

JUNE 2023

Rodman

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For
Kids

MellyPop! Productions Coming to RPL June 5 & 6

Will Perform Monday, Conduct Workshop Tuesday

What is better than watching a puppet show? How about playing with a puppet you created? Rodman Public Library will give children up to the age of 12 the opportunity to do both as it gets the summer started with MellyPop! Productions on Monday, June 5 and Tuesday, June 6.

On June 5, MellyPop! will present *Dr. Dolittle* at 6 p.m. in the Rodman auditorium. Children will have fun hanging out with Dottie, Dr. Dolittle's bumbling new assistant, as she shares stories with all of the magical, talking animals during the interactive show that combines puppets with music and comedy and is inspired by Hugh Lofting's book *The Story of Doctor Dolittle* and Rudyard Kipling's short story *Rikki Tikki Tavi*.

Registration is required to attend the puppet show at rodmanlibrary.evanced.info/signup.

On June 6, MellyPop! Productions will return to RPL to conduct puppet making workshops. MellyPop! will offer two separate sessions, one at 5:45 p.m. and another at 6:45 p.m. where children will learn how to build a puppet.

A separate registration is required for the puppet making workshops. Children may register for one session at rodmanlibrary.evanced.info/signup.

Both MellyPop! Productions events are free and supported by Friends of Rodman Library.



MellyPop! Productions will present *Dr. Dolittle* on June 5 inside the Rodman Auditorium. On June 6, it will conduct puppet-making workshops.

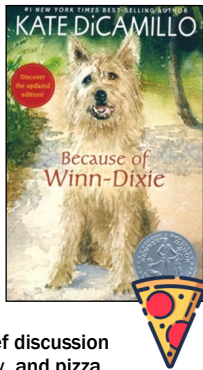
Kids Book Club

Meets every third Wednesday of the month at 4:15 p.m. at the Main Library.

Registration required

Next meeting: June 21

Because of Winn-Dixie
by Kate DiCamillo



Meeting will include a brief discussion of the book, a fun activity, and pizza.

For a look at future Book Club selections, visit rodmanlibrary.com/Rodman-Book-Clubs

Kids Gaming

Kids Gaming is held on the first Wednesday of each month at Rodman Public Library in the Main Library Auditorium. From 4 to 5 p.m., children, ages 8-12, are treated to open play of video games, Minecraft, etc. on devices provided by the library. No registration required.

Wednesday, June 7 at 4 p.m.

Some programs require registration at rodmanlibrary.evanced.info/signup. or by calling 330-821-2665, ext. 223.

Branch Take and Make



Starting Thursday, June 1, kids can stop by the Branch to pick up a kindness bracelet take and make craft while supplies last. Monthly projects are free thanks to the Friends of Rodman Library.



During a six-week run of Thursdays between June 15 and July 20, Book Fest will be held from 10:30 to 11 a.m. and will feature a different presenter each week.

Book Fest will be followed by crafts from 11

a.m. to noon. Children can stay for both activities, or attend only one and registration is not required for either.

The scheduled presenters and crafts are:

- June 15 – Wildlife Officer Scott Traver (caterpillar clothespin)
- June 22 – Healthy Heart Yoga (can craft)
- June 29 – Alliance Garden Club (seed bomb planting)
- July 6 – Staff of RPL's Children Department (headbands)
- July 13 – Huston-Brumbaugh Nature Center (bug jars)
- July 20 – Field Day (hot air balloon mobile)



Summertime means Storytime at Rodman Branch Library.

Each Tuesday, from June 6 through July 25, two identical Storytime sessions will be held – one at 10:30 a.m. and another at 11:30 a.m. at the Branch.

Each week will feature different stories and activities related to the 2023 Summer Reading Program theme of All Together Now.

The topics each week are:

- June 6- Bucket Filler
- June 13- Sharing
- June 20- Teamwork
- June 27- Friendship
- July 4 – Library closed
- July 11- Patience
- July 18- Let's Stay Calm
- July 25- Random Acts of Kindness

Registration is not required.



Children, ages birth through 5, have a standing play date at Rodman Public Library every Wednesday between June 14 and July 26.

On those Wednesdays, a play group will be offered from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. inside the Rodman Main Auditorium.

Board books and toys will be available for the children to play with while coffee and tea will be offered to the adults, who will have the opportunity to socialize.

A librarian will be in attendance at all times, but a parent or caregiver must be present with his or her child.

No registration necessary.



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Staff Spotlight



JAMES SEDORIS

A member of the Bookmobile staff who has been at RPL for nearly 11 years.

What is your favorite part about your job?

I love getting to know kids on the Bookmobile as they grow from preschoolers to fifth-graders, and helping them figure out what kinds of books they like along the way.

Who is your favorite author?

Mac Barnett is my favorite children's book author.

What is your favorite food or snack?

I love popcorn. I even have a secret recipe that involves chili oil. Spicy!

What is your favorite color?

Yellow.

What was your favorite subject in school?

Language Arts, of course.

Who is your favorite actor?

I'm a big fan of Woody Harrelson, but I'm also a sucker for Nicolas Cage hamming it up.

Do you have any pets?

I have two cats, an elderly guinea pig, and three rabbits. I rescued one of the rabbits when he was lost and wound up at Rodman Library. His name is Big Moe.

What is something people would be surprised to know about you?

I'm something of a backpacker! I've been up and down some pretty cool places, including many parts of the Appalachian Trail.

If you could visit anywhere, where would it be?

I'd love to go back to Mount Katahdin, or see Machu Picchu.

Who was/is the biggest influence/hero in your life?

I owe a lot to so many people, but it is hard to imagine where I'd be today without my own children's librarian, Louise (I still call her "Mrs.") Rose!

2023 Summer Reading Program is Here!

All Together Now, let's read.

The 2023 Summer Reading Program, which will run from Tuesday, May 30 through Saturday, July 29, will feature three divisions, including one for children (up to 12 years old).

Patrons can sign up for the program, which has an "All Together Now" theme, in person at the Main Library, the Branch Library, or on the Bookmobile. Patrons may also sign up online at rodmanlibrary.beanstack.org, or through the Beanstack app, which they can download on a mobile device.

Prizes will be awarded throughout the two months and patrons will earn entries into grand prize drawings that will be held after the conclusion of the summer reading program. Patrons are expected to pick up their prizes within a week, or make arrangements to do so.

To get the summer reading program started, a portion of Rodman Public Library – the auditorium and the gallery -- will be transformed into a mini carnival on Thursday, June 1. Throughout the area there will be midway games such as Plinko, Basketball Pop-a-Shot, Ring Toss, Golf, and a Kiddie Hi-Striker. Freshly popped popcorn and cotton candy will be provided to those attending.

A kick-off event will also be held from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Branch on Thursday, June 8. The event



will include a scavenger hunt, a photo booth, face painting, a craft table, a game, and a small snack to take home.

Here's an overview of the 2023 summer reading program:

Children who sign up for the All Together Now Summer Reading Program will receive a reading log and a BINGO board when they sign up in person.

With every 15 minutes of reading completed, kids will color in a book on the log. After coloring in 24 circles, which amounts to six hours of reading, the reading log is complete and can be taken to the library to receive an entry into a raffle for one of several

prizes, including a Nintendo Switch Lite, an Amazon Fire tablet, a LEGO Super Mario playset, a Kavi American Girl Doll of the Year, a \$50 Amazon gift card (two to be awarded), or a \$50 Walmart gift card (two to be awarded).

Children will also be awarded a certificate of completion, a book of their choice and coupons from area restaurants.

Young readers can earn an additional ticket for every five additional hours of reading, which will be recorded on a supplemental sheet.

Another raffle entry can be earned by completing a BINGO on the card inside the reading log. To complete a BINGO, children will need to complete challenges that fill in a line on their card.

Those with questions about summer reading should call 330-821-2665.



SUMMER SCHEDULE

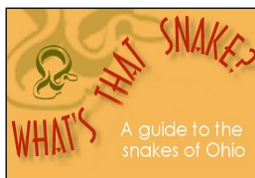
Bookmobile summer schedule brochures are available at the circulation desks at both the Main and Branch (and the Bookmobile, of course) as well as online. It can also be found online at rodmanlibrary.com/bookmobile.

FEATURED DATABASE

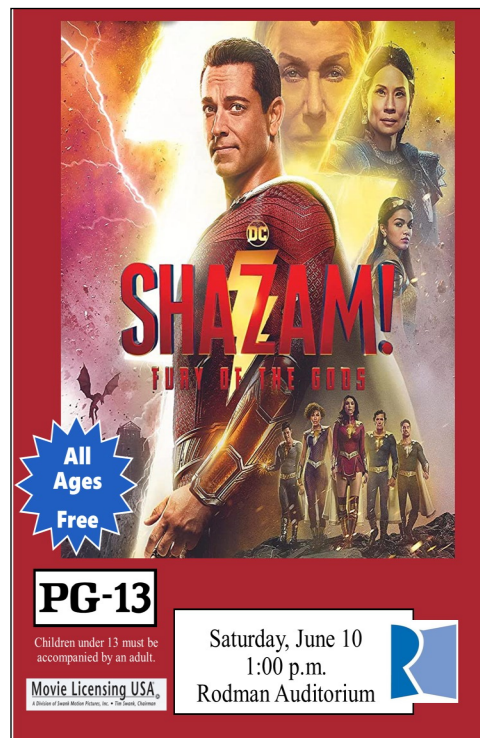
What's That Snake?

Ohio is home to nearly 30 native species of snakes.

If you find one in your yard, Rodman Public Library has a tool that can help you identify exactly which one it is.



What's That Snake? is a collaboration between the Ohio History Connection and the Ohio Public Library Information Network (OPLIN) and is one of more than 75 databases found at rodmanlibrary.com/databases.



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Saturday, June 10
1:00 p.m.

Rodman Auditorium

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