

Bothell Library Advisory Board

2021 Annual Report

King County Library System

2020/2021 Bothell Library Board

- **Stephanie Adam** - Position 1 (term expires 3/31/25)
- **Erika Olson** - Position 2 (term expires 3/31/26)
- **Bill Root/Laura Escude** - Position 3 (term expires 3/31/22)
- **Rebecca Birch** - Position 4 (term expires 3/31/23) - President
- **Nidhi Kansal** - Position 5 (term expires 3/31/23)
- **Samantha Woodward-Latta** - Position 6 (Resigned in 9/2021)
- **Nadia Mustafa** - Position 7 (term expires 3/31/24) – Secretary

- **Pauline Warden** – Bothell Library – Head Librarian

2020/2021 Advisory Board Goals

GOAL 1. Continue to raise awareness of library offerings in the community.

Achieved by:

- Promoting Library programs, offerings, events to community, Northshore School District, PTA's & Senior Center
- Exploring inclusion of library info in City of Bothell Facebook site

Specific Tasks	Frequency/ Deadline	Assigned To
a. Apprise City Council of Library activities/events – formally & informally	Quarterly	All
b. Highlight Special events – Council Conversations, “Meet the Author”, etc.	As Required	All
c. Drive library linkages with Special Interest Community Organizations	As Occur	All
d. Represent the Library Board within City of Bothell boards/commissions	As Occur	All

2020/2021 Advisory Board Goals

GOAL 2. Participate in Bothell Library Offerings

Achieved by:

- Library Board visibility at key library events
- Enhanced library usage statistics from North Bothell demographic area

Specific Tasks	Frequency/ Deadline	Assigned To
a. Attend & participate in key library events	As Scheduled	All
b. Promote events/offerings/programs in North Bothell area	As Scheduled	All
c. Participate in City of Bothell Parade	07/04/2022	All
d. Offer feedback to Library management regarding offerings	As Needed	All

2020/2021 Advisory Board Goals

GOAL 3. Be knowledgeable about KCLS Operations, Processes & Offerings

Achieved by:

- Working knowledge of KCLS Strategic Plan initiatives.
- Maintaining relationships with key KCLS Resources.

Specific Tasks	Frequency/ Deadline	Assigned To
a. Attend KCLS Board of Trustees Meetings	Biannually	All
b. Participate in KCLS budget/educational/training opportunities	As Scheduled	All
c. Promote KCLS value in anticipation of Library levy lift vote	Ongoing	All
d. Network & volunteer with "Friends of the Library – Bothell Library"	Ongoing	All

Supporting Bothell Citizens during COVID-19

- ❖ Lockers Installed for Book Pickup
- ❖ Surprise Book Bags
- ❖ Curbside Pickup
- ❖ WiFi Availability in the Parking Lot
- ❖ Partnership with govt. orgs for Vaccine clinics --
Auburn, Enumclaw, Federal Way, Tukwila
- ❖ Immigration Assistance for Refugees
- ❖ Trivia Nights – various topics
- ❖ Cocktail Quarantine Book Club
- ❖ Traditional Programming - Virtual
- ❖ New Programming - Virtual
- ❖ Pauline Warden, Head Librarian, retired in
late 2021 – Katie Boyes is covering for now





Bothell Library Circulation

KCLS 2021

775,132 active library cardholders

8,439,125 physical items checked out

8,510,038 digital downloads

**2nd highest in the United States,
behind LA County**


2021

Branch	Combined Physical & E- Material	Physical Circulation-CKO (Check Outs)	Last Year (2020)	CKO - % Diff
Bothell	955,681.00	538,616.00	403,000.00	33.60%
Bothell Lockers	16,920.00	16,920.00	2,409.00	602.4%

KCLS Ranking – 3rd of 50 in the KCLS system behind Redmond & Bellevue

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Varied Programs for ALL Bothell Citizens

- **Meet the Artist: Ellen Busteed**
 - **Outreach to Northshore School District Meal Distribution Sites**
 - **Mock Newberry Award**
 - **Otter Award**
 - **Bothell Teen Volunteers**
 - **System-Wide Virtual Programming**
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Meet the Artist: Ellen Busted



- Meet Kirkland artist [Ellen Busted](#) and [the Bothell Arts Commission](#) to learn about her art, her process, ask questions and visit her studio online. Ellen will explain how she creates an abstract piece in five steps. Jump start your creativity and visit a local artist at the same time!
- 40 people registered and 30 people attended
- Event received lots of positive feedback

Outreach to Northshore School District Meal Distribution Sites (July & August 2021 -- outdoor outreach)

- 15 (out of 16 total) sites visited
- 378 families served
- 657 books distributed (books provided by KCLS Foundation)
- Highlights:
 - Making connections with families outside the library
 - Wide geographic distribution of sites throughout Northshore (Bothell, Kenmore, Woodinville) service areas
 - Strengthened connections with schools and families we already regularly serve
 - Promotion of the news that the library is open!

Mock Newbery Award

- **Participating elementary schools:**
Kokanee, Maywood, Moorlands, Ruby Bridges
 - **16 fifth grade classes**
 - **Approximately 325+ students participated**
 - **Supports development of critical & analytical thinking**

Additional Information:

- <https://sites.google.com/view/kclsnorthshoremocknewbery/home>

Otter Award - Our Time to Enjoy Reading!

- **Book challenge for grades 1-3**
- **Six Bothell-area schools participated (even more in NSD): Crystal Springs, Frank Love, Kokanee, Maywood, Westhill**
- **Books provided to local schools**
- **Librarians engaged classes in promoting reading and discussion of books**
- **Approximately 900-1000 total students in grades 2-4 participated**

HOW TO PARTICIPATE in OTTER



READ or listen to as many of the six nominees as you can. Strive to read or listen to at least two books.



THINK about each book. Talk to classmates and teachers. Write notes in your OTTER journal.



CHOOSE your favorite and vote for that book in April.



Find out which book wins the OTTER Award in May 2022 and **CELEBRATE!**

Bothell Teen Volunteers

Teen Services Librarian led a group of local teen volunteers who help provide programs. Effort serves as a learning opportunity for teens and provides them the ability to earn community service credits.

- Save Lives with STEM (February and March 2021, online)
 - Teens hosted an hour-long event introducing Citizen Science opportunities available through Zooniverse.org
 - Demonstrated how teens could help advance science education even during lockdowns!
 - Together, almost 30 teens contributed more than 100 hours towards research to help end malaria, improve maternal health, protect endangered species, identify new planets, and more!
- Virtual Reviewers (February and March 2021, online)
 - Piloted an online review process
 - Over 20 teens participated, sharing reviews of 83 unique titles, including both books and movies
 - Program's success led to KCLS adoption as a model for a virtual volunteer opportunity in Summer 2021

Bothell Teen Volunteers, Cont'd.

- Financial Literacy (April 2021-present, online)
 - Teens identified a need for life skills like budgeting
 - Evaluated programs from BECU and Junior Achievement
 - Developed a Budget workshop for middle school students
 - Program will be offered 3X – Spring 2022
- Preparing for Your First Job (Summer 2021, online)

The teen volunteers helped test new curriculum meant to help teens develop job search skills:

 - Writing a resume'
 - Setting up LinkedIn profiles
 - Researching companies
 - Interviewing



Book Groups

- Bothell Patrons can participate virtually in any of the Book Groups within the KCLS system – for all ages, cultures and special interests
- Participants need to register ahead of time
- <https://kcls.bibliocommons.com/v2/events?term=online&audiences=5654e87875eef9cd27000011&types=56703390ddaae0b8100135a7>

System-Wide Online Programming

[Life After High School](#)

Reading with Rover (currently on hiatus)

[Rent Smart](#) (partnership with Solid Ground series on tenant rights)

[Study Zone Plus](#) (live homework help and more)

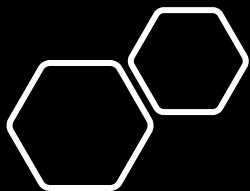
[Story Time](#) (in English and World Languages, online)

[Chinese Language Book Group](#)

and much more!



Highlights of 2022 Plans



2022 Programming Highlights

- Expanded hours begin February 27. Bothell will be adding a day of service, Monday, 10a-5p.
- Online programming continues.
- Developing guidelines and best practices for in-person and hybrid (in-person/online) programming.
- Print newspapers and magazines are back!
- Library Printing
- Library Computers – assistive software available
- Copiers/scanners/fax availability
- Use a library Makerspace - Bellevue

Parking Enforcement

New residential construction in the Bothell Library neighborhood led to an increase in use of the parking lot by non-library users.

Enforcement began in August 2021.

Parking is for library users.

If parked more than 4 hours, patrons must register their vehicle in the library.

No overnight parking is allowed.



Adult Offerings

- Aging well learning community
- Steps towards a healthy and independent life
- Medicare questions
- FamilySearch.org
- Genealogy help with Eastside Genealogical Society
- Hopelink Market
- Health classes and workshops on: Yoga, Tai Chi, Meditation
- Your next job
- ESL (English as a Second Language)
- Resume' workshop
- Certification exam session
- Virtual resource center
- Using screentime to support creative hobbies
- Resources for caregivers of LGBTQ, kids, teens
- Wisdom Café
- Small business counseling
- Social services drop in (Redmond location)

Offerings - Kids/Youth/Teens

Talk time classes

Teen talk time

Young authors
club

Girls who code –
scratch

Girls who code –
Javascript

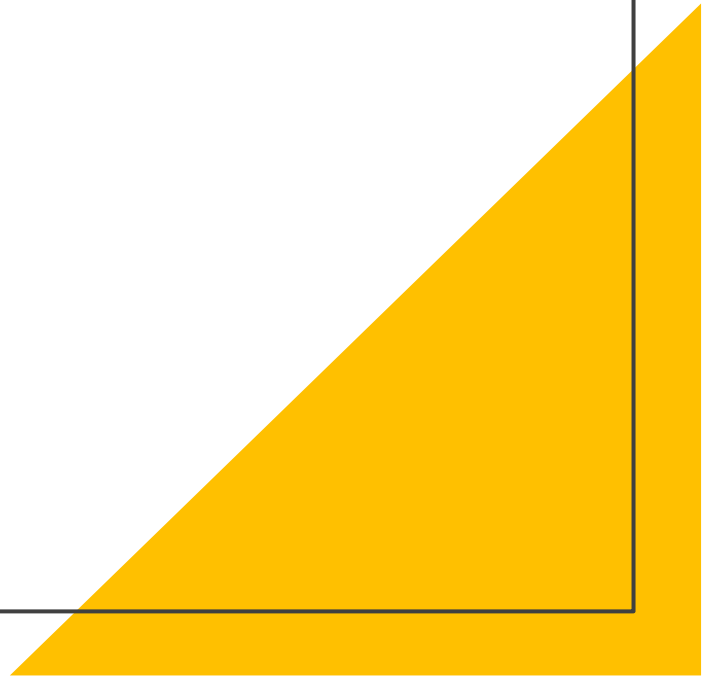
Math clubs – K-2,
3-5, 6, 7, 8,
Algebra,
Geometry

Reading Buddies

Study Zones K-12

Story Times

- ☐ Baby story time
- ☐ Book chats for kids
- ☐ Family story time
- ☐ Mandarin story time
- ☐ Meet the Otters bedtime book reading
- ☐ Pajamas story time
- ☐ Sea critter story time
- ☐ Spanish story times
- ☐ Tigrigna family story time
- ☐ Vietnamese story time





KCLS Rent Smart Series

***General info – English/Spanish**

***Domestic violence - know your rights in 2022**

***Housing Search series:**

-Part 1. Looking for housing

- Part 2. Overcoming barriers to housing

-Part 3. Renting with an eviction on record

***Spanish info for survivors of domestic violence**

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***Fees and deposits**

***Repair issues and landlord duties**

***Evictions and terminations**

***I cannot pay full rent - what are my options, what is the best way to proceed**

***Moving out of your current rental**

***Threats of eviction and your rights as a tenant**

***Getting your landlord to make repairs**

***Breaking a lease**

***General info for residential tenants**



KCLS Performing Arts and Crafts

- ❖ Crafternoon with Bekka series
- ❖ “Try it Tuesday” kits
- ❖ Master Gardener series
- ❖ Introduction to Pour Paints
- ❖ Personal essay Workshop

KCLS with Silverkite Partnership

3D valentine cards

Acrylics

Acting

Beginning drawing - Landscapes

Beginning drawing - Portraits

Bollywood dance

Ethopian coffee ceremony

Indian cooking

Intro to Flamenco

Intro to Origami

Mindfulness

Newspaper planter pots

Pastels

Poetry writing

Popular dances

Storytelling through Hula

Watercolors

Writing a personal essay

Additional Offerings

- **Black Miners in Western US**
- **The Pioneering Life of Peter Kirk**
- **Author voices/Meet the author: Jason Reynolds, Diana Ma, Donna Barba Higuera**
- **Making sense of the US census records - Welcome 1950 census**
- **The Cloud: What is it? Do I need it?**
- **Explore Augmented Reality (AR) on phone**
- **How emerging technology can enhance independent living**
- **Your Mental Health First Aid**
- **Financial foundation: Budgeting**
- **Problem with Big Data: Tech and Privacy**
- **Tutus and Tea**
- **Writing Swoon worthy characters**
- **Romance reading series: Fake relationships**
- **Artwork discussion with FRYE Art Museum**
- **Creative Exchange: Art and Archaeology with BAM Bellevue Art Museum**
- **Fandom Forward: Harry Potter fan club**