

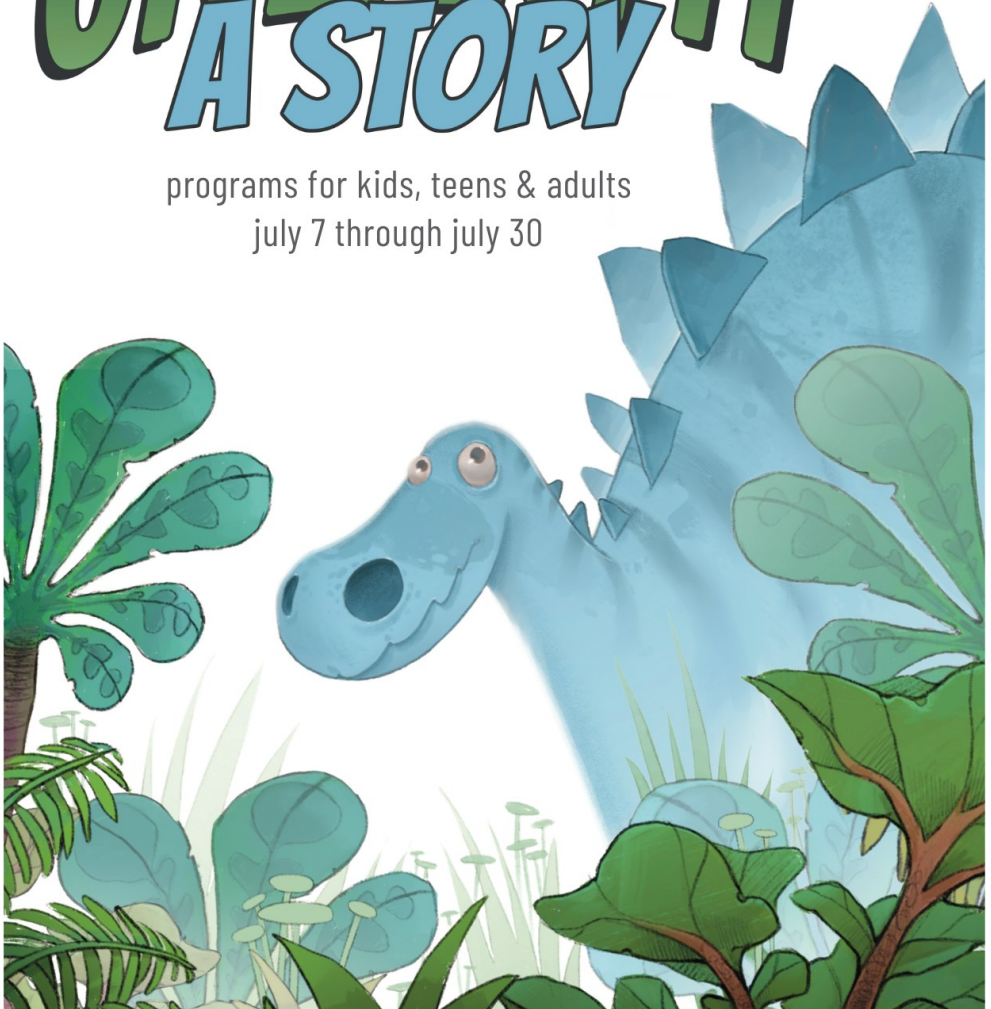


CAMBRIA
COUNTY LIBRARY

SummerQuest 2026

UNEARTH **A STORY**

programs for kids, teens & adults
july 7 through july 30





New this year!
Sign up using our online calendar
cclsys.org/events



Log your summer reading and attend programs for the chance to win prizes!

Sign-up one time and attend any SummerQuest program in July!

Once you are signed up, you can pick up a bookmark or passport reading log at either the Reference Desk (for Adults and Teens) or Children's Desk (for kids 12 and under). Complete the reading challenge and turn in your reading log by July 29 to qualify to win one of our grand prizes.

Grand prize winners will be announced at our End Celebrations on July 30. Prizes can be picked up at the Reference or Children's Desk. You do not need to be present to win.



KICK-OFF PARTY!

Wednesday, July 1
3:30 to 7:30 p.m.

**Dinosaurs Mini Museum with
CARNEGIE MUSEUM OF
NATURAL HISTORY**

The Carnegie Museum of Natural History Mini Museum brings a variety of authentic natural history materials including genuine and replica fossils, geological samples and dinosaur models for a hands-on experience for all ages.

Enjoy themed activities for children and their families on the second floor, and teens and adults on the 3rd floor.

Pick up your reading log bookmark (for adults and teens) and reading log lanyard for kids and find out how to earn prizes for reading and attending programs!

Visit with local organizations and grab a free snack too!

Music on the Patio

Relax on the patio and enjoy live, local music!

5:30 to 7 p.m.



Thursday, July 9
Screech Owl

Enjoy the country-tinged rock and roll of Screech Owl's original music.

Thursday, July 16
Nondi

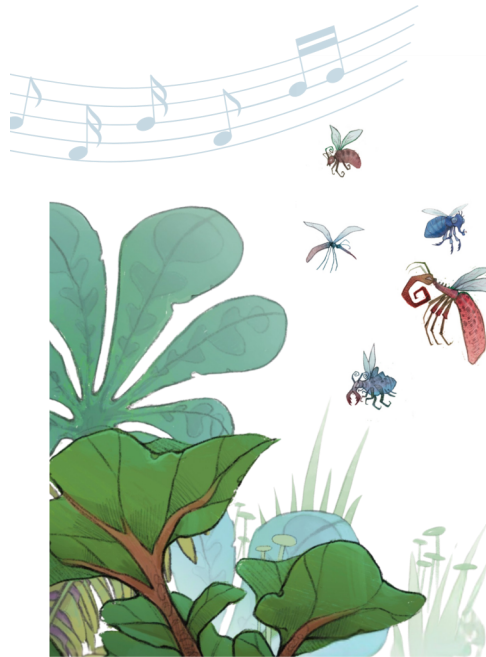
Electronic artist Nondi shares her atmospheric layers of rust belt-inspired dance music.

Thursday, July 23
Alyssa Malvoisin

Singer-songwriter Alyssa Malvoisin shares her original music.

Thursday, July 30
Tree

Tree combine elements of traditional Irish, Celtic rock, bluegrass, and old-time music for a hand-clappin', foot-stompin' good time.



The Music on the Patio Series is generously sponsored by
The Boulevard Grill, Guitar Works, Music Haven, and Walnut Medical Services



WEEKLY PROGRAMS

Week 1: Dino Play

Week 2: Paleontology

Week 3: Archeology

Week 4: Fresh Dirt

Unearth a Story: Baby/Toddler Storytime with Ms. Kristen

ages 0-36 mos and a caregiver
Build early literacy skills through dinosaur-themed stories. Learn through play with music, bubbles, and a dinosaur parade.
Every Tuesday in July at 9:30 a.m.

Unearth a Story: Preschool Storytime with Ms. Kristen

ages 3-5 years and a caregiver
Listen to engaging dinosaur-themed stories, learn through play, make your own fossils, experiment with volcanos and dig for bones!
Every Tuesday in July at 11 a.m.

Unearth a Story: Family Storytime with Ms. Kristen

ages 0-5 years and a caregiver
Build literacy skills and family connections with books like *One-osaurus*, *Two-osaurus*, *T-Rex dance parties*, and *parachute games*.
Every Wednesday in July at 9:30 a.m.

Unearth a Story: School-Age Kids

Become a paleontologist and reconstruct a dinosaur, create an amber fossil specimen, explore the fascinating world of prehistoric art, including pictographs and petroglyphs, and even grow your own dinosaur garden!

Unearth a Story: Grades K to 2 with Ms. Leah

Every Wednesday in July at 11 a.m.

Unearth a Story: Grades 3 to 6 with Ms. Jodi

Every Wednesday in July at 1:30 p.m.



Children



Thursday, July 9

Unearth a Story with Animal Visits!
1 to 3 p.m. on the library's front lawn
Visit goats from Trinity Farms!

Monday, July 13

"I Want My Mummy" with Dr. Stephen Phillips [Grade 3 & up]
5:30 to 7 p.m. on the third floor
Dr. Phillips teaches us about ancient Egyptian mortuary practices, the mummification process, how mummies were made, and why they hold such a fascination in our culture.

Thursday, July 16

Unearth a Story with Animal Visits!
1 to 3 p.m. on the library's front lawn
Visit with the Lilly Mountain Alpacas.

Monday, July 20

PA Woods and Forests Frog Program (all ages)
6 p.m. in the Storytime Theater
Kick-off Frog Week as we learn all about frog conservation!

Thursday, July 23

Pets of Ancient Egypt with Dr. Stephen Phillips [Grade 3 & up]
1 to 2 p.m. on the 3rd floor
Evidence for common pets, such as cats and dogs, dates back at least 5,000 years. Learn about the world of pets in ancient Egypt through scenes from tombs and portable artifacts.

JAWS Cat Adoption Event

2 to 4 p.m. on the library's front lawn
Join the Johnstown Animal Welfare Society (JAWS) as they bring sweet, adoptable cats for you to meet. Come find your new furry friend!

Monday, July 27

Exploring Colonial Gardens [Grade 3 & up]
6 to 7 p.m. in the Storytime Theater & Patio Garden
Explore the history and use of colonial medicinal plants, herbs, and natural dyes in a presentation by library volunteer Michelle Novak, who designed and planted our Native Pollinator Bed. We'll also visit our colonial garden beds planted by SEADS Nursery.




FREE & healthy lunch for kids 0-18 years old.
No cost or sign ups.

Weekdays beginning June 22 through August 7
12 to 1 p.m. in the 2nd floor Story Theater



Afternoon Snack Program
Monday through Thursday from 4 to 6 p.m.

A free, healthy snack & a different activity each day!

- Mondays:** Growing Readers
- Tuesdays:** Crafty Tuesday
- Wednesdays:** Game Night
- Thursdays:** STEAM Time



YouTube
youtube.com/cclsys

Unearth a Story: Stories & Songs with Ms. Kristen New video released each week.	First Chapter Tween Series with Ms. Amanda Listen to the first chapter of a book.
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Unearth a Story: Take 'n Make Art
A different project each week! While supplies last.



- Week 1: Dino Puppets
- Week 2: Egyptian Hieroglyphics
- Week 3: Air Dry clay ammonite
- Week 4: Cave Art



SNAP Education Program

Friday, July 10 & Friday, July 17
11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Storytime Theater

Fun activities, lessons, and food tastings to help learn about and promote a healthy lifestyle!

Adagio Health SNAP Education Program of Cambria County is a program funded by SNAP-Ed to supplement the community with free nutrition education.



Early Childhood Screenings with the Learning Lamp
for children ages 2 to 5

Tuesday, July 21 & Wednesday, July 22
9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Will your child be Kindergarten ready? Get the information you need to support their growth. No registration required.

Screenings include overall development, speech/language and social skills. Questions? Call (814) 262-0731 x 29

Teens

Tuesday, July 7

Crafty Tuesday: Dino Jewelry

4 to 5 p.m. on the 3rd floor

Kick off SummerQuest by crafting your own dinosaur jewelry!

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Tuesday, July 14

Crafty Tuesday: Dino Embroidery

4 to 5 p.m. on the 3rd floor

Learn an easy embroidery stitch with a beginner dinosaur project!

Wednesday, July 15

Meet the Mortician

3 to 4 p.m. on the 3rd floor

Ashley Price, licensed funeral director and owner of Price Funeral Service, Inc. will talk about her career in mortuary science and answer any questions you may have!

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Friday, July 17

Decoding Death:

Where Medicine Meets the Law

1 to 2:30 p.m. on the 3rd floor

Chief Deputy Coroner Joe Hribar will talk about his career and duties at the Coroner's Office and answer your questions. Receive a free copy of *Blood, Bullets, and Bones* by Bridget Heos while supplies last.

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(all ages)**

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Kick-off Frog Week as we learn all about frog conservation with PA Woods and Forests!

Tuesday, July 21

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4 to 5 p.m. on the 3rd floor

Make your very own bug trapped in amber in this craft using resin!

Cleopatra's Final Secret

5:30 to 6:30 p.m. on the 3rd floor

Join us as we follow the ongoing search for Cleopatra's tomb and the debate among archaeologists as to her final resting place. Learn about newly found coins, underwater discoveries, and current excavations in Egypt.

Wednesday, July 22

Unearth a Cryptid

2 to 3:30 p.m. on the 3rd floor

Calling all cryptid enthusiasts! First test your knowledge with cryptid trivia, then test your creativity by creating your own cryptid.

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Tuesday, July 28

Crafty Tuesday: Dino Terrariums

4 to 5 p.m. on the 3rd floor

Create your own dinosaur terrarium while learning about prehistoric plants!

Wednesday, July 29

Unearth Your Story: Using Death Records in Family History Research

5:30 to 7 p.m. on the third floor

Learn how to use death certificates, obituaries and cemetery records in your family history research. Please bring your laptop if you have one, as well as your family tree. We will have research time at the end of the session.



Adults

Tuesday, July 7

Crafty Tuesday:

Air Dry Clay Diffuser Disks

5:30 to 6:30 p.m. on the 3rd floor

Make air dry diffuser disks to freshen up your home. We'll provide a range of essential oils to choose from.

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Regular Monthly Adult Programming in July

Mah Jongg

Every Wednesday • 1 to 3 p.m.

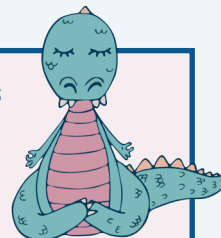
Everyone is welcome! Players may bring their own tiles, but sets are available.

Yoga for Adults and Teens

Thursday, July 2

5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Join Just Breathe Mindful Movement Studio in the 2nd floor Storytime Theater for some yoga! This program is free and open to teens and adults.



True Crime Book Club

[date change this month only]

Thursday, July 2 • 6 to 7 p.m.

The Killer Across the Table by John Douglas

The inspiration for the hit Netflix show Mindhunter spotlights four of the most diabolical violent predators he's confronted, interviewed, and learned from. Douglas outlines the factors that led them to murder and how he used his interrogation skills to expose their means, motives, and true evil.

LGBTQIA+ Discord Hang-Out (online)

Thursday, July 2 • 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Every first Thursday of every month, join us in our LGBTQIA+ Discord Server for a night of virtual gaming, movies, anime, and more! Must be 18+. Email reference@cclsys.org to join.

Senior Crafternoon

Tuesday, July 7, 14 or 21 • 1 to 3 p.m.

Join us to make a beach painting with spackle, shells, and sand. Space and supplies are limited. Preregistration is required at the Circulation desk.

Chess Club (all ages)

Sat., July 11, 18, & 25 • 12 to 3:30 p.m.

Learn how to play or sharpen your skills! Participants are asked to bring a chess set if possible, but not required. No registration required.

Johnstown Writer's Circle

Friday, July 24 • 10 a.m. to Noon

Held in partnership with Craftwork Studios, the Writer's Circle is a great opportunity to meet fellow writers, share your work, and get feedback in a supportive environment. Whether you're a seasoned writer or just starting out, all are welcome to participate. Come and be inspired by the creative energy of our community.

Silent Book Club®

Sat., July 25 • 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Gather with friends, neighbors, and strangers in quiet camaraderie to read. BYOBook, or grab one from our stacks! We'll have quick introductions to share what we're reading (if you want to) and light snacks to share.

LGBTQIA+ Board Game Night

Wednesday, July 29 • 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Join us on the last Wednesday of each month for a low-key night of board games and refreshments! Feel free to bring your favorite game to play!

Dig up new ways to use your library! Fun for all ages!



SCAVENGER HUNT



July 7 to July 30

Pick up a list at the 3rd floor circulation desk.
Find the books, enter the codes, and earn a raffle ticket!

PRIZES!
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Attend programs to earn a raffle ticket for a chance to win prizes.

Complete the SummerQuest Challenge by earning 20 Beanstack badges and you will qualify for the Grand Prize drawing.

Children's Raffle Prizes:

- Four (4) Idlewild passes
- Two (2) Pittsburgh Zoo passes
- Four (4) Altoona Curve tickets
- Five (5) Children's Museum of Pittsburgh passes
- gift baskets include dinosaur sand toys, inflatable pool, Squishmallows, art supplies and more!

Children's Grand Prizes:

- **Baby: Dino Basket**
- **Toddler/PreK: Dino Scooter**
- **K,1, 2: Light-up Scooter**
- **3-6th grade: Electric Scooter**

Teen Raffle Prizes:

- Moon and Mug \$15 gift card
- Two (2) Kamin Science Center tickets
- Two (2) DelGrosso's Amusement Park passes
- gift baskets include dinosaur accessories, geodes, and more!

Teen Grand Prizes:

- **Electric Scooter**
- **\$100 Amazon Gift Card**

Adult Raffle Prizes:

- Classic Elements \$10 gift card
- Craftwork Studio one month pass (\$29 value)
- (2) National Aviary general admission tickets
- Laurel and Grouse \$50 gift card
- Luna Azteca \$100 gift card
- Pour on Center \$25 gift card
- Riek's \$50 gift card

Adult Grand Prize:
\$100 Amazon gift card

AMERICA



Join us for programs and activities in celebration of America's Semiquincentennial!

Reading of the Declaration of Independence
Wednesday, July 8 • 6 to 6:30 pm on the patio

Join us for a live reading of the Declaration of Independence on the 250th anniversary of the first reading of it to the colonial public.

read by staff member & additional readers.

George Washington and the Road to Independence
Wednesday, July 15 • 2 to 3:15 pm on the third floor

Join author and historian Dr. Edward Lengel as he explores how George Washington's hope for America's future led him to take on leadership in the Revolutionary War for independence.

This program is offered in conjunction with RoadScholar and will be streamed live in the library.

Exploring Colonial Gardens [Grades 3 and up]

Monday, July 27 • 6 to 7 p.m.

in the Storytime Theater & Patio Garden

**see programming schedules for full description*

End Celebrations

Thursday, July 30

Join us to celebrate your accomplishments! Prize winners will be announced at our End Celebrations (need not be present to win).

**Children's
End Celebration**

1 to 3 p.m.

**Teen & Adult
End Celebration**

5:30 to 7 p.m.

JULY
Take-n-Make craft
for kids age 5+

pick up a kit to make your own ink and quill to compose your own Declaration of Independence.

Thank you!



Donna Christopher



Thank you to the generous sponsors of SummerQuest 2026!

Their donations of raffle prizes, program sponsorship, musician sponsorship, and financial support has helped us bring weeks of engaging, creative SummerQuest programs to the library!

Thank you for making the 2026 SummerQuest learning program a success!

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