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2021 Michigan Notable Books

20 Books Celebrating Michigan People, Places, and Events

Titles Available at Benzonia Public Library:

Items with an * are also available via [Up North Digital.OverDrive](https://www.upnorthdigitaloverdrive.com).



- **Black Bottom Saints** by Alice Randall
- **City of Champions: A History of Triumph and Defeat in Detroit** by Stefan Szymanski and Silke-Maria Weineck *
- **I Have Something to Tell You: A Memoir** by Chasten Buttigieg *
- **The King of Confidence: A Tale of Utopian Dreamers, Frontier Schemers, True Believers, False Prophets, and the Murder of an American Monarch** by Miles Harvey *
- **The Mason House** by T. Marie Bertineau
- **RESPECT: Aretha Franklin, the Queen of Soul** by Carole Boston Weatherford
- **The Ship We Built** by Lexie Bean
- **The Star in the Sycamore: Discovering Nature's Hidden Virtues in the Wild Nearby** by Tom Springer
- **Wolf Island: Discovering the Secrets of a Mythic Animal** by L. David Mech, with Greg Breining *

To reserve items visit our [Library Catalog](#) or contact us at 231-882-4111 or benzonialibraryconnect@gmail.com.

The following titles are available via the MeL interlibrary loan system. Ask BPL staff if you need assistance.

- **Boulders: The Life and Creations of Earl A. Young in Charlevoix, Michigan** by David L. Miles
- **The Dead Are Arising: The Life of Malcolm X** by Les Payne and Tamara Payne *
- **Grief's Country: A Memoir in Pieces** by Gail Gri
- **Half** by Sharon Harrigan
- **Isaiah Dunn Is My Hero** by Kelly J. Baptist
- **Lakewood** by Megan Giddings
- **A People's Atlas of Detroit** edited by Linda Campbell, Andrew Newman, Sara Safransky, and Tim Stallmann *
- **R E S P E C T: The Poetry of Detroit Music** edited by Jim Daniels and M.L. Liebler *
- **The Wicked Sister** by Karen Dionne *
- **Words like Thunder: New and Used Anishinaabe Prayers** by Lois Beardslee *
- **You're in the Wrong Place** by Joseph Harris

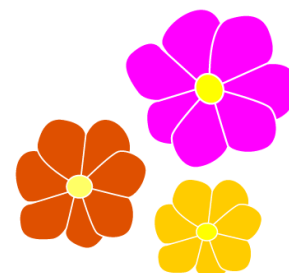
To reserve MeL items visit [MeL.org](https://www.mel.org) or contact us at 231-882-4111 or benzonialibraryconnect@gmail.com.

Every year, the Library of Michigan selects up to twenty of the most notable books, either written by a Michigan resident or about Michigan or the Great Lakes. Each selected title speaks to our state's rich cultural, historical, and literary heritage and proves without a doubt that some of the greatest stories are found in the Great Lakes State.

To learn more about Michigan Notable Books visit www.michigan.gov

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Services Available at BPL

Benzonia Public Library

891 Michigan Ave., Benzonia, MI

Visit www.benzonialibrary.org for details.

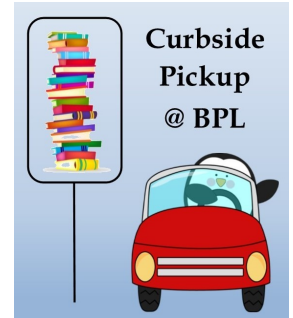
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with questions or to schedule an appointment.



Curbside Service @ BPL

- Maximum reserves per library card are: 10 print items and 5 DVDs. STEM Kits & LEGO's may also be reserved.
- This service is for picking up items only. No other transactions will be handled curbside.
- Returned items (EXCEPT STEM & LEGO Kits) may be placed in the outdoor drop box.
- Email benzonialibraryconnect@gmail.com with questions regarding your account.
- Visit www.benzonialibrary.org/Curbside for additional information.



BPL by Appointment Only

- Appointments are 20 minutes long.
- Visit is limited to selecting books, audiobooks, DVDs, and Corner Book Shoppe purchases.
- Only same household members may enter during the visit.
- Only one household group in the library at a time.
- All patrons (age 2 & up) must wear a face-covering during their visit.
- Patrons must maintain 6 feet of distance from staff.
- No other services available in the library at this time.

HOURS: Curbside pick-up & BPL Visits By Appointment

Monday 11-2
Tuesday 2-5
Wednesday 4-7
Thursday 2-5
Friday 11-2

Computer Center @ BPL

Mills Community House - Lower Level

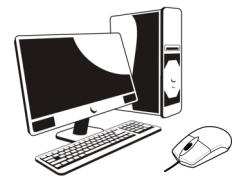
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- Pre-scheduled 30 minute appointments (longer sessions may be available)
- Face covering worn correctly
- Maintain 6 foot social distancing
- NO FAX or computer/Tech assistance at this time

PRINTING & COPIES:

Printing from our computers will be available. Cost is \$0.25 per page (cash or check only). **Call ahead if you need copies made.**

The Computer Center is co-sponsored by Benzonia Public Library & Mills Community House Association.



Wednesday, 4-6

By Appointment

Call

231-882-0591

to schedule

DIGITAL SERVICES 24-7
via OverDrive Up North Digital Collection



FREE Wi-Fi
24/7

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REMEMBERING BENZIE:

An Oral History Project

April 2021 Update

Hard work is continuing as we near the end of the project. In April each intern completed their second Legacy Project interview and created their short video to compliment each full, unedited interview. Legacy Project interviews will continue to be released on our YouTube channel on Tuesdays through May 11th.

After completing the Legacy Project, our student interns switched gears and began work on their Final Project. The Final Project highlights the skills learned throughout the year. Each edited piece, approximately 15 minutes long, will include excerpts from interviews, photos, B roll, and in some cases, a narrative from the student. The student interns can be creative, making this Final Project a true reflection of their work and their own personal experience with the Remembering Benzie Project.

The plan for the Final Project for both Year 1 and Year 2 student interns was to have a public viewing and panel with the students. Last year, COVID drastically changed our plan and it looks like it could change this year as well. We are discussing options, including the possibility of a virtual presentation, or waiting longer until we can have an in person viewing. We will keep you updated on plans as they evolve!

We thank everyone for your continued support and excitement for this wonderful program!

Please subscribe to our [Remembering Benzie YouTube page](#) to watch interviews from both years of the project. Click on notification settings to be notified as new videos are posted. Stay tuned for updates in future newsletters and at www.benzonialibrary.org



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Transparent Language Online (TLO): [Start Learning](#)

TLO is a **FREE** language learning resource provided by Mid-Michigan Library League.

Click [Start Learning](#) to sign-up or log-in, be sure to have your library card handy. **NOTE:** Access has changed, if you signed up prior to April 5, 2021 you will need to reset your password by checking forgot my password & following the prompts. Visit www.benzonialibrary.org for more information.



- **110+ languages (and growing!):** Whether it's Spanish, French, Chinese, Arabic, Ojibwe, or English, if you want it, we've (probably) got it.
- **Customized learning path:** Placement tests let learners see recommended courses and lessons for their level, or they choose their own content.
- **Focus on a specific skill:** Listening, speaking, reading, and writing are all part of the language puzzle. Learners can pick any skills-based learning activity, select their desired vocabulary, and instantly launch a custom lesson.
- **Learn on the go:** At the library, at home, and everywhere in between, access to lessons is possible on almost any device, including full-feature mobile apps for iOS and Android™ tablets and phones.

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Adult & Young Adult: What's New For You!

YA

Lore, Alexandra Bracken
Rule Of Wolves, Leigh Bardugo
When We Were Infinite, Kelly Loy Gilbert

ADULT—FIC

Band Of Sisters, Lauren Willig
Beyond Beyond, Joseph Heywood
Double Jeopardy, Stuart Woods
The Drowning Kind, Jennifer McMahon
Eternal, Lisa Scottoline
Good Company, Cynthia D'Aprix Sweeney
In The Company Of Killers, Bryan Christy
The Last Night In London, Karen White
The Mitford Trial, Jessica Fellowes
Mother May I, Joshilyn Jackson
The Other Emily, Dean Koontz
The Paradise Affair, Bill Pronzini
Prodigal Son, Gregg Andrew Hurwitz
Red Island House, Andrea Lee
Stargazer, Anne Hillerman
Stella, Takis Wurger
Sunflower Sisters, Martha Hall Kelly
Tsarina, Ellen Alpsten
You Love Me, Caroline Kepnes
Waiting For The Night Song, Julie Carrick Dalton
We Begin At The End, Chris Whitaker
Windhall, Ava Barry

ADULT—NON-FIC

Beautiful Things: A Memoir, Robert Hunter Biden
City Of Champions: A History Of Triumph And Defeat In Detroit, Stefan Szymanski

Cosmic Queries: Star Talk's Guide To Who We Are, How We Got Here, And Where We're Going, Neil deGrasse Tyson,
Every Day Is A Gift: A Memoir, Tammy Duckworth
I Have Something To Tell You: A Memoir, Chasten Buttigieg
The Light Of Days: The Untold Story Of Women Resistance Fighters In Hitler's Ghettos, Judith Batalion
The Mason House, T. Marie Bertineau
The Star In The Sycamore: Discovering Nature's Hidden Virtues In The Wild Nearby, Tom Springer
The Uninhabitable Earth, Life After Warming, David Wallace-Wells
Wolf Island: Discovering The Secrets Of A Mythic Animal, L. David Mech

ADULT—LARGE PRINT

The Women Of Chateau Lafayette, Stephanie Dray

AUDIO

Dark Sky, C. J. Box

DVD

Gemini Man
Wonder Woman 1984

DVD SERIES

Perry Mason, Season 1



Youth: What's New For You!

JUVENILE

The Memory Thief, Jodi Lynn Anderson
The Nightmare Thief, Nicole Lesperance
One Jar Of Magic, Corey Ann Haydu
The Ship We Built, Lexie Bean
Talking To Alaska, Anna Woltz

GRAPHIC NOVELS:

The Last Kids On Earth: Thrilling Tales From The Tree House, Max Brallier
Unicorn Famous: Another Phoebe And Her Unicorn Adventure, Dana Simpson

NON-FICTION:

Pranklab: Practical Science Pranks You And Your Victim Can Learn From, Wade David Fairclough
We Must Not Forget: Holocaust Stories Of Survival And Resistance, Deborah Hopkinson

PICTURE BOOKS

All because You Matter, Tami Charles
Bear Can't Wait, Karma Wilson
The Lights And Types Of Ships At Night, Dave Eggers
Looking For Smile, Ellen Tarlow
Malina's Jam, Tammi Sauer
On The Go Awesome, Lisl H. Detlefsen
R-E-S-P-E-C-T: Aretha Franklin, The Queen Of Soul, Carole Boston Weatherford
We Are Water Protectors, Carole Lindstrom

DVD

Soul

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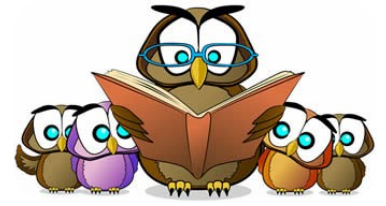
Remember to check out
the wonderful selection
of items in our
Library Catalog at
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Online Pre-School Story Time with Miss Désirée

Videos drop Fridays at 10:30 am

www.benzonialibrary.org/story-time-with-miss-desiree



Another story, please!

Story and Activity Videos! Craft Ideas!

Weekly Video: Enjoy an exciting story

Monthly Video: Participate in fun songs & activities

Craft Activities: Various online craft activities, videos, and a monthly craft kit.

Craft samples & supplies will also be listed on our website

www.benzonialibrary.org/story-time-with-miss-desiree

Programs: Previous programs will be available on the
[Benzonia Public Library YouTube Channel](#)



Monthly Craft Kits for Pre-school Story Time with Miss Désirée are now available in one kit for your convenience! These kits are available for Curbside pick-up, see page 2 for curbside hours. Just give us a call at 231-882-4111 when you arrive during any of the listed times & we will bring your kit right out to you!



S.T.E.M. Kit Spotlight @ BPL

Each month we will feature a different S.T.E.M. kit from the amazing selection at Benzonia Public Library.

GRAVITY MAZE FALLING MARBLE LOGIC GAME, KIT #13

Did you know you can check out the Gravity Maze Falling Marble Logic Game from BPL? The Gravity Maze Falling Marble Logic Game Twist is an engaging game for thinkers 8 and up. Made by the innovative company Thinkfun, this gravity powered logic maze is sure to put your visual perception and reasoning skills to the test. The set consists of building towers, a game grid, challenge cards and marbles. The translucent towers can be arranged in a wide variety of stimulating structures, but for each challenge, you'll have to think carefully to design and build a path to carry your marble to its target. Sixty challenges, ranging in difficulty, will give you plenty of building time.

Boomer and Dr. Fizz mastered all 60 challenges, and then tested each other with new challenges of their own. Boomer especially liked the Gravity Maze because it was designed so that he could play with his friend, but it was just as engaging to play by himself when he needed a little time on his own.



Boomer & Dr. Fizz mastered all 60 challenges in the Gravity Maze Falling Marble Logic Game

Contact us at benzoniaconnect@gmail.com or 231-882-4111 with questions.

- ◆ Kits can be checked out for one (1) week with one (1) week renewal possible.
- ◆ You can view kit information and availability visit www.benzonialibrary.org/stem-kits and click on the Library Catalog icon. Type stem kit in the search box.



The STEM kits vary from hands-on tactile learning, to coding, to a digital microscope & lots of fun stuff in between. A great resource for homeschool, in person, or virtual students!
Many thanks to Traverse Area District Library & Newton's Road for these kits.



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BPL YOUTH

Summer Reading 2021 @ BPL



- Register:** Beginning June 1st at BPL or online
www.benzonialibrary.org .Registration form & bags can be picked up Curbside or in library By Appointment.
- Read books:** Fill out reading logs, due by July 29
- Win Prizes:** Drawing will be July 31!

The more you read, the more opportunities to win!

Virtual Thursdays at 3pm join the FUN!

Join Dr. Fizz and Boomer, along with other BPL Puppet Lab friends, during the Summer Reading Program, as they travel around our community looking for tales of tails. Every week they will seek out and interview our neighbors who have interesting connections to animals, and can share exciting or funny stories about their animal friends. Who knows where they'll end up and what kind of adventures they'll have!



Boomer and Dr. Fizz

Virtual Thursdays at 3pm

- June 24
- July 1
- July 8
- July 15
- July 22
- July 29

Every week of the Summer Reading Program tune into Benzoniam Public Library's website, Facebook page, or YouTube channel to see the BPL Puppet Lab's Tales of Tails.

You can be a part of the fun, too! With help from an adult, record a short video of your favorite animal friend or a fun story about an animal (don't forget to introduce yourself) and email it to benzonialibraryconnect@gmail.com, with the subject: animal video. Your video might be included in the weekly broadcast with Dr. Fizz and Boomer!

3 BIG DAYS OF FUN! At Benzoniam Academy Park (next to the library)

June 19, 11 am

Creatures, Science, and Kites, Oh My!

Learn about some fun tails with friends from COGNiTION! They will show off a few special critter tails and spin some silly tales! We'll learn some cool science together and create a special kite to take home.

July 10, 11 am

Michigan Turtle Tails and Snake Tales

Get ready for up-close encounters with live specimens of several native Michigan turtle and snake species provided by Jim McGrath of Williamston-based Nature Discovery. At the conclusion, audience members are invited to handle these surprisingly gentle creatures. Photo ops aplenty!

July 31, 11 Am

Summer Reading Finale!

Join Benzoniam Public Library staff and surprise guests-including our favorite friend with a tail Pete the Cat! We will enjoy stories, activities and crafts! **We will also be announcing the winners of the Grand Prize Drawing!!**

Deadline for Drawing is July 29th

Twenty Prize winners will each receive a \$25 Gift Certificate to a local business!
Drop Reading Logs at BPL (drop box OK) or email benzonialibraryconnect@gmail.com.
Must be registered at BPL to win a prize.

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Benzonia Public Library Board of Trustees meeting will be Wednesday, May 19th at 4 pm on the Upper Level of the building. Meetings are open to the public.
If meetings are shifted to online, information will be posted at www.benzonialibrary.org

Corner Book Shoppe @ BPL



Offering for sale a large selection of excellent quality used books, DVDs, and jigsaw puzzles.
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Transparent Language Online



The Mid-Michigan Library League (BPL is a proud member!) is providing free access to this wonderful language learning resource
Visit benzonialibrary.org and click on the Transparent Language image.

New Account: Sign-up Online at BPL

Don't have an account at BPL? Apply online for a card that allows borrowing privileges at the library. You'll have access to BPL materials. Benzie County residents and landowners will also have access to e-books and other electronic resources as soon as the account is activated. Visit benzonia.biblionix.com/catalog & select SIGN UP on the far right of the page. Fill out the online application and upload a copy of your driver's license. Read more about new account requirements & policies at www.benzonialibrary.org/services.



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