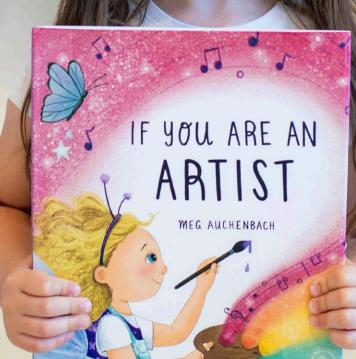
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# SMER READING & LEARNING PROGRAM June 1-August 9

COLOR OURWORLD

#### Read to Me | Birth-Pre-K

Keep track of each day that you read this summer and complete fun reading challenges. For every 10 days of reading, earn a reading reward and a chance to win a Lawn Mower Bubble Blower, Water Doodle Mat, National Aquarium Tickets, Baltimore Orioles Tickets, Maryland State Fair Tickets, or Maryland Science Center Tickets.

#### Kids | Grades K-5

Keep track of each day that you read this summer and complete fun reading challenges. For every 10 days of reading, earn a reading reward and a chance to win: a LEGO Brick set, Art Kit, National Aquarium Tickets, Baltimore Orioles Tickets, Maryland State Fair Tickets, or Maryland Science Center Tickets.

#### Teens | Grades 6-12

Keep track of each day that you read this summer and complete fun reading challenges. For every 10 days of reading, earn a reading reward and a chance to win: Bluetooth Headphones, \$75 Visa Giftcard, National Aquarium Tickets, Baltimore Orioles Tickets, Maryland State Fair Tickets.

#### Adults

Mark each reading challenge you complete. For each challenge completed, earn a chance to win (2) Crab Crawl tickets (9/13/25). See page 13 for an adult reading log.



Pick up a Summer Reading Log at any branch! Scan the code for more information.

### CECIL COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY'S

## CHILDREN'S BOOK FESTIVAL



**MORE ABOUT THIS** YEAR'S AUTHORS





SATURDAY, JUNE 14 FROM 10AM-2PM



**NORTH EAST BRANCH LIBRARY** 



**AUTHORS** 



ICE CREAM



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Registration opens two weeks prior to the program date for all Children's programs. Visit our website or your local branch to register.



Wed, June 4 at 3:30pm | Rising Sun



Summer Reading Kickoff: Community Banner 🌃 Families with children & teens of all ages

Thu, June 5 at 4:30pm | Chesapeake City

#### Play & Learn

Families with children ages birth-2

Fri, June 6 & 20, July 18, Aug 1, 15, & 29 at 10am North East



Summer Reading Kickoff: Touch-A-Truck

Kamilies with children of all ages

Sat, June 7 at 10am | Elkton



**Summer Reading Kickoff: Ice Cream Social** Families with children & teens of all ages

Wed, June 11 at 4:30pm | Cecilton

#### **PAWS for Reading**

Ages 4-11

Thu, June 12, July 10, & Aug 14 at 6:30pm | North East Wed, June 25, July 30, & Aug 27 at 6:30pm | Perryville Thu, June 26, July 24, & Aug 21 at 6:30pm | Elkton

#### **Children's Book Festival**

Families with children of all ages

Sat, June 14 at 10am | North East



**Nature Explorers at Brantwood Park** Families with children ages 5-11

Mon, June 16 at 11am | Brantwood Park

#### **ABC...Come Play with Me**

Families with children ages birth-5

Tue, June 17 & Thu, Aug 7 at 10:30am | Elkton Sat, June 28 & July 26 at 11am | North East

#### **Brian Curry's Magical Books Ages 6-11**

Tue, June 17 at 10:30am | Cecilton

Tue, June 17 at 1:30pm | North East

#### **Guess Who: Artist Edition (for Tweens)** Grades 4-8

Tue, June 17 at 3:30pm | Elkton

#### **Family Paint Night**

Families with children ages 6-14

Wed, June 18 at 6pm | Perryville

#### **Block Party**

Families with children ages birth-5 Sat, June 21 at 10:30am | Perryville

#### **Robomasterminds Presents: Robotics** Camp- Ready, Set, Compete! Grades 4-8

Tue, June 24 at 12pm | North East Wed, June 25 at 12pm | North East Thu, June 26 at 12pm | North East

#### Pottery from the Ground Up Grades 4-8

Tue, June 24 at 1:30pm | Chesapeake City

#### Stories and Fun with the **Chesapeake Mermaid**

Families with children ages 3-11 Wed, June 25 at 11am | Elkton

#### Mike Rose: Colorful Magic

Ages 6-11

Wed, June 25 at 6pm | Rising Sun Sat, July 19 at 10:30am | Perryville

#### **Full STEAM Ahead!**

Ages 1-4

Thu, June 26, July 3, 10, 17, & 31 at 10:30am Perryville

#### Starlight StoryTime

Families with children ages 3-5

Thu, June 26, July 31, & Aug 28 at 6:30pm North East

Wed, July 30 at 6:30pm | Elkton (Beach Bash)

#### , Music Play Patrol Presents: Color Our World with Music + d + Ages 2-6

Sat, June 28 at 10:30am | Perryville

#### + Music Play Patrol Presents: **Bucket Drumming** Families with children ages 3-11

Sat, June 28 at 1:30pm | Elkton

#### **Black Belt Basics**

Ages 4-11

Tue, July 1 at 1:30pm | North East Tue, July 15 at 1:30pm | Chesapeake City Tue, July 22 at 1:30pm | Elkton Wed, July 23 at 1:30pm | Cecilton

# STORYIME

IT'S NEVER TOO EARLY TO INSTILL A LOVE OF READING!

CCPL'S STORYTIMES PROVIDE A SPACE FOR FAMILIES TO CONNECT WITH ONE ANOTHER AND DEVELOP EARLY LITERACY SKILLS BY ENCOURAGING FAMILIES TO SING, TALK, READ, WRITE, AND PLAY.

## CECILTON COMMUNITY CENTER

Family StoryTime (Birth-5)
Wednesdays at 10:30am

#### **ELKTON**

Family StoryTime (Birth-5)
Tuesdays & Thursdays at 10:30am

## FAMILY STORYTIME AT THE BOOKMOBILE

Monday, June 16 at 10am at Brantwood Park

#### **NORTH EAST**

Hello Baby (Birth-12 months)
Tuesdays at 10am

Family StoryTime (Birth-5)
Wednesdays at 10am

On My Own (Ages 4-5) Thursdays at 10am

#### RISING SUN

Family StoryTime (Birth-5)
Tuesdays & Wednesdays at 10:30am

STORYTIMES
BEGIN THE WEEK
OF JUNE 23.



SCAN FOR THE FULL LIST OF STORYTIME DATES & TO REGISTER.



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DIGITAL LEARNING FOR KIDS AGES 2–8+. MORE THAN 10.000 LEARNING ACTIVITIES. INCLUDING BOOKS. GAMES. SONGS. PUZZLES. VIDEOS!

#### **Tween Self Defense** Grades 4-8

Tue, July 1 at 3:30pm | Perryville Tue, July 22 at 3:30pm | Rising Sun

#### **Wildlife Adventures Presents: Colors of the Wild** Ages 6-11

Wed, July 2 at 3:30pm | Elkton

#### **Extreme Jean Presents: Science Spectacular** Ages 6-11

Tue, July 8 at 10:30am | Chesapeake City Tue, July 8 at 1:30pm | Perryville

Luis Garay: Passion of the Drum
Families with ages 3-11 Wed, July 9 at 3:30pm | *Rising Sun* Wed, July 9 at 6:30pm | North East

**Bright Star Theatre Presents: Wizard of Oz** Families with children ages 3-11 Fri, July 11 at 10:30am | Elkton

**Bright Star Theatre Presents:** Alice's Adventures in Wonderland Families with children ages 3-11 Fri, July 11 at 1:30pm | North East

\* The Didgeridoo Down Under Show Families with children ages 3-11 Wed, July 16 at 3:30pm | Cecilton Wed, July 16 at 6:30pm | Elkton

#### **Preschool Art: Colors Ages 3-5**

Thu, July 17 at 10:30am | Rising Sun Sat, Aug 9 at 10:30am | Perryville

The Bookmobile Beat: Family Concert with Señor Fancypants Families with children of all ages Sat, July 19 at 11am | Community Connecting Us

We Kids Rock
Families with children ages 2-6

🖖 👉 Tue, July 22 at 10:30am | North East Tue, July 29 at 10:30am | Rising Sun

#### Stars on the Move: The Sky Tonight Ages 4-11

Wed, July 23 at 6pm | Perryville

**Susquehannock Wildlife Society Presents: Amphibian Tales** Ages 6-11

Thu, July 24 at 10:30am | Perryville



Fri, July 25 at 10am | Brantwood Park

#### **Jump-N-Fun Fitness for Kids** Ages 3-6

Tue, July 29 at 1:30pm | Cecilton

#### Woodworking 101: Build a Caddy Organizer (for Tweens)

Grades 4-8

Tue, July 29 at 3:30pm | Perryville

#### **Cecil Dancenter Presents: Many Styles of Dance**

**Ages 6-11** 

Wed, July 30 at 1:30pm | North East

#### Turtle Dance Music: The Bubble, Comedy and Music Show: **Reading Rocks!**

Famlies with children ages 2-8 Tue, Aug 5 at 3:30pm | Elkton

#### Science Guys Present: Color Our World Ages 4-11

Wed, Aug 6 at 10:30am | Cecilton Wed, Aug 6 at 3:30pm | Elkton

#### Paint Pouring with the Art Den **Ages 6-11**

Wed, Aug 6 at 1:30pm | Rising Sun

#### Susquehannock Wildlife **Society Presents: Reptile Tales** Ages 6-11

Thu, Aug 7 at 1:30pm | North East

+ Crystal Murphy Music Presents: Extraordinary Joe and the Quest for Color Families with children ages 2-6

Sat, Aug 9 at 10:30am | Chesapeake City

#### **Cecil Dancenter Presents: Fairytale Dance** Families with children ages 3-8

Tue, Aug 12 at 1:30pm | Rising Sun

#### **National Aquarium: Sharks!** Families with children ages 6-11

Thu, Aug 14 at 10:30am | Chesapeake City Thu, Aug 14 at 1:30pm | Rising Sun

#### **Dog Days of Summer**

For all ages

Sat, Aug 23 at 10am | North East

## EXPLORE FANTASTIC LIBRARY SPACES!

Our six library locations are the perfect places for kids & teens to learn, explore, and create.

#### CHILDREN'S SPACES

for children, complete with computers, toys, games, and books.

#### **TEEN CENTERS**

All of our libraries have books and spaces for teens. The Perryville and North East Branches have dedicated Teen Centers for teens to be social, do schoolwork, and have fun in a safe space.

#### STUDY ROOMS

Need a quiet space for homework or to meet with a study group? Study Rooms are available at Elkton, North East, and Perryville.

#### **QUIET ROOMS**

Dedicated spaces for quiet reading are available at Perryville and North East for those who want a nice, peaceful place to read or work.

#### **MUSIC & PLAY GARDEN**

Located at the Perryville Branch, this inclusive outdoor area is ideal for children to play, create music, and use their imaginations.









SEE PAGE 16 FOR A FULL LIST OF LOCATIONS & HOURS.

Registration is required for all programs, unless otherwise noted. Visit our website or your local branch to register.

#### **3D Pens**

Grades 6-12

Mon, June 2 at 4pm | Cecilton Thu, July 24 at 3:30pm | North East

#### **Teen Lounge** Grades 6-12

Tue, June 3 at 3pm | Perryville

Teen Summer Reading Kickoff-**Drop-In Art Lab: Color Our World** Grades 6-12

Wed, June 4 at 3pm | North East

Teens Give Back: Summer Reading Kickoff Grades 6-12

Wed, June 4 at 3pm | Rising Sun

Manga & Anime Club with the Art Den Grades 6-12

Thu, June 5 at 3pm | Perryville

**Summer Reading Kickoff:** Community Banner

Families with children and teens of all ages Thu, June 5 at 4:30pm | Chesapeake City

**Teen Kickoff to Summer** Grades 6-12

Mon, June 9 at 3:30pm | Elkton

**Dungeons and Dragons for Teens** Grades 6-12

Tue, June 10 at 3:30pm | Elkton

**Teen Lounge: End-of-Year Celebration** Grades 6-12

Tue, June 10 at 4pm | Perryville

**Summer Reading Kickoff: Ice Cream Social** Families with children and teens of all ages Wed, June 11 at 4:30pm | Cecilton

#### Life-Sized Games Grades 6-12

Thu, June 12 at 1pm | Perryville Wed, Aug 6 at 3:30pm | North East Mon, Aug 11 at 4pm | Cecilton Thu, Aug 21 at 3pm | Rising Sun

#### **Guess Who: Artist Edition** Grades 6-12

Thu, June 12 at 4pm | Rising Sun Mon, July 28 at 4pm | Cecilton

#### **Children's Book Festival**

Families with children and teens of all ages

Sat, June 14 at 10am | North East

#### **Guess Who: Artist Edition (for Tweens)** Grades 4-8

Tue, June 17 at 3:30pm | Elkton

#### **Family Paint Night**

Families with children ages 6-14 Wed, June 18 at 6pm | Perryville

**Robomasterminds Presents: Robotics** Camp- Ready, Set, Compete! Grades 4-8

Tue, June 24 at 12pm | North East Wed, June 25 at 12pm | North East Thu, June 26 at 12pm | North East

#### Pottery from the Ground Up Grades 4-8

Tue, June 24 at 1:30pm | Chesapeake City

Tie Dye with the Art Den Grades 6-12

Thu, June 26 at 3:30pm | Elkton

**Bookish Recipes: Baking** 

Grades 6-12

Sat, June 28 at 1pm | Perryville

**Stomp Water Rockets** Grades 6-12

Mon, June 30 at 3:30pm | Cecilton



#### Tween Self Defense Grades 4-8

Tue, July 1 at 3:30pm | *Perryville* Tue, July 22 at 3:30pm | *Rising Sun* 

#### Manga & Anime Club Grades 6-12

Thu, July 3 & Aug 7 at 3pm | Perryville

#### Collaborative Coloring Book *Grades 6-12*

Tue, July 8 at 3:30pm | Elkton Thu, July 10 at 3:30pm | Perryville Wed, July 16 at 3:30pm | North East

#### **Youth Sleuths: Art Heist** *Grades 6-12*

Thu, July 17 at 4pm | Chesapeake City Tue, July 29 at 3:30pm | Elkton Tue, Aug 5 at 2pm & 3:30pm | Rising Sun

#### **DIY Decor** *Grades 6-12*

Thu, July 24 at 3:30pm | Perryville Thu, Aug 7 at 3:30pm | Elkton

#### Woodworking 101:

**Build a Caddy Organizer (for Tweens)** *Grades 4-8* 

Tue, July 29 at 3:30pm | Perryville

## Wildlife Adventures Presents: Wildlife Photography *Grades 6-12*

Thu, July 31 at 3:30pm | Rising Sun

#### Modern Art Grades 6-12

Thu, Aug 7 at 4pm | Chesapeake City

#### Stained Glass Mosaics

Grades 6-12

Tue, Aug 12 at 3:30pm | Perryville

#### **Woodworking 101: Build a Caddy Organizer**

Grades 6-12

Wed, Aug 13 at 3:30pm | North East

#### Robot Carnival

Grades 6-12

Thu, Aug 14 at 3:30pm | Perryville

#### Dog Days of Summer For all ages

Sat, Aug 23 at 10am | North East



## Start-Up Cecil



#### SMALL BUSINESS CONTEST FOR TEENS

Display your creativity and learn what it takes to be an entrepreneur. Attend the half-day, camp-style workshops to meet local business owners and learn about their work, enjoy hands-on brainstorming activities, and develop your own business plan. Then, pitch your idea to our panel of judges at the final showcase.

### Half-day workshops:

Monday-Wednesday, July 14-16 from 10am-2pm *Lunch provided*  Business Pitch Showcase:

Thursday,
July 17 at 6:30pm
Family & friends welcome

FOR GRADES 6-10

ELKTON BRANCH LIBRARY TOP PRIZE: \$100

Scan the code to sign up!



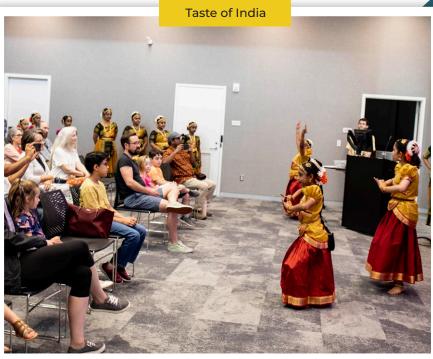
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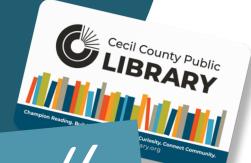






Join us for an event! They don't require a library card to attend. Registration is required. To sign-up for a program, visit our website or scan the code.

## **Traveling This Summer?**



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Scan the code or visit our website to learn more about our Digital Library and how you can get started!

**Cutting the Cord: Cable Alternatives** 

Tue, June 3 at 1pm | Chesapeake City

**Garden Senses Series:** 

Garden Scents. More than a Smell

Tue, June 3 at 6:30pm | North East

**Learn to Crochet: Single Stitch Basics** 

Wednesday, June 4 at 6:30pm | Perryville

Intro to Al

Mon, June 9 at 1pm | Perryville

**How to Start a Small Business** 

Wed, June 11 at 10am | North East

Intro to Homesteading: Composting

Tue, June 17 at 6:30pm | North East

**Music in the Library: Jacqueline Pollauf** 

Wed, June 18 at 6:30pm | Rising Sun

**Dungeons & Dragons: At the Library** 

Tue, June 24 at 5:30pm | North East

**Music in the Library: NCSO Brass Quintet** 

Tue, June 24 at 6:30pm | Perryville

**Maryland Women and Lafayette** 

Wed, June 25 at 6:30pm | Elkton

The Waterways of Cecil County

Thu, June 26 at 11am | Chesapeake City

Intro to Smartphones

Mon, July 7 at 1pm | Perryville

**Poisonous Plants:** 

**How Safe is Your Garden?** 

Wed, July 9 at 6:30pm | Rising Sun

Music in the Library: Charlie Zahm

Thu, July 10 at 6:30pm | Elkton

**CSI: The Historical Edition** 

Tue, July 15 at 6:30pm | North East

**History of Perry Point** 

Tue, July 22 at 6:30pm | Perryville

**How to Start a Resume** 

Mon, Aug 4 at 1pm | Perryville

**Staying Safe Online** 

Tue, Aug 5 at 1pm | Chesapeake City

From Memory to Manuscript: **How to Write Your Memoir** 

Sat, Aug 9 at 1pm | Perryville

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**Author Visit: Jack Brubaker** 

Wed, Aug 13 at 6:30pm | Rising Sun

**Create with Clay: Pottery Workshop** 

Wed. Aug 13 at 6:30pm | Perryville

**Improv with The Laughletics** 

Thu, Aug 14 at 6:30pm | Elkton

**Baywise Series: Part 2** 

Tue, Aug 19 at 6:30pm | North East

**Dog Days of Summer** 

Sat, Aug 23 at 10am | North East

**Seniors Safety: Recognizing and** 

**Preventing Scams** 

Wed Aug 27 at 10am | North East



#### Chesapeake City The Overstory | Tue, 6/10 at 1pm The Wager | Tue, 7/8 at 1pm None of This is True | Tue, 8/12 at 1pm Elkton News of the World | Tue, 6/3 at 11am True Biz | Tue, 7/1 at 11am The Lost City of Monkey God Tue, 8/5 at 11am Perryville The Borrowed Life of Frederick Fife Tue, 6/10 at 6pm The Hellfire Club | Tue, 6/17 at 1pm The Bookshop of Yesterdays Tue, 7/8 at 6pm How to Age Disgracefully Tue, 7/15 at 1pm What We Kept to Ourselves Tue, 8/12 at 6pm H A T | W E The No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency

Tue, 8/19 at 1pm

Lady Tan's Circle of Women

Tom Lake | Mon, 7/21 at 1pm

**Rising Sun** 

Mon, 6/16 at 1pm

Mon, 8/18 at 1pm

Tomorrow and Tomorrow and Tomorrow

#### Adults

June 1-August 9

## COLOR OUR WORLD

Read a book that immerses you in nature.

Green Thumb

002

Read a travel book, memoir, or book about another culture or place.

Read a book that makes you

Read the book

smile, giggle, or

laugh out loud.

Wanderlust White

001

003

#### Instructions

Fill in the circle for each challenge you complete.

For each challenge completed, earn a chance to win (2) Crab Crawl Tickets (9/13/25).

Submit your raffle entry for each completed challenge at any branch of the Cecil County Public Library.

Read a tearjerker.

Feeling Blue

004

version of your favorite movie or television adaptation.

Tickled Pink

Silver Screen

005

Read a book about an historical event fact or fiction!

Golden Days

006

Read a book filled with loveromantic, familial, or friendship.

Roses Are Red

008

Read a book about creative arts, or an important person in that field.

Violet Visions

007

#### Bonus Challenges

- Attend a library program.
- Read a book recommended by a friend or librarian.





Scan the code to register your log & to see book picks.

### **New & Upcoming Releases**











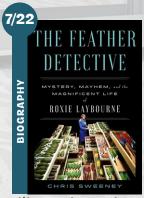






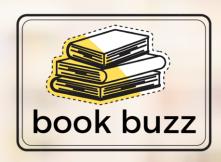
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#### Participating Restaurants:

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Bella Pizza
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#### Bonus Treats:



BOGO Happy Hour Drink Special at North East River Vacht Club (Bar opens at 5pm)

Sponsorships Available!



## **Hours & Locations**

#### Cecilton

215 E. Main Street Cecilton, MD 21913

(410) 275-1091 Mon: 12pm-6pm Tue: 10am-6pm Wed: 10am-6pm Thu: 1pm-6pm Fri: 10am-5pm Sat: Closed

#### **Chesapeake City**

2527 Augustine Herman Hwy Chesapeake City, MD 21915

(410) 996-1134 Mon: Closed Tue: 10am-6pm Wed: Closed Thu: 10am-6pm Fri: Closed Sat: 10am-5pm

#### Elkton

301 Newark Avenue **Elkton, MD 21921** 

(410) 996-5600 Mon: 12pm-6pm Tue: 10am-8pm\* Wed: 10am-8pm Thu 10am-8pm Fri: 10am-5pm Sat: 10am-5pm

\*Starting 6/3, the Elkton Branch will be open until **8pm on Tuesdays** 

#### **North East**

485 Mauldin Avenue North East, MD 21901

(410) 996-6269 Mon: 12pm-6pm Tue: 9am-8pm Wed: 9am-8pm Thu: 9am-8pm Fri: 9am-5pm Sat: 9am-5pm

#### Perryville

500 Coudon Boulevard Perryville, MD 21903

(410) 996-6070 Mon: 12pm-6pm Tue: 10am-8pm Wed: 10am-8pm Thu: 10am-6pm Fri: 10am-5pm Sat: 10am-5pm Drive-Thru available!

#### **Rising Sun**

111 Colonial Way Rising Sun, MD 21911

(410) 658-4025 (410) 398-2706 Mon: 12pm-6pm Tue: 10am-6pm Wed: 10am-8pm Thu: 10am-6pm Fri: 10am-5pm Sat: 10am-5pm



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