

# PLYMOUTH DISTRICT LIBRARY



## Summer Reading for Everyone Begins June 1

June marks the start of Summer Reading at the library! Get involved by registering at the youth or main floor desk starting June 1 to receive your all-ages game board. This summer-long event runs for 12 weeks, concluding at the end of August.

Each week, kids, teens, and adults can earn rewards by showing their reading and library activity progress on the Summer Reading game board and receive entries for our monthly raffles.

All of this fun starts with a kick-off event on June 1 from 11:30am-2pm that includes the grand opening of the Wilcox Amphitheater right outside of PDL.

Join us for music, free lunch and more activities for you to enjoy while also signing up for summer reading. Prizes will be on display on the main and youth levels. See page seven for a list of suggested books to read for all ages. We can't wait to see you throughout the summer and hear about the books you are enjoying! ■



Summer Reading Program 2024

## Grand Opening of Wilcox Amphitheater

In the midst of the COVID years, when the great outdoors became a sanctuary for many, Plymouth District Library recognized the importance of outdoor space for its patrons and community members. This vision resonated with many, including the Wilcox Foundation, which was seeking ways to support the community through the library. Jack Wilcox, the driving force behind the Wilcox Foundation, had a special place in his life for the library. According to Wilcox Foundation President, Scott Dodge, Jack would walk across the street every morning to read the newspaper. He knew what an important resource PDL represented, and that same love for the library was embraced by the Foundation. *Continued on page 3*

## Games, Gaming and the Communities they Build

Do you have a favorite game? Whether it's video, online, role-playing games like Dungeons & Dragons, or board games, each offers unique fun experiences. Games have evolved beyond entertainment; they are tools for social bonding and community building. They encourage communication and teamwork and aid in social skill development. In a world where loneliness and stress are prevalent, games offer a respite and a way to connect. PDL provides access to gaming resources, from video game consoles and board games to RPGs, drawing diverse groups to these activities and the library. *Continued on page 3*

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# YOUTH PROGRAMS & BOOK CLUBS



## SUPERHERO EXPLORATION

**Friday, August 2 | 1-2pm or Monday, August 5 | 6:30-7:30pm**  
Is there a superhero in you? Kids 5-12, you're invited to come explore the art and stories of The Superhero Project (see exhibit listing under All Ages and Family) plus map out your own super powers and reach out to the kids featured in the Project art.

## LIVE ANIMAL EXPERIENCE:

**WALKING UP A FOOD CHAIN Saturday, June 1 | 1pm**  
Kick off a summer of exploration with a live animal show. Meet a raptor, reptile, amphibian, arachnid, and insect, as staff from the Leslie Science & Nature Center teach about how these animals' lives are connected in a delicate balance.

## BARK: BE A READING KID

**Monday, June 3 | 6-7:30pm Monday, July 1 | 2-3pm Monday, August 5 | 2-3pm**  
At this paw-some program, children are paired with therapy dogs for 15-minute reading sessions, encouraging them to grow in their reading skills. Slots are first-come, first serve beginning 15 minutes before the program.

## DINOSAUR ENCOUNTER

**Saturday June 8 | 11am-12pm**  
Have you been wanting to meet a dinosaur? Come on down for an interactive dinosaur encounter and learn about these fantastic creatures! Age Group: Families.

## HISTORY MAKERS

In this interactive and creative program, kids learn about historical figures through a dynamic storytime and fun craft. Age Group: 5-8.  
**Monday, June 10 | 6:30-7:30pm**  
This month, we will be learning about author J.R.R. Tolkien and creating fantasy maps!  
**Monday, July 15 | 6:30-7:30pm**  
This month, we will be learning about scientist Jane Goodall and crafting on the wild side!  
**Saturday, August 3 | 1-2pm**  
This month, we will be learning about Olympic champion Ethelda Bleibtrey and creating a splashtastic craft!

## SUMMER GAMES AT THE LIBRARY!

Join us for some open play games this summer. We provide the games and you can just come and play!  
Age Group: 3-12  
**Saturday June 15 | 10am-4pm**  
Building Games and Toys  
**Saturday July 20 | 10am-4pm**  
Carnival Games  
**Saturday August 17 | 10am-4pm**  
Card, Dice & Board Games

## THE MUSIC LADY, BEVERLY MEYER

**Monday, June 17 | 7-8pm**  
Join us for an evening of music performed by The Music Lady, Beverly Meyer! Beverly Meyer has been sharing songs with young children for over 25 years.  
Age Group: Families.

## STORYTELLING WITH AUDREY ALLISON

**Wednesday, June 19 | 10:30-11:15am**  
Enjoy a Storytelling session with Audrey Allison as she presents *Oh The Places You'll Go*, focusing on stories and music from around the world. Age Group: 2-5 and their families. Sponsored by Friends of PDL.

## MESSY PLAY

**Friday, June 21 | 10:30-11:30am Friday, July 19 | 10:30-11:30am Friday, August 16 | 10:30-11:30am**  
Children are naturally curious and learn best when they actively engage with their environment using all their senses! They will learn about different textures and materials in the way they learn best. This is a drop in activity.  
Age Group: 0-4.

## 3D PRINTING WITH TINKERCAD

**Friday, June 21 | 1-2:30pm Friday, August 2 | 11am-12:30pm**  
Discover the world of 3D printing in this hands-on workshop! Learn TinkerCAD basics to design and print your own personalized keychain. Unlock creativity with our guidance and pick-up your unique memento. Registration required.  
Age Group: 7-12

## TINKER CLUB

**Dates for Ages 9-12: Wednesdays, June 26 - August 21 | 6-8pm Dates for Ages 5-8: Thursdays, June 27-August 22 | 1-3pm**  
Discover the world of electronics in The Lab during Tinker Club, a weekly program for elementary to middle school-age kids. Engage in hands-on activities like coding, 3D design, and playful exploration with circuitry kits like Makey Makey and Squishy Circuits. Dive into gadget disassembly, build with cardboard and robotics for a fun learning experience! This is a drop-in activity.

## READ TO A STUFFIE!

**Thursday, June 27 | 6:30-8pm Monday, July 8 | 10:30am-12pm Friday, July 26 | 2-3:30pm Saturday, August 10 | 10:30am-12pm**  
Build your reading skills by reading to our adorable library stuffies! Bring your own book or choose from our selection for these fifteen-minute reading sessions. Slots are first come, first served. Age Group: 5-12

## FAMILY FIBER FUN: A YARN CRAFTING EXTRAVAGANZA!

**Friday, June 28 | 10:30am-12pm**  
Weaving, crocheting, wiggling and gluing, there are so many ways to have fun with yarn! Come experiment with this fun, fibrous medium in inventive ways in our Storytime Room!

## NOT-SO-SCARY GLOWFORGE MONSTERS

**Friday, July 19 | 11am-12:30pm**  
Join us for a fun adventure into the world of Not-So-Scary monsters, where kids will use our Glowforge laser engraver to create their very own monster. Registration required.  
Age Group: 9-12.

## BABY OLYMPICS

**Friday July 26 | 10:30-11:30am**  
Join us in celebration of the 2024 Summer Olympics in Paris! We will have mini Olympic events for babies and toddlers. Come dressed ready to compete or in support of your favorite countries!  
Age Group: 6 months- 3 yrs.

## BUBBLE SCIENCE!

**Saturday July 27 | 11am-12pm**  
Motley Misfits will be sending their Bubbleologist to the library to show us fun bubble tricks and teach us about the amazing science of bubbles! Age Group: 3-12.  
Sponsored by Friends of PDL

## CRICUT FOR KIDS

**Friday, August 16 | 1:30-2:30pm**  
Join us for some Cricut fun and become a designer! You'll learn to use the Cricut Design Space to create a ready-to-transfer vinyl sticker. Age Group: 9-12. Registration required.

## CRAFT FUN- NINJA EDITION

**Thursday August 22 | 10:30-11:30am**  
Join us for a fun morning of making wobbly ninjas! Age Group: 5-12 with their caregiver. Registration required. Sponsored by Friends of PDL.



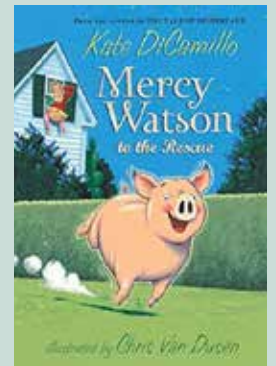
## LAST DAY OF SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

**Wednesday, June 12 | 1-3pm**

Get ready for a blast. We're throwing an epic Summer Reading party with tons of cool activities. Can't wait to see you there for some unforgettable fun! Age Group: Families.

## ONLINE YOUTH AUTHOR TALKS

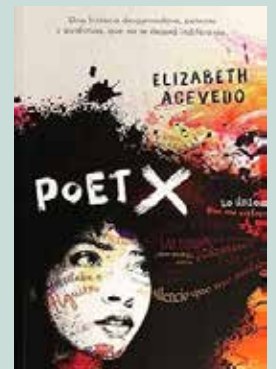
Enjoy live interviews with bestselling authors and thought leaders. To register for an upcoming talk visit [library.org/plymouthlibrary](https://library.org/plymouthlibrary). Sponsored by Friends of PDL.



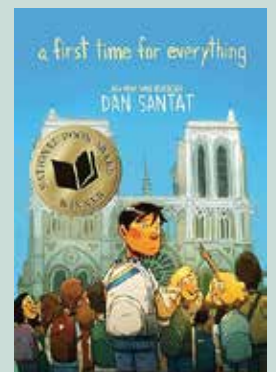
**Tuesday July 9 | 2pm**  
*The Mercy Watson Series*  
by Kate DiCamillo



**Tuesday July 16 | 2pm**  
*The Last Kids on Earth Series*  
by Max Brallier



**Tuesday July 23 | 2pm**  
*Poetry and Short Stories*  
by Elizabeth Acevedo



**Tuesday, July 30 | 2pm**  
*Graphic Novel Storytelling*  
by Dan Santat

## REGISTER FOR EVENTS TODAY!

Go to [plymouthlibrary.org](https://plymouthlibrary.org) and click on events in our main menu to access our calendar and to find your event. Click on any event and fill out its registration form. You can also call 734-453-0750, option 5 or register for the event in person.



## FAMILY STORYTIMES

**Wednesdays | 10:30-11am**

These storytimes will include a mix of books, songs, and activities for children. June 26 through August 14. Age Group: 2-5 and their families.

## BEDTIME STORYTIME

**Friday, July 29 | 7-7:30pm**

Bring your blankies and comfy clothes down to bedtime storytime! We'll be cuddling up to read books, sing songs, and other soothing activities to get your family ready for a peaceful slumber. Age Group: 2-5

## KINDERGARTEN BOOTCAMP

**Tuesdays, June 18-August 13 | 1:30-2pm**

This program is designed to give preschoolers ages 4-5 the opportunity to experience going to storytime by themselves as well as learning skills needed for kindergarten. Stories and activities focus on early literacy and kindergarten readiness skills while practicing social-emotional skills. Caregivers should remain on the youth floor. Registration required.

## BABYTIME

**Mondays: June 24, July 22, August 26**

**Fridays: June 14, July 12, and August 9 | 10:30-11:15am**

Babytime is a 15-minute story, song, and rhyme time, followed by a 30-minute playtime. This program is for babies ages 6-24 months and their caregivers. No older siblings please.

## CYBER-SMARTS STORYTIME

**Monday, July 22 | 2-3pm**

At this special storytime, we'll be learning about cyber-security and staying safe online from a real cyber-security professional! With a read-aloud, fun activities and take home goodies, it will be fun for the whole family!

## MINDFULNESS STORYTIME

**Thursday, August 1 | 6:30-7pm**

Join Miss Dana for a storytime dedicated to mindfulness. We will share stories, songs and activities to help your child calm down and deal with any worries they might be having. Age Group: 4-7.

## CHESS 101

**Saturday, June 8 | 3-4pm and Saturday, August 24 | 3-4pm**

Interested in sharpening your chess skills? This class welcomes participants of all ages and skill levels. Through this class, players can deepen their chess understanding, refine their skills, and meet new chess friends! All ages.

## BOARD GAME SWAP

**Saturday, June 22 | 10am-1pm**

Join in our community game swap! Drop off games June 17-21. Receive one claim voucher for each game up to 5. From 10-11 on Saturday, June 22 swap your vouchers for some new-to-you games. After 11am, remaining games will be offered free to the general public.

## POLLINATOR SCAVENGER HUNT

**June 17-22**

Families are invited to explore the library and search for pictures of pollinating insects, birds, and other animals. Learn the importance of pollinators, identify pollinators and their adaptations, and discover how you can help protect pollinators in your yard! This event is for families with children of all ages. Pick up your checklist at the circulation desk to get started.

## EXHIBIT: THE SUPERHERO PROJECT

**August 1-17 on the Lower Level**

Celebrate the power of imagination, inclusion, representation and joy by visiting this special exhibit. The Superhero Project empowers youth with serious illnesses and disabilities by designing their super personas in collaboration with super talented volunteer artists. Come get to know these incredible kids through the uplifting art they've inspired.

## BOARD GAME AFTERNOON

**Saturday, August 24 | 1-4:30 pm**

Fun at the library with games for adults, teens, and families with kids over 10! (If your children are not yet teens, please stay and play with them.) Games provided, or bring your own. Registration required.

## Grand Opening continued from page 1

With financial support from the Wilcox Foundation, Friends of Plymouth District Library, and generous donors throughout the community, the library was able to partner with the City of Plymouth to make this vision a reality. The collaborative effort has resulted in an educational space that will highlight the significance of native plants in our community.

The growing enthusiasm for planting, spurred by different initiatives including PDL's Seed Library, and community partners such as Plymouth Pollinators and Friends of the Rouge, underscored the community's commitment to environmental beauty and health.

Landscape designers from Insite Design Studio, whose portfolio includes highlights such as Detroit's Oudolf Garden on Belle Isle, brought their expertise to realize the community's vision for an intimate outdoor gathering space and the forthcoming Centennial Gardens surrounding the rest of the library's outdoor footprint.

The Wilcox Amphitheater grand opening is scheduled for June 1 from 11:30am -2pm, including ribbon cutting, music, lunch and other festive activities for the public. You can also support this project through volunteering or donations. You can donate by purchasing a brick, engraved with a message of your choice that will be used in the amphitheater stage.

For more information, visit: [plymouthlibrary.org/2023/05/23/gardens](http://plymouthlibrary.org/2023/05/23/gardens).



Participants play Dungeons and Dragons program at PDL.

## Gaming continued from page 1

Sean Glasgow, one of our Teen Services Librarian who leads a Dungeons and Dragons event at PDL, notes that this game heavily emphasizes character development and storytelling, which influences literature and media. "It's a lot of fun," says Sean. "Players get deeply invested in their characters and the stories they create, enhancing creativity and problem-solving skills." Tim Sherman, an Adult Services Librarian for PDL runs our chess club, marvels at chess's longevity and its global appeal.



**CHESS GAMES AND CLASSES:** You can play a game with other chess players or learn how to play at a workshop.



**DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS (D&D):** We have D&D for teens and adults. If you are new to the game, take part in a D&D 101.



**VIDEO GAME CONSOLES:** Available for teens to play in the PDL Teen Zone.



**BOARD GAME SWAPS AND EVENTS:** This summer, the popular board game swap is back. Bring a game and get a chance to find other games that you will love. We also have board game afternoons and games to check out and enjoy at home.

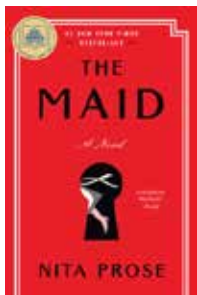
"Chess is fascinating because it involves no chance; it's all strategy and open information," he explains. This timeless game connects people across cultures without the need for a common language. Video gaming is another major phenomenon. With a significant portion of adults and youth engaged, PDL's Teen Zone offers consoles for teens to support this growing interest.

This summer, as you relax, vacation, garden and, of course, read, take some time to play games at PDL and find your community. Visit our event calendar to find gaming events.

# ADULT BOOK CLUBS

## Contemporary Books Discussion Group

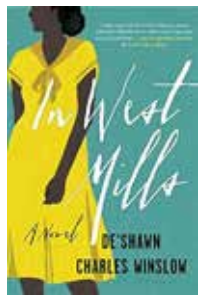
This group meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30pm at the library. Volunteers from the group lead the discussion, with background materials supplied by the librarian. Each month the current title is available at the help desk on the main level. New members are always welcome! For more information, e-mail [info@plymouthlibrary.org](mailto:info@plymouthlibrary.org).



**June 11**  
*The Maid*  
by Nita Prose



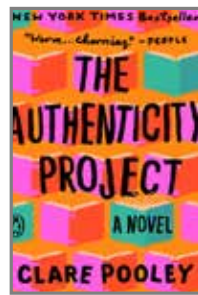
**July 9**  
*Goodbye, Vitamin*  
by Rachel Khong



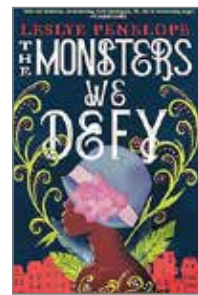
**August 13**  
*In West Mills*  
by De'Shawn Charles Winslow

## Books On Tap

This book club meets monthly at 7pm to talk books, socialize, and kick back with a beverage. Meetings take place at Arbor Brewing Plymouth Taproom. Books for the current month's selection may be obtained from the help desk on the main level of the Library. New members are always welcome!



**June 19**  
*The Authenticity Project*  
by Clare Pooley



**July 17**  
*The Monsters We Defy*  
by Leslye Penelope



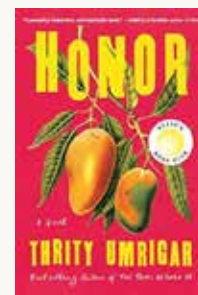
**August 21**  
*Tell Me How to Be*  
by Neel Patel

## Brown Bag Books

This Library book discussion group meets at noon on the fourth Wednesday of each month and is always open to new members. Books are available at the help desk on the main level during the month preceding the discussion. Volunteers from among the group lead the discussion, with background materials supplied by the librarian. The group meets both in person and via Zoom.



**June 26**  
*The Marsh King's Daughter*  
by Karen Dionne



**July 24**  
*Honor*  
by Thrity Umrigar



**August 28**  
*Remarkably Bright Creatures*  
Shelby Van Pelt

# ADULT PROGRAMS

**Summer Reading is for you!** Starting June 1 take part in the Summer Reading activities for a chance to win prizes and to participate in monthly raffles. Visit [plymouthlibrary.org](http://plymouthlibrary.org) for details.

### TRIVIA NIGHT

**Wednesday, June 5 | 6:30-8:30pm**

Come alone or with friends and compete to answer questions from a variety of categories. Prizes for the top teams & light refreshments provided. Maximum of 6 people per team. Sponsored by Friends of PDL.

### BLOOMS AND BUZZ:

CULTIVATING POLLINATOR HABITAT IN YOUR OWN BACKYARD

**Tuesday, June 11 | 6:30-8pm**

Plymouth Pollinators will talk about the decline in the pollinator population and habitat, why pollinators are so important, and why they need our help. They will also focus on the benefits of native plants. Registration required.

### JOHN DELOREAN: LARGER THAN LIFE

**Wednesday, June 12 | 7-8pm**

GM executive John DeLorean was larger than life! Local author Barry Levine presents the unbelievable highs and lows of John DeLorean's career. Sponsored by Friends of PDL. Registration required.

### LEAN CANVAS - THE SIMPLE BUSINESS PLAN

SCORE SMALL BUSINESS SERIES

**Thursday, June 13 | 11am-1pm**

Learn what the one-page Lean Canvas Business Plan is and how to create one. Presented by Richard Gibbs, Certified SCORE Mentor. In-person or virtual. Registration required.

### INTRO TO GLOWFORGE: BUBBLE LETTER NAME KEYCHAINS

**Thursday, June 13 | 3-4:30pm**

Explore the Glowforge laser engraver at this workshop in The Lab. Discover its unique features, project designs, and materials. Our instructor will demonstrate the Glowforge's capabilities and guide you through the process of crafting Bubble Letter Name Keychains as a class activity. Age Group: Adults. Registration required.

### DETROIT-STYLE PIZZA: A DOUGHTOWN HISTORY

**Tuesday, June 18 | 7-8:30pm**

Get the lowdown on Motown deep-dish pizza—an iconic style that's square and cheesy. Author Karen Dybis shares the history behind these thick-crust pies that ooze Detroit deliciousness. Registration required. Sponsored by Friends of PDL.

### SUBLIME SUBLIMATION

**Thursday, June 20 | 3-4:30pm**

Join us for this hands-on workshop on personalized gift-making using sublimation printers and heat presses. Design unique mugs, t-shirts, and bookmarks guided by our staff. During this hands-on event, you will have access to our Sawgrass sublimation printer, Cricut heat presses, and a variety of materials to bring your designs to life. Age Group: Adults. Registration required.

### EXPERIENCE HEARTFULNESS RELAXATION AND MEDITATION

**Thursday, June 20 | 7-8pm**

Join us in the amphitheater to experience Heartfulness relaxation and meditation. When practiced daily these help restore balance in life, manage stress, better your health, and can lead you to inner calm and peace. Registration required.

### STAY HEALTHY & AVOID FRAUD, WASTE, AND ABUSE

**Monday, June 24 | 1-3pm**

Presented by MMAP. Senior Medicare Patrol programs help Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries prevent, detect, and report health care fraud. Ensure peace of mind with Medicare's preventative services. Registration required.

### HARRY AND BESS TRUMAN:

AN INTERACTIVE PRESENTATION

**Tuesday, June 25 | 7-8pm**

Go back to 1952 and interact with these historic figures, with seasoned actors portraying Harry and Bess. Sponsored by Friends of PDL. Registration required.

### INTRODUCTION TO LARA

SCORE SMALL BUSINESS SERIES

**Thursday, June 27 | 6:30-8pm**

This workshop will introduce you to the State of Michigan's Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA) and the parts that support small businesses. Presented by Richard Choi, Certified SCORE Mentor. Registration required.

### CRAFT PAPER ROSES

**Saturday, June, 29 | 2-3pm**

Join us in creating paper roses out of recycled books. With a variety of items, you can personalize your petals and design your own bouquet! The Library will provide all materials. Registration required.

### MICHIGAN'S EARLY SCHOOLS

**Tuesday, July 23 | 7-8pm**

This virtual talk explores the history of Michigan's earliest schools, with local examples, from the buildings constructed to the curriculum used. Registration required.

### RETIREMENT PLANNING

**Wednesday, July 24 | 7-8:15pm**

Please join Corey Voorman, AIF®, president and founder of Voorman Investment Counsel as he explains the basics of planning for retirement including sections on, pre-retirement planning, prudent portfolio construction, filing for social security and more.

## THIS BOOK VS. THAT BOOK: PATRON VOTE

June 1-August 30

Stop by the help desk to vote on books from your favorite genre this summer! The books and genre will change each month from June-August. Results will be posted at the end of each month.

## SPICE CLUB

**Thursday, July 25 | 7-8:30pm**

Join us for a community potluck event! We provide the spice and recipes, then meet quarterly to enhance our understanding and appreciation of different cultures through the lens of spices. This meeting's spice is Lavender. Sponsored by the Friends of the PDL. Registration begins June 1.

## CRICUT 101: GREETING CARDS

**Sunday, July 28 | 2-3:30pm**

Craft a beautiful greeting card using Cricut electronic paper cutting machines. Dive into materials, tools, and library resources available in The Lab for Cricut projects. NOTE: You must create a free Cricut account before attending this class (cricut.com). Registration required.

## MAKE 'EM LAUGH: A HISTORY OF MOVIE COMEDY

**Wednesday, July 31 | 7-8:30pm**

From Charlie Chaplin to Mel Brooks, everyone loves a good laugh—especially at the movies. Join Fordham University Professor Emeritus Brian Rose as he traces the history and highlights of silver-screen silliness. Registration required for Zoom access. Sponsored by Friends of PDL.

## INTRO TO SUDOKU

**Saturday, August 3 | 10:30am-12:30pm**

Let Dave Pandit teach you his method for solving Sudoku puzzles that is reliable and successful on all levels of difficulty. By using this unique process, you, too, can become a Sudoku Puzzles "Guru"! Registration required.

## SINKING SHIPS, DARING RESCUES AND PIRATES

**Wednesday, August 7 | 7pm**

Mike Cox spins yarns about Great Lakes shipwrecks, daring rescues, and Great Lakes pirates. Interspersed are the songs of the Great Lakes on acoustical guitar. Sponsored by Friends of PDL. Registration required.

## 3D PRINTING

**Thursday, August 8 | 5:30-7pm**

Delve into 3D printing basics at our library! Learn to source designs, submit print jobs, and explore our printers' capabilities. This class assumes some familiarity with computers, such as opening and saving files, browsing the internet, as well as remote access to email and cloud storage. Registration required.

## SPELLING BEE

**Saturday, August 10 | 2pm**

Are you up for a challenge? Join us for a spelling bee competition with prizes. Teens welcome. Sponsored by Friends of PDL. Registration required.

## UNDERSTANDING ALZHEIMER'S AND DEMENTIA

**Monday, August 19 | 1pm**

Learn the difference between Alzheimer's and dementia, Alzheimer's stages and risk factors, current research and available treatments and ways the Alzheimer's Association can help. Presented by the Alzheimer's Association Michigan Chapter.

## ON-GOING SERIES

### ADULT CRAFT MEETUPS

Drop in with your current project and hang out with other crafters. All makers are welcome!

HOOK & NEEDLE CRAFT GROUP

**Tuesdays from 10:30am-12:30pm**

NEEDLE/CRAFT CONNECTION

**First Thursday of each month 6-8pm**

### WRITING GROUP

**Tuesdays | 1:30-3:30pm**

Join this meetup of fellow adult writers sharing their work and providing each other support and feedback. Group meets on first and third Tuesdays at 1:30pm (in-person or on Zoom) New members are always welcome. Registration required.

### ELL GROUPS SUMMER 2024

ELL CONVERSATION GROUP

Our two friendly groups meet

**Monday mornings 10-11:30am**

One group meets on Zoom and one in person. Tutors from the Community Literacy Council lead both groups. Registration required for the Zoom group only.

PAGE BY PAGE: INTERMEDIATE

ELL BOOK CLUB

The Page by Page Book Club meets on Zoom **every Wednesday from 1-2 pm**. We discuss a few chapters of a book every week until we finish it. Registration required for new members. Visit [plymouthlibrary.org/read/book-clubs/page-by-page/](https://plymouthlibrary.org/read/book-clubs/page-by-page/) to find the name of our current book.

## ADULT COMPUTER CLASSES

### Computer Basics I

Wednesday, June 12 | 11am

### Computer Basics II

Wednesday, June 19 | 11am

### Intro to Canva

Tuesday, June 25 | 6:30pm

### Computer Basics I

Monday, July 15 | 7pm

### Intro to Canva

Wednesday, July 17 | 10:30am

### Computer Basics II

Monday, July 22 | 7pm

### Intro to Canva

Monday, August 12 | 6:30pm

## ONLINE AUTHOR TALKS



Enjoy live interviews with bestselling authors and thought leaders.

To register for upcoming talks or to enjoy previously recorded ones, visit [libraryc.org/plymouthlibrary](https://libraryc.org/plymouthlibrary).

### Matthew Shindell

**Monday, June 3 | 2pm EDT**

*For the Love of Mars: A Human History of the Red Planet* with Smithsonian Curator Matt Shindell. A Library Speakers Consortium and Smithsonian Institution Collaboration.

### Freida McFadden

**Thursday, June 13 | 8pm EDT**

Psychological Thrillers and the Queen of Twists—An Author Talk with Freida McFadden New York Times Bestselling Author of *The Housemaid*, *The Housemaid's Secret* and *The Housemaid Is Watching*.

### Tiffany Jewell

**Thursday, June 20 | 2pm EDT**

New York Times Bestselling Author of *This Book is Anti-Racist* and *Everything I Learned About Racism I Learned in School*.



## DIGITAL BOOKS, AUDIO BOOKS AND MAGAZINES

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## The Lab

A space for makers, crafters, and other people looking to expand their skills or create something special.



## Community Conversations

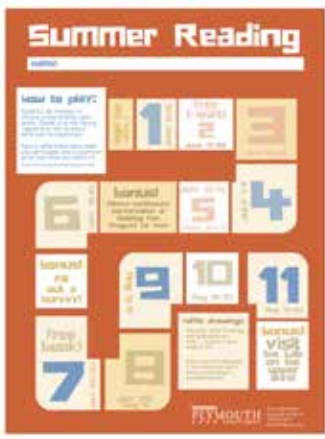
**Tuesday, June 4 | 7pm and Monday, June 17 | 11am**

What kind of community do you want to live in? Engage in a lively conversation with library staff and neighbors about the direction of the Plymouth community and what you believe might make a difference in strengthening our community. We will take what we learn and use it to make our work at PDL more effective and aligned with your needs. Registration required.

## REGISTER FOR EVENTS TODAY!

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# TEEN PROGRAMS & BOOK CLUBS



## Summer Reading is for Teens!

Register and pick up your game board for a chance to win. Visit [plymouthlibrary.org](http://plymouthlibrary.org) for details.

## TEEN TAKE & MAKES

Visit us on the first of every month for a new Take & Make kit! Each kit will contain the materials and instructions to create a fun craft or experience at home. Available on a first come, first serve basis in the Teen Zone, while supplies last. Sponsored by Friends of PDL.

### UPCOMING KITS:

- June** - DIY Squishmallow
- July** - Boba Tea
- August** - Constellation Embroidery

## DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS

### Second and Fourth Monday of each month | 6-9pm

6/10, 6/24, 7/8, 7/22, 8/12, 8/26  
Join us for Dungeons and Dragons one-shots at State of Comics! Premade characters will be provided, but feel free to bring your own 3rd level character. After registering, join us on our Discord - link in registration email. Age Group: Teens. Registration required.

## SCHOOL'S OUT CELEBRATION

**Wednesday, June 12 | 11:30am - 1:30pm**

Drop by the library to celebrate the last day of school! There will be yard games, pizza, popsicles, and more waiting for you in the Wilcox Amphitheater (weather permitting). Sponsored by Friends of PDL.

## SUBLIME SUBLIMATION

**Sunday, June 16 | 2-3:30pm**

Join us for this hands-on workshop on personalized gift making using sublimation printers and heat presses. Design unique mugs, t-shirts, and bookmarks guided by our staff. This session is exclusively for teenagers aged 13 to 18, ensuring a fun and engaging experience. Registration required.



## FASHION, TRAVEL, AND PUBLISHING, OH MY!

**Thursday, July 18 | 7-8pm**

What does it take to visit every continent before the age of 22, graduate from law school, found a successful fashion brand, and become a published author? Kelechi Uchendu can tell you! Join us for a talk about all her amazing experiences and her book *Bully Friends*. Sponsored by Friends of PDL. Age Group: 10-18. Registration required.

## BOARD GAME SWAP

**Saturday, June 22 | 10am-1pm**

Join in our community game swap! Drop off games June 17-21. Receive one claim voucher for each game up to five. From 10-11am on Saturday, June 22 swap your vouchers for some new-to-you games. After 11am, remaining games will be offered free to the general public.

## COMIC BOOK/MANGA WORKSHOP

**Saturday, July 6 | 3-4:30pm**

Back by popular demand! Artist and rapper Kool Ade Kam will hold a comic book/manga workshop, help with creating a mini comic book, and perform a handful of songs! Age Group: Teens, Sponsored by Friends of PDL. Registration required.

## KNITTEEN 101 & 102

**Tuesday, August 20 | 6:30pm-8pm**

Join us for a class lead by PDL's resident crafting expert, Miss Sherri, as she walks you through the fundamentals of knitting and gets you started on a simple project. Sponsored by Friends of PDL. Registration required.

## 3D PRINTING WITH TINKERCAD

**Friday, August 2 | 1-2:30pm**

Discover the world of 3D printing in this hands-on workshop! Learn TinkerCAD basics to design and print your own personalized keychain. Unlock creativity with our guidance and pick up your unique memento. Age Group: 13-18. Registration required.

## SPELLING BEE

**Saturday, August 10 | 2pm**

Are you up for a challenge? Join us for a spelling bee competition with prizes. Age Group: Adults. Teens welcome. Sponsored by Friends of PDL. Registration required.

## THOUGHTFUL ENTERTAINMENT

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## TEEN VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

**Leadership Zooms: June 4, July 2, August 6 | 6pm**

**Shelf Reading Training: June 17, July 15, August 19 | 7pm**

Interested in volunteering with the library? Join a Teen Volunteer Leadership Zoom held on the first Tuesday of each month to find out more, or sign up for a Shelf Reading Training! Age Group: Teens. Registration required.

## BLT - BOARD OF LIBRARY TEENS

**Saturdays, June 8 and August 10 | 12-1pm**

Join our Board of Library Teens and you can share ideas for teen programs, discuss books, plan library projects, play games, and more - all while munching on some delicious PIZZA! Despite all the fun you'll surely be having, meeting attendance can be counted as volunteer hours! Sponsored by Friends of PDL.

## BOOKS & BITES

**Wednesday, June 19 | 7-8pm**

**Wednesday, August 21 | 7-8pm**

Join us to discuss a great YA read! All registrants get a free copy of the book, and if that isn't enticing enough, there will be snacks! We will be reading *The Wicked Bargain* by Gabe Cole Novoa in June and *On a Scale of One to Ten* by Ceylan Scott in August.



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# SUMMER READING

## Suggested Reading for the Summer

Not sure what you want to read this summer? Not to worry, our librarians put together an amazing list for readers of all ages. Whether you're a child, teen, or adult, these books will transport you into worlds of mystery, adventure, and inspiration. Perfect for sitting in the grass under the tree or a cozy evening at home, find your next great read here.

### YOUTH

*Libby Loves Science* by Kimberly Derting  
*Crayons Rock!* by James Dean  
*Whoosh! : Lonnie Johnson's super-soaking stream of inventions* by Chris Barton  
*Firefly Summer* by Morgan Matson  
*Swim Team* by Johnnie Christmas  
*The Labors of Hercules Beal* by Gary Schmidt  
*I Want 100 Dogs* by Stacy McAnulty  
*The Watermelon Seed* by Greg Pizzoli  
*Simon and the Better Bone* by Corey Tabor  
*Spanish is My Superpower* by Jennifer Jones  
*Sounds Good! Discover 50 Musical Instruments* by Ole Konnecke  
*The Autistic Guide to Adventure: Active Pursuits from Archery to Wild Swimming for Tweens and Teens* by Allie Mason



### TEEN

*Kings of B'More* by R. Eric Thomas  
*The Wicked Bargain* by Gabe Cole Novoa  
*Omniscient Reader's Viewpoint* by Singyong  
*Go! Go! Loser Ranger!* by Negi Haruba  
*Call Me Iggy* by Jorge Augusto Aguirre



### ADULTS

*Just for the Summer* by Abby Jimenez (romance)  
*Funny Story* by Emily Henry (romance)  
*The Heiress* by Rachel Hawkins (thriller)  
*The Night of the Storm* by Nishita Parekh (mystery)  
*The Fury* by Alex Michaelides (thriller)  
*A Love Song for Ricki Wilde* by Tia Williams (romance)  
*Diva* by Daisy Goodwin (historical fiction)  
*Secrets of the Octopus* by Sy Montgomery (non-fiction)  
*Paradise of the Damned: The True Story of an Obsessive Quest for El Dorado, the Legendary City of Gold* by Keith Thomson (non-fiction)  
*The Secret Lives of Booksellers and Librarians: Their Stories Are Better Than the Bestsellers* by James Patterson (non-fiction)



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Learn more about the Friends of Plymouth District Library  
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## PDL Book Bike

Did you know that PDL has a Book Bike?! Make sure to say 'Hi' if you see us around town this summer, weather permitting!

# Thank you

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## Weekly Reward Sponsors



## Raffle Prize Donors



# Grand Opening

**THE WILCOX AMPHITHEATER  
at PLYMOUTH DISTRICT LIBRARY**

**SATURDAY, JUNE 1, 2024**

## A Community Celebration!

11:45am - Plymouth Community Band

**12pm - Ribbon Cutting Ceremony**

12:15pm - Plymouth Ukulele Group

12:30pm - Steel Drum and Setup

**1pm - Summer Reading Kickoff**

with Live Animals from

Leslie Science and Nature Center

**Free hotdog lunch 11:30am-1pm**

while supplies last



Friends of PDL welcome both monetary and book donations

Friends of PDL have a particular need for contemporary fiction (published within the last seven years) and children's books in impeccable condition. Your generosity in providing clean, odor-free books will make a significant difference in supporting our beloved library!

For more about Friends of Plymouth District Library and how you can contribute, visit: [friends.plymouthlibrary.org](https://friends.plymouthlibrary.org).

Please note that Friends of PDL are unable to accept magazines, VHS tapes, textbooks, or encyclopedias. Your support is greatly appreciated!



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### Weekly Hours

Sunday 1pm - 5pm  
Monday - Thursday 10am - 9pm  
Friday & Saturday 10am - 5pm

### Summer Closings

July 4 - Independence Day  
July 14 - Art in the Park  
August 31-Sept 2 - Labor Day

### Questions or comments?

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