

# BEYOND BOOKS

What's Happening at Bemis Public Library

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**The Library will be closed  
Monday, May 29 for Memorial Day.**



## Fine Free At the Library!

Thanks to a unanimous vote by Littleton City Council, Bemis Library is now fine free! Effective April 5, all overdue fines have been waived and no new late fees will be charged. Lost, damaged, or unreturned items will still be billed at replacement cost. Overdue notices will be sent as reminders to return items so others can borrow them.



## Summer Reading Is Coming

Find more information about the Adult, Teen, and Children's reading programs, events, prizes and more on the library's [Summer Reading Page](#) beginning May 30.

## Adult & All Ages Events



### Senior Social Club

**Thursdays 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.**

**For Ages 50 and Up**

Please join the library's weekly chat in Sophie's Place at the front of the library.

### Stitch Circle

**May 11 and 25, 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.**

**For All Ages**

You're invited to Bemis's Stitch Circle! Bring in a project or come learn the basics of knitting, crocheting or embroidery.

[Click here for event reminders.](#)



### Board Games @ Bemis

**May 12, 5 - 7 p.m.**

**For All Ages**

An after-hours, family-friendly board game night. Space is limited, so arrive early. Pizza and snacks will be served.

## Macra-May Craft

May 20, 2 – 3:30 p.m.

For Ages 10 and Up\*

Learn the basics of macrame – knotted string art – and create a simple wall hanging or other piece of fiber art.

\*Registration required. Call 303-795-3961 or [click here to register](#).



## Tuskegee Airmen with Active Minds

May 22, 2 - 3 p.m.

For Adults of All Ages

Join Active Minds as we explore a chapter of this story from World War II: the Tuskegee Airmen. These groups of African American pilots were the first black military aviators in the U.S. armed forces. We will tell their story of struggle and triumph and bring this issue into a current context.

## LEGO Club

May 6, 3 - 4 p.m.

For All Ages

Children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult

Design, construct and create your own LEGO creations. Build from a theme or use your imagination to make a brand-new creation.



## Dungeons & Dragons

May 24, 5 - 7:30 p.m.

For Ages 10 & Up\*

Players of all experience levels are welcome. Pizza and snacks will be served. \*Registration required.

Call 303-795-3961 or [click here to register](#).

## Adult Summer Reading

### Program Kickoff

May 30, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m

For Adults of All Ages

Early readers get the prize! Pick up the official Adult Summer Reading Bingo Card starting Tuesday, May 30. The first 50 participants will receive a free library tote bag. All participants have the chance to win gift cards to local restaurants and merchants.



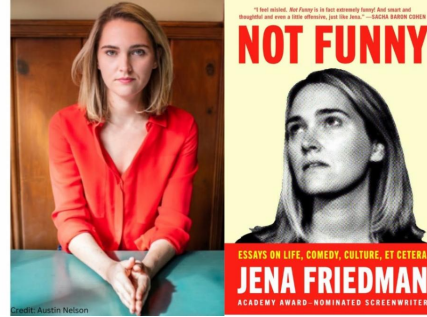
## Virtual Author Talks

Join in for live-streamed discussions with bestselling authors presented by Library Speakers Consortium. Visit [libraryc.org/bemis](http://libraryc.org/bemis) for information on upcoming events and to watch previously recorded discussions with authors.





**Britt Hawthorne**  
**May 3, 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.**  
**For Adults of All Ages**  
**Registration required**  
 Call 303-795-3961  
 or [click here to register.](#)

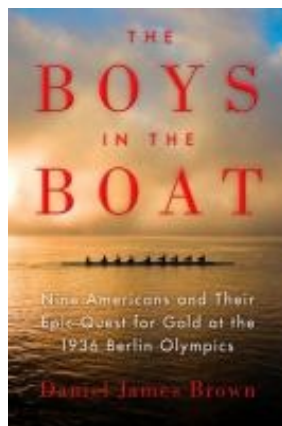


**Jena Friedman**  
**May 10, 6 - 7 p.m.**  
**For Adults of All Ages**  
**Registration required**  
 Call 303-795-3961  
 or [click here to register.](#)



**Courtney Summers**  
**May 20, 12 - 1 p.m.**  
**For Ages 14 and up\***  
**Registration required.**  
 Call 303-795-3961  
 or [click here to register.](#)

## Bemis Book Clubs



**Senior Book Group**  
**May 3, 1 - 2 p.m.**  
**For Ages 50 and Up**  
[The Boys in the Boat](#)  
 by Daniel James Brown  
 Library Conference Room or



**Evening Book Club**  
**May 17, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.**  
**For Ages 18 and Up**  
[Women Talking](#)  
 by Miriam Toews  
 Library Conference Room or

## Technology Programs



### One-on-One Tech Help Various Dates and Times For All Ages\*

Sign up for an individualized technology appointment with a librarian. Get help with anything from accessing eBooks and digital resources, internet connectivity, video chatting, and more. **\*Registration required.** Please call the library at (303) 795-3961 or [click here to register](#).

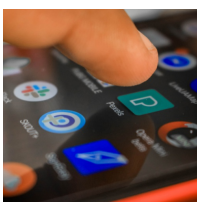
### TheStudio: One-on-One Tuesdays and by Appointment For All Ages\*



**Children 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult**

Sign up for an individualized appointment with a librarian to learn more about any resources in the library's makerspace. Learn about the Cricut, sewing machines, digitization station, and more. **\*Registration required.**

Call the library at (303) 795-3961 or [click here to register](#).



### Drop-in Tech Help May 4, 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. For All Ages

Stop by Study Room A for basic technology assistance. Ask questions about smartphones, eReaders, tablets, laptops and more.

### Open Lab: TheStudio@Bemis

May 9 and 23, 4 - 6 p.m.

For All Ages

**Children 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult**

Drop into TheStudio@Bemis to learn more about the space and its resources. Explore crafts with string in May.



### Tech Class: Search Engines

May 18, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

May 25, 6:30 - 7:00 p.m.

For Adults 18 and Up\*

Google? Bing? What's the difference? Learn how to use search engines effectively and which is the best fit for you. **\*Registration required.** Please call the library at (303) 795-3961 or [click here to register](#)

## Littleton Immigrant Resource Center Events

### International Conversation Circle

Every Thursday, 12 - 1 p.m.

For Adults of All Ages

Meet people from the U.S. and other countries, practice English in a comfortable and casual way, and make new friends while enjoying food and drink! For more information, email Robert at [librzl@littletongov.org](mailto:librzl@littletongov.org) or call 303-795-3968.







## Calling for Volunteers!

Volunteer to help immigrants in the community on their path to citizenship, or dedicate an hour weekly to help improve their English. The LIRC will provide training and an opportunity to get more involved in the Littleton community! For more information, email Robert at [librzi@littletongov.org](mailto:librzi@littletongov.org) or call 303-795-3968.

## Teen Programs



### Teen Takeover

**May 3, 5 - 6:30 p.m.**

**For Grades 6 - 12**

Hang out and have fun at your own pace! Make Star Wars themed Perler Bead designs, or bring a project to work on and share! Snacks will be served.



### Teen Advisory Group

**May 10, 5 - 6:30 p.m.**

**For Grades 6 - 12**

Help plan programs, choose new books and games, make friends, and have fun while earning community service credit. Participants are invited to exclusive programs like Laser Tag and holiday events. Snacks will be served.



### Tweensday: Comedy Improv Workshop

**May 17, 5 - 7 p.m.**

**For Grades 5 - 12\***

Learn games, create short plays, and laugh yourself silly in this interactive comedy class. \*Registration required. [Click here to register.](#)



### Laser T.A.G.

**May 20, 5 - 6:30 p.m.**

**For Grades 6-12**

Play after-hours games of Laser Tag at the library and learn more about Teen Advisory Group! Participants of Teen Advisory Group from the 2022-2023 school year have sign-up priority. \*Registration and permission slip signed by parent/guardian is required. [Click here to register.](#)



### Teen Summer Reading: Needle Felting

**May 31, 2-3:30pm**

**For Grades 6 - 12**

Learn to make adorable tiny critters with loose wool and small, stabby needles. [Click here to register](#) starting May 22.

## Children's Events



**TODDLER**

**For Caregivers & Toddlers  
Walkers up to age 3**

Tuesdays, 9:30 - 10 a.m.

## BOOKS AND BLANKETS

**For Families with Children of All Ages**

Wednesdays & Thursdays, 9:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m

Bring your kids and blankets for stories and songs shared outside on the lawn at the library. Maybe cancelled for inclement weather conditions.

### Can't make it to storytime?

Call the Dial-A-Story line at **303-795-3960** or [watch story time videos online](#) anytime for more stories recorded by Bemis children's librarians!

## Paws to Read

**May 13, 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.**

**For Grades K - 5\***

Kids can practice reading to a furry friend. Presented by Denver Pet Partners and The Delta Society. **\*Registration required.** Call 303-795-3961 to reserve a 20-minute spot.



## Sensory Story Time

**Tuesday, May 9, 10:30 - 11:15 a.m.**

**For Caregivers & Children of all abilities**

Join us for an inclusive and interactive storytime designed for children who are neurodivergent and/or have sensory needs. Light and sound are decreased. Sensory toys, fidgets, and noise-canceling headphones are provided for anyone who needs them. Storytime includes songs, stories, and rhymes, with time to play and socialize at the end.

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