## Technology is Plentiful at Hackley Public Library!

In addition to the expanded collections of books, movies, and music that HPL offers, there is an abundance of technological resources that you can utilize through the library.

Brand new computers have just been installed in our computer lab on the main floor of HPL, with faster and more advanced capabilities than the previous computers.

In addition to having public computers available, HPL offers Wi-Fi for you to use on your own devices! If you have a laptop, tablet or phone, free Wi-Fi is available for you to enjoy inside the library, and outside extending into parts of Hackley Park.

If you need to print a document from your own device, such as from a phone or lapfrom your own device.

do research, or hold a small meeting? Look no further than Hackley Library! Next to HPL's computer lab, there is a side room available to reserve. This room has added benefits that can be utilized, including a screen with casting abilities.

Hackley Library also offers Hotspots for check out to Hackley Library Card holders, where you can borrow an internet hotspot to take home with you. These hotspots offer the resource of having the internet right at home, that you can utilize anytime!

An exciting new resource that will be available beginning in spring or summer is the ability to check out iPads!

Our Youth and Teen Services also have great technologies available to enjoy! Upstairs in the Youth Services department, there are computers for kids and teens to play games on, work on homework, and surf the internet. Additionally in the Youth Services department, there are Early Literacy iPads for younger kids to play fun, educational games. If you enjoy robots, coding, and LEGOs, we have LEGO WeDo kits for in-library check-



# Left to Write Greative Writing

### 2ND WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH, 3:30-4:30 PM | APR. 12 MAY 10 JUNE 14

If you enjoy creative writing, you'll love Left to Write, HPL's own creative writing group! Here you can participate in writing exercises, share your own stories, and meet other creative writers. This group provides a low-key atmosphere for writers of all experiences, everyone is welcome! Remember to bring a pen and paper. Free.

#### **CHAIR YOGA** WITH MUSKEGON YOGA

#### **THURSDAY, APRIL 6, 5:30-6:30 PM**

Enjoy some lower impact chair-based yoga to enrich your mind, body and spirit. Registration is required as space is limited.

#### 12-STRING GUITAR WITH NEIL JACOBS



**THURSDAY, APRIL 13, 5:30-6:30 PM** 

Enjoy a night of enticing music from guitarist Neil Jacobs! Neil performs music from diverse genres, such as jazz, classical, Celtic, and more. Registration preferred, but NOT required.

#### **COFFEE ROASTING**

#### **THURSDAY, APRIL 20, 5:00-6:00 PM**

Experience how different roasting techniques change the flavors of your morning brews with the roast masters at Lumbertown Coffee! Registration required.

#### **COMPUTERS CLASSES | APR-JUNE**

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED, AND OPENS ONE MONTH BEFORE CLASS DATE.

SATURDAY, APRIL 22

**SATURDAY, MAY 13** 

Basic Intro at 10:30 AM Intro to Word at 11:45 AM

Basic Intro at 10:30 AM Intro to Email at 11:45 AM

#### **MARIACHI MUSIC**

WITH GABRIEL ESTRADA

**SATURDAY, APRIL 22, 5:30-6:30 PM** 

As Gabriel shares his talent in this beautiful musical tradition, expressing many cultural influences, he'll also showcase a bit of Mariachi history. Registration preferred, but NOT required.

### WMEAC BRAIDING SWEETGRASS BOOK DISCUSSION

#### **MONDAY, APRIL 24, 5:30-6:30 PM**

Join the discussion on Robin Wall Kimmerer's best-seller, as we delve into the concepts of the book and how we engage with the natural world. Registration preferred, but NOT required.

# A PEEK INSIDE THE CRAFT OF MINIATURES

**TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 5:30-6:30 PM** 



BRAIDING

SWEETGRASS

Discover details about the hobby of miniatures, and make a miniature of your own! Registration is required.

#### **GRAINS & GREENS -**

COOKING PROGRAM WITH CIM
TUESDAY, MAY 16, 11:00 AM -12:00 PM

Chef Justin will open up a kitchen at CIM to present information on grains and greens! This program will also be available via Zoom. HPL will buy the ingredients for the first five (5) digital registrants. Registration required.

#### YOGA IN THE PARK

THURSDAY, MAY 18, 5:30-6:30 PM



Join Hackley staff and presenter Kristine for a relaxing, fresh air session in Hackley Park! This class is suitable for all ability levels.

Registration required.

### MDOC - WALK A MILE MENTORING PROGRAM

MONDAY, MAY 22, 5:30-6:30 PM

The Michigan Department of Corrections is seeking Peer Mentors who have shared/lived experience of incarceration and reentry for their "Walk A Mile" program. Hear more from Mentor Coordinator Tony Mills. Registration preferred but NOT required.

#### **PLAYS IN THE PARK**

#### THURSDAY, MAY 25, 5:30-6:30 PM

Enjoy an evening of theater in Hackley Park! Performed by talented Muskegon area actors, come to watch scenes and monologues from plays that take place in public spaces. Registration is preferred, but NOT required.



#### DRAWING CLASS

WITH ARTIST BILL EMBIL

#### TUESDAY, MAY 30, 5:30-6:30 PM

Get creative and explore art techniques at Hackley Public Library! We are joined again by artist Bill Embil. This class will provide the chance to keep honing your drawing skills. Registration is required, as space is limited.

#### DRAG QUEEN LITERARY LOOKS

#### FRIDAY, JUNE 16, 6:00-7:30 PM

In partnership with Muskegon Pride Center, join us for a drag queen performance and some literary fun! Watch as our favorite literary pieces come alive. Open to all ages.

## UNDERSTANDING ENNEAGRAMS

#### **MONDAY, JUNE 19, 5:30-6:30 PM**

Enneagrams help to decipher the dynamics of interconnected personality types. Learn to appreciate differences and gain insight into better managing emotions. Registration preferred, but NOT required.

# BE SURE TO VISIT hackleylibrary.org FOR PROGRAM DETAILS!

### HACKLEY PROGRAMS CALENDAR

A quick glance for all HPL programs and events.

program departments: A = adult, T = teen, Y = youth, and ALL = all ages



#### **APRIL**

Y-T TAKE AND MAKES

Available **APRIL 3** 

Y-T CRAFTY ROBOT BREAK

**APRIL 3-APRIL 6** 

Y SPRING BREAK

PJ STORY TIME

5:15 PM, APRIL 6

A CHAIR YOGA

5:30 PM, APRIL 6

Y STORY TIME

10:30 AM Fridays

Y PAWS AND READ

**4:00 PM** Select Mondays

A 12-STRING GUITAR

with Neil Jacobs 5:30 PM, APRIL 13

**A** COFFEE ROASTING

5:00 PM, APRIL 20

Y-T EARTH DAY CRAFT

2:00 PM, APRIL 22

**A** COMPUTER CLASSES

10:30 AM & 11:45 AM, APRIL 22

**ALL** MARIACHI MUSIC

with Gabriel Estrada

5:30 PM, APRIL 22

**A WMEAC BRAIDING** 

**SWEETGRASS BOOK** 

**DISCUSSION** 

5:30 PM, APRIL 24

T TEEN CRAFT 3:30 PM, APRIL 24

A CRAFT OF MINIATURES

5:30, APRIL 25

Y LITTLE GOLDEN BOOKS MUSEUM

**STORY TIME** 4:00 PM, ARIL 27

#### MAY

Y-T TAKE AND MAKES

Available MAY 1

Y-T STEAM ALONG THE

**LAKESHORE** 

10:00 AM, MAY 6

Y PAWS AND READ

**4:00 PM** Select Mondays

**ALL** CARDS FOR CAREGIVERS

**MAY 13** 

**A** COMPUTER CLASSES

10:30 AM & 11:45 AM, MAY 13

**A GRAINS & GREENS** 

11:00 AM, MAY 16

A YOGA IN THE PARK

5:30 PM, MAY 18

A WALK A MILE

**MENTORING PROGRAM** 

5:30 PM, MAY 22

A PLAYS IN THE PARK

5:30 PM, MAY 25

#### MAY

**ALL** LITTLE MERMAID EVENT

TBD, MAY 30

A DRAWING CLASS

with Artist Bill Embil 5:30 PM, MAY 30

#### JUNE

Y-T TAKE AND MAKES

Available JUNE 5

Y STORY TIME

10:30 AM Fridays

Y STUFFIE SLEEPOVER

STORY TIME

4:00 PM, JUNE 16

ALL DRAG QUEEN

LITERARY LOOKS

6:00 PM, JUNE 16

Y ALL TOGETHER NOW!

**STORY TIME** 

10:00 AM, JUNE 17

T TEEN CRAFT

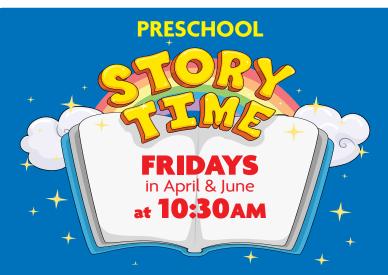
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A UNDERSTANDING ENNEAGRAMS

5:30 PM, JUNE 19

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#### YOUTH AND TEEN PROGRAMS



Intended for ages 0-5, our in-person storytime is designed to teach early literacy skills to parents and caregivers while children enjoy a fun, interactive atmosphere. Join us for stories, songs, and movement activities! Please check our Facebook page for any cancellations.

# LITTLE GOLDEN BOOKS MUSEUM STORY TIME THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 4:00 PM

In honor of the Little Golden Book exhibit at Muskegon Museum of Art, Ms Lydia and Ms Melissa will be hosting story time in the exhibit at the Museum. Fun activities and little golden books will be the highlight! Ages 0-5.

# SPRING BREAK PJ STORY TIME AT THE MUSEUM OF ART

**THURSDAY, APRIL 6, 5:15 PM** 

Join us for a special Story Time at the Muskegon Museum of Art! This is part of an artful fun-filled night with the whole family - visit the Muskegon Museum of Art website for more information (advanced registration required).

#### PAWS AND READ WITH BREEZY & DOLLY

MONDAYS, 4:00-5:00 PM | APR. 10 & 24 MAY 8 & 22 SATURDAY, 10:30, JUNE 24

We have two four-legged reading helpers in Youth Services!! Practice and strengthen literacy skills by reading out loud to our friendly therapy dogs who are calm, non judgemental listeners. They're excited to hear all the stories – and receive all the belly rubs. Please call 231-722-8014 to register for a 20 minute time slot. Ages 3-12.

#### POLLINATORS!! AVAILABLE MONDAY, APRIL 3

What makes a lasting impact in our environment? Supporting pollinators helps three-fourths of the flowering plants and 35% of the world's food crops reproduce - that's one out of every three bites of food! Take and make our pollinator and pollinator sustainer.

#### YOUTH TAKE AND MAKE

Take and Make this adorable pollinator - a bee that will be stuck on you all month long!

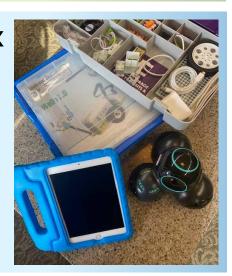
#### **TEEN TAKE AND MAKE**

Cicadas help support the pollination process by sustaining the pollinators! Our clothespin cicada will look amazing stuck to your bag or backpack.

#### **CRAFTY ROBOT BREAK**

MONDAY, APRIL 3-THURSDAY, APRIL 6

Planning a stay-cation this Spring Break? Hackley's Youth Services Department has your entertainment covered with fun crafts available daily. You can stay at the library and craft away or grab a bag and take them home. Do you prefer robots to crafts? Our Cue, Little Bits, and Lego We Do kits will be available for in-room use. Ages 3-17.



#### **EARTH DAY CRAFT DAY**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 22, 2:00-3:30 PM** 

Let's celebrate Earth Day by supporting our pollinators! Learn about pollinators and how important they are to our planet, make a Bee Hotel, learn about the pollination process with a hands on approach, and build the Lego We Do bee pollinator! Ages 3-17.



#### **SPEAKING OF POLLINATORS...**

Visit the Youth Services department later in April to meet our caterpillars... no wait, our butterflies! Witness the metamorphosis as our little caterpillars turn into beautiful butterflies.

### TEEN CRAFT - RECYCLED MAGAZINE BEADED BRACELE MONDAY, APRIL 24, 3:30-4:30 PM

Wondering what to do with those old magazines? We're using ours to make super groovy beads for a beaded bracelet! Ages 13-17.

#### **CELEBRATE SPRING!**

**AVAILABLE MONDAY, MAY 1** 

There's nothing better than a sunny spring day! Grab our kits and get ready to celebrate spring!

#### YOUTH TAKE AND MAKE

This adorable bird's nest is so pretty and so easy to make! A sweet snack to share is included.

#### **TEEN TAKE AND MAKE**

Your house will be ringing with cheer when you make our beaded wind chime.



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#### STEAM ALONG THE LAKESHORE

**SATURDAY, MAY 6, 10:00 AM-3:00 PM** 

Take an adventure around downtown Muskegon on Saturday, May 6, from 10am - 3pm to participate in STEAM activities and collect passport stamps for prizes! Ages 5-17.

# JUNE TAKE AND MAKES

AVAILABLE BEGINNING IUNE 5

#### **ALL TOGETHER NOW!**

This multi-stage process art project begins in June but won't be "all together" until August! Pick up the first stage (your canvas and paint) June 5, the second will be available July 3, and the final installment will be available on August 1.

#### **LIGHT UP! LIGHTNING BUGS**

This adorable lightning bug actually lights up! An egg and a tea light get connected and magic happens!



### **CARDS FOR CAREGIVERS**

**SATURDAYS, MAY 13 AND JUNE 17** 

Planning to celebrate someone special tomorrow? Stop by Youth Services and create a beautiful card for that important person. All ages.

# LITTLE MERMAID EVENT WITH MUSKEGON AREA DISTRICT LIBRARY

**TUESDAY. MAY 30** 

Hackley Library is a collaborator for Muskegon Area District Library's Little Mermaid Event! Watch for more details to come at hackleylibrary.org on picking up free tickets!

### SUMMER READING STUFFIE SLEEPOVER STORY TIME

**FRIDAY, JUNE 16, 4:00 PM** 

This special story time includes our best friends, our stuffed animals! Bring your favorite stuffie to story time and get them ready to spend the night at the library. Come back Saturday morning for...

#### **TEEN CRAFT - TIE DYE BOOK BAG**

**MONDAY, JUNE 19, 3:30-4:30 PM** 

Need something new to carry all your library books? Look no further, you can stop by and tie dye your very own canvas bag! Ages 13-17.



#### **ALL TOGETHER NOW! STORY TIME**

**SATURDAY. JUNE 17, 10:00 AM** 

Rise and shine and come back to hear stories and see how much fun your stuffie had sleeping over at the library. Juice and donuts will complete this special story time! Ages 0-5.





# **Local History & Genealogy**

You might notice some new things in the Local History & Genealogy Department this spring - more than just our usual additions of books and research materials! We'll soon be hanging a new print of the 1873-74 "Smalley map" of the City of Muskegon. The original map is very fragile, an enormous 51  $\frac{1}{2}$ " wide and 43  $\frac{1}{4}$ " high, and has been in a folded condition for many decades - making it essentially unavailable for use. After carefully unfolding the map, our friend and frequent patron Bill Hansen donated his time, funds, and professional photographic skills to create a full scale

reproduction. Another donor funded the mounting and framing, and the map will be hung in the main room above the Xerox machine. The Smalley map joins our several bird's-eye views of the City; the Old Settlers & Representative Men of Muskegon collage by William McComb; our portrait collection of members of the Torrent Family; the portrait of Civil War Brigadier General Philip Kearny, whose memorial statue stands at Peck & Terrace Streets; and the portrait of Charles Turner Hills, a prominent businessman and civic leader in the City's early days.

Another new addition to the has stood in the main library don't know much about the a contemporary piece and fit acsthetic. The desk has been - we're always excited to pro researchers! Stop by and che Tuesday through Saturday.

The 1873-74 map of the City of Muskegon, drawn by Thomas Smalley.

Another new addition to the department is a roll-top desk, which has stood in the main library's Teen Room for many years. While we don't know much about the history of this desk, it appears to be a contemporary piece and fits extremely well in the department's aesthetic. The desk has been placed in the microfilm scanner room - we're always excited to provide additional study areas for our researchers! Stop by and check out our new arrivals, 10 AM to 5 PM, Tuesday through Saturday.



Our new roll-top desk, a perfect place to settle in & study your family history!









### **YOUTH SERVICES** SUMMER READING SIGN UP

MONDAY, JUNE 12 - SATURDAY, JUNE 17



### **SUMMER READING PROGRAM JUNE 12 - AUGUST 12 | ALL AGES**

Dive into great books this summer with our annual reading program. Earn prizes for time spent reading as well as attending library programs and other summer activities. Let's work 'all together now' to see how many minutes our community can read!

### Meet Amelia, HPL's newest **Adult Services Librarian!**

#### What do you love most about libraries?

That it's free! There are always so many exciting things happening at the library aside from just books such as the programs and digital resources. Even as a book lover, I've decided to stop buying items and get them all from the library instead. At the library, we try our best to get as many people as much access as possible. I really encourage people to take advantage of everything the library has to offer. I also think that libraries are the pillars of a community; it is a space where all people are welcome and where people can expand their knowledge and explore their creativity.

#### Do you have a favorite genre? What draws you to that genre?

The genres I read are quite broad. I like all fiction, with an emphasis on literary fiction. I read poetry from time to time. I won't often pick up a non-fiction book, but I enjoy memoirs. I love reading manga and manhwa and often read them online. I still really enjoy children and teen books. What draws me to reading all the genres I've listed and what I really look for are character driven stories. I love getting to know the characters or the people in the story, the things that make them who they are, the obstacles they face, and what motivates them.

#### What are you most excited about working at Hackley Library?

Paydays, LOL. Jokes aside, as a first time librarian, I'm probably most excited to be able to decide what is on the shelves. It is the one thing that is exclusive to the librarian role. I'm responsible for curating fiction, manga, and a small part of our non-fiction collection. I spend a lot of time and thought on this one aspect of my job each month. I also, as I get more comfortable in the role, look forward to coming up with my own programs and possibly leading a few.

FATHERS MATTER - Workshops with Muskegon's Public Health Department at Hackley Library - find more details to come at hackleylibrary.org.

**TUESDAY, APRIL 4, 11:30 AM-1:00 PM** Safe Sleep and Infant CPR

MONDAY, MAY 8, 11:30-1:30 PM

How to build a parent and school partnership

**MONDAY, JUNE 5,** 11:30-1:30 PM

Question Persuade Refer - a suicide prevention tool



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MAIN LIBRARY HOURS

\*Hours are subject to change

**MONDAY - TUESDAY: 9 AM - 7 PM WEDNESDAY - SATURDAY: 9 AM - 5 PM** 

**TORRENT HOUSE: TUES-SAT: 10-5PM** 

### **ADULT HACKLEY CRAFTS**

All adult Hackley Crafts require registration, and will open one month before each program date.

#### **GLASS JAR DECOR**

**TUESDAY, APRIL 4, 5:00-6:30 PM** 

Decorate a glass bottle or jar using fun and unique embellishments! Registration is required.



**MONDAY, MAY 1, 5:00-6:30 PM** 

Create a unique piece of jewelry during this adult Hackley craft! Registration is required.

#### **RECYCLED SODA CAN ART**

**MONDAY, JUNE 5, 5:00-6:30 PM** 

Create a new piece of art from something used! Registration is required.

#### **DIRECTOR'S CORNER**

Dear Library Patrons,

If you've recently visited the Hackley Public Library or traveled along West Webster in Muskegon, you might have noticed an exciting change. The Torrent House, a historic building previously attached to the Red Cross building, has been transformed into a standalone structure for the first time since 1957, thanks to the Downtown Muskegon Development Corp.

As we move forward, the Library has exciting plans for the Torrent House. While the northeast corner of the building requires restoration, the final look of the structure is yet to be determined. Our ultimate goal is to clean and repair the exterior of the building, making it a beautiful and welcoming space for our community.

In addition, the Library is exploring options to improve the interior of the building so that it can serve our patrons better. We're looking at ways to expand our archival storage capabilities and offer more library services. With the additional space and resources the Hackley Public Library

Torrent House will provide, we can further our mission of providing access to knowledge and fostering a love of learning in our community.

I am thrilled about

the torrent of possibilities this change has presented and am eager to share our progress with you. Stay tuned for updates on this

exciting project, and thank you for your continued support of the Hackley Public Library. Best wishes,



Joe Zappacosta Director,



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