

GENEALOGY PROGRAMS

Finding Your Roots: Genealogy Basics

Tuesday Jan 23 | 6:30pm

Starting to research your family history? Join this session to learn the steps to creating your family tree and how to organize what you find. Presented by professional genealogist Judy Nimer Muhn of Lineage Journeys.

Further along in your research?

Are you stuck and not sure what to do next? Drop in and ask Judy or book for more personalized assistance.

FIND YOUR ROOTS

Genealogy Help Drop-Ins

Select Mondays: 6:30-8pm

Feb 12 | Mar 18 | April 15

Genealogy Help by Appointment

Please call us or stop in to schedule a 40-minute session on the below dates.

Wednesdays 12-3pm:

March 6 | April 3

Check Us Out - from Home!

Access free library ebooks, audiobooks, magazines, movies, comics and more with **Libby, Hoopla and Kanopy**. All you need is a device, internet access, and your Highland Library card. We are happy to help you get started. Call us, or ask at the adult reference desk any time we're open.

hoopla

Libby

kanopy

Puzzle Swap!

Saturday January 20 | 10-11am

Do you have already-completed puzzles? Exchange them for new-to-you puzzles at our Puzzle Swap! Drop off your puzzles at the adult reference desk anytime from January 8-18 and receive a coupon for each puzzle donated. Then visit us on January 20 to pick out fresh puzzles.

Indoor Salad Gardens: Microgreens

Tuesday Jan 30 | 5pm

Missing fresh greens while your garden is buried in snow? Try growing a mini indoor salad garden! Learn how to grow nutrient-dense greens in less than 10 days. Based on the book, *Year-Round Indoor Salad Gardening* by Peter Burke. All supplies will be provided, sponsored by our Friends of the Library.

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The New Deal's Travel Books of the 1930s

Thursday Feb 8 | 6:30pm

The Federal Writers Project produced a series of travel guides covering each state in the Union. This work is considered one of the most comprehensive accounts of American society ever produced. It ultimately became a scapegoat for critics of Franklin Roosevelt and the New Deal.

Rosie the Riveter

Illustration of Rosie the Riveter

ADULT PROGRAMS & EVENTS

Visit our website or online calendar for more information. Register in-person, online, or call us at 248-887-2218 (ext 3).

Free Tax Assistance from AARP TaxAide

Every other Thursday: Feb 1 | Feb 15 | Feb 29 | Mar 14 | Mar 28 | Apr 11

Trained volunteers from AARP will prepare and file your taxes for free. For seniors and low-to-moderate income taxpayers. In person registration begins January 2nd. Phone registrations will begin Monday, January 15, call (248) 887-2218, ext 3 to schedule your one-hour appointment.

"The Book Ends" Book Discussion Group

Second Wednesdays

Your choice of 2pm or 6:30pm

Jan 10 | Feb 14 | Mar 13 | Apr 10 | May 8

Pick up a copy of the month's book or check out an electronic version, then join us for a lively discussion.

Crafts for Adults

TAKE & MAKE KITS

Register, then pick up on the dates below. First priority to Highland residents.

Jan 18 | 3D Snowflakes

Feb 8 | Ice Lanterns

March 21 | Spring Cards

April 18 | Polymer Clay Craft

IN-PERSON

Kentucky Derby Hat

Saturday April 27 | 2pm

Craft a jaunty fascinator just in time for the Kentucky Derby next Saturday!

Technology help by appointment

Select Thursdays

Call or stop in to schedule your 1-on-1 session

Do you have questions on how to use your tablet, phone or laptop? Would you like to learn how to download ebooks or audiobooks from the library? Schedule a personal 30 minute session and we'll do our best to help.

Magazine Giveaway

Outside on the front walk.

Monday Apr 1 | Titles A - D

Tuesday Apr 2 | Titles E - H

Wednesday Apr 3 | Titles I - M

Thursday Apr 4 | Titles N - R

Friday Apr 5 | Titles S - Z

Saturday Apr 6 | Leftovers

Highland Township Public Library

WINTER/SPRING 2024

TRAVEL THROUGH SONGS & STORIES

SONGS & STORIES OF IRELAND

Thursday February 22 | 6pm

Let the wonderful songs of Ireland take you across the Atlantic through the voice of Irish singer, Enda Reilly. Enjoy the sound of the Irish language, learn about Ireland's turbulent history, hear the bodhrán Irish drum, celtic guitar and more.

Look for our new website soon!

We have a newly designed website coming soon. Look for better calendar features, improved search options and a responsive mobile design.

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Highland Township Public Library

RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMER

CLOSINGS:

Dec 31-Jan 1 | New Year's Holiday

Feb 19 | President's Day

May 25, 27 | Memorial Day

LIBRARY HOURS:

Mon-Thurs: 10am-8pm

Fri-Sat: 10am-5pm

Sunday Closed

Friends BIG Used Book Sale

FRIENDS MEMBERS PREVIEW SALE | Wed April 17 | 5-7pm

Thurs April 18 | 2-7pm

Fri April 19 | 10am-4pm

Sat April 20 | 10am-4pm

Friends of the Library

The Friends are folks from our area who are interested in supporting the library and keeping our community strong! Join now at \$10/individual/year.

Friends Meetings:

Friends meetings will be held at 5:30pm every other month on the following dates: Jan 11 | Mar TBD | May 9

Donations:

Accepted ONLY on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays, must be in bags or boxes

LEARN TO PAINT!

PAINTING WITH ARTIST NOELLE DOUGLAS

Tuesday February 20 | 5-7:30pm

This program demands a repeat! Noelle was with us in July 2023 and we had a blast! Noelle, a professional artist will be bringing her expertise, supplies and even music to guide you through creating your own masterpiece.

GRADES 6-12 ONLY PLEASE

Paintbrush

Thank you:

Marylou and Larry Davis

In Memory of Mary Lou Bonney Karp

Bruce and Janice Crofts

In memory of Hazel Crofts

The Friends of the Highland Township Public Library

Huron Valley Hot Robotics Team

Library Board meets the first Tuesday of each month at 5:30pm. Public is welcome to attend. Please check website for details.

STORYTIME
Every Child Ready to Read!

Our storytimes include the simple pre-reading practices of talking, singing, reading, writing and playing to help your child's language development.

Preschool Pages Storytime

AGES 3 TO 5 YEARS, WITH A CAREGIVER

This storytime features stories, movement songs, and a craft. Please register for each 4-week session separately:

SESSION 1:

Tuesdays at 10:30am OR 11:30am
Jan 23 | Jan 30 | Feb 6 | Feb 13

SESSION 2:

Tuesdays at 10:30am OR 11:30am
Mar 5 | Mar 12 | Mar 19 | Mar 26

Learn & Grow Toddler Storytime

AGES 18 TO 36 MONTHS AT TIME OF REGISTRATION, WITH A CAREGIVER

This storytime is designed to help children with socialization, cognitive and large motor development. Each child must be accompanied by an adult. **NEW:** Our 11:30am sessions will be sensory-friendly! Please register for each 4-week session separately:

SESSION 1:

Wednesdays at 10:30am OR
(Sensory Friendly) 11:30am
Jan 24 | Jan 31 | Feb 7 | Feb 14

SESSION 2:

Wednesdays at 10:30am OR
(Sensory Friendly) 11:30am
Mar 6 | Mar 13 | Mar 20 | Mar 27

PARENT/CHILD BOOK CLUBS

Build bonds through conversation about books and characters. Books will be available approximately 3-4 weeks before each meeting.

Parent-Daughter Book Club
Meets monthly on Mondays at 6pm

Jan 22 | Feb 26 | Mar 18 | Apr 15 | May 13

AGES 8 TO 12 YEARS

Bring dinner and parent! We'll play a game and discuss a book each month. Various genres to enjoy! Email Sherrie at srice@highland.lib.mi.us or call 248-887-2218 x4 to join.

Parent-Son Book Club

Meets Monthly on Thursdays at 6pm

Jan 18 | Feb 15 | Mar 14 | Apr 11

AGES 8 TO 12 YEARS

Enjoy a monthly book discussion and game! Bring dinner and a parent. Email David at dschwaninger@highland.lib.mi.us or call 248-887-2218 x4 to join.

OPEN HOUSE

For Parents!

Preschool Open House

Saturday Jan 27 | 10am to 1pm

FOR PARENTS

Want to find the best fit for your little one? Come meet representatives from local preschools and find the best place for your child to learn and grow. Drop in.

ALL FEBRUARY

Backyard Birds

ALL AGES

Join us as we participate in the Great Backyard Bird Count! Find activities and info on the birds in your backyard and beyond. Drop in all month long.

Abracadabra... It's Magic!

Select Saturdays at 11am

Jan 6 | Feb 17 | Mar 16 | Apr 6

AGES 8 - 12 YEARS

Join our monthly Magic Club! For beginners and Old Hats alike. Please email David at dschwaninger@highland.lib.mi.us or call 248-887-2218 x4 to join.

LEGO Fest

Monday Jan 15 | 10am to 3pm

AGES 3 TO 12 YEARS

Drop in any time for some LEGO! Build with bricks, watch the movies.

Kids Movie Afternoons

Tuesdays Feb 6 | Feb 27 | May 7

1pm to 3pm | Matinee

3pm to 5pm | Feature Film

AGES 5 - 12 YEARS

Getting out of school early today? Swing by the library to unwind with a movie and some snacks. Please register.

Music Time @ the Library

Wednesday May 15 | 10:30am

AGES 0 TO 5 YEARS, WITH A CAREGIVER

Join us for a Music Together® family class for children ages 0-5 years with a parent or caregiver. This program is brought to us by Music Time! of Milford. Please register.

Music Time!
of milford

YOUTH PROGRAMS & EVENTS



TAKE-AND-MAKE KIT Owl Pellet Dissection

Register, then pick up starting Feb 12

AGES 5 TO 12 YEARS

At the intersection of cool and gross science lie owl pellets! Dissect one and see what those birds of prey have been eating!

ALL MARCH --DROP IN

Spotlight: Alphabet

AGES 3 TO 5 YEARS

We're highlighting the good ol' ABC's! Join us for interactive letter and alphabet fun!

TAKE-AND-MAKE KIT

Rainy Day Stencils

Pick up starting March 4

AGES 3 TO 12 YEARS

Weather still too sloppy and dreary to be outside? Grab a take-home kit that will get you started stenciling. No registration, kits are first come, first served. Available while supplies last.

Preschool Teacher Enrichment

FOR PARENTS AND TEACHERS

Thursday Mar 7 | 6:15pm

Tuesday Mar 19 | 6:15pm

Tuesday Apr 16 | 6:15pm

This Early Childhood workshop is brought to us by MSU Extension. Continuing Education participants, bring your MiRegistry number. Please register for each class.

Mini Greenhouse Giveaway & Garden Party

Saturday Mar 9 | 2-4:30pm

FOR FAMILIES AND ALL AGES

Register to receive a mini Jiffy greenhouse and seed packets! Bring the family and enjoy fun crafts, activities, and resources to get your new garden started!



YOUTH PROGRAMS & EVENTS:
For ages birth through 6th grade.

ALL PROGRAMS REQUIRE REGISTRATION UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.

Registration starts 30 days before event date.

Call 248-887-2218 (ext 4),

or visit www.highlandlibrary.info to register.

Take Things Apart

Thursday Mar 21 | 5-7pm

AGES 8 AND UP

A great parent/child activity. (Carefully) take apart common household items like keyboards and radios! Please register.

TAKE-AND-MAKE KIT Smart Money MI Kids

Pick up starting April 8

AGES 5 TO 12 YEARS

Pick up a kit designed to help kids learn about finances. Includes a free book! No registration - kits are available first come, first served. While supplies last.

Reuse It! Egg Carton Keepsake Box

Wednesday Apr 24 | 5-7pm

AGES 5 TO 12 YEARS

We'll be re-using egg cartons to make cute, upcycled containers for your tiny collectibles! Please register.

Mother's Day Craft

Wednesday May 1 | 5-7pm

AGES 5 TO 12 YEARS

Time to make something for your mom, auntie, granny, tía, Nāinai, or other well-loved person in your life! We're keeping this craft a secret, but they'll love it! Please register.

TAKE-AND-MAKE KIT

Toddler Take-Home Crafts

Pick up a new craft or activity each month, just perfect for toddlers and young preschoolers. No registration necessary. First come, first served, while supplies last.

Outdoor Drop-In Play Group
May through September: Tuesdays & Fridays | 10am to Noon

AGES 0 TO 5 YEARS,

PLUS CAREGIVERS & FAMILIES

Drop in to play and socialize with a selection of educational toys and books.

In case of bad weather, this event will be canceled.

TEEN PROGRAMS & EVENTS

Please consult our online calendar or call 248-887-2218 (ext 3) for details and program pre-registration requirements.

Middle School Club Nom Nom a Nation

Mondays: Jan 8 | Feb 5 | Mar 4 | Apr 9 (Tuesday) | May 6 | 6pm

GRADES 6-8 ONLY PLEASE

Come explore a different country as we snack our way around the world with Universal Yums! There will be crafts, games and trivia about each month's country. It's a fun way to explore new foods, meet new people and enjoy all kinds of silly shenanigans.

Finals Study Seshes

Tuesday Jan 16 | Wednesday Jan 17 | 5-8pm

It's that time of the year when you've got to get your brain in gear and STUDY! We've got space for you to spread out, scratch equations or deep thoughts on our large white board, munch some fresh out of the oven cookies, sip comforting drinks, and even take a mental break by working on a puzzle or playing a vigorous game of Klask. Just drop in our community room anytime between 5 and 8pm.



Painting with artist Noelle Douglas

Tuesday February 20 | 5-7:30pm

This program demands a repeat!

Noelle was with us in July 2023 and we had a blast! Noelle, a professional artist will be bringing her expertise, supplies and even music to guide you through creating your own masterpiece.

Origami Craft

Monday March 11 | 6pm

Learn to make origami paper flowers with local resident, Kanako Arai! Kanako was here in October 2023 and she'll be back by popular demand!

Pi Break In Box

Thursday March 14 | all day

Fan of Pi Day? Fan of delicious pies? If you want a delicious pie on us, you're gonna have to work for it by going through some diabolical math/lock/Morse Code hoops. And if you can't jump through those hoops, more pies for us!

Painting DnD Miniatures

Monday March 25 | 5:30pm

Kenneth Schell of Odyssey of Eternity has been DM'ing a high school DnD group here at the library since December 2022 and the adventuring will continue well into 2024! Kenneth and his artist wife, Em have offered to facilitate a DnD miniatures painting session. Join us for what will be a fun evening of painting minis and DnD themed conversation. YES you will be taking your mini home with you.



Marblevator

Monday April 22 | 6pm

A marblevator is a marble ball track that features a cool elevator section. All credit to Greg Zumwalt of Instructables.com fame for this program idea. We've enlisted the Huron Valley HOT Robotics team to print components on their 3D printer and we will supply the rest of the bits and bobs necessary for you to create a mesmerizing Marblevator.



Free Comic Book Day (FCBD)

Saturday May 4 | 2-5pm

Drop in for a free comic book or two.

Come in costume and you'll score an ice cream treat! We send out a big thank you to our partner and sponsor for this annual event, Comic City! This year will be our 11th, offering free comic books at our library on FCBD. Insert tears of happiness emoji.



Wish and Friendship Bracelets

Monday May 20 | 6pm

We've invited Heather Dyson from Friendship by Heather to bring all the supplies and expertise needed to make Friendship bracelets. And we'll have all the supplies needed to make Wish bracelets too. Double prizes!

