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SPRING 2023
PROGRAM GUIDE



*Libraries are
where it all begins.
~Rita Dove*



Spring Concert Series

Greg Nagy Solo Acoustic Concert

Presenting originals, roots, blues, and classic song interpretations. An internationally acclaimed Flint native, Greg's solo acoustic show is a real crowd pleaser.

Baker Park
Monday, March 20 @ 3:30pm



The JazzCats Trio

Crafted arrangements from the Great American Songbook, and more.

Baker Park
Monday, April 17 @ 3:30pm

Jymi Dill in Concert

Song stylist Jymi Dill entertains with pop standards, jazz tunes, and big band classics.

Baker Park
Monday, May 15 @ 3:30pm



Danny Paul Classic Country Concert

Classic Country performer Danny Paul has opened for several Nashville artists including George Jones, Boxcar Willie, and Blake Shelton.

Flint Township-McCarty
Wednesday, March 15 @ 3pm

Elvis: Shades of a King

Enjoy a fun-filled, high energy Elvis impersonator. Shake, rattle, and roll down memory lane with Bryan Elzie Dixon as he gets you all shook up to the favorites from the King of Rock & Roll

Flint Township-McCarty
Wednesday, April 12 @ 3pm



Boogie Woogie Kid

Mathew Ball, aka The Boogie Woogie Kid, is the piano man turned YouTube sensation with almost 5 million views. He performs timeless hits of New Orleans Boogie-Blues-Swing favorites from the '20s, '30s, and '40s.

Flint Township-McCarty
Wednesday, May 10 @ 3pm

Technology

Resin 3D Printing

Design your project at the library using Tinkercad and staff will use the new Resin 3D Printer to print it for you.

William F. Delaney Headquarters

Thursday, March 30 @ 5:30pm
Thursday, May 25 @ 5:30pm

Cutting the Cord

Are you tired of paying too much money for television? Learn what alternatives are available and how to get them.

Linden

Monday, May 15 @ 6pm

Parental Controls 101

What parental controls are available for your child's device? Is there a way to block certain apps, or limit what your child can do on their tablet or phone? Learn answers to these questions and more at this presentation from our Digital Services Librarian.

Davison Area

Monday, May 22 @ 6pm



Tech Tutoring

You can get technology help with just about any device. Call to make an appointment.

Burton Memorial

Call Kevin at (810) 742-0674

Fenton-Winegarden

Call Ryan at (810) 230-3336

Grand Blanc-McFarlen

Call Alger at (810) 694-5190

All Other Branches

Call Ryan at (810) 230-3336



MARCH In-Person

Dinosaur Day with Paleo Joe

Learn all about dinosaurs from a real dinosaur digger, Paleo Joe. Paleontologist Joe Kchodl excites, entertains, and informs about all things prehistoric.

Burton Memorial

Saturday, March 11 @ 10am

Swartz Creek-Perkins

Saturday, March 11 @ 2pm

Paper Bag Puppets

Learn the art of puppet-making by creating your own easy paper bag puppet.

Grand Blanc-McFarlen

Saturday, March 11 @ 10am

Davison Area

Saturday, March 11 @ Noon

Overhead and Under Foot

Look up. What do you see? Stars, the moon, and the sun. Look down. What's on the ground? Bugs and plants. We'll explore features of the Earth from the tiniest bug to the biggest star. Presented by Sloan Longway.

Goodrich

Saturday, March 11 @ 10am

Flushing Area

Saturday, March 11 @ 2pm

Learn Women's Self Defense

Andrea Moon from Metro Michigan Shotokan Karate School will offer a 90-minute Women's Self-Defense seminar. Please wear comfortable clothing. (Ages 13 and up) *Space is limited.*

Please register at thegdl.org/events.

Grand Blanc-McFarlen

Saturday, March 11 @ Noon

Birdwatching vs. Birding

Birder and photographer Greg Bodker will help you learn the joys of birding and birdwatching. Discover the best places to go birding, how to attract more birds to your own backyard, and more.

Genesee-Johnson

Tuesday, March 14 @ 6pm

Senses and Defenses

Learn how some animals can hear over a thousand miles, use their eyes to swallow, smell with their tongues or legs, and many other funny and fascinating modes of survival. This is a live animal program.

Mt. Morris

Saturday, March 18 @ 10am

William F. Delaney Headquarters

Saturday, March 18 @ 2pm



Space Art Creations

Create beautiful space-themed artworks while learning about the nighttime sky. Build a comet, use liquid water color to paint a starry scene, and learn about eclipses while making a chalk project. Presented by Sloan Longway.

Gaines Station

Wednesday, March 22 @ 5:30pm

Women in the Olympics

This fascinating interactive program is designed to spread the joy of the hula hoop, featuring hula hoops and club juggling.

Grand Blanc-McFarlen

Saturday, March 25 @ 10am

Flushing Area

Saturday, March 25 @ 2pm



YOGA

These yoga classes are appropriate for all skill levels.

Goodrich

Mondays, March 6, 13, 20
April 3, 10, 17, 24, May 1 @ 6:30pm

Grand Blanc-McFarlen

Thursdays, March 9, 16, 23, 30,
April 6, 13, 20, and 27 @ 6:30pm

READ ACROSS AMERICA

Reading Challenge

Read with Genesee District Library
to celebrate National Reading Month in March.

Log your reading to earn badges throughout the challenge.

Participants who complete the challenge will be entered in a drawing to win gift cards.



Pre-Register at thegdl.org/beanstack



thegdl.org



April In-Person

Magic and Fun Library Show

This magical comedy show will delight and charm kids of all ages. Each child will receive a free souvenir magic trick to take home.

Clio Area

Saturday, April 1 @ 10am

Davison Area

Saturday, April 1 @ 2pm

Genealogy with Ruth Britting

Ever wonder if your family line includes people of nobility, notorious criminals or brave souls who journeyed across the Atlantic on the Mayflower? Genealogy enthusiast Ruth Britting will give you the tools to get started on your quest for the truth about your mysterious lineage. *Note: this is a 90-minute program. *Space is limited.* Register at thegdl.org/events.

Forest Township

Tuesday, April 4 @ 6pm



Rod and Reel

If you're a beginner to the sport of fishing, this program is for you. Don Snoeyink will teach you the basics so you can go out there and catch some fish.

Fenton-Winegarden

Saturday, April 15 @ 11am

The Quest for Morel Mushrooms

National Morel Hunting Champion, Anthony Williams, will tell you the ins and outs of mushroom picking. He will share tips on where and how to pick, including the finer points of finding the elusive morel.

Davison Area

Monday, April 17 @ 6pm

Cooking with Ming—Tex-Mex

Our favorite chef, Ming Louie, will teach you to make delicious Tex-Mex.

William F. Delaney Headquarters

Tuesday, April 18 @ 5pm

Animals and Our Environment

We share this planet with all kinds of interesting animals. Learn how they function within their habitat in this live animal presentation.

Grand Blanc-McFarlen

Saturday, April 22 @ 10am

Beecher-Vera B. Rison

Saturday, April 22 @ 2pm

Grow Great Vegetables in Michigan

Discover how to plan, plant and grow your most productive garden ever. Author and gardener Bevin Cohen gives tips on soil health, seed starting, transplanting, mulching, weeding, and when to harvest your produce.

Linden

Wednesday, April 26 @ 6pm

Cooking with Ming—Chicken Fried Rice

Our favorite chef, Ming Louie, will teach you to make chicken fried rice.

Fenton-Winegarden

Thursday, April 27 @ 5pm



Myths and Legends with Paleo Joe

Learn about dinosaur myths and legends from real dinosaur digger, Paleo Joe. Paleontologist Joe Kchodl excites, entertains, and informs about all things prehistoric.

Clio Area

Saturday, April 29 @ 10am

Fenton-Winegarden

Saturday, April 29 @ 2pm

Marshmallow Construction

Construct one-of-a-kind artwork using toothpicks, straws, and marshmallows while learning engineering concepts.

Grand Blanc-McFarlen

Saturday, April 29 @ 10am

Flushing Area

Saturday, April 29 @ 12pm

LOCAL AUTHORS SHOWCASE



Meet and greet many great local authors. Books will be available for sale and signing.

Grand Blanc-McFarlen

Saturday, April 29 @ 1–4pm

MAY In-Person

Get to Know Your Muslim Neighbor Open House

Learn about American Muslims and enjoy hands-on activities for all ages. Featuring: A Forgotten History: Muslims & Early America poster exhibit, panel discussion, calligraphy, henna, international delicacies and coffee. This program is sponsored by the Muslim American Society. So much to learn at this come-and-go program.

Grand Blanc-McFarlen

Saturday, May 6 @ 11am–2pm



Polish Pajaki Chandeliers

Explore the craft of Polish Pajaki chandeliers crafted from decorative paper, straws, and pom poms. These make great decorations for your room.

Fenton-Winegarden

Saturday, May 6 @ Noon

Clio Area

Saturday, May 20 @ Noon

Poetry Slam 101

Learn the art of the poetry slam. Read slam poetry, write slam-style poems using prompts and, if you choose, give a quick performance.

Beecher-Vera B. Rison

Saturday, May 13 @ Noon

Campground Critters

Summer is fast approaching and that means it's camping season! Learn all about the critters and small creatures you may meet at your campsite, or even while playing in the park.

Davison Area

Saturday, May 13 @ 10am

Fenton-Winegarden

Saturday, May 13 @ 2pm

Cooking with Ming—Italian Bolognese Sauce

Our favorite chef, Ming Louie, will teach you to make Italian bolognese sauce.

Genesee Valley Center

Tuesday, May 16 @ 5pm

Sentimental Clutter

Get tips for sorting keepsakes, collectibles, and other items we've inherited, and for deciding what to keep and how to let go.

*Note: this is a 90-minute program.

Clio Area

Wednesday, May 17 @ 5:30pm

How Does Your Garden Grow?

Plants need water and light in order to live and grow. What happens when you try to grow a plant without these resources? Set up and run your own experiment while growing seeds in terrariums you build. Presented by Sloan Longway. (Ages 4–12) *Space is limited. Register at thegdl.org/events.

Linden

Saturday, May 20 @ 10am

Montrose-Jennings

Saturday, May 20 @ 2pm



VIRTUAL PROGRAMS



Risotto with Mary Spencer

Mary Spencer will demonstrate how to make risotto. Recipes will be provided.

*View program at thegdl.org/virtual or on Facebook or YouTube.

Thursday, March 9 @ 6pm

What Are You Reading?

Join Genesee District Librarians as they discuss the books they love, and the books they don't. Registration not necessary. (Teen and Adult)

*View program at thegdl.org/virtual or on Facebook or YouTube.

Tuesday, March 14 @ 1pm

Tuesday, April 4 @ 1pm

Tuesday, May 9 @ 1pm

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, March 30 @ 6pm

Thursday, May 18 @ 6pm

Maya Angelou with Miz Rosie

Rosie Chapman, a.k.a. Miz Rosie, is a storyteller, author, poet, artist, therapist and school social worker who thrills audiences of all ages with her storytelling. Rosie's interactive stories warm the heart and stimulate the mind.

*View program at thegdl.org/virtual or on Facebook or YouTube.

Thursday, March 23 @ 2pm

Michiganders on the Titanic

When the luxury ocean liner RMS Titanic went down in 1912, many Michiganders tragically lost their lives. Within a week, U.S. Senator William Alden Smith of Grand Rapids convened a U.S. inquiry into the disaster. Learn about the Michigan survivors and victims, as well as Senator Smith's far-reaching quest for answers.

*View program at thegdl.org/virtual or on Facebook or YouTube.

Thursday, May 4 @ 6pm

Climate Change 2023: Simple, Serious, Solvable

Meteorologist Chris Edwards will share a fact-based look at the scientific issues involved in climate change, specifically localized to Michigan and metro Detroit. He will explore the significant challenges we face, and what each of us can do to help.

*View program at thegdl.org/virtual or on Facebook or YouTube.

Thursday, May 11 @ 6pm



Fun with your Local Librarian

Fenton-Winegarden

Fiction Book Club

Join us for lively book discussions.

Wednesday, March 8 @ 10am

The Guide by Peter Heller

Wednesday, April 12 @ 10am

The Plot by Jean Hanff Korelitz

Wednesday, May 10 @ 10am

The Floating Girls by Lo Patrick

It's Pi(e) Day!

Join us for a slice of pie on 3-14.

(While supplies last)

Tuesday, March 14 @ 2pm

Mystery Book Club

We read a different mystery each month and discuss.

Tuesday, March 21 @ 6:30pm

The Thursday Murder Club by Richard Osman

Tuesday, April 18 @ 6:30pm

Much Ado About Nauticaling

(A Whit & Whiskers Mystery) by Gabby Allan

Tuesday, May 16 @ 6:30pm

The Queen of the Cicadas by V. Castro

Beginning Needle Felting

Learn the fun craft of needle felting. For beginners and intermediate crafters.

Saturday, March 25 @ 11am

Earth Day: Plant a Seed

Celebrate Mother Earth by planting a seed and decorate a cup planter.

Saturday, April 22 @ 11am

Forest Township

Seed Library Kickoff

The Forest Township Seed Library officially opens in March. Stop in and pick up some seeds or share your extras.

Monday, March 27

10am-6pm

Montrose-Jennings

Craft On!

Crafting for kids. Various crafts will be offered with paints, paper, wood, textiles and many more.

Wednesdays, March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

April 5, 12, 19, 26,

May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

@ 3pm

Montrose-Jennings cont.

True Crime Book Club

Join us as we discuss true crime books, podcasts, and documentaries. We will choose our next topic at the end of each meeting. For current topic please call (810) 639-6388.

Thursday, March 9 @ 6:30pm

Thursday, April 13 @ 6:30pm

Thursday, May 11 @ 6:30pm

Montrose Young Critics Book Club

This book club is for children ages 5-18.

Students will be grouped by age to discuss the book of their choice. Participants do not have to read the same book but should be ready to talk about books they have recently enjoyed. Snacks will be provided. Sponsored by the Friends of the Montrose-Jennings Library.

Monday, March 20 @ 3:30pm

Monday, April 17 @ 3:30pm

Monday, May 15 @ 3:30pm

Crafting with Yarn

Do you crochet, knit, or loom? New and advanced yarn crafters welcome. Sponsored and hosted by the Friends of the Montrose-Jennings Library.

Thursday, March 23 @ 3pm

Thursday, April 27 @ 3pm

Thursday, May 25 @ 3pm

Mt. Morris

Clay Air Diffusers

Make your own decorative essential oil diffusers using air dry clay to enjoy the aromatherapy benefits of essential oils wherever you might be.

Tuesday, March 7 @ 6pm

Stitchery Club

Learn to cross stitch or embroider. Work on your own project or learn with the free kit provided.

Tuesday, March 14 @ 6pm

Tuesday, April 18 @ 6pm

Tuesday, May 9 @ 6pm

Mt. Morris cont.

Spring Inspired Book Stack

This DIY Spring Book Stack project is an easy and inexpensive decoration using many of the supplies that can easily be found at a local dollar or discount store.

Saturday, March 25 @ 2pm

DIY Wax Melts

Learn how to make these quick and easy alternatives to candles using aromatherapy and recycled candle wax.

Tuesday, March 28 @ 6pm

DIY Milk Bath Powder

This is a quick and easy project using just a few ingredients to create soft, moisturized skin.

Tuesday, April 4 @ 6pm

Pull String Art

Create an easy canvas painting using just a bit of string.

Saturday, April 22 @ 2pm

DIY Sugar Scrub

Create your very own skin exfoliator using natural ingredients and essential oils.

Tuesday, April 25 @ 6pm

Homemade Shaving Gel

Learn how to make your own shaving gel with natural ingredients.

Wednesday, May 10 @ 6pm

"Love Your State" Mitten Ornament

Create a timeless keepsake of your hometown using a mitten ornament, a map, and some glue.

Saturday, May 20 @ 2pm

Jelly Soaps

Jiggles like gelatin, but washes like soap! These DIY jelly soap gummies are a great project using simple ingredients.

Tuesday, May 23 @ 6pm



Story Times



Music & Movement Playtime

Bang on the drums, shake a maraca, dance with scarves, clap to the rhythm with your child. Playing promotes health development in children. Join Michigan State University Extension educators as they demonstrate music and movement activities to enjoy with your child.

Grand Blanc-McFarlen

Mondays, March 6, 13, 20, 27
@ 10:30am



Paws to Read

Groot the therapy dog loves a good story. Practice reading aloud with him—he loves it!

Grand Blanc-McFarlen

Saturday, March 18 @ 10am

Burton Memorial

Saturday, April 15 @ 10am

Davison Area

Saturday, May 20 @ 10am

Clio Area with Miss Marcia

Thursdays, March 23, 30

April 6, 13, 20, 27

May 4, 11

@ 10:30am

Davison Area with Miss Marcia

Mondays, March 20, 27

April 3, 10, 17, 24

May 1, 8

@ 10:30am

Fenton-Winegarden with Miss Heather

Wednesdays, April 5, 12, 19, 26

May 3, 10, 17, 24

@ 10:30am

Evening Story Time at Fenton-Winegarden with Miss Marissa

Tuesdays, March 21, 28

April 4, 11, 18, 25

May 2, 9

@ 6:30pm

Flushing Area with Miss Lisa

Mondays, March 20, 27

April 3, 10, 17, 24

May 1, 8

@ 10:30am

Genesee-Johnson with Miss Marcia

Fridays, March 24, 31

April 14, 21, 28

May 5, 12, 19

@ 10:30 a.m.

Goodrich with Miss Marie

Thursdays, April 6, 13, 20, 27

May 4, 11, 18, 25 @ 10:30 a.m.

Evening Story Time at Grand Blanc-McFarlen with Miss Chandra

Tuesdays, March 21, 28

April 4, 11, 18, 25

May 2, 9

@ 6pm

Grand Blanc-McFarlen with Miss Marie

Fridays, April 14, 21, 28

May: 5, 12, 19, 26

June: 2 @ 10:30 a.m.

Linden with Miss Marcia

Tuesdays, March 21, 28

April 4, 11, 18, 25

May 2, 9 @ 10:30am

Mt. Morris with Miss Lisa

Fridays, March 24, 31

April 14, 21, 28

May 5, 12, 19 @ 10am

Mister Johnnie's Singing Story Time at Swartz Creek-Perkins

Thursday, March 23, 30

April, 6, 13, 20, 27

May, 4, 11 @ 10:30am



Book Sales

Burton Memorial

Saturday, March 25 @ 10am–4pm

Saturday, April 22 @ 10am–4pm

Saturday, May 27 @ 10am–4pm

Flushing

Friday, May 19 @ 9am–5pm

Saturday, May 20 @ 9am–3pm

Forest Township

Saturday, April 29 @ 9am–3pm

Goodrich

Thursday, April 20 @ 12pm–6pm

Friday, April 21 @ 12pm–6pm

Saturday, April 22 @ 9am–5pm

Grand Blanc-McFarlen

Thursday, May 18 @ 5–7pm

Friday, May 19 @ 9am–5pm

Saturday, May 20 @ 9am–5pm





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G3410 S Grand Traverse
Burton, MI 48529
(810) 742-7860

Beecher-Vera B. Rison

1386 W Coldwater Rd.
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

Flushing Area

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

Forest Township

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

Gaines Station

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

Grand Blanc-McFarlen

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

Robert T. Bolo, Jr.

Business Center
(810) 694-5190

Linden

201 N Main St.
Linden, MI 48451
(810) 735-7700

Montrose-Jennings

241 Feher Dr.
Montrose, MI 48457
(810) 639-6388

Mt. Morris

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

Swartz Creek-Perkins

8095 Civic Dr.
Swartz Creek, MI 48473
(810) 635-3900

William F. Delaney Headquarters Library

4195 W Pasadena Ave.
Flint, MI 48504
(810) 732-0110

Talking Book Center

(810) 732-1120
Administration Office
(810) 732-5570



CLOSING DATES

Spring Break:

Friday, April 7, Saturday, April 8, Sunday, April 9

Memorial Day:

Saturday, May 27, Sunday, May 28, Monday, May 29

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