

Summer Reading club at the Central Arkansas Library System

Summer Reading Club is a seven-week program that celebrates and encourages reading. Each branch of the Central Arkansas Library System will host programs weekly for kids, teens, and adults. Participants can register and receive Summer Reading Club materials, attend programs at any of the branches, and attend special events and celebrations throughout the summer.

Important Dates

June 1: Registration begins

June 10: Library Night with the Arkansas Travelers

June 14: Summer Reading Club begins

June 26: Fishing Derby @ Sherwood

July 10: River Market Walk

July 31: Library Day at the Little Rock Zoo

Weekly Programs for Teens

Main Library ([map](#))

Teens: Mon., 4:00 p.m.

Family Night: Thu., 6:30 p.m.

Family Storytime: Sat., 10:30 a.m.

Dee Brown Library ([map](#))

Teens: Tue., 4:00 p.m.

Fletcher Library ([map](#))

Teens: Thu., 3:00 p.m.

McMath Library ([map](#))

Teens: Wed., 4:00 p.m.

Games for All Ages: Fri., 3:00 p.m.

All Ages: Sat., 2:00 p.m.

All Ages: Mon., 6:30 p.m.

Milam Library ([map](#))

Ages 12 & up: Tue., 4:00 p.m.

Nixon Library ([map](#))

Teens: Thu., 3:00 p.m.

Terry Library ([map](#))

Tweens & Teens: Tue., 2:30 p.m.

Family Night: Mon., 6:30 p.m.

Thompson Library ([map](#))

Ages 12 & Up: Thu., 2:30 p.m.

Williams Library ([map](#))

Teens: Wed., 2:00 p.m.

Family Day: Thu., 2:00 p.m.

The American Library Association's Top 10 Books For Young Adults

They also have a list of "90 Best Books for Young Adults" available on their webpage, www.ala.org. Students can read descriptions of these books there as well.

- Brennan, Sarah Rees. *Demon's Lexicon*. Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing/Margaret K. McElderry. 2009.
- Griffin, Paul. *The Orange Houses*. Penguin/Dial Books. 2009.
- Herlong, M.H. *The Great Wide Sea*. Penguin/Viking. 2008.
- Jinks, Catherine. *The Reformed Vampire Support Group*. Harcourt/ Houghton Mifflin Harcourt. 2009.
- Napoli, Donna Jo. *Alligator Bayou*. Random House / Knopf. 2009.
- Small, David. *Stitches: A Memoir*. W.W. Norton & Co. 2009.
- Stead, Rebecca. *When You Reach Me*. Random House / Wendy Lamb Books. 2009.
- Stork, Francisco X. *Marcelo in the Real World*. Scholastic/Arthur A. Levine Books. 2009.
- Taylor, Laini. *Lips Touch: Three Times*. Scholastic/Arthur A. Levine. 2009.
- Walker, Sally M. *Written in Bone: Buried Lives of Jamestown and Colonial Maryland*. Lerner/Carolrhoda Books. 2009.

The American Library Association's Top 10 Books For Reluctant Young Adults Readers.

The list is geared to the teenager who, for whatever reason, does not like to read. The complete 2010 list includes 101 titles, both nonfiction and fiction, from a variety of genres, including biography, pop culture, fantasy, street lit, and more. Students can find the complete list as well as descriptions of the following titles at the ALA website, www.ala.org.

- Blackshaw, Ric and Farrelly, Liz. *Street Art Book: 60 Artists in Their Own Words*. HarperCollins. 2009.
- Brown, Marvelyn. *The Naked Truth: Young, Beautiful and (HIV) Positive*. Amistad. 2008.
- Elkeles, Simone. *Perfect Chemistry*. Walker Books. 2008.
- Knowles, Jo. *Jumping Off Swings*. Candlewick Press. 2009.
- Myers, Walter Dean. *Dope Sick*. Amistad. 2009.
- Regan, Sally. *The Vampire Book*. DK Books. 2009.
- Smith, Alexander Gordon. *Lockdown: Escape from Furnace*. Farrar, Straus and Giroux. 2009.
- Fagerstrom, Derek and Smith, Lauren. *Show Me How: 500 Things You Should Know Instructions for Life From the Everyday to the Exotic*. Collins Design, 2008.
- Von D, Kat. *High Voltage Tattoo*. HarperCollins. 2009.
- Willin, Melvyn. *Paranormal Caught on Film*. David and Charles. 2008.

Barnes and Nobel's online teen book club.

Go to www.barnesandnoble.com and click the link for book clubs at the top of the webpage. Then click on the tab on the left side of the page under "Boards and Blogs" that says "Genres and Ideas" and select "Teen Reads". There you will see a link for the online book club. Here is their schedule of books in case students want to know:

- May 30th-Hex Hall
- June 14th-A Great and Terrible Beauty
- June 30th-Claire De Lune
- July 14th-Eclipse Novella

TeenReads.com

This website has an "Ultimate Reading List" compiled from suggestions from teens. The entire list is over 300 titles long, but here are the titles they added most recently. They also have blogs, book reviews, video trailers for books and movies based on books, and tips for starting book clubs available on their website.

- CATCHING FIRE by Suzanne Collins
- THE CHOSEN ONE by Carol Lynch Williams
- FRONT AND CENTER by Catherine Gilbert Murdock
- THE GLASS CASTLE: A Memoir by Jeannette Walls
- IF I STAY by Gayle Forman
- IMPOSSIBLE by Nancy Werlin
- THE LAST LECTURE by Randy Pausch with Jeffrey Zaslow
- THE MAZE RUNNER by James Dashner
- PURPLE HEART by Patricia McCormick
- SKUNK GIRL by Sheba Karim
- TWENTY BOY SUMMER by Sarah Ockler