

# summer sampler

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Week 11  
August 15



## How to Split Your Potted Plants

The best (and cheapest) way to increase your plant family, is by propagating! You can create your own plant-babies and grow you family pretty easily by taking cuttings from the plants you already have. Let Kaleb from the Wise Guide show you [here](#).



## Treasure Hunt with Geocaching

Geocaching is an outdoor activity using your phone and an app or a GPS device to seek containers called caches of various shapes, sizes and colors at marked coordinates all over the world. The app is free to download and there are many caches hidden all over the Pittsburgh area! [Learn more here to get started!](#) Prefer a book? Check out [The Geocaching Handbook: The Guide for Family-Friendly, High-Tech Treasure Hunting](#) by Layne Scott Cameron



## Composting

In the same way you can grow your plant family with what you already have, you can also create delicious nutrient-dense soil for your potted plants and garden with food scraps! Composting is easy and kind of amazing.

Food52 gives a quick rundown on the basics [here](#).



## Squeeze in Some Time for a Few More Summer Books

Summer is a time to focus on relaxing, and a great time to dive into a new book. Whether you're unwinding by the pool at an all-inclusive resort, sitting at the beach with your feet in the sand or simply lounging on the couch during your staycation, a good book can help us escape the busy world around us. These new books for summer are bound to take your mind off the chaos of life:

- [Mustique Island: A Novel](#) by Sarah McCoy
- [When We Fell Apart: A Novel](#) by Soon Wiley
- [Like a House on Fire: A Novel](#) by Lauren McBryer
- [What We Do in the Dark](#) by Michelle Hart
- [The Change: A Novel](#) by Kristen Miller
- [All The Things We Don't Talk About](#) by Amy Feltman
- [Horse](#) by Geraldine Brooks

# SUMMER PROGRAMS at Your Library

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Find your nearest library [here: aclalibraries.org/library-finder/](http://aclalibraries.org/library-finder/)

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

## HOW TO MAKE A TERRARIUM

Tuesday, August 16th | 11:00-12:00 Penn Hills Library Learn how to make a simple ornamental terrarium. No registration needed.

## CHAIR EXERCISES

Tuesday, August 16th (and every Tuesday) | 11:00-12:00 Scott Township Public Library Keep your joints active with this weekly DVD program! Join us for strength and mobility chair exercises. Please register [here](#).

## FRENCH CONVERSATION

Thursday, August 18th (and every Thursday) | 2:00-3:00 Sewickley Public Library You are invited to practice French speaking skills in an informal discussion. This group is for individuals who have an intermediate knowledge of French. The group meets both in-person and online. There is no need to register if you attend in-person. If you would like to participate virtually via Zoom, please register [here](#).

## BINGO @ BRENTWOOD

Thursday, August 18th (every 3rd Thursday) | 2:00-3:30 Brentwood Library Oh, what a thrill to yell bingo! Winners get small prizes, and everyone enjoys cookies and drinks. Please register [here](#).

## I LOVE BINGO

Friday, August 19th | 5:30-7:30 Baldwin Borough Public Library Four corners? Cover all? Classic? We'll play 10 games of BINGO for small prizes and have a few laughs! Please register [here](#).

## CLASSIC MOVIE NIGHT: THE MAN WHO SHOT LIBERTY VANCE

Friday, August 19th | 8:00-10:00 Northland Public Library The Pittsburgh Classic Movie Club shares one of their favorite films at Elias Fry Barn in Knob Hill Park. Bring along a snack and a friend and enjoy a movie under the stars! No registration needed.

## CPR CLASS

Saturday, August 20th | 1:00-3:00 Cooper-Siegel Community Library Foxwall EMS will teach fundamental CPR skills, how to recognize and alleviate airway obstructions, and the signs, symptoms, and how to best respond to stroke-like symptoms or a heart attack. Participants will receive a certification from the American Heart Association upon successful completion. Please register [here](#).



## MUSEUM SPOTLIGHT VIRTUAL EVENTS

Every Tuesday at 5:00 through mid-September, enjoy a virtual tour of an area museum.

- August 16th | Old Economy Village [register here](#)
- August 23rd | Duncan & Miller Glass Museum [register here](#)
- August 30th | Historic Fort Steuben [register here](#)
- September 6th | West Overton Village Museum & Distillery [register here](#)
- September 13th | Merrick Art Gallery [register here](#)
- September 20th | Heinz History Center [register here](#)

These virtual programs are part of a series promoting the Experience Kits initiative at select public libraries and is sponsored by the Heinz Center Affiliates Program. With your library card, You can check out a Kit and receive free admission passes for 4 people to local museums and historical sites. To find out more about the Experience Kits, check with your local library as not all Allegheny County Libraries participate.