

McArthur Library - AUGUST 2026

EVENTS & PROGRAMS

ALL AGES

LOTR MOVIE SHOWINGS

Saturdays at 11 AM

August 1: *The Fellowship of the Ring*

August 8: *The Two Towers*

August 15: *The Return of the King*

Join us in the Community Room for free screenings of each film in the Lord of the Rings trilogy (extended editions, of course). For those craving some second breakfast, snacks will be potluck style, bring something fun to share if you can. All are welcome!

PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN

AT CITY THEATER

Thursday, August 20 • 6:30 PM

Hoist the flag and join McArthur Library at City Theater for a FREE screening of Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl! Bring your crew for a night of swashbuckling adventure, laughs, and spooky magic on the big screen! Doors open at 6:00 PM with the show starting at 6:30 PM. Concessions will be available for purchase. **Make sure to reserve your free seats at citytheater.org!**

BACK
TO
SCHOOL

We are a school-supply drop-off location for Better Biddeford this month! For information on needed items, visit www.mcarthurlibrary.org

ADULTS

LEGAL HELP WITH PINE TREE LEGAL ASSISTANCE

Wednesday, August 5 • 12–2 PM

Get in-person help with housing, consumer, and public benefits issues.

TECH TUESDAY

Tuesday, August 18 • 2–3 PM

Join us for Tech Tuesday at McArthur Library!

Whether your tablet is acting up, you need help setting up a new app, or you're wondering about the latest tech trends, we've got you covered. We also go over current trends and emerging technologies! Drop-in; no appointment needed.

"CHEESE" YOUR OWN ADVENTURE WITH NIBBLESFORD!

Wednesday, August 12 • 6 PM

You find yourself on a mysterious quest...a quest for the superlative cheese. Make the right choice and you will be rewarded. Make the wrong choice and face certain death. Will you choose wisely?

FREE LEGAL WORKSHOP: HOW TO FILE FOR DIVORCE

Saturday, August 15 • 10–11 AM

This workshop explains the steps to file for divorce in detail including how to serve the other person, where to find the forms, briefly outlining the progression of court proceedings, and a few tips to prepare for court. Resources provided by the Alpha Legal Foundation.

PAINT NIGHT

Monday, August 17, 6 PM

Follow along step-by-step as you create your very own masterpiece! RSVP to jzavala@mcarthurlibrary.org.

ADULTS (CONTINUED)

BCG SERIES: MEDICINAL HERBS, WILD & CULTIVATED

Saturday, August 22 • 11:30 AM

At Rotary Park Garden

Join Wendy and Pam from Biddeford Community Gardens for a late morning walk through the gardens at William's Court to hear stories and learn about herbs, both wild and cultivated.

AUTHOR EVENT: JANET SPARKOWICH

Thursday, August 27 • 6:30 PM

Local author Janet Sparkowich will discuss her novella, *Memories of My Mischievous Mutt*. Following her presentation, copies of the book will be available for purchase and signing. Patrons of all ages will also have an opportunity to visit with a certified therapy dog guest!

CATAN NIGHT

Mondays • 5:30–7:30 PM through 8/17

Drop in to play the board game Settlers of Catan! All skill levels welcome.

WINNIE & WILBUR WEDNESDAYS

Wednesdays • 9:30 AM–5 PM

Visit the library's resident guinea pigs, Winnie and Wilbur, at the upstairs Reference Desk!

THURSDAY COFFEE HOUR

Thursdays • 10 AM

Casual conversation with light refreshments.

KNITTING GROUP

Fridays • 10 AM–12 PM

Bring your knitting, crocheting, or similar project. Join online or in person!

ADULTS & TEENS (13+)

ADVANCED BOOK BINDING PART 1

Monday, August 3 • 6–7:30 PM

As a continuation of our book binding series, this class will focus on how to create a link stitch book. Although this is a more advanced technique, anyone is welcome to join the class—even if they have not attended Intro to Bookbinding earlier in the summer! Open to adults and teens ages 13+. To register, please email cspelman@mcarthurlibrary.org.

ADVANCED BOOK BINDING PART 2

Monday, August 10 • 6–7:30 PM

In the final session of our summer book binding series, we will focus on the Japanese stab binding method. Anyone is welcome to join the class, even if they have not attended the previous bookbinding sessions. Open to adults and teens ages 13+. To register, please email cspelman@mcarthurlibrary.org.

TEENS (13-18)

CREATE YOUR OWN CHARACTER (D&D)

Thursday, August 6 • 4–5 PM

Elevate your cosplay by creating your very own character pieces! Whether you're taking inspiration from a fictional character or bringing your D&D games to life, build your own armor, tools, accessories, etc. in this drop-in craft space! Open to teens ages 13+

TEEN THEATER: STAGE COMBAT

Friday, August 7 • 2–3 PM

Join us for this introductory workshop where you'll learn the choreographed moves for making a fight appear real on stage. Professional actor and certified stage combat instructor Jonas Maines will lead you through the steps for basic moves such as stage slaps and hair pulls. Open to teens ages 13+. To register, please email cspelman@mcarthurlibrary.org.



TEENS & TWEENS (11-18)

FANTASY MAPMAKING

Tuesday, August 4 • 3:30–4:30 PM

Create your own unique fantasy map! Taking inspiration from your favorite fictional maps, learn techniques on how to name landmarks, indicate natural resources, develop your setting, and more! Open to teens and tweens ages 11+

LEGO ROBOTICS COMPETITION PART 1

Tuesday, August 11 • 5:30–6:30 PM

In the initial session of our two-part LEGO robotics competition, each team will design their own robot and test commands. Open to teens and tweens ages 11+. To register, please email cspelman@mcarthurlibrary.org.

MARIO KART TOURNAMENT

Monday, August 17 • 3:30–5 PM

Join us for a fun afternoon of snacks and gaming, with the chance to win a Nintendo Switch gift card! Open to teens and tweens ages 11+

LEGO ROBOTICS COMPETITION PART 2

Tuesday, August 18 • 5:30–6:30 PM

In the second session of our two-part lego robotics competition, teams will pitch their robots against one another in a series of challenges to crown the winner. Open to teens and tweens ages 11+. To register, please email cspelman@mcarthurlibrary.org.

CHILDREN

PRE-K PLAY SPACE

Mondays • 10–11 AM

Families with small children are welcome to join us for toys, music, and stories. Recommended for ages 1 to 5.

LITTLE BUCKAROOS STORYTIME

Tuesdays • 10 AM

Join Ms. Carrow and Bucky Buckaroo for stories, songs, and silliness! Designed for ages 1 to 4.

CHILDREN (CONTINUED)

BABY & ME

Wednesdays • 10:30 AM

Babies and their caregivers are invited to join us for a special program designed just for them. Designed for newborn to 2 years old.

BOARD GAME LOUNGE

Thursdays • 10 AM–12 PM

Drop in and check out the library's board game collection and enjoy a curated selection of great games!

MAKER'S SPACE

Saturdays • 10 AM–2 PM

Come in and make whatever your heart desires with the materials we've got kicking around in the Children's Room.

BUTTON MAKING

Wednesday, August 5 • 2 PM

Turn your creativity into wearable art! Drop in and design your own buttons with our handy dandy button maker!

FANTASY NATURE JOURNALS

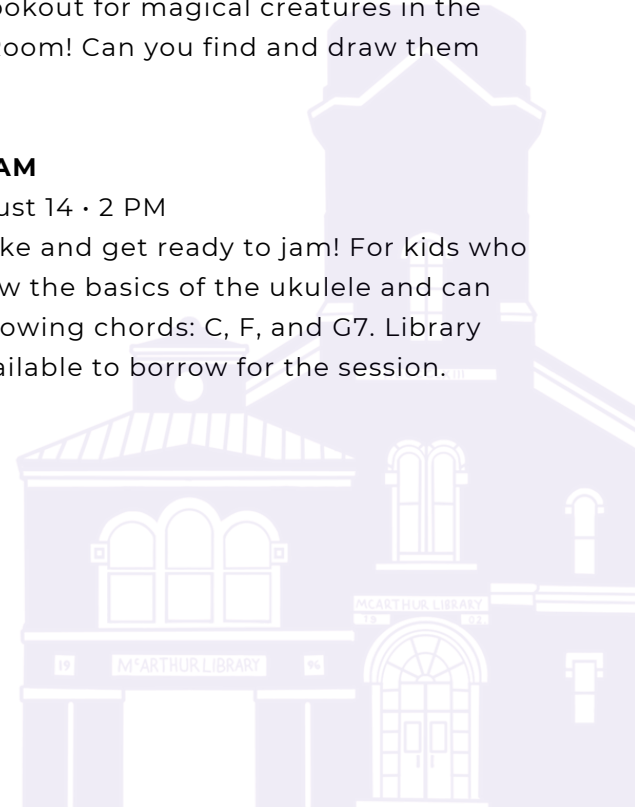
Wednesday, August 12 • 2 PM

Be on the lookout for magical creatures in the Children's Room! Can you find and draw them all?

UKULELE JAM

Friday, August 14 • 2 PM

Grab your uke and get ready to jam! For kids who already know the basics of the ukulele and can play the following chords: C, F, and G7. Library ukuleles available to borrow for the session.



OTHER SERVICES

NOTARY SERVICES

Did you know the library offers Notary Public services free of charge? To make an appointment email cleclair@mcarthurlibrary.org or call 207-286-9326.

TECH HELP

New phone, tablet, or laptop not working the way you expect it should? Bring your device into the library to get help! To make an appointment email cleclair@mcarthurlibrary.org or call 207-286-9326.

BOOK GROUPS

MCARTHUR BOOK GROUP

Wednesday, August 5 • 6:30 PM

Book: *Everyone On This Train Is A Suspect* by Benjamin Stevenson

Wednesday, August 26 • 6:30 PM

Book: *A Walk in the Woods* by Bill Bryson

NEWCOMERS' BOOK GROUP

Thursday, August 20th • 5:30 PM

Book: *The Guncle* by Steven Rowley

Trip: The Lincoln Hotel Pool

SUMMER READING

Ends **August 22**

Don't forget to turn in your reading
logs by then!



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