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BALDWIN PUBLIC LIBRARY ANTIRACISM STATEMENT

Earlier this month, in a note to staff, the Baldwin Public Library Board of Directors condemned institutional racism and expressed its desire that Baldwin become a more effective antiracist organization. It invited staff to raise concerns and make suggestions for proactively improving BPL's internal and external policies, practices, and behaviors. Also last week, the City of Birmingham, with which BPL is affiliated, issued a Proclamation on Social Injustice, which the Baldwin Public Library wholeheartedly endorses.

This week, we wish to state publicly that we stand alongside our peers, the American Library Association and Michigan Library Association, in condemning all violence and racism towards Black people, Indigenous people, and all people of color.

In company with other libraries all over the country, we will continue to share books and other resources with you and with each other that deepen our shared understanding of Black history, institutional racism, and systemic racial violence and inequality. Black lives matter.

Because racism is so pervasive in our society, we and our institutions are inherently implicated. Therefore, we must work actively to dismantle its roots. Thus, to further our educational mission, the Baldwin Public Library is actively examining its internal and external policies and practices through an antiracism lens. We are also committed to curating additional programming and partnerships to support antiracism work in our community. In the coming weeks and months, the Library will develop plans and benchmarks to ensure that our commitment to this cause truly does bear fruit.

We stand with the many library workers, patrons, and community members who are fighting for justice and equality. And we set forth a long-term commitment to becoming a more effective antiracist institution.

In solidarity,

Ashley Aidenbaum, *President* • Melissa Mark, *Vice President*
Frank Pisano, *Secretary* • Jim Suhay • Bob Tera • Jennifer Wheeler
BALDWIN PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF DIRECTORS



SUMMER READING 2020 COMMUNITY GOAL

BPL

VIRTUAL PANTRY

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ACTIVITIES

For every summer reading activity you complete, we'll donate **10¢** to FORGOTTEN HARVEST

HELP FILL THE BPL VIRTUAL PANTRY WITH THE YOUTH SUMMER READING PROGRAM!

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SUMMER-READING**



BALDWIN PUBLIC LIBRARY ► SERVING THE COMMUNITIES OF
BIRMINGHAM, BEVERLY HILLS, BINGHAM FARMS & BLOOMFIELD HILLS

SUMMER PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN

BABIES TO GRADE 6

IMAGINE YOUR STORY: SUMMER READING PROGRAM

BPL'S VIRTUAL YOUTH SUMMER READING program is running through **AUGUST 8**.

Visit WWW.BALDWINLIB.ORG/SUMMER-READING to register and download the game cards.

Thank you to the Friends of the Baldwin Public Library for sponsoring this year's program!



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.

VIRTUAL KIDS LIBRARY SOCIETY



**THURSDAY, JULY 9 AND JULY 23
AT 7:00 P.M.
GRADES 3 TO 5**

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 if you are interested in a virtual version of KLS.

VIRTUAL PET SHOW

We love our pets and we know you do, too. Email your videos or pictures of your pets to youth.reference@baldwinlib.org and we will highlight them online. Let's see those fun talents that make your pet unique. *Submissions are due Friday, July 17. Brought to you by The Kids Library Society.*

BPL ART SHOW

Celebrate creativity and community with our first ever digital art show. Email an image of your artwork, your first name, and age to youth.reference@baldwinlib.org. Various media, including paintings, drawings, photography, sculpture, and more are acceptable. *Submissions are due by July 31 and will be displayed online and on Baldwin's bulletin boards.*

VIRTUAL SUMMER PROGRAMS

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

SUMMER STEM CHALLENGE: MARSHMALLOW CATAPULTS FRIDAY, JULY 10

All you need is your competitive spirit and some common household items to complete this month's challenge. *Supplies will be given to those who register.*

NATURE ARTS AND CRAFTS TUESDAY, JULY 14

Go outside and enjoy nature! Complete the scavenger hunt to acquire your supplies, including rocks and sticks. Then use a few things found around the house to transform everything into art projects and fun crafts.

BEDTIME TALES: DRAGONS WEDNESDAY, JULY 15

Don't forget to wear your pajamas for this virtual edition of our evening story time. *Supplies for the craft will be given to those who register.*

BOOK BUG BOOK CLUB MONDAY, JULY 20

GRADES 1 TO 2
Keep your reading skills sharp over the summer as we read great books and share fun activities that you can do at home! *A take home packet will be given to those who register.*

FAIRY TALE CREATIONS WEDNESDAY, JULY 29

Check out one of our fairy tale craft books and make a craft, write a story, or experiment with a science project as you explore imaginary lands. *More information available at registration.*

SUMMER PROGRAMS FOR TEENS

GRADES 6 TO 12

IMAGINE YOUR STORY: SUMMER READING PROGRAM

BPL'S VIRTUAL TEEN SUMMER READING program is running through **AUGUST 8**.

Visit WWW.BALDWINLIB.ORG/SUMMER-READING

to register and participate. *Thank you to the Friends of the Baldwin Public Library for sponsoring this year's program!*

VIRTUAL TEEN BOOK CLUB THURSDAY, JULY 9 AT 7:00 P.M.

GRADES 7 TO 12
Join us on Zoom for a book discussion. This month's book is *Truly Devious* by Maureen Johnson. *The first 10 teens to register get a free paperback book, thanks to the Friends of the Baldwin Public Library!* This book is also available on Hoopla and Libby. **Registration required.** *The Zoom link will be emailed to registered teens the day of the discussion.*

PLAY ANIMAL CROSSING ONLINE WITH BPL STAFF

**TUESDAY, JULY 14 & TUESDAY, JULY 28
FROM 4:00 TO 5:00 P.M.**

ALL AGES
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 codes will be emailed on the day of the event.**

VIRTUAL ANIMATION PROGRAM, WITH ALEX THOMAS AND FRIENDS JULY 16 TO 23

GRADES 6 TO 12
Learn to create your very own 2-D animations. Participants will learn how to easily build an animation frame by frame using free animation software. No prior knowledge is required. Videos are hosted by presenter Alex Thomas and Friends, and will be available for use from July 16–23, on your own time. **Registration required. YouTube video links will be emailed to you after registration.**

CRAFTS TO GO: SHRINKY DINK KEYCHAINS

GRADES 6 TO 12
From July 6–31 you can pick up a craft kit with supplies you will need to make a shrinky dink keychain. *Available while supplies last. Ask for one at Adult Services.*

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.



**WEDNESDAY, JULY 8
AT 2:00 P.M.**
EAGER BY BEN GOLDFARB



**THURSDAY, JULY 9
AT 10:00 A.M.**
HEARTLAND BY SARAH SMARSH



**SUNDAY, JULY 12
AT 1:00 P.M.**
"MY FRIEND DAHMER" (R, 2017),
based on the book of the same name by DERF
BACKDERF. Both the film and the book are available
in Hoopla Digital.



**MONDAY, JULY 13
AT 1:00 P.M.**
NOTHING TO SEE HERE
BY KEVIN WILSON



**TUESDAY, JULY 21
AT 7:00 P.M.**
QUEENIE BY CANDICE CARTY
WILLIAMS



**WEDNESDAY, JULY 22
AT 7:00 P.M.**
THE NINTH HOUR
BY ALICE McDERMOTT

THE IDEA LAB

DUE TO ITS SMALL SPACE, IDEA LAB SERVICES ARE BEING REDESIGNED TO ADHERE TO PUBLIC HEALTH GUIDELINES. PLEASE VISIT THE WEBSITE AT BALDWINLIB.ORG/IDEALAB FOR THE MOST UP TO DATE INFORMATION, AND THANKS FOR YOUR PATIENCE!

3D PRINT REQUESTING WILL RESUME JULY 6TH
Check the Idea Lab's website soon for more information about contactless payment and pickup options.

VIRTUAL LAB HOURS

TUESDAYS, FROM 11:00 AM TO NOON
THURSDAYS, FROM 4:00 TO 5:00 PM

Get help with your projects or talk shop with Jeff, our Idea Lab Supervisor. Check the Library's event calendar for information about how to join the virtual meetings.

IDEA LAB LIVE ON INSTAGRAM

THURSDAY, JULY 30 AT 7:00 P.M.

Hang out with Jeff on IG Live as he rebuilds an older 3D printer from the bottom up. Follow the Library on Instagram at @baldwinlib.

SUMMER PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS



REGISTRATION REQUIRED FOR THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMS

The Zoom invitation will be emailed to registered attendees the day of the event.

WILDFLOWERS IN MICHIGAN GARDENS TUESDAY, JULY 7 AT 7:00 P.M.

Join Master Gardener Cheryl English for a lecture on native wildflowers in your home garden.

MANITOU MYSTERIES: SHIPWRECK ADVENTURE

WEDNESDAY, JULY 15 AT 7:00 PM

Hear shipwreck hunter Ross Richardson's story behind the discovery of the shipwrecked W.C. Kimball, the schooner that sank in northern Lake Michigan in 1981 and was discovered by Ross in 2018.

BASIC ORIGAMI FOLDS, WITH MEGAN MONDAY, JULY 20 AT 7:00 P.M.

Megan will teach you the basic origami folds to get you started with this fun and relaxing hobby. No special paper is needed.

COOKBOOK CLUB GOES VIRTUAL TUESDAY, JULY 28 AT 7:00 P.M.

Make your own signature dish to enjoy while we gather virtually to eat and share stories of our favorite meals. All contributed recipes will be published in a downloadable ebook on the Library's website. *If you want to submit a recipe to the cookbook but cannot attend the event please email maria.williams@baldwinlib.org.*

MAKE A COCKTAIL SHRUB, WITH SARAH WEDNESDAY, JULY 29 AT 7:00 PM

Learn how to make a shrub syrup from scratch to fancy up your summer cocktails and mocktails.



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!

JULY 10: MARIA SHARES FIVE BIG BOOKS SHE'S ALWAYS MEANT TO READ

JULY 17: CAROLINE REVEALS HER TOP FIVE SPORTS MOVIES

JULY 24: SARAH HIGHLIGHTS FIVE TITLES FOR FUN ARMCHAIR TRAVELERS

JULY 31: MICK RECOMMENDS FIVE GREAT TRUE CRIME STORIES.

USING LIBBY MONDAYS AT 4:00 PM

JULY 6, 13, 20 OR 27

A librarian will show you how to access Libby to check out e-books and e-audiobooks. **BPL card is required. Registration required. The Zoom invitation will be emailed to registered attendees the day of the event.**

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!

IMAGINE YOUR STORY: SUMMER READING PROGRAM

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COMPUTER CLASSES

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

MS EXCEL: AN INTRODUCTION

WEDNESDAYS, JULY 1 & 8 AT 2:00 P.M. OR 7:00 P.M.

Learn the fundamentals of spreadsheet creation with Microsoft Excel in this two-session class.

MS EXCEL: VLOOKUP & PIVOT TABLES

WEDNESDAY, JULY 15 AT 2:00 P.M. OR 7:00 P.M.

Explore advanced features of Microsoft Excel 2016. Topics include creating Pivot Tables and the VLOOKUP function.

PHOTOPEA: A FREE PHOTOSHOP ALTERNATIVE

SATURDAY, JULY 18 AT 2:00 P.M.

In this class, we will edit photos using Photopea, a professional, online photo editor.

GOOGLE SHEETS

WEDNESDAY, JULY 22 AT 2:00 P.M. OR 7:00 P.M.

In the class, we will create and share a budget in Google Sheets, the alternative to MS Excel.

SELL YOUR STUFF ONLINE

SATURDAY, JULY 25 AT 2:00 P.M.

This class looks at eBay and Facebook Marketplace as a way to sell your unneeded items and reduce clutter.

TRACKING STOCKS WITH GOOGLE SHEETS

WEDNESDAY, JULY 29 AT 2:00 P.M. OR 7:00 P.M.

In this class, we will learn how to track your Stock Portfolio using Google Sheets.

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BPL CONTINUES ITS PHASED REOPENING PLAN

HAVING RECEIVED INPUT FROM STAFF MEMBERS, HEALTH DEPARTMENTS, AND OTHER LOCAL PUBLIC LIBRARIES, **THE BALDWIN PUBLIC LIBRARY IMPLEMENTED A RE-OPENING PLAN:**



LEVEL 4: CURBSIDE BPL

WWW.BALDWINLIB.ORG/CURBSIDEPICKUP

Since June 15, Baldwin has been offering contactless curbside pickup at the following times:

- Monday to Thursday: 11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
- Friday & Saturday: 9:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

You can request items online or on the phone. When you arrive at the Library, pull up along Bates Street near the curbside drop box and then call or text to notify Library staff that you are ready to receive your materials. Staff will deliver your items to the sidewalk.

LEVEL 3: GRAB AND GO BPL

Starting on Monday, July 6, the public will be allowed into the building for short periods of time, with masks and social distancing required. Aisles between the stacks will be one-way. Regular Library hours will resume. There will be a 30-minute time limit at public computers. Curbside delivery will continue.

LEVEL 2: SIX-FOOT BPL

The start date is still to be determined. There will be a 60-minute time limit at public computers. The photocopier, fax, and scanner will be available, as will study rooms. Proctoring will become available again, and the book sale table in the lobby will be open for business.

LIBRARY HOURS RESUME JULY 6:

MONDAY TO THURSDAY
9:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

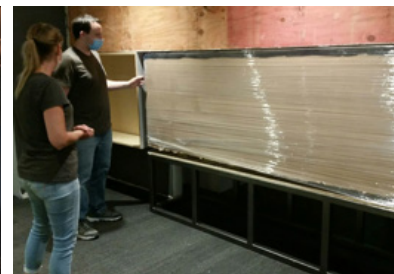
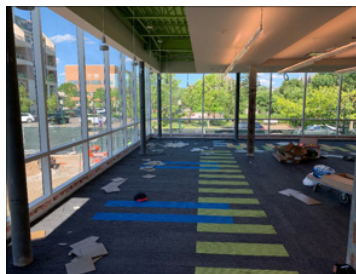
FRIDAY & SATURDAY
9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

SUNDAY:
12:00 to 5:00 p.m.

LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR

NEW YOUTH ROOM SOON TO BE OPEN

Baldwin's Youth Room project is drawing to a close. We expect to have the space open to the public in July. The refurbished space will be 40% larger and will feature full handicap accessibility, updated restrooms, a children's terrace and garden, and a beautiful floor-to-ceiling view over Shain Park. Below (left) is a photo of the new room.



Shelving is in the process of being installed, and all of the books and DVDs that have been in storage will soon be returned.

A new, large aquarium, pictured above (right), will be located in the hallway to the Youth Room.

The Library has instituted some changes as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. For example, you may now **register for library cards online**. When you return materials, we will **quarantine** them for 72 hours for your safety. And **curbside delivery** of materials will remain the primary way you get library books, at least until **the Library building opens again to the public on Monday, July 6**.

Finally, even though Baldwin cannot offer any programs in person this summer, we are still offering our annual **summer reading** program. Visit baldwinlib.org/summer-reading to register. For every child who participates, a small donation will be made to Forgotten Harvest for every challenge they completed, thanks to a generous donation from the Friends of the Baldwin Public Library.

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BALDWIN PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUST DONORS

JANUARY TO MAY 2020

GIFT DONATIONS

Anonymous

John and Sheila Brice -
In Memory of Sally McRitchie

Anne Calomeni

David and Jelane Caspar -
In Memory of John Neumann

Katherine Dunshee -
In Memory of David Dunshee

Rachel Jensen -
In Honor of David Jensen's Birthday

PEO Sisterhood Chapter -
In Appreciation of Maria Williams' Book Talk

Ruth Rattner -
In Honor of Peter Hollinshead's Birthday

TRIBUTE AND MEMORIAL DONATIONS

Joanne Gartland - *In Honor of Julie Dawson*
Shirley Dawson - *In Honor of Julie Dawson*

GENERAL DONATIONS

Friends of Baldwin Public Library
Jet's Pizza
Premier Pet Supply

LIBRARY BOARD

Frank Pisano, Ashley Aidenbaum, Bob Tera, Jim Suhay, Melissa Mark, Jennifer Wheeler
THE LIBRARY BOARD WILL MEET VIRTUALLY ON MONDAY, JULY 20 AT 7:30 P.M.



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