



Donald W. Reynolds
LIBRARY
Serving Baxter County



Program Guide Summer Edition II July-August 2025

Youth Summer Reading Challenge: Color Our World with Books!

Sponsored by Bob & Mary Walker

Summer Reading Ends Saturday, July 26!

Read to earn prizes and have fun all summer long; read more to earn extra chances to win! Track your reading on the Beanstack app, online at baxlib.beanstack.org, or pick up your paper log from the Youth Services Desk.



Early Literacy (Birth-PK)

Read 70 books

Children (Grades K-3)

Read 10 hours

Tween (Grades 4-6)

Read 20 hours

Teen (Grades 7-12)

Read 30 hours



Adult Summer Reading Challenge: Color Our World with Books!

Summer Reading Ends Thursday, July 31!

Stories have the power to transform, uplift, and connect us—just like art. This summer, color your world with books! Complete 6 out of 12 reading prompts to be entered into a 8GB Kindle Paperwhite (11th Gen) prize drawing. Register on Beanstack or pick up a copy at the Circulation Desk.



Eating the Rainbow

Tuesday, July 1, 2:30pm **R**

Learn simple, time-saving tips for meal planning and prepping—plus fun, sneaky ways to get more fruits and veggies into your family's diet.

Creativebug Crafting

Thursday, July 10, 3:00pm

Learn how you can sign up for Creativebug to explore over a thousand art, craft, and even cooking tutorials.

3D Printed Keychains

Thursday, July 17,

9:00-11:00am **OR** **Noon-3:00pm**

Print a simple and fun project!

Puzzle Palooza **R**

Sponsored by Sara Zimmerman

Saturday, July 26, 10:30-Noon

Teams will race to complete the same colorful 300-piece puzzle in 90 minutes. Small prize awarded for the fastest team!

One person per team needs to register.

Beating the Blues: Resiliency for All

Tuesday, July 29, 1:30pm

Holly Ridenour from the AR Department of Health shares tools to build resilience and model it for the youth in your life.



Bluey Pajama Party

Saturday, July 12,

10:30am-Noon

OR 2:30-4:00pm

Celebrate the joy of reading with Bluey! Wear your pajamas or costume for a *Bluey: Sleepytime* storytime snack, craft, and **meet-and-greet with Bluey herself!** Passes required. Pick up in advance.



Sticker Palooza

Saturday, Aug. 2, 10:00-11:00am

It's our 3rd Annual Sticker Palooza! Bring your sticker stash to trade and pick out some new favorites.

Staying Out of the Red

Thursday, Aug. 7, 2:30pm

Learn budgeting basics, savvy shopping strategies, fun savings challenges, affordable meal planning, and more.

LEGO Challenge **R**

Saturday, Aug. 16, 10:30-11:30am

Bring your team or come by yourself, and see if you can rise to the challenge! Small prizes given. Please do NOT bring your own LEGOs from home. **One person per team needs to register.**



LIBRARY MINI GOLF FUNdraiser Thursday, July 31st

Family Mini Golf
Inside
the Library!

9:00am - 4:00pm

Admission \$5

Children 12 & Under \$2

Mini Golf After Hours
Inside
the Library!

6:00pm - 9:00pm

\$40 per Ticket

Adults 21+ Only

Enjoy your Mini Golf After Hours with...
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Unlimited Mini Golf Prize Drawings

Inspiring Imagination | Igniting Interests | Enabling Learning

Adult Programs

Make It! R

These crafting and DIY classes are an excellent way to try out a new hobby.

Sponsored by Mike and Katie Risk

Crafty Card Making: Christmas in July
Tuesday, July 22, 1:30pm

Mini Terrariums
Tuesday, Aug. 5, 4:30pm

Crafty Card Making: Pinwheel Cards
Tuesday, Aug. 26, 1:30pm

Open Maker Space R

Sponsored by Mike and Katie Risk

Bring your unfinished project and work on it in our space. Arrange to use Library equipment via email: jamie.v@baxlib.org.

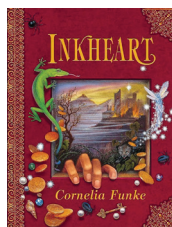
Saturday, July 5, 10:00am - 1:00pm
Thursday, Aug. 21, 10:00am - 1:00pm

Ales & Tales

Join us at Rapp's Barren Brewing Co. every 2nd Tuesday for a live reading! A portion of the proceeds will be donated to the Library Foundation.



The Metamorphosis
by Franz Kafka
July 8, 6:00pm



Inkheart
by Cornelia Funke
Aug. 12, 6:00pm

Yoga

Mondays & Wednesdays, 4:00pm
 Volunteer, Tony Khayat, will lead you through gentle exercises. Yoga will be held downstairs on July 16 and Aug. 20.

Color Me Calm

Wednesdays, 9:30am - Noon
 Friendly conversations, relaxing music, and fun coloring supplies.

Artistic Vibes: Art & Music

Saturday, July 5, 2:00pm
 Meet artist Jerry Preator and his students, Veda Saunders, Laurie Irwin, and Dorothy Harp, whose artwork is currently on display at the Library. Listen to harp music by Tracy Connelly.

Adult Lego Challenge: Rapunzel's Tower

Thursday, July 10, 5:00pm

Work with your team to build a tower to keep Rapunzel in!



Summer Concert Series

Enjoy live music and grab dinner from Bookworks Café—doors open 30 minutes before the show!



Acoustic Blues by Batterton & Edwards

Saturday, July 19, 6:00pm

This dynamic duo blends mountain ballads and bluesy rhythms into a sound that's raw, rooted, and uniquely Arkansas

Self Defense Basics

Friday, July 25, 10:00am

Adults and teens can join Baxter County Deputy Clay Maple to learn the basics of self defense.



American Red Cross Blood Drive

Thursday, July 31, 9:30am-1:30pm

Reservations are encouraged, but walk-ins are welcome. Receive \$25 in fine forgiveness when you donate blood!

Treats & Trivia: Jane Austen

Saturday, Aug. 9, 1:00pm

Celebrate the 250th Anniversary of Jane Austen's birth Georgian-era style.

Coin Collecting & Grading

Thursday, Aug. 14, 11:00am

Learn coin collecting and grading basics.

Sourdough Pizza Crust R

Wednesday, Aug. 27, 10:00am

Make your own pizza crust using starter.

Book Clubs

(Books Available at Circulation Desk)

Issues & Viewpoints

Reading List and Dates:

Every 1st Wednesday, 1:30pm



Sweet Land of Liberty: A History of America in 11 Pies
by Rossi Anastopoulou
July 2, 1:30pm



The Wall: Rome's Greatest Frontier
by Alistair Moffat
Aug. 6, 1:30pm

All Booked Reading List and Dates:

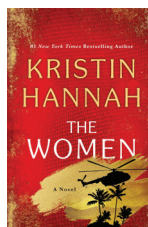
Attend via Zoom or In Person!

Link: www.BaxLib.org/Events

Every 3rd Tuesday, 6:00pm



Beach Read
by Emily Henry
July 15, 6:00pm



The Women
by Kristin Hannah
Aug. 19, 6:00pm

StoryWalk® at ASUMH June - August

Enjoy the summer as you move and read along with the book, "The Mighty McKraken", written by Izzy B, illustrated by Ben Askew.



Color Our World: Summer Art Classes

Sponsored by First Community Bank

Most summer classes require registration. Space is limited, and a Library card is required for participation. July class registration opens June 1. Secure your spot online at www.BaxLib.org/Events.

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Early Literacy

(Birth-PK)

Story Times

Sponsored by Farmers & Merchants Bank

Babies & Books (0-18 mos.)

Mondays, 9:30am

Toddler Time (18 mos.-3 yrs.)

Tuesdays, 10:30am

Preschool Story Time (3-5 yr.)

Wednesdays, 10:30am

CREATES Food, Fun, & Reading with

Baxter County Extension Office

July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 10:30am

Special Story Time with

PlayStrong Pediatric Therapy

Aug. 6, 10:30am

Must be 3 years old to register.

Visual Art Classes

Dance Class

Monday, July 28, 10:30-Noon,

Join Kathleen Marleneanu to explore Dr. Seuss stories through creative movement and **meet the Cat in the Hat.**



Caregiver & Me Yoga

Tuesdays, 9:00-10:00am

Aug. 5, 12, 19, 26

Active fun with your little one presented by PlayStrong Pediatric Therapy.

Children

(Grades K-3)

Must be 5 years old to register.

Culinary Art Classes

Crafting Food Creations

Get creative with fun and tasty food crafts!

Pizza Bagels

Friday, July 11, 12:30-1:30pm

Fabric Art Classes

Tie-Dye T-Shirt

Tuesday, July 22, 4:00-5:30pm

Tie-Dye a t-shirt.

Visual Art Classes

Arts & Crafts

Wednesdays, 2:00-2:30pm

July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

Fun summer crafts presented by PlayStrong Pediatric Therapy.



Maker Monday

Crafting with the 4-H Extension Office.

Enter your art into the county fair!

Create a Scrapbook Page

Monday, July 14, 12:30-1:30pm

Rock Painting

Monday, Aug. 4, 12:30-1:30pm



Yoga

Join Amanda, the 4-H Extension Agent, for gentle stretches and exercises.

Monday, July 14, 2:00-3:00pm

Monday, Aug. 4, 2:00-3:00pm

Diamond Art

Wednesday, July 9, 12:30-1:30pm,

Learn how to create diamond art.

"Bird Beaks" presented by Bull-Shoals White River State Park

Thursday, July 10, 9:30am

Explore how bird beaks reveal what birds eat and how they live.



"Game Scene Investigation" presented by Bull-Shoals White River State Park

Thursday, July 17, 9:30am

Join a park interpreter to identify tracks, follow clues, and solve a nature-themed mystery.

Dance Class

Monday, July 28, 1:30-3:00pm,

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"Camouflage" presented by Bull-Shoals White River State Park

Thursday, July 31, 9:30am

Discover the survival secrets of camouflage with a park interpreter and learn how animals stay hidden to hunt—or avoid being hunted!



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(Grades 4-6)

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Crafting Food Creations

Thursday, July 10, 12:30-1:30pm

Get creative with Pizza Bagels.

Visual Art Classes

Introduction to Guitar

Mondays, 11:00am-Noon

July 7, 14, 21, 28

For beginner guitarists, electric or acoustic. Bring your own guitar, music stand, and amp/cords. **This is a 4-part class. Please plan to attend all.**



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Origami

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Rock Painting

Thursday, July 24, 2:00-3:00pm

Paint and create on a rock.

More Programs



Tween

(Grades 4-6)

Fabric Art Classes

Tie-Dye T-Shirt

Tuesday, July 22, 4:00-5:30pm

Create your own tie-dye t-shirt.

Performing Art Classes

Young Actor's Workshop presented by Twin Lakes Playhouse

Join the Twin Lakes Playhouse at the Library to be a part of the play, "Poultry in Motion". **This is a 7-part class. Please plan to attend all.**

Get-Acquainted Parent Meeting

Tuesday, July 8, 9:30-11:00am

Get your scripts and meet your fellow characters.

Play Practice

July 14 - July 18, 10:00am-1:30pm

Play practice and set making daily.

Bring a sack lunch.

Play Performance

Saturday, July 19, 10:30am

Perform the play you have worked so hard on all week.

Must be 7-8 Grade to register.

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Sublimation Ornaments

Tuesday, July 8, 1:00-3:00pm

Christmas in July with DIY ornaments.

Origami

Tuesday, July 15, 3:00-4:00pm

Learn the art of paper folding.

Art History

Thursday, July 24, 10:00-11:30am

Join MHPS history teacher Lisa Lacefield to discover how paintings preserve history.

Tween/Teen Library Council

Applications Due Monday, July 28!

Get involved in promoting reading, making new friends, and having fun.

Earn volunteer hours at each meeting, with more opportunities all year long!

Fill out the online application on our calendar at www.BaxLib.org/Events.

Teen

(Grades 7-12)

Culinary Art Classes

Teen Eats

Tuesdays, 4:00-5:00pm

July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Have fun making food with LeeAnn Blevins from the Baxter County Extension Office.

Fabric Art Classes

DIY Vinyl T-Shirt

Wednesday, July 16, 3:30-5:00pm

Create your own vinyl t-shirt.

Summer Meals

Wednesdays

July 1 - Aug. 6

11:30am - 12:30pm

For ages 18 and under. Meals are not served when the Library is closed due to inclement weather or holidays. This is a community collaboration with the Food Bank of North Central Arkansas and the USDA.



USED BOOK SALE August 21 - 23

Thursday, Aug. 21, 9:00am - 5:00pm

Friday, Aug. 22, 9:00am - 5:00pm

Saturday, Aug. 23, 10:00am - 1:00pm

Proceeds from the Friends of the Library book sales benefit Library programs and services.



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Sat. 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

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