

The Insider

For All Things KPL, June-August 2025



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Kid & Teen Programs

GROWING KPL KIDS

Events for caregivers and children focused on raising young kids. Have fun together while you learn from local early education experts.



SPLASH & PLAY STORYTIME WITH SWIMTASTIC

Join Katie Brothen, Owner & General Manager of Swimtastic + SwimLabs Kenosha, for a water safety storytime to keep kids safe this summer. Enjoy water play and caregiver education afterward (bring a towel or change of clothes).

Thursday, June 5
10:00 - 11:00 AM
KPL Kids @ Uptown Lofts



SUN, SAND & SANITY: FINDING YOUR CALM THIS SUMMER

Caregivers, don't let summer stress impact your well-being. Meet Meghan from Kenosha County Public Health's Bright Family Beginnings program for practical stress reduction strategies. *Held during Baby Buddies Playtime—babies welcome!*

Tuesday, June 17
11:00 - 11:30 AM
Northside Library

Monday, July 28
11:00 - 11:30 AM
Southwest Library

Thursday, August 14
11:00 - 11:30 AM
KPL Kids @ Uptown Lofts

"LIBRARY OF THINGS" PLAYDATE AT THE PARK

KPL's Kids' Library of Things offers fun items like obstacle courses and coding kits! Join us after the 9:30 AM Schulte Park & Play Storytime to explore and learn about developmentally appropriate toys from Aurora Healthcare's Occupational Therapist, Adriana Marciniak. *In case of inclement weather, this program will be canceled.*

Wednesday, June 18
10:00 - 11:00 AM
Schulte Park, 4400 87th Place

FREE VISION SCREENINGS FOR KIDS

Vision problems affect 1 in 20 preschoolers and may show no symptoms. Join the Kenosha Noon Lions Club for a free digital vision screening after storytime. A quick check can identify issues, with professional exams recommended if necessary. *Screenings available for children ages 6 months - 18 years.*

Monday, July 7
10:00 - 11:30 AM
Southwest Library

Wednesday, July 9
10:30 - 11:00 AM
Southwest Library

Thursday, July 10
10:00 - 11:30 AM
KPL Kids @ Uptown Lofts

Friday, July 11
10:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Southwest Library

Monday, July 14
11:00 - 11:30 AM
KPL Kids @ Uptown Lofts

Tuesday, July 15
10:00 - 11:30 AM
Northside Library

Thursday, July 17
10:30 - 11:00 AM
Northside Library

Friday, July 18
11:00 - 11:30 AM
Northside Library



HOW TO HAIR

Learn the basics of how to care for your child's hair. We will start with tips for washing and brushing hair without tears, then graduate to ponytails 101 and beginner braids. All hair textures welcome and encouraged!

Tuesday, July 22
6:00 PM
Southwest Library

CLASSES FOR BABIES, TODDLERS AND PRESCHOOLERS

Adult attendance required. When registration is required, call Youth & Family Services at (262) 564-6150.



BABY STORYTIME

Baby Storytime is for infants (0-18 months) and caregivers. Enjoy books, songs, rhymes, and interactive play!

Mondays: June 16 - August 11
10:30 AM
Southwest Library

Tuesdays: June 17 - August 12
10:30 AM
Northside Library

Thursdays: June 26 - August 14
10:30 AM
KPL Kids @ Uptown Lofts



BABY BUDDIES PLAYTIME

Join us after Baby Storytime for extended play and peer socialization - great for babies and grown-ups alike!

Mondays: June 16 - August 11
11:00 - 11:30 AM
Southwest Library

Tuesdays: June 17 - August 12
11:00 - 11:30 AM
Northside Library

Thursdays: June 26 - August 14
11:00 - 11:30 AM
KPL Kids @ Uptown Lofts

CLASSES FOR BABIES, TODDLERS AND PRESCHOOLERS - CONT.

WONDERFUL ONES

Wonderful Ones Storytime is for walking toddlers (12-24 months) and their caregivers. This features books, rhymes, songs, and movement.

Tuesdays: June 17 - August 12

9:30 AM

Northside Library

Wednesdays: June 18 - August 13

10:00 AM

Southwest Library

TODDLER STORYTIME

Toddler Storytime is for walking 1- and 2-year-olds and their caregivers. Build literacy through books, fingerplays, and songs.

Mondays: June 16 - August 11

9:30 AM

Southwest Library

Thursdays: June 26 - August 14

9:30 AM

KPL Kids @ Uptown Lofts

Fridays: June 20 - August 15

10:30 AM

Northside Library

No storytime on July 4



PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

In Preschool Storytime, kids aged 3-5 will enjoy books, songs, fingerplays, and more with their caregiver.

Mondays: June 16 - August 11

10:30 AM

KPL Kids @ Uptown Lofts

Wednesdays: June 18 - August 13

10:30 AM

Simmons Library

Thursdays: June 26 - August 14

10:00 AM

Northside Library

Fridays: June 20 - August 15

10:00 AM

Southwest Library

No storytime on July 4

FAMILY STORYTIME

The whole family is invited to storytime! Come read stories, sing songs, and have fun!

Mondays: June 16 - August 11

6:00 PM

Southwest Library

PARK & PLAY STORYTIME

Bring your blanket or chairs to the park for all-ages storytime, followed by bubble play and music! The Bookmobile will offer fresh reading materials to check out weekly. *In case of inclement weather, this program will be canceled.*

Mondays: June 16 - August 11

9:30 - 11:00 AM

Columbus Park, 2003 54th St.

Wednesdays: June 18 - August 13

9:30 - 11:00 AM

Schulte Park, 4400 87th Pl.

Thursdays: June 26 - August 14

6:00 - 7:00 PM

Horizon Park, 6598 112th Ave.

Bookmobile open from 5:00 - 7:00 pm

ONCE UPON A CUENTO

¡Bienvenidos! Welcome to our storytime bilingüe. We will read libros and sing canciones!

Fridays: June 20 - July 25

11:00 AM

Southwest Library

No storytime on July 4

SENSORY FRIENDLY STORYTIME

Join us for a low-stimulation storytime designed for those with sensory sensitivities. This storytime occurs during our Sensory Friendly Days before the library opens to the general public.

Saturday, July 12

On-demand between 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

KPL Kids @ Uptown Lofts

PRESCHOOL YOGA @ PRINGLE

Inhale the fresh air and feel the grass between your toes, yogis! Stretch, shake, and be silly in this active outdoor yoga class for ages 3-5 with a participating caregiver. **Registration and signed waiver required before class begins. Registration opens on Saturday, May 10 at 9:00am. In case of inclement weather, this class will be held inside of the Pringle Nature Center.**

Saturday, June 7

10:00 - 10:45 AM

Pringle Nature Center

9800 160th Ave, Bristol

KPL PRESCHOOL YOGA

Shake, sing, and be silly while learning basic yoga poses, mindfulness, and meditation! Join us for a fun and engaging practice for young yogis, led by a KPL staff member who is a certified children's yoga teacher. **Registration and signed waiver required before class begins.**

Tuesdays: June 10, July 8, August 12

10:00 - 10:45 AM

KPL Kids @ Uptown Lofts

BABY BFFS

Does your baby need a friend? Okay, be honest, do you need a friend? Find your new bestie at this round-robin playdate! Leave with one of our baby-friendly meetup ideas and make plans to hang out. Ages 0-2.

Saturday, June 14

10:30 AM

Southwest Library



BABY ART MASTERPIECES

With tummy time painting, babies can be artists, too! Your

baby will make a unique masterpiece using paints and clear plastic bags for maximum fun and minimal mess. For babies up to 12 months old and their caregivers.

Friday, June 27

10:30 AM

KPL Kids @ Uptown Lofts

STORYTIME EN FRANÇAIS

Celebrate Bastille Day with a special bilingual storytime in French and English during Family Storytime à la bibliothèque publique de Kenosha!

Monday, July 14

6:00 PM

Southwest Library

HAVE A BALL! SENSORY TIME

Enjoy lots of fun, sensory experiences (including a ball pit!) with all kinds of balls at this drop-in program for ages 0-2 and their caregivers.

Friday, July 18

10:30 AM

KPL Kids @ Uptown Lofts



CLASSES FOR BABIES, TODDLERS AND PRESCHOOLERS - CONT.

PRE-K SURVIVAL SKILLS

If your child is entering 4-K or Kindergarten in the fall, this program is for you. We will practice some essential skills to prepare them for school, and you will take home resources to use in the weeks before the first day.

Saturday, July 26
10:30 AM
Southwest Library



THE VERY HUNGRY CATERPILLAR SENSORY ADVENTURE

Join us for colorful sensory playtime and activities, and use your baby's little toes to make a cute caterpillar keepsake. Ages 0-1.

Friday, August 15
10:30 AM
KPL Kids @ Uptown Lofts

EXPLORE THE LIBRARY OF THINGS!

Did you know you can check out toys from the library? Bring your littles to explore some of what we have to offer: instruments, blocks, puppets, pretend play toys, and more. Make sure to grab your library card so you can take something home!

Saturday, August 16
10:30 AM
Southwest Library

POPSICLE PLAY LAB

Celebrate the end of summer with activities, crafts, and sensory play inspired by your favorite frozen treats. Warning: things might get messy! Ages 3-5. Popsicles provided.

Tuesday, August 26
10:30 AM
KPL Kids @ Uptown Lofts

CLASSES FOR CHILDREN AGES 5-9

Adult attendance encouraged. When registration is required, call Youth & Family Services at (262) 564-6150.

FAIRY GARDEN TERRARIUMS

Do you love fairies? Design your own fairy garden terrarium to decorate your room this summer. **Registration required.**

Wednesday, June 18
2:00 PM
Southwest Library

DIY MARBLE MAZES

Build your own marble maze to take home and challenge your family and friends!

Monday, June 23
5:00 PM
Northside Library

SHARK ATTACK!

Do you know which shark is the biggest? How about which is the most deadly? We will find out together and make a fin-tastic shark craft.

Wednesday, July 16
2:00 PM
Southwest Library

BACKYARD BUGS

Explore the habits and behaviors of common bugs while enjoying some "buggy" themed veggie snacks. Take home a bug magnifier and journal to explore the bugs you find in your backyard.

Monday, July 28
5:00 PM
Northside Library

ARRR, MATEY!

Shiver me timbers, you landlubbers! Learn pirate lingo along with a treasure trove of fun facts before you walk the plank. Dressing like a pirate is encouraged.

Wednesday, August 6
2:00 PM
Southwest Library

GOSH YARN IT!

Weave, glue, paint with, and create multiple fun, easy yarn projects.

Monday, August 25
5:00 PM
Northside Library

CLASSES FOR CHILDREN AGES 9-12

Adult attendance optional. When registration is required, call Youth & Family Services at (262) 564-6150.

IMMERSIVE NANCY DREW MYSTERY

Bring your sleuthing skills and catch the culprit! Help Nancy Drew solve the mystery of the secret poisoner before it's too late!

Tuesday, June 10
5:00 - 6:30 PM
Southwest Library

BEGINNER UKULELE

Have you ever longed to play the ukulele? Here's your chance! Ukuleles will be provided and no musical experience is necessary. **Registration required.**

Friday, June 13
4:00 PM
Simmons Library

KIDS CHESS CLUB

Curious about chess? Come to this informal and fun chess club! We will play games to strengthen your knowledge of the basics, and encourage each player at their own level, whether you know how to capture en passant or you only know knights as the "horsie"!

Wednesdays: June 25, July 23, August 27
4:30 PM
Southwest Library

PET CENTS

Have you ever wanted to own a pet? Design the perfect pet and learn how to budget for your pet's needs by playing a game.

Tuesday, July 8
5:00 PM
Southwest Library

OUTDOOR SCIENCE!

Get messy with science experiments that are too hard to clean up inside the library. Make elephant toothpaste, paint using a pendulum, and set off a soda rocket! Be sure to wear clothes you don't mind getting paint on.

Thursday, July 10
2:00 PM
Northside Library



EXTRA-HIGH EGG DROP

Come and design a container to keep your egg safe for an extra-high drop off of the library's scissor lift!

Thursday, August 14
2:00 PM
Northside Library

CLASSES FOR CHILDREN AGES 5-12

Adult attendance encouraged. When registration is required, call Youth & Family Services at (262) 564-6150.

T.P. TUBE PAINTING

Create a work of art with an unusual paintbrush--a toilet paper tube!

Wednesday, June 4
5:00 PM
Southwest Library

KID YOGA @ PRINGLE

Inhale the fresh air and feel the grass between your toes, yogis! Stretch, shake, and be silly in this active outdoor yoga class for ages 6-10. **Registration and signed waiver required before class begins.** Registration opens on Saturday, May 10 at 9:00am. Caregivers must stay in the park during the program. In case of inclement weather, this class will be held inside of the Pringle Nature Center.

Saturday, June 7
11:15 AM - 12:00 PM
Pringle Nature Center
9800 160th Ave, Bristol

TAILS 'N TALES: READ TO A DOG!

Sign up for a 15-minute reading session with one of the certified reading education assistance dogs from Kenosha's Dogs of Endearment. **Registration required.** Call Youth and Family Services at 262-564-6150 to register, or visit the children's desk at one of our branches.

Saturdays: June 7, August 2
10:00 AM
Southwest Library

Saturday, July 5
10:00 AM
Northside Library

BUTTERFLY BRIGADE

Create a colorful butterfly feeder to attract butterflies in your backyard, and design your own butterflies to take home.

Monday, June 16
2:00 PM
Northside Library

SUPERHERO SCIENCE: SPIDERVERSE

Have you ever wondered about how superheroes' powers would work in the real world? Let's explore the wonderful world of superheroes and try a fun science experiment to see superpowers in action. This month we are covering the Spiderverse. **Registration and signed waiver required.**

Tuesday, June 17
5:00 PM
Northside Library

INDOOR MINI GOLF

Come out with your family and friends to check out our mini golf course! Who will have what it takes to be crowned a mini golf champion?

Friday, June 20
2:00 PM
KPL Kids @Uptown Lofts

SHAVING CREAM MARBLING ART

Create beautiful swirly paper using shaving cream!

Friday, June 27
2:00 PM
KPL Kids @Uptown Lofts

YOGA AT THE BEACH

Enjoy the sun and sand, yogis! Join us for basic yoga poses, mindfulness, and meditation. Bring a towel for your mat, sunscreen, and a water bottle. Class led by a certified children's yoga teacher from KPL. **Registration and signed waiver required before class begins. Arrive 5-10 minutes early, as class will begin promptly.**

Tuesdays, July 1, July 29
9:00 AM - 9:45 AM
Simmons Island Beach, 5001 4th Ave

FIREWORKS SLIME

Prepare to celebrate the 4th of July by making some awesome slimes that sparkle like fireworks! **Registration required.**

Thursday, July 3
5:00 PM
Northside Library

KID KITCHEN: GRILLED CHEESE SANDWICHES

Learn basic food safety and kitchen skills, taste test different cheeses, and make your own amazing grilled cheese sandwich. Allergens: dairy, wheat. Gluten-free and dairy-free available if requested before Wednesday, July 9. **Registration and signed waiver required.**

Friday, July 11
2:00 PM
KPL Kids @Uptown Lofts

POKÉMON PERLER BEAD KEYCHAINS

Make a super fun Pokémon keychain out of Perler beads. **Registration required.**

Tuesday, July 15
5:00 PM
Northside Library

JINGLY-JANGLY INSTRUMENTS

Ren Faire season is here! Make your own whimsical percussion instrument that jingles when you move. Dressing up in your Ren Faire or fantasy attire is encouraged!

Friday, July 18
2:00 PM
KPL Kids @Uptown Lofts

CLASSES FOR CHILDREN AGES 5-12 - CONT.

SCULPTURES INSPIRED BY DALE CHILHULY

Create a colorful suncatcher sculpture inspired by artist Dale Chihuly's blown glass masterpieces.

Monday, July 21
2:00 PM
Northside Library

MINI CANVAS ART

There is no size requirement for masterpieces! How steady is your hand? Come see what kind of painting you can make on a tiny canvas!

Friday, July 25
2:00 PM
KPL Kids @Uptown Lofts



KALEIDOSCOPE CREATION

Learn about the science of light, magnification and reflections.

Then, design a recycled kaleidoscope keepsake that turns tiny objects into something extraordinary.

Friday, August 1
2:00 PM
KPL Kids @Uptown Lofts

SANDY ART

Sand isn't just for beaches! Create beautiful mandalas and other stunning creations using a variety of colorful sand.

Thursday, August 7
5:00 PM
Northside Library

KID KITCHEN: BEACH CUPCAKES

Come learn simple decorating techniques to design a delicious cupcake that looks like a day at the beach. Allergens: wheat, dairy, egg. **Registration and signed waiver required.**

Friday, August 8
2:00 PM
KPL Kids @Uptown Lofts

MAKING MOO-LAH

Welcome to the farm! With \$200, can you and your friends run a successful farm and make some moo-lah? Play this life-sized board game to test your skills and learn real-world finance skills.

Tuesday, August 12
5:00 PM
Simmons Library

KID KITCHEN: DIRT CAKE CUPS

"Dirt" you can eat? Learn basic food safety and kitchen skills, then make a fun, no-bake dessert in a cup with edible worms and grass! Allergens: dairy, wheat. Gluten-free and dairy-free options available if requested by August 13. **Registration and signed waiver required.**

Friday, August 15
2:00 PM
KPL Kids @Uptown Lofts

SPLASH BOMBS

Make your own splash bomb using rubber bands and sponges! Get ready to get wet as we launch them at targets. Bring a towel for this one!

Monday, August 18
2:00 PM
Northside Library

WORLD EXPLORERS

Kon'nichiwa! Welcome to the wonderful world of Japan! We will learn five words in Japanese, practice our Origami skills, enjoy a snack from Japan and more. **Registration required.**

Tuesday, August 19
5:00 PM
Northside Library

SCIENCE OF FLYING

Did you know that the North and South Poles are giant magnets? Join us for hands-on learning and playing with our many magnificent magnets.

Wednesday, August 20
5:00 PM
Southwest Library

BACK-TO-SCHOOL BLING

Join us to make keychains to bling up your backpack, and fashionable friendship bracelets to give to your classmates.

Friday, August 22
2:00 PM
KPL Kids @Uptown Lofts

EVENTS FOR FAMILIES

When registration is required, call Youth & Family Services at (262) 564-6150.

SCHOOL'S OUT FOR SUMMER!

Join us for a last day of school celebration filled with crafts, activities, and popsicles. Be sure to sign up for summer reading while you are here!

Thursday, June 12
2:00 PM
Northside Library

S'MOREYTIME

Come hear stories about camping and s'mores, sing some songs, do a craft, and have a tasty snack at the end! Allergens: wheat, dairy.

Saturday, June 21
2:00 PM
KPL Kids @Uptown Lofts

KID-SAFE DIY LANTERNS

Use a variety of recycled materials to build lanterns that are sure to light up your warm summer night adventures!

Tuesday, June 24
10:30 AM
KPL Kids @Uptown Lofts

PIGGY BANK THEATER

Welcome to the Piggy Bank Theater! This interactive storytime will help introduce children to the world of money and teach them about basic money concepts.

Tuesday, June 24
2:00 - 2:30 PM
Southwest Library

POKÉMON CLUB

Calling all Pokémon trainers! Join us each month for a different Pokémon themed activity! Participants are welcome to bring cards to trade.

Thursday, June 26
5:00 PM
Southwest Library

Tuesday, August 26
2:00 PM
Simmons Library

EVENTS FOR FAMILIES - CONT.

CREATIVITY CORNER

Join forces with fellow artists to collaborate on exciting art projects. Your creations will be showcased in the children's room at the Southwest Library. Plus, you'll have the chance to craft your own artwork to bring home!

Saturdays: June 28, July 19
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Southwest Library



GLOW IN THE DARK PARTY

Not dark out yet? No problem! We will have glow-tastic bowling, tic-tac-toe, hopscotch, and other luminous activities. You can even join us for a glow stick dance party!

Wednesday, July 9
6:00 PM
Northside Library

SENSORY FRIENDLY DAY

Sensory Friendly Days give visitors of all ages with complex developmental disabilities and sensory sensitivities a safe, comfortable environment to explore KPL Kids @ Uptown Lofts before the library opens to the general public. Activities will be modified and additional resources will be available to support visitors. Explore our monthly hands-on play and art activities and enjoy a sensory friendly storytime. Meet with a therapist from Medical Support Services for additional activities and caregiver information.

Saturday, July 12
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
KPL Kids @ Uptown Lofts

LEGO GARDENING

Use our forestry LEGOs and other toys to design a botanical garden! Animals and LEGO figurines will be provided for roleplaying fun!

Saturday, July 12
2:00 PM
KPL Kids @Uptown Lofts

OCEAN IN AN EGG CARTON

Looking for a place to store the beach treasures you find this summer? Create a home for them with this mixed-media piece of art.

Thursday, July 17
2:00 PM
Southwest Library

DIY STICKERS

Everyone loves stickers, but not everyone has the stickers you love - until now! Here's an opportunity for you and your family to make your own unique stickers.

Tuesday, July 22
10:30 AM
KPL Kids @Uptown Lofts

UPCYCLED BEADED WIND CHIMES

Craft beaded wind chimes and explore all the different sounds household items can make.

Thursday, July 24
5:00 PM
Southwest Library

HANDPRINT BEARDED PAPER GNOMES

Make a unique paper gnome using your hand's outline as a beard!

Saturday, August 9
2:00 PM
KPL Kids @Uptown Lofts



TEA REX TEA PARTY

Join us in reading *Tea Rex* followed by a dino-themed craft, games, and refreshments!

Come dressed in your favorite dinosaur attire or fanciest tea party outfits. Allergens: wheat, dairy. Gluten-free and dairy-free available if requested before Tuesday, August 19. **Registration required.**

Thursday, August 21
2:00 PM
Southwest Library

INDOOR BOWLING

STRIKE! Challenge your friends and family to see who is a plastic cup bowling champion! No bowling shoes required.

Saturday, August 23
2:00 PM
KPL Kids @Uptown Lofts

CHALK ART

How many ways can you create with chalk? Learn some fun techniques and take home a masterpiece or two.

Saturday, August 30
2:00 PM
KPL Kids @Uptown Lofts

EVENTS FOR TEENS (AGES 12-19)

When registration is required, call Youth & Family Services at (262) 564-6150.

TEEN ANIME CLUB

Come chat with fellow anime fans about anime and manga, enjoy fun activities based on your faves, and have a chance to learn about various aspects of Japanese and East Asian culture.

Fridays: June 6, June 27th, August 1
3:00 PM
Southwest Library

HIGH SCORE HANGOUT

Drop in, grab a controller, and get your game on at Uptown! PS4, Xbox One, Nintendo Switch, and VR headsets available to explore.

Thursdays: June 12, July 10, August 14
4:00 - 7:00 PM
Uptown Library

HANDPRINT DOODLE ART

Play with patterns and doodle a cool, colorful picture for your wall.

Wednesday, June 25
3:00 PM
Uptown Library

EVENTS FOR TEENS (AGES 12-19) - CONT.



MOVIE MONDAY

Bring your favorite snacks and join us for an afternoon movie!

Mondays: June 30, July 28, August 25
3:00 PM
Southwest Library

Mondays: July 7, August 4
3:00 PM
Northside Library

CHEAP EATS: GARLIC BREAD PIZZA SANDWICHES

Learn how to make a meal that tastes great for under 10 dollars. This month we'll make delicious pizza sandwiches. Allergens: wheat, dairy. **Registration and signed waiver required.**

Tuesday, July 1
3:00 PM
Northside Library

K-POP, CAN'T STOP!

Do you stan Stray Kids? Are you bananas for boba? Does BTS melt your heart like "Butter"? Celebrate BTS "ARMY" day and join us for an afternoon of music, crafts, Korean snacks and K-Pop trivia. Rep your favorite band and score some merch!

Wednesday, July 9
3:00 PM
Southwest Library



MINI DIORAMAS

Make a mini diorama using a mint tin! Will you make a bookshelf with your favorite books, a habitat for your favorite animal, or recreate a scene from your favorite movie? The opportunities are endless!

Wednesday, July 30
3:00 PM
Uptown Library

CHEAP EATS: CHEAP CHICKEN QUESADILLAS

Learn how to make a meal that tastes great for under 10 dollars. This month we'll make mouthwateringly melty chicken quesadillas! Allergens: dairy and gluten. **Registration and signed waiver required.**

Tuesday, August 5
3:00 PM
Northside Library



FANCI-FIED SCHOOL SUPPLIES

School will be back in session soon! Use puffy paint to decorate a zippered pencil pouch to keep your pens organized and stylish with a personalized flare. Jazz up your locker by making unique locker magnets from washi tape, gems, and stickers. Supplies will be provided, but feel free to bring your own stickers, pencil pouches, or even notebooks!

Friday, August 15
3:00 PM
Southwest Library

EVENTS FOR ALL AGES

When registration is required, call Youth & Family Services at (262) 564-6150.

BROWN BAG MOVIES

Bring your lunch or some movie snacks to eat while you watch a fun G or PG-rated film on the big screen. For all ages.

Thursday, June 26
12:00 - 2:00 PM
Southwest Library

Wednesday: July 9, August 13
12:00 - 2:00 PM
Northside Library

Tuesday, July 29
12:00 - 2:00 PM
Southwest Library

KPL KIDS @ UPTOWN LOFTS BIRTHDAY PARTY

When registration is required, call Youth & Family Services at (262) 564-6150.

KPL KIDS @ UPTOWN LOFTS FIRST BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION!

KPL Kids @ Uptown Lofts is turning one year old, and we are celebrating with special activities and programs. All day, every day: Play party games throughout the library. Decorate the giant birthday cake and make party hats in the Art Room. Vote to decide our next Discovery Area theme. And more!

SPECIAL PROGRAMS!

Additional details available on our website.

Paint Studio

Sunday, July 13, 2:00 PM
For Families with Children

Stuffed Animal Birthday Party

Monday, July 14, 2:00 PM
For Families with Children

Celebration Preschool Play Lab

Tuesday, July 15, 10:30 AM
Ages 3-5 with a Caregiver

Indoor Minigolf

Tuesday, July 15, 2:00 PM
For Families with Children

Cupcake Crafts

Wednesday, July 16, 10:30 AM
Ages 5-12

Celebration Sculptures

Wednesday, July 16, 2:00 PM
For Families with Children

Lego Lab: Build a Cake

Thursday, July 17, 4:30 PM
For Families with Children

Have a Ball! Sensory Time

Friday, July 18, 10:30 AM
Ages 0-2

Jingly-Jangly Instruments

Friday, July 18, 2:00 PM
Ages 5-12

Kids Choice Theme in the Discovery Area!

Saturday, July 19

Adult Programs

BOOK CLUBS & MORE!

Registration opens 4 weeks before the program date. Register online or call 262-564-6112. Events are for adults only unless otherwise stated.

KENOSHA ANIME SOCIETY

Gather with fellow anime and manga enthusiasts for engaging sessions that fosters creativity, literacy and community building. Whether you are a seasoned fan or new to the anime world, this club is for you! **Registration recommended.**

Thursdays

June 5: *BYO Manga Show & Tell*

June 26: *AI Ethics Role-Play*

July 3: *Anime Storytelling 101*

July 17: *Thrifting Cosplay Workshop: Revive & Reimagine*

August 7: *Beat-Making & Anime Moods*

August 21: *Soundtrack Showdown*

6:00 - 7:30 PM

Southwest Library

MYSTERY LOVERS BOOK CLUB

Love mysteries? Join us to discuss your favorite reads, discover new authors, or just listen. No specific book required.

Mondays: June 9, July 14, August 11

2:00 - 3:00 PM

Northside Library

CALL-IN BOOK CLUB

Join our phone book club! To register and get the number, contact KAFASI at 262-658-3508 (ext. 110 or 118) or Emily Kastelic at ekastelic@mykpl.info.

Tuesdays: June 10, July 8, August 12

2:00 - 3:00 PM

Call-In Party Line

FANTASY/SCI-FI BOOK CLUB

Join fellow fantasy and sci-fi fans to discuss what you've been reading and discover new titles. No specific books required.

Mondays: June 23, July 28, August 25

6:00 - 7:30 PM

Southwest Library



BOOK BREAK IN THE PARK

Looking for a way to connect and enjoy a peaceful moment outdoors? Just bring your latest read and come relax in the park with fellow book lovers. It's the perfect way to cool down after the KPL Walking Club! **Registration is required.**

Tuesdays

June 24: Navy Memorial Park

July 22: Lincoln Park

August 19: Simmons Island

10:15 - 11:15 AM

CLASSIC NOVELS BOOK CLUB

What makes a novel a classic? Time, quality, or something else? Choose your own classic for our monthly discussion and explore what makes a book special.

Wednesdays: June 25, July 23, August 27

3:00 - 5:00 PM

Northside Library



LIT AF (AS FICTION) BOOK CLUB

Join Lit AF (As Fiction) for a flexible book club experience that delves into gripping titles across all genres! Connect with fellow readers on the Fable App, attend our monthly in-person meetings, or do both to dive deep into your next favorite stories. Visit mykpl.info for details.

Tuesdays: June 17, July 15, August 19

1:00 - 3:00 PM

Northside Library

UNCORKED & UNHINGED BOOK CLUB

Plagued by an unceasing yearning for all things eerie? Join KPL and The Final Girl, Kenosha's premier horror themed bar for Uncorked & Unhinged, a new kind of book club which pairs the latest thrillers, true crime, and horror titles with sinister atmosphere and killer drinks. Come prepared to discuss what's on top of your TBR, or help pick next month's read-along. **For more info on The Final Girl and their offerings:** www.thefinalgirlbar.com

Wednesdays: June 25, July 30, August 27

7:00 - 9:00 PM

The Final Girl

7546 Sheridan Road, Kenosha

CELEBRATING DIVERSITY

Registration opens 4 weeks before the program date. Register online or call 262-564-6112. Events are for adults only unless otherwise stated.

GLOBAL GOURMET: A FOOD AND CULTURE CLUB

A group to share stories of culture, cookbooks and culinary arts. Bring recipes to share. All skill levels are welcome. Registration appreciated but not required.

Thursdays

July 10: *Campfire Food*

August 14: *Tastes of County Donegal & Northern Ireland*

5:30 - 6:30 PM

Southwest Library

SOCIETY'S ASSETS: CELEBRATING 75 YEARS

Kenosha's support center for people with disabilities and meeting their goals for independent living since 1974.

July 1 - 31, closed July 4th

Northside Library Display Case

Closed Friday, July 4

CELEBRATING DIVERSITY - CONT.

THE CONGDON BROS AT WAR

Michael T. Sullivan, Wisconsin author, shares the heroic tale of three brothers from Palmyra who served in the Union Army during the Civil War. Discover their experiences before, during, and after defending their country. Registration is requested.

Friday, July 11
2:30 PM
Northside Library



KENOSHA PRIDE FEST

Find the KPL Book Truck and the Outreach team at Kenosha PRIDE for games and a fun prize.

Saturday, July 12
12:30 - 6:00 PM
Celebration Place
5501 Ring Rd, Kenosha



STAYCATION: COUNTY DONEGAL, IRELAND PRESENTED BY MALCOM MCDOWELL WOODS

Life in County Donegal inspired this heartwarming story by Malcom McDowell Woods. Come see beautiful photography and hear how community and nature inspired Woods to write *What the Tide Leaves Behind*. A skilled photographer and lecturer at the UW-Milwaukee, Woods has 22 years experience speaking to groups.

Friday, August 22
2:30 PM
Northside Library

CONNECTING YOU

Registration opens 4 weeks before the program date. Register online or call 262-564-6112. Events are for adults only unless otherwise stated.

KENOSHA HUMAN DEVELOPMENT SERVICES AT UPTOWN

KHDS staff will be at the Uptown Library on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month to assist patrons with Medicaid sign-ups, finding mental health providers, and long-term case management for mental health and substance abuse issues.

Tuesdays: June 10, June 24, July 8, July 22,
August 12, August 26
2:00 - 5:00 PM
Uptown Library

CLEARSKIES AHEAD: STROKE SURVIVOR & CAREGIVER GROUP

A free monthly event in partnership with ClearSky Rehabilitation Hospital of Kenosha, that is open to all stroke survivors, caregivers, family, and friends. Come explore resources, obtain useful information, and learn the best ways to navigate your circumstances while meeting other individuals who are facing similar challenges following a stroke. Monthly on the 4th Tuesday.

Tuesdays: June 24, July 22, August 26
2:30 - 3:30 PM
Northside Library

RENT SMART

Learn everything you need to know about being a renter in Wisconsin in a 6 module (1 hour each) virtual course. Prepared and presented by the University of Wisconsin-Extension, the following topics will be covered (and more!):

- + Tips for finding and maintaining affordable housing
- + How to complete an application and why landlords screen applicants
- + Responsibilities and rights of landlords and tenants

This virtual course will take place via Zoom and registration is required via the KPL event calendar. Participants will be emailed the Zoom classroom link upon registration. **Registration required.**

Mondays: July 7 through August 11
2:30-3:30 PM
Online Event

THIS LEAD IS KILLING US: A HISTORY OF CITIZENS FIGHTING LEAD POISONING IN THEIR COMMUNITIES

For over a century, people have fought against lead poisoning, which poses severe health risks. Today, no level of lead exposure is safe for children. This limited-time exhibit from the National Library of Medicine highlights community efforts to combat lead dangers.

August 28 - October 1
Northside Library

LEGAL ADVICE

Free legal advice appointments assist individuals navigating the civil court system. Participants can meet online for 30 minutes with a local attorney to review forms and get guidance. To request an appointment, fill out a legal advice intake form.

Wednesdays: Family Matters
10:30 - 12:00 PM
Online Event

Thursdays: Small claims, Renter's rights and Debt issues
12:00 - 1:30 PM
Online Event

HELPING MY FRIEND WITH GRIEF

This seminar teaches how to support friends through grief. It offers practical comfort ideas, emphasizes avoiding hurtful remarks, and explores emotional experiences of the grieving. Participants will learn to be a compassionate presence. Presented with Colson Leach of Compassus.

Thursday, June 12
4:30 PM
Northside Library

DEALING WITH GRIEF

This seminar is for anyone who has lost a loved one or friend. It explores the emotional and physical effects of grief, its duration, and ways to adapt to life after loss. Participants will receive practical tips for healing and adjustment. Presented with Colson Leach of Compassus.

Thursday, August 14
4:30 PM
Northside Library

THE GREAT OUTDOORS

Registration opens 4 weeks before the program date. Register online or call 262-564-6112. Events are for adults only unless otherwise stated.

KPL WALKING CLUB

Join us for an all-new hour-long walk, as we explore one of Kenosha's many beautiful parks & trails! **Maps and route information can be found on mykpl.us/walkingclub. Registration required for each walk, open to all ages.**

Tuesdays: June 24, July 22, August 19
9:00 - 10:00 AM

FUN, FIT FRIDAYS: LAKE ANDREA LOOPS!

Join KPL Outreach for themed walks every Friday at 8:30 a.m. at Lake Andrea/Froggy's Landing in Pleasant Prairie. Walk the 2.25-mile loop and earn free books. Comfortable shoes and water are recommended. Families and adults without children are welcome. Supervise children. Walks may be canceled in severe weather.

Fridays

June 20: Nature Scavenger Hunt

June 27: Book Character Walk; dress as your favorite book character!

July 11: Red, White and Blue Walk; wear patriotic, festive clothing!

July 18: Jump Rope Train

July 25: Christmas in July; wear holiday inspired clothing!

August 1: Pretend Pet Walk; bring your favorite stuffed animal friend!

August 8: Art in the Park

August 15: Pajama Walk; wear your pajamas!
No Walk July 4

8:30 AM

Beach Pavilion at Lake Andrea

9999 Park Drive Pleasant Prairie, WI 53158

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT 2025

National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood fellowship. Find the KPL Book Truck and Outreach staff onsite to promote the library, literacy and strong healthy communities! Open to all ages.

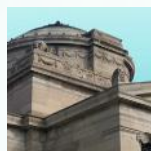
Tuesday, August 5

5:00 - 7:00 PM

Petzke Park & The Dream Playground
2820 14th Ave, Kenosha

KPL CLASSICS

Registration opens 4 weeks before the program date. Register online or call 262-564-6112. Events are for adults only unless otherwise stated.



BEHIND THE SCENES TOUR OF THE SIMMONS LIBRARY

Tour the historic Simmons Library and learn about its history and design. Includes stair climbing and a spiral staircase. Simmons Library is not ramp-accessible. **Registration required.**

Saturdays: June 14, July 12, August 9
2:30 - 3:30 PM
Simmons Library

CRIBBAGE CLUB

Join our new library club for players of all skill levels! We'll supply the boards, pegs, and cards - you bring the strategy!

Thursdays: July 17, August 21

6:00 PM

Southwest Library

No Club Thursday, June 19



NORTHSIDE AFTERNOON MOVIE

Once a month, join us at your Northside neighborhood branch for a movie night with friends! Enjoy highly-rated new releases and nostalgic favorites. Popcorn will be provided, and feel free to bring your own beverages and snacks. Doors open at 12:15pm, Movie begins at 12:30pm. Movie selections available on our website.

Thursdays: July 17, August 21

12:30 - 3:00 PM

Northside Library

No Movie Thursday, June 19

INTRODUCTION TO MYKPL @ SOUTHWEST LIBRARY

Welcome to Kenosha Public Library! New and old library card holders alike can take part in a guided tour of the Southwest Library spaces. After the physical tour, we'll sit down and take a digital tour of our website and what is available to you as library card holders.

Monday, June 2
10:00 - 11:15 AM
Southwest Library

Monday, July 14
2:00 - 3:00 PM
Southwest Library

Thursday, August 28
6:30 - 7:45 PM
Southwest Library

KPL GARDENING CLUB

Registration opens 4 weeks before the program date. Register online or call 262-564-6112. Events are for adults only unless otherwise stated.

KPL GARDENING CLUB WEBSITE

Visit our website to access handouts from previous workshops, find a variety of free resources and webinars, or to find out more about our partners!

www.mykpl.us/gardening

GARDENING FOR BEGINNERS SERIES

Join UW Extension Educator Vijai Pandian for a free skills series! Ages 14+, registration required.

Bilingual option available by request one month in advance; Opción bilingüe disponible en todas las bibliotecas.

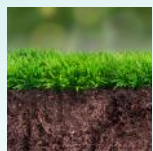
GROWING & HARVESTING BLUEBERRIES

Join this outdoor demonstration class and learn about growing blueberries in raised garden beds. We will explore the growth, yield and taste performance of different varieties. **This is a 60-minute outdoor program for adults, please dress for the weather. Registration required.**

Saturday, July 26
10:00 - 11:15 AM
Kenosha County Center
19600 75th Street, Bristol



KPL GARDENING CLUB - CONT.



COMPOSTING

Commonly known as Black Gold, compost is a key organic ingredient in building healthy soil. Learn how to make simple,

hot compost with yard trimmings and kitchen waste. **Registration required.**

Saturday, August 23
1:00 PM - 2:30 PM
Southwest Library

SUSTAINABLE GARDENING: GARDENING FOR THE BEES!

Join us in the Bee Barn to learn how to conserve water and support local honey bees while making your very own bee bath! All materials will be provided for this adult only craft. **Registration required.**

Saturday, August 9
10:00 - 11:30 AM
Gateway Technical College
Center for Sustainable Living
3217 34th Ave, Kenosha



FREE GARDENING WEBINARS BY MELINDA MYERS

Visit the website for a full list of upcoming webinars offered by author & gardening expert, Melinda Myers! Webinars are free. **Registration required.**

www.melindamyers.com

SPARK CREATIVITY

Registration opens 4 weeks before the program date. Register online or call 262-564-6112. Events are for adults only unless otherwise stated.

IN STITCHES: A SEWING CLUB

Join our monthly sewing sessions to learn or work on your projects with provided machines and patterns. All skill levels welcome!

Tuesdays: June 3, July 1, August 5
6:00 - 8:00 PM
Southwest Library

FIBER ARTS CLUB: SIMMONS

Love knitting or crocheting? Bring your project, share patterns, and chat with fellow makers!

Wednesdays: June 4, July 2, August 6
5:00 - 6:00 PM
Simmons Library

FIBER ARTS CLUB: NORTHSIDE

Love knitting or crocheting? Bring your project, share patterns, and chat with fellow makers!

Mondays: June 16, July 21, August 18
6:00 - 7:00 PM
Northside Library

UPCYCLED CRAFTING: UPCYCLED FABRIC CREATIONS

Don't throw out those old clothes or fabric scraps! Join us on National Upcycling Day and we'll show you how to turn them into something new! **Registration required.**

Tuesday, June 24
5:00 - 6:30 PM
Gateway Technical College
Center for Sustainable Living
3217 34th Ave, Kenosha

BIRDS & BALLOONS: A GLOW IN THE DARK PAINT NIGHT

Join us for a glowing paint-and-sip night! Participants will be guided through a step-by-step process to create their very own masterpiece, that glows in the dark!

Wednesday, July 9
6:00 PM
Northside Library

TECH CORNER

Registration opens 4 weeks before the program date. Register online or call 262-564-6112. Events are for adults only unless otherwise stated.

3D PRINT & DESIGN CLUB

Join fellow hobbyists and designers to discuss 3D printing, design, and crafting. Open to beginners and experienced creators alike.

Tuesdays: July 15, August 19
6:30 - 7:30 PM
Southwest Library



TRIVIA NIGHT: HUMANS VS. THE MACHINE

Can you outwit the machine? In this fun night of trivia you will challenge Gemini, Google's AI technology to determine once and for all if humans are smarter than the machine.

Monday, July 21
6:00 - 7:30 PM
Northside Library

Monday, August 11
6:00 - 7:30 PM
Southwest Library



SUMMER DEVICE CLEAN-UP!

It's still Summer! Time to do some cleaning of the digital kind before Fall. Learn how to manage, organize, delete, and move files, on your devices in this workshop or just come to be motivated to actually do the clean-up and support each other. Bring your own devices, USB sticks, external storage devices, and logins for any cloud based services including things like your gmail/google account.

Friday, August 29
11:00 - 12:15 PM
Simmons Library

Celebrating 125 Years of Kenosha Public Library



The excitement isn't over — we're still going strong with new and exciting programs at both our Simmons and Uptown branches. Whether you're a long-time library patron or a first-time visitor, there's something for everyone to enjoy. Come check out what's new, reconnect with the library, and be part of this historic milestone.

UPTOWN LIBRARY: CELEBRATING 100 YEARS

Registration opens 4 weeks before the program date. Register online or call 262-564-6112. Events are for adults only unless otherwise stated.

SENIOR STITCH SOCIETY

Fiber art enthusiasts, unite! Join us to share your projects, patterns, and make new friends. Whether you're experienced or just starting, you'll find a welcoming space for creativity and conversation. **For adults, no registration required.**

Mondays: June 2, July 7, August 4
10:30 - 11:30 AM
Uptown Library

LEGENDS & LORE RPG

Answer the call to adventure with the KPL Adult D&D club! Epic quests, battles, and stories await. No experience needed. **Registration required.**

Thursdays: June 26, August 28
6:00 - 8:00 PM
Uptown Library

ADULTS & CRAFTS

Come craft with us! Enjoy DIY, stress relief, and a sense of accomplishment while making something to take home. **For adults, registration required.**

Plein-Air Painting
Monday, June 30
4:00 - 5:30 PM
Uptown Library

Alcohol Ink Trinkets
Tuesday, August 12
10:00 - 11:30 AM
Uptown Library

SIMMONS LIBRARY: CELEBRATING 125 YEARS

Registration opens 4 weeks before the program date. Register online or call 262-564-6112. Events are for adults only unless otherwise stated.

DRUM CIRCLE

Be a part of the fun in this engaging drum circle led by John Stolfe from Stolfe Percussion Studio. In this session, you will embark on a musical journey and learn about the traditions of connecting through rhythm from cultures around the world. **No experience is needed to participate, drums and percussion instruments will be available to share! All ages are welcome, registration required.**

Friday, June 13
10:00 AM
Simmons Library Park

ADULTS & CRAFTS

Come craft with us! Enjoy DIY, stress relief, and a sense of accomplishment while making something to take home. **For adults, registration required.**

Plein-Air Painting
Tuesday, June 17
10:00 - 11:30 AM
Simmons Library

Alcohol Ink Trinkets
Monday, August 25
6:00 - 7:30 PM
Simmons Library



DYE-O-RAMA: ICE DYE

Back by popular demand! Learn different tips, tricks and techniques for ice dye and make your own ice dye creation to take

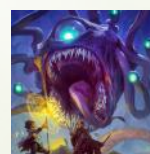
home. **For adults, registration required.**

Tuesday, July 15
5:00 PM
Simmons Library Park

DOCUMENTARY CLUB

Join our monthly Documentary Club for engaging films and discussions. The event is downstairs with a spiral staircase. Simmons Library is not ramp-accessible. **For adults, no registration required.**

Wednesdays: June 18, July 16, August 20
5:30 - 7:30 PM
Simmons Library



LEGENDS & LORE RPG

Answer the call to adventure with the KPL Adult D&D club! Epic quests, battles, and stories await. No experience needed.

Registration required.

Thursdays: July 24
6:00 - 8:00 PM
Simmons Library







Kenosha Public Library's summer reading program, Everybody Reads, is open for all ages from June 1 to August 31. Register at any branch for a chance to win prizes. Families are encouraged to join! Logs can be printed at home or picked up at any KPL branch.

June 1 - August 31
www.mykpl.us/reading

friends of the
kenosha public
LIBRARY
book sale

Join us for the Summer Friends of the Kenosha Public Library Book Sale! Fill a bag for \$5 - a limited number of bags will be available. Tote bags are available for purchase. All proceeds from these sales go directly to supporting library enhancements, projects, and services.

Friday, June 27
9:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Southwest Library

Saturday, June 28
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Southwest Library

Sunday, June 29
12:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Southwest Library

**Watch for us in the Kenosha Civic
Veterans Day Parade!**

Sunday, June 29
1:00 PM
Downtown Kenosha

