

# Explore! at the Library

Registration opens  
June 24!

These programs require registration unless otherwise noted. Register at [poklib.org/Events](http://poklib.org/Events) or call (845) 485-3445 x3320. Please check age appropriateness before registering.



## One-Man Circus-in-a-Suitcase Wednesday, July 10, 2 pm, ADR

From Kevin O’Keefe’s suitcase, an entire circus emerges: tent, band, lights, the boisterous ringmaster Steve Fitzpatrick, the officious Mervin Merkle, the incredible Bumbilini Family, the Magician to the Stars Clyde Zerbini, and Keefer—an innocent trying to run away and join the circus. However, the most important performers emerge from the audience.



## Monster Hunt at the Library Wednesday, July 24, 2-3 pm, ADR

Have a grand adventure tracking down a lurking monster! Junior detectives follow mysterious trails, discover hidden clues, solve baffling riddles, reveal secret messages, and overcome challenging obstacles in search of the monster’s hidden lair. Everyone has their own clues to find and proceeds at their own pace. So **everyone succeeds** and helps to capture the monster! Recommended for ages 7-14.



## BubbleMania: Comedy... with a Drip! Thursday, August 15, 3-4 pm, BRD

The beauty, wonder, and excitement of bubbles brought to you by comic bubble artist Casey Carle. A top-notch performer who has “burst” onto stages across the nation and around the globe with an amazing one-man show fusing brilliant bubbling with jazzy music and laugh-out-loud humor. Includes fabulous, fog-filled bubbles, funky foam, a cube bubble, giant soap bubbles... and gobs more.

## End of Summer Celebration Friday, August 16, 2-3 pm, ADR

Join us to celebrate the end of Summer Reading! **Registration required.**

2024 Summer Reading Prizes!  
See [poklib.org/summer-reading](http://poklib.org/summer-reading) to learn more.



## Summer Lunches July 8 - August 16

In partnership with the Poughkeepsie City Schools, Adriance offers a free weekday lunch to children aged 2-18 from 11:45 am - 12:45 pm. Lunch is served in the Cavallaro Room on the Children’s Floor at Adriance. **No registration required.**



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# Children

## Series at Adriance

*Registration is required unless otherwise indicated.*

### Stories in the Story Nook

*Mondays, July 8 - August 12, 4-4:30 pm*

Join us for a storytime in the Story Nook! Recommended for grades PreK- 2. *No registration required.*

### Crafty Adventure Thursdays!

*Thursday, July 11, 18, 25, August 1, 8, 15, 2-3 pm*

Drop in every week to create fun crafts and projects! While supplies last. Recommended for grades K-6. *No registration required.*

### Kids' Chess Club

*Tuesday, July 9 - August 13, 6-8 pm, ADR*

Chess is an easy game to learn, but a harder game to master. Join us weekly for meetings-the more you attend, the more your chess skills will improve! From beginners to advanced players, all are welcome to join us in the fun! Semi-formal instruction provided when available. *No registration required.*

### Kids' Brick Builders' Club

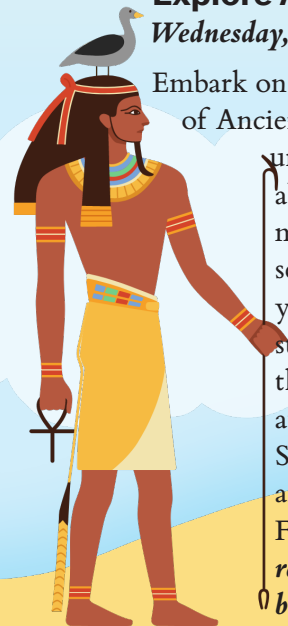
*Tuesday, July 16, 30, 3-4 pm*

Calling all builders! Join us as we put our brick building skills to the test! Recommended for grades K-6.

### Explore Ancient Egypt

*Wednesday, July 31, August 7, 3-4:15 pm*

Embark on a journey to the mystic land of Ancient Egypt, where you will uncover jaw-dropping facts about pharaohs, pyramids, and mummification. Unlock the secrets of hieroglyphs to write your name and create a stunning pharaoh mask that showcases your authority and creativity. Sample a honey cake and become immortal! For grades K-5. *Registration required; please register once for both sessions.*



## Series at Boardman

*Registration is required unless otherwise indicated.*

### LEGO and More: Brick Building

*Monday, July 22, August 12, 4-5:30 pm*

Join us for a family LEGO open play. Come and build creations out of the library's collection of bricks. All ages welcome, best for ages 5+. *No registration required.*

### All-Ages Chess Club

*Mondays, July 8 - August 12, 5-7 pm, BRD*

Play against and learn from others in our community. Bring your own board, or play on one of ours! All ages welcome. *No registration required.*

## At Adriance

*Registration is required unless otherwise indicated.*

### All About Korea

*Wednesday, July 17, 3-4 pm*

Explore Korea through stories, games, and crafts! Recommended for grades 1-6.

### Kids' Open Art Studio

*Tuesday, July 23, 2-3 pm*

Join us for an unstructured open art studio for kids! Choose an art project to work on from a selection of materials. This is a drop off program but parents are welcome to wait in the children's room. Recommended for grades 3-6.

### Art & Stuff

*Tuesday, August 13, 2-3 pm*

Come make art! Use our arts and crafts supplies to express your creativity. Recommended for grades K-3.



## At Boardman Road

Registration is required unless otherwise indicated.

### All-Ages Chess Club

*Mondays, July 8 - August 12, 5-7 pm, BRD*

Explore the enigmatic world of chess by playing against and learning from others in our community. Bring your own board, or play on one of ours! All ages welcome. *No registration required.*

### Sonic the Hedgehog

*Thursday, July 11, 4-4:50 pm*

Make a Sonic the Hedgehog craft. Then join us on a Sonic scavenger hunt, where we will locate all the chaos emeralds. Recommended for grades K-5.



### #TikTokChallenge Accepted

*Saturday, July 13, 10:30-11:30 am*

Feeling adventurous? Work together (or against each other!) while trying some trendy TikTok games. Try some unusual TikTok food trends too! Recommended for grades K-6.

### Ahoy, Matey! Let's Talk Like a Pirate!

*Thursday, July 25, 4-4:50 pm*

Make some pirate clothespin puppets, learn some pirate phrases, and search for pirate treasure! Recommended for grades K-5.

### Velvet Art Baseball Caps

*Thursday, August 1, 4-4:50 pm*

A wearable coloring project with a fuzzy velvet background. Recommended for grades K-5.



### Yarn Bugs

*Thursday, August 8, 4-4:50 pm*

Put your creative caps on and make a colorful yarn wrapped bug. Recommended for grades K-5.

“ My children enjoy the wonderful selection of books and the hands-on projects, which are **educational and fun.**”

## A Generous Gift: Library Delivers Books for Keeps



Photo: Librarian Alison Francis

Research shows that having books at home increases young children's print awareness and early literacy development, skills that are vital for starting kindergarten. A recent youth outreach project spearheaded by Library Director Tom Lawrence and executed by Youth Outreach Coordinator Alison Francis resulted in the creation of a book bag filled with books and early literacy tips in English and Spanish. Each child in the Universal Pre-Kindergarten program within the Poughkeepsie City School District (PCSD) received one of these book bags.

Many thanks go to the numerous people who made this possible.

The Friends of PPLD generously donated the funds to purchase the books and book bags; the Library District's Advancement Department created and produced the handouts, the Rover drivers delivered the bags, and Janet Bisti, the Director of Elementary Education at PCSD, partnered with us in arranging the logistics of delivering the bags to all students in the five UPK sites within the district.

## At SPD

### Adventure Awaits Scavenger Hunt

*July 5 - August 23*

Can you find all nine items hidden in SPD? *No registration required – just grab a sheet!*

# Early Childhood

PPLD supports early literacy through high-quality programs and resources. We'll help you find the answers you need as you raise the next generation of citizens. For these programs, children must be accompanied by an adult caregiver. **Registration is not required, except where noted.** Closed July 4, August 31.

## At Adriance

### PLC: Preschool Learning Center Story Time

Monday, July 8 - August 12, 10 - 11:15 am

Tuesday, July 9 - August 13, 10 - 11:15 am

Weekly themed stories, music and movement, sensory art activities, and developmentally open-ended play in the several centers in our Preschool Learning Center classroom. For children ages 3-5. **Registration required. Please register for either a Monday or Tuesday session.**

### Toddler Time

Tuesday, July 9 - August 13,  
10-10:50 am

A story time for 2-year-olds with books, rhymes, flannel board stories, and music followed by play time.

### Baby Time

Wednesday, July 10 - August 14, 10-10:50 am

Join us weekly for Baby Time! We'll play, sing, read, listen to music, and move our bodies to help support the development of your baby's pre-literacy, social, and motor skills. Come early or stay late to play and socialize with other babies and caregivers! Siblings are welcome. For 0 - 24 months.

### Music & Movement

Thursday, July 11 - August 15, 10-10:50 am

Get ready for a wigglin', gigglin', toe-tappin', hand clappin' time! We'll dance, sing, play instruments, and end with interactive play. For children ages 2-5.

### Sensory Lab

Friday, July 12 - August 16, 10-11 am

Enhance fine motor skills through sensory exploration and play. For children ages 18 months to 5 years. Dress for the mess!

### **New!** Baby Olympics

Saturday, July 20, 1-2 pm, MHLA Auditorium

Celebrate the opening of the Summer Olympics by competing in different fun, baby-friendly challenges like the Diaper Dash and more! Dress to represent your favorite country, and enjoy light refreshments. Ages 0-2, siblings welcome. **No registration required; for more information, please contact Kayleigh Hartnett, [khartnett@poklib.org](mailto:khartnett@poklib.org) or x3316.**

## At Boardman Road

### Preschool Story Time

Monday, July 8 - August 12, 10-10:30 am

Stories, songs, action rhymes, and a small craft for ages 3-5. Parents and siblings welcome.

### Baby Rhyme & Play Time

Monday, July 8 - August 12,  
11-11:45 am

Features songs, rhymes, finger plays, and stories. For 0-18 months.

### Walk & Wiggle

Wednesday, July 10 - August 14, 10-10:50 am

This language enrichment program serves as a transitional story time for walkers as they prepare for toddler story times. The program features songs, rhymes, fingers plays, and stories. For 18-24 months.

### Toddler Time

Thursday, July 11 - August 15, 10-10:30 am

A story time for 2-year-olds featuring books, rhymes, flannel board stories, and music.

### Toot & Scoot & Play

Thursday, July 11 - August 15, 10:40-11:30 am

Movement and music program featuring songs, instruments, rhymes, and interactive play for children. Walkers - age 5.

“Baby Time is the best. My son loves everything about it. I love being able to talk to other moms. We have learned Spanish words and Sign Language that we use every day. Miss Kayleigh is excellent with all the babies and toddlers. **This class is the highlight of my son's week.**”

