@ The Livonia Public Library

Upcoming Events

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MAR. 16  Diggin’ Dinos
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APR. 3  Solar Eclipse
APR. 18  Noontime Concert
APR. 18  Manga Coloring for Teens
MAY 2  Senior Tech Support
MAY 17-19 Book Sale
MAY 25-27 LIBRARY CLOSED

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Read Firekeeper’s Daughter, by Angeline Boulley for Michigan Humanities’ Great Michigan Read and join us for programs this March!

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# Kid & Tween Programs

## STORYTIME PROGRAMS

Children’s storytime and music programs are open to all children. All children younger than three years old must be accompanied by an adult, unless otherwise specified. Space is limited so register early!

Registration begins **Monday, March 4**. Register online, in person, or by phone.

### FUN FOR ONES BABY STORYTIME*

*Ages 12 – 23 months with parent or loving caregiver. Songs, simple stories, and other activities that introduce our youngest patrons to the pleasures of the library. Registration required.

**@ Civic Center:**
Mondays, March 11 – April 29
10:15-10:35 a.m. OR 11-11:20 a.m.

### TIP TOP TODDLER STORYTIME*

*Ages 2 – 3. Toddlers and their grown-ups are invited for stories, finger plays, action songs, and more! Registration required.

**@ Civic Center:**
Wednesdays, March 13 – May 1
10:15-10:40 a.m. OR 11:15-11:40 a.m.

**@ Sandburg:**
Thursdays, March 14 – May 2
10:15-10:45 a.m.

### RHYTHM & RHYME*

*Ages 2-4 with a grown-up. Dancing, musical instruments, books, and fun! Registration required.

**@ Civic Center:**
Tuesdays, March 12 – April 30
10:15-10:35 a.m. OR 10:55-11:15 a.m. OR
11:30-11:50 a.m. OR 2:15-2:35 p.m.

### PEPPY PRESCHOOL STORYTIME*

*Ages 3 – 5. Stories, action songs, games, and a small take-home craft. Registration required.

**@ Civic Center:**
Thursdays, March 14 – May 2
10:15-10:45 a.m.

**@ Sandburg:**
Thursdays, March 14 – May 2
11-11:30 a.m.

### SENSORY SHENANIGANS

*Ages 3-8. Sensory-based play stimulates the brain and helps develop fine and gross motor skills. Children will experience different types of sensory stations with their caregivers. Dress for mess! No registration required.

**@ Civic Center:**
Saturdays, March 23 and April 27
11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

### DIGGIN’ DINOS*

*Birth-Grade 4. Dino tooth necklaces – we got them! Dino eggs – we got those, too! And of course, a dino bone dig! Please register so that we have a headcount, but feel free to drop in anytime from 1-3 p.m.

**@ Civic Center:**
Saturday, March 16
1-3 p.m.

### CREATIVE PLAY SATURDAY

*Grades K-3. During this drop-in event, children can build a structure with wooden logs, get creative with math, design an artistic masterpiece, and more!

**@ Civic Center:**
Saturday, March 2
10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

### MY FIRST BOOK CLUB*

*Grades K-2 with a grown-up. An introduction to book clubs, during this program we will answer some questions and do a fun activity related to an exciting book we read. Registration required beginning Saturday, April 20.

**@ Civic Center:**
Saturday, May 4
10:30-11 a.m.

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*Registration required. Register online (livoniapubliclibrary.org/calendar), by phone (734) 466-2493, or in person.
STEM Jr.*
Ages 8-12. Hands-on science fun! Registration required beginning March 5.

@ Sandburg:
Tuesdays, March 19 and April 16
4:30-5:30 p.m.

BOARD OF LIBRARY TWEENS MEETING*
Grades 5-7. Discuss upcoming programs, books you love, and ideas for the library, as well as earn community service credit through volunteer opportunities. For questions contact Kristen at kjayska@livoniapubliclibrary.org or Cathy at cmoeller@livoniapubliclibrary.org.

@ Civic Center:
Mondays, March 11 and May 6
6:30 p.m.

CHESS CLUB
Grades 5-12. If you know how to play chess and need a friend to play against, join us for a drop-in chess club.

@ Sandburg:
Thursdays, March 14, April 11, and May 9
4-5:30 p.m.

COOKIES & CANVAS*
Grades 5-12. Let your creativity shine with a paint night just for you, snacks included! All supplies provided. Registration required beginning April 2.

@ Sandburg:
Tuesday, April 23
5:30-7 p.m.

SMOKEY BEAR READING CHALLENGE
Smokey Bear turns 80 this year! Join Smokey in completing a reading challenge to learn about wildfires and the environment in honor of his birthday. Register at livonialibrary.beanstack.org or during your next library visit.

SPRING ART ALA CARTE
All ages. Love our Holiday Art ala Carte? Join us for the spring version! Several spring crafts to make. Samples and instructions will be provided. Adult supervision is required.

@ Civic Center:
May 5-18 during regular library hours.

KIDS & COMICS*
Grades 3-4. We’ll talk about a graphic novel, do something crafty, have some snacks, and just hang out! Registration required beginning April 20.

@ Civic Center:
Saturday, May 4
2-3 p.m.

EMPOWER HOUR BOOK CLUB*
Grades 4-7 with a grown-up. We will read and discuss books centered around strong female protagonists, and the book will be yours to keep! Beverages and breakfast pastries will be served. Registration required beginning Saturday, April 20.

@ Civic Center:
Saturday, May 4
11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

GRAPHIC NOVEL BOOK CLUB*
Grades 5-7. A book club dedicated to our favorite graphic novels. A copy of the book will be available for pick up at the Sandburg Library. Registration required.

@ Sandburg:
Mondays, March 18 and May 13
6-7 p.m.

DON’T READ THIS BOOK!*  
Grades 5-7. A crafty, trivia, sometimes book club just for Tweens! We’ll hang out, compete for trivia prizes, and talk about the book. A free copy of the book will be available for pick up from the Carl Sandburg Library. Registration required.

@ Sandburg:
Monday, April 22
4:30-5:30 p.m.

SIGN UP FOR ONE OF OUR READING CHALLENGES!
We have reading challenges for all ages—from toddlers to tweens! Register for all of these programs (plus some for grownups!) at livonialibrary.beanstack.org. You can also register at your next library visit.

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CHESS CLUB
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4-5:30 p.m.

BAD MOVIE NIGHT
Teens and Adults. Grab some friends and join us for a series of So-Bad-They’re-Good films! You’ll groan at the terrible special effects, laugh at the bad acting, and have the worst (best) time (sorry, no food or drink allowed).

@ Civic Center:
Wednesday, March 6
7-9 p.m.
Green Lantern (PG-13, 2011) 1hr 54 min

JIGSAW PUZZLE TOURNAMENT*
Teens and Adults. Teams of 2-6 people will compete to see who can complete a 500 piece puzzle in the shortest amount of time. A prize will be awarded to the winning team. Team registration required.

@ Civic Center:
Saturday, March 23
2-4 p.m.
ESCAPE ROOM IN A BOX—THE WEREWOLF EXPERIMENT*
Grades 8-12. A mad scientist is plotting to turn you and your friends into werewolves! Solve all 19 puzzles in an hour’s time to escape with your humanity intact. Registration required beginning April 23.

@ Civic Center:
Thursday, May 23
7-8:15 p.m.

BOOK BUNDLES
Need help picking out Teen books? Try a book bundle! Each bundle will include 3-6 books selected just for you by our Teen Services Librarians. Use the form on our website livoniapubliclibrary.org to request a book bundle.

100 BOOK CLUB*
Join our year-long reading challenge! Set your own reading goal for the year and earn a chance to win a prize for every 10 books you’ve read since January 1. Read 100 books by the end of the year and become a member of the prestigious 100 Book Club. Open to everyone ages 12 and up. Register and see the full challenge description at livonialibrary.beanstack.org.

MANGA COLORING FOR TEENS*
Grades 8-12. Join us as we color pages from your favorite manga or anime! All supplies provided. Registration required beginning March 18.

@ Civic Center:
Thursday, April 18
7-8:30 p.m.

COOKIES & CANVAS*
Grades 5-12. Let your creativity shine with a paint night just for you, snacks included! All supplies provided. Registration required beginning April 2.

@ Sandburg:
Tuesday, April 23
5:30-7 p.m.

TEEN CROCHET CLUB
Grades 8-12. Do you like to knit, crochet, embroider, or craft in any way? Drop in and bring your project to hang out with and learn from other fiber artists your age! No registration required.

@ Sandburg:
Wednesday, April 3
4-5:30 p.m.

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CRAFT PROGRAMS
for teens

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Check out TeenBookCloud—graphic novels, ebooks, audiobooks, National Geographic videos, and more—available online around the clock! If you have a library card and an internet connection, you have unlimited access to this fantastic collection. Visit livoniapubliclibrary.org/downloads to access TeenBookCloud and all our great digital resources.

Scan the code (or visit our online calendar) to register for programs and to confirm dates and times.

*Registration required. Register by phone at (734) 466-2490, online (livoniapubliclibrary.org/calendar), or in person at the reference desk.
**Adult Programs**

**100 BOOK CLUB**
Join our year-long reading challenge! Read 100 books by the end of the year and become a member of the prestigious 100 Book Club. Register and see the full challenge description at livonialibrary.beanstack.org.

**WWI “HELLO GIRL” OLEDA JOURE CHRISTIDES**
Michigan Women’s History includes World War I. “Over There” Oleda was a Michigan teenager, a weekend musician, and telephone supervisor engaged in the 60-year battle to win veteran’s status. Registration required.

@ Civic Center:
Wednesday, March 6
6-7:15 p.m.

**COFFEE, COCOA, AND COLORING**
Join us for relaxation time as we color and enjoy coffee or cocoa. All supplies provided, but feel free to bring your own!

@ Civic Center:
Wednesdays, March 13, April 10, and May 8
6:30-8 p.m.

**MIND GAMES PART 2: THE SCIENCE OF CURIOUS THINKING**
Presented by William Pack, magician, storyteller and author.

@ Civic Center:
Monday, March 4
7-8 p.m.

**THE ALL-AMERICAN WITH SUSIE FINKBEINER**
Award-winning author Susie Finkbeiner joins us in person to discuss her newest novel, *The All-American*. Susie will also join us for the Positive Pages Book Group meeting on March 5.

@ Civic Center:
Tuesday, March 5
2-3:30 p.m.

**THE ORPHAN TRAIN IN MICHIGAN**
From 1854 to 1927 approximately 12,500 orphans were placed in Michigan. Al and David Eicher will discuss the early formation of the Orphan Train to “The Placement” process.

@ Civic Center:
Tuesday, March 5
7-8:30 p.m.

**Senior Tech Support**
Have questions about your phone, laptop, or tablet? Bring your device and receive basic tech support from the library’s Teen Volunteer Council.

@ Civic Center:
Thursdays, March 7 and May 2
6-7 p.m.

**COFFEE, COCOA, AND COLORING**
Join us for relaxation time as we color and enjoy coffee or cocoa. All supplies provided, but feel free to bring your own!

@ Civic Center:
Wednesday, March 6
6-7:15 p.m.

**Diego Rivera and Frida Kahlo in Detroit**
Pam Craig will present the story of this fascinating duo.

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7-8:30 p.m.

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WILLOW RUN AND THE STORY OF ROSIE THE RIVETER
Tribute Rosie, Claire Dahl, will share the history of the Willow Run B-24 Bomber Plant, the teamwork of the Detroit automotive industry, and the vital roles played by women.

@ Civic Center:
Wednesday, March 20
6:30-8 p.m.

JIGSAW PUZZLE TOURNAMENT*
Teams of 2-6 people will compete to see who can complete a 500 piece puzzle in the shortest amount of time. Team registration required.

@ Civic Center:
Saturday, March 23
2-4 p.m.

MICHIGAN TEA SCENE*
Tea expert Brad Coates returns to discuss tea companies in Michigan. Registration required beginning February 28.

@ Civic Center:
Wednesday, March 27
6:30-8:30 p.m.

JOHN DELOREAN: LARGER THAN LIFE
Learn about the legacy of Michigan-native John Z. DeLorean, inventor of the GTO and father of the DeLorean.

@ Civic Center:
Tuesday, April 2
6:30-7:30 p.m.

ADULT CRAFTS*
Registration required. You must be a Livonia Resident with a valid Livonia Public Library card to register.

@ Civic Center: Puzzle Pieces Art
Monday, April 15
(Registration begins Monday, April 1)
7-8 p.m.

ARMENIAN GENOCIDE
We remember the victims of the Armenian Genocide that began on April 24, 1915 with a presentation by The Armenian Community Center of Greater Detroit.

@ Civic Center:
Wednesday, April 17
7-8:30 p.m.

Scan the code (or visit our online calendar) to register for programs and to confirm dates and times.

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BOTTLED GOODBYES
Based on Ric Mixter’s book Bottled Goodbyes which chronicles famous messages found in bottles all around the world.

@ Civic Center:
Monday, April 22
7-8 p.m.

MACKINAC ISLAND’S GRAND HOTEL
Michigan author Mike Fornes will share his knowledge of the Grand Hotel. Copies of Mike’s book, Mackinac Island’s Grand Hotel, will be available for sale after the presentation.

@ Civic Center:
Monday, April 29
2-4 p.m.

EXPLORING SOLAR ECLIPSES IN AMERICA
NASA Ambassador Liam Finn will explain the different types of eclipses and their historical and cultural significance.

@ Sandburg:
Tuesday, March 19
6-7:30 p.m.

SOLAR ECLIPSE*
Join NASA Solar System Ambassador Miles Mercier to learn about this fascinating celestial event. Registration required.

@ Civic Center:
Wednesday, April 3
7-8:30 p.m.

The Library has a limited supply of eclipse glasses, which will be given out at select programs (limit 2 per adult), while supplies last. We appreciate your understanding. Please note: the glasses can be shared.
Join us every month for a special concert that will entertain audiences of all ages. All concerts take place in the Bennett Civic Center Library Atrium, begin at 12:15 p.m. and are free to attend. Bring your brown bag lunch and enjoy the show. Co-sponsored by the Livonia Arts Commission.

**MADONNA CHORALE, Thursday, March 21**

The Madonna Chorale will perform a program entitled 'The Promise of Spring.'

**KELLY AND DARRYL ROENICKE, Thursday, April 18**

Kelly and Darryl Roenicke, a violin/piano duo, will perform classical and popular works from a diverse selection of composers.

**BOOK CLUBS @ THE LIVONIA PUBLIC LIBRARY**

**POSITIVE PAGES BOOK GROUP**
Tired of gloomy weather and bad news? Join us for a Book Group featuring gentler reads. Email Mable at mdoot@livoniapubliclibrary.org for more details.

**@ Civic Center:**
Tuesday, March 5
*The All-American*
by Susie Finkbeiner
10 a.m to 12 p.m.

**@ Civic Center:**
Tuesday, April 2
*The Keeper of Lost Things*
by Ruth Hogan
10 a.m to 12 p.m.

**FIRST MONDAY MEMOIRS**
Join us for First Monday Memoirs and read a wide range of memoirs and biographies, with something for everyone! Contact Nicole with any questions at nlane@livoniapubliclibrary.org.

**@ Sandburg:**
Monday, March 4
*The Glass Castle*
by Jeanette Walls
6:30-7:30 p.m.

**@ Sandburg:**
Monday, April 1
*The End Of Your Life Book Club*
by Will Schwalbe
6:30-7:30 p.m.

**A NOVEL BOOK GROUP**
Join us to explore recent works of fiction from diverse genres and points of view. For more information, contact Paige at pplant@livoniapubliclibrary.org.

**@ Civic Center:**
Thursday, March 14
*The Measure*
by Nikki Erlick
6-7:30 p.m.

**@ Civic Center:**
Thursday, April 11
*The Searcher*
by Tana French
6-7:30 p.m.

**BOOK CLUB KITS**
Are you hosting a book club and need multiple copies of the same title? The library provides ready-to-go book club kits for check out, discussion questions included! Check out this collection on the second floor of the Bennett Civic Center Library.
All movies are free and no registration is required unless noted. Films are subject to change. Contact the Library to confirm titles. (Sorry, no food or drink allowed).

BAD MOVIE NIGHT
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7-9 p.m.
Green Lantern
(PG-13, 2011) 1hr 54 min

AWARD NOMINATED MOVIE SERIES
Come and watch an award-nominated movie on our big screen in the Library Auditorium. Each month viewers will be treated to a film that was nominated for an award between 1970 and present.

@ Civic Center:
Monday, March 18
6:30-9 p.m.
Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade
(PG-13, 1989) 2hr 7 min

@ Civic Center:
Monday, April 1
6:30-9 p.m.
Back to the Future
(PG, 1985) 1hr 56 min

AFTERNOONS WITH AUSTEN
Spend Saturday afternoon watching a delightful adaptation of one of Jane Austen's classic books.

@ Civic Center:
Saturday, March 9
2 p.m.
Love and Friendship (PG, 2016) 1hr 32 minutes

GENRE FILM SERIES: YEAR 2, MUSIC MOVIES
Enjoy great movies for free in our comfortable auditorium, Saturday matinee style.

@ Civic Center:
Saturday, March 16
1-3:30 p.m.
8 Mile
(R, 2002) 1hr 50 min
Library Highlights

Notes from the DIRECTOR

Please help me welcome our two newest Library Commissioners appointed this February: Claire Sheldon and Carrie Ryckman!

Dedicated board members who are committed to supporting the library’s mission and serving the community are essential for our continued success. New commissioners often bring new energy and ideas, ensuring that we remain vibrant and responsive to the needs of the community.

I look forward to working closely with the full commission in the coming years, and improving upon the existing services that we provide.

Kristen Edson, Library Director

Claire Sheldon works for Plante Moran in the Real Estate and Facilities division. As a longtime resident of Livonia, Claire was looking for a way to give back to her community. Her free time is spent participating in ballet, reading, volunteering, traveling, and growing as much organic food for her family as she can.

Carrie Ryckman moved to Livonia in 1999 and currently serves as a Diversion Program Specialist for the DEA office; her core responsibilities are to coordinate outreach programs that address drug diversion and misuse. Carrie is a board member of CARE of Southeast Michigan, a recovery nonprofit in Macomb County, and a catechist at St. Priscilla’s in Livonia.

Great Michigan Read

Read Firekeeper’s Daughter, by Angeline Boulley for Michigan Humanities’ Great Michigan Read. Pickup a copy at any Livonia Public Library location and join us for programs this March!


@ Bennett Civic Center:
One-hour documentary film, followed by a Q&A with the filmmaker, Audrey Geyer. Monday, March 11 7 p.m.

@ Carl Sandburg: Book Discussion Tuesday, March 26 6 p.m.
A gift to the Livonia Public Library’s collection is a unique and special way to pay tribute to friends and family. For more information go to livoniapubliclibrary.org and click on Support Your Library.

THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING DONORS ...

Marcella Floyd
The Friends of the Library are an active group of volunteers whose mission is to provide support for the services and programs of the Livonia Public Library.

THE FRIENDS USED BOOK STORE
The Used Book Store was opened by the Friends in June 2006. The store is run completely by volunteers and stocked with donations from the community.

The Friends Book Store at the Bennett Civic Center Library is open on:

- Mon: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Tue & Wed: 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- Thur, Fri & Sat: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Book Store: (734) 466-2495

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LIBRARY COMMISSION MEETING DATES

6:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 21  Bennett Civic Center Library
Thursday, April 18  Bennett Civic Center Library

ROBERT AND JANET BENNETT CIVIC CENTER LIBRARY
32777 Five Mile Road
(734) 466-2491

Mon - Thurs: 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Fri & Sat: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sun*: 1-5 p.m.
*(during the school year)

CARL SANDBURG LIBRARY
30100 Seven Mile Road
(248) 893-4010

Mon & Tue: 12-8 p.m.
Wed & Thurs: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Fri: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

VEST POCKET LIBRARY
15218 Farmington Road
(734) 466-2559

Mon-Fri: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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