Most events require registration. Please register beginning 1 month prior at wilmlibrary.org/events or call 978-694-2098.

**READ Beyond the Beaten Path**

**Summer Reading 2022**

**June 21 - August 11**

**HOW IT WORKS**

“Off the Beaten Path” Summer Reading Program

Read all summer long to earn prizes!

- Read for 15 days: earn a free book!
- Read for 30 days: earn a free ice cream or a handheld fan!

Enter into raffles for fun adventures like:

- $150 Nashoba Valley Gift Card
- New England Aquarium Membership for 4
- $100 REI Gift Card
- Drive-in Movie Gift Certificate + Gift Basket

If digital tracking isn’t your thing, we’ve got you covered with a printable log sheet. Head over to our website or come into the library to get started!

Please read program descriptions carefully for program locations. Registration is required for all programs unless otherwise specified. In case of inclement weather, programs on the Swain Green may be held in the large conference room at the Wilmington Memorial Library. All registrants will be notified of the change in venue. The first 150 registrants will be invited to attend, all other registrants will be added to the waitlist.

The Massachusetts Statewide Summer Library Program is funded by the Massachusetts Library System, the Boston Bruins, and the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners.
Family Programs
For All Ages

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StoryWalk® Grand Opening at Rotary Park

Thursday, June 23 at 10am
Outdoor @ Rotary Park

Come to the official unveiling with the Friends of the Library for our new, permanent StoryWalk® at Rotary Park! Get some fresh air and exercise as we walk around the pond reading a story together. Funding for the StoryWalk® at Rotary Park provided by the Friends of the Wilmington Memorial Library. All Ages

SUMMER KICK OFF:
Sing Along with Matt Heaton

Saturday, June 25 at 10am
Outdoor @ Swain Green

Join musician Matt Heaton for a rousing rock & roll show that promises to be fun for children and adults! Matt describes his music as surf, rockabilly, western swing & soul, delivered with a wry sense of humor and a sincere sense of fun. Call it children’s music, family music, kidde or toddlerbilly it’s sure to please listeners of all ages. This is paid for by Community Teamwork, Inc., our local Family Resource Network organization. All ages

SUMMER BASH:
Rollie Polie Guacamole

Thursday, August 11 at 5:30pm
Outdoor @ Swain Green

Celebrate the end of summer with an all-ages party on the Swain Green. Bring blankets or lawn chairs but be ready to stand up and dance! Rollie Polie Guacamole, a touring “kidde” band from Brooklyn, NY, will play a variety of songs for all ages. Dinner is available to purchase from food trucks. Children’s games, crafts, prizes, and more! This program is supported in part by a grant from the Wilmington Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Mass Cultural Council, a state agency. All ages

The Boston Bruins Visit WML!

Tuesday, August 9 at 5:30pm
Outdoor @ Swain Green

The Boston Bruins and Mass Board of Library Commissioners have teamed up to help Massachusetts kids read all summer since 2009. The Bruins will be making a special visit to the Wilmington Memorial Library in August to give out prizes, make crafts and play games. Blades, the Boston Bruins mascot, will be joined by special guest Todd Angilly, the national anthem singer at TD Garden. Angilly has written a children’s book called The Adventures of Owen and the Anthem Singer and will be reading it at our event. Bruins guests are subject to change at the discretion of the team. All ages

Big Wheels

Friday, June 24 at 10am
Outdoor @ Swain Green

Check out fire engines, construction vehicles, police cars and more! Climb inside and ask their operators questions. Thanks to the Town of Wilmington’s Departments of Public Works, Fire, and Police for making this event possible. All ages

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Down Under Yoga for Teens

Monday, July 11 at 3pm
Indoor @ WML

Interested in trying out low-key summer yoga? Join Bendex Stevenson from Down Under Yoga Newton for an intro session. Grades 6-12

Dungeons & Dragons

Saturday, June 18 at 3pm
Saturday, July 16 at 3pm
Saturday, July 30 at 3pm

Virtual via Zoom

Interested in finding out more about this fantasy tabletop role-playing game, or looking for a group to play with? Join DM Mike for a virtual campaign via Zoom every month! Please register using the email address where you’d like to receive the Zoom invitation (no school emails, please). Grades 6-8

MVLC Passport

How many MVLC libraries can you visit this summer?
Track your codes and stamps in a passport pamphlet available at the Youth Services desk and register on Beanstack.

Display Your Artwork!

The Wilmington Memorial Library allows tweens and teen artists in grades 6 – 12 to exhibit their work in the Teen Zone’s Moveable Gallery.

The space in the Teen Zone allows for approximately 5 – 8 paintings. Fill out the application on our website, or talk to a Youth Services staff member to get started!

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**Crafternoons**

- **Watermelon Jars**
  - Thursday, June 23 at 3pm
  - Outdoor @ WML
  - We will be spray painting cute watermelon jars in June’s Crafternoon. This event will be outside for ventilation; we will be masking as well.
  - Grades 4-8

- **Leaf Bookmarks**
  - Thursday, July 7 at 3pm
  - Indoor @ WML
  - We will be making leaves into transparent bookmarks that you can use for summer reading!
  - Grades 4-8

- **Vinyl Tumblers**
  - Thursday, July 21 at 3pm
  - Indoor @ WML
  - Attach fun vinyl designs to personalize plastic tumblers with the power of the Cricut!
  - Grades 4-8

- **Air Plants**
  - Thursday, August 18 at 3pm
  - Outdoor @ WML
  - Make wire wrap hangings for an air plant friend!
  - Grades 4-8

**Stop Motion Animation**

- **Friday, August 12 at 3pm**
  - Indoor @ WML
  - Create an animated mini-movie using clay, Legos, paper, and other materials in this two-part workshop. Kids will work in teams to create the story, film and edit their movie.
  - Grades 4-8

**Display Your Collection**

- **Kids! Display your collection at the library!**
  - We would love to display your collection in our display case. Fill out the form online or at the library and have a parent sign it. We will call you when it is your turn.
  - Grades 4-8

**STEAM For Kids**

- **Kite-Making Workshop**
  - Saturday, July 23 at 10am
  - Indoor @ WML
  - In this hour-long workshop, build your own kite and then take it outside for a spin! All materials will be provided. This is an all-ages program, limited to 30 groups, one kite per group.
  - Grades 4-

**Discovery Kits**

- **Keep learning over the summer with the WML’s Discovery Kits and Problem Solving Kits! Each kit is designed to help kids develop their STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) skills.**
  - Topics include: Microscopes, Bugs, Magnets, Bridge Building, Electronics, and more!

**Nintendo Switch Lite**

- **Game on! Take out the Nintendo Switch Lite and a few games.**
  - Perfect to take on a long road trip!

**A Week with Lea or Luciana!**

- **The library has two American Girl dolls! Read books about Luciana or Lea and write all about your adventures in their journals!**

**Family Programs**

**For All Ages**

- **Animal Adventures**
  - Wednesday, June 29 at 6:30pm
  - Indoor @ WML
  - Animal Adventures is back! Join one of the Animal Adventure Guides as they present 8 to 10 animals over a one-hour session. We’ll meet the animals, hear interesting stories and information about them, controlled petting and touching is allowed at the discretion of the Animal Adventure Guide.
  - All ages

- **Musician Tom Sieling**
  - Tuesday, July 5 at 6:30pm
  - Outdoor @ Swain Green
  - Join musician Tom Sieling as he takes us on a tour of his biggest hits and song covers! Tom has over 30 years experience performing for families and even accompanies himself on guitar, banjo, and harmonica. Prepare for an upbeat performance with lots of participation and dancing.
  - All ages

- **Todd the Magician**
  - Monday, July 18 at 6:30pm
  - Outdoor @ Swain Green
  - Join Todd the Magician for an evening of magic that will amaze all ages! Todd is a nationally-touring magician who has performed at Walt Disney World in Florida, as well as schools, libraries and summer camps.
  - All ages

- **Circus Minimus**
  - Wednesday, August 3 at 6:30pm
  - Indoor @ WML
  - Join Kevin O’Keefe for his one-man circus in a suitcase show! The show features lots of audience participation and imagination, as Kevin opens his suitcase and finds a tent, band, lights, the boisterous ringmaster Steve Fitzpatrick, the officious Mervin Merkle, the incredible Bumbilini Family, the Magician to the Stars Clyde Zerbinis, and Keefer—an innocent trying to runaway and join the circus.
  - All ages

- **Paint Palooza**
  - Saturday, August 6 at 3pm
  - Outdoor @ WML
  - Join us for our messiest event of the year! We’ll have paper and canvases to paint on with brushes, rollers, spiky balls, loofas, squirt guns, and more at this sensory painting extravaganza!
  - Ages 0-12

**Create with a Cricut**

- **The possibilities are endless with a Cricut! Just make an account on Cricut’s free design software to get started. This machine cuts 100+ materials with ease, making anyone a DIY pro. The included Premium Fine-Point Blade lets crafters make precise, intricate cuts from a variety of popular materials like cardstock, vinyl, decal, iron-on and more. Available for a 1 week loan.**

**Stop Motion Animation**

- **Thursday, August 18 at 3pm**
  - Indoor @ WML
  - Join the WML’s Mini-Movie Making Meetup! We will be making stop motion animations with clay. Use your imagination to come up with a story and create your own clay mini-movie. This is a family event—children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult.

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- **Animal Craze Petting Zoo**
  - Monday, July 25 at 5:30pm
  - Indoor @ WML
  - Join Animal Craze for a baby animal petting zoo! Sign up for a 15-minute session and meet some adorable baby animals, including bunnies, pigs and goats. This event will be popular, sign up the waitlist if registration is full. We will do our best to make sure as many families are able to meet the animals as we can.
  - All ages
Family Programs
For Grades K+

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Lerner Maker Lab
Keep you and the kids occupied during the dog days of summer. Plus, they’ll learn something, too! Search their large database of projects within categories that include crafting, building, experimenting, and eating! You can access this free resource through our website, on the Youth resources page.

Why Try Maker Lab?
Hands-on projects allow students to explore interests, develop problem-solving skills, and experiment!

Young Children
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OUTDOOR STORYTIMES
Held behind the library, next to the Peggy Kane Reading Garden. Registration is for the full session, starting the week of June 21 through the week of August 9.

Preschool Storytimes Ages 3-6
Tuesdays, 10am

Time for Twos Age 2
Wednesdays, 10am

Baby Time Ages 0-23 months
Thursdays, 10am (Starts June 30)

Drop In Storytime Ages 2-6
Saturday, July 9, 10am
Outdoor @ Tentile Farm

Music with Dara
Monday, July 25 at 10am
Outdoor @ WML
Enjoy songs, clapping & more with Dara! Ages 0-5

EXPLORATION STATION
Explore science through hands-on activities!

Stargazing
Friday, July 8 at 10am
Indoor @ WML
Ages 2-5

Camping & Wilderness
Friday, July 22 at 10am
Indoor @ WML
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Hiking Obstacle Course
Friday, August 5 at 10am
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Tumble Books
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Grades K-5

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Friends & Freezepops
Wednesdays in July, 3pm
Indoor @ WML
Kids in grades 1-3 can join in for a summer of reading fun! Registered kids will receive a copy of the book to keep and we’ll read it together every week, enjoying freeze pops and playing games along the way! Please be sure that you can attend all four sessions before registering. Grades 1-3

LEGO Building
Thursday, July 7 at 3pm
Indoor @ WML
Build with LEGO at the same time as other LEGO fans at the library. At the end you can share what you made! Grades K-3

Switch it Up! Video Game Club
Friday, June 17 at 3pm
Friday, July 15 at 3pm
Friday, August 5 at 3pm
Indoor @ WML
Love video games? Come to this once-a-month video-game club to play your favorite Nintendo Switch games with friends! Grades 3-5

Pebble Go
Have you tried one of our newest online resources? PebbleGo is a curricular content hub specifically designed for K-2 students. Packed with informational articles, ready-made activities, and literacy supports for students of all abilities, it boosts engagement and fosters independent learning in core subject areas. Try it out today!

Scavenger Hunts
June 21-August 11
Come to the library to pick up a sheet or check out the activity badge on Beanstack to complete our outdoor scavenger hunt around town! Signs will be hiding in business windows all summer long just waiting for you to find them! Complete our outdoor and indoor scavenger hunts to earn prizes!

Wood Signs
Wednesday, July 27 at 6:30pm
Indoor @ WML
Learn how to DIY your own wooden sign for your room or as a gift! Grades K+

Soap Making
Wednesday, August 17 at 6:30pm
Indoor @ WML
Make soap with the whole family! Choose between different aquatic creatures & colors! Grades K+

Shrinky Dinks
Wednesday, June 22 at 6:30pm
Indoor @ WML
Design and color your own shrinky dink creations! Grades K+

Outdoor @ Yentile Farm
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