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## **BEAVERTON CITY LIBRARY IS ONLINE WITH VIRTUAL STORYTIMES, PROGRAMMING AND MORE**

**BEAVERTON, Ore.** – Beaverton City Library (BCL) programming has moved online! Kids and families are invited to join us with Story Drop videos and live streamed storytimes with your favorite BCL librarians. Adults can enjoy book groups and chat with librarians about reading recommendations via video conferencing.

“Although our locations may be closed to the public, the library continues to provide high quality programs and services for the public,” said Library Director Glenn Ferdman. “Now you can access them from the comfort of your home via any internet-connected device.”

Library buildings are physically closed through Monday, May 25, but the free digital services the library regularly provides are available to the public. Free with your library card, you can download eBooks and audiobooks, stream thousands of movies, learn new languages, and gain unlimited online access to the New York Times. Parents and children can enjoy animated talking picture books and live homework help for kids and teens. You can even get a library card online (Washington County residents only), and ask a question via voicemail or email to receive an answer from a BCL librarian.

Find instructions and access links for all of Beaverton City Library's "at home" services at [www.BeavertonLibrary.org/BCLAtHome](http://www.BeavertonLibrary.org/BCLAtHome).

Checked-out library materials should be held until reopening. All items have been renewed until June 30 and fines won't be charged during the closure.

BCL's Summer Reading for kids, teens, and adults begins on Monday, June 1. Learn more about this annual program at [www.BeavertonLibrary.org/SRP](http://www.BeavertonLibrary.org/SRP).

### **Virtual Programming For Kids**

#### **¡Cuentos Lanzados! / Story Drop | sábados / Saturdays, Apr. 25 – May 30 | 10:15 AM**

Araceli lanzará un nuevo video leyendo un cuento. Visite YouTube a las 10:15 a.m. o después para ver la nueva historia. \*Este no es un evento en vivo, es grabado.\* / Miss Araceli will drop a new recorded story video. Visit our YouTube channel at/after 10:15 a.m. to watch the new story. \*This is not a live event.\*

#### **Día de los niños en casa | sábado, 25 de abril / Saturday, Apr. 25 | 1-2 PM**

¡Acompáñanos a celebrar los niños, las familias, y la lectura en casa! Vean nuestro video en Youtube para celebrar el día de los niños con nosotros. Les enseñaremos cómo hacer una artesanía de piñatas con cosas que pueda tener en casa, leeremos un cuento juntos, y

compartiremos ideas de juegos que pueden realizar en casa. Para toda la familia. [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UckjR4tbV6x8SRTm\\_UEGp2qA](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UckjR4tbV6x8SRTm_UEGp2qA) / Join us in celebrating children, families, and reading at home! Watch our Youtube video to celebrate Children's Day with us. We will show you how to make a piñata craft with things you may have at home, we will read a book together, and share suggestions of games you can play at home. This video is in Spanish with English captions. For the entire family.

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UckjR4tbV6x8SRTm\\_UEGp2qA](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UckjR4tbV6x8SRTm_UEGp2qA)

### **Family Storytime | Sundays, Apr. 26 – May 31 | 4:30-4:45 PM**

Families with kids of all ages will enjoy this storytime with Jennifer featuring books, fingerplays and lots of music! Please register with an email address at [www.BeavertonLibrary.org/Register](http://www.BeavertonLibrary.org/Register) and we'll email you a link one hour prior to each storytime.

### **Let's Get the Wiggles Out | Tuesdays, Apr. 28 – May 26 | 10:15-10:45 AM**

Jess will lead this high-energy storytime with books and lots of songs to help you get the wiggles out! Designed for preschoolers ages 3-6. Storytime will end with a suggestion for a craft you can do at home with materials you're likely to have on hand. Please register with an email address at [www.BeavertonLibrary.org/Register](http://www.BeavertonLibrary.org/Register) and we'll email you a link one hour prior to each storytime.

### **Toddler Storytime | Wednesdays, Apr. 22 – May 27 | 10:15-10:35 AM**

Join MacKenzie for this storytime designed for kids ages 2-3. Enjoy books, songs, rhymes and more! Storytime will end with a suggestion for an activity you can do at home with materials you're likely to have on hand. Please register with an email address at [www.BeavertonLibrary.org/Register](http://www.BeavertonLibrary.org/Register) and we'll email you a link one hour prior to each storytime.

### **Story Drop with Miss Bethany | Thursdays, Apr. 23 – May 28 | 10:15 AM**

Miss Bethany will drop a new recorded story video. Visit our YouTube channel at/after 10:15 to watch the new story. \*This is not a live event.\*

### **Teen Poetry Contest - Free Verse | Deadline: Thursday, Apr. 30**

Teens in grades 6-12 can submit a Free Verse poem for a chance to win \$25, \$50 or even \$100! Sponsored by the New Friends of the Beaverton City Library. A PDF entry form with full guidelines can be downloaded from the Teen Events page of the library website: <https://www.beavertonlibrary.org/139/Events-Contests>.

### **Virtual Programming For Adults**

#### **Recommended Reads Book Discussion: "The Secret Diary of Hendrik Groen, 83 1/4 Years Old" | Tuesday, May 5 | 6:30-7:45 PM**

Fiction, non-fiction, super popular or a little more obscure - we read it all and discuss at this friendly and lively book group. May 5: "The Secret Diary of Hendrik Groen, 83 1/4 Years Old" by Hendrik Groen. Join via Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/95758143427>.

#### **Book Chat Happy Hour | Tuesdays, Apr. 28 and May 12 & 26 | 5-6 PM**

Let's talk about books! Connect virtually with fellow book lovers as we chat about what we're currently reading and what's in our TBR (that's to-be-read) piles. Join via Zoom. May 12: <https://zoom.us/j/94420011568>; May 26: <https://zoom.us/j/96262622985>.

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