

# CONNECTIONS

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at Fort Thomas's  
Signature Series!

We interviewed the beloved author about her work, process and more ahead of her April appearance at the Carrico/Fort Thomas Branch.

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## Board of Trustees Meeting

The Campbell County Public Library's Board of Trustees meets at 5:30 pm on the third Wednesday each month. All board meetings are open to the public. Next meeting dates and locations are:

- April 16 at Newport
- May 21 at Carrico/Fort Thomas
- June 18 at Alexandria
- July 16 at CS

## We Suggest

### STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS: Favorite Movies/Books with Environmental Themes



#### **Dry** by Neal Shusterman

This book follows a group of California teens as they must survive during an extreme drought when the water supply has been cut off. Shusterman does a great job (in all of his works!) of making the reader feel like they are experiencing the horrors of the plot right along with the characters. This is a read which will stay with you forever, and will definitely make you think differently about how we use water in our daily lives!

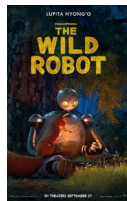
— **Danielle Heiert, adult/teen services programmer**



#### **Princess Mononoke**

I really love Studio Ghibli movies; they have such a nostalgic feel to them! The main character Ashitaka is a prince who is cursed. In order to find a cure, he travels to a mining town called Iron Town. There, he meets Princess Mononoke, who was raised by wolves. He then gets wrapped up in a battle against industrialization and nature, which nature is represented by the forest spirits.

— **Michaela Fife, library page**



#### **The Wild Robot**

I recently watched the movie and loved it! I haven't read the book it is based on yet, but we will read it for our Homeschool Book to Movie Club in August. One of the main themes of this story is the relationship between technology and nature. The movie also subtly addresses the potential effects of climate change by showing unique ways large cities had to become sustainable.

— **Molly Walker, children's services librarian**



#### **March of the Penguins**

Who wouldn't enjoy hearing Morgan Freeman narrate a story of determination and survival taking place in the harshest part of the world? My mom and grandma took my brother and I to see it when it was first released in theaters, and I re-watch it on DVD in the dead of winter every year. Each time, I'm enthralled by the gorgeous cinematic shots, entertained by all the cute penguins and enchanted by the soundtrack.

— **Stephanie Daugherty, technical services specialist**

## Start Your Garden at the Seed Library!

Happy planting season! Have you seen our new seed libraries? Seed libraries are located at each branch. Stop by during open hours to pick out seeds to start or supplement your garden. The effort is made possible through a partnership with the Campbell County Conservation District. There are 10 varieties of seeds offered.

Visit [cc-pl.org/seed-library](http://cc-pl.org/seed-library) for updated information.





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## Don't Miss Bestselling Author Mary Kay Andrews at Fort Thomas's Signature Series!, *continued from the cover*

Mary Kay Andrews is the *New York Times* bestselling author of over 30 novels. Having started her career as a reporter, she released her first book, *Every Crooked Nanny*, in 1992 under her real name: Kathy Hogan Torcheck. She has written under Mary Kay since 2002, a pen name coined from combining her children's names—her daughter Mary Kathleen and son, Andrew.

You can hear from Mary Kay on Friday, April 11 at 7 pm at the Fort Thomas Branch. She will discuss her writing, including her latest novel: *Summers at the Saint*. Register for free at [cc-pl.org/signature-series](http://cc-pl.org/signature-series). Can't make it to the evening presentation? You can also register to attend a more casual afternoon presentation at 3 pm.

Ahead of the talk, the library interviewed Torcheck via email. Reflecting on the start of her career, she cited two series under her real name: the *Callahan Garrity* and *Truman Kicklighter* series.

"They were marketed as cozy mysteries, so that was the majority of my audience,"

said Torcheck. "I made the deliberate decision to switch to a pen name to escape being categorized as strictly mystery and to broaden my readership. The first MKA novel, *Savannah Blues*, was marketed as mainstream women's fiction."

When sitting down to write a novel, Torcheck said she first comes up with a premise, a protagonist and then what her dilemma and character arc will be. Often, her stories start with a title idea, like *Hissy Fit*, her first *New York Times* bestseller.

"I write a synopsis, and then I start plotting," Torcheck said. "I'm mostly a seat-of-the-pants writer. I write in a linear way, sending chunks to my agent and editor as I go. When it's done, it's time for revisions and rewrites."

If you've ever searched for a perfect beach read, there's a good chance you've run across Mary Kay's books; a Florida native, she divides her time between Atlanta and Tybee Island, Georgia. Many of her books have a beachy, summery backdrop ideal for taking in salty sea breeze and sunshine.

*Summers at the Saint* is set off the coast of Georgia, "where traditions run deep and scandals run even deeper." Torcheck bills it as

a part-thriller, part-romcom backdropped by an iconic Southern resort hotel.

"With its sunbaked weirdness, snowbirds and retirees," as Torcheck puts it, Florida also often finds its way into the settings of her novels.

When asked about themes she wanted to explore in *Summers at the Saint*, Torcheck said: "I wanted to talk about class division, haves vs. have nots, women's friendships and a continuing theme in my books—women reinventing themselves."

Roebing Point Books will be onsite selling copies of the author's books. Stick around to get an autograph from Mary Kay! You can also check out Mary Kay's books from our collection.

"My job, by definition is to sit alone in a room and make up stories. I'm an extreme extrovert, so that's hard. It's the lima beans," Torcheck said. "Meeting readers, hearing how they relate to my stories, that's the dessert—chocolate fudge cake with a scoop of rocky road ice cream."

To register, visit [cc-pl.org/signature-series](http://cc-pl.org/signature-series).

# El Día de los Libros

El Día, or Day of the Book, returns to the Cold Spring Branch from 10 am to 2 pm on Saturday, April 26 for an enriching afternoon of interactive performances, storytelling, crafts and more. View the lineup!

**10 am-2 pm:** The Book Bus will be stocked with bilingual books! Stop by at any point in the afternoon to pick out a book to keep.

**10-11 am:** The Cultural Center of India will present "Spice Tales: Easy Recipes from India."

**Noon-12:30 pm:** Enjoy a Spanish bilingual story time complete with Mexican candy and sweets.

**1-1:45 pm:** The Bi-Okoto West African Movement and Music Workshop returns for an interactive show.

Crafts and games will also be set up in the branch's public area for the duration of the event. The cooking demonstration, story time and performances will be held in the meeting room at their listed times. For more info, visit [cc-pl.org/el-dia-25](http://cc-pl.org/el-dia-25).



# Play, Explore, Build

Take in some fresh air at Chief Sayers Park while building whatever you can imagine with the library's provided materials. Held from 10 am to noon on Saturday, April 12, Play, Explore, Build is the perfect way for kids to get outside and flex their creativity.

The Book Bus will also be parked at Chief Sayers Park, which is located along Ash Street in Silver Grove, KY. Make sure to climb aboard the bus and pick out a free read to keep. Caregivers: this goes for you, too! The Book Bus also carries a selection of titles for adults and teens.

Building materials will include Big Blue Blocks, Makedo Cardboard Construction tools, Keva planks, jumbo dinosaur bones and more. We can't wait to see what you dream up!

No registration is required.



# Join the Tween Book Club!

The Newport Branch's Tween Book Club is all about community, friendship and discovering new reads. According to Jessi Holloway, the branch's children's services programmer, members are from all across the county.

"They would have never had the chance to meet in traditional ways, such as through school or sports," said Holloway. "What starts as discussion about books turns into discussions about life and interests and more. They've made and gifted things to each other without any nudging on my end. When they're given a space to feel like themselves and share with others, amazing things come out of it!"

Aimed at ages 8-14, the club meets at 4 pm on the second Friday of the month. Instead of selected titles, the club operates on themes. Members can choose their own book and then come discuss it with others! For

example, April 11's theme is "secret places." On May 9, the theme is "emotional," and on June 13 the theme is "travel."

Come to the book club and you can even pick out a book to take home! It's yours to keep. If you're not sure what title to choose for any given theme, Jessi is happy to help, but she's not the only one. Ask any library staff for recommendations. We're also happy to help! To view other book clubs, visit [cc-pl.org/book-clubs](http://cc-pl.org/book-clubs).

Registration is required.



# ALEXANDRIA

## APRIL PROGRAMS



**ZEN DOODLES\***  
5-6:30 PM TUESDAY, APRIL 8

**Programs with an asterisk (\*)  
require registration.**

### BOOK DISCUSSIONS

#### **Manga to Anime Club\***

4-5:30 pm Wednesday, April 9

*Fairy Tale, Vol. 1* by Ryoko Kui.

#### **Cam's Kids Book Club\***

4:30 pm Tuesday, April 15

*Disgusting Critters* by Elise Gravel.

#### **Books and Brunch Book Club**

11:30 am Saturday, April 19

*Black Cake* by Charmaine Wilkerson.

### ADULTS

#### **Cozy Crafting: DIY Birdhouses\***

5-6:30 pm Tuesday, April 1

Build and paint a birdhouse for spring.

#### **Zen Doodles\***

5-6:30 pm Tuesday, April 8

Join us for a relaxing and creative session of Zentangle® art at the Alexandria Branch! Zentangle® is a meditative drawing technique that uses structured patterns, or "tangles," to create beautiful, intricate designs.



#### **After Hours Adult Game Night**

7-9 pm Friday, April 25

Enjoy a fun-filled evening of board games, card games and snacks.

#### **Build a Terrarium\***

5-6:30 pm Tuesday, April 29

Bring nature indoors by crafting your very own terrarium at the Alexandria Branch! In this hands-on workshop, you'll learn how to design and build a stunning miniature garden in a glass container, using a variety of plants, stones, and decorative elements.

### TEENS & TWEENS

**Ages 11-19.**

#### **Teen Thursday: DIY Fluffy Slime**

5-6:30 pm Thursday, April 3

Learn to make fluffy slime at the library!

#### **Teen Thursday: Retro Game Night**

5-6:30 pm Thursday, April 17

Play retro Wii games at the library! Light snacks and drinks provided.

#### **Teen Thursday: Movie Night**

5-6:30 pm Thursday, April 24

Head to the library for a movie night where you get to vote on what to watch! Light snacks and drinks provided.

### FAMILIES

**Kids of all ages and their families.**

#### **Spring Canvas Painting\***

4:30 pm Saturday, April 26

Come and paint some spring canvases with your family.

### CHILDREN

**Grades K-5.**

#### **Paint and Plant\***

4:30 pm Wednesday, April 16

Customize pots and plant flowers just in time for spring.

### YOUNG ONES

#### **Preschool Story Time**

11:15 am Tuesdays

Help your child develop their pre-literacy, fine motor and gross motor skills with fun activities, crafts and books. Ages 3-5.

#### **Baby Story Time**

11:15 am Fridays

We will sing, rhyme and read board books geared toward babies. Story time will be followed by free play complete with sensory toys. This program provides a great opportunity for socializing your little ones as well as making connections with other parents. Ages newborn-2.



# COLD SPRING

## APRIL PROGRAMS



**TREES AND WHAT THEY DO FOR US WITH  
BOONE COUNTY ARBORETUM\***  
6 PM MONDAY, APRIL 21

**Programs with an asterisk (\*)  
require registration.**

### BOOK DISCUSSIONS

#### Cup of Crime

7 pm Wednesday, April 9

*Happiness Falls* by Angie Kim.

#### Tuesday Book Club

10 am Tuesday, April 15

*Weyward* by Emilia Hart.

#### Homeschool Book to Movie Club\*

11:30 am Thursday, April 17

*The Wind in the Willows* by Kenneth Grahame.

Register for a free copy of the book to keep.

Ages 8-14.

### ADULTS

#### Stargazers Club: Cincinnati Observatory Star Party\*

6-8:45 pm Thursday, April 3

Tour the Cincinnati Observatory (3489  
Observatory Place) while taking in a lecture  
about the local night sky. You'll also get a  
chance to peer through their telescopes.

#### Dungeons & Dragons\*

6-10 pm Friday, April 4

New and experienced players alike are  
welcome to join the library to play Dungeons  
& Dragons 5e. There will be pre-generated  
characters to use, but you can also make  
your own.

#### Rough Draft Collab Writer's Club\*

6:30-8:30 pm Tuesday, April 15

Struggling with your work in progress?  
Wanting to connect with other area writers  
for advice? Join us at the Cold Spring  
Writer's Club led by local published author  
CherieDawn Haas.

#### Memory Café\*

2 pm Wednesday, April 16

This free monthly program is for those living  
with memory loss, dementia, Alzheimer's or  
brain injuries, along with their caregivers.

#### City BBQ Food for Thought: The Devil's Queen—the Power & Personality of Catherine de'Medici

6:30-8:30 pm Tuesday, April 22

Dr. William Landon returns to discuss

Catherine de'Medici, a Renaissance  
monarch who ruled from 1519-1589. From  
inauspicious beginnings— orphaned while  
she was less than a month old—Catherine  
eventually became the most formidable  
woman in continental Europe after the death  
of her husband Henry, the King of France.

### TEENS & TWEENS

*Ages 11-19, unless noted.*

#### Minecraft Club\*

5-7 pm Monday, April 14

Return to the world of Minecraft using the  
library's server. Fight monsters, build large  
projects together and hang out with others.  
Ages 8-14.

#### Trees and What They Do for Us with Boone County Arboretum\*

6 pm Monday, April 21

Learn all about trees and why they're good  
for humans and other creatures. Many tree  
parts will be on display to touch and smell.

#### Short Story and Poetry Slam

6-7:30 pm Monday, April 28

Celebrate the end of National Poetry  
Month with an open mic night, where we'll



announce the winners of our month-long writing contest. You're also welcome to bring a favorite poem or short story to share. Ages 13 & up.

## FAMILIES

*Kids of all ages and their families.*

### Homeschool Hangout: 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar'\*

11 am Tuesday, April 8

Join us to read *The Very Hungry Caterpillar* by Eric Carle. Afterward, make a caterpillar snack and create art inspired by the book.

### Easter Egg Hunt

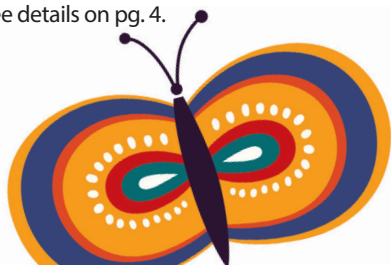
11 am Saturday, April 19

Find as many Easter eggs with hidden surprises as you can. Easter crafts will also be provided.

### El Día de los Libros/ Day of the Book/

10 am-2 pm Saturday, April 26

See details on pg. 4.



## CHILDREN

*Grades K-5.*

### Minecraft Movie Release Party\*

4 pm Thursday, April 3

Celebrate the release of *A Minecraft Movie* with crafts and games.

### Sensory Slime\*

4 pm Thursday, April 10

Come make a picky pad fidget toy using slime and beads!

### Construction Junction\*

4 pm Thursday, April 17

Experiment with various construction toys, including giant building blocks, connector sets, marble runs and more.

### Yarn Wrapped Planters\*

4 pm Thursday, April 24

Decorate your own plant pot with yarn!

## YOUNG ONES

### Tot Time

9:30 & 11:30 am Mondays

Build your child's development skills through

engaging and interactive themed stories, songs, and gross motor play. Ages 1-3.

### Toddler Time

10 & 11 am Wednesdays

Stories, songs, and bouncy rhymes that will exercise your little ones' busy bodies and busy minds. Followed by a craft to match the day's theme. Ages 2-3.

### Baby Time

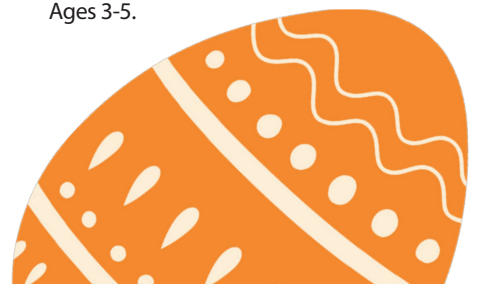
9:30 am Thursdays

Help build your baby's language skills through engaging and interactive songs, rhymes, simple movement games and books. April 3's Baby Time will feature Melodies to Grow On. Ages newborn-2.

### Preschool Time

10:30 am Thursdays

Join us every week to help your child develop their pre-literacy and motor skills with themed stories, gross motor play and crafts. Ages 3-5.





# CARRICO/FORT THOMAS

## APRIL PROGRAMS



**Programs with an asterisk (\*) require registration.**

### BOOK DISCUSSIONS

#### Must Read Romance\*

7 pm Thursday, April 3

Calling all romance readers! In this book club, there are no assigned books. Instead, members can select any book they would like based on a theme. Attendees of the monthly discussion will also get to select a free book to keep! This month's theme: **Contemporary Romance—Billionaires.**

#### Coffee & Conversation

2 pm Wednesday, April 9

*Sidle Creek* by Jolene McIlwain.

### ADULTS

#### Needle Felted Dryer Balls

2 & 6:30 pm Thursday, April 10

Wool dryer balls are a reusable way to replace dryer sheets. We can make them special by needle felting bright colors and designs directly onto them. Please attend only one event time.

#### Signature Series Sneak Peek: Mary Kay Andrews\*

3 pm Friday, April 11

See details on pg. 3.

#### Signature Series: Mary Kay Andrews\*

7 pm Friday, April 11

See details on pg. 3.

#### Talking Tech Troubles: Online Genealogy Resources\*

2 pm Tuesday, April 15

Learn about technology topics in this judgment-free group. This month's topic:

#### Online Genealogy Resources.

#### The History of the Kentucky Derby in 10 Objects\*

6:30 pm Tuesday, April 15

Drawn from the object-based history of the Kentucky Derby from Jessica K. Whitehead, curator of collections for the Kentucky Derby Museum, this presentation explores the origins and development of the famous race through the museum's collection of historic artifacts and archival materials.

#### Self Defense Workshop

6:30 pm Thursday, April 17

Learn the basics of self-defense with guest presenter Blue Lantern Martial Arts.

#### Trivia Night @ The Post

6:30 pm Tuesday, April 29

Enjoy a night of Kahoot! trivia at The Post (1136 S. Fort Thomas Ave.). Each player on the winning team will get to select a free book to keep. Individuals or teams of up to eight players will be challenged over five rounds with five questions to earn points. Bring a smart device such as a smartphone, tablet or laptop to play.

### TEENS & TWEENS

*Ages 11-19, unless noted.*

#### Tween Pokémon Party

4:30 pm Thursday, April 3

Do you love all things Pokémon—from the trading cards to the anime to the video games? Join us at the library to celebrate and have fun with other Pokémon fans! We will play trivia, do a Pokémon-themed craft and more! Tweens and teens should feel welcome to bring their own gaming systems or trading cards. This month's theme: **Poison-type Pokémon!** Ages 8-14.

#### Teen Painted Planters\*

4:30 pm Wednesday, April 9

Decorate your own planter to house your greenery and leave with seeds!

#### Cozy Coasters\*

4:30 pm Thursday, April 17

Learn how to make soft coasters through punch needling! Use yarn to make mini rugs perfect for resting your favorite beverage on!

#### Dungeons & Dragons for Teens\*

4:30-7 pm Friday, April 25

Join us at the library to play Dungeons & Dragons 5e. Pre-generated characters will be available as well as other basic supplies. Small snacks and water will be provided.





**TWEEN CERAMIC FAIRY HOUSES**  
**4:30 PM WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30**

**Tween Ceramic Fairy Houses**

4:30 pm Wednesday, April 30

Let your creativity guide you as you paint these whimsical decorations perfect for either indoor or outdoor settings. Available while supplies last. Ages 8-14.

**FAMILIES**

*Kids of all ages and their families.*

**Art at the Armory: Bugs & Blooms**

4:30-6 pm Tuesday, April 1

Join the library at the Armory in Tower Park for some crafting fun! Personalize a masterpiece for your yard, garden or home. Stop by at any time during the program hours to participate! The Armory is located at 950 S. Fort Thomas Ave., Fort Thomas, KY 41075. Enter the building on the park side.

**Puppy Tales\***

2-4 pm Saturday, April 12

Come read a story or two to a specially trained therapy dog. Sessions will be 15 minutes. Library staff will contact you to schedule a specific time.

**A Visit from K9 Bulleit**

10 am Saturday, April 12

T.J. French and his dog partner, K9 Bulleit, will visit the library from the Fort Thomas Police Department. Officer French will tell us about Bulleit's job and how he helps the department. Bulleit will also get a chance to show us his skills, including searching for an object by scent. Please note that this program will take place outside and is weather-permitting only.

**Ballet and Books! \***

5-6:30 pm Wednesday, April 16

Intertwine the art of dance and the joy of reading with Ballet and Books! This innovative program encourages a love of reading while improving physical coordination and appreciation of dance. Recommended for ages 3-9.

**Monday Night Movie: 'Sonic the Hedgehog 3'**

4-6 pm Monday, April 21

Sonic, Knuckles and Tails reunite to battle Shadow, a mysterious new enemy with powers unlike anything they've faced before. With their abilities outmatched in every way, they seek out an unlikely alliance to stop Shadow and protect the planet. Crafts and light snacks provided during the movie.

**CHILDREN**

*Grades K-5.*

**Clay Flower Bouquets**

4 pm Monday, April 7

Create a stunning Van Gogh-inspired mixed media masterpiece.

**Chess Club**

4-6 pm Monday, April 14

Both budding grandmasters and complete beginners will find a welcoming environment to learn and play. Chess sets and instruction are provided through a partnership with Chess in Schools.

**Homeschool Hive: Be Your Own Boss! Session One**

11 am Friday, April 25

Develop entrepreneurial knowledge and

skills with Junior Achievement's classic JA Company Program. Students learn the ins and outs of starting their own business over four sessions guided by an industry volunteer. Participants will plan, launch, and operate their own small business.

**YOUNG ONES**

**Movers & Shakers**

10 am Mondays

Shake, move and sing in this active, musical story time. Time is allowed at the end of the program for open play and interaction. Ages 2-3.

**Together Time Tales**

10 am Tuesdays

Spend some quality time together while reading, playing and learning. Time is allowed at the end of the program for open play and interaction. Ages 3-5.

**Cozy Time for Babies\***

10 am Wednesdays

Designed for the youngest babies, this story time is filled with songs, rhymes and gentle movement games to encourage your baby's language, motor and social development. Open play and socializing at the end. Ages newborn-2, especially for pre-walkers.

**Baby Wigglers\***

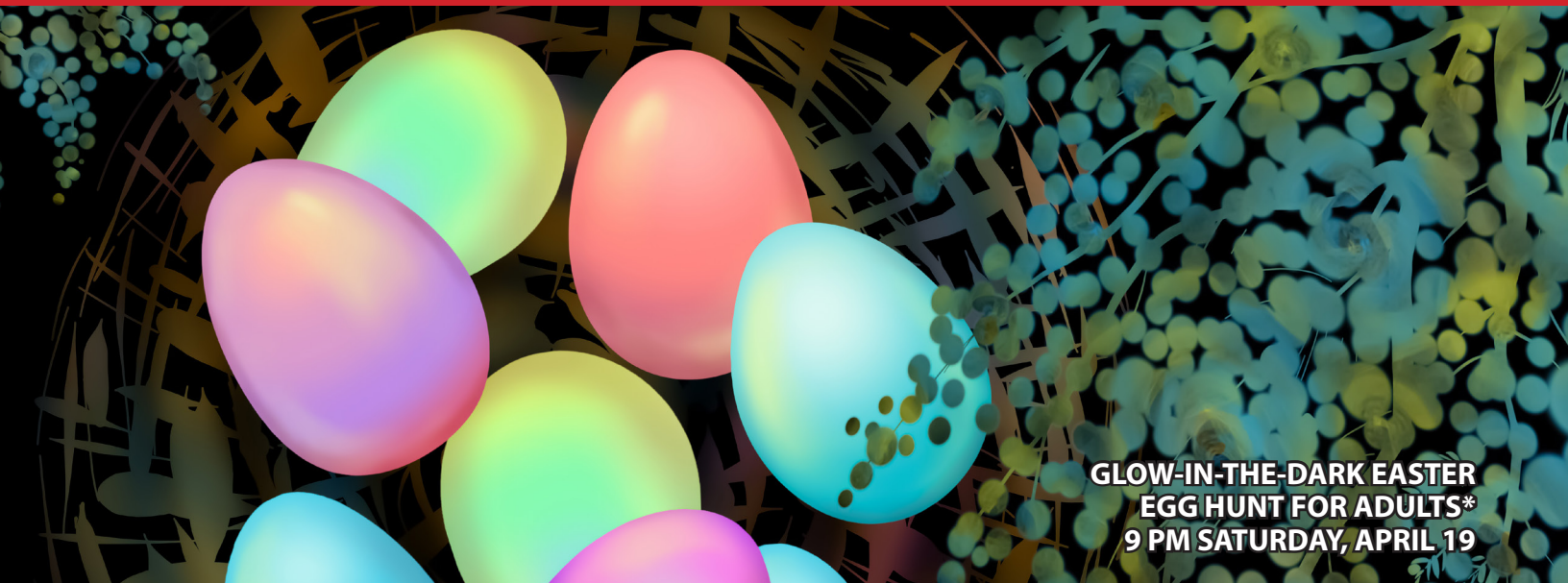
10 am Thursdays

Designed for babies who are walking and are on the move, this story time is filled with fun, engaging songs, rhymes and energetic movement games to encourage your baby's language, motor and social development. Open play and socializing at the end. Ages newborn-2, especially for walkers.



# NEWPORT

## APRIL PROGRAMS



**GLOW-IN-THE-DARK EASTER  
EGG HUNT FOR ADULTS\*  
9 PM SATURDAY, APRIL 19**

*Programs with an asterisk (\*)  
require registration.*

### BOOK DISCUSSIONS

#### Newport Book Club

7 pm Tuesday, April 1

*The Thursday Murder Club* by Richard Osman.

#### Tween Book Club\*

4 pm Friday, April 11

April's theme: **Secret Places**. Ages 8-14.

#### Challenging Reads Book Club

7 pm Tuesday, April 15

*Allegedly* by Tiffany D. Jackson.

### ADULTS

#### Free Tax Preparation from AARP Tax-Aide

10 am-2 pm Tuesday, April 1 & 8

AARP Foundation Tax-Aide offers free tax preparation help to anyone and especially those 50 and older. Tax-Aide's IRS-certified volunteers are available to prepare individual tax returns on Tuesdays through April 8, 10 am to 2 pm, at the Newport Branch Library. Appointments are on a first come, first served basis.

#### Pipe Cleaner Tree\*

6-8 pm Monday, April 7

Make a wacky tree using pipe cleaners.

#### Geode Felt Coasters\*

6-8 pm Monday, April 14

Make cute felt coasters, a great way to use scraps!

#### Glow-in-the-Dark Easter Egg Hunt for Adults\*

9 pm Saturday, April 19

The Newport Branch tradition is back! Come look for brightly lit eggs. This program is for adults only.

#### Volunteer Orientation

5-7 pm Tuesday, April 22

The library is currently seeking passionate and dedicated volunteers. If you're interested, join our volunteer orientation! Please be sure to complete an application at [cc-pl.org/volunteer](http://cc-pl.org/volunteer). For more information, contact Danielle Watkins at 859.750.4115 or email [dwatkins@cc-pl.org](mailto:dwatkins@cc-pl.org).

#### Friends of the Library Book Sale

9 am-noon Thursday, April 24

Head to the lower level of the Newport Branch to the Friends Room to find can't-miss deals on used books, DVDs, CDs, audiobooks and more.

#### Emojis, Gifs and More! \*

Noon Friday, April 25

Learn all about emojis, from how they're used to what a gif is and more. Sponsored by AARP's Senior Planet.

### TEENS & TWEENS

*Ages 11-19.*

#### Impromptu

3-4:45 pm Thursdays

The time is planned, but the fun is not. Come hang out, eat snacks, draw, play games, watch anime or whatever else you want to do (as long as it is within library rules).

#### Anime Club

3-5 pm Tuesdays

Watch anime, eat snacks and hang out.

#### Woven Bowl

3-4:45 pm Wednesday, April 2

These cute woven bowls are great for storing your trinkets around the house.

#### Plastic Canvas Embroidery Bookmarks

3-4:45 pm Wednesday, April 9

Learn to stitch easy plastic canvas yarn bookmarks.





**KID SNACKS! NO-BAKE TRAIL MIX CUPS**  
11 AM-12:30 PM SATURDAY, APRIL 5

### **Paper Floral Vase**

3-5 pm Wednesday, April 23

Create a floral vase using paper just in time for spring.

### **FAMILIES**

*Kids of all ages and their families.*

### **Kid Snacks! No-Bake Trail Mix Cups**

11 am-12:30 pm Saturday, April 5

We're taking the sweet and savory joys of trail mix and learning how to make them into easy-to-travel bites.

### **CHILDREN**

*Grades K-5.*

### **Flower Weaving**

5:30-7 pm Thursday, April 3

Learn basic weaving skills to create flowers using yarn, cardboard and paper plates.

### **Craft this Book: 'Mix it Up'**

6 pm Tuesday, April 8

Let's read *Mix it Up* by Hervé Tullet and then do a craft all about mixing colors.

### **Homeschool: Egg Drop**

1 pm Thursday, April 17

Design containers fit to protect an egg! We will spend the first 45 minutes working on our creations and the last 15 doing an egg drop outside in the grass.

### **Open Play**

10 am-2 pm Friday, April 18

This will be an open space for kids to play and socialize. Stay the whole time or just play for a while; the choice is yours!

### **Cincinnati Museum Center Presents: One World, Many Cultures\***

6 pm Tuesday, April 22

Take a trip around the world, using maps and travel buddies to navigate your way. Explore cultures from Africa, Asia, Australia and South and North America through clothing, crafts, games, celebrations, music and photographs.

### **YOUNG ONES**

#### **Ready for K Through Play**

10 am Mondays

Books, music and play are the focus in this story time that gets your child ready for kindergarten! Each week highlights a different activity to encourage skill development. Ages 3-5.

#### **Movers & Shakers**

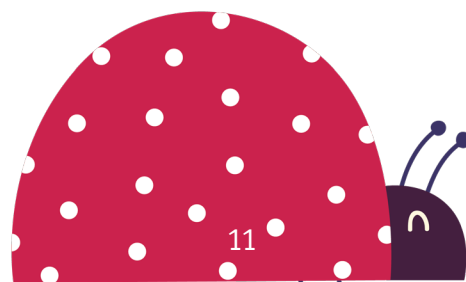
10 am Tuesdays

Movement helps tire your kids out, but did you know promoting physical activity for kids also helps children develop language, attention, and decision-making skills? This story time focuses on the benefits of movement with lots of fun and silly activities, plus books and songs! Ages 2-3.

#### **Baby Bounce and Rhyme**

10 am Wednesdays

Reading with your little one from an early age is a great way to start developing their literacy skills. Bounce around in this story time for literacy activities for babies as well as reading and singing time.





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Monday-Thursday 9 am – 9 pm  
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### Services

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## LOOKING AHEAD

### Early Literacy Play Date

Literacy and play go hand in hand! Head to the Newport Branch from 11 am to 2 pm for an afternoon of open play! Visit stations with toys, activities and games that encourage pre-literacy skills. For adults, community partners will be available to discuss resources and services in the area that can help set children up for success.



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