

JUNE 2022

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For  
Teens

# Teen Writers Invited to Enter Contest

Calling all teen writers: Rodman Public Library wants to read your work.

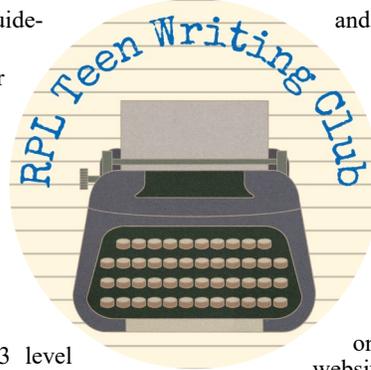
Any teen, ages 12-18, can submit one (1) short story for the contest, but the teen must be able to come into the Main Library to pick up their prize, which will include a \$25 Amazon gift card for first place and a \$10 gift card for the runner-up. Every teen who enters the contest will receive a free book.

The short story must use the words "ocean," "possibility," and "summer" somewhere in the narrative in conjunction with the 2022 Oceans of Possibilities summer reading program. Those words can be used in any way or form the writer would like (for example "possibilities" and "oceanic" would count), but all three must be included to qualify for the contest. The other aspects of the story, such as the plot, characters, setting, etc., are completely up to the writer.

Stories will be blindly judged on creativity, development, style, mechanics, and ability to

adhere to the following guidelines:

- ◆ Include the words or variations of the words "ocean," "possibility," and "summer" in a short story.
  - ◆ The story should be between 1,000 and 5,000 words.
  - ◆ Must be original work.
  - ◆ Keep content at PG-13 level rating or lower. No excessive profanity or extremely mature topics. No extreme graphic descriptions.
- The document should be formatted with the following guidelines
- ◆ 12-point font in a reasonable font choice



and double-spaced

- ◆ Title of the story, your first and last name, word count on the top of the first page
  - ◆ Page numbers in the top right-hand corner
- Teen writers should email their submissions to [rodmaninfo@gmail.com](mailto:rodmaninfo@gmail.com) by **Saturday, July 30**.

Winners will be notified by email and then announced on the Rodman Public Library website and our social media accounts after they pick up their prizes. **Rodman Public Library reserves the right to publish the winning stories on our website.**

The contest is sponsored by the Teen Writing Club and Friends of Rodman Library. For information, call 330-821-2665, ext. 217.

## Unlock the treasure at Pirate Escape Room

Ahoy, Me Hearties!

All mateys, ages 12-18, are invited to Rodman Public Library on Tuesday, June 21 for a Pirate-themed Escape Room. Teen buccaneers will follow clues with the goal to unlock a treasure chest and plunder the booty, leaving the successful to exclaim "shiver me timbers," a fictional pirate's expression of surprise.

Lads and lassies can register in groups of five or as individuals. Each crew will be assigned a half hour increment between 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. to get ship shape and find the coffer. Registration is required.

Scallywags should visit our online calendar at [rodmanlibrary.evanced.info/signup](http://rodmanlibrary.evanced.info/signup), or call 330-821-2665, ext. 217 to register.



**PLEASE NOTE:**  
Some programs require registration at [rodmanlibrary.evanced.info/signup](http://rodmanlibrary.evanced.info/signup).

You may also register or obtain information by calling 330-821-2665, ext. 223.

## ONGOING PROGRAMS

### Teen Gaming

Teen video gaming days are usually held every other Thursday at RPL Main Auditorium. Games are played on the Xbox One, Xbox Series X, PlayStation 3, PlayStation 4, Nintendo WiiU, and Nintendo Switch. No registration required. For more information, call 330-821-2665, ext. 214. Video gaming is in partnership with Synergy Alliance.

**Thursdays, June 2, 16 & 30, 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.**

### Teen Writing Club

Meet with fellow teen writers on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at the Main Library to work on writing exercises and hone skills. Any teen can join. Share work with the group, if desired. No registration required. For information, call 330-821-2665, ext. 217.

**Wednesdays, June 8 & 22, 3:30 p.m.**

### Teen Anime Club

Anime Club meets monthly in the Main Auditorium. Pick your favorite episodes to view on RPL's big screen. No registration required.

**Tuesday, June 28, 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.**

**WATER OBSTACLE COURSE**

Coming Thursday, July 21 3-5 p.m.

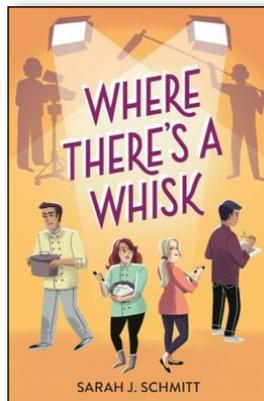
### Teen Book Club

Meets every third Monday of the month at 4:00 p.m. at the Main Library.

**Next meeting: June 20**  
**Where There's a Whisk**  
By Sarah J. Schmitt

Call 330-821-2665, ext. 217 for information.

For a look at future Teen Book Club titles, visit [rodmanlibrary.com/Rodman-Book-Clubs](http://rodmanlibrary.com/Rodman-Book-Clubs)



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# Join Rodman Library's summer reading program

There are adventures to be had this summer, and you don't even have to leave the library to have one.

Dive into a good book and the Oceans of Possibilities summer reading program to travel to far away lands, explore new planets, be exposed to new ideas, or have a romance.

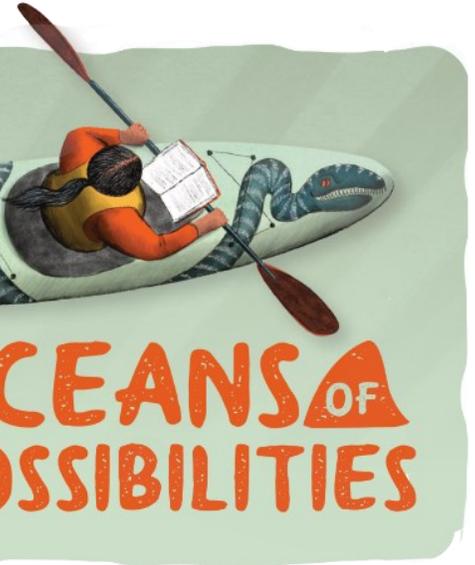
Of course, if you don't know where to find the kind of literature you are looking for, RPL librarians are more than happy to help you.

And while you are reading, you can earn chances to win prizes through the summer reading program, which runs through July 30.

Teens can register at the Main Library, the Branch Library, on the Bookmobile, or online at [rodmanlibrary.beanstack.org](http://rodmanlibrary.beanstack.org), or through the Beanstack app, which they can download on a mobile device.

Teens have plenty of opportunities to earn entries into the grand prize drawings for one of three prizes, including a Nintendo Switch Lite, a \$100 Amazon gift card, or a \$100 GameStop gift card.

Teens who complete 20 hours of reading, which will be recorded on a reading log, will earn a book, a summer reading-



themed prize and an entry for one of the three grand prizes.

Logging three hours of reading each week will earn teens extra entries. Weekly challenges, which will involve taking part in an easy activity or answering a simple question, can also earn another entry each week during the nine weeks of the summer reading program.

One more entry can be earned for reading an additional five hours over the initial 20.

For more information about the summer reading program for teens, call 330-821-2665, ext. 217.



## Free movies on RPL's big screen

Rodman Public Library will host a Summer Movie Series in 2022, showing a family movie each month during June, July and August on the big screen in the Main Auditorium.

In conjunction with the Oceans of Possibilities summer reading program, all three films will have an ocean theme.

Due to licensing agreements, Rodman Public Library cannot publicly reveal the titles of the movies. However, all three will be free and the library will provide popcorn to those attending.

The feature at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, June 6 will be a 2003 American computer-animated adventure film released by Walt Disney Pictures. It tells the story of an over-protective clownfish who searches for his missing son with the help of a regal blue tang. Along the way, the clownfish learns to take risks and comes to terms with his child taking care of himself. It is 1 hour and 40 minutes long and is rated G.

The film at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, July 12 will be a 2000 American biographical disaster drama film based on the 1997 non-fiction book of the same title. It tells the story of a commercial fishing vessel that was lost at sea with all hands after being caught in a 1991 storm. The film stars George Clooney and Mark Wahlberg. It is 2 hours and 10 minutes long and is rated PG-13.

The movie at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 1 will be a 2016 American computer-animated musical adventure film released by Walt Disney Pictures. It tells the story of a strong-willed daughter of a chief of a Polynesian village, who is chosen by the ocean itself to reunite a mystical relic with a goddess. When a blight strikes her island, the girl sets sail in search of a legendary demigod, in the hope of returning the relic and saving her people. It is 1 hour and 43 minutes long and is rated PG.

No registration is required to attend any of the films, but children under 13 must be accompanied by an adult caregiver.

For more information about the Summer Movie Series, call 330-821-2665, ext. 107.

## Play BINGO at RPL this summer

Rodman Public Library will host two Family BINGO games this summer.

Patrons of all ages are invited to play from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Monday, June 27 and Monday, July 25.

Both events are free and prizes will be given out, but space is limited and registration is required. To register online visit [rodmanlibrary.evanced.info/signup](http://rodmanlibrary.evanced.info/signup). Patrons may also register, or receive more information by calling 330-821-2665, ext. 223.



## Bring Your Switch to the Animal Crossing Café on June 18



The Animal Crossing Café will be open inside Rodman Auditorium from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 18.

Patrons of all ages are invited to bring in their Nintendo Switch and Animal Crossing game and socialize with others who play the game while enjoying

refreshments provided by the library.

To make best use of their time, patrons are encouraged to have their game updated.

While hanging out, those attending can visit RPL's island as well as others.

No registration is required.

For information, call 330-821-2665, ext. 223.