

Friends of the Library Newsletter

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Library Adds Film Streaming Service Kanopy

The popular on-demand film streaming service Kanopy is now available for free at Manhattan Public Library. Library card holders can access Kanopy and sign up to start streaming films instantly by visiting <u>mhklibrary.kanopy.com</u>. Films can be streamed from any computer, television, mobile device or platform by downloading the Kanopy app for iOS, Android, AppleTV, Chromecast or Roku.

With the motto of "thoughtful entertainment," Kanopy provides Manhattan Public Library patrons with access to films of unique social and cultural value. These are films that are often difficult or impossible to access elsewhere, and programming that features diversity, with a wide array of foreign language films and films on race, and current affairs.



Kanopy's subdivision, Kanopy Kids, includes children's programming; all Kanopy member accounts have access to Kanopy Kids. Kanopy Kids highlights films and TV series that inspire, inform, and help children develop empathy, mindfulness, and self-esteem. Kanopy Kids' categories include TV Series, Learning Languages, Animated Storybooks, Anime Favorites, Classic Films and Movies for the Whole Family. Key titles include *Arthur*, *Babar*, *Franklin & Friends*, *Maya The Bee*, *Wild Kratts*, *Between the Lions*, *Little Pim*, and more.



Available now on Kanopy! COUNTRY MUSIC | A Film by Ken Burns

Kanopy's mission states, "The films that truly resonate with us do more than just entertain. They inspire us, enrich us, and challenge our perspectives. Kanopy ensures that these films reach viewers around the world."

Kanopy was founded in 2008 by CEO Olivia Humphrey as an educational tool for colleges and universities. More than five million Kanopy users stream the most acclaimed movies and documentaries from award-winning filmmakers, and experience the best in independent, classic, and world films.

To access Kanopy:

- 1. Go to mhklibrary.kanopy.com
- 2. Click "Add Library Card" and enter your card number.
- 3. Create Your Account
- 4. Verify your email address and then, start streaming!

Upcoming Events

Yack & Yarn: Early Birds Mondays 2 - 3:30 PM

Yack & Yarn: Night Owls Tuesdays 6 - 8 PM

Second Sunday Music Series

Thundering Cats Big Band Nov. 10 | 1:30 - 2 PM

TBD Dec. 8 | 1:30 - 2 PM

Tech Classes and Workshops*

Archiving Family Photos Nov. 12 | 2 - 4 PM

Google Drive Basics Nov. 20 | 2 - 4 PM

Cloud Storage Basics Nov. 26 | 2 - 4 PM

Craft Nights*

Acorn Canvas Nov. 21 | 7 - 8:30 PM

Winter Ornaments Dec. 19 | 7 - 8:30 PM

Humanities Kansas Book Talks

Groesbeck Meeting Room 2 - 4 PM Oct. 24, *Nectar in a Sieve*

Dec. 5, *The Romance Reader*

*REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Homebound Reading Service

Most of us enjoy the ability of visiting the library, browsing the vast selection of books and checking out our choice of books to take home. There are those, however, who are unable to come to the library. A group of library staff members stand ready to make personal deliveries of books to the homes of those patrons.

The Homebound Reading Service provides books specifically selected for individuals who have registered for the program. Library card holders complete a sign-up form designed to identify reading preferences. The comprehensive survey of the reader's "taste" in books provides the library staff with the ability to choose reading material for each individual. Readers indicate their preference for nonfiction books in the areas of Art, Biographies, Business, Health, Hobbies, Music, Politics, Sports and Travel, among others. Fiction readers can specify genres such as Mystery, Romance, Historical, and Western. Formats of large print, regular print and audio are chosen.

Things Heat up at MPL - Summer 2019

At the September MLA meeting, Public Relations and Development Coordinator Maddy Ogle and Associate Director of Learning & Information Services Rhonna Hargett presented a review of the library's summer activities – truly something to brag about!

Record-breaking numbers of participants enjoyed a variety of library programs. 4,322 kids, 524 teens and 263 adults (that's a total of 5,109!) came to the library for programs during the months of June, July and August.

The Summer Reading Program set attendance/participation records, as well. 2,526 kids, 442 teens, 779 Library staff members Linda Henderson, Jared Richards, Mary Swabb and Bryan McBride deliver books once a month to Meadowlark, Via Christi Village, Garden Grove Senior Apartments, Homestead and six individual homes at the present time.

The delivery of books to the homebound is limited to the city limits. However, individuals living outside the city limits can participate in the service, making arrangements for the pick-up of personally selected books.



Librarian Linda Henderson gets ready to load van last December.

by Pat Brown

adults and 44 library staff members recorded 2,033,607 minutes of reading throughout the official program dates. 340 people celebrated the first day of school's "Check Out and Chill Out," receiving a Sno-Cone after checking out a book.

767 teens visited the Library's Teen Zone during June and July.

Maddy and Rhonna also outlined other outreach activities during the summer months, including participation in the Manhattan Parks and Recreation Program's "101 Days of Summer," the delivery of more than 400 "Books for Babies" gift bags to the hospital and the delivery of books to homebound library patrons.