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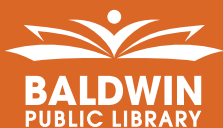
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NOVEMBER
NATIVE AMERICAN
HERITAGE MONTH



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BIRMINGHAM, BEVERLY HILLS, BINGHAM FARMS, & BLOOMFIELD HILLS

AUTUMN PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN

BABIES TO GRADE 6

ALL PROGRAMS SUBJECT TO CHANGE. CHECK THE WEBSITE (BALDWINLIB.ORG/CALENDAR) FOR UP TO DATE INFORMATION AND LOCATIONS BEFORE HEADING TO ANY EVENT.

SEPTEMBER



READ IN THE PARK
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30
RHONDA GOWLER GREENE
AT 11:00 A.M.

Join us at Beverly Park for a fun visit with Rhonda Gowler Greene, author of over twenty-five children's books including the new book *Supergran!* Book Beat will have books available for purchase and signing. Afterwards, walk the Storybook Trail featuring one of Rhonda Gowler Greene's books. **Registration required.**

OCTOBER

LEGO BUILDING CHALLENGE

GRADES K TO 2
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5 AT 4:30 P.M.

Join us for fun Lego challenges such as boat races, marble mazes, and more! We'll supply the Legos. **Registration required.**

SCARY STORIES TO TELL IN THE DARK

GRADES 4 TO 6
MONDAY, OCTOBER 30 AT 7:00 P.M.

Join us for a spooky evening of reading *Scary Stories to Tell in the Dark* by Alvin Schwartz. Participants will take turns reading by flashlight! **Registration required.**

HAUNTED LIBRARY

GRADES 4 TO 6
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13
FROM 8:00 TO 9:00 P.M.

Join us after hours for some creepy fun. Librarians will guide you through the library, while teens try to scare you. This is the one night when screaming is allowed in the library! Make a craft and watch a movie when you are not on a tour. **Registration and permission form required.**

NOVEMBER

STORY/ARTS

GRADES 1 TO 3
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13 AT 4:30 P.M.

Create your next masterpiece using different art techniques while learning about the artists who made them popular. No art experience needed. **Registration required.**

TRAVEL THE WORLD: SPAIN

GRADES 4 TO 6
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29 AT 4:30 P.M.

Join us as we "travel" outside the United States and experience different countries through taste, smell, sound, touch, and sight. **Registration required.**

VIDEO GAMING CLUB

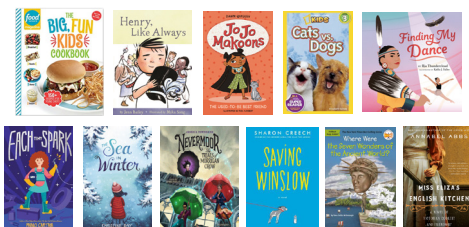
GRADES 4 TO 6
MONDAYS AT 7:00 P.M.
OCTOBER 2: LUIGI'S MANSION 3
NOVEMBER 6: SUPER SMASH BROS ULTIMATE
Meet up with other gamers once a month to play a video game together. All gaming abilities are welcome. **Registration required.**



KIDS LIBRARY SOCIETY

GRADES 3 TO 6
THURSDAYS AT 7:00 P.M.
SEPTEMBER 21 - OCTOBER 19 - NOVEMBER 16
Do you want to be more involved with the Library? Would you like to hang out with friends and play some games? Join us for monthly meetings to talk about Library programs and play games. **Registration required.**

AUTUMN BOOK CLUB SELECTIONS



BOOK CLUBS

FOR CHILDREN

Visit our Book Clubs page at baldwinlib.org/book-clubs for more upcoming book selections.

Kids COOKBOOK club

GRADES 3 TO 6
MONDAYS AT 6:00 P.M.

OCTOBER 9: THE BIG, FUN KIDS COOKBOOK
BY FOOD NETWORK MAGAZINE

Email Syntha at syntha.green@baldwinlib.org to register.

Adventures IN BOOKS

GRADES 1 TO 3 - GROWN UPS WELCOME
WEDNESDAYS AT 4:30 P.M.

OCTOBER 11: HENRY, LIKE ALWAYS BY JENN BAILEY
NOVEMBER 8: JO JO MAKOOKS: THE USED-TO-BE BEST FRIEND BY DAWN QUIGLEY

Email Melissa at melissa.behrens@baldwinlib.org to register.

BEYOND the book

GRADES 1 TO 3
THURSDAYS AT 7:00 P.M.

OCTOBER 26: NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC READERS: CATS VS. DOGS BY ELIZABETH CARNEY

NOVEMBER 30: FINDING MY DANCE
BY RIA THUNDERCLOUD
Email Rosemary at rosemary.isbell@baldwinlib.org to register.

mother/DAUGHTER

GRADES 4 TO 6 AND MOMS
TUESDAYS AT 7:00 P.M.
OCTOBER 10: EACH TINY SPARK BY PABLO CARTAYA
NOVEMBER 14: THE SEA IN WINTER BY CHRISTINE DAY
Email Susan at susan.dion@baldwinlib.org to register.

BOOKS AND BAGELS

GRADES 4 TO 6
TUESDAYS AT 7:00 P.M.
OCTOBER 24: NEVERMOOR: THE TRIALS OF MORRIGAN CROW BY JESSICA TOWNSEND
NOVEMBER 28: SAVING WINSLOW BY SHARON CREECH
Email Susan at susan.dion@baldwinlib.org to register.

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FOR CHILDREN

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WHO? WHAT? WHERE?

GRADES 4 TO 6

THURSDAYS AT 7:00 P.M.

NOVEMBER 2: *WHERE WERE THE SEVEN WONDERS OF THE ANCIENT WORLD* BY YONA ZELDIS MCDONOUGH

Email Rosemary at rosemary.isbell@baldwinlib.org to register.

moms BOOK CLUB

WEDNESDAYS AT 7:00 P.M.

OCTOBER 18: *MISS ELIZA'S ENGLISH KITCHEN* BY ANNABEL ABBS

Email Susan at susan.dion@baldwinlib.org to register.

NEW! WIGGLE WORMS DROP IN

BIRTH TO 2 YEARS AND A GROWN UP

MONDAYS FROM 10:00 A.M. TO 11:00 A.M.

• SEPTEMBER 11 • OCTOBER 16 • NOVEMBER 27

Drop in between 10:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. for open-ended, unstructured play with your child and to socialize with other families. *Caregivers must stay with children. No registration required.*

PLAY AND LEARN

AGES 2 TO 5 AND A GROWN UP

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17 AT 4:00 P.M.

Touch, play, explore, and discover with your child while they learn a variety of skills including fine and gross motor, social, early literacy, and math. *Caregivers must stay with children. Registration required.*

PARENTING STRATEGY SESSIONS

THURSDAYS AT 7:00 P.M.

OCTOBER 5: BIOLOGY OF MENTAL HEALTH

NOVEMBER 9: BEHAVIORAL SUPPORT WITH LITTLES

Hosted by Jessica Cortez, LMSW, founder of Bloomfield Child and Family Counseling. Jessica and her staff will discuss different parenting topics along with concrete strategies and insights for parents. **Registration required.**

Attend in person or virtually.

AUTUMN PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN

BABIES TO GRADE 6

STORY TIMES

Story times use a first come, first served ticketing system.

Check the online calendar for dates.

WIGGLE & RHYME

BIRTH TO 1.5 YEARS

TUESDAYS AT 10:00 A.M. OR 11:15 A.M.

Join Ms. Stephanie for a lapsit story time with singing, clapping, tapping, and more.

TODDLER TALES

1.5 YEARS TO 2.5 YEARS

WEDNESDAYS AT 10:00 A.M. OR 11:15 A.M.

Join Ms. Rosemary for stories, songs, and rhymes.

BOOKS & BOOGIE

3 TO 5 YEARS

THURSDAYS AT 10:00 A.M. OR 2:00 P.M.

Join Ms. Alyssa for stories and songs that get you moving.

SING & TELL

2.5 YEARS TO 3.5 YEARS

FRIDAYS AT 10:00 A.M. OR 11:15 A.M.

Join Ms. Susan as she reads stories and rhymes, sings songs, and more.

BEDTIME TALES

ALL AGES

WEDNESDAYS AT 6:15 P.M.

Join Ms. Syntha for end-of-day stories, rhymes, and songs.

MADE TO MOVE

ALL AGES

TUESDAYS AT 6:15 P.M.

SEPTEMBER 12 • OCTOBER 3 • NOVEMBER 7

Join Ms. Caroline for books, songs, and fingerplays that will get the whole family moving and grooving.

BOOKS AND BLANKETS

OUTDOOR FAMILY STORY TIME

SATURDAYS AT 10:00 A.M.

SEPTEMBER 16 • OCTOBER 7 • NOVEMBER 18

Bring a blanket and enjoy a story time that is fun for the whole family! *This program is hosted off site at Barnum Park. Story time will be canceled in case of inclement weather. There is no ticketing or registration required for this outdoor story time.*

RUFF READERS

AGES 6 & UP

TUESDAYS AT 6:30 P.M.

SEPTEMBER 19 • OCTOBER 17 • NOVEMBER 21

Sign up for a ten minute time slot to read to a registered therapy dog from the Alliance of Therapy Dogs. Therapy dogs enjoy being read to and offer a non-judgmental, creative and fun opportunity for children while encouraging reading confidence.



PROJECT KIDSIGHT

VISION SCREENING FOR KIDS

SATURDAYS FROM 10:00 A.M. TO NOON

• SEPTEMBER 9

• OCTOBER 21

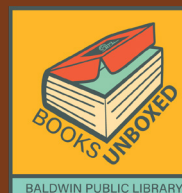
• NOVEMBER 11

This free vision screening for ages 6 months and older is fast, non-invasive, and has an accuracy rating of 98%.

Sponsored by the Beverly Hills Lions Club.



BOOKS UNBOXED



GRADES 4 TO 12

Join our 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.

AUTUMN PROGRAMS FOR TEENS

GRADES 7 TO 12

*PLEASE NOTE THAT PARENTS AND YOUNGER SIBLINGS WILL NOT BE ABLE TO ATTEND TEEN PROGRAMS.

SEPTEMBER

ANIME GLASS PAINTING

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28
FROM 7:00 TO 8:00 P.M.

Learn the art of reverse glass painting by painting your favorite character from an Anime or Manga. *We will have printouts of various manga/anime characters, but if you would like to paint a specific character, please email teen@baldwinlib.org so we can have it ready for you.*

Registration required.

OCTOBER

HAUNTED LIBRARY

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13 FROM 7:30 TO 9:30 P.M.

TEENS (7-12 GRADE) ARRIVE AT 7:00 P.M.

TWEENS (4-6 GRADE) ARRIVE AT 8:00 P.M. - SEE PAGE 2

Join us after hours for some creepy fun.

Librarians will lead groups of tweens through the library as you try to scare them. This is the one night when screaming is allowed in the library! *Please wear something scary - if you do not own a scary costume, the library will provide you one to borrow.*

Registration and permission form required.

WANDS, SWORDS, CUPS, & COINS: A BEGINNER'S COURSE TO USING TAROT CARDS

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26 FROM 7:00 TO 8:00 P.M.

Join Madeleine from the Boston Tea Room (the oldest Psychic Reading business in Michigan) for an introductory class exploring the fascinating world of Tarot cards. Registration required.

NOVEMBER

MICROWAVE MUG DESSERTS

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30
FROM 7:00 TO 8:00 P.M.

Learn how to make desserts with a mug and a microwave. Supplies and recipes will be provided. Registration required.

STUDY NIGHT WITH THERAPY DOGS

GRADES 9 TO 12

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18
FROM 5:30 TO 8:30 P.M.

Are finals stressing you out? Maybe petting some dogs will help! After the Library closes to the public, high school students will have the whole Library to themselves! Pizza will be provided. No registration required.

MONTHLY PROGRAMS

PIZZA AND PAGES

1ST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH
FROM 7:00 TO 8:00 P.M.

SEPTEMBER 7: *ONE OF US IS LYING* BY KAREN MCMANUS

OCTOBER 5: *IF HE HAD BEEN WITH ME* BY LAURA NOWLIN

NOVEMBER 2: *LORE* BY ALEXANDRA BRACKEN

The first 10 teens to register will receive a free book, thanks to the Friends of the Baldwin Public Library. Pizza will be provided. Registration required.

TEENS NIGHT OUT

2ND THURSDAY OF THE MONTH
FROM 7:00 TO 8:30 P.M.

SEPTEMBER 14 • OCTOBER 12 • NOVEMBER 9

Spend an evening hanging out with other teens who love the library as much as you do! There will be video games, board games, crafts, food, and other shenanigans. Registration required.



BOOKS UNBOXED GRADES 4 TO 12

Join our three month subscription book service and receive a surprise library book tailored to your preference each month.

Visit www.baldwinlib.org/teen to subscribe now.

TEEN ADVISORY BOARD MEETINGS

3RD THURSDAY OF THE MONTH
FROM 7:00 TO 8:00 P.M.

SEPTEMBER 21

OCTOBER 19

NOVEMBER 16

Have some ideas for the Library? Share your opinions on teen programs, prizes, social media posts, and more while eating pizza and making friends. Attendance can be used for volunteer hours! Registration required.

TEENS' TOP TEN CONTEST

The Teens' Top Ten is a "teen choice" list, where teens nominate and choose their favorite books of the previous year. Online voting will be open from August 15 through October 12 at www.ala.org/yalsa/teenstopten. Think you can figure out what the Top Ten will be? Visit www.baldwinlib.org/teen to enter our contest. Whoever guesses the most books correctly will win a \$25 gift card to Books-A-Million!

IDEA LAB CLASSES



INTRO TO 3D CHARACTER ANIMATION IN BLENDER

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5 AT 7:00 P.M.

Join The Idea Lab for an introductory presentation on 3D animation. We'll walk through the entire pipeline, from modeling to rigging to rendering your animation. Project files will be available if you would like to follow along on your own laptop.

Registration required.

UNDER PRESSURE: A COMPREHENSIVE GUIDE TO HEAT PRESS TRANSFERS

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 AT 7:00 P.M.

In this class, Jeff will demonstrate every type of heat transfer available to use with our Heat Press and attachments. Learn the techniques, and leave with some custom Idea Lab swag! Registration required.

DIGITAL DRAWING 101: MAKING A GRAPHIC NOVEL PAGE

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3 AT 7:00 P.M.

This in person class will focus on all the basic tips and tricks behind sequential narrative illustration. Use our digital graphics tablets and we'll walk through drawing a page of a graphic novel together. Registration required.

OPEN THE HATCH: EMBROIDERY SOFTWARE DEEP DIVE

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18 AT 7:00 P.M.

Join Jeff for this virtual class in which he will delve a bit deeper into the advanced features of Hatch Studio, the Embroidery software offered in The Idea Lab. Covering more ground than featured in our in-person certification, this class will expand your embroidery knowledge! Registration required.

HOW DO GAMES WORK: 2D PLATFORMERS

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6 AT 7:00 P.M.

Have you ever wanted to make a video game? The Idea Lab will be hosting an introductory workshop for game development using the Unity game engine to make a 2D platformer. We'll go over different ways you can iterate on this basic idea and make it into your own unique game. Registration required.

IDEA LAB LIVE: CARRYING THINGS

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8 AT 7:00 P.M.

Join Jeff on Instagram Live for this episode of our "Idea Lab: Things" series! In this episode we're gonna carry that weight! For the things you need to pick up and take with you, we examine 3D printed solutions to help you lift your load.

THE GRAND TOUR

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15

Have you always wondered what the Idea Lab is all about, but were afraid to ask? In this event, Jeff will take you on a tour of the Idea Lab, including a quick demo of our exciting equipment. Registration required.

COMPUTER CLASSES

FOR ADULTS

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED FOR ALL COMPUTER CLASSES.
VIRTUAL PARTICIPANTS WILL RECEIVE A ZOOM LINK ONE HALF HOUR BEFORE CLASS

SEPTEMBER

BUILD A WEBSITE

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6 & 13 AT 7:00 P.M.

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

WORD: AN INTRODUCTION

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7 AT 3:00 P.M.

Learn document creation and word processing with Microsoft Word.

CHECK OUT EBOOKS FROM THE LIBRARY

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16 AT 3:00 P.M.

Learn how to check out eBooks and eAudio-books from the Library with your BPL card.

GOOGLE DOCS

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19 AT 10:00 A.M.

Create, edit and collaborate on documents with Google Docs, a web-based alternative to Word.



IDEA LAB KITS

3D PRINTED PORTAL ILLUSION

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

The model has over 5,000 downloads! The YouTube video has over 2,000,000 views! Designed by Ada Cohen, this cool illusion defies reality. Now you can own the model that has taken the internet by storm.
Registration required. Limit one per household.

LASER CUT "MAGIC ALLEY" BOOK NOOK

MONDAY, OCTOBER 23

Like a magical portal to another world, this laser-cut book nook sits between the books on your shelf and seems to stretch on forever, a winding path through a somewhat familiar magical alley. **Registration required. Limit one per household.**

3D PRINTED HEADPHONES

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27

For your listening pleasure! Take home this kit to build a pair of extremely stylish and high-quality headphones. Compatible with any device that has a headphone jack. These audiophile-grade headphones also make a great gift! **Registration required. Limit one per household.**

OCTOBER

SELLING ONLINE

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4 AT 7:00 P.M.

Declutter and make some money by selling your unwanted items online.

GOOGLE SHEETS

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11 AT 7:00 P.M.

Create, edit and collaborate on spreadsheets with Google Sheets, a web-based alternative to Excel.

BALDWIN'S DIGITAL LIBRARY

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17 AT 10:00 P.M.

Access premium resources with your BPL card including research databases, online classes, streaming movies and more.

EXCEL: CREATE A BUDGET

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18 AT 7:00 P.M.

Learn spreadsheet creation with Microsoft Excel.

TRACKING STOCKS IN GOOGLE SHEETS

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26 AT 3:00 P.M.

Track and manage your stock portfolio within Google Sheets.

NOVEMBER

ADOBE PHOTOSHOP: AN INTRODUCTION

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1 & 8 AT 7:00 P.M.

AT THE BALDWIN PUBLIC LIBRARY

Learn the basics of Photoshop in this live two-session class.

POWERPOINT: CREATE A PRESENTATION

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2 & 9 AT 3:00 P.M.

Learn the fundamentals of slideshow creation with PowerPoint.

GOOGLE SLIDES

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11 AT 3:00 P.M.

Create, edit and collaborate on presentations with Google Slides, a web-based alternative to PowerPoint.

VALUELINE AND MORNINGSTAR AT BPL

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14 AT 10:00 A.M.

Learn more about using these library resources to research investments and financial information.

CHECK OUT EBOOKS FROM THE LIBRARY

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16 AT 3:00 P.M.

Learn how to check out eBooks and eAudio-books from the Library with your BPL card.

CANVA

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30 AT 3:00 P.M.

Learn the fundamentals of Canva, a free-to-use online graphic design tool.

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 AFTERNOON

SECOND WEDNESDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

SEPTEMBER 13: *FUZZ: WHEN NATURE BREAKS THE LAW* BY MARY ROACH

OCTOBER 11: *LAST SUMMER ON STATE STREET* BY TOYA WOLFE

NOVEMBER 8: *TRUE BIZ* BY SARA NOVIC

NEXT NONFICTION

SECOND TUESDAY AT 10:00 A.M.

SEPTEMBER 12: *SOUTH TO AMERICA* BY IMANI PERRY

OCTOBER 10: *STORM IN A TEACUP* BY HELEN CZERSKI

NOVEMBER 14: *FINDING THE MOTHER TREE* BY SUZANNE SIMARD

PAGE TO SCREEN

FIRST SUNDAY AT 1:00 P.M.

SEPTEMBER 10: *THE CIDER HOUSE RULES* BY IRVING / *THE CIDER HOUSE RULES* (PG-13, 1999)

OCTOBER 1: *A MAN CALLED OVE* BY BACKMAN / *A MAN CALLED OVE* (PG-13, 2015)

NOVEMBER 5: *BEL CANTO* BY PATCHETT / *BEL CANTO* (NR, 2018)

NEXT POPULAR READS

FIRST MONDAY AT 1:00 P.M.

SEPTEMBER 11: *HELLO BEAUTIFUL* BY ANN NAPOLITANO

OCTOBER 2: *TOM LAKE* BY ANN PATCHETT

NOVEMBER 6: *CALLING FOR A BLANKET DANCE* BY OSKAR HOKEAH

THIRD TUESDAY

THIRD TUESDAY AT 7:00 P.M.

SEPTEMBER 19: *HOW HIGH WE GO IN THE DARK* BY SEQUOIA NAGAMATSU

OCTOBER 17: *HELL OF A BOOK* BY JASON MOTT

NOVEMBER 14: *COUNTERFEIT* BY KIRSTIN CHEN

GRAPHIC NOVELS FOR GROWNUPS

FIRST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH AT 7:00 P.M.

SEPTEMBER 5: *GENDER QUEER* BY MAIA KOBABE

OCTOBER 3: *UZUMAKI* BY JUNJI ITO

NOVEMBER 7: *CAN'T WE TALK ABOUT SOMETHING MORE PLEASANT?* BY ROZ CHAST

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AUTUMN PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

SEPTEMBER

PEWABIC POTTERY

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 AT 7:00 P.M.

We welcome speakers from Pewabic Pottery, a National Historic Landmark located in Detroit, Michigan. This year Pewabic is celebrating 120 years of business and ceramic excellence. In celebration of this big anniversary, Pewabic is doing a virtual lecture about Pewabic's legacy of hand craftsmanship. **Registration required. Virtual event only.**

CREATIVE COMPOSTING... WITH A SENSE OF HUMOR!

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25 AT 7:00 P.M.

Join Master Composter Lillian Dean for a one hour hands-on class in making and using earth-friendly compost. **Registration required. Attend in person only. Limit 25 attendees.**

NEW PERENNIALS WITH DEBORAH CHUD

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26 AT 7:00 P.M.

"New Perennials: A Love Story" is a personal introduction to the design principles of the New Perennialists, who gave rise to the hottest gardening trend in the world today—naturalistic landscaping. Join Deborah Chud for her talk on these New Perennial plant combinations and design theory along with some practical "dos and don'ts" for gardeners at every level. **Registration required. Virtual event only.**

MANHATTAN SHORTS

MULTIPLE DATES SEPTEMBER 28 - OCTOBER 8

Back by popular demand! Join us September 28 to October 8, 2023, when over 100,000 film lovers in over 500 cities across six continents gather for one reason...to view and vote on the Finalists' Films in the 26th Annual MANHATTAN SHORT Film Festival. See baldwinlib.org/calendar for specific dates **Registration required. Attend in person only.**

READ IN THE PARK



**SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 30
AT 2:00 P.M.**

Join us at Beverly Park for a fun and fabulous visit with local Michigan author and playwright Frank Polito.

Mr. Polito has published several novels and his plays have been produced in multiple cities across America and is a regular contributor to the popular lifestyle blog Kenneth. Books will be available for purchase. **Registration required. Attend in person only.**

OCTOBER

MONGER'S PROVISIONS TEACHES US CHEESE

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11 AT 7:00 P.M.

Monger's Provision - located in Midtown Detroit and Downtown Berkley - are known as culinary outfitters of fine cheeses, chocolates, and charcuterie. Join us as they present a selection of cheeses that would be welcome for any upcoming celebrations or gatherings! **Registration required. Attend in person only.**

UFOS OVER MICHIGAN

MONDAY, OCTOBER 23 AT 7:00 P.M.

Michigan has some of the biggest UFO cases on record. State Director of the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON) Bill Konkolesky, joins us to discuss some of these incredible events. **Registration required. Attend in person only.**

NOVEMBER

SPEAKING WITH THE DEAD: WHAT SKELETONS CAN TELL US ABOUT LIFE IN THE PAST

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4 AT 3:00 P.M.

Dead men tell no tales - unless of course they are being looked at by an archaeologist! Then they often can tell quite a few tales, from where they grew up to what they ate to how old they were when they died. Join archaeologist Ellen Green to see how skeletons can help us build biographies of the people they once were, and how that helps us understand past civilisations. **Registration required. Virtual event only.**

CAT PICTURE FRAME WALL SCRATCHER MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13 AT 7:00 P.M.

Come in and make a special surprise for your favorite feline friends. We'll provide instructions and materials to make your own cat scratcher picture frame. *Kitties are not provided.* **Registration required. Attend in person only.**

UNTOLD STORIES OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14 AT 7:00 P.M.

Most people know something about the American Revolution and the Founding Fathers, but the full story of the Revolution requires more. Join Professor Richard Bell as he introduces us to a cast of characters and examines the lives of four revolutionaries: an immigrant propagandist, a female soldier, a fugitive from slavery, and the grieving widow who became the most important Native American leader during the war. **Registration required. Virtual event only.**

LIFELONG LEARNING KICKOFF

**WEDNESDAYS, SEPTEMBER 27 - NOVEMBER 8
FROM 10:00 A.M. TO 12:00 P.M.**

Join us for refreshments and the pursuit of knowledge as we launch our *Lifelong Learning: Great Presenters Series*. Our kickoff will feature a presentation from Professor Richard Bell on "Slavery and its Role at the Constitutional Convention". Over the course of six weeks we will do a deep dive into the history of the United States from the Post-American Revolution to the Civil War. Following our kickoff, each subsequent meeting will be hosted by a different community member who will each be discussing topics related to this time period. Each meeting will feature in-depth presentations, followed by group discussion and light refreshments. **Registration required. Attend in person only.**

GENEALOGY WITH ROBBIE

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 - TREES MADE EASY

Now that you've collected your family history, learn how to document your findings in a clear and concise text format without using an online (often expensive) source. **Registration required. Virtual event only.**

BIRMINGHAM HISTORICAL LECTURE SERIES

SECOND THURSDAY AT 7:00 P.M.

**OCTOBER 12: CARLOS LOPEZ: THE PAINTER
BEHIND THE CONTROVERSY**

Join Donna Casaceli in exploring the life and works of Carlos Lopez, the well known muralist whose work was highly esteemed when he was commissioned in 1942 to paint a mural on Birmingham's new Post office, a piece which encountered surprise criticism.

**NOVEMBER 9: BIRMINGHAM'S WASHINGTON
WILLITS AND 19TH CENTURY MENTAL HEALTH
TREATMENT**

In 1850, the son of one of the founding families of Birmingham was noted as "deranged" on the census, later dying after discharge from a mental asylum. Caitlin Donnelly will explore how Willits' story reflects the treatment of mental illness at the time.

BEHIND THE SCENES LIBRARY TOURS

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 AT 11:00 A.M.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25 AT 4:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15 AT 3:30 P.M.

Learn more about the library with Library Director Rebekah Craft. You will visit staff areas, learn how items are added to the collection, and hear about new programs and services. The tour will meet outside the Claudia Ireland Room near the Youth Room terrace door. **Registration required.**

AUTUMN DIRECTOR'S UPDATE

WE LOVE OUR FRIENDS!

After a whirlwind summer that included our annual summer reading program and the start of our final phase of renovations, we are looking forward to all that's to come at Baldwin this fall.

Throughout the last seven years of construction projects and improvements to the library, our community and staff have seen (and heard!) a lot of changes to the building. We are grateful for the flexibility and sense of humor everyone has demonstrated during construction. During one story time, Stephanie Klimmek, our Head of Youth Services, was reading a book about construction vehicles. Right after she read, "The tipper truck is tip, tip, tipping," a child in the program excitedly yelled that there was a tipper truck tipping right outside the window. Stephanie stopped the story time to let all the children watch the tipper truck unload a new dumpster for the construction site. We could not have asked for a more interactive story time!

Construction is progressing on track and we hope to open the remodeled central portion of the library in October. This new area will include four study rooms for 1-2 people and a dedicated sale area for the Friends of the Baldwin Public Library. The remainder of the renovations are expected to be completed by April 2024 at which time we will reopen the new street-level entrance on Merrill Street.

The Friends have supported Baldwin for nearly 75 years and raise a majority of their funds through used book sales and memberships. This past June, they made a record donation to Baldwin in the amount of \$28,000! Their ongoing support has helped us to bring in speakers for programs, purchase copies of books for our book clubs, buy supplies for programs and for our popular monthly book subscription clubs, print this newsletter, supply refreshments for programs, purchase new equipment for the Idea Lab, and buy a new book bike for outreach events. We are grateful for their ongoing and generous support and excited to add a new sale space to our updated building.

Led by President Ryndee Carney (shown with the new Book Bike at the Birmingham Farmers Market), the Friends work behind the scenes collecting and sorting donated books and media, sending out membership mailing requests, making our popular recycled book character buttons, and advocating for the library. If you'd like to volunteer with the Friends or become a member, please visit www.baldwinlib.org/friends for more information.



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