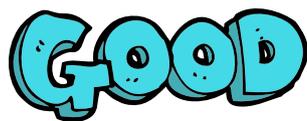


SUMMER SAMPLER

Like a delicious farmstand tomato with a sprinkling of salt

July 11
Week 6

READING THE ROOM: A CITY BOOKSTORE TOUR



Perhaps it's unusual for a library to suggest a tour of the city's bookstores, but these are strange times, amirite? In truth, bookstores and libraries are more comrades than competitors – Brothers in Books, Sisters in Shelves! We're both dedicated to connecting you to the great wide world of stories and wisdom. When not lounging about in your local library, stop at one of Pittsburgh's fine independent bookstores. Your eyes will thank us later!



- **Alphabet City** – This North Side book store is your destination for lesser-known publishers and translated fiction. And there's a restaurant, too!
- **Amazing Books** – The selection of used books at these shops in Squirrel Hill and Downtown is just, well, amazing!
- **Beyond Bedtime Books** – You'll think you're dreaming while perusing the books and greeting cards in this cozy Dormont store. Perfect for a family visit!
- **Caliban Books** – A fine purveyor of used and rare books in Oakland. And Carnegie Library is just down the street!
- **Mystery Lovers Bookshop** – Sherlock isn't needed to figure out this Oakmont location has lots of great mysteries and more. Get a clue and go!
- **Penguin Bookshop** – You'll have so much fun browsing this Sewickley shop that you'll wish Morgan Freeman would narrate your experience.
- **Riverstone Books** – Let the books at these stores in McCandless and Squirrel Hill wash over you. Plenty of gift items and goodies, too!
- **The Tiny Bookstore** – You won't feel overwhelmed by the selection in this pocket-sized store in Ross Township. Shopping small never felt so good.
- **White Whale Bookstore** – The packed stacks in this Bloomfield shop guarantee a whale-sized haul of fresh finds. Plus, there's a café!



BOOKS TO FILM

We know the books are usually better, but sometimes they get it right. Here are a few recent and upcoming titles to check out before you watch:

- **Pachinko** by Min Jin Lee on Apple TV
- **Bridgerton** (seasons 1 and 2) by Julia Quin on Netflix
- **Mudbound** by Hillary Jordan on Netflix
- **On Her Own Ground** by A'Leila Perry (retitled as Selfmade) on Netflix
- **Daisy Jones and the Six** by Taylor Reid Jenkins (forthcoming) on Amazon Prime
- **Death on the Nile** by Agatha Christie on HBO
- **The Unbreakable Boy** by Scott Michael LeRette in theatres
- **Where the Crawdads Sing** by Delia Owens in theatres
- **Operation Mincemeat** by Ben Macintyre on Netflix
- **Conversations with Friends** by Sally Rooney on Hulu
- **Deep Water** by Patricia Highsmith on Hulu
- **Anatomy of a Scandal** by Sarah Vaughan on Netflix

5 WORDS



describe yourself in 5 words, just as you are today

what will they be?

CORNMEAL BERRY SHEET CAKE



Looking for something to make with those berries you picked at Soergal's Orchards? Martha Stewart's Cornmeal-Berry Sheet Cake is a perfect summer treat and a total crowd pleaser. You can find this recipe in Stewart's recent cookbook: [Martha Stewart's Fruit Desserts](#) and online [here](#).



SUMMER OF NETFLIX DOCUMENTARIES

Summer is a fine time to get lost in a weird documentary. Netflix has been a savior to that genre (not to diss PBS or anything!) So many good ones. There are disturbing ones out there, so watch out! And also historical, personal, hollywood exposes and more! A few to look into, all available on Netflix:

- Crip Camp
- 13th
- Miss Americana
- The Last Dance
- Becoming
- American Factory
- Echo in the Canyon
- The Dawn Wall



SUMMER PROGRAMS at Your Library

WEEK

OF

JULY 11-

JULY 17

Find your nearest library here: aclalibraries.org/library-finder/

To download a digital copy of the Summer Sampler with links, go to:
aclalibraries.org/summer-sampler

The libraries in Allegheny County ramp up their programming for all ages in the summer. Here are some of the great things happening for grown-ups this week:

CLASSIC MOVIE MONDAYS

Monday, July 11th | 10:30-12:30 (Mondays all summer) **Penn Hills Library** Join us and feel the nostalgia as we watch Classic movies Monday mornings. No registration needed.

SUIT YOURSELF: THE 500 CLUB

Monday, July 11th | 12:00-2:00 **Whitehall Public Library** Start the week with a full deck . . . of cards! A fun afternoon of card games and good company. We meet weekly to enjoy the trick-taking game of 500 in a nice atmosphere fit for a King! (Or at least a Jack.) Come be our newest wild card - it's aces! No registration needed.

DIY SUNCATCHERS

Tuesday, July 12th | 6:30-7:30 **Scott Township Public Library** Please join us at the library to create your very own sun catcher! All supplies and instructions will be provided. Please register [here](#).

INNER SOURCING: RELAXING THE BODY AND MIND

Tuesday, July 12th | 6:30-8:00 **Cooper-Siegel Community Library** Learn techniques to help calm your nervous system, relax your mind, and feel more comfortable in your body. We'll work with breath and acupoints and engage in gentle, subtle movements to enhance feelings of wellbeing. Please register [here](#).

WE BE BOOK'N

Wednesday, July 13th | 6:00-8:00 **Western Allegheny Community Library** Each month, we'll reserve a copy of the book for you and make reservations at a local restaurant. All you have to do is show up, enjoy the deliciousness, and share your thoughts on the book. Please register [here](#) so we can make accurate restaurant reservations. This is a 'Dutch Treat' event. Check our website for each month's book & restaurant.

WISE WALKS

Thursday, July 14th (and every Thursday this summer) | 9:30-10:30 **Brentwood Library** Lace up your sneakers and meet us at the library for a walk along Brownsville Road. We walk 2 miles round trip. Earn a raffle ticket for a gift card prize drawing each time you walk with us. No registration needed.

FUN WITH PUBLISHING: A TALK WITH MIKE BEZILLA

Thursday, July 14th | 6:00-7:00 **Northland Public Library** Local children's author Mike Bezilla talks about the writing and publishing process and answers questions. Please register [here](#).

COPING AND CARING GRIEF GROUP

Thursday, July 14th | 6:30-7:30 **Baldwin Borough Public Library** Have you recently lost a loved one? Ended a relationship or friendship? Experienced a job loss? It's common to need support and understanding from others who have experienced loss. Gather to talk or listen about grief and how it affects your life, while practicing techniques to ease anxiety and grief. No registration required.

GLASSBLOWING DEMO

Saturday July 16th | 12:00-2:00 **Monroeville Public Library** The Pittsburgh Glass Center demonstrates the art of glassblowing on their mobile unit: Hot Wheels. Artists will answer questions and discuss glassmaking. The event is family friendly. Stop by for a quick peek or sit for a while and watch the beauty unfold. No registration needed.

CARDMAKING CLASS

Tuesday, July 12th | 10L00-12:00 and 1:00-3:00 (2 sessions) **Sewickley Public Library** Get your fingers inky with all the supplies plus step-by-step instructions to create 3 handmade cards. Please register [here](#). Materials fee of \$10 payable at class.