

Corpus Christi Public Libraries

Spring '24

March - May

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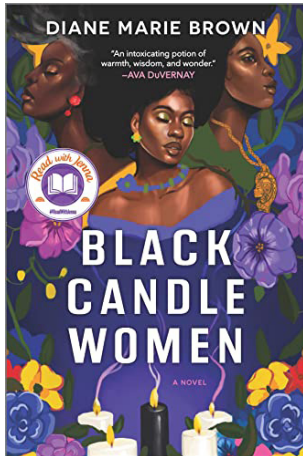
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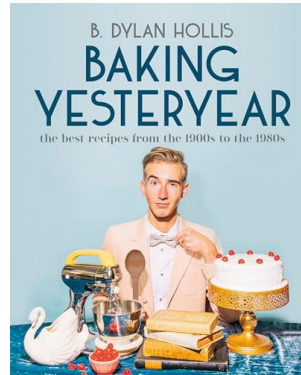
Staff Picks

Books we have read, re-read, and love to read.



Black Candle Women
by Diane Marie Brown
BROWN

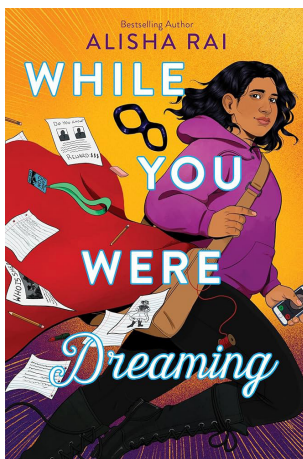
Follows four generations of the Montrose family, who have been living with a curse that leaves any person they fall in love with dead, stemming back to a Voodoo sorceress in 1950s New Orleans' French Quarter where a hidden story in a mysterious book may just hold the answers they seek in life and in love.



Baking Yesteryear : The Best Recipes From The 1900s To The 1980s

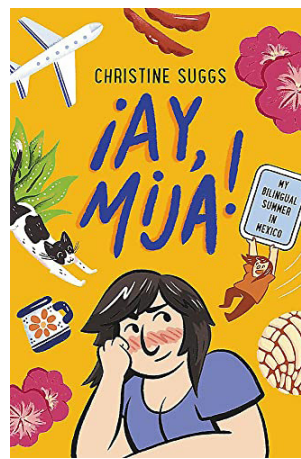
by B. Dylan Hollis
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Travel back on a delicious decade-by-decade jaunt as Hollis shows you how to bake vintage forgotten greats. From Chocolate potato cake to Avocado pie, he has collected these recipes from antique cookbooks from the 1900s to the 1980s.



While you were dreaming
by Alisha Rai
YA RAI

It's a classic story: girl meets boy, girl falls for boy, boy finally notices girl when he sees her in a homemade costume. At least, that's what Sonia Patil is hoping for when she plans to meet her crush at the local comic-con in cosplay.



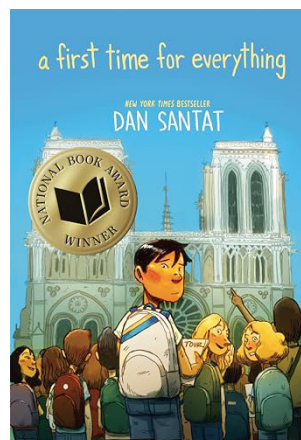
Ay, Mija! : my bilingual summer in Mexico by Christine Suggs
YA B SUGGS

In this memoir, Christine Suggs explores a trip they took to Mexico to visit family, as Christine embraces and rebels against their heritage and finds a sense of belonging.



The Grace Of Wild Things
by Heather Fawcett
J FAWCETT

Fleeing from the orphanage where she lives, Grace makes a deal with the witch in the nearby woods -- if Grace can learn all the witch's spells, she must make Grace her apprentice -- an agreement that leads to an unexpected bond, and an unimaginable sacrifice.



A First Time For Everything
by Dan Santat
JGN SANTAT

In this feel-good coming-of-age memoir, the best-selling author and Caldecott Medalist shares his life-changing middle school trip to Europe during which he experiences a series of firsts, including first love.

Spring Break *Reading Challenge*

March 8 - March 18

Ages 0-17



Reading Makes Your Brain Bloom



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**Corpus Christi Public Libraries
presents
Summer Reading Program
for Children and Teens**

ADVENTURE BEGINS



AT YOUR LIBRARY

**Saturday, June 1st -
Saturday, July 27th**



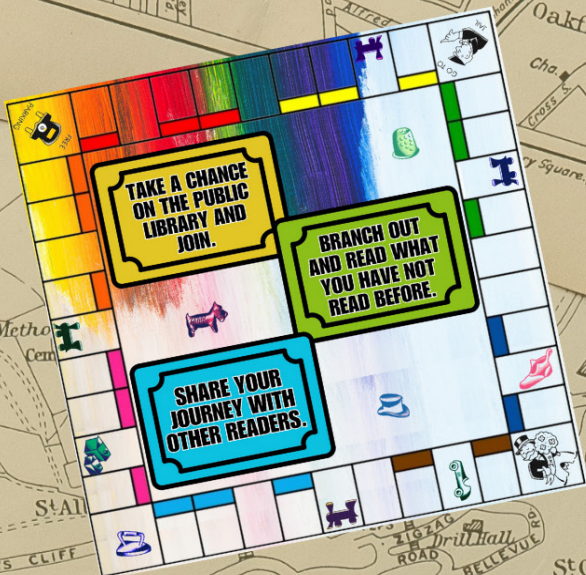
**Ages
0 - 17**

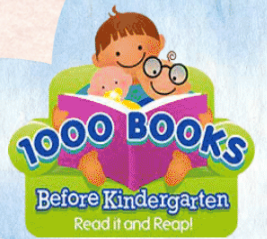
Corpus Christi Public Libraries
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Summer Reading Program
for Ages 18+

ADVENTURE

Begins at your Library

Saturday, June 1st -
Saturday, August 31st





1000 Books Before Kindergarten Celebration

Saturday, March 16TH

11:00 AM-12:00 PM

Games, Crafts, Snacks, And Raffle

Journal Required for Entry



WEEK OF THE YOUNG CHILD CELEBRATION



**SATURDAY, APRIL 13
NOON-3 PM**

**LA RETAMA LIBRARY,
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- **STORYTELLING**
- **ARTS AND CRAFTS**
- **PERFORMANCES**

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9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

March 16TH @ Garcia Public Library

April 20TH @ Harte Public Library

May 18TH @ Hopkins Public Library



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DRINKING Water WEEK

MAY 5-11, 2024

Stay tuned for programs at all
Corpus Christi Public Libraries!

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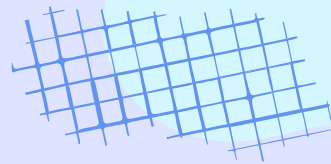
Jayne

Atokuku-Vitz

and I am the new Librarian -
Reference Services
at La Retama Central Library.



My goal is to take your questions and help you
find the answers or connect you to the
resources you need.

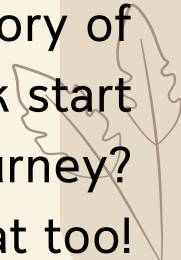


Same ole'

Shelby Gonzalez,

but now as your local
Special Collections
and Archives Librarian!

Visit me at the La Retama Library's Local History
Room and let's explore the rich history of
Corpus Christi together! Looking to kick start
your genealogy journey?
I can help with that too!



Book Review Winners

Elementary School



Michael Allen

Sanders Elementay School

"Beak and Ally: Unlikely Friends"

By: Norm Feuti

Scan the code to
watch Michael's
review.



Jolynn Xiao

Windsor Park Elementay School

"The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane"

By: Kate DiCamillo

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watch Jolynn's
review.



Book Review Winners

Middle School

CARL O. HAMLIN MIDDLE SCHOOL



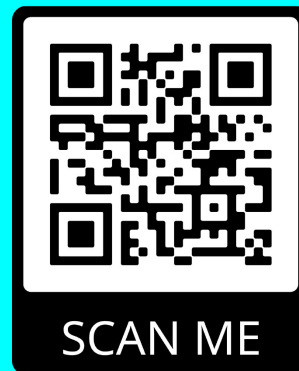
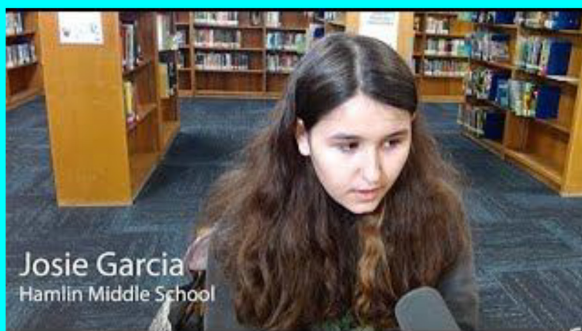
Josie Garcia

Hamlin Middle School

"Geek Love"

By: Katherine Dunn

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Book Review Winners

High School



Michael Hoang

Ray High School

"The Very Hungry Caterpillar"

By: Eric Carle

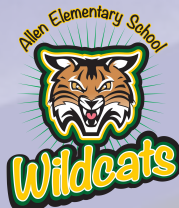
Scan the code to watch Michael's review.



Book Review Participants

Jolynn Xiao - Windsor Park ES
Michael Allen - Sanders ES
Carys Rios - Windsor Park ES
Josie Garcia - Hamlin MS
Lorena Soto - Galvan ES
Abigail Ramos - Galvan ES
Jacob Ramos - Galvan ES
Ryan Rodriguez - Galvan ES
Aubrey Garza - Galvan ES
Beya Moreno - Galvan ES
Rosa Sanchez - Galvan ES
Alyna Palacios - Galvan ES
Lailuh Andrade - Allen ES
Adalynn Moreno - Galvan ES

Kiara Villanueva - Galvan ES
Aaron Nunez - Galvan ES
Ava Perez - Galvan ES
Nicholas Benckendorf - Galvan ES
Renata Castro - Galvan ES
Annalise Olivia Pena - Allen ES
Andres Rosales Rapalo - Allen ES
Carlie Casares - Allen ES
Ezra Garza - Galvan ES
Carlii Franco - Galvan ES
Mayze McGraw - Galvan ES
Cattaleia Gonzalez - Galvan ES
Isaiah Hernandez - Galvan ES
Michael Hoang - Ray HS



Dr. Clotilde P. Garcia Public Library

GARDENING *your* FRONT YARD

PROJECTS AND IDEAS FOR
BIG & SMALL SPACES

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VEGETABLE GARDENING,
POLLINATOR PLANTS,
RAIN GARDENS,
AND MORE!



TARA NOLAN
AUTHOR OF RAISED BED REVOLUTION



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Just for Kids

Take and Create Crafts

(Ages 3 — 10)

New Every Monday

Pick up a craft at the circulation desk or through curbside while supplies last.

Build A Bit

(Ages 3 — 5)

Mondays @ 10:30 AM — 11:30 AM

A dedicated playtime for little builders featuring lots of blocks!



Commotion in the Ocean

(Family)

Tuesdays @ 11:30 AM

Dancing and singing! What could be better?

Pirate Penny's Party

(Ages 3 — 5)

Wednesdays @ 11:30 AM

Storytime, singing, and crafts!



Play Café

(Ages 0 — 3)

Thursdays @ 10:30 AM

Children can come and play while parents enjoy café drinks alongside friendly faces!

Mermaid Tails

(Ages 0 — 3)

Fridays @ 10:30 AM

Stories, songs, rhymes, and finger plays that help build your child's early literacy skills.

Block Party

(Ages 0 — 3)

Fridays @ 11:00 AM

Just after Mermaid Tails we bring the blocks out for creative play in the meeting room!

For Tweens

The Bad Artists

(Ages 10+)

3RD Monday of the Month @ 4:00 PM

Make some art as good, or as bad, as you want.

We're judgment free!



STEAM Team!

(Ages 10+)

4TH Thursday @ 4:00 PM

A choose-your-own STEAM activity time! Will you pick Legos, science or art projects, or maybe a math challenge?

LEGO creations stay at the library.

For Teens



Tween & Teen Scene

(Ages 10— 14)

1ST & 3RD Wednesdays @ 4:00 PM

Art, crafts, projects, and painting!

Manga Mania!

(Ages 13 — 17)

March 16TH @ 2:30 PM

April 20TH @ 3:30 PM

May 4TH @ 2:00 PM

Talk about your favorite manga, watch anime, meet new people, and work on fun projects.



Myth Understood

(Ages 13+)

4TH Wednesday @ 6:00 PM

A YA focused book club for all those young at heart!

March — Foul Lady Fortune by Gong

April — Darkest Part of the Forest by Black

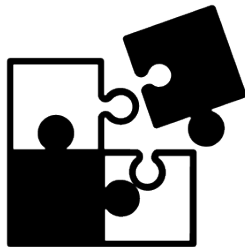
May — Once Upon a Broken Heart by Garber

For Adults

Senior Social Hour

2ND Monday @ 11:00 AM

If you want to get out of the house and meet new people, then come over for board games, puzzles, and socializing!



Garcia Literary Book Club

3RD Monday @ 6:00 PM

If you love going on a reading adventure, your journey isn't complete without this book club.

March — Song of Solomon by Morrison

April — A God in Ruins by Atkinson

May — Horse by Geraldine Brooks

The Poisoned Pen

2ND Wednesday @ 6:00 PM

A thrilling combination of history and whodunnit.

March — 1794 by Natt och Dag

April — Death in Delft by Brack

May — The Spook Lights Affair by Muller



Nordic Noir Book Club

3RD Wednesday @ 6:00 PM

An intriguing discussion focused on the dark macabre world of Nordic Noir.

March — The Postcard Killers by Marklund

April — A Harmless Lie by Blaedel

May — Hidden in Snow by Sten

National Craft Month

March 1ST @ 11:00 AM

Come celebrate National Craft Month! We've got a creative craft activity to do with family and friends.

Space is limited. Registration required.

Crafternoon

April 3RD @ 12:00 PM

For anyone who loves to make crafts or wants to try something new, Crafternoon will introduce a fun craft for you to try!

Space is limited. Registration required.



Chair Yoga for Seniors

March 4TH & 18TH / April 22ND

@ 11:00 AM

Looking to improve your flexibility, gain better concentration, or increase your strength? Chair yoga is a gentle form of yoga that can be done sitting on a chair or standing while using the chair as support.

Space is limited. Registration required.





For Families

Color Me Calm

March 2ND / April 13TH / May 11TH

@ 2:00 PM — 3:00 PM

Looking for a calming activity for you and your family? Come by for some coloring fun!



Scrum, Ruck, and Maul: Let's Talk Rugby

March 4TH @ 4:00 PM / May 8TH @ 4:00 PM

Rugby Coach Louis Gaitan will talk to all ages about rugby team opportunities throughout the city. Do you have what it takes?

Lacrosse Coast to Coast

March 6TH / April 10TH / May 15TH @ 4:30 PM

Josh McClendon, lacrosse team coach of TAMUCC, will discuss the sport and the formation of youth lacrosse teams. He'll be bringing some equipment for some hands on fun!

Past Life on the High Seas

March 9TH @ 2:30 PM — 3:30 PM

USS Lexington Educational Coordinator David will make the past come alive with costumes and social history to offer a unique look into our past.



A Day in the Life of a Texas Park Ranger

March 9TH @ 3:30 PM — 4:30 PM

Mustang Island State Park is comprised of just under 5000 acres on Hwy 361 on the way to Port Aransas. This unique barrier island habitat is home to countless birds, mammals, invertebrates, turtles, and fish. Join Ranger Eric as he discusses some of the more notable creatures and the pressures they face to survive. The program will feature a touch table with bones and shells, their survival strategies, and a day in the life of an interpretive ranger.

Game Day Friday

March 15TH @ 12:00 PM

We've got a fun-filled afternoon of family-friendly board and card games planned for you!

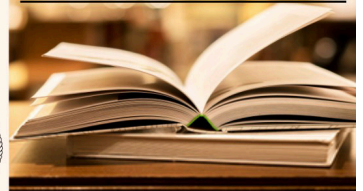


COMMUNITY COURT

Library at the



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AT A LIBRARY NEAR YOU



Community Court at the Library

March 16TH @ 9:00 AM — 1:00 PM

In an effort to make the court system more accessible to residents, the City's Municipal Court is bringing the court system to the library! Residents can access the services they need without worrying about travel or work-hour restrictions.

Normal library hours and services begin at 2:00 PM

Weather or Not!

March 23RD @ 2:30 PM — 3:30 PM

Meteorologist Stefanie Lauber from KRIS 6 TV will be answering our weather-related questions and presenting on weather challenges unique to South Texas.



Commotion in the Ocean:

Spring Bunny Hop Edition

March 26TH @ 11:30 AM

Let's hop into spring with this special bunny hopping edition!

Pirate Penny's Party: Spring Holiday

Stories & Craft

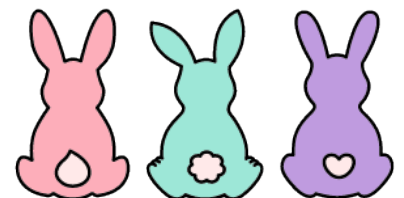
March 27TH @ 11:30 AM

A special spring-centered story time and craft!

Mermaid Tails: Spring Bunny Tails

March 29TH @ 10:30 AM

For one day only, our mermaid tails become bunny tails!





Meet the Ice Rays!

April 1ST @ 4:15 PM

Players will sign autographs, talk about winning strategy, show their equipment and answer as many questions as their fans can throw during this special one hour program!



Pirate Penny Goes Solar!

April 3RD @ 11:30 AM

Stories and crafts all about the moon in the middle, an astronomical phenomenon!

Sunny Tales!

April 5TH @ 10:30 AM

A special sun-centered edition of Mermaid Tails to celebrate the solar eclipse!



Self-Guided Ranger

Trailer Tour

April 6TH @ 2:00 PM — 5:00 PM

Meet some of Texas' finest Game Wardens. Explore a display of confiscated wildlife and hear stories of how they caught the bad guys!

Paws2Read

April 6TH @ 2:30 PM — 3:30 PM

Children can practice reading aloud alongside friendly, certified therapy dogs.



National Library Week

April 8TH - April 13TH

Come celebrate the library by participating in specially themed versions of our weekly programs!

- **Build A Bit: Monday @ 10:30 AM**
- **Commotion in the Ocean: Tuesday @ 11:30 AM**
- **Pirate Penny's: Wednesday @ 11:30 AM**
- **Play Café: Thursday @ 10:30 AM**
- **Mermaid Tails: Friday @ 10:30 AM**
- **Color Me Calm: Saturday @ 2:00 PM**

World Art Day

April 15TH

Celebrate World Art Day by making your very own art in these special versions of our weekly programs!

- **Build A Bit @ 10:30 AM**
- **The Bad Artists @ 4:00 PM**



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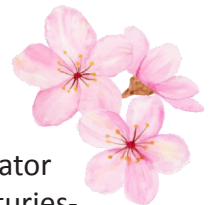
April 20TH @ 2:15 PM — 3:15 PM

Brian McDermott, tattoo artist and owner of La Promesa, will display inspirational flash designs, talk about the history of this ancient art, and answer questions from artists young and old.

Bloomin' Cherry Blossoms

April 20TH @ 3:30 PM — 4:30 PM

Art creation and appreciation with Japanese Outreach Initiative Coordinator Hitomi Sakakibara. We will view centuries-old cherry blossom art and design new creations inspired by this very special Japanese season.



Earth Day—

Sowing Seeds of Inspiration!

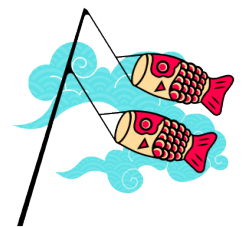
April 23RD @ 4:30 PM — 5:15 PM

Aislynn Campbell of Freedom Harvest Farms will help us get up close and personal with seeds. She'll discuss the importance of biodiversity and sustainable farming!

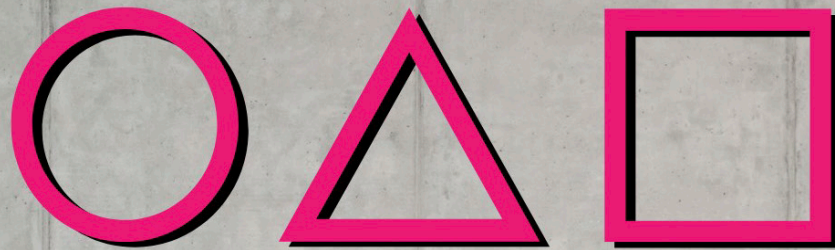
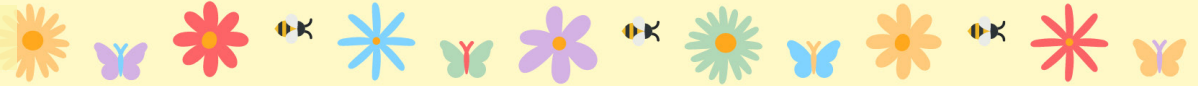
Children's Day

May 4TH @ 2:00 PM — 4:00 PM

Children's Day is a world-renown Japanese holiday. We will feature performances by the local chapter of the Teiko Drummers Troup and have traditional carp crafts of koinoburi. Japanese snacks and various demonstrations held throughout the afternoon.



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The Mother of All SQUID GAMES

SATURDAY
MAY 11TH
2:30 - 5 PM

For the entire family so bring your **Mom**

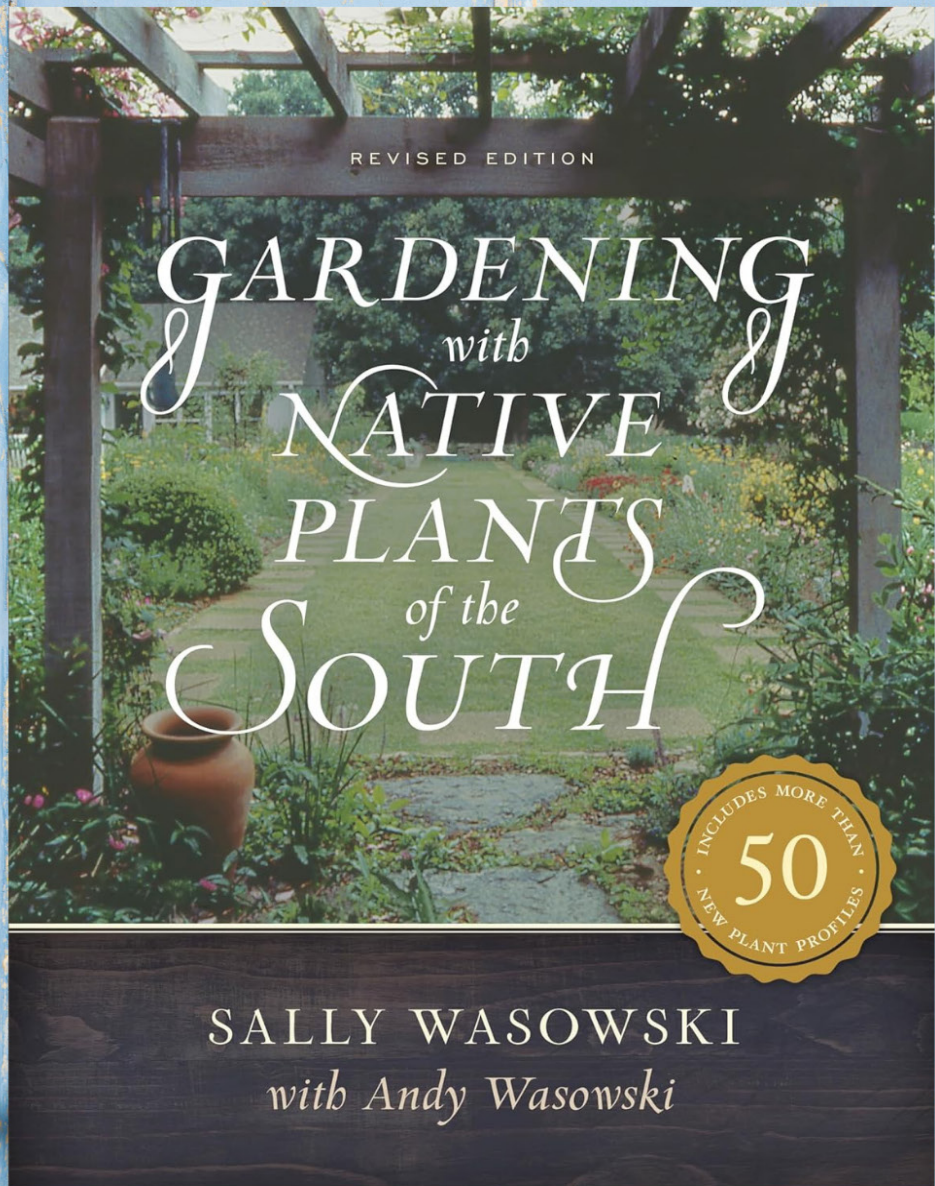
Outdoor Games + Inside Trivia
Special Mother's Day Craft,
and Yummy Snacks



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Just For Kids

Lap-sit Storytime

(Ages 0-2)

Tuesdays @ 10:30 AM

Bring your little bundle of joy for a morning of stories, songs, and fingerplays.

Music in Motion

(Ages 0-5)

Tuesdays @ 11:00 AM

Fun with song, dance, instruments, parachute play, and Storytime.



Family Storytime

(Ages 0-5)

Saturdays, March 9th, April 6th, & May 4th @ 11:00 AM

Weekend storytime with songs, dancing, parachute play, and Storytime.

Play Zone

(Ages 0-5)

Thursdays @ 11:00 AM

Rattles, puzzles, blocks, and more to encourage motor skills.



Take and Make Crafts

(Ages 3 - 10)

New children's craft kit available every Monday for pick up at the circulation desk.



TX Paint by Heart with Stacey White

(Ages 6-17)

Friday, March 29TH @ 5:00 PM

Learn how to paint from local Artist Stacey White.

● **Registration is encouraged.**

● **Call the Library for more information at**

● **(361) 826-2310.**



Blackout Poetry

(Ages 10-17)

Wednesday, April 10TH @ 4:20 PM

Get creative finding poetry within existing text by blacking out or drawing over all but a few words.



For Teens

Loud Crowd

(Ages 15-18)

Mondays @ 4:20 PM

Afterschool social hour with board games and snacks.



Teen Craft Snack Attack

(Ages 13-18)

2ND Tuesday of every month @ 4:20 PM

Join us for some snacks, drinks, and crafts!

● **March**—Watercolor with Markers

● **April**—DIY Berry Stress Ball

● **May**—Fingerpainting Beehive



Teen Building

(Ages 13-18)

3RD Wednesday of every month @ 4:20 PM

Cooperative and competitive building using KEVA planks.



(Un)Social Hour

(Ages 13+)

Thursdays @ 4:20PM

Afterschool social hour for those who prefer things on the quiet side to draw, read, study, etc.



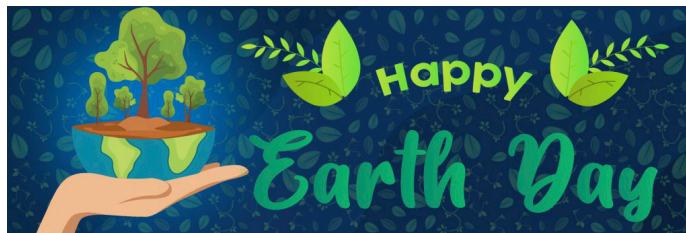
For All Ages

NASA Eclipse Stream

(All Ages)

Monday, April 8TH @ 10:30 AM

Join us for NASA's livestream of the 2024 Total Solar Eclipse. Glasses available for outside viewing.



Earth Day Giveaway

(All Ages)

Monday, April 22ND All Day

Free mini plant cuttings available to take home and grow.

While supplies last.

Seed Bomb DIY

(All Ages)

Monday, April 22ND @ 5:00 PM

Give back to our Earth by making your own seed bomb! Caregivers must attend with any participants 15 and under.



Diamond Painting

(Ages 8+)

Saturday, April 27TH @ 11:00 AM

Decorate bookmarks, pictures, keychains, & more!

Contact the Library for more details and to register at (361) 826-2310.



Let's Create

(Ages 13+)

New take home craft kits available first Monday of every month, while supplies last.

March—Puzzle Piece Clover

April—Nature Bookmark

May—Mini Piñata



Monthly In-Person craft classes for **Members only.**

March—Bead-Making Workshop

April—Aluminum Can Jewelry

May—Magazine Page Frame



Contact the Library to become a member at (361) 826-2310.

Celtivities

(Ages 13+)

Saturdays, March 16TH, April 13TH, & May 25TH @ 11:00 AM

Drawing and crafting classes with a Celtic twist!

For Members only.

Contact the Library to become a member at (361) 826-2310.



Paws2Read

(All Ages)

Saturday, April 27TH @ 11:00 AM

Come hone your literacy skills with the aid of a therapy dog that will provide comfort and reduce stress.

In partnership with the Go Team Therapy group.





Chess by the Sea

(All Ages)

1ST & 3RD Tuesday of every month @ 4:30 PM-6:00 PM

Everyone from beginners to chess masters are welcome. Questions?

Call the Chess Master at (361) 937-6569.



For Adults



Loom Knitting for Beginners

(Ages 18+)

Wednesdays, March 13TH, April 3RD, & May 1ST @ 2:00 PM

Introducing the basics of loom knitting. Supplies provided.

March—Hat
April—Scarf
May—Hat



Cricut Crafters

(Ages 18+)

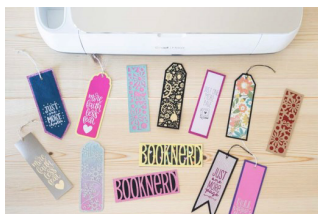
Wednesdays, March 6TH, April 17TH, & May 15TH @ 1:00 PM

Make custom creations to keep or share! Supplies provided.

Registration Required.

Call the Library for more information at (361) 826-2310.

March—Design a Bookmark
April—Custom Mug
May—Custom Tote Bag



New Year, New You

(Ages 18+)

Wednesdays, March 13TH & 27TH @ 12:00 PM

Explore nutrition and activity options to help meet your New Year's health goals.

Disclaimer: Talk to your doctor before implementing dietary and activity changes into your daily habits.



Talk Dewey to Me

(Ages 18+)

Last Tuesday of every month @ 2:00 PM

Enjoy non-fiction? This is the book club for you. Read the suggested book or pick another on the same topic.



March—Killing the Witches by Bill O'Reilly

April—Reader's Choice: any book by David Grann

May—Poverty in America by Matthew Desmond

Caffeinated Chapter Chasers

(Ages 18+)

2ND Wednesday of every month @ 10:30 AM

Cozy up with a cup of coffee while we discuss books by best selling authors.

Selections subject to change.



March—Reader's Choice: any book from The Beloved Bookroom

Mysteries series by Dorothy St. James

April—River's End by Nora Roberts

May—The Secret, Book & Scone Society by Ellery Adams

Fiction Addiction

(Ages 18+)

Saturdays, March 9TH, April 6TH, & May 4TH @ 4:00 PM

Enjoy refreshments while we discuss the book of the month. Call the Library for more information at (361) 826-2310.

Selections subject to change.

March—Remarkably Bright Creatures by Shelby Van Pelt

April—The Little Liar by Mitch Albom

May—All the Sinners Bleed by S. A. Cosby





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3/6- Design a Bookmark

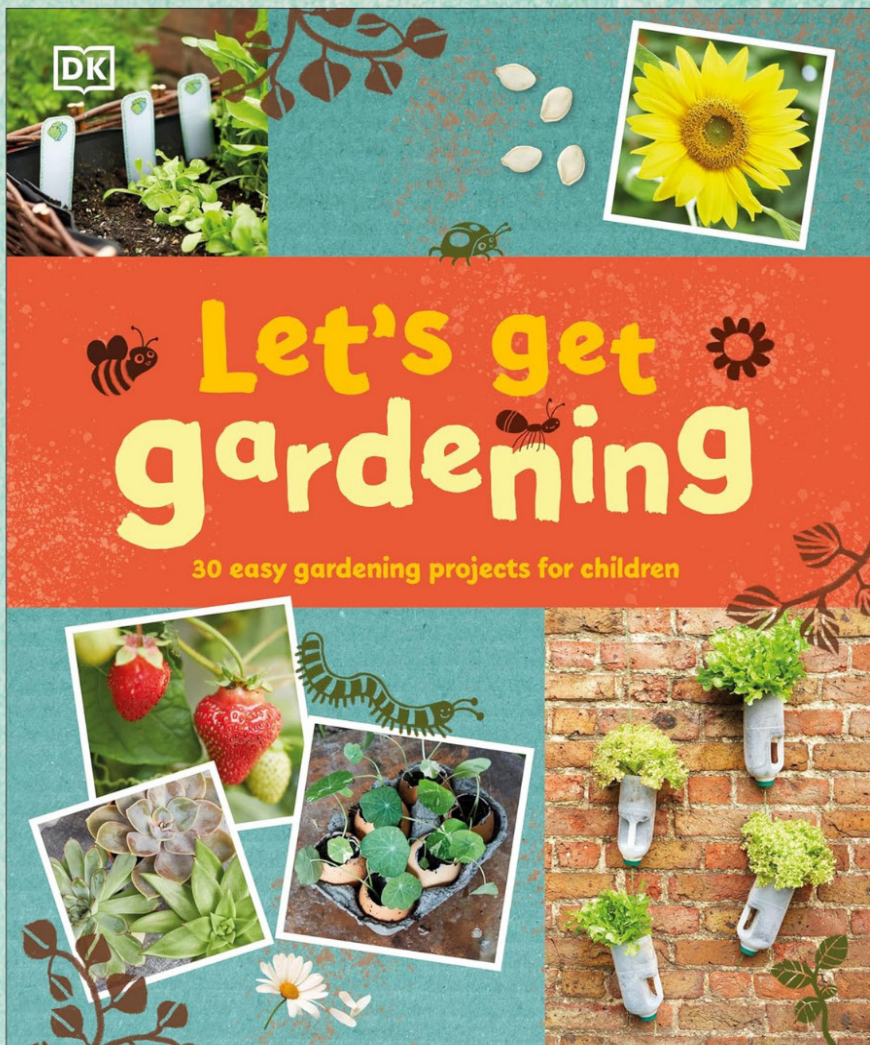
4/17- Custom Mug @ 1:00PM

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Just For Kids

Take & Make

(Ages 3 - 10)

New Every Monday

Pick up a different craft at the circulation desk while supplies last.



Music and Motion

(Ages 0-5)

Tuesdays @ 10:30 AM

Children will practice their motor skills with musical instruments, dance, & songs.

Playtime with Large piece Legos to follow.



Baby and Toddler Storytime

(Ages 0-2)

Wednesdays @ 10:30 AM

Enjoy stories, songs, and fingerplays for babies and toddlers.



Library Playdate

(Ages 0-2)

Wednesdays @ 10:45 -11:30 AM

Families with babies and toddlers are invited for a playdate. Join us with your little ones to play and make new friends!

Family Storytime

(Ages 0-5)

Thursdays @ 10:30 AM

Build literacy skills and discover the joy of reading through books, songs, and crafts.



Crafty Kids

(Ages 6 and up)

Mondays, April 22ND & May 13TH @ 5:30 PM

Visit the library to create an arts and craft project! A different project every month.



Elementary Homeschool Science

(Ages 6 -11)

Mondays, March 4TH & April 1ST @ 2:00 PM

Hands-on exploration of science, technology, reading, engineering, art, and math for homeschool elementary aged children.

Paws to Read

(Ages 6 and up)

Monday, March 11TH @ 5:30 PM

Come read with dogs from Go Team Therapy Dogs!



LEGO Club

(Ages 6 and up)

Wednesdays, March 6TH,

April 3RD, & May 1ST @ 4:30-5:30 PM

Get creative with Lego building at the library!

Design amazing creations with monthly themes!



Pokémon Club

(Ages 6 and up)

Saturdays, March 9TH, April 27TH, & May 25TH

@ 11:00 AM-12:00 PM

Calling all Pokémon Trainers! Meet fellow Pokémon fans, play friendly card battles, and create themed crafts and activities.



Sensory Playtime

(Ages 2-4)

Fridays, March 15TH & April 12TH @ 11:00 AM

Explore the different senses of sight, sound, smell, taste and touch through sensory playtime!

Springbreak Crafternoon

(Ages 6 and up)

Tuesday, March 12TH @ 3:30 PM

It's spring break at the library! Take a break and make a craft with us!

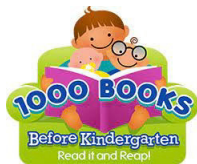


1000 Books Before Kindergarten Celebration

(Ages 0 -5)

Saturday, March 16TH 11:00 AM-12:00 PM

Celebrate spring with us! Join us for crafts, games, and treats at our 1000 Books Before Kindergarten Celebration! Journal is required for entry!



Little Bunny Storytime

(Ages 0-5)

Thursday, March 21ST @ 10:30 AM

Enjoy a hippity hoppity storytime all about bunnies with an outside egg hunt! Don't forget to bring your basket! Egg hunt is weather dependent.



1-2-3- Grow With Me at Owen R. Hopkins Library

(Ages 0-3)

Fridays in May @ 11:00 AM

5-week parent-child workshop and play group with play zone and community experts to help children increase social and verbal interaction, promote early learning, and supports parents in their role as first teachers. Call the library to register.

Registration opens Monday, April 29TH.



For Tweens & Teens

Tween and Teen Homeschool Science

(Ages 12-17)

Mondays, March 11TH & April 8TH @ 2:00 PM

Hands-on science experiments and challenges for tweens and teens.

Tween and Teen Craft Night

(Ages 12-17)

Tuesdays, March 19TH, April 23RD & May 21ST @ 5:30 PM

Attention Teens! Come by and create a monthly craft with us! While Supplies Last.



For Adults

As the Page Turns Book Club

(Adult)

2ND Tuesday of the Month @ 5:30 PM

Enjoy an exciting discussion about our book of the month.

March — The Violin Conspiracy by Brendan Slocumb

April— One Italian Summer by Rebecca Serle

May— All The Light We Cannot See by Anthony Doerr

For Families

Homeschool Social Hour

(All Ages)

Mondays, March 18TH & April 15TH @ 2:00 PM

Connect with other homeschooling families in the area. Board games or a craft will be provided.

Pollinator Partners Garden Club

(All Ages)

Thursdays @ 4:30 PM

Learn about pollinator plants and gardening from Master Gardeners and Master Naturalists in our pollinator garden. Program is weather dependent.



Spring Break Movie Day

(All Ages)

Wednesday, March 13TH @ 3:30-5:00 PM

It's a Mario at the library! Join us for a movie and a craft!

Movie: The Super Mario Bros. (2024, PG)



La Retama Central Library

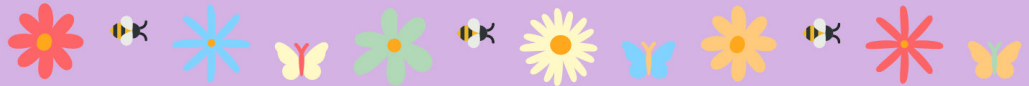
KAWAII CROCHET GARDEN

40 Super Cute Amigurumi Patterns
for Plants and More



Melissa Bradley

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For Kids

Take and Create Crafts

(Ages 3 – 10)

New Every Monday

Pick up a craft at the circulation desk or through curbside, while supplies last.

Little University

(Ages 0 - 5)

Wednesdays @ 11:30 AM

This story-time is a lively combination of books, movement activities, and songs best enjoyed by families with their children. Little University may also include supplemental activities such as crafts, storytelling, poetry, riddles, and more.



Sensory Friendly Story Time

(Ages 0 - 5)

Thursdays @ 10:30 AM

With your child's needs at the forefront, this sensory friendly program is an opportunity for parents and children to learn, network, and build lasting relationships in a safe and friendly environment.

Sensory Play Café

(Ages 6 - 14)

1ST & 3RD Thursdays of the Month @ 4:30 PM

Relax and unwind with a sensory friendly craft. This program is geared toward sensory sensitive children.

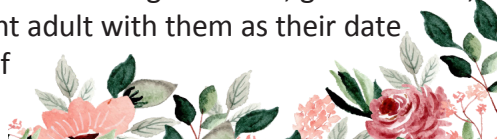


Mommy and Me Crafting

(Family)

1ST Friday of the Month @ 10:30 AM

Children are invited to bring a mother, grandmother, or any significant adult with them as their date for a morning of crafting.



Building Blocks for Tots

(Ages 0 – 5)

Fridays @ 10:30 AM

A dedicated playtime for babies and toddlers featuring lots of blocks!



For Tweens

Lego Lab

(Ages 9 - 12)

2ND & 4TH Thursdays of the Month @ 4:30 PM

Put your creative thinking cap on and lego' wild!

NOTE: LEGO creations stay at the library.



For Teens

The Reaping

(Ages 13 - 17)

March 11TH - 15TH @ 2:00 PM

May the odds be ever in your favor as we watch all five Hunger games movies. Get your name in the Reaping (prize) bowl with each movie you attend.

Monday - The Hunger Games

Tuesday - Catching Fire

Wednesday - Mockingjay - Part 1

Thursday - Mockingjay - Part 2

Friday - The Ballad of Songbirds & Snakes





Meet Our New Youth Services Librarian



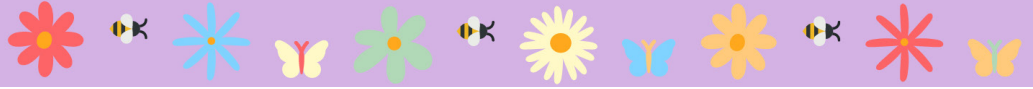
My name is **Michelle Miller**, and I am thrilled to be the new Youth Services Librarian. Previously I was an elementary school teacher for six years, I taught kindergarten and first grade.

My favorite part of teaching was encouraging a love of reading in my students, and I am looking forward to continuing to help the youth in our community find a passion of literacy with this new position.

All my jobs leading up to being a primary grade teacher and youth services librarian have always been centered around children. At a young age I started nannying and through college I had youth related jobs such as being a summer camp counselor, kids cooking instructor, pre-school teacher, and after school program leader.

I enjoy working with children and I am excited to apply the skills I have developed so far to continue working with children in the library setting. I have a Bachelor's Degree in Early Childhood Education and I am close to finishing my Master's Degree in Library Science. Both have provided the knowledge for child literacy development and ways to support early readers which contributes to lifelong learners.

A little background on myself is I was born and raised here in Corpus Christi! I love that I am working for the City of Corpus Christi now and supporting our community through library services. A main hobby of mine is yoga and in 2020 I pursued my Yoga Teacher Certification. I plan to offer youth yoga programs to encourage healthy living habits. I look forward to meeting many of you soon. See you at the library!



(FAMILY EVENT)

GET READY FOR A
COLORFUL
SPRING BREAK
MARCH 11TH - 15TH

MONDAY: "THE INCREDIBLE EXPERIMENT"

This incredible, super awesome STEAM experiment will leave you wondering "WHERE....IS...MY....SUPER...SUIT?!"

TUESDAY: "TASTE THE RAINBOW"

Orange you glad the library is here to help you make the most of your Spring Break? Come taste all things orange!

WEDNESDAY: "LEGO BUILD-A-LONG"

Watch the LEGO Movie while building with bricks to create your own master builder masterpiece!

THURSDAY: "PINCH PROOF ACADEMY"

Are you pinch proof for St. Patrick's Day? If not, you will be after attending our Pinch Proof Academy!

FRIDAY: "WAYFINDERS UNITE"

The ocean is calling you! Watch Moana, enjoy "ocean themed" snacks, and craft alongside friendly faces.

FAMILY EVENTS STARTING EACH DAY AT 2:00 PM



For All Ages

“Get Ready for a Colorful Spring Break”

(Family)

March 11TH – March 15TH @ 2:00 PM

Looking for activities to keep your family entertained during Spring Break? The La Retama Library can help combat Spring Break boredom with our rainbow themed fun and engaging programs for kids, teens, and families.

The Incredible Experiment (RED)

This incredibly super awesome STEAM experiment will leave you wondering “Where....is....my...super.... SUIT?!”

“Taste the Rainbow” (ORANGE)

Orange you glad the library is here to help you make the most of your Spring Break?

LEGO Brick Build-A-Long (YELLOW)

Watch the LEGO Movie, rated PG, on the big screen as you build with Lego bricks to create your own master builder masterpiece.

Pinch Proof (GREEN)

Are you pinch proof for St. Patrick’s Day? If not, after attending this program you’ll have enough green to ensure a luck-filled holiday!

Wayfinders Unite! (BLUE)

The ocean is calling you this Spring Break!

Spring Screening

(Family)

March 23RD, April 20TH, May 18TH @ 11:00 AM

Springtime is a good time to unwind with movies, crafts and popcorn!

March - Peter Rabbit (G)

April - Tangled (G)

May - Gnomeo & Juliet (G)



For Adults

True Crime Tuesday

(Ages 18+)

2ND Tuesday of the Month @ 7:00 PM

Are you a true crime addict? We are too! Dive into a new true crime book with us each month. This is a virtual book club. To be included, please email library@cctexas.com by noon the day of the meeting and a link will be sent to you.

March - Seventy Times Seven : a True Story of Murder and Mercy by Alex Mar

April - The Angel Makers by Patty McCracken

May - Behold the Monster : Confronting America’s Most Prolific Serial Killer by Jillian Lauren



The Chain Gang

(Ages 18+)

Wednesdays @ 11:00 AM

Learn the basics of crochet or knitting, or you can bring your own project to work on. Supplies provided, first-come, first-served.



Green Thumbs

(Ages 16+)

May 11TH @ 11:00 AM

A plant lover’s seasonal event. Join us for plant swaps, plant talks, and more.



La Retama



Crafts of the Past*

(Ages 18+)

@ 10:30 AM

Let's go back in time with these fun crafts.

Limited seating, to register call 361-826-7000.



March 16TH - Easy Decoupage Easter Egg

April 13TH - Paper Quilling for Beginners

May 25TH - Corn Husk Flowers

The Plot Twists*

(Ages 18+)

@ 11:00 AM

A Saturday book club featuring mysteries and thrillers.



March 16TH - The Housemaid by Freida McFadden

April 13TH - None of This is True by Lisa Jewell

May 25TH - More Than You'll Ever Know
by Katie Gutierrez

*Crafts of the Past and The Plot Twist book club meet in the same space so participants can enjoy a craft while they unravel a mystery.


(Family)

spring screening


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THE REAPING

March 11 - 15 @ 2PM

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Monday - The Hunger Games

Tuesday - Catching Fire

Wednesday - Mockingjay - Part 1

Thursday - Mockingjay - Part 2

Friday - The Ballad of Songbirds & Snakes

Ages 9 - 12

LEGO LAB

2ND & 4TH Thursdays
of the Month
@ 4:30 PM

Put your creative thinking cap on and lego' wild!



Ben F. McDonald Public Library

The First-Time Gardener:

RAISED BED GARDENING

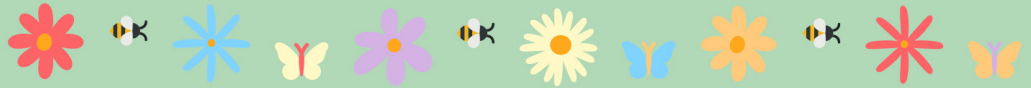
ALL THE KNOW-HOW YOU NEED
TO BUILD AND GROW A RAISED BED GARDEN



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GARDEN & HOME DIY

- PLAN, BUILD, FILL & PLANT YOUR FIRST RAISED BED GARDEN
- THE BEST BEGINNER-FRIENDLY VEGGIES FOR RAISED BEDS
- TIPS FOR TENDING YOUR GARDEN NATURALLY
- OVER A DOZEN GARDEN LAYOUTS & PLANTING PLANS INCLUDED

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For Kids

Family Storytime

(Ages 0—6)

Fridays @ 11:00 AM

Stories, rhymes, songs, and movement to build early literacy and motor skills.

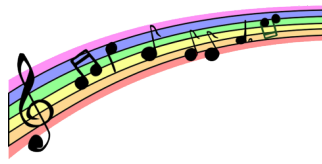


Music & Motion

(Ages 0—6)

Wednesdays @ 11:00 AM

Fun and learning with songs, dance, rhythm, and movement.



Preschool Playtime

(Ages 0—6)

Wednesdays @ 11:30 AM

Fridays @ 11:30 AM

Children can work on their social and motor skills while they play.



Crafty Storytime

(Ages 3—6)

4TH Thursday of the Month @ 11:00 AM

Storytime & craft. April and May programs provided in partnership with the Coastal Bend Wellness Foundation – Youth Programs Department.



Sensory Exploration

(Ages 1—4)

Tuesday, March 5TH

Monday, May 6TH @ 5:30 PM

Sensory, play, and art experiences to encourage exploration and development.



1-2-3 Grow With Me!

(Ages 0-3)

Tuesdays, March 12TH - April 9TH

@ 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

5-week parent-child workshop and play group with play zone and community experts to help children increase social and verbal interaction, promote early learning, and support parents in their role as first teachers. **Registration requested.**

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Constructomania

(Ages 5+)

Thursday, April 4TH @ 4:00 PM

Build challenges with blocks, LEGOs, marble runs, or a craft. Keep your craft, demolish your construction before you leave, or add your LEGO work to our ongoing art gallery.



Crafty Creations

(Ages 7+)

Thursday, May 16TH

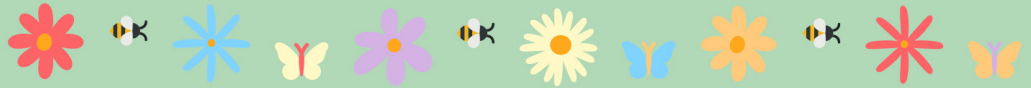
@ 4:00 PM

Drop by the library after school to make a fun craft.



Family Birdwatching Kits

Each kit includes a field guide and 3 pairs of binoculars (1 for adults and 2 for children). Check out a kit today!



Meet Our New Youth Services Librarian



My name is **Sarined Garcia**, as your new youth service librarian, I'm all about bringing the fun and excitement of reading and learning to kids and teens in our community.

My goal? To make sure every young person feel like they belong and has the chance to explore new ideas and stories.

I'm here to create a cozy, welcoming space where everyone can discover awesome books, join cool programs, and dive into activities that spark their imagination.



From storytime sessions that make you giggle to crafty workshops where you can get creative, there's always something happening at the library.

I want to be a part of helping kids grow, learn, and become the awesome people they're meant to be.

Let's make reading an adventure together, and who knows, maybe we'll uncover some amazing stories along the way!



For Teens

I Think I Arted

(Ages 10+)

Monday, March 18TH & May 13TH

@ 4:45 PM - 6:30 PM

Create art! Provided in partnership with the Coastal Bend Wellness Foundation – Youth Programs Department.



March - Yarn Painting: the possibilities are endless with this wacky and fun medium!

May - Beginner Embroidery: Create your very own embroidered work of art!

Japanese Paper Play

(Ages 10+)

Monday, March 11TH @ 4:30 PM

Learn about Japanese school life, listen to a Zodiac Kamishibai (“paper theater”), and make an origami dragon face. Provided in partnership with the Texas State Museum of Asian Cultures & Education Center.



Teen Cooking Class

(Ages 12–17)

Tuesday, May 7TH

@ 4:45 PM

Learn how to cook a yummy dish, then enjoy your creation. Program provided by the Coastal Bend Food Bank.



Online registration is required and opens April 29TH @ 10:00 AM.

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For All Ages

Paws 2 Read

(Family)

Tuesday, March 19TH @ 5:45 PM

Hone literacy skills and reduce stress by reading to a friendly therapy dog. Provided in partnership with Go Team Therapy Dogs.

Read to Me



Discovery Dome Eclipse Show

(Ages 8+)

Saturday, April 6TH

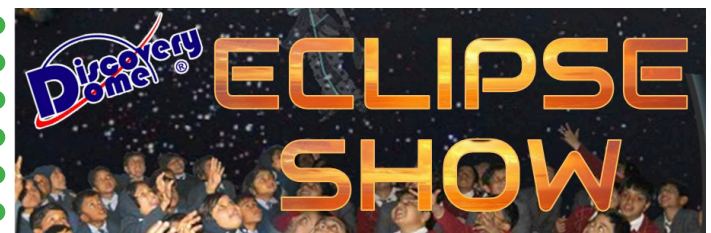
@ 11:30 AM, 12:15 PM, 1:00 PM, & 1:45 PM

Watch a show about the upcoming eclipse in our mobile planetarium and make an eclipse craft! Online registration is required to enter the Discovery Dome (4 showtimes available), not required to participate in the craft.

Online registration will open on

Saturday, March 30TH at 10:00 AM.

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World Art Day

(Ages 5+)

Monday, April 15TH @ 11:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Drop in to celebrate World Art Day by creating fun art and craft projects. Provided in partnership with the Coastal Bend Wellness Foundation – Youth Programs Department.





Citizen Science

(Ages 8+)

Saturday, March 23RD

@ 1:00 PM

Learn about the citizen science projects the library is participating in for the eclipse and learn how to submit your own field data recordings. Sponsored by NASA@ My Library.



Solar Eclipse Viewing Party

(All Ages)

Monday, April 8TH

@ 1:00 - 2:30 PM

View the solar eclipse with sunspotters and other safe viewing methods. Crafts inside, rain or shine.



Día Celebration

(All Ages)

Saturday, April 27TH @ 12:30 - 2:30 PM

Celebrate El día de los niños/ El día de los libros (Children's Day/Book Day). Free books to all children who attend.

Día Celebration
Saturday, April 27TH
@ 12:30-2:30 PM
 El día de los niños/El día de los libros
 (Children's Day/Book Day)

Game Time

(All Ages)

Friday, May 3RD @ 4:00 PM

Learn a new game or play something familiar with new friends (or opponents). Choose from video games, virtual reality, card games, chess, and more.



Family Movie

(All Ages)

Tuesday, May 21ST @ 4:00 PM

Watching Spider-Man: Across the Spider-Verse (PG, 2023) with popcorn.



For Adults

Pláticas Musicales

Maria Castañón Memorial Music Series

(Adult)

Facilitated by

Manuel Ayala

Last Wednesday of the Month

@ 6:00 - 7:30 PM

Live music. Tour La Música del Sur de Tejas/The Music of South Texas photo gallery.



March 27TH - Call the library for more information

April 24TH - Abelardo Garza y Lourdes Gonzales
Música Ranchera

May 29TH - Super sounds of the '70s
Robert James and the Unaccountable Freaks

Con Mi Corazón Book Club

(Adult)

Facilitated by **Dora Wilburn**

Last* Monday of the Month @ 5:30 PM

Featuring Latina Authors. Join us for a fun and lively discussion!

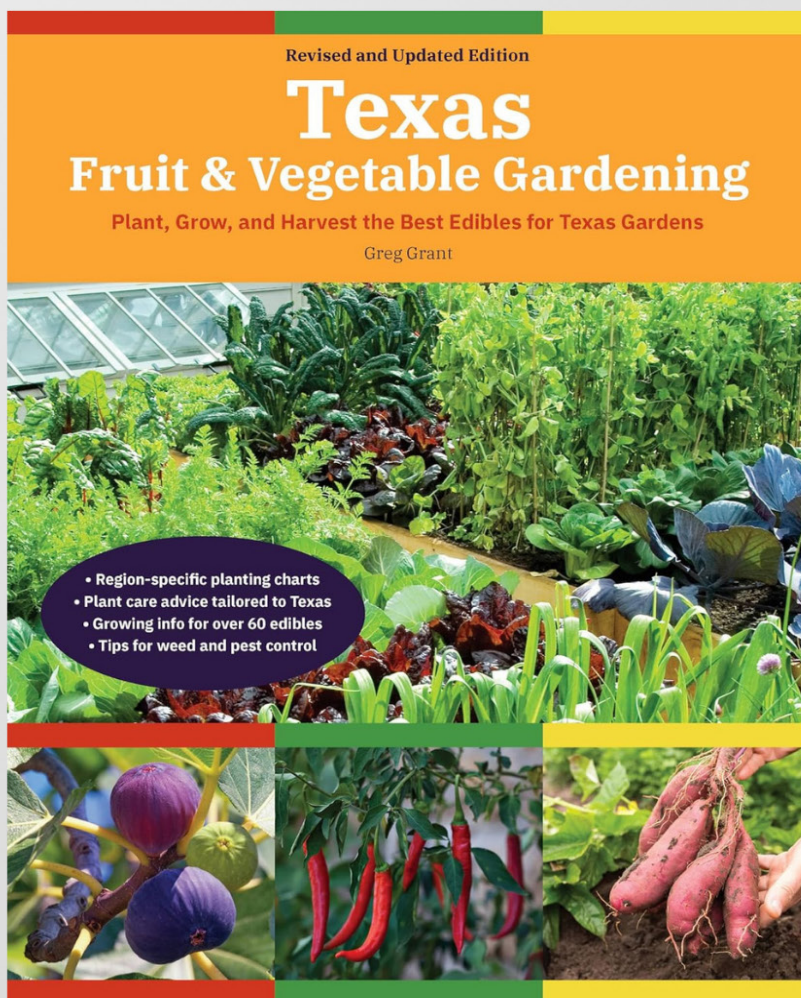
March 25TH - The Wind Knows My Name
by Isabel Allende

April 29TH - Family Lore by Elizabeth Acevedo

May 20TH* - How the García Girls Lost Their Accents
by Julia Alvarez (* Third Monday in May)

Con Mi Corazón
Book Club
 Featuring Latina Authors

Anita & W.T. Neyland Public Library



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Just for Tots

Music & Movement

(Ages 3- 5)

Mondays & Thursdays @ 10:15 AM

Music, dance, and rhythm to help the little ones build social and interaction skills.



Story Time

(Ages 0 - 5)

Tuesdays & Wednesdays @ 10:15 AM

Helps children build literacy skills and discover the joy of reading.



Play Zone

(Ages 0-5)

Tuesdays & Wednesdays @ 10:35 AM

Playtime for children still exploring their environment and honing their motor skills.



Bilingual Music & Movement

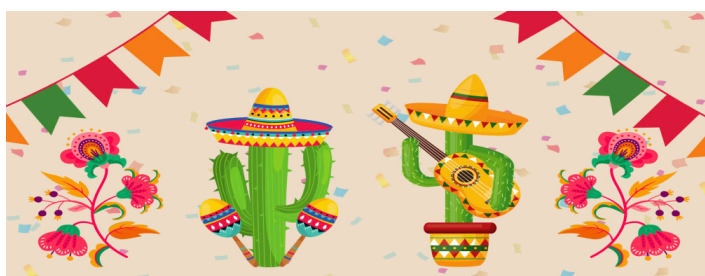
(Ages 0-5)

Focuses on early literacy skills through music, dancing, creative play, and stories in English and Spanish.

Friday, March 8TH @ 10:15 AM

Friday, April 5TH @ 10:15 AM

Friday, May 3RD @ 10:15 AM



For Kids

Camp Half-Blood

(Ages 8+)

Tuesday, March 12TH @ 3:00 PM

Choose your cabin, make a flag, design a shield, and watch the 1ST episode of Percy Jackson and the Olympians.



Nerf War

(Ages 6+)

Learn to interact with others and have fun at the same time with our kid favorite nerf war.

(All toys are provided)

Monday, March 11TH @ 3:00 PM

Monday, April 8TH @ 4:30 PM



Craft Overload

(Ages 6+)

Friday, March 15TH @ 3:00 PM

Assortment of crafts available. Socialize and Create.



Something on a Stick Day

(Ages 6+)

Thursday, March 28TH @ 4:30 PM

It is National Something on a Stick Day! Join us for some stick-tacular crafts!

Frog Jumping Day

(Ages 6+)

Monday, May 13TH

@ 4:30 PM

Make some hopping origami frogs to celebrate our little green friends!





SPRING BREAK AT NEYLAND

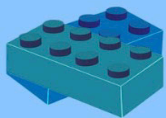
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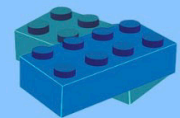
Monday: Nerf War (Ages 6+)
Have fun with our kid favorite nerf war.
(All toys are provided)



Tuesday: Camp Half-Blood (Ages 8+)
Choose your cabin, make a flag, design a shield, and watch
the 1st episode of Percy Jackson and the Olympians.



Wednesday: Lego Mania (All Ages)
Build Legos and watch a Lego movie.
(All Legos provided)



Thursday: Movie & Craft (All Ages)
Craft with us and watch the Super Mario Bros.



Friday: Craft Overload (Ages 6+)
Assortment of crafts available. Socialize and Create.





For Families

Lego Mania

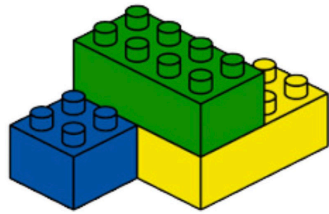
(All Ages)

Wednesday, March 13TH

@ 3:00 PM

Build Legos and watch a Lego movie.

(All Legos provided)



Movie and Crafting

(All Ages)

Join us once a month for a family friendly movie and make a themed craft while enjoying the movie!

Thursday, March 14TH @ 3:00 PM

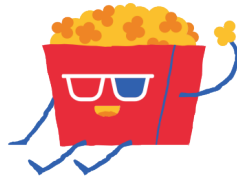
Super Mario Bros.

Thursday, April 11TH @ 4:30 PM

Gnomeo & Juliet

Thursday, May 23RD @ 4:30 PM

Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Mutant Mayhem



Solar Eclipse Special

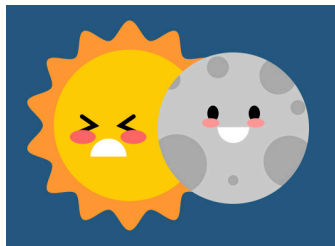
(All Ages)

Monday, April 1ST

@ 4:30 PM

Join us for crafts centered around the solar eclipse and pick up your free pair of glasses.

(Limit of 2 pairs of glasses per family)



World Penguin Day

(All Ages)

Thursday, April 25TH @ 4:30 PM

It's World Penguin Day!!

We are celebrating our swimming & cold-loving friends! Join us for a craft and a viewing of The Penguins of Madagascar TV show.



Star Wars Day

(All Ages)

Thursday, May 2ND

@ 4:30 PM

May the force be with you as we join together for a craft and showing of the animated movie Star Wars: The Clone Wars.



Card Factory

(All Ages)

Thursday, May 9TH

@ 4:30 PM

Do you have your mother's and father's day cards ready? No? Come on down and hand make cards.



Game On!

(All Ages)

3RD Tuesday of the Month

@ 4:30 PM

Bored? Roll in to play some board games, group games, card games and more.



For Teens

Chess Club

(Ages 12+)

Saturdays @ 11:00 AM

Share your skills or learn to play this classic game.



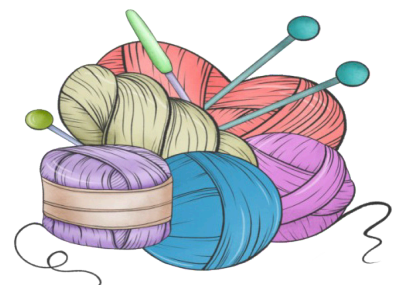
For Adults

Hooked on Yarn

Club

Thursdays @ 3:00 PM

Join fellow crochet and knitting fanatics to work on your latest projects.





Taste of Murder Book Club

2ND Monday of the Month
@ 10:30 AM

Bring a favorite mystery to share or come hear about ones to read.



Neyland Literary & Pie Society

2ND Tuesday of the Month
@ 4:00 PM

Share titles of books read each month. Sometimes there is pie.



Color Me Happy

Come for a colorful mindful time! Supplies will be provided or bring your own.

Friday, March 15TH @ 10:30 AM
Friday, April 12TH @ 10:30 AM
Friday, May 10TH @ 10:30 AM



Banned Book Club

Meeting every 3RD Wednesday of the Month.

Wednesday, March 20TH @ 4:00 PM
The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy
by Douglas Adams

Wednesday, April 17TH @ 4:00 PM
All Quiet on the Western Front
by Erich Maria Remarque

Wednesday, May 15TH @ 4:00 PM
Stranger in a Strange Land by Robert A. Heilein

Best Seller Book Club

Join us for a past Best Seller by some popular authors.
Every 4TH Tuesday of the month.

Tuesday, March 26TH @ 10:30 AM
Pride & Prejudice by Jane Austen
Tuesday, April 23RD @ 10:30 AM
Anxious People
by Fredrik Backman
Tuesday, May 28TH @ 10:30 AM
Murder on the Orient Express by Agatha Christie



Banned Book Club

Meeting every 3rd Wednesday
of the Month
@ 4:00 pm!

March 20th:

The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy
by Douglas Adams

April 17th:

All Quiet on the Western Front
by Erich Maria Remarque

May 15th:

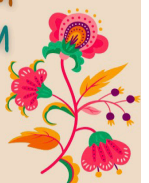
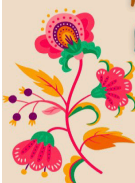
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Bilingual Music & Movement

(Ages 0-5)

Focuses on early literacy skills
through music, dancing, creative
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and Spanish.

Friday, March 8th @ 10:15 AM
Friday, April 5th @ 10:15 AM
Friday, May 3rd @ 10:15 AM



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1000 Books Before Kindergarten



What is it?

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten is a program for children ages birth to five years old, before they enter kindergarten.

Our goal is for you to read 1,000 books to your child to help them build early literacy skills and a love for reading!

Sign Up

- 1** Register at any Corpus Christi Public Library location with a library card and receive a hardcover journal.
- 2** Read books to your child and record the titles in your journal. Repeating books is okay.
- 3** Visit your library often! The majority of books recorded should be Corpus Christi Library books.
- 4** Attend quarterly celebrations for 1000 Books Before Kindergarten members to receive milestone rewards at 250, 500, 750, and 1,000 books read!



If you sign your child up for a library card & the 1000 Books Before Kindergarten program, they can get a special library card design! See library for details.

Local History and Genealogy

Texas and Local History, photograph collections, Genealogy (National and International), and the Hispanic Genealogy Collection.

The Hispanic Genealogy Collection is considered one the most extensive collections on Hispanic genealogy in the state of Texas.

If you have questions about these collections, you can contact CCPL at localhistory@cctexas.com

Located on the second floor of La Retama Library

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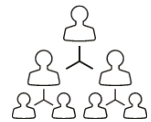
Career and Job Skills

Learning Express
Job/Career Accelerator
Udemy



Legal/Business

Legal Forms
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Small Business Center



DIY (Do-It-Yourself)

Chilton Library
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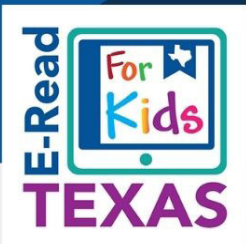
Birds of North America
Transparent Language



**FREE ONLINE RESOURCES
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TexShare Databases



E-Read Texas For Kids

Part of the E-Read Texas collection, these e-books are curated specifically for grades PK-5 and include materials from Time for Kids, books on crafting, and a number of high-lo readers. Accessible anywhere in Texas, no login required.



Gale Presents: Miss Humblebee's Academy

Discover an interactive learning program for children ages three to six. Aligned with preschool and elementary standards.

GALE PRESENTS



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GALE IN CONTEXT

ELEMENTARY



Gale in Context: Elementary

Introduce elementary students to database searching with resources featuring age-appropriate, curriculum-related content.

GALE IN CONTEXT

MIDDLE SCHOOL



Gale in Context: Middle School

Explore the most-studied topics including cultures, government, people, history, literature, and more. Also available: Gale in Context high School and Gale OneFile: High School Edition

Contact any CCPL library to learn how to gain access to TexShare databases. Active CCPL card required.



TexShare Databases



GALE ONEFILE

AGRICULTURE



Gale OneFile: Agriculture

Access current and authoritative periodical content covering agriculture and its related fields.

GALE ONEFILE

GARDENING AND HORTICULTURE



Gale OneFile: Gardening and Horticulture

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Seed Library

Free to take or donate
plant seeds



Use the TexShare Databases in conjunction with our seed library to get your garden growing this spring! Located in the La Retama Library.

Contact any CCPL library to learn how to gain access to TexShare databases. Active CCPL card required.

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FRIENDS OF CORPUS CHRISTI PUBLIC LIBRARIES

Raise funds and volunteer to support
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Programs:

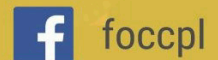
Family festivals
Summer Reading Programs
Teen Bookfest By the Bay
Children's Special Events

Volunteer Opportunities:

Librarian projects and programs
Support library causes
Promote public awareness of libraries
Encourage community involvement & donations

805 Comanche Corpus Christi, Tx. 78401

361-826-7060



Friends of the Corpus Christi Public Libraries meet the last Tuesday of the month
at La Retama Central Library. New Members are always welcome.

For more information please visit www.cctexas.com/library/friends

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Janet F. Harte Public Library

facebook.com/hartelibrary

Owen R. Hopkins Public Library

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La Retama Central Library (Main)

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Ben F. McDonald Public Library

facebook.com/mcdonaldlibrary

Anita & W.T. Neyland Public Library

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Location

Anita & W.T. Neyland Public Library

1230 Carmel Pkwy. Corpus Christi, TX 78411
(361) 826-2370

Mon - Tue: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Wed - Thu: 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Fri: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Sat: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Ben F. McDonald Public Library

4044 Greenwood Dr. Corpus Christi, TX 78416
(361) 826-2356

Mon - Wed: 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Thu - Fri : 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Sat: 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Dr. Clotilde P. Garcia Public Library

5930 Brockhampton Corpus Christi, TX 78414
(361) 826-2360

Mon-Fri: 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Sat: 2 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Janet F. Harte Public Library

2629 Waldron Corpus Christi, TX 78418
(361) 826-2310

Mon - Fri: 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Sat: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

La Retama Central Library (Main)

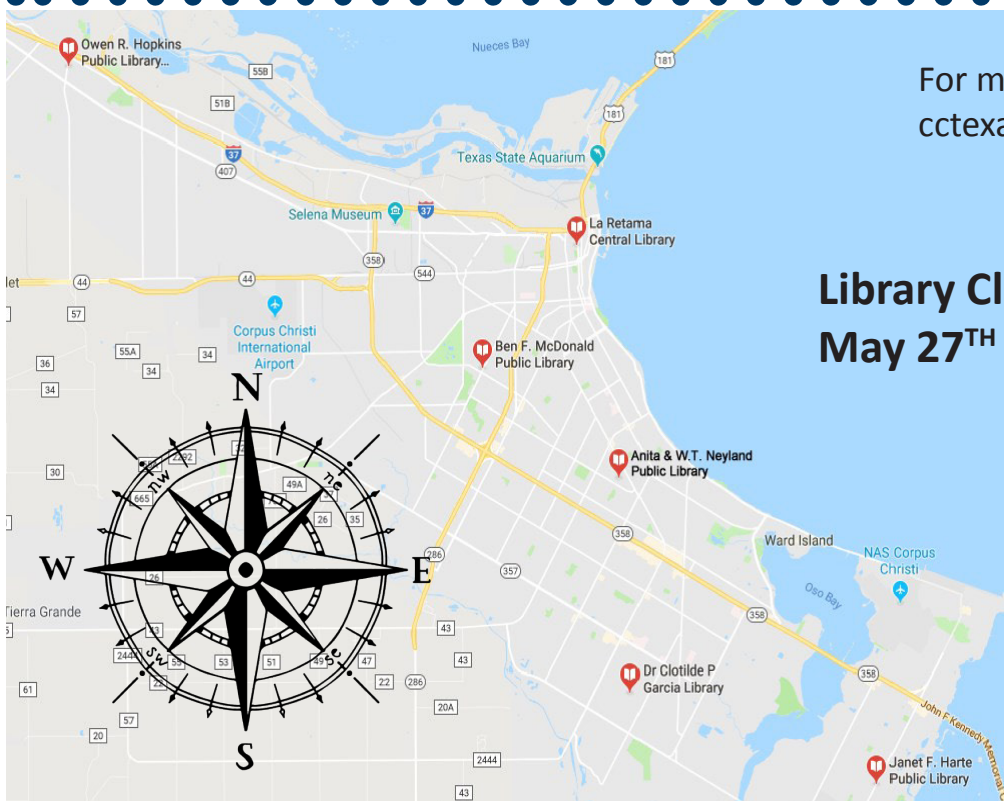
805 Comanche Corpus Christi, Texas 78401
(361) 826-7000

Mon: 2 p.m. - 6 p.m.
Tue - Wed: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Thu - Fri: 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Sat: 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Owen R. Hopkins Public Library

3202 McKinzie Rd. Corpus Christi, TX 78410
(361) 826-2350

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Thu - Fri: 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Sat: 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.



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May 27TH**



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All minors must be accompanied by an adult.*