Summer 2025

# FRANKFORT PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

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frankfortlibrary.org/calendar

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# 2025 SUMMER READING PROGRAM JUNE 1 - JULY 31

Register at frankfortlibrary.beanstack.org

Adults - Check out this summer's super sponsors on pg. 2 Kids & Teens see pg. 3 for big news about program changes!



#### **Community Showcase**

SUN. JUN. 1 9am-1pm

Kick off summer and visit us at the Community Showcase in Downtown Frankfort!



# COMMUNITY



### FRIENDS **Book Sales**



SATURDAYS 9am-2pm

JUN. 14 | JUL. 12 | AUG. 9 SEP. 13 | OCT. 11

Don't miss our Summer book sales. We have a huge selection of books for all ages! Sales are located at the Library's garage.

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Keep up with the Friends: frankfortfriends.org

2025 LOOKS TO BE OUR BEST SUMMER READING PROGRAM YET. THANK YOU TO EACH OF OUR WONDERFUL SPONSORS!

JUNE 1 - JULY 31

### **Summer Blood Drive**

WED. JUL. 23 2-7pm

Just one blood donation can save up to 3 lives.

Schedule an appointment online: bit.ly/July23BloodDrive

If all time slots are filled, WALK-INS ARE WELCOME!

Donors age 16+ are welcome to donate. Under age 17? You can donate with guardian consent.

Thank you for donating!











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### COLOR OUR WORLD JUNE 1 - JULY 31

### Youth and Teen Summer Library Program

We're changing the summer program in a big way!

9 weeks, different prizes every week, and 5 different ways to earn them!

 Pick up a challenge sheet for the week and choose your activity:

Read (PreK-Grade 5: 100 minutes | Grades 6-12: 200 minutes) Attend a Library Program Attend a Free Community Event Make a Craft Do a Family Activity

Complete 1 activity to earn one of that week's prizes

 Complete 2 activities to earn a raffle ticket for the grand prizes

All prizes are while supplies last

 You may complete sheets/activities from previous weeks any time

• Track on paper or on Beanstack



Scan here for more information about why we are changing the Summer Library Program.



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We hope you'll join us in this new approach, and please let us know what you think, either at the Library or via email:

youthservices@frankfortlibrary.org

# FRIDAY ON THE GREEN

2 S. White St. in downtown Frankfort from 10-11am

JUNE 6 Big Run Wolf Ranch
Come and learn about the animals our friends at Big
Run Wolf Ranch are bringing to meet you.

JUNE 13 BenAnna Band
Dance, sing and laugh along with BenAnna Band.

JUNE 20 Science Heroes
Turn science into an adventure with The Adventure of the Missing Color!

JUNE 27 Dinosaur Dimensions
Curt Strutz brings his animatronic dinosaurs to the Green!
Do you dare to take a picture with a velociraptor?

JULY 4 No program. Happy Independence Day!

JULY || Noah Ginex Puppet Company

Our friends are back for their second Friday on the Green!

JULY 8 The Spoon Man
A show with spoons? How does that work? Come see
Jim Cruise do amazing things with silverware!

JULY 25 Coasting with a Cop

Bring your bike and helmet for a safety check from the Frankfort Police Department, and then we're going for a ride!

#### Art in the Afternoon



MONDAYS 1-3pm

JUN. 2 - JUL. 28



Art is amazing! Drop by Monday afternoons to try different art projects in the Youth Dept. This program is open to all ages, with a different theme each week.

#### **Everybody Builds**

WEDNESDAYS 4:30-5:30pm

JUN. 4 | JUL. 30

Calling builders of all sizes! Join us for a building program that has something for everyone.

#### **Art Heist Mystery**

MONDAY - THURSDAY JUN. 16 - 19 Multiple start times.

Sign up for a 1 hour time slot.

As a famous painting was getting restored, it was stolen from the Archive Room. You, Detective, must find out who stole it and where they took the painting. Following all the clues in the room, players must work together to get the painting before the exhibit opens.

#### **Morning Storytimes:**

No Storytimes June 30 - July 2

Wee Ones Birth-23 Months with Adult TUE. & WED. 9:30-10am



JUN. 3 - 25 | JUL. 8 - 30

Little ones from birth-23 months and their adult caregivers are invited to share simple stories, songs, rhymes, and time for play!

2's and 3's 24-36 Months with Adult WEDNESDAYS 10:30-11am



JUN. 4 - 25 | JUL. 9 - 30

Children aged 2-3 and their adult caregiver are invited to share stories and songs with us.

Preschool Storytime 3-5 Years with Adult TUESDAYS 10:30-11am



JUN. 3 - 24 | JUL. 8 - 29

Calling all preschoolers! Bring your favorite adult to the library to enjoy stories and songs.



# Graphic Novel Book Club JOIN Ages 8-12

MONDAYS 7-7:45pm We talk about amazing graphic novels for kids.





#### Artsy Experiments Grades: K-2

TUE. JUN. 10 2-3pm

Join us to combine art and science in a few different colorful experiments!

**Yoga Tots** 

Ages: 12 Months - 4 Years SATURDAYS 9:30-10am

JUN. 28 | JUL. 26 | AUG. 30

Bring your tot and a mat or towel for this fun yoga program!

Yoga Kids Ages: 5-12 Years

SATURDAYS 10:15-10:45am

JUN. 28 | JUL. 26 | AUG. 30

For ages 5 and up. Bring a mat or towel for some yoga fun with Miss Jastine!

#### Crazy Crayons Grades: 3-5



WED. JUN. 25 1:15-2:30pm

Let's recycle our old crayons into new ones! Make your own crayons in silly shapes and funky colors.

#### I Spy Colors Sensory Bottle Ages: 2-3

THU. JUL. 10 10-10:30am

Enjoy a story in the sunshine and create your very own colorful sensory bottle to keep!

### **KIDS**



## Drive In Movie Ages: 3-12



MON. JUL. 21 10-11am

Decorate a cardboard box car and park it at our drive in. We'll provide the craft supplies you need to transform your box, we'll watch a baseball movie, and our friends from the Joliet Slammers baseball team will visit us!



#### **Teen Volunteer Orientation** Grades: 6-12

MON. JUN. 2 2-3pm TUE. JUL. 1 2-3pm MON. AUG. 4 2-3pm

Teens who are interested in volunteering at the library must come to an orientation first. This includes current volunteers as well. We will be going over volunteer requirements, filling out forms, and answering questions.

#### Motel Kevchain Grades: 6-12

THU. JUN. 5 6-8pm

Create your own keychain using the Glowforge.



#### Teen Advisory Board (TAB) Grades: 6-12

THURSDAYS 6-7pm

JUN. 26 | JUL. 24 | AUG. 28

Need volunteer hours for school, church, scouts, or just want to help? Join the TAB and earn volunteer hours just for helping us out. Make a difference in your library! Share your

Scan the code below or visit our website to apply for the group:

frankfortlibrary.org/teens/ events-clubs/teen-advisory-board



#### **Teen Dungeons & Dragons**

Grades: 9-12

THURSDAYS 6-8:30pm

JUN. 12 | JUL. 10

Grades: 6-8

TUESDAYS 6-8:30pm

JUN. 24 | JUL. 29

Want to try your hand at rolling dice and being a fantasy hero? Join our merry band of adventurers on a quest in the seminal table top role playing game Dungeons & Dragons.

No experience or equipment needed.



WED. JUN. 18 6-8pm Paint pour on vinyl records!

#### Paint like Monet: Bridge Over a Pond of Water Lilies Grades: 6-12

WED. JUL. 9 6-8pm

Do you like Impressionism? Come and join us to recreate Monet's beautiful masterpiece using fingerpaints in a relaxed environment!

#### **Neon Painting** Grades: 6-12

WED. JUL. 16 6-8pm

Come in and create some neon art using paint markers on canvas!



#### **Altoids Watercolor Palette** Grades: 6-12

WED. JUN. 11 12-1:30pm

Take your painting on the go by making a DIY mini watercolor pallette.



# COMPUTERS + TECHNOLOGY

### Tech Tuesdays

JUN. 3 | JUL. 1 | AUG. 5

6:30 **o** 7 **o** 7:30 **o** 8pm

Need help setting up your new device, an email account, or a social media app? Want to brush up on basic computer skills or learn how to access an ebook or tv show from our digital collection? We can help!

Zoom or phone appointments are available by request.

#### Mobile Device One-to-One

WEDNESDAYS

9:30 @ 10:30 @ 11:30am

JUN. 4 | JUL. 2 | AUG. 6 Have a question about using your phone, tablet, or e-reader? Sign up for a 30-45 minute appointment.

#### Know the Perks of Your Library Card

MON. JUN. 16 7–8:30pm Library cards aren't just for checking out books. Discover the unexpected perks of your Frankfort Public Library District card, like our digital content, online classes, museum passes, databases, and more.

#### **Canva Basics**

WED. JUN. 18 10-11:30am

This 90-minute class will introduce you to Canva, a free design software that can be used to create everything from flyers to social media posts.

There are prerequisites. See our online calendar for details.

# Pronunciator: Personalized Language Courses

THU. JUN. 19 10–11:30am WED. JUL. 9 7–8:30pm

Pronunciator is a fun new way to learn any of 315 languages! Lessons are customized to your personal interests, learning goals, and more.

There are prerequisites. See our online calendar for details.

#### F Silhouette 1-to-1 Session

THU. JUN. 19 თ MON. JUL. 28

4:30-5:30 **o** 6-7pm

Want to create a custom greeting card or have an idea for a t-shirt iron-on? Need help designing a stencil or table cards for your next gathering? We can help!

#### Procreate 101 for iPad

FRIDAYS 2-3:30pm

JUN. 20 🕶 27

Unsure of where to start with your Procreate drawing program on your iPad? Have no fear! This class will provide tips and hands-on learning to help you begin making digital art with ease.

An iPad with Apple pencil and the Procreate App are required for this class.

#### **Genealogy Lab**

TUESDAYS 6-8pm

JUN. 24 | JUL. 8

Dedicate time to research your family history in a friendly setting.

#### **I** Udemy Online Classes

THU. JUL. 10 10-11:30am

Featuring 10,000+ on-demand video courses in multiple languages that help you learn and improve skills across business, tech, design, and many other topics of interest.

#### **Glowforge Basics**

MON. JUL. 14

2-3:30pm 7-8:30pm

Learn how to use the Glowforge software and laser cutting machine to create a simple acrylic keychain.

#### 3D Printing: Miniatures

TUE. JUL. 29 7-8pm

Learn where to source 3D miniatures ideal for gaming and dioramas. Get tips and tricks on how to best print in FDM.

#### SculptGL Workshop

TUE. AUG. 12 7-8pm

Learn the basics of 3D sculpting in the free browser-based software SculptGL. Participants will get one free 3D print of their creation (up to a 2-hour print time).

### Adults

#### **BOOK CLUBS**

CoffeeCake & Crime FRIDAYS 9:15-10:15am

or 10:30-11:30am

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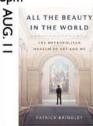
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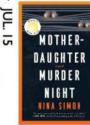
Nonfiction at Night MONDAYS 7-8pm





Tuesdays with Friends TUESDAYS 1-2pm

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#### **AUTHORS + WRITING**

#### Writing Workshop: World Building Pt. 1 + 2

Start laying the groundwork for that fictional world bouncing around in your head! This program on world building will be taught in two parts.

PT. 1 THU. AUG. 14 6:30-7:30pm This first session will focus on tips and exercises to establish a foundation for your world.

PT. 2 THU. AUG. 21 6:30-7:30pm This second session will focus on details: geography, environment, culture, languages, etc. that will help breathe life into the world you are creating.

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#### **ARTS + CRAFTS**

#### **Dot Art**

TUE. JUN. 3 6-7:30pm

We'll use dotting tools and fine paint brushes to create a mandala design or other inspired design on a rock. Let your imagination flow!

#### Laser-Cut Lantern

WED. JUN. 11 2-4pm @

THU. JUN. 12 2-4pm or 6-8pm Create a custom wood lantern for an LED tealight.

This class is designed for patrons who already took the Glowforge Basics class or have equivalent experience.

#### **Creativity Connections:**

These programs are sponsored by Catholic Charities and intended for Adults Age 60+.No prior experience necessary - just bring your creativity and enthusiasm.

#### **Faux Stained Glass**

FRI. JUN. 13 1-3pm

Discover the art of stained glass and create a faux-stained glass tree decor in this engaging and hands-on class using simple materials.

#### **3D Painting with Texture**

FRI. JUL. 11 1-3pm

Join us to learn about this fun and easy way to explore 3D Art! Using a few simple steps, you can create this versatile art - anything from abstract designs to more detailed images.

#### **Basket Weaving**

TUE. JUN. 17 7-8pm Make a simple basket from reeds.

#### Vision Board Workshop: Summer Dreams

WED. JUN. 18 6-8pm

The summer season marks a halfway point through the year as well as a time of renewal. This can be an ideal moment to take a pause and define what you really want out of your life. Visualize your dreams and goals and create a colorful collage of images and/or words that will become your Vision Board.

No experience necessary.

All materials provided unless noted otherwise.

#### Freestyle Art Night

MON. JUN. 23 6-7:30pm

Want to be creative without feeling pressured to make a masterpiece? Join us for a relaxing evening of freestyle art. Using a variety of art supplies, you'll create your own original art.

# Beginner Watercolor Workshop:

WEDNESDAYS 6-8pm JUN. 25 JUL. 16

Join us for an evening of artistry by diving into the world of watercolor with the talented Barb Stevens as your guide. You will learn basic brush strokes and other techniques of applying watercolor to paper, and then complete your very own watercolor painting.

No experience necessary.

#### **Cross-Stitch Pendant**

THU. JUN. 26 2-4pm @ 6:30-8pm

Learn the basics of counted cross-stitch and create a custom stitched design on a wood pendant.

Beginners and experienced stitchers are welcome.

#### **Knitting Basics**

THURSDAYS 2-4 **o** 6:30-8:30pm JUL. 10 **o** AUG. 7

Learn the basics of knitting and create a simple knit bookmark. This single-session class is designed for brand-new knitters.

Topics covered will include:

- Common knitting tools and materials.
- Casting on.
- Knit stitch
- Purl stitch.
- Binding off.

#### **String Art Greeting Card**

THU. JUL. 17 2-4pm or 6-8pm or FRI. JUL. 18 10am-12pm or 1-3pm Create a colorful greeting card by embroidering a pre-cut string art design.



# Adults

#### Personalize a Tote Bag

MON. JUL. 21

10am-12pm **or** 1-3pm **or** 4-6pm

Create a personalized tote bag with calligraphy-style fonts using the Silhou-ette Design Studio software, our Cameo cutter to cut the heat transfer vinyl, and our Cricut EasyPress to apply your creation to the bag.

This is an intermediate to advanced-level Silhouette class. Please see the Prerequisites section for this program in the online calendar.

#### **Laser-Cut Reminder Magnet**

THU. JUL. 24 2-4 @ 6-8pm

Use the Glowforge to create a custom wood reminder magnet to keep track of the dishwasher, feeding a pet, watering plants, or anything else you need help remembering.

This class is designed for patrons who already took the Glowforge Basics class or have equivalent experience.

#### Sew Kindness: Chemo Port Cushions

THU. JUL. 31

2-3:30pm @ 4-5:30pm @ 6:30-8pm

Join us to sew beginner-friendly chemo port cushions for the Cancer Support Center in Mokena.

Prior sewing experience is helpful but not necessary.

#### **Sewing Machine Basics**

THU. AUG. 28 2-4pm or 6-8pm Learn how to operate a sewing machine and sew a simple fabric pouch.

This class is designed for patrons who have never used a sewing machine or need to refresh their memory. 21119 S. Pfeiffer Rd. Frankfort, IL 60423 (815) 469-2423

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# Shuffle Squad: Pinochle FRIDAYS 10am-12pm

FRIDAYS 10am-12pm MAY 16 | AUG. 8

Learn & play classic card games. Beginners welcome. Sign up solo or with a group of up to 4 players!

#### Trivia Night

MOVIES + GAMES + TRIVIA

TUESDAYS 7-8:30pm MAY 20 | JUL. 22 Come solo or bring your team!

#### **Dungeons & Dragons**

THU. JUN. 12 6:30-8:30pm
Prepare for an adventure! Join us for a dive into the world of Dungeons and Dragons where you can create a hero, roll some dice, and have a great time battling villains and monsters.

#### **Mindful Nature Walk**

THU. JUN. 12 9-10:30am

Join us for a mindful walk in nature where we use our senses to observe nature around us.

We will meet at the downtown Frankfort parking lot located just west of Breidert Green Park.

#### Staying Mentally Fit

TUESDAYS 10:30-11:30am JUN. 10 & 24 | JUL. 8 & 22 AUG. 12 & 26 | SEP. 9 & 23

Engage your brain with exercises involving language, word play, puzzles, and memory.

## Adults

#### **Plant Foraging 101**

TUE. JUN. 10 6:30-8pm

Join Kyla Muhammad of The Conservation Foundation to learn about the basics of plant foraging:

- Identifying which plants are edible and have medicinal properties.
- Learning about plants that are easy to grow and how to get started.

#### **Library Board of Trustees:**

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Library Director Amanda Kowalcze Programming Accommodations:

People of all abilities are welcome at our events. Accommodations for special assistance at programs will be made upon request, based on availability. Please contact the Library at least 10 business days prior to the program to arrange accommodations.

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