Introducing the Expression Booth!

The Marion County Public Library System is thrilled to announce the arrival of the Expression Booth – a sound booth that patrons can utilize at the Fairmont branch in a number of ways. The Expression Booth can be used by patrons for both creative and business purposes to record high quality audio and video due to the sound isolation features of the booth. For example, patrons can use MCPLS’ new sound booth to record a podcast; record music; record an oral history; record an interview, either on audio or video; to attend a videoconference; or to attend a virtual job interview.

Statement from our Director, Larissa Cason:
“We are excited to be able to use the generous donations from two individuals with longstanding ties to Fairmont and Marion County, as well as from the West Virginia Library Commission, to provide this state-of-the art sound booth to our Marion County library patrons. We look forward to seeing the many creative projects for which our patrons use the Expression Booth.”

*Individuals must have a library card to use the Expression Booth. Book to use at mcpls.libcal.com/spaces
New Releases
Find more new releases, complete with links, at www.mcpls.org/new

DVDs
Uncharted X
Dog
Licorice Pizza
Cyrano
The Good Fight Season 5
Slasher: Flesh and Blood Season 1
Succession Season 3
Lucifer Season 5
The Last Kingdom Season 5

Children’s DVDs
Teen Titans Go! & DC Super Hero Girls: Mayhem in the Multiverse
Jurassic Camp Cretaceous Season 1-3
Blue Clues & You: Let’s Learn with Blue
Thomas and Friends: All Engines Go Best Friends
Loud House Season 3

Book on CD
Abandoned in Death by J.D. Robb
A Sunlit Weapon by Jacqueline Winspear
Steal by James Patterson
Under the Golden Sun by Jenny Ashcroft
The Treadstone Transgression by Joshua Hood
What Happened to the Bennetts by Lisa Scottoline
The Book of Magic 4 by Alice Hoffman
Criminal Mischief by Stuart Woods
Dream Town by David Baldacci
Five Tuesdays in Winter by Lily King
The Midnight Hour by Elly Griffiths
Nobody Does It Better by Samantha Chase

Video Games
Kirby and the Forgotten Land (Switch)
Five Nights at Freddy’s: Security Breach (PS4)
Spider-Man (PS4)
Jurassic World Evolution 2 (PS4)

Bestsellers
Sparring Partners by John Grisham
22 Seconds by James Patterson
Nightwork by Nora Roberts
Every Cloak in Blood by James Lee Burke
Overboard by Sara Paretsky
Robert B. Parker’s Revenge Tour by Mike Lupica
Summer Love by Nancy Thayer
When She Dreams by Amanda Quick
Tom Clancy’s Op-Center: Call of Duty by Jeff Rovin
Secrets by Fern Michaels
A Rip Through Time by Kelly Armstrong
Sound of Darkness by Heather Graham
The Lost Summer of Newport by William Beatriz
The Summer Place by Jennifer Weiner
The Homewreckers by Mary Kay Andrews
Razzmatazz by Christopher Moore

Inspirational
When the Meadow Blooms by Anne H. Gabhart
Love in Plain Sight by Kathleen Fuller

Misc. Fiction
Murder on Madison Square by Victoria Thompson
The Book Woman’s Daughter by Kim Michele Richardson
You Have a Friend in 10A by Maggie Shipstead
Death by Tart Attack by Tamar Myers
God Spare the Girls by Kelsey McKinney
The View from Coral Cove by Amy Clipston
Breaking All the Rules by Amy Andrews
Aunt Dimity and the Enchanted Cottage by Nancy Atherton
Book Lovers by Emily Henry
The Cherry Robbers by Sarah Walker
Dark Stars: New Tales of Darkest Horror by John F D Taqf
The Island by Adrian McKent
Book of the Night by Holly Black

Non-Fiction
Happy-Go-Lucky by David Sedaris
Mean Baby by Selma Blair
Killing the Killers by Bill O’Reilly
Surveillance and Surveillance Detection by John Kiriakou
The Liver Cure by Russell Blaylock
Widower to Widower: Surviving the End of Your Most Important Relationship by Fred Colby
How to Prevent the Next Pandemic by Bill Gates
Back to the Prairie by Melissa Gilbert

Graphic Novels
Marvel-Verse: Jane Foster, the Mighty Thor by Noelle Stevenson
Batman vs. Bigby! by Bill Willingham
Boruto: Naruto Next Generation Vol. 14 by Masashi Kishimoto
Pokémon Adventures by Hidenon Kusaka
Black Butler Vol. 31 by Yana Toboso
The Country Without Humans Vol. 2 by Iwatabineko
Jujustsu Kaisen Vol. 13 by Gege Akutami
Overlord Vol. 4 by Kugane Maruyama
The Aquanaut by Dan Santat
The Girl from the Sea by Molly Knox Ostertag
Akira Book 4 by Katsuhiro Otomo
Beastars Vol. 17 by Paru Itagaki
Chainsaw Man Vol. 3 by Tatsuki Fujimoto
Chobits Vol. 4 by CLAMP
My Brain is Different: Stories of ADHD & Other Developmental Disorders by Monzusu
Soul Eater Perfect Edition Vol. 4 by Atsushi Okubo

Teen/Young Adult
Bravely by Maggie Stiefvater
The Runaway’s Diary by James Patterson
I Kissed Sarah Wheeler by Casey McQuiston
When Women Were Dragons by Kelly Barnhill
Rise to the Sun by Leah Johnson

Large Print
The Darling Dahlias and the Red-Hot Poker by Susan Wittig Albert
Sparring Partner by John Grisham
22 Seconds by James Patterson
The Bookseller’s Promise by Beth Wiseman
When She Dreams by Amanda Quick
The Baxters by Karen Kingsbury
The Lioness by Chris Bohjalian
Dream Town by David Baldacci
Shadows Reel by C.J. Box
The Boardwalk Bookshop by Susan Mallery
A Forgery of Rose by Jessica S. Olson
Skyward Flight: The Collection by Brandon Sanderson
An Arrow to the Moon by Emily X R Pan
How by Shaun David Hutchinson
Family of Liars by E. Lackhart
XOXO by Axie Oh
The Merciless Ones by Namina Forma
Horror Hotel by Victoria Fulton
Within These Wicked Walls by Lauren Blackwood
Sunkissed by Kasie West

Children
Can Clam Go? by Adam Lehrhaupt
The First Cat in Space Ate Pizza by Mac Barnett
Home is Where the Birds Sing by Cynthia Rylant
Treasure Hunter: The Ultimate Quest by James Patterson
The Berenstain Bears: Share and Share Alike by Mike Berenstain
A Gift for Nana by Lane Smith
Big Truck Little island by Chris Van Dusen
The World Belonged to Us by Jacqueline Woodson
Mrs. Noah’s Doves by Jane Yolen
Minions: The Sky is the Limit by Sadie Chesterfield
Llama Llama Back to School by Anna Dewdney
Little Houses by Kevin Henkes
Peppa Pig and the Great Race by Candlewick Press
How Does a Tadpole Grow by Eric Carle
Pete the Cat’s Not So Groovy Day by James Dean
It’s a Sign by Jarrett Pumphrey
Last Ride at Luna Park by Geronimo Stilton
A Very Hungry Caterpillar’s First Summer by Eric Carle

Readalongs
Snack, Snooze, Skedaddle by Laura Purdie Salas
Amelia Bedelia by the Yard by Herman Parish
Catch That Chicken! by Atinuke
Eee-Moo! by Annika Dunklee
Lambslide by Ann Patchett
Max and Ruby and Twin Trouble by Rosemary Wells
You Matter by Christian Robinson
Eustace & Clyde by Marina Aizen
Fight the Night by Tomie DePaola
Jules vs. the Ocean by Jessie Sima
Life in a Tundra by Kari Schuetz
Fairmont Friends of the Library Book Sale

The Book Cave is Open! The Friends of the Marion County Public Library (Fairmont) will be taking walk-ins to browse the book sale room. The book sale room is open Saturday May 7 and Saturday May 21 from 10 a.m.—2 p.m.

Free Comic Book Day

It’s time again for FREE COMIC BOOK DAY! Join us as we celebrate with free comic books from your favorites, including Marvel and DC. On Saturday, May 7. This year, from the depths of Atlantis, Aquaman visits the library! Join us for this fun filled day with a scavenger hunt, photos, free comics, coloring fun and more!

Comics will be available at Fairmont starting at 12:00 p.m. Aquaman will be at the Main branch from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. to meet all of his friends and pose for photos!

STEAM: Turing Tumbles

Suitable for children in grades 4-12, or for families to do together.

Turing Tumble Space Mission: Experiment with computer coding concepts using marble-powered computers. Work at your own pace through multiple exercises and difficulty levels on Thursday, May 19 at 4:30 p.m. Each puzzle brings Alia the space engineer closer to rescue from a forgotten planet!

Limited to 16 registrants. Adult Supervision is recommended for children under 12 years old. Registration is required.

Teen Anime Club

Come hang out for an after-hours anime viewing! Each week we will watch an anime or animated show. Bring your friends, socialize, and maybe find a new favorite series! Wednesday, May 4th and 18th at 5:45 p.m.

Discover Sewing: Washable Swiffer Duster & Mop Refills (Teen, Adult)

Join us to create Washable Swiffer Duster & Mop Refills! Come and socialize while creating something wonderful to take home with you on Monday, May 16 at either 3:00 p.m. or the same day at 4:30 p.m.

In order to make at least one of each type of refill, you will need to bring 1 Full Yard of Flannel Fabric. One duster uses about 2/3 of a yard (24" length) of Flannel and one mop refill will use another 1/3 (12" length). If possible, please wash and press your fabric prior to class in order to ensure that it won’t shrink with later washes. Pre-washing will help to make your refills last for as long as possible.

Sign up at mcpls.org/events.

Crafty Connections

Do you knit, crochet, sew, paint, sketch, embroider, cross-stitch, or do any other craft? Want to meet some new people and have conversations while crafting? If that sounds great to you, bring your current project to the library on Friday, May 6 and Friday, May 20 at 11:00 a.m.

Sign up at mcpls.org/events.

www.mcpls.org
Make sure to bring everything you think you'll need such as scissors, thread, pencils, etc. We may have some supplies available, but they will be limited.

Registration is not required.

**Beyond the Book Club: Station Eleven (Adult)**

Our novel this month is *Station Eleven* by Emily St John Mandel. Join us to discuss the book on Monday, May 9 at 7:00 p.m. This exploration of the impact of a pandemic on society, published in 2014, is a New York Times and international bestseller and received numerous accolades including being named as one of the best books of the year by BookPage, Entertainment Weekly, The Washington Post, and Time magazine, among others.

An audacious, darkly glittering novel about art, fame, and ambition set in the eerie days of civilization's collapse, from the author of three highly-acclaimed previous novels.

Sign up at mcpls.org/events.

**Beyond the Book Presents: Prepared for Anything! (Adult)**

Do you know what to do in an emergency? Do you have enough supplies in hand and plans in place to be self-sufficient and resilient in face of accident or disaster? Mr. Jamie Moore, (MPA, RS), Threat Preparedness Program Manager at the Monongalia County Health Department, will provide suggestions, checklists, and point us toward the resources we all need to have should the "unlikely event" occur on Monday, May 23 at 7:00 p.m.

Sign up at mcpls.org/events.

**Wise & Wonderful (Adult 55+)**

Have you ever been curious about the exciting world of beekeeping? Wise & Wonderful will be hosting Louisa Householder, a local apiarist from Marion County Beekeepers Association, to introduce program attendees to a day in the life of a beekeeper. Participants will receive a sample of honey to take home on Friday, May 27 at 1:00 p.m.

Registration is required. This program is part of our Wise & Wonderful series for patrons 55+. Sign up at mcpls.org/events.

**Tabletop Game Group (Teens & Adults)**

**May 4, 11, 18, & 25: 5:00 p.m.**

Alternative, advanced and imaginative games will be featured. Browse our collection of over 150 games, or bring your own to share! This event is open to adults and mature teens. Refreshments will be provided! Get your game on!

Contact Dan Ward at 304-366-1210 extension 128 for more information.

**Featured Author: William K. Marcato**

Join William K. Marcato for a book reading, followed by a short presentation and a book signing on Saturday, May 21 at 1:00 p.m. He will be promoting his first book, *Josephine’s Star*, which is the first book in his *The Spiker’s Instruments* series. Marcato is planning on publishing the second book in this series in October 2022.

William K. Marcato is a lifelong resident of North-Central West Virginia. After receiving his Bachelor of Arts in English from West Virginia University, he continues his experimental research in paranormal psychic phenomena as well as his love for writing.

Sign up at mcpls.org/events.
**Fairview Book Sale**
Stop in daily during regular business hours to shop our book sale. Books and DVDs are available for all ages. Buy one item or fill a whole bag for only $3.00! New donations coming in all the time. Stop in for some great reads and fantastic movies!

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Aquaman will be at the Fairview Public Library from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. to meet all of his friends and pose for photos!

**Brick Builder’s Club (Tween)**
Do you love building with LEGOs? Do you want some fun competition? Join us at the Fairview Public Library for the Brick Builders club on Saturday, May 14 at 11 a.m.

This event is suitable for children aged 7-13. We will create new and exciting builds every month. Race to see who will build the biggest, strongest, most original creations! Different building themes each month!

Sign up at mcpls.org/events.

**Book Links (Tween)**
Brand new tweens book group! If you love great reads, awesome snacks, and fun activities, we want YOU! If you are 9-13 years old, we want YOU! If you love hanging out with your friends, we want YOU!

This month's selection: *The Phantom Tollbooth* by Norton Juster. We'll create some of the fun activities and adventures Milo had when he drove through the tollbooth on Wednesday, May 11 at 3:30 p.m. We'll 'eat our words' with alphabet snacks and create our own dodecahedron!

Sign up at mcpls.org/events.

**Just Craftin’ Around: Sugar Scrub (Adult)**
Join the Fairview staff as they help you create a Homemade Sugar Scrub to help battle that winter skin on Tuesday, May 10 at 5:00 p.m. This is a class for adults (ages 18 and up), and all materials will be provided.

Register early as space is limited. Soften your skin for suntan weather!

Sign up at mcpls.org/events.

**Speaking of Books: Joan is Okay (Adult)**
Join us at the Fairview Public Library for a discussion of *Joan is Okay* by Weike Wang on Tuesday, May 3 at 4:00 p.m.

"Joan is a thirtysomething ICU doctor at a busy New York City hospital. The daughter of Chinese parents who came to the United States to secure the American dream for their children, Joan is intensely devoted to her work, happily solitary, successful. She does look up sometimes and wonder where her true roots lie: at the hospital, where her white coat makes her feel needed, or with her family, who try to shape her life by their own cultural and social expectations.” - Amazon
Mannington Book Sale
Time to clean your book shelves? We accept donations; and while you’re visiting, fill up your shelves with new reading material. Great reads can be found at the Friends Book Sale, open every Wednesday 10 a.m - 2 p.m. and the first Saturday of the month 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

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Aquaman will be at the Mannington Public Library from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. to meet all of his friends and pose for photos!

Crafty Kids’ Club
It is May and flowers are blooming! Come and make your own flower out of spoons and paint on Tuesday, May 17 at 3:00 p.m

Recommended for ages 8 and up. All materials provided by the Mannington Public Library.

Sign up at mcpls.org/events.

Novel Ideas: Teen Group
End of the year bash! Come celebrate the end of the school year on Thursday, May 19 at 3:00 p.m. We will enjoy ice cream sundaes, music and more...along with creating a tie-dye t-shirt to wear all summer. Please bring your old white t-shirt that we will make into a colorful new shirt.

This is our last Novel Ideas gathering until the next school year. Sign up at mcpls.org/events.

Carol's Crafty Creations: Hand Painted Coasters (Adult)
This month, we will be making hand-painted wood slice coasters! Sip summer drinks on the porch or by the pool using your very own coasters on Monday, May 16 at 5:00 p.m.

Sign up at mcpls.org/events.

Cover2Cover Book Club: No Certain Rest (Adult)
On a ridge overlooking Burnside Bridge—the focus of the Battle of Antietam—souvenir hunters find the unmarked grave of an unknown Union officer.

Don Spaniel, an archeologist in the National Park Service, is called in to examine the remains. He soon discovers that the officer was murdered and that his identification disk could not possibly belong to him, since its rightful owner is buried elsewhere. So who was this officer? Where did he come from? And why was he killed?

Spaniel’s obsessive investigation leads not only to his reliving the horrible carnage that occurred at Burnside Bridge over a century before, but to the true identity of the Union officer and the reason why another body resides in his grave in a small New England town.

Pick up a copy of No Certain Rest by Jim Lehrer and register to join us to discuss the book on Thursday, May 19 at 1:00 p.m. Participants must register to attend.

Sign up at mcpls.org/events.
For more information on our homebound and outreach services or bookmobiles, contact MCPLS Outreach Services Manager Abby Haught at 304-366-1210, extension 129, or at ahaught@mcpls.org.

SPECIAL EVENTS:

Learning Options STEAM Festival
50 Mountain Park Drive
Sunday, May 15
11:00 AM – 4:00 PM

3 Rivers Festival
Annual Parade
Thursday, May 26
6:00 PM
Here are just a few recommendations by MCPLS staff members! For more recommendations, feel free to ask staff what they suggest.

Staff Picks

also available on Hoopla or Libby as e-book and/or e-audiobook, as well as our physical collection
Family Matinee
Saturday, May 14 | 11:00 a.m – 1:30 p.m.
Join us as we watch Disney and Pixar’s *Luca*! Popcorn provided! Register at www.bplwv.org/events

History Alive! Walt Disney
Saturday, May 21 | 12:00 p.m – 1:00 p.m.
Join us in welcoming Walt Disney to the library! Come and watch a live performance by Disney himself, and then stick around after for a live Q&A session. Register at www.bplwv.org/events

No Sew Bunny (Adult)
Thursday, May 12 | 4:00 p.m – 4:45 p.m.
Celebrate the May flowers by coming to the library to make a spring bunny—no sewing required! All supplies are provided in this free adult craft class. Registration required. Register at www.bplwv.org/events

Beginners Quilling Class: Spring Fence (Adult)
Monday, May 16 | 5:00 p.m – 7:00 p.m.
Local paper artist, Suzanne Stewart, returns to teach a beginner’s level quilling project. Quilling is the art of rolling and shaping thin strips of paper using a specialized tool. All supplies included in this free adult craft class. Registration required at www.bplwv.org/events

Magic the Gathering: Commander Night at the Library (Teen/Adult)
Thursday, May 19 | 5:00 p.m – 6:30 p.m.
Calling all planeswalkers! If you play Magic the Gathering, come to the library for monthly Commander nights. The format is in the name—we will be playing Commander. Drop by for a casual game. We accept players at all skill levels including new players just looking to get into the game. However, we strongly encourage you to bring your own deck. The library will provide dice. This event is open to older teens and adults. Registration required at www.bplwv.org/events

Cinco De Mayo (Ages 5-10)
Tuesday, May 3 | 6:00 p.m – 7:00 p.m.
Learn fun facts and Spanish words, participate in a scavenger hunt, and create a sombrero hat out of sugar cookies! Please register at www.clarksburglibrary.org/upcoming-events

Mother’s Day Tea (All Ages)
Saturday, May 7 | 12:00 p.m – 2:00 p.m.
Indulge in scones, sandwiches, and an assortment of delicious teas. Discover old English etiquette, fan speak, and the art of dueling. Create a scented rose together and challenge other families to a Victorian puzzle contest. Please register at www.clarksburglibrary.org/upcoming-events

Pokémon Trading Card Game (Ages 6-Adult)
Saturday, May 14 | 10:00 a.m – 12:00 p.m.
Wednesday, May 25 | 4:00 p.m – 6:00 p.m.
Bring your own deck or use one provided to play with a variety of others. Beginners and experienced players welcome! Feel free to trade cards with each other. Please register at www.clarksburglibrary.org/upcoming-events

Hobby Hunters: Photo Editing with Adobe Lightroom (Ages 19+)
Tuesday, May 10 | 6:00 p.m – 8:00 p.m.
Local photographer, Mackenzie Sorton, will provide a live demonstration in Adobe Lightroom. Please register at www.clarksburglibrary.org/upcoming-events

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West Virginia LibShare is a library consortium in North Central West Virginia featuring the Marion County Public Library System, Bridgeport Public Library, and the Clarksburg-Harrison Public Library. A library consortium is a group of libraries who partner to combine resources, share expertise, and broaden the amount of materials available to their patrons.

Marion County Public Library wants to highlight some of the events that are being hosted by the Bridgeport Public Library and the Clarksburg-Harrison Public Library to encourage patrons to attend events at the other LibShare locations.

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The Month of May

blooming
open windows
planting
liberty
mowing
cinco de mayo
flowerbeds
sunshine
picnics
flags
mothers day
baseball
veterans
showers
housecleaning
outdoors
holiday
walking
Source: wordmint.com
Check out our online calendar to register for events and get the most up-to-date information! Follow the QR code, or visit: http://bit.ly/2uydBH1