

SUMMER READING PROGRAM 2025

BERLIN HEIGHTS & MILAN | JUNE 21-AUGUST 2

Color Our World [C][YA][A]

Take part in special events for children, teens, and adults all season long. Plus, fill out tickets for the books, magazines, audiobooks, ebooks, and digital audiobooks you check out for a chance to win a prize.

SUMMER-LONG SERIES

BERLIN HEIGHTS & MILAN | MONDAYS | ALL DAY

Color Me Calm [A]

Stop by our adult coloring station and express your inner artist. Every Monday in June and July, join us for a calm, relaxing, passive event geared toward adults. Enjoy a stress-free moment, and express your creativity.

BERLIN HEIGHTS | MONDAYS | 4-4:45PM

Teen Artist Challenge *RR [YA]

Each week, explore the history and works of a famous artist and then make a craft inspired by the artist. For young adults ages 11-18. Registration required.

- June 23 - Block Printing by Katsushika Hokusai
- June 30 - Modernist Painting by G. C. Smith
- July 7 - Self Portrait by Frida Kahlo
- July 14 - Weaving by Lillis Mitchell
- July 21 - Botanical Art by Britton Neubacher
- July 28 - Pottery by Andile Dyalvane

MILAN | TUESDAYS | 10:30-11AM

Toddler Art Explorers [C]

Join us for a series of fun and engaging hands-on art explorations with your preschooler. Each week will feature a new art project for you and your child to experience together. Designed for children ages 1-4 and their caregivers.

- June 24 - Sensory Art
- July 1 - Stamp Art
- July 8 - Play-Doh
- July 15 - Watercolors
- July 22 - Stickers
- July 29 - Finger Paints

MILAN | TUESDAYS | 4-4:30PM

Colorful Creations *RR [C]

Join us as we create a unique piece of art each week. This program is designed for children ages 5-12 (younger children may need a caregiver's help). Registration required.

- June 24 - Self-Portrait Collages
- July 1 - Button Tree Art
- July 8 - Flower Paper and Paint Art
- July 15 - Dream Catchers
- July 22 - Pop Art Painted Heart
- July 29 - Clay Mosaics

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MILAN | TUESDAYS | 6-7:30PM

Art Fix *RR [A]

Join us for a weekly art program combining art history with hands-on learning. Discover the history of select artforms and then spend time creating functional art utilizing techniques used throughout the ages. Registration required.

- June 24 - Acrylic Paint Serving Tray
- July 1 - Clay Trinket Dish
- July 8 - Woven Pencil Holder
- July 15 - Linocut Tote Bags
- July 22 - Mosaic Trivet
- July 29 - Needle Punch Mug Rug

JUNE

MILAN | SAT | JUNE 21 | 11AM-1PM

Touch-A-Truck [C][YA][A]

Kick off Summer Reading Program 2025 at our annual Touch-a-Truck. This all-ages community event will put you in the driver's seat of a wide variety of vehicles and let you take the wheel.

MILAN | JUNE 21-JULY 26

Tiny Art For All [C][YA][A]

Art is for everyone! Create a tiny masterpiece with one of our free tiny art kits. Return finished artwork to Milan Library before July 26, and have your creation displayed and celebrated at our Tiny Art Gala on Thursday, July 31, at 6PM.



Remember: digital ebook, audiobook, and magazine check outs count toward Summer Reading tickets, too. Try out Libby (and Hoopla)!



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JUNE

BERLIN HEIGHTS & MILAN | WED
JUNE 25 | ALL DAY**Sidewalk Chalk Walk-About Art Gallery [C][YA][A]**

Stop by Milan or Berlin Heights and receive sidewalk chalk at the circulation desk to leave art on our sidewalks! Available during open hours, while supplies last, for all ages. The chalk is yours to keep.

MILAN | WED | JUNE 25 | 6:30-7:30PM

Modern Art and Popular Culture [A]

Dr. Matthew Donahue highlights the modern art and outsider art movement of the art car and how the art car is intrinsically linked to popular culture. Donahue is a long time art car artist himself, creating over 20 different art cars and exhibiting them at exhibitions and museums across the country.

MILAN | THU | JUNE 26 | 6-7PM

Dragon Eye Art *RR [C]

Join us for a magical journey into the world of dragons! In this hands-on class, young artists will sculpt and design their own dragon eye using air-dry clay, vibrant paints, and plenty of imagination. Ages 7-14. Registration required by June 24.

MILAN | SAT | JUNE 28 | 11AM-12PM

Paint Pandemonium *RR [YA][A]

Splatter, sling, drip, or pour paint at our outdoor event designed to get messy! Please wear clothes and shoes you don't mind getting sprayed in paint. This will be canceled in the case of heavy rain or severe weather conditions. Young adults ages 11-18 and adults are welcome to register for this event by 6/25.

JULY

MILAN | THU | JULY 10 | 6-6:45PM

Chopped! Art Edition *RR [C][YA]

Join us for an art edition of Chopped! Participants will receive supplies to create a piece of art in a timed contest. Artists and their final project will be judged, and a winner will be declared! This program is for tweens and teens ages 10-18. Registration required.

BERLIN HEIGHTS | THU | JULY 10 | 6-7:30PM

DIY Resin Bookmarks *RR [A]

Learn to create one-of-a-kind bookmarks using resin epoxy, and personalize yours to give it a unique spin. All materials provided. Due to the curing process, participants must pick up their creations after Saturday, July 12. Limited seating is available. Registration required by July 3.

BERLIN HEIGHTS | SAT | JULY 12 | 11AM-1PM

MBLD Pop-Up Cafe | The Art of Dessert [C][YA][A]

Join us for a community social all about the art of desserts, and sample homemade sweets that are as much a feast for the eyes as they are for the stomach. Free while supplies last.

JULY

MILAN | WED | JULY 16 | 4-5:30PM

Wonderful Waterful Arts *RR [C]

Make a splash in this ocean-inspired art class! Explore the wonders of the sea - paint a sea turtle on canvas, create a jellyfish in a jar, and mix up some ocean slime. For children ages 7-12. Registration required.

MILAN | THU | JULY 17 | 6-8PM

Hobby Hangout**How to Paint Your Dragon *RR [YA][A]**

Receive a 3D printed dragon of unusual size, and learn miniature painting techniques that can be utilized for almost any small project! Registration required by July 10.

MILAN | SAT | JULY 19 | 11AM-1PM

Masterpiece Mystery Scavenger Hunt *RR [C][YA][A]

A beloved masterpiece has been stolen from the library. Investigate the scene and search for clues in this interactive scavenger hunt throughout downtown Milan. At least one adult participant is needed per group. Registration required by July 12. *(Please register each participant in your group).*

BERLIN HEIGHTS | SAT | JULY 26 | 12-1PM

The Art of Folding Dumplings *RR [A]

Learn a few beginner-friendly ways to fold Asian-style dumplings, and bring home your edible artwork. Plus, enjoy a dumpling party! Registration required by July 16.

MILAN | THU | JULY 31 | 6-7PM

Tiny Art Gala [C][YA][A]

Celebrate all the tiny artwork created by community members via our tiny art kits. Refreshments from MBLD Pop-Up Cafe will be served as we display and highlight local artists and creators of all ages.

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AUGUST

MILAN | SAT | AUGUST 2 | 11AM-1:30PM

**Arts Around the World: Summer Reading Program
Finale Celebration [C][YA][A]**

Join us for an all ages multicultural entertainment extravaganza celebrating arts from around the world. Enjoy the stirring sounds of Scottish Highland bagpipes with Duane Dickson, and step into the elegance of Japan's rich heritage through the art of Japanese dance with Sholoji Japanese Dancers. Attendees can also get creative at our hands-on international craft stations, receive a henna tattoo from a professional artist, and enjoy a tasty snack. Supplies limited, available while supplies last. This program is available, in part, by the Michelle Wightman/Karrie Wieber Charitable Foundation.

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