Potential Program Changes Due to Covid-19

For the Fall season, we have booked a combination of virtual and in-person programming. As the pandemic situation changes, so may this schedule. For current information, please visit thegdl.org.

Fenton Technology Tutoring
Receive answers to your tech questions, and receive one-on-one training on how to use your laptop, smartphone, or tablet. *Call 810-230-3336 to make an appointment.

Fenton-Winegarden
Wednesdays, September 1, 8 @ Noon–3pm

Genesee Valley Retro Station
Learn how to use the Genesee Valley Retro Station, and receive help digitizing your old media. Convert VHS tapes, cassette tapes, film (35mm, 126, 110, and Super 8), slides (135, 126, 110), books and documents to digital format. *Call 810-230-3336 to make an appointment between noon and 2pm.

Genesee Valley Center
Monday, September 13, 20 @ Noon–2pm

Greg Nagy Unplugged
Blues and roots infused originals coupled with interpretations of timeless classics; something for everyone. An internationally acclaimed Flint native, Greg’s solo acoustic show is not to be missed.

Baker Park
Wednesday, September 15 @ 3pm

Cooking with Ming—Mandarin Pancakes
Our favorite chef, Ming Louie, is back in our branches cooking up some delightful desserts. This month join him as he shows you how to make Mandarin Pancakes.

Clio Area
Monday, September 20 @ 5pm

Gamers Among Us
Do you love Among Us? Come play in groups with other kids on Zoom. *Register at thegdl.org/events and we’ll send you the Zoom link. (Ages 7–15)
Tuesdays, September 7, 21 @ 4pm

Code Your Favorite Character
Create a story or game using Scratch code that gives your favorite book character superpowers. Join us on Zoom to follow step-by-step instructions. You will need a computer for this program. *Register at thegdl.org/events to receive the Zoom invite and learn how to join the GDL’s Virtual Coding Classroom. (Ages 13–18)
Monday, September 13 @ 4–6pm

What Are You Reading?
Join Genesee District Librarians as they discuss the books they’ve read recently. They can also give you personalized book recommendations.
Tuesday, September 14 @ 1pm

Jackbox Game Night
Hangout with other teens while playing a variety of Jackbox games. Players will need a device to watch on (usually a computer or tablet) and a second device (a phone works great) to play with. *Register online at thegdl.org/events and we’ll send you the Zoom link. (Ages 13–18)
Tuesday, September 14 @ 6–7:30pm

Are You Smarter Than a Librarian?
Join us for an evening of online trivia where librarians get to ask you the reference questions. Level of difficulty? Just challenging enough to be fun. Visit thegdl.org/trivia to play, or join us on Facebook Live or YouTube.
Thursday, September 16 @ 6pm

Paws for Reading
Practice your reading with Miss Marissa and her adorable pet rats. Struggling readers, new readers, and bookworms alike can practice reading aloud to a non-judgmental audience, helping them develop reading skills, confidence and a love of reading. Kids can choose any book they’d like. *Register for a 10-minute time slot at thegdl.org/events, to receive the Zoom link. (Ages 1–12)
Monday, September 20 @ 6–7pm

A $500 House in Detroit
Drew Philp talks about his book, A $500 House in Detroit: Rebuilding an American City and an Abandoned Home. This is the story of an idealistic young man who attempts to enter into true community with his neighbors and shape the future of the city one abandoned home at a time. He will be showing a slideshow of photos, reading from the book, and answering questions.
Thursday, September 23 @ 6pm

Run Home If You Don’t Want to Be Killed
Run Home if You Don’t Want to be Killed: The Detroit Uprising of 1943 by Rachel Marie-Crane Williams, is a graphic history based on a series of events that led to violent clashes during three hot days in 1943. The book is a hybrid text composed of stories, history, and images; it is designed to challenge people’s assumptions about race, culture, and violence in the United States during World War II. Williams will share how the book was composed and discusses the relevance of the events in 1943 to the social and political landscape in the United States today.
Thursday, September 30 @ 6pm

Call for BLACK HISTORY MONTH BRUNCH

Nominations 2022
Each year, the Genesee District Library’s Annual Black History Month Brunch honors three people and one organization who are making a difference in our community. Visit thegdl.org/bhmbnomination to submit a nomination or send a detailed letter to:
Kelly Flynn, Genesee District Library, 4195 Pasadena Ave., Flint, MI 48504
(810) 230-9613

Nomination Deadline: September 30, 2021
The 21st Annual Black History Month Brunch will be held Saturday, February 12, 2022 @ 10am.

Virtual programs can be viewed at thegdl.org/virtual, or on Facebook Live or YouTube.
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Visit your local branch to sign up for a library card
- Get a free GDL cloth tote bag
- Be entered to win an Apple iPad

FOR MORE FUN

National Library Card Signup Month

Join the Reading Challenge!
Log your pages and earn badges to enter a prize drawing for a $50 Meijer Gift Card.
- All Ages
- Register at thegdl.org/beanstack
Fun With Your Local Librarian | IN-PERSON

Fenton-Winegarden

Fiction Book Club
The Fenton Fiction Book Club meets monthly to discuss a wide range of fiction.

**Wednesday, September 8**
*Starvation Lake* by Bryan Gruley

**October 13**
*If the Creek Don’t Rise* by Leah Weiss

**November 10**
*Varina* by Charles Frazier

@ 10am

Poetry Club
Join other poetry enthusiasts for a discussion about poets and their work.
*Please call the library at (810) 629-7612 for the Poet of the Month.

**Thursday, September 9**

**October 14**

@ 3pm

Writers’ Group
This is a peer review group that helps writers fine tune their craft. Bring samples of your writing to share with the group.

**Tuesday, September 14, 28**

**October 12, 26**

**November 9, 23**

@ 3–4:30pm

Fenton-Winegarden Mystery Book Club
Discuss the monthly mystery book pick, or talk about your favorite mysteries.

**Tuesday, September 21 @ 6:30pm**

Nonfiction Book Club
Bring your favorite titles. This group discusses a wide range of nonfiction.

**Tuesday, September 28 @ 6:30pm**

Build a Cat Shelter
Cats who live outside are vulnerable to the cold, wind, snow and ice of winter. Creating a life-saving shelter for outdoor cats can be easy and inexpensive.

**Thursday, November 11 @ 6pm**

Flushing Area

3D Printing Projects
Design your project at the library using Tinkercad, and staff will use the 3D printer to print it for you.

**Thursday, September 16**

**October 21**

**November 18**

@ 6pm

Flushing Book Club
Join the Flushing Book Club! They read all genres including thrillers, non-fiction, contemporary, memoir, and historical fiction. Call the branch for more information.

**Tuesday, September 28**

**October 26**

**November 23**

@ 6pm

Swartz Creek-Perkins

Cat Toys
Come join the fun as we sew Catnip Mice toys for the homeless kitties at the Genesee County Humane Society and PAWS Animal Rescue. All materials are generously provided by the Swartz Creek Women’s Club and the Swartz Creek-Perkins Library Friends.

**Tuesday, October 5 @ 6pm**

BOOK SALES

Burton Memorial
Saturday, September 25 @ 10am–4pm
Saturday, October 30 @ 10am–4pm

Davison Area
Friday, September 10 @ 9:30am–3:30pm
Saturday, September 11 @ 9:30am–3:30pm

Flushing Area
Thursday, October 7 @ 5:30–7:30pm
Friday, October 8 @ 9am–5pm
Saturday, October 9 @ 9am–3pm
$2 a bag, all day
*The Flushing Friends group requests that all participants wear a mask.
**October | IN-PERSON**

**Author Talk: Mary Doria Russell, The Women of the Copper Country**
Maria Doria Russell will discuss her book, *The Women of the Copper Country*. This is the story of a 25-year-old woman who bravely stood up for striking miners and their families in 1913, and offers a historical look at the early labor movement and copper mining in Calumet, Michigan. Widely praised for meticulous research, fine prose, and the compelling narrative drive of her stories, Mary Doria Russell is the award-winning author of seven bestselling novels. *The Women of the Copper Country* has been chosen as a Great Michigan Read by Michigan Humanities.

**Montrose-Jennings**
Saturday, October 9 @ 11am

**Singing the Good Old Songs Again**
An uplifting program, rich in the tradition of American folk music. Jackie Davidson is an original member of the Grammy Award winning New Christy Minstrels and the famed duo, Jackie and Gayle. Gary Brandt is an accomplished songwriter and folk performer. Enjoy this energetic show of classic and original folk songs from the Folk revival of the ‘60s and ‘70s, incorporating humor, audience participation, and their famous Folk Song Sing-a-long Medley.

**Baker Park**
Wednesday, October 13 @ 3pm

**Cooking with Ming—Butterfly Cookies (Jow Wu Deep)**
Our favorite chef, Ming Louie, is back in our branches cooking up some delightful desserts. This month join him as he shows you how to make Butterfly Cookies.

**Davison Area**
Tuesday, October 19 @ 5pm

**October | VIRTUAL**

**The Singing Zoologist**
Calling all animal lovers! The Singing Zoologist, Lucas Miller, will be celebrating cheetahs, monarch butterflies, chimichangas and all things wild. With a dazzling, multimedia blend of music and science, the whole family will giggle, sing, move, and learn.

**Saturday, October 2 @ 11am**

**Gamers Among Us**
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**Tuesdays, October 5, 19 @ 4pm**

**Midnight in Vehicle City**
Journalist and historian Edward McClelland will discuss the tumultuous Flint sit-down strike of 1936–1937 that is featured in his book, *Midnight in Vehicle City: General Motors, Flint, and the Strike That Created the Middle Class*. All ages welcome.

**Thursday, October 7 @ 6pm**

**October virtual continued...**

**Draw Cute Animals**
Join Marissa on Zoom to learn how to draw cute animals step-by-step. Get creative as you add your own personal style and characterization.

*Register at thegdl.org/events to receive the zoom link.

**Saturday, October 9 @ 11am**

**What Are You Reading?**
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**Tuesday, October 12 @ 1pm**

**The Witch of Delray: Rose Veres & Detroit’s Infamous 1930s Murder Mystery**
Detroit was full of stark contrasts in 1931 with political scandals, rumrunners, and mobs. As the Great Depression began to take hold, tensions grew, spilling over into the investigation of a mysterious murder at the boardinghouse of Hungarian immigrant Rose Veres. Amid accusations of witchcraft, Rose and her son Bill were convicted of the brutal killing and suspected in a dozen more. Their cries of innocence went unheeded—until one lawyer, determined to seek justice, took on the case. Join author Karen Dybis as she discusses her book, *The Witch of Delray: Rose Veres & Detroit’s Infamous 1930s Murder Mystery* and learn the truth of Detroit’s own Hex Woman.

**Thursday, October 14 @ 6pm**

**Mechanic Shop Femme—The Whys and Whens of Car Maintenance**
Automotive Educator and Writer, Chaya Milchtein covers the basics of car maintenance, from changing oil and filters, tire pressure, and coolant to understanding the owner’s manual and preventative maintenance. *Register at thegdl.org/events, and we’ll send you the Zoom link.*

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**Thursday, October 21 @ 6pm**

**Scary Storytelling**
Join Marissa on Zoom for an evening of chills and thrills. Bring a scary story to share or listen as others tell their most haunting tales.

*Register at thegdl.org/events to receive the zoom link. (Ages 9–18)*

**Thursday, October 28 @ 6pm**
Gamers Among Us
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Tuesdays, November 2, 16, 30 @ 4pm

Forensic Art: Identifying the Living, Naming the Dead
Learn about the art of forensic drawing, sculpting and digital manipulation with one of the state’s top forensic artists.
*Due to the subject matter, this program is for adult audiences.
Thursday, November 4 @ 6pm

What Are You Reading?
Join Genesee District Librarians as they discuss the books they’ve read recently. They can also give you personalized book recommendations.
Tuesday, November 9 @ 1pm

Quick Bread
If you need a dish to take at Thanksgiving, Mary Spencer has you covered. She will prepare two quick bread recipes offering techniques and tips for you to easily make the recipes in your own kitchen. Recipes will include a delicious cornbread and a sweetbread.
Thursday, November 11 @ 6pm

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Monday, November 15 @ 6–7pm

Hack That Painting
Get creative as you paint your own additions to an already painted picture. We provide the pre-painted canvases and materials; you provide the creativity! Register to reserve your kit and receive the Zoom link.
*Register at thegdl.org/events by Monday, November 8. (Ages 9–18)
Thursday, November 18 @ 6–7:30pm

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**Evening Outdoor Story Time**
Join Miss Marissa on the patio for a story time including music, movement, and stories. Dress for the weather and feel free to bring a blanket to sit on. *Note: Story Time will be canceled if it’s raining.*

Grand Blanc-McFarlen
Wednesdays, September 15, 22, 29
October 6, 13, 20, 27
@ 6–6:30pm

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**Marissa’s Marvelous Story Time**
These virtual sessions include songs, stories, movement activities, and imagination promoting socialization and exploration. Early literacy practices are modeled throughout this story time series empowering both children and their caregivers to be literacy leaders. (Ages Birth–5)

*Note: There will be no story time on Monday, October 11.*

Mondays, September 13, 20, 27
October 4, 18, 25
November 1, 8, 15
@ 10am

Virtual Playdates
Let’s socially interact! Join Miss Marissa on Zoom for a continuation of story time including songs, a story, and an interactive virtual playtime.

*Register at thegdl.org/events with your email address and we’ll send you the zoom information to join. (Ages Birth–5)*

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Flint, MI 48505
(810) 789-2800

Burton Memorial
4012 E Atherton Rd.
Burton, MI 48519
(810) 742-0674

Clio Area
2080 W Vienna Rd.
Clio, MI 48420
(810) 686-7130

Davison Area
203 E Fourth St.
Davison, MI 48423
(810) 653-2022

Fenton-Winegarden
200 E Caroline St.
Fenton, MI 48430
(810) 629-7612
Children’s Center:
(810) 714-0917

Flint Township-McCarty
2071 S Graham Rd.
Flint, MI 48532
(810) 732-9150

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120 N Maple St.
Flushing, MI 48433
(810) 659-9755

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123 W Main St.
Otisville, MI 48463
(810) 631-6330

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103 W Walker St.
Gaines, MI 48436
(989) 271-8720

Genesee-Johnson
7397 N Genesee Rd.
Genesee, MI 48437
(810) 640-1410

Genesee Valley Center
3293 S Linden Rd.
(North Wing)
Flint, MI 48507
(810) 732-1822

Goodrich
10237 Hegel Rd.
Goodrich, MI 48438
(810) 636-2489

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515 Perry Rd.
Grand Blanc, MI 48439
(810) 694-5310

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201 N Main St.
Linden, MI 48451
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241 Feher Dr.
Montrose, MI 48457
(810) 639-6388

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685 Van Buren Ave.
Mt. Morris, MI 48458
(810) 686-6120

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8095 Civic Dr.
Swartz Creek, MI 48473
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CLOSING DATES:
Labor Day: Saturday, September 4—Monday, September 6
In-Service: Monday, October 11
Thanksgiving: Thursday, November 25—Sunday, November 28