August 2022 Calendar of Events for Children, Teens, & Families

Summer Reading is in full swing and runs through Friday, August 19. Find out how to get started [here](#), and see our full lineup of summer programs [here](#). Highlights in August include STEAMy Summer Days for teens, [Jedi Academy (8/2)](#), [Pirates Lost at Sea (8/4)](#), [Music and Puppets with Jumpin' Jamie (8/12)](#), and much more. Find a full listing of events below with details on attending. And if you’d like to hear more from me about our programs and services for youth, be sure to sign up for [What's the Story?](#).

Through the end of August, you can reach us Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. at [914-422-1400](tel:9144221400), by texting WPPL to [66746](https://us2.campaigngram.com/), or by [emailing us](mailto:jcarlson@whiteplainslibrary.org) anytime.

Take care,

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To attend a virtual event, either register through the provided link or,
if attendance is open, visit the link for information on joining on the date the event occurs. Events for parents are in orange, kids and family events are in yellow, teen events are in green, and events for assorted age groups are in blue. NOTE: To increase security in youth-focused programs, we are now requiring attendees to have a Zoom account to login to the event. **Creating an account** is easy and free.

STEAMy Summer Days Week 5: 3D Printing
Monday, August 1–Thursday, August 4
1:00–3:45 p.m.
Media Lab
Learn 3D Design and print out your own projects.

August StoryWalk: These Seas Count
Monday, August 1–Wednesday, August 31
Library Plaza
Take a walk in the Garden Plaza, and along the way enjoy reading the book, *These Seas Count*, by Alison Formento, illustrated by Alice Faye Duncan.

White Plains Library Foundation for many of our programs. Events funded by the Foundation are noted with an ✳️.

Jedi Academy
Storytime for Ages 2-6
Tuesday, August 2 & 30
Thursday, August 11, 18, & 25
11:00–11:35 a.m.
Saturday, August 6
2:00–2:35 p.m.
Library Plaza
Enjoy a storytime with a Trove Librarian outside on the Library Plaza. Please bring a blanket to sit on if you would like. In case of rain, this event will be held in our auditorium. For ages 2-6 and their families.

Digital Library Resources
Wednesday, August 3
10:30–11:00 a.m.
Join Digital Media Specialist Austin Olney and learn about popular online library resources. Beginners are encouraged, all are welcome. For adults, parents. Register in advance here.

Open Media Lab for Teens
Tuesdays & Thursdays
August 2, 4, 9, 11, 16, 18, 23, & 25
4:45–5:30 p.m.
Edge Media Lab
In this open, non-structured, session, youth are free to experiment with various apps, games, gadgets and other tech resources at the library. From robotics to Minecraft, there are a variety of computer science fields to explore in this safe, hands-on environment.

Tuesday, August 2
2:00–3:00 p.m.
Library Plaza
Calling all Vaders, Space Princesses, and Wookies. Come learn the ways of the Jedi and access the Force within! Featuring slapstick, magic, puppetry, bubble-play, and cartoon-like sound effects Jedi Academy! allows children the chance to live out their Star Wars dreams. Rain location: Library Auditorium, capacity limits may be in effect.
**The Jester Jim Show!**
**Tuesday, August 3**
**11 a.m.–12 p.m.**
**Library Plaza**

Juggling, spinning iPads, beat boxing, amazing tricks and lots of laughs. With a trunk full of props and a looping machine, Jester Jim takes the stage and starts his show. Rain Location: Library Auditorium. Space will be limited. First-come, first-served, pick up a ticket at the Trove desk.

**Pirates Lost at Sea**
**Thursday, August 4**
**2:00–3:00 p.m.**
**Library Plaza**

Ahoy there, matey! Set sail with us on a thrilling action-packed adventure about a crew of quirky pirates marooned on a desert island. With mutiny and high-tide looming, they must rescue their salty captain.

**Poetry Slam & Open Mic**
**Wednesday, August 3**
**7:00–9:00 p.m.**

Join Zork and Kristen for our First Wednesday Poetry Slam! Pre-registration is required to try and accommodate as many poets as possible. Register here to attend or perform. Please be sure to provide an active email address as we will contact you to confirm whether you will be performing or just attending.

Adults & teens welcome!

**Game Design for Youth**
**Thursday, August 4**
**4:00–4:30 p.m.**
**Edge Media Lab**

Participants of this program will learn key game design concepts,
and find a way to repair their ship before all hope is lost … at sea! Throughout the story, we’ll explore the incredible science behind clouds, physical and chemical changes, air pressure, and more! Volunteers from the audience will help us conduct several hands-on science experiments that ‘ARRR’ sure to amaze you! Rain Location: Library Auditorium. Space will be limited. First-come, first-served, pick up a ticket at the Trove desk.

Let's Groove Music Class! Tuesday, August 9 11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Library Plaza
Let's Groove Music Class! For ages 3 months to 5 years. Rain Location: Library Auditorium. Space will be limited. First-come, first-served, pick up a ticket at the Trove desk.

Move and Groove Under the Sea Monday, August 8 11 a.m.–12 p.m. Library Plaza
It’s an "underwater" movement, dance, song and stories program with Miss Jolie, live and in-person on the Library Plaza! Please feel free to bring a blanket to sit on. Rain Location: Library Auditorium. Space will be limited. First-come, first-served, pick up a ticket at the Trove desk.

Zoom Tips & Tricks Wednesday, August 10
cooperatively, in a safe, private server. Click here to register
Create a Minecraft World  
Tuesday, August 9  
4:00–4:30 p.m.  
Edge Media Lab  
Want to build your dream house? In this session, youth are invited to work together in a safe learning environment via Minecraft Realms and focus on their design skills. Activities will include digitally planning to adequately survive in a randomly generated world and/or building things collectively with others in creative mode. All are welcome to partake in some fun with both library friends and tech specialist Austin Olney. Find system requirements and register in advance [here](#).

Creative Fortnite for Teens  
Thursday, August 11  
4:00–4:30 p.m.  
Edge Media Lab  
Participants of this program will design Fortnite worlds and test them out, using development features. Learn how to build a 3D environment! [Register here](#).

Music and Puppets with Jumpin' Jamie

*TBA Igloo Session*

Wednesday, August 17

2:00–2:30 p.m.
Participants of this session will learn tips and tricks for attending (and hosting) Zoom events. [Click here](#) to register.
Friday, August 12  
2:00–3:00 p.m.  
Library Plaza  
Join "Kindie Rock" musician Jumpin' Jamie and a cast of puppet friends for singing, dancing, and an "ocean adventure"! Rain Location: Library Auditorium. Space will be limited. First-come, first-served, pick up a ticket at the Trove desk.

5:15–5:45 p.m.  
HYBRID–Room A  
Participants of this session will learn about various topics relating to digital technology and computer science. Presented by Digital Media Specialist Austin Olney. Register for the in-person section here. Register for the virtual section here.

Engineering Time for Youth  
Thursday, August 19  
4:00–4:30 p.m.  
Edge Media Lab  
Participants of this program will practice engineering skills and partake in a variety of activities. Click here to register. This program is made possible with support from Con Edison.

Stories & Stuff  
Thursday, August 19  
4:30–5:30 p.m.  
Library Plaza  
Join us to listen to some stories and create a craft! This program is for children ages 4 through 8. This program is first come, first served. Please visit the Compass desk in the Trove starting at 4:00 PM to get a ticket. In case of inclement weather, this event will be held in the auditorium.

Going to School,
**Storybook Dancing**  
**Tuesday, August 23**  
**11:00–11:45 a.m.**  
**Library Plaza**

Steffi Nossen School of Dance returns for in-person Storybook Dancing, a mix of movement and dance alongside great stories. Please feel free to bring a blanket to sit on. Rain Location: Library Auditorium. Space will be limited. First-come, first-served, pick up a ticket at the Trove desk. For ages 2-6.

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**How Fun!**  
**Wednesday, August 24**  
**4:30–5:30 p.m.**  
**Library Plaza**

Funny stories and songs about going to school. A school related craft to follow. For grades K-2. In case of inclement weather, this event will be held in the auditorium.
Join us in the Library Plaza for a fun hour of Book Bunch discussion on Stand Up Yumi Chung. We will discuss the book together and play a trivia game. Rain location will be in the Auditorium. We will provide a free copy of the book for the first ten individuals to register for the discussion. When the books are available, we will email to arrange pickup; please list an email address when registering. Click here to register. You can place a hold on the print book with your library card using our catalog. If you prefer the eBook, you can find it on Libby here.
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