

Featured Program Series

For details, visit pickawaylib.org

Mapping Our Way Home: A Creative Writing Experience with Wendy McVicker

With a grant for Creative Aging, the Pickaway County Library will host a six-session creative writing workshop for adults 55 and older. Wendy McVicker, Ohio author and former poet laureate of Athens, Ohio, will guide the sessions.

Participants will learn creative writing techniques to identify personal stories that can be developed and distilled into short and pithy pieces of writing. A variety of techniques will help participants explore and share stories in a supportive environment. Participants will share their work and encourage one another from 10AM to 12PM on Thursdays at the Main Library beginning Sept. 19. Registration is limited and can be done in advance online or in person at any Pickaway County Library location.

The last session will be at the Pickaway Senior Center on Oct. 31 where participants will invite family and friends to share their readings to widen the circle of connection and community.

Wendy McVicker is a former poet laureate of Athens, Ohio, and the author of several books of poetry, including *the dancer's notes* (2015); *Sliced Dark*, a collaboration with visual artist John McVicker (2018); *Zero, a Door* (2022); the collaborative *Stronger When We Touch* with poet Cathy Cultice Lentes (2023); and the forthcoming *Alone in the Burning* (2024). Her work has appeared in numerous journals and anthologies, including *Pine Mountain Sand & Gravel*, *Women Speak*, *Gyroscope Review*, and the *Northern Appalachian Review*.

Creative Aging is based on multi-session, hands-on, skill-based arts workshops where participants gain a sense of accomplishment and the chance to forge new relationships.

Project funding provided by the Ohio Arts Council, through a grant from the National Assembly of State Arts Agencies in collaboration with E.A. Michelson Philanthropy.

Wendy McVicker
INSTRUCTOR

Mapping our way home

Creative Writing Series

Thursdays
Sept. 19 to Oct. 31, 2024
Register at pickawaylib.org

In this six-session series, adults age 55+ will work together to distill life experiences into short and pithy pieces of writing. We will share our work and encourage one another. For our last session, we will invite family and friends to a reading to widen our circle of connection.

Wendy McVicker is a former poet laureate of Athens, Ohio, and the author of several books of poetry. Her work has appeared in numerous journals and anthologies.

Ohio Arts COUNCIL **NASAA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF STATE ARTS AGENCIES** **e.a. michelson PHILANTHROPY**

Project funding provided by the Ohio Arts Council, through a grant from the National Assembly of State Arts Agencies in collaboration with E.A. Michelson Philanthropy.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<h1>September</h1>						
Sept. 1 Library closed for Labor Day 4:30PM-10PM Fireworks Blast , New Life Church, 7766 Stoutsville Pike, gates open at 4PM	Sept. 2 Library closed for Labor Day 	Sept. 3 12PM-6PM Red Cross Blood Drive —PCL-ML 4PM D&D Play @ PCL-YBL 5:30PM-7:30PM Know Us Before You Need Us , Pickaway County open house, Heritage Hall, 415 Lancaster Pike, Circleville 6PM Live Team Trivia @ Thirsty Parrot, 706 S. Washington St, Circleville	Sept. 4 10:30AM Baby/Toddler Storytime @ PCL-ML 11:15AM Sensory Storytime @ PCL-ML	Sept. 5 10:30AM Preschool Storytime @ PCL-YBL 12PM Traveling Book Club @ TBD (discussing <i>Hello, Beautiful</i> by Ann Napolitano) 6PM Teen Program —Personalized Puzzle @ PCL-ML	Sept. 6 10:30AM Reading with Pickles the Guinea Pig @ PCL-ML 4PM Reading with Pickles the Guinea Pig @ PCL-ML 5PM-8PM First Friday @ Uptown Circleville, featuring live music, car cruise in, etc.	Sept. 7 8AM Walk to End Alzheimer's @ Crites-Hannan Park \$ 9AM-1PM Friends of Library Used Book Sale @ PCL-ML \$ 11AM Creek Exploration , Metzger Preserve 300 Ballard Ave, Williamsport, presented by Park District 1PM Youth Craft —Koi windsock @ PCL-ML (Take & Make versions available)
Sept. 8 Library-sponsored programs in blue. PCL-ML —Pickaway County Library, Main Library, 1160 N. Court Street, Circleville, 740-477-1644 PCL-YBL —Younkin Branch Library, 51 Long Street, Ashville, 740-983-8856	Sept. 9 10:30AM Preschool Storytime @ PCL-ML 6PM Camp Charlotte: 250 years of history @ PCL-ML	Sept. 10 7PM Book Club for Adults @ PCL-YBL (discussing <i>Wrong Place Wrong Time</i> by Gillian McAllister)	Sept. 11 10:30AM Baby/Toddler Storytime @ PCL-ML 11:15AM Sensory Storytime @ PCL-ML 6PM-7:30PM Silent Book Club @ PCL-ML	Sept. 12 10:30AM Preschool Storytime @ PCL-YBL 11AM Computer Hardware Class @ Main Library; please pre-register 1PM Basic Computer Operation Class @ Main Library; please pre-register 6PM Tween Program —Personalized Puzzle @ ML	Sept. 13 4PM Reading with Pickles the Guinea Pig @ PCL-YBL 7PM Movie @Roundtown Players—Pretty In Pink \$ Sept. 14 >>>>>>>>>>>> 6:45PM Movie @ Ted Lewis Park (games, food all free) Movie @ 7:45PM	Sept. 14 8AM-5PM 685 Music Festival @ Eagles, 135 E. Main Street, Circleville \$ 8AM-12PM S. Bloomfield Community Market 9AM-12PM Circleville Farmers Market 10AM-1PM Commercial Point Community Market
Sept. 15 <i>Note: Community event details are accurate at time of printing. Please confirm details with organizers.</i>	Sept. 16 10:30AM Preschool Storytime @ PCL-ML 1PM Local Sips @ Wittich's Soda Fountain, please register in advance	Sept. 17 11AM Tai Chi for Beginners , Park Headquarters, 16405 US23S, S. Bloomfield, presented by Park District 5PM-7PM Still Life Painting with a Friend @ PCL-ML (please register in advance)	Sept. 18 10:30AM Baby/Toddler Storytime @ PCL-ML 11:15AM Sensory Storytime @ PCL-ML 7PM Book Club for Adults @ PCL-ML (discussing <i>Tigerland</i> by Wil Haygood)	Sept. 19 10AM 55+ Writing Workshop Series @PCL-ML 10:30AM Preschool Storytime @ PCL-YBL 1PM Movie Matinee and 6PM Family Movie Night @ PCL-ML 6PM Accordion Wallet @ PCL-YB (please register) 6PM-8PM Suicide Prevention Walk/ Remembrance @ Ted Lewis Park, Circleville	Sept. 20 7:30PM ART , a play @ Roundtown Players, 165 1/2 E. Main Street, Circleville \$ (also Saturday 7:30PM & Sunday 9-22-24 at 2:30PM) Sept. 21 >>>>>>>>>>>> 9AM-12PM Ashville Community Market	Sept. 21 9AM-1PM Friends of Library Used Book Sale @ PCL-ML \$ 11AM Foliage Tour @ Canal Park, 23352 Canal Road, Circleville, presented by Park District 1PM Youth Craft —Autumn Hedgehog @ PCL-ML (Take & Make available at PCL-YBL)
Sept. 22 8AM-12PM Ohio Fall Challenge Triathlon , Deer Creek State Park Beach, 14403 Crownover Mill Rd, Mount Sterling \$	Sept. 23 10:30AM Preschool Storytime @ PCL-ML 6PM Live Team Trivia @ Kelli Jo's, 204 Long St, Ashville	Sept. 24	Sept. 25 10:30AM Baby/Toddler Storytime @ PCL-ML 11:15AM Sensory Storytime @ PCL-ML 5PM-7PM Community Baby Shower & Toddler Fest @ PCL-ML	Sept. 26 10AM 55+ Writing Workshop Series @ PCL-ML 10:30AM Preschool Storytime @ PCL-YBL 6PM Kids Club —Clouds in a Jar @ PCL-ML	Sept. 27 Laurelville Fun Weekend , fish fry, vendors, live music , Laurelville (Friday 5PM-10:30PM; Saturday 11AM-10PM) Sept. 28 >>>>>>>>>>>> KidsPalooza Cruise-In & Tunes @ Uptown Circleville	Sept. 28 1PM Youth Program — Diamond Pumpkin Painting @ PCL-ML 7:30PM Ghost Stories & Night Hike , Canal Park, 23352 Canal Rd, Circleville, presented by Park District
Sept. 29	Sept. 30 10:30AM Preschool Storytime @ PCL-ML					