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arts + culture SERIES

Indulge in classical music performed by local professional orchestras and choirs every Friday in May as the library's annual Arts & Culture Series returns.

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Board of Trustees Meeting

The Campbell County Public Library's Board of Trustees meets at 5:30 pm on the third Wednesday each month. All board meetings are open to the public. The next meeting dates and locations are:

- May 18 at Carrico/Fort Thomas
- June 15 at Alexandria
- July 20 at Cold Spring
- August 17 at Newport

We suggest

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS: FAVORITE MOVIE SOUNDTRACKS



The Last Five Years

Anna Kendrick and Jeremy Jordan do a lovely job with the film soundtrack. Hearing their ill-fated love story, in which one moves forward in time and the other back, is bittersweet.

— **Amy Carrol, adult/teen programming coordinator**



O Brother, Where Art Thou?

The Coen Brother's 2000 flick about a trio of escaped convicts is beloved in part for its music written by T Bone Burnett, which won Album of the Year at the 2002 Grammys. You can't help but hum along to its blend of blues, bluegrass, gospel and country.

— **Mackenzie Manley, public relations coordinator**



Dreamgirls

My sons and I used to sing along with the soundtrack while traveling. It's definitely a moody soundtrack with songs that will make you dance, laugh and cry.

— **Kim Thompson, adult/teen services librarian, Newport Branch**



Star Wars: A New Hope

My husband and I used this John Williams classic as part of our wedding ceremony, which really made our guests laugh. Despite the many movie scores that Williams is known for, this one will always be special to me.

— **Morgan Lockard-Ellis, adult/teen services librarian, Carrico/Fort Thomas Branch**



My Fair Lady

The music and lyrics tell the story so well. The score is beautiful and the lyrics are so clever. You hum along hours after you hear it. One of the greatest musicals of all time.

— **Toni Reinke, library page, Newport Branch**

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten

Calling all little readers! Our 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten program is a fun way to start children from newborn to five years old on the path to literacy success. Nurture your child's love for books by tracking how often you read to them.

Head to your favorite branch to pick up a paper log or sign up online using the Beanstack app. If your child wants to hear the same book again and again, you can count it each time. Books heard at our programs, a child care center or preschool, or with a friend or family member also count.

For the first 100 books read, your child will receive a sticker and a special reading passport. For each additional 100-book log completed, they will get a sticker and the prize listed in the reading passport. Once you hit the ultimate milestone—1,000 books—celebrate with a certificate and free book.

If you read just one book at night, you will have read about 365 books in a year; that's 1095 in just three years. Can't get enough reading? Read another 1,000 books! Children are encouraged to complete the program more than once. For more information, visit www.cc-pl.org/1000-books-kindergarten.





Arts & Culture Series, *continued from the cover*

The concert series aims to expose and educate patrons about a variety of music. Whether you like to unwind to jazz, are a fan of the Bard or want to learn something new, the Arts & Culture Series brings four shows to the Carrico/Fort Thomas Branch sure to entertain.

All concerts begin at 7 pm. Read more about the lineup below.

May 6 | Oktoberfest comes early with Cincinnati Chamber Orchestra's Musik Von Zinzinnati. Listen to CCO's brass quintet

perform a concert of German and Hungarian stein-swingin' classics.

May 13 | Be transported to the early days of Scotland via Ladies of Macbeth with the Shakespeare Band. Take in hauntingly beautiful music combined with texts from one of Shakespeare's most beloved works. The performance will explore the context of women's roles in *Macbeth* and includes a lute, renaissance guitar, early flute and hurdy-gurdy.

May 20 | Music has no age limit, so enjoy Arts & Culture family night featuring the Cincinnati Boychoir. Made up of male-identifying youth grades 3-12 of all musical

abilities from across Greater Cincinnati, the choir is directed by professional music educators.

May 27 | Listen to the world-renowned vocalist Mandy Gaines perform classics from the American songbook and beyond accompanied by the Cincinnati Contemporary Jazz Orchestra.

Registration is required for each performance. The Carrico/Fort Thomas Branch will close early at 5 pm to prepare for each event.

For more information or to register, visit <http://www.cc-pl.org/arts-culture-series>.

Early Literacy Play Date

Have a play date with early literacy at 11 am Saturday, May 14 at the Newport Branch. The library will provide families of young children with space to play and learn.

Children can visit stations with toys and activities to encourage pre-literacy skills, including a story time presented by Books, Bibs, and Beyond at 1 pm. A mermaid from

Cincinnati Circus will hand out balloon art from 11 am - 1 pm. For adults, community partners will be available throughout the event to discuss resources and services to aid children's success.

Plus, receive a free picture book from our Book Bus and enter to win a grand prize—a literacy play pack that includes \$50 Out of Print and \$50 Gumdrop Tots gift cards, a Timber Block set, library socks, a tote bag, and a letters and numbers activity. Registration is not required.



Imagination Library

Get your child a new book every month through Dolly Parton's Imagination Library. The best part? It's free! The program mails an age-appropriate book monthly to enrolled children at no cost or obligation to recipients. Families who live in Campbell County can

sign up their children under age 5 online or at any of our library branches. This includes newborns! You may even notice stands with sign-up sheets at various community spots and businesses across the county.

Imagination Library promotes literacy in young children while arming parents and caregivers with the necessary tools – books! – to help little ones become “reading ready” as they enter kindergarten.

The program is made possible thanks to a partnership between the library and Campbell County school districts. For more information or to sign up, visit www.cc-pl.org/imagination-library.



Remake Learning Days

Coming this month are Remake Learning Days, an innovative learning festival for youth and families taking place across

Greater Cincinnati from May 14-21. The library is coming together with a variety of organizations—including schools, other library systems, nonprofits, businesses and community centers—to provide hands-on educational programs.

Starting May 14, work with a friend or solo to complete our virtual reality room to see how much you know about children,

teen and adult literature. Download the VR room from our website to get started! Other programs in our lineup include Early Literacy Play Date; Spellbound by Science; Puppets on the Run with Madcap Puppets; Soap Carving; Piper Computer Kits; and a performance from the Cincinnati Boychoir.

For details on individual programs, look through this newsletter or visit our website.

Alexandria

May Calendar

Programs

Registration is required for all programs. Story times and children's programs resume in June.

Book Discussions

Alexandria Book Club

7:30 pm Thursday, May 19
All My Puny Sorrows by Miriam Toews.

Cam's Kids Book Club

4:30 pm Tuesday, May 24
Swish! The Slam-Dunking, Alley-Ooping,

High-Flying Harlem Globetrotters by

Suzanne Slade. Register to receive a free copy of the book. Grades 1-5.

Adults

Estate Planning and Living Wills 101

5:30-6:45 pm Wednesday, May 18
Let a trained estate lawyer teach you how to prepare for the future to ensure the least amount of trouble for your family during rough times. Learn about estate planning, living wills, power of attorney and the probate process.

Children

Grades 1-5, unless noted.

Puppets on the Run with Madcap Puppets

4:30 pm Tuesday, May 17
Madcap Puppets will help you design your own felt friend. Learn about puppetry while flexing your creativity.



Cold Spring

May Calendar



**Virtual Reality Room:
How Many Can You Spot?
Saturday, May 14-21**

Programs

Registration is required for all programs.
Story times and children's programs
resume in June.

Book Discussions

You've Been Booked!

7-8:45 pm Monday, May 2
We Were Liars by E. Lockhart. Ages 11-19.

Cup of Crime Book Club

7 pm Wednesday, May 11
Carnegie's Maid by Marie Benedict.

Tuesday Book Club

10-11:30 am Tuesday, May 17
American Heiress by Daisy Goodwin.

Homeschool Book to Movie Club

11:30 am Thursday, May 19
How to Train Your Dragon by Cressida Cowell.
Ages 8-12.

Real Men Read

7-9 pm Thursday, May 26
Underland: A Deep Time Journey by
Robert McFarlane.

Adults

Book Bingo

6:30-8 pm Thursday, May 5
Play a classic round of BINGO. Winners receive
a free book.

Dungeons and Dragons

5-8 pm Friday, May 6
Figure out the mysteries of *Even If They
Weren't So Sweet*, a one-shot adventure for
up to six players. All levels of experience
are welcome.

The Underground Railroad and Setting in Motion the Early Civil Rights Movement in Northern Kentucky and the Nation

6:30-8 pm Tuesday, May 24
In this installment of our City Barbeque
Food for Thought series, Northern Kentucky
University's Dr. Eric Jackson will discuss how
Underground Railroad activities in Northern
Kentucky highlighted key issues and ideas that
set the stage for the foundation of the nation's
early Civil Rights movement.

Teens & Tweens

Ages 11-19, unless noted.

Minecraft Club

5-7 pm Monday, May 9
Explore the world of Minecraft by using the
library's server. You can log in from home
using your Java account or come in person.
Ages 8-14.

Gaming the Movies

5-8:45 pm Monday, May 16
Watch a classic scary movie and then defeat
notorious monsters by playing the board
game *Horrid*.

DIY Piper Computer Kits

4-5:30 pm Thursday, May 19
The Piper Computer Kit is the ultimate DIY
computer-building experience. Build a
fully-functioning computer to learn about
computer science, electronics, coding and
more. Ages 8-14.

After Hours Game Night

7-10 pm Friday, May 20
Play board and card games from our collection
or bring a favorite from home. The library also
has five different video game systems.

DIY Rainbow Macrame Craft

6:30-8 pm Monday, May 23
Brighten up your walls by creating a rainbow
macrame hanging.

Families

Virtual Reality Room: How Many Can You Spot?


Saturday, May 14 - May 21
Find out how much you know about children,
teen and adult literature. Download the virtual
reality room from our website and view it on
your phone, computer, tablet or VR headset
to see how many items you recognize. Email
Clara at cgerner@cc-pl.org with your answers
and be entered for a prize. Play online.

Family Board and Card Game Day

1-5 pm Sunday, May 15
Play tabletop board and card games from our
collection or bring a favorite from home.

Carrico/Fort Thomas

May Calendar



**Homeschool Hive:
Cave Exploration**
11 am Friday,
May 6

Programs

Registration is required for all programs. Story times and children's programs resume in June.

Book Discussions

Walk & Talk Book Club

11 am Wednesday, May 4
Meet at Fort Thomas' Tower Park (900 S. Fort Thomas Ave.) to discuss books and enjoy nature. Instead of assigned readings, members can pick their own book based on a theme. Open to any interested adults, including caregivers who may need to bring a child in a stroller. May's theme: **Celebrate Diversity**.

Coffee & Conversation

2 pm Wednesday, May 11
The Library Book by Susan Orlean.

Adults

Retirement Plan Advice: Leave it, Roll it or Take it?

6 pm Tuesday, May 3
Join Edward Jones' Financial Advisor Jackson Thomas as he discusses options for switching careers and gives guidance to stay on track.

DIY Pressed Flower Art

2 pm & 6:30 pm Thursday, May 5
Create a fun floral art piece to decorate your home or give to someone you love.

Arts & Culture Series

7 pm Fridays
See details on page 3.

Talking Tech Troubles

2 pm Tuesday, May 17
Learn about new technology in this judgment-free group. This month's topic: Google Arts & Culture. Discover how to experience faraway museums and cultural sites in a completely new way online.

Teens & Tweens

Ages 11-19, unless noted.

Tween Pokémon Party

4 pm Thursday, May 5
Have fun with other Pokémon fans at the library. We will watch the anime, play games and do a craft. Tweens are welcome to bring their own gaming systems or trading cards.
Ages 8-14.

Papercraft Palooza

4 pm Tuesday, May 10
Create cute crafts out of paper.

Dungeons and Dragons: Character Building and Combat Encounters

4-6 pm Tuesday, May 17
Learn about character building and combat encounters in this practice session of Dungeons and Dragons.

LEGO Building Royale

4 pm Thursday, May 19
Challenge yourself in a LEGO Building Royale.

Families

Homeschool Hive: Cave Exploration

11 am Friday, May 6
Learn about cave exploration with Dr. Rachel Bosch. Where do we find caves, why are they important and how can we protect them? What might we find in caves and how do we study those rocks, water and animals? Learn the answers to these questions, ask some of your own and even try your hand at building and exploring a cave.

Geeking @ the Library

5-7 pm Saturday, May 21
Link up with fellow geeks at the library. Bring board and card games from home or enjoy the library's collection. Geekdom has no age limit: All ages are welcome. Children ages 10 and under must be accompanied by a caregiver.

Children


Grades 1-5, unless noted.

Spellbound by the Magic of Science

4 pm Monday, May 16
See disappearing water, anti-gravity cups, magic fingers and floating spheres.

Newport

May Calendar



Perler Bead Fun
3-5 pm Wednesday,
May 18

Programs

Registration is required for all programs, unless noted. Story times and children's programs resume in June.

Book Discussions

Newport Book Club

7 pm Tuesday, May 3

Ask Again, Yes by Mary Beth Keane.

Tween Book Club

4 pm Friday, May 13

Front Desk by Kelly Yang. Register to receive a free copy of the book. Ages 8-14.

Young Adults for Grown Adults

7 pm Tuesday, May 17

Rural Voices by various authors.

Adults

Rethink Your Drink

5:30-7 pm Monday, May 9

What goes in your drink, whether it's a

morning cup of coffee or soda for lunch?

Andrea Doughty from Anthem will discuss how to rethink your drink.

Friends of the Library Book Sale

9 am-5 pm Thursday-Saturday, May 12-14

9 am-noon Thursday, May 26

Browse a wide selection of books at incredible prices at the Friends of the Library Book Sale, which takes place in the Friends Room on the lower level of the Newport Branch.

Cincy Psychic

7-8:30 pm Monday, May 16

Melissa Alejandro, also known as Cincy Psychic, will give readings to people and pets.

Stress and Anxiety Management

5:30-7 pm Monday, May 23

There are many reasons why someone might feel stressed or anxious. Learn coping strategies for stress and anxiety during this program.

Teens & Tweens

Ages 11-19, unless noted.

Book Safe DIY

3 pm Wednesday, May 4

Make a book with a secret compartment.

Impromptu

3 pm Thursdays

Bring your friends to relax, play games, draw or just hang out.

Perler Bead Fun

3-5 pm Wednesday, May 18

Have fun crafting with Perler Beads.

DIY Gel Air Freshener

3 pm Wednesday, May 25

Use essential oils to create a gel air freshener.

Families

Early Literacy Play Date

11 am - 2 pm Saturday, May 14

Registration not required. See details on page 3.





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Newport Branch

901 East Sixth Street
Newport, KY 41071
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Alexandria Branch

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Alexandria, KY 41001
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Library Express

Pick up holds and return items
Silver Grove — Firehouse
Melbourne — St. Philip Parish Center

Hours

Cold Spring, Carrico/Fort Thomas and Newport Branches

Monday-Thursday 9 am – 9 pm
Friday 9 am – 7 pm
Saturday 9 am – 5 pm
Sunday 1 pm – 5 pm

Alexandria Branch

Tuesday-Friday 11 am – 7 pm
Saturday 11 am – 5 pm
Sunday & Monday Closed

MAY 13 – OPEN AT NOON DUE TO STAFF TRAINING

MAY 29 & 30 – CLOSED MEMORIAL DAY

Services

Patron Services: 859-572-5041

Storytelling: 859-572-5039

Download books & music:

<https://kyunbound.overdrive.com>

Download the library app:

www.cc-pl.org/app

Visit us online @ www.cc-pl.org



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LOOKING AHEAD

Summer Reading

Dive into Reading this summer with the library. The festivities kick off Saturday, June 4 with registration opening at the Cold Spring, Carrico/Fort Thomas and Newport branches at 9 am and 11 am for Alexandria. Sign up for Summer Reading and leave with fun prizes, including ocean animal-shaped backpacks for children, reusable straw kits for teens/tweens and tote bags for adults.

The kick-off event will feature live music, snack bags and Cincinnati Circus balloon artists at all branches. Find out more in the Summer Reading brochure, available at the library this month, or online.



ADA Compliance Statement

The library makes every reasonable effort to provide equal access to all patrons. Please contact access@cc-pl.org or call ext. 8 at your local branch at least 72 hours prior to an event to arrange for accommodation. All facilities and meeting rooms are ADA compliant.