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River Center Branch Children's Services

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Summer Reading Challenge for Ages 0 to 11

The challenge starts June 1 and ends August 15.

Join the challenge and read to earn cool incentives!

- Log the books and/or time you read:
 - 1 book = 1 point
 - 30 minutes = 2 points
- Earn up to 6 drawing entries (one for every 5 points earned) for a chance to win something awesome in the weekly drawing!
- Earn 30 points total to complete the challenge and earn a certificate, a FREE book, a cool bag, a chance to win a gift card, and more!

August 15 is the last day to collect incentives.

Join the challenge in the Beanstack app or at ebrpl.beanstack.org!
Paper logs are available upon request at any library location.

- Log in with your existing account or create an account.
 - A phone number or personal email address is required to be eligible to win any drawing incentives.
- Use one account for the whole family!

**If you previously participated in a library reading program
and do not know your Beanstack account information
or if you have questions, see staff for assistance.**

*We are happy to welcome all patrons of appropriate cognitive ages
to our Children's Services programs with a helper as needed.*



All children under the age of 9 must be accompanied by an adult.



Storytime

Wednesdays, June 4, 11, 18, 25 & July 2, 9, 16, 23

Family Storytime @ 5:00 PM: suitable for children ages 2-5 and their families. Join us for a fun-filled time of stories, rhymes, fingerplays, and songs! Sessions last approximately 30 minutes. **Sorry, no groups.**

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Programs

Sunday, June 1 through Monday, June 30, All day, Ages 3 to 11

INTERACTIVE ART

Interact with art from famed artists at the River Center Branch Library at designated stations. Interactive exhibits will include art based on the following: *Self-Portrait with Bandaged Ear* by Vincent Van Gogh, *Portrait of Dora Maar* by Pablo Picasso, *Mickey* by Andy Warhol, *No Ball Games* by Banksy, *The Scream* by Edvard Munch, *American Gothic* by Grant Wood, and *The Son of Man* by René Magritte.



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Sunday, June 1 through Monday, June 30, All day, Ages 5 to 11

HURRICANE PREP BAGS

It's hurricane season and we want to make sure you're prepared! Kids are welcome to stop by the River Center Branch to pick up their very own hurricane prep bag to help them get ready in case of a storm! **While supplies last. Sorry, no groups.**

Monday, June 2, All day, Ages 0 to 3

TROPI-COOL SUMMER BABY ART

It's a cool, cool summer. We will share *This is a Book of Shapes* by Kenneth Kraegel. After the story, create a unique baby hand print pineapple art piece. **Sorry, no groups.**

Monday, June 2 through Friday, June 6, All day, Ages 4 to 11

COLOR-YOUR-OWN POSTER GRAB & GEAX

Are you always thinking about art? If so, come by the River Center Branch Library to pick up a Color Our World poster that measures 17" x 22" along with a travel-sized set of colored pencils. **While supplies last. Sorry, no groups.**



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Tuesday, June 3, 12:00 PM, Ages 8 to 11

DIY TROPICAL HANGING MOBILE

Join us to listen to the chapter titled "The Enchanted Tiki Room" from the book *Adventureland: The Keymaster's Quest* by Jason Lethcoe. Afterward, listen to music from the Hawaiian Islands as you paint a beautiful wooden tropical mobile that you can take home. **While supplies last. Sorry, no groups.**

Tuesday, June 10, 1:30 PM, Ages 4 and up

BRBT'S YOUTH BALLET PRESENTS "THE GREAT CANDYLAND ADVENTURE"

Join us for a deliciously colorful ballet. Two lovable sisters, Lilly and Lolly, have been sent on a quest by Queen Frostine to collect tasty treats throughout her kingdom. Will they stay on the right path and dance their way to the finish line or will Lady Licorice sabotage them and lead them into the Molasses Swamp? **Groups are required to register.**

Wednesday, June 11, 10:00 AM, Ages 5 and up

LA SNAKE ID

Want to overcome your fear of snakes? Want to learn about the benefits of snakes? Want to hold a LIVE snake? Here's your chance! The Hood family from Louisiana Snake ID is sharing their passion for snakes through this interactive demonstration with both native and exotic snake species. **Groups are required to register.**

Saturday, June 14, All day, Ages 3 to 11

SUPERDAD ANIMAL MAGNET!

Do you have a Superdad? Come by the River Center Branch to celebrate your Superdad by listening to *Animal Heroes: Superdads!* by Heather Lang and Jamie Harper. Afterward, make a roaring superdad animal magnet to give to your dad! **While supplies last. Sorry, no groups.**

Monday, June 16, 10:00 AM, All ages

PIG OUT ON READING!

Farmer Minor tells stories (all true) about Daisy's formative years with Farmer and Mrs. Minor and shares many of her favorite pig books. Daisy probably has the world's largest collection of pig books and is the "most famous pig in the whole world!" **Groups are required to register.**

Tuesday, June 17, 11:00 AM, Ages 2 to 4

ESCAPE TO PLAY

Summers were made for playing with friends! Join us as we read *Escape to Play* by Becky Gehrish. Then, enjoy popping bubbles and playing with a variety of musical and sensory toys with your library friends! **Sorry, no groups.**



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Wednesday, June 18, 5:30 PM, Ages 6 to 11

JUNETEENTH ALBUM ART BUTTONS

Happy Juneteenth! The River Center Branch is celebrating this year by reading an excerpt about artist Harold Offeh in *Black Artists Shaping the World* by Sharna Jackson and celebrating his concept of album art! Come lounge, pose, and have fun taking a picture for YOUR album and make a button with the picture you take! **While supplies last. Sorry, no groups.**

**In observance of Juneteenth,
the library will be closed Thursday, June 19.**

Tuesday, June 24, 4:00 PM, Ages 6 to 11

SWIFTIE FRIENDSHIP BRACELETS

Calling all Swifties! The time is now to meet with fellow Swifties to make and exchange friendship bracelets at the River Center Branch! After reading *Little People, Big Dreams: Taylor Swift* by Maria Isabel Sanchez Vegara, we will make friendship bracelets! Already have friendship bracelets? Feel free to bring them to exchange at our program and make another one to add to your collection! In the words of Taylor Swift, "So make the friendship bracelets, take the moment and taste it!" **While supplies last. Sorry, no groups.**

Friday, June 27, All day, Ages 3 to 11

UNICORN HEADBANDS

"Neigh, neigh, neigh! Dance and play!" at the River Center Branch Library! After reading *Unicorn Day* by Diana Murray, decorate your own colorful unicorn headband to wear home! **While supplies last. Sorry, no groups.**

Saturday, June 28, 2:30 PM, Families with children ages 5 to 11

CEREAL BOX COLLAGE WORKSHOP WITH MICHAEL ALBERT

Join pop artist Michael Albert for his hands-on Cereal Box Collage Workshop. Kids and their families will create their own masterpieces using cereal boxes and other colorful cardboard packages. All participants will receive a free signed poster of one of Albert's creations as a special gift for joining him in this creative art making session. This workshop is two hours long and is designed for kids and their families.

Families are required to register. Sorry, no groups.

Grab a copy of the July calendar for more fun programs!



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