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Wesmark: 469-8110 Hrs. 10-6, M-F

South Sumter: 775-7132 Hrs. 10-2 M-F

# 2024 Summer Reading Challenge

June 3rd – July 25th

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# About 2024 Summer Reading Challenges

From June 3rd – July 25th

To participate, register at any location for one of our summer reading challenges, or online at [sumtercountylibrary.beanstack.org](https://sumtercountylibrary.beanstack.org)

**Early Reader Challenge** ages 0—4

**Children Reading Challenge** ages 5 – 11

**Teen Reading Challenge** ages 12 – 17

Pick up your tote bags, reading logs, and bookmarks at any location.

Set a goal to read 20 minutes a day for 30 days.

Record the time you spend reading on Beanstack at [sumtercountylibrary.beanstack.org](https://sumtercountylibrary.beanstack.org) or your reading log.



Visit any Sumter County Library Location before **July 25th @ 6:00 pm** and let us know you have completed your challenge to claim your prize and be entered for a chance to win a grand prize.

**Please join us for our Summer Reading Program activities.**



**Children and Tween** (7 prizes)  
(5— 11)

**Explore Kit**

**Lego Creation Retro Roller Skate**

**Early Readers** (6 prizes)  
(0— 2) **Squashy Friends**  
(3— 4) **Magnetic Trains**



**Teens** (2 Prizes)  
(12— 17)


**MATEIN Backpack & Ticket for Lock Clock and Peril Escape Rooms**

(ticket includes a parent/guardian)



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
 <p><b>This June,</b> Sign up for the Summer Reading Challenge -Story Stroll @ the <u>Wesmark Branch</u> :Take &amp; Make craft - Craft a Tent @ The <u>Main Branch</u> Children's Department</p>			
2	3 <b>Summer Reading Challenge begins!</b> sign up at any location and get your reading log!	4	5 <b>Family Movie at Main:</b> Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Mutant Mayhem <b>Main</b> 10:30 AM & 3 PM <b>PG</b>
9	10 <b>*Crafting with the Family</b> Father's Day Picture Frame <b>Main 3 PM</b> <b>All ages</b>	11 <b>*Bee-Bot Robotics</b> <b>Main 10:30 AM</b> <b>6 -12</b>	12 <b>Family Movie at Main:</b> Puss In Boots : The Last Wish <b>Main</b> 10:30 AM & 3 PM <b>PG</b>
16 	17 <b>*Family Game Time</b> <b>Main 3PM</b> <b>All ages</b>	18 <b>*Building a Rigamajig</b> <b>South Sumter</b> 10:30 AM <b>6&amp; up</b>  <b>*Cool &amp; Easy Origami</b> <b>Wesmark 3:30 PM</b> <b>6&amp; up</b>	19 <b>Movie at Main:</b> Dungeons & Dragons: Honor Among Thieves <b>Main</b> 10:30 AM & 3 PM <b>PG - 13</b>
23	24 	25 <b>*Read, Learn to Grow Vegetables</b> <b>Main</b> 10:30 AM <b>All ages</b>	26 <b>TaleWise Science Heroes</b> <b>Main 1:30 PM</b> <b>All ages</b> 

Programs marked with \*require registration.

Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>Main:</b> 773-7273 Hrs. 10-6, M-F, Sat 10-2 <b>Wesmark:</b> 469-8110 Hrs. 10-6, M-F <b>South Sumter:</b> 775-7132 Hrs. 10-2 M-F	
6 <b>*South Carolina State Aquarium</b> <b>Main 10:30 AM</b> <b>Wesmark 3:00 PM</b> <b>All ages</b> 	7 <b>*Family Game Time:</b> <b>South Sumter 10:30 AM</b> <b>All ages</b>  <b>Family Movie at Wesmark</b> Lyle Lyle The Crocodile <b>Wesmark 3:30 PM</b> <b>PG</b>	8 <b>Read to Me :Therapy Dogs</b> <b>Main 11 AM</b> <b>All ages</b>
13 <b>*Teen Game Club</b> Board Games Meet Up <b>Main 3 PM</b> <b>12-18</b>	14 <b>*Storytime and Craft</b> <b>Wesmark 10:30 AM</b> <b>0-6</b>	15 <b>STEAM Toys</b> <b>Main 11 AM</b> <b>All ages</b>
20 <b>*Build &amp; Fly a KITE</b> <b>Wesmark</b> 10:30 AM <b>6 &amp; up</b>  <b>*Teen Art Club:</b> Bad Art <b>Main 3 PM</b> <b>12-18</b>	21 <b>Family Movie at Wesmark:</b> Guillermo Del Toro's Pinocchio <b>Wesmark 3:30 PM</b> <b>PG</b>	22 <b>*Building a Rigamajig</b> <b>Main 10:30 AM</b> <b>6&amp; up</b>
27 <b>*Building a Rigamajig</b> <b>Wesmark 10:30 AM</b> <b>6&amp; up</b>	28 <b>*Storytime and Craft,</b> <b>Wesmark 10:30 AM</b> <b>0-6</b>	29

 **Performances** from SC State Aquarium & TaleWise



# July 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
<b>For July:</b> - Story Stroll @ the <b>Wesmark Branch</b> :Take & Make craft - Scavenger Hunt @ The <b>Main Branch</b> Children's Library		2 <b>*Lowe's Build and Grow</b> Toolbox <b>Wesmark</b> 10:30 AM 6-12	3 <b>Family Movie at Main:</b> Spider-Man: Across the Spider-Verse <b>Main</b> 10:30 AM & 3 PM PG
7	8 <b>*Crafting with the Family:</b> Bottle Fire Flies <b>Main</b> 3 PM All ages	9 <b>*Lowe's Build and Grow</b> Garden Cart Planter <b>Wesmark</b> 10:30 AM 6-12	10 <b>Family Movie at Main:</b> The Super Mario Bros Movie <b>Main</b> 10:30 AM & 3 PM PG
14	15 <b>*Family Game Time:</b> <b>Main</b> 3 PM All ages	16 <b>*Painting with Micheal Hodge</b> <b>Wesmark</b> 10:30 AM 6-12	17 <b>Family Movie at Main:</b> Elemental <b>Main</b> 10:30 AM & 3 PM PG
21	22 <b>Books-A-Million Bingo for Books</b> <b>Wesmark</b> 10:30 AM All ages	23 <b>*Family Game Time:</b> <b>South Sumter</b> 10:30 AM All ages	24 <b>Movie at Main:</b> Barbie <b>Main</b> 10:30 AM & 3 PM PG - 13
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Thursday	Friday	Saturday
4 <b>Happy Independence day</b> Library Closed 	5 <b>Family Movie at Wesmark:</b> Ron Gone Wrong <b>Wesmark</b> 3:30 PM PG	6 
11 <b>*Teen Game Club</b> Video games Co-op Tournament <b>Main</b> 3 PM 12-18	12 <b>* Roper Mountain</b> <b>Main</b> 10:30 AM and 11:45 AM <b>Wesmark</b> 2:30 PM and 3:45 PM 6 and Up 	13 <b>Read to Me-Therapy Dogs</b> <b>Main</b> 11 AM All ages
18 <b>* Yarn Art</b> <b>Wesmark</b> 10:30 AM 6-12 <b>*Teen Art Club:</b> Shadow Box <b>Main</b> 3 PM 12-18	19 <b>*Crafting with the Family:</b> Bottle Fire Flies <b>South Sumter</b> 10:30 AM All ages <b>Family Movie at Wesmark:</b> Lightyear <b>Wesmark</b> 3:30 PM PG	20 <b>STEAM Toys</b> <b>Main</b> 11 AM All ages
25 <b>Last Day of Summer Reading Program</b> Bring in your completed reading log for a prize! <b>ANY BRANCH</b>	26 Prize Drawing. <b>Winners for Raffle Announced On</b> Facebook and sumtercountylibrary.org	27



Performances from Roper Mountain



## Movies at the Library

### June



#### Family Movie at Main (PG)

10:30 AM & 3:00 PM

#### June 5

Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Mutant Mayhem

June 12 Puss In Boots : The Last Wish

#### Movie at Main (PG-13)

10:30 AM & 3:00 PM

#### June 19

Dungeons & Dragons: Honor Among Thieves



#### Family Movie at Wesmark (PG)

3:30 PM

#### June 7

Lyle Lyle The Crocodile

#### June 21

Guillermo Del Toro's Pinocchio



### July



#### Family Movie at Main (PG)

10:30 AM & 3:00 PM

July 3 Spider-Man: Across the Spider-Verse

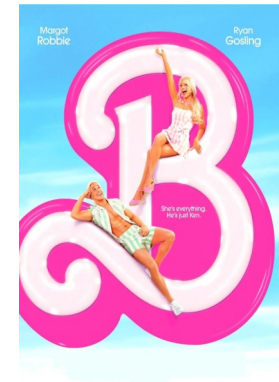
July 10 The Super Mario Bros Movie

July 17 Elemental

#### Movie at Main (PG-13)

10:30 AM & 3PM

July 24 Barbie



#### Family Movie at Wesmark (PG)

3:30 PM

July 5 Ron Gone Wrong

July 19 Lightyear

Movies donated by Music Gator facebook.com/musicgator

## Program Descriptions



### Performances

#### June

**\*South Carolina State Aquarium** South Carolina Aquarium presents their 2024 Summer Outreach Program about exploring our natural world and the animals that live in it. <all ages>

**June 6**

**Main 10:30 AM**

**Wesmark 3:00 PM**

\*Registration Required

**TaleWise Science Heroes: Adventure of the Lost Treasure 2024 Summer Program** an interactive story with hands on science demonstrations. <all ages>

**June 26**

**Main 1:30 PM**

#### July

**\*Roper Mountain Science Center Builder Workshop: The Great Coaster Challenge** work together as theme park engineers to build a prototype roller coaster. Teams will have a chance to demonstrate their roller coaster prototypes and evaluate them as a group. <7 and up>

**July 12**

**Main 10:30 AM & 11:45 AM**

**Wesmark 2:30 PM & 3:45 PM**

\*Registration Required



## Games and Crafts

**\*Family Game Time** A great way to spend time with the family and share your favorite games with the kids as they learn valuable skills for the future.

<all ages>

**South Sumter June 7 10:30 AM**

**Main June 17 3 PM**

**Main July 15 3 PM**

**South Sumter July 23 10:30 AM**

\*Registration Required

### \*Crafting with the Family

**Fathers Day Picture Frame:** help foster your child's creativity by building a log cabin picture frame for Father's Day. <all ages>

**Main June 10 3PM**

\*Registration Required

**Fire Fly:** Help foster your child's creativity by building a fun summer craft; glowing fire flies made from water bottles. <all ages>

**Main July 8 3 PM**

**South Sumter July 19 10:30 AM**

Family Game Time and Crafting with the family were made possible by a Library Services and Technology Act grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services, administered by the South Carolina State Library.

**\*Rigamajig** Work in teams to build simple wooden machines with a Rigamajig building kit, which includes planks, wheels, pulleys, nuts, bolts, and rope. Lets all build something cool together. <6 & up>

**South Sumter June 18 10:30 AM**

**Main June 22 10:30 AM**

**Wesmark June 27 10:30 AM**

\*Registration Required

**To register for a program call or visit the library hosting it.**  
If unable to attend, please contact us to cancel your registration.

## Wesmark

### All Month Activities

#### June

**June Story Stroll:** Take an adventurous stroll around the Wesmark Library while reading 'El Perro Con Sombrero' by Derek Taylor Kent (bilingual) . Take home a craft after completing the story stroll.

#### July

**Story Stroll:** Take an adventurous stroll around the Wesmark Library while reading 'What the Ladybird Heard' by Julia Donaldson Take home a craft after completing the story stroll.

**Adventure** thru **50 states** to see **50 landmarks** along the story strolls in June & July.

### Recurring Activities

**\*Storytime & Craft** Listen to stories, sing, and make a craft to take home.<0-6y>

**Wesmark**      **June 14 & 28**      10:30 AM

\*Registration Required

**\*Build and Grow with Lowe's** Build a tool box or garden cart planter with Build and Grow project kits provided by Lowe's. <6 & up>

**Wesmark**      **July 2 & July 9**      10:30 AM

\*Registration Required

### Stand-alone Activities

**\*Cool & Easy Origami** The Japanese craft of folding a simple sheet of paper into a work of art. <6 & up>

**Wesmark**      **June 18**      3:30 PM

\*Registration Required

**\*Build & Fly a Kite** Come build and fly your own kite & learn about the science of flight . <6 & up>

**Wesmark**      **June 20**      10:30 AM

\*Registration Required

**\*Painting with Michael Hodge** Explore your artistic side and learn how to paint with our local artist and owner of local Art studio, Sip and Gogh. <6-12>

**Wesmark**      **July 16**      10:30 AM

\*Registration Required

**\*Yarn Art** Learn how to go beyond yarn to create artsy projects. <6 & up>

**Wesmark**      **July 18**      10:30 AM

\*Registration Required

**Books-A-Million Bingo for Books** Play Bingo and win a book supplied by Books-A-Million. <all ages>

**Wesmark**      **July 22**      10:30 AM

### Wesmark

180 W Wesmark Blvd, Sumter, SC 29150

(803) 469-8110

Hrs. 10-6, M-F



## Main—Downtown

### All Month Events

#### June

**Craft a Tent:** Craft a small tent to start your adventure in the library, or pick up supplies to craft at home.

#### July

**Scavenger Hunt:** Can you find all twelve objects hidden in the children's area? Winners take home a craft.

### Events

**Read to me Therapy Dogs** Come join us and read to a furry friend who loves a good story. <All Ages>

June 8 11 AM

July 13 11 AM

**\*Bee-Bot Robotics** Bee-Bots are programmable robots that introduce the basic concepts of coding. <6 -12>

June 11 10:30 AM

\*Registration Required

**STEAM Toys** Enjoy some play time with a wide variety of educational toys while making new friends <All ages >

June 15 11 AM

July 20 11 AM

**\*Read, Learn and Grow Veggies!** Come learn where our food comes from and how to plant vegetables with Sumter Soil. <All Ages>

June 25 10:30 AM

\*Registration Required



## Teen Clubs

This summer we are kicking off a series of teen programs that will continue year round, where teens can meet other teens with similar interests. <12-18>

These activities were made possible by a Library Services and Technology Act grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services, administered by the South Carolina State Library.

### Teen Game Club

**\*Board Game Meetup** Kick-off the Teen Game Club. We will be playing some new and popular board games such as Wavelength and Hues and Cues.

Main June 13 3PM

\*Registration Required

**\*Video Games Co-op Tournament** Participate in our Co-Op Tournament where we will play Over Cooked and Moving Out and find the best team.

Main July 11 3PM

\*Registration Required

### Teen Art Club

**\*Bad Art** Kick-off the Teen Art Club. We're making art and we don't care if it's any good. An opportunity to create without criticism. Make something to take home or decorate the teen section.

Main June 20 3PM

\*Registration Required

**\*Shadow Box** Make a shadow box that represents you or someone you care about. Bring objects from home or pick from our provided craft supplies. Shadow box frames and scrapbook paper provided.

Main July 18 3PM

\*Registration Required

Main

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