



# APRIL CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS



(Listed alphabetically. See the calendar on the other side of this page.)

## Animal Advocates Club

for kids in grades 3 - 6  
Kids meet monthly with Felicia Mazzone from the Animal Refuge League of Greater Portland, along with a live animal friend from the shelter. Learn about the work that the shelter does, and work on projects to benefit shelter animals.

Location: Community Room  
No registration necessary!

- Thursday, April 25  
3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

## Art Adventures

for ages 3 - 5  
Join Miss Kiah as she leads preschoolers in trying out different art experiences.

Location: Community Room.  
No registration necessary!

- Mondays  
10:30 - 11:15 a.m.

## Baby Doll Story Time

for ages 2 - 5  
Bring a baby doll, or borrow one of ours, for stories, songs & fun!

Location: Window Seat Area  
No registration necessary!

- Thursdays\*\*  
9:30 - 10:00 a.m.

\*\*No Baby Doll Story Time on Thursday, April 25

## Chess Club, For chess enthusiasts of all ages

Each meeting of the chess club has 10+ players; different chess tactics are reviewed each week.

Location: Conference Room  
No registration necessary!

- Saturdays\*\*  
9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

\*\*No Chess Club on April 13 and April 20.

## Cryptid Crafts

For ages 8 and up

Help us get ready for our visit from Lija Fisher, author of *Cryptid Catcher*, by making Nessie, Big Foot, Yeti and other crafts!

Location: Community Room.  
No registration necessary!

- Thursday, April 18  
2:00 - 2:45 p.m..

## CRYPTID HUNTING

with author Lija Fisher!

We are excited to host the author of the new middle-grade series "*Cryptid Catcher*," for a workshop for kids on writing and hunting for Big Foot, Nessie, and other cryptids! Her books are about a boy who inherits his father's life mission of hunting legendary creatures. With help from the International Cryptozoology Museum in Portland, and the Myth Blasters--a group of Maine middle school crypto-researchers--he sets out on adventures to find the world's remaining cryptids. **For ages 8 and up.** Book sales and signing to follow the program!

Location: Community Room.  
No registration necessary!

Friday, April 26  
3:15 - 4:15 p.m.

*Early Release Adventure:*

## Playing with Pictures: Making Artistic Choices, with Marie Ahearn, For ages 6 - 12

What happens if you change the color of an object, or use thick lines instead of thin lines? Artist Marie Ahearn will lead kids in an exploration of how different artistic choices in artwork convey different emotions and meanings. Through working one image many different ways, kids will begin to develop a sense of how color, line, shape, media and composition can be used to express different feelings and tell visual stories.

Location: Community Room  
No registration necessary!

- Wednesday, April 3  
2:15 - 3:45 p.m.

## Families Discover Great Artists, For families with children 3 and up

Join Miss Kiah for a hands-on exploration of a different artist's work. This month: painter Vassily Kandinsky

Location: Community Room.  
No registration necessary!

- Saturday, April 6  
3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

## Family Story Time

for all ages  
Join Miss Rachel for stories and songs for the whole family!

Location: Window Seat Area  
No registration necessary!

- Saturdays,\*\*  
10:30 - 11:00 a.m.

\*\*No Family Story Time on Saturday, April 20

## Grow a Garden

for ages 6 and up  
Start some seeds for vegetables and flowers so you can plant your own garden at home.

Location: Community Room.  
No registration necessary!

- Friday, April 19  
2:00 - 2:45 p.m.

## Marble Madness

for ages 6 and up  
Come learn and play marble games with us!

Location: Community Room  
No registration necessary!

- Wednesday April 17  
2:00 - 2:45 p.m.

## Mother Goose Time

for babies up to 18 months  
Join Miss Rachel for rhymes, songs, and fingerplays.

Weds. Location: Community Room.  
Sat. Location: Window Seat.  
No registration necessary!

- Saturdays,\*\*  
9:30 - 10:00 a.m.

- Wednesdays,  
11:15 - 11:45 a.m.

\*\*No Mother Goose Time on Saturday, April 20

## Musical Story Hour with Jud Caswell

for ages 3 and up  
Songs and stories with original musical accompaniment by singer/songwriter Jud Caswell!

Location: Community Room.  
No registration necessary!

- Thursday, April 11  
1:00 - 1:45 p.m.

## Read to a Dog

for kids in grades K - 6

Sign up to read to one of our two\*\* certified therapy dogs for a fifteen-minute reading session. Register in the library at the children's desk.

- Read to Maury, a yellow lab Mondays 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. ✓

\*\*Our other reading dog, Ollie, is on hiatus for a few more weeks.

## Stay & Play

for ages 1 - 5  
Come enjoy unstructured playtime with your child!

Location: Community Room  
No registration necessary!

- Tuesdays  
9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

## Story Explorers

for ages 3 - 5  
Join Mr. Rick for fun stories and crafts!

Location: Community Room.  
No registration necessary!

- Fridays, 10:30 - 11:15 a.m.

## Story Garden

for ages 3 - 5  
Stories, songs, and movement activities with Miss Rachel.

Location: Community Room.  
No registration necessary!

- Weds., 10:30 - 11:00 a.m.

## Tales for Tots

for 18 months - 3 years  
Stories, songs, and movement activities with Miss Rachel.

Location: Community Room.  
No registration necessary!

- Weds., 9:30 - 10:00 a.m.

## Tiny Tunes

for ages 1 - 5  
Join Rachel for a fun music program featuring songs, dancing, and musical instruments.

Location: Community Room.  
No registration necessary!

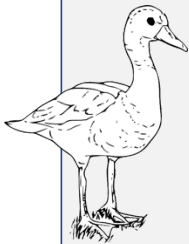
- Thursdays\*\*  
10:30 - 11:00 a.m.
- Fridays, 9:30 - 10:00 a.m.

\*\*No Tiny Tunes on Thursday, April 25

# THOMAS MEMORIAL LIBRARY CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS APRIL 2019

Programs with a checkmark require advance registration. ✓

Programs in *Italics* are Special Events.



Please see **other side** for program details.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday			
	<b>1</b> 10:30 - 11:15 Art Adventures	<b>2</b> 9:30 - 12:00 Stay & Play	<b>3</b> 9:30 - 10:00 Tales for Tots	<b>4</b> 9:30 - 10:00 Baby Doll Story Time	<b>5</b> 9:30 - 10:00 Tiny Tunes	<b>6</b> 9:30 - 10:00 Mother Goose Time			
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			11:15 - 11:45 Mother Goose Time						9:00 - 11:00 Chess Club
	3:30 - 4:30 Read to a Dog ✓		2:15 - 4:15 <i>Early Release Adventures: Playing with Pictures</i>			3:00 - 4:00 <i>Families Discover Great Artists: Vassily Kandinsky</i>			
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<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> <i>Closed for Patriots Day</i>	<b>16</b> 9:30 - 12:00 Stay & Play	<b>17</b> 9:30 - 10:00 Tales for Tots	<b>18</b> 9:30 - 10:00 Baby Doll Story Time	<b>19</b> 9:30 - 10:00 Tiny Tunes	<b>20</b> <i>No story times today!</i>			
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			11:15 - 11:45 Mother Goose Time				2:00 - 2:45 <i>Marble Madness</i>	2:00 - 2:45 <i>Cryptid Crafts</i>	2:00 - 2:45 <i>Grow a Garden</i>
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## Teen Reading Buddies!

For children in preschool - grade 6

Sign up on our website for some one-on-one reading help (or, for pre-readers, read-aloud time) with one of our fabulous high school volunteers! Available after school and on Saturdays and no-school days.

