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LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR

WELCOME TO VIRTUAL BALDWIN!

June, July, and August are normally the busiest months of the year at the Baldwin Library, with summer reading programs for children, teens, and adults bringing thousands of people into the building. Sadly, large gatherings like that are impossible this year because of the COVID-19 pandemic, but Baldwin's librarians have developed a wide array of quality virtual programs and book clubs for everyone to participate in. Please take a look at our offerings on the next two pages.

While the Library currently remains closed to the public, staff members are responding to reference questions submitted via e-mail and telephone. They are also making sure that all library accounts remain active, so that people can take advantage of the Library's many online resources, which you can find listed at <https://www.baldwinlib.org/use-the-baldwin-public-library-home/>

All due dates have been extended until four weeks after the Library physically re-opens, and all fines are being waived. In the meantime, we are requesting that you keep all your Baldwin Library materials at home.

When the Library does re-open, it will do so in stages. First, it will allow you to return Library materials, which will be checked in and quarantined for a period. Next, the Library will resume curbside delivery, which means that you will be able to request materials, and staff will deliver your requests to the sidewalk for you to pick up. At a later date, you will be allowed to visit the Library briefly to browse the stacks and pick up materials. And then, at some point, you will be allowed to sit and read in the building and also use the public computers, but only on a limited basis and with the proper social distancing.

Throughout these various stages, Library staff will use all reasonable safety precautions and will request that the public do the same.

Finally, construction on the Library's Youth Room expansion had to be suspended for several weeks because of the shutdown, but it has now resumed. We anticipate that the Youth Room construction and refurbishment will be complete by August.

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SUMMER PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN

BABIES TO GRADE 6

IMAGINE YOUR STORY: SUMMER READING PROGRAM

BPL'S YOUTH SUMMER READING program will be **VIRTUAL** this summer and will run from **JUNE 12 TO AUGUST 8**. Visit WWW.BALDWINLIB.ORG/SUMMER-READING to register or contact Youth Services at youth.reference@baldwinlib.org or 248-554-4670. Thank you to the Friends of the Baldwin Public Library for sponsoring this year's program!

HERE'S HOW IT WORKS:

Complete up to **thirty activities** at home. When you **complete fifteen activities**, you will earn a **free book**. When you **complete all thirty activities**, you will be entered to win one of three great **prize baskets**.

Community Goal: Help us help others! For **every activity you complete**, we'll **donate a dime to Forgotten Harvest**. We hope as a community to collectively complete **5,000 activities** to raise **\$500 to help feed those in need**.



Would you or your child like to receive a letter from a Baldwin Librarian? We would love to write you one! Fill out the online form at www.baldwinlib.org/letters and a librarian will joyfully write you or your child a letter.

WEEKLY STORY TIMES

VISIT OUR STORY TIME PAGE AT BALDWINLIB.ORG/STORYTIME FOR OUR DAILY OFFERINGS..

YOUTH CLUBS

BOOK SCAVENGERS: DIY HOME EDITION

Do you miss Ms. Susan's Library Scavenger Hunts? We do too! Fill out this online form and Ms. Susan will email you a do-it-yourself home scavenger hunt every other Tuesday.

VIRTUAL KIDS LIBRARY SOCIETY GRADES 3 TO 5 THURSDAY, JUNE 4 AND JUNE 18 AT 7:00 P.M.

Do you want to be more involved with the Library? Would you like to help us shape our upcoming programs? Email Ms. Rosemary at rosemary.retford@baldwinlib.org to attend.

MOMS BOOK CLUB

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17 AT 7:00 P.M.

Email Cathy at cathy.gimby@baldwinlib.org if you are interested in learning more about our virtual book club for moms.

VIRTUAL MOTHER/DAUGHTER GRADES 4 TO 6 FRIDAY, JUNE 19 AT 7:00 P.M.

Email Ms. Susan at susan.dion@baldwinlib.org if you are interested in learning more about our virtual book club for girls in grades 4 to 6 and their moms.

VIRTUAL SUMMER PROGRAMS

TO VIRTUALLY ATTEND THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMS, VISIT WWW.BALDWINLIB.ORG/CALENDAR TO REGISTER AND SEE ALL THE PROGRAM DETAILS.

BEDTIME TALES: SOUNDS OF SUMMER WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17

Don't forget to wear your pajamas for this virtual edition of our evening story time.

FAIRY TALE PHOTO CHALLENGE FRIDAY, JUNE 19

Do you have what it takes to recreate scenes from fairy tales using objects from around your home?

BOOK BUG BOOK CLUB GRADES 1 TO 2 MONDAY, JUNE 22

Keep your reading skills sharp over the summer as we read great books and share fun activities that you can do at home!

SUMMER STEM CHALLENGE: BOATS FRIDAY, JUNE 26

All you need is your competitive spirit and some common household items to complete this month's challenge.

STUFFED ANIMAL SLEEPOVER SAFARI MONDAY, JUNE 29

Just because we can't be together doesn't mean we won't have the annual Stuffed Animal Sleepover. This year, the stuffed animals are sleeping at your place! Grab your stuffed friends for some silly stuffed fun!

SUMMER PROGRAMS FOR TEENS

GRADES 6 TO 12

VIRTUAL TEEN BOOK CLUB GRADES 7 TO 12 THURSDAY, JUNE 11 AT 7:00 P.M.



IF I WAS YOUR GIRL BY MEREDITH RUSSO
Contact the Teen Librarian at elisabeth.phou@baldwinlib.org if you would like to get the book and participate in the discussion via Zoom.



SUMMER READING PROGRAM

BPL'S TEEN SUMMER READING program will be **VIRTUAL** this summer and will run from **JUNE 12 TO AUGUST 8**. Visit WWW.BALDWINLIB.ORG/SUMMER-READING to register or contact the Adult Services department at adult.reference@baldwinlib.org or 248-554-4650 to sign up. Thank you to the Friends of the Baldwin Public Library for sponsoring this year's program!

PLAY ANIMAL CROSSING ONLINE WITH BPL STAFF ALL AGES

THURSDAY, JUNE 4 FROM 4:00 TO 5:00 P.M.

Are you looking for new islands to explore on Animal Crossing: New Horizons? BPL staff are ready to open the gates at their island airports, for one hour, to welcome patrons!

Registration required. Dode code will be sent to people who register.

VIRTUAL TEEN TRIVIA GRADES 6 TO 12 THURSDAY, JUNE 18 AT 4:00 P.M.

Grab your favorite snacks and play virtual Kahoot! trivia with other teens on Zoom!

Registration required. Zoom link will be sent to people who register.

TEEN FLASH FICTION WRITING CONTEST GRADES 6 TO 12

Stories will be judged in two different categories: **grades 6-8** and **grades 9-12**. One **grand prize** of a **\$50 Amazon gift card** will be awarded to a winner **from each age bracket**. The contest will be judged by librarians. **Entries will be accepted through August 31**. See baldwinlib.org/teen for more details regarding rules and entry instructions. **Winning stories will be featured on our website.**

BOOK CLUBS

FOR ADULTS

ALL BPL BOOK CLUBS WILL MEET VIRTUALLY USING ZOOM UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. FOR MORE INFORMATION, OR TO RECEIVE AN INVITATION TO ONE OF THE MEETINGS, PLEASE EMAIL ADULT.REFERENCE@BALDWINLIB.ORG



SUNDAY, JUNE 7 AT 1:00 P.M.

BOOK: *THE LONE RANGER AND TONTO FIST FIGHT IN HEAVEN* BY SHERMAN ALEXIE

MOVIE: SMOKE SIGNALS, 1998 (PG-13)

*Both titles are available on Hoopla Digital



MONDAY, JUNE 8 AT 1:00 P.M.

AMERICAN DIRT BY JEANINE CUMMINS



WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10 AT 2:00 P.M.

EVERY NOTE PLAYED BY LISA GENOVA



THURSDAY, JUNE 11 AT 10:00 A.M.

EAGER BY BEN GOLDFARB



TUESDAY, JUNE 16 AT 7:00 P.M.

BITTER ORANGE BY CLAIRE FULLER



WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24 AT 7:00 P.M.

THERE, THERE BY TOMMY ORANGE

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Frank Pisano, Ashley Aidenbaum, Bob Tera, Jim Suhay, Melissa Mark, Jennifer Wheeler

THE LIBRARY BOARD WILL MEET VIRTUALLY MONDAY, JUNE 15 AT 7:30 P.M.

[HTTPS://US02WEB.ZOOM.US/J/83068524774](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83068524774)

SUMMER PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS



SUMMER READING PROGRAM

BPL'S ADULT SUMMER READING program will be VIRTUAL this summer and will run from JUNE 12 TO AUGUST 8. Visit WWW.BALDWINLIB.ORG/SUMMER-READING to register or contact the Adult Services department at adult.reference@baldwinlib.org or 248-554-4650 to sign up. Thank you to the Friends of the Baldwin Public Library for sponsoring this year's program!

LIBRARIAN RECOMMENDED READS

Miss getting reading suggestions from your BPL librarians? Complete the information on the form at www.baldwinlib.org/bookpicks and we will email you personalized recommendations!

INTRO TO EBOOKS

TUESDAY, JUNE 2 AT 7:00 P.M.

Stay in and read ebooks from the Library, we will show you how in this live virtual class.

Valid BPL card and registration required.

GOOD SUMMER READS, WITH SARAH WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10 AT 7:00 P.M.

Adult Services Librarian Sarah will highlight some forthcoming books to read this summer, and even a few that may have been missed this Spring, in this fun virtual book talk.

Registration required.



FRIDAY FIVE AT FIVE - ON FACEBOOK!

Join a new member of BPL's staff on BPL's Facebook page every Friday at 5pm where we will recommend five interesting things - books, movies, or anything!

JUNE 5: ELISABETH FEATURES SOME YA TITLES FOR THE SUMMER

JUNE 12: SYNTHA SUGGESTS SCI-FI SELECTIONS

JUNE 19: MICK RECOMMENDS FIVE GREAT NONFICTION BOOKS

JUNE 26: SARAH FEELS THE LOVE FOR FIVE ROMANCE NOVELS

INSTAGRAM LIVE WITH ROBERT W. FIESELER

TUESDAY, JUNE 9 AT 7:00 P.M.

BPL's Head of Adult Services chats live on Instagram with the award-winning writer Robert W. Fieseler, author of *Tinderbox: The Untold Story of the Up Stairs Lounge Fire* and *the Rise of Gay Liberation*. Follow us on Instagram [@baldwinlib](https://www.instagram.com/baldwinlib).



COMING SOON! THE BPL PPL - A LIBRARY PODCAST

Hang out with some of your favorite "Beeple People" in this new podcast created by Jeff, H, Ethan and Syntha.

COMPUTER CLASSES

REGISTER ONLINE AT WWW.BALDWINLIB.ORG/CALENDAR AND YOU WILL RECEIVE A LINK TO JOIN THE ZOOM MEETING.

START A BLOG

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3 AT 7:00 P.M.

Learn how to create a blog for personal or professional use. In the class we will set up an account on a blogging website, learn about various blogging platforms, and tips for successful blogging.

EMAIL BASICS: GMAIL

SATURDAY, JUNE 6 AT 2:00 P.M.

Email like a pro. In this single session class, learn how to set up an email account, send attachments and much more.

MICROSOFT WORD: AN INTRODUCTION

TUESDAY, JUNE 9 AT 2:00 P.M.

Learn the fundamentals of word processing with Microsoft Word.

BUILD A WEBSITE

SATURDAY, JUNE 13 & 20 AT 2:00 P.M.

Create a basic website for yourself or for your business in this two-session class.

GOOGLE DOCS: AN ALTERNATIVE TO MICROSOFT WORD

TUESDAY, JUNE 16 AT 2:00 P.M.

Learn about Google Docs: a powerful alternative to Microsoft Word.

GOOGLE SLIDES: AN ALTERNATIVE TO MICROSOFT POWERPOINT

THURSDAY, JUNE 25 AT 7:00 P.M.

Create and share an online slideshow with Google Slides, a solid alternative to PowerPoint.

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248-554-4650

THE IDEA LAB: COVID19 FACE SHIELD PROJECT

To assist with **COVID-19 relief efforts**, the **Baldwin Public Library Idea Lab** embarked on a 3D printing project by **printing protective face shields** to donate to local hospitals and first responders. When the call for help was put out, **individuals and companies stepped up** and **donated \$40,000** to help the cause. Farmington Hills-based manufacturer, **PolyFlex Products Inc.**, volunteered their labor and expertise to donate face shields that can be sterilized for hospital use. These shields are an important part of the protective equipment worn by medical professionals, and act as the first line of defense by preventing viral particles from reaching the face. To date, **the Lab has delivered 35,000 masks** to local hospitals, fire departments, police departments, senior centers, and doctor's offices.

We appreciate the generous support of everyone involved in this community effort!

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