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SUMMER READING 2025:

ALL TOGETHER NOW

JUNE 1 THROUGH AUGUST 9

Patrons of all ages can join our summer reading program. Register and log your reading with Beanstack in the Beanstack Tracker app or at wixomlibrary.beanstack.org. *Thank you to our summer reading sponsors: Friends of the Wixom Library and Wixom Dairy Queen!*



ADULTS

Read 3 books to earn a gift card and a ticket into prize drawings for Kindles and book-themed baskets. Get a book for signing up too!

TEENS ENTERING GRADES 7-12

Read 3 books to earn a prize pack, book, and a drawing entry for a Kindle. Earn additional prize drawing tickets by reading more books.

KIDS AGES 2 THROUGH 6TH GRADE

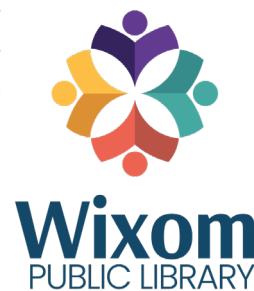
Read (or be read to) 8 hours to earn a free book, free cone at Wixom Dairy Queen, and a ticket into the prize drawing. Visit weekly to pick out a prize for reading 1 new hour.

BABIES 0 - 24 MONTHS

Complete 20 early literacy activities to get a prize pack and board book.

NEW WEBSITE AND LOGO

In April, we launched a new website and debuted a new logo! Staff worked diligently to bring you an improved library website to better feature the collections, services, and programs that matter the most to you. One major improvement you will notice is that our program calendar is now fully integrated into our website. Lastly, the new website has improved accessibility features to meet higher ADA compliance levels.



Our logo was last professionally designed in 1995, and we thought it was time for a refresh that reflects the Wixom community of today. While books and literacy are still at the heart of the Library's mission, we wanted our new logo to also reflect our role as a community hub that provides a wide-range of services.

We hope you enjoy both our new logo and our new website!



LIBRARY HOURS

Monday - Thursday 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Friday 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Saturday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Meets 4th Monday of the month at 7 p.m.

Leah Gettings, Dee Dee Grant,

Jennifer Griffen, Dulcie MacQueen,

Veronica Simmons, Allison Wert

CONNECT WITH YOUR LIBRARY

Catalog: Search for materials, place holds and renew items

eNewsletter: Sign up for monthly eNewsletter updates on the website

Phone: Get reference assistance, place holds, renew items & more

Website: Access the catalog, digital materials, book suggestions, program calendar & more

App: Search and place holds, connect to digital content, renew items & more

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

FRIENDS EVENTS

The Friends host events throughout the year. Proceeds from Friends events help the Library fund programs and other items that benefit the Library.

2025 EVENTS

FALL SILENT AUCTION

September 29 – October 11, 2025

Bid on a variety of items to support the Friends of the Library.

FALL USED BOOK SALE

October 15 – 18, 2025

The semi-annual used book sales features thousands of items for all ages.



QUARTERLY MEETINGS

Tuesday, April 22 at 11 a.m.

Tuesday, July 8 at 11 a.m.

The Friends meet quarterly in the meeting room to conduct regular business items. New members are always welcome to attend.



DONATION GUIDELINES

Please place your **clean and gently used** book, audiobook, Blu-ray and DVD donations in the donation box inside the front entrance. All donations must be in like-new and sellable condition. Please empty boxes into the donation bin as we are unable to lift heavy boxes.

We are not able to accept magazines, VHS, cassette tapes, encyclopedias, or text books. Receipts are available on request.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Volunteers are always encouraged to join the Friends of the Wixom Library.

TUESDAY SORTING

Tuesday Mornings at 10 a.m.

Help sort donated books every Tuesday morning.

BOOK SALE SET-UP

Volunteers are needed to set-up and take-down the sale. Set-Up involves moving materials to their sale locations and sorting through books for easy viewing. A sign up sheet will be available at the Check-Out Desk prior to the book sale.

BOOK SALE SALES SUPPORT

Volunteers are needed during the Fall and Spring Book Sales to help with purchases and keeping sale items in order. A sign up sheet will be available at the Check-Out Desk prior to the book sale.

SUPPORT OPPORTUNITIES

In addition to supporting the Friends and the Library through book sales, you can also support the Friends with your everyday shopping.

KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS

The Friends have enrolled in the Kroger Community Rewards Program. If you shop at Kroger and enroll your Kroger Plus card, a portion of your purchases will be distributed to the Friends each quarter. Details for adding the Friends to your Kroger card are available at wixomlibrary.org/friends

RECOGNITION TREE

Leaves for the Recognition Tree may be purchased for \$100. The leaves are bronze with black engraved letters. They may be in the form of a memorial or a donation and may be purchased by individuals or businesses. Forms are available in the lobby.

ADULTS

DETROIT LEGEND, THE NAIN ROUGE

Tuesday, May 6 | 6:30 p.m.

Join author Shetan Noir as she discusses Detroit Legend the Nain Rouge. She will present a look at his history and sightings.



BUDGETING WITH 5/3 BANK

Thursday, May 15 | 6:30 p.m.



Fifth Third Bank will teach participants about common terms related to financial institutions. They will cover types of banking accounts, compare account types, and explain the risks and benefits associated

with each option. Participants will also learn about key ways to protect financial accounts and personal information.

INTO THE WILD & BACK HOME AGAIN: PARK, WILDLIFE, AND LANDMARK PHOTOGRAPHY IN MICHIGAN

Tuesday, June 17 | 6:30 p.m.

Corey Seeman, from Squirrel Dude Photography, will show us how to get amazing pictures right around the corner from where we live. A walk in the park can reveal plants, trees, birds, squirrels and other elements that make for a great photograph. Using the state of Michigan as a muse and subject, Corey will share some of their favorite locations for photography and day trips.



TROPICAL SUMMER BEACH WATERCOLOR PAINTING

Saturday, July 12 | 2 p.m.

Join this fun and welcoming watercolor class to paint a tropical beach scene! Artist Katie Rothley will lead the class. All skills are welcome; this class will focus on basic watercolor painting techniques. All supplies are provided but you are welcome to bring your own supplies if preferred.



SUMMER SOUPS AND SALADS WITH MARY SPENCER

Tuesday, August 5 | 6:30 p.m.



Chef Mary Spencer will share new ideas for making light and easy summer salads and soups. She will use the freshest of summer's bounty with plenty of samples to taste!

SUMMER READING 2025: JUNE 1 - AUGUST 9

Adults ages 18+ can join the summer reading program starting June 1. Registration is ongoing. Register and log your reading with Beanstack in the Beanstack Tracker app or at wixomlibrary.beanstack.org

Adults need to read 3 books to earn a gift card and a ticket into prize drawings for Kindles and book-themed baskets. Get a bookmark and book for signing up too!



ADULTS

MOVIES & LUNCH

Join us for an afternoon film showing and a pizza lunch!

JUROR #2

Wednesday, June 4 | 1 p.m.

A COMPLETE UNKNOWN

Wednesday, August 6 | 1 p.m.



BOOK A LIBRARIAN

Tuesdays | 2 p.m. or 2:30 p.m.

Get one-on-one help with computers or mobile devices. Sign up at the Information Desk. Additional time slots may be arranged with the librarian.



DIY CRAFTS

Get creative at our monthly craft nights! All supplies are provided - you just bring the creativity!

BEACHY SUMMER SIGNS

Tuesday, May 20 | 6 p.m.

IRIDESCENT SUNCATCHERS

Tuesday, June 24 | 6 p.m.

WHISK DRAGONFLY

Tuesday, July 22 | 6 p.m.

TINY ART SHOW

Tuesday, August 19 | 6 p.m.



ESL CAFE

Thursdays | 2 p.m.

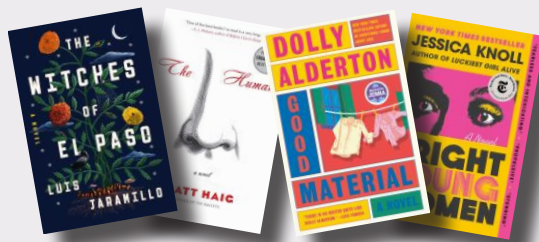
ESL Cafe



Improve your English skills with coffee and conversation. Talk with people from different countries who are trying to improve their English. A librarian leads the group. No registration required.

Registration is required for most programs. Register online at wixomlibrary.org. The registration opening date is available on the program calendar.

BOOK CLUBS



BOOKS & BREWS

Join us **Tuesdays at 7 p.m. at The Drafting Table** for discussions on books from an eclectic list of authors.

May 13 – *The Witches of El Paso* by Luis Jaramillo

June 10 – *The Humans* by Matt Haig

July 8 – *Good Material* by Dolly Alderton

August 12 – *Bright Young Women* by Jessica Knoll

BETWEEN THE LINES

Join us on **Wednesdays at 2 p.m.** to discuss an eclectic list of titles while sipping on coffee and tea.

May 28 – *The First Ladies* by Marie Benedict

June 25 – *No One Can Know* by Kate Alice Marshall

July 30 – *This Time Tomorrow* by Emma Straub

August 27 – *Violeta* by Isabel Allende



KIDS PROGRAMS

STORYTIMES

BABY DAYS

Wednesdays | 10:30 a.m. | Ages 0-2

May 7 - May 21

June 18 - August 6

Have fun with playtime and storytime.



PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

Tuesdays | 10:30 a.m. | Ages 2-5

May 6 - May 20 | Community Center

Join us for stories, songs, and lots of fun!

OUTDOOR STORYTIME

Thursdays | 10:30 a.m. | Ages 2-5

June 12 - August 7 | Library Courtyard

Join us for stories, songs, and lots of fun!

PRE-K PICASSOS

Wednesdays | 6:30 p.m. | Ages 3-5

May 21, June 4, July 2, and August 27

Thursday, May 22 | 10:30 a.m.

Listen to a picture book and get artsy making your own masterpiece.



YOGA FOR KIDS

Mondays | 10:30 a.m. | Ages 2-5

May 12, June 23, July 21, and August 18



Drop in for yoga with Miss Ashley! Geared at ages 2-5, but older siblings and parents are welcome to join. Please wear clothing that is comfortable for movement.

PAWS FOR READING

Mondays at 6:30 | Entering Grades K-5

May 5, June 2, July 7, and August 4

Practice your reading skills with Bridger, who will never interrupt you - just listen. Registration required for a 15 minute time slot.



SPECIAL PROGRAMS

K-2 ADVENTURE

Thursday, May 8 | 6:30 p.m. | Grades K-2

Join us for Michigan in May for a crafty, Michigandy-themed night!

SPRING TINY ART SHOW

Thursday, May 22 | 6:30 p.m. | Grades K-6

Make a mini masterpiece! Your creation will be on display in the Children's Department.

SENSORY FRIENDLY FAMILY MOVIE:

MOANA 2

Saturday, June 21 | 3 p.m. | Ages 3+

Enjoy a sensory friendly viewing experience where snacks, pillows, blankets, and stuffed animal friends are encouraged.

WHAT'S IN A COLOR WITH SLOAN LONGWAY

Saturday, July 26 | 10:30 a.m. & 1 p.m. | Ages 4-7

Explore the science behind colors. Create a chromatography butterfly, mix colors, and catch a colorful rainbow!



LEGO CLUB

Wednesdays | 6:30 p.m.

June 18 & August 20 | Entering Grades K-6

Challenge yourself with a special LEGO build and then display your design in the Library.

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Register and log your reading with Beanstack OR the paper log available at the Kid's Desk.

KIDS AGES 2 THROUGH 6TH GRADE

Read (or be read to) 8 hours to earn a free book, free cone at Wixom DQ, and a drawing entry of your choice. Earn a weekly prize for reading 1 new hour.

BABIES AGES 0-24 MONTHS

Complete 20 early literacy activities to get a prize pack and board book.



SUMMER PROGRAMS

Summer reading programs are aimed for kids ages 2-10.
Programs are held in the Community Center unless otherwise noted.

WILDLIFE SAFARI

Tuesday, June 17 | 10:30 a.m.

Enjoy animals both furry and scaly.

FOR ANIMAL SAFETY, REGISTRATION REQUIRED.



ALEX THOMAS & FRIENDS

Tuesday, June 24 | 10:30 a.m.

Jokes, pranks and silliness abound in this interactive puppet show.

TONS OF TRUCKS

Tuesday, July 1 | 10:30 a.m.

Library Courtyard & Parking Lot

Check out our City's vehicles and heavy machinery while finding hidden trucks for a fun prize! We'll also have an ice cream truck for a special treat!



COLOR YOUR WORLD WITH MAD SCIENCE

Wednesday, July 9 | 6:30 p.m.

Explore the colors of the world with interactive demonstrations of vibrant chemical reactions, colorful foams, defying gravity, and more!

SAIL TO MOTUNUI

Tuesday, July 15 | 10:30 a.m.

Library Children's Area

See how far you can go at our island-themed morning with crafts, games, and a special meet and greet with Moana herself!

CAMERON ZVARA

Tuesday, July 22 | 10:30 a.m.

Be amazed by magic, balloon animals, and wacky fun!



BOUNCE 'N PLAY

Tuesday, July 29 | 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Sibley Square Park

Oakland County Parks and Recreation will bring 3 inflatables and their GO! Games with jumbo yard games, inflatable mini curling and more! Be sure to bring SOCKS for the inflatables!

BAFFLING BILL

Wednesday, August 6 | 6:30 p.m.

Join Baffling Bill, the magician, and his bunny Gus for a magical summer reading finale!

TWEEN PROGRAMS | Entering Grades 3-6

NOVEL THOUGHTS

Wednesdays | 6:30 p.m.

Join us for snacks and a lively conversation.

May 14 -

Weird Kid by Greg Van Eekhout

July 16 -

Camp Sylvania by Julie Murphy



NAILED IT! ART EDITION

Wednesday, June 25 | 6:30 p.m.

Put your art skills to the test and compete to see who can master the masterpiece.

MOBILE ESCAPE ROOM

Monday, July 14 | 2 p.m.

Enter the Dragon's Trial with Escape Room Novi. You must register individually for a time slot.

TIME TRAVELERS: ANCIENT GREECE

Wednesday, July 23 | 6:30 p.m.

Blast into the past to survive by your skills and the whims of the gods!

KINETIC SCULPTURES WITH SLOAN LONGWAY

Saturday, July 26 | 3 p.m.

Put your artwork in motion while designing and building a kinetic sculpture. Build simple cranks, cams, and linkages out of cardboard and use them to make your sculpture move!

POKÉ BALL TERRARIUMS

Wednesday, July 30 | 6:30 p.m.

Build a habitat for a special Pokémon friend!



TEENS

TEEN VOLUNTEER COUNCIL

Mondays | 6:30 p.m.

Join the volunTEENs and earn 1 volunteer hour for attending!

May 12: Cards for the Elderly

June 16: Cards for Kids in the Hospital

July 21: Cat Toys for Shelter Cats

August 18: Bookmark Making

OMG SATURDAY

Saturday, May 10 | 3 p.m.

Make cat-themed crafts while watching cat videos on the big screen! Snacks and kitty headbands provided.



STICKER PICTURES

Monday, June 23 | 2 p.m.

Make sticker pictures and take home some awesome art! All supplies are provided and no artistic skills are needed.

PAPER FLOWER BOUQUETS

Monday, June 30 | 6:30 p.m.

Make your own paper flower bouquet. All supplies are provided.



MOBILE ESCAPE ROOM

Monday, July 14 | 2 p.m.

For tweens and teens entering grades 3-9

Enter the Dragon's Tail with Escape Room Novi's mobile dragon lair! Each participant must register individually. There are six spots per time slot.

TEEN SUMMER READING PROGRAM

JUNE 1 - AUGUST 9

Teens Entering Grades 7 - 12

Read 3 books to earn a prize pack and book. Earn additional prize drawing tickets by reading more books. Log your reading at wixomlibrary.beanstack.org



BOOKS & BITES

Monday, July 28 | 6:30 p.m.

***Batter Royale* by Leisl Adams**

Join us for a lively discussion and snacks! This meeting we will read *Batter Royale* by Leisl Adams. All teens who attend the book discussion will get to keep a copy of the book. Copies of the book are available at the Information Desk.



SPILL THE TEA

Monday, August 11 | 6:30 p.m.

Join us for tea, both boba and regular. Sample different flavors and play two truths and a lie.



TEEN AREA ACTIVITIES

Stop by the teen area at anytime to participate in our monthly activities.

JUNE: CAPTION CONTEST

Write your own meme caption.

JULY: LIT SWAG BAG

Pick up a fun bag full of books and other reading goodies!

AUGUST: JOKE JAR

Make a joke and take a joke!

CRAFT KITS

Get creative on your own time and pick up a craft kit to do at home.

GET GROWING: MINI PLANT KITS

Pick up begins May 19

PAINT A UNICORN

Pick up begins June 16

DIY FAIRY DOORS

Pick up begins July 7

WONDERFUL WINDCHIMES

Pick up begins August 4



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