Free summertime fun in the city

It’s summertime, at last! And, the library wants you to take it all in with a roundup of free, cool, summery things to do.

Feel like watching a flick outside in our ideal Colorado weather as the sun sets over the glorious Rocky Mountains? Sunset Cinema returns to the Galleria at the Denver Performing Arts Complex with free outdoor film screenings dedicated to literary greats. Or, enjoy a two-hour walking tour of Berkeley neighborhood and learn fascinating area tidbits, like where Elvis hung out and sang in the choir, from historian Phil Goodstein.

If music is your jam, bring a camp chair or a blanket to Park Hill Branch Library for a Concert on the Lawn with Denver-based Swing band Odessa Rose West. And, you won’t want to miss a concert featuring Denver Latin pop/hip hop group 2MX2 as part of the Unidos Por La Musica series at Valdez-Perry Branch Library. Finally, yogis will want to show off their best downward dog at Yoga in the Park just outside Smiley Branch Library. You’ll find all of these activities and many more throughout Engage! this month.

And what would summer be without our fabulous Summer of Adventure program for kids? Summer of Adventure provides free activities, suggestions for summer reading, technology camps and a maker challenge for youth ages birth through 12th grade. Participants can map their own adventure by selecting activities that encourage them to read, make and explore. Make sure to check your local branch for a specific activity calendar.

Summer’s here, and it will be over faster than you can say summertime in the city. So, start planning your adventures, and get ready to have some fun!

ACTIVE MINDS

Active Minds ([activeminds.com](http://activeminds.com)) expands lives and minds by providing outstanding educational programs across Denver.

Leonardo Da Vinci
Thursday, July 11, 1-2 p.m. @ Sam Gary
Inventor, artist, scientist, engineer, architect, philosopher and more. Leonardo da Vinci was a true “Renaissance Man” and a clear creative genius. Join Active Minds as we review his life, work and lasting impact. This program makes an excellent primer to the Da Vinci exhibit at the Denver Museum of Nature & Science, March 1-Aug. 25.

Alexander Hamilton
Saturday, July 13, 1-2 p.m. @ Central Library, Floor 7, Training Room
The blockbuster musical Hamilton has ignited considerable interest in the man and his story. And it is quite a story. We’ll journey back to our nation’s early history and visit the life and times of Alexander Hamilton, his friends, enemies and the principles he fought (and perhaps died) for.

Space Exploration: From the Moon Landing to Today and Beyond
Thursday, July 18, 3-4 p.m. @ Ross-University Hills
Fifty years ago this month, the United States landed the first manned space mission on the moon. We’ll reflect on President Kennedy’s challenge, the space race, the Apollo Mission and the role NASA has played since the lunar landing and also discuss the current political context for NASA and the rise of private space companies SpaceX, Blue Origin, Virgin Galactic and others.

Railroads
Thursday, July 25, 6:30-7:30 p.m. @ Sam Gary
May marked the 150-year anniversary of the “Golden Spike” that completed the construction of the First Transcontinental Railroad. Join Active Minds as we review the rich history of railroads in the United States, including the role they played in building the country as well as the industry titans that emerged to build and control them. We will bring the story all the way up to the present, discussing current freight and passenger train issues and opportunities. All aboard!

BOOK CLUBS

Find all your favorite book clubs in the online events calendar at [denverlibrary.org/content/dpl-book-clubs](http://denverlibrary.org/content/dpl-book-clubs)
**CHILDREN**

**Little University**  
@ Gonzales, Hadley, Hampden, Montbello, Ross-Barnum, Ross-Broadway, Schlessman Family  
Explore early learning activities beyond traditional Storytimes. Little University for Grownups follows select events (contact branch libraries for dates, times and topics for adults).

**Little University for Grownups**  
Tuesday, July 9, 12 p.m. @ Ross-Barnum  
Importance of Fatherhood  
Tuesday, July 9, 5-5:30 p.m. @ Hadley  
Kindergarten Readiness with Colorado State Library  
Thursday, July 11, 10:30 a.m. @ Gonzales  
Soccer Starts for Grownups with Colorado Rapids Youth Soccer  
Saturday, July 27, 11 a.m. @ Ross-Broadway  
The Importance of Movement

**STEM Club**  
Mondays, 4-5 p.m. @ Ross-Barnum  
Do stuff. Make stuff. Fun stuff. Plus snacks. We’ll explore STEM every week. Ideal for ages 8-12.

**Toddler and Preschool Tinker Studio**  
Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, 11-11:30 a.m. @ Central Library, Children’s Library Baron Project Room  
Hands-on learning and making, just for toddlers and preschoolers. Children and families can explore new materials and create together.

**Family Program**  
Tuesdays, 4-5 p.m. @ Valdez-Perry  
Enriching and fun activities for all ages. Enjoy performances, STEM projects, arts & crafts, gaming, technology and more! Ideal for ages 5-11.

**LEGO® Club**  
Wednesdays, 3:30-4:30 p.m. @ Eugene Field  
Create building projects with LEGO®. You bring the imagination and we’ll provide the building bricks. Ideal for ages 5-11.

**Tinker Studio Open Hours**  
Saturdays, 10 a.m-4 p.m., Sundays, 1-4 p.m. @ Central Library, Children’s Library  
Hands-on learning and making in an unstructured environment. Children and families can explore new materials and create together. Ideal for ages 3-12.

**Saturday Cartoon Hour**  
Saturdays, 9:30-10:30 a.m. @ Hampden  
Join us every Saturday morning for a selection of family-friendly cartoons and cereal.

**EVERY HOUSE HAS A HISTORY. WHAT’S YOURS?**

Our Western History and Genealogy librarians and archivists can help you research the history of your home. Learn how old it is, who lived there and what they did.

Stop in the Western History and Genealogy Department in the Central Library for details.

**LEGO® Club**  
Wednesday, July 3, 4:30-5:30 p.m. @ Woodbury  
The club meets every first Wednesday of the month. Use library LEGO® to make your own creation based on a theme. You can also enter a raffle to win a LEGO® prize! All creations will be on display in the library for the month. Ideal for ages 5-13 with an adult.

**Preschooler Bookmaking**  
Monday, July 8, 10:30-11 a.m. @ Bear Valley  
Join us for story time and a hands on session making simple books. Ideal for ages 3-5 with an adult.

**Smart Cookie Book Club**  
Wednesdays, July 10 & 24, 2-3 p.m. @ Eugene Field  
Join this reading group for kids in grades 4-6. We will discuss super cool books, eat snacks and do fun activities. Please call or stop by our reference desk to sign up and get the book title. Ideal for ages 9-12.

**Preschool STEM: Let’s Be an Astronomer with Wings of the Rockies Museum**  
Friday, July 12, 10:30-11:30 a.m. @ Virginia Village  
Enjoy Storytime with Wings over the Rockies. Little astronomers will learn about stars and make a Star in a Jar. Ideal for ages 3-5 with an adult.

**Optical Illusion Spinners with the Denver Museum of Miniatures, Dolls, and Toys**  
Friday, July 12, 4-5 p.m. @ Byers  
Come make the original fidget spinner with the Denver Museum of Miniatures, Dolls, and Toys! Ideal for ages 5-15.

**Little Adventures: Creature Meet-and-Greet with Nature’s Educators**  
Tuesday, July 16, 10:30-11 a.m. @ Bear Valley  
Make a few new animal friends as our Little Adventures programming concludes with a visit from live animals featured in books and films. Nature’s Educators will be on hand to provide information about these animal ambassadors. Ideal for ages birth-5 with an adult.

**Awesome Art Adventures:**  
Galaxies on Plexiglass  
Friday, July 19, 10:30-11:30 a.m. @ Virginia Village  
Be a space adventurer! Create your own galaxy with the colors that you love most. Ideal for ages 2-5 with an adult.

**CIVIC ENGAGEMENT**

**Community Conversations 2019**  
Engage with your neighbors in a Community Conversation. We’ll explore what kind of community you want to live in, and what actions can be taken to improve community life. Visit [denverlibrary.org/community-engagement](http://denverlibrary.org/community-engagement) to join the list for our next event in your neighborhood.
**Summer Is Here!**

Sign up today to begin your adventure at your favorite branch library.

denverlibraryadventures.org

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**#ParkHillTalks**

Tuesday, July 16, 6:30-7:30 p.m. @ Park Hill

#ParkHillTalks are small, conversational, community meetings facilitated by Park Hill Collective Impact where personal stories and experiences are shared with the purpose of cultivating change. Space is limited to keep each conversation small and comfortable for sharing, email tbannon@denverlibrary.org to RSVP.

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**Coffee Connections**

Wednesday, July 24, 10:30-11:30 a.m. @ Central Library, Floor 4, Lounge

Library customers experiencing homelessness and other community members are invited to meet library staff to enjoy a cup of coffee, fresh donuts and informal conversation.

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**COOKING**

**Five Ways to Add Flavor and Texture to Vegetable-Forward Cooking**

Tuesday, July 9, 6-7:30 p.m. @ Woodbury

Have you shopped at a farmers market and came back with bags of veggies, or are you growing a ton of veggies and want ideas on how to cook them? Join us as vegan chef, J.L. Fields shows how we can add flavor and texture to our veggies.

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**DIY**

**Slow Food Nation Denver 2019**

Saturday, July 20, 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. @ Larimer Square, 1340 Larimer St.

Slow Food Nations is a major international food festival hosted in Denver. This year’s theme is “Where Tradition Meets Innovation.” The Festival features a Taste Marketplace, family pavilion, cooking demos, workshops and interactive food fun. Free entry with selected ticketed events. Join library staff and Scoot, the mobile book cart, at the family pavilion for crafts and a bilingual storytime at 11:30 a.m. Ideal for all ages.

**Stenciled Reusable Grocery Bags and Painted Vegetable Rocks**

Saturday, July 20, 2-3 p.m. @ Woodbury

Join us as we make fun stenciled reusable grocery bags and paint rocks to look like vegetables. You can use the rocks in your garden or for decoration.

**First Friday Paint and Sit**

Friday, July 5, 6:30-9 p.m. @ Byers

Take a break from the Art Walk for our Paint and Sit on the Byers front lawn. We’ll have various canvases and paints available and easels and paint brushes ready for you to create. Don’t just look at art this First Friday, make your own and take it home!

**Dr. Sketchy’s Anti-Art School: Summer Blockbusters’ Session**

Sunday, July 7, 5-7 p.m. @ RiNo Art District, Zeppelin Station, 3501 Wazee St.

This fun evening has everything: costumed models, fun themes, cash bar, great menu items and art-lovin’ people. This month, our model (and movie buff) Vieux Carre, represents the summer blockbuster movie season. All skill levels welcome—giveaways and prizes for attendees. All dry mediums are okay, as are neat watercolor sets. Register at denverlibrary.org/rinopopup

**Sit ‘n’ Knit**

Tuesdays, July 9 & 23, 12:30-2:30 p.m. @ Bear Valley

Experienced knitters can share their knowledge while beginners get tips from skilled cohorts. Fiber host: Charlotte Updike.

**Sewing Lounge**

Thursday, July 11, 12-2 p.m. @ Bear Valley

Need a sewing machine for a special project? Grab your supplies and head over to use ours. Staff will be on hand to answer questions.

**Knitting Circle**

Thursdays, July 11 & 25, 5:30-7:30 p.m. @ Sam Gary

Bring your knitting or crochet project and join other crafters in conversation around the Sam Gary fireplace.

**Jewelry Making**

Wednesday, July 17, 6-7:30 p.m. @ Montbello

Learn simple jewelry making techniques to create a necklace or bracelet with a personalized pendant or a pair of earrings.

**Printmaking with ReCreative Denver**

Friday, July 19, 1-3 p.m. @ Montbello

Dive into the world of printmaking and learn a variety of techniques to produce a printed page using recycled or reclaimed resources.

**Art: On the Other Hand**

Tuesday, July 23, 6-7:30 p.m. @ Ross-Cherry Creek

Stretch your creative muscles with this quirky program where we will try to copy a famous painting by only using your non-dominant hand! Will yours be delightfully terrible or surprisingly stylish?
GENEALOGY

Find additional Genealogy classes and events in the online events calendar at history.denverlibrary.org

Beginning Genealogy
Saturday, July 13, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
@ Central Library, Gates Meeting Room
Learn the basics of genealogical research. We will explore information gathering, family charts and interactive tools, such as ancestry.com and MyHeritage—all accessible with your Denver Public Library card.

Black Genealogy Search Group DNA Discussion Group
Saturday, June 27, 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
@ Blair-Caldwell
Learn how DNA testing can help with genealogical research. Includes understanding the testing process and reading results. Visit bgsgden.org for more information.

Camp Derrick
Saturday, July 27, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
@ Central Library, Floor 7, Training Room
Summer Camp for Genealogists! Have fun and expand your knowledge of genealogy.

HISTORY

Denver’s Drive-ins
Sunday, July 7, 2-3 p.m. @ Central Library, Floor 5, Gates Meeting Room
If you miss those nights of watching movies under the stars, let film historian Ken Mitchell guide you through the history of the 17 Denver-area drive-in theaters. Learn history, take a look at photos and artifacts and ask questions about these memorable Denver delights.

Journey to Promontory: How a Railroad United the Nation in 1869
Tuesday, July 9, 5:30-7 p.m. @ Central Library, Floor 5, Gates Meeting Room
Transport yourself back to that day of 150 years ago through a new PBS program, Journey to Promontory, presented by producer Rich Luckin. This documentary chronicles years of planning, surveying and construction as told through interviews with some of America’s leading rail historians. Learn about the facts, challenges and the rail workers who turned an impossible dream into reality. Stay for Q&A after the film.

The Apollo 11 Moon Landing
Friday, July 12, 2-3:15 p.m. @ Eugene Field
July 2019 marks the 50th anniversary of the Apollo 11 moon landing. Come relive the Cold War; the space race; the Mercury, Gemini and Apollo Projects, and the Apollo 11 journey through previously unseen footage. Learn more at STEMpunkED.com

When we say, “You’re welcome here,” we mean it. You’re welcome to explore, learn, create and belong. We provide welcoming spaces and resources to serve everyone. That means you’re free to connect, grow and thrive at any of our 26 locations across Denver. Best of all, it’s all for free. So, what are you welcome to do at the library?

READ. The heart of the library is still books and people still love books—from traditional printed materials to online manuscripts. The library is the perfect companion for book-loving friends who checked out more than 9.3 million items in 2018. And while printed materials are still all the rage, digital items continue to gain popularity, with more than 1.2 million downloads circulated last year.

MAKE & CREATE. Technology is the name of the game in today’s library. From public access computers to sophisticated equipment for video production, gaming and recording, we offer idealAB makerspaces where people can create just about anything. idealABs combine much-needed equipment with one-on-one and group instruction for kids and adults to make video games, music, digitizing slides or learning how to podcast.

LEARN. We place a high value on helping children discover the joy of reading and learning, motivating them to achieve and graduate from high school. Programs such as Storytime (see page 11) and Summer of Adventure (page 4) help inspire youth to learn and flourish in life. We also offer programs for adults, such as Lynda Library and our Career Online High School.

CONNECT & BELONG. The public library is one of the few remaining places where people can simply “be.” From finding a quiet place to study to attending a class to meeting with neighbors and friends, the library provides spaces for everyone. In 2018, more than 4.1 million people walked through our doors.

EXPLORE. We love providing opportunities for residents to grow and experience new things. In 2018, we offered almost 23,500 programs with 405,000 attendees. Programs in this magazine are only a part of what we offer. Check out our website for additional program offerings.

We truly love our city and the people we serve. We are the Denver Public Library and want you to know: You’re welcome here.
Early Fort Logan
Saturday, July 13, 2-3 p.m. @ Bear Valley
Dr. Jack Ballard, author, serviceman and president of the Friends of Historic Fort Logan, presents the local history of Fort Logan, a once bustling military post during the Civil War and subsequent national cemetery.

Civics Refresher: The Founding Documents: The Constitution
Thursday, July 25, 6-8 p.m. @ RiNo Art District, Converge Denver, 3327 Brighton Blvd.
We learned about them in school, but how much did we retain? This workshop focuses on The Constitution. Taught by a master teacher in American History, Mark Hughes, this civics refresher will reawaken your curiosity for the words that make this land the United States of America. Register at denverlibrary.org/rinopopup

¡Habla Ya! Spanish Conversation Group
Tuesdays, 4-5 p.m. @ Schlessman Family
No class July 9.
Practice your Spanish with other language learners. This is not an instructional course, but rather a great opportunity to chat and improve your skills through facilitated conversation.

Guitar Practice
Wednesdays, 6-7:30 p.m. @ Valdez-Perry
Practice what you know. A limited number of guitars will be provided, but please bring your own if you have one. Ideal for ages 12 and up.

Coffee & Conversation
Saturday, July 6, 9-10 a.m. @ Bear Valley
Enjoy refreshments with your neighbors while playing board games or browsing books. We'll be on hand to listen to your thoughts about the library and our community.

RiNo Made Salons: The Business of Being Creative: Anatomy of a Contract
Tuesday, July 9, 6:30-8:30 p.m. @ RiNo Art District, Converge Denver, 3327 Brighton Blvd.
We will dissect the basic elements of a common contract, explain the legalese and provide some contract-reading tips. Everyone welcome. Register at denverlibrary.org/rinopopup

What could be better than learning alongside your kids? Explore classes for parents and caregivers that follow Little University at select branches. See page 3 for details.

MORE FUN STUFF

Hard Times Writing Workshop with Lighthouse Writers Workshop
Tuesdays, 3-5 p.m. @ Central Library, Floor 4, Rockwell Meeting Room
Learn to put challenging life experiences into words. A seasoned instructor provides prompts and positive feedback for those who choose to share. No experience required; writing materials provided.

DENVER’S DRIVE-INS

See page 3 for details.

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Civics Refresher: The Founding Documents

THE CONSTITUTION

Refresh your understanding of the Constitution and its place in American democracy.

Thursday, July 25, 6-8 p.m.
RiNo Art District, Converge Denver
3327 Brighton Blvd.
See page 6 for details.

The mere sight of a drive-in movie screen is bound to spark memories or curiosity. Learn the history of local outdoor theatres and relive special memories. No need to hide in the trunk...this program is free for all.

Sunday, July 7, 2-3 p.m.,
Central Library
See page 5 for details.

Bingo and Beer
Wednesday, July 17, 6-7:30 p.m.
@ Lowry Beer Garden,
7577 E Academy Blvd.
Get to know your neighbors while playing bingo and enjoying a cold beverage. Join us at the Lowry Beer Garden for this fun, family-friendly community activity. Meet new friends, win prizes and enjoy a nice summer evening (weather permitting). Presented in partnership with Schlessman Family Library, the Lowry Beer Garden and the Lowry Foundation.

Coloring for Grown Ups
Saturday, July 20, 2:30-3:30 p.m.
@ Park Hill
Come for a nostalgic hour of coloring, in or outside the lines. Use our supplies to unplug and color your way to serenity.

Entrière: Food Memoirs Book Club:
Save Me the Plums by Ruth Reichl
Tuesday, July 23, 7-8 p.m.
@ RiNo Art District, The Preservery,
3040 Blake St.
Get a copy of Ruth Reichl's Save Me the Plums about Reichl's tenure as editor of Gourmet (the book is available in print, eBook and audio eBook formats from the library). Then, join us for a book club talk at one of RiNo's best eateries—The Preservery. Great food plus cocktails and other drinks available at the bar. Register at denverlibrary.org/rinopopup

WTF Comedy Workshop
July 24, 25, 26, 4:30-7 p.m. @ Park Hill
The WTF (Women, Trans, Femme) Workshop, powered by GOLD Comedy, is 100% girl-friendly, not girl-only. Comedy-curious people of all genders and ages are welcome! Whether you want to amplify your voice literally (with a mic!) or figuratively (build confidence and authenticity), this series will get you there. Attendance at all three sessions is encouraged to participate in the performance on Saturday, July 27. Email tbannon@denverlibrary.org with questions.

Trivia Night at Eugene Field
Wednesday, July 24, 6:30-7:30 p.m.
@ Eugene Field
Enjoy refreshments, friendly competition and prizes. Play as a single or bring friends and compete as a team!

Get Lit Pop Up Book Club at
Bonacquisti Wine Company
Thursday, July 25, 6-7:30 p.m.
@ Bonacquisti Wine Company,
4640 N. Pecos St.
Ever thought about joining a book club, but hate to miss happy hour? Get Lit is the best of both worlds! We’ll discuss Cheese, Beer, Wine, Cider: A Field Guide to 75 Perfect Pairings and taste cheese from So Damn Gouda. Ages 21 and up.

WTF Comedy Showcase
Saturday, July 27, 6-7:30 p.m. @ Park Hill
Laugh and giggle at fresh jokes from truly new and original voices in this showcase hosted by the brilliant Denver comedian Christie Buchele. Doors open at 5:30 p.m.

Gratefulness Gathering
Tuesday, July 30, 6-7 p.m.
@ Ross-Cherry Creek
Come together for a guided gratefulness practice. We will meet monthly on the last Tuesday of the month to explore different aspects of grateful living.

My Teenage Angst
Wednesday, July 31, 6:30-7:30 p.m.
@ Park Hill
Did you hold on to journals, yearbooks and notes from your teenage years? Megan Nyce invites you to dust them off and join her for a hilarious PG-13 trip down memory lane. Listen to friends and strangers read these keepsakes aloud and get to know your neighbors in a whole new way. Email tbannon@denverlibrary.org to sign up to read your journal aloud.

MOVIES & MUSIC

Community Sing-Along
Monday, July 1, 6:15-7:45 p.m.
@ Schlessman Family
We’ll tap into the joyful part of ourselves that is the essence of singing in a group. We are inclusive, diverse and memory friendly.

Midday Music: Vibrations/JCOC Band
Friday, July 5, 1-2 p.m. @ Schlessman Family
Enjoy an afternoon of music with a mix of blues and gospel tunes.
First Friday Concert with Odyle
Friday, July 5, 6-7 p.m. @ Smiley
Kick-off your First Friday fun with live music in front of the library! Odyle’s original music is a dreamy psychedelic lounge mix of unusual chord progressions and haunting vocals. Check them out on Volume at volumedenver.org/artist/odyle

Rocky Mountain Ukulele Orchestra
Saturday, July 6, 2-3 p.m. @ Central Library, Floor 1, Movies & Music
Tap into your musical side and make some music with Rocky Mountain Ukulele Orchestra. Ukuleles provided for audience participation. Pluck and strum with us!

Sunset Cinema
Tuesday, July 9 & 16, 7-9 p.m. @ Galleria at the Denver Performing Arts Complex, 1400 Curtis St.
Sunset Cinema returns to the Galleria at the Denver Performing Arts Complex with a season dedicated to literary greats. We’ll explore hit movies based on novels you probably covered in high school English. Expect themed pre-show entertainment, fun food and beverage options for purchase, costume contests and more. No need to crack open the CliffsNotes; our librarians will bring these classics to life before the flick begins. Visit artscomplex.com for event information.

O Brother, Where Art Thou? - The Odyssey, Homer
July 9
Clueless - Emma, Jane Austen
August 13
10 Things I Hate About You - The Taming of the Shrew, William Shakespeare
August 13

Concert on the Lawn: Odessa Rose West
Wednesday, July 10, 6:30-7:30 p.m. @ Park Hill
Odessa Rose West is a Denver-based Swing band whose influences include Django Reinhardt, Joe Venuti, The Hot Club of Cowtown, Duke Ellington, and Hank Williams. Bring a camp chair or a blanket and enjoy their unique sound on the lawn.

Live Music with The Dollhouse Thieves
Saturday, July 13, 10:30-11:30 a.m. @ Hadley
Join us for monthly live music at Hadley! Perfect for the whole family. This month we welcome the Dollhouse Thieves and their neo-rock/indie folk.

Unidos por la Música: 2MX2 Concert
Saturday, July 13, 1-3 p.m. @ Valdez-Perry
2MX2 is a Denver Latin pop/hip hop group with a passion for creating positive change in communities. They are curating artists for the Unidos por la Música series at the Valdez-Perry Branch Library. Come get your groove on, celebrate your community and enjoy refreshments. Unidos por la Música is a collaboration with the library, 2MX2, and Denver Arts & Venues.

Love Thy Neighbor Film Series: Do the Right Thing (R)
Sunday, July 14, 1:30-4 p.m. @ Central Library, Conference Center
Director Spike Lee (BlacKkKlansman) examines a Brooklyn neighborhood’s simmering racial tensions as they explode on the hottest day of the year. The next film in August is Won’t You Be My Neighbor.

Denver Nexus Project
Saturday, July 20, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. @ Hampden
Nexus Strings, formerly Cheza String Quartet, is proud to offer pop, rock, classical, romantic, contemporary, jazz and movie music. These highly trained, professional string ensembles are passionate about music and will make your experience extraordinary. Read more at nexusstrings.com

Ukulele Workshop
Thursday, July 25, 6-7 p.m. @ Byers
For adults who want to learn to play for their kids, or want to teach their kids to play the ukulele. Instruments will be provided, but feel free to bring your own. Number of ukuleles is limited so show up early and call ahead at 720-865-0160 to let us know if you need an instrument. Ideal for ages 10 and up with an adult.

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WTF COMEDY
(women, trans & femmes)
This 100% girl-friendly, not girl-only, workshop for women, trans and femmes culminates in a final performance guaranteed to tickle your funny bone.

July 24–26
Park Hill Branch Library
See page 7 for details
WHEN BOOKS AREN’T ENOUGH
Check out some of the other things you can check out at the library

You want books? We have plenty of ‘em. Magazines? No worries. Draft check meter? Yep, got that, too. Wait. What? A draft check meter? Whether you want to check your email on a Chromebook or check how bad that drafty window is, we encourage you to peruse our Library of Things—a growing collection of tools and services that you might not expect from the library. As always, they’re free with your Denver Public Library card. Our current offerings:

Chromebooks
Borrow a Chromebook (laptop computer) and get online using our free in house Wi-Fi at all 26 library locations.

Check Out State Parks:
Colorado Library Pass
Enjoy the natural beauty of Colorado at one of our 42 State Parks. Pass comes with a family activity backpack and admits one carload of people.

Museum and Cultural Passes
The Denver Public Library has partnered with nearby cultural institutions to offer museum admission and theatre tickets for library cardholders.

Draft Check Meter
Uses an infrared sensor to find leaks along walls, molding, ductwork and more. The meter provides quick, intuitive feedback, showing you where to insulate.

GoPro Camera
Record your adventures with a GoPro Hero 3 digital camera. Includes accessories and carrying case.

Power Check Meter
Monitor and project energy costs and find out what appliances cost to operate. Displays cost of electricity in dollars and cents, and tracks true power over time.

Speck Indoor Air Quality Monitor
Detects fine particulate matter in your indoor environment. Speck can help you evaluate indoor pollutants and take action to improve the air quality in your home.

Video Projector
Get ready for your next presentation with a Dell video projector. Comes with power cord and VGA cable in a carrying case. Pick up and return at the Central Library only.

Wireless (Wi-Fi) Hotspot
Connect your smartphone, laptop or tablet to high-speed internet with a mobile Wi-Fi hotspot.

For more great things to use inside the library visit the SM Energy ideaLAB at the Central Library.

OLDER ADULTS

Memory Cafe
Tea Ceremony
Tuesday, July 2, 1:30-3 p.m. @ Ford-Warren

Art of Jazz with Swallow Hill
Tuesday, July 9, 1:30-3 p.m. @ Schlessman Family

Croquet
Tuesday, July 23, 1:30-3 p.m. @ Schlessman Family

Memory Cafe is a social and educational group for people experiencing memory loss and their families and caregivers. It is a safe place to socialize, relax and learn without the fear of stigma. Each cafe has a program followed by socializing so that people can connect with others with shared experiences. We do not provide formal care or supervision.

Calligraphy with Yoko Hiraoka
Tuesday, July 16, 1:30-3 p.m. @ Ford-Warren
Learn how to write very simple Chinese characters using a brush. Plus, explore English writing and sumi-e painting with a calligraphy brush and ink.

Advance Directives Workshop
Thursday, July 18, 12:30-2:30 p.m. @ Central Library, Floor 4, Rockwell Meeting Room
Most Americans are not comfortable talking about death. The first step in the process of end-of-life planning is to complete your Advance Directive. Join us for a facilitator-led, interactive, story-driven workshop.

Technology Classes @ Central Library
Looking for computer or gadget help? Attend free technology classes on everything from computer basics to building your own website. Visit denverlibrary.org/ctc for the class schedule and more information.

ideaLAB Open Lab
Go to denverlibrary.org/idealab for dates and times @ Central Library, Gonzales, Hadley, Hampden, Montbello
During open lab, in our makerspace, you can try out hardware and software to create music, games, 3D designs, art and more. All ages.

Tech Help Appointments
@ Athmar, Bear Valley, Byers, Central Library, Decker, Gonzales, Hadley, Hampden, Pauline Robinson, Ross-Broadway, Ross-Cherry Creek, Ross-University Hills, Sam Gary, Valdez-Perry, Westwood
Get personalized technology assistance and instruction on your own device or a public computer. Call your library to schedule your appointment.

Drop In Tech Help
Mondays, 1-3 p.m. @ Hadley
Mondays, 2-3 p.m. @ Gonzales
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Wednesdays, 1-2 p.m. @ Bear Valley
Thursdays, 12-1 p.m. @ Central Library, Floor 4, Large Classroom
Fridays, 11 a.m.-12 p.m. @ Hampden
Saturdays, 11 a.m.-12 p.m. @ Central Library, Floor 4, Large Classroom
Learn how to use tech more effectively. Get help navigating the internet, email and social networks. Learn how to access ebooks on any device and get your phone and tablet questions answered.
Computer Basics
Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.
@ Ross-University Hills
July 2: Email Basics 1
July 9: Email Basics 2
July 16: YouTube Basics
July 23: Microsoft Word Basics
July 30: Microsoft Excel Basics
Learn computer and smartphone basics such as how to set up an email account, search the internet, use social media safely and more.

Inkscape for Laser Cutting
Tuesday, July 16, 6-7:30 p.m. @ Hampden
Attendees of this workshop will be introduced to Inkscape, a free graphics program, for use with the laser cutter.

Tech Career Talk: Healthcare IT
Tuesday, July 23, 6:30-7:30 p.m. @ Central Library, Floor 4, Rockwell Meeting Room
Explore careers in technology. Hear from a local IT professional in the healthcare field. The informal presentation will be followed by audience Q&A.

Computer Basics: Internet
Friday, July 19, 2-3 p.m. @ Eugene Field
Thursday, July 25, 10-11:30 a.m. @ Hampden
Learn how to use a browser to access the internet and use Google to find information on the internet.

TEENS
Teen STEAM
Mondays, 4-5 p.m. @ Valdez-Perry
Enjoy STEAM activities, technology programs, gaming, arts and crafts and more! Ideal for ages 12-18.

Teen Advisory Board Meeting
Monday, July 1, 5-6 p.m. @ Gonzales
Help plan our teen events! Meet us in the teen area and we’ll eat while we figure out our next event. Ideal for ages 11-18.

ROBLOX Club
Monday, July 1, 6-7 p.m. @ Gonzales
Each month we’ll play a different game in ROBLOX. Two of our very own TAB members will choose the game and a winner or MVP will receive a Robux gift card. Ideal for ages 11-18.

BuildCamp
Saturday, July 6, 12-4 p.m. @ Hampden
BuildCamp is Denver Public Library’s computer hardware workshop for teens ages 12-19. Learn the basics of computer repair by disassembling a computer and rebuilding it from the bottom up and installing an operating system. Ever wanted to peek “under the hood” of a computer and see how all the parts work? Join us. BuildCamp is free, though space is limited.

GameCamp
July 31-Aug. 2, 1-3 p.m. @ Hampden
Teens can learn the basics of game development and programming.
See this page for details.

UKULELE CLASS WITH SWALLOW HILL MUSIC
Thursday, July 11, 5-6 p.m. @ Ford-Warren
You will learn a couple chords and simple, singable songs. Ukuleles and instruction provided by Swallow Hill Music. This is a 12 part series on the second Thursday of each month.

GameCamp
Wednesday, July 31-Friday, August 2, 1-3 p.m. @ Hampden
Learn the basics of game development and programming in our free three day camp, ages 12-19. We will explore Scratch, Twine and Construct to learn how to make and create our own games. No registration is required for GameCamp, though space is limited.

WELLNESS

Adult Yoga
Saturdays, July 6 & 20, 10:30-11:30 a.m. @ Green Valley Ranch
Yoga taught in a safe, fun and supportive environment. This class focuses on asanas (physical poses), breathwork and meditation. All levels. Presented by Shanti Home. Supported by a grant from RE/MAX Altitude.

Walk With a Doc
Saturday, July 13, 8-9 a.m. @ Bible Park, 6802 E Yale Ave., Meet at the Baseball Diamond
Learn about important health topics, then walk and get fit, side-by-side with doctors, nurses and your friends. Free blood pressure checks, giveaways and refreshments. For more information, visit denver.walkwithadoc.org

Yoga in the Park
Saturday, July 20, 10-11 a.m. @ Smiley
Learn and practice yoga in a safe, fun and supportive environment just outside the library in Berkeley Park. This class will focus on asanas (physical poses), breathwork and meditation. A limited number of mats will be provided. Participants are encouraged to bring a mat, towel and water.

Laughter Yoga
Tuesday, July 30, 4-5 p.m. @ Park Hill
Enjoy playful laughter exercises interspersed with gentle breathing and stretching. During this joyful practice, you’ll strengthen the immune system, increase tolerance to pain, and combat the negative effects of stress. Simple, fun and accessible to people of all fitness levels.

If you need sign language or CART Services, contact SignLanguageServices@denvergov.org with at least a three (3) business day notice. For other public accommodation requests/concerns related to a disability, please contact DisabilityAccess@denvergov.org

Arrive early. Space is limited.
## Storytime Schedule

**MONDAY**
- 10:15 a.m.: Toddler
  - Sam Gary
- 10:30 a.m.: All Ages
  - Ross-Cherry Creek
- 11:15 a.m.: Baby
  - Ford-Warren
  - Sam Gary

**TUESDAY**
- 10:15 a.m.: Preschool
  - Sam Gary
- 10:30 a.m.: All Ages
  - Byers
  - Eugene Field
- 11:15 a.m.: Baby
  - Green Valley Ranch
  - Smiley

**WEDNESDAY**
- 10:15 a.m.: Toddler
  - Decker
- 10:30 a.m.: All Ages
  - Gonzales
  - Ross-Broadway
- 11:15 a.m.: Toddler
  - Bear Valley
  - Central, Children's
  - Ford-Warren
  - Woodbury

**THURSDAY**
- 10:15 a.m.: All Ages
  - Decker
- 10:30 a.m.: All Ages
  - Park Hill
  - Ross-University Hills
  - Virginia Village
- 11:15 a.m.: Baby
  - Ross-Broadway
  - Ross-Cherry Creek
  - Schlessman Family

**FRIDAY**
- 10:15 a.m.: Baby
  - Sam Gary
- 10:30 a.m.: All Ages
  - Central, Children's
  - Gonzales
  - Montbello
  - Woodbury
- 11:15 a.m.: Baby
  - Virginia Village
  - Smiley
  - Ross-University Hills

**SATURDAY**
- 10 a.m.: All Ages
  - Eugene Field
- 11:30 a.m.: Saturday, May 18
  - Baby
  - Virginia Village
  - (the third Saturday of the month)

### Storytime Categories
- Baby 0-18 month old
- Toddler 18-36 months old
- Preschool 3-5 years old
- All Ages 0-5 years old
- All Ages/Bilingual 0-5 years old
- Intergenerational Storytime

Stories, songs, rhymes and fun for older adults, children of all ages and their caregivers.

Catch a story anytime, anywhere with Phone-a-Story at 720-865-8500.

Please visit denverlibrary.org/events to verify dates and times as last minute changes do sometimes occur.
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