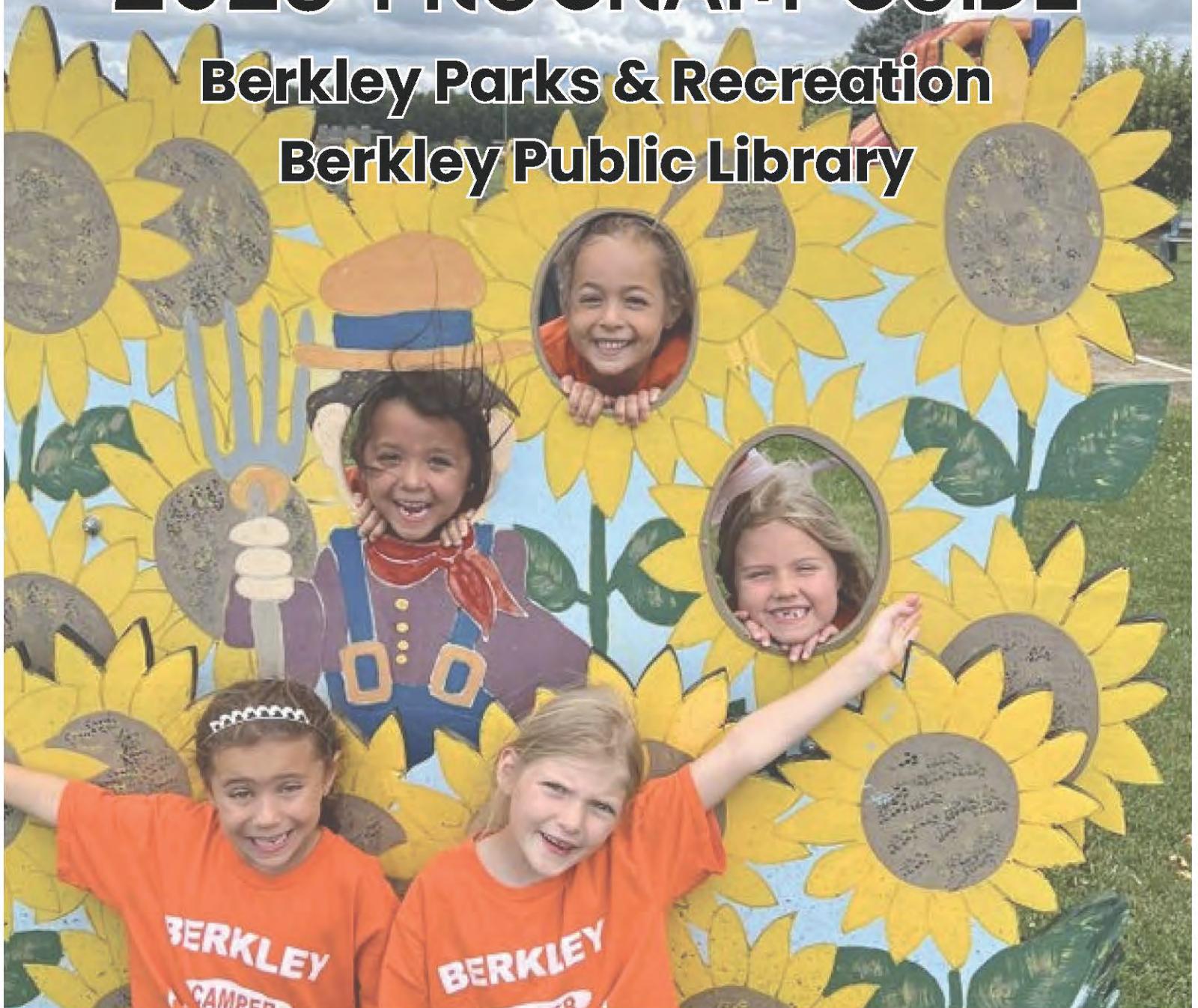


# SPRING/SUMMER 2025 PROGRAM GUIDE

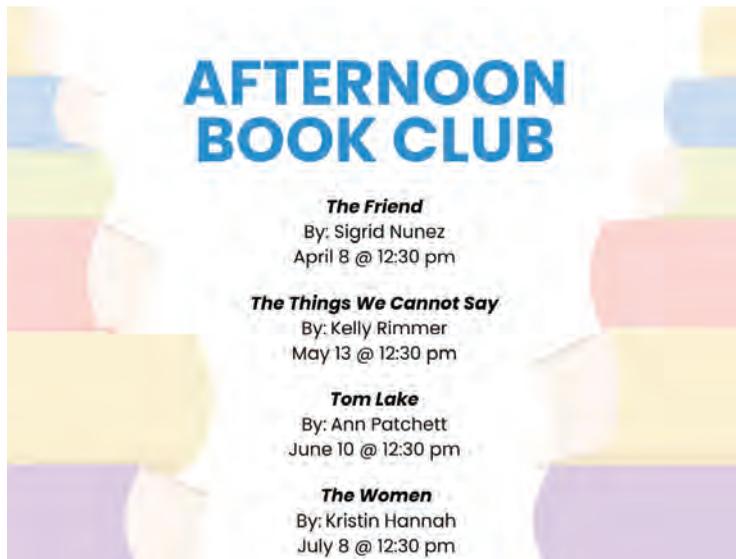
**Berkley Parks & Recreation  
Berkley Public Library**



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# PUBLIC LIBRARY ADULT PROGRAMS

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Thursday: 10:00 am – 6:00 pm  
Friday: 10:00 am – 6:00 pm  
Sat & Sun: Closed



## LGBTQ+ Book Club

Calling all rainbow readers and allies! This book club is for anyone who wants to see themselves represented in courageous and tenacious stories of the LGBTQ+ community. Read the book ahead of time and bring a question and favorite quote to prompt some colorful conversation. Category is: reading rainbow realness!

Tuesday, April 22  
6:30 pm  
*All Fours* by Miranda July

Tuesday, July 8  
6:30 pm  
*Lie With Me* by Philippe Besson

## Millennial Memoir Book Club

Tuesday, June 17  
6:30 pm

Memoirs by millennials, for millennials (and anyone else!). We'll be reading and discussing *This Will Only Hurt A Little* by Busy Phillips. Want to revisit the joy and trauma of coming-of-age at the end of the 20th century through the stories of celebrities and pseudo-celebrities who lived it first hand? Then this is the book club for you!

 Requires registration at [www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents](http://www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents)

## Origami Club

If you're interested in origami or are a seasoned folder, stop by the library's origami club! This club provides an opportunity to learn and explore with like-minded individuals.

Mondays at 5:30 pm  
Dates Include April 7, May 5, June 2



## Phil Hale Jazz Quartet

Wednesday, April 9  
6:30 pm

Phil Hale is a Detroit-area keyboard player/composer who has been playing various genres of music for over 50 years. His strong interest in playing jazz has led him to play as both leader and sideman with Detroit jazz legends. Phil Hale is currently the keyboardist for "Detroit's Queen of the Blues" Thornetta Davis and has been with her since 1999. The Phil Hale Jazz Quartet also features some of the top working musicians in town: John Douglas on trumpet, John Barron on bass and Djallo Djakate on drums. Sponsored by the Jazz Foundation of America.

## Detroit's Grand Bargain

Wednesday, April 23  
6:30 pm

In *Grand Bargain*, Gerald E. Rosen—Chief U.S. District Judge and the chief mediator in the largest municipal bankruptcy in American history and architect of the "Grand Bargain" that saved the DIA's priceless collection—tells the dramatic inside story of how Detroit was rescued from the brink of oblivion. Attend this program to hear Gerald discuss his book and answer questions from the audience. Books will be available for purchase at the event. Credit card, check, and cash will be accepted.

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Friday: 10:00 am - 6:00 pm  
Sat & Sun: Closed

## Condominium Living Today and Tomorrow

Saturday, April 26  
11:00 am



Condominiums! Not sure what they are? Curious and want to get a better grip on condos and homeowner associations? Join Michael Fitzpatrick, author of *Condominium Living Today and Tomorrow*, as he shares information and insights about condo living from his book.

Sponsored by the Friends of the Berkley Public Library.



Requires registration at  
[www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents](http://www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents)

## Vibe Credit Union: How to Improve Your Credit Score

Wednesday, June 18  
6:30 pm



What is my credit score and where can I find it? Who are the credit bureaus and how do I get in touch with them? How can I improve my credit score? Who can help me? Vibe Credit Union can!

## Chasing Art: Works Stolen by the Nazis

Tuesday, May 6  
6:30 pm



Presented by Wendy Evans, art historian and professor. Many Jewish collectors and dealers were either forced to sell at greatly reduced prices or had their art stolen by the Nazis. Their heirs have sought to reclaim the works. The restitution of Gustav Klimt's Adele Bloch-Bauer became famous through the movie *The Woman in Gold*. We'll discuss this work and a range of great art from medieval times to modern along with the process it took to get the art restituted.

Sponsored by the Friends of the Berkley Public Library.

## Introduction to Canning with McClure's Pickles

Wednesday, June 25  
6:30 pm



Canning and preserving, pickling, and fermentation have long traditional roots in just about every culture. The basic ideas of canning and fermentation are very simple: put fresh harvested vegetables, fruits or meats into a solution which allows them to last for a longer period of time so they can be eaten at a later date. Learn the basics in this hands-on session led by Bob McClure of McClure's Pickles.

## Women's Search for Meaning: A Path Through the Seasons of Life

Monday, May 12  
6:30 pm



Join educator Gladiola Ulqinaku as she takes us on a journey through the four seasons of a woman's meaning and passion for life. She'll focus on helping women understand what they want as a path to an authentic relationship with themselves and others. She honors the work of Dr. Viktor Frankl in his historic book, *Man's Search for Meaning*.

## Understanding the Mind-Body Connection For Better Health & Healing

Tuesday, July 22  
6:30 pm



The mind-body connection has been known for centuries, mainly through Eastern philosophies. In more recent years, medicine and science are realizing that there is a mind-body connection. With a better understanding of this connection, it is possible to help prevent or reduce some health issues, improve current health problems and, in some cases, have complete healing. In this introductory talk, you'll learn more about the vast subject from Bonnie Watson, a Reiki, spiritual, and energy healer.



# PUBLIC LIBRARY TEEN PROGRAMS

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Wednesday: 10:00 am - 8:00 pm  
Thursday: 10:00 am - 6:00 pm  
Friday: 10:00 am - 6:00 pm  
Sat & Sun: Closed

**TEEN BOOK CLUB**

Monday, April 14  
*The Perks of Being a Wallflower*  
By: Stephen Chbosky

Monday, May 12  
*Shadow & Bone*  
By: Leigh Bardugo

Book Club Starts at 4:45 pm

**TEEN CRAFT KITS**  
REQUIRES REGISTRATION AT [WWW.BERKLEYMI.GOV/LIBRARYEVENTS](http://WWW.BERKLEYMI.GOV/LIBRARYEVENTS)

**YARN FLOWERS**  
PICK UP WEEK OF APRIL 21  
MAKE A SET OF DECORATIVE GREETING CARDS WITH YARN

**MELTED CRAYON BUTTERFILES**  
PICK UP WEEK OF JUNE 23  
TURN CRAYON SHAVINGS INTO A WORK OF ART

**PRESSED FLOWER HOOPS**  
PICK UP WEEK OF JULY 7  
FILL AN EMBROIDERY HOOP WITH FLOWERS FOR A COLORFUL WALL HANGING

**GEMSTONE SUNCATCHERS**  
PICK UP WEEK OF JULY 21  
CREATE A DAZZLING DISPLAY FOR YOUR WINDOW

**BLEEDING TISSUE PAPER CARDS**  
PICK UP WEEK OF AUGUST 4  
CREATE GREETING CARDS WITH A WATERCOLOR EFFECT, NO PAINT REQUIRED

## First Line Book Match

All of April

Match the first lines of a collection of teen books to their covers for a chance to win a prize! Entry forms are in the teen room and can be turned in at the front desk.

## Mural Scavenger Hunt

June 16 - August 8

Discover some of the public art around Berkley and match the murals to their location for a chance to win a prize. Pick up a scavenger hunt sheet at the front desk.

**SPRING  
Book Sale**

FRIDAY, MAY 16  
1:00 PM - 6:00 PM

SATURDAY, MAY 17  
10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

HOSTED BY  
THE FRIENDS OF THE BERKLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY

[WWW.BERKLEYMI.GOV/LIBRARYFRIENDS](http://WWW.BERKLEYMI.GOV/LIBRARYFRIENDS)

# PUBLIC LIBRARY YOUTH PROGRAMS

## Library Hours

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Wednesday: 10:00 am – 8:00 pm

Thursday: 10:00 am – 6:00 pm

Friday: 10:00 am – 6:00 pm

Sat & Sun: Closed

## Baby Playtime

Enjoy open-ended play with your infant or toddler, and social interaction with other families. Our toys are best suited for ages 6 months–3 years. Siblings welcome. No registration required.

Thursdays at 10:30 am

Dates:

April 3, 10, 17

May 8, 22

June 19, 26

July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

August 7



## Family Story Time

Join us for stories, rhymes, and songs! Activities will focus on ages 2–6, but all ages are welcome. No registration is required.

Tuesdays at 10:30 am

Spring dates:

4/1, 4/8, 4/15, 5/6, 5/13, 5/20

Summer dates:

6/17, 7/1, 7/15, 7/29



## Craft Buffets

We'll provide an assortment of simple crafts with a different theme each time. Pick and choose or complete them all at your own pace.

Tuesdays at 10:30 am

Dates:

6/24, 7/8, 7/22, 8/5



Requires registration at  
[www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents](http://www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents)

## Book Collection Guessing Game

All of April

National Library Week is April 6–12. Celebrate by guessing how many books are in the children's collection. Closest guess will win a small prize!

## Tissue Paper Bookmarks

Monday, April 7

6:30 pm



Turn colorful paper into your new favorite bookmark.



## READ TO A DOG

Sign up for a 15 minute timeslot at  
[www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents](http://www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents)

Indo  
Saturdays  
10:30 am – 12:30 pm

Bonnie  
Tuesdays  
5:00 – 7:00 pm

Frodo Baggins  
Wednesdays  
1:00 – 3:00 pm

April 5  
May 10

April 8  
May 13  
June 24  
July 8  
July 29  
August 12

June 25  
July 16  
August 13



## Interested in supporting the library?

The Friends of Berkley Public Library would love to hear from you! The Friends are a non-profit group who raise funds to support the library's programs and services.

For more information about the Friends and how to join, visit  
[www.berkleymi.gov/libraryfriends](http://www.berkleymi.gov/libraryfriends)

# PUBLIC LIBRARY SUMMER READING & YOUTH PROGRAMS



Summer Reading Kick Off  
Ice Cream Social

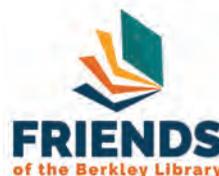
Monday, June 16  
6:00 - 8:00 pm

Celebrate the end of school and the beginning of Summer Reading with ice cream and activities! Clark's Ice Cream is provided by the Friends of Berkley Public Library.

All Ages Welcome - No Registration Required



Thanks to the  
Friends of Berkley Public Library  
and Vibe Credit Union for  
sponsoring the Berkley Public  
Library Summer Reading  
programs!



## Open Spot Theatre

Friday, June 20  
2:00 pm



Experience the three pillars of theater--singing, dancing, and acting--and then put them all together into a short play you'll perform at the end of the workshop!

## Gelli Plate Prints

Tuesday, June 24  
6:30 pm



Experiment with gelli plates and paint to create colorful, textured artworks!

## Reptiles with the Reptarium

Monday, June 30  
6:30 pm



The Reptarium will bring the zoo to the library!  
Meet and learn about several different reptiles.

## Pizza Play

Monday, July 7  
2:00 pm



Run your own (pretend) pizza kitchen! Take orders, assemble pizzas, put them in the oven, and serve your customers. Then take a turn as the customer. Place your order, and take your pizza creation home.

## Sock Puppets

Thursday, July 17  
2:00 pm



Turn a sock into a new friend...or a monster!

## Drumunity

Monday, July 21  
6:30 pm



Have fun playing percussion instruments from all over the world and make music together as a group. No musical or percussion experience required-- it's impossible to play out of tune!

## Clay Fish

Wednesday, July 30  
6:30 pm



Build your own fish sculpture with air dry clay! Clay dries firmly, no oven needed.

## Science Heroes:

### The Adventure of the Missing Color

Monday, August 4  
6:30 pm

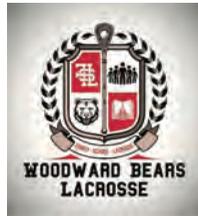


Through hands-on experiments and fun, interactive stories, we get kids excited about the science that's all around us as we celebrate the scientists who color our world with art!

# PARKS & RECREATION YOUTH PROGRAMS

## Lacrosse

Berkley and Royal Oak High Schools largest feeder program of boys and girls presents a skills course that is perfect for new and seasoned players! Join us as players enjoy an upbeat skills training session with no contact, focused on technique. Equipment is provided for new players. We focus on skill development, use a progressive teaching method, and end every session playing Fireball!  
Instructor: Woodward Bears



Date: TBA  
Time: Grades 1-4, Time TBD  
Grades 5-8, Time TBD  
Cost: \$60

## Sanchin Ryu Karate for Kids & Families

Family: A Parent AND Child program for ages 4 and up. Set in a fun, non-competitive and informative atmosphere, this program allows parents to learn alongside their children.

Kids (Grades K-8): Students will be trained with proven, age-appropriate techniques that are necessary for kids to protect themselves from attackers. This program is set in a fun, yet structured environment which will give your child a positive outlook on learning a martial art. We focus on healthy attitudes vs perfection! Participants will achieve a great self confidence and leadership through the physical techniques, mental strategies, drills and exercises they are lead through.

Instructor: Sensei Ashley Nysowy, 2nd Degree Black Belt with over 20 years of expertise.

	Family	Kids
Date:	April 17, Thursdays June 5 July 31	April 17, Thursdays June 5 July 31
Time:	6:45 - 7:30 pm	6:00 - 6:45 pm
Cost:	\$60	\$30



## Gymnastics

**\*\*All Jump-A-Rama classes held at  
Huntington Woods Rec Center\*\***

Each child is given the opportunity to explore a wide variety of apparatus, such as basic tumbling skills, springboard activities, balance beam, gymnastic jumps and trampoline exercises. This six-week program will provide your child with progressive skills that will encourage self-confidence and coordination!

Age: 3-5 yrs.  
Date: April 22, Tuesdays  
Time: 12:00 - 12:50 pm  
Cost: \$95



## Tumble Tots

**\*\*All Jump-A-Rama classes held at  
Huntington Woods Rec Center\*\***

This program will provide toddlers and preschoolers with an opportunity to explore a wide variety of basic tumbling apparatus like springboard, balance beam, large and small gross motor mats, trampoline and more.  
\*Parent participation required. Instructor: Jump-A-Rama

Age: 1-4 yrs.  
Date: April 22, Tuesdays  
Time: 10:00 - 10:55 am  
11:00 - 11:55 am  
Cost: \$95

## Self Defense for Children

Instructor: Live Safe Academy  
Date: May 20, Tuesday  
Time: 5:30 - 6:30 pm  
Cost: \$20



# PARKS & RECREATION YOUTH AND ADULT CLASSES



## Summer Strum: Guitar Fun for Beginners

Ready to strum some chords this summer? Join our beginner program and experience the fun of playing! Our lessons will teach you the essential skills of acoustic or electric guitar. Each 40-minute individual lesson is designed to match your learning style.

We will cover the parts of the guitar, tab, an introduction to music notation, basic chords and strumming patterns. After four lessons, you'll be able to play some cool riffs and a simple song of your choice. You'll also learn if guitar playing is right for you and how to include practice in your daily routine. Further private lessons are available for those who want to continue.

Your Beginner Guitar Kit Includes:

- A music book
- All required lesson materials.
- A set of guitar picks

Four, forty minute lessons - 6/26, 7/10, 7/17, 7/24

Thursdays between 3:00 -5:00 pm

Bring your own playable guitar

Instructor: Patrice von Liski

\$110

## Pet CPR & First Aid

What would you do if your dog or cat got hurt? Learn how to respond to common emergency situations, first-aid techniques and animal CPR (hands-on lab to include animal CPR on dog/cat mannequin).

Instructor: LeighAnn Jankowski

Date: April 24, Thursday

Time: 7:00 - 9:00 pm

Cost: \$40

## AKC Star Puppy

Southern Michigan Obedience Training Club (SMOTC) offers this class for purebred or mixed puppies approximately 3-5 months of age. Help your new best friend develop the good habits they need in order to become a valued member of your family" Socialization, introduction to obedience, and problem solving are covered in the classes. AKC STAR Puppy Certification is offered.

Instructor: SMOTC

Date: April 21, Monday

Time: 7:00 - 8:00 pm

Cost: \$70

## Intro to Dog Obedience

Learn to train your dog to heel (walk) on lead next to you, sit and stay, and come when called. These tips will help your dog become a more enjoyable family member and encourage participation in obedience competition. This is a fast-moving class to teach you to teach your dog basic obedience.

Instructor: SMOTC

Date: April 16, Wednesday

Time: 7:00 - 8:00 pm

Cost: \$70

## Advanced Dog Obedience

Instructor: SMOTC

Date: April 16, Wednesday

Time: 8:05 - 9:00 pm

Cost: \$70

# PARKS & RECREATION

## YOUTH & ADULT TENNIS/PICKLEBALL



### SPRING TENNIS

#### Adult Tennis

May 29 - June 12

7:30 - 8:30 pm, Thursdays

3 classes - \$47.50

#### Youth Tennis - Pee Wee (ages 4-6)

May 29 - June 12

4:45 - 5:25 pm, Thursdays

3 classes - \$47.50

#### Youth Tennis - Ages 7 - 10

May 29 - June 12

5:30 - 6:25 pm, Thursdays

3 classes - \$47.50

#### Youth Tennis - Ages 11 - 17

May 29 - June 12

6:30 - 7:25 pm, Thursdays

3 classes - \$47.50

All classes held at

Community Center Courts

### SPRING PICKLEBALL

#### Ages 18 and Up

#### Beginner - Morning

May 14 - June 4

9:00 - 10:25 am, Wednesdays

\$95

#### Beginner - Evening

May 21 - June 11

5:30 - 6:55 pm, Wednesdays

\$95

#### Intermediate Drill - Morning

May 21 - June 11

10:30 am - 12:00 pm, Wednesdays

\$95

#### Intermediate Drill - Evening

May 21 - June 11

7:00 - 8:30 pm, Wednesdays

\$95

All classes held at

Friends Park Courts (Harvard Park)



### SUMMER TENNIS & PICKLEBALL

Information available online for summer tennis and pickleball classes and leagues.

Visit our registration website through DaySmart Recreation for more information.

# PARKS & RECREATION ADULT CLASSES

## Yoga

All levels slow flow yoga class perfect for new or experienced students. This class may consist of sun salutations, standing poses, balancing poses, twists, fold, and bends with modifications available to assure the flow meets you where you are on any particular day. Every class will utilize breath to guide your movement and end in a relaxing savasana. The pace will allow for you focus on alignment, spend time exploring each pose, build strength and flexibility, and reduce stress levels. Don't forget your yoga mat and water!

Age: 16 yrs. & Up  
Date: April 15, Tuesdays                      April 26, Saturdays  
Time: 6:00 - 6:55 pm                              9:00 - 9:55 am  
Cost: \$50 Resident \$55 Non-Resident  
Drop In \$10

## PiYo Live

PIYO® Live is a low-impact blend of strength training and conditioning inspired by Pilates and Yoga. This workout will help increase strength, stability, stamina and flexibility. Please bring a yoga mat, towel and water bottle.  
Instructor: Bre Young

Age: 16 yrs. & Up  
Date: May 5, Mondays                              May 8, Thursdays  
Time: 6:00 - 6:55 pm                              6:00 - 6:55 pm  
Cost: \$61 Resident \$66 Non-Resident  
Drop In \$12

## Beginner Tai Chi

Learn Wu Style Tai Chi Chuan, an invigorating exercise for health and peace of mind. Careful practice will improve coordination and increase relaxation. Improve your health and concentration and learn to deal with stress more effectively. Try the first class for free!  
Instructor: International Wu Style Tai Chi Chuan Federation Certified Sam Purdy.

Age: 16 yrs. & Up  
Date: April, Wednesdays  
Time: 6:00 - 7:30 pm  
Cost: \$45 Resident \$50 Non-Resident  
Drop In \$9



INTERNATIONAL  
WU STYLE TAI CHI CHUAN  
FEDERATION

## Sanchin Ryu Karate for Adults & Teens

Specifically designed to address personal-protection concerns, this program instructs a broad range of strikes, combinations, footwork and defense tactics. Receive specialized training on how to deal with, get out of, and counter a multitude of grabs and attack scenarios. Learn how to use the whole body for power, making the most of your size and strength (regardless of athletic ability). Uniforms are available for purchase but NOT required.

Instructor: Sensei Ashley Nysowy, 2nd Degree Black Belt with over 20 years of expertise.

Age: 14 yrs. & Up  
Date: April 17, Thursdays  
Time: 7:30 - 8:30 pm  
Cost: \$40



## Self Defense for Women

Instructor: Live Safe Academy

Age: 16 yrs. & Up  
Date: May 20, Tuesday  
Time: 6:30 - 8:30 pm  
Cost: \$40



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# CITY-WIDE GARAGE SALE

**JUNE 20-22, 2025**

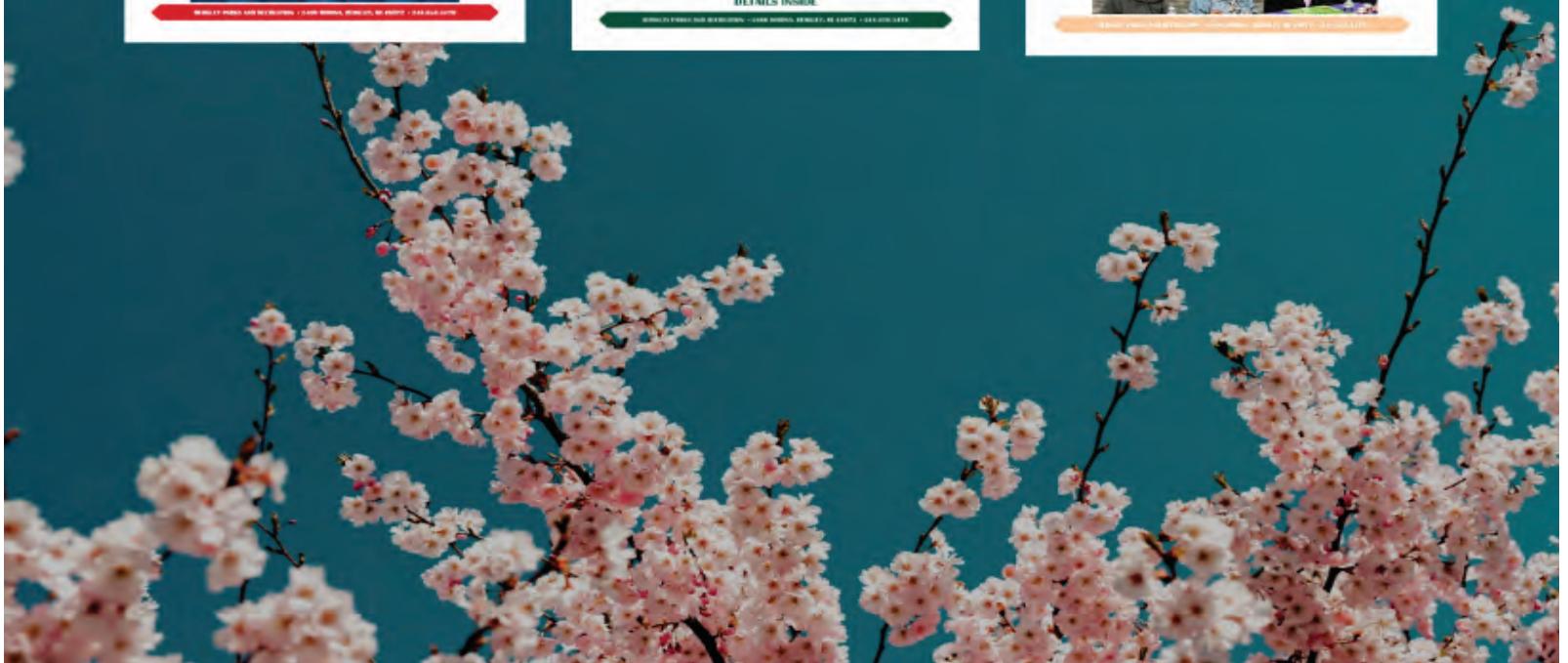
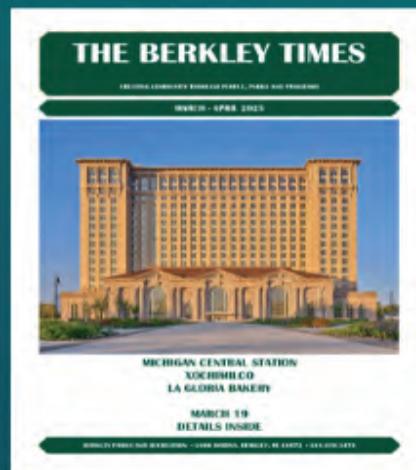
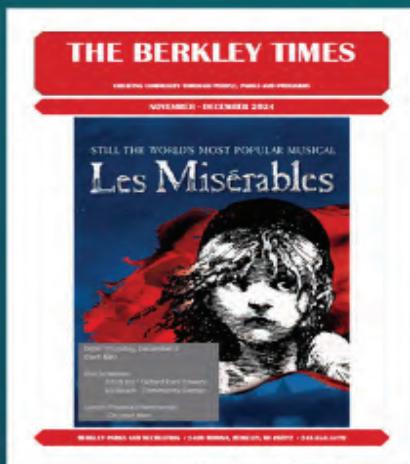


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# PARKS & RECREATION SENIOR PROGRAMMING

Pick up the latest copy of the Berkley Times to stay up-to-date on senior programming!

Available online or at the Community Center.



# PARKS & RECREATION SUMMER SPECIALTY CAMPS

## SPECIALTY CAMPS 2025

**Boys Basketball Camp**  
June 16-20 \*no camp 6/19  
Grades 3-8 / 9 am - 12 pm



**Zombie Response Team Camp**

July 21-25

Ages 8-11 / 1 - 4 pm



**Chess Wizards Camp**  
July 14-18  
Grades 1-5 / 9 am - 12 pm



**Water Week Camp**  
August 4-8  
Ages 4-10 / 9 am - 12 pm

**All Sport Camp**

June 23-27

Ages 4-10 / 9 am - 12 pm



**Cheer Tumble Camp**  
July 28- August 1  
Ages 4-10 / 9 am - 12 pm



**Girls Volleyball Camp**  
July 14-18  
Grades 5-6 / 9 - 11:30 am  
Grades 7-8 / 11:30 am - 2 pm



**Self Defense & Safety Camp**  
July 21-25

Ages 6-11 / 9 am - 12:30 pm

**Amazing Athletes**  
June 23-26

Ages 3-6 / 1 - 3 pm

**Islandmon STEAM Quest**  
June 23-27

Grades K-5 / 9 am - 12 pm

**Slimetopia 4:  
Once Upon A Slime**  
June 23-27

Grades K-5 / 1 - 4 pm

**Be A Stemgineer**  
June 30 - July 3

Ages 5-12 / 9 - 11:30 am

**ABCs of Engineering**  
June 30 - July 3

Ages 5-10 / 12:30 - 3 pm

**Brixology Mad Science**  
July 7 - 11

Ages 7-12 / 9 am - 12 pm

**Pre K Yoga**  
July 21 - 25

Ages 4-5 / 9- 11 am

**Steam Space Explorers**  
July 28 - August 1

Grades K-5 / 9 am - 12 pm

**Steam Tank Entrepreneur**  
July 28 - August 1

Grades K-5 / 1 - 4 pm

Camps held at Huntington Woods Rec Center - 26325 Scotia

Registration is open!

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# PARKS & RECREATION SUMMERFEST

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SAVE THE DATE

2025

Berkley Parks & Recreation presents

# Summer Fest

## MOVIES IN THE PARK

JUNE 13 - BACON PARK

AUGUST 21 - OXFORD PARK

## BACON JAMBOREE

JULY 24 - BACON PARK

## ICE CREAM SOCIAL

AUGUST 21 - OXFORD PARK



# BERKLEY BEATS SUMMER CONCERT SERIES



PARKS & RECREATION PRESENTS

## BERKLEY BEATS



SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

2025



### SAVE THE DATE

OXFORD PARK / 2100 BACON AVE.

**JUNE 26 - 7 PM**  
SONIC FREEWAY

**KIDS**

**JULY 17 - 6 PM**

MISS PAULA AND  
THE CANDY BANDITS

**AUGUST 7 - 7 PM**

HARMONIC SWELL AND THE  
BRIDGE OF REVERBERATION