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Champion Reading. Build Knowledge. Inspire Curiosity. Connect Community.

ENJOY CRAB DISHES FROM LOCAL
RESTAURANTS WHILE STROLLING THROUGH
DOWNTOWN NORTH EAST, MD



12th Annual Crab Crawl

**SATURDAY,
SEPTEMBER 13**

**11AM–
4:30PM**

**TICKETS
STARTING
AT \$60**

Participating Restaurants:

Pier 1 Restaurant, Forge Southern Comfort,
VFW Post #6027, Bella Pizza, Snatcher's Creekside,
& Casa Mezcal (VIP Ticket holder exclusive)

Bonus Treats:

Itsy Bitsy Crabbie from North East Chocolates & BOGO
Happy Hour Drink Special at North East River Yacht Club



**PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE
LIBRARY'S LITERACY PROGRAMS!**

Tickets:
WWW.CRABCRAWL.ORG



ONE CARD, ENDLESS POSSIBILITIES

ENDLESS

POSSIBILITIES

September is National Library Card Sign-Up Month!

Your library card is the most valuable card in your wallet. With it, you have free access to thousands of books, movies, music, and more! You can use it to start a podcast, enhance your resume, borrow kits to explore nature with your little ones, and so much more. **It's one card with endless possibilities!**

USE YOUR
LIBRARY
CARD TO...

BORROW EBOOKS & EAUDIOBOOKS

and get them
sent directly to
your device!

BORROW TAKE- HOME KITS

From learning toys for the littles one to kits to turn your phone camera into a mini studio, we offer a kit for everyone!

STREAM & DOWNLOAD MOVIES & TV SHOWS

In addition to our extensive DVD collection in branches, you can borrow shows from your device.

LEARN A NEW SKILL

Languages, computer skills, hobbies, and more! Take online courses taught by expert instructors.

Follow us on social media to learn more about what you can do with your library card!

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

Kids' Academy

Ages 6-11

Tue, Sep 2 at 11am | Perryville (*Oh Deer!*)

Wed, Sep 10 at 1pm | Elkton (*Braille*)

Tue Sep 30 at 11am | Perryville (*Frankenstein Science*)



Painting with the Art Den: Japanese Autumnal Scenes

Grades 4-8

Wed, Sep 3 at 3:30pm | Elkton

Tween Academy

Ages 9-14

Thu, Sep 4 at 1pm | North East (*Creative Writing*)

Thu, Sep 11 at 1pm | Perryville (*Candy Chemistry*)

Mon, Sep 22 at 1pm | Elkton (*Police Technology*)

Once Upon a StoryTime

A

Ages 3-6

B C

Thu, Sep 4 at 6:30pm | Elkton

Sensory StoryTime

A

Ages 2-5

B C

Sat, Sep 6 at 10am | North East



Japanese Swordsmanship: Kendo and Iaido Demonstration

All Ages

Sat, Sep 6 at 11am | North East

Homeschool Connect

Ages 9-14

Mon, Sep 8 at 1pm | Elkton

A

ABC...Come Play with Me

Families with children ages birth-5

B C

Tue, Sep 9 at 10:30am | Elkton

Sat, Sep 27 at 11am | North East (*Apples*)

Oh Deer!

Ages 6-11

Wed, Sep 10 at 3pm | Perryville



Kids Can Cook: Veggie Pizza

Ages 8-11

Wed, Sep 10 at 3:30pm | North East

Homeschool Open House

Ages 4-18 and their adults

Thu, Sep 11 at 10 am | Perryville

Preschool Math

Ages 3-5

Thu, Sep 11 at 10:30am | Elkton



HAVE YOU VISITED A CCPL STORY TRAIL?

GET OUTSIDE AND READ A STORY WITH
YOUR FAMILY AS YOU WALK ALONG THE
TRAIL. HOP, SKIP, JUMP, OR RUN TO
EACH NEW PAGE AND ENJOY FUN
LEARNING ACTIVITIES ALONG THE WAY.



STORY TRAILS ARE LOCATED
AT THE FOLLOWING PARKS:

BRANTWOOD, CALVERT REGIONAL,
CECILTON (**NEW!**), CONOWINGO,
& PERRYVILLE COMMUNITY.



SCAN TO
LEARN MORE

**Fair Hill Nature Center Presents:
Incredible Insects!**

Ages 6-11

Thu, Sep 11 at 4:30pm | Rising Sun

PAWS for Reading

Ages 4-11

Thu, Sep 11 at 6:30pm | North East

Wed, Sep 24 at 6:30pm | Perryville

Thu, Sep 25 at 6:30pm | Elkton

Play & Learn

Families with children ages birth-2

Fri, Sep 12 & 26 at 10am | North East

Family Yoga

Ages 6-11

Sat, Sep 13 at 11am | Perryville



Music in the Library:

Japanese Koto

All Ages

Sat, Sep 13 at 1pm | Elkton

Intro to Chess: Homeschool Edition

Ages 8-11

Mon, Sep 15 at 1pm | North East

The Maryland Opera Presents:

Puppets & Papageno

Ages 6-11

Wed, Sep 17 at 3:30pm | Elkton

Intro to Chess

Ages 8-11

Wed, Sep 17 at 3:30pm | North East

Upcycled Art

Ages 6-14

Wed, Sep 17 at 4pm | Cecilton

Full STEAM Ahead!

Ages 1-4

Thu, Sep 18 & 25 at 10:30am | Perryville



Taste of Japan

All Ages

Sat, Sep 20 at 10am | Elkton



Pirate and Mermaid StoryTime

Ages 2-6

Tue, Sep 23 at 11am | Chesapeake City

Count Birds for Science

Ages 6-11

Wed, Sep 24 at 3:30pm | Elkton



Starlight StoryTime

Families with children ages 3-5

Wed, Sep 24 at 6:30pm | North East

Instrument Petting Zoo

Ages 6-11

Sat, Sep 27 at 11am | Perryville

Stars on the Move

Ages 6-11

Tue, Sep 30 at 4pm | Chesapeake City



Making Manga and Tasty Treats

Grades 4-8

Tue, Sep 30 at 4:15 | Rising Sun

STORYTIME

CECILTON

Family StoryTime (Birth-5)

Wednesdays at 10:30am*

**StoryTimes will be held
every other week.*

ELKTON

Family StoryTime (Birth-5)

Tuesdays & Thursdays at 10:30am

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 & Thursdays at 10:30am

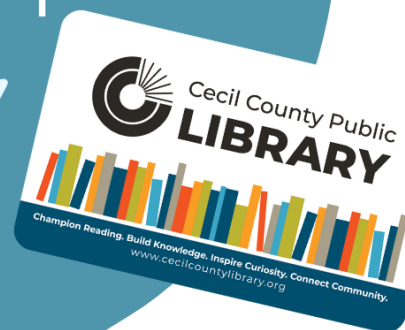


STORYTIMES BEGIN
THE WEEK OF
SEPTEMBER 15.



SCAN FOR THE
FULL LIST OF
STORYTIME DATES.

YOUR SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST ISN'T COMPLETE WITHOUT YOUR *Library Card*



**YOUR LIBRARY CARD GIVES YOU FREE ACCESS TO MANY
RESOURCES TO SET YOU UP FOR SUCCESS THIS SCHOOL YEAR!**



**EBOOKS &
AUDIOBOOKS**



**ONLINE
TUTORING**



**RESEARCH &
DATABASES**



**STUDY
ROOMS**



**ATTENTION
CCPS STUDENTS
& TEACHERS!**

Use your student ID at any library location in Cecil County and throughout our website. Check out up to 5 books or audiobooks fine-free.

**Visit your local branch or the Library's website to
learn more about your Student Virtual Library Card.**



brainfuse
HelpNow

Connect with expert live tutors (2-11pm daily) based on grade level and subject for homework help. Engage with skill building, language learning and studying activities. Submit essays for review to the 24 hours writing lab.

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

Teen Lounge: Welcome Back Celebration

Grades 6-12

Tue, Sep 2 at 3pm | Perryville



Painting with the Art Den: Japanese Autumnal Scenes

Grades 4-8

Wed, Sep 3 at 3:30pm | Elkton

Tween Academy

Ages 9-14

Thu, Sep 4 at 1pm | North East (Creative Writing)

Thu, Sep 11 at 1pm | Perryville (Candy Chemistry)

Mon, Sep 22 at 1pm | Elkton (Police Technology)

Manga and Anime Club

Grades 6-12

Thu, Sep 4 at 3pm | Perryville

Thu, Sep 18 at 3:30pm | Elkton



Japanese Swordsmanship: Kendo and Iaido Demonstration

All Ages

Sat, Sep 6 at 11am | North East

Homeschool Connect

Ages 9-14

Mon, Sep 8 at 1pm | Elkton

Teen Lounge

Grades 6-12

Tue, Sep 9, 16, & 23 at 3pm | Perryville

Dungeons and Dragons for Teens

Grades 6-12

Tue, Sep 9 at 3:30pm | Elkton

Thu, Sep 18 at 3:15pm | North East

Homeschool Open House

Ages 4-18 and their adults

Thu, Sep 11 at 10 am | Perryville



Music in the Library: Japanese Koto

All Ages

Sat, Sep 13 at 1pm | Elkton

Woodworking 101: Caddy Organizer

Grades 6-10

Tue, Sep 16 at 4pm | Rising Sun

Upcycled Art

Ages 6-14

Wed, Sep 17 at 4pm | Cecilton



Teen Cuisine: Cinnamon Sugar Apples

Grades 6-12

Thu, Sep 18 at 3pm | Perryville



Taste of Japan

All Ages

Sat, Sep 20 at 10am | Elkton

RoboMasterminds Presents: Robots Ready, Set, Compete!

Grades 6-12

Mon, Sep 22 & 29 at 3pm | Elkton

Stomp Water Rockets

Grades 6-12

Mon, Sep 22 at 4pm | Cecilton



Teen Cuisine : Guac and Roll!

Grades 6-12

Tue, Sep 23 at 3:15pm | North East



Teen Cuisine: By the Campfire

Grades 6-12

Tue, Sep 23 at 3:30pm | Elkton

Teen Lounge: Karaoke

Grades 6-12

Tue, Sep 30 at 3pm | Perryville

PAWS for People: DeStress Event

Grades 6-12

Tue, Sep 30 at 3:30pm | North East



Making Manga and Tasty Treats

Grades 4-8

Tue, Sep 30 at 4:15 | Rising Sun



Congratulations to the 2025 Start-Up Cecil winners!

In July, we held our annual teen business competition. Participants meet local business owners and learn about their work, enjoy hands-on brainstorming activities, and develop their own business plan. Then, they pitch their business ideas to our panel of judges at the final showcase.

This year's winners are:

First Place: Bex C. - Fidgety Fun

Second Place: Jace M. - Bread Head

Third Place: Kennedy S. - Sequence

Food Samples • Music • Jujutsu • Storytelling • Fashion

TASTE OF JAPAN

Celebrating the Food
& Culture of Japan

Live Demonstrations on:

Taiko Drumming • Kamishibai Storytelling
Jujutsu • Kimono Fashion • Shakuhachi Flute

Free food samples will be available during the event.

SATURDAY,
SEPTEMBER 20
FROM 10AM-2PM

ELKTON
BRANCH LIBRARY

All Ages Welcome!

Scan for the full
schedule of events



Search for this icon for Taste
of Japan-related programs!



TU TOWSON UNIVERSITY Asian Arts and Culture Center



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



**Japanese Swordsmanship:
Kendo and Iaido Demonstration**
Sat, Sep 6 at 11am | North East

Intro to Microsoft Teams
Mon, Sep 8 at 1pm | Perryville

Intro to Podcasting
Tue, Sep 9 at 6:30pm | North East



Cooking the Books: Crabby Kitchen
Wed, Sep 10 at 6:30pm | North East



**Hiroshima Remembered:
Author Visit "Of White Ashes"**
Wed, Sep 10 at 6:30pm | Rising Sun

Drop-in Tech Help
Thu, Sep 11 at 1pm | North East



Music in the Library: Japanese Koto
Sat, Sep 13 at 1pm | Elkton

**Artist Michael Bignell:
The Sky's the Limit**
Tue, Sep 16 at 6pm | North East

Chair Yoga for Mind & Body
Wed, Sep 17 at 1pm | Perryville



**The Impact of Nuclear War:
Nagasaki Told Through Paper Theater**
Wed, Sep 17 at 6:30pm | Perryville

How to Write Novels with Ethan Joella
Thu, Sep 18 at 6:30pm | Elkton



Taste of Japan
Sat, Sep 20 at 10am | Elkton

Create with Clay: Pottery Workshop
Tue, Sep 23 at 6:30pm | Perryville

Migratory Songbirds of Maryland
Thu, Sep 25 at 6:30pm | North East

Dungeons & Dragons: At the Library
Tue, Sep 30 at 5:30pm | North East

The Same Bright Stars
Wed, Sep 3 at 11am | Elkton

The Chocolate Maker's Wife
Tue, Sep 9 at 1pm | Chesapeake City

The Women
Tue, Sep 9 at 6pm | Perryville



Kin: Rooted in Hope
Mon, Sep 15 at 1pm | Rising Sun
Tue, Sep 23 at 6:30pm | North East

Harlem Shuffle
Tue, Sep 16 at 1pm | Perryville

JOIN US FOR A BOOK DISCUSSION!



UPCOMING EVENTS IN OCTOBER

**Music for Lafayette: A Bicentennial Concert
with David & Ginger Hildebrand**
Wed, Oct 1 at 6:30pm | Elkton

Plant Exchange
Sat, Oct 4 at 11am | Perryville

How the Space Shuttle Won the Cold War
Tue, Oct 7 at 6:30pm | Perryville

No Bad Art: Active Listening Paint Along
Tue, Oct 7 at 6:30pm | North East

Homeschool Resources for Parents
Wed, Oct 8 at 1 & 6:30pm | North East

Drop-in Tech Help
Thu, Oct 9 at 1pm | North East

Who are the Amish?
Wed, Oct 15 at 6:30pm | Rising Sun

Sourdough Basics
Tue, Oct 21 at 1pm | Chesapeake City

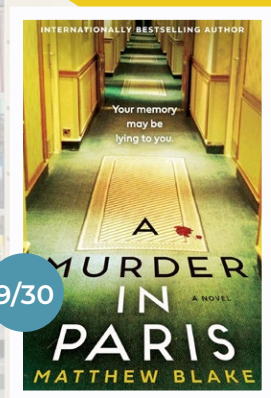
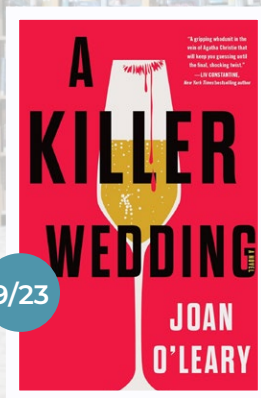
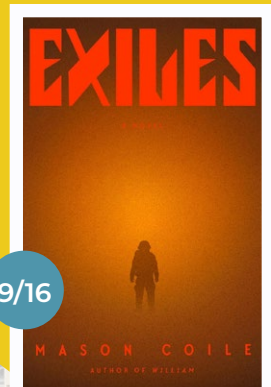
Garden Senses Series: Edible Flowers
Tue, Oct 21 at 6:30pm | North East

Diamond Swing Jazz Night
Thu, Oct 23 at 6:30pm | Elkton

Monsters of Maryland
Tue, Oct 28 at 6pm | Perryville

Edgar Allan Poe: Readings by Virginia Poe
Wed, Oct 29 at 6:30pm | North East

New & Upcoming Releases



Put these books on hold now! Use our online catalog or visit any library branch.

A Statewide Book Discussion

ONE MARYLAND, ONE BOOK

Every year, One Maryland, One Book encourages people throughout the state to read & discuss the year's chosen book. Book Discussions will be held throughout the fall. Visit any library branch or our website to join the conversation.

About this year's book

Poet and children's author Carole Boston Weatherford and her son, artist Jeffery Boston Weatherford, collaborated on this book that gives voice to their earliest enslaved ancestors back to the founding of Maryland. With each poem and its accompanying illustration, Carole and Jeffery tell their family story through each of their kin and the world they lived in: the Chesapeake Bay, the plantation house, Frederick Douglass, Harriett Tubman, and more.

Maryland State Library Agency

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MARYLAND AFFILIATE

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Scan to Learn More

Seen Around the Library



Mike Rose: Colorful Magic



Barnyard Tales



Full STEAM Ahead



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



Tuesday,
September 16 at 6pm

North East
Branch Library

Exhibit on Display
September 8-30

ARTIST **MICHAEL BIGNELL** THE SKY'S THE LIMIT

Michael Bignell is an award-winning artist and retired architect, originally from the South Coast of England. Michael will overview his art, what has influenced his style and take you on a personal gallery-walk of his exhibit, including paintings that will only be shown during his presentation.

His exhibit "The Sky's the Limit" at the North East Branch Library runs from September 8-30 and features paintings that highlight everything from clouds to flight.

Hours & Locations

Cecilton

☎ (410) 275-1091

Mon: 12pm-6pm

Tue: 10am-6pm

Wed: 10am-6pm

Thu: 1pm-6pm

Fri: 10am-5pm

Sat: Closed

Chesapeake City

☎ (410) 996-1134

Mon: Closed

Tue: 10am-6pm

Wed: Closed

Thu: 10am-6pm

Fri: Closed

Sat: 10am-5pm

Elkton

☎ (410) 996-5600

Mon: 12pm-6pm

Tue: 10am-8pm

Wed: 10am-8pm

Thu: 10am-8pm

Fri: 10am-5pm

Sat: 10am-5pm

North East

☎ (410) 996-6269

Mon: 12pm-6pm

Tue: 9am-8pm

Wed: 9am-8pm

Thu: 9am-8pm

Fri: 9am-5pm

Sat: 9am-5pm

Perryville

☎ (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

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Mon: 12pm-6pm

Tue: 10am-6pm

Wed: 10am-8pm

Thu: 10am-6pm

Fri: 10am-5pm

Sat: 10am-5pm

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All CCPL Branches will be closed
on September 1 for Labor Day.