



WORD FROM THE DIRECTOR

Kick-off The Summer with MPL!



MPL's 2024 Summer Reading Challenge starts on Saturday, June 1 with our annual SRC Kickoff Event! Families are invited to join us from 11:00am to 1:00pm and enjoy games, crafts, community partners, a chance to win prizes and register for the Summer Reading Challenge. Given the hot, hot weather we've been experiencing, all activities will be held indoors.

Adults, children and teens can register for the Summer Reading Challenge. Registration can be done via the Beanstack online platform or in person at any service desk at all MPL locations. Children and teens get a cool prize and book upon completion of the challenge. Adults will have a chance to win an amazing raffle prize. All Summer Reading Challenge and programming information for all MPL locations and ages will be available on our website and social media pages.

Free access to books and attending literacy-based programming during the summer encourages youth to have successful reading experiences, which can help them do well in school at the end of summer. We encourage families to register for SRC, stay cool at any of our three locations, and enjoy the many books, magazines, and enriching activities MPL has to offer.

Interlibrary Loan (ILL) Update Coming Soon!

MPL is excited to announce that the new platform for requesting Interlibrary Loan (ILL) items is under transition to an improved platform. ILLto perform the transition, we will suspend ILL requests starting June 14 for two weeks. The new platform is expected to go live on June 28. Until that date, we will not be able to process any ILL requests. We appreciate your patience during this period.

Borrower Policy Update!

As we return fully to pre-COVID operations, we will resume our total per patron card checkout to 25 total items, as of June 1, 2024.

Up and Coming New Genre!

Romantasy books are coming soon! Romantasy, which combines two genres – romance and fantasy – is booming in popularity with readers who see no reason to have to choose between the two! But what is it, exactly? Romantasy is a captivating literary genre where the heart meets the fantastical. It weaves together the imaginative elements of fantasy with the emotional resonance of romance. Embark on mystical quests, navigate magical worlds, while also exploring the complex powers of the heart. Ask about our newest romantasy titles and get recommendations for more fun reading recommendations.



MPL STAFF SPOTLIGHT Nicole January, MLS Teen Services Supervisor

What is your favorite book genre? And why?
My favorite genre to read is contemporary fiction. It reflects the current social and cultural climate and makes it relatable and allows readers to see their own lives mirrored in the stories.

What are 3 things that make you happy?
Boba tea, my two Welsh Corgis, and K-pop music.

What game show do you think you could win?
Wheel of Fortune.

Happening Now at MPL!

Summer Meals at MPL

LOCATION
Main Library Lobby
4001 N. 23rd St., McAllen

DATES
Monday - Thursday*
Jun. 3 - Aug. 1
Lunch | 12:00PM
Snack | 3:00PM

*No Friday Lunches
For details, please call
956.681.3000

McAllen Public Library
Where people & ideas meet & connect

The Summer Food Service Program at Main Library is a partnership with McAllen ISD.



Join this year's Summer Reading Challenge! Open to all ages, participants can register to earn prizes for reading and enjoy engaging events. [To Register CLICK HERE](#)

Call for Local Texas Authors

We're looking for authors to participate in the 2024 South Texas Book Festival

[CLICK HERE](#)

For More Info or Go To bit.ly/stbfauthors

MPL Kids Program Highlights

AT MAIN Crafty Quest Every Monday While supplies last

Main Library	Lark Branch	Palm View Branch
Baby Storytime Tuesdays, June 4th & 18th 2:00PM	Calm Creations Wednesday, June 12th & 19th 1:00PM	Fun Mondays Mondays June 3rd - 24th 2:00PM
Water Zone Creative Childrens Workshop June 12th - 14th 4:00PM	Little Einsteins: Thursdays, June 13th & 27th 1:00PM	Adventure Day w/ McDonalds Play Van Wed. June 5th 2:00PM
Scary Campfire Stories w/ Ranger Becky Thu. June 20th 2:00PM	Once Upon a Storytime Fridays, June 14th to 28th 1:00PM	Family Crafts Tue. June 18th & 25th 2:00PM

Check Out More MPL Kids Programs!

MPL Teens Program Highlights

AT MAIN BOOKS & BOBA Friday, June 7th at 2PM-4PM At B's In A Pod

Main Library	Lark Branch	Palm View Branch
Summer Book Date Sat. June 8th 2:00PM	Teen Summer Movies Wed. June 5th 2:00PM	Makerspace: Friendship Bracelets Thu. June 6th 2:00PM
Craft Corner: DIY Bookmarks Sun. June 9th 6:00PM	Morse Code Jewelry Mon. June 24th 2:00PM	Makerspace: Lego Challenge Thu. June 20th 2:00PM
Sketch & Script Tue. June 25th 2:00PM	Tween Spa Day Wed. June 26th 2:00PM	LibFlix: The Marvels Thu. June 27th 2:00PM

Check Out More MPL Teens Programs!

MPL Adults Program Highlights

AT MAIN EXPLORING JUNETEENTH Thur., June 12th @ 6:00PM

Main Library	Lark Branch	Palm View Branch
Unfolding Poetry Workshop Tuesdays, June 4th & 18th 7:00PM	Knitting Group Tuesdays, June 4th to 25th 2:15PM	Eating Smart, Being Active Tuesdays, June 11th to 25th 10:30 AM
Exploring Juneteenth Wed. June 12th 6:00PM	Adult Magic the Gathering Sat. June 15th 2:00PM	DIY Crafts Fridays, June 14th to 28th 12:00PM
Nature Series Preparing for the Storm Sat. June 22nd 2:00PM	Life Drawing Tue. June 25th 6:00PM	Juneteenth Tote Bag Wed. June 19th 12:00PM

Check Out More MPL Adult Programs!

E-Branch Spotlight!

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Available to any Hidalgo County library card holder.

Visit All Our MPL Locations!

Main Library	Lark Branch	Palm View Branch
4001 N 23rd St. McAllen, TX 78504 PH: 956.681.3000	2601 Lark Ave, McAllen, TX 78504 PH: 956.681.3100	3401 Jordan Rd W, McAllen, TX 78503 PH: 956.681.3110
Hours: Monday - Thursday 9:00AM - 9:00PM Friday - Saturday 9:00AM - 6:00PM Sunday 1:00PM - 9:00PM	Hours: Monday - Thursday 10:00AM - 9:00PM Friday - Saturday 10:00AM - 5:00PM Sunday 1:00PM - 9:00PM	Hours: Monday - Thursday 10:00AM - 9:00PM Friday - Saturday 10:00AM - 5:00PM Sunday 1:00PM - 9:00PM

