

Summer Adventure @ the Voorpl • 2021

Tails & TALES

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The Voorheesville Public Library is excited to keep our community reading, learning and exploring with the Summer Adventure @ the Voorpl. Make a READsquared account to track reading on our website beginning on June 1. There will be prize incentives for participants who record their reading by midnight on Friday, August 13.

This Summer, different types of programming will be offered as we strive to reach our patrons in varied ways with a wide array of opportunities. Some programs will be held in the park and other community sites. Virtual programs can be viewed using private links emailed to registrants. Some will offer Take & Make kits paired with instructional videos. We'll even introduce some interactive events on social media. Please register for activities using our online calendar beginning on June 1. Registrants will receive emails with current COVID protocols that must be followed for in-person programs.

It's going to be a fun Summer full of Tails and Tales!



SUMMER CONTESTS & COLLECTION DRIVES



Cardboard Pet Castle Contest

Construction Site Contest Kick-off on Friday, July 2, 11:00 am - 4:00 pm
Photo submissions due by Saturday, July 24, 4:00 pm

Pick up some cardboard and get started building your cat castle, mouse maze, hamster hut, ferret fort or rabbit run at home. Submit a photo of your construction to our Cardboard Pet Castle Contest by emailing reference@voorpl.org, including names of creators, title for your project, and type of pet it was built for. Open to families, teens, and adults.



Reading Tales with Tails Pet Photo Contest

Thu., July 1 - Sat., July 31

For the entire month of July, we'd like to see photos of you reading a book to your furry, feathery, scaly, spiky, or hard-shelled pet (or someone else's pet). All who submit a photo to pr@voorpl.org will receive a pet-related prize. The two best entries will receive an additional extra special prize!

Pet Supply Collection

Mon., Aug. 2 - Sat., Aug. 14

Show your love for shelter animals by contributing to our pet supply collection! The Mohawk Hudson Humane Society has a continuous need for food, bedding, cleaning supplies, and other animal care items. Please check their wish list and guidelines online, and drop off your donation during regular library hours.



Key: ☺ = Virtual Program ☑ = Take & Make (pick up bag) R=Registration Required Z@©m = Zoom
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TWEENS & TEENS



Be the Change

Are you concerned about issues that are in the news right now? If you want to be prepared to “Be the Change You Wish to See in the World,” reading is a great way to start! The environment, immigration, gun violence, racism, mental health, and any number of social issues can be explored through books. Read a fiction or nonfiction book about a topic that interests you, share a slide with teens@voorpl.org by 8/13, and snag your Be the Change tote bag. Families and friends are encouraged to read together as well and discuss a title to claim a canvas bag. Email teens@voorpl.org if you need book suggestions for your topic. You will earn Community Service hours for participating. Grades 6-12, please register on the August 13 calendar entry.

Read It Forward!

All Summer Long

For the eighth year, we'll be releasing free books into the community. This year, there are two titles being offered. *Ghost* by Jason Reynolds, a realistic story about a gifted runner joining a track team, will be available for middle school students. Marie Lu's science fiction title will immerse high school readers in the world of the virtual online game *Warcross*. Pick up a copy of either title, read it, comment on it, and pass it on to another teen – there are no due dates or late fees. If you need help passing a copy forward, drop it off at the library. You can also read the title on one of the YA eReaders, download the ebook or audiobook, or request a library copy. No registration required; grades 6 and up.



Teens Care

Kit pickup begins Thu., July 22 • 11:00 am

Pick up supplies to create an item that will bring comfort to shelter animals. Return your finished project by August 14 and receive Community Service hours. Grades 7-12. **R • 📦**

Teen Time: Play Day

Fri., July 30 • 2:00 - 3:30 pm

@ Wallace Park

Get outside and play some ridiculous games with your friends – Crazy Croquet, Obstacle Course, Olympic challenges, prizes, and food, of course. Rain date Friday, August 6. Grades 6-12 **R**



Creativity Labs

Pick up a project kit, follow or view the project instructions online, and get creative! Experiment with wind after decorating your bird kite or with electric motors by assembling an air racer. Get crafty and imaginative with critter craft kits and Fantastic Creature notebooks. Some household supplies and tools may be needed. Register separately for the activities that appeal most to you. Grades 6-9. **R • 📦**

Bird Kites

• **kit pickup begins Wed., June 30 @ 11 am**

Air Racers

• **kit pickup begins Wed., July 14 @ 11 am**

Critter Crafts

• **kit pickup begins Wed., July 28 @ 11 am**

Fantastic Creature Notebooks

• **kit pickup begins Wed., Aug. 11 @ 11 am**

Llama Laundry Bag

Pick up begins Wed., July 7 • 11:00 am

Use basic sewing machine skills to make a llama laundry bag at home. Canvas llama print fabric, thread, and cord included. Sewing machines can be borrowed from the Library of Things, if needed. Grades 7-12. **R • 📦**



Manga Book Club

Heaven's Design Team by Tsuta Suzuki

Thu., July 15 • 7:00 pm

Welcome to the wild thing factory! The design team faces many unique and funny engineering challenges when creating the animals that will populate Earth. Whether we meet up in person or online, you will get a chance to design a new animal with provided supplies. Grades 9-12, register and pick up a copy of the book. **R**



Dungeons & Dragons

Interest Group

Thur., Aug. 5 • 7:00 pm

Whether you're a seasoned adventurer or just starting out, come talk about all things D&D! Get some tips on building and running your own games, share stories with heroes of young and old, and maybe even meet a few new party members!

Don't worry if you've never played - every hero is welcome! Grades 7 and up; register for the Z@om meeting link. **R • 🎮**



Middle School Book Club Adventure

Blood Mountain by James Preller

Tue., July 20 • 2:00 - 4:00 pm

@ Heldeberg Workshop

Rain Date: Wed., July 21 • 2:00 - 4:00 pm

Read this exciting wilderness survival story by local author, James Preller, then join up for a hike on Heldeberg Workshop land. (Don't worry, our guide, Steve Young, will keep us from getting lost.) Grades 6-9, register and pick up your free hardcover copy at the library. **R**



Teen Book Club

Moxie by Jennifer Mathieu

Mon., Aug. 9 • 7:00 pm

Pick up a paperback copy of *Moxie* at the library (or download from Libby) and join the girl revolution! Whether we meet outdoors or online, we'll decorate empowering tanks and tees, snack and chat. Grades 8-12, register and pick up a copy of the book. **R**

