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UPCOMING EVENTS

Summer Reading Club Plus YOU Equals Fun for All Ages



Join the club! Everyone is invited to join the Summer Reading Club 2013 at any Memphis Public Library location. From **June 1 - July 28**, children, teens, and adults can cash in on the benefits of reading.

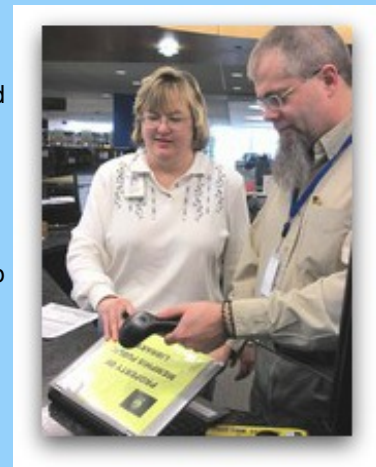
To participate in [Summer Reading Club 2013](#), Library customers can visit their local library branch to sign up or register online at www.memphislibrary.org. Each week readers log the number of books or hours they've read and win prizes. For every 10 books or 10 hours read, participants' names will be entered into a drawing for a grand prize at the summer's end.

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Laptops for Checkout at All Library Locations

Books aren't the only things Library customers can check out. Now, the "smartest" card in your wallet offers access to laptops which can be checked out for internal use at any Library branch system wide.

No line. No waiting. Customers needing to use computers no longer have to wait on the next desktop computer. They can use these printer-ready laptops equipped with current software such as Microsoft Office 2010.



For more information on how to check out a laptop, call your local library branch or visit any circulation desk. At the Benjamin L. Hooks Central Library (3030 Poplar Avenue), laptops are available on the third floor in the Humanities Department.

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TWEENS & TEENS

Teen Tech Camp Explores the Technical Realm with

SIM Computer professionals from the Memphis chapter of the Society for Information Management (SIM) will teach and assist teens throughout the workshop, helping them to achieve three specific goals: 1.) To develop a better understanding of IT career choices before graduating high school; 2.) To experience fun aspects of technology; and 3.) To interact with good role models currently working in the IT careers.



Teens, wouldn't it be cool if you could create and program your own video game? Now you can at [Teen Tech Camp](#), an interactive five-day workshop at The Benjamin L. Hooks Central Library (3030 Poplar Avenue). From **July 15 - 20, 2013**, twenty lucky teens - ages 13 to 15 - can learn the fundamentals of computer programming with hands-on training from field professionals.

Teens interested in participating in the camp can apply at any Library location or access an application online at www.memphislibrary.org/teens/techcamp. Applications should be returned to any Library branch by **May 3, 2013**. For more information on [Teen Tech Camp](#), call (901) 415-2732.

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Teen Employment Week Offers Teens a Special Edge in Job Seeking

A poster for 'Teen Employment Week' with the tagline 'THIS EVENT IS FOR TEENS.' It lists three events: 'Write Your First Resume' on Tuesday, April 9th at 3:30 pm; 'Job Corps Program' on Wednesday, April 10th at 3:30 pm; and 'Get the Job' on Thursday, April 11th at 3:30 pm. Below the text are two photos of teens, a girl and a boy, with speech bubbles asking questions like 'Where can I get help writing my first resume?' and 'How do I gain that "experience" everyone wants?'. At the bottom, it provides contact information for the Whitehaven Branch Library and the Memphis Public Library, along with social media icons for Facebook and Twitter.

Landing a job will be a little easier for teens visiting the Whitehaven Branch Library (4120 Millbranch Road) on **April 9 - 11**. It's Teen Employment Week.

Targeting the youngest members of today's workforce, this series of seminars will help to educate youth on drafting their resumes, handling tough interview questions, and gaining work experience while still in school.

Programs offered during Teen Employment Week are: 1.) Write Your First Resume, 2.) Job Corps Program, and 3.) Get the Job.

For more information on [Teen Employment Week](#), call (901) 415-2700 or visit www.memphislibrary.org and click [What's New](#).

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For a complete list of Teen Activities at the Library, [click here!](#)

CHILDREN

New Literacy Stations at Memphis Libraries Offer Educational Fun

Regardless of which side of town one lives, Memphis Public Library locations offer customers a wealth of knowledge for the young and the young at heart. The newest additions to some Memphis libraries are early literacy stations designed for children ages 2 - 8.

Children have access to 50 educational, bilingual, and easy-to-use software programs that enhance school readiness and make learning fun. Covering a range of subjects from reading and spelling to social studies and mathematics, this touch-screen technology helps to strengthen skills learned in the classroom.

[Early literacy stations](#) are available at the following library branches: Benjamin L. Hooks Central Library, Cherokee, Cornelia Crenshaw, East Shelby, Frayser, Gaston Park, Hollywood, North, Parkway Village, Poplar-White Station, Randolph, Raleigh, South, and Whitehaven.

For more information on early literacy stations, visit www.memphislibraryfoundation.org.

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'Read with Me, Sign with Me' has Something for Everyone

Reading is a sign of one's love for literacy. "[Read with Me, Sign with Me](#)" is a program that promotes literacy for children who read and for children who sign.

This family event will take place on **Saturday, April 6, 2013** at 11 a.m., and **Saturday, May 4, 2013** in the Children's Department of The Benjamin L. Hooks Central Library (3030 Poplar Avenue).

Children ages 2 - 12 can take an adventure, while presenters read and sign stories. "Read with Me, Sign with Me" is an opportunity for all children to develop a love for reading and to learn basic sign language. Parents of hearing-impaired children are also encouraged to take advantage of Library resources, like DVDs, specialized for hearing-impaired youth.

For more information on "Read with Me, Sign with Me," call (901) 415-2739 or visit www.memphislibrary.org.

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For a complete list of Children's Activities at the Library, [click here](#).

Read With Me, Sign With Me.

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For families with children ages 2 - 12

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ON THE AIR

WYPL Television and Radio

Let's talk about books during Book Talk! Tune in to WYPL TV and Radio for Book Talk. Join the conversation!

Thursday, April 11, 2 p.m. - Dana Sachs' "The Secret of the Nightingale Palace"

Memphis native, Dana Sachs, will return home to promote her new novel.

Wednesday, April 17, 2 p.m. - Jill McCorkle's "Life After Life"

This intriguing tale is the first novel in 17 years from one of the South's best fiction authors.

Saturday, April 13, 6 p.m. - Alan Huffman's "Here I Am: The Story of Tim Hetherington, War Photographer"

This is the companion book to the documentary, which airs April 18. It is about the late Oscar-nominated film director and photographer.

May 1 - 21, 3 p.m. (weekdays) - Herman Markell reads "SEAL Team Six" by Howard Wasdin and Stephen Templin

May 4, 11, & 18, 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. - Dave Lindstrom reads "A Brief History of Memphis" by MPLIC employee G. Wayne Dowdy.

WYPL is located at The Benjamin L. Hooks Central Library (3030 Poplar Avenue).

For more information, visit [WYPL](#) online.

ADULT PROGRAMS

College Collage Offers a Chance to Get Back into the Game

Citizens of Memphis can get back into the game of education on **Friday, April 12, 2013** from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at The Benjamin L. Hooks Central Library (3030 Poplar Avenue).



Annual college fair, College Collage will offer non-traditional students a chance to get information on returning to school and completing their degrees, despite how long they've been out of the classroom.

Colleges, universities, and offices attending the event include the University of Memphis, Christian Brothers University, LeMoyné-Owen College, Webster University, Southwest Community College, Remington College, Mid-South Christian College, Phoenix University, the Shelby County Sheriffs Department, and many more.

For more information on College Collage, call (901) 415-2700.

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JobLINC Bus is Taking Citizens Places

When the wheels on this bus go 'round, the citizens of Memphis go places. That's because The Memphis Public Library and Information Center's JobLINC bus offers numerous career services, including job readiness skills to anyone who comes aboard.



Funded by The Plough Foundation, the eco-friendly ride is equipped with several Internet-ready laptop stations, printers, job resource material, and an interview area. Also, jobseekers can take advantage of training workshops to prepare for the workplace.

The JobLINC bus is on the road five days a week. It is routinely parked at The Benjamin L. Hooks Central Library (3030 Poplar Avenue) on Mondays from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

For more information on JobLINC and for the JobLINC bus schedule, visit www.memphislibrary.org and select the blue "JobLINC Career Center" icon under "Web Channels".

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BRANCH HIGHLIGHT

Hollywood Library

Where's a place that offers GED classes for adults, computer classes for kids, and 21 easily-accessible computers for public use? It's the Hollywood Branch Library, located at 1530 North Hollywood Street in Memphis.

Serving the community for 37 years, Hollywood has more than 23,000 items for Library guests to choose from, covering a range of topics. This family-friendly place also has book clubs for kids, after-school programs, ShoWagon plays, an early literacy station, and special events, like literacy game night and holiday celebrations.

One of five locations in the Memphis Public Library System with a Job & Career Center, Hollywood Branch Library helps citizens to get jobs or return to work. Customers can fine tune their resumes or research careers, using desktop or laptop computers - all available at their fingertips

Located near a health clinic and community center, Hollywood Library cares about the holistic health of its customers and will begin offering adult Nutrition classes with demonstrations in June 2013.

Teens who enjoy the Arts can visit Hollywood Library to view art shows and enjoy several other programs and services that this great place has to offer.

For more information on Hollywood Branch Library, call (901) 415-2772 or visit www.memphislibrary.org.



PLAN AHEAD

Upcoming Events to Calendar

Baby Story Time - Tuesday, April 9, 11 a.m. - 11:20 a.m. @ Poplar-White Station Library

Performance and Poetry: How Do You Shape It? How Do You Sign It? - Wednesday, April 17, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

@ Benjamin L. Hooks Central Library

English Language Learners' Conversation Group - Thursday, April 18, 2:30 p.m. - 4 p.m. @ Cordova Library

Career Week: TN Career Coach - Monday - Thursday, April 22-25, 10 a.m. @ Frayser Library

Read With Me, Sign With Me - Saturday, May 11, 11 a.m. @ Raleigh Library

Poetry / Rap Slam - Thursday, May 16, 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. @ Parkway Village Library

Bilingual Story Time - Saturday, May 25, 2 p.m. @ Randolph Library

[Click here](#) for more events happening in the Memphis Public Library System.

The Memphis Public Library is in the business of satisfying your need to know! We will see you again in June!

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