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Children's FESTIVAL^{of} READING

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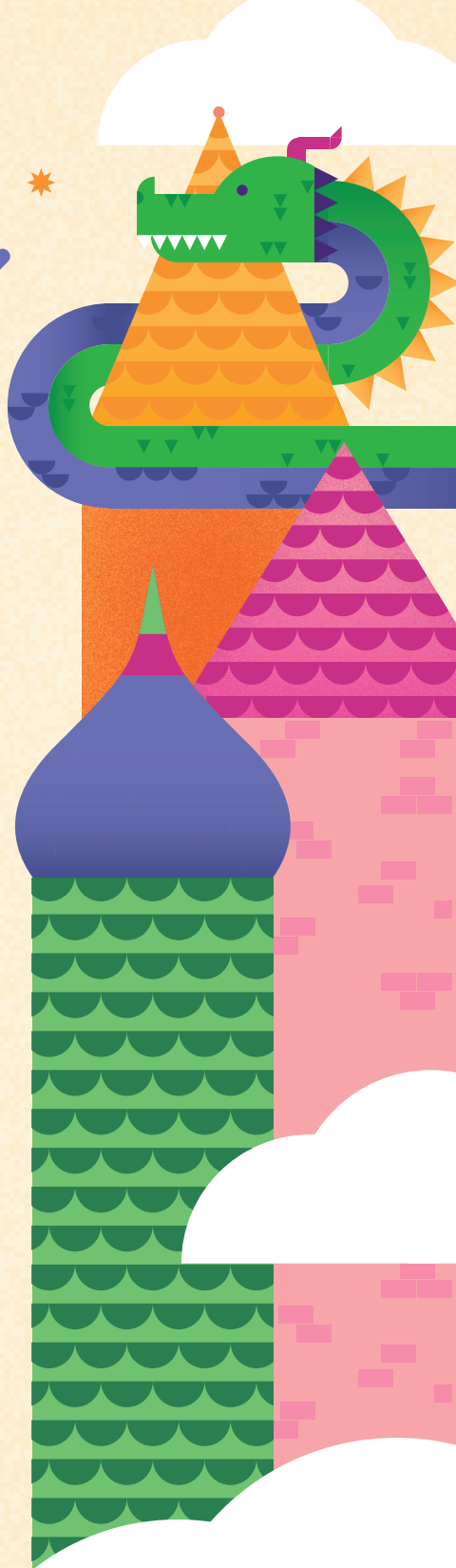
May 18, 2024

WORLD'S FAIR PARK | 10-3

WELCOMING AUTHORS:

ASHLYN ANSTEE
COZBI A. CABRERA
ANTWAN EADY
GALE GALLIGAN
ALAN GRATZ
DEB PILUTTI
& MANY OTHERS!

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Schedules

JOIN THE PARADE OF BOOKS AT NOON!

Everyone can join the Parade! Line up at the Parade Circle and pick out a noisemaker or book parade sign.

#8 AUTHORS & ILLUSTRATORS

Pre-show giveaways, character photo-ops, and more!

- 10:00 Meet Princess Tiana
- 10:15 **Cozbi Cabrera**
Book signing tent #6, 10:45 & 12:30
- 10:45 **Ashlyn Anstee**
Read City tent #10, 11:15–12:00, 12:30–2:30
- 11:15 Meet Captain America
- 11:30 **Alan Gratz**
Book signing tent #6, 12:00 & 1:15
- NOON **PARADE OF BOOKS**
- 12:30 Brain Break with D1 Training
- 12:45 **Antwan Eady**
Book signing tent #6, 11:30 & 1:15
- 1:15 Sticker Giveaway
- 1:30 **Gale Galligan**
Book signing tent #6, 10:45 & 2:00
- 2:00 Top Golf Giveaway & Brain Break with D1 Training
- 2:15 **Deb Pilutti**
Book signing tent #6, 10:15, 12:45

#4 MUSIC & MORE

Kidstuff kicks off the Festival live on WDVX

- 10:00 **Kidstuff Live**
with Sean McCollough
- 11:00 Meet Mirabel
- 11:15 **Hominy Mamas**
- NOON **PARADE OF BOOKS**
- 12:30 **Miss Lynn**
- 1:00 Meet Princess Tiana
- 1:30 **Jodie Manross**
- 2:00 Meet Spiderman
- 2:30 **Miss Lynn**

EPIC ADVENTURE! TENT #7

Pick up a Quest for Knowledge gameboard to join our summer library adventure. Finishers earn epic prizes!

ONE BOOK READ CITY WITH ASHLYN ANSTEE, TENT #10

Scavenger hunt participants, pick up your prize at the Read City USA tent, and meet author Ashlyn Anstee! See schedule for times.



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#14 SCIENCE & DISCOVERY

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- 10:00 Meet Spiderman
- 10:15 **Pop-A-Palooza**
with Hands On! Discovery Center
- 11:00 Meet Princess Tiana
- 11:15 **Dr. Hazari**
- NOON **PARADE OF BOOKS**
- 12:15 **Pop-A-Palooza**
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- 1:00 Meet Mirabel
- 1:15 **Dr. Hazari**
- 2:00 Meet Captain America
- 2:15 **Webb Robotics**

STORYBOOK CHARACTERS APPEARING ALL DAY IN TENT #9

Snap a selfie with characters from *Where the Wild Things Are*, *Paddington Bear*, and *Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus*. (Visit East TN PBS's Daniel Tiger in tent #39)

#16 STORYTELLING

Meet princesses and superheroes before performances!

- 10:00 Meet Mirabel
- 10:30 **Sparky & Rhonda**
- 11:15 Meet Spiderman
- 11:30 **Zoo Knoxville**
- NOON **PARADE OF BOOKS**
- 12:30 **Knoxville Children's Theatre**
- 1:00 Meet Captain America
- 1:15 **Faye Wooden**
- 1:45 Meet Princess Tiana
- 2:00 **Puppy Storytime**
with the Humane Society of the TN Valley



PARADE OF BOOKS

We're stepping off this year's parade with 4 million books in tow! As the recipient of the 4 millionth book mailed through Dolly Parton's Imagination Library of Knox County, three-year-old Patience Collins will lead us through the Festival site. Celebrate with us!

Children's Entrepreneur Market

A farmers market run by kids! Support young entrepreneurs by shopping their handmade goods—everything from baked goods and crafts to plants, toys, and jewelry. Find them under the Amphitheater!
childrensentrepreneurmarket.com

D1 Training

Take a "Brain Break" and get energized with a coach/trainer from D1 Training. D1's mission is to make a difference in people's lives by inspiring and equipping them to be their best.

Dr. Al Hazari

This kid-friendly chemist demonstrates jaw-dropping, awe-inspiring experiments. You may become part of the show!

Faye Wooden

A native Appalachian of Cherokee descent, Ms. Wooden draws on her crazy life as a banker, bear trapper, and herbalist to tell hypnotic stories. fayewooden.com

Hominy Mamas

Using stories and songs, the Hominy Mamas weave together interactive performances of traditional folk songs played on guitar and banjo, washboard and kazoo!

Jodie Manross

Knoxville singer-songwriter Jodie Manross will perform beloved original tunes and favorite children's songs. @jodiemanross

Kidstuff Live with Sean McCollough

Today's show will be a live broadcast from the Festival. Expect singalongs, percussion, and movement! Host Sean McCollough is an award-winning musician. wdvx.com

Knoxville Children's Theatre

This education-based theatre company produces professional plays for children, by children. Young actors will delight audiences with scenes from "Babe, The Sheep Pig."
knoxvillechildrenstheatre.com

Miss Lynn

Miss Lynn loves a good story with kids at heart. Join her to share stories and to sing along. misslynn.com, @goodwordsslynn

Pop-a-Palooza

Hands On! Discovery Center presents experiments and activities involving things that POP, like balloons and bubbles to name a few. visithandson.org

Puppy Storytime

Discover the "Reading Team" at Humane Society of the Tennessee Valley where volunteers of all ages can visit and read to the animal(s) of your choice. Expect some snuggle time with puppy pals! humanesocietytennessee.org

Sparky & Rhonda Rucker

The Ruckers combine American history with storytelling, finger picking and great old-time instruments. sparkyandronda.com

Superheroes & Princesses

Visit with Tiana, Mirabel, Spiderman, and Captain America. Knoxville Princess Parties specializes in character performers who provide a magical experience! www.knoxprincessparties.com

Webb Robotics Team

Webb School has three robotics teams with everything from LEGO robots to 140lb-robots! Join these students for hands-on lessons and activities about robotics. webbrobotics.com

Zoo Knoxville

Come enjoy a conservation-themed story time led by an experienced Zoo Knoxville educator with special guest animals. zooknoxville.org

Festival Map

KNOX COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY'S **FESTIVAL OF READING**

Don't miss the farmer's market run by kids! Take the orange viaduct to the Amphitheater



Info

Children's Entrepreneur Market (Amphitheater)

To join the Parade of Books, line up at the Circle at noon. (Or cheer from any tent!)

Parade Circle



Pirate Play Ship Party Pearl

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Restrooms

H2O to GO Water station by KUB

14 Science & Discovery

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Teen Central

13 Friends of the Library Used Book Sale

71	70	69	68	67	66	65
64	63	62	61	60	59	58

12 Ms. Libby's Arts & Crafts

10	11	38	37
9	41	40	39

Storybook Characters

8 Authors & Illustrators

7 Summer Library Club

76	75	74	73	72
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16 Storytelling

17 One World Circus

57	56	55	54	53	52	51	50
49	48	47	46	45	44	43	42

6 Book Signings

5 Author Village (Local Authors)

23	22	21	20	19	18
29	28	27	26	25	24

32 Union Ave Books

32	31	30	
36	35	34	33

4 Music

87

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Children's Park

Family Care
Diapering and lactation area from United Way

3

1 Toddler Play Area

2

All Aboard! Embark on the Molar Express from East TN Pediatric Dentistry

FEATURED

- 1** Toddler Play Area
- 2** East TN Pediatric Dentistry
- 3** United Way of Greater Knox
- 4** Music Stage
- 5** Union Avenue Books
- 6** Book Signings
- 7** Summer Library Club
- 8** Authors & Illustrators
- 9** Storybook Character
- 10** Read City USA
- 11** Dolly Parton's Imagination Library of Knox County
- 12** Ms. Libby's Arts & Crafts
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COMMUNITY GROUPS

- 17** One World Circus
- 18** Heels2Hills
- 19** Christine Marshall Fantasy Author
- 20** Tom Catalano, Author
- 21** Deana Bean Books
- 22** Worlds of Wonder, the books of Susan Kite and Patricia Crumpler
- 23** Author Jerris Hamm
- 24** Fancy Girls
- 25** Story Catcher Publishing
- 26** Books to Encourage Music Practice
- 27** It Is Cool Being Smart
- 28** Smoky Mountain Stick-Boy Books
- 29** Julia Hurley
- 30** Concord Sailing Center
- 31** Children's Diversity and Justice Library

COMMUNITY GROUPS, CONTINUED

- 32** Knoxville-Knox County Head Start
- 33** B.R.A.V.E - Building Respect and Value for Everyone
- 34** River Sports Outfitters
- 35** Knoxville History Project
- 36** Chesterton Academy of St. Margaret Clitherow
- 37** Child Development Research Group - University of Tennessee
- 38** Governor's Early Literacy Foundation
- 39** East Tennessee PBS
- 40** The Little Gym
- 41** For the Love of Reading
- 42** Ijams Nature Center
- 43** Children's Museum of Oak Ridge
- 44** Salsarita's (Info booth)
- 45** Historic House Museums

COMMUNITY GROUPS, CONTINUED

- 46** Knox County Parks & Recreation
- 47** Safe Passage Fund Coalition
- 48** Women's Basketball Hall of Fame
- 49** Knoxville Area Transit
- 50** Comcast
- 51** Centro Hispano
- 52** Little River Montessori School & Knoxville Children's Business Fair
- 53** Montessori School of Education & Local Author Jamie Watts
- 54** Knoxville Children's Theatre
- 55** Main Event Entertainment
- 56** Save the Children Action Network
- 57** Omni Visions
- 58** WBIR
- 59** The Bottom
- 60** East Tennessee Children's Hospital

- 61** Great Smoky Mountains Institute at Tremont
- 62** Zoo Knoxville
- 63** Emerald Academy
- 64** Soccer Shots
- 65** McNabb Center Therapeutic Foster Care
- 66** Tennessee Water & Air Technology
- 67** Maryville's Play Station
- 68** D1 Training
- 69** League of Women Voters
- 70** Clarence Brown Theatre
- 72** Dollywood
- 73** Smile Doctors Orthodontics
- 75** Titanic Museum Attraction
- 76** Humane Society, Tennessee Valley
- 77** Royal Magic Events

- 78** Roane State Community College
- 79** Nirvana Comics
- 80** Girl Scouts of the Southern Appalachians
- 81** Tennessee Archive of Moving Image and Sound (TAMIS)
- 82** The Party Pearl & Company (Pirate Play Ship)

FOOD/DRINK

- 71** Papa John's
- 74** Rainbo Shaved Ice & Funnel Cakes
- 83** Smoky Mountain Kona Ice
- 84** The Spiffy Spud
- 85** The Coffee Lab
- 86** Bruster's
- 87** Walker Foods/Denton's

Authors & Illustrators

AUTOGRAPH PAGE

Authors & Illustrators, Tent #8 | Book sales at Union Ave Books, Tent #5 | Book Signings, Tent #6

Ashlyn Anstee @ashlynanstee

Most Knox County elementary students know Ashlyn from her graphic novel *Shelby and Watts: Tide Pool Troubles*, the featured title for this year's One Book Read City program. She published her first book, *Are We There, Yeti?* in 2015 followed by *No, No, Gnome* and *The Brave Little Puppy*. Her picture book, *Hedgehog*, is a favorite in Dolly Parton's Imagination Library. With a knack for combining humor and heart, Ashlyn's books have garnered critical acclaim and quite a few fans who like to sing along. She currently lives in Los Angeles with her husband and far too many cats!

Presentation: 10:45,

BOOK SIGNING, TENT #10: 11:15–12:00, 12:30–2:30



Cozbi Cabrera @cozbi

With beautiful and acclaimed picture books like *My Hair Is a Garden* and *Me and Mama* to her credit, Cozbi Cabrera tells stories and shares her cultural heritage in a way that will transport readers of all ages through the pages of her books. It's no wonder she's been recognized with the Coretta Scott King Illustrator Honor and the Ezra Jack Keats Book Award. The talented illustrator and author was born and raised in Brooklyn, New York, where she developed a passion for drawing and storytelling from an early age. She's dedicated to nurturing creativity and empowering young artists.

Presentation: 10:15, BOOK SIGNINGS: 10:45, 12:30



Photo by Amilcar Cabrera

Antwan Eady @antwan.eady

Antwan Eady grew up in Garnett, South Carolina, where he spent most of his days riding four-wheelers, fishing, and imagining a world without limitations. Eady is the author of *Nigel and the Moon* along with upcoming titles, *The Last Stand*, *Poemhood* (a young adult poetry anthology), *The Gathering Table*, and *Before the Bridge*. When he isn't writing, he's searching for the best Lowcountry boil in Savannah, Georgia, where he currently resides.

Presentation: 12:45 BOOK SIGNINGS: 11:30, 1:15



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Authors & Illustrators

AUTOGRAPH PAGE

Authors & Illustrators, Tent #8 | Book sales at Union Ave Books, Tent #5 | Book Signings, Tent #6

Gale Galligan @robochai, @galegalligan

Gale Galligan is a New York Times-bestselling cartoonist and shrimp chip enthusiast who lives in Rockland County, New York. They are the creator of four *Baby-Sitters Club* graphic novel adaptations—books five through eight!—and you can spot them in *The Claudia Kishi Club*, a wonderful short documentary on Netflix! Gale has also written for IDW's *Sonic the Hedgehog* and contributed to the *Marvel Super Stories* anthology. When they aren't making comics, Gale enjoys knitting, drumming, and spending time with their zoo: Artemis the cat, rabbits Dipper and Penny, Patrick the husband, and Robin the child. Gale is a founding member of the Comics Advocacy Group, a 501(c)3 nonprofit dedicated to making careers in comics more accessible and sustainable.

Presentation: 1:30, BOOK SIGNINGS: 10:45, 2:00



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Alan Gratz @alan.gratz, @alangratz

Knoxville native Alan Gratz takes young audiences on trips through time and space to explore real-world historical events through stories. Some of his notable works include *Refugee*, *Prisoner B-3087*, *Grenade*, and *Projekt 1065*, among others. Gratz has received numerous awards and accolades for his contributions to children's literature, including the Sydney Taylor Book Award, the Parents' Choice Gold Award, and multiple nominations for the prestigious Edgar Award. His books have been translated into numerous languages and have gained widespread recognition for their thought-provoking narratives and emotional depth.

Presentation: 11:30, BOOK SIGNINGS: 12:00, 1:15



Deb Pilutti @dpilutti

Everyone knows that Deb Pilutti is not boring! In fact, she's downright fascinating as she brings to life characters who charm and delight readers of all ages. Knoxville audiences may know Deb from her picture book *Old Rock (Is Not Boring!)*, which is featured in the Library's Storybook Trails and is also an Imagination Library title. Other works include *Ten Rules of Being a Superhero*, *The Secrets of Ninja School*, and *Bear and Squirrel Are Friends*, garnering her awards such as the Golden Kite Award for Picture Book Illustration. Her books are characterized by their whimsical illustrations, playful narratives, and heart-felt messages.

Presentation: 2:15, BOOK SIGNING: 10:15, 12:45



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DON'T MISS OUT ON EVEN MORE ADVENTURES THIS SUMMER!

Stop by **Tent #7** to pick up your **Quest for Knowledge** game. Complete literacy missions like reading, listening, crafting, and playing to earn **epic rewards**.

You can also pick up a game at any library location this summer! Participate May 18–August 7.



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