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Big News @ Your Library!

#BookMyne Puts Library Services in Customers' Hands!

Memphis Public Library customers can now search the Library's catalog, renew items, and place holds all from their iPhones or Androids, using the Library's new [BookMyne](#) app!



"A large percentage of our customers access Library services through mobile devices, so we want to accommodate

them," noted Virtual Digital Branch Manager Kevin Dixon. "Plus, many local households that do not have a desktop computer may have a phone and can access Library services also. Ultimately, we're reaching more people with more great services," he explained.

BookMyne user guides are available for customers with [iPhones](#) and [Android](#) phones.

Once customers visit the new [Mobile Library](#), they'll find a user-friendly web page optimized for mobile devices listing a variety of services!

[Read more](#)

Tell Us What You Think About #ExploreMemphis2015!

The Memphis Public Library & Information Center prides itself on helping customers to "connect, learn, and grow". Explore Memphis Summer of Learning is one example of the Library connecting customers and communities. We want to hear what you have to say about your summer at the Library!



Explore Memphis 2015 participants of all ages are asked to complete a simple survey to share their thoughts about the summer learning program. Event organizers will take responses from the five-minute survey to help improve Explore Memphis next year.

To complete a survey, customers are encouraged to stop by any branch of the Memphis Public Library System and ask a helpful librarian.

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Signed Books for Sale While Supplies Last!



A piece of history is now at readers' fingertips! Special limited edition books signed by former presidents, prominent authors, and others are available for sale by the [Memphis Friends of the Library](#) on Amazon.com.

Library customers and history buffs can choose from a collection of more than 60 treasured books from donor Ronald Perel to the Memphis Library Foundation.

Offering several different genres, the list includes books like *Memoirs of Richard Nixon* and *Leaders* by former President Nixon, *On Wings of Eagles* by Ken Follett, *The Good War* by Studs Terkel, *The Bourne Identity* by Robert Ludlum, *Elephants in Your Mailbox* by Robert Horchow, and many others.

Memphis Public Libraries, the Memphis Library Foundation, and Friends of the Library have teamed up to bring the books to readers. [Click here](#) to see a complete list of the signed books.

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Not Too Late to Make a Splash This Summer

Get your City of Memphis pool card today at any Memphis Public Library location!



Make your "stay-cation" fun this summer at any City of Memphis pool before the season ends Saturday, July 25. But, before making a splash, stop by Memphis Public Libraries to get a City Access Card. (Pool cards are not available at Bartlett Library or East Shelby Library.)

Swimmers must register if you'd like to use a City of Memphis Aquatics Facility, if you have misplaced your previously-issued pool card, if you have turned 13 years old since your pool card was issued, if you have turned 18 since your pool card was issued, or if you have a Library card and would like to attend an Aquatics Facility. All minors who would like to register for a City Access Card must be accompanied by a parent or guardian and must present a valid form of identification such as an official birth certificate, official shot record, or passport.

Once inside City of Memphis pool areas, swimmers ages 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult (with an Access Card also). Swimmers of all ages should register for their pool cards from 11 am - 3 pm at any Memphis Public Library branch. Access Cards are available at the Benjamin L. Hooks Central Library (3030 Poplar Avenue) 10 am - 7 pm on Mondays - Thursdays; 10 am - 4 pm on Fridays and Saturdays; and 1 pm - 4 pm on Sundays.

[Click here](#) to find a City of Memphis pool near you!

CHILDREN

Children's Courtyard @ #CentralLibrary Gets a Facelift!

Thanks to the generous support of Baptist Memorial Hospital, the Children's Department Courtyard at the Benjamin L. Hooks Central Library (3030 Poplar Avenue) recently received a facelift! A lively mural featuring exotic animals was painted on the south wall of the courtyard. The new space also includes bistro tables, chairs, and shade umbrellas.

"Baptist is pleased to sponsor this beautiful mural in the courtyard of Central Library, where families can enjoy reading and outdoor play, particularly for young children when inside space can be confining," said Baptist Memorial Health Care System Community Outreach Coordinator Ann Marie Wallace.

Memphis Library Foundation Executive Director Diane Jalfon added, "The newly-enhanced courtyard is so colorful and inviting. It's a perfect complement to the Children's Department, and we hope that customers of all ages will enjoy the space! The Library Foundation is proud of the improvements at Central Library, and hope that we will have an opportunity to beautify other branches in the coming year."

[Read more](#)

#ExploreMemphis2015 and YOU!

Explore Memphis 2015 is happening all around you, but it's not too late to join the fun and win prizes now through Saturday, July 25. A list of exciting programs awaits kids (and parents or guardians) at all Memphis Public Library locations citywide.

"It's not too late," stressed Senior Youth Services Librarian Michele Yellin. "Library customers can still get prizes for reading. It's simple and fun!"



Customers of all ages can participate in Explore Memphis by registering at any Memphis Public Library. A completely customizable summer learning experience, Explore Memphis offers a variety of ways for readers to get involved - from reading books and attending exciting Library programs to exploring major sites around the City for free!

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TEENS

Looking UP to #CLOUD901!



Library supporters of all ages are anticipating the completion of a new 8,300-square foot production space for teens coming soon to the Benjamin L. Hooks Central Library (3030 Poplar Avenue). #CLOUD901 is taking shape and will open in fall 2015!

The Memphis Library Foundation held its first crowdfunding campaign in June for #CLOUD901 equipment, raising \$6,570 of a \$10,000 goal. Funds will

be matched by generous donors Jack and Sandra Jones. Other Memphis Public Library supporters can donate to this project by calling the Memphis Library Foundation at (901) 415-2831.

Library customers interested in mentoring or teaching workshops in #CLOUD901 should contact Teen Services Coordinator Janae PittsMurdock at (901) 415-2834.

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New Teen Space @ #RandolphLibrary Now Complete!

Teens visiting Randolph Library (3752 Given Avenue) now have a new place to sit back and relax with a book or to simply hang out! A comfortable space with specialized teen material is now available at the branch for customers to enjoy.

"What started as an interesting idea has become an important new component to our ability to serve our customers here in the Highland Heights neighborhood," commented Randolph Library Branch Manager Scott Elsholz. "Many supporters have contributed to this project, and I want to thank each one for the part they played in the evolution of this space."



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[Click here](#) for a list of upcoming teens' events at Memphis Public Libraries!

ADULTS

Is Your Company Smarter Than St. Jude?

'Smartest Company in Memphis' title up for grabs! #SmartestCoMEM

Corporate Knowledge Bowl 2015 is your chance to vie for the title of "Smartest Company in Memphis"! St. Jude Children's Research Hospital currently holds the coveted title. The 18th annual trivia contest will take place during the lunch hour on September 23 - October 2 at the Benjamin L. Hooks Central Library (3030 Poplar Avenue). The final competition is scheduled for Friday, October 2.

Teams are forming now! The deadline for entry is September 4, but discounted rates are available for companies that register early.



**Corporate Knowledge Bowl 2014 Winners
St. Jude Children's Research Hospital**

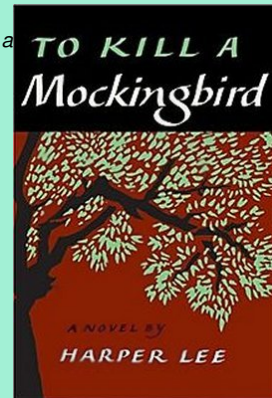
Teams must consist of four employees and a maximum of four alternates. Co-workers, relatives, and friends are encouraged to attend and cheer on their teams in this double elimination tournament. New this year, companies can also sponsor a vendor, client, and/or competitor.

Questions are challenging and well-researched by librarians throughout the Memphis Public Library System. They cover a range of topics from historical facts to current events, popular culture to local interest, sports to science, and more!

[Read more](#)

Familiar Tale Featured for Adults' #ExploreMemphis2015

Rediscover author Harper Lee's talent for narration on each page of *To Kill a Mockingbird* this summer during #ExploreMemphis2015 for adults. The familiar tale has attracted new attention after the discovery of another manuscript by Lee - *Go Set a Watchman* - a sequel to her classic to be published in July 2015.



"This is a very timely and relevant book selection," said Adult Services Coordinator Wang-Ying Glasgow. "Working with *Facing History and Ourselves* is an ideal partnership because the book is their focus in Shelby County Schools. They have a great curriculum. The Library brings similar lessons to the community, and Explore Memphis brings it all together!"

Individuals and book clubs are encouraged to participate. Individual readers can sign up online at www.explorememphis.org or by visiting any Memphis Public Library location. Book clubs can participate by reading the book and attending the **Explore Memphis Book Club Celebration at 2 pm on Sunday, August 9, 2015** at the **Benjamin L. Hooks Central Library** (3030 Poplar Avenue). Prizes and other incentives will be awarded as well.

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Noted Author and Entrepreneur Coming for #MemphisReads 2015



The City's largest book club #MemphisReads will welcome noted author and entrepreneur **Dave Eggers** as this year's featured guest and speaker. He will meet and greet book lovers for a **free talk and book signing** on **Thursday, November 5, 2015** at the **Creative Arts Building** (2375 Tiger Lane South). Also, Eggers will visit Shelby County Schools on Friday, November 6 to talk to students and local educators.

To promote literacy and learning, each year #MemphisReads hosts a citywide community read in October, culminating in a book talk with an award-winning author and featured guest. Dave Eggers has penned more than 20 books like *A Heartbreaking Work of Staggering Genius* (2000), *You Shall Know Our Velocity* (2002), *How We Are Hungry* (2004), and several others.

To prepare for this exciting event, Memphians of all ages are encouraged to read this year's featured book written by Eggers. The book title will be announced at a special **#MemphisReads Kickoff Celebration** at the **Benjamin L. Hooks Central Library** (3030 Poplar Avenue) on **Friday, September 25, 2015**. In book club fashion, Eggers enthusiasts will read the book during the month of October to discuss at the November events.

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[Click here](#) for a list of upcoming events at Memphis Public Libraries!

ON THE AIR

WYPL FM 89.3 Radio



Let's talk about books during **BOOK TALK!** Tune in to WYPL FM 89.3 Radio.

Join the conversation!

Book Talk

Saturdays, 6 pm - 6:30 pm

July 18 --- *The Breaking Point* by Jefferson Bass

July 25 --- *The Jezebel Remedy* by Martin Clark

Books

African-American Lives and Literature, Sundays, 2 pm - 4 pm, July 12 - August 2 --- *See Now*

Then by Jamaica Kincaid

Best Seller, Mondays - Fridays, 4 pm - 5 pm, August 3 - September 1 --- *Inferno* by Dan Brown

Biography, Mondays - Fridays, 3 pm - 4 pm, July 20 - August 12 --- *The Aviators* by Winston Groom

Mystery, Mondays - Fridays, 2 pm - 3 pm, August 3 - August 18 --- *Personal* by Lee Child

[WYPL](#) is located at the Benjamin L. Hooks Central Library (3030 Poplar Avenue).

BRANCH HIGHLIGHT

South Library: A Great Place to Shop Around



The Southgate Shopping Center attracts more than just shoppers. Book lovers are drawn to South Branch Library (1929 South Third Street), which opened in the shopping center in 1998. More important, however, is what customers will find once inside South Library.

Non-profit groups find free meeting space in one of two public meeting rooms, which seat up to 35 people. Three other study rooms are available for students looking for a quiet place

to study.

Local organizations stop by South Library as well. Literacy Mid-South hosts weekly tutoring sessions at the branch. A local chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity gathers there for their college preparation course and more, and childcare providers in the area find childcare workshops covering a variety of topics.

Several public computers are available at South Library, including laptops for checkout. From research to job search, these computers serve a list of functions for customers! And, South Library's dedicated staff is there to help.

A Job and Career Center inside the library offers customers an edge in their job hunts and helps students to find answers to their college preparation questions.

South Library supplies customers' demands by providing literacy and other educational material for readers of all ages - kids, teens, and adults. Plus, there are storytimes for kids and a special parent-teacher collection to support young learners.

Customer who visit South Library can shop around for what interests them! The branch is open Mondays through Thursdays, 10 am - 6 pm and Saturdays, 10 am - 5 pm.

For more information about South Branch Library, call (901) 415-2780.

PLAN AHEAD

Upcoming Events

To Kill a Mockingbird Movie Day - Wednesday, July 8,
2 pm - 4:30 pm @ Benjamin L. Hooks Central Library
(3030 Poplar Avenue)

**Doing Business with the Federal Government:
Certifications for Your Small Business** - Thursday, July
9,
6 pm - 7:30 pm @ Benjamin L. Hooks Central Library
(3030 Poplar Avenue)

Galaxy Tab Lab for Seniors - Thursday, July 9, 10:30
am - 12:30 pm @ South Library (1929 S. Third Street)

International Storytime - Saturday, July 11, 11 am -
noon @ Cordova Library (8457 Trinity Road)

ShoWagon Theatre Memphis - Monday, July 13, 11 am -
noon @ East Shelby Library (7200 East Shelby Drive)

Cordova Running Book Club - Saturday, July 18, 10 am
- noon @ Cordova Library (8457 Trinity Road)

Common Sense Safety - Monday, July 20, 10:30 am - 11:30 pm @ Poplar-White Station Library (5094
Poplar Avenue)

JobLINC Career & Information Fair - Wednesday, July 22, 10 am - 3 pm @ Benjamin L. Hooks Central
Library (3030 Poplar Avenue)

Birds of Prey and Reptile Day - Tuesday, July 28, 11 am - noon @ Hollywood Library (1530 N.
Hollywood Street)

Film & Discussion Series: *The Hours* Movie Showing - Tuesday, July 28, 5:30 pm @ Benjamin L.
Hooks Central Library (3030 Poplar Avenue, first floor, meeting room C)

FOR ADULTS. Film & Discussion Series

FILM & DISCUSSION SERIES

Join Dr. Valerie Arnold (West TN Branch of the American Psychiatric Association & UTHSC), Dr. Veronica Murphy (UTHSC), and Veronique Black (NAMI Memphis) for a film & discussion series on the subject of mental illness. This series is intended to provide a forum for an open discussion and to help eliminate the stigma associated with mental illness

Tuesdays at 5:30 pm
6/23 *The Soloist*
7/28 *The Hours*

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Cossitt Library Book Sale - Friday, July 31, 10 am - 4
pm @ Cossitt Library (33 S. Front Street)

Start Co. Small Business Mentoring - Tuesday,
August 4, 2 pm - 6 pm @ Benjamin L. Hooks Central
Library (3030 Poplar Avenue)

**Colorcopia by Dixon Gallery & Gardens
(Impressionism)** - Friday, August 7, 10 am - 11 am @
Raleigh Library (3157 Powers Road)

Explore Memphis 2015 Celebration of Book Clubs -
Sunday, August 9, 1:30 pm - 4 pm @ Benjamin L.
Hooks Central Library (3030 Poplar Avenue)

**Colorcopia by Dixon Gallery & Gardens
(Printmaking)** - Monday, August 10, 10 am - 11 am @
Bartlett Library (5884 Stage Road)

Learn How to Build Your Resume - Tuesday, August
11, 10:30 am - 12:30 pm @ Parkway Village Library
(4655 Knight Arnold Road)

EXPLORE MEMPHIS FINALE
CELEBRATION OF BOOK CLUBS

Sunday, August 9, 2015 at 1:30 pm
Benjamin L. Hooks Central Library
Meeting Rooms A, B, & C

1:30 pm Reception and Book Clubs Photo Session
2 pm Facilitated Book Discussion on *To Kill A Mockingbird*
by Facing History facilitators
2:45 pm Showcasing Book Clubs & sharing book clubs'
success stories
3:45 pm Promoting Literacy around Memphis

- Mid-south Literacy Festival
- Black Writers and Book Clubs Festival with Bar-Kays Foundation
- Memphis Reads

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Get Connected Memphis Agency Fair - Saturday, August 22, 10 am - 2 pm @ Benjamin L. Hooks
Central Library (3030 Poplar Avenue)

R.E.A.D. to Tootsie - Saturday, August 22, 10 am - noon @ Bartlett Library (5884 Stage Road)

Storytime for Ages 3 - 8 - Monday, August 24, 4 pm - 4:45 pm @ Randolph Library (3752 Given
Avenue)

Family Movie Madness - Saturday, August 29, 11 am - 12:30 pm @ Cordova Library (8457 Trinity Road)

Also, have fun with our Friends! Mark your calendar today for these exciting Library programs.

Friends of the Library Fall 2015 Book Sale - Friday, October 23 - Saturday, October 24 @ Benjamin L. Hooks Central Library (3030 Poplar Avenue)

BOO-ks with Friends Halloween Celebration - Saturday, October 31 @ Benjamin L. Hooks Central Library (3030 Poplar Avenue)

Second Editions Bookstore is NOW OPEN DAILY!

[Click here](#) for more events at a Memphis Public Library location near you!

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Library Trivia Question

How well do you know Memphis Public Libraries?

How can customers connect with the Memphis Public Library & Information Center online?

- a.) website www.memphislibrary.org
- b.) Twitter @MemphisLibrary
- c.) Facebook /MemphisLibrary
- d.) Instagram @MemphisPublicLibraries
- e.) All of the above

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