

Shelf Life

A monthly newsletter from Defiance Public Library System



NEW MATERIALS AT DPLS

New bestsellers this week include "Never Flinch," "The First Gentleman: A Thriller," and "Nightshade." New movies this week include "Yellowstone: Season Five, Part 2," "Yellowstone: Season Five, Part 2 [Blu-Ray]," and "In the Lost Lands [Blu-ray]."

To get a list of our newest materials delivered right to your inbox each month, visit wowbrary.org.



**SEE OUR JUNE
CALENDAR OF
PROGRAMS & EVENTS**

**LIVING HISTORY
ENCAMPMENT RETURNS
TO PONTIAC PARK**

**JOIN THE 'COLOR OUR
WORLD' SUMMER
READING CHALLENGE!**

**NEW SERVICE OFFERED
FOR THE BLIND & PRINT
DISABLED**

**ART IN THE PARK,
DEFCOM ACCEPTING
VENDOR APPLICATIONS**

'Color our World' During Summer Reading 2025

Embark on a journey of art and creativity during Defiance Public Library System's 2025 **'Color our World'** Summer Reading Challenge. This year's event, underway now through July 26, features a full slate of programs and events for the whole family, plus the chance to win great prizes, including tickets to King's Island, during our reading challenges.

Participants can either log their reading on Beanstack (defiancelibrary.beanstack.org), or younger patrons can pick up a reading & activity log at any DPLS location (Defiance, Sherwood, or Hicksville).

For a complete listing of this year's events, visit defiancelibrary.org/calendar. Don't forget to download the Beanstack Tracker app from the Apple or Google Play stores for easy, on-the-go logging!



News from hoopla: New Flex Titles Added



**FIND FLEX TITLES BY USING
HOOPLA'S ADVANCED SEARCH,
OR LOOK FOR ITEMS WITH THE
LIGHTNING BOLT SYMBOL!**

hoopla users can reduce the time they spend waiting for their favorite books by taking advantage of hoopla Flex. In addition to 6 instant borrows per month, you can also access up to 8 specially marked Flex titles. New to Flex are:

Audiobooks:

Don't Let Him In by Lisa Jewel (6/24)
One Of Us Is Back by Karen McManus
The Missing Half by Ashley Flowers

Ebooks:

Don't Let Him In by Lisa Jewel (6/24)
The Let Them Theory by Mel Robbins
With a Vengeance by Riley Sager (6/10)

ART IN THE PARK, DEFCOM X NOW ACCEPTING VENDOR APPLICATIONS

Artists and crafters, we've got two great opportunities for you to share your work with the community!

The Friends of Defiance Public Library will host the 43rd annual **Art in the Park** event on Sunday, June 29, on Fort Street/at the Fort Grounds from 10:00AM-4:00PM.

This fundraiser includes artists and craft vendors, children's activities, a used book sale with proceeds benefitting Defiance Public Library, live entertainment throughout the day, and more!

The Friends will continue to take vendor applications until June 13.

In addition, the 10th anniversary of **DefCom**, Defiance Public Library System's annual mini art and comic convention, is set to take place Saturday, November 15, from 10:00AM-4:00PM at Northtowne Mall, Defiance.

The deadline to apply to be a vendor at DefCom is August 1, and those selected will be contacted by August 15.

Get a vendor application for both events now at defiancelibrary.org (you'll find the links at the top of the homepage).



LIVING HISTORY ENCAMPMENT RETURNS TO PONTIAC PARK

In honor of the 231st anniversary of the construction of Fort Defiance and the 231st anniversary of the Battle of Fallen Timbers, a living history encampment hosted by Fort-to-Port Histories will take place June 28 (9:00AM-5:00PM) and June 29 (9:00AM-4:30PM) at Pontiac Park in Defiance.

Situated on the bank of the Maumee River and overlooking the Auglaize River, this living history event will explore the early history of Defiance (1770s-1812). There is no fee to attend, and programming is provided for all ages. The encampment is sponsored by the City of Defiance and the Friends of DPL, and held in conjunction with Art in the Park and Riverfest.

History Buffs Host Special Guest

The History Buffs, Defiance Public Library's own club for local history lovers, will meet on Monday, June 16, beginning at 6PM in the Nellie Gary Reading Room at Defiance Public Library.

Highlighting this month's meeting will be a special presentation by University of Pennsylvania researcher Eric Hubbard, who will discuss GPR/remote sensing and its application at Worthington Cemetery & similar sites. All are welcome.



**DEFIANCE
HISTORY
BUFFS**

**JUNE
16**

**THIRD MONDAY
OF EACH MONTH
6:00 PM
DEFIANCE PUBLIC LIBRARY**

Join us June 16 as Eric Hubbard discusses remote sensing & its application at Worthington Cemetery & other sites.

ADULTS 18+ ONLY | NO REGISTRATION

Friends of Worthington Cemetery Juneteenth Event

The Friends of Worthington Cemetery--a group formed to continue DPL's work in identifying and obtaining an Ohio Historical Marker for Defiance County's only known historic Black cemetery--will host its second annual 'Juneteenth' ice cream social on June 19 from 4-7PM in the Summer Reading Tent on the Fort Grounds at Defiance Public Library.

Games and free ice cream will be available to all attendees as the group aims to bring recognition to continued work at the site. All are welcome to attend.



A LOOK AT WHAT'S TO COME...

Fakes & Forgeries:

Discover How an
Art Detective
Unravels the
Truth

 **DYSSEY**
GLOBAL CONSULTING



June 26, 2025 | 5:30-6:30PM
Defiance Public Library

Geared to adults | No registration

Douglas Bort, founder and lead investigator at Odyssey Global Consulting, is a former Special Agent with the United States Customs Service and Homeland Security Investigations. He is a subject matter expert in the investigation of art and cultural property crimes.

Explore how successful forgers fooled the expert community, and learn how to detect fakes and forgeries when examining artworks.

FROM AESOP TO ZORA: STEWPOT STORIES FROM AROUND THE WORLD with STORYTELLER LYN FORD

JOIN US FOR A DELICIOUS
COLLECTION OF FABLES
AND TRADITIONAL FOLK
AND FAIRY TALES,
SEASONED AND STIRRED
UP WITH INTERACTIVE
EXPERIENCES, CALL AND
RESPONSE, AND MANY
SILLY MOMENTS.



MONDAY
JUNE 23

SHERWOOD BRANCH: 1 PM
JOHNSON MEMORIAL: 3 PM
DEFIANCE PUBLIC: 6 PM

ALL AGES WELCOME TO COME ENJOY THE TALES!
NO REGISTRATION. SPONSORED BY THE FRIENDS OF DPL, SBL, & JML

Defiance Public Library presents:

THE ARTISTRY OF TATTOOS

with Arminda Walborn of Storyline Ink

June 21, 2025 | 11:00AM
Defiance Public Library

Free and open to all adults
No registration is needed



DEFIANCE PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM PRESENTS:

CARTOONING WITH DUANE



**JUNE
30**

1:00PM – SHERWOOD BRANCH LIBRARY

3:00PM – FROGGY PARK PAVILION (HICKSVILLE)

6:00PM – DEFIANCE PUBLIC LIBRARY

DUANE ABEL, CREATOR OF THE COMIC STRIP ZED, WILL
ENTERTAIN FAMILIES WITH HIS "CORKEY COMICS" AND SHARE
SOME DRAWING TECHNIQUES.

NO REGISTRATION | SPONSORED BY THE FRIENDS OF DPL, SBL, & JML

In other news...

Defiance Public Library is now a sign-up location for the 'Ohio Library for the Blind & Print Disabled' program. This free program offers eligible patrons an audio player and cartridges (up to 3 at a time) with up to 24 books per cartridge. For more information, call 419-782-1456 ext. 1201.

The Defiance Public Library System Board of Trustees will hold its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, June 25, beginning at 5PM at Defiance Public Library. Members of the public are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Hicksville's Johnson Memorial Library is hiring! JML is currently seeking a new Branch Assistant. For a complete job description and application, visit defiancelibrary.org/careers. (Please note, applications without a cover letter will not be considered.)

FREE SUMMER LUNCHES FOR KIDS



Free lunches for kids return this summer to Sherwood Branch Library! Lunch is available at the library Monday-Thursday from 12:15-12:45 p.m. now until July 24 to children ages 0-18, or adults 18-21 with a disability. (Lunch will not be served Friday, as the library is closed, or on 7/4). **Thank you to our Summer Lunch sponsors, including Mark Center Methodist Church, Hearts and Hands, Sherwood Methodist Church, St. John Lutheran Sherwood, Open Bible Church, and Son Rise Church.**

Summer lunches are also available for pickup at Ney Community Park and at the Farmer Methodist Church/American Legion parking lot. If you'd like to pick up lunches at either of these locations, please call the library at 419-899-4343 and let us know how many lunches you need.

[http://](http://defiancelibrary.org)


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320 Fort Street
Defiance, Ohio 43512
419-782-1456

Johnson Memorial Library
116 W High Street
Hicksville, Ohio 43526
419-542-6200

Sherwood Branch Library
117 N Harrison Street
Sherwood, Ohio 43556
419-899-4343