

The 2015 Summer Library Reading Program is Happening Now in Delaware!

✘ The [Delaware Division of Libraries](#) and all [public libraries in Delaware](#) invite children, teens, and adults to join the 2015 Summer Library Reading program! Themes for this year are “Every Hero has a Story” for kids, “Unmask” for teens, and “Escape the Ordinary” for adults. Registration is free and incentive prizes are awarded based on reading milestones.

“The Summer Library Reading Program is a lighthearted way to approach the serious topic of summer learning loss,” said State Librarian, Dr. Annie Norman. “Studies have shown that children who participate in public library summer reading programs score higher on reading achievement tests at the beginning of the new school year, experience less summer reading loss, and begin the school year with more confidence.”

Throughout the summer, libraries will be presenting a variety of fun and educational STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math), art, and cultural programs.

The following three programs for children will be presented at libraries throughout the state; visit <http://guides.lib.de.us/heroes> for more information:

Act!vated Story Theatre: They don’t just tell stories, they act!vate them with physical comedy, audience participation, American Sign Language and imaginative props; staged by professional actors and young “guest stars” from your community before a gigantic oversized book. Each show promotes reading and a love for literature. In partnership with the Delaware Division of the Arts.

Tom Crawl, Comedy Ventriloquist: Puppeteer and ventriloquist,

Tom Crowl, has a satchel of mischievous “friends” who, through the use of their imaginations, become out-of-the-ordinary super heroes, fighting evil in fantastically funny ways. From sharing hero stories to solving clues with the help of the audience, “Super Quack and Library Dragon” will keep everyone guessing. In partnership with the Delaware Division of the Arts.

Heroes All Around: The Delaware Aerospace Education Foundation is bringing facts and fun designed to inspire the next generation of heroes! Navigate your way to exploration and adventure with magnetic forces, use pattern blocks to design a vehicle fit for a hero, and see how homemade stethoscopes can help you listen to your heart. Learn about air pressure and gravity by making a super hero helicopter! You and your child will see a collection of NASA mission pins and your young hero will use a paper bag and their imagination to make a space helmet and a space mission patch. Programs address a variety of State science standards: Science Standard 1 – Nature and Application of Science and Technology, Science Standard 2 – Materials and Their Properties, Science Standard 3 – Energy and Its Effects, Science Standard 4 – Earth in Space, Science Standard 6 – Life Processes.

About:

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