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Event Guide



June - August 2026



Shaker Library

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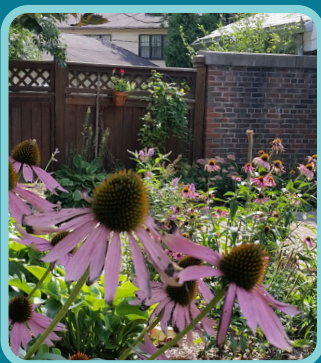
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📍Shaker Starts Here Adult Reader's Challenge 2026 Summer Celebration

**Wednesday, July 8 • 7 - 8 p.m.
@ Bertram Woods Branch**

Join us for an evening in the Reading Garden at Bertram Woods to mingle with fellow participants and share favorite reads from the 2026 Adult Reader's Challenge. Bring your Bingo board with at least one completed row for a chance to win a raffle basket!





2026 Summer Reading

JUNE 1 - AUGUST 1

Read with us over your summer break and earn prizes along the way!

Win a Shaker Reads branded water bottle in the color of your choice after 30 days of reading!



Go to shakerlibrary.org/summer to sign up.

Save the date!

Summer Reading Kickoff Party Monday, June 8 • 4 - 6 p.m.

Celebrate the start of Shaker Reads 2026 with a lawn party! Sign up for summer reading and collect your first reward. Bring a picnic, plus enjoy games and a sweet treat provided by the library. *Bertram Woods Branch*

Shaker Reads Mid-Point Party Thursday, July 16 • 3:30 - 5:30 p.m. Pick up your 45 day milestone prize and be dazzled by Tada Magician! Tickets available at the Children's Desk starting at 3:30 p.m. Magic show will start at 4. *Main Library*



Playtime at Bertram Woods

Fridays, June 26 and July 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31 • 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
Grow your child's imagination, make new friends, and interact with a rotation of toys and activities. *Bertram Woods Branch*



Scavenger Hunts Practice literacy skills with themed scavenger hunts in the Children's Room at both branches.
• **June:** State Fair • **July:** Beach • **August:** Camping

Lemonade & Community Tuesdays, June 16 & 30, July 14 & 28 • 4 - 5 p.m. Enjoy lemonade and an activity. *Main Library, Children's Room*



Summer Art Fun

Main Library • Tuesdays, June 9 & 23 and July 7 & 21, 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Bertram Woods • Thursdays, June 11 & 25 and July 9 & 23, 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Read to a Dog Mondays, June 22, July 27, and Aug. 24 • 4 - 5:30 p.m. Register for a 15-minute timeslot to read to a certified therapy dog. *Main Library, Sussex Room*

RedRover Readers Mondays, July 13 and Aug. 10 • 4 - 5 p.m. Learn compassion for animals with a story and activity. Registration encouraged. Ages 5-11. *Main Library, Sussex Room*

Graphic Novel Book Club Wednesdays

- 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. Pick up a copy at the Children's Desk before our meeting. Please register. *Main Library, Sussex Room*
- June 17 - *Be Prepared*
- July 15 - *Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library*
- August 19 - *Reader's Choice!*



STORYTIME

Storytime begins June 8 and will take a break in August.

Main Woods

Birth to 12 months

Mondays at 11:30 a.m.

1 - 2 year olds

Mondays at 10 :30 a.m.

Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.

2 - 5 year olds

Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.

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Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.

2 - 5 year olds

Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.

Evening Storytime

Mondays at 6 p.m.

Play and Learn Station at Main Library

Wednesday • 1 - 3 p.m.

Thursday • 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Friday • 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

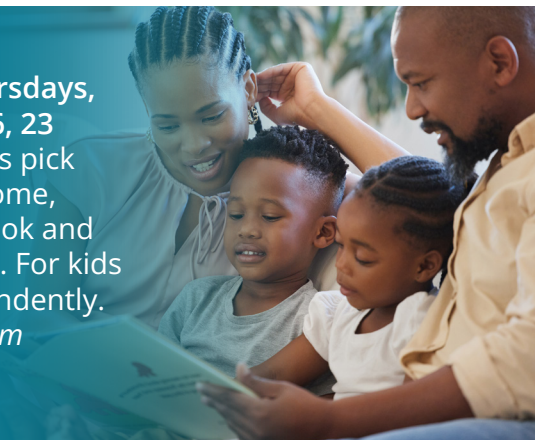
*with special playroom for
infants birth - 12 months.*

Saturday • 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

*Sign up for a session at
events.shakerlibrary.org.*



Family Book Club Thursdays,
June 25 and July 2, 9, 16, 23
& 30 • 4 - 5 p.m. Families pick
out a book to read at home,
then come share the book and
participate in an activity. For kids
learning to read independently.
Main Library, Sussex Room



Teen Summer Challenge 2026

JUNE 1 - AUGUST 1

It's easy to participate. Read. Log. Repeat. Earn prizes for trying new hobbies and skills as well as reading.

Collect prizes for every 15 days of reading or every 4 activities completed. All participants are entered into the grand prize drawing on August 7.

Sign up at shakerlibrary.org/teen.



Middle & High School Gatherings at Main Library



Teen V.I.B.E.S. Wednesdays • 4 - 5 p.m. Express yourself at this weekly art group. *Main Library, Onaway Room*

SUPER Arcade Gaming Group Every other Monday • 3:30 - 5 p.m. Join us for multiplayer computer and console games! *Main Library, Onaway Room*



Teen Summer Reading Hour Monday - Friday starting in July • 4 - 5 p.m. Read a book on the Shaker Schools Reading List! Copies available. *Main Library, Teen Room*



Middle School Gatherings at Bertram Woods

Rising into 6th Grade: A Social Book Club Wednesday, June 17 • 6 - 7 p.m. In collaboration with Shaker Middle School, we are hosting a social book club! Meet new schoolmates, discuss books, and enjoy snacks and activities. For rising 6th graders. *Bertram Woods Branch, Reading Garden*

Middle School Summer Reading Hour Wednesdays in July • 4 - 5 p.m. Read a book on the Shaker Schools Reading List! Copies available. *Bertram Woods Branch, Reading Garden*

Procrastination: Summer Reading Edition Wednesday, Aug. 5 • 6 - 7 p.m. Have you fallen behind on your summer reading? Join us and Shaker Middle School for a chance to catch up! *Bertram Woods Branch, Reading Garden*



Get Crafting in the Creative Spaces

Quick Set Mosaics Thursday, June 25 • 6 - 8 p.m. Learn how to cut tiles to create a one-of-a-kind mosaic in this fast-paced workshop. *Main Library, The Workshop*



Recycled Paper Making Saturday, July 18 • 2 - 4 p.m. Create your own unique handmade sheets. *Main Library, The Workshop*

Cricut Crafternoon: Wood Burned Coasters Thursday, Aug. 27 • 3 - 5 p.m. Create custom stencils and use heating tools to design personalized coasters in this hands-on workshop. *Main Library, The Workshop*



Creative Spaces Orientation

Thursday, June 4 • 6 - 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 15 • 2 - 3:30 p.m.

Explore new tools and technology in our revamped Creative Spaces. *Main Library, Tech Studio & The Workshop*



Rotary and Heat Tools Training*

Thursday, July 9 • 6 - 7:30 p.m.

Become a verified user of our rotary tool, heat guns, and soldering irons. *Main Library, The Workshop*

Sewing Machine Training*

Saturday, June 20 • 2 - 3:30 p.m.,

Friday, July 10 • 2 - 3:30 p.m., and

Thursday, August 6 • 6:30 - 8 p.m.

Become a verified user of the sewing machines and serger. *Main Library, The Workshop*

** All customers are required to complete these trainings before using the corresponding tools during Creative Spaces Open Hours.*

Get help from a tech expert

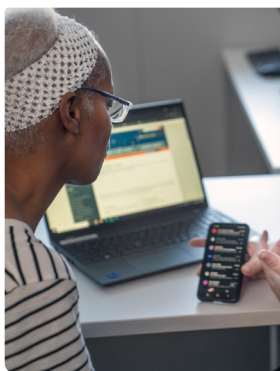
Need personalized technology assistance? Meet with a tech expert who can help.

Make an appointment at [events.shakerlibrary.org/appointments](https://shakerlibrary.org/appointments), or drop in for Open Hours:

Wednesdays • 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Every other Thursday • 2 - 4 p.m.

Main Library, Tech Studio



SHAKER HEIGHTS

Ohio Arts
COUNCIL



Meet Me on Lee!

Lee Road Murals: Artist Talk, Gallery Show, and Mural Dedication Wednesday, July 29 • 6 - 7:30 p.m.

Join muralists Darius Steward, Roni Callahan, and Kim Lavery for an artist talk and gallery show opening at the library, followed by a walk (or drive) to a 7 p.m. dedication of their recently installed murals at 3649 and 3705 Lee Road. *Main Library*

Chagrin-Lee Fest Saturday, Aug. 29 • 12 - 6 p.m.

Shaker Library will join in the fun at the Chagrin - Lee intersection. Music, pop-ups, and fun for all ages!

Book Discussions

Register in advance at events.shakerlibrary.org. Copies available at the library one month before discussion.

PubReads at Van Aken District Market Hall (Raider Space), 3441 Tuttle Rd. Mondays • 7 - 8:30 p.m.

June 1 - *Buckeye* by Patrick Ryan

July 6 - *Kent State: Four Dead in Ohio* by Derf Backderf

Aug. 3 - *King of Ashes* by S.A.Cosby



Cook the Book at Main Library Wednesdays • 6:30 - 8:45 p.m.

June 3 - *The Wishbone Kitchen* by Meredith Hayden

July 1 - *Taste of Home: All-American Cookbook*



Mystery Book Discussion at Main Library Tuesdays • 7 - 8 p.m.

June 9 - *Hotel Ukraine* by Martin Cruz Smith



Book Buzz at Main Library Tuesdays • 10 - 11:30 a.m.

June 16 - *Go As A River* by Shelley Read

July 21 - *The Revolutionary: Samuel Adams* by Stacy Shiff

Aug. 18 - *A Guardian and a Thief* by Megha Majumdar



Toni Morrison Community Read-Out: *Song of Solomon* Thursday, June 11 • 6:30 - 8 p.m. Join us for a reading, performance, and conversation celebrating Toni Morrison's *Song of Solomon*, as part of Ohio Celebrates Toni Morrison. Free copies of the book are available to those registered as long as supplies last. *Main Library*



Ongoing Classes at the Library

Intermediate American Sign Language Mondays, starting June 8 • 7 - 8:30 p.m. Learn ASL basics. Registration required. No new students after June 15. *Main Library*

Coffee & Community Wednesdays • 10 - 11 a.m. Enjoy a beverage, conversation, and activity each week. *Main Library*

Vibes and Videogames for Young Adults Tuesdays • 7 - 8 p.m. Unwind with activities and snacks. For ages 18 - 25. *Main Library, Sussex Room*

Trivia Night Wednesdays, June 3, July 1, and Aug. 5 • 7 - 8 p.m. *Bertram Woods Branch*

Knit, Crochet & So Much More! Every 3rd Wednesday • 7 - 8 p.m. Bring your own materials to craft with the support of an expert. *Bertram Woods Branch*

Tai Chi Thursdays • 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. *Main Library*

Chair Yoga Fridays • 10 - 11 a.m. *Main Library*

African American Genealogical Society of Cleveland Program Saturdays, June 27 & July 25 • 10:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. Attend in person or virtually. Email aags.wm1@gmail.com for the Zoom link. *Main Library*

Pollinator Garden Reception Saturday, June 27 • 2 - 4 p.m. Join your neighbors for a ribbon-cutting to celebrate our brand new pollinator garden, funded in part by the Shaker Lakes Garden Club. *Bertram Woods Branch*

Native Plants: Rugged, Easy Care Survivors Wednesday, July 22 • 7 - 8 p.m. Learn about the benefits of native plants in your garden in this presentation by the Master Gardeners of Cuyahoga County. *Bertram Woods Branch*

Hours

Main Library

Monday - Thursday

9 a.m. - 9 p.m.

Friday - Saturday

9 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Sunday

1 - 5 p.m.

Bertram Woods

Monday and Wednesday

1 - 9 p.m.

Tuesday, Thursday - Saturday

9 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Sunday

Closed

Delayed Opening

Friday, June 5

Both library locations
open at 1 p.m.

Closures

Juneteenth

Friday, June 19

Independence Day

Saturday, July 4



Funding for Shaker Library
programming generously
provided by the Friends of
the Shaker Library.



Juneteenth Community Potluck

Tuesday, June 16 • 6 - 8:30 p.m.

Bring a dish to share (with an
ingredients list) and enjoy a meal,
games, and conversation with
neighbors. *Part of Shaker's Building
the Beloved Community Celebration.*



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Shaker Heights, OH 44120
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20600 Fayette Rd.
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