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Ferndale Library's Crafty Summer Programs for Kids Variety of artistic activities for all ages Late July / Early August 222 E. Nine Mile Rd https://fadl.org/youth 248-546-2504 Part of the library's ongoing Summer Reading Program

## Ferndale Library Has Crafty Summer Programs for Kids and Teens

Painting, crafting, tie-dye, scavenger hunt, and more!

**FERNDALE, MI (July 6, 2023–)** The Ferndale Library will host several crafty events and activities for kids and teens in late July as part of its annual Summer Reading Program. Each year, the library presents a themed reading "challenge" for patrons of all ages; the more books each participant reads, the better chances they'll have at winning fantastic prizes. But participants can also increase their chances for prizes by attending library programs. This year's Summer Reading theme is "All Together Now," and Ferndale's youth services librarians have taken inspiration from that and coordinated a variety of engaging activities for kids, many of which can or may include participation from parents/caregivers.

**July 26: Tiny Tots Paint with Shapes, for ages 2-4 -** We'll create our own painting using basic shapes. Participants should plan to wear clothes they don't mind getting messy.

**July 27: Animal Masks Craft, for ages 5-8 -** Calling all crafters and animal lovers! Kids and their caregivers can come to the library to create animal masks together! All supplies will be provided.

**July 28: Sharpie Tie-Dying for Teens, ages 13-17 -** If teens need a new book bag or tote and enjoy being creative or have a DIY spirit, then sign up for this activity using Sharpie markers and rubbing alcohol to make tie-dye designs on tote bags together!

**July 31: Zine-Making Workshop, for ages 7-17 -** The zine workshop is a hands-on opportunity for participants to work alone or collaboratively on making a zine. The library will provide staplers, basic drawing supplies, paper, adhesives, scissors, discarded book scraps, scanners, and limited free photocopying. Participants can add a copy of their zine to the library's new Zine Collection.

**August 1: City Shapes, for ages 4-7 -** Kids can create a piece of city-scape art while exploring the science of shapes, led by Sloan Museum & Longway Planetarium.

**August 8: Teen Crafting Circle, for ages 13-17 -** This is a social hour with crafting time for teens ages 13-17. Bring your own crafting project or learn finger weaving and make friendship bracelets! Bracelet materials and instruction provided. Teens can just come to hang out during our crafting time, as well!

**Scavenger Hunt for kids o f all ages: Ongoing/Summer -** We've arranged another fun scavenger hunt for all ages. One of our woodland creatures populating "Fern Forest" has lost many items. This time, Bobbi Bear needs help tracking down some produce (carrots, seeds, blueberries, etc.), each located in the Kids Corner. Everyone who completes our scavenger hunt and finds every item will receive a special commemorative button!

To find more information about our ongoing programs for kids and teens, and to sign up for any of these events, you can visit the library's website at: <a href="https://fadl.org/upcoming-events">https://fadl.org/upcoming-events</a>

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