

# ADULT SUMMER READING SHOWCASE: Promoted Classes and Events

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Click on the bold, underlined text to find more information and register for these classes.

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## **What's On Your Shelf? Fiction and Nonfiction Book Chat**

Share fiction and/or nonfiction titles that are on your bookshelf and we will share titles from our shelves to help you build your Summer Reading list. If you don't have a title to share, find inspiration in what others recommend and start building your reading list.

Readers also have the opportunity to ask for recommendations or to ask our instructors questions about books, reading, and the library. Previous discussion topics have included book donations, Little Free Libraries, and Goodreads (the world's largest website for readers and book recommendations).

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| Thu Jun 13 | 2:00 - 3:00 pm | HCLS Miller Branch |
| Thu Jul 11 | 2:00 - 3:00 pm | HCLS Miller Branch |
| Thu Aug 8  | 2:00 - 3:00 pm | HCLS Miller Branch |

## **Random Crafts of Kindness: Rainbow and Pride Bracelets**

Participate in Random Crafts of Kindness! Learn to create something new, spend some relaxing time making art and crafting with your neighbors, and share your creations with other community members in random acts of kindness. All supplies provided.

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| Sat Jun 15 | 3:00 - 4:00 pm | HCLS Savage Branch |
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## **Community Puzzle + Board Game Swap**

Swap gently used puzzles and board games with fellow enthusiasts. Share your favorite tips and tricks as you select puzzles and games that are new to you.

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| Sun Jun 23 | 1:30 - 3:00 pm | HCLS Central Branch |
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## [Stick to Being You - Creating Pride Stickers with the Cricut](#)

Celebrate Pride Month at the Glenwood Branch + Makerspace and learn how to create custom stickers with the Cricut Maker. Every participant must register. All supplies provided.

**Wed Jun 26            6:00 - 8:00 pm            HCLS Glenwood Branch**

## [National Gallery of Art: American Stories \(Online\)](#)

American art can tell complex stories about evolving national identities in the United States. Join us as we look closely at American art from the colonial period to the early 20th century, engaging in conversation and exploring different perspectives with these works from our collection. Presented by **The National Gallery of Art**

**Wed Jul 10            1:00 - 2:00 pm            HCLS Online Branch**

## [Community Plant Swap](#)

Calling all plant lovers and the plant-curious! Join us for our (free!) first plant swap. In addition to spaces to give, take, and trade live plants, we'll also have informational stations about how to propagate common houseplants, how to set your plants up for success, and more!

**Sat Jul 13            2:00 - 4:00 pm            HCLS Miller Branch**

## [Making Arrangements: Library Resources for the Later Years](#)

Have you ever wondered about arrangements that you, or your loved ones, should make for retirement and those later years of life? Discover free library and internet resources on financial, legal, and medical planning, end-of-life considerations, and more.

**Thu Jul 18            7:00 - 8:15 pm            HCLS Central Branch**

## [Sewing Machine Basics](#)

Have you always wanted to learn to sew? Or would you like to give sewing a try without purchasing a machine? Or maybe it's been a while and you just need a refresher. In this class you will learn the basics of using a sewing machine. Then we will put your new skills to use with a practice project.

We provide the machine, tools, and fabric for a project. You just need to show up and learn to sew!

**Wed Jul 24            7:00 - 8:30 pm            HCLS Elkridge Branch + DIY Center**

## Lunch and Learn: Social Media for Small Businesses

Looking for ways to get your small business more connected online? Learn about the ways that different social media sites (Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter) can work to support your goals!

**Thu Jul 25            12:00 - 1:00 pm            HCLS Online Branch**

## Pets on Wheels

Therapy dog(s) from Pets on Wheels will be at the East Columbia Branch for friendly visits with customers. Drop in - no registration required.

*Pets on Wheels is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization that brings friendly therapy pet visits to people across Maryland. Learn more about them at [petsonwheels.org](http://petsonwheels.org).*

**Sat Jul 27            1:00 - 2:00 pm            HCLS East Columbia Branch**

## Museum@TheLibrary: Highlights of the Washington National Cathedral (Online)

The idea of a sacred home for all Americans in the nation's capital is as old as the country itself.

Pierre L'Enfant's original design for the new capital city included a "great church for national purposes," an idea that sat idle until an 1893 congressional charter authorized a cathedral dedicated to religion, education and charity. Construction began in 1907, when President Theodore Roosevelt helped lay the foundation stone. Through world wars, the Great Depression and immense social change, construction ended exactly 83 years after it began, when President George H.W. Bush oversaw the laying of the final stone atop the towers, in 1990.

This virtual tour will share highlights of the interior of this magnificent Cathedral to include architecture, stained glass, stone carvings, and much more.

**Wed Aug 7            1:00 - 2:00 pm            HCLS Online Branch**

## Craft Supplies Swap

Ready to pick up a new craft or de-clutter your stash? Drop by with craft supplies in good condition to share, or to pick up new-to-you supplies. You do not have to bring any supplies to participate in this event.

**Sat Aug 24            2:00 - 4:00 pm            HCLS Central Branch**