



Wayland Library Summer Reading Program 2024

Sign up online and participate in fun activities all summer long!

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June 10 - August 18

Summer Reading Events



Outdoor programs are weather permitting and meet on the lawn behind the library. Most programs require registration. Call us at 508-358-2308 or visit our online Event Calendar to register. *The Massachusetts Statewide Summer Library Program is funded by the Massachusetts Library System, the Boston Bruins, and the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners. Additional funding for Wayland's Summer Reading Program came from the Friends of the Wayland Public Library, the Wayland Cultural Council, and the Arthur Ashley Williams Foundation.*

Mon. June 10 Summer Reading Program officially begins!

Start earning virtual badges on Beanstack by logging reading and completing activities. These badges come with raffle tickets for prize drawings. At the end of the summer we will have drawings for 3 gift cards! Kids who sign up can stop by the library to pick up a goody bag.

Tues. June 18 3:30 PM Summer Reading Kickoff: Magician Scott Martell

Local Magician Scott Martell will amaze and delight children and families with his magic tricks. We will meet in the North Wing. For all ages.

Thurs. June 20 3:30 PM Solstice Program

Celebrate the longest day of the year and the beginning of summer. We will learn how to do the yoga sun salutation pose as well as listen to stories about the summer solstice, and make a flower crown. For ages 4 and up, with caregiver.

Weds. June 26 3:30 PM Silver Circus

Andrew Silver presents a one-man circus featuring spectacular magic, juggling and physical comedy, with tons of opportunity for audience participation. For all ages. Event takes place at Hannah Williams Playground, 71 Main Street.

Thurs. June 27 3:30 PM Make a Miniature Paper Circus

Children will create a 3-D miniature paper circus scene with Ms. Elise. For ages 6 and up, with caregiver.

Mon. July 1 3:30 PM Milk Carton Bird Feeder

Join Ms. Abby outside to listen to picture books about birds and then make a bird feeder out of a milk carton. We will meet outside on the lawn. For ages 4 and up, with caregiver.

Tues. July 2 3:30 PM Grocery Store Gardening

Ms. Wendy will teach the basics of propagating plants from kitchen veggie scraps in this fun STEM program. Participants leave with an information sheet on what they can grow as well as some experiments to try at home! We will meet outside on the lawn. For ages 7 and up, with caregiver.

Tues. July 9 3:30 PM Outstanding Owls

Listen to local artist Rob Dunlavey read one of the picture books he illustrated, *Owl Sees Owl* by Laura Godwin, and learn how Rob created the drawings of the owls in the book. Then make an owl puppet. For ages 4 and up, with caregiver.

Weds. July 10 10 & 11 AM Wild World of Reptiles

Joy from Joys of Nature will bring live reptiles to Hannah Williams Playground and teach kids about these amazing animals. She will also talk about what we can all do to help these animals. For ages 4 and up, with caregiver. Event takes place at Hannah Williams Playground, 71 Main Street.

Thurs. July 11 10:30 AM Read to a Bunny

Children will listen to a rabbit-themed story, learn about rabbit behavior and interact with the bunnies. For ages 3 and up, with caregiver.

Mon. July 15 3:30 PM Learn Ukulele with Julie Stepanek

Join Julie Stepanek as she teaches the fundamentals of ukulele playing. No experience necessary. Ukuleles provided or bring your own. For ages 7 and up.

Tues. July 16 3:00 PM Peter and the Wolf

The Storytime Quintet, a group of five professional musicians, will perform a 45-minute rendition of Prokofiev's "Peter and the Wolf". The musicians will introduce their instruments and will demonstrate how the different instruments represent the animals in the story. For ages 4 and up, with caregiver.

Thurs. July 18 10:30 AM Musical Storytime with Ms. Janet

Join Ms. Janet for some musical fun! Read stories about musical instruments, sing, dance and make your own pretend ukulele. For ages 3 and up, with caregiver.

Wed. July 24 3:00 PM Chain Reactions with Playful Engineers

Playful Engineers teaching artist Jay Mankita will present a workshop in which children learn to design, build, test and play with Rube Goldberg "Machines" and other chain reactions. We will meet outside on the lawn. For ages 4 and up, with caregiver.

Thurs. July 25 3:30 PM Recycled Rubber Band Race Cars

Join Ms. Abby to learn how to use recycled materials to create a speedy, rubber band powered race car. Kids will leave with their own car to race at home. For children in grades 1st-3rd, with caregiver.

Thurs. July 31 3:30 PM Collaborative Outdoor Chalk Mural

Children will listen to a picture book about the Mexican artist Diego Rivera, and then we will create our own collaborative sidewalk chalk mural to represent all the many things in nature we care about. This program will be held outside. There is no rain location. For children in grades 1st-3rd, with caregiver.

Weds. Aug. 1 3:30 PM All About Bees with Sudbury Bees

Sofia Trevino of Sudbury Bees will share some of the fascinating details of a bee's life. She will bring a beehive observatory and honey wax. Children will then create their own pretend beehives using bubble wrap and paint. For ages 4 and up, with caregiver.

Weds. Aug. 7 2:00 PM Rolie Polie Guacamole Family Concert

Award winning Rolie Polie Guacamole has a smart, parent and kid friendly musical style. Rockin' fun for babies to 8 years with their grownups! Event takes place at the Hannah Williams Playground, 71 Main Street, Wayland.

Fri. Aug. 9 3:00 PM Irish Dancing

Join the O'Shea Chaplin Academy of Irish Dance for a fun afternoon of reels and jigs! Watch a performance and learn a few steps with the dancers! For ages 4 and up, with caregiver.

Tues. Aug. 13 3:30 PM Kindness Rocks

Join Ms. Pam to decorate kindness rocks. You can bring your own rock, or use one of ours. Leave a rock to display in the garden in front of the library, and take one home. We will meet outside on the lawn. For ages 4 and up, with caregiver.

Weds. Aug. 14 3:30 PM Make a Mobile Out of Recyclables

Join Ms. Elise to make a mobile using small tree branches and all kinds of objects, natural and man-made. We will meet outside on the lawn. For ages 5 and up, with caregiver.

Thurs. Aug. 15 3:30 PM Ice Cream Social

All participants in our Summer Reading Program are invited to an Ice Cream Party to celebrate their reading. Children will make their own sundaes! We will meet on the lawn behind the library.