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Be Creative @ Your Library

Carroll County, MD—Readers of all ages are encouraged to sign up between June 15 and August 15, for Carroll County Public Library's summer reading programs. This year's themes are **Be Creative (for kids birth to entering 5th grade)** and **Express Yourself (for teens entering 6th through 12th grades)** and are filled with activities, special programs, and prizes. We will also have a special summer reading program just for adults.

All kids reading or being read to along with teens and adults may participate in our summer reading programs, so children are not the only ones having fun reading over the summer. We are happy to host appearances by Magician Roger Lindsay, Franklin, and Mouse from *If You Give a Mouse a Cookie*. Many special events will occur over the summer too, including: *Seussical Adventures*, *Oh, Susannah*, *The SIGN-a-long Sing-a-long*, *Little Red Hen Summer Puppet Show*, *Sing-a-long Songs with Sam*, and much more. Teens can enter our Summer Shorts short story and video contest, and attend programs with Manga, filmmaking, and crafts. All programs are FREE!

Summer Reading is a way to encourage kids and teens to read during their summer vacation, use the library, and develop the habit of reading, because summer reading programs are geared for reading for the fun of it.

Libraries are creating a new generation of readers – people who are curious and love to read. Summer library programs take advantage of children's natural curiosity to introduce new subjects and different genres – things kids might not study in school but are interested in. Numerous studies have shown that summer programs help ensure that school children retain reading and learning skills over the summer break.

For more information contact us by phone at 410.386.4488, or through a virtual visit at our website **library.carr.org**.

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