





**Tails and Tales**  
+ June 7 - August 3 +  
+ SUMMER READING 2025 +  
FOR KIDS, TEENS, AND ADULTS  
Des Plaines Public Library • [dppl.org/summer](http://dppl.org/summer)

**Now Open!**  
Orientation info inside

## Looking for new books to read this summer?

Sign up for Rocky's Recs or Miner Recs and find out what books, audiobooks, and movies we are enjoying! These monthly eNewsletters give recommendations for kids and adults.



**SCAN  
HERE**  
TO LEARN MORE



## Don't have a library card?

Visit the Customer Service desk on the 1st floor to pick up yours today! Or apply online at [dppl.org](http://dppl.org)



## DPPL'S SUMMER 2025 DESIGN-A-BOOKMARK CONTEST

June 1 - June 30

Use paint, crayon, pencil, marker, mixed media, or any other material you choose. Your design can express your love of your pets, books, the library, art, or anything else!



@dpplibrary



[des.plaines.library](https://www.instagram.com/des.plaines.library)



@desplaineslibrary



Des Plaines Public Library

Phone: (847) 827-5551 | Email: [help@dppl.org](mailto:help@dppl.org)

## Create your masterpiece using this template

Or print a template out at [dppl.org](http://dppl.org)



(Make sure to stay within the white area)





**JUNE 1 - JUNE 30**

Four winners will be selected, one from each age category:

**Preschool - 3rd grade      4th - 8th grade**

**9th - 12th grade      Adult**

Winning entries will be professionally printed and given out at the Des Plaines Public Library for all to enjoy! Additional entry forms are available to download and print at [dppl.org/summer](http://dppl.org/summer) or at our library service desks on each floor. Return your completed entry to the Customer Service desk on the 1st floor or scan and email to [summer@dppl.org](mailto:summer@dppl.org).



Participant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE PICK ONE:

**Preschool-3rd grade    4th-8th grade    9th-12th grade    Adult**

☐ I hereby grant the right to use the participant's name, creative work, and visual image on the Des Plaines Public Library website, publicity, and social media.

☐ I hereby grant the right for DPPL to print bookmarks of the winning design to be made available free of charge in the Library.

Participant's signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's/Guardian's signature (if participant is under 18): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



## Kids

- Pick up your **Summer Reading Log** any time during the Challenge to get started.
- Your goal this year is to read **14 hours (or 42 books)** over the span of the summer!
- Halfway and completion prizes awarded **beginning June 23** (while supplies last).
- **Weekly check-in prizes!** Just bring your activity card to the Library each week and tell us about what you are reading.
- A packed schedule of programs for kids of all ages and excitement levels, including drop-in crafts, musical shows, take home kits, storytimes, and more!



## Adults

Help Pick **Des Plaines' Favorite Dog!** Vote on which famous pooch moves on and which gets sent to the doghouse!

Answer the **Summer Reading Weekly Trivia Question** for a chance to win gift cards to local restaurants.

Read a book, submit an entry for a chance to win your pick of 4 possible grand prizes. The more you read and enter, the better your chances!

**1st Entry - Spin the wheel, win a prize!**

### GRAND PRIZES

- Scales & Tails: Brookfield Zoo \$200 family membership
- Kiss & Tail: Chewy \$200 gift card
- Tale as Olde as Time: Medieval Times \$200 gift card
- Whale of a Tale: Don's Dock \$200 gift card

Find all the details at  
[DPPL.org/Summer](http://DPPL.org/Summer)

## Teens

- Read a book, attend a program, or write a book review to be entered into a drawing to win an **Amazon gift card for \$50 or \$100**. The more books you read and programs you attend, the more entries you get.
- Complete a punch card and receive a **\$5 gift card to Brew Coffee Lab**.
- Submit your entries in person or online at [DPPL.org/Summer](http://DPPL.org/Summer).

## All Ages



### Share YOUR Favorite Tails:

Bring in a photo or drawing of your pet(s) to be displayed in our special Tails of DPPL exhibit in the 1st floor Lobby!

Don't have a pet? Show us your favorite plant or stuffed animal.

All "Tails" will also be featured in a video on our social media AND you'll be entered into a drawing to win exciting prizes!



## Now Open

By Appointment Only



**Sign Up for Your Orientation Today!**

For all the details go to

[DPPL.org/TheCanvas](http://DPPL.org/TheCanvas)  
or email  
[CanvasDesk@dppl.org](mailto:CanvasDesk@dppl.org)



You must be a DPPL cardholder to use The Canvas.