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# SPRING NEWSLETTER

March - May 2024

## Spring Program Preview

Spring is upon us! As you enjoy the warmer weather and baby greens of growth, consider joining us to grow in mind and community for these regular programs! Settle in for **Storytimes** on Mondays and Wednesdays. Young adults, stretch your creative muscles with **Creative Collective** every other week to construct your latest masterpiece. Need a reading buddy? Join one of our **Adult book clubs** which meet on the first and last weeks of the month. Where are our gamers at?! Find your way to our **Pokemon League x Gamer Meetup** on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.

We are also thrilled to bring back a few of your favorites before we switch to Summer Reading Mode. Get your plants together for another **Plant Swap** and jammies on for **Jammy Jamboree** in March. Join us in April to **Design Your Own Tote Bags**. Missed out on the first tournament or are itching for a rematch? **Mario Kart Tournament** is back! And we'll be in the sky with a night of all-age **Diamond Painting** in May.

Be sure to check out our calendar online or grab a printout so you don't miss out on the fun!

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Top Titles Checked Out  
January - December 2023



Most  
Checked  
Out Title

Top Adult  
Fiction Title



Top Audio or  
Visual Item



## Kits For Checkout

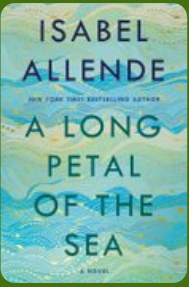
Did you know that we have kits that you can check out? Thanks to Georgia Public Library Service, there are several kits available to help you explore your world!

Our newest kit is the **Prime Time Preschool Spark Box**. This backpack is filled with books and resources to engage the whole family with literacy.

Spring is also the perfect time to get outdoors! Check out our **Observing Pollinators** kit to learn more about pollinators or our **Georgia State Parks Discovery backpack** to learn about local birds and plant life while getting back to nature.

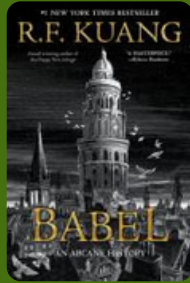
We also have a **Radon Test** kit to help you keep your home safe.

## Books We Loved



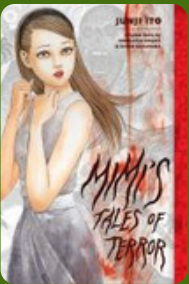
"Emotional saga of war told through the lives of two people."

ALLENDE,  
ISABEL



"Amazing historical fantasy about the power of language."

KUANG, R. F.



"The master of horror manga has done it again!"

ITO, JUNJI

## Digital Library Spotlight

One of the digital services we provide access to is **hoopla**. Unlike Libby, this service is provided specifically to Catoosa County Library patrons like you! Hoopla has so much to offer for all ages. Want to watch TV, listen to a podcast, or play games? Maybe you just \*have\* to read the next book in a series and don't want to wait. Hoopla has you covered! You can use your five monthly borrows for movies, ebooks, audiobooks, music, Bingepasses, and more all for free!

Starting in March, you no longer have to wait months for those **Bonus Borrows** either! For the last seven days of **each month**, you can choose from a curated selection of TV shows, movies, comics, manga, eBooks, and audiobooks, even if you're out of borrows!

## Mark Your Calendar!

**Library Closure - Good Friday**  
March 29 - March 31

**Friends of the Library Meeting**  
Thursday, April 11, at 10:30 AM

**Library Board of Trustees Quarterly Meeting**  
Wednesday, April 24, at 4:00 PM

**Library Closure - Memorial Day**  
Monday, May 27

**Hoopla Bonus Borrows Week**  
Last week of each month

## Summer Reading Challenge

Summer is right around the corner and we are so excited! This year our annual **Summer Reading Challenge** is going to begin on Saturday, June 8, and end on Saturday, July 20. We will offer both paper logs and online tracking with Beanstack. Look out for more information on how to get registered in May.

We are also planning to host our big **Summer Reading Challenge Kickoff Party** on Saturday, June 8, starting at 11:00 AM. We have a lot of fun stuff planned for June and July to help you fight off that summer reading slump so don't miss out.

Hope to see you there!

Monday and Wednesday	10:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Tuesday and Thursday	10:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Friday	10:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Saturday	10:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Sunday	Closed

