

# **April 2018**

## Programs for Youth and Families

Hang Outs: All Ages, Drop in Anytime

#### **Spring Into Writing Acrostic Poetry**

Celebrate National Poetry Month at the Library. Read, create, and share acrostic poems about the season.

Week of 4/2—Barbour, Park, Albany, Ropkins & Dwight Week of 4/16 & 4/23—Downtown

#### Spring Craft Make and Take

Get creative with our art supplies Week of 4/23—Dwight

#### **Engineering Table**

Get inspired by India's famous engineer turned toymaker, Arvind Gupta, who uses recycled materials to create unique toys.

Week of 4/23—Camp Field

#### Can You Find Beekle?

The characters from some of our favorite picture books have jumped out of their stories and hid in the library! Join us for a fun romp through stories and your branch library to find these sneaky creatures.

> Week of 4/2—Camp Field Week of 4/23—Barbour

#### **Magnetic Poetry**

We provide the words, you create the poetry! Week of 4/2 & 4/9—Downtown Week of 4/23—Ropkins, Park & Albany

#### **National Library Week**

We are celebrating National Library Week April 8-14! Join us for a library scavenger hunt and other fun activities.

Week of 4/9—All Locations

#### **Brown Girl Dreaming Bookshelf**

In Brown Girl Dreaming, Jacqueline Woodson writes about going to the local library every Monday and finding picture books there filled with brown people. Visit any of our library locations to discover Coretta Scott King Book Award winning children's books by outstanding African-American writers and illustrators about civil rights, family, and heritage.

Week of 4/16—All Locations

### Leap Into Learning: Ages Birth-Five with Caregiver

#### **Every Child Ready to Read Story Time**

Thurs | 10am - 10:45am | Park

The five practices of the Every Child Ready to Read initiative are talking, singing, reading, writing, and playing. Listen to stories, learn finger plays, and sing songs.

Tues Apr 1 & 10 | 10am - 11am | Downtown Wed| Apr 18 | 9:30-10:30 | Dwight

Wed & Thur | Apr 5 - 26 | 10am - 10:45am; 10:45am - 11:15am | Ropkins

Mon & Fri | 11am - 12pm | Downtown

Thur | 10am - 10:45am | Park

Wed| Apr 11 & 25 | 11:30-12:00| Barbour

#### **Baby Talk**

0-12 months with parent/caregiver. Babies need words every day! Join us for stories and songs just for you and your baby. Siblings welcome!

Wed | Apr 25 | 11 -11:30 | Camp Field

#### Sensational Sensory Wednesdays

Interactive play-time for children. Enjoy a new and exciting sensory, hands-on learning activity.

Wed 11:00-12:00 Downtown

#### **Tots & Tunes**

A group for little ones to come together and experience movement and music with songs, finger plays, musical instruments and more.

Wed| Apr 11 & 25 | 11- 12pm | Albany Wed |12-12:30 pm| Downtown



1.000 Books Before Kindergarten



#### App Diddle Dee

Ages 2-5 with parent/caregiver. Join us for fun rhyming books and musical apps that will get your children excited about letters, words and sounds!

Fri | Apr 13 | 11am - 12pm | Camp Field

#### Mommy and Me Yoga

For parents and children birth-11 months. Relaxation, songs, and breathing taught by WHY Outreach.

Must call 695-6330 to register.

Wed | Apr 2 & 9 | 11:30-1:00 | Downtown



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### **Programs for Ages 6-12**

#### **Brown Girl Dreaming Poe-Trees**

Discuss our youth Big Read selection "Brown Girl Dreaming" by Jacqueline Woodson and then create your own special poem in a form we like to call Poe-Trees. Get a free copy of the book (while supplies last).

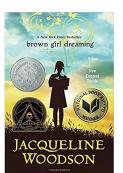
Tues | April 10 | 4:30-5:30 | Dwight

Mon | April 16 | 4:00-5:00 | Albany & Park

Wed | April 18 | 3:30-4:30 | Camp Field & Ropkins

Thurs | April 19 | 4:00-5:00 | Barbour

Thurs | April 5, 12 & 19 | 5:30-6:30 | Downtown



#### **Starry Night Ornaments**

An exploration into the technique of Vincent Van Gogh: Impasto Art. Discover the artist's technique using modeling clay!

Wed | April 4 | 4:00-5:00 | Downtown

#### **Torque Tops: A Spinning Top Workshop**

Join us at the library for a fun DIY toy workshop. Participants will explore the physics behind spinning tops and then use Perler Beads to produce spinning tops of their own design.

Thur | April 5 | 4:00-5:00 | Barbour

#### **Mindful Moments**

Take a break and learn how to handle stress with easy relaxation tips using music, paint, and your own body.

Mon | April 2 | 4:00 - 5:00 | Park Thurs | April 4 | 4:00 - 5:00 | Albany



#### Yoga Time

Yoga is great for keeping your body healthy and your mind relaxed. Come learn some fun poses, no special mat or experience needed!

Tues | April 3 | 4:30-5:30 | Dwight

Thurs | April 5 | 3:30-4:30 | Ropkins

#### D.E.A.R.—Drop Everything and Read

Celebrate National Library Week with your favorite librarians! We'll make "Drop Everything And Read" buttons, color, enjoy a read-aloud, and have a short awards ceremony for all participants!

Tues | April 10 | 2:30-3:30 | Downtown

Wed | April 11 | 2:30-3:30 | Downtown

Thurs | April 12 | 3:30-4:30 | Ropkins

Thurs | April 12 | 4:00-5:00 | Barbour & Park

#### **Out of Wonder: Celebration Poetry**

Golden Shovel poetry—Come listen and perform poems from the book Out of Wonder by Kwame Alexander, and then write a poem yourself. If you already have a favorite poem please bring it to share!

Thur | April 12 | 3:30-4:30 | Camp Field

#### Whoever You Are

Join us for an interactive reading of Mem Fox's Whoever You Are! We celebrate all the different kinds of children in our community and all over the world, whoever and wherever they are.

Tues | April 24 | 3:30-4:30 | Downtown

#### Seed Pods

Make your own Seed Pod, a neat package of flower seeds and soil that are easy to grow. Learn about the importance of working to save our planet and some simple ways you can help every day.

Sat | April 14 | 2:30-3:30 | Downtown

Mon | April 23 | 2:30-3:30 | Dwight

Mon | April 23 | 4:00-5:00 | Albany

Thur | April 26 | 3:30-4:30 | Ropkins & Camp Field Thur | April 26 | 4:00-5:00 | Park & Barbour

**Downtown Library** | 500 Main Street | 860-695-6330 | M - Th 9:30am - 8pm, F - Sat 9:30am - 5pm, Sun 1pm - 5pm

Albany Branch | 1250 Albany Avenue | 860-695-7380 | M & W 10am - 6pm, T & Th 10am - 8pm, F - Sat 10am - 5pm

Barbour Branch | 261 Barbour Street | 860-695-7400 | M & W 10am - 8pm, T & Th 10am - 6pm, F 10am - 5pm

Camp Field Branch | 30 Campfield Avenue | 860-695-7440 | M & W 10am - 6pm, T & Th 10am - 8pm, F 10am - 5pm

Dwight Branch | 7 New Park Avenue | 860-695-7460 | M & W 10am - 6pm, T & Th 10am - 8pm, F 10am - 5pm

Park Branch | 744 Park Street | 860-695-7500 | M & W 10am - 8pm, T & Th 10am - 6pm, F - Sat 10am - 5pm

Ropkins Branch | 1750 Main Street | 860-695-7520 | M, W, F 3pm - 6pm, T 1:30pm - 6pm, F 3pm - 5pm