

McArthur Library - JULY 2026

CLOSED July 3 & 4

EVENTS & PROGRAMS

ALL AGES

LIBRARY TRIVIA AT BANDED BREWING

Monday, July 13 • 6:30 PM

Think you have what it takes to outsmart a team of librarians at trivia? How about TWO teams of librarians? That's right, we've invited staff from Dyer Library to duel against staff from McArthur Library in a fun competition we hope you will partake in as well. Bring yourself or a team (of up to 6 people) to Banded Brewing on 7/13 for a chance to win library swag and some serious bragging rights.

PAINT NIGHT

Monday, July 20 • 6 PM

Create your own masterpiece with step-by-step guidance. Register: jzavala@mcarthurlibrary.org

COASTAL BIRDS TALK W/MAINE AUDUBON

Wednesday, July 22 • 6 PM

Join Kevin Mullan, the Seasonal Outreach Coordinator for the Coastal Birds Project at Maine Audubon, for an illuminating presentation about the coastal birds that nest on Maine's beaches during the summer, particularly the Piping Plovers and Least Terns here in Biddeford. Light refreshments provided.

PERCY JACKSON TRIVIA

Monday, July 27 • 5:30 PM

Myth or myth? All ages are welcome to attend this fun night of trivia about the *Percy Jackson and the Olympians* book series.

ADULTS

LEGAL HELP WITH PINE TREE LEGAL ASSISTANCE

Wednesday July 1 • 12–2 PM

Get in-person help with housing, consumer, and public benefits issues.

CEMETERY TALK W/RON ROMANO

Tuesday, July 7 • 6–7 PM

Ron Romano returns to McArthur Library with his new book *Stories from Maine Cemeteries - Lives Cut Short*. Copies of the book will be available for autographing and sale.

AUTHOR TALK: KAREN ODDEN

Thursday, July 16 • 6:30 PM

Join us for a special visit from *USA Today* bestselling author Karen Odden as she presents her new book, *The Artful Dodge* - a historic mystery that follows 20-year-old British jewel thief Kit Jimeson as she conducts what she hopes will be her final heist. Note that a meet-and-greet with Karen and other notable authors will take place at Elements across the street from 5–5:45 PM, before the library presentation.

FREE LEGAL WORKSHOP: SMALL CLAIMS

Saturday, July 18 • 10 AM

This workshop defines what a small claims case is, details the steps to complete service and file a complaint, and briefly explains what to expect at court. Presented by the Alpha Legal Foundation



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ADULTS (CONTINUED)

BIDDEFORD GARDEN SERIES: CYANOTYPE PRINTING

Saturday, July 18 • 10 AM

Join BCG for a little “Art in the Garden” and create cyanotype prints. Materials and supplies provided but please feel free to bring any special paper you’d like to print on and/or materials to print. Register: nclark@mcarthurlibrary.org. Limited spaces available.

TECH TUESDAYS

Tuesday, July 21 • 2–3 PM

Have a tech related question? Drop-in; no appointment needed.

CATAN NIGHT

Mondays • 5:30–7:30 PM

Drop in to play the board game Settlers of Catan! All skill levels welcome.

DROP-IN ARTS & CRAFTS

Tuesdays • 5:30–7:30 PM

Bring your current project and craft alongside local creatives.

WINNIE & WILBUR WEDNESDAYS

Wednesdays • 9:30 AM–5 PM

Visit the library’s resident guinea pigs, Winnie and Wilbur, at the upstairs Reference Desk!

THURSDAY COFFEE HOUR

Thursdays • 10 AM

Casual conversation with light refreshments.

KNITTING GROUP

Fridays • 10 AM–12 PM

Bring your knitting, crocheting, or similar project. Join online or in person!

ADULTS & TEENS (13+)

INTRO TO BOOK BINDING

Wednesday, July 1 • 6 PM

In this beginner-friendly class, learn the basics of how to bind your own book! We will practice the pamphlet stitch method and create collage covers to make our own unique notebooks. Register: cspelman@mcarthurlibrary.org.

ACOTAR JEWELRY CHEST CRAFT

Wednesday, July 8 • 6 PM

Channel your inner Feyre by painting a jewelry chest inspired by her dresser! You can follow the floral, flame, and night sky designs, but also feel free to come, hang out, and paint whatever you would like, even if you haven’t read *A Court of Thorns and Roses*. Register: cspelman@mcarthurlibrary.org.

ODYSSEY ESCAPE ROOM

Tuesday, July 21 • 3–7:30 PM

Follow Odysseus along the multiple stops in his harrowing journey in our Odyssey Escape Room! Sign up for one of our half-hour time slots by emailing cspelman@mcarthurlibrary.org. If you are interested in attending but do not have a group, you may be grouped together with other individuals.

DRAGON BOOK HOLDERS

Wednesday, July 29 • 6 PM

Design and paint your own dragon-wing shaped book holder! Register: cspelman@mcarthurlibrary.org

TEENS (13-18)

SUPER SMASH BROS TOURNAMENT

Thursday, July 2 • 2:30 PM

Join us for a fun afternoon of snacks and gaming, with the chance to win a Nintendo Switch gift card!

DRAGON EGG CREATION (D&D)

Thursday, July 30 • 4 PM

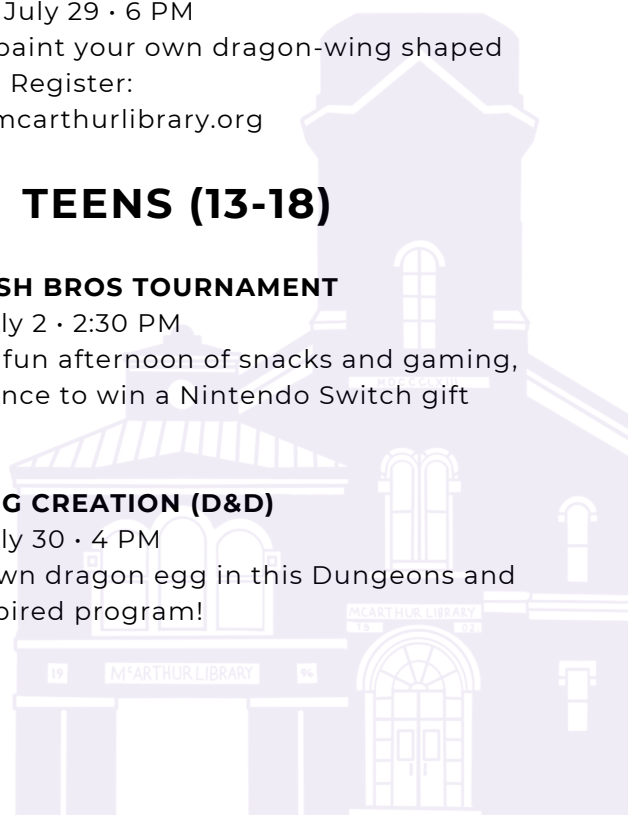
Build your own dragon egg in this Dungeons and Dragons inspired program!



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TEENS & TWEENS (11-18)

GRAPHIC NOVEL BOOK CLUB AT MY PLACE TEEN CENTER

Wednesday, July 8 • 2 PM

This month's graphic novel book group pick is *Brownstone*, by Samuel Teer and Mar Julia. Any teen or tween—whether they have been there before or not—is welcome to join us to discuss the book, do a book-related craft, and have snacks! Multiple copies of the book are available for check out in the Teen Space at McArthur library.

MERMAID HAIR BRUSH

Wednesday, July 15 • 6 PM

Create a pinterest-worthy hairbrush by making your own design from shells, pearls, and more! Register: cspelman@mcarthurlibrary.org

BOOK NOOK DIORAMA

Thursday, July 16 • 2 PM

Design a 3D scene or landscape from your favorite book or your wildest imagination that can fit right into your bookshelf! Register: cspelman@mcarthurlibrary.org.

TEEN THEATER DANCE

Friday, July 17 • 2 PM

In this musical theater dance class, we'll go through basic dance warm ups and across the floor exercises, then learn choreography to a song from a popular musical. Open to all levels of dancers, no experience required. Register: cspelman@mcarthurlibrary.org.

TEEN SCIENCE WITH UNE

Saturday, July 18 • 1:30 PM

Join us for a fun, science-filled afternoon of interactive activities with staff from the University of New England. Register: cspelman@mcarthurlibrary.org.

TEEN PAINT AFTERNOON

Friday, July 24 • 2 PM

Join us for an hour of guided painting! All skill levels welcome and all supplies provided. Register: jzavala@mcarthurlibrary.org

CHILDREN

PRE-K PLAY SPACE

Mondays • 10–11 AM

Families with small children are welcome to join us for toys, music, and stories. Recommended for ages 1 to 5.

LITTLE BUCKAROOS STORYTIME

Tuesdays • 10 AM

Join Ms. Carrow and Bucky Buckaroo for stories, songs, and silliness! Designed for ages 1 to 4.

BABY & ME

Wednesdays • 10:30 AM

Babies and their caregivers are invited to join us for a special program designed just for them.

BOARD GAME LOUNGE

Thursdays • 10 AM–12 PM

Drop in and check out the library's board game collection and enjoy a curated selection of great games!

MAKER'S SPACE

Saturdays • 10 AM–2 PM

Come in and make whatever your heart desires with the materials we've got kicking around in the Children's Room.

LEGO BUILD,

Wednesday, July 1 • 2 PM

Join us in creating a new decorative LEGO build for the Children's Room!

DISNEY TRIVIA

Wednesday, July 8 • 2 PM

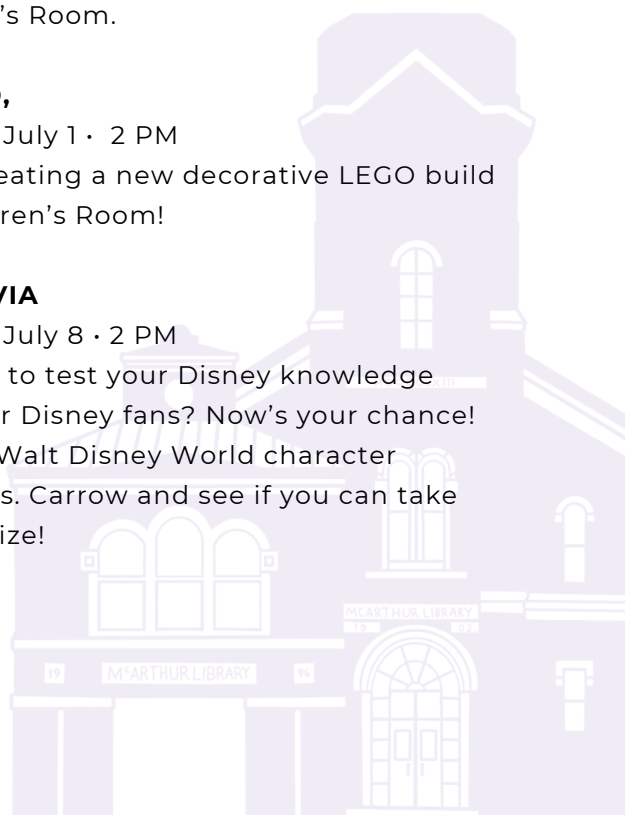
Ever wanted to test your Disney knowledge against other Disney fans? Now's your chance! Join former Walt Disney World character performer Ms. Carrow and see if you can take home the prize!



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CHILDREN (CONTINUED)

SLIME!

Wednesday, July 15 • 2 PM

Join Ms. Jenna and whip up a basic batch of slime that you can personalize with a variety of mix-ins. Slime! In the library! What will these crazy librarians think of next?!?!

FAIRY HOUSE BUILD

Wednesday, July 22 • 2 PM

Come make a fairy house! Register: jzavala@mcarthurlibrary.org.

TROLL HUNT

Wednesday, July 29 • 2–4 PM

Trolls have invaded the library! Come help us gather them up before things get out of hand!

OTHER SERVICES

NOTARY SERVICES

Did you know the library offers Notary Public services free of charge? To make an appointment email cleclair@mcarthurlibrary.org or call 207-286-9326.

TECH HELP

New phone, tablet, or laptop not working the way you expect it should? Bring your device into the library to get help! To make an appointment email cleclair@mcarthurlibrary.org or call 207-286-9326..

BOOK GROUPS

MCARTHUR BOOK GROUP

Wednesday, July 15 • 6:30 PM

Book: *Southernmost* by Silas House

NEWCOMERS' BOOK GROUP

Thursday, July 23 • 5:30 PM

Book: TBA!

Trip: TBA!

THERE'S STILL TIME TO SIGN-UP FOR SUMMER READING

All ages encouraged to participate!
Stop by one of our desks to learn more.
Now – August 22



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