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Enjoy a Groundbreaking Summer @ your library

This year, Columbus Public Library will break ground on several summer programs for adults. Relax through a crafting afternoon, watch a movie on a hot topic, and enjoy an author visit during the months of June through August.

Crafty types are invited to attend our "Crafternoon" sessions on Saturday, July 27 and August 24 at 2:00 p.m. Bring your portable, quiet craft projects to work on while enjoying conversation with other crafters. At our first Crafternoon in June, attendees chatted and enjoyed light refreshments.

When we held our first creative gathering on June 8, one participant wanted to start a crochet project, but wasn't sure how to read the pattern. Another crafter offered assistance and the project was nearly complete by the end of the event! Check out our Facebook page at http://facebook.com/columbuspubliclibrary to see a picture of the finished project.

Adults are invited to attend a screening of the documentary film, "Bully," on July 13 at 2:00 p.m. This film follows the stories of several young people who struggle with bullying in their daily lives. The Center for Survivors will be here to help during the program. This event is also on our teen summer reading calendar. Young people are welcome to attend, but attendees should be aware that this is movie is rated PG-13.

Mark your calendars for 2:00 p.m. on Sunday August 4! The Friends of the Columbus Public Library will host a visit from Nebraska author Alex Kava. Watch our Facebook page for more details.

Our regular programs for adults continue through the summer too. Get answers to your technology-related questions on the month's second Tuesday. Learn how to use our digital resources, test drive an e-reader or tablet, or let us help you troubleshoot your portable device troubles from 6:00-8:00 p.m.

On Thursday, June 27, the library book discussion group will meet in the library auditorium at 7:00 p.m. to discuss "The Catcher in the Rye" by J.D. Salinger. Read along and discuss "The Great Gatsby" by F. Scott Fitzgerald on July 25 and "The Memory Palace" by Mira Bartok on August 29.

As always, you can dig into our digital library anywhere you have internet connection. Learn a new language, take a virtual staycation, read your favorite magazines, and download music for free with your library card.

The first twenty patrons who mention this article at the library's checkout desk will receive a "Groundbreaking Reads" tote bag.

For more information on these and other services the library offers, call us at 402-564-7116, or visit us on the web at http://columbusne.us/library.