

Library Hours

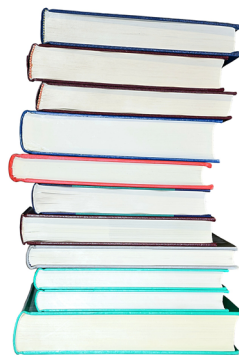
Mon-Thu: 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Fri: 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Sat: 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Sun: 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Library Closings

All library buildings will be closed Sunday, Sept. 3 and Monday, Sept. 4 in observance of the Labor Day holiday. You can always find digital items to check out at www.wrl.org.



Save the Date for New Book Groups



Sherlock Holmes mysteries, contemporary fiction, nonfiction, graphic novels, and science fiction/fantasy -- WRL has a book group for any type of reader. Be on the lookout for more information about the launch of new book groups, coming this fall.

Thursday Film Series

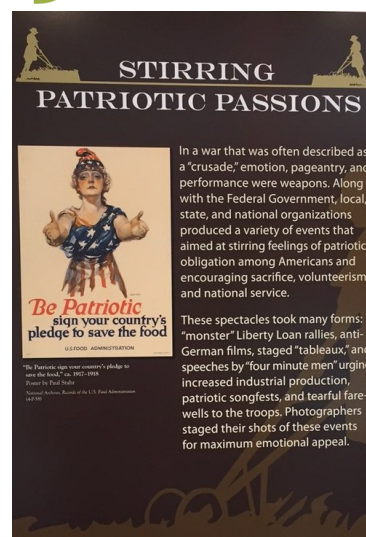
This Month: WWI and WWII movies

08/03 - *Run Silent, Run Deep*
08/10 - *The Fighting 69th*
08/17 - *Since You Went Away*
08/24 - *Dawn Patrol*
08/31 - *To Hell and Back*

All feature films begin at 2 p.m. in the Williamsburg Library Theatre. Find complete film descriptions on our calendar at wrl.org/events/films.



FRIENDS OF WILLIAMSBURG REGIONAL LIBRARY



Be sure to stop by the Stryker Center, at 412 N. Boundary St, to see the newest exhibit funded by the Friends of Williamsburg Regional Library Foundation.

Over Here, a traveling exhibit from the National Archives, explores the lives of Americans on the home front during World War I through photographs, posters, and text.

Funding from the Friends is crucial to bringing exhibits

like this to the library, and helps provide a margin of excellence to the library's collections, programs, services, and facilities.

Find out more about joining the Friends of WRL Foundation or volunteering in the Book Nooks at wrl.org/friends.

Friends Book Sale Figures

- Month to Date Sales: \$8,452.77
- Year to Date: \$52,051.63

Mobile Museum Visit Inspires Month of World War I and II Programs

On August 12-13, the Profiles of Honor Mobile WWI and WWII Museum will be making a stop at the Williamsburg Library. This interactive exhibit, which is operated by the Virginia World War I and World War II Commemoration Commission, brings to life the state's integral role in both wars by highlighting the stories of Virginians who served. The museum will be parked outside of the Williamsburg Library and open to the public from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, August 12, and from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday, August 13. Admission is free.

As part of the museum tour, visitors are invited to bring their own WWI and WWII-related photographs to be scanned for inclusion in the Virginia Profiles of Honor project. This partnership with the Library of Virginia will help preserve the stories of our veterans.



In honor of the museum's visit, Williamsburg Regional Library will be hosting a variety of complementary WWI and WWII-themed programs both during the weekend of the visit and throughout the month of August. Several lectures and informal talks will cover a variety of lesser-known topics relating to the wars, including a look at the airplane art of World War II (08/09, 6:30 p.m., Williamsburg Library), the incredible story of a dive bomber pilot at the Battle of Midway (08/12, 11 a.m., Williamsburg Library), a history of William & Mary's response to World War I (08/14, 2 p.m., Stryker Center), a discussion of the Nazi occupation of Greece during World War II (08/16, 1 p.m., Williamsburg Library), and an investigation into how World War I affected technology, art, and literature across the world (08/23, 2 p.m., Stryker Center).



WRL's regular Thursday Film Series will also take on a World War-theme for the month of August, beginning with the World War II classic *Run Silent Run Deep* on 08/03. The remainder of the schedule includes *The Fighting 69th* (08/10), *Since You Went Away* (08/17), *Dawn Patrol* (08/24), and *To Hell and Back* (08/31). All movies take place at 2 p.m. at the Williamsburg Library and are free and open to the public.

Additionally, WRL will also host several tween, teen, and kid-friendly World War programs so the whole family can share the experience. A presentation about the dogs of the 221st Military Police Detachment will highlight the amazing things military dogs can do. This program will also include a real-life demonstration of how the dogs detect explosives and their other special skills (08/13, 2 p.m., Williamsburg Library).

Animal lovers can also check out our mixed-age discussion group on the book and movie *War Horse*, which will include a free screening of the film (08/29, 5:30 p.m., Williamsburg Library). Discussion group participants ages 9-18 can even pick up a free copy of the book at the Youth Services desk at either library location starting July 1.

These are just some of the World War programs we have in store for the month of August. For more information, see the inside of this newsletter, check out a complete schedule of events at wrl.org/world-war-museum, or stop by a reference desk and ask for one of our brochures!

Featured Events for Kids



View the Solar Eclipse
08/21, 1 p.m.
James City County Library
Look up to the sky to see a solar eclipse! We will provide safety glasses for the first 75 children and will also lead an eclipse-themed craft. Kids, bring your grownups along, as adult supervision is required for safety.

Preschool Dance Party
08/05, 11 a.m., *James City County Library*
What do you get when you add balloons and bubbles to music? A fantastic preschool dance party! Join us for songs, movement, and rhymes.

Larsen's Amazing World of Reptiles
08/09, 11 a.m. at WL and 2 p.m. at JCC
Reptile experts Scott and Kim Larsen share stories, interesting facts, and trivia about their dazzling array of lizards, turtles, and snakes. Meet the reptiles up close!

Farmer Minor and Daisy the Pig
08/12, 2 p.m., *James City County Library*
Meet Daisy, a pot-bellied pig, and get the chance to pet her. Geared towards ages 4-12.

Contemos un Cuento
08/19, 11 a.m., *Williamsburg Library*
Un programa en español e inglés. Join our all-ages, bilingual storytime for children and their caregivers featuring stories, rhymes, songs, fingerplays, and other activities in English and Spanish .

Check out all this month's events and storytimes for kids at wrl.org/kids.

Movie Mondays



Enjoy family movies each Monday throughout the summer. Films will be at 11 a.m. at the Williamsburg Library and at 6:30 p.m. at the James City County Library (bring your own beach chairs, blankets, and snacks -- JCC Library only). This month's films are: *Kung Fu Panda 3* (08/07), *The Angry Birds Movie* (08/14), and *Storks* (08/21). All films rated PG.

Catch-A-Craft

Tuesday 08/01 and 08/08 (*Williamsburg Library*)
11 a.m.-1 p.m.
2-4 p.m.
6-7 p.m.

Friday 08/04 and 08/11 (*James City County Library*)
11 a.m.-3 p.m.

Featured Events for Teens



Book and Movie: War Horse
08/29, 5:30-9 p.m.
Williamsburg Library
Join us to chat about the book and see the acclaimed film; for ages 11-adult.

Teen Advisory Group
08/02, 6 p.m., *Williamsburg Library*
Teens help us make teen services at the library great. Join us to share ideas and earn volunteer hours.

Super Smash Mondays Open Play
08/07 and 08/14, 2-4 p.m., *Williamsburg Library*
Play Super Smash Bros. on the WiiU! For ages 9-teen.

Anime Club
08/17, 5-7 p.m., *James City County Library*
We just added a bunch of new Anime DVDs to the collection based on suggestions from the group, and we are going to preview them all! For teens 12+, with parent permission; content may be PG-13 or TV 14.

Super Smash Bros. for WiiU Tournament
08/21, 2-4 p.m., *Williamsburg Library*
Register now for this 1v1 tournament. Ages 9-18; call 757.259.4050 to sign up.

Check out all this month's great teen events and more at www.wrl.org/teens

Featured Events for Adults



World War I and II Readers' Theatre
08/11, 7 p.m.
Williamsburg Library
Kick off the weekend of the mobile museum visit with a performance of spirited readings of famous and lesser-known speeches, letters, and other written documents from both World War periods.

York River Concert Band
08/12, 2 p.m., *Williamsburg Library*
This talented ensemble will get you in a patriotic mood with a selection of popular tunes from both World Wars.

Fold3 Military Genealogy Class
08/22, 2 p.m., *Williamsburg Library*
Fold3 is a premier resource for finding military records from the American Revolution to WWII. In this demo, we'll show you how sign up and learn all about your military ancestors.

Find all of this month's library programs & classes at wrl.org/events

Back to School with Academic Humor



Ivory towers and ivy leagues offer juicy targets for satire. Probably the funniest example of Academic Humor is Kingsley Amis's *Lucky Jim*, the story of a hapless British grad student deciding between a well-marked scholarly path in a small community and the great big unmapped life outside academe. In contrast, Jane Smiley's *Moo* takes on an enormous agricultural school, where no one except the provost's secretary has any clue how the school works. A campus-wide cast of characters gives readers a sense of absurdity while retaining sympathy. In *Dear Committee Members*, Julie Schumacher also manages to balance sarcasm and compassion. Through Jason Fitgur's emails and letters, we learn of his commitment to students and his never-ending battles with a hostile bureaucracy.

Getting into school offers its own set of problems, which is where *Crazy Dad U*, a nonfiction tale of Andrew Ferguson's year of guiding his son through the applications and admissions process, comes in. A painfully funny recap of the entire admissions process, it is a reminder of why so many parents develop gray hair during their child's senior year of high school. For other funny college stories, try Richard Russo's *Straight Man*, Graeme Simsion's *The Rosie Project*, Jon Hassler's *Rookery Blues*, Mark Sampson's *The Slip*, Jean Hampf Korelitz's *Admissions*, Francine Prose's *Blue Angel*, Percival Everett's *Erasure*, and Eric Kester's *That Book about Harvard*.

WRL Foundation Wins Award

Following a dynamic fundraising campaign, the Williamsburg Regional Library Foundation has been recognized with a prestigious national award for their extraordinary efforts in supporting local library services.

The Baker & Taylor/United for Libraries Award for Friends and Library Foundations is given to just two library support groups each year, drawing from a competitive national pool. This award is given for a specific project culminating in the year prior to the award application period, and the groups are judged based on a number of factors including their planning process, implementation and use of resources, innovation and creativity, and the breadth of their community involvement.

This year the project submitted for consideration by the Williamsburg Regional Library on behalf of the Foundation was the capital campaign to support the new library facilities in the Stryker Center. This project began with a minimum fundraising goal of \$525,000, and ultimately surpassed that goal by over \$200,000 for a total of \$770,000 in funds raised. The WRL Foundation was formally recognized for its achievement during a luncheon at the June ALA National Conference and received a prize of \$1,000 donated by Baker & Taylor.



New Digital Magazines at WRL



Starting this summer, WRL is pleased to offer a great selection of new titles in our Zinio downloadable magazine collection available from RBDigital. Recently added titles include: *Bicycling*, *Harper's Bazaar*, *Wired*, *The Week*, and *American Patchwork and Quilting*.

Along with titles available to the library from the Library of Virginia, WRL readers can access 85 digital magazines on topics ranging from food to travel to health to business.

Use the new RBDigital app to download and read magazines on your tablet. Get started at www.wrl.org/zinio and enjoy free access to great magazines to entertain and enrich.