

CURRENTS

July 2025

Summer Reading – Loads of fun!!



“Color Our World” Summer Reading Program 2025 is well underway and we’re having an awesome time! We’ve gotten wild with Babaloo Music, made foam with Mad Science and got moving with Dino O’Dell. Plus a different craft almost every day.

Just a reminder that we have two separate challenges this summer. The reading challenge goal is 8 hours. That’s less than 10 minutes per day or one hour per week! Sign up via the Beanstack app or at your local branch library. Reach the goal to receive a great book prize.

Reading challenges not for you? No problem! You can participate in the punch card challenge. Pick up a punch card at your library branch. Each card contains six activities. As you complete each activity, show the card to a staff member for confirmation. Complete four of the activities and be entered into a prize drawing.

Both challenges are for all ages and end July 31.

We still have lots of awesome programs coming in July!! Pick up a program calendar at your library branch or see what we have happening on our online calendar.

www.riversideregionallibrary.org/calendar

The Missouri Department of Conservation Naturalists from the Cape Nature Center will be at all library branches on July 15 and 16. Discover how animals and plants use color to survive in the wild.

Riverside Regional Library’s summer reading program is supported by the Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provision of the Library and Technology Act as administered by the Missouri State Library, a division of the Office of the Secretary of State. Additional support has been donated by local businesses, organizations and individuals. We thank all of them for helping us make the summer reading program a success.

All Riverside Regional Library Branches will be closed July 4 for Independence Day.

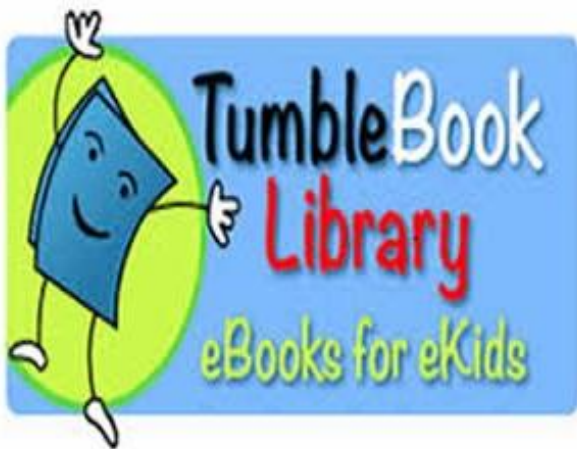


Notes from the Director's Desk

Are you having an awesome summer? There is still time to sign up for the 2025 Color Our World summer program. Our calendars provide dates and times to cool activities for all our branches. If you see something that interests you, you should go! Tag us in a photo, we'd love to see you on Facebook.



Looking for a new way to engage your younger reader(s)? Try **Tumblebooks** – you can find the link on our web page (rrlmo.org) under e-books & Audiobooks. There is something for everyone! It is very easy to use, and your reader will enjoy all the choices. So, log on and log more books for your summer reading goals!



Have a safe and splendid summer!
See you soon at YOUR library-
Frankie Lea

Ebooks and Audiobooks

Heading out on vacation and don't want to take a pile of books? Have a long drive coming up and think listening to a book will help pass the time? The Library is here to help! Riverside Regional Library provides access to several platforms and apps which allow you to borrow and download ebooks and audiobooks. You'll find these resources on our website's eLibrary page <https://riversideregionallibrary.org/ebooks-audiobooks/>



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Get Creative and Colorful

Lots of great craft programs are coming in July. Head to your library branch and get creative.

For all ages (unless indicated)

- Coloring – July 2 & 16 at 9:30am@Benton
- Color Our World – a different color each week – Thursday at 3pm@Scott City
- Multimedia Canvas Art – July 3 from 3 to 5pm@Jackson
- Beach Scene Take-n-make – July 7 at 2pm@Benton
- Paint and Plant (ages 5+) July 11 at 11am@Perryville
- Crafts – July 11 at 2pm@Benton
- Decoupage Seashells (ages 6+) July 11 from 3 to 5pm@Jackson
- Tie Dye – July 14 at 2pm@Benton
- Make Your Own Crayons – July 17 at 2pm@Oran
- Finger Crochet Bracelet (ages 10+) July 17 at 3pm@Altenburg
- Bracelet Craft – July 21 at 2pm@Benton
- Fridge Magnets (ages 5+) July 22 from 3 to 5pm@Jackson
- How to Create a Comic Strip – July 22 at 4pm@Jackson
- Flower Crown Making (ages 5+) July 23 at 10am&4pm@Jackson
- Crayon Art – July 28 at 2pm@Oran
- Poetry Writing Stations – July 29 from 3 to 5pm@Jackson
- Disco Ball Suncatchers (ages 8+) July 30 from 3 to 5pm@Jackson
- Lego Creations - July 31 at 2pm@Oran
- Beach Slime (ages 8+) July 31@Jackson

For details and more programs for all ages, visit www.riversideregionallibrary.org/calendar or follow us on Facebook

For kids (ages 0-6)

- Splatter Art – July 3 at 2pm@Oran
- Play with Clay – July 10 at 2pm@Oran

For kids/tweens/teens

- 4th of July Fun (ages 0-17) July 1 at 10am&4pm@Jackson
- Slap Bracelet (ages 8-17) July 1 at 3pm@Altenburg
- Pipe Cleaner Animals (ages 8-13) July 3 at 3pm@Altenburg
- Shrinky Dink Art (ages 7-17) July 7 at 2pm@Oran
- Lantern Making (ages 6-17) July 8 at 1pm@Perryville
- Beaded Bookmark (ages 10-17) July 8 from 2 to 5pm@Jackson
- Woven Bookmark (ages 8-13) July 8 at 3pm@Altenburg
- Color Science Experiment (ages 5-12) July 9 at 4pm@Jackson
- Craft (ages 8-17) July 10 at 3pm@Altenburg
- Play with Clay (ages 7-17) July 14 at 2pm@Oran
- Rock Painting (ages 5-12) July 18 at 10am&12pm@Perryville
- Drop-in Craft (ages 6-12) July 22 from 1 to 6pm@Altenburg
- Make Cookie Dough (ages 3-17) July 24 at 10am@Jackson (register)
- Design Your Own Sticker (ages 7-17) July 24 at 2pm@Oran
- Barbie Makeover (ages 3-14) July 25 at 3pm@Jackson
- Mosaic Suncatcher (ages 8-13) July 29 at 3pm@Altenburg

For adults (ages 18+)

- Macrame: Plant Hanger Earrings – July 10 at 4pm@Jackson
- Craft & Chat – July 14 at 10am@Jackson
- Crochet: Mini Coin Purse Keychain – July 17 from 3 to 5pm@Jackson
- Flower Arranging – July 24 at 3pm@Altenburg (register)
- Mosaic Stained Glass – July 31 at 3pm@Altenburg

Getting colorful and creative at the library!!!



Dino O'Dell @ Oran



Babaloo Music @ Altenburg



Face painting @ Perryville



Mad Science @ Perryville

Color Our
World
Purple @
Scott City



Faux
Stained
Glass
Class
@Jackson