





Weekly Activities

Benicia Public Library August Event Calendar

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<p>Children's activities are in ORANGE Adult events are in BLUE – Online in ITALICS Teen events are in TEAL Events for all ages are in PURPLE</p> <p>Don't forget to look at the list of <u>weekly</u> events too!</p> 	<p>Program funding provided by the Friends of the Benicia Library. Donations accepted at bit.ly/donatetobpl or the QR code below.</p>  	<p>Death comes to everyone. Our Don't Fear the Reaper series includes a range of events for adults to help everyone better prepare for death. The events run from August 10-28. Four of them are highlighted on the back of this calendar.</p> 			<p>10am-12pm Friends' Donation Saturday</p> <p>1pm Back-to-School Vaccine Clinic 3pm Local Author Talk: Jean Wells 6pm Lucha Libro: Volume Seven (We will close at 6pm and reopen at 6:05pm.)</p>
2	3 1:30pm Writers' Salon	4 10:30am Preschool Storytime 11am Nonfiction Series: Paula Johnson [Online Author Talk] 6:15pm First Tuesday Poetry Group	5 10am Lawyer on the Line *registration* 10:30am Toddler Storytime 12pm Noon Book Club 1pm Baby Storytime 3:15pm Pokémon Club 5pm Food Is Free Summer Distribution	6 11am Cooking Series: Holly Capelle [Online Author Talk] 4pm LEGO Club 6-8pm Members Only Book Sale	7 6pm Board Games	8 10am-4pm Friends' Second Saturday Book Sale 3pm (sign-ups) Super Smash Bros. Ultimate Tournament
9	10 10:30am Home Efficiency Workshop 1pm Advance Care Planning & End-of-Life Options 6:30pm Shut Up and Write!	11 10:30am Preschool Storytime	12 10:30am Toddler Storytime 1pm Baby Storytime 1pm Senior Kanopy Screening: The Odd Couple 2pm Chalk Art	13 11am Health & Wellness Series: Dannah Eve [Online Author Talk] 12pm Planning Your Memorial Service 5pm Teen Lounge 6-8pm Lawyer on the Line (registration opens 8/5/26)	14 6pm Board Games	15 10am-12pm Friends' Donation Saturday 10am-12pm Food is Free Distribution 1pm Cuddle Club 1pm Summer Gardening Series: Creating a Pollinator Garden 1pm Foam Party 3pm Sound Bath Meditation
16	17 1pm The UnMarriage Toolkit: Legal Protection for Queer Couples 1:30pm Writers' Salon	18 7pm Kids' Books for Adults Book Club (Via Zoom)	19 7pm Great Discussions Extension: Israel in the Middle East	20 10:30am Carquinez Village Speaker Series 1pm Learn About Swedish Death Cleaning! 3:15pm LEGO Club	21	22 1pm Trading Card Exchange
23 30	24 31 6:30pm Shut Up and Write!	25 12pm Cook the Book Book Club 6pm Gloomy Crafts	26 10:30am Pop-In Playtime 7pm Story Hour for Grown-Ups	27 11am Fiction Series: Lucy Foley [Online Author Talk] 7pm Mystery Book Club	28 6pm Death Café	29 1pm Summer Plant Swap 4pm Local Author Talk: Garrett Wieck

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FOR CHILDREN & TEENS

Summer Video Games for kids ages 8-19:
 Mondays & Tuesdays: 3:15-5PM. After-School Zone resumes August 17.

Unplugged Arcade for kids ages 10-19 years:
 Fridays: 1-5PM

Storytimes are on hiatus from 8/15 until 9/13.

FOR ADULTS

TECH HELP: [Drop-in] Thursdays: 10AM-12PM

ESL Classes, All Levels:
 (For more information, email Paula Landers: planders@ci.benicia.ca.us)

Tuesdays: 10-11:30AM and 7-8:30PM
 Wednesdays: 10-11:30AM
 Thursdays: 4-5:30PM
 Fridays: 2-3:30PM
 Saturdays: 11:30AM-1PM

GED Classes [Call 746-4357 to register]:
 Fridays & Saturdays 9:30-11:30AM

Resume & Career Counseling: [Drop-In]
 Fridays 11:30AM-1PM

Book Club Picks

Kids' Books for Adults: *The Mona Lisa Vanishes*, by Nicholas Day

Mystery: TBD

Noon: TBD (discussion on 9/2/26).

Cook the Book: Theme TBD

Books are usually available at the Customer Service Desk. For Cook the Book, ask for assistance if needed.

Events and times are subject to change. Please check our website for the most current information.

Advance Care Planning & End-of-Life Options

August 10, 1-2PM



Reina Galanes, Board member with End of Life Choices California, will discuss the importance of sharing your values and end-of-life wishes; your legal end-of-life options; and the resources and support provided by End of Life Choices California.




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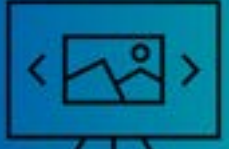
In the Doña Benicia Room.





Planning Your Memorial Service



Thursday August 13 12PM

From eulogies to playlists and photos, we hope to give you ideas for a memorial program.



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In the Doña Benicia Room.



FOAM PARTY

Kids can dance, play, and cool off in a sea of bubbles. Wear clothes you don't mind getting wet and get ready for some foamy fun!

Location: Outside the Library
Everyone is welcome!

August 15 from 1-4PM

The UnMarriage Toolkit: Legal Protection for Queer Couples



Monday August 17 1PM

In the Doña Benicia Room.

Attorney and mediator Bekki Callaway, of NewHorizons Family Law, will be presenting a workshop about "The UnMarriage Toolkit: Legal protection for queer couples."

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GLOOMY CRAFTS

This event is for adults only!

Tuesday August 25 6PM



Life is ephemeral. So is art. Join Aischa and Alli for a gloomy craft.

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In the Doña Benicia Room.

Story Hour for Grown-Ups

We read. You listen.

18+

AUG. 26
SEPT. 23
OCT. 28
7-8PM
4th Wednesdays

In the Doña Benicia Room.





I sense some plot holes...

Egads! What will happen next?!

This is the best event ever!

I hope I don't put them to sleep!

- Hear a story and/or 1-2 chapters
- Enjoy coffee, tea & chocolate treats
- Be amused by Patrice's mediocre accents