

Programs & Events

JUNE/JULY/AUGUST 2021

Hours

Mon-Thurs: 9 am-8 pm
Fri-Sat: 9 am-5 pm
Sun: Closed

Quincy Public Library

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Reading Colors Your World

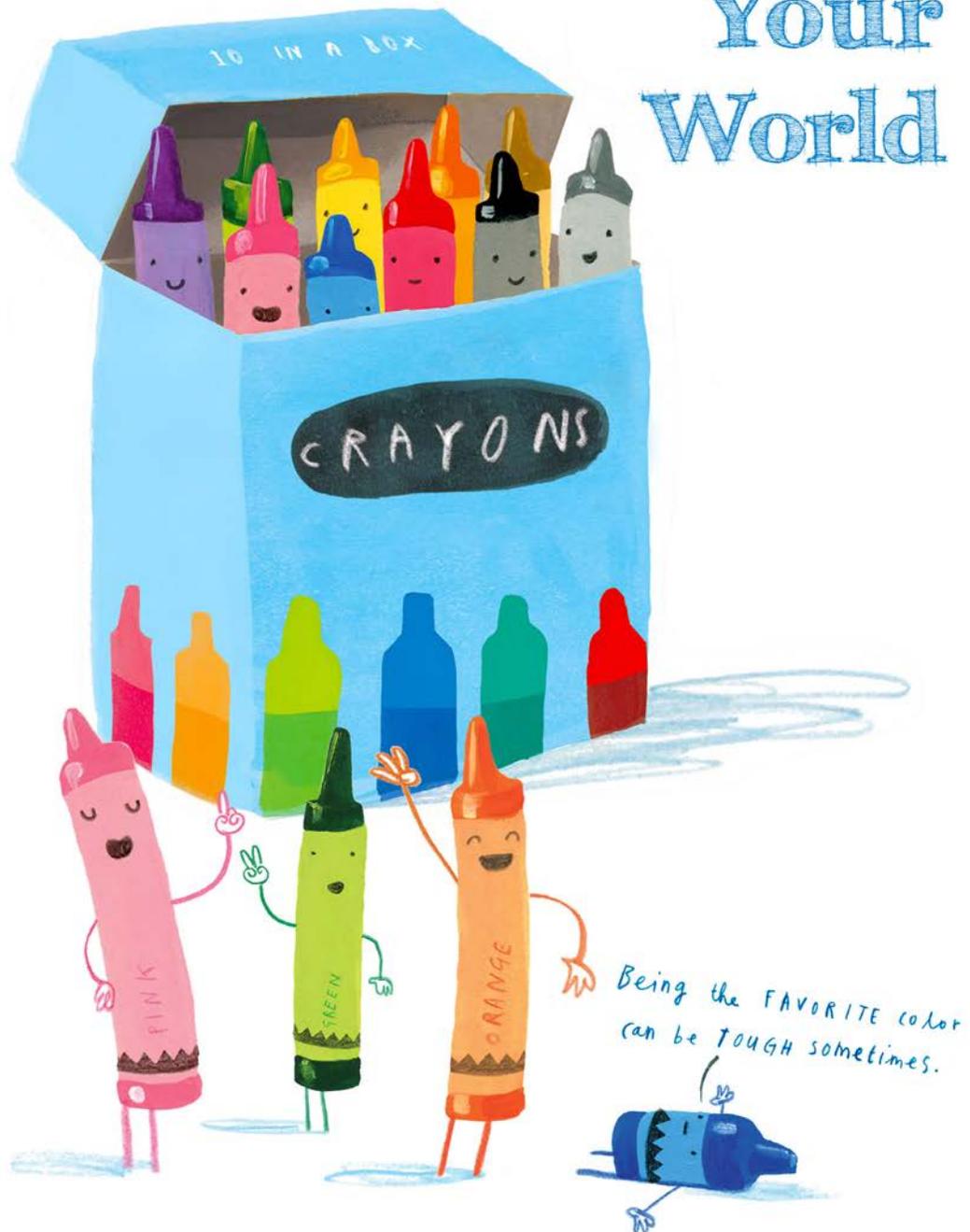


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Summer Reading 2021



The annual summer reading program returns to Quincy Public Library this year! This year's theme, "Reading Colors Your World," focuses on bright colors and the many ways reading can expand your world through kindness, growth, and community. Make reading fun for the whole family this summer at Quincy Public Library! Readers are encouraged to get creative, try new things, and find beauty in diversity. Studies have shown that kids who participate in summer reading programs do better when they return to school. The Library will also be collecting hygiene products for Horizons. Products most helpful are dish soap, liquid body wash, men's deodorant, hand soap, paper towels, and baby wipes. For more information on the Library's Summer Reading Program, visit www.quincylibrary.org or call 217-223-1309.

Summer Reading Kick-Off

Summer Reading programs will start on June 1, and the Library will celebrate the beginning of summer with a kickoff event on Saturday, June 5, with events targeted at all ages.

Author Brent Hickenbottom

June 5 at 9:30 am & 10:30 am

Author Brent Hickenbottom will read his book, "The Youngest Swine: A Three Little Pigs Story." Hickenbottom will answer questions after the story, and kids will get a chance to use materials to build three mini houses to see if they can stand up to the weather featured in the book.

New Moon Movement & Meditation

June 5 at 1 pm

New Moon Movement & Meditation will lead participants through a yoga session and singing bowls presentation.

Color Splash Stations

June 5 at 2 pm

It will be time to get messy with several outdoor events, including balloon painting with darts, tie-dye, and a water balloon fight.

Everyone who comes to the Library on June 5 will be entered to win a door prize to win four tickets to the Quincy Gems game on June 23 and a Gems jersey donated by the Quincy Gems. Library staff will be available to help people get signed up for the Summer Reading Challenge through Beanstack, an online tracking

system available through your smartphone or computer to earn prizes and enter drawings.

Reading Challenge

All ages are invited to participate in QPL's Summer Reading Challenge to read 30 hours in June and July. Those who complete the program will receive a gift card from a local business and can enter to win bikes and prize baskets. Register online at quincylibrary.beanstack.com or download the Beanstack app to your mobile device to start logging time.

Programs & Events

The Library plans to offer over 100 programs and events for all ages in June and July. All Library programs are free and open to the public. Space is limited, and reservations are requested. Register online at www.quincylibrary.org/events or by calling 217-223-1309. For parties of 6 or more, please call 217-223-1309 ext. 505 to register. Registration for June programs will open on May 17, and for July programs will open on June 14.

Chalk the Block

In June, you can help the Library Chalk the Block! Drop into the Children's Department at the Library to pick up a bag of chalk to decorate the sidewalks around the Library. Share photos of your creation on Facebook, Instagram, or Twitter using the hashtag #QPLChalktheBlock

All Ages Programs

All ages are invited to attend these programs! These are designed for adults, teens, children, families, and friends!

Outdoor Photography

June 2 at 6 pm

Join photographer Laura Rheinecker to learn tips and tricks on how to get fun, dynamic photos in nature shot while exploring Quincy's excellent nature spots!

Plant & Natural Dyes Workshop

June 7 at 4 pm

Learn how to dye natural-fiber fabrics with plants from your own backyard, coffee pot, or grocery store! Dyes and equipment will be provided.

Plantable Bookmarks

June 9 at 6 pm

Learn how to make your own paper, talk about sustainability, and be creative with Quincy Public Library by making your own plantable bookmarks with pollinator-friendly seeds!

Nature Trivia

June 12 at 2 pm

Play some fun nature-inspired trivia! Win prizes and check off a milestone on Beanstack! For your first question, how many types of marsupials are there on the North and South American continents?

Book Binding Workshop

June 16 at 6 pm

Learn the traditional art of book-binding at this hands-on event. Materials will be provided to create your own book. This program is recommended for adults, teens, and children who can safely handle scissors & a needle.

Fairy Houses

June 19 at 10 am

Learn how to build your own fairy house! You can bring your own materials or use the materials provided.

Colors of our Community Scavenger Hunt

June 21-26

Get outside and find all the colors of the rainbow in the community murals! Post photos of yourself with each mural and tag the Library and the Quincy Convention & Visitors Bureau.

Eat the Rainbow

June 21 at 4 pm

Plan healthy meals around all the colors of the rainbow to keep your heart and mind healthy with Hannah Cramsey from Blessing Health Systems.

Who We Are & Our Rainbow Symbol

June 23 at 6 pm

Join QPL and the TriState Diversity Coalition to learn about the history of the rainbow flag and what it represents for the LGBTQ+ community!

Pronouns Workshop

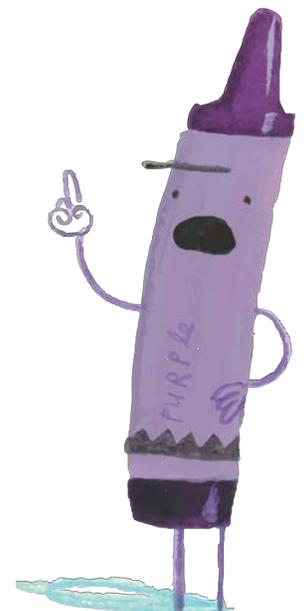
June 24 at 5 pm

Join QPL and TriState Diversity Coalition for a workshop on pronouns for more information on the importance of respecting other's pronouns and the importance of gender-inclusive language!

Rainbow Paper Quilling

June 26 at 10 am & 2 pm

Try your hand at paper quilling by creating a rainbow design. Paper quilling is the art of cutting paper into long thin strips, rolling and pinching the pieces into different shapes to form decorative art.



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Create a Comic Workshop

June 28 at 4 pm

Do comic strips tickle your funny bone? Learn the basics of setting up a comic strip with Elizabeth Swick from the Quincy Art Center. Paper & pens will be provided.

Fairy Tale Terrariums

June 30 at 6 pm

Learn how to make fairytale-inspired terrariums with the Quincy Public Library!

Comic Trivia

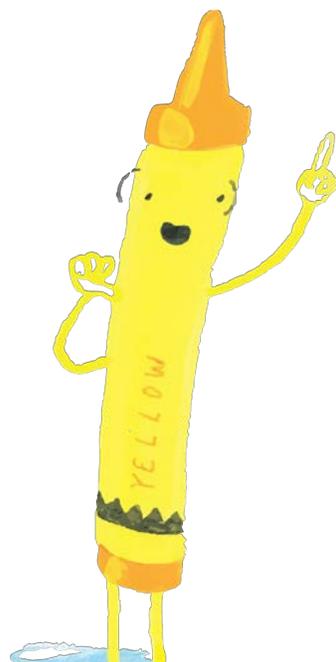
July 3 at 2 pm

Bring your friends to Quincy Public Library and play some comic-inspired trivia! Win prizes and complete a milestone in Beanstack! Trivia Sneak Peak: What superhero grew up on the planet Tamaran?

Podcast Workshop

July 7 at 2:30 pm

Join QPL for a workshop on how best to record, edit, and share your podcast with the rest of the world!



Life-Sized Clue

July 9-10

Join us at the Library to solve a murder and have fun with life-size Clue!

International Art: Feast of Lanterns

July 12 at 4 pm

Celebrate the festival of lights by creating a Japanese lantern craft. Materials and battery-operated tea lights will be provided.

Book Cover Clay Earring Workshop

July 14 at 6 pm

Design your favorite book cover in clay - model, trim, and press your design into clay, then take it home to bake. This workshop will show you how to make earrings, but the techniques can be used for many other projects as well.

Greetings from foreign lands

July 17

Test your knowledge of greetings from other countries! Match the flag to the country and learn to say 'Good Morning, Good Day, and Good Night'

Color a Smile

July 19-24

Celebrate Volunteer Week by coloring smiles and writing notes to residents in our local assisted living facilities. Visit the Reference desk for paper, crayons, markers, and supplies to create the happiest smiles, notes, and messages to share.

Smiles will be collected all week long, then shared with residents all over Quincy.

Leo the Lion Mosaic Challenge

July 28 at 6 pm

Show off your art skills by assisting in a team-made mosaic of Leo the Library Lion!

Book Trivia

July 31 at 2 pm

Join QPL and Quincy Trivia to send off Summer Reading 2021 with some book trivia! Can you guess the best seller based on its bad description?

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Children's Programs

Magnificent Mondays

Mondays at 6 pm

This weekly program is designed for children ages 3-6 years old, but all are welcome to attend.

June 7: Nature - Move through four stations to create a bird's nest, explore a nature collection kit, plant a seed in a biodegradable planter, and explore outdoor garden themes using a roller and play-doh.

June 14: Little Explorers: Dinosaurs - Excavate a dinosaur, make a fossil, sort fossils, and more!

June 21: Rainbows - Children will paint a rainbow, conduct an experiment, and create colorful wax art.

June 28: Little Explorers: Sea Life - Participants will get to play a feeding the shark game, shell identification, kinetic sand, a crabby craft, and more in our sea life-themed stations!

July 12: Cultures of the World - Explore different cultures and learn about the fascinating lives of people worldwide!

July 19: Little Explorers: Space - We will have several stations set up to learn about space, including constellation crafts, explore the moon's phases, and more at this out-of-the-world program!

July 26: Sensory Exploration - With several hands-on stations, kids can explore how things feel, look, and smell as we explore our senses!

Storytime

Tuesdays at 10 am

Introduce your child to the excitement of live storytelling at our storytime. Storytime incorporates thematic books, music, and more during 45-minute sessions. This program is designed for children ages 18 months to 5 years old.



Tween Scene

Thursdays at 3:30 pm

This weekly program is designed for children ages 9-12 years old.

June 3: Sharpie Tie Dye T-Shirts - We will be creating tie-dye-inspired t-shirts using Sharpie markers and rubbing alcohol. *Participants need to bring a clean white t-shirt to this program.*

June 10: Owl Pellets - We will be learning about Barn Owls. Participants will dissect an owl pellet. Owl pellets contain indigestible parts of the prey owls eat.

June 17: Tape Art & Zentagles - Flex your artistic muscles by learning about the art of the zentangle before creating your own zentangle. After your zentangle you will create tape art!

June 24: Jen Stark Art - Jen Stark's art is driven by her interest in conceptualizing visual systems to simulate plant growth, evolution, infinity, fractals, mimetic topographies, and sacred geometries. Using paper, scissors, and other supplies, participants will create their own art inspired by Stark.

July 1: Comic Workshop - St. Louis based art instructor, Todd Tevlin, will teach us how to create our own comics. Topics include character design, speech bubbles, sound effects, panel layout, and the creation of their very own comic.

July 8: Game Day - This week will be all about fun and games as there will be various games to play like Skipbo, Jenga, Phase 10, Taboo, Colorbrain, and Unstable Unicorns.

July 15: An Amazing Race Around the World - Join us for a geography-themed digital escape room. This is an interactive activity in which teams will use clues to solve challenges and unlock "digital locks."

July 22: Kindness Rocks! - Tweens will decorate rocks with paint that you will then give to other people. This random act of kindness can make someone's day!

July 29: Woven CD Dream Catcher - Tweens will turn an old CD/DVD into an artful dream catcher using yarn, feathers, and beads. We will discuss the origin of dream catchers while creating.

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Babytime

Thursdays at 10 am

Baby Time is a lap-sit storytime for babies (birth-18 months) and their parents/caregivers, including books, rhymes, and songs.

Friends & Family Time

Thursdays at 6 pm

This program is designed for families to do activities together.

June 3: Chalk the Block - Help us Chalk the Block! We will meet in the children's theater and then go outside and decorate the sidewalk with chalk.

June 10: Exploring Dirt - Robin Thomson from the Adams County Extension Office will talk about the layers of dirt as you make an edible dirt layer treat!

June 17: Family Paint Night - Rebecca Butler, owner of The Budding Artist in Quincy, will offer a guided painting class at the Library!

June 24: Faux Stained Glass Suncatcher - Participants will create a faux stain glass suncatcher.

July 1: Drive-In Movie - Bring your own cardboard box to transform into a car. Then park in our Children's Theater to watch a few Pixar short films.

July 8: Game Night - Games can help children develop their logic and reasoning skills, improve critical thinking and boost spatial reasoning.

July 15: Explore the Continents - Play an animal and continent matching game, try your luck with making the continents out of clay, and explore sensory bins.

July 22: Kindness Jars - Create a kindness jar, paint rocks that they give to people to spark kindness, color a kindness coloring sheet, and stop by the reading nook to read books about kindness.

July 29: Sounds of the Harp with Sarah Boren - Learn the history of the harp, listen to Sarah Boren play music on her harp, and pluck a few strings.

Fantabulous Fridays

Fridays at 10 am

This program is designed for children ages 6-9, but all are welcome to attend.

June 4: Spray Painted T-Shirt - Create a one-of-a-kind t-shirt using painter's tape to create a design before spray painting colors on the shirt. *Participants need to bring a clean white t-shirt to this program.*

June 11: Animal Habitats - Learn about animal habitats before creating animal houses out of supplies provided.

June 18: Wind Chimes & DIY Bookmarks - Paint a wooden wind chime. While the wind chime is starting to dry, use gel pens to create your own bookmark!

June 25: Geometric Watercolors - Participants will create a geometric watercolor picture and learn about shapes and geometry.

July 2: Create Your Own Superhero - Flex your creative muscles by creating your own superhero. Use comic book template pages to create your own comic book.

July 9: Game Day! - This week, we will break out the board games and card games for a little friendly competition!

July 16: Where in the World is This Landmark? - Do you know where The Eifel Tower is located? Join us to play a matching game with a map and landmarks to see if you know "where in the world" the landmark is located!

July 23: Kindness Jars - Participants will create a kindness jar, paint rocks that they give to people to spark kindness, color a kindness coloring sheet, and stop by the reading nook to read books about kindness.

July 30: Create Art with Sharpie Markers - For our first project, we will use Sharpies and rubbing alcohol to create a watercolor coaster. Our second project will have us drawing with Sharpie markers on aluminum foil.



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Teen Programs

Teen Tuesdays & Thursdays

Tuesdays & Thursdays at 2:30 pm

Every Tuesday and Thursday at 2:30 pm, the Nintendo Switch, Jackbox Games, and board games will be set up in the Large Meeting Room. Teens can take some time out to relax, gather with friends, or play games.

Zine Workshop

June 16 at 2:30 pm

A zine is a small batch magazine-like publication made on various topics, including music, art, politics, humor, education, and the self as a form of self-expression and artistic passion. Content can be written, drawn, printed, collaged, or any other form of combining words and images!

Hour of Code

June 19 at 2 pm

Coding is an important skill to have and can be learned in a lot of fun ways! Computers will be first come, first serve, so if possible, please bring your own device and headphones.

International Trivia: Snacks Edition

July 16 at 2:30 pm

Take your chance to win some worldly treats by guessing what country they come from!

Teen Movie Night

July 28 at 4 pm

Celebrate the end of summer with a movie night! Join QPL in watching Onward and enjoy some great snacks!

Paint a Camp Bead

July 30 at 2:30 pm

Have a lovely keepsake from Summer Reading 2021.



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August Programs

Monday Funday

Mondays at 6 pm

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August 2: Dance Party

August 9: Play Date

August 16: Process Art

August 23: Dance Party

August 30: Play Date

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Friends & Family Time

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This program is designed for children ages 6-9 and families to do activities together.

August 5: Game Night

August 12: STEM Fun

August 19: Create

August 23: Dance Party

August 26: Move It, Move It

Super Saturday

August 14 & August 28 at 10 am

Join us at Super Saturdays for books, music, and more during the 45-minute session. This program is targeted at ages 18 months to 5 years old, but all are welcome to attend.

Creativity Corner

Saturday, August 7 at 9:30 am & 2 pm

Creativity Corner is a drop-in program for all ages focused on creativity and community. Coloring sheets for all ages and abilities will be provided. Books and supplies are available to create your own Art Journal - turning a book into a work of art using markers, stamps, stickers, and more! A variety of art supplies will be available for patrons to use in creating personal creations.

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All About Bats

Wednesday, August 11 at 6 pm

Did you know bats are responsible for eating thousands of mosquitos every year? Did you know they help pollinate plants and spread seeds, too? Find out how to support bat populations or at least recognize the benefits they offer with Chuck DeVerger, a volunteer from the Quincy Museum.

Programs are color-coded:

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Adult Discussion Groups

Book Clubs

Bookies

June 2: *The Book Charmer* by Karen Hawkins
July 7: *The Paris Library* by Janet Skeslien Charles
August 4: *Midnight at the Blackbird Cafe* by Heather Webber

This group offers a traditional book discussion atmosphere meeting the first Wednesday at 1:30 pm in the Small Conference Room.

Renaissance Readers

June 8: *Kindred* by Octavia Butler
July 13: *The Jungle* by Upton Sinclair
August 10: *Bad Indians: a tribal memoir* by Deborah Miranda

The Renaissance Readers discuss a variety of books with an intellectual view. They meet on the second Tuesday at 10 am in the Small Conference Room.

Unshelved

June 9: *The Turn of the Key* by Ruth Ware
July 14: *My Grandfather Would have Shot Me* by Jennifer Teege and Nikola Sellmair
August 11: *The Gifted School* by Bruce Holsinger

This lighthearted group enjoys a wide variety of books. They meet on the second Wednesday at 1 pm in the Small Conference Room.

All Over the Page

June 15: *Red Mountain* by Boo Walker
July 20: *Chasing Fireflies* by Charles Martin
August 17: *Miss Benson's Beetle* by Rachel Joyce

Known for wild book choices, this group meets the third Tuesday at 7 pm at a local restaurant.

Socrates Cafe

June 11: Telepathy
July 9: TBD
August 13: TBD

Everyone is a philosopher, and everyone is welcome to exchange thoughtful ideas and experiences. Socrates Cafe meets at 10 am the second Friday of each month in the QPL Large Meeting Room.

Candid Conversations

June 12: How sugar affects the brain
July 17: TBD
August 21: TBD

Candid Conversations is designed for open, honest, respectful discussion among participants. Each meeting begins with a short video. The group meets on the third Saturday of each month at 10 am in the QPL Large Meeting Room.

Genealogy Help

Tuesdays at 9 am-noon

QPL has many resources for genealogists, including local history material in the Illinois Room and digital resources. The Great River Genealogical Society will assist you with your research every Tuesday from 9 am to noon in the Illinois Room.

Tech Tutor

By Appointment

Are you baffled by technology? Book a free, private tutoring session to get help with your questions so that you can get your work done. During your reserved appointment time, QPL staff members can help you learn or improve the digital skills. Call 217-223-1309 ext. 502 to set up an appointment.

Additional Services

Downloads & Streaming

Take the Library with you anywhere 24/7 with our download and streaming services. Visit www.quincylibrary.org/ebooks to get started. Log in with your library card and start browsing!

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Biblioboard

Classics and curated collections of eBooks available for download.

Flipster Digital Magazines

View magazines online or download the Flipster app for offline viewing.

Freegal Music

Download 3 songs per week and stream three hours per day of ad-free music.

Hoopla

Instantly stream or temporarily download audiobooks, movies, TV shows, or music.

Kanopy

Stream thousands of documentaries, classic, and indie films. Also includes Kanopy Kids with content from PBS and the History Channel.

Overdrive/Libby

Choose from thousands of eBooks and audiobooks for a variety of devices for all ages.

Grab & Go Hold Lockers

QPL offers hold lockers so you can pick up your items when and where it's convenient for you. Lockers are located outside the Library, at County Market (48th & Broadway), Lincoln-Douglas School, and Iles School. Call us at 217-223-1309 to request your item and pick-up location or select your pick-up location when you place a hold online.

Home Delivery Service

Home delivery service is available to any Library patron temporarily or permanently unable to visit the library. We can deliver any material in our collection, including books, DVDs, CDs, and audiobooks. You can request specific titles or tell us your preferences, and we will make selections for you. We will deliver to homes or senior care facilities. Call 217-223-1309 ext. 504 to get started!

Notary Service

Did you know that Quincy Public Library offers notary service for free? Notary service is available during most library hours, but please call ahead to ensure a notary is available at 217-223-1309.

Secondhand Prose

Visit the area's only used bookstore, located just inside the Library! Secondhand Prose is open Tuesdays from 10 am to 7 pm, and Wednesday-Saturday from 10 am to 4 pm. Snag a bargain on gently used books, CDs, and more! They are now accepting donations during their open hours. Secondhand Prose is run by the Friends of the Library. All proceeds benefit Quincy Public Library.

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Donations from patrons like you bring QPL's vibrant resources to our area residents and help to build a stronger Quincy. From early childhood literacy to digital resources, the library is a vibrant community resource for lifelong learning. Your support today will allow QPL to continue services for future generations. Visit quincylibrary.org/donate or call 217-223-1309 to make a donation.

Wifi

Public wifi is available at QPL. The wireless password is **qplibrary**.

QPL will be closed on Monday, July 5, 2021 for Independence Day.