TEEN SUMMER READING
PT. 2

PROGRAMMING IDEAS & SPECIAL EVENTS
ABOUT THE TEEN SPOT

• Located on the 2nd floor of Cincinnati Public Library’s Main Library
• Serves Downtown and Over-the-Rhine
• 10 employees all focused on teen services
• Programs available for teens 12 – 18
• Patron-focused programming
TERROR TUESDAY

FROM THE MAKERS OF SAW AND PARANORMAL ACTIVITY

PRESENTED BY GUILLERMO DEL TORO
CREATOR OF PAN’S LABYRINTH

IT’S NOT THE HOUSE THAT’S HAUNTED

INSIDIOUS

JESSICA CHASTAIN IN

MAMA

A MOTHER’S LOVE IS FOREVER

JANUARY 18

WWW.MAMAMOVIES.COM

COLD

BODY

WARM

HEART

WARM BODIES

FEBRUARY 1

POLTERGEIST

IT KNOWS WHAT SCARES YOU.
DETAILS

• ORIGINALLY CONCEIVED AS A “HORROR CLUB” WHICH WOULD INCLUDE READING RECOMMENDATIONS, CREEPY CRAFTS, AND HORROR MOVIES.

• DURING FILM CLUB TEENS RESPONDED IN PARTICULAR TO HORROR MOVIES

• CAN ONLY SHOW PG-13 MOVIES FROM MOVLIB.COM

• CANNOT ADVERTISE FILM TITLE OUTSIDE LIBRARY DUE TO LICENSING

• TEENS ESPECIALLY LIKE MODERN HORROR
TEEN CHEF

[Images of Halloween-themed treats and a cotton candy machine]
CONSIDERATIONS

- Easy to make foods
- What do you have available?
- Can it be replicated at home?
- Is this to teach teens how to cook?
- High consumption of sugar
NAIL ART

• Low cost
• Peer-to-peer
• Interest based
• Art focused
• Reusable
• Tie in with other events – Homecoming, Prom, Spring Break
• Creates a safe space for female and gender non-conforming teens
AFTER-HOURS ALTERNATIVES

- QUARTERLY AFTER HOURS EVENTS
- THEME BASED - HALLOWEEN, SUMMER READING
- GIVES TEENS SENSE OF OWNERSHIP OVER SPACE
- INTEREST BASED
- ATTRACTS TEENS WHO MAY NOT VISIT TEENSPOT DURING REGULAR HOURS
- COOPERATION WITH SECURITY AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS
When trying new programming...

- Try not to have expectations
- Teen programming is fueled by social interaction
- You don’t have to spend a lot of money
- What are the teens telling you they like/want?
- If at first you fail, try again
- What works for one, doesn’t mean success for another
- Take risks
- Know your teens!
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ABOUT BCPL TEEN SERVICES

• 15 MINUTES SOUTH OF DOWNTOWN CINCINNATI
• POP: 100+ K, SCHOOL ENROLLMENT: 20+K
• 6 LOCATIONS + CCOW (COMMUNITY CENTER ON WHEELS)
• 1 FULL TIME TEEN LIBRARIAN + 5 FULL TIME BIRTH-18 LIBRARIANS/PROGRAMMERS IN BRANCHES
• SHIFTING PROGRAMMING PARADIGM; REPEATING CLUBS VS. SPECIAL EVENTS
NKY COSPLAY

ANIME & MANGA CLUB
(middle and high school students)
Join other otakus for movies, snacks, and kawaii crafts. Registration encouraged.
4th Tuesday of every month, 6:30 p.m.
Boone County Public Library
Main Library, 1786 Burlington Pike
www.bcpl.org/teens
ACTIVITIES

• COSTUME CONTEST
• FAN ART STATION
• AMV CONTEST
• KAWAII PAPER CRAFTS
• RAMUNE RING TOSS
• BIZARRE FOODS CONTEST

DANCE PARTY!!!
BATTLE OF THE BANDS

Calling all teen musicians!
Bands & Solo Acts welcome
Applications go out August 1
Library Phone: 342-BOOK (2665)
Krista, ext 8120 or Angie, ext 8225
teens@bcpl.org
Boone County Public Library
www.bcpl.org/teens
PROS/CONS

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• FAMILY EVENT
• PARTNERSHIPS
• DRAWS IN DIFFERENT TYPE OF TEEN PATRON
• MINIMAL STAFF TIME & PREP

C
• WHEN TO START PROMOTING?
• COST
• SUSTAINABILITY
DON’T FEAR THE LOCK-IN!

- ATTENDANCE: TAG → ALL TEENS
- PERMISSION SLIPS
- 1 STAFF/ 5 – 7 TEENS
- BEST FACILITY?
- ROUGH AGENDA
- SHOESTRING BUDGET
LOCK-IN RULES = NORMAL RULES

• DON’T BE A JERK. WE ARE ALL FRIENDS!

• DON’T BREAK THE LIBRARY, OR DO THINGS THAT WOULD CAUSE THE LIBRARY TO GET BROKEN – THIS ALSO MEANS YOU CANNOT PARKOUR OFF THE LIBRARY.

• DON’T DO ANYTHING THAT WOULD GET A LIBRARIAN FIRED. THE LIBRARIAN IS YOUR BEST FRIEND! LIBRARIANS RESERVE THE RIGHT TO CALL YOUR PARENTS AND THE POLICE.

• THE LIBRARIANS ARE NOT YOUR PARENTS. CLEAN UP AFTER YOURSELF.
READ WITH A TEEN

WHO
A TEEN IN 8TH – 12TH GRADE WITH A YOUNGER CHILD GOING INTO 1ST – 3RD GRADE

HOW
• ONE HOUR WEEKLY
• GROUP STORYTIME/ACTIVITY
• ONE-TO-ONE READING/SHARING

WHY
3RD GRADE RISK PREDICTORS & DEVELOPMENTAL ASSETS
EXPANDING SUCCESS

• PAWS TO READ YEAR-ROUND MODEL
• HIGHLIGHTED IN STATE DIRECTOR’S NEWSLETTER
• ADDING COMMUNITY STOPS IN SUMMER

Read with a Teen

Build your child’s reading skills with the help of a teen role model. Stop at the desk to reserve your child’s 30-minute reading time.

Thursdays, February 6 & 27
6 p.m.
Scheben Branch
THANK YOU!

(GO FORTH AND PLAN YOUR PROGRAMS - LIKE A BOSS!)