

# White Lake Township Library Winter 2021 Newsletter

Inspiration through Information

## What's Happening at your Library?

- As of January 1, 2021, we are open regular hours for curbside, online and phone service!
- Curbside delivery is available
- Order materials online or by phone
- Download books, movies, magazines, and more @ [whitelakelibrary.org](http://whitelakelibrary.org)
- Wi-Fi access and a drive-up book return is available in our parking lot
- See inside for over 120 educational and entertaining virtual programs
- New! Brainfuse, free online tutoring, and JobNow, online help to get a job

The library is prioritizing patron and staff health and safety by temporarily closing in-person library service to help mitigate the spread of the COVID virus in the community. Thank you for your continued support in helping us stay safe to stay open!

To receive timely service updates - signup for our e-newsletter, visit [whitelakelibrary.org](http://whitelakelibrary.org) or call the library at (248) 698-4942.

## Patios opening in the late spring!

The patio pavers and other hardscape were installed this past fall, and we will install the trees, plantings, and irrigation in the early spring. You will soon be able to read, meet, and socialize outside in a pleasant, relaxing outdoor atmosphere. Alternatively, wireless internet is available for study, work, or connecting with friends, family, or content online. We are especially excited to offer outdoor programs, events, and concerts! We look forward to opening the patios for your outdoor enjoyment. Stay tuned for more information.

## Friends of the Library

"Storage space is limited until we can hold our next book sale, but in the meantime, the Friends are looking for a few good books! Do you have newer, gently loved books published in 2018-2020; book series/sets, DVD's or other great books in excellent condition that somebody else would love to read? Please email the friends at [friends@whitelakelibrary.org](mailto:friends@whitelakelibrary.org) to arrange a pick-up in the library parking lot. Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to seeing you soon."

## All Age

### Snowman Building Contest

Frosty is coming to town! And he's hosting a snowman building contest. Submit pictures of your snowman creations between January 4 and March 10 to [programs@whitelakelibrary.org](mailto:programs@whitelakelibrary.org). We will hold voting on our Facebook page between March 22 - April 2. Prizes awarded in four categories: Child (Grades K - 5), Teen (Grades 6 - 12), Family, and Adult.

January 4 - March 20

### Puzzle Contest

Enjoy puzzles? Join us via Zoom and race to complete your library provided puzzle. Groups that have a member that is ages 0 to 10 years old will get a 300 piece puzzle. Ages 10 and up will get a 500 piece puzzle. Prizes awarded in each category!

Saturday February 13, 1:30 - 4:30 pm

### Bookmark Contest

Tired of marking your place with gum wrappers? Participate in our Bookmark Contest between March 1 and March 27 to show off your awesome book-art potential. You can email your submission to [programs@whitelakelibrary.org](mailto:programs@whitelakelibrary.org) or drop off your bookmark at the library! All bookmarks must feature bookish themes or characters. Winners from four categories, ages 3 - 7, 8 - 12, 13 - 18, and Adults will have their bookmarks printed and given out to the community!

March 1 - March 27

### Guide to the Night Sky

Take a tour in MiSci's virtual planetarium! This program features the current constellations, stars, and planets in your night sky along with information on the impact of light pollution on the Milky Way Galaxy.

Thursday March 25, 6:15 - 7:15 pm

### Children's Programs

\*\* Caregiver must be present if children are under 12 years of age.

Virtual Programming: All events will take place online.

Please register @ [whitelakelibrary.org](http://whitelakelibrary.org) or by calling 248-698-4942 ext. 3.

Information on how to join online programs will be emailed to you 1 - 2 days before the event.

### Family Storytime

All ages with a caregiver

Gather your family to enjoy stories, rhymes, songs, and fun.

Tuesdays, 10:30 - 11 am

Session I: January 19 - February 23

Session II: March 16 - April 27

### Preschool Storytime

Ages 3 - 5

Stories, rhymes, and songs to help children get kindergarten ready.

Wednesdays, 1:30 - 2 pm

Session I: January 20 - February 24

Session II: March 17 - April 28

### Sunset Storytime

All ages with a caregiver

Join Miss Kahlia online for fun stories, crafts, songs, and more! Registrants will receive an email the day of the event to access the prerecorded storytime. Storytime craft kits will be available the week of each event.

Wednesdays, 6:30 - 7 pm

January 27, February 24, March 24, April 28

### Yoga for Kids

Grades 2 - 5

Join Miss Kahlia live via Zoom to learn all about the benefits of yoga in this interactive program. We will learn simple yoga poses and introduce breath work while incorporating stories and poems into our practice.

Saturdays, 10:30 - 11 am

January 9, February 13, March 13, April 10

### First Chapter Fridays

Grades 3 and up

Tune in for sneak peeks at intriguing, mysterious, and fantastic books available at your library.

Registrants will receive an email the day of the event to access the prerecorded read-aloud of the first chapters of our favorite books.

Fridays, 4 - 4:30 pm

January 22, February 5 & 19, March 5 & 19, April 2

### Kid's Craft Kits

Grades K - 5

Visit us every two weeks for a new Kid's Craft Kit. Each kit will contain the materials and instructions needed to create your own craft at home! Some Craft Kits require basic supplies or tools you'll need from home. If you do not have access to a particular item, please let the librarian know! While supplies last.

Feb 3: Paper Bag Snowflake

Feb 17: Llama yarn-weaving

March 3: Bookworm Pencil Holder

March 17: Rainbow Suncatcher

March 31: Paper Umbrella

April 14: 3-D Flower Mother's Day Card

### No-Bake Baking

Grades 2 - 5

Who needs an oven for yummy baked goodies? Not us! Join Miss Nicole for some fun no-oven required baking. We will provide ingredients to create no-bake funfetti cake pops and mini no-bake Oreo cheesecakes. All you'll need is a microwave and a sweet tooth!

Saturday February 6, 2:30 - 3:30 pm

### Comic Whiz Kids

Grades 3 - 5

Join our virtual book club! We'll read and discuss GREAT graphic novels together online. The first 10 kids to register get to KEEP a copy of the book! eBooks available on Hoopla and OverDrive.

Thursdays, 6:30 - 7:30 pm

February 18: Pulu of the Woods by Mai K. Nguyen

April 15: Scarlett Hart: Monster Hunter by Marcus Sedgwick

### Mason Jar Magic

Grades K - 5

Join Miss Kahlia to explore the fun of science in a jar! Once you pick up your craft kit from the library, we will be gathering live via Zoom to create clouds, rainbows, and even fireworks. At the end of this program, you'll have your very own mason jar glitter globe!

Saturday February 20, 2:30 - 3 pm

### Terrific Twigs

Grades K - 5

Spring is almost here, and after a long winter, it's time to celebrate nature! Join Miss Kahlia in making some fun and decorative crafts with things we find every day in nature: sticks and twigs. Once you pick up your craft kit from the library, we will be gathering live via Zoom to make a Tealight Teepee, a Twig Vase, and more!

Saturday March 6, 2:30 - 3 pm

### Dog Man Celebration

Grades K - 5

Everyone's favorite crime-biting canine is back with a brand new forthcoming adventure, Mothering Heights and we are here to celebrate! Join us for a fun virtual Dog Man themed party full of quizzes, activities, and more.

Saturday March 20, 2:30 - 3:30 pm

### Bad Art Party

Grades 2 - 5

Are you bad at art? Do you sometimes just want to make the worst piece of art that you possibly can? Join us to make the ugliest, worst, most ridiculous, hideous masterpieces you can imagine! You can pick up your bad art bag the week of the event.

Saturday April 17, 2:30 - 4 pm

### Animal Crossing

Grades 3 and up

Island Life is the life for me! Come explore, fish, and catch bugs on our islands. Dodo codes will be emailed to you before your session. You will need a Switch, Nintendo Switch Online Membership, and Animal Crossing in order to participate.

Saturday May 1, 3 - 4 pm

### Teen Programs

(Grades 6 – 12, unless specified)

#### MI Library Winter Quest

Protect Michigan Landmarks! We've received an anonymous tip that there is a plot to steal one of Michigan's landmarks on Valentine's Day. We have until then to figure out who, where, and why before it's too late and the landmark is lost to us forever! Join the virtual scavenger hunt across participating library websites to be entered to win prizes and prevent the crime.

January 1 - February 14

### Dungeons and Dragons

Become a part of our D & D campaigns this winter! New characters and levels welcome. Join the "White Lake Township Library Dungeons & Dragons" Google Classroom for how-to-play videos, character sheets, and more. Enter code: ga2r3en to check it out!

Thursdays, 6 - 7:30 pm

January 14, February 11, March 11, April 8

### Among Us

This program isn't "sus", but you might be. Join the library for Among Us! Play on your computer or for free with an app on your smart device. No experience necessary.

Saturday January 16, 2:30 - 3:30 pm

### Dot Journaling for Teens

Be the envy of all of your friends with the coolest, most creative dot journal around. Join Miss Nicole as she walks you through the steps of setting up the first month of your dot journal! We will provide the journals, but please come prepared with your favorite colored pens and highlighters.

Saturday January 23, 2:30 - 3:30 pm

### Get Graphic!

Join our graphic novel book group to discuss and discover great books together online. The first 10 teens to register get to KEEP a copy of the book! eBooks available on Hoopla and OverDrive.

Tuesdays, 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Feb 2: Sheets by Brenna Thummler

April 6: Oracle Code by Marieke Nijkamp

### Teen Take and Makes

Visit us every two weeks for a new Take & Make. Each kit will contain the materials and instructions needed to create your own craft at home! Some Take & Makes require basic supplies or tools you'll need from home. If you do not have access to a particular item, please let the librarian know! While supplies last.

Feb 3: Valentine's Pop-up Cards

Feb 17: Glass Ceramic Painting

March 3: Polymer Clay Craft

March 17: Rock Candy

March 31: Paper Flower Picture Pots

April 14: Terracotta Painting and Planting

### Perfect Palette Paint-Along

Join other crafters on Zoom and follow step-by-step instructions to create your very own masterpiece with Perfect Palette Parties.

Saturday February 27, 2:30 - 4 pm

### Percy Jackson Trivia

Do you have what it takes to be a demi-god? Come test your Percy Jackson knowledge with a trivia game. Play for your chance to win prizes! Trivia will cover books 1 - 5 of Percy Jackson & the Olympians.

Saturday March 27, 2:30 - 3:30 pm

#### Emily A. Duncan Virtual Author Visit

Join us in welcoming Emily A. Duncan, author of the Something Dark and Holy trilogy. A youth librarian and YA author, her brand new book Blessed Monsters will be out April 6! One lucky winner will walk away with a signed copy of one of Emily's spectacularly gothic books.

Wednesday April 7, 7 - 8 pm

#### Cats of Catthulhu

Have you ever wanted to be a cat? In this game, players take on the roles of ordinary-seeming cats fighting conspiracies of cosmic chaos. Do you have what it takes to save human civilization from evil? Join us for the roleplaying game Cats of Catthulhu. No experience required to play, all abilities welcome!

Saturday April 24, 2:30 - 4:30 pm

#### Adult Programs

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#### Craft Junkies Kit Style

Need some crafts in your life? Pick up your kit from the library and join us virtually to craft together! Kits available for pickup 1 week before program.

Mondays, 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Jan 4: Embroidery Hoop Snowman

Feb 1: Flower Pop-up Card

March 1: Map Banner

April 5: String Art Sign

May 3: Doily Tea Light

#### Coffee Break

Take a break and join us with your favorite beverage while we chat about things that make us happy!

Thursday, 2:30 - 3 pm

Jan 14, Feb 11, March 11, April 8, May 13

#### Yoga with Kahlia

Looking for a way to boost your health and decrease stress in these uncertain times? Join us online as we explore various styles of yoga practice. We will practice simple breath work and yoga poses, suitable for any level of yoga experience. A link to the recorded video will be emailed to registered participants.

Fridays, 2 - 2:30 pm

January 15, February 19, March 19, April 16, May 21

### Dot Journaling for Adults

Any Type-A Creatives out there not willing to invest in an expensive planner after 2020? Same. Join Miss Nicole as she walks you through setting up the first month of your brand new 2021 dot journal. Journals are provided, but please come prepared with your favorite colored pens and highlighters.

Saturday January 23, 10:30 - 11:30 am

### The Greatest Sitcoms of all Time

Award-winning author Martin Gitlin hosts this fun presentation based on his book, The Greatest Sitcoms of All Time, where he ranks the best of the best sitcoms out there.

January 25, 6:30 - 7:30 pm

### The Snow Killings - Oakland Co. Child Killer

Reporter Marney Rich Keenan takes us inside the investigation of the unsolved murders of 4 children abducted in the suburbs of Detroit in the late 70s. Brought to you in partnership with Highland Township Public Library.

Thursday January 28, 6:30 - 7:30 pm

### Adult Holiday Crafts

Need MORE crafts in your life? Join Miss Erin for a special holiday themed craft each month. Pick up your kit from the library and join us virtually to craft together! Kits available for pickup 1 week before program.

Fridays, 2:30 - 3:30 pm

Jan 29: Heart Mobile

Feb 26: Shamrock Bunting

March 26: Egg Card

April 23: Wreath

### Read and Discuss

Read this month's librarian pick and join us for a virtual book club via Zoom.

Mondays, 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Feb 8: The Night Circus by Erin Morgenstern

March 8: The Name of the Wind by Patrick Rothfuss

April 12: Sold on a Monday by Kristina McMorris

May 10: Ready Player One by Ernest Cline

### Pam Jaslove Duo

Pam will sing love songs and tell stories from the Great American Songbook. From the Roaring 1920s to the lockdown of 2020, join us for 100 years of toe-tapping music and stories about the musicians. The songs are like snapshots that connect us to bring hope, joy, and community healing.

Friday February 12, 6:30 - 7:30 pm

### Mystery Spice

Discover a new spice! You will receive a mystery spice, background information about it, and a recipe. Join us for a Zoom meeting to discuss the spice and the recipe (or share any other recipes you found)!

The spice will be available for pickup 1 week before the program.

Mondays, 6:30 - 7:30 pm

February 22 & April 19

### New Adult Book Club

So what happens when you're not quite John Green but not quite Nora Roberts? Not YA but not quite A. Welcome to the land of New Adult. Join Miss Nicole as we delve into some sweet, spicy, and fun young-ish adult books! This program is intended for ages 18 to 30.

Thursdays, 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Feb 25: *Wicked Saints* by Emily A. Duncan

April 22: *An Absolutely Remarkable Thing* by Hank Green

### Blood Drive

The Red Cross will be holding a blood drive in The Gathering Place. Limited space and times available so you must make an appointment. Please go to [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) and enter the sponsor code: WLTL or call 1-800-733-2767.

Wednesday March 10, 12 - 6 pm

### Armchair Travels

Take a trip with us and explore a fun location from your favorite spot at home!

Mondays, 6:30 - 7:30 pm

March 15 & May 17

### Money Smart Week

Keep an eye out for virtual programs during Money Smart Week!

April 12 – 17

### Golden Age of Hollywood

The scintillating stories and scandals of the actors, actresses, and studio moguls in Hollywood's Golden Age, presented by Martina Mathisen.

Monday April 26, 6:30 - 7:30 pm

### Small Plot and Container

Vegetable Gardening Master Gardener Ellen Zimmerman is back to teach us about growing vegetables in small places.

Thursday April 29, 6:30 - 7:30 pm

### Mystery Party

Channel your inner Nancy Drew and Joe Hardy while we gather clues and solve a virtual mystery.

Thursday May 6, 6:30 - 7:30 pm

### Idea Lab Grab and Go

There is always something to do from the Idea Lab! Stop by and grab a project to do at home. Limited supplies available.

January: Jan 1 -15: Great Michigan Reads

Jan 16 - 31: Paint with Water

February: Lightning Bug Card



March: Constellations

April: Poetry

May: Window Star

### [One-on-One Computer Help](#)

Do you need help operating your computer, laptop, or tablet? Need help connecting with loved ones over Skype or Zoom? Become more comfortable with email, the internet, Microsoft Office software, and downloading eBooks, audiobooks, and magazines from the library. Call or email ([reference@whitelakelibrary.org](mailto:reference@whitelakelibrary.org)) the Adult Information Desk to schedule a half-hour virtual session.  
By Appointment

### [Library Hours as of 1/1/2021](#)

Monday–Thursday 10 am to 8 pm

Friday & Saturday 10 am to 5 pm

Hours subject to change based on our current COVID-19 reopening phase.

### [The Library Will Be Closed](#)

January 18, Martin Luther King Day

February 15, Presidents' Day

### [Board of Trustees](#)

Welcome to our newly elected Library Board of Trustees!

Jennifer L. Schulz, President

Rich McGlew, Vice President

Beth Rubus, Treasurer

Karen Wyns, Secretary

Gwen Newton, Trustee

Jake Dudek, Trustee

The Library Board of Trustees is an elected body of six unpaid volunteers who generally meet at 6:45 pm on the fourth Wednesday of the month. The public is welcome!

### [Friends of the Library Board](#)

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