

# ProgramGuide

September • October

A guide to programs at the Flint Public Library

AUTUMN  
2022



**NEW  
EVENTS!**  
THERE'S SOMETHING  
FOR EVERYONE!

## September is Library Card Sign-Up Month

UNLEASHING THE POWER OF THE FLINT PUBLIC LIBRARY CARD STARTS WITH SIGNING UP!

**Flint Public Library**  
1026 E. Kearsley Street, Flint MI 48503

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810.232.1111

Hours: Tue-Thu, 11 AM-8 PM  
Fri-Sat, 9 AM-6 PM • Closed Sun-Mon



## TALK

### TEXT AND LEARN FOR KINDERGARTEN

It's never too early to start learning! Participants in TALK receive 8-10 text messages per month with fun, age-appropriate activities to do at home to prepare your little ones ages 5 and under for school success.

Sign up for the program by texting the word TALK to 75547 or by going to their website [texttolearn.com](http://texttolearn.com).

Registration is anonymous. The only personal information you'll need to give is your phone number and child's age.

The TALK program was made possible in part by the Institute of Museum and Library Services, and Flint Public Library is a registered partner organization.

## Kanopy: Stream Movies, TV Shows & Kids Programs

If you're interested in independent, international, classic, or documentary films, you're in luck. Get out your library card and sign up for Kanopy, Flint Public Library's new on-demand video streaming service.

You can stream over 30,000 films from hundreds of popular producers such as The Criterion Collection, The Great Courses, and PBS, as well as thousands of independent filmmakers – on every topic imaginable.

KanopyKids is a section of children's shows and films – now available for unlimited views (they will not count against your monthly limit of 10 credits per library card). Once you sign up using the instructions below, and click on "Go To KanopyKids" in the top menu of the Kanopy home page.

Go to Kanopy, at [fpl.kanopy.com](http://fpl.kanopy.com). You will need a valid Flint Public Library card and PIN.



## LinkedIn Learning (FORMERLY LYNDA LIBRARY)

Videos for learning new skills for your current job or a new one. Free from FPL – Log in with your library card barcode.

Choose from thousands of online courses to learn in-demand skills from real-world industry experts.

With LinkedIn Learning, you can:

- Access 16,000+ expert-led courses
- Earn a certificate when you complete a course
- Receive course recommendations tailored to you
- Use project files and quizzes to practice while you learn
- View courses anytime on your computer or phone

## Book An Expert

Schedule a one-on-one 30-minute appointment with an expert for help with your specific needs. FREE! Call 810.249.2569 to schedule an appointment.

### Expert areas include:

- Using Tablets/Smartphone
- Downloading eBooks/Audiobooks
- Email
- Uploading/Downloading
- Microsoft Office (Excel, Word, Powerpoint Publisher)
- Social Media
- Local History Resources
- Using digital resources; Freegal, LinkedIn Library, Pronunciator and more
- Coding



## Little Explorers: Ages 1-4

SATURDAYS • SEPTEMBER 10; OCTOBER 8 • 11 AM

Come get messy with us as we explore our five senses: seeing, hearing, smelling, tasting and feeling. We will have a variety of sensory stations with activities such as sand, water balls, play-doh, and more! Dress accordingly, as clothes may get dirty. This is a program for ages 1-4 with parental supervision.

## Super Saturday Storytime

SATURDAYS • 1 PM

These events are for families with Pre-K and Elementary school-age children. This is a traditional storytime for the family with an emphasis on helping children build reading skills. Tell-A-Tail welcomes real live dogs who love to listen to children practice their reading skills.

**Sept. 10** Teddy Bears

**Sept. 17** Crayons

**Sept. 24** Tell-A-Tail

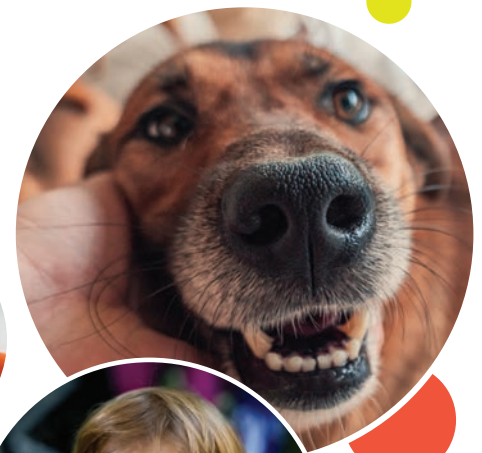
**Oct. 1** Adopt a Shelter Dog Month

**Oct. 8** Octopus

**Oct. 15** National Grouch Day

**Oct. 22** Tell-A-Tail

**Oct. 29** **Monster Mash. Wear your favorite costume and enjoy stories, music, dancing, games and a grand costume parade!**



## Chalk the Walk

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 • 11 AM

The location will be outside in front of the Library if weather permits, or inside in the Flint Central Classroom A & B. Bring your ideas and join "Chalk the Walk!" Draw your chalkiest best on our Kearsley Street sidewalks and win prizes! Prizes will be awarded by community judges based on age categories are 7 and under, 8-12, and 13-17.

**OPEN  
TO ALL  
AGES 0-17**

## Dolly Parton's Imagination Library

**FREE BOOKS MONTHLY •  
NEWBORN TO 5TH BIRTHDAY**



Must live in one of the following Zip Codes: 48501, 48502, 48503, 48504, 48505, 58506, 48507, 48532

Every eligible child in the household will receive an age-appropriate book FREE monthly until their 5th birthday. Sponsored by The Friends of the Flint Public Library, Flint Kids Read – a collaboration of the Flint and Genesee Literacy Network and The Flint Kids Fund. Enroll online at [fpl.info/imagination](http://fpl.info/imagination).



## Minecraft

SATURDAYS • SEPTEMBER 10, 24; OCTOBER 8, 22  
3:30-5PM

Meet up with fellow Minecraft adventurers to build and survive in unique and exciting worlds. There will be different game modes and themes each time to challenge players of all skill levels. Players at any level are welcome to join in!  
Ages 10 - 17.

## Teen Writers Workshop

TUESDAYS • SEPTEMBER 20; OCTOBER 4, 18  
4:30-6PM

Learn about literature, writing publishing and critiquing while sharing your work with teen peers. Facilitated by Connor Coyne, author, and director of Flint's *Gothic Funk Press*.

**New Writers Welcome!**

## Ballet Folklórico

(music and dance)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22 • 2 PM

See a performance by Ballet Folklórico and hear a presentation on Mayan & Aztec musical instrumentation with Dr. Enrique Ríos-Ellis.

## Scary Stories to Share

SUBMIT YOUR STORIES • SEPTEMBER 15-OCTOBER 15

Everybody has a scary story. You've been followed by someone creepy, or had an experience you can't explain. You've seen a ghost, or almost gotten into a car with a serial killer. We want to hear your true scary stories. Submit them throughout the month and we will feature the scariest on our site, and maybe even make a video for some. Pick up a form at the library, or submit them on our website.

OPEN  
TO ALL  
AGES!

## Family Concerts: Sponsored by The Bishop Trust

SATURDAYS • 2 PM

Sept. 10

### Drumcommunity

There are Oceans of Possibilities when drums and people come together. The whole family gets to drum, sing and dance with each other in this fun community building program.

Sept. 17

### Susan Harrison

"Multi-Colored Music for All Ages." Known as the facilitator of fun, Susan understands the audience is the true star of her shows! She invites everyone to participate in her musical celebrations.

Sept. 24

### Jenifer Strauss

Join Storyteller Jenifer Strauss for a multimedia program featuring facts, folklore and fall harvest fun!



## Genealogy for Beginners

SEPTEMBER 10 • 9:30 AM  
(REGISTRATION REQUIRED)

Become acquainted with the Library's Genealogy resources while you uncover your family history in this workshop for beginners.

Friends of the **Flint Public Library**

### USED BOOK DROP-OFF

September 10; November 5  
10 AM-12 PM

Donate your gently used books, CDs, DVDs and vinyl records. Drive up to the garage door and the friends will help unload.

### USED BOOK SALE

October 5 • 5-7:30 PM  
Friends Only Night; new Friends welcome to join at the sale.

October 6 • 2-7 PM

October 7 • 12-5 PM

October 8 • 10 AM-5 PM

Bag Sale Day, purchase a bag of books for \$5 (bag provided).

### GARAGE SALE

October 6 • 2-5:30 PM

October 7 • 12-5 PM

October 8 • 10 AM-5 PM

Odds and ends, file cabinets, tables, and more!

## Chess for Everyone

SATURDAYS • SEPTEMBER 17;  
OCTOBER 1, 15 • 3-5:30 PM

Come and enjoy playing with others that love the game! All ages and skill levels welcome.

## Daughters and Sons of the American Revolution - Genealogy

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1 • 10 AM-1 PM  
(REGISTRATION REQUIRED)

Was your ancestor a Revolutionary War Patriot? Have you considered joining the Daughters (DAR) or Sons (SAR) of the American Revolution? Members of the DAR and SAR will give brief presentations on their organizations. Please register for a slot to talk to one of their members for assistance in developing and proving your research for admission.

## Ask a Lawyer

TUESDAYS • 6 PM

Legal Services of Eastern Michigan in conjunction with the Genesee County Bar Association brings to you an evening of answers.

### Sept. 20 Expungements

With so many law changes taking place over the last 15 months, we would like to help you navigate the expungement process. Who qualifies? How do you apply? While we can't answer questions specific to each individual, you should end the evening knowing how to check if you qualify, and where to file your expungement.



### Oct. 18 Bankruptcy

If you are curious about the process, how to qualify, and what paperwork you need to apply for bankruptcy, we would like to help you navigate the bankruptcy process. While we cannot answer questions specific to each individual, we seek to give you an understanding of what it takes to apply for bankruptcy.

## Podcasting@FPL: Ages 18+

WEDNESDAYS • SEPTEMBER 7, 14, 21, 28; OCTOBER 5, 12, 19, 26 • 6 PM  
SATURDAYS • SEPTEMBER 17; OCTOBER 15 • 11 AM  
(REGISTRATION REQUIRED)

Learn how to use podcasting tools in our new Digital Studio and get podcasting tips from our digital staff. **You must take this class to use the Digital Studio. Ages 18+**

## Greater Flint African American Quilters Guild, 31st Exhibit

“Out of Africa” Raffle Quilt “African Rail”

QUILT  
EXHIBIT  
OCT. 13-15

THURSDAY • 11 AM-8 PM

FRIDAY - SATURDAY • 9 AM-6 PM

SATURDAY • 2 PM\* QUILT LECTURE  
WITH LAUREN AUSTIN

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OCT. 15 • 2 PM  
WITH LAUREN  
AUSTIN

See over 50 quilted items! Quilting presentation with master quilter Lauren Austin is **Saturday only!** Austin has been quilting fiber art and art quilts for over 30 years. She has taught in the U.S. and China. She has worked as a U.S. diplomat in Latin America, as a human rights and civil rights lawyer. For more see her website at [thatblackgirlart.com](http://thatblackgirlart.com)



VISIT  
FPL.INFO/  
RESERVE-  
ROOM

## Need To Reserve a Room For a Meeting?

Register to use a meeting space online or onsite. We have rooms to accommodate most meeting needs from 4-6 and more. See the specifications online. Larger rooms require staff approval. There are limitations on how long and for how many times per month a room may be reserved. Extra time and other amenities may have a fee.

## Booked For Lunch Michigan - Featuring Flint Authors

THURSDAYS • NOON

**Sept. 8** Bring your lunch and listen to **Kelsey Ronan**, Flint native, discuss her critically acclaimed book, *Chevy in the Hole*, a love letter to the city of Flint and the resilience of its people. Throughout the book, the city reverberates through the characters and their friendships, which remind us again and again what people need from one another and from the city they call home. Books sales and signing to follow.



**Oct. 13** Bring your lunch and hear Flint resident **Connor Coyne** discuss his award winning four volume series *Urbantasm*, inspired by his experiences growing up around the Flint area. Coyne is the Director of *Gothic Funk Press* and a contributor to *Belt Magazine*.

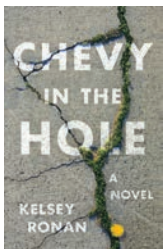


## Fiction Only Book Club

WEDNESDAYS • NOON

**Sept. 21**

*Chevy in the Hole* by Kelsey Ronan. A unflinching love letter to Flint and the resilience of its people. *Chevy in the Hole* follows multiple generations of two families making their homes there, with a stunning contemporary love story at its center.



**Oct. 19**

*Salt Houses* by Hala Alyan, A sweeping, riveting debut that chronicles three generations of a Palestinian family as they face two life-altering displacements: 1967's Six-Day War, and Saddam Hussein's 1990 invasion of Kuwait.



## Evening Readers Book Club

THURSDAYS • 6:30 PM

**Sept. 15**

*When Evil Came to Good Hart* by Mardi Link. This page-turning account looks at the cold case of a wealthy Detroit-area family murdered in their northern Michigan cabin in 1968. You may have heard about this case on a true crime podcast, but this is the full story.



**NEW  
BOOK  
CLUB!**

**Oct. 20**

*The Ghost that Ate Us: The Tragic True Story of the Burger City Poltergeist* by Daniel Kraus. You might have read about the crime on Facebook, or saw a BuzzFeed article about it. Six people were killed at a Burger City in Iowa. It was the bizarre and gruesome conclusion to nine months of alleged paranormal activity at the fast-food place, events popularly known as "the Burger City Poltergeist." Now read the definitive story of "the most exhaustively documented haunting in history".



## September

### SEPTEMBER 1, THURSDAY

- FPL Monthly Board Meeting, 5:30 PM

### LIBRARY CLOSED

Labor Day Weekend  
September 2-5, Friday-Monday

### SEPTEMBER 7, WEDNESDAY

- Podcasting@FPL, Ages 18 +, 6 PM\*

### SEPTEMBER 8, THURSDAY

- Booked for Lunch Michigan, Hear Flint author Kelsey Ronan discuss her book *Chevy in the Hole*, NOON

### SEPTEMBER 10, SATURDAY

- Friends Book Drop-Off, 10 AM-12 PM
- Genealogy for Beginners, 9:30 AM-NOON\*
- Little Explorers, ages 1-4, 11 AM
- Super Saturday Storytime, 1 PM
- Bishop Family Concert: Drummunity, 2 PM
- Minecraft, ages 10-17, 3:30-5 PM\*

### SEPTEMBER 14, WEDNESDAY

- Podcasting@FPL, Ages 18 +, 6 PM\*

### SEPTEMBER 15, THURSDAY

- Scary Stories to share, submit your stories through October 15. Pick up a form onsite or online at [www.fpl.info](http://www.fpl.info).
- NEW-Evening Readers Book Club, *When Evil Came to Good Hart* by Mardi Link, 6:30 PM

### SEPTEMBER 17, SATURDAY

- Chalk the Walk, ages 7 and under, 8-12, and 13-17. Create your best chalk drawing for a chance to win, 11 AM.
- Podcasting@FPL, Ages 18 +, 11 AM\*
- Super Saturday Storytime, 1 PM
- Bishop Family Concert: Susan Harrison, 2 PM
- Chess for Everyone, 3-5:30 PM

### SEPTEMBER 20, TUESDAY

- Teen Writers Workshop, Ages 11-17, 4:30-6 PM
- Ask a Lawyer: Expungements, 6 PM\*

### SEPTEMBER 21, WEDNESDAY

- Fiction Only Book Club, *Chevy In the Hole* by Kelsey Ronan.
- Podcasting@FPL, Ages 18 +, 6 PM\*

### SEPTEMBER 22, THURSDAY

- FPL Monthly Finance Committee Meeting, 5:30 PM

### SEPTEMBER 24, SATURDAY

- Tell-A-Tail, storytime with a real live dog, 1 PM
- Super Saturday Storytime, 1 PM
- Bishop Family Concert: Jenifer Strauss, 1 PM
- Minecraft, ages 10-17, 3:30-5 PM\*

### SEPTEMBER 28, WEDNESDAY

- Podcasting@FPL, Ages 18 +, 6 PM\*

## October

### OCTOBER 1, SATURDAY

- DAR/SAR (American Revolution, genealogy), 10 AM-1 PM\*
- Friends Book Drop-Off, 10 AM-12 PM
- Chess for Everyone, 3-5:30 PM
- Super Saturday Storytime, 1 PM

### OCTOBER 4, TUESDAY

- Teen Writers Workshop, Ages 11-17, 4:30-6 PM

### OCTOBER 5, WEDNESDAY

- Friends Used Book Sale, 5-7:30 PM
- Podcasting@FPL, Ages 18 +, 6 PM\*

### OCTOBER 6, THURSDAY

- Friends Used Book Sale, 2-7 PM
- Friends Garage Sale, 2-5:30 PM
- FDL Monthly Board Meeting, 5:30 PM

### OCTOBER 7, FRIDAY

- Friends Used Book Sale, NOON-5 PM
- Friends Garage Sale, NOON-5 PM

### OCTOBER 8, SATURDAY

- Friends Used Book Sale, 10-5 PM
- Friends Garage Sale, 10 AM-5 PM
- Little Explorers, ages 1-4, 11 PM
- Minecraft, ages 10-17, 3:30-5 PM\*
- Super Saturday Storytime, 1 PM

### OCTOBER 12, WEDNESDAY

- Podcasting@FPL, Ages 18 +, 6 PM\*

### OCTOBER 13, THURSDAY

- African American Quilters Guild Exhibit, 11-8 PM
- Booked for Lunch Michigan. Hear Connor Coyne talk about his series *Urbantasm*, NOON

### OCTOBER 14, FRIDAY

- African American Quilters Guild Exhibit, 9 AM-6 PM



### OCTOBER 15, SATURDAY

- Scary Stories to share, submit your stories through October 15. Pick up a form onsite or online at [www.fpl.info](http://www.fpl.info).
- African American Quilters Guild Exhibit, 9 AM-6 PM
- Podcasting@FPL, Ages 18 +, 11 AM\*
- Quilt Presentation with master quilter Lauren Austin, 2 PM
- Super Saturday Storytime, 1 PM
- Chess for Everyone, 3-5:30 PM

### OCTOBER 18, TUESDAY

- Teen Writers Workshop, Ages 11-17, 4:30-6 PM
- Ask a Lawyer: Bankruptcy, 6 PM\*

### OCTOBER 19 WEDNESDAY

- Fiction Only Book Club, *Salt House* by Hala Alyan, NOON
- Podcasting@FPL, Ages 18 +, 6 PM\*

### OCTOBER 20, THURSDAY

- NEW-Evening Readers Book Club, *The Ghost that Ate Us: The Tragic True Story of the Burger City Poltergeist* by Daniel Kraus, 6:30 PM.

### OCTOBER 22, SATURDAY

- Tell-A-Tail, storytime with a real live dog, 1 PM
- Super Saturday Storytime, 1 PM
- Ballet Folklorico (dance/music) feat. presentation on Aztec and Mayan instruments with Dr. Enrique Rios Ellis, 2 PM
- Minecraft, ages 10-17, 3:30-5 PM\*

### OCTOBER 26 WEDNESDAY

- Podcasting@FPL, Ages 18 +, 6 PM\*

### OCTOBER 27, THURSDAY

- FPL Monthly Finance Committee Meeting, 5:30 PM

### OCTOBER 29, SATURDAY

- Monster Mash, 1 PM
- Super Saturday Storytime, 1 PM

