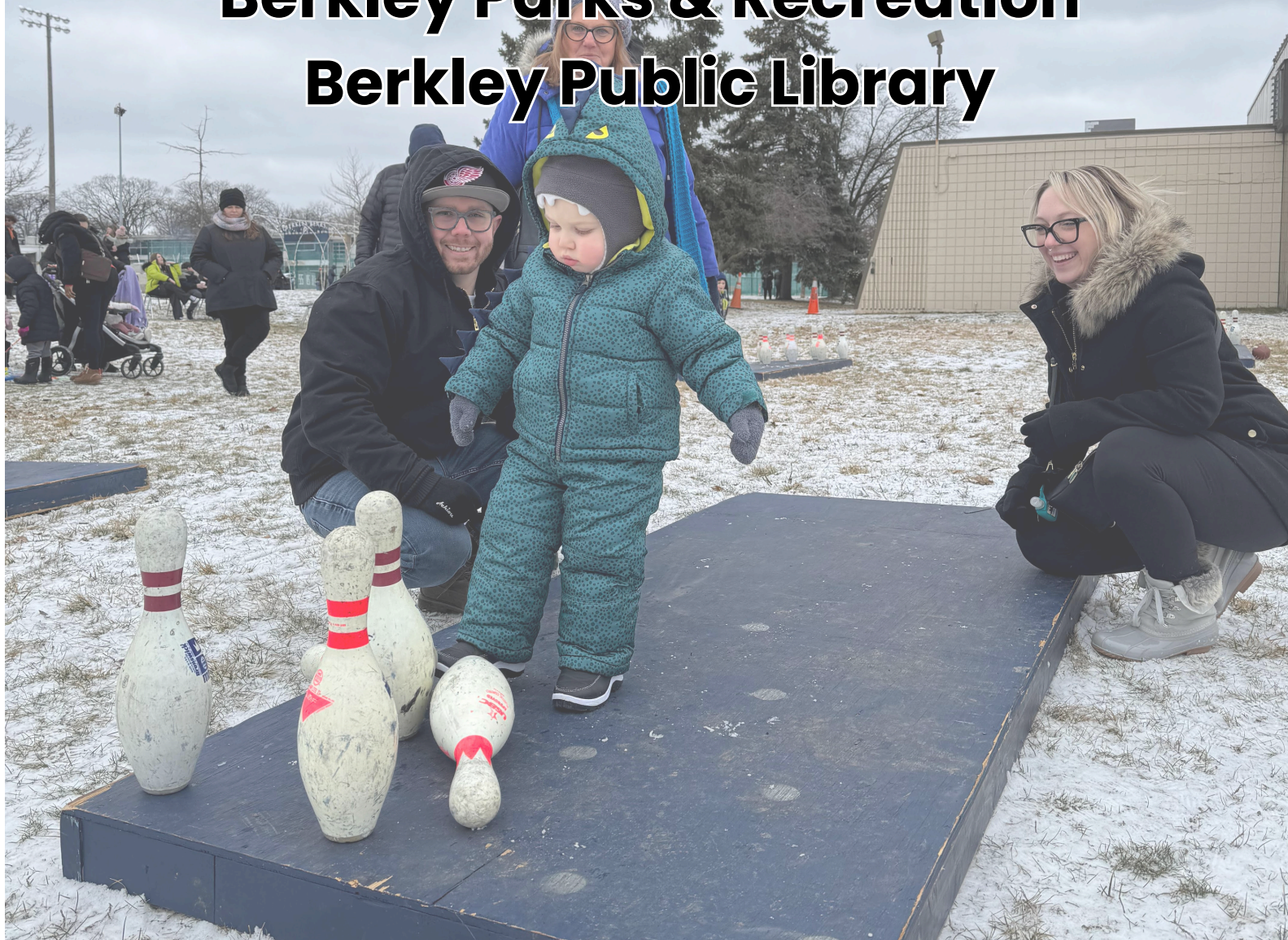


# **WINTER 2026 PROGRAM GUIDE**

## **Berkley Parks & Recreation Berkley Public Library**



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# WINTER 2026 PARKS & RECREATION PROGRAMS

## Youth

### Jump-A-Rama Gymnastics

Session 1: Tues., beginning Jan. 6  
Session 2: Tues., beginning Feb. 24  
Session 3: Tues., beginning Apr. 21  
Cost: \$113 per session



- Tiny Tumbles (1-4 yrs.)  
10:00 - 11:00 AM
- Preschool Gymnastics (3-5 yrs.)  
12:00 - 12:45 PM
- After School Gymnastics (5-10 yrs.)  
3:30 - 4:20 PM
- Ninja Warrior Training (TK - 5<sup>TH</sup>)  
4:30 - 5:20 PM

### Drop-in Play

Wednesdays / 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM  
\$2 Resident / \$3 Non-Resident

Online pre-registration only: 9-11 AM  
\*Walk-in registration open after 11 AM



Let's  
PLAY



\*Great for preschool-aged children

\*Jump-A-Rama classes held at HW Rec Center

Save  
THE  
Date

## Events

**Saturday, February 7**  
**12:00 - 2:00 PM**

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## Vacation Camp

### Mid-Winter Break

**February 17-20 / \$250**

- Daily field trips
- Grades K-8
- 8:45 AM - 5:00 PM
- AM/PM extended

NO  
SCHOOL



### Spring Volleyball Clinic

April 15, 22, 29 & May 6, 13  
Grades: 5 & 6 / \$68

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# WINTER 2026 PARKS & RECREATION PROGRAMS

## Youth

### Sanchin Ryu Karate

**Session 1: Thurs., beginning Jan. 15**

**Session 2: Thurs., beginning Mar. 12**

**Grades K-8: 6:00 – 6:45 PM / \$35**

**Family: 6:45 – 7:30 PM / \$70**

### Kindermusik

**Session 1: Thurs., beginning Jan. 8**

**Session 2: Thurs., beginning Feb. 12**

**Level 1: 9:30 – 10:15 AM / \$90**

**Ages: 6 – 23 months**

**Level 2: 10:30 – 11:15 AM / \$90**

**Ages: 24 – 40 months**

### Safety Classes

**Certified Babysitter/CPR/First Aid & Safe Home Alone:**

**Sunday, Jan. 25**

**9:00 AM – 3:00 PM / \$80**

**\*Certified Pet Sitter/CPR/First Aid (add on):**

**Sunday, Jan. 25 / 3:00 – 4:00 PM / \$20**



### YOUTH SPORTS CONTACTS



Berkley Dads' Club  
Dave Schmidt  
berkeleydadsclub.net



Berkley Moms' Club  
Corrina Campbell  
berkeleysoftball.com



Berkley Steelers Football  
Scott Rowlett  
berkeleysteelers.net



Berkley Steelers Cheer  
Michelle Rowlett  
berkeleysteelers.net



Berkley Hoops  
Scott Rowlett  
berkeleyhoops.org



South Oakland County Soccer  
Mike Egnatovich  
socsfc.com

All community youth sport league registration is done by each separate entity. Additional information can be found on their websites.



## Youth

### Safety Classes

**Certified Babysitter/CPR/First Aid & Safe Home Alone:**

**Tuesday, Apr. 14**

**5:30 – 8:30 PM / \$60**



**Self Defense for Children:**

**Thursday, Apr. 30**

**5:30 – 6:30 PM / \$25**



**\*Safety classes held at HW Rec Center**



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## Adult

### Dog Obedience Classes



Session 1: Weds., beginning Jan. 7  
7:00 – 7:50 PM / Introduction \$70

Session 2: Weds., beginning Mar. 4  
7:00 – 7:50 PM / Introduction \$70  
8:00 – 8:50 PM / Intermediate \$70



### Yoga

Session 1: Tues., beginning Jan. 6  
Session 2: Tues., beginning Feb. 24  
6:00 – 6:55 PM / \$50 / drop-in \$10



### Beginner Tai Chi

Session 1: Weds., beginning Jan. 7  
Session 2: Weds., beginning Mar. 4  
6:00 – 7:30 PM / \$45 / drop-in \$9

### Zumba

Session 1: Weds., Jan. 7, 14 & 28  
5:00 – 5:45 PM / drop-in \$7



### PiYo

Session 1: TBD \*Stay tuned!  
Session 2: TBD

### Sanchin Ryu Karate



Session 1: Thurs., beginning Jan. 15  
Session 2: Thurs., beginning Mar. 12  
Adults & Teens: 7:30 – 8:30 PM / \$47

## Senior Exercise

### Mix workout:

Mondays, beginning Jan. 12  
10:00–11:00 AM / drop-in \$5

### Fitness:

Tues. & Fri., beginning Jan. 13  
9:30–10:30 AM / drop-in \$3  
\*10 classes / \$25



## Senior Lunch Bunch

1/26 – Cornbread

2/23– Golden Corral



## Senior Activities

1/12– Hollywood Casino at Greektown

1/22– Trivia Thursday

2/13– Valentine's BINGO



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*\*\*More information regarding senior programs can be found in the Berkley Times newsletter.*

## Adult

### Safety Classes

First Aid & Adult/Pediatric CPR/AED:  
Thursday, Apr. 9

6:00 – 9:30 PM / \$95

Self Defense for Women: Live Safe  
Thursday, Apr. 30

6:30 – 8:30 PM / \$45



*\*Safety classes held at HW Rec Center*



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# Berkley Library Events

## ADULT ACTIVITIES

### Afternoon Book Club

Tuesday, January 13 at 12:30 PM  
*How to Find Your Way in the Dark*  
by Derek Miller

Tuesday, February 10 at 12:30 PM  
*James* by Percival Everett

Tuesday, March 10 at 12:30 PM  
*Six Days in Bombay* by Alka Joshi

Tuesday, April 14 at 12:30 PM  
*The Midnight Library* by Matt Haig



Happy 30th Anniversary to the Tuesday Afternoon Book Club! This group truly knows the joy of reading! We are so thankful to have them at the Berkley Library.

### Origami Club

Mondays at 5:30 PM  
(1/5, 2/2, 3/2, 4/6)

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



### Discover Your Best Self: Simple Steps to Lifelong Wellness

Monday, January 12 at 6:30 PM

Melissa Reznar, Nutrition and Lifestyle Medicine Professor at Oakland University, who is a nationally-certified health and wellness coach will describe the health and weight loss benefits of plant-based diets. In addition, the foundation of lifestyle medicine and its 6 pillars, particularly pillar one – whole-food plant-based diets – will be presented. Practical tools, like recipes and meal plans, will be highlighted. Register at [www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents](http://www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents).

### Beyond the Driver's Seat: Alternatives to Extend Independence

Tuesday, January 13 at 2:30 PM

AgeWays is here to help with transportation needs. Do not give in to loneliness, isolation, and loss of interests. Transportation can be the key to independence—helping seniors and adults with disabilities get to the store, to doctor's appointments or out to visit family or friends. Mobility services for Oakland, Macomb, Washtenaw and Wayne counties are a phone call or a computer click away thanks to AgeWay's myride2. Learn about myride2 and SMART and how they can help at this program. Register at [www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents](http://www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents).

### Library Hours

Between Labor Day and Memorial Day, the Library will be open Monday through Wednesday from 10 AM to 8 PM, Thursday from 10 AM to 6 PM, Friday from 1 PM to 6 PM, and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 PM.



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).

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## Millennial Memoir Book Club

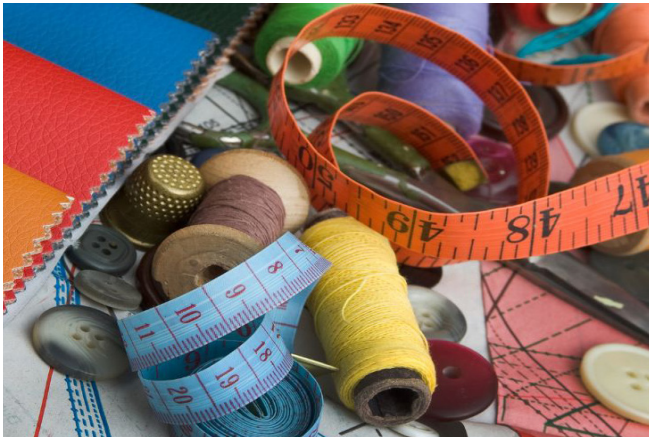
Tuesday, January 13 at 6:30 PM

Memoirs by millennials, for millennials (and anyone else!). We'll be reading and discussing *I Shouldn't Be Telling You This* by Chelsea Devantez this month. Want to revisit the joy and trauma of coming-of-age at the end of the 20th century through the stories of the celebrities and pseudo-celebrities who lived it first-hand? Then this is the book club for you! Register at [www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents](http://www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents).

## LGBTQ+ Book Club

Tuesday, January 27 at 6:30 PM

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. We'll be reading *Everything I Learned, I Learned in a Chinese Restaurant* by Curtis Chin. Read the book ahead of time and bring a question and favorite quote to prompt some colorful conversation. Category is: reading rainbow realness! Register at [www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents](http://www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents).



## Arts & Crafts Supply Swap

Saturday, January 31

Ticketed guests from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM  
Open to the public from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Do you have excess supplies from abandoned hobbies, or have you gone overboard on buying for art projects? Bring your unneeded supplies to the library and swap them for new-to-you treasures! We will be accepting supplies starting on Monday, January 12. Those who bring their supplies in advance will receive a ticket for the first pick of the supplies! Arts and crafts supplies only. Items must be in good condition.



## Movie Prop Talk with Fred

Wednesday, February 4 at 6:30 PM

Movie prop maker Fred Gannod will share his experiences on movie sets such as *Guardians of the Galaxy* and *Avengers* and explain the behind-the-scenes of how some of the props were made. Sponsored by the Friends of the Berkley Public Library. Register at [www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents](http://www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents).



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## The Great Backyard Bird Count

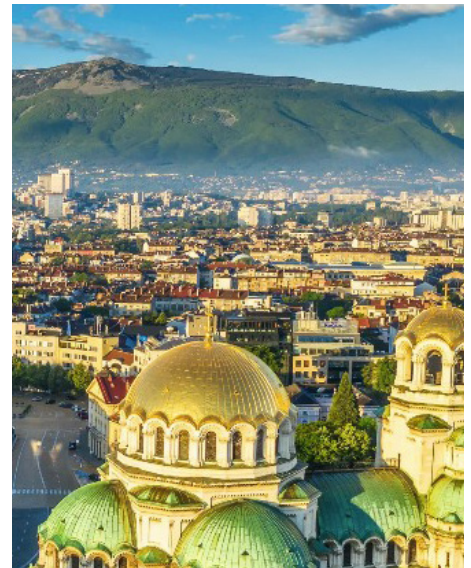
Saturday, February 7 at 1:00 PM

Join Oakland County Parks' naturalist and Berkley native Benjamin Prowse to learn about participating in this global citizen science event. Connect to nature and your community, while contributing valuable observations to a worldwide network of bird enthusiasts! Register at [www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents](http://www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents).

## Bulgaria and Balkan Wanderings

Tuesday, February 24 at 6:30 PM

Presented by Mariya Fogarasi. How can such a small country lay claim to having the oldest city in Europe? From supplying the world's perfume industry with 85% of its rose oil to honoring two monks, Cyril and Methodius, who invented the Cyrillic alphabet, Bulgaria might not top the list of European travel destinations, but it



merits a visit at any time of year. Mariya Fogarasi will share her love of this Balkan country along with a few outings to surrounding points of interest. Sponsored by the Friends of the Berkley Public Library. Register at [www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents](http://www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents).





## El Camino de Santiago

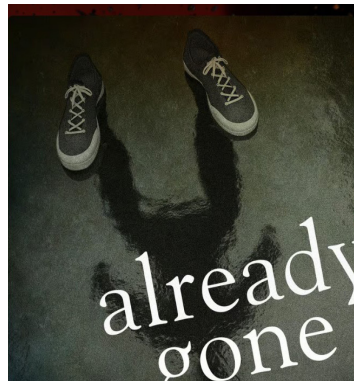
Tuesday, March 10 at 6:30 PM

David Larwa, a modern-day pilgrim, has walked over 8,000 kilometers in Spain, Portugal, and France over the last several years. During this presentation, David will share why the Camino de Santiago (Way of Saint James) was one of the most important pilgrimages during the Middle Ages and about the rise of its current popularity. He will include Spanish history and personal insights gained while traveling at three miles an hour. He will share maps, books, and backpacking gear used for walking the Camino de Santiago. Sponsored by the Friends of the Berkley Public Library. Register at [www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents](http://www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents).

## Unsolved Michigan

Wednesday, March 25 at 6:30 PM

Nina Innsted, Michigan True Crime Expert and host of the *Already Gone* Podcast, will be sharing true crime stories from Metro Detroit and reading from her book, *Unsolved Michigan*. Copies of her book will be available for purchase at the event. Register at [www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents](http://www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents).



## Try Your Hand at Acting!

Wednesday, April 1 at 6:00 PM

You are invited to take part in a staged reading alongside the Rosedale Community Players. Perform in a staged reading of the 1903 play *The Wizard of Oz*, as imagined by L. Frank Baum. This sublimely silly production is fitting for April Fool's Day! Roles will be assigned on arrival. This event is open to adults and teens ages 15 and up. Register at [www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents](http://www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents).



## TEEN >>>>

### After School Activities

Every Thursday from 3:30 PM to 5 PM

Stop by the Teen Room after school for a brain break! There will be a different activity each week; activities may include simple crafts, board games, LEGO, coloring sheets, and more!

### Teen Book Club

A book club for teens by teens!

Monday, January 12 at 4:45 PM  
*God of the Woods* by Liz Moore

Monday, February 9 at 4:45 PM  
*Lessons in Vengeance* by Victoria Lee

Monday, March 9 at 4:45 PM  
*The Book Thief* by Markus Zusak

Monday, April 13 at 4:45 PM  
*Blizzard* by Marie Vintgras

Monday, May 11 at 4:45 PM  
*Looking for Smoke* by K. A. Cobell

### LEGO Book Covers

All of January

Figure out which books are represented by their LEGO-fied covers for a chance to win a prize!

### Energy Bites

Monday, January 26 at 6:30 PM

Learn how to make a simple, tasty, and (relatively) healthy snack! Register at [www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents](http://www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents).

### Blind Date with a Movie

All of February

Check out a mystery movie from the display in the teen room and we'll send you home with some movie theater popcorn to go with it!

### Candle Making Kit

Pickup February 9-14

Make winter a little cozier with your own homemade candle! Register at [www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents](http://www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents).

### Jelly Bean Guessing Jar

All of March

Think you know how many jelly beans are in the jar? Closest guess wins all the jelly beans!



### Nailed It!

Monday, March 16 at 6:30 PM

Join us for an evening of competition, silliness, treats, and probably some design fails. Show off your cupcake decorating skills (or lack thereof). We'll all try to decorate a cupcake to match an inspiration image and see who can get the closest! Register at [www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents](http://www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents).



## Sun Prints

All of April

Pick up a sheet of sun print paper at the front desk and use it to create your own sun-exposure work of art!

## String Art Kit

Pickup April 13-18

Turn nails and embroidery thread into a work of art! Register at [www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents](http://www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents).

# YOUTH >>>>

## Family Storytime

Tuesdays at 10:30 AM: 1/13, 1/20, 1/27, 2/3, 2/10, 2/17, 3/10, 3/17, 3/24, 3/31, 4/7, 4/14, 5/5, 5/12, 5/19

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

## Baby Playtime

Thursdays at 10:30 AM: 1/15, 1/22, 1/29, 2/5, 2/12, 2/19, 3/12, 3/19, 3/26, 4/2, 4/9, 4/16, 5/7, 5/14, 5/21

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.

## Read to a Dog

Register for a 15 minute slot at [www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents](http://www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents)

Bonnie: 4:30 PM to 6:00 PM on 1/15, 2/9, 3/23, 4/16, 5/11

Frodo: 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM on 1/23, 2/23, 3/20, 4/20, 5/8

## Community Storytimes

We're bringing storytimes into the community! Join us outside the library and get to know a business in Berkley.

Bombshell Treat Bar (2688 Coolidge) on Wednesday, January 21 at 4:00 PM

Coffee & Bark (2733 Coolidge) on Wednesday, March 4 at 10:30 AM

## LEGO Scavenger Hunt

All of January

Search the children's room for hidden pictures of LEGO minifigures for a chance to win a prize!

## Messy Play: Ice & Snow

Wednesday, January 7, at 10:30 AM

Messy play is great for your child's development, but can be stressful at home, so come join us for some messy fun at the library! We'll have several snowy activities available. Register at [www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents](http://www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents).



Have you made a sun print? When sunlight shines on cyanotype paper, it changes the color of the exposed paper and leaves a silhouette of any object placed on top of the paper. Pick up a sheet of sun print paper at the front desk during the month of April!



Family Storytime often includes music, poems, stories, and a craft to take home.



Frodo Baggins, an adorable little doggie, will smile sweetly when you read them a story. Bonnie loves pets and stories of all kinds. Make your reading even more fun by sharing a book with a therapy dog!





## Big Sibling Storytime

Saturday, January 10 at 10:30 AM

Have a child who is or is about to be a new big sibling? Join us for stories and activities to help them settle into their new role, including decorating a onesie for the new baby! Register at [www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents](http://www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents).

## Lantern Crafting

Tuesday, January 20 at 6:30 PM

We'll supply the giant paper lantern and all the decorating supplies you could want, you supply the creativity! Register at [www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents](http://www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents).

## Adopt a Penguin

All of February

Pick up your new plush pet at the front desk, give it a name and fill out an adoption certificate, then take it home and read to it!

## Valentine's Making

February 1 to February 14

We'll have hearts out to decorate in the playroom!



## Valentine's Cookie Decorating

Saturday, February 7 at 10:30 AM

Learn about cookie decorating from a local baker and practice decorating your own cookies to take home! Register at [www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents](http://www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents).



## Meet a Dentist

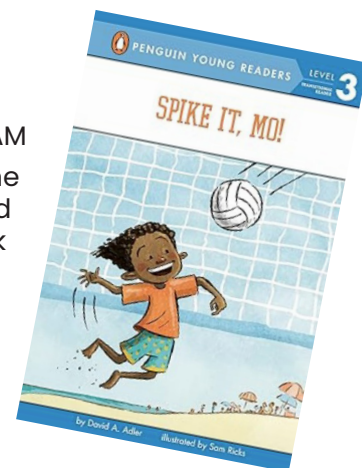
Wednesday, February 18  
at 10:30 AM

Join Great Lakes Pediatric Dentistry for a fun, kid-friendly, and informational presentation all about taking good care of your teeth; attendees will also receive a dental goodie bag! Register at [www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents](http://www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents).

## Early Reader Book Club: Mo Jackson

Saturday, February 28 at 10:30 AM

Read at least one book in the Mo Jackson series by David Adler, then join us for a book discussion and some activities! Adults, please send your kids in for the discussion on their own, and then we'd love for you to join in during the activities. Register at [www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents](http://www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents).



## Easter Egg Hunt

All of March

Find the easter egg pictures hidden around the children's room and enjoy a chocolate egg!



## Rock Painting

Tuesday, March 24 at 6:30 PM

Turn a cool rock into anything you can dream up! Register at [www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents](http://www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents).

## Messy Play: On the Farm

Wednesday, March 28 at 10:30 AM

Messy play is great for your child's development, but can be stressful at home, so come join us for some messy fun at the library! We'll have several farm themed activities available. No registration required.



## Sun Prints

All of April

Pick up a sheet of sun print paper at the front desk and use it to create your own sun-exposure work of art!



## Bugs on Wheels

Wednesday, April 15 at 6:30 PM

Have you ever wondered how many legs a millipede has or how long a tarantula can live? How many eyes a spider has or what bugs eat? Learn all these things and more with Nadia the Bug Lady! Sponsored by the Friends of the Berkley Public Library. Register at [www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents](http://www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents).



## Early Reader Book Club: Fox

Saturday, April 25 at 10:30 AM

Read at least one book in the Fox series by Corey Tabor, then join us for a book discussion and some activities! Adults, please send your kids in for the discussion on their own, and then we'd love for you to join in during the activities. Register at [www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents](http://www.berkleymi.gov/libraryevents).



## Thank You, Eliza!

Eliza is an entrepreneur in Berkley who has a flower stand every weekend all summer. With her mom's help, she donated some seeds from their flower garden to our seed library!



Through the generous donations of fellow Berkley gardeners, the Berkley Library and other sources, our seed library will have close to 100 different types of seeds available for our patrons including fruits, vegetables and herbs! Our seed library will be up and running in time for planting season this spring.

Register  
for events  
online



## "I Have Been Carrying Her Books for 75 Years"

Angie and Bob Siver are regulars at the Berkley Library. They cheerfully carry on a conversation with the library staff at the circulation desk; their warm, loving banter flowing together. Theirs is a romance of the storybooks, proving that a couple who reads together, stays together.

*What do you like about the library?*

Angie: "What's not to like!"

Bob: "We love everything. The gals, everybody has been great here."

Angie: "It's a beautiful library. We've been coming here, let's see, our son just turned 70, and we've been bringing him here since he was little."

*Do you have a favorite memory of the Berkley Library?*

Angie: "Let's see here, what would have been back in 1957. The librarian would read to the children all the time. One time she brought a pussy willow to show the kids. My son stuck it up his nose and we ended up at Beaumont!" (laughter)

Bob: (laughter) "That's true!"

Angie: "We instilled reading in our kids, because we've been coming here since they were young and they are both avid readers. And our grandchild also."

Bob: "And our great grandchild! We love it."