's own Writers' Collaborative.

Classes & Workshops | Friends Sponsored Program | Teens, Adults

Wednesday July 9

REGISTERED EVENT

Bee Program for Teens!

Teens in grades 6-12 will learn about the

role honeybees play in our food chain and

In-Person Event | Summer Reading | Teens

Meet the

Beekeeper

how to use products from the hive.

Everyone will make beeswax candles.

2:00pm - 3:30pm

Meet the Beekeeper!

4:00pm- 5:00pm

Branching Out: Jungle Journey

Friday July 11

REGISTERED EVENT

Plant Lab 3 30pm - 4:30pm

Refrigerator Pickles

Friends Sponsored Program | STEAM | Children



Saturday July 12

Mandarin Storytime

11:00am - 12:00pm

Join local Mandarin speakers for an immersive storytime experience! Community | Children

Tuesday July 15

REGISTERED EVENT

Branching Out: Arctic Adventure

11:00am - 12:00pm

Join us for one of our summer reading program events. Registration encouraged. For kids entering grades 1-6.

Friends Sponsored Program | Summer Reading | Children

Town of Reading Health Department Gut Health & Mood

6:30pm - 7:30pm

A herbalist presents a talk on gut health and mood.

Community | Health & Wellness | All Ages

Wednesday July 16

Treats & Beats (Ages 0-5) 6:30pm - 7:00pm A family storytime for the after-dinner crowd.

Storvtimes | Children

Thursday July 17

REGISTERED EVENT

Tween Tournaments: Egg Drop 3:00pm - 4:00pm Sign up to see if your creation can save an egg from destruction! Only for kids entering grades 4-7

Friends Sponsored Program | STEAM | Summer Reading | Children

Friday July 18





Teddy Bear Picnic with Julie Stepanek-Murrav

10:00am - 1:00pm

& Special Events | Children

Kids entering preschool to kindergarten are invited for a picnic on our lawn with Julie Stepanek-Murray! Friends Sponsored Program | Performances

REGISTERED EVENT

Magic the Gathering for Teens! with One Up Games

12:00pm - 3:00pm Do you collect Magic the Gathering cards but do not know how to play the game and want to learn?

Friends Sponsored Program | Summer Reading | Teens

Saturday July 19

Mandarin Storvtime 11:00am - 12:00pm Join local Mandarin speakers for an immersive storytime experience! Community | Children

Tuesday July 22

REGISTERED EVENT



Wildlife Encounters: Cold Blooded Creatures 6:00pm - 7:00pm

Kids entering grades 1-5 are invited to join Wildlife Encounters as we get up close and personal with some new creatures!

Friends Sponsored Program | Children Performances & Special Events | Summer Reading

Wednesday July 23



Punk Rock Aerobics 3:30pm - 4:30pm

What's more punk rock than a dance class at the library? Sign up to find out!

Classes & Workshops | Friends Sponsored Program Children

Wednesday July 23

Camping Out



Silent Reading Party and Chat 7:00pm - 8:30pm Come to read in community, stay to talk about your title! Friends Sponsored Program | In-Person Event | Summer Reading | Teens, Adults

Treats & Beats (Ages 0-5) 7:00pm - 8:30pm

A family storytime for the after-dinner crowd Storytimes | Children

Thursday July 24

REGISTERED EVENT

Branching Out: Just Deserts

7:00pm - 8:00pm Join us for one of our summer reading program events. Registration encouraged. For kids

entering grades 1-6. Friends Sponsored Program | Summer Reading | Children

REGISTERED EVENT

Learn to Stop the Bleed 7:00pm - 8:00pm Save a life this summer! Classes & Workshops | Teens, Adults

Fridav July 25

REGISTERED EVENT

Plant Lab 3:30pm - 4:30pm Spinach and Basil Pesto Friends Sponsored Program | STEAM | Children

