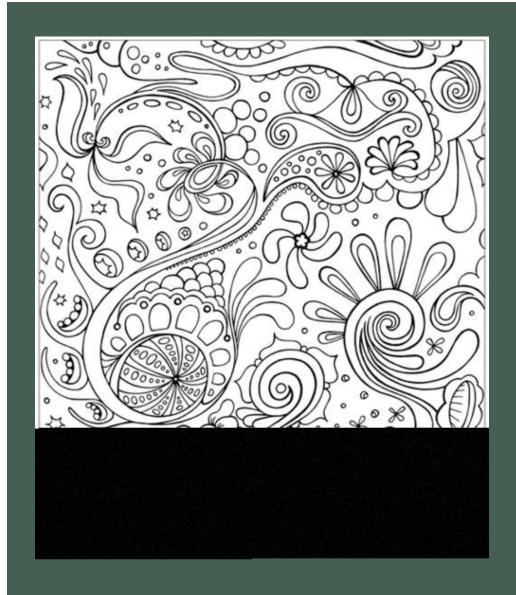


# Today's agenda:

- Crafts
- Passive programs and displays
- Speakers
- Health
- Adults & Kids







### Fun Craft Night Ideas:

### **Coloring Night:**

Get a group of fun-loving adults together for some stress-free coloring!

#### **Art Therapy Exercises:**

(Link included on handout) Choose from over 100 art therapy exercises and let your group explore their emotions via art.

#### Create a journal:

Make your own journal and write as a way to deal with stress, emotions, and life changes!





# Mandalas and dream catchers

#### Sand Mandala:

Create a sand mandala and then let the wind blow it away—therapeutic and fun. Kids can help!

#### Dream catcher:

Make a dream catcher of your own using found/natural materials.



# Passive Programs & Displays

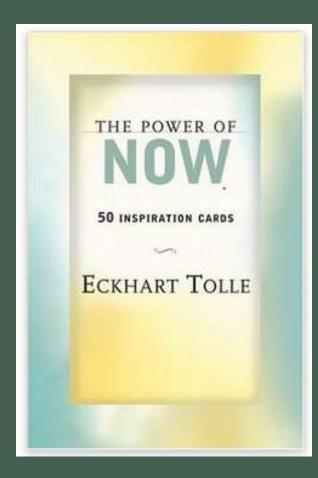
- Give patrons helpful tools:
  - Zentangles: Color a sheet a day (a little moment of zen)
  - Modify these weekly/monthly checklists for adults to help take charge of their schedules!





Place a rock garden at the circulation or reference desk(s) and let people play with it while they wait in line.

# More Displays





### READING CHALLENGE

	A book based on a fairy tale
	A National Book Award winner
	A YA bestseller
	A book you haven't read since high school
$\Box$	A book set in your home state
	A book translated to English
D.	A romance set in the future
	A book set in Europe
	A book that's under 150 pages
DI.	A New York Times bestseller
	A book that's becoming a movie this year
	A book recommended by someone you just met
$\Box$	A self-improvement book
	A book you can finish in a day
	A book written by a celebrity
	A political memoir
	A book at least 100 years older than you
	A book that's more than 600 pages
	A book from Oprah's Book Club
	A science-fiction novel
	A book recommended by a family member
	A graphic novel
	A book that is published in 2016
$\Box$	A book with a protagonist who has your occupation
	A book that takes place during Summer
$\Box$	A book and its prequel
	A murder mystery
	A book written by a comedian
	A dystopian novel
	A book with a blue cover
LI	A book of poetry
	The first book you see in a bookstore
	A classic from the 20th century
L1	A book from the library
	An autobiography
	A book about a road trip

**POPSUGAR** 

□ A book about a culture you're unfamiliar with:

A book that takes place on an island
 A book that's guaranteed to bring you joy

A satirical book

# Mindfulness Display

### 4 Mindfulness Meditations

### Savor your meals

Be mindful during the first 3 bites of your meal. Really focus on the smell, texture, and taste. Savor the moment.

### Breathe... Just Breathe

Simply sit and breathe in a quiet room for 10 minutes. Focus on the subtle movements of your body at rest how is your body moving and how does it feel.

### Stop to observe

Take a moment each day to stop what you are doing and watch your surroundings, free of judgment. Simply observe.

### Visualize your thoughts

Empty your mind by envisioning your thoughts as objects. and through breathing and focus, on each one for a few seconds before pushing the thoughts further and further away.

- Books for a mindfulness display:
  - Wherever you go, there you are, Jon Kabatt-Zinn
  - Mindfulness: An eight-week plan for finding peace in a frantic world, Mark Williams and Danny Penman
  - Little Book of Mindfulness: 10 Minutes a Day to Less Stress, More Peace, Patricia Collard
  - Mindfulness in Plain English, Bhante Henepoloa Gunaratana
  - Peace Is Every Step: The Path of Mindfulness in Everyday Life, Thich Nhat Hanh



# Statewide Speakers' Bureaus

- Mississippi Department of Archives
  & History:
- Staff members from the Department of Archives and History are available to make presentations on a variety of Mississippi themes. To schedule a speaker, call 601-576-6850.
- http://mdah.state.ms.us/new/wpcontent/uploads/2013/07/MDAH-Speakers-Roster-for-the-web.pdf

- Mississippi Humanities Council:
- http://www.mshumanities.com/ind ex.php/programs/speakers\_bureau
- Host a Speaker Application (Word)
- Host a Speaker Application (PDF)

### Humanities Council Rules:

- The Speaker's Bureau features our state's finest historians, writers and storytellers talking about a wide variety of subjects related to Mississippi and beyond. For no cost, you can bring these scholars to speak at an event. The MHC selects speakers based on their credentials and the quality of their program and pays them an honorarium for presenting to nonprofit groups around the state.
- Any nonprofit organization within the state of Mississippi may apply to host a Speaker's
  Bureau member. Click below to download the short, easy application. All applications
  must be received at least four weeks prior to the event, and all Speaker's Bureau
  lectures must be free and open to the public. Scholars may apply to become a
  member of the Speaker's Bureau by downloading and filling out the forms below.

- Body Walk
- Early Years Network
- ChooseMyPlate.gov
- Energy Conservation
- •Expanded Food and Nutrition Education

### **Program**

- Family Life
- Family Nutrition Program
- Family Resource Management
- Food Preservation
- Food Safety
- •Get Healthy, Trim Down Delta
- Health
- Health Insurance
- •Health Partnerships
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### MSU Extension Services

Ask a county agent to come out and demonstrate from a variety of topics, including this Health/Home/Family Series.



### Wellness Speakers

#### Dietician

Ask a registered dietician to come in to discuss foods that need to be added to your diet. Have some of those foods on hand to sample!

#### Fitness Instructor

Ask a local fitness (or Yoga) instructor to come in to discuss steps you can take to be more active. He or she can lead a 15-minute exercise class during the presentation!

#### Doctor/Nurse

Ask a local doctor or registered nurse to visit and talk about taking care of specific conditions (diabetes, high blood pressure, etc.).



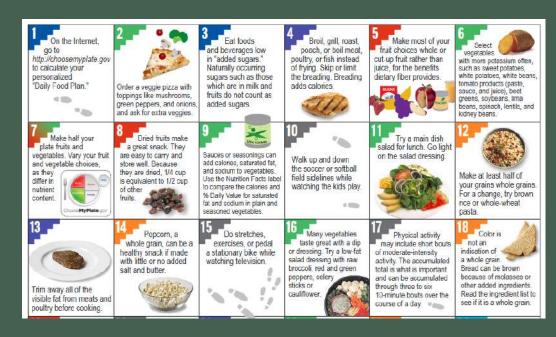
# Fitness challenges

#### Couch to 5k

- Jump-start a fitness routine!
  - Share the free running schedule with patrons:
    - http://www.coolrunning.com/engine/2/2 3/181.shtml
  - Start a running group with the library staff and invite patrons to join.
  - End the summer with a 5k fun run/walk

### ChooseMyPlate.Gov

- Work to change your eating habits!
  - Salt Savvy Quiz: Take this quiz (URL in resources) to see if you know how much salt you should be getting each day.
  - 30 MyPlate Steps to a Healthier You:



### More activities and books to experience together:

### Group Yoga

- The Yoga in the Library website offers print and digital resources as well as programming plans for doing yoga in your library!
- Resources and plans are for both children and adults:
  - http://www.yogainthelibrary.com/



### Book (and Cookbook) Clubs

- Book/Recipe Clubs:
  - Cooking Up Murder (A Cooking Class Mystery), by Miranda Bliss
  - Heartburn, by Nora Ephron
  - Bringing up Bebe, by Pamela Druckerman





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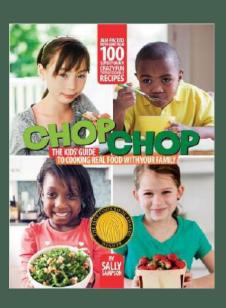
Mindfulness, Yoga, and Fitness

- Sitting Still Like a Frog: Mindfulness Exercises for Kids (and Their Parents), Eline Snel
- Good Night Yoga: A Pose-by-Pose Bedtime Story, Mariam Gates
- (More) Yoga in the Library
  - Programming Librarian article about how to make this happen in your library.
- Exercise as a family:
  - Make working out together a family ritual.



## Healthy Food Choices

- Community Gardening
  - Extension Services programs
- MyPlate.gov resources for children
- Cooking with kids and family:
  - ChopChop: The Kids' Guide to Cooking Real Food with Your Family, by Sally Sampson
  - Cooking Class: 57 Fun Recipes Kids Will Love to Make (and Eat!), By Deanna F. Cook
- Cooking Books for kids (and adults!)
  - This list (in the resources) of cook books helps you get your kids into the kitchen and involved in healthy eating choices.









# Questions & Comments:

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