Children’s Events

Teddy Bear Storytime
All ages
Tues, Jul 11, 7pm
What mischief will your teddy bear get up to? Sit in for storytime and have your teddy spend the night!

Seeing Eye Dog Meet & Greet
All ages
Wed, Jul 19, 7pm
Stop by the library to meet the puppies! Learn all about what it takes for them to become a Seeing Eye Dog.

Move & Groove with Miss Jolie
All ages
Sat, Jul 22, 10:30am
Join singer, songwriter and children’s book author, Miss Jolie, for this fun-filled event.

Summer Concert with Marlene Pillow
All ages
Sat, Aug 5, 10:30am
Songs, stories, and summertime fun with Marlene Pillow! Join us for this family-friendly concert.

Teen Events

Finals Week @ RPL
Gr. 6-12
Week of Jun 11-20
Extra tables, room for group study sessions, therapy dog visits, pizza nights and cookie breaks. RPL has got you covered!

Dungeons & Dragons: Teens’ Game
Gr. 6-8
Fri, Jun 23, 4pm
Teens will receive training on volunteer opportunities available for the summer. Followed by a sneak peak of upcoming programs, a Summer Reading Challenge presentation and of course a pizza party.

Budgeting Workshop by M&T Bank
Gr. 6-12
Mon, Jul 17, 7pm
Explore the importance of creating and maintaining a budget, examine the differences between wants and needs, and learn how to set goals for spending, saving, and debt repayment.

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Your next great read is just a few clicks away!

NovelList Plus offers hundreds of recommendations on any genre for adults, teens, and children to help you find that “just-right” book.

Chat with a book expert live.
Monday—Saturday, 2-7 pm
ridgewoodlibrary.org/learning-research

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Spring Break Book Sale
Mar 24-27
Check out our huge selection of books, including bestsellers, classics, and much more at a spectacularly low price.

Summer Reading Princesses
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Read to win a special prize at our Summer Reading Princesses event.

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Fri: 9am-6pm
Sat: 9am-5pm
Sun: 1-5pm

Check out our extensive collection of books, magazines, and audiobooks.

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End of School Year Celebration
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Bolger Heritage Center

Open House: Bonavitall Gallery
Restored stained glass from local artist on Old King Cole theme.
Wed, Jun 7, 2 pm or Thurs, Jun 8, 7 pm

Explore the Hidden Archive
Thurs, Jul 27, 3 pm or Mon, Jul 31, 7 pm
Registration required

Elks Time Capsule Reveal
Fri, Jul 1, 7 pm

Genealogical Society of Bergen County Events:
Navigating FultonHistory.com
Virtual Mon, Jun 12, 2 pm
Registration required

Extra Event Virtual
Mon, Sept 11, 2 pm Details TBA

Monthly Meetings Mon, 7 pm
Jun 26: From Manuscripts to Ephemerata
Jul 24 & Aug 28: Workshops Details TBA
Sept 25: Military Records for Genealogical Research
Info, contact Sarah: skjefer@ridgewoodlibrary.org or x135

Great Decisions
Thurs, Sept 28, 12:30-2 pm
Politics in Latin America
Member-led monthly Foreign Policy Association discussion group.
Info: VHilditch@ridgewoodlibrary.org

Pub Trivia
Mon, 7pm
@ Park West Tavern (30 Oak St)
Jun 5: Parks & Rec (TV show)
Sept: Date & topic TBA
Register: rplpubtrivia@gmail.com

ESL & Multicultural
2023-24 Student & Tutor Applications available onsite & ridgewoodlibrary.org

ESL Summer Program:
All levels welcome unless otherwise noted.
Registration required for all.
Year-End Celebration
Fri, Jun 9, 10 am-12 pm
Open to current students & tutors
Walk & Talk
Tues, 9:30-10:30 am
Jun 20 & 27, Jul 11 & 18, Aug 15 & 22
Exercise English skills while walking the trail, weather permitting.

Book Group Mini-Session
Tues, 1-2:30 pm, Jun 6, 13, 20 & 27
Book title TBD (intermediate/advanced)

Evening Specials
Wed, 7 pm
Jun 28, Jul 12 & 19, Aug 16 & 30
Engage in fun inter-disciplinary activities.

Conversation Classes
Thurs, 1-2 pm
Jun 29, Jul 6, 13 & 20, Aug 17 & 24
Discuss customs & culture, current events, holidays, and more.

Coffee Break-Outs
Fri, 1-2 pm
Jun 16 & 30, Jul 7, 21 & Aug 18 & 25
Casual conversation in small groups.

Info: Victoria Hilditch, ESL coordinator
VHilditch@ridgewoodlibrary.org or x133

Victoria Schuure, ESL assistant coordinator & instructor
VSchuure@ridgewoodlibrary.org or x141

Janine Lanzisera, ESL assistant & instructor
JLanzisera@ridgewoodlibrary.org

Spanish World Language Café
Every other Fri, 10-11 am
Reg. required; dates on reg. calendar

Book Groups
Led by library director Lorri Steinbacher

RPL Book Circle
Virtual Wed or Thurs*, 7-8:30 pm
Jun 15*: Kristin Harmel
The Forest of Vanishing Stars
Jul 12: Paulaute Iles Simon the Fiddler
Aug 9: Amor Towles The Lincoln Highway
Sept 13: Paul Harding This Other Eden

Cover 2 Cover
Thurs, 11 am-12 pm
Jun 1: Emily Austin Everyone in this Room Will Someday Be Dead
Jul 6: Lisa Grunwald The Irresistible Henry House
Aug 3: Lionel Shriver Should We Stay or Should We Go
Sept 8: Mary Beth Keane The Half Moon

Reader’s Choice
Fri, 1-2:30 pm
Jun 16: Willa Cather My Antonia
Jul 21: Toni Morrison Beloved
Aug 18: Emilie Zola Nana
Sept 15: F. Scott Fitzgerald Tender is the Night

Crafted Crimes
Virtual Wed, 7-8 pm Brittin Clark
Jul 26: Timothy Tyson The Blood of Emmett Till
Jul 26: Kevin Cook Waco Rising
Sept 27: Becky Cooper We Keep the Dead Close
Info: rplcraftedcrimes@gmail.com

Cookbook Club
Wed, 7:30-8 pm Lisa Trent
Sept 20: Book TBD
Info: ltrent@ridgewoodlibrary.org

Check It Out: Great Summer Reads
Wed, Jul 12, 11 am-12 pm
Literacy consultant Stacey Loscalzo, Lorri Steinbacher and Roberta Panjwani discuss their favorite books in all genres.
Leave with a list and take a few we’ll have on hand!

Tech Assistance & Classes:
For details/required registration: ridgewoodlibrary.org; 201-670-5600 x130

Classes
Get the Most from Your iPhone Hybrid Wed, Jun 14, 10:30 am-12 pm
Computer Basics Week
Mon-Thurs, Jul 17-20, 2-3 pm
Mon: Windows PCs (Windows 10/11)
Tues: Macs (MacOS)
Wed: Email
Thurs: Internet Literacy

Cut That Cable Hybrid
Sat, Jul 15 or Aug 5, 11 am
Intro to Excel Hybrid
Wed, Aug 2, 11 am
Excel Basics Hybrid
Wed, Aug 9, 11 am

Tech Express
Tues, 11 am-1 pm; Fri, 1-3 pm
Select Thurs, 6:30-8:30 pm
Our experts help with your short questions.
Free/RW; $5/visitors.

One-on-one session with our experts.
$10/RW; $25/visitors per 30 min

Page to Screen
with library director Lorri Steinbacher
Pride Month: My Policeman
Mon, Jun 5, 7-9 pm
2022; R; 1h 54m; US

Friday Matinees 1 pm
Women Talking
Jun 16 (2022; PG-13; 1h 44m)
Ticket to Paradise
Jul 14 (2022; PG; 1h 44m)

Air
Aug 11 (2023; R; 1h 51m)

A Man Called Otto
Sept 8 (2022; PG-13; 2h 6m)

World Cinema
with library director Lorri Steinbacher

Juneteenth Film: Daughters of the Dust
Mon, Jun 19, 7-9 pm
1991; NR; 1h 52m; US

Should We Stay or Should We Go
Mon, Jun 19, 7-9 pm
2022; R; 1h 44m

The Irresistible Henry House
Mon, Jun 19, 7-9 pm
2022; PG-13; 1h 38m; US

We Keep the Dead Close
Thurs, Jul 21, 7-9 pm
2022; G; 1h 42m

Greenman, three lifelong friends who take a trip out west to see a concert of a
lifetime, and much more.
New episodes available monthly on all platforms & at bendintheroad.org.

Library of Things Open House
Tues, Jul 11, 7-8:30 pm
Stop by the auditorium to explore, reserve, or check out some of the
120+ items we have in our collection including lawn games, STEM kits,
media equipment & hotspots.

Valley Healthy Community
Register: 800-825-5391 or valleyhealth.com/events

Bend in the Road Podcast
This summer Roberta talks with writer & Ridgewood resident Ben Greenman, three
lifelong friends who take a trip out west to see a concert of a
time, and much more.
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Arts, Culture & Lectures

Sunday Concerts 2 pm
Jun 11: New Jersey Choral Society Additional summer concerts TBA

Family Programs All Ages
Move & Groove with Miss Jolie
Sat, Jul 22, 10:30 am

Summer Concert w/ Marlene Pillow
Sat, Aug 12, 10:30 am

Make Your Own Ice Cream
Thurs, Aug 3, 7 pm

Women & Finance
2023 Money Makeover
Thurs, Jun 15 and Sept 21, 7-8 pm
With top Forbes advisor Kathleen Entwistle, CPFA, CDFA®

This is a Poem
Fri, Jun 16, 7:30 pm
Live readings and music feat. Billy Collins, Yeats, Maya Angelou & more.

Stratford-upon-Avon Live Virtual Walking Tour
Wed, Jun 21, 10:30-11:30 am
Meet us in the auditorium to watch live
tour led by Beeeyonder guides.

Medicare 101 Virtual
Tues, Jun 27, 6:30 pm
Led by Sheila Brogan, Geriatric Social Worker, NW Bergen Senior Center.

The Miracle Mets of 1969
Thurs, Jul 26, 10:30-11:30 am
With Rick Feingold. Sponsored by ValleyHealth

Bergen County Job Center
Fri, Sept 15, 11 am-1 pm
Open house for job search, resume help, skills assessment & employment.

Reserve a Free MUSEUM PASS
Go to the head of the line on this summer!
Museums include: Guggenheim, MoMA, Intrepid, Stoopit, Emmerich, Newark Museum, Brooklyn Botanic Garden & more!
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