

TWEEN DIP, DIP, HOORAY! 📖TW

Tweens ages 9-14

- **SPINACH DIP:** Monday, July 14 | 4:00 PM–5:00 PM
- **SALSA:** Tuesday, July 15 | 4:00 PM–5:00 PM
- **DESSERT DIP:** Friday, July 18 | 4:00 PM–5:00 PM

North Branch | Community Room

BACKYARD MYTHS AND LEGENDS WITH THE ODC K

- **Monday, July 21 | 11:00 AM–12:00 PM**

North Branch | Lawn

- **Monday, July 21 | 1:00 PM–2:00 PM**

Main Library | HBH Auditorium

CRYPTID AUTOMATA 📖K

Ages 8+

Wednesday, July 23 | 10:00 AM–12:00 PM

Main Library | Children’s Activity Room

GLASS PEBBLE MAGNET DROP-IN K

Ages 5+

Wednesday, July 23 | 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Main Library | Children’s Activity Room

STARTING SCHOOL STORYTIME K

- **PRESCHOOL EDITION:** Friday, July 25 | 9:30 AM–10:30 AM
- **KINDERGARTEN EDITION:** Friday, August 1 | 9:30 AM–10:30 AM

Main Library | Children’s Activity Room

ACT OUT! READERS’ THEATRE 📖K

Ages 8-10

- **SESSION A:** **Friday, July 28 - Thursday, July 31**
1:00 PM–2:30 PM
- **SESSION B:** **Monday, August 4 - Thursday, August 7**
3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Main Library | Children’s Activity Room

DIY SASQUATCH OR YETI STUFFIE 📖K

Ages 8+

- **Saturday, August 2 | 10:00 AM–1:00 PM**
- **Tuesday, August 12 | 4:00 PM–6:00 PM**

Main Library | Children’s Activity Room

ART FOR LITTLE FEET K

Ages 0-5 with a caregiver

Saturday, August 2 | 10:00 AM–11:00 AM

North Branch | Community Room

TWEEN CHOMP SAW BUILD 📖TW

Tweens ages 9-14

Tuesday, August 19 | 3:00 PM–5:00 PM

North Branch | Community Room

“STORIES ARE OUT THERE” WRITING CELEBRATION K

Ages 5-18 who participated in our summer writing events

Monday, August 25 | 6:30 PM–7:30 PM

Main Library | HBH Auditorium

EVENTS FOR PARENTS

STORYTIME PLUS 📖A

Ages 0-5 with a caregiver

Monday, June 9 - Thursday, June 12
3:00 PM–4:00 PM daily

Main Library | Children’s Activity Room

PARENT MEETUP/THEMED PLAYTIME A

Ages 0-5 with a caregiver

- **Saturday, June 28 | 10:00 AM–12:00 PM**
- **Saturday, July 19 | 10:00 AM–12:00 PM**
- **Saturday, August 9 | 10:00 AM–12:00 PM**

Main Library | Children’s Activity Room



Maker-In-Residence

About Alynn Guerra: Born and raised in Mexico City, Alynn Guerra has lived in West Michigan more than half of her life, providing her with bilingual and bi-cultural insight. She is a printmaker and illustrator whose work uses bold black and white images with accents of color – and is inspired by nature-human relationships, the environment, and her Latin-American background.

Guerra is a member of the Tanglefoot Artists Studio community in Grand Rapids and the owner of Red Hydrant Press printmaking studio (redhydrantpress.com). You can also find her work on Instagram, @redhydrantpress.

MAKER-IN-RESIDENCE DROP IN E

Stop by to see printmaker Alynn Guerra work on her craft. These drop-in sessions are open to all and asking our Maker questions about their work is encouraged!

- **Saturday, July 12 | 12:00 PM–2:00 PM**
- **Tuesday, July 15 | 12:00 PM–2:00 PM**
- **Tuesday, July 29 | 2:00 PM–5:00 PM**
- **Saturday, August 9 | 2:00 PM–5:00 PM**
- **Wednesday, August 13 | 2:00 PM–4:00 PM**
- **Wednesday, August 20 | 4:00 PM–6:00 PM**

Main Library | Groundworks

INTRO TO PRINTMAKING FOR KIDS WITH RED HYDRANT PRESS 📖K

Thursday, July 24 | 2:00 PM–4:00 PM

Main Library | Groundworks

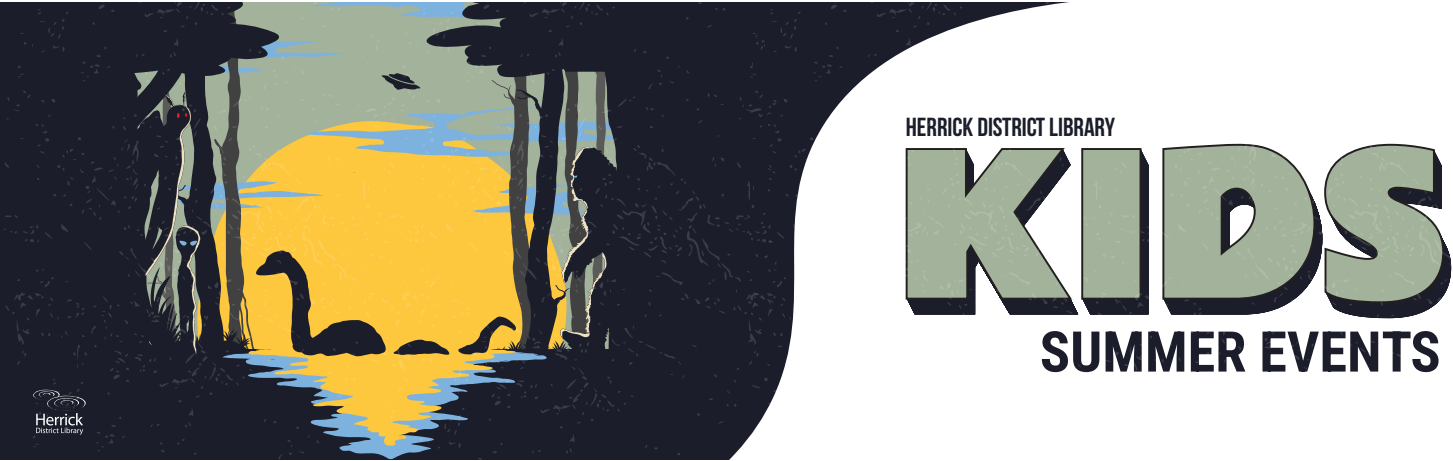
FRIENDS OF HDL
ANNUAL
BOOK SALE

FRIENDS MEMBERS ONLY
Wednesday, June 25 | 11:00 AM-7:00 PM

REGULAR SALE
Thursday, June 26-Friday, June 27 | 9:30 AM-5:30 PM

BAG SALE
Saturday, June 28 | 9:30 AM-12:00 PM

Main Library | Hazel B. Hayes Auditorium



* If you need an accessibility accommodation to participate in any HDL program, please let us know.
For more information or to register go to herrickdl.org/events

The Truth is Out There – The line between fact and fiction can be fuzzy, so we’re tapping into our curiosity! This summer, we’re celebrating the joy of discovering what’s real while playing with make-believe, mythologies, sci-fi, and fantasy. Join us as we embark on a fun-filled journey of exploration, critical thinking, and the thrill of uncovering the truth – one story at a time.

LEGEND:

📖 Registration Required **E:** Everyone/All Ages **A:** Adults 18+ **T:** Middle & High School Aged Teens **TW:** Tweens **K:** Kids



HERRICK DISTRICT LIBRARY
SUMMER | 2025
READING CHALLENGE
JUNE 9-AUGUST 9

This summer, Herrick District Library, Ottawa County Parks and Recreation, and the City of Holland Recreation Department are coming together to present the 2025 Summer Reading Challenge: The Truth is Out There. Pick up a trail map to complete the challenge. Maps are available at either Herrick District Library location.

Choose how you want to participate in the challenge:

- Complete activities to follow the trail map, AND/OR
- Set a reading goal and finish the reading log

SUMMER CHALLENGE KICK-OFF E

Drop by either HDL location any time on Monday to start the Summer Reading Challenge and create your own nature journal. We’ll provide prompts and supplies to get you started on your journey this summer. You’ll be ready to explore the parks, document your discoveries, and maybe even capture proof of cryptids.

Monday, June 9 | Both HDL locations

* Head to herrickdl.org/summer-challenge/ to find more details about our Summer Reading Challenge.



herrickdl.org/summer-challenge/

SUMMER CHALLENGE FINALE

SUMMERWEEN: E

A Spooky Summerween Celebration

Celebrate the end of summer with an unforgettable Halloween-inspired event! For one day only, HDL will transform into a spooky, haunted space filled with fun and games, tricks and treats, and some summer twists on your fall favorites—like watermelon jack-o-lanterns. Come dressed in your spookiest or sunniest costume—like a ghost in flip-flops or a pumpkin in shades—and enjoy a day of creepy, creative chills and thrills for all ages.

Saturday, August 9 | 1:00 PM–5:00 PM
Main Library

PRIZE BOOK FAIR E

Bring your completed Trail Map or Reading Log to either HDL location to enter drawings and claim prizes—including a new book of your choice. Prizes are available while supplies last, so don’t miss out on this end-of-summer blowout book fair extravaganza!
August 9-16 | Both HDL locations




Experience the Library

The library offers great events AND so much more! Learn about Storywalks in area county parks, our summer writing contest for teens and writing challenge for kids, Shark Week, a scavenger hunt, and other summer fun at herrickdl.org/experience-the-library/




EVENTS FOR
ALL AGES

CRYPTID CRAWL  **E**
HEMLOCK CROSSING | **Friday, June 6**
4:00 PM–5:00 PM, 5:30 PM–6:30 PM, or 7:00 PM–8:00 PM
8115 W Olive Rd
VAN RAALTE FARM | **Thursday, July 31**
4:00 PM–5:00 PM, 5:30 PM–6:30 PM, or 7:00 PM–8:00 PM
1076 E 16th St, Red Barn

AUTHOR VISIT: JONATHAN RAND **E**
Thursday, June 12 | 2:00 PM–4:00 PM
Main Library | HBH Auditorium

INTRODUCTION TO BIRD WATCHING
WITH CURTIS DYKSTRA **E**
Wednesday, June 18 | 6:00 PM–7:00 PM
Main Library | HBH Auditorium

CREATIVE RESISTANCE  **E**
• **STREET ART 101**
Wednesday, July 16 & Thursday, July 17 | 2:00 PM–4:30 PM
• **URBAN GARDENING 101**
Tuesday, August 12 | 6:00 PM–8:00 PM
• **CLOTHING REPAIR 101**
Tuesday, August 19 | 5:30 PM–8:00 PM
Main Library | Groundworks

ALL AGES FILM SHOWINGS **E**
• **HARRY & THE HENDERSONS** *(rated PG)*
Wednesday, June 18 | 1:00 PM–3:00 PM
• **E.T.** *(rated PG)*
Wednesday, July 9 | 1:00 PM–3:00 PM
• **CLOSE ENCOUNTERS OF THE THIRD KIND** *(rated PG)*
Thursday, July 24 | 2:00 PM–5:00 PM
• **ABOMINABLE** *(rated PG)*
Tuesday, August 12 | 3:00 PM–5:00 PM

YOUTH EMPOWERMENT: RAISING THE FUTURE **E**
Tuesday, June 24 | 6:00 PM–7:30 PM
North Branch | Community Room



IT'S ALL GOOD!
An Author Visit, Concert, and Book Signing with Eric Litwin + A Special Appearance by His Character, **Pete The Cat** **K**

WEDNESDAY, JULY 16
• **11:00 AM–12:00 PM**
• **1:00 PM– 2:00 PM**
* 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM
Main Library book signing
Main Library | HBH Auditorium
• **3:00 PM–4:00 PM**
* After 4:00 PM
North Branch book signing
North Branch | Community Room


ONGOING
EVENTS FOR KIDS

BOOKS & BLOOMS AT WINDMILL ISLAND GARDENS **K**
**Free Admission*
Ages 0-5 with a caregiver
Mondays | 10:00 AM–10:30 AM
June 9 - August 11
Windmill Island Gardens, 1 Lincoln Ave

BABY STORYTIME **K**
Ages 0-18 mos with a caregiver
• **NORTH BRANCH** | Community Room
Tuesdays | 9:30 AM–10:00 AM
June 10 - August 12
• **MAIN LIBRARY** | Children's Activity Room
Thursdays | 9:30 AM–10:00 AM & 10:30 AM–11:00 AM
June 19 - August 14

FARMERS MARKET STORYTIME **K**
Ages 0-5 with a caregiver
Wednesdays | 9:30 AM–10:00 AM
June 11 - August 13
Holland Farmers Market, 150 W 8th St

KIDS' CONCERT SERIES AT KOLLEN PARK
Look for HDL's table at the event!
12:30 PM–1:30 PM
• **June 11** - Uno, Dos, Tres Andres
• **July 9** - Taylor Live, a Tribute to Swift
• **August 13** - Worlds of Music
Kollen Park Bandshell, 240 Kollen Park Dr

READING WRANGLERS  **K**
Ages 6-12
Thursdays | 12:00 PM–1:00 PM
June 12 - June 26, August 7 - 21
Fridays | 12:00 PM–1:00 PM
July 11 - August 1
Renew Therapeutic Riding Center, 5080 146th Ave

FAMILY STORYTIME **K**
Ages 0-5 with a caregiver
• **NORTH BRANCH** | Community Room
Thursdays | 9:30 AM–10:00 AM
June 12 - August 14
• **MAIN LIBRARY** | Children's Department
Tuesdays | 9:30 AM–10:00 AM
June 17 - August 12

GARDEN CLUB **K**
Ages 6-10
Fridays | 11:00 AM–12:00 PM
June 13 - August 15 *(will not meet July 4)*
North Branch

STORYTIME AT COMMUNITY ACTION HOUSE **K**
Ages 0-5 with a caregiver
Fridays | 10:00 AM–10:30 AM
June 13, July 11, August 15
Community Action House | 739 Paw Paw Dr

PICTURE BOOK CLUB **K**
Ages 4+ with a caregiver
Fridays | 2:00 PM–3:00 PM
June 13 (cut & paste), July 11 (bright colors), August 15 (nature art)
Main Library | Children's Activity Room

OAISD PLAY N LEARN **K**
Ages 0-5 with a caregiver
3rd Mondays | 9:30 AM–10:30 AM & 10:45 AM–11:45 AM
June 16, July 21, August 18
Main Library | HBH Auditorium

OAISD BILINGUAL PLAY N LEARN **K**
Ages 0-5 with a caregiver
3rd Mondays | 6:00 PM–7:00 PM
June 16, July 21, August 18
Main Library | HBH Auditorium


PAJAMA STORYTIME **K**
Ages 0-5 with a caregiver
Wednesdays | 6:30 PM–7:00 PM
June 18 - August 13
Main Library | Children's Department

THURSDAY AFTERNOON BOOK BITES **K**
Ages 8-11
Thursdays | 3:00 PM–4:00 PM
June 19 - August 7
North Branch | Community Room

FAMILY PLAYTIME **K**
Ages 0-5 with a caregiver
Tuesdays | 9:30 AM–10:30 AM
June 3, August 19, August 26
North Branch | Community Room

SPECIAL
EVENTS
FOR KIDS

MUSIC & MOVEMENT WITH MS. DONNA **K**
Ages 0-5 with a caregiver
Tuesday, June 3 | 9:30 AM–10:00 AM
Main Library | HBH Auditorium

STORYTIME PLUS  **A**
Ages 0-5 with a caregiver
Monday, June 9 - Thursday, June 12
3:00 PM–4:00 PM daily
Main Library | Children's Activity Room


WRITE YOUR OWN MICHIGAN CHILLER **K**
Ages 6-10
Tuesday, June 10 | 4:00 PM–5:00 PM
Main Library | Children's Activity Room

KIDS COMIC BOOK CLUB **K**
Ages 6-10
Wednesday, June 11 | 4:00 PM–5:00 PM
Main Library | Children's Activity Room


PARK PLAY **K**
Look for our messy art table
• **Friday, June 13 | 12:00 PM–1:00 PM**
Moran Park, 515 Maple Ave
• **Friday, July 11 | 12:00 PM–1:00 PM**
Kollen Park, 240 Kollen Park Dr

FLUFFY SLIME DROP-IN **K**
Ages 5+
• **Wednesday, June 18 | 3:30 PM–5:00 PM**
• **Monday, June 30 | 6:30 PM– 8:00 PM**
Main Library | Children's Activity Room

POTTY TRAINING STORYTIME **K**
Ages 2+ ready for potty training
Friday, June 20 | 9:30 AM–10:30 AM
Main Library | Children's Activity Room

BUILD A VIDEO GAME WITH BLOXELS  **K**
Ages 7-10
Monday, June 23–Thursday, June 26 | 11:00 AM–12:30 PM
Main Library | Groundworks


CHILDREN'S CONCERT WITH MUSIC AT THE BLISSFUL **K**
Wednesday, June 25 | 4:00 PM–5:00 PM
North Branch | Lawn

SENSORY & SMALL WORLD PLAY  **K**
Ages 3-5
• **All Things Summer**
Friday, June 27 | 10:00 AM–12:00 PM or 1:00 PM–3:00 PM
• **All Things Spooky**
Friday, August 8 | 10:00 AM–12:00 PM or 1:00 PM–3:00 PM
Main Library | Children's Activity Room

TWEEN UV RESIN KEYCHAINS  **TW**
Twins ages 9-14
Friday, June 27 | 3:00 PM–4:00 PM
North Branch | Community Room

DON'T TRY THIS AT HOME **K**
Ages 18 months - 5 years
Monday, July 7–Thursday, July 10 | 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Main Library | Children's Activity Room

HANDS ON SCIENCE **K**
Ages 6-10
Tuesdays | 11:00 AM–12:00 PM
July 8, July 15, July 22
Main Library | Children's Activity Room

RUFF READERS  **K**
Tuesdays | 6:30 PM–7:30 PM
July 8, July 15, July 22, July 29
Main Library | Children's Activity Room

DOG MAN PARTY *(Rated PG)* **K**
Wednesday, July 9 | 2:00 PM–4:00 PM
North Branch | Community Room

SUPER STOLIE! **K**
• **Thursday, July 10 | 10:00 AM–11:00 AM**
Main Library | HBH Auditorium
• **Saturday, July 12 | 11:00 AM–12:00 PM**
North Branch | Community Room