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ALL AGES LIBRARY PROGRAMS

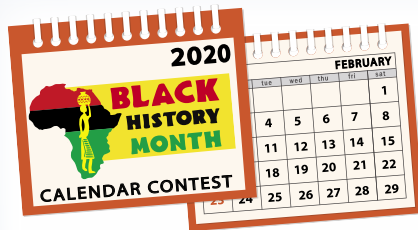


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AFTER-HOURS TOURS: 4:45-5:45 THURSDAYS; JAN. 16 & FEB. 20

Dive into history and learn details about Hackley Public Library during an 'After-Hours' guided tour! Visitors are asked to arrive at 4:45 PM to gather in HPL's lower level meeting rooms, and the tours will begin at 5:00 PM. Please park in the rear parking lot as the front doors will be locked. Tours will be approximately 1 hour. These tours are FREE and open to the public. Call (231) 722-8000 with any questions!



DEC. 2 - JAN. 10 Black History Month Calendar Contest

Participate in HPL's annual calendar contest, where we'll showcase artwork from all ages to celebrate

African American achievements. Everyone is invited to submit drawings! To enter, draw a picture from African American history on an entry form. Entry forms are available to pick up at Hackley Library. The best pictures will be published in a free calendar which will be available throughout Muskegon. All submissions are due by Friday, January 10. We'll announce the winners at our Awards Ceremony on February 3 during Open Mic Night. All ages are recommended to participate in this calendar contest!

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JAN. 6, MON. 6:00-7:00 Three Kings Day/ Los Tres Reyes Magos

In Spanish-speaking countries this special day represents the height of the holiday season! The Three Wise Men arrive to bring presents and families eat special foods. Celebrate Los Tres Reyes Magos with us. We'll have fun activities, snacks, and prizes to give away! This program is done in partnership with Latinos Working for the Future.

JAN. 14, TUES. 6:00-7:00

Classical Guitar

with Kyle Thompson - HPL Music

Classical guitarist, Kyle Thompson, first picked up the guitar at age thirteen and became fascinated by it. Now Professor of Guitar at Grand Valley State University, he is sharing his skills with the Muskegon community. This musical performance is recommended for all ages.



JANUARY 14 & 28 ~ TUESDAYS @10:00

Story time at The Coffee Factory

Join us for a special story time at The Coffee Factory in Muskegon. We'll have fun with reading books and singing songs! Food and beverages are available for purchase. The Coffee Factory is located at 1402 Hudson St, Muskegon, MI 49441.



**JAN. 28
TUES. 6:00-7:00**
Kingdom Embassy
Covenant Church
Praise Team

Black History Month Kick-Off Event

Please join us for an evening of inspirational music and some Black History as we kick-off our Black History events! The Kingdom Embassy Covenant Church Praise Team will be sharing their singing talent that is sure to warm the heart. There will also be a special Praise Dance performed by Tiffany and Trinita Jones.

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ALL AGES LIBRARY PROGRAMS CONT.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH FEB. 3, MON. 6-7:30

Poetry Open Mic Night and Black History Month Calendar Awards



Read your own poetry or read works from your favorite Black History/Black Experience/African

American poet. Walk-ins are encouraged! Also, from 6-6:30, those who have been selected for our annual Black History month calendar will be honored and the calendar will be distributed.

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BLACK HISTORY MONTH FEB. 8TH SAT. 2-3:00

SWEET Soul Food CONTEST



Get your recipes out and find your best soul food dessert. Compete for the best in the city! Bring enough for attendees, plus the judge, to taste. Register by calling HPL or visit the online calendar by February 7th. Prizes will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place contestants in the adult category and to the 1st place winner in the children's category.

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BLACK HISTORY MONTH FEB. 22, SAT. 2-3:00



"THE MEETING"

Come see this moving play depicting the supposed meeting of Malcolm X and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Differing in their philosophies, but alike in their mutual respect, the two men debate their varying approaches to the same grave social problems, both prepared to die for their beliefs but neither aware of how soon their assassins' bullets await them.

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BLACK HISTORY MONTH FEB. 29, SAT. 2-4:00



Jon Covington and the Men from the Documentary BLACK MAN

Muskegon native Jon Covington's

documentary *BLACK MAN* comes to life in a live version at Hackley Public Library. Unfolding past and present-day stories of African American men, this compelling event will showcase influential and universal stories from all walks of life.

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ADULT LIBRARY PROGRAMS

The Artist's Way



12 WEEK CREATIVE WORKSHOP
FRIDAYS
2:00-4:00
JAN. 3RD - MARCH 27TH

The "Artist's Way" by Julia Cameron is a powerful 12-week program that helps creative people to become their most creative selves. Within the safety of a supportive group, we will read and review exercises and tasks outlined in the book, journal and share our insights, memories, and scars. Facilitated by Martha Colburn of Warehouse Studio (yes, there will be some homework!). Call HPL at 231-722-8011 or visit the online calendar to register. Copies of the book can be found at libraries, book stores, or on Amazon. It is recommended that participants come to every session for the full benefit of the program.

'Left to Write'

Creative Writing Group
2ND AND 4TH
WEDNESDAY
OF EACH
MONTH
3:30-4:30
JAN. 8, 22
FEB. 12, 26



Do you enjoy creative writing? Are you inspired by innovative thoughts and ideas? Become a part of 'Left to Write', HPL's own Creative Writing Group! Here you can share your own stories, participate in exercises, and meet other creative writers. This group will provide a low key atmosphere for writers of all experiences. Everyone is welcome, so feel free to tell your friends! Remember to bring paper and your favorite pen.

NEW YEAR NONFICTION BOOK DISCUSSION

MONDAYS-6:00-7:00

JAN. 13TH & FEB. 24TH

Kick off the New Year with a couple of 2019's bestselling non-fiction titles. Copies will be available behind the HPL reference desk one month before the discussion on a first come first served basis. Please bring copies back to the discussion. Call 231-722-8000 with any questions.



BOOKS TO BE DISCUSSED:

Jan 13th
EDUCATED
by Tara Westover



Feb. 24th
BECOMING
by Michelle Obama



Hackley Crafts



JAN. 6, MON.
6:00-7:00

Book Hedgehog
Repurpose an

old book to create an adorable hedgehog. All materials will be provided. Call HPL at 231-722-8011 or visit the online calendar to register. Registration opens 1 month before the class date.

FEB 10, MON. 6:00-7:00
Black History Bracelet

BLACK HISTORY MONTH Create your own bracelet in celebration of Black History Month. Registration opens one month before the class date.

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ADULT LIBRARY PROGRAMS CONT.

JAN 7, TUES. 6:00 -7:00 *Let's Get Physical! Presentation by MSU Extension.* Physical activity is important to stay healthy! Join us for this presentation by the MSU Extension as they guide you through different activities to help you move more and sit less.

JAN 18, SAT. 12:00 - 2:00 *Murder by the Book - A Library Murder Mystery.* During a seemingly normal day at the library, a librarian is found dead in the stacks. Whodunnit? There are plenty of suspects with a motive for murder. Will you be able to help the detective crack this case? This is a FREE ticketed event. Free tickets will be available for pick up at HPL starting December 26.



BLACK HISTORY MONTH

FEB 1, SAT. 2:00 - 3:00
6th Annual Black History Trivia Contest



So you think you know your Black History? Form a group with your friends (*up to 4 per team, 6 teams total*) and pit your knowledge against other teams. Call Hackley Public Library at 231-722-8011 or visit the online calendar to register your team by January 31st.

Teams will be asked questions on Black History. We'll have prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place teams, as well as some consolation prizes. *Brought to the community through a generous bequest from Bess Commodore.*

YOUTH PROGRAMS

JAN. 6TH THROUGH JAN. 31ST *Youth Winter Reading Program*



Cozy up with a good book or listen to a new story. Every book you read enters you into a drawing for a fun prize! Sign up and participate in the Youth Services Department. Winners will be drawn the first week of February. Ages birth-17.

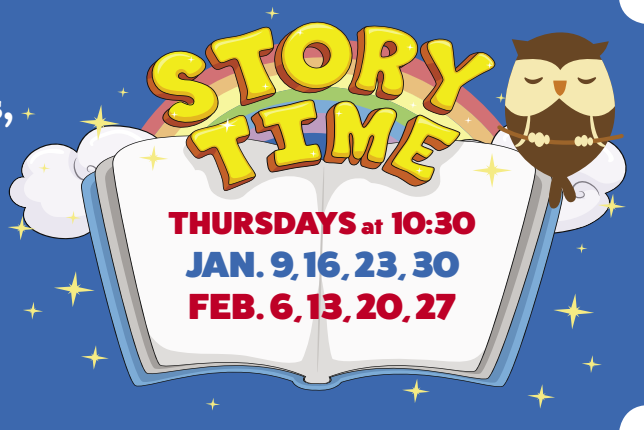


Hackley Family Crafts

SATURDAYS from 2:00-3:00
JANUARY 11 | FEBRUARY 8

Take time to create something new and unique with a monthly craft time for families. Activities are designed for all ages and ability levels.

Join us for themed stories, songs, movement activities, interactive apps, and a craft! Ages 0-5 with a caregiver.



JAN. 18, SAT. 2:00-3:00 | *Books and Bookbinding*

Did you know the library has a special collection of historical books in glass cases? At this program we'll learn the history of bookbinding, interact with a few books normally off-display, and make a book of our own to take home. **Registration is required and open to the first 35 patrons. Ages 8+.**

JAN. 25, SAT. 2:00-3:30

MINECRAFT

Kick your creative mind into overdrive and craft something new on our Minecraft server. This computer-based activity is open to the first 20 participants. Ages 7-12. **Registration is required.**

FEB. 1, SAT. 2:00-4:30 | **LEGOs!**

Stay warm and cozy at the library. Come for a LEGO building party! All creations go on display in the Youth Services Department. All ages.



FEB. 15, SAT. 2:00-3:00 | **DIY Stained Glass**

Brighten up your home with this colorful project! Celebrate Valentine's Day and make a stained glass window in a heart design. Ages 8+. **Registration is required and open to the first 25 registrants.**



FEB. 22, SAT. 2:00-4:00 | **Roblox Mania**

Play and create new games in Roblox--the largest user-generated online gaming platform. Come with your login or make a new one at this open gaming session. Computers are first come first served. Ages 9-14.

ROBLOX

FEB. 29, SAT. 2:00-4:30 | **Leap Into Leap Day!**

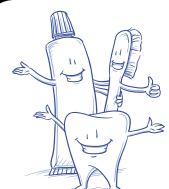
Drop into Youth Services any time after 2:00 for rabbit-ing good fun! We're celebrating Leap Day with frog-themed crafts. All ages.



WEDO ROBOTICS 5:30-6:30

JANUARY 13, 27 | FEBRUARY 11, 25

Explore LEGOs and coding with these special kits. Instructors will be on hand to teach the group and guide individual learning. Ages 7-14.



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MAIN LIBRARY HOURS

Sundays - Closed
Monday - Tuesday - 12:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Wednesday - Saturday - 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

Jan. 1 - New Year - Closed
Jan. 20 - Martin Luther King Jr. Day - Closed
Feb. 17 - President's Day - Closed

Happy New Year!

I am excited to announce the addition of the Hackley Public Library as one of the display locations for the winners of the Nelson Neighborhood Improvement Association's Outstanding Artistic Achievement Award. Each year a poster contest is conducted with pieces submitted by the Muskegon High School Art Department. The students' artwork is presented at the Muskegon Farmers Market, where members of the public are invited to vote for their favorites.



I was immediately taken with the project when Sherri Slater from the NNIA, who spearheaded the contest, approached me about the Library's involvement. The rotating art will significantly increase the potential

for positive conversations around art and the ongoing evolution of the neighborhood that the Library serves as an anchor. The partnership seemed to be a natural fit.

The first piece featured on the main floor of the Library is titled, *Growth Within* by Sahkera McMillan and David Stephon. The piece features multiracial hands watering a tree which is flourishing from the care it is receiving. The tree in the painting is a Bonsai, which may be an allusion to the constant care and patience needed to keep it alive and growing.

Look for this inspiring piece and others on rotation at the Library.

Have a great day, and happy reading!

Joe Zappacosta,
Director, Hackley Public Library



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