

June 2026



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Voter Registration
and Elections
10:00 a.m.

Storytime and Early Literacy Programs

Baby Storytime (ages 0 - 24 months)

Mondays, June 8, 15, 22, and 29 at 9:30 and 10:30 a.m.

Just for babies and their caregivers! Designed for meaningful one-on-one interaction between baby and caregiver with songs, rhymes, a book and plenty of movement that's developmentally appropriate. Recommended for children ages 0- 24 months and their caregivers. Limited capacity, first come, first served. Visit the children's desk for tickets 30 minutes prior.

Family Storytime (ages birth - 5 years)

Tuesdays, June 9, 16, 23, and 30 at 10:00 a.m.

Special Guests: 6/16 Water Safety

6/30 Voter Registration and Elections

Enjoy stories, songs and rhymes in a literacy-rich environment. Recommended for children ages 5 and younger with their caregivers, open to children 5th grade and below. Limited capacity, first come, first served. Visit the children's desk for tickets 30 minutes prior.

Piccolo Spoleto

Tickets are **required** for entrance and will be available at the Main Library Children's Desk **in-person only** starting on Friday, May 15th. Limited numbers of tickets are available per household while supplies last.

School groups are granted priority access to the 9:30 a.m. performances and **MUST** register by May 15. Call 843-805-6893 for more program details or to register your school group.

Tricky Words Magic Show (ages birth - 11 years)

Tuesday, June 2 at 9:30 and 11:30 a.m.

Award winning magician and SOA Theatre Teacher George Younts presents an entertaining family-friendly Magic Show. The show aims to mystify one into thinking about the words we use every day while having a fun time!

Special Performances

Stomp, Chomp, and Read: A Jurassic Balloon Magic Adventure (ages 3 - 11 years)

Thursday, June 4 at 10:00 a.m.

Stomp, Chomp and Read is a dinosaur-themed interactive balloon magic program designed for children ages 3 - 11 and their families. Program Length: 45 minutes. Limited capacity, first come, first served. Visit the children's desk for tickets 30 minutes prior.

Art for Time Travelers (ages 6 - 12 years)

Thursday, June 11 at 10:00 a.m.

Travel through history and make your own masterpiece! We'll explore one moment in art history—it could be fossils, cave paintings, or even Picasso—and make one unique work of art inspired by that time. Come see where (and when) our adventure takes us and let your imagination soar! Program Length: 1 hour. **Limited capacity: 15 participants.** Visit the children's desk for tickets 30 minutes prior.

The Ladysticks Show (ages birth - 11 years)

Thursday, June 18 at 10:00 a.m.

The Ladysticks Show is an interactive and engaging performance experience that invites the audience to feel, hear, and participate in the performance - it's part music performance, part performance art, and part comedy. Program Length: 1 hour. Limited capacity, first come, first served. Visit the children's desk for tickets 30 minutes prior.

Captain Curiosity: Battle of the Body (ages birth - 11 years)

Thursday, June 25 at 10:00 a.m.

Experience a story where science meets drama! Join us for Battle of the Body, a theatrical performance that brings the epic fight between virus and immune system to life. Perfect for families and curious minds. Program Length: 55 minutes. Limited capacity, first come, first served. Visit the children's desk for tickets 30 minutes prior.

Community Partner Programs

Where the Water Wanders (ages 3 - 11 years) Wednesday, June 24 at 10:00 a.m.

Water is essential to life, health, and the environment. Join us for an interactive journey through the Charleston Water System Water Cycle to discover how drinking water and wastewater are safely treated and returned to the environment. Children will build a hands-on water cycle puzzle and conclude with a story that highlights why water is truly worth protecting. Limited capacity, first come, first served.

Summer Reading

Travel through time this summer with CCPL's 2026 Summer Reading Program, *Endless Eras, Endless Stories*.

Readers of all ages are invited to read, earn prizes, and explore special events all summer long.

Visit ccpl.org/summeronline to learn more!

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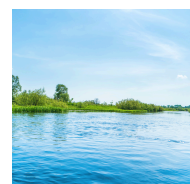


Main Library Youth Services Department

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Children and Family Programs (Continued)

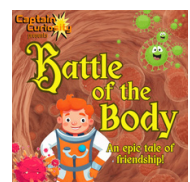
All children and family programs, unless stated registration is required, are first come, first served with limited capacity. To contact us, call (843) 805-6893.



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Piccolo Spoleto

Tickets are free but required for all Piccolo Spoleto events at the Main Library and will be available at the Children's desk in-person only starting on Friday, May 15th. A limited number of tickets are available per household while supplies last. School groups are granted priority access to the 9:30 a.m. performances and must register by May 15. Call (843) 805-6893 for details or to register your school group.



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Storytimes

All storytimes are limited capacity and first come, first served. Caregivers are asked to stay. Visit the Children's desk for tickets 30 minutes prior.



Baby Storytime (Ages 0-24 Months)

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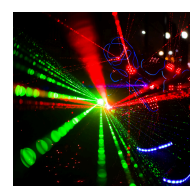
Family Storytime (Ages 0-5)

Tuesdays, June 9, 16, 23 & 30 at 10 a.m.

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Teen Programs

You must be in grades 6-12 to participate in any teen program unless otherwise stated. To contact us, email teenunderground@ccpl.org or call (843) 805-6903.



Teen Laser Tag (Grades 6-12)

Saturday, June 13 from 2-3:30 p.m.

Auditorium

Teens, think you've got what it takes to dominate the arena? Lock, load and take aim in laser tag with Carolina Gamerz! Waivers are required, and space is limited. Please contact teenunderground@ccpl.org for more information.



Main Library

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Hours

Monday-Thursday 9 a.m.-8 p.m.

Friday 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

Saturday 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Sunday 2 p.m.-5 p.m.

June 19 - Library Closed

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Visit ccpl.org for program details and library services.

Saul Alexander Gallery: June 1-30



"What I've Been Working On" by Carolyn Thiedke

Gallery Night: Join us on **Wednesday, June 3 from 6-7 p.m.** for an opening reception of the new exhibit!

The works displayed here reflect the evolution of a self taught art quilter as she explored what can be done with fabric, thread, and other art materials. Carolyn finds herself especially drawn to portraiture in different forms.

Carolyn Thiedke, M.D., is a retired family physician living on Sullivan's Island. Her first traditional quilt was for her son's high school graduation, leading to many more for family and friends. However, she loves the push of creativity and pull of moving beyond her comfort zone that art quilts provide.

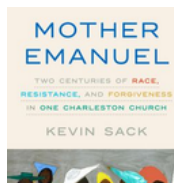
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Featured Programs



Author Talk with Kevin Sack: Mother Emanuel

Wednesday, June 3 from 6-7 p.m.

Auditorium

Mother Emanuel explores the fascinating history that brought the church to that moment, and the depth of the desecration committed in its fellowship hall. It reveals how African Methodism cultivated from the harshest American soil, and how Black suffering shaped forgiveness into both a religious practice and a survival tool. Kevin Sack, who has written about race in his native South for more than four decades, uses the church to trace the long arc of Black life in the city where nearly half of enslaved Africans disembarked in North America. Through the microcosm of one congregation, he explores the development of a unique practice of Christianity, from its daring breakaway from white churches in 1817, through the traumas of the Civil War and Reconstruction, to its critical role in the Civil Rights Movement.



Shifa Clinic Presentation and Supply Drive Kick Off

Friday, June 5 from 2-3 p.m.

Auditorium

Interested in supporting your community? Join us for a presentation hosted by Shifa Clinic to learn more about the work this local organization does to support the health of our community. This program will also be the kick off for a month-long supply drive that will support the Shifa Free Clinic in its efforts to help community members in need.

Free Health Screening by Shifa Clinic

Thursday, June 11 from 1-4 p.m. | Second Floor

Shifa Clinic's team will be on-site to provide BMI screenings, diabetes risk assessments, glucose testing (for all), and A1-C testing (for those with glucose readings over 200). Shifa Clinic will also share nutrition information, diabetes management and pre-diabetes intervention resources, and connect patients to their free health clinic and food pantry!



Billions & Billions: A Grand Tour of the Universe and the Search for Life Outside of Earth

Saturday, June 20 from 1-2 p.m.

Auditorium

Join Sarah Sonnett, Planetary Science Institute Senior Scientist and College of Charleston visiting professor, for a fascinating talk on the marvels and mysteries of our universe and whether one of many exoplanets could support intelligent life or not.

Book Clubs

For programs that require registration, please go to the event post on [ccpl.org](https://www.ccpl.org), visit in person, call (843) 805-6930, or email askaquestion@ccpl.org.



Short Fiction Book Discussion

Wednesday, June 10 from 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Meeting Room B

Join us for a discussion series on selections from “The Best American Short Stories 2025,” edited by Celeste Ng. This month’s stories will be “Underwater” by Hannah Kingsley-Ma and “Drapetomania” by William Lohier.



Science Friday Book Club

Friday, June 26 from 2-3:30 p.m.
Meeting Room B

CCPL is proud to partner with the Science Friday podcast to host the Science Friday Book Club! Join us in person this month to discuss “The Poisoner’s Handbook” by Deborah Blum. Visit sciencefriday.com/scifri-book-club/ for more info.

Adult Programs

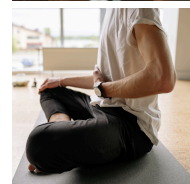
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Coffee and Crime

Monday, June 1 from 6-7:30 p.m.
Auditorium

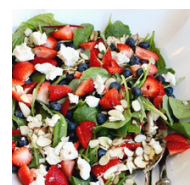
Join fellow true crime fans every month to discuss a different case. Using your preferred medium (book, podcast, articles, TV, etc.), come prepared to discuss: The Keddie Cabin murders.



Y'all Yoga

Wednesdays, June 3, 17 & 24 from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Auditorium

Access balance, strength and independence in chair and floor-based poses. You will learn to transition from seated to standing to reclining on the mat using the chair as a tool. If getting up and down from the floor is challenging for you, we will teach you how to do this with and without the help of a chair. This class is great for low-impact movements, injury recovery and focusing on joint and spine health.



Summer Spinach Salad

Thursday, June 4 from 1-2:30 p.m.
Auditorium

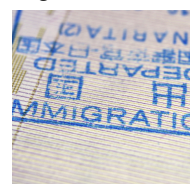
Enjoy the fun and taste of creating a fantastic summer salad of spinach, berries, goat cheese, nuts and other delights drizzled with a homemade vinegarette dressing. Common allergens include dairy and tree nuts. For questions about dietary concerns, email askaquestion@ccpl.org or call (843) 805-6930. Registration is required.



Jamaican Beef Patties

Monday, June 8 from 1-2 p.m.
Auditorium

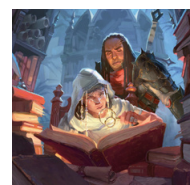
Take a culinary trip to the Caribbean at our Jamaican beef patty demonstration! We'll walk through making the dough, preparing the filling and the final assembly. Common allergens include gluten, eggs, red meat, dairy, and Canola oil. For questions about dietary concerns, email askaquestion@ccpl.org or call (843) 805-6930. Registration is required.



Ports, Papers, Promises: Immigration and Naturalization Records

Tuesday, June 9 from 2-3 p.m.
Second Floor Classroom

Where did your family's American story begin? Join us in the upstairs classroom to discover how immigration and naturalization records can uncover your ancestors' journeys, paths to citizenship, and more. This program introduces key records, where to find them, and tips for using them in your family history research.



Dungeons & Dragons Game Night

Thursdays, June 4 & 18 from 5:30-7:30 p.m.
Meeting Room A

Fans and first timers are invited to join us for a dive into the world of Dungeons and Dragons! We'll be using the Candlekeep Mysteries book for short, one-shot campaigns. Please either bring a fully prepared level 1 character. Otherwise, we'll suggest one of our premade ones! Registration is required, but you can still drop by and watch!



Creative Writing Group

Monday, June 15 from 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Meeting Room B

Join fellow writers and work on your craft! Share your current and past projects, talk about what you are hoping to accomplish, or work on your writing with fellow creatives!



From Walks to Words: Nature Journaling

Saturday, June 27 from 1-2 p.m.
Meeting Room B

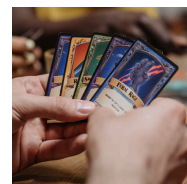
Turn everyday walks into discoveries. Join us for this intro to nature journaling to learn what a nature journal is, how to start one, and what observations you can record. Discover helpful apps, books and tips to identify local plants and animals!



Homemade Horchata

Saturday, June 20 from 1-2 p.m.
Second Floor Classroom

Learn how to make a delicious cinnamon and rice milk drink, perfect for keeping cool this summer! Registration is required.



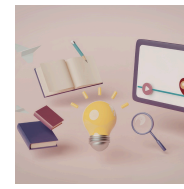
Tabletop Game Night

Monday, June 29 from 5:30-7:30 p.m.
Auditorium

Bring some friends (or just yourself) to the auditorium for an evening of engaging, easy-to-play tabletop games! From classics like The Game of Life to newer titles like Hues and Cues, a monthly rotation means there's something for everyone!

Technology Training

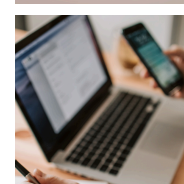
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Introduction to Microlearning: Bite-Sized Education

Tuesday, June 2 from 10-11 a.m.
Second Floor Classroom

Short on time but want to learn something new? Microlearning may be suited to you. We'll introduce you to the concept and explore apps that can get you started on your journey to knowledge.



Tech Team Help Lab

Tuesdays, June 9 & 23 from 11 a.m.-12 p.m.
Second Floor Classroom

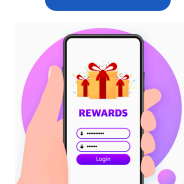
Do you need a little help with your new laptop, phone, or tablet? Would you like to see some popular laptop and tablet options before making a purchase? Drop in and see a Tech Team member for assistance with your own device.



20 Tips for Microsoft Word

Wednesday, June 10 from 1-2 p.m.
Second Floor Classroom

Learn how to navigate and use Word effectively and efficiently. Computers are provided, keyboard experience required.



Reward Yourself: What to Know About Reward Apps

Saturday, June 13 from 10-11 a.m.
Second Floor Classroom

Learn about all the types of reward apps and determine if any deserve to be on your mobile devices.



Fact Check That: Tools for the Digital Age

Thursday, June 18 from 6-7 p.m.
Second Floor Classroom

Skeptical? Hard to believe what you saw or read? Let us introduce you to resources that will help you to be more informed and knowledgeable.



Mobile Device Basics: iPhone

Wednesday, June 24 from 1-2 p.m.
Second Floor Classroom

This class will cover Mobile Device Basics with a focus on Apple devices. This workshop is for those who have a new iPhone, or are considering getting one, and want to learn more about the basic functions.

Children and Family Programs

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Stomp, Chomp and Read: A Jurassic Balloon Magic Adventure (Ages 3-11)

Thursday, June 4 from 10-10:45 a.m.

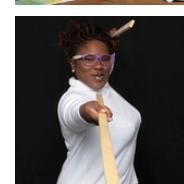
Stomp, Chomp and Read is a 45-minute dinosaur-themed interactive balloon magic program designed for children ages 3-11 and their families. Please come to the Children's desk 30 minutes prior for tickets.



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