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Newark Public Library Announces Programs for August 2010

The Newark Public Library presents its programming schedule for August. All programs sponsored by the Newark Public Library are free and open to the public. For more information, please call the number listed with the program description. Program information may also be found at *www.npl.org* for adult programs and at *kidsplace.npl.org* for children's programs.

The Main Library and all branches will have the following **closings in August**:

Monday, August 16 – Furlough day

Tuesday, August 17 – Furlough day

Monday, August 23 – Furlough day

Tuesday, August 24 – Furlough day

Monday, August 30 – Furlough day

Tuesday, August 31 – Furlough day

All branch libraries will be closed on Saturdays.

Prudential Foundation Summer Reading Challenge for Kids and Teens

The Prudential Foundation Summer Reading Challenge will run through August 7 at all library locations. The challenge is open all to children in grades K-12. For more information, please visit kidsplace.npl.org or call 973-733-5642. All library locations will also be hosting summer fun activities for kids. Please call your local library branch for more information. http://www.npl.org/Pages/Branches/index.html

Prudential Foundation Summer Reading Challenge Awards Ceremony

The Summer Reading Challenge Awards Ceremony will take place on August 21 at 10:00 am in Centennial Hall, Second Floor at Main Library, 5 Washington Street. All participants who have read at least five books are invited to attend to receive their certificate of achievement.

Two exhibitions will be on view at the Main Library in August.

Entitled to Art: A Selection of New Art Books, on view through September 4, 2010, Main Library, 5 Washington St., Second Floor Gallery. This exhibit displays the depth and breadth of the creative experience by showcasing new books on the fine arts, architecture, graphic arts, photography, sculpture, antiques and collectibles, and costume and fashion. For information about the exhibition, please call Nadine Sergejeff, exhibition curator, at 973-733-7779, or email nsergejeff@npl.org.

America by the Numbers: A Look at the Census Bureau, "Factfinder for the Nation," on view through September 25, 2010, Main Library, 5 Washington St., Third Floor Gallery. The library's regional depository librarian, Laura Saurs, has organized this display from the library's vast collection of federal documents to illustrate changes in government data collection since 1790. For more information, please call 973-733-7812 or email lsaurs@npl.org.

Classes at the Main Library:

Computer Classes

The library will continue to offer computer classes each month. Topics include Microsoft Word, email, mouse skills, and more. Please visit the Web site at http://www.npl.org/Pages/Computers/ for more information.

Programs for Children and Teens at Main Library

The Newark Black Film Festival for Youth

Monday, August 2 at 10:30 am, Main Library, Auditorium, Fourth Floor.

The final film of the 2010 Newark Black Film Festival's Youth Cinema Schedule will be "The Princess and the Frog." Funded by Bank of America and presented by the Newark Museum, this film is appropriate for all ages. For more information, please call 973-733-7797.

Catch a Cool Wave Movie Series for Teens

Thursdays, August 5, 12, and 19 at 2:00 pm, Main Library, 5 Washington St., Auditorium, Fourth Floor. Students entering eighth grade and up are invited to attend this series featuring water-themed films. All movies are rated PG or PG-13. For more information, please call 973-733-7797.

August 5: "Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl"

August 12: "The Abyss"

August 19: "Orca – The Killer Whale"

Get Your Gaming On

August 3, 4, and 5, 10:30 am – 12:30 pm. – Kids ages 7-14 are invited to test their skills and enter Wii gaming tournaments. Registration is required. Limit 20 participants per Wii session. You may

bring your own controller to the tournament. Funded and sponsored by the Prudential Foundation Summer Reading Challenge. For more information, please call 973-733-7797.

Wetland Creatures

Wednesday, August 11 at 2:00 pm, Main Library, 5 Washington St., Children's Room, First Floor. Come and learn about the wildlife found in New Jersey's wetlands. Take a look at feathers, furs, and other unique animal adaptations. Children will use recycled and natural materials to make their own wetland creature. For more information, please call 973-733-7797.

Summer Fun Activities

Mondays – **Fridays**, Main Library, 5 Washington St., Children's Room, First Floor. The Children's Room will be holding summer fun activities every morning and afternoon on Mondays through Fridays, in conjunction with the Summer Reading Challenge. Please call 973-733-7797 for information on daily activities.

Programs at the branches are listed below.

Branch Brook Branch, 235 Clifton Avenue, 973-733-7760

During August, the Branch Brook Branch will present a variety of activities for children Mondays through Fridays in the mornings and afternoons. Please contact the branch at 973-733-7760 for information on daily activities.

Monday, August 2, 10:30 am. Amazing Water – Come and learn about the properties of water. Follow the life of a water droplet and play a water cycle game. During this interactive program children will make a bracelet to remember their water journey. For more information, please call 973-733-7760.

August 10, 12, and 13, 10:30 am – 12:30 pm. Get Your Gaming On – Kids ages 7-14 are invited to test their skills and enter Wii gaming tournaments. Registration is required. Limit 20 participants per Wii session. You may bring your own controller to the tournament. Funded and sponsored by the Prudential Foundation Summer Reading Challenge. For more information, please call 973-733-7760.

Clinton Branch, 739 Bergen Street, 973-733-7754

During August, the Clinton Branch will present a variety of activities for children Mondays through Fridays in the mornings and afternoons. Please contact the branch at 973-733-7754 for information on daily activities.

Friday, August 13, 10:30 am. Check Out Mehendi Body Art – Artist Shilpa Shah and her daughter, Sneha, will apply henna paste and create beautiful designs on your hand/arm. These temporary tattoos will last for a few days. Suitable for 5 years and older. Preregistration is required. This program is sponsored by the Prudential Foundation. For more information, please call 973-733-7754.

First Avenue Branch, 282 First Avenue, 973-733-8091

During August, the First Avenue Branch will present a variety of activities for children Mondays through Fridays in the mornings and afternoons. Please contact the branch at 973-733-8091 for information on daily activities.

Tuesday, August 10, 2:00 pm. Amazing Water – Come and learn about the properties of water. Follow the life of a water droplet, and play a water cycle game. During this interactive program children will make a bracelet to remember their water journey. Please call 973-733-8091 for more information.

Madison Branch, 790 Clinton Avenue, 973-733-8090

During August, the Madison Branch will present a variety of activities for children Mondays through Fridays in the mornings and afternoons. Please contact the branch at 973-733-8090 for information on daily activities.

Friday, August 6, 2:30 pm. Check Out Mehendi Body Art – Artist Shilpa Shah and her daughter, Sneha, will apply henna paste and create beautiful designs on your hand/arm. These temporary tattoos will last for a few days. Suitable for 5 years and older. Preregistration is required. This program is sponsored by the Prudential Foundation. For more information, please call 973-733-8090.

Thursday, August 12, 2:00 pm. Wetland Creatures – Come and learn about the wildlife found in New Jersey's wetlands. Take a look at feathers, furs, and other unique animal adaptations. Children will use recycled and natural materials to make their own wetland creature. For more information, please call 973-733-8090.

North End Branch, 722 Summer Avenue, 973-733-7683

During August, the North End Branch will present a variety of activities for children Mondays through Fridays in the mornings and afternoons. Please contact the branch at 973-733-7683 for information on daily activities.

Tuesday, August 3, 10:30 am. Wetland Creatures – Come and learn about the wildlife found in New Jersey's wetlands. Take a look at feathers, furs, and other unique animal adaptations. Children will use recycled and natural materials to make their own wetland creature. For more information, please call 973-733-7683.

August 10, 11, and 12, 2:00 – 4:00 pm. Get Your Gaming On – Kids ages 7-14 are invited to test their skills and enter Wii gaming tournaments. Registration is required. Limit 20 participants per Wii session. You may bring your own controller to the tournament. Funded and sponsored by the Prudential Foundation Summer Reading Challenge. For more information, please call 973-733-7683.

Roseville Branch, 99 Fifth Street, 973-733-7770

During August, the Roseville Branch will present a variety of activities for children Mondays through Fridays in the mornings and afternoons. Please contact the branch at 973-733-7770 for information on daily activities.

Thursday, August 12, 10:30 am. Wetland Creatures – Come and learn about the wildlife found in New Jersey's wetlands. Take a look at feathers, furs, and other unique animal adaptations. Children will use recycled and natural materials to make their own wetland creature. For more information, please call 973-733-7770.

Springfield Branch, 50 Hayes Street, 973-733-7736

For All Ages

Wednesday, August 4, 6:00 pm. Save the Library—Community Meeting – Severe cuts in city and state funding will mean drastically reduced services at your Newark Public Library. Please join us to find out more about how these cuts will impact the essential library services that you rely on. For more information, please call 973-733-7736.

For Children

During August, the Springfield Branch will present a variety of activities for children Mondays through Fridays in the mornings and afternoons. Please contact the branch at 973-733-7736 for information on daily activities.

Tuesday, August 3, 2:00 pm. Amazing Water – Come and learn about the properties of water. Follow the life of a water droplet, and play a water cycle game. During this interactive program children will make a bracelet to remember their water journey. For more information, please call 973-733-7736.

Friday, August 13, 2:30 pm. Check Out Mehendi Body Art – Artist Shilpa Shah and her daughter, Sneha, will apply henna paste and create beautiful designs on your hand/arm. These temporary tattoos will last for a few days. Suitable for 5 years and older. Preregistration is required. This program is sponsored by the Prudential Foundation. For more information, please call 973-733-7736.

August 18, 19, and 20, 2:00 – 4:00 pm. Get Your Gaming On – Kids ages 7-14 are invited to test their skills and enter Wii gaming tournaments. Registration is required. Limit 20 participants per Wii session. You may bring your own controller to the tournament. Funded and sponsored by the Prudential Foundation Summer Reading Challenge. For more information, please call 973-733-7736.

Vailsburg Branch, 75 Alexander Street, 973-733-7749

During August, the Vailsburg Branch will present a variety of activities for children Mondays through Fridays in the mornings and afternoons. Please contact the branch at 973-733-7749 for information on daily activities.

Monday, August 2, 2:00 pm. Amazing Water – Come and learn about the properties of water. Follow the life of a water droplet, and play a water cycle game. During this interactive program children will make a bracelet to remember their water journey. For more information, please call 973-733-7749.

Van Buren Branch, 140 Van Buren Street, 973-733-3897

During August, the Van Buren Branch will present a variety of activities for children Mondays through Fridays in the mornings and afternoons. Please contact the branch at 973-733-3897 for information on daily activities.

Weequahic Branch, 355 Osborne Terrace, 973-733-7752

During August, the Weequahic Branch will present a variety of activities for children Mondays through Fridays in the mornings and afternoons. Please contact the branch at 973-733-7752 for information on daily activities.

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