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### **KIDS' EVENTS**

#### Story Time with Miss Margaret

Tuesdays in June, 10 - 10:30 a.m. Recommended for ages 2 and up.

#### Dogs for our Brave

Wednesdays in June, 10 - 11 a.m. Recommended for ages 5 and up.

#### **Sensory Explorers**

Wednesday, June 12 & 26, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m. Recommended for ages 5 and up.

#### Infant Story Time with Miss Margaret

Thursday, June 13 & 27, 10 - 10:30 a.m. Recommended for infants to age 2.

#### Saturday Story Time

Saturday, June 15, 10 – 10:30 a.m. Recommended for ages 2 and up.

#### Paint with PRIDE

Thursday, June 27, 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. Recommended for ages 12 – 17.

#### Crafts with Kim

Friday, June 28, 10 – 11 a.m. Recommended for ages 3 and up.

#### Mud Day

Saturday, June 29, 10 - 11 a.m. Recommended for ages 1 and up.

## LIBRARY HOURS

 Monday - Thursday
 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.

 Friday & Saturday
 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

 Sunday
 2 p.m. - 5 p.m.

The Library will be closed Wednesday, June 19, for Juneteenth.

## **DIRECTOR'S CORNER**

Summer is here, which means it is time for the Summer Reading Program at the Library! When I was a kid, summer was the best time of the year, not just because school was out, but because it freed up time for me to read what I wanted. My favorite summer pastime was floating in a pool and reading a book. Me, a librarian, mixing books and water? Blasphemous, I know! And yes, there were a few book casualties over the years, so I don't know that I should be recommending this pairing, but it was one of my favorite activities. On many summer days you could, and still can, find me with my nose in a book, lost entirely to the world around me and fully immersed in my books. This year, the Summer Reading them is "Adventure Begins at Your Library" and really, what are

books if not adventures? Each story possesses its own form of transportive magic and can take you on unexpected and fascinating journeys, opening our minds to new ways of thinking and new ways of experiencing the world. At the Library we have plenty of stories and adventures to share, but it does not stop there—all summer long we will have events where you can learn, explore, get messy, and have fun. Plus, you can track your reading and enter to win a lot of fun prizes.

I hope you start your adventures this summer at the Webster Groves Public Library!

Cheers, Madison mmorris@wgpl.org



## **TOP REQUESTS**

- The Women,
   by Kristin Hannah
- 2. *Table for Two*, by Amor Towles
- 3. The Demon of Unrest, by Erik Larson
- Funny Story, by Emily Henry
- Camino Ghosts, by John Grisham
- 6. First Lie Wins, by Ashley Elston
- 7. Mind Games, by Nora Roberts
- 8. Lucky, by Jane Smiley
- An Unfinished Love Story, by Doris Kearns Goodwin
- 10. Long Island,by Colm Tóibín
- 11. James,by Percival Everett
- 12. The Frozen River, by Ariel Lawhon

## **ART GALLERY**

Works by artist Patrice Valle will be displayed in the gallery during the month of June. The reception will be held Friday, June 7, from 6 – 7:30 p.m.



## **BOOK DISCUSSIONS**

Saturday, July 6 at 2 p.m.



Table for Two
by Amor Towles

## **ADULT PROGRAMS**

**Growing a Butterfly Garden** Wednesday, June 5, 7 - 8 p.m.

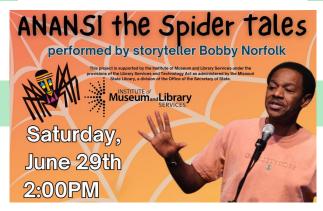
Board Game Nite Thursday, June 6, 6 - 8:30 p.m.

Summer Crafts Saturday, June 8, 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Learn How to Write Songs with

Gary Schoenberger
Monday, June 10, June 17, July 1, & July 8,
7 - 8:30 p.m.







## FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Summer is upon us as, are the hoards of cicadas with their thunderous song. Hope you are easing into the new season. Relax with a good book this summer. The Library has Hot Reads at the main desk if you want a new "talked about" book. Consider joining the adult Summer Reading Program and win a prize for the books you read! Both Hot Reads and Summer Reading prizes are funded by the Friends membership! Thank you, Friends!

The next Friends Board meeting is Tuesday, June 11, at 7:00 p.m. in the Library Meeting Room. All Friends members are welcome to attend!





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