

Library Hours

Mon-Thu: 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Fri: 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Sat: 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Sun: 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Holiday Closing

All library buildings will be closed on 04/01 in observance of the Easter holiday.

You can always access ebooks, audiobooks, and more at www.wrl.org/digital.



The Musical Legacy of Ella Fitzgerald



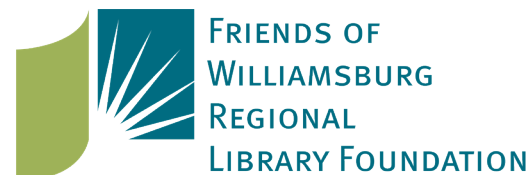
Gifted with a beautiful voice and adept at both jazz and romantic ballads, Ella Fitzgerald, "The First Lady of Song," was one of the most popular female singers of the 20th century. Join us as we take a tune-filled exploration of her life and musical legacy.

Thursday Film Series

This Month: Movies about Gardens

- 04/05 - *The Garden of Allah*
- 04/12 - *Greenfingers*
- 04/19 - *Garden of the Finzi-Continis*
- 04/26 - *My House in Umbria*

All feature films begin at 2 p.m. in the Williamsburg Library Theatre. Find complete film descriptions on our calendar at www.wrl.org/events/films.




Where Does the Money Go?

With the annual book sale set for early April, it seems a good time to look at how the Friends of Williamsburg Regional Library Foundation supports the library with the money it receives from its daily and annual book sales. In 2017, the FWRLF gave \$138,500 to fund library collections and programs. Projects included: Summer Reading, children's author visits, new online resources like Science Flix, multiple copies of bestselling books and DVDs, a travelling exhibit from the National Archives, a series of Virginia Symphony programs, and underwriting the Dewey Decibel Concert series. Each of these projects sustains the library's mission to "inform, enrich, and strengthen our community." Support from the FWRLF helps to make WRL exceptional and recognized across the nation as an outstanding library.

Find out more about the Friends of WRL Foundation and how you can be part of this key library support organization at www.wrl.org/give.

**NATIONAL
LIBRARY WEEK**
APRIL 8-14, 2018



"Discover your passions and achieve your goals at the library."
— MISTY COPELAND, National Library Week Honorary Chair

LIBRARIES LEAD

Town and Gown -- A New Partnership

As part of our National Library Week celebration, WRL is delighted to announce a new partnership with the William & Mary Libraries at the College of William & Mary. Through the partnership, WRL and W&M Libraries will work together as community partners to increase access to library collections; to develop collaborative programming; and to support community goals for lifelong learning. WRL director Betsy Fowler says, "I am excited by the opportunity to expand our relationship with W&M Libraries and to work with Carrie Cooper, dean of libraries, who is an enthusiastic and forward thinking collaborative leader."



As part of this exciting new relationship, anyone who is eligible for a WRL library card will also be eligible for a W&M Libraries visitor account, allowing WRL users access to W&M Libraries' resources, including more than two million books, journals, online databases, government documents, and music.

W&M visitor accounts also allow access to W&M Libraries' online collections when visiting any of their eight campus libraries, as well as assistance at the circulation and research desks. At the same time, WRL will allow all currently affiliated W&M students, faculty, and staff with a valid W&M ID to get a WRL library card.

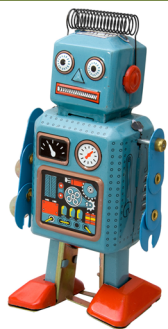
This collaborative relationship brings benefits to both libraries and also to the community, opening up a wealth of resources to everyone whether you are interested in pleasure reading or scholarly research (or both!).

In addition to sharing access to collections, WRL and W&M Libraries will be working on a number of other projects through the partnership, including collaborating on programming that is of interest to the community and expanded ILL service.

Community Thank You Event

Join us from noon to 4 p.m. on Saturday 04/07 at the Williamsburg Library Plaza to kick-off National Library Week as WRL thanks the community for supporting us in the Best Library contest. There will be music, crafts, and family activities and programs.

Featured Events for Kids



STEAM Saturday: Hands-On Robots

04/21, 1-4 p.m.

James City County Library

Kids can see robots in action during ongoing demonstrations throughout the afternoon. They'll also have the chance to learn how to use Spheros and Ozobots.

Upcycled Cinderella

04/04, 11 a.m. (*Williamsburg Library*) & 2 p.m. (*JCC Library*)

The actors of Bright Star Theatre will have kids laughing in the aisles as they bring Cinderella to life in an unforgettable fashion.

Chemistry Magic Show

04/07, 11 a.m., *Williamsburg Library*

Come learn about the magic of chemistry, where liquids change colors, objects move without being touched, and flowers are smashed to pieces.

Tween Book Club

04/12, 6 p.m., *Williamsburg Library*

Meet fellow readers at our first Tween Book Club meeting, at which we'll discuss *The Bridge to Terabithia*. For ages 9-12; sign up at the Youth Services Desk.

Check out [all](http://www.wrl.org/kids) this month's events and storytimes for kids at www.wrl.org/kids.

Featured Events for Teens



Life Hacks for Teens

Various Dates and Times

Various Locations

On 04/04 at 2 p.m. at the JCC Library, learn the basics of car maintenance for new drivers. On 04/06 at 3 p.m. at the JCC Library, learn what you will need to know about renting your first apartment. On 04/14 at 11 a.m. at the Williamsburg

Library, create or improve your first resume in time for the Teen Job Fair, and on 04/28 at 3 p.m. at the Williamsburg Library, learn basic yoga. We'll have themed giveaways at each session!

Teen Writing Lounge

04/22, 2-3:30 p.m., *James City County Library*

Teen writers can come together in a place with no pressure, critiquing, or deadlines. This is the place to get creative!

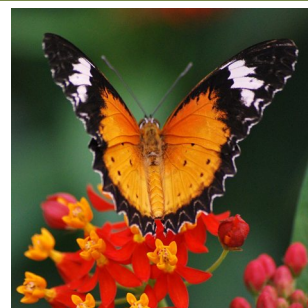
Teen Job Fair

04/26, 5-7 p.m., *James City County Library*

Meet local employers who are hiring ages 16+ for the summer, and even try your hand at a mock interview.

Check out [all](http://www.wrl.org/teens) this month's great teen events and more at www.wrl.org/teens.

Featured Events for Adults



Butterflies -- Invite Magic to Your Garden

04/17, 2 p.m.

Stryker Center

Everyone loves butterflies, but why do some gardens teem with butterfly activity while others do not? Judith Alberts, VCE Master

Gardener and butterfly enthusiast, will share tips on creating a place that invites butterflies to visit and on setting up nurseries for their next generations.

Dewey Decibel Concert Series

Various dates, 7:30 p.m., *Williamsburg Library*

Mark your calendars for the many amazing performances we have coming up this month. Join us on 04/04 for Virginia Opera's "Evening of Arias and Duets." Next up, Boxwood Williamsburg presents the music of Maritime Canada on 04/13. On 04/14, Stephen Bennett takes the stage in a show that celebrates his lifelong love affair with the sound of guitar strings. Finally, don't miss Ford's Colony Dance Band's tribute to swing music on 04/19. Check out www.wrl.org/dewey for ticket information.

Author Presentation: Carl's Story

04/10, 2 p.m., *Stryker Center*

Noretta Willig, author of *Carl's Story*, joins us to talk about her inspirational book. This talk will feature a special introduction by Williamsburg Mayor Paul Freiling.

Celtic Film Series: Jimmy's Hall

04/12, 7 p.m., *Williamsburg Library*

Jimmy Gralton returns home to Ireland after ten years of exile in America. Seeing the poverty and oppression around him, the activist in him reawakens and he looks to re-open the dance hall that led to his deportation.

Cinema @ Scotland Street: Step

04/25 (7 p.m.) & 04/29 (2 p.m.), *Williamsburg Library*

This powerful, high-energy documentary follows three young women through their senior year as members of a girls' high-school step dance team in Baltimore. Their ambitions to dominate at state championships and get into the colleges of their dreams fuel this emotional film.

Africa's Vanishing Wilderness

04/26, 7 p.m., *Williamsburg Library*

Local photographer and conservationist Billy Dodson will describe his journey from workaholic to conservation photographer.

Birds of the Colonial Historic Triangle

04/30, 7 p.m., *Williamsburg Library*

Birding expert Bill Williams will teach you how to identify common birds and how to help with the Spring Bird Count.

Find [all](http://www.wrl.org/events) of this month's library programs & classes at www.wrl.org/events.

Celebrate National Library Week with WRL

National Library Week is April 8-14 -- how will you be celebrating? Check out some of the fun we have going on:

For Kids and Teens

Chess Open Play: Stop by the Williamsburg Library between 2-4 p.m. on April 8 for our Chess Open Play afternoon -- all skill levels welcome!

Paws to Read with K-9 Connection: At 2:30 p.m. on April 8, come on by the James City County Library to read aloud to a real therapy dog.

Tween Book Club: Have you got a young reading enthusiast in your house? Join our Tween Book Club (see opposite page for more details).



Contemos un Cuento: Join us on April 14 at 11 a.m. at the Williamsburg Library for this all-ages storytime featuring stories, songs, and other activities in both Spanish and English.

Teen Resume Workshop: Teens can create or improve their first resume in this free workshop at the Williamsburg Library on April 14 at 11 a.m.

LEGO Open Play: We'll have our monthly LEGO Open Play session on April 14 from 2-4 p.m. at the Williamsburg Library.

For Adults

Ripcord: Catch the final performance of Panglossian Productions' latest offering on April 8 at 2 p.m. at the Williamsburg Library.

Author Presentation with Noretta Willig: The author of *Carl's Story*, a fascinating account of the death and, 90 years later, posthumous identification of an American soldier in World War I, will talk about her book (see opposite page for more details).

Power in the Panels Graphic Novel Group: Calling all Graphic Novel fans (18+ please) -- mark your calendars for April 11 at 7 p.m. at the Stryker Center, when we'll meet to discuss graphic novels that deal with themes of spirituality and religion.

Fellowship in a Ring: Our science fiction and fantasy book group will meet on April 11 at 7 p.m. at the James City County Library -- come share information about whatever you've been reading in the genre lately!

Boxwood Williamsburg Workshop and Concert: Before Boxwood Williamsburg takes the stage as part of the Dewey Decibel Concert Series (see opposite page for details), attend a special ticketed workshop with flutist Chris Norman on April 13 at 4 p.m. at the Williamsburg Library.



All of this is in addition to our regular line-up of weekly storytimes, film series, ongoing art exhibits, and the final week of our AARP Tax Aide program. Check out www.wrl.org/events for the full schedule.

Friends of Williamsburg Regional Library Foundation Annual Book Sale



It's that time of year again! The Friends of WRL Foundation will once again be hosting their annual book sale at the Williamsburg Community Building located at 401 N. Boundary Street (across from the Williamsburg Library). This year's book sale dates and times are:

Friday, April 6 (3-7 p.m.)

This day of the sale is only open to Friends members. You may join at the door.

Saturday, April 7 (10 a.m. - 3 p.m.)

Sunday, April 8 (11 a.m. - 2 p.m.)

All remaining items will be half off.