



BENZONIA PUBLIC LIBRARY

*Preserving yesterday, enriching today,
inspiring tomorrow in our community.*

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Have you heard? The Smithsonian Museum on Main Street Exhibit is coming to Benzonian!

*Discover Innovation & Inspiration In Rural Communities
October 14 through November 25, 2023*

The Museum on Main Street “**Spark! Places of Innovation**” is a one-of-a-kind cultural project that has been sharing the Smithsonian’s resources with rural America since 1994.

RIBBON CUTTING & GRAND OPENING: Saturday, October 14th at 11:00 AM at Mills Community House, 891 Michigan Ave., Benzonian.

LOCAL PROGRAMMING AND EXHIBITS:

In addition to the Smithsonian exhibits, Spark! will be the springboard for diverse local programming in the humanities, sciences, and arts.

Visitors will be inspired to learn about how innovation has shaped their own communities and how they may be innovators themselves. This exhibit will be an opportunity for community members to come together and share their community’s innovations past, present, and future.

See Page 5 for Partner information.

Benzonian Public Library is scheduling a variety of programs in partnership with various community organizations. **See page 2-4 for Program details.**

DOCENT VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

Volunteers are needed to serve as docents during the Benzie County stop on the Smithsonian Museum on Main Street tour! Our volunteer docents will be on hand to greet guests during the exhibit.

All volunteers will be trained and will have shifts no longer than 3.5 hours. You can volunteer for as little, or as many, shifts as you would like!

See page 4 for Docent details.

The Smithsonian Museum on Main Street is made possible by Michigan Humanities. For more information regarding Spark, Places of Innovation visit <https://www.michiganhumanities.org/smithsonian-museum-on-main-street/>.

This project is funded in part by Smithsonian, and Michigan Humanities, an affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities.



EXHIBIT HOURS AT

Benzonian Public Library
Mills Community House
891 Michigan Ave., Benzonian

Oct. 14-Nov. 25, 2023

Thursday 3-6

Friday 12-6

Saturday 12-6

Sunday 1-4

Free Admission

Presented by
*Benzonian Public Library
Mills Community House
Smithsonian Museum on Main Street
Michigan Humanities*



BPL HOURS:

10am-6pm Monday-Friday

10am-2pm Saturday

Closed Sunday




Visit our website for additional information about Museum on Main Street

benzonialibrary.org/museum-on-main-street

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Museum on Main Street Program Calendar, List & Locations

SUNDAY	M	T	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
SPARK! PLACES OF INNOVATION EXHIBIT RUNS OCT 14-NOV 25 <i>See exhibit hours on Places of Innovation page. All programs are FREE!</i> Find more event info at www.benzonia.library.org or scan QR code at right. Locations vary, match code with venue address on back page. NOTE: code is shown after program time.					Program Details 	OCTOBER 14 RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY 11:00 AM FRONT STEPS (MCHA) GRAND OPENING OF EXHIBIT IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING RIBBON CUTTING (MCHA)
OCTOBER 15 SUDS & CIVILIZATION: A SOCIAL HISTORY OF SPIRITS 2:00-3:00 PM (MCHA)	NO events on Mondays or Tuesdays		OCTOBER 18 THE ROYAL HONEYBEE TOUR BY ST. AMBROSE, SLEEPING BEAR FARM, AND BEE DAZZLED 11:00-NOON (SBF)	OCTOBER 19	OCTOBER 20 MAKING & REPURPOSING AT THE FIBER SHED 10:00 AM-NOON (GBFS)	OCTOBER 21
OCTOBER 22		OCTOBER 25 ARCHANGEL: TREE SCHOOL 10:00-11:00 AM (ARC) MI HERITAGE HOME WORKSHOP BY BENZIE AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY NOON-1PM (MCHA)	OCTOBER 26 ARCHANGEL: OLD GROWTH TREE GENETICS 10:00-11:00 AM (MCHA)	OCTOBER 27	OCTOBER 28 ZONTA: SEWING BEE-MATSECTOME PILLOWS 9:00 AM-NOON (MCHA) REPURPOSEFUL LIBRARIANS & FIBERSHED KIDS CRAFT FEST 2:00-4:00 PM (MCHA)	
OCTOBER 29 THOMPSONVILLE: PAST & FUTURE 2:00-3:00PM (MCHA)		NOVEMBER 1 FROM PLANT NURSERY TO COMMUNITY CENTER WITH GROW BENZIE -POTLUCK 6:00-7:30 PM (GB)	NOVEMBER 2 HOLIDAY BOOK, PUZZLE & CRAFT SALE 10:00 AM-6:00 PM (BPL)	NOVEMBER 3 HOLIDAY BOOK, PUZZLE & CRAFT SALE 10:00 AM-6:00 PM (BPL)	NOVEMBER 4 HOLIDAY BOOK, PUZZLE & CRAFT SALE 10:00 AM-2:00 PM (BPL)	
NOVEMBER 5 VR DRIVING & FLYING PLUS STEM STATIONS COGNITION 1:00-3:00 PM (MCHA)		NOVEMBER 8	NOVEMBER 9	NOVEMBER 10 MAKING & REPURPOSING AT THE FIBER SHED 10:00 AM-NOON (GBFS)	NOVEMBER 11 GYOTAKU FISH PRINTING WITH BENZIE CONSERVATION DIST. SESSION #1: 2:00-3:00 PM (MCHA) SESSION #2: 3:00-4:00 PM (MCHA)	
NOVEMBER 12 BENZONIA MAKER FEST FUN FOR ALL AGES 2:00-4:00 PM (MCHA)		NOVEMBER 15 40 YEARS OF NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS (BACN) 3:00-4:00PM PANEL DISCUSSION 4:00-5:00 PM TOUR/REFRESHMENTS	NOVEMBER 16 GATHERING PLACE: TREAT & TOUR 2:00-4:30PM (GP)	NOVEMBER 17 PLANETARIUM: TOUR THE SOLAR SYSTEM WITH COGNITION 3:00-5:00PM (COG)	NOVEMBER 18 REPURPOSEFUL LIBRARIANS SCANDINAVIAN STAR & IRIS FOLDING CARDS CLASS (ADULTS) 2:00-4:00 PM (MCHA)	
NOVEMBER 19		NOVEMBER 22	NOVEMBER 23 THANKSGIVING DAY EXHIBIT CLOSED	NOVEMBER 24 FESTIVAL OF TREES 4:00-7:00 PM (BAHS)	NOVEMBER 25 FESTIVAL OF TREES 12:00-6:00 PM (BAHS) FINAL DAY OF EXHIBIT	

October 2023 (Watch for November schedule in next newsletter)

- 14 RIBBON CUTTING & GRAND OPENING** by Benzonia Public Library
11:00 AM at **Mills Community House (MCHA):** 891 Michigan Ave., Benzonia
- 15 SUDS AND CIVILIZATION** by Benzonia Public Library
2:00 PM at **Mills Community House (MCHA),** 891 Michigan Ave., Benzonia
- 18 ROYAL HONEYBEE TOUR** by St. Ambrose Cellars
11:00 AM at **Sleeping Bear Farm (SBF):** 971 S. Pioneer Rd., Beulah
- 20 MAKING AND REPURPOSING** at the Grow Benzie Fiber Shed
10:00 AM at **Grow Benzie Fibershed (GBFS):** 5885 Frankfort Hwy., Benzonia
- 25 TREE SCHOOL** by Archangel Ancient Tree Archive
10:00 AM at **Archangel Ancient Tree Archive (ARC):** 16880 Front St., Copemish
- 25 MICHIGAN HERITAGE HOME WORKSHOP** by Benzie Area Historical Society
Noon at **Mills Community House (MCHA):** 891 Michigan Ave., Benzonia
- 26 ORIGIN OF ARCHANGEL ANCIENT TREE ARCHIVE**
10:00 AM at **Mills Community House (MCHA):** 891 Michigan Ave., Benzonia
- 28 ZONTA SEWING BEE-MATSECTOME PILLOWS** by Benzie Area Zonta Club
9:00 AM at **Mills Community House (MCHA):** 891 Michigan Ave., Benzonia
- 28 KIDS CRAFT FEST 2023** by BPL Repurposeful Librarians
2:00 PM at **Mills Community House (MCHA):** 891 Michigan Ave., Benzonia
- 29 THOMPSONVILLE: PAST AND FUTURE** by Thompsonville Area Restoration Project
2:00 PM at **Mills Community House (MCHA):** 891 Michigan Ave., Benzonia

Location Codes:

- Archangel Ancient Tree Archive (ARC)**
16880 Front St., Copemish
- Benzie Area Christian Neighbors (BACN)**
2804 Benzie Hwy, Benzonia
- Benzie Area Historical Society (BAHS)**
6941 Traverse Ave., Benzonia
- Benzonia Public Library (BPL)**
891 Michigan Ave., Benzonia
- Cognition Science & Discovery Ctr (COG)**
232 N. Michigan Ave., Beulah
- Gathering Place (GP)**
10579 Main St., Honor
- Grow Benzie & Fibershed (GB) & (GBFS)**
5885 Frankfort Hwy., Benzonia
- Mills Community House (MCHA)**
891 Michigan Ave., Benzonia
- Sleeping Bear Farm (SBF)**
971 S. Pioneer Rd., Beulah

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Programs Offered by BPL

Program
Details



Suds & Civilization

A Social History of Spirits with Dr. Thomas Henthorn

Sunday, October 15th

2:00-3:00 pm

Benzonia Public Library

Mills Community House-Lower Level
891 Michigan Ave., Benzonia, MI 49616



Besides being something we enjoy, alcoholic beverages are also great examples of how people learned to deliberately manipulate chemical and biological processes in order to get a particular outcome - beginning even before the civilizations of ancient Mesopotamia and Egypt. Beer, wine, mead and liquor are great inventions that remind us how humans use things to shape social order, convey cultural meanings and that technology is not just about the inorganic but also the organic.

Dr. Thomas Henthorn is the Wyatt Endowed Professor of Public History at the University of Michigan-Flint. His research and teaching interests examine the intersection of public history and urban history.

Benzonia Public Library and Mills Community House are thrilled to host the Smithsonian: Museum on Main Street exhibit this fall.

Details at benzonialibrary.org/museum-on-main-street

This is a companion program presented in conjunction to the Smithsonian: Museum on Main Street exhibit being Presented October 14 -November 25, 2023 by the Benzonia Public Library and Mills Community House.



Kids Craft Fest 2023

with the Repurposeful Librarians

Saturday, October 28th

2:00-4:00 pm

Benzonia Public Library

Mills Community House-Lower Level
891 Michigan Ave., Benzonia, MI 49616



Repurpose, Recycle, Reuse

Join us for an afternoon of crafting fun! Craft stations will be set up with a variety of projects you can make.

The Fibershed from Grow Benzie will also be joining us with a special craft activity.



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Holiday Book, Puzzle & Craft Shoppe 2023

Benzonia Public Library

891 Michigan Ave (US-31), Benzonia, MI

**Friday
Nov. 3rd
10 am-6 pm**

**Saturday
Nov. 4th
10 am-2 pm**

Select items will also be available through year end
During regular library hours. M-F 10-6 & Sat. 10-2

Quality books and jigsaw puzzles plus unique crafts by the Repurposeful Librarians
A great way to purchase special gifts and ornaments.

Thank You in advance for your purchases.
Proceeds benefit BPL.



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More Programs Offered by BPL



Benzonia Maker Fest 2023

Sunday, November 12th
2:00-4:00 pm
Benzonia Public Library
Mills Community House-Lower Level
891 Michigan Ave., Benzonia, MI 49616



LEGOs, littlebits,
Makey Makey,
Ozobots,
and more!

Maker Stations and Open Exploration

Join us for an afternoon of fun and discovery where anyone can engage in open play & creation.

FAMILY FRIENDLY

D.I.Y. Maker Projects

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Scandinavian Star & Iris Folding Workshop with the Repurposeful Librarians

Saturday, November 18th
2:00-4:00 pm
Benzonia Public Library
Mills Community House-Lower Level
891 Michigan Ave., Benzonia, MI 49616



Learn to create Scandinavian Star ornaments & Iris Folded cards for the holidays.

Once you learn the techniques you'll be able to create many more at home. Additional Iris Folding templates will be available for you to take home.

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Docent Guidelines & Sign-up Information:

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You can volunteer for as little, or as many, shifts as you would like!

◇ WELCOME VISITORS

- ◇ Look guests in the eye, introduce yourself, and make them feel welcome
- ◇ Ask if they would like to sign the guest book

◇ ORIENT

- ◇ **Smithsonian Exhibit:** Center of room
 - ◇ Go Virtual: scan the image for additional videos, images, and stories
 - ◇ Get Innovative: manual interactive lets visitors get more hands on
- ◇ **Local Partner Exhibits:** Perimeter of room
 - ◇ Display boards and information
- ◇ **Local Innovator Display:** In front of stage
 - ◇ Binder will be available in library after exhibit is over
- ◇ **Additional Programs:** See brochure-at the Mills Community House and in community
- ◇ **Strike the Spark:** Final stop. Please leave comments, thoughts about innovation, and possibilities for the future in our community

◇ COUNT VISITORS

- ◇ Track # of visitors for exhibit, programs, and groups. Complete tracking logs

◇ REMEMBER

- ◇ It's OK to say "I don't know"
- ◇ Avoid over explaining or walking visitors through the exhibit

◇ BE FAMILIAR

- ◇ Know the exhibits and where they are located

◇ SHIFTS:

- ◇ Arrive 15 minutes prior to your shift

Discover Innovation & Inspiration In Rural Communities

Oct. 14-Nov. 25, 2023

Benzonia Public Library
Mills Community House-upper level
891 Michigan Ave., Benzonia

EXHIBIT HOURS AND DOCENT SHIFTS

	Exhibit	Docent Shifts
Thursday	3-6	3-6
Friday	12-6	12-3 and 3-6
Saturday	12-6	12-3 and 3-6
Sunday	1-4	1-4

Interested in Volunteering?

Email: momsdocent23@gmail.com

Our docent coordinator, Roger Dewey will contact you to discuss preferred hours and training.



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We would also like to acknowledge our AMAZING local partners:

In addition to the amazing traveling exhibit arriving as part of the [Museum on Main Street](#), there will be an incredible wrap around exhibit featuring many local businesses and organizations that are innovative in their own right.

We are so excited to shine a spotlight on our local organizations and grateful that they have partnered with us to enrich the experience and to help showcase how incredibly wonderful Benzie County is!

In addition to the wrap around exhibit, several organizations are offering programs, either at the [Mills Community House](#) or at their home location. All of the programs offered throughout the 6 weeks that the Smithsonian is here are FREE to the public!

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- ◆ [100 Women Who Care - Benzie County](#)
- ◆ [Archangel Ancient Tree Archive](#)
- ◆ [Benzie Area Christian Neighbors](#)
- ◆ [Benzie Area Historical Society and Museum](#)
- ◆ [Benzie Area Zonta Club](#)
- ◆ [Benzie Conservation District](#)
- ◆ [Benzie Senior Resources](#)
- ◆ [The Cherry Hut Restaurant](#)
- ◆ [COGNiTiON](#)
- ◆ [Friends of the Betsie Valley Trail](#)
- ◆ [Grow Benzie](#)
- ◆ [FiberShed at Grow Benzie](#)
- ◆ [Garden Theater](#)
- ◆ [Gillison's-Benzonia & Hart](#)
- ◆ [Honor Area Restoration Project](#)
- ◆ [Iron Fish Distillery](#)
- ◆ [Joy 2 Ride Benzie](#)
- ◆ [Platte Lake Improvement Association](#)
- ◆ [Point Betsie Lighthouse](#)
- ◆ [Sow She Grows Flower Farm](#)
- ◆ [St. Ambrose Cellars](#)
- ◆ [Thompsonville Area Revitalization Project](#)

Program information, please visit our Museum on Main Street page at benzonialibrary.org/museum-on-main-street. Check back often as we are continually adding programs to the page.

Please consider contributing to our display wall of Benzie County local innovators during the Smithsonian Museum on Main Street stop at the Mills Community House!

We would like to showcase our local community's ability for innovation, creative thought and problem solving. Whether a grand invention, or just something to make every day life easier, if you or someone you know have created it, we want to hear about it! Feature yourself, a loved one, or a past community innovator! An information sheet is available at the library and a printable version online at benzonialibrary.org/museum-on-main-street.

After the exhibit we will compile all of the submissions into a community innovation book available at the library!



GUIDELINES FOR SUBMISSION

- ◆ About a local Benzie County Innovator
- ◆ Up to two (2) 8.5 x 11 inch pages, single sided
- ◆ Include any write up, photos, and details you want people to know about your subject
- ◆ Include your name, date and relationship to the local innovator
- ◆ **Deadline for submission has been extended to October 30, 2023.**

R&V Orchards Cherry De-stemmer

The Cherry De-stemmer invented by Russell (Lack) W. Smetzer and Lester (Bud) Verma Smetzer helped revolutionize the cherry processing industry. In the early 1950's the brothers started working on a machine to remove cherry stems during processing. They recognized a need for quickly removing cherry stems at the processing plants. With the advent of the cherry shakers being used in many orchards a way to remove the stems faster was necessary.

The brothers US Patent 3454267A was filed on Oct. 21, 1965 and patented July 8, 1969. Over the years Jack and Bud built and sold 170 de-stemmers worldwide. The de-stemmers were all built in their small shop located in Joyfield Township on E Mile Road, Frankfort MI. The shop was a gathering place for friends and neighbors who were often found eating, drinking coffee, and helping work on the de-stemmers.

Russell (Lack) and Lester (Bud) Smetzer working on a cherry de-stemmer

Cherry de-stemmers waiting to be shipped

For Additional Information or Demonstration Call
R & V ORCHARDS
 100 E. MILE ROAD
 FRANKFORT, MICHIGAN

One of the original flyers used to advertise the cherry de-stemmers

R&V Orchards Cherry De-stemmer

Recollections of Russell W. Smetzer history of the cherry de-stemmer.
 Notes taken and transcribed by Michelle L. Limes on 02/25/2022.

We got the first ink... Several people had working stamens which were lots of cherries to process. They plants could get the stems of fruit removed as it was difficult to do by hand. There was a machine that came up with a saw blade remove stems without damaging the cherries. Now it's the same machine as it was in the 1950's. My brother Bud (Lester Verma Smetzer) and I had been thinking of a way to make a de-stemmer. On a summer day around 1952 or 1953 while taking a nap after lunch I suddenly had an idea. We had a machine that had a saw blade and a gear. The idea was good and people were excited, because the saw was a problem. The de-stemmer would have to be big as a house to process the cherries quickly enough. My little brother (Lester) suggested a conveyor type belt to take the cherries and push them into the stem and then a saw blade (Lack) would cut the stems off and then a wheel would support the cherries but we had a machine that we were trying to get other work. A small prototype was set up in a back yard.

We knew we had a good idea, but had to wait until the cherry crop was harvested before we started to develop a real working design. We took our idea to a hardware store in Grand Haven and demonstrated by using cherry stems with wire. The idea was good and people were excited, because the saw was a problem. The de-stemmer would have to be big as a house to process the cherries quickly enough. My little brother (Lester) suggested a conveyor type belt to take the cherries and push them into the stem and then a saw blade (Lack) would cut the stems off and then a wheel would support the cherries but we had a machine that we were trying to get other work. A small prototype was set up in a back yard.

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We got paid for every machine, although we were never to make about one that would be sold. Luckily a government agency had got them to pay. The price of another year had not been paid and made use the money was not. The machine worked great with the repairs except for one or two. They were always calling for parts and had would tell them OK but you'd have to wait on half way to get the part or have such a long time.

Once we started building the de-stemmers we didn't have too much on the shelves and found many of them out. Our first shop got a reputation "you've got it done, go see the Smetzer Shop".

Cherry de-stemmer patent design

SAMPLE 2-PAGE DISPLAY AT RIGHT

This display was created by Michelle Limes, daughter of Lester (Bud) Verma Smetzer for the local inventor display at the "Smithsonian Museum on Main Street" Smithsonian Museum on Main Street, Benzonia MI. Display remained at home in the building exhibit at the Mills Community House in Benzonia MI during October and November 2023.

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Adult & Young Adult: What's New For You!

YA

The Brothers Hawthorne, Jennifer Lynn Barnes
Down Came the Rain, Jennifer Marhieu

YA GRAPHIC NOVELS

The Winter: a Heartstopper novella, Alice Oseman

YA—NON-FIC

The Beasts in Your Brain: understanding and living with anxiety and depression, Katherine Speller

ADULT—FIC

23 1/2 Lies, James Patterson
Blessing Of the Lost Girls, Judith A. Jance
Bright Young Women, Jessica Knoll
Chenneville, Paulette Jiles
Code Red, Kyle Mills
Crook Manifesto, Colson Whitehead
Devil Makes Three, Ben Fountain
Evil Eye, Etaf Rum
Firekeeper's Daughter, Angeline Boulley
From Dust to Stardust, KATHLEEN ROONEY
The Heart of it All, Christian Kiefer
The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store, James McBride
Holly, Stephen King
The Last Exchange, Charles Martin
The Longmire Defense, Cragi Johnson
Mother-Daughter Murder Night, Nina Simon
The Museum of Failures, Thirty N. Umrigar
The Quiet Tenant, Clemence Michallon

Shark Heart, Emily Habeck
Somebody's Fool, Richard Russo
The Spectacular, Fiona Davis
Terrace Story, Hilary Leichter
The Year of Second Chances, Lara Avery

ADULT—NON-FIC

The 272: the families who were enslaved and sold to build the American Catholic Church, Rachel L. Swarns
The Heartbeat of the Wild: dispatches from landscapes of wonder, peril, and hope, David Quammen
I Quit Everything: how I survived the pandemic, tackled anxiety, and confronted midlife through the power of quitting, Freda Love Smith
The Six: the untold story of America's first women astronauts, Loren Grush

ADULT—LARGE PRINT

Firekeeper's Daughter,
Angeline Boulley

DVD SERIES

Abbot Elementary, Season 2



Remember to check out the wonderful selection of items in our Library Catalog at www.benzonialibrary.org



Youth: What's New For You!

JUVENILE

Chalice Of the Gods: Percy Jackson and the Olympians, Rick Riordan
Dork Diaries # 15: tales from a not-so-posh Paris adventure, Rachel Renee Russell
The Memory Thieves, Dhonielle Clayton
The Nightmare House, Sarah Elisabeth Allen
Nightmare King, Daka Hermon
The Probability of Everything, Sarah Evertt
The Wild Robot Protects, Peter Brown
Wrecker, Carl Hiaasen

GRAPHIC NOVELS

Hooky, #3, Miriam Bonastre Tur
The Mark of Athena, Rick Riordan

J NON-FICTION

Butt or Face?: can you tell which end you're looking at?, Kari Lavelle
Search for a Giant Squid, Amy Seto Forrester

EARLY READER SERIES

The Story of Gumlock the Wizard, Adam Rex

PICTURE BOOKS

Be Wild: amazing animal behaviors to inspire young humans, Leigh Crandall
Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Sleigh!, Mo Willems
Eleanor's Moon, Maggie Knaus
Every Night at Midnight, Peter Cheong
How Does Santa Go Down the Chimney?, Mac Barnett
If the Rivers Run Free, Andrea Debbink
In the Night Garden, Carin Berger
Invisible Things, Andy J. Miller
The Most Magnificent Marker's Z to Z, Ashley Spires
The Most Magnificent Thing, Ashley Spires
Something, Someday, Amanda Gorman
Water Day, Margarita Engle

JDVD

The Little Mermaid
Spider-Man, Across the Spider-Verse



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Pre-School Story Time with Miss Anne

Fridays at 10:30am
Benzonia Public Library
Children's Room



Join Us for Fun Stories and Activities

Participants will receive a Story Time bag
information and other goodies.

Time to socialize, make new friends,
and hear great stories.

If Benzie Central Schools are closed due to
weather, Story Time will be cancelled.

Want to be informed of changes and receive Story Time information?

Sign up at www.benzonialibrary.org/story-time-at-bpl

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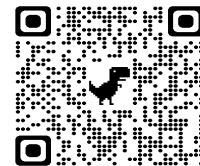
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What do Umbrellas, Pockets, and Halloween have in common?

They are all part of the October Fun at Story Time!



Join the FUN on Fridays at 10:30 am

October 6th	Umbrellas
October 13th	Surprise
October 20th	Pockets
October 27th	Halloween

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Meetings are held the 1st Thursday every other month in the library building.
Next meeting will be at October 5, 2023 at 4:30pm. Everyone welcome.



Providing the little and not so little extras for the Library!

Library of Things at BPL

The Library of Things service supports lifelong learning and creativity. Adult cardholders can borrow practical hands-on items to learn new skills, explore areas of interest, or help with everyday tasks.

The loan period is one week for all Things. Things have an option to renew for an additional week, if no one else has a hold. Visit www.benzonialibrary.org to see items in our catalog. Visit often to watch this collection grow!



Corner Book Shoppe @ BPL

Offering for sale a great selection of quality used books & jigsaw puzzles.



Purchases may be made in BPL during regular library hours.

Proceeds benefit BPL.

The Friends of BPL accept donations of Jigsaw puzzles (with all the pieces) & Books in excellent Condition.

Donation criteria available at BPL & benzonialibrary.org/donating-books-and-puzzles

Up to 2 bags may be dropped off at the library during regular business hours.

Borrow ebooks, audiobooks & magazines

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The library reading app



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