



**Milton**  
PUBLIC LIBRARY

# PROGRAM GUIDE

SPRING April-May 2021

## ALL AGES PROGRAMS

### NEW E-NEWSLETTER!

Sign up to for adult and/or youth (children, tweens, and teens) news! This will be a one-stop way to find information about monthly programs, book releases, library services, fun stuff, and more. We'll also send out emails with important library updates, such as closures and changes to library operations. Click [HERE](#) to sign up today, give us a call, or scan the QR code!



### Random Poetry Contest Submissions due April 21

April is National Poetry Month! Visit this [Google Form](#) or our website. You'll be asked to use a word generator to generate four random words, and you'll use those four words in an original poem. All submissions will be voted on by library patrons, with winners in each age category. Winners will receive a prize basket. All submissions are due by April 21 and winners will be announced April 30.

### Story Garden Design Contest Submissions due April 23

Help us raise funds for the Story Gardens! We're looking to add another greeting card design to the five we have available for purchase, with all funds benefiting the gardens. This contest is open to youth 17 and under and we are looking for designs featuring flowers and pollinators. All submissions are due by April 19th, and library patrons will have a chance to choose their favorite(s) to be made into cards. Need inspiration? Visit the library's website to see what flowers are in our gardens and for submission guidelines



### Book it to the Parks May 1 - 31

Milton has so many great parks! Take on our challenge, created in collaboration with Milton Parks & Rec Commission, and visit a number of Milton's parks. Pick up your challenge tracker at the library, visit at least 7 parks, and earn a button and a chance to win a prize basket. But also look at each park for a QR code, that when scanned, will take you to a video of a library staff member or Parks volunteer reading a book.



### Food Truck Rally Sunday, May 2, 10 am - 2 pm

Support the library and eat some delicious food! Several food trucks will be located around the east side of Milton, and a percentage of their proceeds will go towards the library. Pick up a punch card and enjoy food from several food trucks for a chance to win a variety of prize baskets.

### Drop In Bike Tune Ups with Freewheel Saturday, May 8, 11 am - 3 pm

Volunteers from Madison's Freewheel Community Bike Shop will be here to give your bike a little tune up. Make sure your bike is ready to put in the miles!

**No registration required.**



### Milton Mayhem Bike Scavenger Hunt Saturday, May 15, 10 am - 2 pm

Dust off your bike, grab your helmet, and prepare to pedal around Milton. Visit the library anytime between 10 am and 2 pm on Saturday, May 15th to receive your first clue. The clue will send you to the next location, you'll ride there, gather your proof, and receive another clue. Follow the clues until you've visited all 10 stops. Then, head back to the library and present the proof you've gathered to be entered in a prize drawing. Hunt solo or with a team. All riders must sign a waiver and wear a helmet. This ride is for all ages, but participants should be prepared to ride at least 3 miles on roads or sidewalks in Milton. **Please call the library to register before 5 pm on Friday, May 14th.**

# CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS Ages 8 & Under

## Virtual Storytime

Wednesdays, 10:30 am via Facebook

Join Jayme for stories, finger plays, action rhymes, and songs. **No registration required.**



### SPARK TO-GO KITS:

Contact Jayme to register today:  
[anderson.jayme@als.lib.wi.us](mailto:anderson.jayme@als.lib.wi.us) or call  
868-7462

#### Easter Egg Fun

Thursday, April 1 at 1 pm via Facebook  
Eggs & bunnies & candy, OH MY! It's almost Easter, and we want you to have some fun! Starting March 25th,

you can pick up a to-go bag, which includes all the supplies you'll need to make some Easter crafts. Kits will be available while supplies last. Links to the tutorial video and the Ryan & Craig's Pete the Cat: Big Easter Adventure read aloud will be shared on Facebook Thurs. April 1st, at 1 pm.

#### Earth Day Seed Bombs

Thursday, April 22 at 10 am via Facebook & YouTube

Hooray, it's Earth Day, and these seed bombs will (hopefully) grow into beautiful wildflowers! Make them now, plant them later, or gift them to someone who loves to garden. Starting April 14th, you can pick up a to-go bag, which includes all the supplies you'll need. Kits will be

available while supplies last. Jayme's tutorial video will be shared on Facebook and YouTube on Thurs. April 22nd, at 10 am.

#### Foam Friends

Wednesday, May 5 at 1 pm via Facebook & YouTube

Grab a bag of crazy supplies (Wikki Stix, foam shapes, etc.) to build your foam friend. Is it human, alien, animal, or machine?? Use your imagination to create something unique. Starting April 28th, you can pick up a to-go bag, which includes all the supplies you'll need. Kits will be available while supplies last. Jayme's tutorial video will post to Facebook and YouTube on Wed. May 5th, at 1 pm.

# TWEEN PROGRAMS Ages 9-12

## Biblio Explorers Ongoing

Biblio Explorers is a reading passport program for tweens. Pick up a passport from the library then work to complete all the pages with help from our guided reading suggestions. After finishing a page, bring your passport in to get that section stamped! When you finish your entire passport, bring it in to get a button, something sweet, and some name recognition in the Tween Area. Participate [online](#) today.



## Let's go Bird Watching!

Wednesday, May 26th, 4:30 pm-5:30 pm

Let's go outside together to learn about some birds in our area and start our journey to becoming birders. This will be a guided program with the Shackelfords on their property. Please call or email to sign up as space is limited. Address will be given at sign up. Each participant will be given a birding notebook and pen. Parents are welcome. Rain date scheduled for May 27th from 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm. **Masks required.**

# TWEEN TAKEOUT CRAFTS

## Mason Bee House & Book Giveaway Monday, April 12 at 3 pm via Facebook & YouTube

Mason Bees are amazing! Honeybees get all the credit, but Mason Bees do most of the important work. Kits will be available starting April 7th, and a tutorial video will be posted Monday, April 12th. Send a picture of your Mason Bee house by email or on Facebook to be entered to win the book *Turn This Book into A Beehive!* by Lynn Brunelle.

Contact Marijka to register today:  
[bosma.marijka@als.lib.wi.us](mailto:bosma.marijka@als.lib.wi.us) or call  
868-7462

## Confetti Kite Monday, April 26 at 3 pm via Facebook & YouTube

It's spring, the weather is finally not winter, so let's go fly a kite! After we make it of course. No matter how old you are, kites are just magic. Kits will be available starting April 21st, and a tutorial video will be posted Monday, April 26th. Then you can go out and fly your beautiful creation high for everyone to see.

Contact Marijka to register today:  
[bosma.marijka@als.lib.wi.us](mailto:bosma.marijka@als.lib.wi.us) or call  
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## Felt Bird Bookmarks Monday, May 10 at 3 pm via Facebook & YouTube

In anticipation of the bird watching program, make a Felt Bird Bookmark. These can be used in your Bird Watching Journals, or whatever book you are reading. Kits will be available starting May 5th, and a tutorial video will be posted Monday, May 10th.

Contact Marijka to register today:  
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# NEA BIG READ EVENTS

## NATIONAL ENDOWMENT for the ARTS



# BIG READ

Managed by Arts Midwest

[arts.gov/neabigread](https://www.arts.gov/neabigread)

### ***The Latecomer* Book Giveaway**

**Monday, April 5, 10 am – 5 pm**

It's time for the NEA Big Read. We have a limited number of copies of *The Latecomer* by Kao Kalia Yang to give away. First come, first serve, only one per adult. Also, enter for a chance to win a swag bag, which includes a copy of the book and other fun stuff. Enter via the [Google Form](#) on our website or stop by the library and fill out an entry slip. Monday, April 5 only. One entry per person.

### **Literature to Life:**

#### ***The Latecomer***

**Wednesday, April 7 at 7 pm**

Placed in the context of our 2021 Big Read selection, *The Latecomer*, enjoy staged readings from this important work centered on the Hmong refugee experience. Presented by UW-Whitewater's Young Auditorium. You must register at the following website to attend:

<https://www.uww.edu/youngauditorium/2020-lit-2-lif>

### **Author Presentation:**

#### **Kao Kalia Yang**

**Friday, April 9 at 5 pm & 7 pm**

Join the Young Auditorium for a live, virtual conversation with award-winning Hmong-American author Kao Kalia Yang. At 5 pm she will read her children's book and answer questions. At 7pm she will discuss her adult book *The Latecomer*. You

must register at the following website to attend:

<https://www.uww.edu/youngauditorium/2020-autho>

### **Chalk the Walk**

**Monday, April 19 – Saturday, April 24**

Help us celebrate Yang's *A Map into the World* by chalking our sidewalk! Pick a square outside the library and draw something to brighten someone's day. Use our chalk or bring your own. Participants are entered into a drawing to win a copy of the picture book. All ages welcome. Remember to keep your distance and mask up if necessary.

### ***The Latecomer* Virtual Book Discussion**

**Tuesday, April 27 at 6 pm**

Let's chat over Zoom about this year's Big Read selection. Contact the library for the meeting link. All who have read the book are welcome to attend.

### **Borealis Dance: Threads of My Cloth**

**Wednesday, April 28th at 7 pm**

Deeply rooted in historical research and personal accounts, the stories of Hmong refugees are brought to life on stage through the thoughtful movements of Borealis Dance. This virtual event is presented through the Young Auditorium. You must register at the following website to attend:

<https://www.uww.edu/youngauditorium/2020-thread>

## MONTHLY BOOK CLUBS

Contact the library for Zoom links

### **Mystery Book Club**

**Every Third Tuesday at 6:00 pm via Zoom**

This book club meets the third Tuesday of each month for informal discussions of the month's book. All are welcome to attend.

- **4/20** *A Royal Affair* by: Allison Montclair
- **5/18** *Broke Places* by: Tracy Clark

### **American Lives Book Club**

**Every second Tuesday at 6:30pm via Zoom**

This non-traditional book group will be focusing on remarkable women who have influenced policy, practice, and the political landscape of the United States. Read any material about the assigned person and participate in the discussion. Contact the library for reading suggestions.

- **4/13** *Immigrants Who Made a Difference* featuring Dolores Huerta, Mother Jones, Rose Schneiderman, and Kao Kalia Lang
- **5/11** *Movers and Shakers* featuring Margaret Chase Smith, Shirley Chisholm, and Barbara Jordan

### **Cooped Up: Chicken Videos**

**Every Tuesday at 2 pm via Facebook and YouTube**

Join Angie weekly for updates on her chickens and chicken related information!



# TEEN PROGRAMS Ages 13-18

## One Book Challenge

April 1 - May 31, 2021

One of the Teen Librarian's favorite things is to help teens find their next read! Enter via the [Google Form](#) on our website, wait for Ashlee to pick out a book, get the book (and a few other surprises), read the book, and let Ashlee know what you think. Complete the review form and be entered to win a bookish prize basket.

## Craft Takeout: Moon Mobile

Thursday, April 8 at 3 pm via Facebook & YouTube

Display the phases of the moon with a unique clay mobile. Starting April 5, pick up your Craft Takeout kit, which includes all the supplies you need. Kits will be available until supplies last. A video will be posted on YouTube and Facebook on Thursday, April 8, at 3:00, and Ashlee will show you step-by-step instructions.

Contact Ashlee to register today: [kunkel.ashlee@als.lib.wi.us](mailto:kunkel.ashlee@als.lib.wi.us) or call 868-7462.



## ONLINE RESOURCES

All of our online resources are free to use from home with a library card. Visit the Online Tools section of our website today to get started!



Brainfuse HelpNow is an all-in-one suite of tutoring services designed for a wide range of academic needs from young to adult.



Gale Courses offers over 350 free courses in professional development, technology skills, and personal development.



Creativebug is your go-to resource for high-quality, on-trend arts and crafts instructional videos.



A language learning website for adults and children with resources to learn 100 languages!



(Replaces Lynda.com) Thousands of video tutorials taught by industry experts allow you to acquire software, creative, and business skills.



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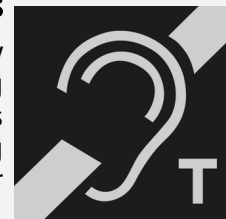
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[www.miltonpubliclibrary.org](http://www.miltonpubliclibrary.org)

### HEARING LOOPS

The library now has hearing loops for patrons who use hearing aids or cochlear implants.



### Media Release

For the purpose of marketing library programs on the library's website and social media, staff may ask permission to photograph or videotape program participants.