

Chatham Public Library Summer Reading Program



Sign up on our website to receive a reading log kit - including stickers and bingo games! chatham.lib.ny.us While you are there, register for the fun programs, book clubs, and performances below.

Registration for EACH program is required.

Most of our programs will be held outside this year. In case of bad weather, keep an eye on your email for rain dates or Zoom links!

Outdoor Family Concerts

Take a Tromp through the Swamp with Tom Sieling

Monday, July 12th at 2:00pm - 3:00pm

Tom Sieling, a widely acclaimed singer, guitar and banjo player will perform a live family/children's concert outside in front of the Library. Join us to kick off our "Tails and Tales" Summer Reading Program. For families.

What's the Buzz? Tales of Tails with the Storycrafters

Tuesday, August 17th at 2:00pm - 3:00pm

Join Barry Marshall and Jeri Burns, PhD of the Storycrafters for a jam-packed performance of animal folktales. Bring your lawn chairs and get ready to participate in these funny critter stories and songs from around the world. For families.

Virtual Programs

Tale of the Rainbow Lizard with the Magic Lantern Traveling Theatre Company

July 18th - July 24th

Watch a virtual performance of a portrait artist trying to capture the secrets of an ever-changing gecko. Sign up on on our website (chatham.lib.ny.us) to receive a link to watch anytime during the week of July 18th - July 25th. For families.

Sew It! Workshop - Color Changing Chameleon Stuffie

August 1st - August 31st

Register to receive a project kit and link to a virtual hand sewing workshop during the month of August. Susan Lumpkin Brown, owner of Sew It! Workshop will guide you in a 45 - 60 minute tutorial on sewing and creating the chameleon stuffie. For ages 7 - 14.

Book Clubs

An Afternoon Tea with Eileen Moskowitz-Palma

Saturday, July 31st at 1:00pm - 2:00pm

Enjoy a cool refreshment while discussing The Popularity Pact: School Squad with author Eileen Moskowitz-Palma. Find out what it's like to be an author and why she wrote the book. For ages 8 - 12.
*The library will have copies of the book available for registrants to read BEFORE the meeting date.

One and Only Bob - Book Club

Thursday, August 12th at 2:00pm - 3:00pm

In this sequel to *The One and Only Ivan* by Katherine Applegate, the story continues with Bob, Ivan and Ruby, as Bob finds courage and discovers the meaning of friendship, family and home. For ages 8 - 12.

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Explore, Read, and Craft with Miss Becky

Shake & Shout Story Time

Wednesdays in July and August 10:30am-11:30am

Come get loud! Join our lively story time outside as we sing, dance & read a book together. For ages 2 - 4

Preschool Story Hour

Fridays in July and August 10:30am - 11:30am

Join Miss Becky under a tree in front of the library to listen to stories. An activity will be available to take home after story time. For ages 3 - 5

Art & Nature Club

Thursdays, July 15, 22, 29 & August 5 2:30pm - 3:30pm

Explore the summer season through journaling, science experiments and art activities. For ages 5 - 10

Registration is required for ALL programs



Tuesday's Tales & Craft

July 20 & 27, August 3 & 10 2:00pm - 3:30pm

Relax under the summer sun and listen to a fairy tale. Each week will have a related craft after the story. For ages 6 - 9

July 20: The Butterfly Boy - Butterfly Puppet

July 27: Pumia and the King of Sharks: A Hawaiian Folklore - Shark Puppet

August 3: Town Mouse Country Mouse - Ceramic Mouse

August 10: Hans Christian Andersen's Little Mermaid - Mermaid Garden

Complete the registration forms on our website: chatham.lib.ny.us