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## Maud Marks Branch Library—June Programs

The following free programs will take place at the library during June. Please call 281-492-8592 for further information.

Wednesday at 10:15 a.m.  
Storytime – preschool aged children

Storytime for preschool-aged children is held each Wednesday at 10:15 a.m. Stories, fingerplays, and songs are featured. This is ideal for children ages 3 to 5, but all children and their caregivers are welcome.

Tuesday morning at 10:15 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.  
Pat-a-Cake Club Infant Storytime infants 0-12 months

This program will meet each Tuesday morning at 10:15 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. This is an interactive program for children ages 0 to 12 months and their caregivers. Each session will last about 20 minutes, featuring nursery rhymes, songs, and finger plays.

Thursdays at 10:15 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.  
Totally Toddler Storytime

Toddlers aged 18 to 36 months are invited to participate in our Totally Toddler Storytime which will be held on Thursdays at 10:15 a.m. and 11:15 a.m and Wednesdays at 10:15 am. **Tickets are required for Toddler Storytime. Tickets are given to the first 30 toddlers the day of the event.**

To register online for any of the programs at the library's website ([www.hcpl.net](http://www.hcpl.net)), click on "Events Calendar" and select "Maud Marks". Participants may also register by calling the library at 281-492-8592 or by visiting the library.

Saturday, June 24 from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.  
Book Sale

The Friends of the Maud Marks Library will hold their June book sale on Saturday, June 24 from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. There is a large selection of hardback fiction and nonfiction, as well as children's books and paperbacks. All items sell for rock bottom prices.

June 2, 9, 16, 23 | 1pm

### Family Film Festival

Bring the whole family out to our family film festival on Fridays at 1 PM. We start on June 2 with Jack Sparrow looking for treasure. On June 9, Jack Sparrow chases Davy Jones's heart. On June 16, a teenager is out to survive middle school. On June 23, Lightning McQueen explores the town of Radiator Springs. Finally, on June 30, Lightning McQueen is back to compete in the World Grand Prix. All movies begin at 1 PM. Popcorn will be provided.

Monday's June 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>

### Summer Reading Program

It's that time of year again! Summer has arrived, and with it the Summer Reading Program begins June 5. This year's theme will be "Build a Better World". There will be weekly storytimes, special programs, and crafts for children of all ages. This year we will be using a point system with prizes including a sticker, magnet, book, medal, and more! So this summer, join us! All programs are free.

Monday, June 5 from 1:30- 3:30: Marsha's Petting Zoo  
Monday, June 12 at 1:30 and 3:00: Geebo the Clown  
Monday, June 19 at 1:30 and 3:00: Museum of Natural Science  
Monday, June 26 at 1:30: Books Alive: Big Chicken

Wednesday's June 14<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>

### Elementary Book Club

The Maud Marks Library will be hosting a book club this year for children ages 7-10. Join us for activities and discussions on Wednesday, June 14 at 3 PM as we read and talk about The Trumpet of the Swan by E.B. White. Then on Wednesday, June 28 at 3 PM we will read and talk about Chasing Vermeer by Blue Balliett. Books will be available for pick up on June 1.

Begins June 5<sup>th</sup>

### Teen Summer Reading Program

It's that time of year again! Summer has arrived, and with it the Summer Reading Program begins June 5. This year's theme will be "Build a Better World." Special teenage programs include various building challenges. Young adults who complete the summer reading program will receive a magnet, earbuds, medal, and more! . So this summer, join us! All programs are free.

Thursday, June 8 at 3 pm: Building Challenge- Food Structures  
Thursday, June 15 at 3 pm: Paint Chip Skyline  
Thursday, June 22 at 3 pm: Build a Better Sushi Roll  
Thursday, June 29 at 3 pm: 3D Printing with a movie

### Adult Summer Reading Program

It's that time of year again! Summer has arrived, and with it the Summer Reading Program begins June 5. This year's theme will be "Build a Better World." Special programs include movies and computer classes. This year we will be using a point system with prizes including a magnet and more. At the Maud Marks Library, read books in various genres and get entered in drawings for various gift baskets. Read books in 5 different genres and get entered into the drawing for our grand prize of various gift certificates and a Kindle. Come in and see what we have for you!

Also, join us for our family summer reading programs. See below for our many adult only programs. All programs are free and everyone is welcome, although many of the classes do require pre-registration.

## Build a Better World: Food Drive

This summer, we invite you to help us build a better world for those in our community. The Maud Marks Library will be collecting nonperishable food and personal items throughout the summer for the Katy Christian Ministries Food Pantry. Come in at any time from June 1- August 5 and place your donation in the cardboard box by the summer reading registration desk. Come help us build a better world for the less fortunate in our community.

### June 3<sup>rd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> @ 3pm Yoga Demonstration

You asked for it, you got it! The Maud Marks Library now hosts yoga classes twice a month. Yoga can be a very relaxing and centering exercise program. Join us on Saturdays, June 3 at 10 AM and June 17 at 3 PM, as we learn about the benefits and basic how-to of yoga. Join us as we exercise our minds and bodies. Registration is required.

### Thursday of the month, June 8<sup>th</sup>, at 1 PM Monday of the month, June 5<sup>th</sup>, at 7 PM Wednesday, June 21<sup>st</sup>, at 1 PM Book Discussion Clubs to Meet

The Maud Marks Library hosts three book clubs that meet monthly. The Afternoon Book Club meets on the second Thursday of the month, June 8<sup>th</sup>, at 1 PM. We will be discussing Underground Railroad by Ben Winters. The Evening Book Club meets on the first Monday of the month, June 5<sup>th</sup>, at 7 PM. We will be discussing America's First Daughter by Stephanie Dray. The Just Desserts Mystery Book Club will meet on Wednesday, June 21<sup>st</sup>, at 1 PM. We will be discussing One Book in the Grave by Kate Carlisle. You are encouraged to bring your favorite dessert to eat while we discuss whether our villains get their just desserts.

If you are interested in joining any discussion group, extra copies of the books are available at the library. There are no dues, and new members are welcome!

### Friday June 16 at 3 PM Demystifying the Funeral Planning Process

Senior citizens and their family members are invited to join us for a new series at the Maud Marks Library. Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month, experts will be here to discuss various topics pertinent to senior living. On June 16 at 3 PM, we will be discussing the funeral planning process. Learn how to plan a funeral for yourself or a loved one without all the stress and worry. Come discover what kind of life is best for you or your loved one.

### Saturday June 17 at 10 AM Green Thumb Gardening Series

Master Gardeners of Harris County will be bringing their Green Thumb series to the library once a month where they will discuss various topics unique to gardening in the Houston area. This month, on June 17 at 10 AM, learn all about propagation and seed saving. Seating is extremely limited for this class.

**Wednesday June 7, 14, 21, and 28 at 10 AM**

**Family Search**

Are you interested in learning more about your family's past? The Maud Marks Library is offering one-on-one instruction on how to use the FamilySearch.org website. These classes will take place every Wednesday at 10 AM. This month we will be meeting on June 7, 14, 21, and 28. Learn more about how to get started looking into your family's past and find out where you came from.

**Saturdays, June 10, 17, and 24 at 10 AM**

**Advanced Microsoft PowerPoint Classes**

Are you interested in getting more out of your Microsoft PowerPoint program? On Saturdays, June 10, 17, and 24 at 10 AM, the Maud Marks Library will be going beyond the basics of how to use Microsoft PowerPoint. This is a three part class. Participants should be able to come to all three classes.

**Tuesday, June 20 at 10 AM**

**Twitter**

Do you need a way to stay up-to-date with what's going on online? Twitter may be the answer! Twitter is a microblogging social media site that lets you stay connected with the lives of your family, friends, celebrities, companies, and individuals from around the world. Come on Tuesday, June 20 at 10 AM to learn how to set up and use your very own Twitter account, and start the conversation. This class is designed for beginner to intermediate users of social media websites.

**Tuesday, June 20 at 1 PM**

**Microsoft Word Class**

Are you interested in getting more out of your Microsoft Word program? On Tuesday, June 20 at 1 PM, the Maud Marks Library will be hosting a basic class on Microsoft Word. Basic keyboard and mouse skills are required.

**Tuesday, June 27 at 7 PM**

**Build a Better World With TinkerCad for Adults**

Harris County has a 3D printer and you are invited to see it in action! Come to the Maud Marks Library on Tuesday, June 20 at 7 PM and learn the basics of TinkerCad. Design your own little knickknack that day and then come back the next week on Tuesday, June 27 at 7 PM to see the 3D printer create your personal object.

**Tuesday, June 27 at 10 AM**

**Introduction to Tablets**

On Tuesday, June 27 at 10 AM, you are invited to bring your tablets and follow along as we show you how to make the most of your tablet! Learn how to operate your tablet, explore some of the powerful built-in apps, and learn how to download additional apps, music, and more! This class is designed for android tablets only. Please see our Apple iPad class if you have an iPad.

**Tuesday, June 27 at 1 PM**

**The Apple iPad**

On Tuesday, June 27 at 1 PM, you are invited to bring your iPad and follow along as we show you how to make the most of your new tablet! Learn how to operate your iPad, explore some of the powerful built-in apps, and learn how to download additional apps, music, and more! This class is designed for new users of all iPad formats.