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JANUARY **PROGRAMS** FOR **CHILDREN**

BABIES TO GRADE 6

BOOKS UNBOXED
BALDWIN PUBLIC LIBRARY

GRADES 4 TO 12
Join our free, three - month subscription book service and receive a surprise library book tailored to your preference each month. ***Visit www.baldwinlib.org/youth to subscribe now.***

LIBRARIAN LETTERS

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. LIVE AND PRE-RECORDED OPTIONS ARE AVAILABLE.

MONDAYS LIVE WITH MS. CAROLINE
TUESDAYS LIVE WITH MS. ROSEMARY
WEDNESDAYS LIVE WITH MS. RUTH ANN
THURSDAYS LIVE WITH MS. DONNA
FRIDAYS LIVE WITH MS. STEPHANIE

VIRTUAL KIDS LIBRARY SOCIETY

Kids Library Society

THURSDAY, JANUARY 21 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? **Registration required.** ***Zoom link will be emailed the day of the program.***

BOOK SCAVENGERS DIY HOME EDITION

Do you miss Ms. Susan's Library Scavenger Hunts? We do, too! Register at www.baldwinlib.org/youth and Ms. Susan will email you a do-it-yourself home scavenger hunt every other Tuesday.

BEDTIME TALES

WINTER FUN
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20

Wear your warmest pajamas as you join Ms. Syntha and Ms. Rosemary in a story time celebrating winter! **Register at baldwinlib.org/calendar to receive the video and craft supplies on the day of the program.**

TAKE & MAKE MONDAYS

MONDAY, JANUARY 4 AND 18
Register at www.baldwinlib.org/calendar for your free craft kit to make at home, available via our curbside pickup service.

LITTLE EXPLORERS

Children ages 18 months to five years can create, touch, and play with a monthly sensory kit designed to support fine and gross motor skills, cognitive development, and problem solving skills. Register at www.baldwinlib.org/youth and we will email you once a month when the next kit is available.

VIRTUAL BOOK CLUBS FOR CHILDREN

PANELS AND FRAMES GRADES 3 TO 6
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16 AT 7:00 P.M.
EL DEAFO BY CECE BELL
Email Ms. Caroline at caroline.salucci@baldwinlib.org to register for this graphic novel book club that meets every other month

BEYOND THE BOOK
GRADES 1 TO 3 AND A GROWNUP
THURSDAY, JANUARY 14 AT 7:00 P.M.
WHO WOULD WIN? KOMODO DRAGON VS. KING COBRA BY JERRY PALLOTTA
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11 AT 7:00 P.M.
BE A KING BY CAROLE BOSTON WEATHERFORD
Email Ms. Rosemary at rosemary.retford@baldwinlib.org to register for this non-fiction book club

BOOKS PLUS GRADES 2 TO 3 AND A GROWNUP
MONDAY, JANUARY 25 AT 7:00 P.M.
JUANA & LUCAS BY JUANA MEDINA
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22 AT 7:00 P.M
DONOVAN'S WORD JAR BY MONALISA DEGROSS
Email Ms. Donna at donna.smith@baldwinlib.org to register for this virtual book club.

MOTHER/DAUGHTER
GIRLS IN GRADES 4 TO 6 AND THEIR MOMS
TUESDAY, JANUARY 12 AT 7:00 P.M.
FRONT DESK BY KELLY YANG
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9 AT 7:00 P.M.
FROM THE DESK OF ZOE WASHINGTON BY JANAE MARKS
Email Ms. Susan at susan.dion@baldwinlib.org to register.

BOOKS AND BAGELS GRADES 4 TO 6
TUESDAY, JANUARY 26 AT 7:00 P.M.
THE FRAME-UP BY WENDY MCLEOD MACKNIGHT
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23 AT 7:00 P.M.
THE JUMBIES BY TRACEY BAPTISTE
Email Ms. Susan at susan.dion@baldwinlib.org to register.

MOMS BOOK CLUB:
FEBRUARY 10 AT 7:00 P.M.
A GENTLEMAN IN MOSCOW BY AMOR TOWLES
Email Ms. Susan at susan.dion@baldwinlib.org to register for this book club for moms that meets every other month.

BATTLE OF THE BOOKS 2021

FOR 4TH AND 5TH GRADE STUDENTS IN THE BIRMINGHAM PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT. VISIT WWW.BALDWINLIB.ORG/BATTLE FOR DETAILS AND OFFICIAL RULES.

BATTLE DAY
SATURDAY, MARCH 6 AT 11:00 A.M.
VIA ZOOM

INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS
THURSDAY JANUARY 7 OR THURSDAY FEBRUARY 4 AT 7:00 P.M.
We'll go over the virtual format for this year and answer any questions you might have.

Help your team prepare by joining our virtual trivia sessions. Librarians will ask a multitude of questions about the books so you can test your knowledge! Register at baldwinlib.org/calendar. Zoom link will be emailed the day of the program.

BOOK DISCUSSIONS
LOST PROPERTY OFFICE: WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13 AT 7:00 P.M.
VANDERBEEKERS OF 141ST STREET: TUESDAY, JANUARY 19 AT 4:30 P.M.
PLANET EARTH IS BLUE: THURSDAY, JANUARY 28 AT 7:00 P.M
MONSTER MAYHEM: TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2 AT 4:30 P.M.
THE LAST LAST-DAY-OF-SUMMER: MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8 AT 7:00 P.M.
THE DOUGHNUT FIX: WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24 AT 4:30 P.M.

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, JANUARY 13 AT 2:00 P.M.
THE POISONED CITY BY ANNA CLARK

TUESDAY, JANUARY 12 AT 10:00 A.M.
THE LOST CITY OF THE MONKEY GOD BY DOUGLAS PRESTON

SUNDAY, JANUARY 3 AT 1:00 P.M.
"JOJO RABBIT" (PG-13) and *Caging Skies* by Christine Leunens.

MONDAY, JANUARY 11 AT 1:00 P.M.
LEAVE THE WORLD BEHIND BY RUMAAN ALAM

TUESDAY, JANUARY 19 AT 7:00 P.M.
WARLIGHT BY MICHAEL ONDAATJE

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27 AT 7:00 P.M.
EVERY NOTE PLAYED BY LISA GENOVA

BOOKS UNSHELVED

Try BPL's new free book subscription service for adults: Books Unshelved! Subscribers will receive a surprise library book selected just for them by a librarian, plus some extra goodies. ***Visit www.baldwinlib.org/books-unshelved/ to subscribe now.***

JANUARY PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

FRIDAY FIVE @ 5 - ON FACEBOOK!

Join a new member of BPL's staff on BPL's Facebook page every Friday at 5 :00 p.m. where we will recommend five interesting things - books, movies, or anything!

JANUARY 8: LINDA RECOMMENDS FIVE MYSTERY SERIES

JANUARY 15: MARIA HIGHLIGHTS FIVE FORGOTTEN PULITZER WINNERS

JANUARY 22: REBEKAH SHARES FIVE WAYS YOU CAN USE YOUR BPL CARD

JANUARY 29: MAGGIE SUGGESTS FIVE MOVIES FOR DOG LOVERS

BPL PPL - A LIBRARY PODCAST

Baldwin is pleased to present BPL PPL, a library podcast. Find it on Spotify or Apple Podcasts.
Please rate and review us!

CRAFTS TO GO

PAINT-BY-NUMBER MICHIGAN LIGHTHOUSE

Starting January 11, request a paint-by-number kit of the South Haven Lighthouse
Limit one per patron. First come, first served.

CLAY PINCH POTS

Starting January 19, pick up a kit to make a pinch pots - they are perfect for tiny plants! Personalize with your own permanent marker design. ***Limit one per patron. First come, first served.***

WOMEN ON OPPOSITE SIDES OF THE LAW

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13 AT 7:00 P.M.
D.M. Testa, author of *Defending the Dillinger Gang*, and Shayne Davidson, author of *Queen of the Burglars*, virtually discuss how women on opposite sides of the law persevered in a world where men made the rules. **Registration required.**

USING EBOOKS WITH LIBBY

MONDAYS, JANUARY 4, 11, OR 25 AT 4:00 P.M.
A librarian will show you how to access Libby to check out e-books and e-audiobooks.
BPL card required. Registration required.

ONLINE NEWSPAPER ACCESS

TUESDAYS, JANUARY 12 OR 26 AT 11:00 A.M.
A BPL librarian will show you how to access premium newspaper content beyond the paywall of the New York Times, Wall Street Journal, Financial Times, and Washington Post. **BPL card required. Registration required.**

SOCRATES CAFE

SUNDAY, JANUARY 17 AT 2:00 P.M.
Socrates Cafe continues to meet for conversation via Zoom. To join, please email avpratt@aol.com.

AFRICAN AMERICAN ART AT THE DIA

TUESDAY, JANUARY 26 AT 7:00 P.M.
Join docent Kathleen McBroom on a virtual tour of African American creative works of art from the DIA collections. **Registration required.**

OAKLAND COUNTY'S WATER INFRASTRUCTURE, WITH COMMISSIONER JIM NASH

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1 AT 7:00 PM
Nash will virtually discuss and answer questions about Oakland County's water infrastructure. Learn about water quality, sewer and stormwater, lead, and copper concerns. **Registration required.**

GREAT BOOKS DISCUSSION GROUP

All meetings take place via Zoom.
Email maria.williams@baldwinlib.org to join.

JANUARY 6 & 20 AT 6:45 P.M.:
ANGLE OF REPOSE BY WALLACE STEGNER

LIBRARIAN RECOMMENDED READS

Do you miss receiving reading suggestions from your BPL librarians? Complete the form at www.baldwinlib.org/bookpicks and we will email you personalized recommendations.

COMPUTER CLASSES

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED FOR ALL COMPUTER CLASSES. ONCE REGISTERED, YOU WILL RECEIVE A ZOOM LINK A HALF HOUR BEFORE CLASS.

MICROSOFT EXCEL: CREATING SPREADSHEETS

WEDNESDAYS, JANUARY 6 & 13 AT 2:00 OR 7:00 P.M.
Learn the fundamentals of spreadsheet creation with Microsoft Excel in this two-session class.

SELLING ONLINE

SATURDAY, JANUARY 9 AT 2:00 P.M.
Declutter and make some money by selling your unwanted items online.

PHOTOPEA: A PHOTOSHOP ALTERNATIVE

SATURDAY, JANUARY 16 AT 2:00 P.M.
Learn the basics of photo editing with this free and powerful tool.

MICROSOFT EXCEL: VLOOKUP

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20 AT 2:00 OR 7:00 P.M.
Find information easily with Excel's VLookup function.

START A BLOG

SATURDAY, JANUARY 23 AT 2:00 P.M.
If you want to create a blog for personal or professional use, this is where you start.

GOOGLE SHEETS

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27 AT 2:00 OR 7:00 P.M.
Learn the fundamentals of spreadsheet creation with this Microsoft Excel alternative.

TRACKING STOCKS IN GOOGLE SHEETS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 30 AT 2:00 P.M.
Track and manage your stock portfolio within Google Sheets.

JANUARY **PROGRAMS** FOR **TEENS**

GRADES 6 TO 12

CRAFTS TO GO

TIE-DYE MASKS

GRADES 6 TO 12

Starting January 4, pick up supplies to make a tie-dye mask with markers.
Limit one per teen. Available while supplies last.

VIRTUAL TEEN BOOK CLUB

GRADES 7 TO 12

THURSDAY, JANUARY 7 AT 7:00 P.M.

A VERY LARGE EXPANSE OF SEA BY TAHEREH MAFI
The first 10 teens to register will receive a free book, thanks to the Friends of Baldwin Public Library. This book is also available on Hoopla and Libby. ***Register to receive a Zoom invite on the day of the discussion.***

HARRY POTTER TRIVIA

GRADES 6 TO 12

THURSDAY, JANUARY 14 AT 7:00 P.M.

Test your Harry Potter knowledge with this fun virtual trivia night on Kahoot. The winner will receive a $25 Books-A-Million gift card!
Register to receive a Zoom invite on the day of the program.

THE **IDEA LAB**

THE IDEA LAB IS TAKING REQUESTS FOR REMOTE SERVICES. SUBMIT YOUR REQUEST TO IDEALAB@BALDWINLIB.ORG. ITEMS AND MATERIALS TO BE CUT, ENGRAVED, OR EMBROIDERED SHOULD BE DELIVERED TO THE IDEA LAB DROP ZONE LOCATED OUTSIDE THE FRONT ENTRANCE DURING CURBSIDE PICKUP HOURS. VISIT BALDWINLIB.ORG/IDEALAB FOR MORE INFORMATION.

IDEA LAB LIVE ON INSTAGRAM

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13 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.

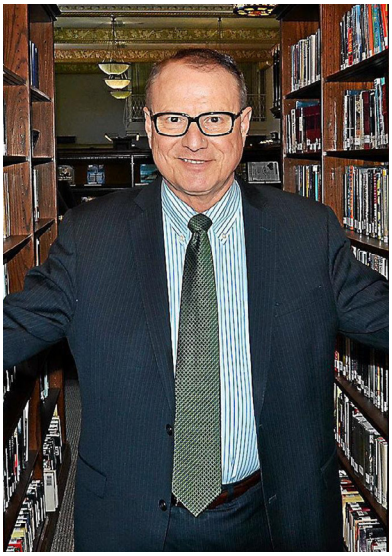
HANGING PENDANT LAMP

MONDAY, JANUARY 25 AT 2:00 PM

Attend this virtual workshop and Jeff will show you how to assemble a hanging pendant lamp. **Registration required.** ***Supplies provided to registered attendees.***

LETTER FROM **THE DIRECTOR**

MONITORING COVID AND FAREWELL



The Baldwin Public Library is currently at "curbside" status, which means that the building is closed to the public, but pickup service is available during the Library's regular business hours. Baldwin is providing a wide range of virtual and take-away programs for all ages. E-books and e-audiobooks, as well as streaming videos, are available through the Library's website. You can also read The New York Times, Wall Street Journal, and Washington Post online.

Baldwin continues to monitor the COVID-19 situation, with hopes of re-opening the building to the public as soon as possible. When it does re-open, Baldwin will be at "grab and go" status, meaning that the public will be allowed to be in the building for just 45 minutes and must wear masks. Computer appointments will be available by appointment for BPL cardholders only. Curbside pickup will continue even at the "grab and go" stage.

The Library will move to "grab and go" when the number of COVID case counts for Oakland County drops, the test positivity rate for the County dips, and a the number of current cases in the Birmingham School District diminishes. Baldwin will, of course, also follow the guidelines issued by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services. Library administrators and Library Board members are monitoring the situation carefully.

Sadly, in the midst of this pandemic, I am retiring. My final day of work will be January 15, 2021. Because of COVID, my formal retirement party is being delayed until large gatherings are once again safe—hopefully by the end of 2021.

It has been an honor to work at and help guide Baldwin over the course of 30 years. The Baldwin Library continues to inspire devotion from its users. Just recently, someone wrote me that, even as an adult, she still keeps her first Baldwin library card, with her signature in a five-year-old's handwriting, as a treasure and inspiration. I am proud to be a part of the team that, over the years, has made Baldwin such a valuable and beloved resource for our community.

Doug Koschik

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CURBSIDE PICKUP HOURS

MONDAY TO THURSDAY
9:30 a.m. to 8:45 p.m.

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

SUNDAY :
12:00 to 4:45 p.m.

PLEASE VISIT **WWW.BALDWINLIB.ORG/REOPENING** FOR CURRENT UPDATES ABOUT THE LIBRARY'S REOPENING PLANS.

LIBRARY **BOARD**

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

THE LIBRARY BOARD WILL MEET VIRTUALLY
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20 AT 7:30 P.M.