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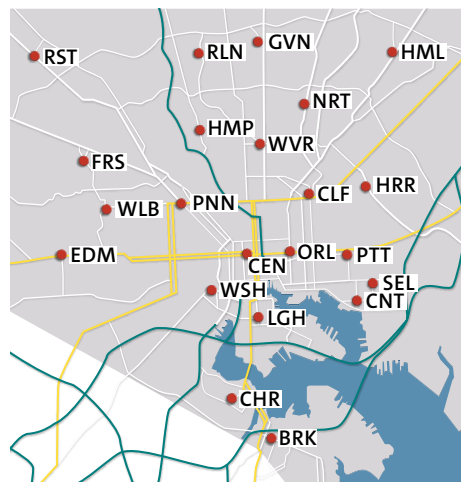
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LETTER FROM THE INTERIM CEO



If you're looking for things to do this fall, you've come to the right place. This edition of *Compass* is filled with programs, including star-studded author events. *Baltimore Fishbowl* recently called Pratt Writers LIVE! one of the best "hidden gems" in Baltimore. But, with registration seats selling out in 1 – 2 minutes, we know it's not so hidden to most of you.

The Pratt Library is coming off a busy summer. In July, we broke ground on the first new library in Baltimore in more than 15 years. The new Johnston Square Branch is under renovation and will be a unique new model for the Pratt. The library will be in the ground floor of a multi-family apartment building. This has been a huge collaboration between the Pratt Library, ReBuild Metro, Somerset Development Company, New Community Partners LLC,

and Re-Build Johnston Square Neighborhood Association. We can't wait to serve this neighborhood.

Renovations are underway across the system thanks to funding from the American Rescue Plan through the Mayor's Office of Recovery Programs. We're replacing HVAC units and refreshing some interiors spaces across the system. That will require many temporary building closures over the next two years. In June, we cut the ribbon on our first completed project at the Walbrook Branch. The library has a new look, with private technology seating, new carpet and paint, and new HVAC. We're proud to be able to bring these vital upgrades to our libraries.

Finally, a big thank you to Senator Chris Van Hollen and FCC Chair Jessica Rosenworcel who visited the Walbrook Branch to announce the expansion of the E-Rate program for libraries to include Wi-Fi hot spots. This will allow the Pratt to have heavily discounted data packages on hot spots we lend to customers. We knowing the waiting list has been long. This boost from the federal government will hopefully allow us to expand the hot spots we have available. The Pratt is here to keep our community connected.

Darcelle Graham, *Interim CEO, Enoch Pratt Free Library*



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The next Meeting of the Boards of Trustees and Directors will be held Wednesday, September 18 at 5:15 p.m. Visit prattlibrary.org for details.

BUILDING UPDATES

WALBROOK BRANCH

In June, the ribbon was cut on the Walbrook Branch after some upgrades to the building. The building has new carpet and paint and updated technology furniture. The HVAC system was also replaced. This project was funded by generous donors and through the Mayor's Office of Recovery programs.

JOHNSTON SQUARE

On a steamy day in July, we broke ground on what will be the newest Pratt Library branch in Johnston Square. The branch will be on the ground floor of a new apartment building. Construction is underway.

HERRING RUN

Renovations of the Herring Run Branch are underway. Tile has been pulled up from the floor and new ceiling tiles will be going in. The branch will get new carpet and paint. New technology furniture will be placed around the building to support computer and Wi-Fi users. Phase II of this project will include the full replacement of the HVAC system. This project is funded by the American Rescue Plan through the Mayor's Office of Recovery programs.

BROOKLYN & NORTHWOOD

Both the Brooklyn and Northwood Branches are temporarily closed for HVAC replacement. The Brooklyn branch will also receive an interior makeover. Both of these projects are funded through the American Rescue Plan.



UPCOMING CLOSURES

- The **Govans** and **Reisterstown Rd. Branches** will close in November for HVAC upgrades.
- The **Orleans St. Branch** will close in December for a new computer space.

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Come to a community engagement session and let Neighborhood Library Services staff know what's most important to you in YOUR library.

Govans | September 7, 11:00 a.m.
Reisterstown Rd. | November 1, 11:00 a.m.

SUMMER BREAK BALTIMORE

Thanks to everyone who participated in Summer Break Baltimore 2024! It was another record-breaking year for the Pratt. We helped create home libraries for families by giving away more than 50,000 books.

Thank you to the many donors who helped to make Summer Break Baltimore possible including American Trading and Production Corporation, Denit Charitable Trust, Lord Baltimore Capital Group, and PNC Foundation.

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BACK TO SCHOOL

ADULTS

Pratt's Phonic Phenomenon: A Grown Up Spelling Bee

Tuesday, September 17, 6:30 p.m.
Central Library

Join us for a night of lively letters in the Pratt Library's first adult spelling bee! Registration required. Please register at prattlibrary.org. Light refreshment provided. Must be 21+ to consume alcohol, ID's will be checked.

TEENS

Back to School: Notebook Decoration

Tuesday, September 3, 3:00 p.m.
Edmondson Ave.

Get ready for class by customizing a notebook. Bring your own or decorate provided notebooks and binders (while supplies last).

Decorate & Equip: School Supplies Giveaway

Tuesday, September 3, 4:00 p.m.
Central Library

Visit the Teen Center for a school supply giveaway and decoration session. First-come, first-served, while supplies last.

Teen Crafternoon: DIY School Supplies

Wednesday, September 4, 3:30 p.m.
Orleans St.

Create a supply kit that is unique to you! A pencil case and notebook will be provided for each participant to decorate.

School Supply Decorating

Thursday, September 5, 2:30 p.m.
Southeast Anchor Library

Come hang out with us and decorate your binders, folders, and notebooks for the first week of school.

Back to School Vision Boards

Thursday, September 5, 3:00 p.m.
Roland Park

Create a vision board for the new school year. Set goals and intentions to make this year the most successful yet.

Back to School Program

Monday, September 16, 3:00 p.m. | Waverly
Join us for an afternoon of fun activities and giveaways that will prepare you for the upcoming school year. For teens ages 13 – 18.

Bling Out Your School Supplies

Monday, September 16, 4:00 p.m.
Reisterstown Rd.

Decorate your school supplies. One folder will be supplied to each participant to decorate. Please call 410-396-0948 to register.

Back to School Bingo

Thursday, September 19, 3:00 p.m.
Hamilton

Play bingo and win prizes while learning about Library skills and resources.

Back to School Open House

Tuesday, September 24, 3:00 p.m. | Light St.
Meet Library staff, learn about Library resources, and how to obtain a Library card. Participate in games and make a bookmark craft. Parents and teachers are also welcome.

Teen Study Hour

Tuesday, September 24, 3:30 p.m. | Waverly
Waverly's Teen Study Hour is for teens ages 13 – 18 who need a dedicated, distraction-free environment to focus on their studies.

CHILDREN & FAMILIES

Backpack Charms

Tuesday, September 3, 3:30 p.m.
Patterson Park

Get back-to-school ready by making charms for your backpack.

Crafternoon:

Back to School Crinkle Paper Craft

Monday, September 9, 4:00 p.m. | Waverly
Join us for a back-to-school-themed crafternoon.



CLASSES FOR HOME SCHOOL STUDENTS

Online class sessions where students can learn the basic components of the computer, develop writing skills using Microsoft Word, and use interactive programs and websites to enhance language, critical thinking, and logic. To register visit prattlibrary.org, email computer.class@prattlibrary.org, or call 443-984-4944.

1st Grade Home School Series

Tuesdays, September 10 – December 10
10:00 a.m. | Virtual

2nd Grade Home School Series

Tuesdays, September 10 – December 10
11:30 a.m. | Virtual

3rd Grade Home School Series

Tuesdays, September 10 – December 10
1:30 p.m. | Virtual

4th Grade Home School Series

Wednesdays, September 11 – December 11
10:00 a.m. | Virtual

5th Grade Home School Series

Wednesdays, September 11 – December 11
11:30 a.m. | Virtual

6th Grade Home School Series

Wednesdays, September 11 – December 11
1:30 p.m. | Virtual

AUTHOR EVENTS

All events require registration; visit calendar.prattlibrary.org to register. ASL interpretation will be available to attendees. Free parking vouchers are available to program attendees who park at the Franklin Street Garage (15 W. Franklin Street) after 4:00 p.m. for programs located at the Central Library.

STAR-STUDED FALL

BROWN LECTURE SERIES



EVE

Who's That Girl?

FREE COPY!

Thursday, September 19, 7:00 p.m. | Central Library

The definitive autobiography from Eve, the multiplatinum, Grammy Award-winning, Emmy-nominated rapper, singer-songwriter, and actor. There will not be a book signing following the program. Eve will be in conversation with Karsonya Wise Whitehead, host of *Today with Dr. Kaye* on WEAA 88.9 FM.

WRITERS LIVE!



CONNIE CHUNG

Connie

FREE COPY!

Friday, September 20, 7:00 p.m.
Central Library

Legendary journalist Connie Chung delves into her storied career as the first Asian woman to break into an overwhelmingly white, male-dominated television news industry. There will not be a book signing following the program.

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JUSTICE KETANJI BROWN JACKSON

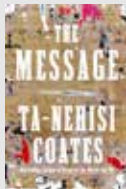
Lovely One

FREE COPY!

Saturday, September 21, 7:00 p.m. | Central Library

With this unflinching account, Justice Ketanji Brown Jackson invites readers into her life and world. There will not be a book signing following the program.

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TA-NEHISI COATES

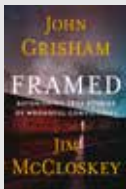
The Message

FREE COPY!

Wednesday, October 2, 7:00 p.m.
Central Library

Ta-Nehisi Coates journeys to three resonant sites of conflict to explore how the stories we tell — and the ones we don't — shape our realities.

WRITERS LIVE!



JOHN GRISHAM & JIM MCCLOSKEY

Framed

FREE COPY!

Wednesday, October 16, 7:00 p.m.
Central Library

Ten harrowing true stories of wrongful convictions. John Grisham and Jim McCloskey will be on stage with exonerees Michael Austin and Walter Lomax and will be in conversation with Tom Hall, host of WYPR's *Midday*. There will not be a book signing following the program.

WRITERS LIVE!



CAROLE HOPSON

A Pair of Wings

Monday, September 9, 7:00 p.m.
Central Library & Virtual

A riveting, adventurous novel inspired by the life of pioneer aviatrix Bessie Coleman, a Black woman who learned to fly at the dawn of aviation and found freedom in the air. Carole Hopson will be joined in conversation by *Baltimore Beat* editor-in-chief Lisa Snowden-McCray.

KIDS' WRITERS LIVE!



JAMAR PERRY

Jaden Powers and the Inheritance Magic

FREE COPY!

Thursday, September 12, 1:00 p.m.
Orleans St.

In this magical middle-grade fantasy, a shy boy must step up and become his own hero after his best friend disappears at a magical school.

WRITERS LIVE!



DR. MARTY MAKARY

Blind Spots

Saturday, September 14, 3:00 p.m.
Central Library & Virtual

An eye-opening look at the medical groupthink that has led to public harm, and what you need to know about your health. Dr. Marty Makary will be joined in conversation by Dr. Kavita Patel.

WRITERS LIVE!



AMANDA JONES

That Librarian

Monday, September 16, 7:00 p.m.
Central Library & Virtual

Part memoir, part manifesto, the inspiring story of a Louisiana librarian advocating for inclusivity on the front lines of our vicious culture wars. Amanda Jones will be joined in conversation by Stacey Nunn, president of the Maryland Association of School Librarians.

YA WRITERS LIVE!



LAMAR GILES

Ruin Road

FREE COPY!

Tuesday, September 17, 4:00 p.m.
Walbrook

Ruin Road is a nonstop, whip-smart, terrifying, and addicting joyride about race, fear, and who the real monsters are. Lamar Giles will be joined in conversation by *New York Times*-bestselling author Dhonielle Clayton.

YA WRITERS LIVE!



A.R. VISHNY

Night Owls **FREE COPY!**

Tuesday, September 24, 4:00 p.m.
Roland Park

In this thrilling paranormal YA romance debut steeped in folklore, two estries face New York's monstrous underworld to save the girl one of them loves with help from the boy one of them fears before they are, all of them, lost forever.

KIDS' WRITERS LIVE!



STACEY ABRAMS

Stacey Speaks Up **FREE COPY!**

Wednesday, September 25, 5:30 p.m.
Central Library

This is a story about how everyone has the power to make a difference. There will not be a book signing following the program.

KIDS' WRITERS LIVE!



SHADRA STRICKLAND

Jump In! **FREE COPY!**

Saturday, September 28, 11:00 a.m.
Waverly

This bright, joyful picture book celebrates a community at play! This program is held in conjunction with the Baltimore Book Festival.

KIDS' WRITERS LIVE!



JUSTINA IRELAND AND HANNA ALKAF

Tales from Cabin 23 **FREE COPY!**

Saturday, September 28,
2:00 p.m. | Waverly

Are you brave enough to visit Cabin 23? Join Justina Ireland and Hanna Alkaf as they discuss the Tales from Cabin 23 series. This program is held in conjunction with the Baltimore Book Festival.

WRITERS LIVE!



JULIETTE WELLS

A New Jane Austen

Saturday, September 28, 3:00 p.m.
Central Library & Virtual

This book revolutionizes our understanding of how Austen came to be viewed as the world's greatest novelist.

KIDS' WRITERS LIVE!



TUI T. SUTHERLAND

Wings of Fire **FREE COPY!**

Monday, September 30, 5:30 p.m.
Central Library

The bestselling Wings of Fire series soars to even greater heights with a gorgeous collector's edition of book one with beautiful new cover art and exclusive materials inside. There will not be a book signing following the program.

YA WRITERS LIVE!



STEPHANIE BRICK

The Secret Doors of Cannondale **FREE COPY!**

Tuesday, October 8, 11:00 a.m.
Light St.

A story that takes middle-grade readers on a fantastical coming of age journey of friendship, belonging and self-worth.

WRITERS LIVE!



NICOL TURNER LEE

Digitally Invisible

Thursday, October 10, 7:00 p.m.
Central Library & Virtual

Digitally Invisible proposes a pathway to more equitable access to existing and emerging technologies while encouraging readers to weigh in on this shared goal.

WRITERS LIVE!



DAVID GREENBERG

John Lewis: A Life

Tuesday, October 15, 7:00 p.m.
Central Library & Virtual

A comprehensive, authoritative biography of Civil Rights icon John Lewis.

WRITERS LIVE!



NIKKYA HARGROVE

Mama

Tuesday, October 22, 7:00 p.m.
Central Library & Virtual

Nikkya Hargrove describes how she determined to create the kind of family she never had. Nikkya Hargrove will be joined in conversation by *Baltimore Beat* editor-in-chief Lisa Snowden-McCray.

WRITERS LIVE!



JEFF VANDERMEER

Absolution

Wednesday, October 23, 7:00 p.m.
Central Library & Virtual

The surprise fourth volume in the Southern Reach series — and the final word on one of the most provocative and popular speculative fiction series of our time.

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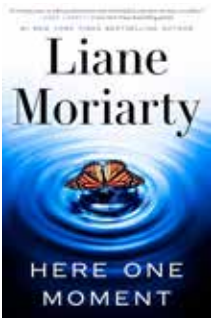
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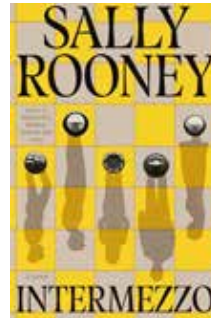
WHAT'S NEW

Here are the most anticipated books of September and October coming soon to the Pratt Library.



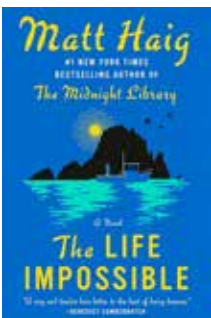
Here One Moment by Liane Moriarty

Something extraordinary happens on an ordinary, short, domestic flight. People learn how and when they are going to die. For some, their death is far in the future — age 103! — and they laugh. But for six passengers, their predicted deaths are not far away at all. If you knew your future, would you try to fight fate?



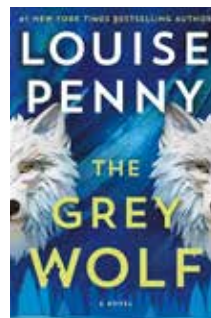
Intermezzo by Sally Rooney

Aside from the fact that they are brothers, Peter and Ivan Koubek seem to have little in common. For both of them, the death of their father turns their lives upside down and brings about a new interlude — a period of desire, despair, and possibility; a chance to find out how much one life might hold inside itself without breaking.



The Life Impossible by Matt Haig

Retired teacher Grace Winters is left a run-down house on a Mediterranean island by a long-lost friend. Among the rugged hills and golden beaches, Grace searches for answers about her friend's life and how it ended. What she uncovers is stranger than she could have dreamed. But to dive into this impossible truth, Grace must first come to terms with her past.



The Grey Wolf by Louise Penny

A sequence of strange events propel Chief Inspector Gamache and his team toward a terrible realization. Something sinister is fast approaching. Determined to track down the threat before it becomes a reality, their pursuit takes them across Québec and across borders. If they fail, the devastating consequences would reach into the largest of cities and the smallest of villages.



The Night We Lost Him by Laura Dave

Estranged siblings Nora and Sam discover their father has been keeping a secret for more than 50 years, one that may have been fatal. As Nora and Sam form an uneasy alliance to unravel the mystery of their father's death, they start putting together the pieces of his past and uncover a family secret that changes everything.



The Blue Hour by Paula Hawkins

An isolated Scottish island, accessible only 12 hours a day. An infamous artist whose notoriously unfaithful husband disappeared after visiting her 20 years ago. A present-day discovery that intimately connects three people and threatens a carefully concealed secret. A masterful and propulsive novel that asks searing questions of ambition, power, gender, and perception.



Somewhere Beyond the Sea by TJ Klune

Arthur Parnassus is the master of a strange orphanage and he hopes to soon be the adoptive father to the six dangerous and magical children who live there. But when he is summoned to make a public statement about his dark past, Arthur finds himself at the helm of a fight for the future that his family, and all magical people, deserve.



Be Ready When the Luck Happens by Ina Garten

In her long-awaited memoir, Ina Garten — aka the Barefoot Contessa, author of 13 bestselling cookbooks, beloved Food Network personality, Instagram sensation, and cultural icon — shares her personal story with readers hungry for a seat at her table.

ONE MARYLAND ONE BOOK



WHAT STORM, WHAT THUNDER BY MYRIAM J.A. CHANCY IS THE 2024 CHOICE FOR ONE MARYLAND ONE BOOK

One Maryland One Book is a program of the Maryland Center for the Book at Maryland Humanities.

ABOUT THE BOOK

At the end of a long, sweltering day, an earthquake of 7.0 magnitude shakes the capital of Haiti, Port-au-Prince. Award-winning author Myriam J. A. Chancy masterfully charts the inner lives of the characters affected by the disaster — Richard, an expat and wealthy water-bottling executive with a secret daughter; the daughter, Anne, an architect who drafts affordable housing structures for a global NGO; a small-time drug trafficker, Leopold, who pines for a beautiful call girl; Sonia and her business partner, Dieudonné, who are followed by a man they believe is the vodou spirit of death; Didier, an emigrant musician who drives a taxi in Boston; Sara, a mother haunted by the ghosts of her children in an IDP camp; her husband, Olivier, an accountant forced to abandon the wife he loves; their son, Jonas, who haunts them both; and Ma Lou, the old woman selling produce in the market who remembers them all.

BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Monday, September 16, 6:00 p.m.
Hampden

Thursday, September 26, 6:30 p.m. | Govans

Saturday, September 28, 2:00 p.m.
Edmondson Ave.

Monday, October 14, 6:30 p.m. | Canton

Wednesday, October 16, 4:00 p.m.
Pennsylvania Ave.

Saturday, October 19, 2:00 p.m. | Walbrook

Monday, October 21, 2:00 p.m. | Cherry Hill

Saturday, October 26, 11:00 a.m.
Central Library

Monday, October 28, 1:30 p.m.
Reisterstown Rd.

Monday, October 28, 6:00 p.m. | Roland Park

Monday, November 4, 6:00 p.m. | Orleans St.

Wednesday, November 6, 5:00 p.m.
Southeast Anchor Library

Saturday, November 9, 2:00 p.m.

Herring Run

Thursday, November 14, 6:00 p.m. | Waverly

RELATED PROGRAMS

Haitian Kite Making

Wednesday, September 11, 6:00 p.m.

Central Library

Monday, October 7, 6:00 p.m.

Patterson Park

Come learn how to make a traditional Haitian Kite! All supplies included. Registration for this class is required as space is limited. Please register at prattlibrary.org.



MENCKEN DAY 2024

Saturday, September 14

10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. | Central Library

Honoring the memory, career, and bequest of Henry Louis Mencken, The Mencken Room is open to the public.

10:30 a.m. Mencken Society Annual Meeting (open to the public)

2:00 p.m. 2024 Mencken Memorial Lecture (live and streaming)

This year's lecture will be delivered by author Thomas Frank, author of *Listen, Liberal* (2016), *The Wrecking Crew* (2008) and *What's the Matter with Kansas?* (2004), plus other books and many articles. His most recent book is *The People, No: A Brief History of Anti-Populism* (2020, 2021) and his new book on creativity and innovation will be published next year. A former columnist for *The Wall Street Journal*, *Harper's* and *The Guardian*, Frank is the founding editor of *The Baffler*.

"I value the Library as a place of quiet adventure, where the patron can engage the mind in literature of so many genres and interests as well as activities. I don't think I have even scratched the surface of what is there!"

— Suzanne S.

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JOB & CAREER

ADULTS

LinkedIn Tips with the Greater Baltimore Urban League (GBUL)

Wednesday, September 4, 11:30 a.m.
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This is a hands-on interactive workshop to help participants improve their LinkedIn profiles for job success.

Work-Life Balance: Strategies for the Working Professional

Wednesday, September 4, 5:00 p.m.
Central Library

Are you overwhelmed with trying to balance work and life? Do you feel a sense of guilt when you put your work before family? Managing competing priorities increases tension and strain as well as diminish your overall productivity in the areas that you desire it the most. Join Dr. Sharlene Allen-Milton, LCSW-C for an interactive workshop on work-life balance.

Unlocking Futures: Infusing College and Career Readiness In Your Curriculum, Regardless of Content or Age!

Wednesday, September 4, 6:00 p.m.
Central Library

In this dynamic workshop, we'll explore innovative ways to seamlessly integrate college and career readiness skills into any subject area and for learners of all ages. Discover how to empower your students with the essential tools they need to thrive in the ever-evolving landscape of higher education and the professional world.

Dynamic Resumes & Cover Letters

Thursday, September 12, 5:30 p.m.
Hampden

Learn tools and strategies to create polished resumes and cover letters that are tailored to each job you apply for. Call 410-396-6043 or email hmp@prattlibrary.org or to register.

Taxes for the Self-Employed

Thursday, October 3, 6:00 p.m.
Central Library

Do self-employed people pay extra taxes? Does being an LLC or an S-Corp matter in how much you pay yourself or an employee? What taxes are you responsible for when paying a contractor or freelancer? What deductions are allowed and recordkeeping requirements? If you're self-employed and new to dealing with taxes and the other requirements that come along with it, you need this presentation.



GOOD TIMES CAST REUNION FEATURING JIMMIE WALKER AND BERNNADETTE STANIS

Thursday, September 12, 7:00 p.m.
Central Library

This year marks the 50th anniversary of the premiere of the renowned sitcom *Good Times*. The program aired for five years on CBS and followed the lives of the Evans family in Chicago: Florida (Esther Rolle), James (John Amos), and their three children J.J. (Jimmie Walker), Thelma (BernNadette Stanis), and Michael (Ralph Carter).

Join us as BernNadette Stanis and Jimmie Walker reflect on the show's legacy in conversation with comedian Chris Paul.

"The were very helpful in assisting me with all the help that I needed."

— Barry N.



THE PRATT IS HIRING!

Wednesday, September 11, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Orleans St.

Join us for a hiring event sponsored by our Neighborhood Library Services Division. Learn about open positions in our branches, both full and part time. For more information please contact: recruitment@prattlibrary.org. To see current open positions visit prattlibrary.org/jobs.

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It's going to be another exciting year at the Pratt, and we're so excited to welcome you back to the Central Library for a robust series of events just for you. This fall, we are pleased to welcome **Connie Chung, Justice Ketanji Brown Jackson, John Grisham, Bobby Flay**, and many others.

As always, members of the Pratt Society will receive exclusive invitations to dinners and receptions with notable speakers, virtual Q&As with library leaders, and special behind the scenes events. Our hope is that this year's line-up connects you with those who share your passion and belief in the Pratt Library and its ability to better Baltimore.

Join the Pratt Society with an annual gift of \$1,000 or more and become part of a special group of supporters dedicated to ensuring the Library's future. For more information, visit us at prattsociety.org or contact Chris Lewis, the Library's Individual and Corporate Giving Manager, at 410-396-5275 or clewis@prattlibrary.org.

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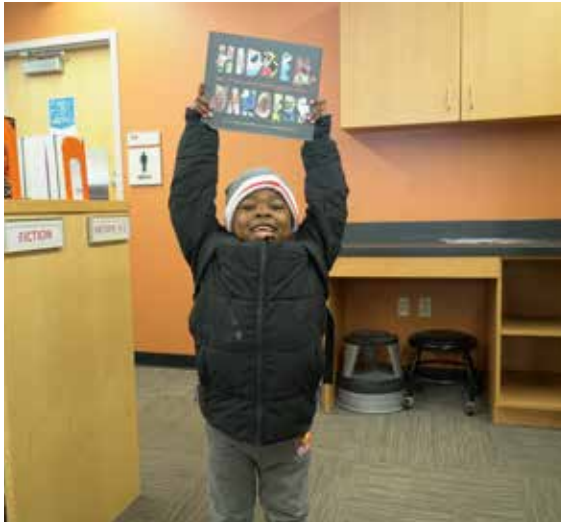
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HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

ALL AGES

Live Music: Son del Sur

Saturday, September 21, 3:00 p.m. | Light St. Son del Sur is an ensemble of strings, accordion, and percussion covering a wide spectrum of Latin American folk music. Son del Sur expands the musical landscape, inspiring listeners to visualize the diversity and richness of Latin American culture.

Viva la Cultura: Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration

Saturday, October 12, 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. Central Library
Join the Pratt Library for an afternoon of art, music, dance, and culture in celebration of National Hispanic Heritage Month. Enjoy performances showcasing Mexican and Latin American dance and music traditions from Bailes de Mi Tierra (and more)! Attendees will even have a chance to explore Pre-Columbian instruments with instrument maker and musician Melissa Foss. The afternoon will also include family-friendly crafts, games, and samples from local food businesses, including Franchesca's Empanadas Cafe. Registration for this event is recommended but not required. Please register at prattlibrary.org.

ADULTS

Build Your Own Clay Instrument

Saturday, September 21
10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Southeast Anchor Library
Thursday, October 3, 5:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Edmondson Ave.
In this hands-on workshop led by Melissa Hyatt Foss, learn about musical instruments that have been made across Central and South America for thousands of years and then build your own working clay rattles. Participants will pick up their newly kiln-fired pieces roughly three weeks after the program. Registration required. Register at prattlibrary.org.

Poetry Online Discussion of José Olivarez

Saturday, October 12, 11:00 a.m. | Virtual
Join us online for a discussion of the poetry of José Olivarez. For more information, email poetry@prattlibrary.org.

TEENS

Movie Monday: Selena

Monday, September 16, 5:00 p.m.
Pennsylvania Ave.
Biographical drama charting pop singing sensation Selena as her career transcended the Tejano scene that launched her into crossover, mainstream success. 1997 | Rated PG | 2 hr. 11 min.

La Historia de un Taco: Bmore Taquería & Valentino Sandoval

Thursday, October 10, 3:00 p.m. Patterson Park
Saturday, October 12, 3:00 p.m. Southeast Anchor Library
Join us for an unforgettable cooking experience featuring the cultural roots of Mexican cuisine. Learn how to make guacamole and ceviche with Chef Valentino Sandoval, the owner of BMORE Taquería in Upper Fells Point. Please be aware ceviche contains fish.

Day of the Dead Skulls

Thursday, October 31, 3:00 p.m. | Roland Park
Decorate a calavera for Día de los Muertos (Day of the Dead) and learn more about this Mexican celebration.

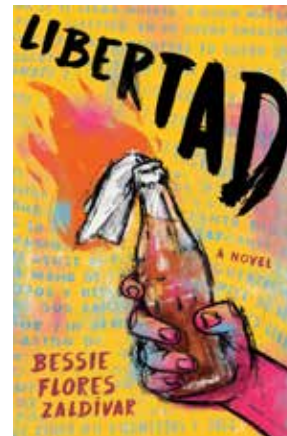
CHILDREN & FAMILIES

International Snack Time

Thursday, September 19, 3:30 p.m.
Walbrook
Swing by to taste snacks from Spanish speaking countries.

Make a Pan Flute

Friday, September 20, 3:00 p.m. | Hamilton
Learn about the pan flute, a traditional instrument in Andean music, and make your own using craft materials.



YA WRITERS LIVE!

BESSIE FLORES ZALDÍVAR *Libertad*

Thursday, September 19, 1:00 p.m. Southeast Anchor Library
Thursday, September 19, 4:00 p.m. Patterson Park

Libertad is a queer YA coming-of-age set during the rigged Honduran presidential election about a young poet discovering the courage it takes to speak her truth about the people and country she loves.

All registered in person attendees will receive a FREE copy of the book while supplies last.

Coco & Calaveras Coloring

Tuesday, October 15, 3:30 p.m. | Orleans St.
Families are invited to celebrate the last day of Hispanic Heritage Month, and learn about an upcoming holiday: "Día de los Muertos," or "Day of the Dead."

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MARYLAND STEM FESTIVAL

TEENS

3D Printing

Mondays, September 9 & October 21
3:00 p.m. | Govans

Design a 3D-printed miniature at home and print it out at the Govans Branch! Ask a librarian for more information.

Kitchen Science

Tuesday, September 10, 3:00 p.m. | Light St.
Conduct fun science experiments and explore concoctions! Learn how to make healthy, afterschool snacks with Julie Eugenio, Community Programs Manager of TasteWise Kids.

Needle Felting: Painting with Wool

Wednesday, September 25, 4:00 p.m.
Central Library

Create paintings with a new medium: needle felting! We'll show you how to begin and practice for projects to come.

Teen Bridge Builders

Wednesday, September 25, 4:00 p.m.
Pennsylvania Ave.

Participate in a friendly STEM competition where teens will design and construct a bridge using specified materials.

Spooky Slime

Monday, October 7, 3:00 p.m. | Roland Park
Join us as we make a special glow-in-the-dark slime.

The Mentos Experiment

Saturday, October 12, 3:30 p.m. | Walbrook
See what happens when you mix Mentos and soda!

Guerrilla Art

Tuesday, October 22, 3:00 p.m. | Light St.
In celebration of the MD STEM Festival, discover the joys of making magnetic art.

Intro to Birdwatching for Teens

Thursday, October 24, 3:30 p.m. | Waverly
Discover the fascinating world of birdwatching! This program is designed for teens who are curious about nature and eager to learn more about the birds in our local area.

CHILDREN & FAMILIES

Lava Tube

Saturdays, September 7 & October 19,
12:15 p.m. | Central Library

Use simple household items to create a lava tube. This program is recommended for children ages 3 – 11.

Spooky Crafts with Scrap B-More

Tuesday, October 1, 4:00 p.m.
Pennsylvania Ave.

Join Scrap B-More to create a spectacular stained-glass window, or a unique duct tape monster using recyclable materials.

Slime Time

Wednesday, October 9, 12:15 p.m.

Saturday, October 26, 3:30 p.m.

Central Library

Make a colorful, squishy mess, then take your creation home! For children ages 3 – 11.

Nano Rainbow Film

Thursday, October 17, 1:00 p.m.

Central Library

Experiment with thin films and see how they create rainbow colors. Then make your own iridescent bookmark. This program is recommended for children ages 9 – 12.

Coding & Robotics Interactive Demonstration & Workshop

Thursday, October 17, 4:00 p.m. | Waverly
Learn how to use Daisy the Dinosaur app to write code and how to navigate and code the Dash robot. In collaboration with University of Maryland Extension, Baltimore Housing, and the Maryland STEM Festival.

Mad Science: Slime Time

Thursday, September 12, 3:30 p.m.

Southeast Anchor Library

Monday, October 21, 4:00 p.m. | Cherry Hill

Create slime with the Mad Science recipe!

Build a Constellation

Tuesday, October 22, 3:00 p.m. | Hamilton

Build a constellation using pipe cleaners and beads.



KIDS' WRITERS LIVE!

TONYA BOLDEN

Black Lives: Great Minds of Science

Wednesday, October 30, 4:00 p.m.
Cherry Hill

Matilda Evans (physician). Archie Alexander (civil engineer). Gladys West (mathematician). Ayana Elizabeth Johnson (marine biologist). These aren't names that many people learn about in school, but they're some of the greatest scientists that people should know about — doctors, engineers, mathematicians, and biologists. Each of them faced challenges as they rose to the top of their professions, but they didn't back down.

Award-winning author Tonya Bolden will discuss her new book, *Great Minds of Science*, which celebrates the lives and contributions of Black scientists throughout history. All registered in person attendees will receive a FREE copy of the book while supplies last.

STEAM Adventure with the Science Guys!

Wednesday, October 23, 3:00 p.m.

Hampden

In this thrilling show, you will explode right into a mission that reveals challenges of defying gravity and electrifying obstacles.

STEAM Building Zone

Wednesday, October 23, 3:30 p.m. | Walbrook

Use your imagination to build structures using STEAM toys such as Brain Flakes® LEGO® bricks, MAGNA-TILES® and more.

READ TO REEF

— CHILDREN & FAMILIES —

Crystal Coral Reefs

Tuesday, October 1, 3:30 p.m.

Patterson Park

Learn about the ocean and grow your own coral reef in a jar.

Crafternoon: Fishtail Bracelets

Tuesday, October 1, 3:30 p.m. | Walbrook

Celebrate the start of Read to Reef by making fishtail bracelets!

Ocean Craft October

Wednesdays, October 2 – 30, 3:30 p.m.

Southeast Anchor Library

Celebrate Read to Reef with awesome sea-themed crafts on Wednesdays!

Crafternoon: Bubble Wrap Painting

Monday, October 7, 4:00 p.m. | Waverly

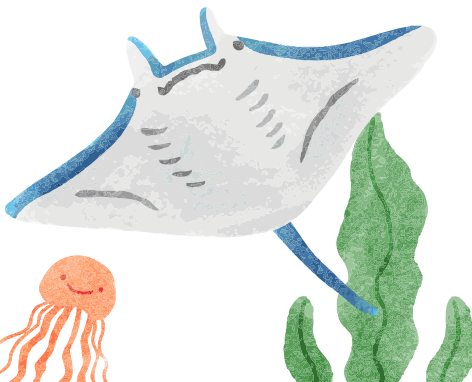
Join us for a crafternoon of painting using bubble wrap to add texture to your creation.

Read to Reef Crafternoon:

World Octopus Day

Tuesday, October 8, 3:30 p.m. | Orleans St.

October 8 is World Octopus Day! Mark the occasion at the Orleans Street Branch by helping us make a giant paper octopus! Children and their families will use coloring supplies and animal stamps to decorate strips of paper, which we will turn into eight simple daisy chains to give our octopus its colorful tentacles!



Prakriti Dance Performance: Through Fish Eyes

Thursday, October 10, 12:30 p.m. | Govans
Thursday, October 10, 4:00 p.m.
Central Library

Join us for a special performance by Prakriti Dance. This unique performance utilizes dynamic classical Indian dance styles to spark interest in what lies beneath the ocean's surface. Prakriti Dance shares the wonders of marine life through the language of dance and illuminates the ways in which humans are affecting the world's oceans. Audiences will be inspired by the beauty of nature and empowered to make small changes to help the environment.

Crafternoon: Sponge Painting

Monday, October 21, 4:00 p.m. | Waverly
Create your own under-the-sea environment using sponge painting.

Read to Reef Crafternoon: Ocean Mobile

Tuesday, October 22, 3:30 p.m. | Orleans St.
Create your very own ocean-themed miniature mobile, and learn about the concept of balance! Watch your creation spin and bounce as you add each ocean animal charm, and try to make the mobile evenly-balanced so you can hang it up at home.

Make Your Own Jellyfish

Saturday, October 26, 2:00 p.m.
Roland Park

It's Read to Reef time! Wiggle your way to the Roland Park Branch and make your own jellyfish!



KIDS' WRITERS LIVE!



LINDA SUE PARK *Gracie Under the Waves*

Tuesday, October 1, 4:00 p.m.
Reisterstown Rd.

Gracie Under the Waves is an empowering story from #1 *New York Times*-bestseller and Newbery medalist Linda Sue Park starring a young snorkeling enthusiast who draws inspiration for fighting climate change from interacting with her pesty little brother. All registered in person attendees will receive a FREE copy of the book while supplies last.



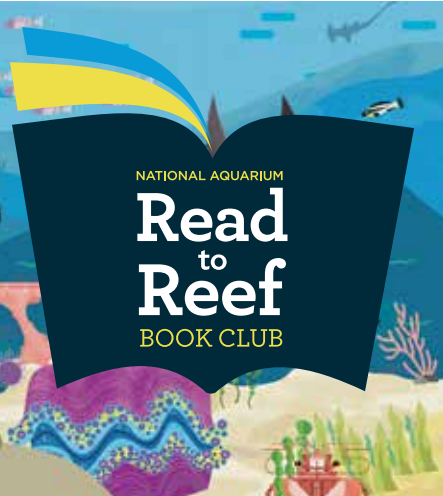
DEBBIE LEVY *Change is in the Air*

Tuesday, October 22, 4:00 p.m.
Govans

Change is in the Air paints an honest yet encouraging picture of the climate-change problems we're all facing — offering readers reasons to remain hopeful, and ways to be mindful stewards of our beautiful planet. All registered in person attendees will receive a FREE copy of the book while supplies last.

Earn free admission to the National Aquarium by joining the Read to Reef Book Club, for Baltimore-area students in fifth grade or younger. Bookmarks available October 1 – 31, while supplies last.

prattlibrary.org/read-to-reef



PRATT TEST KITCHEN



ALL AGES

Apple Fest

Saturday, October 5, 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Central Library

Did you know there are over 7,500 varieties of apples grown worldwide? Sample some of Maryland's best varieties from local orchards, learn more about Maryland's best fall produce from the Department of Agriculture, share family-favorite apple recipes, and get creative with apple crafts.

ADULTS

Our Time Kitchen Fall Workshop Series

Mondays, September 9 & October 7, 6:00 p.m.
Our Time Kitchen (117 West 24th St.)

Each second Monday of the month, a featured chef from Our Time Kitchen will share their food journey and a favorite dish they love to cook. You will have the opportunity to see first hand the step-by-step process they take in making one of their favorite recipes. There will be opportunities to help prepare and taste the final dish, and everyone will take a complete recipe home. Stay tuned for more information on September's featured chef! Registration is required for this program. Please register at prattlibrary.org. Please note: this event will take place offsite at Our Time Kitchen in Old Goucher.

No Pix After Dark Presents Baltimore Bites: Exploring Charm City's Local Cuisine

Thursday, September 26, 6:30 p.m.
Central Library

Love Baltimore's food scene and hungry for more? Join the Pratt Library and No Pix After Dark's Aaron Dante for a night interviewing three of Baltimore's heaviest culinary hitters. Aaron will be in conversation with chefs Cindy Wolf (Foreman Wolf Restaurant Group), Steve Chu (Ekiben), and Carlos Raba (Clavel, Nana Baltimore) about what it takes to make it in Baltimore's restaurant industry. Registration is required for this event. Please register at prattlibrary.org. ID REQUIRED for alcohol consumption. IDs will be checked.

No Pix After Dark Presents Raise a Glass: Baltimore's Bar Culture Explored

Thursday, October 17, 6:30 p.m.
Central Library

What makes Baltimore's bar scene so special? Join Aaron Dante of the No Pix After Dark podcast as he sets out to answer this question, talking with four local bar professionals. Aaron will interview Gabe Valladares (Cookhouse), Chris Ellis (Half Wolf Half Bartender), Aime Ward (The Healthtender), and Laurie Hefner (Modern World) about working in Baltimore area bars and Baltimore's bar legacy. Registration is required for this event. Please register at prattlibrary.org. ID REQUIRED for alcohol consumption. IDs will be checked.

PRATT FREE MARKET GRAND OPENING

RIBBON CUTTING

Wednesday, September 25, 2:00 p.m. | Southeast Anchor Library
Join us for the grand opening of Pratt Free Market, our vibrant, judgment-free, and accessible FREE grocery store at the Southeast Anchor Library!

FAMILY DAY

Saturday, September 28, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. | Southeast Anchor Library
Celebrate the launch of Pratt Free Market, Step into a modern, bright space filled with fresh produce, dry goods, paper goods, and so much more, all generously provided by our amazing local partners. Come be a part of the fun with live music, delicious food vendors, engaging food demos, and special activities for all ages!

BANNED BOOKS WEEK

ADULTS

BANNED BOOKS BOOK CLUB

Wednesdays, September 18 & October 16
4:00 p.m. | Walbrook

*Read and discuss various books that are being challenged, restricted, removed, or banned in public schools, libraries, and bookstores. We will be reading *Sex is a Funny Word* by Cory Silverberg and Fiona Smyth. This book has been removed from Carroll County Public Schools. We will also discuss some other titles that have been frequently challenged throughout history. Sign up by calling 410-396-0935 or emailing wlb@prattlibrary.org.*

PRATT PAGE-TURNERS BOOK CLUB

Saturday, September 21, 11:00 a.m.
Central Library & Virtual

*Join us for a discussion of *Persepolis: The Story of a Childhood* (Persepolis Volume One) by Marjane Satrapi. We will discuss only the first part, ending with "The Dowry." This program has a hybrid format. Participate either in person or on Zoom. For help obtaining a copy of the book or more information about the book club, please email fic@prattlibrary.org.*

CELEBRATE BANNED BOOKS WEEK

Monday, September 23, 10:00 a.m.
Light St.

Come grab a copy of your favorite banned book and pose for a photo with our "I Read Banned Books" sign.

BANNED & CHALLENGED BOOK READ-OUT

Friday, September 27
11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. | Central Library
Join librarians at the Central Library as they share passages from their favorite challenged and banned titles.

CHILDREN & FAMILIES

CHILDREN'S BANNED BOOK BINGO

Tuesday, September 24, 3:30 p.m.
Cherry Hill

Join us for an exciting and educational game of Banned Book Bingo! Explore and celebrate books that have faced challenges or have been banned in different places. Prizes will be given to those who win! This program has limited spaces. To register, please call 410-396-1168.

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LIVE MUSIC

ADULTS

Final Fridays

Dewey Decibel Dance: Enoch Pratt Free Library's Silent Disco

Friday, September 27, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.
Central Library

The DJs are here, the stage is set — but we are in the Library, why make any noise?

Join us for Pratt Library's FIRST Silent Disco!

Come groove to your favorite dance tunes, but through headphones! We will have the DJs in session for you to listen to through a headset. Bring your dancing shoes or do a passive activity like coloring or diamond painting. This is an 18+ event. Registration for this program is required. ID REQUIRED for alcohol consumption. IDs will be checked. Register at prattlibrary.org.

CHILDREN & FAMILIES

Musical Storytelling

Tuesday, September 17, 3:30 p.m.
Orleans St.

Thursday, September 26, 10:30 a.m.
Patterson Park

Join the Mount Vernon Virtuosi Chamber Orchestra for a musical story and an introduction to the world of classical music.

Rock & Rhyme with Mr. Jon

Wednesday, September 25, 10:30 a.m.
Light St.

Join multiple Parents' Choice Award-winner Mr. Jon for a concert for the whole family! This musical comedy show will have everyone dancing and laughing along. Using songs, rhymes, books, and puppets, Mr. Jon and his silly friend George the Monkey will entertain you with a show for the young and young at heart.

Baltimore Symphony Musicians: The Story of Hansel & Gretel

Saturday, October 12, 3:00 p.m. | Light St.
Come hear a woodwind quintet, comprised of Baltimore Symphony Musicians, present the story of Hansel & Gretel, set to music with narration by spoken word artist Wordsmith. This event is funded by a generous grant through the Baltimore Symphony Musicians Foundation.

Sing & Play with Baltimore Choral Arts

Thursday, September 26, 10:30 a.m.
Roland Park

Wednesday, October 23, 10:30 a.m.
Edmondson Ave.

It's never too early to introduce your little ones to the joy of making music! Children ages 0 – 5 and their caregivers are invited to join us for this free, 30-minute class, led by certified music teachers from Baltimore Choral Arts Society. Children will experience singing, creative movement, and listening to musical stories that spark their imagination.

Fall Fun with Culture Queen

Wednesday, September 18, 10:30 a.m.
Canton, Church on the Square
(1025 S. Potomac St.)

Wednesday, October 30, 10:30 a.m. | Waverly
Join Culture Queen in kicking off the fall season through interactive music, creative movement, and storytelling. This unique program will help participants embrace the beauty of autumn while exploring how harvest seasons are celebrated around the world through fun activities!

"This place was amazing!"

— Tynisha B.

EXHIBITS

Don't miss these exhibits coming to the Central Library this fall!



JAMES BALDWIN: THE ENDURING LEGACY OF A NATIVE SON

Central Library, Carla D. Hayden Wing

Celebrate the life and legacy of James Baldwin as the world observes the 100th anniversary of his birth. The exhibit explores Baldwin's early beginnings, his role in the Civil Rights Movement, and his storied career as writer and social critic.



WISH YOU WERE HERE: MARYLAND IN POSTCARDS

Central Library, 2nd Floor

Highlighting one of the Pratt Library's many collections on Digital Maryland, the postcards in this digital collection represent a small selection of the thousands of vintage postcards residing in the Enoch Pratt Free Library's Maryland Department. Go to digitalmaryland.org to learn more!

TEENS: DON'T MISS OUT ON THE LIBRARY OF THINGS!

GET YOUR GAME ON!

~~\$199.99 for a Nintendo Switch Lite.~~

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with your library card



WANT TO LEARN GUITAR?

~~\$300 for an average guitar.~~

FREE to borrow from the Library!



SNAP SOME PHOTOS!

~~\$220 for a GoPro Hero7 Camera.~~

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INTERESTED IN CODING?

~~\$199.99 for a Cue Coding Robot.~~

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with your library card



Learn more at prattlibrary.org/library-of-things

HEALTH & WELLNESS

ALL AGES

Vaccination Clinic

Saturday, October 5, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Central Library
Visit Johns Hopkins Medicine's mobile vaccination clinic. Get your annual shots for COVID-19 (ages 5+) and/ or the flu (ages 9+).

ADULTS

Penn North Dances

Tuesdays, September 3 – October 29
4:00 p.m. | Pennsylvania Ave.
Join us as we learn the latest dance moves taught by Bmore Bouncers! Registration is required. To register, please call 410-396-0399.

Food Stamps (SNAP) Application/Renewal Open Computer Lab

Wednesdays, September 4 – October 30
10:30 a.m. | Southeast Anchor Library
Receive assistance completing a new SNAP application or renewal during open computer lab! Please bring your identity documents, proof of income, and proof of household bills.

Stop Smoking with Tobacco Free Baltimore

Tuesdays, September 10 & October 8
2:30 p.m. | Central Library
Tobacco Free Baltimore connects smokers on the journey to be smoke free with patches and gum. Learn more about coping skills and any further guidance needed to complete the smoke-free journey.

Free Private HIV & Hep-C Testing

Wednesdays, September 11 & October 9
10:00 a.m. | Central Library
The Johns Hopkins Center for Infectious Disease and Nursing Innovation (CIDNI) offers free HIV testing for individuals in a private setting at the library.

Tobacco Use Prevention & Cessation

Wednesdays, September 11 & October 9
2:30 p.m. | Pennsylvania Ave.
Community health educator Letta Grant will be discussing the impact of smoking on one's body and those around them.

Medicare Made Simple

Saturdays, September 14 & October 12,
11:00 a.m. | Govans
Saturday, September 28, 2:00 p.m.
Central Library
Saturdays, October 5 & 19, 2:00 p.m.
Southeast Anchor Library
Monday, October 21, 6:00 p.m.
Central Library
This presentation will explain how Medicare (and Medicaid) works, what choices you need to make, and which plan of action is likely to best meet your particular needs for quality healthcare coverage.

Jamercise with Ginger

Saturdays, September 14 & 28
October 12 & 26, 12:30 p.m.
Cherry Hill & Virtual
Jamercise is an exercise program that combines the benefits of a cardio-aerobic workout with elements of dance.

Community Resources for Older Adults & Caregivers

Mondays, September 16 & October 14
1:00 p.m. | Pennsylvania Ave.
Informational session for older adults and their caregivers.

Dialysis to the Docks

Thursday, September 26, 6:30 p.m. | Light St.
Vaunita Goodman will share her journey from kidney transplant to founding Dialysis to the Docks, a non-profit organization to transform the lives of kidney disease patients through restorative water experiences.

Red Cross Blood Drive

Saturday, October 12, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Give blood with the American Red Cross! Potential donors will go through a screening process, donate a pint of blood, and receive a snack afterward. Visit prattlibrary.org for more information.

TEENS

Red Cross Ready

Tuesday, September 17, 11:00 a.m. | Light St.
Becoming "Red Cross Ready" for an emergency means following simple steps in advance to ensure you can weather a crisis safely and comfortably. This program is presented by the American Red Cross.

Meet Ultra Marathon Swimmer

Katie Pumphrey

Saturday, October 19, 11:00 a.m. | Light St.
Katie Pumphrey is an ultra marathon open water swimmer and visual artist who lives and works in Baltimore. She earned the triple crown of open water swimming in 2018. This past June, she swam from the Chesapeake Bay to Baltimore's Inner Harbor, a 24.4-mile swim that had never been done before. Katie will be sharing stories from her swims and will discuss setting goals and overcoming obstacles learned along the way of her swimming experiences.

Escaping the Cycle of Bullying

Tuesday, October 29, 11:00 a.m. | Light St.
String Theory Theater will perform Breaking Silence: Escaping the Cycle of Bullying in which a young student finally decides to be brave and go public with their bullying experience only to experience both backlash and support from unexpected places.



NEURODIVERGENT DUNGEONS & DRAGONS

Tuesdays, September 10 – October 29, 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. | Central Library

Ever read a story and wished you could be part of the action? Now's your chance! Come play in a world of fantasy and magic as you build collaborative stories! Work together to overcome obstacles and explore an imaginary land. Build new friendships and learn about yourself while playing a game. This time the legend is yours to make, what kind of hero will you become?

This program will be geared towards inclusivity, with an emphasis on welcoming neurodiverse players. Neurotypical players are welcome to join as well. Our skilled facilitators will lead players on an imaginary journey through a fantasy world. Players improve social skills, collaboration, self-advocacy, and much more.

New players and experienced players alike are welcome, all supplies will be provided. Registration is requested, please register at prattlibrary.org. This program is for teens only.

GOT A CREATIVE KID?

\$30/session for a kid's art class.

FREE art programs at the Library!



ARTS @ THE PRATT

ADULTS

DIY Fall Leaf Luminaries

Thursday, September 12, 5:30 p.m. | Waverly
Embrace the beauty of autumn by crafting your own decorative luminaries using vibrant fall leaves and simple materials. All materials will be provided. Registration is required. Call 410-396-6089 or register at the Adult Information Desk.

Create at Canton

Thursdays, September 12 & 26
October 10 & 24, 6:00 p.m. | Canton
Join us for a cozy, casual crafting night — and a chance to indulge in a delightful evening of creativity and community. Bring a friend!

Poe LIVE: *The Purloined Letter* with the National Edgar Allan Poe Theatre

Saturday, September 14
11:00 a.m. & 2:30 p.m. | Central Library
*You're invited to be part of the LIVE studio audience for the National Edgar Allan Poe Theatre's audio drama adaptation of *The Purloined Letter*! Registration is required as space is limited. Please register at prattlibrary.org.*

Meet the Artist Reception: Sarah McCann

Thursday, September 19, 6:30 p.m. | Light St.
Portals, Pathways, and Potentials is a series of paintings by Sarah B. McCann which are currently being displayed above the fiction collection of the Light Street Branch. Come meet this talented artist and learn about her creative process.

Cutting Edge: A Cricut Kickoff for Crafters

Saturdays, September 21 & October 19
1:00 p.m. | Central Library
Discover the magic of precision cutting, unleash your creativity, and dive into the world of Cricut crafting. Join us to learn the basics, unlock tips and tricks, and kickstart your crafting adventure with confidence.

Make Space

Wednesdays, September 25 & October 23,
12:00 – 2:00 p.m. | Central Library
Make Space is a monthly program designed to inspire, kickstart, or sustain your creative practice. Whether you are looking for a stress-free outlet for creative play, or working on a bigger project and would like some feedback, our Fine Arts librarian and crafty guests look forward to making with you.

Artist Material "Petting Zoo"

Saturday, September 28, 2:00 p.m.
Tuesday, October 22, 5:00 p.m.
Central Library
Explore a different art medium each month. Baltimore Clayworks will join us in September to introduce simple handbuilding techniques, experiment with different clay bodies, and demonstrate how to throw pots on a pottery wheel! In October, we'll explore bookmaking with an introduction to simple techniques such as Japanese binding, the pamphlet stitch, concertina binding, and a 24-page zine.

Charming Threads: Sam Barsky's Baltimore Landmark Sweaters

Wednesday, October 9, 6:30 p.m.
Central Library
Sam Barsky is a world-renowned artistic knitter and folk artist. Famous for his bold, intricate patterns, Sam hand-knits detailed stitches of iconic landmarks, nature scenes, and slices of everyday life into a sweater without the use of a pattern. Learn more about Sam's process and see some of his sweaters in person at the Pratt Library! The evening will focus on his work featuring his hometown of Baltimore and some of Charm City's iconic landmarks. Registration for this talk is required as space is limited. Please register at prattlibrary.org.

TEENS

Henna with Cardamom & Clove

Monday, September 23, 2:30 p.m. | Hamilton
Thursday, September 26, 3:30 p.m.
Edmondson Ave.
Friday, September 27, 3:30 p.m. | Orleans St.
Learn about the different uses of henna in communities around the world with Cardamom & Clove Henna. Leave with a new understanding of henna and receive your very own henna design while supplies last.

Decorate a Tote Bag

Wednesday, October 16, 4:00 p.m.
Central Library
Turn an ordinary book tote into an extraordinary masterpiece using vinyl heat transfer materials and other materials. Draw inspiration from the iconic silhouettes seen in Henri Matisse's art and colorful patterns from your imagination. This class is designed for teens and all materials will be provided.

Model & Mini Painting

Thursdays, September 19 & October 17
3:30 p.m. | Edmondson Ave.
Join us to paint miniature figures and models like those used in board games and roleplaying games. Paints and brushes are provided. There are enough models for patrons to paint and take one home.

Book Decorating

Thursday, September 19, 3:00 p.m.
Roland Park
Do you have a favorite book or wanted to design a book cover? Join fellow teens at the Roland Park Branch as we decorate foam books after our favorite or create your own book cover.

Anime & Manga Cafe

Friday, October 4, 3:00 p.m. | Light St.
Join us and watch anime, draw Manga, and discuss Japanese culture.

Fall Crafternoon

Tuesdays, September 3 – 24, 3:30 p.m.
Canton

Join the Canton Branch on Tuesdays for an afternoon of fall-themed arts and crafts. We'll explore various art techniques, materials, and styles. Projects will be designed for a variety of ages and skill levels.

Crafternoon

Tuesdays, September 10 & October 8
4:00 p.m. | Pennsylvania Ave.

Join us in the children's department for a fun, book-based craft!

Crayon Resist Painting

Wednesdays, September 11 & October 9
3:00 p.m. | Govans

Create something unique using a crayon-resist technique and watercolor paints!

Fall Wind Chime Craft

Tuesday, September 17, 3:30 p.m. | Cherry Hill

Join us for a delightful and creative journey into the heart of fall! Create a one-of-a-kind wind chime to take home. This program has limited spaces. Call 410-396-1168 to register.

Pom Pom Pumpkins

Tuesday, September 17, 3:30 p.m.
Patterson Park

Get ready for autumn with a pumpkin craft!

Autumn Leaves Wreath

Wednesday, September 18, 3:30 p.m.
Roland Park

Using construction paper, make a pretty wreath to bring in the fall!

Crafternoon: Leaf Sprites

Monday, September 23, 4:00 p.m. | Waverly
Drop by our crafternoon and make a leaf sprite to celebrate the start of fall.

Tuesday Crafternoon: Paint-Blot Butterflies

Tuesday, September 24, 3:30 p.m. | Orleans St.
Experiment with art while you learn about symmetry. Kids and families can create their own paper-and-paint-blot butterflies by placing drops of paint onto thick paper, folding it in half, then unfolding it to reveal a symmetrical butterfly.

Kid's Paint Night

Thursdays, September 26 & October 24
4:00 p.m. | Reisterstown Rd.

Show off your creativity and have fun exploring paint styles! This program has limited spaces. Call 410-396-0948 to register.

MEET THE NEW HACKERMAN WRITER-IN-RESIDENCE D WATKINS



Photo by Devin Allen

Q&A WITH D WATKINS

1. Congratulations on being named the Pratt's first Writer-in-Residence. What can customers expect from your residency?

I'm so honored to be the Writer-in-Residence, as there would be no D Watkins without support from the Enoch Pratt Free Library. During my tenure, customers should expect direct access to me and other writers who have found success in the business and the skills needed to tell their stories through multiple mediums, including personal essays, podcasts, and journalism.

2. How has the Pratt Library been so significant in your life and career?

My mom took me to the Pratt as a small child; there, I fell in love with books like the Curious George series, *Stone Soup*, and the many texts documenting the lives of my favorite basketball players, Michael Jordan and Magic Johnson. As a professional, the Library had all the books I needed to become a better thinker, understand craft fully, and gain the confidence to put in my work. Now, it's a place where I interact with and meet countless fans of my work and host events with some of the best writers in the world. The Pratt Library continues to be a blessing to me.

3. Why do you feel like it is important to have writers working inside libraries?

Writers need to work inside libraries because it lets patrons and dreamers know that the industry is real and accessible and that if they work hard enough, they can play, too. And then the patrons who don't dream of writing best sellers deserve access to us — as they are the foundation of our success. I love seeing other writers in the library; it's our home.

MEET THE NEW HACKERMAN ARTIST-IN-RESIDENCE PHYLCIA GHEE



Photo by Kelvin Bulluck

Q&A WITH PHYLCIA GHEE

1. Tell us a bit about yourself and your background as an artist?

My introduction to art came from my grandfather Ghee, also an interdisciplinary artist. I watched him work as an artist during a time when opportunities for Black artists were scarce to non-existent. My mother is also an artist, a poet and a writer; and my uncle was a painter and illustrator until he developed multiple sclerosis. My grandmother is a seamstress, deeply skilled with numbers, and exceptional with a needle and thread. Surrounded by these artistic influences, I found my path to art. It became my language, the way I communicate and understand myself and the world around me.

2. Why is it important for libraries to have artists working in residence?

We usually consider museums to be the storehouses of collective memory; however, libraries often embody this role more firmly and inclusively. Libraries, especially the Pratt, are characterized by their commitment to accessibility. This central function means that libraries attract a diverse range of visitors who might not frequent museums and galleries.

3. What can customers expect from your residency?

I plan to explore a deeply personal collaboration with my grandmother to create a quilt that delves into themes of lineage, memory, and ancestral connection. This quilt will incorporate self-portraits, family photographs, MRI scans, and natural fabrics, weaving together both personal and collective histories.

Additionally, I envision a second quilt as a collaborative community time capsule, inviting participants of all ages to contribute quilt squares and pockets filled with keepsakes, memories, and letters. This project aims to foster a dynamic dialogue between the past, present, and future.



NEED INTERNET?

\$200 for a hot spot and a data plan.

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SPOTLIGHT ON WALBROOK

ALL AGES

Just Dance Party

Fridays, September 13 & 27
October 11 & 25, 3:30 p.m.

Let loose and come dance with us! All ages are welcomed to play Just Dance together.

ADULTS

Get Messy Paint Day

Mondays, September 9 & October 7
2:00 p.m.

Embrace the mess and let go of perfectionism! Express yourself on canvas and paint with a brush, sponge, or with your fingers. Sign up by calling 410-396-0935 or by emailing us at wlb@prattlibrary.org.

Crochet Club

Thursdays, September 12 & 26
October 10 & 24, 3:00 p.m.

Learn and practice the art of crochet. Open to all skill levels. Supplies will be provided, but feel free to bring your own! Feel free to sign up by calling 410-396-0935 or email us at wlb@prattlibrary.org.

Show & Tell Book Club

Mondays, September 16 & October 21
4:00 p.m.

Tell us what you are reading! Participants are invited to bring in the books they are reading (or listening to) and share them with the community.

Sit & Stitch Yarn Circle

Saturdays, September 7 & 21
October 5 & 26, 2:00 p.m.

Do you enjoy crafting with yarn? Bring in your projects to work on while socializing with other yarn artists. Feel free to share patterns, tips, and techniques. All skill levels are welcome.

TEENS

History of Godzilla by Charles Dunbar

Monday, September 9, 4:00 p.m.

This presentation looks at the best, the worst, the weirdest, and the funniest moments that the King of the Monsters has given us.

Branch Rap Session

Thursday, September 19, 3:30 p.m.

Come together and talk about the things that have been going on lately. We look forward seeing everyone and hearing their stories.

Flying High with Drones

Monday, September 23, 3:30 p.m.

Teens can come out and showcase their talent as they fly drones.

Video Gaming at the Library

Wednesday, October 9, 3:30 p.m.

Come and see how good you are at video games. Test your skill against your friends and classmates.

Vision Board

Monday, October 14, 3:30 p.m.

Put pictures together that map out your hopes for the year. We will use this process to plan and push ourselves to follow our dreams.

Board Game Night

Thursday, October 24, 3:30 p.m.

We are back with more games and more fun! Enjoy playing your favorite board games with your friends and families.

CHILDREN & FAMILIES

A Wish & A Movie

Thursday, September 5, 3:00 p.m.

Join us after school to watch Disney's Wish. After the movie, we'll discuss our hopes and dreams for the school year and set them free with flying wish paper!

Generational Joy: Celebrating Grandparents

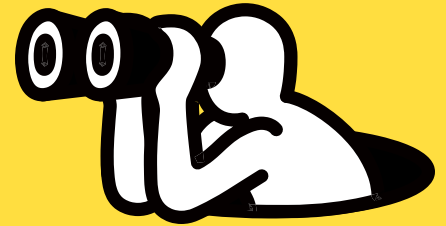
Saturday, September 7, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Join us for a "grand" morning out! Families will enjoy several engaging activities that celebrate the importance and joy of intergenerational bonds — including music, crafts, games, photos, and giveaways. Creative outfits are encouraged! Wear clothes from each other's generation or come in matching outfits.

Game Time: Literacy Edition

Tuesday, September 24, 3:00 p.m.

Join us for an afternoon full of literacy fun and games!



SNEAK PEEK AT NOVEMBER & DECEMBER

WRITERS LIVE! BOBBY FLAY

Chapter One

Saturday, November 2, 7:00 p.m.

Central Library

Registration opens September 16.

BLACK COMIC ART CLUB FOR KIDS

Thursday, November 14, 4:00 p.m.

Pennsylvania Ave.

Monday, November 18, 4:00 p.m.

Cherry Hill

Celebrate the contributions of Black artists in the comic industry with the R.I.S.E. Arts Center of Baltimore.

WINE PAIRING FOR THE HOLIDAYS:

BEING THE HOST WITH THE MOST

Thursday, November 14, 6:30 p.m.

Central Library

This event is 21+.

WRITERS LIVE! RICHARD PRICE

Lazarus Man

Thursday, November 14, 7:00 p.m.

Central Library

Registration opens September 16.

WRITERS LIVE! GLORY EDIM

Gather Me

Tuesday, November 19, 7:00 p.m.

Central Library

Registration Opens September 16.

PIECE BY PIECE: PUZZLE FACE OFF

Monday, December 9, 6:30 p.m.

Central Library

A speed puzzling competition.

FANGTASTIC, FABOULOUS FUN

ADULTS

Crescent Moon Wreaths

Saturday, October 5, 2:30 p.m. | Hampden
Make a witchy crescent moon wreath to hang on your door. Email hmp@prattlibrary.org or call 410-396-6043 to register.

Serving Up Wisdom: Exploring the Mystery & Macabre of Edgar Allan Poe

Wednesday, October 16
10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. | Central Library
A presentation that delves into the Pratt's Edgar Allan Poe Collection. Members of the National Edgar Allan Poe Theatre will also perform a dramatic reading. Recommended for individuals 55+. Registration required. Register at prattlibrary.org.

Haunted Gingerbread House Competition

Submissions Due: October 24 & 25
Voting: October 25 & 26
Central Library
Submit a completed a haunted gingerbread house for display and public voting at the Central Library! Prizes will be awarded in a variety of categories. For more information, visit prattlibrary.org.

Halloween Movie Live-to-Film Concert

Monday, October 28, 6:30 p.m.
Central Library
Watch a scary old movie accompanied by new music written especially for the event by members of the Peabody Institute's innovative "Music for New Media" program, and performed live by student musicians!

The Short Kuts Show presents Tales From the Dark Side

Thursday, October 31, 6:30 p.m.
Central Library
True stories of encounters with terrors of the unexplained and real-world horrors! Registration required. Register at prattlibrary.org. You must be 21+ to consume alcohol at this event. ID's will be checked.

TEENS

T-shirt Makeover: Spooky Edition

Wednesday, October 9, 5:00 p.m.
Pennsylvania Ave.
Spookify your t-shirt and transform your wardrobe into something eerily awesome!

Spooky Spellbook!

Thursday, October 17, 3:00 p.m. | Hamilton
Make a cool looking spellbook! We will have books for you to decorate, or you can bring your own hardcover book or journal!

Mask Making

Friday, October 18, 3:00 p.m.
Edmondson Ave.
Create a spooky or fabulous mask.

Paint-n-Snack: Spooky Edition

Saturday, October 19, 1:00 p.m.
Pennsylvania Ave.
Spooky snacks and paintings. Registration required. Register at prattlibrary.org.

CHILDREN & FAMILIES

Spooky Crafternoon

Tuesdays, October 1 – 29, 3:30 p.m. | Canton
Join us for spooky-themed arts and crafts.

Make a Spooky Pumpkin

Thursday, October 10, 11:00 a.m.
Roland Park
Decorate your own tissue paper pumpkin with fall-themed stickers!

Design Your Own Spooky Tote Bag

Saturday, October 12, 2:30 p.m. | Hampden
Children ages two and up are invited to an afternoon of spooky stories and tote bag decorating. Registration is required. To register, please call 410-396-6043.

Sew a Mini-Monster

Thursday, October 17, 4:00 p.m. | Hampden
Craft a spooktacular mini-monster using fabric scraps and buttons. Suitable for children ages six and up. Registration is required. To register, call 410-396-6043.

Spooky Crafternoon

Saturday, October 19, 2:00 p.m.
Central Library
Join us to make crafts for the spooky season! Recommended for kids ages 3 – 11.

Haunted House Pictures

Tuesday, October 22, 3:30 p.m.
Patterson Park
Create a spooky haunted house collage.

Build-Your-Own Haunted Gingerbread House

Saturday, October 26, 12:00 – 2:00 p.m.
Central Library
Construct haunted houses out of graham crackers and candy. Recommended for ages 5 and up. Registration required. Register at prattlibrary.org.

Spooky Bookmarks

Monday, October 28, 3:00 p.m. | Walbrook
Create a spooky craft with Perler™ Beads.

Creepy Creatures Rock Painting Craft

Monday, October 28, 3:30 p.m. | Cherry Hill
Paint your very own creepy creatures on rocks. This program has limited spaces. To register, please call 410-396-1168.

Crafternoon: Magic Potions

Monday, October 28, 4:00 p.m. | Waverly
Join us for a spooky crafternoon where you'll get to make your own magic potion.

FINAL FRIDAYS: SPIRITS & SPIRITS

SPIRITS TASTING & SPOOKY SEASON

Friday, October 25, 5:30 – 8:00 p.m.
Central Library

Come get your spooky on while you sip and savor your favorite local alcohol spirits in the beauty of Central Library! Participants will be able to sample products from local distilleries, while enjoying spooky entertainment for all ages in Central Hall.

Entertainment for the evening includes a performance by artist and magician Michael Jons, a spooky gingerbread house contest, and a convivial costume contest with prizes! **Come dressed for the "Spirits and Spirits" theme, whatever that may be, to participate in costume festivities.**

Space for this program is limited and registration is required. ID REQUIRED for alcohol consumption. IDs will be checked. Register at prattlibrary.org.

EVENT SCHEDULE

5:30 p.m. Doors open
6:00 p.m. Family Show with Willy Woo Woo
6:30 p.m. Costume Celebration
7:00 p.m. Spooky Show with Michael Jons
All Night: Spirits Tastings, Spooky Gingerbread House viewing, tarot readings

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