



December 2021

EVENTS, PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

Preschool Crafts

Now through January 31st

Make and take crafts have returned to the library! The library has crafts and coloring pages available for our young patrons to take home. New crafts available every Monday while supplies last!

Webb Week @ Benzie Shores!

December 13th-18th

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Book Share Group

Wednesday December 15, 2021 @ 10 a.m.

Our book share group meets the third Wednesday of the month at 10 a.m. We are meeting via Zoom until our library addition is complete. Contact us to have zoom information emailed to you each month, or check the library [website](#) close to program start.

After Hours Pick Up

We are thrilled to announce we now have outdoor lockers for 24/7 materials pick-up! View [INSTRUCTIONS](#) or ask a staff member to learn how to use this new service. This service was made possible by the Friends of Benzie Shores District Library. Thank you Friends!

BSDL Annual Report

We are pleased to provide you with our [2021 Annual Report](#). This report provides statistics, finances, and a general overview of all of the programs and fun we had in 2021.

Holiday Hours

The Library will be closed December 24-26th & December 31st - January 2nd. Have a safe and happy holiday!

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Schedule of Events:

Ongoing through December 18th

A Webb of Community: Collage with the Oliver Art Center

Artists of all ages are invited to create a piece of interstellar art to add to our community collage. Artists will receive a hexagonal template to create out of this world art with. Hexagons are available at both the Oliver Art Center and BSDL.

Saturday, December 11th 10:00 - 12:00 pm

Drop-in Day at The Oliver Art Center

Kids of all ages may explore the art of the Cosmos through guided art projects. Art pieces created can then be added to our community collage!

Tuesday, December 14th 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

After School Science: Be a NASA Detective

Find out all about our planetary neighbors near and far. Discover how scientists use different tools to learn about distant planets. *Recommended for ages 10+. All are welcome.*

Wednesday, December 15th 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. (FEAS early release day)

After School Science: Light and Exoplanets

Why is light so important to scientists? What are planets like beyond our solar system? Learn what's going on in the greater galaxy and how we can "see" further. *Recommended for ages 10+. All are welcome.*

Friday, December 17th 10:00-11:00am

Space Story Time

Join us for a special Story Time all about space! Sing, move, and listen with Miss Kaitlin as she shares stories and rhymes that are sure to delight little space explorers.

Saturday, December 18th 12-1pm

Talk with an Expert

What is this telescope and why is it a big deal? What's going on outside our solar system? Professor Manuel Bautista of Western Michigan University will be joining the library virtually at Noon for an informal chat and presentation. Join us at the library or attend from home via Zoom. Email SRP@benzieshoreslibrary.com to receive an email when the link becomes available.



We have windows!!! Paint, carpet and data wiring are next on the list and we just can't wait. We know you are as eager as we are to explore our new space. For more information and to see how you can help, visit <http://benzieshoreslibrary.org/>



'Tis the season for family, celebrations, and warmth! [A YEAR FULL OF CELEBRATIONS AND FESTIVALS](#) by Christopher Corr and Claire Grace is a treat for readers of all ages. This book takes us through one year on Earth and introduces us to festivals from every corner of the world.

For mystery enthusiasts, Anne Perry's new book, [A CHRISTMAS LEGACY](#) will put you in a winter mindset without losing the spirit of suspense and intrigue for which she's known.

For those seeking less mystery and more meditation, Ted Kooser's collection of poetry, [WINTER MORNING WALKS: ONE HUNDRED POSTCARDS TO JIM HARRISON](#), compiles one hundred poems which Kooser wrote on his daily pre-dawn walks and then pasted to postcards and sent to his friend, Jim Harrison. The poems, spanning November through March, offer diary-like accounts of the temperature, the weather, and the snowy natural beauty surrounding Kooser, as well as incisive and poignant musings on life, the passage of time, and our place in the world.

We also have seasonal comics and graphic novels for enthusiasts of all ages! [HAPPY NARWHALIDAYS](#) by Ben Clanton will have younger readers tickled as our hero, Narwhal, prepares for a visit from the mythical Merry Mermicom while giving fascinating facts about sea life in wintry oceans. For young adults, the graphic novel [PERSEPHONE](#) by Loïc Locatelli-Kourmwsky, provides a re-imagined version of the Greek myth of Persephone and Hades, wherein Persephone's consumption of six pomegranate seeds while in the underworld causes her to spend 6 months of each year there— a fate which causes her mother, Demeter (who also happens to control the seasons), to mourn for the entirety of those months. In her sadness, the world is plunged into winter. Only upon Persephone's return does spring begin.

For fans of horror, Stephen Chobsky's [IMAGINARY FRIEND](#) will have you questioning the motives of every deer you see on the side of the road. In this tale, young Christopher goes missing for six days. When he mysteriously returns, he discovers he has a voice in his head telling him to build a treehouse before Christmas or the world is doomed.

For those of you crafting and baking this December, we have a large selection of cook and craft books to inspire you. Do you prefer something like a Hallmark movie in convenient paperback form? We have a variety of holiday romance novels to choose from. Books by Fern Michaels, Debbie Carr, Nicholas Sparks and Debbie Macomber will provide all the holiday "feels." Don't know what you're

looking for? Stop in and browse the stacks and let that perfect book find you.

From all of us to all of you, we wish you the happiest of holidays!

*Stacy
Kaitlin
Julie
Nancy
Molly
Jennifer*

BOOK SHARE

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November Shares

State of Terror by Clinton & Penny
The Dutch House by Anne Patchett
The Girl of Hummingbird Lane by Lisa See
The Lincoln Highway by Amor Towles
Hamnet by Maggie O'Farrel
All the Things we Didn't See by D.A. Reed
Night Music by Jojo Moyes
Silverview by John LeCarre
Hero of Two Worlds by Mike Duncan
The Last Thing he Told Me by Laura Dave

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