Message from the Director

If you're visiting ECPL for the first time or the 100th time, I think you'll agree that Libraries Rock! Libraries Rock is the 2018 Collaborative Summer Reading Program theme across the state of Ohio. This summer ECPL will continue to offer programs for the whole family that deliver everything from live concerts, activities, and films to Black History Saturday events. There are lots of ways ECPL can help you to make the most of all that summer has to offer.

If you're joining the Summer Reading Club, you'll enjoy reading your way to prizes whether you have a reading goal or just want to join for fun.

You won't want to miss Hubb's Groove, June 10th at 4:00 pm in the Greg L. Reese Performing Arts Center (doors open at 3:00 pm). The band features renowned musicians, including: Robert L. Hubbard, Jr., drums; George Granville, keys; Tony Watson, Jr., sax; Dan Wilson, guitar; Mariama Whyte, vocals; and special guest Skip Gibson, piano. The next concert will feature Voices of Gospel, July 21st at 4:00 pm!

These concerts are part of what will make ECPL rock this summer!

ECPL News from The Cleveland Foundation

Last month’s news shared an announcement about ECPL’s exciting award from The Cleveland Foundation. This $50,000 two-year grant will be used to broaden programming at the Greg L. Reese Performing Arts Center. With many programs and performances in the works, patrons and community members are invited to stay tuned for more. An example of building community through literacy, this grant will enhance ECPL’s efforts to make performing arts available to all.

Radical Words: Chrystos at ECPL

In collaboration with the LGBT Center of Greater Cleveland and Twelve Literary Arts, ECPL is delighted to welcome Menominee poet and activist Chrystos June 16 at 3:00 pm. Chrystos’ work is known for addressing Native rights, racism, feminism, and social justice issues through intimate, powerful, and accessible poetry. Winner of the Sappho Award of Distinction and the Audre Lorde International Poetry Competition, Chrystos’ writing transcends boundaries and challenges assumptions.

Celebrate Fathers with Literary Advocate and Emmy-Award Winner, Margaret Bernstein

ECPL welcomes the Emmy Award-winning local literacy advocate, community activist, and author, Margaret Bernstein for a special Father’s Day visit June 14 at 5:30 pm. A co-author of The Bond, a memoir on fatherlessness by the famed Three Doctors, Bernstein also authored two children’s storybooks, All In A Dad’s Day, and Donuts with Dad, which center on the bonds between fathers and their young children.
Ongoing Programs

CHILDREN & YOUTH PROGRAMS

- **Kids’ Café**, Monday–Friday, 12:30-1:30 PM
  Enjoy our summer lunch program.
- **Storytime**, Monday & Wednesday, 11:00 AM
- **Pee Wee Reading Roundtable and Just Dance**, Alternating Thursdays, 4:30 PM
- **Lego Lab**, Second Tuesdays, 4:00 PM Lego time!
- **Chess Club**, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays 3:30–5:30 PM
  Learn and Play with Chess Mentor, Donald McClendon.
- **Libraries Rock: Summer Reading Club**
  Check out the Summer Program Guide for details about weekly activities such as Lyric Writing Contests, Book Looks, and musical games all summer long.

ADULT PROGRAMS

**ICT Computer Literacy Program for Senior Adults,**
Mondays & Wednesdays, starting June 4, July 2, and August 6, 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

**Tech Toys Mondays**, 4:00–5:00 PM
Learn about the latest cool devices.

**Wired Wednesdays**, 3:00–3:30 PM
Bring your Kindle, laptop, or portable device for basic tech support.

**Fear Not Thursdays**, 4:00–5:00 PM
You’ve got questions, ECPL has answers!
Troubleshooting for mobile devices.

**Get Real: Nonfiction Writing Lab**, 4:30-5:30 PM
JUNE 20, JULY 18, AUGUST 15 (3rd Wednesdays)
Drop-in writing tips. Bring memoir chapters, college essays, or blogs.

**Summer Creative Writing**, 5:45-6:45 PM (3rd Wednesdays)
JUNE 20: **Mission Control**: Define your writing goals and your mission.
JULY 18: **Write-a-Thon**: Exercises to meet your summer writing goals.
AUGUST 15: **Open Workshop**: Bring in a project for feedback.

**ECPL Book Club**, 5:45-6:45 PM (4th Tuesdays)
JUNE 26: **Changing the Norm** by Laticia “Action” Jackson
JULY 24: **I Flunked Sambo University** by David Hunter
AUGUST 28: **Holding On** by Alyson O’Daniel

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Children's Literacy Corner

Literacy skills can slide when school is out, but ECPL has a summer loaded with activities to keep literacy skills growing all summer.

- **Join ECPL’s Summer Reading Club** – earn prizes and have fun!
- **Pick six**. Studies show that reading as few as six books over summer can keep a struggling reader from losing skills. (Scholastic, “Three Ways to Prevent Summer Slide”)
- **Daily reads**. Encourage children to read something every day – from recipes to online news or poems, a little practice goes a long way!
- **Make some noise**. Encourage your children to read to you and spend time reading together. Hearing words builds listening skills and confidence.
- **Chalk talk**. Take literacy outdoors with sidewalk chalk and your imagination!
- **Great books**. Check out ECPL’s Children’s Area, featuring thousands of selections, including these summer faves:

  **Juneteenth for Mazzie**
  by Floyd Cooper

  **In the Tall, Tall Grass**
  by Denise Fleming

  **Bring Me Some Apples and I’ll Make You a Pie**
  by Robbin Gourley

  **Lola Reads to Leo**
  by Anna McQuinn

  **One Hundred and One African American Read Aloud Stories**
  by Susan Cantor

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ICT Literacy Computer Program for senior adults

SUMMER START DATES: June 4, July 2, August 6
Mondays & Wednesdays
10:30 am – 12:00 pm

Learn the basics and more in a class designed for older adults. Learn Windows 10 basics, Gmail email setup, file management, cybersecurity and the Internet, as well as Microsoft Word. Space is limited, so register early. Monthly Literacy Outreach classes are also held at partner agencies: Salvation Army, Owl’s Nest Apartments, Helen S. Brown, and McGregor. Check on location for dates and times.

New ICT Literacy Computer Classes for all ages

Windows 10 Intermediate  JUNE 5, 4:00-5:30 PM
Now that you know the basics, learn more about Windows 10 including adding desktop icons, exploring settings, using task manager, uninstalling programs, and using the Windows store.

WordPress Series  JUNE 12-14, 4:00-5:30 PM
Get your first website up and running in 5 easy steps! Learn how to register an account and a domain name, pick a theme, and start creating pages! Learn how to design and add functionality to your website.

Best Travel Apps  JUNE 26, 4:00-5:30 PM
Learn how popular travel apps such as Priceline, Trip Advisor, Uber and even First Aid can help you enjoy your next trip.

Microsoft Excel 2013 Series  JULY 9-13, 4:00-5:30 PM
Learn how to use worksheets and workbooks in Excel to calculate, manipulate and format numbers and other types of data. We will also show you how to add visual interest to your worksheets.

Facebook: Basics & Getting Started  AUGUST 14-15, 4:00-5:30 PM
Learn about profiles, messages, posts, adding friends and content. Must have an email address.

All classes held in Computer Lab 2 on the second floor. Stop up for more info and to register!
Children's Activities

**Art to Go w/Cleveland Museum of Art**
**Wednesday, June 6, 2:00 PM**
Stop by for an interactive art project!

**Mad Science Monthly**
**Wednesdays, 2:00 PM**
**June 13: Dry Ice**
**July 11: Science of Toys**
**August 8: Rocket Demo**

**Father's Day Card**
**June 15, 3:00 PM**
Make a card to celebrate Dad, Grandpa, Uncle or anyone special.

**ZENWorks Yoga**
**Monday, June 18, Tuesday, July 17, Tuesday, August 14 / 2:00 PM**
Registration and signed waiver required, but no experience is needed. Wear comfortable clothes.

Teen Activities

**Libraries Rock QR Code Scavenger Hunt: Exploring Hip Hop**
**Wednesday, June 6**
Join a hip hop challenge scavenger hunt!

**Libraries Rock: Karaoke and Lip-Sync Battle**
**Wednesday, June 13**
Improvise and compete with friends.

**Summer Reading Book Look**
**Wednesday, June 20**
To earn eats and treats, borrow a book from the ECPL Summer Reading Program collection!

**Summer Reading Club Movie: Hairspray**
**Wednesday, June 27**
Bring a friend and join us at our Summer Reading Program movie night. Lower Auditorium

Adolescent Activities

**Juneteenth**
**Tuesday, June 19, 3:00 PM**
Learn about and celebrate the first African American holiday!

**JUNETEENTH**

**Hubb's Groove**
**June 10 / 4:00 PM / Greg L. Reese Performing Arts Center.**
Led by Robert L. Hubbard, Jr., with his diverse style blending Jazz, Gospel, R&B, and Rock. Doors open at 3:00 pm.

**Radical Words: Chrystos at ECPL**
**June 16 / 3:00 PM**
Join ECPL, Twelve Literary Arts, and the LGBT Center of Greater Cleveland in welcoming award-winning poet, Chrystos, for a poetry reading.

**Black History Saturdays**
**June 30 / July 28 / August 25 / 1:00-3:00 PM**
In partnership with ASALH (Association for the Study of African American Life and History).

**JUNE 30: Juneteenth / Black Music Month:** Drumming performance with Craig Woodson (Greg L. Reese Performing Arts Center)
**July 28: African American Freedom Fighters and Abolitionists:** From 1775 to the present.
**August 25: African American Playwrights:** Explore celebrated wordsmiths and storytellers.

Adult Activities

**Cool with Colors**
**Tuesdays, June 5, 12, 19, 26, 4:00 PM**
Relaxing coloring session, materials provided.

**Unsung: Autobiographies and Biographies**
**Thursdays, June 7, 14, 21, 28 / 4:00 PM**
Explore unique stories and join the discussion!

**All in a Dad’s Day**
**Thursday, June 14 / 5:30 PM**
Emmy Award-winning Margaret Bernstein gives a Father’s Day talk!

**Darrell Lane Photo Exhibit**
Reception Tuesday, June 19, 5:00 PM, Lower Auditorium.

**Social Scavenger Hunt**
**Wednesdays, July 11, 18, 25 / 4:00 PM**
Learn and explore the library, followed by a dicussion.

**Diversity**
**Mondays, August 6, 13 / 4:00 PM**
Explore different cultures, religions, music, food, and more.

**Summer Adult Reading Rap Up**
**Thursday, August 9 / 4:00 PM**
Meet local authors and learn about self-publishing. Light refreshments.

**National Senior Day**
**Tuesday, August 21 / 3:00 PM**
Resource day. Light refreshments.