

Programming Report, May 2024

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Attendance, again, is low for adults yet steady for teens:

April 2024 Stats		
4/17/24	Teen Anime Club	14
4/24/24	Team B, Teen DnD	8
4/25/24	Night Owls Book Club	1
4/26/24	Teen Jackbox Games	10
4/30/24	Teen Swordfighting Class	13

May 2024 Stats		
5/1/24	Teen Gaming Club	3
5/2/24	OTAB Pride Club	10
5/7/24	Teen Pour Painting	8
5/11/24	Adult Knit and Crochet Club	1

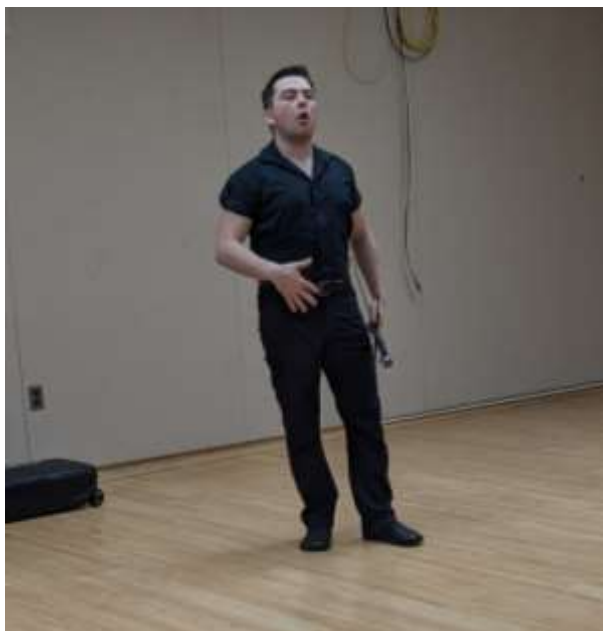
Adult DnD won't run until May 13th, so I'll report more on if my attempts to recruit more players worked or not in my June report. Night Owls, once again, only had one attendee, though the other regular contacted me to let me know her thoughts on our reading for April and to make sure she had what she needed for May. I'll report more after the May 30th meeting. Knit and Crochet, again, was strangely down to one attendee; however, I inadvertently ran the program during Olean's yard sale weekend, so I wonder if that was the case. Sarah Bean on the Information Desk and I are going to try to push more Facebook posts advertising all my adult programs in May and June to see if that helps secure more attendees.

Discussions with Amy revealed that program attendance for both of us has been low for adults the past few months. We're not exactly sure what is the reason, but we're keeping a close eye on it. We think the school year winding down, the weather improving, and spring sports like Little League taking off means our adult patrons are pulled in many more directions, all of which is reflecting in our attendance numbers.

Teen programs continue to be strong: our Sword Fighting class with Wayne Wellburn drew in 13 teens despite the rain relocating us to the Gallery at the last moment. (Photos attached). Our pour painting class with Stacy Johnston on May 7th also had 8 teens and was well loved by the teens. They're already asking when I can get both providers back out for encores. Team B also featured a one-shot (an adventure meant to span just one meeting) ran by one of my teen volunteers, Ellie Lothridge. Ellie did a wonderful job leading the teens through the one-shot they created, and I hope some teen-lead DnD adventures can become a great addition to our program going forward.

On June 26th from 3-5 pm, I'll be running a Summer Reading kickoff party for the teens, as well as a small graduation party for our many teens graduating high school this year. On Cathy's and my last count, at least 13 teens from our Teen Room and our programs are graduating high school this year. She and I are putting together small gift bags for each senior to distribute at the party. We'll be ordering pizza and wings (the teens' favorites) for the party, doing karaoke, and playing Jackbox Games. OTAB and I are also beginning to plan out their end-of-summer reading party, tentatively slated for mid-August.

May's art exhibit was the Friends of the Library's Bookmark Contest, which was well attended and received. The community loves that program, so I'm grateful we can continue to offer the gallery to them and host their awards ceremony.



Instructor Wayne Wellburn



Practicing Forms with Wayne



Sparring with Instructor's Assistant



3 v 1 Sparring with Wayne

Teen Programs in MAY 2024

May 01 Teen Gaming Club
4:30 pm -- 5:45 pm

May 02 OTAB-Run Pride Club
4:00 pm -- 5:00 pm

May 07 Teen Craft--Pour Painting
3:30 pm -- 4:30 pm

May 14 OTAB Meeting, May '24
4:30 pm -- 5:00 pm

May 15 Team A, Teen DnD
6:00 pm -- 8:30 pm

May 17 Teen Jackbox Games
3:30 pm -- 4:30 pm

May 22 Teen Anime Club
4:30 pm -- 5:45 pm

May 29 Team B, Teen DnD
6:00 pm -- 8:30 pm

May 31 Teen Jackbox Games
3:30 pm -- 4:30 pm

Registration is REQUIRED for this program.
Go to the Teen Room or to the Circulation Desk

June 04

OTAB Meeting, June '24

4:30 pm -- 5:00 pm

June 05

Teen Gaming Club

4:00 pm -- 5:00 pm

June 06

OTAB-Run Pride Club

4:00 pm -- 5:00 pm

June 07

Teen Jackbox Games

4:30 pm -- 5:00 pm

June 12

Team A, Teen DnD

6:00 pm -- 8:30 pm

June 19

Teen Anime Club

4:30 pm -- 5:45 pm

June 21

Teen Jackbox Games

3:30 pm -- 4:30 pm

June 26

Teen SRP/Grad Party

3:00 pm -- 5:00 pm

June 26

Team A, Teen DnD

6:00 pm -- 8:30 pm

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