



Flint Public Library

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YOU'RE INVITED TO ATTEND AN
OPEN HOUSE
to see the new renovation
design for your Flint Public
Library. See pages 2-3

Renovation and Bond Issue
Vote November 5
Find Out More at YourNewFPL.org



SEPTEMBER IS
LIBRARY CARD SIGN-UP MONTH
See page 6





MILLAGE RENEWAL

PLEASE VOTE NOVEMBER 5!

FLINT PUBLIC LIBRARY IS SEEKING A **MILLAGE RENEWAL** AND SUPPORT OF A **12-YEAR BOND** ON THE NOVEMBER 5 CITY OF FLINT BALLOT. YOU WILL NEED TO VOTE SEPARATELY ON EACH BALLOT MEASURE. WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO LEARN ABOUT **BOTH** MEASURES IN ADVANCE OF THE VOTE.



MILLAGE RENEWAL

The first measure is the renewal of a 2 mill operating millage that provides money to maintain the Library's current programs and services. Although we are located on the Cultural Center Campus, we **do not** receive any money from the Arts & Cultural Enrichment millage that passed in 2018. If this millage is not renewed, the Library will receive less tax money and will need to reduce its budget and services accordingly.

AL AND BOND ISSUE



BOND ISSUE



The second measure is a 12-year bond to help pay for a completely renovated Library building. The Library is the only building on the Cultural Center Campus that is owned entirely by the residents of Flint. The Library building and its systems are 60 years old. Major renovation is needed to keep the building working. Our board has adopted a renovation plan that is more cost-effective than building a new building. The total cost is approximately \$27.6 million.

Generous donors are prepared to pay for more than half the cost of the project. The 12-year bond will provide the remainder of the funds needed for this project.

IMPORTANT FEATURES OF THE RENOVATED LIBRARY

The entire interior of the Library will be renovated. Significant changes include:

- Doubling our children's learning space
- Doubling our digital learning space, including three tech-rich classrooms
- 66% more space for local history and genealogy, including a storage vault
- 15 meeting rooms and 4 classrooms
- Making an additional 16,000 sq. ft. available to the public
- Making the building more accessible for people with disabilities

SEE YOUR NEW FPL!

Architects will be previewing the design with the public prior to the November 5 vote. Please drop in during one of these open houses to see the design, explore a 3D flythrough, and ask any questions you might have.

All open houses will be held at Flint Public Library (1026 E. Kearsley Street).

- Thursday, September 19: 6-7:30pm
- Tuesday, October 1: 6-7:30pm
- Tuesday, October 29: 1-2:30pm
- Tuesday, October 29: 6-7:30pm

Sign language interpreter on site, if you need other services please call the Library.

VOTE NOVEMBER 5

FIND OUT MORE AT
YourNewFPL.org

Every **CHILD**
Ready to **READ**
@ your library®



Bookie Babies-First Stories-Ages Newborn to One Year

Tuesday, October 1, 8, 15, 22, 5:30pm

Share finger play, rhyming and expression with your little one. Parents learn storytelling techniques and enjoy Baby Yoga together for healthy beginnings. Register, call 810.249.2569.

EVERY CHILD READY TO READ

Talking ★ Singing ★ Reading ★ Writing ★ Playing.

Bookie Babies-Second Steps-Ages One to Two Years Old

Tuesday, November 5, 12, 19, 26, 5:30pm

Register, call 810.249.2569.

EVERY CHILD READY TO READ

Talking ★ Singing ★ Reading ★ Writing ★ Playing.

Super Saturday Story Time, 1pm

A traditional story time for the family with an emphasis on helping children build reading skills. Tap & Tell (every other week) is technology exploration for young children. Tell-a-Tail welcomes real live dogs who love to listen to children practice their reading skills.

DATE	TYPE	THEME
September 7	Tap and Tell	School
September 14	Traditional	Summer
September 21	Chalk the Walk	
September 28	Traditional	Hello and Goodbye
October 5	Tap and Tell	Hispanic Heritage
October 12	Traditional	Animal Friends – Quilt Craft 2pm
October 19	Tap and Tell	National New Friends Day

TELL-A-TAIL: HAVE A BOW-WOW TIME READING TO A DOG!

September 14 and October 12, 1pm

Choose a favorite book and Read aloud to real live dogs trained to listen.

LITTLE EXPLORERS:

Sensory Exploration for Ages 1-4

Saturday, September 21 and October 19, 12pm

Come get messy with us as we explore our five senses! We will have a variety of sensory stations with activities such as sand, water, play-doh, and more! Dress accordingly, as clothes may get dirty. This is a program for young children, 1-4yrs., with parental supervision. We will also offer a Baby-Centered play area with age appropriate baby toys and activities.

Braille Story Walk

Saturday, September 7, 2pm

Families take a walk with your hands as Braille Story Walk adventure highlights 3 books for a story time pleasure. Book titles in the braille Story Walk: *Anywhere Farm* by Phyllis Root; *Caps for Sale* by Esphyr; *If you Give a Moose a Muffin* by Laura Numeroff. Books will be in braille and sight language for everyone's enjoyment. Check the Children's Learning Place for details.

KIDS QUILT CRAFT

Thursday, October 12, 2pm

In conjunction with the Quilt exhibit. Learn and create your own quilt square.



STEAM TECH **Studio!**
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SATURDAYS: 2pm

2ND GRADE AND UP

SEPTEMBER 14, 28
OCTOBER 19

September 14 -

Decorate pencils and make a pencil holder

September 28

Simple Machines

October 19 - Sound





CHALK & THE WALK! BALLOON TWIST

Saturday, September 21, 1-4pm; FRONT SIDEWALK (Rain – in Downstairs Mtg Rm)
Children of all ages can draw their favorite pictures on the Library's sidewalks. Pictures will be judged in age-based categories and winners will receive prizes. Enjoy fun with balloon twist 2-3pm!

tapology ELEMENTARY THROUGH HIGH SCHOOL

Thursday and Friday, October 24 and 25, 9am

Interested classrooms sign-up at [tapology.org](http://www.tapology.org) Elementary and high school students from Flint Public Schools will discover the world of tap dance.

REGISTER: see website: <http://www.tapology.org> or call Tapology @ 810.787.0197 to register.

FAMILY ZOMBIE JAMBOREE: Dress in Costume and Join the Party!



Saturday, October 26, Noon-4pm

Join us for a Family Zombie Jamboree! We will have fun activities for the whole family, Face Painting, Crafts, Sensory Play, Zombie Photo Booth and Costume Exchange. Every half hour a special guest Grand Marshal will read a story, and on the hour they will lead our Zombie Parade around the building. All children under 16 will receive a Free book!

TEENZONE

Teen Writers WORKSHOP

Tuesday, September 10 and 24, October 8 and 22, 4:30pm

Ages 12-17 come join instructor Connor Coyne for creative writing exercises, peer sharing and feedback by other writers your age. Writing, reading and discussion of writing at each meeting!

SATURDAYS WITH STEVE: MINECRAFT@FPL TECH StudioOH! learn • create • make @ FPL

Ages 10-17

Saturday, September 7, 14, 21 and 28, 3-4:30pm

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 skill level are welcome to join in!



GAME DESIGN

Ages 12-17

Saturday, October 5, 12, 19 and 26, 3-4:30pm

Learn the basics of designing video game levels and start building your own Mario-style platform game.

No computer coding experience needed.

Call 810.249.2569 to register. Must have a valid Flint Public Library Card to register.



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Teen Author Forum with Dr. Mona Hanna-Attisha author of *What the Eyes Don't See*

Thursday, October 17, 10am

High School classrooms please call to register, 810.249.2569

In collaboration with MI Humanities Council, MI READ program. The 2019-20 Great Michigan Read is presented by Michigan Humanities and supported by national, statewide, and local partners, including the National Endowment for the Humanities and The Meijer Foundation.

**SHOW YOUR CARD AND SAVE!
SEPTEMBER IS LIBRARY CARD
SIGN-UP MONTH!**

Show your library card and save at participating businesses.

List of participating businesses available online or at the library.

A joint partnership with the Genesee District Library.

Poetry After Hours with Semaj Brown



SEPTEMBER 27, 6pm

Poet, author, playwright, dramatist, educator and spoken word artist, Semaj Brown will perform works from her latest collection, *Bleeding Fire*:

Tap the Eternal Spring of Regenerative Light, accompanied by Dr. James Brown on the Arborlune.



BOOKED FOR LUNCH MICHIGAN

BRING YOUR LUNCH AND HEAR A MICHIGAN AUTHOR TALK ABOUT THEIR WORK.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 1pm

Saladin Ahmed will talk about his book, *Abbott*, at 1pm. While investigating police brutality and corruption in 1970s Detroit, journalist



Elena Abbott uncovers supernatural forces being controlled by a secret society of the city's elite.

Book sales and signing at 12:30pm

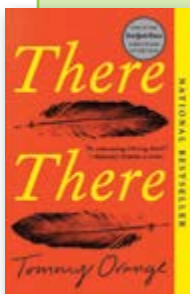


FICTION ONLY BOOK CLUB

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 12pm

There There by Tommy Orange

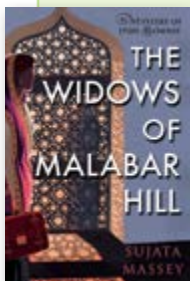
Orange's shattering novel follows twelve characters from Native communities, all traveling to the Big Oakland Pow Wow and all connected to each other in ways they may not yet realize. Together, this chorus of voices tells of the plight of the urban Native American, grappling with a complex and painful history, with an inheritance of beauty and spirituality, and heroism.



Wednesday, October 16, 12pm

Widows of Malabar Hill by Sujata Massey

In the early 1920s, Bombay's only female lawyer is investigating a suspicious will on behalf of three Muslim widows living in full purdah when the case takes a turn toward the murderous. The award-winning author brings us an atmospheric new historical mystery with a captivating heroine who is driven by personal tragedy to protect the rights of women.



THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3, 1pm

Lisa Ludwinski will talk about her book, *Sister Pie: The Recipes and Stories of a Big Hearted Baker in Detroit: A Baking Book*. At Sister Pie, Lisa



Credit: E.E. Berger

Ludwinski and her band of sister bakers are helping make Detroit sweeter one slice at a time

from a little corner pie shop in a former beauty salon on the city's east side.



ASK A LAWYER

Wednesday, September 18, 6pm

Housing and Landlord/Tenant Rights
with the Legal Services of Eastern Michigan



GENEALOGY RESEARCH FOR BEGINNERS

October 19, 9:30am-12:30pm

Learn the basics to begin your family history search in collaboration with the Flint Genealogical Society. In the Genealogy area. Register, call 810.249.2569.



El Ballet Folklórico Estudiantil

Saturday, October 5, 2pm

Let's Celebrate National Hispanic Heritage Month! Hear youth mariachi students and experience a dramatic reading of *The Woman Who Outshone the Sun* "La mujer que brillaba aún más que el sol" a poem by Alejandro Cruz Martinez with audience participation. National Hispanic Heritage Month, September 15-October 15, recognizes the contributions made and the important presence of Hispanic and Latino Americans in the United States.



El Ballet Folklórico Estudiantil is dedicated to preserving the Mexican culture and enriching children's lives through dance, music, and education. It has been the leader providing Hispanic cultural programs in Michigan for over 25 years.

VIRTUAL REALITY EXPERIENCE

Wednesday, October 23, 6-7:30pm

Visit our TECHStudiOH! and see the digital world like never before! Learn how to use the equipment and try your first virtual reality experience – street tours, roller coasters, painting and more.

Ages 18+ call 249.2569 to register.

Must have a valid Flint Public Library Card to register.

ARMCHAIR TRAVELER

Tuesdays, 12:15pm

Take a visual vacation. Bring your lunch and see a travelogue film!



CHESS FOR EVERYONE!

Saturday, September 7, 21,
October 5, 19, 3-5:30pm

All ages and skill levels welcome.



30th Flint African American Quilters Exhibit

THURSDAY-SATURDAY,
OCTOBER 10-12



(Part of the Flint Festival of Quilts)
30th Annual Exhibit of the Flint African American Quilters Guild "Looking Back, Going Forward"

October 10, 11am-8pm

October 11, 9am-6pm

October 12, 9am-6pm

October 12 at 2pm (Free)

Juanita Yeager, quilt maker, educator and curator, creates whole cloth quilts using watercolor pigment painted on

silk broadcloth. Ms. Yeager has been quilting since 1983 and began teaching quilting in 1990. Her art has been exhibited in solo and group. Quilt Presentation co-sponsored by Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Flint Alumnae Chapter.

FRIENDS OF THE FLINT PUBLIC LIBRARY BOOK DROP-OFF

Saturday, September 7 & October 5, 10am-Noon

At the FPL garage. Time to go through your books, CDs, vinyl, DVDs and donate them to the library. Get a receipt for your donation.

FRIENDS OF THE FLINT PUBLIC LIBRARY USED BOOK SALE



Books galore; children's, mystery, science fiction, romance, special priced books and more.

Also shop our collection of CDs, DVDs and vinyl.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16, Friends ONLY Night,

5-7:30pm, new members may join at the sale.

Used Book Sale Public Sale Days:

✓ **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2-7pm**

✓ **FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18, NOON-5pm**

✓ **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19, 10am-5pm**
A BAG OF BOOKS FOR \$5

SEPTEMBER 2, MONDAY

LABOR DAY - LIBRARY CLOSED

SEPTEMBER 3, TUESDAY

- Armchair Traveler, 12:15pm

SEPTEMBER 5, THURSDAY

- Booked for Lunch Michigan! Bring your lunch and hear Saladin Ahmed talk about his book **Abbott**, 1pm. Book sales and signing at 12:30pm
- FDL Monthly Board Meeting, 5:30pm

SEPTEMBER 7, SATURDAY

- Friends of the Library Book Drop-Off, 10am-Noon
- ECRR Super Saturday Story Time and Tap and Tell, 1pm
- Braille Story Walk, 2pm
- Tween/Teen Minecraft, ages 10-17, 3-4:30pm*
- Chess for Everyone, 3-5:30pm

SEPTEMBER 10, TUESDAY

- Armchair Traveler, 12:15pm
- Tween/Teen Writers Workshop, ages 12-17, 4:30-6pm
- Friends of the Flint Public Library meeting, 5:30pm

SEPTEMBER 14, SATURDAY

- ECRR Super Saturday Story Time and Tell-A-Tail, 1pm
- STEAM Saturdays, second grade and up, 2pm
- Tween/Teen Minecraft, ages 10-17, 3-4:30pm*

SEPTEMBER 17, TUESDAY

- Armchair Traveler, 12:15pm

SEPTEMBER 18, WEDNESDAY

- Fiction Only Book Club, **There There** by Tommy Orange, Noon
- Ask a Lawyer, with the Legal Services of Eastern Michigan, 6pm

SEPTEMBER 19, THURSDAY

- Library Renovation Design Open House, 5:30-7:30pm

SEPTEMBER 21, SATURDAY

- Little Explorers, ages 1-4, Noon-1pm
- Chalk the Walk and Balloon Twist, 1-4pm
- Tween/Teen Minecraft, ages 10-17, 3-4:30pm*
- Chess for Everyone, 3-5:30pm

SEPTEMBER 24, TUESDAY

- Armchair Traveler, 12:15pm
- Tween/Teen Writers Workshop, ages 12-17, 4:30-6pm

SEPTEMBER 26, THURSDAY

- FDL Finance Committee Meeting, 5:30pm

SEPTEMBER 27, FRIDAY

- Poetry After Hours with Semaj Brown, author of **Bleeding Fire**, 6pm

SEPTEMBER 28, SATURDAY

- ECRR Super Saturday Story Time, 1pm
- STEAM Saturdays, second grade and up, 2pm
- Tween/Teen Minecraft, ages 10-17, 3-4:30pm*

OCTOBER 1, TUESDAY

- Armchair Traveler, 12:15pm
- ECRR: Bookie Babies-First Stories, newborn to one year, 5:30pm*
- Library Renovation Open House, 6:00-7:30pm

OCTOBER 3, THURSDAY

- Booked for Lunch Michigan! Bring your lunch and hear Lisa Ludwinski talk about her book **Sister Ple**, 1pm
- FDL Monthly Board Meeting, 5:30pm

OCTOBER 5, SATURDAY

- Friends of the Library Book Drop-Off, 10am-Noon
- ECRR Super Saturday Story Time, Tap and Tell, 1pm
- El Ballet Folklórico Estudiantil, performance by youth Mariachi and dancers, 2pm
- Tween/Teen Game Design, ages 12-17, 3-4:30pm *
- Chess for Everyone, 3-5:30pm

OCTOBER 8, TUESDAY

- Armchair Traveler, 12:15pm
- Tween/Teen Writers Workshop, ages 12-17, 4:30-6pm
- ECRR: Bookie Babies-First Stories, newborn to one year, 5:30pm*

OCTOBER 10, THURSDAY

- 30th Flint African American Quilters Exhibit, 11am-8pm

OCTOBER 11, FRIDAY

- 30th Flint African American Quilters Exhibit, 9am-6pm

OCTOBER 12, SATURDAY

- 30th Flint African American Quilters Exhibit, 9am-6pm
- ECRR Super Saturday Story Time and Tell-A-Tail, 1pm
- Quilt Lecture by master quilter, Juanita Yeager, 2pm co-sponsored with Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Flint Alumnae Chapter
- Kids Quilt Craft, 2pm
- Tween/Teen Game Design, ages 12-17, 3-4:30pm*

OCTOBER 15, TUESDAY

- Armchair Traveler, 12:15pm
- ECRR: Bookie Babies-First Stories, newborn to one year, 5:30pm*

OCTOBER 16, WEDNESDAY

- Fiction Only Book Club, **Widows of Malabar Hill** by Sujata Massey, Noon
- Friends ONLY Preview Night, 5-7:30pm

OCTOBER 17, THURSDAY

- Teen Author Forum with Dr. Mona Hannah Attisha, **What the Eyes Don't See**. Class registration required*
- Friends Used Book Sale, 2-7pm

OCTOBER 18, FRIDAY

- Friends Used Book Sale, Noon-5pm

OCTOBER 19, SATURDAY

- Genealogy for beginners, 9:30am-12:30pm*
- Friends Used Book Sale, 10am-5pm, bag of books for \$5
- Little Explorers, ages 1-4, Noon-1pm
- ECRR Super Saturday Story Time, Tap and Tell, 1pm
- STEAM Saturdays, second grade and up, 2pm
- Tween/Teen Game Design, ages 12-17, 3-4:30pm*
- Chess for Everyone, 3-5:30pm

OCTOBER 22, TUESDAY

- Armchair Traveler, 12:15pm
- Tween/Teen Writers Workshop, ages 12-17, 4:30-6pm
- ECRR: Bookie Babies-First Stories, newborn to one year, 5:30pm*

OCTOBER 23 WEDNESDAY

- Virtual Reality Experience, ages 18+, 6-7:30pm*

OCTOBER 24, THURSDAY

- FDL Finance Committee Meeting, 5:30pm
- Tapology, 9am*

OCTOBER 25, FRIDAY

- Tapology, 9am*

OCTOBER 26, SATURDAY

- Family Zombie Jamboree, Noon-4pm
- Tween/Teen Game Design, ages 12-17, 3-4:30pm*

OCTOBER 29, TUESDAY

- Armchair Traveler, 12:15pm
- Library Renovation Open House, 1-3pm
- Library Renovation Open House, 5:30-7:30pm

NOVEMBER 5 - VOTE

Our program guide is digital!

Make sure we have your correct email to receive a link to the program guide and our Constant Contact communications regarding Library programs and services.

For more information on any of our programs, see our web site at www.fpl.info or our Facebook page. Email us at askus@fpl.info or call us at 810.232.7111 during library hours.



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Friday and Saturday, 9am-6pm**