Spotlight on: HCLS next phase of reopening and what that means for your library

In response to the Governor’s rollback of various COVID-19 related restrictions and the increased access to vaccines for all ages in Georgia, the Hall County Library system will be moving into the next phase of reopening! While we are still encouraging the use of face masks, social distancing, and avoiding large gatherings, here are some changes we will be implementing starting **May 3rd**.

- Reopening all branches 10am–4pm on Fridays and eliminating the 1 hour time limit.
- Study rooms will now be open in all branches.
- Materials will no longer be quarantined when returned.
- Reopen all public computers and iPads.
- Volunteers will resume service. We need you!

Passport appointments at BPL will continue as well as reserved times for curbside services.

We thank you for your continued patronage and patience during these unprecedented times.
During the month of May choose from hundreds of titles in hoopla’s Bonus Borrows collection.

More than 1,000 hoopla Instant titles will be available through the month of May. These special loans use ZERO patron borrows! Check them out in addition to hoopla’s full collection of over 750,000 eBooks, audiobooks, movies, TV shows, music, comics, and more.

Find them by typing “Bonus Borrows” in the top search bar and you will see a list of available titles. There will also be a link in the scrolling marquee at the top of the hoopla page which will direct you to the Bonus Borrows list. Enjoy this springtime treat!

Remember each Patron will be debited ZERO Borrows when an included title is checked out! The Collection will be available to patrons through 5/31/21.

Magazines Switched to Overdrive

Our digital magazine collection has fully transferred over to the Overdrive system. Download the Libby app to gain access to hundreds of magazines available in multiple languages. To set up an account with Libby all you need is a Hall County Library card in good standing and an email address! If you have any questions please contact us.
Virtual Military Book Club Meeting

Spymistress
by
William Stevenson

Thursday May 13, 4:00 - 5:00
bhood@hallcountylibrary.org

The Odyssey of Echo Company
by
Doug Stanton

Thursday June 10, 4:00 - 5:00
bhood@hallcountylibrary.org
May 2021

**TUNE IN FOR THE BEST OF HALL COUNTY LIBRARY Virtual Programs!**

Every Tuesday and Thursday in May we will be featuring some of our favorite virtual programs on the Hall County Library Facebook page.

Revisit old favorites and find new experiences.

**GRAB & GO JUNGLE CRAFT**

Ask for your craft at any Hall County Library branch starting May 10th!!

While supplies last.

All programs are free and open to the public unless otherwise stated.

For more information, please call 770-532-3511 ext. 129
Access these free online resources using your Hall County Library card!

Mango Languages
Galileo Kids
eReads Kids
Learning Express

Check out these free magazines on the Libby App!

GET FREE AP TEST PREP FROM TUTOR.COM!

Sign in using your Hall County library card by clicking the image or visit www.hallcountylibrary.org

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Summer Reading Program For Babies through Adults!

Sign up and start logging books online at www.hallcountylibrary.org, on the Beanstack app or at your local library starting May 20!

Awesome Events!
In-person and live virtual family performances and programs around the county all summer long to suit whatever level of social distancing you prefer.

Cool Crafts!
For preschool and elementary students, pick up your Grab-and-Go Crafts or STEM kits each week at any HCLS library branch. Please no more than four per family.

Great Prizes!
From tasty local treats to building block sets, rubber duckies, earbuds, baseball tickets and great gift cards, when you read books and complete activities with the library this summer you can earn terrific rewards!

...All for free!
HCLS Summer Programs and Performers!

For programs that require registration, sign up online using the links on our calendar at www.hallcountylibrary.org

Outdoor Storytimes*

June 2-July 29 Enjoy summer storytimes with books, songs, movement and even puppets!
Rock Creek Park Amphitheater – 6:15 p.m. on Mondays (No storytime July 5)
Cherokee Bluff Park Amphitheater– 10:00 a.m. on Wednesdays
Laurel Park Pavilion – 10:00 a.m. on Thursdays

Awesome Performers*

Park Performances at the Cherokee Bluff Amphitheater
June 14 - 10:00 a.m.: Lew-E’s Comedy Circus
June 21 - 10:00 a.m.: Todd Key’s Flying Debris

The Arts Council and HCLS Present Summer Shows
on the Smithgall Arts Council Lawn
June 15 - 10:00 a.m.: Lew-E’s Comedy Circus
June 29 - 10:00 a.m.: Todd Key’s Flying Debris

Library Lakeside at Lake Lanier Olympic Park
June 15 - 6:00 p.m.: Lew-E’s Comedy Circus
June 29 - 6:00 p.m.: Todd Key’s Flying Debris
(Kona Ice will offer shave ice for purchase at Library Lakeside)

At the Library

Dogs with Jobs* - June 18, 10:30 a.m.
Spout Springs Library
Learn how to stay safe this summer and meet the awesome dogs of Alpha Team K9 Search and Rescue.

Telescopes to Go* July 16 - Elementary 8:30 p.m., Teens 9:30 p.m. Murrayville Library
Elachee Nature Science Center presents out of this world astronomy fun and the chance to check out the night sky with professional telescopes.
Registration required.

Lee Bryan “That Puppet Guy”
Join the amazing Lee Bryan as he shares his awesome puppets telling the story of The Lion and the Mouse and The Boy Who Cried Wolf. This program is indoors and masks are requested. Registration required.

July 19
Spout Springs Library - 2:30 and 3:30 p.m.
Blackshear Place Library - 6:00 and 7:00 p.m.

July 20
Gainesville Library - 10:30 and 11:30 a.m.
Murrayville Library - 2:30 and 3:30 p.m.

Teen Events*

(Registration required for all Teen Programs)

Pick a Spot/Paint the Lot: Gainesville June 8 - 1:30 p.m.
Canvas Painting: Blackshear Place June 10 - 6:30 p.m.
Teen Game Night: Spout Springs June 17 - 6:00 p.m.
Young Rembrandts Manga: Virtual July 14 - 1:30 p.m.
Journal Making: Spout Springs July 15 - 6:00 p.m.
Outdoor Games: Blackshear Place July 15 - 6:30 p.m.

Teen Tie Dye: Gainesville July 21 - 1:30 p.m.

Live Virtual Programs

(Wheel of Animals with the Elachee Nature Center: June 10 - 10:15 a.m.
Learn about Georgia animals and meet some live critters in this interactive online program. Registration Required.
Young Rembrandts Elementary Drawing Program – Jungle Animals: June 16 - 1:30 p.m.
Elementary students can learn to draw jungle animals with Young Rembrandts’ amazing instructors. All you need is a paper and pencil! Registration required.
Young Rembrandts Pre-K Drawing Program—Curious George! June 23 - 1:30 p.m.
Preschoolers, aged four to six, can learn to draw Curious George with Young Rembrandts’ outstanding instructors. All you need is a paper and pencil! Registration Required.
Young Rembrandts Teen Drawing Program—Anime & Manga: July 14 - 1:30 p.m.
Teens can learn to draw Anime & Manga with Young Rembrandts’ fabulous instructors. All you need is a paper and pencil! Registration Required.

Summer Finale: A Super Silly Storytime and Elephant and Piggie Meet and Greet

It’s a summer finale storytime with plenty of silly fun and a craft.
Stick around to meet Elephant and Piggie in person! Registration Required.

Gainesville July 24 - 11:15 a.m. North Hall Tech Center July 26 - 10:15 a.m. Murrayville July 26 - 2:00 p.m.
Blackshear Place July 27 - 10:15 a.m. Spout Springs July 29 - 2:00 p.m.

*All outdoor performances are subject to cancellation due to inclement weather. Please bring a blanket or lawn chairs for outdoor performances.
Masks are requested at all outdoor programs and required at all indoor programs for anyone over three years of age.
TEEN PROGRAMS!

All Teen programs require registration. Please register online using the links on our calendar at www.hallcountylibrary.org

Pick a Spot/Paint the Lot
June 8 - 1:30 p.m. Gainesville Library
Come out to the Gainesville Library and decorate a parking space by yourself or with a group! We supply the chalk, chalk paint, and brushes; you create a book or animal-themed masterpiece!

Canvas Painting
June 10 - 6:30 p.m. Blackshear Place Library
Join Ms. Ashley for an evening of painting fun! We will provide canvases, paint, and brushes as well as stencils. Use one of our premade images to transfer or freehand your own design.

Teen Game Night
June 17 - 6:00 p.m. Spout Springs Library
Dance the night away with Just Dance on the Wii or find a board game to play with friends. Snacks will be provided!

Young Rembrandts Teen Drawing Program- Anime & Manga
July 14 - 1:30 p.m. Virtual
Teens can learn to draw Anime & Manga with Young Rembrandts' fabulous instructors from the comfort of home. All you need is paper and a pencil!

BYOJ (Bring Your Own Journal)
July 15 - 6:00 p.m. Spout Springs Library
Bring your bullet journal and learn how to design your own spreads, including a habit tracker and a bookshelf to track your reading! Colored pens & pencils and other decorating supplies provided.

Summer Fun Outdoor Games
July 15 - 6:30 p.m. Blackshear Place Library
Come out and play a variety of exciting outdoor games! Jumbo Connect Four, Beanbag Toss, Mega Matching, and more!

Telescopes to Go with Elachee
July 16 - 9:30 p.m. Murrayville Library
Elachee Nature Science Center presents out-of-this-world astronomy fun and the chance to check out the night sky with professional telescopes

Teen Tie-Dye
July 21 - 1:30 p.m. Gainesville Library
Get your tie-dye on! Learn tips and tricks from experienced dyer Ms. Katie. All materials provided, however you are welcome to bring your own cotton items to dye.

All outdoor activities subject to cancellation due to inclement weather. Masks are required for all indoor programs.
Live Outdoor Storytimes!

**Twilight Storytime**
*at Rock Creek Amphitheater*
Mondays 6:15 p.m. June 7-July 26
Weather Permitting No Storytime July 5
Bring the family and a blanket and join the Hall County Library System for a live, in-person, outdoor, evening storytime.
Enjoy books, songs, movement, and even puppets!
Thanks to our summertime partner, Gainesville Parks & Recreation!

**Outdoor Storytime**
*at Cherokee Bluffs Park Amphitheater*
Wednesdays 10:00 a.m. June 2-July 28
Weather Permitting
Bring the family and a blanket and join the Hall County Library System for a live, in-person, outdoor, storytime.
Enjoy books, songs, movement, and even puppets!
Thanks to our summertime partner, Hall County Parks & Leisure!

**Outdoor Storytime**
*at the Laurel Park Pavilion*
Thursdays 10:00 a.m. June 3-July 29
Weather Permitting
Bring the family and a blanket and join the Hall County Library System for a live, in-person, outdoor, lakeside storytime.
Enjoy books, songs, movement, and even puppets!
Thanks to our summertime partner, Hall County Parks & Leisure!

All programs are free and open to the public.
For more information, please call 770-532-3311 ext. 129
Exciting Performers!

Lew-E's Comedy Circus

Lew-E's Comedy Circus is a high-energy comedy magic show featuring Lew-E the Clown! Along with his sidekick, Googy Googly, Lew-E combines rib tickling comedy with empowering audience participation to create a magical circus experience!

Presented with Hall County Parks
Monday, June 14, 10:00 AM
Cherokee Bluffs Park Amphitheater
5867 Blackjack Rd, Flowery Branch

Presented with The Arts Council
Tuesday, June 15, 10:00 AM
Smithgall Arts Center
331 Spring Street, SW, Gainesville

Presented with Lake Lanier Olympic Park
Tuesday, June 15, 6:00 PM
Lake Lanier Olympic Park
3105 Clerks Bridge Road, Gainesville

All outdoor performances are subject to cancellation due to inclement weather. Please bring a blanket or lawn chair for these outdoor performances.

Todd Key’s Flying Debris

FLYING DEBRIS... What is that, exactly? Imagine, if you will, a man balanced upon a small, thin board, performing juggling tricks; interacting with the audience; and juggling the TEN MOST DANGEROUS OBJECTS IN HISTORY, all while keeping you laughing so hard tears will come to your eyes.

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Cherokee Bluffs Park Amphitheater
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LeeBrian

AESOP'S FANTASTIC TALE is a fun and fast-paced retelling of THE LION AND THE MOUSE and the BOY WHO CRIED WOLF. It's home spun family fun with this clever solo “tour-de-force” created especially for rod puppets and hand puppets. And be sure stick around for a quick behind the scenes look at how the show was performed.

Monday July 19
Spout Springs Library
2:30/3:30 pm
Blackshear Place Library
6:00/7:00 pm

Tuesday July 20
Gainesville Library
10:30/11:30 pm
Murrayville Library
2:30/3:30 pm

Two shows at each location!
Space is limited, reserve your spot on the calendar at hallcountylibrary.org

All programs are free and open to the public.
For more information, please call 770-532-3311 ext. 129
Summer Reading Program 2021: Tails and Tales

Grab & Go Crafts
at your Hall County Library

Pick up a FREE!!! Grab & Go Craft every week!

Each Hall County Library Branch will have a different craft, activity, or STEM kit for preschool and elementary aged kids every week to take home!

Subject to availability, please limit to 4 per family.

Dogs with Jobs!
June 18, 10:30 AM at the Spout Springs Library

Come see an exciting outdoor demonstration of the Alpha Team K9 Search & Rescue dogs and their handlers! See the dogs in action, learn about how they help law enforcement, and important facts about how kids can stay safe this summer!

Best for ages 5 and up.
For more information please see halcountylibrary.org or call 770-532-3311 ext. 191

All outdoor events are subject to cancellation due to inclement weather.

TELESCOPES—TO—GO
At the Murrayville Library

Friday, July 16th
8:30 pm for Elementary
9:30 pm for Teens

Come out late night for out-of-this-world astronomy fun and the chance to check out the night sky with professional telescopes!

For more information and to register visit the calendar page at halcountylibrary.org

Outdoor programs subject to cancellation due to inclement weather.
Virtual Programs!

The Hall County Library System & Elachee Nature Science Center Present

WHEEL OF ANIMALS!

Learn about Georgia animals and meet some live critters in this interactive online program presented by Elachee Nature Science Center Naturalists.

June 10th at 10:15 a.m.

Please register on the calendar page at hallcountylibrary.org

Young Rembrandts

Virtual art programs for preschoolers, elementary kids, and teens!

Wednesday, June 16 at 1:30
A Tails and Tales Drawing for 1st through 5th

Wednesday, June 23 at 1:30
Curious George for ages 4-6

Wednesday, July 14 at 1:30
Anime & Manga for Tweens & Teens

Space is limited.
Find more information and register on the calendar page at hallcountylibrary.org

All programs are free and open to the public.
For more information, please call 770-532-3311 ext. 129
Just for Teens in June!

PICK-A-SPOT PAINT-THE-LOT TEENS!!!
Help us decorate the parking lot at the Gainesville Library on the Square!
June 8 1:30 pm

Register yourself or group at the hallcountylibrary.org calendar page to get your assigned parking spot!
The library will provide chalk, chalk-paint, and brushes, you provide your book or animal themed design skills.
For more information visit hallcountylibrary.org or call 770-532-3311 ext 129

TEEN CANVAS PAINTING
June 10 6:30 PM

Join us building for an evening of fun painting!
We will provide canvas, paint, and brushes as well as stencils.
Use one of our primitive images to transfer or freestyle your own design.
Children 12 and up
Registration is required as spots are limited.
Register on the calendar page at www.hallcountylibrary.org
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Supplies Provided

SPOUT SPRINGS LIBRARY PRESENTS:
TEEN GAME NIGHT!
Come on out for a night of Just Dance, board games, and snacks!
June 17th 6-8 PM

Call 770-532-3311 Ext. 162 for more information!
To register, use the link on our online calendar:
https://www.hallcountylibrary.org/index.php/library-calendar

All programs are free and open to the public.
For more information, please call 770–532–3311 ext. 129
July Teen Events!

SPOUT SPRINGS TEEN NIGHT!
BYOJ: BRING YOUR OWN JOURNAL

Learn how to bullet journal at Spout Springs Library!
July 15th from 6-8pm
We'll be creating a habit tracker, a bookshelf to track your reading, and more!

For more information, call (770)532-3311 Ext. 192
To register, use the link in our online calendar:
https://www.hallcountylibrary.org/index.php/library-calendar

BLACKSHEAR PLACE LIBRARY
TEEN PROGRAM
SUMMER FUN OUTDOOR GAMES

JULY 15 @ 6:30 PM

Join us for exciting outdoor games!
Jumbo Connect Four, Beanbag Toss,
Mega Matching, and more!
Grades 6-12
Registration is required as spots are limited. Please register
on the calendar page at hallcountylibrary.org
For more info, contact Ashley Martin at
770-532-3311 ext 131 or amartin@hallcountylibrary.org

TEEN TIE-DYE

JOIN MS KATIE AND GET YOUR TIE-DYE ON AT THE GAINESVILLE LIBRARY ON THE SQUARE

JULY 21 1:30 PM

REGISTRATION REQUIRED AT THE CALENDAR PAGE ON HALLCOUNTYLIBRARY.ORG
ALL MATERIALS PROVIDED. HOWEVER, YOU ARE WELCOME TO BRING YOUR OWN 100% COTTON ITEMS TO DYE.

For more information email kguthrie@hallcountylibrary.org or call
770 532-3311 ext 129

All programs are free and open to the public.
For more information, please call 770-532-3311 ext. 129
Please support our Summer Reading 2021: Tails and Tales sponsors and partners!
May 2021

**Staff Book Picks: May Flowers**

**Janine**
Circulation Director

*The Language of Flowers*
by Vanessa Diffenbaugh

**Lisa E.**
Youth Services Director

*Boy, Snow, Bird*
by Helen Oyeyemi

**Sue F.**
Blackshear Place

*Please Don’t Eat the Daisies*
by Jean Kerr

**Cheryl**
North Hall Tech

*Seven Flowers and How They Shaped our World*
by Jennifer Potter

**Barbara**
Murrayville

*Beloved*
by Tony Morrison

**Abigail**
Circulation

*Before Ever After*
by Samantha Sotto

**Adrienne**
Assistant Director

*Dreams of Joy*
by Lisa See

**Sandra**
Gainesville

*A Song of Wraiths and Ruin*
by Roseanne Brown
Wildflowers of the Eastern United States
by Wilbur Duncan

A Hundred Flowers
by Gail Tsukiyama

In the Name of the Rose
by Umberto Eco

Daisy Jones & the Six
by Taylor Jenkins Reid

The Wife Upstairs
by Rachel Hawkins

Lilac Girls
by Martha Hall Kelly
**Young Adult:**

- A Constellation of Roses (YA)
  by Miranda Asebedo
- Five Feet Apart (YA)
  by Rachael Lippincott

**Juvenile:**

- Mossflower (J)
  by Brian Jacques
- Bloom Boom! (J/E)
  by April Pulley Sayre
- Anne of Green Gables (J)
  by L. M. Montgomery
- The Big Book of Blooms (J)
  by Yuval Zommer
- The Land of Flowers (J)
  by Thea Stilton
Children:

**Adrianne**
Assistant Director

*My Garden* (E) by Kevin Henkes

**Emily**
Admin Assistant

*Lily y su Polso de Plástico Morado* (E) by Kevin Henkes

**Lisa E.**
Youth Services Director

*The Gardener* (E) by Sarah Stewart

**Jessica**
North Hall Tech

*Chrysanthemum* (E) by Kevin Henkes

**Charles**
Circulation

*There Is a Flower at the Tip of My Nose Smelling Me* (E) by Alice Walker

**Sandra**
Gainesville

*Fletcher and the Springtime Blossoms* (E) by Eric Carle

**Katie**
Youth Department

*Sidewalk Flowers* (E) by JonArno Lawson

**Sandra**
Gainesville

*A Way with Wild Things* (E) by Lorissa Theule

**Paige**
Spout Springs

*The Tiny Seed* (E) by Eric Carle