

## Digital media: Download your next book

Once upon a time people wearing small earbuds connected to a device in their pockets most likely were listening to music or maybe a ball game. But more and more people are now listening to books—fiction and nonfiction—on the beach and on the train, in the yard and in the car.

Batavia Public Library provides its cardholders access to a collection of more than one thousand downloadable audiobooks through a service called eMediaLibrary. Patrons can download audiobooks to a personal computer and then transfer them to a portable device such as an MP3 player, iPod, iPhone, or iTouch for listening. In some cases, books can be burned to CD.

The eMediaLibrary collection of audiobooks includes popular fiction, current nonfiction, and language instruction.

This service is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Patrons who finish a book when the Library is closed and who are ready to start another, can browse the eMediaLibrary from home, “check out” a book, and begin anew. To browse the eMediaLibrary Web site go to [BataviaPublicLibrary.org](http://BataviaPublicLibrary.org) and look for the “download audiobooks” logo on the home page.

The eMediaLibrary also offers a small, growing collection of eBooks that can be downloaded to a personal computer and then transferred to a compatible portable device for reading.

Downloadable audiobooks and eBooks can be borrowed for 14 days. Like printed books, titles can be put on hold if already checked out. Up to ten holds can be placed on titles. Up to ten digital books can be borrowed at one time. Digital books cannot be renewed.

eMediaLibrary books are provided by OverDrive. Guides on how to use eMediaLibrary / OverDrive can be found on the Library’s eMediaLibrary Web page. Talk to a Librarian at the Reference Desk or call 630-879-4777 for information regarding eMediaLibrary.



Artists are invited to exhibit their work at the Library

### Art exhibit space available at the Library

Are you an artist in search of exhibit space? Do you have several works available to show?

Artists interested in displaying their work at the Batavia Public Library for a one-month period are invited to call 630-879-1393, ext. 410, to make an appointment to show samples of their work. Paintings, drawings, fabric hangings, and photographs are best suited to the space, which is located on the Library’s upper level. Sculpture also may be accommodated, provided that the artist furnishes display stands.

### Promote your organization at the Library

Showcase your organization’s good works and share its message at one of the city’s most visible locations. The Batavia Public Library lobby features two locked display cases, which are available for use by area not-for-profit organizations and clubs. Groups interested in creating promotional and informational messages for display in the Library for a one-month period are invited to call 630-879-1393, ext. 410, to reserve a display case. The cases are approximately 30 inches wide, 48 inches high, and 8 inches deep, and have two adjustable glass shelves. Posters, props, and photographs are welcome.

### 10 South Coffee House:

Cool off with a chiller, smoothie, or a specialty iced tea during your summer visits to the Library. 630-406-8870



## Under the Cupola

### “The Rebirth of Libraries”

*“Reports of my death are greatly exaggerated.”*

—Batavia Public Library

Some 15 years ago, as the Internet began to take off, many pundits predicted the death of the public library. “What the critics failed to predict, however,” according to Thomas Frey, executive director and senior futurist at the DaVinci Institute, “was libraries’ stirring ability to reinvent themselves.”

In the information age, “libraries are going through an age of rebirth,” according to Frey, as communities “are investing heavily in public libraries,” something Batavia did when its new Library opened in January 2002. In other words, “libraries are now evolving into interactive research and leisure centers. Yet this change, impressive as it is, is only the beginning.”

Frey imagines a future where people are no longer satisfied with information flowing one way. They want to participate in it, add their own contributions, and take ownership of it.

In Batavia, the Library is beginning to move towards this future with...

- A dynamic new Web site
- Downloadable audiobooks and eBooks
- An electronic newsletter, *Wired* (subscribe today!)
- Tumblebook™ Library—online books for children
- An online book discussion during this year’s One Book, One Batavia celebration
- Computer classes ranging from how to use a mouse to Microsoft Word to shopping on eBay
- A “Good Reads & Views” blog
- Live Homework Help®—Powered by *Tutor.com*
- A new text reference service (text askbpl to 66746)

And now patrons can follow the Library on Twitter: [twitter.com/BataviaPL](http://twitter.com/BataviaPL). And this, of course, is only the beginning.

Visit the Batavia Public Library or its Web site today to navigate this brave new world.

George H. Scheetz  
Director

#### The Library will be closed:

Sunday, July 4  
Monday, July 5  
Friday, August 27

#### Library Hours

Monday–Thursday 9 am–9 pm  
Friday and Saturday 9 am–5 pm  
Sunday Noon–5 pm (Sept.–May)  
Sunday 1–4 pm (June–Aug.)

#### Telephone

630-879-1393  
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#### Library Director

George H. Scheetz

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## Programs and activities for youth

**Registration Information:** Stop by or call the Youth Services Desk at 630-879-4775 for more information and to register. Priority is given to Batavia Public Library cardholders for all programs requiring registration. Registration for July and August programs is now in progress.

### For Babies, Tots, and Preschoolers

**ABC Adventurers**  
Thurs., July 1 and Aug. 5, 10 am  
Ages 3–6, without a caregiver  
Activities, Books, and Craft program.  
Registration required.

**Travelin' Tots**  
Tues., July 6 and 20, 10 am  
Mon., Aug. 2, 10 am  
Ages 2–3 with a caregiver  
Songs, rhymes, stories, and more. Registration required.

**Signing Fun**  
Fri., July 9, 10 am  
Newborns–18 months with a caregiver  
Fri., July 9, 11 am  
Ages 18–36 months with a caregiver  
Licensed sign language interpreter Sheryl Ebersold demonstrates how to incorporate sign language into daily activities with signs, songs, and more. Registration required; space is limited.

**Book Character Visit**  
Sat., July 10, 11 am  
Clifford  
Mon., Aug. 16, 1 pm  
Peter Rabbit  
No registration required.



**Go Go Babies**  
Tues., July 13; Fri., July 23; Tues., July 27; and Fri., Aug. 6; 11 am  
Newborns–23 months with a caregiver  
Interactive program including songs, rhymes, and stories. Registration required.

**Skippyjon Jones**  
Wed., July 14, 10 am  
Ages 3–6  
Join Skippyjon Jones, the Siamese kitten who thinks he's a dog, as he encounters great adventures around the world. Enjoy stories, songs, and lots of thrills! Registration required.

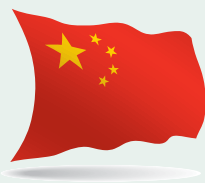
### For Students

**Book Buddies**  
Thurs., July 1, 2 pm  
Thurs., July 8, 11 am  
Thurs., July 15, 2 pm  
Mon., July 19, 11 am  
Wed., July 28, 11 am  
Tues., Aug. 3, 2 pm  
Ages 6–8  
Junior Volunteers are paired with young readers for approximately one hour of reading. This program focuses on book-sharing rather than tutoring. Please register for each date your child will attend.



**Games and DDR**  
Tues., July 6, 2 pm  
Ages 7–14  
No registration required.

**Readers Theatre Audition**  
Wed., July 7, 3 pm  
Ages 8–14  
Volunteer readers are invited to audition Wednesday, July 7, at 3 pm, for a Readers Theatre production to be held Friday, August 6, at the Summer Reading Club Finale. Rehearsals will be held on Mondays and Wednesdays, beginning July 12. Registration required for auditions.



**Take a Tour**  
Thurs., July 8, 2 pm  
China  
Mon., July 19, 1 pm  
Germany  
Grades 4–8  
Special guests Silin Zhao and Michelle Olache will share their knowledge of the cultures, customs, and people of China and Germany, respectively. Registration required.

**Travel Trivia**  
Tues., July 13, 2 pm  
Ages 7–14  
No registration required.

**Pajama Party**  
Wed., July 14, 7 pm  
Grades K–2  
Children are invited to wear pajamas and join us for stories, craft, video, and a bedtime snack. Registration required.

**American Red Cross Babysitter's Training Course**  
Thurs., July 15, 9:30 am–4:30 pm  
Tues., Aug. 10, 9:30 am–4:30 pm  
Ages 11–15  
A 7-hour training course; participants must attend entire session. Due to the popularity of this program a lottery drawing will be held. Lottery registration begins June 20. Lottery drawing will be held on June 30 for the July course and on July 29 for the August course.

**Globe Trekkers**  
Fri., July 16, 11 am  
Ireland  
Fri., July 30, 1 pm  
Japan  
All Ages  
Round robin of activities: game or sport, craft, and treat representative of a particular country. Activities will be available for one hour. Children age 6 and younger must be accompanied by an adult. No registration required.



**Yarn Spinners**  
Tues., Wed., Thurs., July 20, 21, and 22, 1 pm  
Tues., Wed., Thurs., July 27, 28, and 29, 1 pm  
Ages 8–14  
Students and student / parent teams are invited to learn how to knit or crochet. All levels of experience welcome; basic instructions will be offered. Please bring your own knitting needles (size 10) or crochet hook (size G/H). Yarn is provided. Please plan to attend all 6 sessions. Registration required.

**Book Gems**  
Wed., July 21, 11 am  
Grades 2–3  
*Henry and Mudge and the Tumbling Trip*  
by Cynthia Rylant  
Book discussion and activities; registration required; reserve a copy of the book when registering.

**Book Worms**  
Thurs., July 22, 10 am  
Tues., Aug. 3, 10 am  
Grades K–1  
Themed story and craft time. Registration required.

**Mother/Daughter Book Chat**  
Thurs., July 22, 7 pm  
Grades 3–6  
*Amelia's Are-We-There-Yet, Longest Ever Car Trip*  
by Marissa Moss  
Girls and a mom or another female adult are invited for discussion and activities. Registration required; reserve a copy of the book when registering.

**Reading with Rover**  
Sat., July 24 and 31; 10 am–Noon  
Grades 1–4  
Students are invited to practice their reading skills by reading aloud to a specially trained therapy dog. Registration required; register for a 20-minute time slot.

**Book Beat**  
Thurs., July 29, 11 am  
Grades 4–8  
*39 Clues: Maze of Bones*  
by Rick Riordan  
Book discussion and activities; registration required; reserve a copy of the book when registering.

**Daytrippers**  
Mon., Aug. 2, 11 am  
Hawaii  
Grades 2–3  
Take a trip to Hawaii to experience the islands' unique cultures and customs. Registration required.

**Yo-Yo Workshop**  
Thurs., Aug. 5, 1 pm  
Ages 8–14  
Professional yo-yo champion Barry North presents a workshop for yo-yo enthusiasts. Learn some pointers on how to perfect classic yo-yo tricks. Yo-yos provided. Registration required.



### For Families

**Movie at the Library**  
Fri., July 2, 11 am  
Mon., July 12, 6:30 pm  
Wed., Aug. 4, 11 am  
Thurs., Aug. 19, 1 pm  
Call the Library for movie title, length, and rating. No registration required.

**Chess Knight**  
Tues., July 6, 13, 20, 27, and Aug. 3, 7 pm  
Ages 8 through adult  
Participants should have a basic knowledge of the game. No registration required.

**Dinosaur Encounter**  
Wed., July 7, 7 pm  
Families with children age 5 and older  
Award-winning author Janet Riehecky shares dinosaur facts, fossils, and replicas of dinosaur parts, including a T-Rex foot! Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Doors open at 6:45 pm. No registration required.

**Weber Irish Dancers**  
Wed., July 21, 7 pm  
Families  
Enjoy traditional Irish dancing performed by the Weber Irish Dancers and learn a bit about the history behind the dances and costumes. Bring the entire family! Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Doors open at 6:45 pm. No registration required.

### Through August 7

There is still time to join the Summer Reading Club. Stop by the Youth Services Desk to register.

**On-the-Go Bingo**  
Fri., July 23, 1 pm  
Thurs., Aug. 12, 11 am  
Ages 3–14  
Children younger than 5 years old must be accompanied by an adult or older sibling. No registration required.

**Family Fiesta**  
Mon., July 26, 7 pm  
Families with children through age 7. Stories in English and Spanish, activities, a craft, and refreshments. Weather permitting, activities will take place in the Reading Garden. Bring a lawn chair or blanket. No registration required.

**Summer Reading Club Finale**  
Fri., Aug. 6, 7 pm  
Rotolo Middle School  
1501 S. Raddant Rd.  
Put on your sombrero and celebrate your reading accomplishments! This program for Summer Reading Club participants and their families features Mexican rope trickery demonstrations by a national champion and traditional Mexican dancing. Also, the Readers Theatre troupe will perform wishing traditions from around the world. Pick up free tickets for the finale at the Youth Services Desk beginning July 11. ¡Olé!

## Programs for adults and teens

**Registration Information:** Registration is required for some programs. Please call the Reference Desk, 630-879-4777, or register online at [BataviaPublicLibrary.org](http://BataviaPublicLibrary.org).

### Feature Programs

#### Recession Busters

Thurs., July 8, 7 pm

Foreclosure, unemployment, and other problems resulting from the current economy have people worried. Many helpful resources can be found on the Internet, but some can be difficult to find. During this

program, participants will examine a list of local, governmental, and non-profit resources, and will have the opportunity to request a custom search for information on dealing with any problem not included. Registration is required; space is limited.

### Art in Your Eye programs

Batavia Public Library is proud to be a co-organizer of the sixth annual Art in Your Eye Fine Arts Festival, August 14–15. Enjoy the following free programs at the Library prior to the festival. Registration is required.

#### No Wheel Required

Thurs., July 22, 7 pm

Patricia Davoust, art teacher and award-winning ceramic artist, demonstrates and discusses her use of the ancient technique of pinching and stretching clay to form pottery, with a distinctive modern approach. Her hand-built (without the use of a potter's wheel) pottery technique creates pieces with a rock-like texture that are completely unique and individual. Davoust is represented by Water Street Studios Gallery in Batavia.

#### Frank Lloyd Wright:

#### An Architectural Journey from Oak Park to Taliesin

Mon., July 26, 7 pm

Art historian Jeff Mishur presents this slide lecture about the architecture of Frank Lloyd Wright. This program addresses the period written about in the popular novel *Loving Frank*, as well as later periods in Wright's oeuvre.

#### Honor, Beauty, and Tradition

Wed., Aug. 4, 7 pm

On his way to India, Christopher Columbus got lost and "discovered" America, a continent called Turtle Island by many of the 500 nations and 50 million people who lived here already. Join us for a night of culture and tradition filled with a stunning show-and-tell: objects of art and ancient artifacts by the First Americans—the other Indians, most of whom called themselves "The People." Presenter Ann Leslie is a stained glass artist and manages the River Trading Post, a Native American gallery in East Dundee. She is adopted Lakota and Cherokee, and a Pipe Keeper.

### Monthly Programs

#### Anime Club

Thurs., July 8, 7 pm

Wed., July 28, 7 pm

Thurs., Aug. 12, 7 pm

Wed., Aug. 25, 7 pm

No registration required.

#### Book Discussion

September selection:

*Shadow Divers* by Robert Kurson

*Native American art will be discussed and displayed at the "Honor, Beauty and Tradition" program, August 4.*

*Right: "Ancestor's Song" by Cliff Fragua*



#### Fine China and Porcelain Restoration

Tues., Aug. 10, 7 pm

Lori Janik explains the European art of fine china and porcelain restoration. Trained in Oxford, England, in the established Old World tradition of fine museum-quality restoration, Janik reveals the intricate process of restoring treasures. The step-by-step process and before-and-after photos promise to amaze viewers. Janik, who works out of Water Street Studios in Batavia, is one of only a few artisans in the world to practice this art.



*The Robie House, Oak Park, Illinois, designed by Frank Lloyd Wright*

## Computer classes for adults

### Registration Information:

One-hour, hands-on computer classes. Registration is required; please call the Reference Desk, 630-879-4777.

#### Computer Mouse Basics

Tues., Sept. 7, 9 am

For first-time computer users. Learn how to use a mouse, which is the first step in becoming computer literate.

### Internet Classes

Basic computer skills, including mouse and keyboard proficiency, are required.

#### Introduction to the Internet

Wed., Sept. 8, 9 am

Learn the basics of navigating the Internet—how to type a web address, link from one Web site to another, and conduct basic searches.

#### Library Catalog Instruction

Thurs., Aug. 5, 7 pm

Learn to use the Library's catalog to look up books and other materials in this 20-minute, hands-on class.

*\*Internet proficiency required:*

#### Searching the Internet\*

Fri., Sept. 10, 9 am

Learn to use Google to find information. Learn search tips and how to evaluate Web sites.

#### Shopping on the Internet\*

Tues., Aug. 10, 9 am

Learn to search for and purchase items on Amazon (store) and eBay (auction).

#### Travel and Maps on the Internet\*

Tues., Aug. 24, 9 am

Learn to plan trips, obtain maps and directions for the U.S. and other countries, and book plane tickets, hotel rooms, rental cars, and other accommodations online.

#### Introduction to E-mail\*

Fri., Aug. 6, 9 am

An introduction to free, Web-based e-mail. Learn to read, send, and manage e-mail messages.

### Other Computer Classes

Basic computer skills, including mouse and keyboard proficiency, are required.

#### Introduction to Microsoft Word 2007, Part 1

Mon., Jul. 26, 9 am

Fri., Sept. 3, 9 am

Learn to create a document in Microsoft Word—how to edit; change font style and size; underline, italicize, make bold, and center text; and save.

*\*\*Microsoft Word proficiency required:*

#### Introduction to Microsoft Word 2007, Part 2\*\*

Mon., Aug. 2, 9 am

Learn to change font or background colors; insert and format text boxes, clip art, and photographs; use bulleted or numbered lists; create tables; use lines, arrows, or autosaves; and use page setup.

#### Introduction to Microsoft Excel 2007\*\*

Wed., Aug. 11, 9 am

Tues., Sept. 14, 9 am

Learn to create a spreadsheet—how to use summation, formulas, insertion and deletion of rows and cells, autofill, and sort.

#### Introduction to Microsoft PowerPoint 2007\*\*

Tues., Jul. 20, 9 am

Wed., Sept. 15, 9 am

Learn to create a presentation. Choose a slide layout, add and edit text, save, and print.

