**Children’s Programming Supported by The Friends of Peoria Public Library**

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**Kids of All Ages**

**Saturday, July 6 – North Branch**

**Movie: First Man**

3:00-5:30 pm

The library is celebrating the 50th anniversary of the moon landing! Join us for a showing of the movie *First Man*.

**Monday, July 8 & 22 – Main Library**

**Monday Music at Main**

2:00-3:30 pm

Celebrate “Showtime at Your Library” with a musical performance at the Main Library! A portion of CD sales support the Friends of Peoria Public Library.

**July 8: Adam Larson Trio** – an American saxophonist, composer, and author who has released four albums, toured the world, and is a master class presenter.

**July 22: Barry Cloyd** – a singer, songwriter, guitarist, and storyteller who weaves the genres of folk, blues, roots, and Celtic music into a unique blend.

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**Tuesday, July 9 – Lincoln Branch**

**Storytunst Tennantcraft**

Martiika Daniels – 10:00-11:00 am

Sword-swallower, fire-eater, and international woman of mystery, Martiika Daniels aims to bring the highest quality entertainment to a stage near you!

**Thursday, July 11 – North Branch**

**Scramble Lab**

4:00-4:45 pm

Scratch is a free programming language and online community for creating and sharing your own interactive stories, games, and animations. Space is limited, so please call 309-497-2100 to register. Ages 8 to 16.

**Friday, July 12, 19 & 26 – North Branch**

**Sing-Along Lunch Movies**

12:30-2:30 pm

July 12: Moana (PG)  
July 19: Sing’ in the Rain (G)  
July 26: Annie (1999, NR)

**Saturday, July 13 – McClure Branch**

**Scrumptious Science: Homemade Ice Cream**

1:30-3:00 pm

Learn the science behind this scrumptious summer favorite! Make your own personal serving of ice cream. You’ll also learn the science behind this scrumptious summer favorite!

**Saturday, July 13 – North Branch**

**Lego Challenge: Catapult**

10:00-11:00 am

Build a catapult which we will then test to see whose catapult will sling their mini marshmallow the furthest.

**Thursday, July 18 – North Branch**

**Third Thursday Film Fest: A Year of Musicals**

2:00-4:00 pm

This month: *The Wizard of Oz* (G, 1939)

**Saturday, July 20 – McClure Branch**

**Apollo 11 Anniversary Movie: First Man**

11:00 am-2:00 pm

Celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Apollo 11 moon landing with a showing and discussion of First Man (2018), the Oscar-winning movie based on this historic space mission.

**Saturday, July 20 – North Branch**

**Moon Landing Party**

2:00-5:00 pm

Come celebrate the 50th anniversary of Apollo 11! We’ll have refreshments, some trivia, and – of course – watch the original broadcast of the moon landing.

**Sunday, July 21 – North Branch**

**The Hanson Family Jugglers**

2:00-3:00 pm

Heat inspiring stories and watch the Hanson family perform amazing juggling and unicycle tricks. Take part in the juggling lessons and balance skill challenges after the show.

**Monday, July 22 – McClure Branch**

**Dog Days Double Feature**

1:00-5:00 pm

Come inside to cool off and enjoy a special dog-themed double feature during the dog days of summer. *A Dog’s Purpose* (2017) will begin at 1:00 pm, followed by *A Dog’s Way Home* (2019) at 3:00 pm.

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**Tuesday, July 23 – Main Library**

**It’s Showtime at Your Library**

*Summer Reading Party – Tuesday, July 23 – Peoria Riverfront Museum*

**Friday, July 5, 12, 19 & 26 – North Branch**

**Busier Bees Storytime**

10:30-11:00 am

Children of all ages.

**Saturday, July 6, 13, 20 & 27 – North Branch**

**Busy Bees Storytime**

10:30-11:00 am

Children of all ages.

**Monday, July 8 – North Branch**

**Storytime Lab**

2:00-2:30 pm

Join us for stories about science, technology, engineering, art, and math followed by hands-on exploration! Ages 3 to 6.

**Tuesday, July 9 & 23 – McClure Branch**

**Sign and Sing Storytime with Communication Junction**

10:00-10:30 am

This story time is great for children ages 2 to 5 and is filled with stories, songs, movement and bubbles. You will also learn a few signs to take home and practice with your baby.

**Thursday, July 11, 18 & 25 – McClure Branch**

**Fun Time Storytime**

10:00-10:30 am

Ages 3 to 6.

**Thursday, July 11, 18 & 25 – North Branch**

**A-Z Storytime**

10:30-11:00 am

Join us for letter-themed stories, songs, and crafts! Ages 2 to 3.

**Tuesday, July 23 & 30 – Lincoln Branch**

**TERRIFIC TALETIDE Storytime: Summer Reading Edition**

1:00-2:00 pm

Meet at the brand new Columbia Park StoryWalk® at 11:30 for a strolling storytime! Bring your lunch with you.

**Wednesday, July 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31 – Lakeview Branch**

**Toddlers’ Tales**

10:15-10:45 am

Ages 2 to 4.

**Wednesday, July 3 & 17 – McClure Branch**

**Strolling Storytime and Picnic**

11:30 am-12:30 pm

Meet at the brand new Columbia Park StoryWalk® at 11:30 for a strolling storytime! Bring your lunch with you.

**Wednesday, July 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31 – North Branch**

**Brainy Bees Storytime**

12:00-1:00 pm

Develop your baby’s pre-literacy skills with books, songs, rhymes and finger plays. Caregivers will be encouraged to engage their child through one-on-one interactions, making reading time fun. Ages 0 to 23 months.

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**Friday, July 5 – Main Library**

**Music in the McKenzie Presents: The Sweet Potatoes**

2:00-4:00 pm

Featuring acoustic guitars, ukulele, accordion and harmonica, this trio will bring a smile to your face with their sweet harmonies and finely crafted songwriting. A portion of CD sales support The Friends of Peoria Public Library.

**Monday, July 15 – Lincoln Branch**

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**Sunday, July 14 – North Branch**

**Music in the McKenzie Presents: Juego al bar**

2:00-4:00 pm

Join us for a fairy tale themed story hour complete with activities, stories, and games. Every second Saturday, enjoy the You-Pick-Flick for the month. Be sure to cast your vote for next month’s movie!

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**Early Learners**

**July – All locations**

1000 Books Before Kindergarten
Read any 1,000 books to your child before they enter kindergarten and earn prizes for every 100 books they read. Once your child reads 1,000 books, they will be invited to a graduation party.

**July – Main Library**

Summer Storytime Kits
We’ve put together several books, songs, fingerplays and craft ideas into a theme-based bundle. Pick one of our handy theme bundles and check it out.

**Friday, July 5 – Lakeview Branch**

Toddler Art – 10:15-11:15 am
Let your child explore the world of colors and shapes while learning fine motor skills along the way.

**Friday, July 5 – McClure Branch**

Baby Playground – 10:15-11:15 am
Join us for a special playgroup designed to help you explore your world through creative play. Ages 9 to 24 months.

**Wednesday, July 10 – North Branch**

STEAM Explorations – 4:30-5:30 pm
Discover the Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math topics that are all around us! This month we will be exploring science and math in music. Ages 6 to 11.

**Middle School / High School**

**Wednesday, July 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31 – McClure Branch**

**It’s Showtime!** Movie Series – 3:00-5:00 pm

**Thursday, July 11 – McClure Branch**

It’s Showtime: DIY Stop Motion Movie – 3:00-4:00 pm
From constructing the stage, creating your characters, and filming your video, learn what it takes to make a stop motion video of your own! Ages 11 to 18.

**Monday, July 15 – Lincoln Branch**

Superhero Escape Room – 10:00-11:00 am
In this scenario, the Green Goblin and Doc are trying to destroy the city, and it’s up to you to help Spider-Man. Hurry though you only have 15 minutes to find the clues and dismantle their bombs! Be sure to check out our fun superhero craft/ activity, as well as enter your name into a movie ticket drawing for the new Spider-Man: Far From Home. Ages 11-18.

**Saturday, July 27 – Lakeview Branch**

Learn about readers’ theater, practice short skits adapted from classic stories, and perform in front of our community. For ages 5 to 10. Call 497-2600 for questions or help placing the book on hold. This month’s title: Celine by Peter Heller.

**Friday, July 31 – North Branch**

Comic Corps Club – 5:00-6:00 pm
High school students are encouraged to bring any DC Comics graphic novel to share and discuss with others.

**Kids of All Ages**

**July – All locations**

Remember to check out our weekly activities to earn a bookmark and a chance to win a $15 Barnes and Noble gift card! Pick up a Bingo card at any of the locations and turn it in for a chance to win a $25 Barnes and Noble gift card.

**July – All locations**

Graphic Novel Bingo
Pick up a Bingo card at any of the locations and turn it in for a chance to win a $15 Barnes and Noble gift card!

**Thursday, July 11 – Lincoln Branch**

Teen Bad Movie Night – 4:00-6:00 pm
Bring your friends to watch The Wicker Man (2006, PG-13, rated 15% on Rotten Tomatoes). For ages 13 to 18.

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**July 3: Center Stage**

July 10: Honey

July 17: A Star Is Born

July 24: Step Up

July 31: Stomp the Yard

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**Monday, July 8 – North Branch**

Raffi’s Birthday Party – 11:30 am-1:30 pm
You’re invited to join in on the birthday celebration of the very beloved children’s singer and author, Raffi! For children up to 4 years old.

**Monday, July 15 – Lakeview Branch**

Tuesday, July 16 – McClure Branch

A Novel Naptime – 10:00-11:00 am
Are you a child caregiver who enjoys reading, but you don’t have a sitter to attend book club? This is the book club for you!While the adults discuss the book, children can play with toys, color, and read from board books. Visit one or both of the sessions! Please call 309-497-2200 or 309-497-2700 for questions or help placing the book on hold. This month’s title: Celine by Peter Heller.

**Friday, July 19 – McClure Branch**

Friday, July 26 – Lakeview Branch

Toddler Play Zone – 10:15-11:15 am
Join us for a special playgroup for toddlers to interact with other kids, play with educational toys, and read books with their parents. Ages 2 to 4.

**Tuesday, July 16 – Lakeview Branch**

Exploring Nature: Flower Dissection – 4:00-5:00 pm
Come down with your friends to aim and dodge jumbo marshmallows as you try to best the other team.

**Friday, July 19 – McClure Branch**

Friday, July 26 – Lakeview Branch

Marshmallow Fight – 10:00-11:00 am
Bring in a copy of your challenge to receive a bookmark and a chance to win a $15 Barnes and Noble gift card!