

Willoughby-Eastlake Public Library

We explore. We discover. We connect.



WINTER PROGRAM CATALOG

JANUARY-APRIL 2025

For more information on any of the programs listed or to register, visit we247.org.

FEATURED IN THIS ISSUE

O2 Library Services Highlight
O3 Eastlake Library Programs
O6 Willoughby Library Programs
11 Willoughby Hills Library Programs
14 Willowick Library Programs
18 Children's Storytimes

19 Children's Ongoing Series

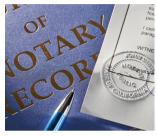
21 Child Library Day

22 Homeschool Programs

25 Book Discussions

26 Technology Classes 27 Online Author Series

DID YOU KNOW THE LIBRARY OFFERS?



NOTARY SERVICES

The Willoughby-Eastlake Library offers free limited Notary Public services at our four locations, Monday through Saturday, during regular library hours. Please call in advance to verify that a notary is available.



MEETING ROOMS

Meeting rooms are available for use by non-profit, educational, cultural, and civic groups within Lake County. The Willowick Library meeting room is also available for social events and private gatherings {fee applies}.



PASSPORT SERVICES

The Willoughby-Eastlake Library offers passport services at the Willoughby and Willowick locations. Appointments are strongly recommended.

For more information on these services and more, visit <u>we247.org</u> or pick up a copy of our new Library Services Guide at any of our four locations.



THANK YOU TO THE

WILLOUGHBY-EASTLAKE

LIBRARY BOOSTERS FOR

THEIR ONGOING SUPPORT.

EASTLAKE PUBLIC LIBRARY

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. CLICK TITLE TO REGISTER.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Retro Re-Mix

Monday, February 3, 6:30 pm Play 90s classic video games, board games, or do crafts.

Learn to Crochet: Sew4Service

Tuesday, February 4, 6:30 pmPurchase a learning kit for \$5 or bring your own supplies.

Battle of Iwo Jima

Monday, February 24, 6:30 pm Eric Rivet from the Western Reserve Historical Society continues his coverage of World War II in the Pacific Theater.

LAKELAND MUSIC SERIES SPRING CONCERT PREVIEW



Tuesday, February 25, 6:30 pm

Dr. Matthew Saunders will preview Lakeland Civic
Orchestra's upcoming concert.
Attendees will receive a free admission to the concert on March 5 at Lakeland
Community College's
Rodehorst Performing
Arts Center.

Wake Up Your Garden

Tuesday, March 4, 6:30 pm Master Gardener Kathy Terrell will discuss what's needed to plan and create a bountiful summer garden.

AARP Driver Safety Class

Friday, March 14, 10 am \$20 for AARP members, \$25 for non-members. Checks payable to AARP Safe Driving.

Speed Friending

Monday, March 24, 6:30 pm Meet your new best friend at a guided "speed friending" session. Ages 20s-30s.

CLEVELAND MUSEUM OF ART-AMERICA'S STORY



Monday, March 31, 6:30 pm

Arielle Levine from the Cleveland Museum of Art will showcase the museum's collection of early American artwork from America Emerging-1700s. This program will be available online and in person.

EASTLAKE PUBLIC LIBRARY

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. CLICK TITLE TO REGISTER.

Honeybees & Beekeeping

Tuesday, April 1, 6:30 pm
Master Gardener Jude Kraus
will discuss the hobby of
beekeeping and the benefits
for your summer garden.

Cleveland's Connection & the 250th Anniversary of the Revolutionary War Monday, April 28, 6:30 pm
The Western Reserve Society Sons of the American

Revolution will explore the history of the war and its Cleveland connection.

Millinery Making
Tuesday, April 29, 6:30 pm
Tonya Busic from the Lake
County Historical Society
will discuss hat making.

ADULT SERIES

Make It Monday Mondays, 6:30 pm

<u>February 10</u>: Cricut Intro <u>March 10</u>: Heat Press <u>April 14</u>: Embroidery

YOUNG ADULT SERIES

Teen Art Club

Thursdays, January 23, February 27, March 27, April 24, 6:30 pm Focus on a different style or artist each month. Grades 6-12. Ages 11-18.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Bluey Bash

Saturday, January 25, 10 am Join us for crafts, games, and activities inspired by our favorite blue heeler & friends.

Snow Day Stories & Play
Saturday, February 15, 10 am
Enjoy a family storytime with
snowy tales, fun activities, and
a shredded paper snow fight!

Giant Hungry Hungry Hippos Saturday, February 22, 11 am Join us for a giant, familyfriendly game of Hungry Hungry Hippos! Ages 5 and up.

<u>Crafty Kids</u> Saturday, March 15, 10 am Fun arts & crafts. Ages 6 and up.

BOLLYMOVES: DANCE AND CULTURE FUN



Join San's Dance Vibes! Saturday, March 22, 11 am

Families will enjoy a vibrant performance, learn fun dance moves, and explore Indian traditions through music and storytelling.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

EASTLAKE PUBLIC LIBRARY

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. CLICK TITLE TO REGISTER.



Hayes took part in our

Kid Librarian program,

where children get to curate
their own book displays at
all of our libraries. Hayes'

their own book displays at all of our libraries. Hayes' display was highlighted at Eastlake Library.

Here he is reading a book on one of his favorite subjects, near his display!

<u>Hop Into Spring Storytime</u>

Saturday, April 12, 10 am

We'll read hearwarming stories that celebrate spring and dive into fun activities and crafts inspired by our furry friends. Keep an eye out and you might just find a hidden egg or two along the way!

Mini Makers: Beaded Flowers

Wednesday, April 23, 6 pm

Kids ages 4 and up can use colorful pipe cleaners and beads to create their own beautiful flowers.

CHILDREN'S SERIES

Sit, Stay, READ!

Saturdays, January 11, February 8, March 8, April 5, 10 am

Practice your reading skills by reading to a therapy dog!
Grades K-5. Space limited.

Afterschool Adventure Club

Wednesdays, January 29, February 26, March 19, April 16, 4 pm

Learn new skills, test your wits, and discover hidden treasures! Ages 7 and up.

FOR STORYTIMES, HOMESCHOOL, AND ADDITIONAL SYSTEM-WIDE CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING, PLEASE SEE PAGES 18-23.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. CLICK TITLE TO REGISTER.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Mindful Coloring with Anna Weisend

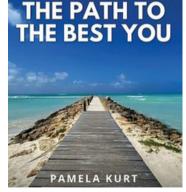
Monday, January 6, 6:30 pm Join Anna Weisend from Stella's Art Gallery for an evening of mindful coloring. All supplies provided.

Naloxone {Narcan®} Clinics Thursdays, January 9, March 13, 7 pm

Receive training on recognizing the signs of an opioid overdose, performing rescue breathing, and administering Naloxone. Participants will receive a free Naloxone kit.

BEST VERSION OF YOU

Thursday, January 16, 6:30 pm



Author Pamela Kurt will discuss ways to help you become the best version of yourself.

Sleep Matters & Exercises to Promote It

Tuesday, January 28, 6:30 pm Michelle Sito, Exercise Physiologist from University Hospitals, will talk about why sleep matters and demonstrate exercises that people can use to help them fall asleep. Open to adults, teens, and children ages 10 and up.

Symbols Around the World

Tuesday, February 11, 7 pmLakeland professor Anthony
Palermo will present a program
on symbols around the world.
Online program via Zoom.

Willoughby Trivia Night Thursdays, February 20,

Thursdays, February 20, April 17, 6:30 pm

Enjoy a fun evening of competitive trivia.

<u>February's Topic</u>: Disney/Pixar <u>April's Topic</u>: Cleveland Sports

Wake Up Your Garden

Wednesday, March 5, 6:30 pm Clean-up, composting, pruning, fertilizing, soil testing, mole problems, and impatient gardeners will be discussed.

<u>Tartan Twilight: Celtic Piano</u> <u>Music from Cape Breton Island</u>

Tuesday, March 11, 6:30 pm Join pianist Lori Elias for an evening of haunting airs and rollicking jigs to put you in the St. Patrick's Day spirit!

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. CLICK TITLE TO REGISTER.

Read Whatever You Want Book Club

Saturday, March 15, 11 amDiscuss what you like to read with fellow bibliophiles in a stress-free environment.

THE HISTORY OF GUITAR MUSIC

Thursday, March 20, 6:30 pm Join classical guitarist Terrence Shrader as he plays music and answers your questions.

How to Appeal to Colleges for More Financial Aid

Thursday, March 27, 6:30 pm University Director of Financial Aid Jennifer Harpham will provide guidance on how to successfully appeal to colleges to get as much financial aid as possible. For new and returning

ADULT SERIES

Willoughby Writers Workshop

Wednesdays, January 8, 22, February 12, 26, March 12, 26, April 9, 23, 6 pm

Join this workshop for local fiction writers focusing on short stories.

Learn & Play Chess Club

Saturdays, January 11, February 8, March 8, April 12, 1 pm

Saturdays, January 25, February 22, March 22, April 26, 12 pm All ages and skill levels are welcome. An excellent

opportunity to learn strategies and develop skills.

Walkthrough Wednesdays

Wednesdays, January 15, February 19, March 19, April 16, 1 pm
Do you need help with a new

device, or do you have something that you are trying to fill out online? For up to 45 minutes, our staff will help you understand your new devices or get your forms submitted. Call 440-942-3200, ext. 371 to schedule an appointment.

Preserving Family Memories

Tuesdays, January 21, February 18, March 18, April 15, 7 pm
Taking and editing high-quality digital photos has never been easier. Learn the best practices for organizing, digitizing, and preserving your photos with Kari Shick.



REGISTRATION REQUIRED FOR ALL PROGRAMS & EVENTS.

BICYCLING EDUCATION SERIES

Wednesday, January 29, 6 pm Saturday, February 22, 10 am Monday, April 21, 6:30 pm

Join Diana Hildebrand from Bike Cleveland, the League of American Bicyclists' 2024 Educator of the Year, as she discusses the benefits of bicycling, bike maintenance, and scenic areas to explore. Open to adults, teens, and children ages 10 and up.



GARDENERS GATHERING SERIES

Thursdays, February 13, 6:15 pm; March 13, 6:45 pm April 10, 6:15 pm

Learn about gardening topics and share tips and resources. {Series previously held at Willoughby Hills Library}

February: Wicked Weeds; March: Rain Barrels; April: Seed Swap

YOUNG ADULT PROGRAMS

Ceramics for Teens Tuesday, January 7, 6:30 pm

Connor Costanzo, ceramics specialist from The Fine Arts Association, will help participants create a decorative ceramic bowl. Bowls will be fired at The Fine Arts Association and returned to the library for pickup. Attendees may paint their bowls at the library or at home. Limit 14. Grades 6-12. Ages 12-18.

Sleep Matters & Exercises to Promote It

See date/description on Pg. 6.

Bicycling Education Series

See date/description above.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. CLICK TITLE TO REGISTER.



Pet Grooming for Teens

Tuesday, February 25, 6:30 pm Tammy Esquivel from Bailey's Bark & Meows Grooming will discuss what to consider when selecting a new family pet. Grades 6-12. Ages 12-18.

How to Appeal to Colleges for More Financial Aid

See date/description on Pg. 7.

YOUNG ADULT SERIES

<u>Learn & Play Chess Club</u> See date/description on Pg. 7.

Bicycling Education Series

See date/description on Pg. 8.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Math Madness

Thursday, January 23, 6:30 pm Drop in for games and fun geared toward math, with some magic thrown in. Ages 6-12.

Sleep Matters & Exercises to Promote It

See date/description on Pg. 6.

Cupid's Card Crafting

Saturday, February 1, 10 am
Drop in to create a Valentine's
Day card for a special person in
your life! While supplies last.

Celebration of Black History

Monday, February 17, 6:30 pm Through STEM activities, crafts, and displays, you will learn about amazing scientists, engineers, and artists!

Pete the Cat Leprechaun Party

Wednesday, March 12, 6:30 pm Join Pete the Cat and Miss Micki as we read a book, do a craft, and look for the leprechaun's pot of gold.

<u>Tea Rex Tea Party</u>

Friday, April 25, 2 pm
This exclusive event will be
1/2 Tea Party and 1/2 Dinosaur
Party, filled with games, crafts,
and TEA! Tea party attire
and/or dinosaur costumes
permitted. Ages 3-5.

Choose Your Own Adventure

Monday, April 28, 6:30 pm Gather clues and intel from around the Children's Department.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. CLICK TITLE TO REGISTER.



"Amelia learned so much during the Sewing Machines for Beginners class that she was able to fix this tiny toy sewing machine that she was gifted several years ago, and she is currently using it to make doll clothes!

Please give our sincere thanks to Barb for doing the class...and thank you to all of you at our favorite library, in our favorite library system, for putting on such valuable programming!"

Katie Slocum

CHILDREN'S SERIES

School Skills for Preschoolers

Saturdays, January 11, February 8, March 8, April 12, 10 am Children will practice important skills like using school tools, following directions, and more. Ages 3-5.

First Chapter Reading Club

Mondays, January 13, February 10, March 10, April 14, 6:30 pm Readers in grades 1-5 are introduced to different subjects and genres each month. Through read-alouds and group discussion, and play, we'll help young readers find their next favorite book.

Weaving Wednesdays

Wednesdays, January 15, February 19, March 19, April 16, 6:30 pm Learn a variety of weaving techniques using an assortment of materials. Each month will focus on a different skill. Ages 6-12.

<u>Preschool Playdough Party</u>

Wednesdays, January 22, February 26, March 26, April 23, 2 pm Each month will feature a different theme with various playdough activities for preschoolers ages 3-6 and caregivers.

FOR STORYTIMES, HOMESCHOOL, AND ADDITIONAL SYSTEM-WIDE CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING, PLEASE SEE PAGES 18-23.

WILLOUGHBY HILLS PUBLIC LIBRARY

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. CLICK TITLE TO REGISTER.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Magic Show: Bending Reality

Wednesday, January 22, 6:30 pm Magician Chris Woodman will bend reality by performing incredible and humorous tricks to amaze and entertain!

Fifty Questions with a Funeral Director

Wednesday, January 29, 6:30 pm Funeral director Marc F. Burr will answer questions about the funeral industry, covering everything from practical advice to the emotional aspects of end-of-life planning.

Internet Safety and Avoiding Scams

Tuesday, February 4, 6:30 pm Learn how to be safe online, create secure passwords, and avoid common scams.

<u>Learn How to Use Your</u> <u>Sewing Machine</u>

Thursday, February 6, 6 pm Wednesday, February 26, 2 pm Bring your sewing machine and machine manual. Learn how to thread the upper machine and bobbin. We will discuss the most common errors and how to correct them. New thread and needles supplied. Ages 12 and up.

Frederick Douglass

Monday, February 10, 6 pm
Frederick Douglass escaped
enslavement in Maryland to
become the most famous
African American in the country
and a forceful voice for equality
in the United States. Learn more
about his life and lasting impact.

TINY ART SHOW & RECEPTION



Monday, February 17, 11 am

Pick up a "tiny art kit" to create your own tiny masterpiece. Return your artwork to Willoughby Hills Library by Monday, March 10. Ages 12 and up.

Wednesday, March 19, 6 pm

Join us for the Tiny Art Show Reception as we reveal the masterpieces. Attendees will vote for the crowd favorite.

This program is sponsored by the W-E Library Boosters.

WILLOUGHBY HILLS PUBLIC LIBRARY

REGISTRATION REQUIRED FOR ALL PROGRAMS & EVENTS.

The Power of Positive Reinforcement Dog Training

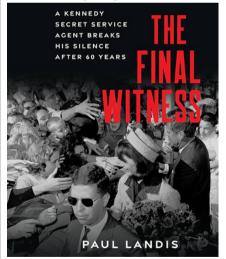
Tuesday, March 18, 6 pm
Join Victoria Brody from
Mission Empawthy, LLC as
she discusses the power of
positive reinforcement and
fear-free dog training, including
a demonstration from her
canine companion, Quinn!

Learn to Sew a Small Cat Toy

Thursday, March 20, 6 pm Use our sewing machines to make a simple squeaky cat toy. All supplies provided. Ages 12 and up.

AUTHOR PAUL LANDIS

Saturday, April 5, 11 am



Paul Landis was a Secret Service agent attached to Mrs. Kennedy's detail on that fateful day in November 1963. Paul joins us to discuss his new book and what he saw that day.

Lakeland Music Series

Tuesday, April 22, 6:30 pm
Join Dr. Matthew Saunders
for a preview of the Lakeland
Civic Orchestra's next concert,
Songs and Dreams. All
attendees will receive a free
admission to the concert on
Sunday, April 27 at 4 pm at
Lakeland Community College's
Rodehorst Performing Arts
Center.

Memory Lab

Monday, April 28, 6:30 pm Learn about our memory lab.

ADULT SERIES



Line Dancing for Adults

Wednesdays, March 19, 26, April 2, 9, 11 am

Have fun moving and grooving and learn a few new line dances too. No experience necessary. Bring a water bottle and wear comfortable shoes. Ages 50 and up.

WILLOUGHBY HILLS PUBLIC LIBRARY

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. CLICK TITLE TO REGISTER.

YOUNG ADULT PROGRAMS

Learn How to Use Your Sewing Machine See date/description on Pg. 11.

<u>Tiny Art Show & Reception</u> See date/description on Pg. 11.

Learn to Sew a Small Cat Toy See date/description on Pg. 12.

Teen Karaoke

Wednesday, March 26, 4 pm

Become the karaoke superstar you were born to be with Let's Sing 2025 on the library's Nintendo Switch!

YOUNG ADULT SERIES

Empowerment Circle: Presented by Forbes House

Mondays, January 6, 20, February 3, 17, March 3, 17, 31, April 14, 28, 3:45 pm

Interactive discussions, educational presentations, and group activities. Ages 11-18.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Hearts for Your Sweetheart

Tuesday, February 11, 1:30 pm

Make and decorate a heart from air dry clay to give to your favorite person. Ages 3 and up.

Meet Julie: An American Girl

Tuesday, March 25, 4 pm

American Girl fans in grades K-6 are invited to join us for a celebration of Julie! Children are welcome to bring a favorite doll or stuffed animal.

Spring Nature Walk & Craft

Tuesday, April 29, 1 pm

Spring is here! Celebrate with a nature walk, scavenger hunt, and a special craft.



FOR STORYTIMES, HOMESCHOOL, AND ADDITIONAL SYSTEM-WIDE CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING, PLEASE SEE PAGES 18-23.

WILLOWICK PUBLIC LIBRARY

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. CLICK TITLE TO REGISTER.

ADULT PROGRAMS

A Tale of Two Torpedoes: The Sinking of the German Battleship Bismarck

Monday, January 13, 6:30 pm Join the Cleveland History Center's Eric Rivet to learn about Britain's pursuit of the German Battleship Bismarck.

<u>Tips & Tricks to Coaching</u> <u>Youth Sports</u>

Wednesday, January 15, 6:30 pm Join Coach Scibelli from John Carroll University in a discussion on best practices for coaching youth sports.

Cleveland's Wicked Witch of the West: Margaret Hamilton
Thursday, January 16, 6:30 pm

Author Don Billie will discuss his new book Margaret Hamilton: From Cleveland to the Land of Oz. Copies will be available for purchase.

<u>Jigsaw Puzzle Swap</u> **Wednesday, January 29, 6:30 pm** Bring a puzzle, take a puzzle. Bring as many as you like.

Make a God's Eye Craft
Thursday, February 20, 6:30 pm
Create a small God's eye craft.
All supplies provided.

Fat Tuesday/Mardi Gras
Tuesday, March 4, 6:30 pm
We will be making pancakes
and bacon with homemade
fruit toppings. Afterward,
create a Mardi Gras beaded
necklace. All supplies provided.

Essential Bicycle Maintenance Monday, March 17, 7 pm Learn to do basic maintenance, including adjusting brakes, cleaning a chain, repairing a

flat tire, and more.

<u>Cleveland Metroparks</u> <u>History: The Early Years</u>

Tuesday, March 25, 6:30 pm Join Cleveland Metroparks historian Judy MacKeigan as she follows the history of the Metroparks from the 1920s and beyond.

Cleveland Metroparks
History: The Legacy
Continues

Thursday, April 3, 6:30 pm Join Cleveland Metroparks historian Judy MacKeigan as she discusses how the park system grew and changed from the turbulent 1960s through the 21st century.

<u>Sunny Days & Memorable</u> <u>Stays with Tour Lake County</u>

Tuesday, April 15, 6:30 pm Neil Stein from Tour Lake County will discuss the top destinations in our area, several of which are free or low-cost.

ADULT SERIES

ESOL Classes {English for Speakers of Other Languages}

Tuesdays & Thursdays, January 13-May 16, 9:30 am Classes are offered with instructors of ASPIRE of Cuyahoga Community College.

Attendees must register with the ASPIRE office at 216-371-7138 or 216-261-5006.

<u>Chronicles of Yarnia</u> <u>Crochet Group</u>

Wednesdays, January 29, February 26, March 26, April 30, 6:30 pm Crochet {or knit} with us. All

skill levels welcome.

WILLOWICK PUBLIC LIBRARY

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. CLICK TITLE TO REGISTER.

HELP, I NEED TO SERIES AT WILLOWICK LIBRARY

Second Wednesday of each month - 6:30 pm



Find Food - January 8
Learn what services are available from the Willowick Food
Pantry, End 68 Hours of Hunger, and Little Annie's Hope Train.

<u>Get Veterans Services - February 12</u>
Bill Hines from the Lake County Veterans Service Center will discuss services available for veterans, how to apply for them, and more.

Learn About Service Animals for Children - March 12 W.A.G.S. 4 Kids provides mobility service and autism service animals for children with disabilities in Northeast Ohio.

Know Senior Center Services - April 9
Doreen Nevulis from the Willowick Senior Center will provide an overview of the services provided.

UPCOMING TOPICS - MAY THROUGH DECEMBER

Find Shelter - May 14

Get Legal Assistance - June 11

Take Care of My Animals - July 9

Find Services with United Way - August 13

Prepare for an Emergency - September 10

Stay Warm - October 8

Get Assistance with Landlord/Tenant Issues - November 12 Get Assistance with Home Ownership - December 10

WILLOWICK PUBLIC LIBRARY

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. CLICK TITLE TO REGISTER.



AROUND THE WORLD

WITHOUT LEAVING WILLOWICK

Saturday, April 12 - 10 am to 3 pm

Our second Around the World event will feature various area cultural groups and special performances.

11 am: Polynesian Dance with Dahmia

12 pm: <u>Slovenian Polkas with accordionist Joey Tomsick</u>

1 pm: <u>Greek Mythology with Hellenic</u> Preservation Society

2 pm: <u>Samba Da Cidade: That's</u> Portuguese for Samba of the City

YOUNG ADULT PROGRAMS

<u>Financial Literacy</u> Wednesday, February 19, 6:30 pm

Lake County Treasurer Mike Zuren will discuss making smart money choices and creating and developing strong saving and spending habits, along with a fun budgeting game. Grades 6-12. Ages 11-18.

Make A Candy Bar & Wrapper Thursday, April 10, 6:30 pm

Make your own chocolate candy bar with various fillings. While they set, we will make our own candy wrapper. Grades 6-12. Ages 11-18.

YOUNG ADULT SERIES

Empowerment Circle: Presented by Forbes House

Tuesdays, January 7, 14, 21, 28, February 4, 11, 18, 25, March 4, 11, 18, 25, April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 3:45 pm

Interactive discussions, educational presentations, and group activities. Ages 11-18.

Tween & Teen Anime Awesomeness

Wednesdays, January 15, February 5, 19, March 5, 19, April 2, 16, 3:30 pm Join us for a new anime each session. Draw, chat, snack, and have anime-zing time. Ages 10-18.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

WILLOWICK PUBLIC LIBRARY

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. CLICK TITLE TO REGISTER.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Love for Our Elders: Letter Writing

Thursday, February 6, 6:30 pm

Join local author Jacob Cramer in a read-aloud of his book, Grandma's Letter Exchange, and make a card for someone special. Ages 3-7.

Spring Fling

Thursday, March 27, 6:30 pm

Celebrate the start of spring with crafts, games, and more.

Cooking Class for Kids: Cookie Dip

Thursday, April 17, 6:30 pm

Learn how to make a Cookie Monster inspired cookie dip! All materials provided. Bringing your own apron is encouraged.



"We applied for our daughter's passport a few weeks ago at the Willowick Library. It was such a quick, easy process. So glad this service is offered!"

Jennifer J. - Willowick Library User

FOR STORYTIMES, HOMESCHOOL, AND ADDITIONAL SYSTEM-WIDE CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING, PLEASE SEE PAGES 18-23.

CHILDREN'S STORYTIMES

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. CLICK TITLE TO REGISTER.

STORYTIMES RUN FROM JANUARY 27-MARCH 20.

0-23 Months

Mondays, 6:30 pm; Tuesdays, 10 am - Willowick Library Wednesdays, 10 am - Willoughby Library Thursdays, 10 am - Eastlake Library

0-5 Years

Mondays, 11:30 am - Willoughby Hills Library Thursdays, 6 pm - Willoughby Library

2-3 Years

Tuesdays, 10 am - Willoughby Library Wednesdays, 10 am - Willowick Library

3-5 Years

Thursdays, 10 am - Willowick Library Thursdays, 2 pm - Willoughby Library

Adaptive Storytime - Eastlake Library

Zoom: Tuesdays, January 7, February 4, March 4, April 8, 6 pm In Person: Tuesdays, January 14, February 11, March 11, April 15, 6 pm Children of all ages and abilities are welcomed to this online interactive, inclusive storytime specifically designed to support varying developmental needs.

Messy Monday Storytime - Eastlake Library

Mondays, January 27, February 3, 10, 17, 24, March 3, 10, 17, 10 am Join us for Messy Monday Storytime, where kids ages 2-5 can dive into stories, and explore hands-on activities.

Story Lab - Eastlake Library

Mondays, January 27, February 3, 10, 17, 24, March 3, 10, 17, 6 pm Experience storytime with a twist of science! Ages 2-6.

CHILDREN'S ONGOING SERIES

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. CLICK TITLE TO REGISTER.

Young & Restless

Join our popular music and movement class for 2-4 year olds.

Tuesdays, January 7, 14, 21, 10 am or 6 pm Willoughby Library

Thursdays, January 9, 16, 23, 10 am Eastlake Library

Mondays, April 7, 14, 21, 28, 6:30 pm Wednesdays, April 9, 16, 23, 30, 10 or 10:45 am Willowick Library

Rescue Readers

Readers will improve skills, and provide company to animals awaiting adoption at Lake Humane Society.

Thursdays, January 9, February 13, March 13, April 10, 3 pm

Lake Humane Society - Mentor

<u>Family Playgroup</u>

Play, interact, and connect with other families at the library.

Fridays, January 10, February 21, March 7, 10 am Eastlake Library

Fridays, January 17, February 14, March 14, April 4, 11 am Willowick Library

> Mondays, April 7, 14, 21, 28, 11:30 am Tuesdays, April 8, 15, 22, 29, 6:30 pm Willoughby Hills Library



CHILDREN'S ONGOING SERIES

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. CLICK TITLE TO REGISTER.



LEGO Club

Bring the family to LEGO and Duplo playtime! All ages.

Saturdays, January 11, February 1, March 1, April 12, 1:30 pm Willowick Library

> Saturdays, February 1, March 1, April 26, 10 am Eastlake Library

Movement & Music

Join us for a fun program followed by an optional opportunity to socialize and play. Ages 2 -5.

Fridays, January 24, February 21, March 21, April 18, 3 pm Willowick Library

> Tuesdays, January 28, February 4, 11, 18, 25, March 4, 11, 18, 6:30 pm Willoughby Hills Library

Story, Craft & Play

Listen to stories, make a craft, and play! Ages 2-5.

Wednesdays, January 29, February 5, 12, 19, 26, March 5, 12, 19, 10 am Eastlake Library

TAKE YOUR CHILD TO THE LIBRARY

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. CLICK TITLE TO REGISTER.



TAKE YOUR CHILD TO THE LIBRARY DAY

Saturday, February 1

We're celebrating all week long by making bracelets! Each library will have a special bead and unique charm to collect through Saturday, February 8 {while supplies last}. Don't miss the featured events at each library during the week.

Cupid's Card Crafting

Saturday, February 1, 10 am - Willoughby Library

Create a Valentine's Day card for a special person in your life! Craft supplies provided.

No registration is required.

Homeschool History: Building Black Community

Monday, February 3, 2 pm - Willowick Library

Explore the city of Cleveland during the era of the Great Migration. Recommended for grades 4-5.

Homeschool Art

Friday, February 7, 1 pm - Willoughby Hills Library

Kids ages 5-11 will learn about picture book illustrator and author Nancy Elizabeth Wallace and create a piece of art in her style.

Sit, Stay, READ!

See date/description on Pg. 5.

HOMESCHOOL PROGRAMS

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. CLICK TITLE TO REGISTER.



CHILDREN'S HOMESCHOOL PROGRAMS

Homeschool LEGO Club - Willowick Library

Fridays, January 10, 31, February 28, April 11, 11 am We provide the LEGO, you provide the imagination!

Old School Computer Gaming - Willowick Library

Monday, January 13, 2 pm

We'll introduce your kids to the educational games you grew up playing. Recommended for ages 7-12.

Homeschoolers Scratch Coding - Willoughby Library

Wednesdays, January 15, February 19, March 19, April 16, 1 pm {Ages 8-11}

Wednesdays, January 15, February 19, March 19, April 16, 2:30 pm {Ages 5-7}

Using Scratch and ScratchJr, participants will program their own interactive stories/games and explore computational thinking and problem solving.

<u>Learn CPR - Willoughby Hills Library</u>

Friday, January 24, 1 & 2:30 pm

Children ages 7 and up and their parents will learn how to recognize the signs of cardiac arrest, and perform CPR.

Presented by Val Woods, LPN.

HOMESCHOOL PROGRAMS

HOMESCHOOL PROGRAMS

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. CLICK TITLE TO REGISTER.

Homeschool History - Willowick Library See date/description on Pg. 21.

Homeschool Art - Willoughby Hills Library See date/description on Pg. 21.

Holden Arboretum: Science - Willowick Library

Monday, March 24, 2 pm

The Sprouting Young Scientists program will educate early learners about plant science. Ages 4-6.

Technology: Take Apart - Willowick Library

Monday, April 7, 2 pm

Take apart a piece of technology and learn how the parts work together!

YOUNG ADULT HOMESCHOOL PROGRAMS

Ceramics for Teens - Willoughby Library

Thursdays, January 23, February 27, 2 pm

In this two-part program, Connor Costanzo, ceramic specialist from The Fine Arts Association, will help participants create colorful bird and birdhouse ornaments. Limit 14. Grades 6-12. Ages 12-18.

<u>Greater Cleveland Food Bank - Willoughby Library</u> Thursday, March 13

Tour the Greater Cleveland Food Bank and learn about the services they provide.

Presentation: 2 pm {Ages 12-18} Volunteering: 3 pm {Ages 14-18}

<u> Lake Metroparks Farmpark - Willoughby Library</u>

Thursday, April 3, 2 pm

Rangers will give a guided tour of the Plant Science Center at Lake Metroparks Farmpark. Grades 6-12. Ages 12-18.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS & EVENTS

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. CLICK TITLE TO REGISTER.



ALL AGES WARM UP READING CHALLENGE

February 3-March 31

The Warm Up Challenge is back! Celebrate the 2025 Summer Reading Program theme: Color Our World.

Read 5 books from the artthemed list and enter for a chance to win one of two \$50 Target gift cards. Reading list is available online and at all library locations.

Sign up at Beanstack or pick up a paper log for a chance to win!

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK APRIL 6-12, 2025

THEME: DRAWN TO THE LIBRARY

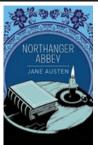


National Library Week is an annual celebration highlighting the role libraries, librarians, and library workers play in transforming lives and strengthening communities.

BOOK DISCUSSION CLUBS

BOOK DISCUSSION CLUBS

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. CLICK TITLE TO REGISTER.











Books You Never Wanted to Read But Should Book Club

Willowick Library - 7 pm

Wednesday, January 8: Northanger Abbey by Jane Austen Wednesday, February 5: A Tale of Two Cities by Charles Dickens Wednesday, March 5: The Light in the Forest by Conrad Richter Wednesday, April 2: Lonesome Dove by Larry McMurtry

Delicious Discussions Book Club

Downtown Willoughby Locations - 7 pm

Monday, January 13: Be Ready When the Luck Happens: A Memoir by Ina Garten {Beal's Pickles & Pints} Monday, February 10: Sociopath: A Memoir by Patric Gagne {Wild Goose}

Monday, March 10: The Blue Hour by Paula Hawkins {Barrio} Monday, April 14: The Mighty Red by Louise Erdrich {Sol}

Fireside Chat Book Club Eastlake Library - 7 pm

Tuesday, January 14: Hillbilly Elegy by J.D. Vance Tuesday, February 11: James by Percival Everett Tuesday, March 11: Take My Hand by Dolen Perkins-Valdez Tuesday, April 8: Camino Ghosts by John Grisham

Murder at the Hills Book Club Willoughby Hills Library - 2 pm

Thursday, January 9: The Manor House by Gilly Macmillan Thursday, March 6: What Have You Done? by Shari Lapena

<u>Tuesday Ladies Night Out Book Club</u> Willoughby Library - 7 pm

Tuesday, January 21: All the Colors of the Dark by Chris Whitaker Tuesday, February 18: The Briar Club by Kate Quinn Tuesday, March 18: The God of the Woods by Liz Moore Tuesday, April 15: Joe Nuthin's Guide to Life by Helen Fisher 25.

TECHNOLOGY CLASSES

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. CLICK TITLE TO REGISTER.

ALL CLASSES WILL BE HELD AT WILLOWICK LIBRARY AT 7 PM.

Computer Basics

Mondays, January 6, March 3

Learn how to turn on a computer, use a mouse and keyboard, and open and close basic computer programs.

Microsoft Word

Monday, January 13 Learn how to type, save,

and print documents in Microsoft Word.

Digital Books & Audiobooks

Mondays, January 27, March 31 Use OverDrive/Libby, hoopla, and other library apps for eBooks and audiobooks.

iPhone & iPad User Group

Monday, February 3

A short introduction to the basics of iOS followed by user-driven questions.

Android Phone & Tablet User Group

Monday, February 17

A short introduction to the basics of Android followed by user-driven questions.

Cutting the Cable

Monday, February 24

Looking to cut cable? Here's how to watch TV with just the Internet.

Microsoft Excel Monday, March 17

Learn how to create, save, and print documents in Microsoft Excel.

Internet Safety

Monday, March 24

Learn how to be safe online, create secure passwords, and avoid common scams.





We explore. We discover. We connect.

NEW LIBRARY SERVICES GUIDE

Introducing our new Library Services Guide!

Find information on Book Lockers, Research Databases, Resources for Educators & Families, and much more.

Pick up your copy today at any of our library locations, or online at we247.org.

ONLINE AUTHOR SERIES

ONLINE AUTHOR SERIES

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. CLICK TITLE TO REGISTER.



JANUARY SERIES

January 15, 7 pm: TJ Klune

January 23, 2 pm: Amanda Montell

January 28, 1 pm: Seth Fishman {VP and Literary Agent, Gernert Company} Topic: Publishing Process

FEBRUARY SERIES

February 4, 2 pm: Sabrina Sholts {Director of the Smithsonian Institution Bio-Imaging Research Center} Topic: The Human Disease - How We Create Pandemics, from Our Bodies to Our Beliefs

February 11, 7 pm: Waubgeshig Rice February 18, 2 pm: Lee Hawkins

MARCH SERIES

March 12, 2 pm: Dan Heath March 20, 2 pm: Clara Bingham March 26. TBD: Jennifer Weiner

APRIL SERIES

April 2, 7 pm: Jodi Picoult April 24, 7 pm: Gregg Hurwitz 27.



We explore. We discover. We connect.

Eastlake Public Library Willoughby Public Library Willowick Public Library

36706 Lakeshore Blvd. Eastlake, OH 44095 440-942-7880 30 Public Square Willoughby, OH 44094 440-942-3200 263 E. 305 St. Willowick, OH 44095 440-943-4151

Monday-Thursday, 9 am-9 pm; Friday-Saturday, 9 am-5 pm Sunday {Sep-May}, 1-5 pm

Willoughby Hills Public Library

35400 Chardon Rd. Willoughby Hills, OH 44094 440-942-3362

Monday-Thursday, 11 am-8 pm; Friday-Saturday, 11 am-5 pm Sunday {Sep-May}, 1-5 pm

Library Board of Trustees

Susan Roseum, President
Ashley El-Khoury, Vice President
Catherine Clampitt, Secretary
Frank Buttari
Jeffrey Mackey
Nicholas Monin
Diane Petruccio

Library Administration

35150 Lakeshore Blvd. Eastlake, OH 44095 440-943-2203

Rick Werner, Director Eric Linderman, Deputy Director Victoria Simmons, Fiscal Officer

{Board of Trustees meets the 3rd Monday of each month at 6 pm}

VISIT US ANYTIME AT WE247.ORG



