Boone County Public Library

BCPL brings you Live Music All Summer Long!

Boone County Public Library and Boone County Parks Department partner to bring you a summer full of live music from a variety of musical artists! Please bring your own chair to the outdoor concerts.

Locations:

Main Library 1786 Burlington Pike in Burlington

Hebron Branch 1863 North Bend Road in Hebron

Boone Woods Park 6000 Veterans Way in Burlington

In case of rain:

Hebron Branch Amphitheater Concerts will be moved indoors at the

Hebron Branch.

Boone Woods Park

Concerts will be moved to the Main Library in Burlington. Call the Park's Rain Out Hotline at 859-334-2283 for weather updates.

Inclement weather after 5 p.m. may not allow enough time to move the concert indoors. Bands are subject to change without notice. And the foldie Show Sunday, May 5 The Goldie Show Sunday, May 5 May Files Address Ad

3 Day Rule Thursday, June 6 Hebron Branch Amphitheater 7 p.m.

Forever Diamond Saturday, June 8 Boone Woods Park, 7 p.m.

Swingtime Big Band Saturday, June 15 Boone Woods Park, 7 p.m.

Jump 'n' Jive Big Band Saturday, June 29 Boone Woods Park, 7 p.m.



Red Cedars Trio Thursday, July 11 Hebron Branch Amphitheater 7 p.m.

Second Wind Saturday, July 20 Boone Woods Park, 7 p.m.

Falling to Pieces Saturday, July 27 Boone Woods Park, 7 p.m.



The Everyday People Band Saturday, August 3 Boone Woods Park, 7 p.m.

Florence Community Band Saturday, August 10 Boone Woods Park, 7 p.m.

The Everly Brothers Experience Saturday, August 17 Boone Woods Park, 7 p.m.

Wild Carrot Thursday, August 29 Hebron Branch Amphitheater 7 p.m.

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BOONE COUNTY

EXPORE events & workshops for ADULTS

REGISTER FOR LIBRARY EVENTS

Go to bcpl.org and locate your program in the Library's event calendar or call 859-342-BOOK (2665) and select the appropriate ocation. All registrations will close one hour prior to the event unless otherwise noted.

Weekly Events

Yoga for Healthy Weight Mondays (no class May 27) Main Library, 6 p.m.

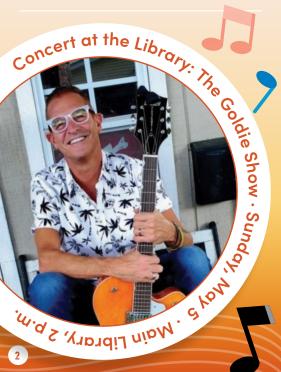
Wednesdays Hebron Branch, 6 p.m.

Thursdays Scheben Branch, 6 p.m.

Bring a yoga mat. \$30 monthly. Register at boonecountyky.org/departments/parks or call 859-334-2117.

Easy English Group Wednesdays

Florence Branch, noon Improve your English reading and speaking skills in a low-stress setting. All levels welcome.



BIL: Graduation Poster May 1-31 Hebron Branch

Make a free 24x36 poster in the Boone Innovation Lab (BIL) to celebrate your graduate. See page 9 for details.

Basics of Beekeeping Wednesday, May 1 Scheben Branch, 6:30 p.m.

Bee-lieve it or not, you can start your own hive! From equipment to hive hierarchies to maintaining honey, begin your beekeeping journey by learning from an active beekeeper.



Free Comic Book Day Saturday, May 4

Main Library, Scheben Branch, Hebron Branch, Florence Branch, Walton Branch In celebration of Free Comic Book Day, pick up a free comic book. While supplies last. Thank you to our local sponsor, Comic Book World.

Bag Sale at Buy the Book Saturday, May 4 Main Library, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Sunday, May 5 Main Library, 1-5 p.m.

Bring a standard sized shopping bag and fill it to the brim with used books, movies, music and more for just \$5!

SWET DanceFit

Saturdays, May 4 and 18 Hebron Branch, 9:30 a.m. Try a cardio class that combines various dance styles. Please register.

The Library Awakens Saturday, May 4 Florence Branch, 10 a.m.-noon

We R-2 excited for May the 4th. Make your own felt finger puppet pod racer. Please register.

The Library Strikes Back Saturday, May 4 Scheben Branch, 1-3 p.m.

In a library far, far away celebrate this day with Lego[™] battle displays, cosplay photo ops, and crafts for all ages, including glowsabers for young Padawans and Tatooine Terrariums for solo adult Rebels.

Take and Make: Lavender Foot Spa Monday, May 6 Hebron Branch

Pick up a kit to make a simple foot soak scented with relaxing lavender, and pamper your feet!



Costume Psychology Tuesday, May 7 Hebron Branch, 6:30 p.m.

Learn about the psychology behind creating costumes for your favorite characters or next cosplay event with Northern Kentucky University Costume Manager, Catherine Schmeal. Please register.

Aging with Art: Ballet Movement Wednesday, May 8 Main Library, 2:30 p.m.

Improve strength, flexibility and balance with the core elements of ballet. Dance seated, standing or with mobility assistance in a welcoming environment. Tailored to ages 55+. Please register.

Fairy Gardens Thursday, May 9 Walton Branch, 1 p.m.

Connect with nature in artistic ways by designing, planting and landscaping a tiny fairy oasis for our mystical garden friends. In partnership with Boone County Cooperative Extension, supplies are provided: feel free to bring your own fairy accessories! Please register.

T'ai Chi

Thursdays, May 9 and 23

Scheben Branch, 2 p.m. Improve balance, strength and flexibility with this gentle form of T'ai Chi that is beneficial for arthritis and fall prevention. Appropriate for all experience levels.

Senior Games: Euchre Tournament Monday, May 13

Main Library, 12:30 p.m. Play Euchre as part of the NKY Spring Senior Games. Call Boone County Parks at 859-334-2117 to register.

> Call the Community Events Liaison at 859-292-3393 at least one week in advance if special accommodations are needed.

Residential Rain Gardens Monday, May 13 Florence Branch, 6 p.m.

Harness the benefits of rainwater! Learn the best location and plant selections to design and construct a garden that will reduce rain runoff on your property. Presented by Boone County Cooperative Extension.

Classic Connection Monday, May 13 Walton Branch, 6 p.m.

Delve into timeless tales and the essence of an era. Be transported into the heart of The Secret Garden by Frances Burnett through discussion and themed projects.

Comfort Quilts for the Community Monday, May 13

Hebron Branch, 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Monday, May 20 Main Library, 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Sew guilts for the community.

Writers Group Tuesday, May 14

Main Library, 7 p.m.

Open to all genres of writing. Share your work and get feedback, encouragement and inspiration. Email asnow@bcpl.org with questions.



Backyard Chickens Wednesday, May 15 Scheben Branch, 6:30 p.m.

Discover all you need to know about chicken breeds, safe coops, feeding, health care and city regulations to start your own backyard chicken flock with suburban micro-homesteader, Luci Slawnyk.

Book Tasting Thursday, May 16 Main Library, 6:30 p.m.

chance at a bonus prize.

Expand your reading palate

for Buy the Book shopping sprees.



Hoxworth Blood Drive and sample a menu of literary delicacies. Tuesday, May 28 Main Library, noon-6 p.m. Participants are entered into drawings Complete a bookish scavenger hunt for a

Memorial Day.

May 28-31 Walton Branch

BCPL Closed

May 26-27

Trivia Night

Railroad

Serve & Socialize Fair Saturday, May 18 Main Library, 10 a.m.-noon

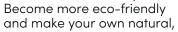
Connect with local volunteer

opportunities and social clubs. Fun activities, live music and refreshments will be available. Complete a Serve & Socialize bingo card to be entered into a door prize drawing.

Green Cleaning Products

Hebron Branch, 2:30 p.m.

Sunday, May 19



chemical-free cleaning products. Take home your own green cleaning spray. Hosted by Rhonda from Hamall Oils and Wellness. Please register.

Take and Make: DIY Vampire Hunter Kit Monday, May 20

Florence Branch Celebrate World Dracula Day (May 26)! Kit includes a guide to the (possibly) undead in your area and how to destroy them, supplies to create a vampire trophy necklace, and a fang-tastic treat. While supplies last.

Wednesday, May 22

Main Library, 6:30 p.m.

Play trivia just for fun! Bring your own team, or we'll put one together for you.

Boone County and the Underground

Thursday, May 23 Scheben Branch, 6:30 p.m. Hear stories of tragedy and triumph. See page 7 for details.

Final Days: Help Us Move!

Check out items and enjoy them for an extended period while the Walton Branch relocates. Return items to our new location in September. **The Walton** Branch will close on May 31 to begin its move to the new location on Towne Center Drive in Walton.

Visit hoxworth.org/groups/bcpl or call 513-451-0910 for an appointment.

Living Will Planning Thursday, May 30 Main Library, 10 a.m.-noon

Plan for future healthcare needs. Complete a living will with experts from St. Elizabeth Healthcare and get it notarized. Discuss financial concerns of aging with a financial planner. Contact natalie.ciulla@stelizabeth.com or 859)-301-7878 for more information. Refreshments sponsored by St. Elizabeth Hospice. Please register.

Walton Branch Closes Friday, May 31 Walton Branch

Last day to visit the Walton Branch before it begins its move to the new location on Towne Center Drive in Walton.

Connect with Local Clubs & Organizations

Serve & **Socialize Fair**

Saturday, May 18 Main Library 10 a.m.-noon

VOLUNTEER

EXPERIENCE events & workshops for KIDS

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Story Teller Paul Strickland presents:

Adventures in **Folktales!**

Saturday, May 11 **Hebron Branch** Amphitheater, 2 p.m.



Homeschool Sampler (grades 1-5) Wednesday, May 1 Main Library, 2 p.m.

How do paper airplanes fly? Learn the science behind flight, design paper airplanes and participate in a paper airplane race to put new knowledge to the test. Please register.

stART here (grades 3-5) Thursday, May 2 Scheben Branch, 6 p.m.

Discover the art of Yayoi Kusama, a Japanese painter, sculptor and performer! Drive yourself dotty making a spotty viewfinder to see the world as she does. Please register.



Music Makers (2-5 years) Thursday, May 2 Hebron Branch, 6:30 p.m. Make some noise! Get hands-on experience with instruments and play musical games. Please register.

LEGO® Club (grades 1-5) Friday, May 3 Main Library, 4 p.m.

Use your imagination and create a LEGO® brick masterpiece! Supplies are provided, and creations will be displayed at the library. Please register.

Free Comic Book Day (all ages) Saturday, May 4

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ABC Play With Me (birth-5 years) Saturday, May 4

Main Library, 10-11:30 a.m.

Tuesdays, May 14 and 28 Florence Branch, 10-11:30 a.m.

Learn and explore through play with activities that promote healthy development. Please register.

Robot Day (grades K-5) Saturday, May 4

Florence Branch, 10 a.m.-noon Robots are the real heroes of the galaxy! Join us for games, races, crafts and build your own bot. Costumes welcome! Please register.

The Library Strikes Back (all ages) Saturday, May 4 Scheben Branch, 1-3 p.m.

In a library far, far away celebrate this day with Leao[™] battle displays, cosplay photo ops, and crafts for all ages, including glowsabers for young Padawans and Tatooine Terrariums for solo adult Rebels.

Full STEAM Ahead! (3-6 years) Monday, May 6

Hebron Branch, 6:30 p.m. Blast off into space as we create colorful constellations, soothing starry nights, and all kinds of space-themed fun! Please register each child

Library Play Date (birth-5 years) Tuesdays, May 7, 14 and 21 Hebron Branch, 10-11:30 a.m.

Wednesdays, May 8, 15 and 22 Main Library, 10-11:30 a.m.

Thursdays, May 9, 16 and 23 Scheben Branch. 10-11:30 a.m.

Drop in for open play! Explore our toys and activities with your child.

Preschool Yoga (3-6 years) Tuesday, May 7

Main Library, 6 p.m. Listen to a story that encourages creativity and imaginative play along with yoga poses! Make a calming craft to take home. Please register.

Paws to Read (grades K-5) Saturday, May 11

Scheben Branch, 11 a.m. Practice reading with a certified therapy dog! Please register.

Mini-Me Tea Party (3-5 years)

Saturday, May 11 Florence Branch, 2 p.m. Show your grown-up how much you care by treating them to tea and making a card and flowers to take home! Please register.

Adventures in Folktales! (family) Saturday, May 11

Hebron Branch Amphitheater, 2 p.m. Listen to action-packed Kentucky Folktales through story and song with Paul Strickland, 2023 National Storytelling Festival Featured Teller. Hear about a horse that magically turns into quarters, a grandma who chases pigs, and even a monster in a Kentucky



ArtSmart (grades K-5) Monday, May 13

Hebron Branch, 6 p.m. Oscar-Claude Monet was the creator of impressionist painting. Learn about this style and create pieces of art inspired by his famous works. Please register.

Itty Bitty Playdate (birth-2 years) Saturday, May 18

Scheben Branch, 10 a.m. Enjoy playtime with developmentally appropriate play stations and activities. Please register.

Pages and Paws (grades K-5) Saturday, May 18 Florence Branch, 11 a.m.

Sunday, May 19 Main Library, 2 p.m.

Tuesday, May 21 Hebron Branch, 6 p.m.

Practice reading with a certified therapy dog! Please register.

Take and Make: Rainbow Twirligig (grades 2-5) Monday, May 20 Scheben Branch Pick up a kit and create a colorful spinner that's twisty, twirly fun! While supplies last.



Baby Says (Baby Firsts)

by Flowerpot Press Busy Baby Animals by Suzi Eszterhas

The Babies and **Bunnies Book** by John Schindel illustrated by Molly Woodward



Baby's Here! by Jessica Young illustrated by Genevieve Godbout

Squeak-a-Boo! by Natasha Wing illustrated by Grace Habib

You Are Getting Sleep by Lori Alexander illustrated by Monica Mikai



by Maya Ajmera Eves by Katrine Crow I Love You, Baby Burrito

by Angela Dominguez

Pokemon[™] Game Night (grades K-5) Monday, May 20 Main Library, 6:30 p.m.

Bring your cards or gaming device to battle players of all levels. Library decks and game mats available. No trading.

Chalk It Up! (family) Thursday, May 23 Main Library, 6 p.m.

Please register.

BCPL Closed

Memorial Day.

Friday, May 31

May 26-27

blanket!



Enjoy an outdoor storytime and then work together as a family to decorate a square of the library sidewalk with chalk. Please register.

Summer Reading Kick Off (all ages)

Boone Woods Park, 7-9 p.m.

Sign up for Summer Reading, which begins June 1. Enjoy outdoor activities, a bounce house, hot dogs and chips! Then join Boone County Parks at 9:15 p.m. for their Summer Movie Kick Off featuring Encanto. Don't forget a

> Call the YS Community Events Liaison at 859-342-2665 Ext. 8142 at least one week in advance if special according to the special a

Cara Frank, Early Literacy Librarian, recommends board books that will engage and delight your little one.

Global Baby Playtime

Baby Animals by Jean Bello illustrated by Alyona Achilova



Returns June 3

Let the Summer Fun Begin!

Summer Reading **Kick Off**

Friday, May 31 **Boone Woods Park** 6000 Veterans Way in Burlington 7-9 p.m.

Summer Reading Kick Off.

Bounce House! Hot Dogs & Chips! Fun Activities! **Outdoor Movie!**

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Free Comic Book Day

Saturday, May 4 Main Library, Scheben Branch, Hebron Branch, Florence **Branch, Walton Branch**

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Enchanted Academy (grades 6-8) Thursday, May 2 Main Library, 6 p.m.

Do you have what it takes to go to wizarding school? Practice your magic with potions, find your perfect wand, and sport your house colors with other witches and wizards! Please register.

Dungeons and Dragons (grades 6-12) Fridays, May 3, 10 and 17 Scheben Branch, 4 p.m.

Play D&D 5th Edition! All levels welcome. Characters are ready or bring your own. To be a dungeon or game master, email dpina@bcpl.org. Please register.

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Snack & Craft (grades 6-12) Wednesday, May 15 Florence Branch, 4 p.m.

Try your hand at diamond art! Paint by number with diamonds to make a cute animal sticker! Snacks provided. Please register.

Absolutely Amigurumi (grades 6-12) Monday, May 20

Main Library, 4 p.m. Crochet creatures! All skill levels welcome. Snacks provided. Please register.

BCPL Closed May 26-27 Memorial Day.

#Trending (grades 6-12) Tuesday, May 28

Hebron Branch, 6:30 p.m. Whodunnit? Take a role and participate in a Murder Mystery Party. Can you

identify the murderer before you become the next victim? Snacks provided. Please register.

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TEEN new releases



Beastly Beauty by Jennifer Donnelly



Summer Nights and Meteorites by Hannah Reynolds



This Book Won't Burn by Samira Ahmed



A Crane Among **Wolves** by Jane Hur

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Upcoming Events

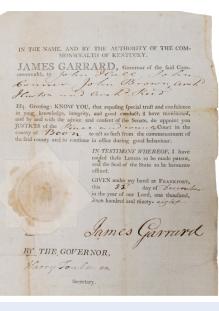
Boone County and the Underground Railroad Thursday, May 23

Scheben Branch, 6:30 p.m.

Thousands of freedom seekers from within Boone County and beyond made their way toward the Ohio River in search of a new, free life. Hear stories of tragedy and triumph from BCPL's Borderlands Archives and History Center and the Friends of Big Bone.

We Don't Look a Day Over 224!

By Hillary Delaney, Local History Associate



anniversary. The process of defining our territory began in 1798, when the wheels were set in motion for Boone County's separation from Campbell court was held on June 17, 1799 at the Huston and Archibald Reed. Other off and running.

Earliest official county document signed by Gov. James Garrard, December 23, 1798.

Revolutionary War veteran Cave Johnson was the first County Clerk. Johnson settled on the Ohio River in 1796, pre-dating the formation of the county. His taxable property on the 1799 tax list included 1600 acres in Boone County, much of it "first rate land". Additionally, he was taxed for ten horses and fifteen enslaved people, who worked at clearing and farming the land, building and maintaining the home and outbuildings and tending to animals and people alike. Among these was a woman called "Pigeon" who, according to descendants, was born in Africa.

Pigeon's nickname was likely a reference to Pidgin, a commerce language used in the slave trade that combined English and the languages of several West African countries. According to descendants, her given name was Lahomena, shortened to Linny by her enslaver, John Craig, who gave her as a gift to his son-in-law Cave Johnson in 1790. Sometime after, she came to be known as Pigeon. When they arrived here, the Johnson family, Pigeon and 14 other enslaved people were among Boone County's earliest pioneers. No freedom papers for Pigeon have been

found, but she appeared in the 1850 Census living in the home of a Free Black couple, John and Judy Coleman. Only a handful of years separated Pigeon and Cave Johnson and both lived to advanced ages. Cave Johnson died in 1850, Pigeon in 1851. Both are buried at Sand Run Baptist Church Cemetery.

This year marks the "Quasquibicentennial" of Boone County, also known as our 225th County. Law and order came first, with the appointment of five men to serve as Justices of the Peace, made official by Governor James Garrard on December 23, 1798. The first meeting of the county home of William Cave. One of the five justices, John Conner, administered the oath of office to fellow appointee, John Hall. Hall then gave the oath to Conner and three others: John Brown, Archibald officials followed and Boone County was



Archive and History Information

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With 7000+ physical items, 4000+ digital items and 5 experts, Boone County Borderlands Archive and History Center at Boone County Public Library is the foremost authority in Boone County local history and genealogy.

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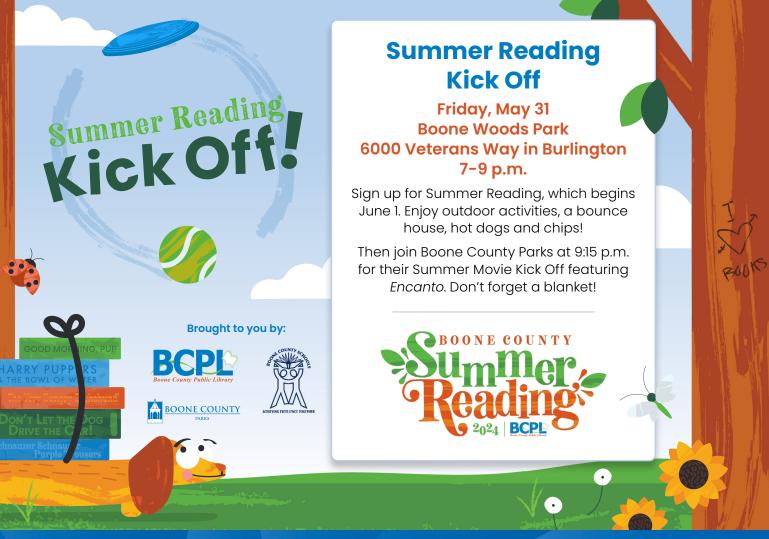
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discover boone innovation lab

Upcoming Events

BIL: Graduation Poster May 1-31

Hebron Branch

Make a free 24x36 poster in the Boone Innovation Lab (BIL) to celebrate your graduate. Visit bcpl.org to make an appointment. Bring a high-resolution photo on a USB drive and choose from a selection of designs. Poster paper provided. Limit one free poster per customer.

Boone Innovation Lab Spotlight Discover affordable large format printing at the Hebron BIL!

Print posters and photographs on our Epson SureColor large format printer. We offer a variety of paper types with a cost of \$2 per linear foot of printed material. To get started, make an appointment at the Hebron BIL and bring the image you want to print on a flash drive. Once here, our team will check the resolution to ensure the best possible print quality. Keep in mind that higher-resolution images tend to print better when enlarged.

Whether it's for your classroom, birthdays, graduations, family reunions, or any other occasion, it's easy to make memorable and custom posters. Our ready-made canvases are perfect for photographs, as they are easy to hang with no framing necessary. In addition, we also have grommets to go with our 24-inch canvas material for \$0.25 per grommet. Don't wait to start printing your custom posters and photographs at the Boone Innovation Lab!

Paper Type	Width
Double Weight Matte Paper	36 incl
Semigloss Photo Paper	24 incl
Canvas	24 incl
Matte Adhesive (Sticker) Paper	24 incl

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Located at the Main Library and the Hebron Branch, the BIL is a place to create, learn, and preserve memories. For more information, visit bcpl.org/bil.

hours

Hours vary according to staff availability. Appointments are required.

equipment

These items can be reserved for use in the BIL:

Audio/Visual

- green screen (Hebron)
- microphones with POP filter (Hebron)
- photo cube light set-up (Hebron)
- media conversion station (Main)

Crafting/Sewing

- sewing machine (Hebron)
- quilting machine (Hebron)
- embroidery machine (Hebron)
- serger (Hebron)
- button maker (Main and Hebron)

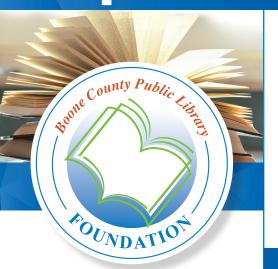
Creator Group

- 3D printers (Main and Hebron)
- xTool Rotary (Hebron)
- Cricut (Main and Hebron)
- laser cutter (Main and Hebron)
- poster printer (Hebron)
- sublimation printer (Main and Hebron)
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Wacom Tablet (Hebron)

EXPLORE exhibits & displays



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On Display

The Library Strikes Back May 1-31 **Scheben Branch** Items from a galaxy far, far away will be on display.

The Cincinnati Book Arts Society May 1-31 Walton Branch Contemporary and traditional artists' books will be on display.

Curt Bessette Art Gallery

The Curt Bessette Art Gallery is located on the first floor of the Main Library. It features work by regional and national artists as well as special exhibits. The gallery gives local artists a chance to display their work for sale.

The namesake of the gallery, Curt Bessette, was a guiet child who spent many hours drawing and creating art of the people and scenes around him. As time passed, his interest in art and talent for various artistic styles only grew until he became known by his peers as the Artist. Mr. Bessette also served on the Boone County Public Library Board of Trustees from July 2016 to February 2017.

On Exhibit

Cynthia Kukla - Have Brush, Will Travel: Watercolor Paintings from Near and Far

May 16-June 18 Main Library, Curt Bessette Art Gallery

A Chicago-native, Cynthia began her art education at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago and went on to receive an MFA in painting from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Her art has brought her beyond the Midwest, across Europe and into Asia. Cynthia was a visiting professor in Greece three times using the rich culture of the ancient Mediterranean as her Muse. Her paintings, drawings and installations have been exhibited over four continents and in over 300 solo and curated group exhibitions in the U.S.

Cynthia has received numerous grants for international research on art, regularly speaks at international conferences and is a member of the prestigious Watercolor Honor Society of America and served on their national board. When she isn't painting or traveling, she writes about art for the online art journal Aegai and Movers and Makers, Cincinnati. Visit Cynthia's website at cynthiakukla.com.





experience books

Book Discussion Groups

To request a book, call 859-342-BOOK (2665) or email the group leader.

Best of the Best

Thursday, May 2 Florence Branch, 3 p.m. Strangers on a Train by Patricia Highsmith Read and discuss bestselling novels. Leader Michael: mstulz@bcpl.org

Thrillers and Chillers

Thursday, May 9 Main Library, 10 a.m. Redemption Road by John Hart Read suspense, mystery and true crime.

Leader Teresa: tsayers@bcpl.org

Chapter and Verse Tuesday, May 14 Scheben Branch, 6:30 p.m. Olga Dies Dreaming by Xochitl Gonzalez Read everything fiction to biographies. Leader Shaun: spowell@bcpl.org

Chick Picks Thursday, May 16 Main Library, 10 a.m. The Last Flight by Julie Clark

Monday 4 Mystery No May meeting

Used Books and More!

Bag Sale at Buy the Book Saturday, May 4 Main Library, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Sunday, May 5 Main Library, 1-5 p.m.

Bring a standard sized shopping bag and fill it to the brim with used books, movies, music and more for just \$5!

ADULT new releases

I Will Ruin You by Linwood Barclay **Red Side Story** by Jasper Fforde Long Island by Cólm Tóibín



Women of all ages read a mix of genres. Leader Karen: khelmle@bcpl.org



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Friday	9am-6pm
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Monday-Thursday	9am-
Friday	9am-
Saturday	9am-
Sunday	1-5pr

8pm 6pm 5pm

FLORENCE BRANCH

7425 US 42, Florence, KY 41042 Monday Tuesday-Friday Saturday

HEBRON BRANCH

1863 North Bend Rd, Hebron, KY 41048 Monday-Thursday 9am-8pm Friday 9am-6pm Saturday 9am-5pm Sunday 1-5pm

WALTON BRANCH

21 South Main Street, Walton, KY 41094 Monday 9am-8pm Tuesday-Friday 9am-6pm Saturday 9am-5pm Closes May 31 to begin move to new location.

CHAPIN MEMORIAL LIBRARY

EXPRESS LOCATION 6517 Market Street, Petersburg, KY 41080 Monday-Saturday 10am-6pm

Meet the Directors Jeff Ahren, Facilities Director

Jeff Ahrens, Facilities Director, joined BCPL in December 2023. Although only here a short time, his 30 years in the field is making it easy to dive in and make a difference. He supervises the maintenance of all BCPL facilities and the tools and services that support the functionality, safety and sustainability of the buildings, grounds infrastructure, properties and vehicles.

leff resides in Hebron with his wife, len, and two children, Abigail and Emily. When not at BCPL, Jeff enjoys camping, fishing and playing guitar. He recently started a new hobby owning and maintaining a saltwater fish tank.

We are excited to have Jeff as part of the BCPL family!

