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Summer Challenge IS ON! LEARN HOW TO SIGN UP FOR SUMMER CHALLENGE ON PAGES 6-7!
Newport Aquarium
Animals Make a Splash

This year's Summer Challenge theme is "Oceans of Possibilities," and the Dayton Metro Library has fun and exciting experiences planned for families.

WAVE Foundation at Newport Aquarium (Newport, KY) will bring a variety of their WAVE on Wheels: Aquarium to YOU! All programs to several Branch Libraries. Patrons of all ages will be able to get up close and personal with key aquarium animals, right in the Library!

Meet a Penguin! Meet the aquarium's penguin ambassadors, the African Penguin, and learn about their predators, and WAVE

Meet a Sting Ray! Get up close and personal with sting rays while learning about the differences and similarities they have with sharks.

Meet a Shark! The WAVE Foundation wants to change the misrepresentation and misunderstanding of sharks, so they are bringing their Coral Cat Sharks to inform and engage.

Tidal Pool! Tide pools usually form along rocky coastlines, where sea urchins, horseshoe crabs, crabs, and hermit crabs live and thrive in the tide. Learn about the environment of tidal pools, the incredible way such animals survive, and meet a heroic tide pool champion.

Goldfish Swim School/Water Safety
Instructors from Goldfish Swim School will present a free water safety presentation. New Lebanon: 11:30 AM-12 PM
Miami Township: 1:30-2:30 PM
Miamisburg: 11:12 AM-12 PM
Northmont: 2-3 PM
Vandalia: 2-3 PM

Ocean Dances With Miss Beth (held outdoors, weather permitting) For Ages 3-12. Miss Beth will bring a variety of their ocean-themed books. West Carrollton: 11 AM-12 PM
Wilmingston-Stroop: 2-3 PM
New Lebanon: 11 AM-12 PM
Northmont: 10:30-11:30 AM
Northwest: 2-3 PM
Southwest: 11 AM-12 PM
Miami Township: 10:30-11:30 AM

Goldfish Swim School/Water Safety
Instructors from Goldfish Swim School will present a free water safety presentation.

The Importance of Water with Mike Mullen from Montgomery County Soil & Water Conservation District will present a fun, educational program about water and how to help protect it.

Ocean of Possibilities: Stories with Lindsay Bonilla
The author and storyteller will share her latest picture book, "Blue, the Big Brown Bat". She will discuss the book, engage the audience, and provide autographs!

Ocean of Possibilities: Drawing Class
With Miss Beth (held outdoors, weather permitting) For Ages 3-12. Miss Beth will provide a "sea full of stories" and fun with draw-along cartoon characters!

Pop Up Program: Water Rescue with West Carrollton Fire Department For All Ages
The West Carrollton Fire Dept. will show off their newly purchased water rescue equipment and will also discuss basic water safety.

If Fish Wore Shoes: Drawing Class For Kids Grades 1-4
Drawing instructor Jeff Nicholas will provide a "sea full of stories" and fun with draw-along cartoon characters!

Cincinnati Children's Museum Presents: Coral: A Colorful Community for All Ages
Museum staff will host an hour-long program on coral followed by two hours of exploration stations set up for patrons of all ages to enjoy.

River of Possibilities: Stories with Lindsay Bonilla
The author and storyteller will share her latest picture book, "Blue, the Big Brown Bat". She will discuss the book, engage the audience, and provide autographs!

For More Information, please register, details of program dates and times. Some programs will take place outside, weather permitting. For more information, please register, details of program dates and times. Some programs will take place outside, weather permitting. For more information, please visit DaytonMetroLibrary.org/Programs and search for the program title, or call the Library’s Ask Me Line at 937.463.2665.

Library Hours:
Open Mon, Tue, Thur
5:30-8:30 PM
Wed, Fri, Sat
9:30-6 PM
Closed Sundays

For a complete list of activities, visit our online events calendar at DaytonMetroLibrary.org.
Dayton Metro Library has installed a Percussion Play Area at the New West Branch Library, opening for patron use on Wednesday, May 4. This playful learning site will serve as a frequent outdoor destination for families and children going to and from the Library. There are six instruments in a central location near the Children’s Outdoor Patio, along with bench seating for parents and families to relax while children explore. DML is also working with Learn to Earn Dayton to install instructional signage to encourage collaborations, creativity, and STEAM learning.

The Dayton Metro Library wishes to acknowledge the following partners who supported the installation of this Percussion Play equipment:

- PNC
- SugarCreek
- Berry Family Foundation
- Premier Health
- Wright-Patt Credit Union
- Heapy Engineering
- Collective Spaces
- Western National Bank
- Local non-profit and grassroots organizations, featuring display cases and art railings

The Dayton Metro Library would also like to thank the anonymous donors and hundreds of event guests at A Novel Night who supported the celebration of the new Branch with the goal of raising the funds to support the Percussion Play area.

Patrons and community members young and old will enjoy this play equipment for years to come!

Emperor Chimes
Strike the chimes with your fingertips or the palm of your hands and feel them vibrate through your whole body as they resonate and produce soft, velvety tones.

Babel Drum
Create beautiful and mesmerizing melodies by playing the drum with your hands.

Cajon Drum
The drum provides an easy and enjoyable playing experience with an in-built snare at the top, creating a low bass sound around the middle.

Calypso Chimes
Produce a clear, lively tone with the beautifully finished rainbow-colored chimes.

Cavatina
Express yourself through the vibrantly colored xylophone, where the notes on the instrument are arranged from low to high, going from left to right.

Papilio
This elegant tubular bell-type metalophone provides pleasant sounds for multiple players.

Visit the NEW Burkhardt BRANCH
The Dayton Metro Library’s NEWEST library – the Burkhardt Branch – opened to the public on Monday, April 25. Amenities in the Burkhardt Branch include:

- Flexible Community Room
- Quiet Reading Room
- AWE computer stations
- Group Study Rooms
- Conference Room
- One Community Room
- TeenEDGE
- Four original art installations by area artists as part of the ReImagining Works project
- Enclosed outdoor reading terrace
- AWE computer stations for early literacy development
- Numerous public computers, tablets, and industrial grade WiFi
- A Laptop Lending machine
- “Soaring Beyond” themed Children’s area
- TeenEDGE with dedicated gaming system
- Four original art installations by area artists as part of the ReImagining Works project
- Enclosed outdoor reading terrace for families and community groups

Dayton Metro Library is planning a Community Open House this summer to celebrate the opening of the new Branch. Stay tuned for more details to come!

Visit the Westside Makerspace, located in the Eichelberger Opportunity Space, to access tools, equipment, and supplies, as well as participate in workshops and classes that encourage making things and entrepreneurship.

- Drone
- CNC Router
- 3D Printer
- Laser Cutter
- Vinyl Cutter
- Sublimation Printer
- Heat Press
- Mug Press
- Soldering Iron
- Sewing Machine
- Candle Making Kits
- Block Printing Kit
- Canon EOS Rebel T6i
- Digital SLR Camera
- *additional hand tools and accessories necessary to operation equipment

Looking for classes, demonstrations, or open hours?
Refer to the Westside Makerspace events page, WestsideMakerSpace.eventbrite.com, for details and to RSVP. Private events are also available by appointment.

FOR A COMPLETE LIST OF ACTIVITIES, VISIT OUR ONLINE EVENTS CALENDAR AT DAYTONMETROLIBRARY.ORG.
**Summer Challenge**

**JUNE 1-JULY 31**

**Read, learn, and help** is part of your daily life. Now you can keep track of the time you spend doing them, and they’ll all add up to books and other prizes in the Dayton Metro Library’s Summer Challenge!

**WHAT ACTIVITIES CAN BE COUNTED?**
- *books*
- *ebooks*
- *audiobooks*
- *magazines*
- *comics*
- *manga*
- *library activities*
- *camp experiences*
- *online learning*
- *educational TV*
- *school programs*
- *volunteer work*
- *helping your family*
- *picking up trash*
- *helping a neighbor*
- *youth group activities*

**WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?**
- Prize categories for:
  - Birth - Kindergarten
  - Grades 1-6
  - Grades 7-12

**HOW TO PARTICIPATE**

**FIRST** sign up.

**THEN** keep track of your progress.

**START** earning prizes!

**WHAT ABOUT THE Prizes?**

Earn books and other prizes at 600 points, 1200 points, 1800 points, and 2400 points. Choose the prize you prefer from the options available at each level.

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May is AAPI Heritage Month, and DML is offering programs that will educate, entertain, and engage. Within the Asian American and Pacific Islander community, there are approximately 50 ethnic groups who speak over 100 languages that comprise the world’s AAPI population. In the United States, AAPI makes up the fastest growing population. Currently, roughly 24 million people identify as AAPI. Asian Americans include people with family ancestors who are from East Asia, Southeast Asia, South Asia, and the Pacific Islands.

In 1978, President Carter began a week-long celebration during the first week of May. Observe America expanded to the entire month in 1990, and in 1992, a law passed designating the month of May as AAPI Heritage Month. May is symbolic for two reasons: it commemorates the immigration of the first Japanese to arrive in the United States in 1843, and it marks the anniversary of the completion of the transcontinental railroad in 1869. The majority of the workers who laid tracks were Chinese immigrants – 15,000-20,000 in fact.

To understand the effects of social justice in society, it’s important to understand the groups of people it affects and how they use creative outlets, such as writing, to bridge culture gaps. This ongoing series will bring some of the world’s most promising authors, creatives, and practitioners to the Greater Dayton area, and it is an opportunity to inspire children and youth from diverse backgrounds.

Social Justice Speaker Series

The Dayton Metro Library is offering a free ongoing Social Justice Speaker Series beginning in May, incorporating two special programs related to AAPI Heritage Month. In June, a third Speaker Series program will be offered that reflects PRIDE Month. July will feature a panel of first-time area writers whose goals are to inspire children and youth from diverse backgrounds.

Panelists include:

Kiera Berry, a first-time children’s book author from Hamilton, wrote Which Cape Will Wear Today?

Henry (Hank) Benton III is a Dayton native and has written two children’s picture books: Yes Dad and D is for HBCU.

Kwanisha Moore, a Springfield native, is the author of Baby Girl, Encourage Yourself.

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May is Older Americans Month, and Suzanne Kirchner, an Older Adult Services Librarian with Dayton Metro Library, is crafting programs that resonate with people ages 55+. “For those nearing retirement or finding themselves with changing responsibilities, this is a special opportunity to look around, evaluate where you are, and decide on your path forward,” said Kirchner.

### Celebrating Older Americans Month

If you consider yourself an older adult (which is generally considered somewhere between ages 50 and 65+) and are looking for things to do, the Dayton Metro Library is here for you!

### Library Events

- **Changing the Narrative and Disrupting Ageism**
  - **Thursday, May 5**, 11-1:30 PM
  - Main Library, Bassani Theater
  - Presented by The Dayton Foundation, this event will discuss the narrative around aging and share strategies to help build a more inclusive and supportive future.

- **Lifelong Learning @ Five Rivers MetroParks**
  - **Thursday, May 12**, Noon-1:30 PM
  - MetroParks
  - Join us for a discussion on the importance of lifelong learning, and how to make the most of opportunities available in your community.

- **Main Library, 2nd Floor Community Room 2A**
  - For those who want to register their passion to help others while sharing their skills—listen to volunteers describe their experiences and visit with organizations offering volunteer opportunities.

### Author Visits

- **Diane Chiddister**
  - **Monday, May 9**, 10:30-11:30 AM
  - Wilmington-Stroop Main Library
  - Diane Chiddister will read excerpts from her recently published novel, *The Marigold*.

- **Leap & the Net Will Appear**
  - **A Workshop with Katrina Kittle**
  - **Friday, May 20**, Noon-1:30 PM
  - Wilmington-Stroop Main Library
  - Learn how to write a compelling novel and how to connect with readers through social media.

### Finances after Fifty: A Special Series only at the West Branch

- **Budgeting**
  - **Thursday, May 5**, 6:30 PM
  - Northmont
  - Learn about the different budgeting strategies available and how to create a budget that works for you.

- **Retirement**
  - **Thursday, May 12**, 6:30 PM
  - Northmont
  - Prepare for retirement readiness by creating a savings plan and learning about different investment vehicles.

- **Investing at Work**
  - **Thursday, May 19**, 6:30 PM
  - Northmont
  - Learn how to invest in employer-sponsored accounts, as well as the advantages and disadvantages of various investment options.

- **Identity Theft**
  - **Saturday, May 7**, 10:30-11:30 AM
  - Main Library, 2nd Floor Community Room 2A
  - Learn about the methods used by identity thieves to steal personal information and how to protect yourself from becoming a victim.

### PRIDE-themed Movies

- **DML Bookmobile at PRIDE Festival**
  - **Saturday, May 6**, 12-2 PM
  - Courthouse Square
  - The Bookmobile will offer activities and handouts, along with books for all ages, and other giveaways.

### Pride STEAM Supreme

- **Tuesday, May 31**, 6-6:30 PM
  - Wright State University, Computer Science Building
  - Explore science and art with a fun and educational STEAM project.

### Ohio Author Speaker Panel

- **Saturday, June 3**, 10-11 AM
  - Main Library
  - Authors E.F. Schraeder, Kristen Lepionka, and Meredith Doench will discuss their writing process as LGBTQ+ mystery and horror genre writers, as well as take questions from the audience.

- **LGBTQIA+ Book Club**
  - **Monday, June 5**, 7-8 PM
  - Main Library
  - Discuss your favorite LGBTQIA+ reads with fellow community members.

### Pride & Ally Party

- **Thursday, June 8**, 6-7:30 PM
  - Trotwood
  - Celebrate your PRIDE with snacks, games, music, and more. LGBTQIA+ and Allies are welcome.

### Dayton Black Pride Festival

- **Saturday, June 10**, 6-8 PM
  - Montgomery
  - Join the Dayton Metro Library for a fun and educational event featuring local LGBTQIA+ artists and performers.

### LGBTQIA+ Elders Day

- **Monday, June 13**, 10-11 AM
  - Main Library
  - Celebrate the Elderly and LGBTQIA+ Elders with a special event featuring local stories and performances.

### Additional Resources

- **Rainbow Elder Care**: rainbowelder.org
- **SAGE**: sagesa.org
- **Diverse Elders Coalition**: diverselders.org
- **Equitas Health**: equitashealth.com
- **Dayton Metro Library**: daytonmetrolibrary.org

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You can **RESERVE NEW BOOKS** for yourself – even if they aren’t on Library shelves yet. New titles are added to the catalog as soon as they are **ON ORDER**. At that point, you can place a **RESERVE**, which means a copy will be held for you as soon as it’s available. You’ll need your Library card number and **PIN** to place a **RESERVE**, and you can specify which Library location you prefer for pickup.

When your book is ready for you, you’ll receive an email, text, or phone message letting you know.

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**NEW TEEN BOOKS**

**NEW ADULT FICTION BOOKS**

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