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Summer Reading Program kickoff booked for June 26



The Atlantic City Free Public Library will once again offer Summer Reading Programs for children and teenagers.

The Summer Reading Program launch party is scheduled for 2 p.m. Tuesday, June 26, in the Main

Library meeting room.

Children and teens (17 and younger) are invited to this party, which will include stories, games, refreshments, performers and special guests. Youths who sign up for the Summer Reading Program at the party will get

to take home a free book to start their summer of reading. The children's Summer Reading Program theme is "Dream Big ... Read!"

Also at the launch party, there will be registration for the special Teen Read group. Those who sign up for that

group will receive a free copy of a book.

The complete Summer Reading Program schedule will be available in the July/August edition of Discovery.

Please call (609) 345-2269, ext. 3050, for more information.

'Fun Day Sunday' crafts include Asian-Pacific heritage themes

The Atlantic City Free Public Library is making Sunday a fun day for local children, adults and families.

The library offers weekly Fun Day Sunday programs at 2 p.m. at the Main Library. The programs, which focus on themes that are timely — such as holidays or seasons — provide opportunities for families to spend quality time together.

The programs are free. Space is limited for the Sunday programs. Nobody will be admitted once the program has started at 2 p.m.

For more information about the Fun Day Sunday programs, please call the Youth Services Department at (609) 345-2269, ext. 3050.

Asian-Pacific American Heritage Month program: Tibetan Wishing Banner

Sunday, May 6, at 2 p.m.

Tibetan wish or prayer flags traditionally are used to promote peace, compassion, strength and wisdom. Tibetans do not believe that the flags carry prayers to the gods, but rather that their messages and wishes will be blown by the wind to spread goodwill and compassion into all-pervading space. In this project, students will use a liquid wax resist that will be painted onto silk rec-

tangles. Vibrant color and a final gold embellishment finish the piece. These are painted on pieces of silk using a wax resist and fabric paint. Ages 8 through adult

Mother's Day: Mosaic Vase

Sunday, May 13, at 2 p.m.

Participants use colorful bits of colored tiles to create a colorful mosaic vase. It's a great gift idea. Surprise your mom on Mother's Day. Ages 8 through adult.

Asian Pacific American Heritage Month program: Hmong Embroidery Pattern

Sunday, May 20, at 2 p.m.

The Hmong are a hill tribe from Laos who produced beautiful embroidery patterns. Learn about some of these patterns and make your own. Ages 8 years through adult.

Peace Signs: Mixed Media Mosaics

Sunday, May 27, at 2 p.m.

Throughout history there has been a large number of images and symbols used to represent peace. Participants will learn about these symbols and then choose one to be the centerpiece of a mixed media "peace sign." Ages 8 through adult.

Filipino Parol

Sunday, June 3, at 2 p.m.

In the Philippines, during the Festival of Lights, parol (puh-roll), or star-shaped lanterns, symbolize the victory of light

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Atlantic City Summer Concert Series at Gardner's Basin returns on June 2

The City of Atlantic City is continuing one of its popular traditions by bringing in well-known national recording artists and popular local groups to perform at Gardner's Basin for the Atlantic City Summer Concert Series.

The five-show series is again co-sponsored by the Atlantic City Free Public Library. The shows start at 1

p.m. The headliners take the stage at approximately 4 p.m. and play until dusk. The shows are free.

All shows are scheduled for Saturday. The rain date for any postponed show is that Sunday. The schedule is subject to change.

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Ricky y Sus Mariachis (pictured above) will perform at the Cinco de Mayo celebration, scheduled for Friday, May 4, at Police and Firemen's Plaza. The City of Atlantic City and Atlantic City Free Public Library are the co-sponsors of this event.

Celebrate Cinco de Mayo with library

The City of Atlantic City and Atlantic City Free Public Library invite the public to participate in a Cinco de Mayo celebration 12 to 2 p.m. Friday, May 4, in Police and Firemen's Memorial Plaza, located between City Hall and the Main Library.

In the event of rain, the celebration will be moved into the auditorium next to the Main Library.

Atlantic City Mayor Lorenzo T. Langford will raise the Mexican flag at 12:15 p.m.

The celebration will include festive music by Ricky y Sus Mariachis and a dance performance by Organizacion Carnaval Putleco (Atlantic City and Egg Harbor Township high school students.)

The Master of Ceremonies will be Milton F. Ramirez.

The holiday of Cinco de Mayo commemorates the victory of the

Mexican militia over the French army at The Battle Of Puebla in 1862. The victory was a glorious moment for Mexican patriots, and at the time it helped develop a needed sense of national unity.

Please call (609) 343-6326 for more information.

Also, the library will continue the celebration by offering a Cinco de Mayo craft program on Saturday, May 5, at 2 p.m. in the Main Library's second-floor meeting room. The program is for teens ages 13-17.

Participants will make fiesta mosaic magnets featuring colorful symbols of Mexico, such as the sun, chile peppers and sombreros.

Those in attendance will learn about the history of the Cinco de Mayo holiday and Mexican culture.

Please call (609) 345-2269, ext. 3050, for more information about the library craft program.

Join us May 12 for Library Day at the Aquarium



The Atlantic City Free Public Library will present its Third annual Library Day at the Atlantic City Aquarium on Saturday, May 12.

A day of crafts, face painting, diving and animal shows, and story-telling is planned for Library Day at the Aquarium.

Those interested in attending can request two free admission tickets at the Main Library Youth Services Department. Library cardholders also have the option of requesting their two tickets at Atlantic City Library Express.

Free admission tickets are limited. Those who don't receive free tickets but wish to participate can pay for admission at the aquarium. Admission is \$8 for adults, \$6 for seniors and \$5 for children ages 4-12. Children under three are free. Children 12 years of age or younger must be accompanied by an adult.

The Library Day at the Aquarium schedule is:

Live Diver Feeding Show at 11 a.m. — Watch and interact with a diver in scuba gear as he or she hands feeds the stingrays and sharks inside the 25,000-gallon tank.

Arts and crafts from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. (or while supplies last) — The ocean has long been an inspiration for artists. Try your hand at creating an ocean-themed masterpiece with sand, shells, reeds, paint and conventional art supplies. You're only limited by your imagination!

Face painting from 12-3 p.m. — Children are invited to get a sea creature painted on their face for free.



The Third annual Atlantic City Library Day at the Aquarium on May 12 will include ocean-themed arts and crafts.

Feeding Time at 12 and 3 p.m. — Hand feed the baby stingrays and bamboo sharks! Bags of food are \$2 (or \$1 for Aquarium members).

Storyteller with Balloon Animals at 1 p.m. — Enjoy and interactive, entertaining story time that includes comedy and balloon art.

Exotic Animal Show at 2 p.m. — Get close to the Aquarium's more unusual inhabitants. Meet the largest species of scorpion and the softest furred mammal in the world.

The library will also have an information table, which will feature details about library services and upcoming programs.

The Atlantic City Aquarium is open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Located in Atlantic City's Historic Gardner's Basin, the Atlantic City Aquarium offers a fun and educational look into more than 100 varieties of fish and marine animals.

For more information on the Atlantic City Aquarium, please call (609) 348-2880 or visit www.acaquarium.com.

Observe Asian-Pacific American Month by checking out great online resources

May is Asian-Pacific American Heritage Month. Did you know that:

- According to the 2010 Census, U. S. residents of Asian descent now represent the fastest growing segment of the U.S population? More than five percent (17.3 million people) is of Asian descent.

- More than 15 percent of Atlantic City's population is of Asian descent.

- After Spanish, Chinese is the most widely spoken non-English language in the United States. Tagalog, Vietnamese and Korean are each spoken by more than a million people in the United States.

To learn more Asian-Pacific American Heritage Month facts, visit the United States Census Bureau website at www.census.gov. Click on the Newsroom tab and then select Facts for Features, which consists of collections of statistics related to different anniversaries, observances or topics in the news.

The Atlantic City Free Public Library offers a great eResource called Library Press Display. This resource offers instant online access to current newspapers from around the world, in full-page format and in their original language.

More than 1,700 newspapers from 92 countries and 48 languages are available, including publications from China, Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Japan, the Philippines, South Korea and Thailand.

To check out Library Press Display, visit the library's website — www.acfpl.org — click on the Do Research tab and then Premium eResources. Library Press Display is listed under newspapers.

Atlantic City Library cardholders can access Library Press Display 24 hours a day from any device that has an internet connection.

Those who don't yet have an Atlantic City Library card can access it from a library computer.

Library staffers honored for their work

Atlantic City Free Public Library staff members Heather Halpin Perez and Mimi Lee were honored for their contributions to the Atlantic City community.

Perez was named one of *Atlantic City Weekly's* Top 40 Under 40 honorees in the publication's March 15 issue.

The list consists of 40 local leaders in the area under the age of 40. All of the honorees were nominated and then selected from a committee of A.C. Weekly staff and the Greater Atlantic City Jaycees.

A.C. Weekly created this annual award in 2005. Perez, who is the archivist of the library's Alfred

M. Heston Collection of Atlantic City history, is the first library staff member to receive this award.

Perez and the Top 40 Under 40 honorees were recognized at MIXX at Borgata on March 30.

La Casa Dominicana (The Dominican Home) honored Lee, the library's outreach coordinator, for her outstanding achievements, dedication to public service and contribution to the community.

La Casa Dominicana presented Lee with a certificate of appreciation at a special flag raising ceremony at Police and Firemen's Memorial Plaza in honor of the 168th Dominican Republic Independence Day.



Harold Melvin's Blue Notes (pictured above), Third World and Evelyn "Champagne" King will headline the June 2 concert at this year's Atlantic City Summer Concert Series at Gardner's Basin.

City Concert Series

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City Recreation/Community Affairs Department at (609) 347-5643 for more information.

Saturday, June 2 — Third World, Evelyn "Champagne" King and Harold Melvin's Blue Notes headline the show. Sensa Motion Band, Bob Sterling and Jackie Greggs will open the show.

Saturday, June 23 — Tavares, Con Funk Shun and Kool Moe Dee headline the show. Eddie Morgan Rek'd 4 Jazz, The Emperors and Essence Pittman will open the show.

Saturday, July 21 — War and the Chi-Lites headline the show. Rick Cason Express, Mark Big & Tasty Baxter, Jack and Judah Dorrington will open the show.

Saturday, Aug. 4 — TBA



The Chi-Lites and War are the headliners for the July 21 show.

Saturday, Aug. 18 — Cameo and Enchantment headline the show. Coolist & Maceo Mobley, Special Occasion, and Angela Burton and Passion, will open the show.

Fun Day Sunday

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over darkness, as well as hope and goodwill. These simple parol are created with natural reed, translucent rice paper and liquid watercolor. Displayed in a window or hanging from a light fixture, they make colorful decorations for any season.

Origami Money Shirt

Sunday, June 10, at 2 p.m.

The art of "origami" comes from Japan. The meaning of origami is actually folding paper in Japanese language. This is a method of paper folding that breathes life into plain paper by creating the most amazing objects. Origami Money shirts are a great Father's Day gift idea. Ages 8

through adult.

Father's Day: Mosaic Picture Frame

Sunday, June 17, at 2 p.m.

Decorate a picture frame for your parent or loved one. Create custom tiles with interesting patterned papers or make a message with word art. Insert your own picture or use one of the neutral ones provided (sunset, ocean, birds, etc).

Summer Solstice: Sun Sculptures

Sunday, June 24, at 2 p.m.

Summer Solstice marks the first day of the season of summer and the longest day of the year. The sun has always been the symbol of summer solstice. In this workshop, participants will use a variety of different materials to create their own three-dimensional, free-standing sun sculptures. Ages 8 through adult.

THE ATLANTIC CITY FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED ON MAY 28

PLEASE VISIT THE ATLANTIC CITY FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY ON THE WEB AT WWW.ACFPL.ORG



**OLDER ADULTS
SPECIAL INTEREST SERIES**

**Call (609) 345-2269, ext. 3115,
for more information**

Learn How You Can Help the Earth

Monday, May 7, at 10:30 a.m.
Guest: Michele Bellinger, Atlantic County
Utilities Authority

Tai Chi

Monday, May 14, at 10:30 a.m.
Guest: Xiu E. Yao, International Tai Chi
and Qi Gong Master

**Senior Wellness: Friendly Bacteria
and Antioxidants**

Monday, May 21, at 10:30 a.m.
Guest: Steven Chang, Pharmacist

Library is closed: Memorial Day
Monday, May 28

**Arts and Crafts: Decorate Your Own
Straw Hat**

Monday, June 4, at 10:30 a.m.
Guest: Jackie Caplan

**Tenants' Rights to Safe and Decent
Housing**

Monday, June 11, at 10:30 a.m.
Guest: James McClain, Esquire, South
Jersey Legal Services

Senior Wellness: Brain Fitness

Monday, June 18, at 10:30 a.m.
Guest: Steven Chang, Pharmacist

Tai Chi

Monday, June 25, at 10:30 a.m.
Guest: Xiu E. Yao, International Tai Chi
and Qi Gong Master

**Computer training
for library members**

**Call (609) 345-2269, ext. 3066,
for more information**

Computer Fundamentals

Tuesday, May 1, at 10 a.m.

Job and Career Accelerator

Tuesday, May 8, at 6 p.m.
(This class is 90 minutes)

Beginning Word

Wednesday, May 9, at 4:30 p.m.

Computer Fundamentals

Tuesday, May 15, at 10 a.m.

Seniors and Computers

Friday, May 18, at 1:30 p.m.

Twitter and Facebook

Wednesday, May 23, at 4:30 p.m.

Job Applications and Resumes

Friday, May 25, at 1:30 p.m.

Computer Fundamentals

Tuesday, June 5, at 10 a.m.

Job and Career Accelerator

Wednesday, June 6, at 1 p.m.
(This class is 90 minutes)

Fundamentos de Computacion

(Taught in Spanish)
Tuesday, June 12, at 10 a.m.

Digital Photos

Friday, June 15, at 1:30 p.m.

Create Your Own Flyer in Word

Wednesday, June 20, at 4:30 p.m.

Job Applications and Resumes

Saturday, June 23, at 10 a.m.

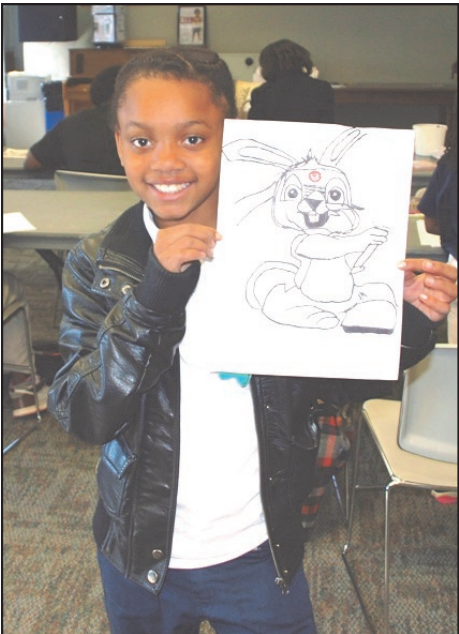
Beginning Excel

Wednesday, June 27, at 4:30 p.m.

NOTE: Classes are three hours long
unless noted. Pre-registration is required
at the Computer Help Desk on the first
floor of the Main Library.

Youth Services Programs

Call (609) 345-2269, ext. 3050, for more information



**The Atlantic City Free Public Li-
brary holds comic drawing les-
sons on Thursdays at 3:30 p.m.
Illustrator Joe Del Beato leads the
instruction, which is for kids ages
7-17.**

Homework Help

Need Homework Help? Call Youth Ser-
vices (609) 345-2269, ext. 3050, to make
an appointment with a librarian for per-
sonalized homework and information
literacy help.

Pre-school Rhyme Time

Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.
May 3, 17, 24 and June 14, 21
Wednesday, June 27
Features stories, songs, finger plays and
crafts. Children must be accompanied by
an adult. Library story times are a fun
way to help your child develop skills they
will need to be ready to read. Ages 3-5.

Baby Bounce and Play Group

Thursdays at 11:30 a.m.
May 3, 17, 24 and June 14, 21
This program is designed to introduce
infants to the world of sounds and stories.
Stories, songs, rhymes and movement
help build pre-reading skills. An informal
playgroup immediately follows this story
time. Best suited for infants to age 2 with
caregiver.

Comic Drawing

Thursdays at 3:30 p.m.
May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 and June 7, 14, 21,
28
Marvel DC Comic Illustrator Joe Del
Beato will lead the drawing instruction. All
materials supplied. Ages 7-17.

Creative Craft Fridays

Fridays at 3:30 p.m.
May 4, 11 and June 8, 22
Kids use their imagination to make and
take home crafts with seasonal themes.
Children less than 9 years of age must be
accompanied by an adult/guardian. All
materials supplied. Ages 6-16.

**Cinco de Mayo Craft: Fiesta Mosaic
Magnets**

**Want to help
your baby begin
to develop the
skills they will
need to read?
The Atlantic City
Free Public Li-
brary's Baby
Bounce program,
which is held
most Thursdays,
emphasizes sto-
ries, songs,
rhymes and
movement in a
fun and relaxed
atmosphere.**



Saturday, May 5, at 2 p.m.

Create fun and colorful symbols of Mex-
ico to decorate your home for the holiday:
sun, cactus, chile pepper, sombrero,
etc. We will discuss the history of the
holiday and focus on Mexican culture and
heritage. Ages 13-17.

Tween Days in the Teen Lounge

Saturdays at 11 a.m.
May 5 and June 2
Kids are invited to rock out in the Teen
Space. This is your chance to enjoy gam-
ing: Xbox360, PS3, Nintendo Wii. Partici-
pants need a library card in good stand-
ing. Ages 9-12.

Paws to Read with Baby Bully

Fridays at 4 p.m.
May 11, 25 and June 8, 22
"Children reading to dogs" is a program
for children to read to Baby Bully, a certi-
fied therapy dog, in a relaxed and fun
environment. Ages 4-10.

Children's Book Club

Saturdays at 3 p.m.
May 12, 26 and June 9, 23
Combine technology and reading in a
special book club experience. Share a
great book, then learn how to make an
interactive poster about it with graphics,
video, sound and text. Any child who
joins receives a free copy of the book.
Refreshments and crafts included. Call
(609) 345-2269, ext. 3050, to register.
Ages 8-11.

Teen Advisory Group

Saturday, May 19, at 2 p.m.
We want your ideas to make your library
rock! Teen Advisory Group meets
monthly to discuss volunteer projects,
changes to the library, teen programs,
and much more! Ages 13-17.

School's Over Cupcake Bash

Thursday, June 21, at 2 p.m.
Decorate — and, of course, eat — cup-
cakes at the library. It's a great time to
learn all about and sign up for the upcom-
ing Summer Reading Program.

School's Out! What's Next?

Saturday, June 23, at 2 p.m.
You're invited to a Youth Services open
house! Come to Main Library second
floor, meet the staff, enjoy refreshments
and hear about free summer library pro-
grams and educational events. It's a
great time to sign up for the Summer
Reading Program. Dream Big ... Read!

**Summer Reading Program Launch
Party**

Tuesday, June 26, at 2 p.m.
See story on page one for details.

Creative Collages

Friday, June 29, at 1 p.m.
Author/illustrator Eric Carle's artwork is
unique and immediately recognizable.
Using his stories and images as an inspi-
ration, participants will use a variety of
materials to create their own whimsical
collage creatures! All supplies are pro-
vided. No background in art is necessary.
Ages 8 and older.

ESL classes

**Call (609) 345-2269, ext. 3115,
for more information**

Intermediate ESL Class

Mondays from 1-4 p.m.
May 7, 14, 21 and June 4, 11, 18, 25
Students will practice conversational
skills. They will learn appropriate and
relevant vocabulary, and gain more confi-
dence performing basic and advanced
functions of daily life.

ESL Business English

Fridays from 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
May 4, 11, 18, 25 and June 1, 8, 15, 22
and 29
This class is to provide students with
comprehensive and relevant instruction in
the correct use of English in everyday
business situations. Some of the topics to
be covered are meetings, telephone con-
versations, finance, employment/job ap-
plications and communication skills.

**★ FAMILY
EVENTS ★**

**Call (609) 345-2269, ext. 3050, for more
information or to reserve a spot.**

**Nobody will be admitted
after program begins at 2 p.m.**

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*(Please see story beginning on page one
for details about the programs)*

**ATLANTIC CITY FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY
FILM SOCIETY
Watch • Listen • Learn • Discuss**

**Call (609) 345-2269, ext. 3112;
or, e-mail Theresa Hawkins at
thawki@acfpl.org for information.**

**View and Discuss: Anatomy of a Mur-
der**
Saturday, May 12, at 1 p.m.
This 1959 classic stars James Stewart,
Lee Remick and Ben Gazzara, and Otto
Preminger directed. It is not rated and
runs 160 minutes.

Film Scores
Monday, May 14, at 5:30 p.m.
This classroom session will focus on the
history of original music written directly
for the screen. Important film scores
throughout history will be discussed and
played.

View and Discuss: Stalag 17
Saturday, June 9, at 1 p.m.
This 1953 film stars William Holden, and
Billy Wilder directed. It is not rated and
runs 120 minutes.

Actor William Holden
Monday, June 11, at 5:30 p.m.
This classroom session will focus on the
life and career of this legendary movie
star.

**ALL PROGRAMS ARE SUBJECT
TO CHANGE**



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Atlantic City, New Jersey

**THE MAIN LIBRARY
IS OPEN SEVEN DAYS
A WEEK!**

Coming this summer



INTERNATIONAL NIGHTS
Wednesdays in July, August
at Kennedy Plaza



SUMMER READING PROGRAM
Fun events held in July, August
at Main Library



CHICKEN BONE BEACH JAZZ
Thursdays in July/August
at Kennedy Plaza

LOOK FOR SCHEDULES OF THESE EVENTS IN THE JULY/AUGUST EDITION OF DISCOVERY!

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Did You Know?

**Library's popular book collections
are located within feet of each other**

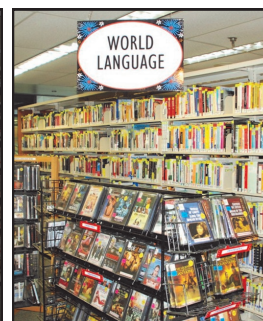
Once people enter the Main Library, it is only a matter of feet before they are within reach of a great book.

The first thing many people notice when they walk through the doors is a display of the current fiction and nonfiction bestsellers. For those looking to grab that hot book that everybody is talking about and to do it quickly, this display and its location in the library are very convenient.

Just a few steps away from that display are some popular collections. New books are displayed prominently, and in that same area people will find a great selection of graphic novels and urban fiction. Our world language collection, which is located nearby, consists of books in many different languages.



A display with best-selling books is located a few feet from the library entrance.



New book, graphic novels, urban fiction and world language collections are located in close proximity.



atlantic city free public library

Main Library

1 North Tennessee Avenue
Atlantic City, NJ 08401
Phone: (609) 345-2269

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Main Library Hours:

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9:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Thursday, Friday & Saturday
9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sunday
12 p.m. to 5 p.m.

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