



# Discover Your Library

## St. Charles Public Library News and Event Guide

### It's the Final Countdown: Welcome to your NEW Library!



We are very excited to announce that our newly-renovated and expanded Library will be ready for the community this summer. After many years of deliberate planning and responsible financial stewardship, the Library's renovation project came to fruition, resulting in a beautiful, accessible Library for our community. Early in the process, feedback from stakeholders, patrons and focus groups was critical with the design of the building. We are thrilled to be opening our doors to show the Library's new features and expanded space.

Designing a building that drew from different architectural styles can be challenging, but Sheehan Nagle Hartray Architects listened to our vision, resulting in a space that is warm, inviting and vibrant. The firm pulled inspiration from the Fox River and our surrounding natural environment when creating the palette used in the renovation. When you walk through the new main entrance, you will notice rich natural wood, fluid river-like elements and colors inspired by the golden hues of the fox.

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*Edith G. Craig, Library Director*

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A key priority included improving the Library's accessibility. These crucial enhancements include an expanded parking lot to make it more pedestrian friendly, an elevator near the main entrance with access to all floors, and an adult-sized changing table for caregivers of people of all ages.

We have designed our Library as a destination for everyone of all ages. Read your favorite book, study with a partner (or by yourself), attend a program or story time, take a computer class, conduct community meetings, or sit and stream your favorite movie.

Our Grand Re-opening Celebration is scheduled for Saturday, July 17 at 2:00 p.m. Due to social distancing requirements, we will record the ceremony and post to our YouTube channel for all to enjoy. The ceremony will include our Landmark Plaque Dedication, courtesy of the Historic Preservation Commission and the City of St. Charles; the dedication of our commissioned bronze relief sculpture generously donated by the St. Charles Public Library Foundation; and remarks from the Library Board of Trustees and our esteemed City officials.

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## Welcome to your NEW Library!

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In addition to the ceremony and opening day events, we have special plans to celebrate the entire week through Friday, July 23 with guided tours, a variety of programming and activities for all ages. For more detailed information about these events, make sure to visit us at [scpld.org](http://scpld.org) and follow us on our social media channels.

With sincere gratitude, we thank you for your patience during our renovation and expansion project. We know it has not been easy, but the result is something we can be proud of for generations to come. I also want to thank our community partners who have been supportive during

this time. Thank you to School District D303, the St. Charles Park District, the City of St. Charles, the Historic Preservation Commission, Literacy Volunteers Fox Valley, the St. Charles Public Library Foundation, Friends of St. Charles Public Library, our volunteers, staff and Board.

Thank you for letting us be a part of this historic process for our Library and the community.

Cheers,

Edith G. Craig, Director

## What the Staff is Reading



### **The Mystery of Mrs. Christie**

Marie Benedict ■ FIC BENEDICT

A fascinating fictional account of the life of Agatha Christie, and an eleven day mysterious disappearance soon after her writing career began. [if you need to eliminate one, make it this one]



### **Plain Bad Heroines**

Emily Danforth ■ FIC DANFORTH

A highly-imaginative horror-comedy centered on a cursed New England boarding school for girls. The story will grab you as the author effortlessly dovetails a modern-day plot with what happened a hundred years ago.



### **The Last Garden in England**

Julia Kelly ■ FIC KELLY

A sweeping and poignant historical novel that follows five women living across three different eras. Their lives are all connected by one very special place.



### **Those Who Wish Me Dead**

Michael Koryta ■ FIC KORYTA

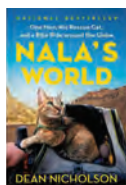
When 14-year-old Jace Wilson witnesses a brutal murder, he's issued a false identity and hidden – but will the creepy killers find Jace before the police can stop them? An intense wilderness survival thriller.



### **The Firekeeper's Daughter**

Angeline Boulley ■ YA FIC BOULLEY

This gripping tale by an Anishinabe author features 18-year-old Daunis, who is part Ojibwe and lives in Michigan's Upper Peninsula. She helps the FBI investigate the meth trade destroying her community.



### **Nala's World**

Dean Nicholson ■ 636.8 NIC

First seen on social media, the author shares the story of his life-changing relationship with his rescue cat Nala. Their heart-warming bicycle journeys take them through the refugee camps, remarkable terrains and animal shelters of the world.



We can't wait to welcome you back and to share our newly-renovated Library with you.

- Grand Re-opening Ceremony  
Saturday, July 17 at 2:00 p.m.
- The ceremony will be on our YouTube channel for all to enjoy
- Guided Library tours
- Programs and activities for all ages
- Grab 'n' go kits
- Demonstrations
- Scavenger hunts
- Live music

The celebration does not stop there. A variety of programs, presentations and tours are scheduled all week, Saturday, July 17 through Friday, July 23.

For more detailed information, visit our website at [scpld.org](http://scpld.org) and follow our social media channels.

*\*All activities will adhere to safety protocols and guidelines in place at the time of the event.*

## St. Charles Writers Group

**Saturdays ■ 9:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m.**

**Online via Zoom in June / In-person in July & August**

A workshop for novice or experienced writers that meets twice a month. Visit [scpld.org/st-charles-writers-group](http://scpld.org/st-charles-writers-group) for information regarding dates, meeting location and topics. **DROP IN**



## Second Tuesday Book Discussion

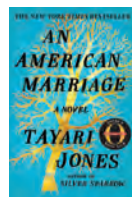
**June & July: Online via Zoom**

**August: In-Person**

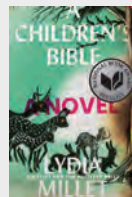
The Library offers two book discussion groups: mornings at 10:00 a.m. and evenings at 7:00 p.m. Contact [readers@scpld.org](mailto:readers@scpld.org) for more details. **REGISTER** to receive the link to join.



**June 8**  
**Morning & Evening**  
**The Splendid and the Vile**  
by Erik Larson ■ 940.54211 LAR



**July 13**  
**Morning & Evening**  
**An American Marriage**  
Tayari Jones ■ FIC JONES



**August 10**  
**Morning & Evening**  
**A Children's Bible**  
Lydia Millet ■ FIC MILLET

## Cream Puffs, Eclairs and Gougères with Pastry Chef Jessica Ellington



**Tuesday, August 3 ■ 7:00 p.m. ■ Online via Zoom**

Expert pastry chef Jessica Ellington demonstrates how to turn a classic pastry dough (pâte à choux) into elegant, delicious treats using just a few simple ingredients and your imagination. During this 90-minute virtual program, Jessica will demonstrate how to create eclairs, cream puffs and gougères. Jessica is an Executive Pastry Chef with a decade of experience at some of Chicago's top restaurants, restaurant groups and bakeries. **REGISTER**

## Putting the Garden to Bed

**Wednesday, August 25 ■ 6:00-8:30 p.m. ■ Online via Zoom**

It's almost fall, and there are things to be done to get your garden ready for the upcoming winter. Do you know what they are? We'll look at everything from annual flowers beds to lawns to tree and shrub care. Presented by horticulturist Sharon Yiesla, owner of Sharon Yiesla, Horticultural Services. **REGISTER**

## Computer Classes



### Self-Study Computer Classes

Learn how to use Google Docs, Sheets, Slides or Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint with computer instructional videos delivered to your email inbox. Please see our website, [scpld.org/computer-classes](http://scpld.org/computer-classes), for details. All videos offer closed captioning. Classes are open to St. Charles Public Library cardholders only. **REGISTER**



### Virtual Computer Classes

Join us Wednesday afternoons in June from 11:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m. for a virtual presentation. We will cover the basics so you can feel confident using your laptop, tablet or phone. Hosted by Mike Gershbein from VSP. A link to the webinar will be emailed to you. **REGISTER**

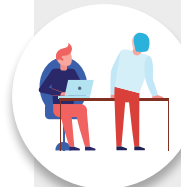
**Mac Basics ■ June 2**

**Windows 10 Basics ■ June 9**

**Android Basics ■ June 16**

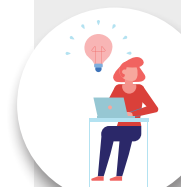
**iPhone Basics ■ June 23**

**Be Safe Online ■ June 30**



### In-Person Computer Classes

Small group instruction will begin in August. Space is limited. Classes are open to St. Charles Public Library cardholders only. Please see our event calendar for more information. **REGISTER**



View our online event calendar at: [scpld.org/computer-classes](http://scpld.org/computer-classes) for a full list of self-study, virtual and in-person computer programs scheduled in July and August.

## Program Information

Registration for all Library programs begins Thursday, May 20 at 9:00 a.m. Register online at [scpld.org](http://scpld.org), by phone at 630-584-0076 x1 or in person.





## COLOR YOUR WORLD

### Every Color Has a Story: History on the Palette

Thursday, June 10 • 1:00 p.m.

Online via Zoom

Do you know the history of the colors in your world? All the tints, hues, dyes and shades of the colors around you can be traced back to a specific point in history. This illustrated virtual lecture with Laura Keyes will show you the powerful—and colorful!—history of color. [REGISTER](#)

### Colour Your World:

#### The History of the Band Chicago

Wednesday, June 16 • 7:00 p.m. • Online via Zoom

If you like your rock 'n' roll mixed with an exciting blast of horns, there is no better music group than Chicago. Using performance and interview clips, Gary Wenstrup will trace the arc of their career from their early rock 'n' roll successes to their later softer hits. [REGISTER](#)

### Rainbow Forest Painting Workshop with Christine Thornton

Tuesday, June 22 – Monday, June 28 • Online via YouTube



Learn to paint colorful rainbow forests in two different styles with art teacher Christine Thornton of Hello Art Studio. Please register to receive a supply list and link to the instructional video. [REGISTER](#)

### An Evening with Artist Amanda Browder

Thursday, August 12 • 7:00 p.m. • Huntley Community Room

Join us for a special presentation featuring New York artist Amanda Browder to discuss her community-wide art project. The project will involve draping a large scale fabric art piece over the south wall of the St. Charles Municipal Building. The piece will be sewn by community members over the course of two weeks in July and August. Limited seating. [REGISTER](#)

*This program is in partnership with the St. Charles Arts Council.*



### Estate Planning Toolbox

Tuesday, June 8 • 6:30-8:00 p.m. • Online via Zoom

Join financial educator Karen Chan, and you'll become familiar with a range of estate planning tools, what they do and the terminology they use. In addition to wills, trusts and powers of attorney, we will discuss the role that insurance, titling of property and gifting can play. Finally, we'll take a look at how these tools work with our tax system, including estate, income, generation-skipping and gift taxes. [REGISTER](#)

### Recognizing and Preventing Financial Fraud

Tuesday, June 15 • 6:30-8:00 p.m. • Online via Zoom

Join financial educator Karen Chan to learn how you can protect yourself against fraud. Learn about the types of fraud being reported to the Federal Trade Commission (FTC), and the steps to avoid becoming a victim, including protection, recognizing and disengaging from fraudsters and investigating. Also discover effective ways to protect your private information. [REGISTER](#)

### Shredding Event

Saturday, June 19 • 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. • Library Parking Lot

Protect your identity and help the environment by shredding up to three boxes or bags of paper at the St. Charles Public Library. Recycling one ton of paper saves 17 trees, 380 gallons of oil, three cubic yards of landfill space, 4,000 kilowatts of energy, 7,000 gallons of water and 60 pounds of air pollution. ProShred will shred your documents onsite: no need to remove staples, paper clips or rubber bands. [DROP IN](#)

### Find Meaningful Employment:

#### Learn & Network with TUG & the Library

Mondays • June & July: Online via Zoom; August: in-person

June 14 • June 28 • July 12 • July 26 • August 9 • August 23

6:30–8:00 p.m. • \*Speaker & program TBD

Please join TUG Career Services and Business Reference Librarian Chris Flood as they welcome speakers who present the latest updates on career management, job-seeking skills, education and training. Join us on the 2nd and 4th Monday of every month. [REGISTER](#) or [DROP IN](#)



### Sally Field Presented by Jenny Riddle

Wednesday, August 18 • 1:00 p.m.

Huntley Community Room

Jenny Riddle brings to life Sally Field based on Field's fabulous memoir *In Pieces*. Sally's book is an intensely personal, vulnerable accounting of her life and career. From Gidget to Norma Rae to Mary Todd Lincoln, Field has stunned audiences time and again with her artistic range. [REGISTER](#)

## Bob Ross Paint Along

Grades 6-12 ■ Thursday, June 10 ■ 3:00-5:00 p.m.

STC Underground at the Baker Community Center (lower level)

101 S. 2nd Street, St. Charles

Are you a Bob Ross fan? The STC Underground and the St. Charles Public Library are hosting a Bob Ross themed painting party! We will be watching and painting along with him as he instructs us on how to create a landscape masterpiece. Painting supplies will be provided.

**REGISTER** at [stcunderground.com](http://stcunderground.com) or call 630-584-4380

*Programs at the STC Underground are open to all middle school and high school teens, including private schools and home-schooled students who reside within St. Charles School District boundaries. Students must submit a completed Code of Conduct signed by themselves AND a parent or legal guardian. Downloaded and print the form at [stcunderground.com/info/](http://stcunderground.com/info/).*



Pottawatomie Park ■ 8 North Ave ■ St. Charles ■ Fridays

June 11: *Sonic the Hedgehog* ■ PG ■ 8:15 p.m. start

July 9: *Shrek* ■ PG ■ 8:20 p.m. start

August 13: *Pokémon Detective Pikachu* ■ PG ■ 8:00 p.m. start

Grab a blanket and join us for FREE outdoor movies at the Pottawatomie Park Amphitheater! Movies will start around dusk. Concessions will be available for purchase. Sponsored by the St. Charles Public Library in partnership with the STC Underground and the St. Charles Park District.

**DROP IN**

*Please note: The amphitheater is on a slope, so please take care if using folding chairs. Blankets or towels are recommended. The movie screen may be difficult to see at the start of the movie, but will get brighter as the sun sets. No rain dates. Due to city noise ordinances, all movies must end by 10:00 p.m. Please be respectful of park neighbors when leaving after the movie.*

## High School Tie-Dye

Wednesday, August 4 ■ 3:00-3:30 p.m. or 3:30-4:00 p.m.

Library Parking Lot

Bring ONE item to tie-dye (at least 80% cotton for best results), all other supplies will be provided. Wear clothing you don't mind getting stained. In case of rain, the event will be canceled. **REGISTER**

## Food Bank Volunteer Session for Grades 9-12

Thursday, June 24 ■ Thursday, July 22 ■ 5:00-7:00 p.m.

Northern Illinois Food Bank ■ 273 Dearborn Court, Geneva

If you are in need of service hours or just want to help, please join us at the Northern Illinois Food Bank, Geneva warehouse. Much of the donated food Northern Illinois Food Bank distributes needs to be inspected, sorted and packaged before it's distributed to our hungry neighbors. Please see website for details and volunteer consent forms. Questions? Please call Brandon Buckley at 630-584-0076 ext.201 or [bbuckley@scpld.org](mailto:bbuckley@scpld.org). **REGISTER**



## Teen Take-Home Kits

### Pom-Pom Pokémon

Pick up kits in The LOFT the week of July 19-26

*\*If registering online, please look at July 19 on the calendar.*

Learn to create three cool Pokémon characters, including Pikachu, Charmander and Gengar. Simply watch the fantastic video by White Chocolate Heart© with step-by-step instructions on our YouTube channel.

**REGISTER**

### Manga Drawing: How to Draw Faces

Pick up kit in The LOFT the week of August 9-16

*\*If registering online, please look at August 9 on the calendar.*

Learn how to draw Manga faces using our Creativebug database. In this video instruction, artist and author Camilla d'Errico demonstrates how to draw heads with iconic Manga expressions and different styles of hair for you to follow along. **REGISTER**

## Geek Out & Anime Club

Tuesday, August 10 ■ 6:00-8:00 p.m. ■ Carnegie Community Room

Every second Tuesday of the month get loud and geek out with anime, gaming, snacks and activities! Cosplay is always welcome. **DROP IN**

## Buttons and Boards Game Night

Grades 9-12 ■ Thursday, August 19

6:30-8:00 p.m. ■ Carnegie Community Room

Pick up a controller or learn a new board game. We'll have a wide variety of retro gaming consoles and fun board games for you to play with your friends. Snacks and drinks will be provided. **REGISTER** or **DROP IN**

## Lit Loot

Entering Grades 6-12 ■ Sign up by Tuesday, August 10

Lit Loot pick up: August 15-25

Sign up by August 10 by 9:00 p.m. to receive a free subscription box customized just for you! Each box will contain a book specially selected for you and a few goodies, all based on the theme of the month. Keep the loot, return the book. A Library card is required for this program.

**REGISTER**



## Program Information

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# Youth Programs



## Please note:

In-person programs may be cancelled or switched to an online format as social distancing requirements change. For programs which are online and require a registration, a link to the program will be emailed to you the day before the event.

## Programs for Middle Schoolers

### Ozobot Coding for Kids

Entering Grades 6-8 ■ Thursday, July 29  
1:00-1:45 p.m. or 3:00-3:45 p.m.  
Miller Haase Community Room



Have fun with screen free coding using Ozobots! Cute little robots that read color coding. [REGISTER](#)

### Middle School Tie-Dye

Entering Grades 6-8 ■ Wednesday, August 4  
1:00-1:30 p.m. or 1:30-2:00 p.m. ■ Library Parking Lot  
Kids only! Bring ONE item to tie-dye (at least 80% cotton for best results). All other supplies will be provided. Wear clothing you don't mind getting stained. In case of rain, the event will be canceled. [REGISTER](#)

### Junior Friends

Entering Grades 6-8 ■ Thursday, August 5  
6:00-7:30 p.m. ■ Miller Haase Community Room  
Interested in volunteer or service hours? Join this updated program specifically to reach your goals while helping your community. Meets the first Thursday of every month to plan, share and lend a hand. [DROP IN](#)

### Lit Loot

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## Early Literacy Activities and Story Times

### All Ages Story Time

Tuesdays ■ June 1-August 31 ■ 10:00-10:20 a.m. ■ Online via Zoom

Join us for this LIVE Zoom story time for kids and parents alike. Ages 0-100 welcome. Let's have fun together! [REGISTER](#)

### StoryWalk®

June 1 ■ July 1 ■ August 1

LeRoy Oakes Forest Preserve ■ 37W700 Dean Street, St. Charles

Come enjoy the great outdoors and a great story. Located on the east side of LeRoy Oakes Forest Preserve on the Randall Road Trail. Enjoy a new story monthly. *The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. Storywalk® is a registered service mark owned by Ms. Ferguson.* [DROP IN](#)

### Story Time with the Nature Center

Wednesdays ■ June 16 ■ July 21 ■ August 18 ■ 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

LeRoy Oakes Nature Center ■ 37W700 Dean Street, St. Charles

Watch a looped video story time and grab a take-home nature project at the Nature Center! While supplies last. Check with the Nature Center for availability and regulations. *This program is in partnership with the Kane County Forest Preserve District.* [DROP IN](#)

### Terrace Garden Story Time

Wednesdays and Fridays ■ July 21-August 31

10:00-10:20 a.m. ■ Terrace Garden

Join us for this in-person story time in our new terraced garden, weather permitting. Spaces are limited to allow for social distancing. [REGISTER](#)



## Grab and Go Kits

Stop in to pick up Grab and Go Kits. All kits are tech free unless otherwise noted. Kits are available at 9:00 a.m. on release day until we run out. For contactless pick up please call 630-584-9390 to schedule a pick-up time.

### Baby Take and Make

Ages 0-2 ■ Friday, August 6

Enjoy these take and make kits for our littlest Library friends.

### Sensory Fine Motor Activity

Ages 3-6 ■ Friday, August 13

Explore your senses and build your motor skills with a take-home activity.

### Crafternoon Kit

Entering Grades 1-8 ■ Friday, August 27

Pick up a kit from the Library to complete a fun craft at home.



## Junior Historians

**Fridays ■ June 11 ■ July 9 ■ August 13 ■ 11:00 a.m. ■ Posted on YouTube**  
Learn about the rich history of our city. Junior historians will learn about the history of St. Charles through tours, interviews and an activity. *This program is presented in partnership with the St. Charles History Museum and the Historic Preservation Commission.*

## Diverse Voices Book Club



**Entering Grades 3-8 ■ Thursdays**

**6:30–7:30 p.m. ■ Online via Zoom**

**June 24: The Mighty Heart of Sunny St. James**  
by Ashley Herring Blake

**August 5: The First Rule of Punk** by Celia C. Perez

Discuss titles written by people of different backgrounds and experiences. Complimentary copies of the book will be available to registrants while supplies last. Meets at the same time as Diverse Voices Book Club for adults. [REGISTER](#)

## Ozobot Coding

**Entering Grades 3-5 ■ Tuesday, July 27**

**1:00-1:45 p.m. OR 3:00-3:45 p.m. ■ Miller Haase Community Room**

Have fun with screen free coding using Ozobots! Cute little robots that read color coding. [REGISTER](#)

## Just for Grown Ups

### Parenting Book Discussion

**For Adults ■ Thursdays ■ 8:00–8:45 p.m. ■ Online via Zoom**

**June 10: Raising Good Humans** by Hunter Clarke-Fields

**July 8: Rage Against the Minivan** by Kristen Howerton

**August 12: Ask Me What's for Dinner One More Time:  
Inappropriate Thoughts on Motherhood**  
by Meredith Masony

Join us to discuss parenting books after the kids go to bed. A copy of each book will be available for registrants to check out. [REGISTER](#)

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**August 5: The First Rule of Punk** by Celia C. Perez



Get together with other adults to discuss children's literature from diverse voices. A complimentary copy of the book will be available while supplies last. Meets at the same time as Diverse Voices Book for Grades 3-8. [REGISTER](#)



## Getting Excited About Science for Kids

**Entering Grades K-8**

**Sunday, August 1 ■ 2:00–2:45 p.m.**  
**Miller Haase Community Room**

Amazing science demonstrations with Steve Belliveau! Be prepared to be astonished at the science principles of everyday life, including the science of color! [REGISTER](#)

## Kids' Tie-Dye

**Grades 3-5 ■ Wednesday, August 4**

**11:00-11:30 a.m. OR 11:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. ■ Library Parking Lot**

Kids only! Bring ONE item to tie-dye (at least 80% cotton for best results), all other supplies will be provided. Wear clothing you don't mind getting stained. In case of rain, the event will be canceled. [REGISTER](#)



## DIY Fabric Sculptures

**Entering Grades 4-8**

**Monday, August 9 ■ 2:30–5:00 p.m.**  
**Miller Haase Community Room**

In honor of St. Charles Art Council's 10th anniversary, we will be exploring the sculpture works of New York artist Amanda Browder as she leads our city in a community-wide fabric installation piece. Each participant will create their own small-scale fabric sculpture using recycled fabrics, needles and thread. [REGISTER](#)

## Family Programs

*Adult supervision may be required*

## Crafternoon

**Mondays ■ June 7 ■ July 5 ■ August 2 ■ 1:00 p.m. ■ Posted on YouTube**

Get crafty in the afternoons with the Library! Join us as we explore different materials, themes and holidays with some of our crafty staff members.

## Bubble Dance Party

**Wednesdays ■ August 4–25 ■ 2:00–4:00 p.m. ■ Terrace Garden**

Come dance with bubbles in our new terraced garden! Weather permitting. [DROP IN](#)



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**St. Charles Public Library**  
Phone 630-584-0076 • Fax 630-584-9262

**Adult Reference:** [adultref@scpld.org](mailto:adultref@scpld.org)  
**Youth Services:** [askme@scpld.org](mailto:askme@scpld.org)

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## Color Your World with Summer Reading

Exciting events are happening all around us. Not only are we in the process of our highly-anticipated move into our new building, but summer reading begins June 1 and continues through August 1. We understand how important summer reading

is for many families and individuals, and we're proud to be able to offer this annual program to our community. This year's exciting theme "Reading Colors Your World" encourages readers to explore humanity, nature, culture and science. Summer reading is fun, and it increases your knowledge and expands your world. The benefits are priceless: empathy, logic, awareness and a sense of community.

Kick off summer reading by registering with READSquared, an online reading tracking tool that is user friendly and allows you to easily sign up and log your reading. To get started, go to [scpl.readsquared.com](http://scpl.readsquared.com) to register. For those who prefer traditional paper logs, they will be available to download on our website at [scpld.org/reading-programs](http://scpld.org/reading-programs). With access to thousands of eBooks, audiobooks, digital magazines, articles, comics and graphic novels, you are sure to find the right material to help you reach your summer reading goals. In addition, the more you read, the more you increase your chances of winning giveaways and prizes, so don't forget to count every item, whether digital, print or audio. You'll also have a chance to test your knowledge with our weekly summer reading trivia questions.

Not sure where to start your summer reading? Call, email or text our librarians. They'll be happy to create a custom reading list that matches your interests and favorite genres, or explore our online book lists and reading suggestions if you prefer to research reading material on your own.

For more information, visit [scpld.org/reading-programs](http://scpld.org/reading-programs). Color Your World this summer with the St. Charles Public Library to discover new ideas, authors and favorite reads.

*\*The Library will be closed during our move, and our newly-renovated Library reopens in early July.*



SUMMER READING 2021

### Hours

Monday–Thursday	9:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.
Friday	9:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.
Saturday	9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Sunday	Noon–5:00 p.m.

### Closings

Sunday, July 4  
Independence Day

### Library Board Members

Robert T. Gephart, President  
Karen L. Kaluzsa, Vice-President/  
Secretary  
Cynthia N. Steimle, Treasurer  
Claudia Frost, Trustee  
Shane Hampton, Trustee  
Michael J. Hill, Trustee  
Mary Kruse, Trustee

Edith G. Craig, Director

### Library Board Meetings

Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

June 9, 2021

July 14, 2021

No August Meeting



**Summer Reading for All Ages ■ June 1 – August 1**