WED 12 - 8:30 | THU 9 - 8:30 | FRI 9 - 5:30

SAT 9 - 4:30 | SUN 1 - 4:30

For children in Kindergarten and younger Drop in to play. Adult caregiver must stay in the playroom with their child. No registration is required.



## Story Times

Session begins Monday, June 2 - Friday, August 1 \*Registration is required and begins one week in advance.

#### Toddler Tales\*

Mondays | 10:30 AM

Ages 2 & 3 with an adult Enjoy books, songs, and finger plays.

#### Baby & Me Story Time\*

Mondays | 11:15 AM

Ages 0 - 23 months with an adult Stories, songs, and play for babies and caregivers.

#### **Music Story Time\***

Tuesdays | 10:30 AM

All ages with an adult Movement activities, songs, and a book.

#### Club 4 & 5\*

Tuesdays | 2 PM

Ages 4 & 5

Children attend independently to explore stories, sing and dance to songs, and complete an activity. This program also boosts kindergarten readiness.

#### Pajama Story Time\*

Tuesdays | 6:30 PM

All ages with an adult Books, songs, and fingerplays. Children may wear their favorite PJs.

#### Wednesdays Together\*

Wednesdays | 10:30 AM

All ages with an adult Enjoy a midweek story time with books, songs, and more.

#### Friday Family Story Time\*

Fridays | 10:30 AM

All ages with an adult Bring the whole family for books, songs, and more.





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# Youth Program Guide Summer 2025



The Kent Free Library Summer Read 2025 is here. This year's theme is Color Our World. The program will run from June 1 - July 31, 2025. Participants of all ages can pick up a reading record from any Information Desk at the library. Track your reading and time spent outdoors to earn prizes and grand prize raffle tickets.

Children ages 4 - 18 are invited to submit original artwork to display in the DuBois Children's Room during the month of June. Two-dimensional artwork is preferred. A limited number of small- to medium-sized three-dimensional pieces will be accepted, space dependent. One submission per child. Submit entries May 1 through May 24, and join us for an art show reception on June 28.







## Youth Programs

#### Tween Book Boxes\*

#### JUN | Theme: Art Mysteries JUL | Theme: Get Crafty

Entering grades 3 - 5

A themed box containing a library book and related treats. Register online and pick up a box from the Children's Room starting on the 1st of each month.

#### Tales and Treats\*

#### TUES | JUN 3 - JULY 29 | 4:30 PM

Entering grades K - 2

Try different art styles, listen to *The Mona Mousa Code* by Geronimo Stilton, have a snack, and more.

#### **Books & Beyond\***

#### TUES | 5/20, 6/17, 7/15, 8/19 | 7 PM

Entering grades 3 - 5

Participants read one book prior to each meeting (titles can be found on the calendar at kentfreelibrary.org), then meet for a lively book discussion and related activities.

#### Pokémon Club\*

#### WED | 5/21, 6/18, 7/16, 8/20 | 6 PM FRI | 6/6, 7/25, 8/8 | 4 PM

Entering grades PreK - 8

Battle, trade and discuss all things Pokémon. Bring your cards & decks.

#### 18th Annual Youth Photo Contest

Get ready Shutterbugs! Students entering grades 5 - 8 are invited to take pictures of their favorite things, people and places, and submit the photos via email to Leah Berger: leah.berger@kentfreelibrary.org by Monday, July 7. Each photographer may submit two entries. Please include the following information in the email along with your photograph: Student's name, parent/guardian's name, grade entering, phone number, and title of photograph(s). Photos will be on display in the children's room from July 14 through July 27 for the public to view and vote for their favorite. The top three photographers will receive Target gift cards. Winners will be notified by August 5, 2025.

#### Ready, Set, Art\*

WED | 5/28, 6/25, 7/30, 8,27 | 6 PM

Entering grades 1 - 5

Each session will focus on the style of a specific artist. Come explore and develop your artistic talents.

## Kids Paint Night: Summer Pointillism\*

WED | JUL 23 | 6 PM

Entering grades 3 - 5
Use your creativity to plan and execute a pointillism painting.

#### Weave of Art\*

#### THUR | JUN 5 - JUL 31 | 4 PM

Entering grades 2 - 8

Use a carboard loom to learn to weave and create a unique wall hanging of your own design. Attend each week and progress through your individual project.

#### Tween Zone\*

#### THUR | JUN 5 - JUL 31 | 7 PM

Entering grades 3 - 5 Weekly variety of fun and creative activities including art, crafts, games, and more.

## Builders Club\*

and playing chess.

FRI | 6/27, 7/18 | 4 PM

Junior Chess Club\*

FRI | 6/20, 7/11 | 4 PM

Entering grades 2 - 5

Entering grades PreK - 8
Creative construction featuring Legos.
Builds will be on display at the Library between sessions.

A club for those interested in learning

#### Senses In Motion\*

SAT | 5/17 | 10:30 AM SUN | 6/8, 7/20, 8/10 | 2 PM

Children of all ages with a grown-up
Drop in the KFL Craft Room for
sensory art, toys, and experiences.

### Baby & Toddler Playdate\*

SAT | 6/21, 8/2 | 10 AM

Ages 0 months - 3 years and a grown-up Join us for a playtime specifically designed for the smallest littles. Drop in between **10 AM** and **noon** to explore toys, simple art, listen to music, and meet new friends.

## **Special Summer Programs**

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## SUN Food Food Service Program

Free Lunch for ages 18 and younger Monday - Friday, June 9 - August 15 11 AM - 12 PM Youth Services Craft Room No registration required

#### Stevens Puppets Presents: The Wizard of Oz\* FRI | JUN 20 | 2 PM

Families with children of all ages
Follow the yellow brick road to the library
for a production of *The Wizard of Oz* told
through classic puppetry and handcarved marionettes.

#### Kent Blossom Music Festival Children's Concert\* THUR | JUL 17 | 10 AM

Families with children of all ages
Enjoy a musical performance followed by
an interactive session on musical
instruments.

#### Columbus Children's Theatre Presents: Storybook Adventures\* SAT | JUL 19 | 10 AM

Families with children of all ages Enjoy a theatrical experience of *The* Very Hungry Caterpillar.

#### Mystical Crafternoon\* SAT | JUL 19 | 2 PM

Families with children of all ages
As part of Wizardly Weekend, young witches and wizards can embark on a quest to create their perfect wand and hat.

## The Wonderful World of Bubbles\*

THUR | AUG 28 | 2 PM

Families with children of all ages
Have you ever seen bubbles walk on
a tightrope, change shape, or get big
enough to fit a person inside?
Experience bubbles like never before
with Sue the Bubble Lady.

\* Registration is required. Deadlines may apply. View program details on the event calendar at www.kentfreelibrary.org.