Creating A Healing Story Together
A Story Making Workshop for All-Ages
Monday & Wednesday, 4:30pm
March 11th & 13th
Benzonia Public Library
Mills Community House-Upper Level
891 Michigan Ave., Benzonia, MI

Through sharing our stories we can help others facing challenging times.
Come join teaching artist Molly Sturges for a creative workshop for all-ages.
Through sharing ideas and experiences we will strive to learn and heal together.
Come to either or both sessions. Everyone is welcome.

STORIES THAT HEAL

No experience needed and perfect for people of all ages.
Through sharing ideas and experiences we will have time to reflect, write, connect as is comfortable for each person and share if desired. This time will focus on things that help us feel better when times get hard. Expressing our stories in writing and or sharing can help us all heal. We can lessen some of the isolation that often goes with mental and/or physical pain that many of us are facing.

Story exchanges can also help us when we are feeling down.

There is no pressure to participate in a certain way and all are welcome.

Childcare option is available, feel free to contact Katie Jones at kjones@gardentheater.org.
Snacks, beverages, and writing materials will be provided.

A free community concert and community dialogue will be presented at The Garden Theater on May 19 and a podcast series about the project will be produced by Interlochen Public Radio.

This is a Benzie County focused community partners project with The Garden Theater and Interlochen Public Radio, featuring local (and regional) storytellers, musicians, and community members of all ages. Stories That Heal is funded by Arts Midwest, Michigan Arts & Culture Council (MACC) and the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA).

BPL HOURS
10am-6pm Monday-Friday
10am-2pm Saturday
Closed Sunday

You can find magic wherever you look,
Sit back and relax
All you need is a book
-Dr. Seuss

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Women and The Arts
By Maureen Esther, Historyteller
Wednesday, March 6th 4:00pm
Benzonia Public Library
Mills Community House-Upper Level
891 Michigan Ave., Benzonia, MI, 49616

A fabulous discussion of art through the women who not only lived it, but produced some of the world’s most beautiful and powerful pieces of art. Women artists are discussed, and wonderful portraits of some of the most interesting women in history are shown.

Maureen, a HistoryTeller for over 30 years, enjoys bringing her love of Art and History to the Benzonia Public Library.

No charge for event, just come and enjoy.

Save The Date - April 8, 2024
A Solar Eclipse Is Coming

Did You Know?
An Eclipse Never Comes Alone!

A solar eclipse always occurs about two weeks before or after a lunar eclipse. Usually, there are two eclipses in a row, but other times, there are three during the same eclipse season. The solar eclipse occurring on April 8, 2024 will be the second eclipse of the season, with the first eclipse, a Penumbral Lunar Eclipse, set to occur on March 25, 2024.

You can learn more about the coming solar eclipse by checking out the book:
What is a Solar Eclipse?, Dana Meachen Rau

Or visiting the following websites:
https://www.exploratorium.edu/eclipse
https://www.jpl.nasa.gov/edu/learn/project/how-to-make-a-pinhole-camera/
https://spaceplace.nasa.gov/search/eclipse

Make sure to stop by the library starting March 18th to pick up your very own pair of eclipse viewing glasses and information sheet. These are important tools to help you view the eclipse safely!
Quantities are limited.
March is National Reading Month!

What better place to spend National Reading Month than at your local library? We encourage people to stop in throughout the month and discover (or re-discover!) the joy and power of books and reading! Whether you check out something new or snuggle in with a classic, share book titles with friends or read a book out loud to a child, spend some extra time reading this month!

3 FUN WAYS TO TAKE READING ON THE GO

❖ Point out environmental print to your child – this includes any time you see text outside your home – think street signs, posters in buildings, and even flyers at the grocery store.

❖ Grocery shopping can be a great way to encourage reading and writing. At the store, help your child figure out the first letter of specific brands. Then together go on a hunt to find foods from those brands.

❖ Bring a book Browsing and chatting about any book from the seat of a shopping cart is always a worthwhile activity for a toddler. It’s especially fun to bring a title that relates to your errand. There are many choices, but we’re partial to the classic characters in Spot Goes Shopping by Eric Hill or Maisy Goes Shopping by Lucy Cousins.

National Reading Month is celebrated in March. In this month people, especially children, read a lot more. An increase in reading has significant benefits that will continue to pay off in the future. Reading is one of the best habits to develop; it strengthens the mental muscles, helps to improve comprehension and analytical abilities, increases imagination & boosts memory.

HOT SPOTS AVAILABLE AT BPL

We are excited to announce that the Friends of Benzonia Public Library have agreed to fund HotSpots for another year!

The new HotSpots, powered by Mobile Beacon, are NOW ACTIVE.

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At BPL we believe this program will offer excellent coverage to most of our users.

As with all HotSpot providers, there may be areas that are not covered and BPL is subject to these limitations.

COVID Test Kits available at BPL

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

YA
The Bad Ones, Melissa Albert
The Boyfriend Wish, Swati Teerdhala
Shut Up, This is Serious, Carolina Ixta
A Suffragist’s Guide to the Antarctic, Yi Shun Lai
Wander In The Dark, Jumanta Emill
With A Little Luck, Marissa Meyer

YA GRAPHIC NOVELS
Amulet: Waverider - #9, Kazu Kibuishi
Freshman Year, Sarah Mai
Sunny Makes Her Case - #5, Jennifer Holm

ADULT—FIC
Blizzard, Marie Vingtras
The Boy With the Star Tattoo: A Novel, Talia Carner
Dead Man’s Hand - #18, Bradley Taylor
End of Story: A Novel, AJ Finn
Family Family: A Novel, Laurie Frankel
Fourteen Days: A collaborative novel, Charlie Jane Anders
The Ghost Orchid, Jonathon Kellerman
The Guest, BA Paris
Hero, Thomas Perry
The Hidden Life of Cecily Larson: A Novel, Ellen Baker
Lone Wolf - #9, Gregg Hurwitz
No One Dies Yet, Kobby Ben Ben
Playing with Wildfire, Laura Pritchett
Random in Death - #58, JD Robb
The Summer Book Club, Susan Mallery
The Turtle House: A Novel, Amanda Churchill

ADULT—NON-FIC
Democracy Awakening: Notes on the state of America, Heather Cox Richardson
How To Know A Person: The art of seeing others deeply and being seen deeply, David Brooks
Michigan Rocks!: A guide to geologic sites in the Great Lakes State, Paul Brandes
Real Clothes, Real Lives: 200 years of what women wore - The Smith College Historic Clothing Collection, Kiki Smith
Solito: A Memoir, Javier Zamora

ADULT—LARGE PRINT
The Bad Weather Friend, Dean R Koontz
Lessons in Chemistry, Bonnie Garmus
You Only Call When You’re in Trouble, Stephen McCauley

Mural Cards at BPL

$2.00 each or $10.00 for 6 (your choice)
$12.00 for 8 pack (2 of each card)

Pay for & pick up cards at BPL front desk.

Children’s Room mural by Glenn Wolff.
Photography by Steve Loveless.
Proceeds benefit Benzonia Public Library.
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Remember to check out the wonderful selection of items in our Library Catalog at www.benzonialibrary.org
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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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Youth: What’s New For You!

JUVENILE
Heroes: A Novel of Pearl Harbor, Alan Gratz
Not the Worst Friend in the World, Anne Rellihan
A Royal Conundrum - #1, Lisa Yee
The Wandering Hour - #1, Zack Loren Clark
The Wilderlore: Ever Storms - #3, Amanda Foody

GRAPHIC NOVELS
The Adventures of Invisible Boy!!!(!) - #1, Doogie Homer
Art Club, Rashad Doucet
Making Friends: Third Time’s a Charm - #3, Kristen Gudsnuk

J NON-FICTION
What is a Solar Eclipse?, Dana Meachen Rau

BOARD BOOKS (JEBD)
Weather, Airlie Anderson

PICTURE BOOKS (JE)
Are You Big?, Mo Willems
Awake, Asleep, Kyle Lukoff
Between Two Windows, Keisha Morris
Bitsy Bat, School Star, Kaz Windness
Cranky, Phuc Tran
The Crayons Love Our Planet, Drew Daywalt
Eyes That Weave the World’s Wonders, Joanna Ho
The Ferris Wheel, Tulin Kozikoglu
Fire Chief Fran, Linda Ashman
Go Forth and Tell: The Life of Augusta Baker, Librarian and Master Storyteller, Breanna J. McDaniel
Hedgehog and the Log, Pam Fong
I Do Not Eat Children, Marcus Cutler
I Lived Inside A Whale, Xin Li
Love Is My Favorite Color, Nina Laden
The Magic Cap, Mireille Messier
Mamas and Babies, Christie Matheson
The Teeny-Weeny Unicorn, Shawn Harris
Ten Little Rabbits, Maurice Sendak
Wacky-Doodle, Mary Reeb Krater
Walking Together, Albert Marshall
Why Did the Monster Cross the Road?, RL Stine
The Yellow Handkerchief: El Panuelo Amarillo, Donna Barba Higuera
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Meetings are usually held the 1st Thursday every other month in the library building.

Next meeting will be April 4, 2024 at 4:30pm. Everyone welcome.

Corner Book Shoppe at 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 Books & Jigsaw puzzles (with all the pieces) in excellent condition,

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

Library of Things at BPL

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