

## **RIVER ROUGE PUBLIC LIBRARY LIBRARY PROGRAMS**

The River Rouge Public Library provides for the community programs that draw attention to and promote the unique resources of the library. Programs are an extension of the library's mission to serve as a center of information for all River Rouge residents, and are planned to highlight the informational, educational, cultural, and recreational books and materials in the Library Collections. These programs are open to the public and are free of charge. Co-sponsorship of programs with other agencies is encouraged.

### ***Adult Programs***

A wide variety of programming is offered for adults of all ages, with priority given to programs that promote reading and literacy, the dissemination of information, and the appreciation of culture and the arts. Programs will be selected by the staff for their quality and their ability to encourage the use of library materials and services. Book discussions, lectures, demonstrations, concerts, classes and workshops are offered to educate, entertain or cultivate interest in literature or subjects of local interest.

### ***Children's Programs***

Programs are conducted for children of all ages and their families for the purpose of promoting reading and the use of library resources and services, broadening literary and language experience, and sharing the heritage of children's literature.

Programs, such as story hours, puppet shows, musical and craft programs, discussions, and workshops, extend the library experience beyond the written word in a social setting with other children and adults. These age appropriate programs are free and open to the public but may require advance registration.

The Summer Reading Program is designed to encourage school-age children to continue reading when school is not in session. These programs generally include performers, crafts, weekly drawings and incentives to encourage the children to read age appropriate books all summer long.

Class visits from the area schools are welcome during the school year. Formal and informal instruction in the use of the library and catalog will be provided as needed. The Youth Librarian works together with the area school to serve the educational and informational needs of children.

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