

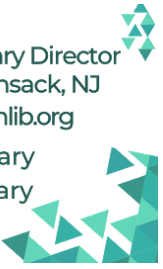


Johnson Public Library

The community's destination for discovery,
learning, and making connections.

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April 2020: Virtual Library Cards, Services & Events @ Hackensack's Johnson Public Library

Subscribe to JPL's e-newsletter for updates on events & services at: johnsonlib.org/sign-up

Virtual Library Cards

JPL and BCCLS (the Bergen County Cooperative Library System) are taking steps to help patrons who don't have a library card register for a special virtual library card. This virtual library card provides access to eBooks, eAudiobooks, and eMagazines. JPL patrons will also be given access to streaming movies, music, and TV shows! (Patrons who already have JPL library cards can already use them to access all of this digital content.) How it works:

1. Anyone who is a resident of one of the 77 towns served by BCCLS can apply for a virtual library card here: <https://www.bccls.org/digitalcards.php>
2. After registering, patrons will receive a temporary library card number via email or text.
 - If the patron lives in Hackensack, their library card will be upgraded and they will receive an email with their new JPL library card number. This upgraded card will provide access to all of the digital content available through BCCLS and JPL.
 - If the patron doesn't live in Hackensack, they can use their temporary library card to access digital content through BCCLS. They can also reach out to their local library to see if they have more library card options.

Library Wifi Available

The library may not be open, but the library's wifi is still open and available! As per the Hackensack Office of Emergency Management, "Johnson Public Library's wifi is open. Residents are permitted to park in the library's staff lot at 275 Moore Street if they would like to use it."

Assistance by Email (and soon by phone!)

Library staff are available Monday-Saturday to answer questions from the public via email - think of it as our virtual help desk! Questions can be sent to: help@johnsonlib.org. We are also taking steps to be available for questions by phone - please stay tuned for updates!

Digital Collections

Discover and enjoy new titles with JPL's digital collections - for FREE! You can use your JPL library card to access our eBooks, eAudiobooks, streaming movies, and more from the comfort of your own home!

- Borrow eBooks and eAudiobooks on Overdrive (or Libby on certain devices). Get started here: <http://johnsonlib.org/adults/digital/ebooks/>
- Borrow a plethora of magazines on RBDigital. Get started here: <http://johnsonlib.org/adults/digital/rbdigital-magazines/>
- Borrow movies, music, eBooks, eAudiobooks, TV shows, and comics on Hoopla. Get started here: <http://johnsonlib.org/adults/digital/hoopla-digital/>

NEW SERVICES

Book Fix

Looking for your next great reading fix? Get personalized recommendations from a JPL Librarian - for all ages! Fill out a form at <http://johnsonlib.org/bookfix> and you'll receive a list of suggestions in 2-3 business days. Happy reading!

Lectura Personalizada

¿Buscando su próxima lectura? Complete este formulario para obtener recomendaciones personalizadas de un bibliotecario de JPL: <http://johnsonlib.org/bookfix> Lectura Personalizada le enviará un correo electrónico con los títulos que coinciden con sus intereses y preferencias.

Resume Remedy

The Resume Remedy is a handy and easy to fill out form you can use to send all your details to a JPL librarian to be formatted into a stellar resume. Don't fumble around on your smartphone any longer! Please allow three business days to receive your shiny new resume. Service limited to Hackensack residents. Fill out a form here: <http://johnsonlib.org/resumeremedy>

FOR ADULTS

Crafting with Cathy

Wednesdays at 12pm

This video series is designed to engage your creative side - using things you probably already have on hand. Join us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/JohnsonPublicLibrary> or Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/johnsonpubliclibrary/>

Your Family, Your Future: Balancing your Financial Goals with Your Family's Needs

Thursday, April 9, 12-1pm

Jonathan Barrett, Certified Financial Planner from AXA Advisors, will host a virtual program with a focus on financial planning for families, especially during this volatile time in the market due to COVID-19. This presentation will cover basic protection strategies (establishing a will, life insurance, etc), debt management, basic college funding overview, long-term retirement planning, and more! Jonathan has over 11 years of experience in the financial industry and has attended both The Harvard and Wharton Schools of Business. Questions? Email

cathy@johnsonlib.org or call 201-343-4169 x22. Register or learn more here:
<https://bccls.libcal.com/event/6634936>

Virtual Discussion: POV-América

Thursday, April 16, 7-8pm

Please join us for an online discussion of the POV (Point of View) documentary, América. Participants should watch the movie and be prepared to discuss it at the time of the program. Life's easy for Diego, who works in a surf shop and performs on the boardwalk for tourists. Yet when his grandmother América injures herself, and his father (América's sole caretaker) is imprisoned for negligence, Diego returns to his hometown of Colima, Mexico, to care for her with his brothers. Caught between love and obligation, the eccentric trio clash over money, communication, and the considerable challenge of caregiving.

Watch the documentary here: <https://www.amdoc.org/watch/america/>

This program will be held via Zoom - please register here:

<https://zoom.us/meeting/register/uZEofu-uqjsrpUZ3EldyXHZgQITIM2-1q>

Questions? Email cathy@johnsonlib.org or call 201-343-4169 x22.

Webinar: Georgia O'Keeffe Pencil Art

Tuesday, April 21, 10:30-11:30am

Barbara Frieberg will teach you how to create a flower drawing inspired by Georgia O'Keeffe's artwork. You will use lines, shapes and angles to help complete your drawing. Then they can be colored in with watercolor pencils, colored pencils, watercolor paints, or markers, whatever you happen to have on hand. Registration is limited and Hackensack residents will be given priority. Please sign up by Monday, April 20. This program will be held on Zoom - click here to register:

<https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJEkcempqTkiyptmslvt-z5EKuaSaKbx9A>

Questions? Email cathy@johnsonlib.org or call 201-343-4169 x22.

An Evening of Poetry with Rosemary Flowers-Jackson

Thursday, April 23, 7-8pm

Join Rosemary Flowers-Jackson as she reads from her published book of poetry, *The Preacher's Wife and Other Selected Poems*. Rosemary is a Bergen County native, born and raised in Hackensack, who worked 40 years as a history teacher in the Hackensack School District. The book reflects her varied roles as a teacher, church leader, mother/grandmother, community activist, and woman. Her more recent poems, added to this revised edition, address major challenges she faced in 2018, including a stage 4 Ovarian Cancer diagnosis, chemotherapy and the untimely loss of her husband from a ruptured brain aneurysm. Through it all, her faith has kept her and allowed her to use writing as a means to give voice to her inner turmoil.

This poetry reading will be presented virtually on Zoom. Please click the link below to register.

<https://zoom.us/meeting/register/vpltcOqhrzssBE3r7S-5AHBuqegEQPclow>

Questions? Email cathy@johnsonlib.org or call 201-343-4169 x22

Virtual Fit to Be Lit Book Club Meeting

Friday, April 24, 11am-12pm

Come join us on Zoom for a fun and lively discussion of some of today's best Literary Fiction! This month's selection is *Searching for Sylvie Lee* by Jean Kwok. A poignant and suspenseful

drama that untangles the complicated ties binding 3 women—2 sisters and their mother—in one Chinese immigrant family, and explores what happens when the eldest daughter disappears and a series of family secrets emerge.

Learn more or join here: <https://bccls.libcal.com/event/6633229>

Searching for Sylvie Lee is available on Hoopla:

<https://johnsonlib.org/adults/digital/hoopla-digital/>

Don't have a library card but want one? Apply for a digital card here:

<https://www.bccls.org/digitalcards.php>

Questions? Email Melina Halpin at melina.halpin@hackensack.bccls.org

Virtual Open Mic Night

Thursday, April 30, 7-9pm

Open Mic Night is online this month and featuring YOU! Feeling a little bottled up lately? Missing your usual outlets or audiences for your creativity? Even if you would just like to provide a supportive listening ear for other performers, please join us for this special version of our monthly Open Mic Night. We will be running the event via Zoom so click the link below to register. You will receive an email with a link so you can join at the start time. Be aware that this event will be recorded and possibly shared on social media. Hope to see you there!

<https://zoom.us/j/540878237>

Questions? Email cathy@johnsonlib.org or call 201-343-4169 x22.

Virtual ESL Conversation Class

Wednesdays at 10:30am

Virtual ESL conversation classes through Zoom are offered to those who are in a high intermediate to advanced English level. This class is designed to help you get comfortable speaking English in a social setting by learning new vocabulary and pronunciation. This class will be held via Zoom. To register in advance for this meeting go to:

<https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYqfuqprjssaXIbO03B-7od5t3stA3EnQ>

After registering you will receive more information about this class.

Questions? Contact Michelle Ferreira, 551-286-8244 (between 9am - 5pm) or email michelle.ferreira@hackensack.bccls.org

Conversaciones y un Café

Jueves a las 12:30pm

Nada mejor que una buena charla y un delicioso café!

Esta será una charla dedicada a todos aquellos que desean tener una conversación en español mientras que toman un cafecito. La conversación será por la aplicación Zoom. Para registrarse con anticipación visite:

<https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUld-ysqzlpMHqnktZrkjDxcrPL9rfVCO>

Preguntas? Llame a Michelle Ferreira 551-286-8244 (entre las horas de 9am - 5pm) o email michelle.ferreira@hackensack.bccls.org

Citizenship Mock Interviews by Phone

Available by appointment

Do you want to practice for your Citizenship interview? Citizenship Mock Interviews by phone are available by appointment. Call Michelle at 551-286-8244 between the hours of 9am and 5pm or email michelle.ferreira@hackensack.bccls.org

FOR TEENS

Booktalks: Teen Book Recommendations

Tuesday, April 28, 7-8pm

Join us for a fun, virtual booktalk event where our Teen Librarian, Keri Adams, will give you a quick overview of 75 different books that were written for teenagers. The books represent a wide variety of genres so everyone will find something that they would enjoy. This event is open to Middle School and High School students, as well as adults who enjoy reading young adult literature. This virtual event will be held via Zoom. Register here:

<https://bccls.libcal.com/event/6643926>

Registration is required to get the Zoom link, but if you are unable to attend at the time, it will be recorded. Questions? Email Keri Adams, YA Librarian, at: keri.adams@hackensack.bccls.org

FOR CHILDREN

Questions? Email Mari Zigas, Head of Children's Services, at: mari.zigas@hackensack.bccls.org

Digital Scavenger Hunt for Kids

Any day, any time for children of all ages

Kids! Join us in this digital scavenger hunt for things to do and find! Once JPL is back open, bring your checked-off sheet to the Children's Department and get a prize. We can't wait to see everyone back at the library!

Download the sheet here: <https://bccls.libcal.com/event/6629364>

Stay At Home Reading Challenge for Kids

Throughout April for children of all ages

Download your Bingo sheet (<https://bccls.libcal.com/event/6641518>) and start reading!

When you get BINGO (5 boxes in a row in either direction), turn this sheet in within seven days after the library reopens for a prize! Books must be read during the month of April. All reading counts—books, audiobooks, ebooks, etc. Those that fill out all the boxes will be entered into a raffle. Questions? Contact hackjuv@hackensack.bccls.org.

Read a Chapter a Night with Ms. Mari Online

Every night at 7pm for grades 3-6.

Join Ms. Mari for a reading on Facebook and Instagram. We'll read one chapter each night, so join us each night to continue the story!

April 6-16: *Miss Small is Off the Wall* by Dan Gutman.

April 20-May 10: *The Library of Ever* by Zeno Alexander.

Join us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/JohnsonPublicLibrary>

or Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/johnsonpubliclibrary/>

Read a Chapter a Night with Ms. Gladys Online / Lea un capítulo cada noche con la Señorita Gladys en línea

6 a 16 de abril a las 7pm para grados 3 a 6

Join Ms. Gladys for a reading of *Miss Small is Off the Wall* by Dan Gutman in Spanish. We'll read one chapter each night, so join us each night to continue the story! / Únase con la Señorita Gladys para leer un capítulo cada noche de el libro ¡La Señorita Fortunata Mete La Pata! Escrito por Dan Gutman. Leeremos un capítulo cada noche, ¡asi que unete a nosotros cada noche para continuar la historia!

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or Instagram / O Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/johnsonpubliclibrary/>

Marvelous Mornings with Ms. Mari

Tuesdays & Thursdays at 11am for ages 5 and under

Join Ms. Mari online for this special story time for babies and toddlers featuring fun songs and a picture book!

Join us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/JohnsonPublicLibrary/>

or Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/johnsonpubliclibrary/>

Digital Bilingual Story Time with Ms. Gladys

Wednesdays at 11am for ages 5 and under

Have fun with Ms. Gladys for songs and a story in both English and Spanish! ¡Escuche cuentos y un libro en español y en inglés! Join us on Facebook / Únase a nosotros en Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/JohnsonPublicLibrary>

or Instagram / O Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/johnsonpubliclibrary/>

Virtual Graphic Novel Book Club

Thursday, April 16 at 4pm for grades 3-6

Both readers who are new to the genre and lifelong comics and graphic novel fans are invited to join us via Zoom (accounts are free!) for a virtual book club with Mr. Gavin! We will be discussing Jerry Craft's *New Kid*, available for free on Hoopla with your library card. Don't have a library card but want one? Apply for a digital card here:

<https://www.bccls.org/digitalcards.php>

Please email Mr. Gavin at hackjuv@hackensack.bccls.org to participate.

LIBRARY HOURS

The library is currently closed to the public with an anticipated re-opening date of May 4, 2020.

Library staff will be available Monday-Saturday to answer questions & provide some assistance via email only. Questions can be sent to: help@johnsonlib.org

For further updates, please visit: <http://johnsonlib.org/covid-19/>