

Reading Takes You Everywhere

2018 Summer Reading Events at Essex Public Library

* Registration required for events with an asterisk by the title. Call (804) 443-4945 to sign up.



Wed. June 20, 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. Summer Reading Kickoff Party

Begin your summer adventure with games, crafts, face painting, and stories from around the world. There will also be a free hotdog cookout from 4:00 to 7:00! Refreshments provided by the Tappahannock Rotary Club.

Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m., Jun. 27 - Aug. 11 Preschool Storytime

Join Ms. Beth for fantastic books, songs, and a craft during this storytime for children under 5.

Mon. June 25, 2:00 p.m. Magic with Rob Wescott

Come see a fun, fast-paced, and amazing performance with magician Rob Wescott! All ages.

Tues. June 26, 1:30 p.m. ART-Venture: Origami Fortune Tellers *

Don't have a Magic 8 ball at home? No worries! Make your own fortune telling device based on the Japanese paper folding art of origami. Ages 7 - 10.

Thur. June 28, 6:30 p.m. Mad Scientists: It's Slime Time! *

We've got the ingredients if you've got the time - the time to make SLIME. Ages 6 - 12.

Mon. July 9, 2:00 p.m. Bright Star Theater Presents: The Wizard Of Oz

Gain courage with the Cowardly Lion, take heart with the Tin Man, and find your wits with the Scarecrow in this fun, interactive retelling. For all ages. Location: Old Beale Sanctuary, 369 Queen Street, Tappahannock. All ages.



Tues. July 10, 1:30 p.m. ART-Venture: Over the Rainbow *

Make rainbow sun catchers and necklaces. Registration is required. Ages 5 - 10.

Thurs. July 12, 6:30 p.m. Mad Scientists: Take It Apart! *

Come help us break all manner of machines apart in the name of science. Ages 8 - 12.

Mon. July 16, 1:00 p.m. Turtle Tales with the Virginia Living Museum

Educators from the Virginia Living Museum recount the tale of the Dancing Turtle of Brazil with music and movement. You'll also learn about the real-life turtles that live in our forests, ponds, and the Chesapeake Bay. All ages.

Mon. July 23, 2:00 p.m. Tales from Afar with Gary Lloyd

Travel to all 7 continents with Storyteller Gary Lloyd. From Japan to Australia, Ireland to Antarctica, and of course both Americas. Around the world in 60 minutes. All ages.

Tues. July 24, 1:30 p.m. ART-Venture: Map Puzzles *

Blaze new trails by taking old maps and making new puzzles from them. Ages 5 - 12.

Thur. July 26, 1:30 p.m. Mad Scientists: Paper Airplanes *

It's science in motion as you tweak your paper airplane's design to become the F-14 in our test flights. Ages 7 - 12.

Thur. August 2, 1:30 p.m. Mad Scientists: Take It Apart *

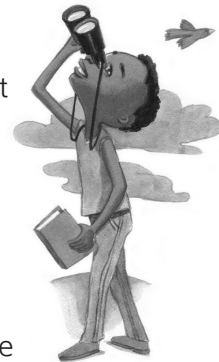
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Tues. August 7, 1:30 p.m. ART-Ventures: Down on the Farm *

The corn and soybeans sure are growing - but just what are those chickens up to? Craft a tractor and flock of chickens. Ages 5 - 10.

Sat. August 11, 2:00 -3:30 p.m. Summer Reading Wrap-up Celebration

Turn in your Reading Adventure Passport and celebrate with some ice cream. We'll select the winning GRAND PRIZE ticket for a Kindle Fire 7.



Be sure to check out our kids' makerspace for cool art and engineering projects!