Explore at the Library

**Summer Reading Fun**

**Kick-off Party Featuring Dog on Fleas**
*Monday, July 1, 10 am-12 pm*
Join us as we celebrate the beginning of summer and kick off the Summer Reading Game! We’ll close the parking lot and rock out with an awesome performance from the band Dog on Fleas. You can also attempt to scale the 24 foot rock-climbing wall. Don’t miss the games, face painting, fun, and more!

**Summer Reading Game Sign-up**
Sign up for our Summer Reading Game beginning Monday, July 1, at the kickoff event! Each registered participant will receive a reading log, stickers, a pencil and more! Read your way toward great prizes all summer long!

**Events at Adriance/Auditorium**

**Magic by Scott Jameson**
*Thursday, July 11, 10 am, Adriance*
Magician and juggler Scott Jameson gives an extraordinary performance. Umbrellas will be plucked from thin air, a drawing will come to life, basketballs will be spun and juggled, and the audience will travel through time. You will be amazed!

**Science Tellers**
*Thursday, July 18, 1:30 pm, AUD*
During a midnight meteor shower, something mysterious falls from the sky. Two curious kids venture into the forest to investigate and find themselves mixed up with a family of visitors from another planet! Don’t miss this action-packed and educational alien adventure using science experiments for special effects.

**Jedi Academy**
*Thursday, August 15, 10:30 am, AUD*
A long time ago and not so very far away... David Engel’s JEDI ACADEMY is a solo comedy variety show. Come learn the ways of the Jedi with Panniken Moonjumper, and discover the great Force within yourself. The kids will be delighted with comic antics, exciting physical challenges, magical mayhem, a visit from a furry alien sidekick, and light saber lessons. Kids are encouraged to dress as their favorite Star Wars character.

**Events at Boardman Road**

**Look Up to the Stars**
*Thursday, July 25, 1 pm*
Astronomer Kevin Manning, a former consultant with NASA, has always been passionate about astronomy and wants to share the excitement with you! We’ll learn about the size and scale of the universe, the stars, and other celestial wonders using hands-on activities and assorted visuals.

**Brad Shur: Cardboard Explosion**
*Thursday, August 1, 11 am*
Cardboard Explosion brings five original stories to life using nothing but cardboard and the power of your imagination. Get ready to outsmart dragons, choose your own superpower, and train animal sidekicks in this fun, participatory show!

**Clover Brooke Farm**
*Thursday, August 8, 11 am*
Llama Llama on the road… Join us as we welcome Clover Brooke farm and their amazing animals. They will be teaching us all about the wonderful qualities of llamas, alpacas and other fiber-producing animals. There will be a petting portion for each animal.

**AUD - The Auditorium**
105 Market Street, Poughkeepsie
Children’s Programs

For more information visit poklib.org/Events

Programs at Adriance

Space Rockets: Pop the Top!
Tuesday, July 9, 4-4:45 pm
Build an Alka-Seltzer powered space rocket and test out your launching skills as we let our rockets fly in 3-2-1… Blast off! Grades 1-5.

* This program will be held outside on the lawn. Parent participation required.

DIY Ice Cream
Tuesday, July 23, 4-4:45 pm
What’s the best thing on a hot summer day? Ice cream! We will be making our own ice cream. Toppings provided. Grades K-5.

Seashell Necklaces
Wednesday, July 24, 4-4:45 pm
Make some necklaces perfect for a summer day at the beach! Grades K-5.

Galaxy Cake Pops
Tuesday, July 30, 4-4:45 pm
Swirling stars and vibrant colors make these Galaxy Cake Pops an out-of-this-world party treat! Grades 1-6.

Yoga for Kids
Wednesday, July 31, 4-4:45 pm
Yoga is a fun way to develop important skills in a non-competitive environment. Join us as we journey toward health and well-being. Grades 1-5.

DIY Helicopters
Tuesday, August 13, 4-4:45 pm
We’ll be building our own working helicopters and watching them fly! Grades 1-6.

Paint ‘n Sip: Alien Art!
Wednesday, August 7, 4-4:45 pm
Join us for our second Paint ‘n Sip and unleash your inner alien artist! Create your own alien art or use one of the provided designs. Experiment with foil, cardboard, and sand/glitter paint to create some out-of-this-world designs. Juice and snacks provided. Grades K-5.

Glow in the Dark Dreamcatcher
Wednesday, July 17, 4-4:45 pm
Stop by the library to make your very own dreamcatcher with glow-in-the-dark stars! Grades 2-6.

DIY Glue Galaxies!
Tuesday, August 6, 4-4:45 pm
Create a galaxy using paint and glue! Gr 2-5.

Glittery Star Wands
Wednesday, August 14, 4-4:45 pm
As the summer winds down, we’ll be making our own glittery star wands to cast our spells and wish for more summer! Grades K-3.

Battle of the Books
Do you like reading and trivia games? Students in grades 5-8 are invited to be a part of the Library’s Battle of the Books Team. The last date to join the team is July 9. For information, or to register, please contact John Hamer-Conroy at (845) 485-3445 x 3364 or jhamer-conroy@poklib.org

NEW
Weekly Parent and Me Creative Dance*
Friday, July 12-August 16
1-1:45 pm for ages 2-4 2-2:45 pm for ages 4-6
Creative Movement is a joyful way for children to respond to music, communicate ideas or feelings through dance, develop physical skills, and stimulate the imagination. Every week we will read a story and collaborate to retell the tale through movement. Full participation from adults and kids a must! *Please wear comfortable clothing and plan to be barefoot.

Hey, Kiddo: Meet Jarrett Krosoczka
Monday, August 5, 7 pm, BRD
Meet popular author/illustrator/graphic novelist Jarrett Krosoczka, creator of more than 30 books for young adults, including the Lunch Lady and Star Map: Academy series. Hey, Kiddo! is his powerful graphic memoir about life in a family struggling with addiction. Books will be available for purchase and signing. Registration required.

Celestial Rocket
Monday, July 8, 4-4:45 pm
As a group, we will assemble a giant cardboard rocket and decorate it for the Children’s room. Grades K-5.

Cookie Phases of the Moon
Monday, July 15, 4-4:45 pm
Learn about the phases of the moon with Oreo cookies! Grades K-5.

S.T.E.A.M. Kids:
Little Bits
Monday, July 22, 4-4:45 pm
Let’s make an Alien Space Bot with LittleBits! Gnomos & Gadgets Kit: building blocks that blink, beep, and teach. Grades 3-8.

Raspberry Pi Bilingual Workshops
Wednesdays, 5:30-7:30 pm, Adriance
Sign up for one, two, or all three sessions.
July 10: Learn Programming with Scratch
Use Scratch to create a basic animation - control a character on the screen. Ages 8-16.
July 17: Program a Traffic Light
Use programming and electronics to engineer a traffic light. Ages 8-adults.
July 24: Program a Sonar Distance Sensor
Use programming and electronics to measure the distance from an object to the sensor. Ages 8-adults. Maximum 15 people per workshop.

Programs at Boardman Road

Giant Knitting with Giant Yarn
Monday, July 29, 4-4:45 pm
Learn how to knit with giant needles and giant yarn! Grades 3-6.

Glow in the Dark Space Bugs
Monday, August 5, 4-4:45 pm
Make a water bottle space bug that will glow in the dark. Grades K-5.

Weekly Lego Club
Tuesdays, July 9-August 13, 4-4:45 pm
Bring your imagination and we’ll build from there with LEGO blocks and games. Parents welcome! Grades K-5. No registration required.

Poughkeepsie Public Library District
poklib.org (845) 485-3445 x3320
Adriance Memorial Library
93 Market Street, Poughkeepsie parking at 22 noon St. Mon-Thur: 9 am-9 pm Fri & Sat: 9 am-5 pm Sun: 2-5 pm
Bohanan Road Branch Library
145 Bohanan Road, Poughkeepsie parking at 22 noon St. Mon-Thur: 9 am-9 pm Fri & Sat: 9 am-5 pm Sun: Closed

Tips for organizing and managing children's programs at libraries

Children's programs

These programs require registration unless otherwise noted. Register at poklib.org/Events or (845) 485-3445 x3320. Please check age appropriateness before you register. Free parking and easy access from Noxon Street parking lot.
Early Learning

The Library District supports early literacy through high-quality programs and resources. We’ll help you find the answers you need as you raise the next generation of citizens. For these programs, children must be accompanied by an adult caregiver.

Programs at Adriance

Free parking and easy access is available from the Noxon Street Parking Lot (GPS Locator: 22 Noxon Street). Story times are weekly series. No registration required.

Walk & Wiggle
Mon, July 8-Aug 12, 10-10:50 am
This language enrichment program serves as a transitional story time for walkers as they prepare for toddler story times. The program features songs, rhymes, finger plays, and stories and is followed by 30 minutes of play and socialization. For ages 18-24 months.

Toddler Time
Tues, July 9-Aug 13, 10-10:30 am
A story time for two-year-olds with books, rhymes, flannel board stories, and music.

Toot & Scoot
Tues, July 9-Aug 13, 10:30-10:50 am
Movement and music program featuring songs, instruments, rhymes, and interactive play for walkers-5 years old.

Baby Rhyme & Play Time
Wed, July 10-Aug 14, 10-10:50 am
Features songs, rhymes, finger plays, and stories, followed by 30 minutes of play and socialization. For birth to 18 months.

Songs and Stories: Bilingual Storytime
Thurs, July 11-Aug 15, 10-11:30 am
Books, flannel board stories, and music enhanced with Spanish vocabulary for ages 2-5, followed by an hour of guided play.

Canciones y Cuentos
Jueves, 11 de Julio al 15 de Agosto, 10-11:30 am
Libros, historias sobre el fieltro y el tablero de música con la introducción de vocabulario en español para niños de 2 a 5 años, seguido de una hora de juego didáctico guiado.

Sensory Lab
Fri, July 12-Aug 16, 10-10:45 am
Sensory and fine motor skills exploration through unique art processes for children ages 18 months to 5 years. Dress for the mess!

TLC - Toddler Learning Center
Fri, July 12-Aug 16, 10:45-11:30 am
A program focused on the importance of play featuring toys, books, and activities for children ages 18-36 months.

PLC - Preschooler Learning Center Story Time
Mon, July 8-Aug 12, 10-11:30 am
Wed, July 10-Aug 14, 10-11:30 am
Books, flannel board stories, and music for children ages 3-5, followed by an hour of guided play.

Programs at Boardman Road

Story times are weekly series. No registration required.

Preschool Story Time
Mondays, July 8-Aug 12, 10-10:30 am
Stories, songs, action rhymes, and small craft for 3-5 year olds. Parents and siblings welcome.

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