READ BEYOND THE BEATEN PATH

SUMMER READING 2022

Hours:
Monday - Thursday: 9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Friday & Saturday: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
closed Sundays for summer beginning May 29

Library Closings:
Monday, May 30 in observance of Memorial Day
Monday, July 4 in observance of Independence Day

For updates to hours/services offered:
Call (630) 529-3120 • Email bdref@mybpl.org • Visit our website at www.mybpl.org

If A.D.A accommodations are needed for a program, please contact the Library at least 48 hours before the program.
**Read Beyond The Beaten Path**

**Summer Reading 2022**

**June 1 – July 30**

Summer Reading is getting a revamp with Beanstack, our new reading challenge software! You’ll still earn chances to win amazing prizes when you read.

**New to Summer Reading this year:**

- **Family Registration:** You can register all family members under one account. Start your family registration at the Adult Services Desk.

- *Download the optional [Beanstack App](#) for Apple and Android devices to easily track your minutes, scan books to add to your reading logs, and track stats like your reading streaks. The app makes participating fun and easy!* Paper logs remain available for those who prefer in-person tracking.

- Kids, teens, and adults will all log minutes. Reading to your child or sibling? Those minutes count for you, too!

**Registration opens June 1 for all ages. Four ways to register:**

1. **online:** mybpl.beanstack.org  
   mybpl.beanstack.org
2. **by phone:** Adults/Teens: 630-924-2730  
   Youth: 630-924-2740
3. **by email:** Adults/Teens: bdref@mybpl.org  
   Youth: bdys@mybpl.org
4. **in person:** Adult/Teens: Adult Reference Desk  
   Youth: Youth Services Desk

Each registrant will receive our custom **Summer Reading t-shirt**, compliments of BPL and the Friends of the Bloomingdale Public Library (while supplies last).

Thank you to the local businesses and organizations that have made donations to our Summer Reading Program!

The Summer Reading Program is open to Bloomingdale residents only.

All prizes and t-shirts are subject to availability and we reserve the right to substitute prizes as necessary.

**Log minutes and challenge activities to earn entries into the Grand Prize Drawing for your age group!**

**ADULTS**

**Reading Prize:**

- 300 minutes: BPL planter

**Grand Prizes:**

- Winners’ Choice - Bloomingdale Business Gift Card
  - $100 gift card • $75 gift card
  - $50 gift card • $25 gift card

**TEENS**

**Reading Prize:**

- 300 minutes: candy bar
- 600 minutes: BPL planter
- 900 minutes: free book

**Grand Prizes:**

- Winners’ Choice - Bloomingdale Business Gift Card
  - $75 gift card • $50 gift card • $25 gift card

**KIDS**

**Reading Prize:**

- 300 minutes: free book
- 600 minutes: BPL water bottle
- 900 minutes: free book

**Grand Prizes:**

- Winner’s Choice - One Year Museum/Zoo Family Membership
  - Winners’ Choice - Bloomingdale Business Gift Card
    - $50 gift card • $25 gift card
Petting Zoo (Drop-In)
*Families*
Friday, June 24 | 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Stop by the front of the library to see, feel, and feed some farm animals. This event will happen rain or shine.

*Brent Allen Magic Show*
*Families*
Tuesday, July 12 | 2:00 – 2:45 p.m.
Come see the magic for yourself in this awe-inspiring magic show. This event will be in the Froio Memorial Garden, weather permitting.

Check out our new classes that help you learn how to use the library’s Makerspace equipment to make creative crafts. For ages 12-adult.

For class descriptions and registration details, see page 6.

**bpl makerspace crafts**

The BPL Summer Concert Series is back! Join us monthly from 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. in the Dominic Froio Memorial Garden for music and fun!

Friday, June 10 - The Jolly Ringwalds
Friday, July 8 - Horizon
Friday, August 12 - The Sting Rays

Our annual end-of-summer-reading Ice Cream Social is Thursday, August 4. More details will become available as the date gets closer. We hope to see you there!

Visit our website for any updates/changes to our schedule: [www.mybpl.org/annualevents](http://www.mybpl.org/annualevents)
**A Taste of the Greek Islands**
Tuesday, June 7 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Join us for a visual journey that begins in Athens before heading to some of the breathtaking Greek islands, including Mykonos, Santorini, Patmos, and more. Learn about places to go, things to do, and delicious Greek foods. Snacks, recipes, and prizes, too! Presented by Susan Miura.

**VIRTUAL: Castles of Europe**
Monday, June 13 | 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.
Join avid traveler and librarian Faye Levin-O’Leary for an exploration of the castles that they have not only visited but also worked and lived in. Learn about individual castles through fascinating facts, history, and symbols used. Enjoy photos that delve into these castles’ stories and famous uses of their facades.

**Explore Sicily & Malta**
Tuesday, June 21 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Enjoy the spectacular scenery and delicious food of Sicily and Malta. Discover ancient temples, medieval towns, intriguing cities, and charming fishing villages with world traveler and retired librarian Nancy McCully.

**VIRTUAL: Name Change 101**
Thursday, June 23 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Learn the criteria and procedures for making a legal name change in Illinois. Gender self-determination, free of government limitations, is the goal of this workshop. The Transformative Justice Law Project of Illinois provides free help to guide transgender and gender nonconforming people through the complicated and expensive process of making a legal name change. This event is in collaboration with the Roselle Public Library.

**Freewheeling in Ireland**
Tuesday, July 12 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Outdoor enthusiast John Lynn is back to share pictures and stories of his biking trip to Ireland. This slide presentation offers up the best of Ireland — its landscapes, villages, and people — as experienced during an 1100-mile bicycling adventure through the storied and scenic Emerald Isle, including both Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland.

**Navigating Portugal**
Tuesday, July 19 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Explore picturesque Portugal as we navigate our way through the country’s rich history, culture, and fascinating sites with world traveler and retired librarian Nancy McCully.

**Paint a Ceramic Flowerpot**
Mondays, June 6 & July 18 | 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Outdoors (weather permitting) or in the BPL Makerspace
Drop in to the Dominic Froio Memorial Garden and paint a one-of-a-kind ceramic flowerpot using colorful acrylic paints. While supplies last.

**VIRTUAL: The Discovery of a Masterpiece**
Monday, August 8 | 6:30 – 7:30pm
Mallory Mortillaro serves as the Curator of Collections for the Hartley Dodge Foundation in Madison, NJ. While she was cataloging the artwork housed inside of the Hartley Dodge Memorial, she uncovered a masterpiece that had been lost to the art world since the 1930s. After a year of research, the piece was authenticated as an official work by Auguste Rodin. Mallory will share the story of how a simple art cataloging project evolved into a search for a mysterious piece’s provenance, and became one of the biggest art finds in recent history.
Registration required for some adult programs (noted with 
). Register online, by phone at (630) 924-2730, or by email at bdref@mybpl.org. For programs with special registration requirements, please follow those instructions.

**DROP-IN MOVIES**

Come enjoy a movie with us at BPL’s Drop-In Movie and enter for a chance to win a copy of that day’s movie on DVD. Movie giveaway will be held following the conclusion of the movie and you must be present to win.

**The Talented Mr. Ripley**
Wednesday, June 8 | 1:00 – 3:30 p.m.
In late 1950s New York, a young underachiever is sent to Italy to retrieve a rich and spoiled millionaire playboy. When the errand fails, he takes extreme measures. Rated R

**Roman Holiday**
Wednesday, June 22 | 1:00 – 3:30 p.m.
A bored and sheltered princess escapes her guardians and falls in love with an American journalist in Rome. Rated PG

**Death on the Nile**
Wednesday, July 13 | 1:00 – 3:30 p.m.
While on vacation on the Nile, Hercule Poirot must investigate the murder of a young heiress. Rated PG-13

**Casablanca**
Wednesday, July 27 | 1:00 – 3:30 p.m.
A cynical expatriate American cafe owner struggles to decide whether to help his former lover and her fugitive husband escape the Nazis in French Morocco. Rated PG-13

**book discussion groups**

Selections are available at the Circulation Desk one month in advance of the discussion.

If you have any questions, please call the Reference Desk at (630) 924-2730.

**Historical Book Discussion**
To register, email Julie Deeke at jdeeke@mybpl.org.

**Franklin & Washington: The Founding Partnership**
by Edward J. Larson
Tuesday, June 7
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

**The Agitators: Three Friends who Fought for Abolition and Women’s Rights**
by Dorothy Wickenden
Tuesday, July 5
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

**Monday Night Page Turners**
To register, email Jessica Frazier at jfrazier@mybpl.org.

**Wildland**
by Rebecca Hodge
Monday, June 20
7:30 – 8:30 p.m.

**Klara and the Sun**
by Kazuo Ishiguro
Monday, July 11
7:30 – 8:30 p.m.

**Genealogy Club**
Drop-in
Wednesdays, June 15 & July 20
7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Join us in person to learn about internet and archival genealogy and research support. Members share strategies and explore library resources with guidance from genealogy librarian Leslie Drewitz.
Craft beyond the beaten path this summer with creativebug®

This service offers thousands of online art and craft classes to spark your creativity and help with your DIY projects.

From knitting to cookie decorating, you’re sure to find something new!

Online Travel – Plan the Great Road Trip!
Monday, June 13 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Instructor: Sean
Learn how to use online travel resources such as apps, forums, and review sites for navigation, roadside attractions, hotel discounts, and parking. Find ways to save money, learn about your destination, and avoid unfortunate mistakes.

Free Audiobooks, eBooks, & More
Monday, June 20 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Instructor: Sean
Time to kill during the summer? Looking for entertainment while driving, walking outside, or working around the house? Consider some of the free digital resources provided by the library. Students will learn how to download audiobooks, ebooks, and stream content to their phones, tablets, computers, or smart TVs.

Smartphone Photography & Editing
Monday, June 27 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Instructor: Sean
Learn the basics of taking, editing, and sharing pictures and movies with Android and iPhones. Students will learn to use free editing products to prepare their photos and movies for sharing.

Note: Different phones offer a wide range of camera features, so we will focus on more generally available tools.

VIRTUAL: PowerPoint - Crash Course!
Thursday, July 7 | 7:00 p.m.
Instructor: Charlie
The goal of this course is to focus on the bare essentials of creating and delivering a PowerPoint presentation. We will cover creating and arranging slides, then take a look at save and print options, and finish with a demonstration of presentation tools.

Cutting the Cord
Monday, July 11 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Instructor: Sean
Explore entertainment options beyond paying for cable. We will discuss how to connect your TV or other devices to streaming services, what options are out there to replace or improve on current service, and how to determine what’s right for you.
SERVICES

Have a computer question or need help with an online account? Computer Services staff can be reserved for one hour help sessions during select time slots every week. Contact Computer Services at (630) 924-2766 or email bdcs@mybpl.org to schedule an appointment.

Classes for Seniors

Registration is encouraged for computer classes to receive program updates.

Register online, by phone at (630) 924-2730, or by email at bdref@mybpl.org.

Virtual programs (noted with [ ]) will be posted on our YouTube channel at the time given.

VIRTUAL: PowerPoint - Slideshow Makeover
Thursday, July 14 | 7:00 p.m.
Instructor: Charlie
Learn how to customize the look of a PowerPoint slideshow. We will look at using templates, themes, transitions, and more.

VIRTUAL: Image Editing with Paint.NET
Monday, July 18 | 7:00 p.m.
Instructor: Salvador
Discover image editing basics using Paint.NET, a free photo editing program available for Windows. Utilizing Paint.NET’s tools, we will crop, rotate, and adjust many qualities of an image.

Google Docs & Cloud Backup
Monday, July 18
7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Instructor: Sean
Students will learn about cloud storage options to work collaboratively, access their saved items anywhere in the world, and provide a backup in case of computer failure. We will use Google’s free applications, but alternatives will also be discussed.

VIRTUAL: Blender – Armature Basics
Thursday, July 21 | 7:00 p.m.
Instructor: Charlie
Learn how to add bone structure to 3D models, an essential skill for posing, warping, and animating, even for objects without a skeleton.

Using Android Phones
Monday, July 25 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Instructor: Sean
Learn how to install and manage your apps, customize your phone using settings changes and widget installations, take advantage of expandable storage, use Google tools, and much more!

iPhone Basics
Thursday, July 28 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Instructor: Salvador
Learn to download and run apps, organize your icons, configure your settings, find and use your pictures, play your music, synchronize your phone with other devices, and much more.

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Join us to watch a movie together and eat some snacks - you can even enter for a chance to win the movie!
Movie giveaway held following the conclusion of the movie and you must be present to win.
No registration required.

**Teen Movie Night**

**Ghostbusters: Afterlife**
Wednesday, July 27
6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

**Meet Me @ THE MOVIES**

Meet our Teen Librarian to see a new release movie!
Meet at The Picture Show, 324 Army Trail Rd, Bloomingdale, IL 60108.
Time will be announced to registrants before film date. Movie tickets and snacks will be provided. Limit 10 teens.

**Jurassic World: Dominion**
Friday, June 17 | Meeting Time TBA
Sign up begins on Monday, May 30

**Thor: Love and Thunder**
Friday, July 15 | Meeting Time TBA
Sign up begins on Monday, June 27

**In-Person Storytimes**

Families
Mondays in June and July
1:30 – 2:00 p.m.

Fridays in June and July
10:30 – 11:00 a.m.
OR 11:15 – 11:45 a.m.

Join us for in-person storytime.
Listen to our staff read stories, sing songs, and tell rhymes.

*Registration for this program will begin one week prior to the event. Please register as a family for only one session per week.

**Teen Crafts**

To sign up for Take and Make crafts ( ), teens can email kyager@mybpl.org the day that registration begins.
For other crafts, follow registration instructions above.
All craft programs limited to 10 teens.

- **Teen Take and Make:**
  **Diamond Art Sun Catcher**
  Sign up begins Monday, June 13
  Create three dazzling sun catchers using the diamond painting technique. Hang them outside or in your house to see them shimmer in the sunlight!

- **Teapot Fairy Garden**
  Wednesday, June 15 | 1:30 – 3:00 p.m.
  Decorate a teapot with paint and turn it into a magical fairy garden for a succulent plant.

- **Carnivorous Garden**
  Wednesday, July 6 | 1:30 – 3:00 p.m.
  Make a cool and creepy garden with a venus flytrap that gobbles up bugs!

- **Teen Take and Make:**
  **Tropical Tie-Dye Soaps**
  Sign up begins Monday, July 11
  Nothing says summer like being on a tropical island! Bring that feeling home by creating tropical tie-dye soaps with a coconut papaya scent.
Game Night (Drop-In)
Thursdays, 6:00 – 8:30 p.m.
June 9 & 23, July 14 & 28
Join other teens for gaming on our big screens or a tabletop! Check out the Nintendo Switch, race in Mario Kart 8, brawl in Super Smash Bros., battle in Overwatch, or discover your new favorite tabletop or board game! Grades 7-12.

TAB: Teen Advisory Board (Drop-In)
Wednesday, July 20 | 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.
Make your voices heard! Join us monthly to meet over pizza to help plan programs for teens, make decisions for the library’s teen space, play games, promote the library, earn volunteer hours, and more!

Love to read and looking to earn some service hours? Be sure to submit a book review! Your review will be featured on the library’s social media accounts. Each review submitted will earn you one service hour. You can earn up to three service hours each month!
Visit www.mybpl.org/teenbookreviews to get started!

Teen Book’kd Bags
Teens, fill out the online form and receive...

- YA novel selected just for you!
- Snack
- BPL Gift

Circle Park Storytime (Drop-In)
All Ages
Thursdays, June 16, July 14, and August 11 | 10:30 – 11:00 a.m.
Join us for outdoor summer storytimes in Circle Park. Meet us at the picnic shelter! Weather permitting.
Beachtime Party
Families
Tuesday, June 7 | 10:30 – 11:00 a.m.
Splish splash, we’re having a blast! Join us for a fun storytime all about the beach.

Going on a Bear Hunt
Families
Thursday, June 9 | 10:30 – 11:15 a.m.
Do you want to go on a bear hunt? Join us as we create a fun, interactive version of this well-loved story.

Recycled Seed Bombs
Grades 3-6
Friday, June 17 | 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Use recycled materials and assorted seeds to create acts of environmental kindness.

Travel to the Stars
Grades K-2
Tuesday, June 14 | 1:30 – 2:15 p.m.
What does it take to travel to another planet? Discover what it would be like to embark on this adventure off the beaten path through science experiments, virtual reality, and activities.

Bloomingdale Chess Club (Drop-In)
Grades 3 and up
Wednesdays, June 15 – July 27 | 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Play many chess games over the summer. An instructor will be available for questions and guidance. Kids aged 8 to 18 are welcome.

STEM Club: Tech Time
Grade 3-6
Thursdays, June 9 and July 14 | 4:15 – 5:00 p.m.
Libraries are more than books - they are a great place to learn technology too! Come get some hands-on time with tech at STEM Club! In June, we will be working with LittleBits and in July, we will use the 3D printer software.

STEAM Challenge
Grades 3-6 with Adult partner
Monday, June 13 | 4:15 – 5:15 p.m.
Engineers solve problems using math and science. Work together with your adult partner to engineer a solution to the challenging problem using the materials you will find in your mystery bag. This month’s project will be outdoors and messy!

Middle Grade Makers (Drop-In)
Grades 4-8
Thursdays, June 16, 30 and July 7, 21 | 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Explore our new Makerspace as we create all sorts of fun and useful items like keychains, coasters, custom buttons, and jewelry. Crafts will take anywhere from 15 minutes to an hour. Drop by each week and see what’s new!

Owl Diaries Book Party
Grades K-2
Monday, June 20 | 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Fans of this fun series can come together to enjoy some trivia, share their favorite parts of the books, make a diary, and learn how to draw Eva the owl.

Worst Case Scenario Party
Grades 3-6
Tuesday, June 21 | 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Can you survive in the worst case scenario? This program will test your abilities while also teaching you some new skills.

Play Our Coding Games!
Grades 1-3
Wednesday, June 22 | 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Use our robots to learn and practice coding, including coding the Cubetto through Ancient Egypt!

Baby, Let’s Make Music
0-24 months
Thursday, June 23 and July 21
10:00 – 10:30 a.m. OR 10:45 – 11:00 a.m.
Join us for a parade of fun! We will explore the world of music and movement using an array of instruments, flannel stories, rhymes, and songs.

Petting Zoo (Drop-In)
Families
Friday, June 24 | 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Stop by the front of the library to see, feel, and feed some farm animals. This event will happen rain or shine.

Kite Day (Drop-In)
Families
Saturday, June 25 | 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Stop at the Youth Services Desk to color your very own kite. While supplies last.

Brain Power!
Grades 3-6
Tuesday, June 28 | 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Ever wondered about how our brains work? Want to learn super cool fun facts about our body’s computer system? Join us for a fun STEM program all about our brains!

Crazy for Cryptids Party
Grades K-2
Thursday, July 7 | 10:30 – 11:15 a.m.
Unicorns, yeti, and dragons, oh, my! And let’s not forget the mermaids! Calling all mythical creature lovers. Join us for a program filled with stories, crafts, and more to celebrate our favorite creatures who may be off the beaten path.

For our Summer Storytimes, please see pages 8-9.
Take It, Make It Kits

Registration for Take It, Make It Kits follows the same schedule as in-person programming noted above. Please register for each kit individually for each child.

Under the Sea
Grades K-2
Kit Pickup: June 13 – 17
Lots of animals live under the sea. Let’s pretend we are going to visit them with crafts and activities.

And Then Comes Summer
Ages 3-5
Kit Pickup: June 20 – 24
Celebrate summer with crafts based on the book And Then Comes Summer by Tom Brenner.

Fourth of July Kits
Families
Kit Pickup: June 27 – July 1
Red, white, and YOU! Have fun with this interactive kit to have the best Fourth of July party!

Outdoor Explorers
Ages 3-6
Kit Pickup: July 11 – 15
Grab a grown-up and head outdoors. Find activities in your Explorer’s Guide and Journal to help you explore different places in your neighborhood.

Picnics
Families
Kit Pickup: July 18 – 22
Get all the tools needed to have a fun picnic with your loved ones!

S’more Fun!
Grades K-2
Kit Pickup: July 25 – 29
This kit will include fun facts, crafts, and other activities, including everything you need to make your own version of our favorite campfire snack.

Build a Floating Boat
Grades 1-3
Monday, July 11 | 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Sail away off the beaten path! We’ll supply the Legos and recycled materials, and you build the boats that actually float and sail!

Brent Allen Magic Show
Families
Tuesday, July 12 | 2:00 – 2:45 p.m.
Come see the magic for yourself in this awe-inspiring magic show. This event will be in the Dominic Froio Memorial Garden, weather permitting.

VR at the Library
Grades 2-5
Tuesday, July 19 | 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Come learn about our new virtual reality kits! We will also have resources on how to make your own VR headset and access online VR videos.

An Evening of Stories, Tales, and Yarns
Families
Monday, July 18 | 6:00 – 6:45 p.m.
Join us for an evening of traditional storytelling. The program will begin with shorter, simpler stories appropriate for young children and will move to longer, more complicated stories for older listeners.

Gear Up for Kindergarten!
Ages 4-6
Wednesdays, July 27, August 3, and August 10 | 3:00 – 3:45 p.m.
Practice “circle time,” letters, numbers, and colors to get ready for kindergarten this fall. *Please register for each session individually.

Campfire Process Art (Drop-In)
Ages 3-5
Saturday, July 30 | 10:30 – 11:00 a.m.
Our littlest patrons can join us to create two campfire art projects.

Crochet Along with Miss Carol
Grades 3-8
YouTube Video Post on 15th of each month
Learn to crochet along with Miss Carol.
Check the Library’s YouTube page for video tutorials for each project. A supply list and written instructions can be picked up at the library.
New projects will be posted each month.
June – Community Service Project: Fidget Mats or Cuffs (the first 10 patrons can register to pick up materials starting June 15)
July – Granny Square Throw Pillow
Check Out a Museum through BPL!

Explore More Illinois is a cultural pass program that provides discounts at museums, visual and performing arts centers, park districts, and more around the state.

Currently available:
- Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library & Museum (Springfield)
- Anderson Japanese Gardens (Rockford)
- Annoyance Theater (Chicago)
- Butterworth Center & Deere-Wiman House (Moline)
- Chicago Children’s Museum (Chicago)
- Chicago Maritime Museum (Chicago)
- City Lit Theater (Chicago)
- Civil War Museum (Kenosha, WI)
- Dinosaur Discovery Museum (Kenosha, WI)
- Discovery Center Museum (Rockford)
- Edwards Place (Springfield)
- Ernest Hemingway Foundation of Oak Park (Oak Park)
- Gateway Grizzlies (Sauget)
- Harris Theater (Chicago)
- Hegeler Carus Mansion (LaSalle)
- Kankakee County Museum (Kankakee)
- Kenosha Public Museum (Kenosha, WI)
- Kidzeum of Health and Science (Springfield)
- Lincoln Heritage Museum (Lincoln)
- Mary and Leigh Block Museum of Art (Evanston)
- Metropolis Performing Arts Center (Arlington Heights)
- Museum of the Grand Prairie (Mahomet)
- Normal CornBelters (Normal)
- Peoria Riverfront Museum (Peoria)
- Raupp Museum (Buffalo Grove)
- Springfield Art Association (Springfield)
- Volcano Falls (Loves Park)

...and more!

Visit www.mybpl.org/museumpass to browse attractions and plan your visit from any computer, tablet, or smartphone.