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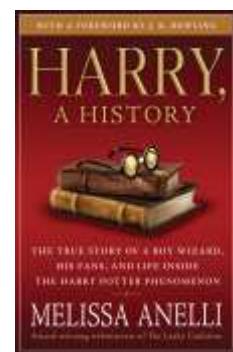
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Main Library to Host Harry Potter Historian Melissa Anelli Harry Potter Week • July 25-31 at Your Public Library

On July 31, at 2:00 p.m., explore everything from Gryffindor to the power of magic with Melissa Anelli, author of the best-selling *Harry, A History: The True Story of a Boy Wizard, His Fans, and Life Inside the Harry Potter Phenomenon* at the Main Library (800 Vine St. • 369-6900). Ms. Anelli will lead the Library's Potter fans on an adventure that will bring his story to life.



In honor of Melissa Anelli's visit to the Main Library on July 31 and Harry Potter's birthday, the Library has declared the week of July 25th, Harry Potter Week! Potter fans from every corner of Hamilton County and beyond are cordially invited to a Library location near them to eat, drink, and be Harry – or Ron, Hermione, or any other Harry Potter character! Watch movies, test your knowledge of Hogwarts wizardry, mix potions, or make Harry-themed crafts.

ABOUT MELISSA ANELLI, HARRY POTTER HISTORIAN



Melissa Anelli had no idea that her hobby of blogging for The Leaky Cauldron, the most popular Harry Potter fansite on the internet, would lead to her designation as the only Harry Potter historian endorsed by J.K. Rowling. But her life as a journalist quickly made way for a new adventure as expert historian of the Harry Potter phenomenon, webmistress of the entire Leaky site, and leader of the collective Potter fandom. For more information, visit <http://www.the-leaky-cauldron.org/>.

HARRY POTTER: YOUR LIBRARY'S COLLECTION

The Public Library's outstanding collection of materials includes copies of each of the original titles by J.K. Rowling, and new favorites such as *The Tales of Beedle the Bard*, a Wizarding classic that first came to Muggle readers' attention in *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows*. You can also check out Melissa Anelli's book about the history of Harry Potter and the fandom surrounding the boy wizard. Harry's adventures come in other formats, too. Harry Potter DVDs and audio books on CD are available for check out, and you can even download his adventures to your computer from our Virtual Library online!

To check out a copy of your favorite Harry Potter story, visit any of the Library's 41 locations throughout Hamilton County, or visit us online at www.CincinnatiLibrary.org.

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Harry Potter Week Programs at Your Public Library

Wizard Rock!

Rock out, Harry Potter style, with Tonks of the popular Wizard Rock band Tonks and the Aurors! All ages. Sponsored by the Friends of the Public Library.

Monday, July 26, 6:30 p.m.

Clifton Branch Library, 351 Ludlow Ave. • 369-4447

Tuesday, July 27, 7:00 p.m.

North Central Branch Library, 11109 Hamilton Ave. • 369-6068

Wednesday, July 28, 2:00 p.m.

Anderson Branch Library, 7450 State Rd. • 369-6030

Sponsored by the Anderson Township Library Association.

Thursday, July 29, 6:30 p.m.

Westwood Branch Library, 3345 Epworth Ave. • 369-4474

Friday, July 30, 7:00 p.m.

Sharonville Branch Library, 10980 Thornview Dr. • 369-6049



Other Harry Potter Week Programs

Monday

July 26, 1:00 p.m. • Harry Potter Movie Time!

College Hill Branch Library, 1400 W. North Bend Rd. • 369-6036

The Library is showing the movie, *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone* in Celebration of Harry Potter week.

July 26, 5:00-7:30 p.m. • Harry Potter Anyone?

Deer Park Branch Library, 3970 E. Galbraith Rd. • 369-4450

In honor of Melissa Anelli's visit to the Main Library, the Deer Park Branch Library will view the first Harry Potter movie. All ages.

July 26, 2:00 p.m. • Harry Potter Craft Day!

Monfort Heights Branch Library, 3825 West Fork Rd • 369-4472

Celebrate Harry Potter Week at the Library! Make and take a Harry Potter craft. Ages 6-12.

July 26, 2:00-5:00 p.m. • Harry Potter Movie Day

North Central Branch Library, 11109 Hamilton Ave. • 369-6068

Celebrate Harry Potter Week with a Harry Potter Movie! Ages 8-18.

July 26, 2:00-4:00 p.m. • World of Harry Potter

Northside Branch Library, 4219 Hamilton Ave. • 369-4449

Join us for the beginning of Harry Potter mania by watching *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone*. Magic jellybeans & other wizard candy will be provided. Ages 5-12. Registration is recommended. Sponsored by the Friends of the Public Library & the Kersten Fund.

July 26, 2:00-4:00 p.m. • Harry Potter Day!

Westwood Branch Library, 3345 Epworth Ave. • 369-4474

Make your own magic wand, play Harry Potter "Scene It" and other things Hogwarts! Ages 8 & up.

Tuesday

July 27, 5:00-6:30 p.m. • Harry Potter movie

Bond Hill Branch Library, 1703 Dale Rd. • 369-4445

Celebrate Harry Potter week with a movie! Ages 6-18. Sponsored by the Kersten Fund.

July 27, 1:00-2:00 p.m. • Harry Potter Jeopardy

Cheviot Branch Library, 3711 Robb Ave. • 369-6015

Do you think you know all things Harry Potter? Come compete in a friendly game of Jeopardy for an afternoon of wizarding fun. Ages 8-14.

July 27, 3:00-4:30 p.m. • Harry Potter Scene-It Challenge

Green Township Branch Library, 6525 Bridgetown Rd. • 369-6095

How well do you know the Harry Potter movies? Bring your friends and play the challenge! Ages 8-15.

Registration is required.

July 27, 2:00-5:00 p.m. • Harry Potter Week Celebration

Groesbeck Branch Library, 2994 W. Galbraith Rd. • 369-4454

Help us celebrate Harry Potter Week by watching the latest Harry Potter movie, *Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince*. Ages 9-18.

Registration is recommended.

July 27, 2:00-3:00 p.m. • Harry Potter Party

Madisonville Branch Library, 4830 Whetsel Ave. • 369-6029

Mix potions, make your own magic wand & play games. Eat, drink, and be Harry (or any HP character)! Ages 5-12.

July 27- July 31, 2:30-5:00 p.m. • Watch the movies!

Main Library, 800 Vine St. • 369-6900, TeenSpot

Harry Potter Week: Test your book knowledge with quizzes! Dare to eat every flavor of Bertie Botts! Ages 12-18.

July 27, 2:30-4:00 p.m. • Scene-It Challenge

Oakley Branch Library, 4033 Gilmore Ave. • 369-6038

Test your knowledge of Harry Potter by playing the Scene-It Harry Potter movie trivia game. Ages 8-15.

July 27, 12:00 p.m. • Read a Book, Collect the Button!

Wyoming Branch Library, 500 Springfield Pk • 369-6014

Between July 26-August 31, read a book from the Harry Potter Series by J.K. Rowling, visit the Wyoming Branch, and collect a Harry Potter button! Read and collect them all! Ages 18 & under.

Wednesday

July 28, 1:00-3:00 p.m. • Harry Potter Movie Day

Avondale Branch Library, 3566 Reading Rd. • 369-4440

Come to the library and enjoy a Harry Potter movie. Snacks provided. All ages

July 28, 2:00-3:00 p.m. • The Magical World of Harry Potter

Sharonville Branch Library, 10980 Thornview Dr. • 369-6049

Join us for a wild wizard's party, Hogwarts style! Ages 6-10. Registration is required.

Thursday

July 29, 4:00-5:00 p.m. • Harry Potter Trivia

Bond Hill Branch Library, 1703 Dale Rd. • 369-4445

Celebrate Harry Potter week with a trivia game! Ages 6-18. Sponsored by the Friends of the Public Library.

July 29, 3:00-4:00 p.m. • Harry Potter Party

Price Hill Branch Library, 3215 Warsaw Ave. • 369-4490

Ages 5-12.

July 29, 2:00 p.m. • Harry Potter Bingo

Delhi Township Branch Library, 5095 Foley Rd. • 369-6019

Beat the summer blues with a rousing game of all-things-Harry. Ages 6-12.

July 29, 2:00-3:00 p.m. • Harry Potter Fun!

Symmes Branch Library, 11850 East Enyart Rd. • 369-6001

Make a wand, play quidditch, have your fortune read! Ages 6-12. Sponsored by the Kersten Fund.

Friday

July 30, 3:00-5:00 p.m. • Harry Potter's Birthday

Bond Hill Branch Library, 1703 Dale Rd. • 369-4445

Celebrate Harry Potter week with a birthday party! All ages. Sponsored by the Friends of the Public Library.

July 30, 10:30 a.m. • Into the Wizard's Castle

Main Library, 800 Vine St. • 369-6900

Become part of the storytelling. Enter the Wizard's Castle. And celebrate Harry Potter Week. Children's Learning Center. All ages.

July 30, 2:00 p.m. • Celebrate Harry Potter's Birthday!

West End Branch Library, 805 Ezzard Charles Dr • 369-6026

Come and celebrate Harry Potter's birthday with magical crafts and refreshments. All ages. Sponsored by the Friends of the Public Library.

Saturday

July 31, 1:00-4:00 p.m. • Lights! Camera! Family Fun with Harry Potter!

Main Library, 800 Vine St. • 369-6900

Celebrate the end of the summer reading program with a variety of fun activities in conjunction with the visit by Melissa Anelli, author of *Harry, A History*. Come to the Children's Learning Center for crafts and a bit of magic. Children's Learning Center. All ages.