

Rant & Rave

Book reviews for you, by you!

Summer is here! Time for lazy days, lemonade, and reading. We have some great summer reads for you this time around, but also information about fun library activities happening throughout the summer for those days when you're feeling restless. Put your art, breakdancing, and science skills to work at the library this summer.

How does *RANT & RAVE* work? Four times each year, we collect book reviews from teens across Asheville and Buncombe County and publish them here. Our reviewers rate books on the following scale:

Terrible Okay The Best!



Anyone ages 11 to 18 can submit a review. Look for a submission form at your local Buncombe County public library. (Or write a review in your own style – just make sure to tell us your name, the author's name, and the title of the book.) The deadline for the Fall 2014 issue is Aug. 22, 2014.

Into the Wild, by Erin Hunter



What is the book about?

A cat named Rusty gets a name change to Firepaw. Giving up his life as a "kittypet," he is brought to Thunderclan. Not everybody likes him, including Tigerclaw. Becoming an apprentice, Firepaw tries to become a warrior. But will the other cats ever accept him?

What did you like?

Everything! I had my nose in this book for two days! I finished it very quickly. It glues you to the pages.

What did you NOT like?

NOTHING!

Would you recommend this book to your friends?

Yes! (Along with all the other books)

Lasting thought you took from the book. . .

Never thought cats could be so interesting

— Noela M., 12

East Asheville Public Library



Teen Library Collective Summer Events at Buncombe County Libraries

Duct Tape!

3 p.m. Friday, June 27th

Black Mountain Library

What can you make with duct tape? The possibilities are endless!

Intro to Breakdancing

3 p.m. Saturday, June 28th

Pack Memorial Library

Learn how to breakdance with Asheville's own Joe Adams of the Underdog Crew. Wear loose-fitting clothes and sneakers.



Altered Book Art

4 p.m. Thursday, July 10th

Pack Memorial Library

Destroy old books to create new works. We have supplies, or feel free to bring your own.

Is it Real or Myth?

2 - 4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 2nd

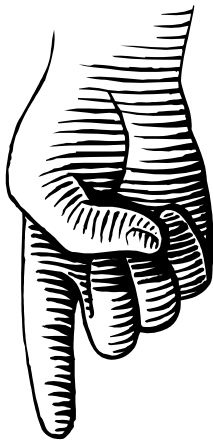
East Asheville Library

Join us for experiments pioneered by our favorite science show, Mythbusters!

HEY TEENS! WE NEED YOU...

**TO DESIGN A
LOGO FOR THE
BUNCOMBE
COUNTY**

**TLC
TEEN
LIBRARY
COLLECTIVE**



**Turn in your design at any
Buncombe County library OR
e-mail it to library
@buncombecounty.org. Don't
forget to include your name
and contact information!**

**Entries due Saturday, July 26th.
Winners announced Saturday,
Aug. 2nd. after Is It Real or Myth at the
East Branch Library.**



**Everyone who submits a design
will be entered into a drawing to
win an e-reader. The winning
designer will also win an e-reader.**

Check out all the ways you can connect with TLC online!



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Fall is here! That means shorter days and the beginning of a new school year. But just because it's time to go back to school doesn't mean that we have to stop reading for fun. So as the days get shorter, curl up inside with one of these great books and a cup of hot apple cider.

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The Fire Wish, by Amber Lough



What is the book about?

There is a jinni named Najwa and a soon to become princess named Zayele. When she finds Najwa she makes a wish that switched their lives and only Zayele can fix it. So they try to find each other.

What did you like?

That they both find love.

What did you NOT like?

That it ended with me not knowing what will happen next!

Would you recommend this book to your friends?

Yes!

Lasting thought you took from the book. . .

When is there going to be a second book!?

— Elizabeth, 7th grade



UPCOMING TEEN LIBRARY COLLECTIVE EVENTS AT BUNCOMBE CO. LIBRARIES

TLC Launch Party & Art Show

2:30—3:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 6th.

Pack Memorial Library

67 Haywood St., Asheville

All art submitted for the TLC Logo Contest will be on display in the downstairs corridor of Pack Library throughout the month of September. Please join us for an opening to celebrate the art and artists.

TLC T-Shirt Contest

September 1st -30th

Vote for your favorite design at

www.surveymonkey.com/s/9D5WWLN

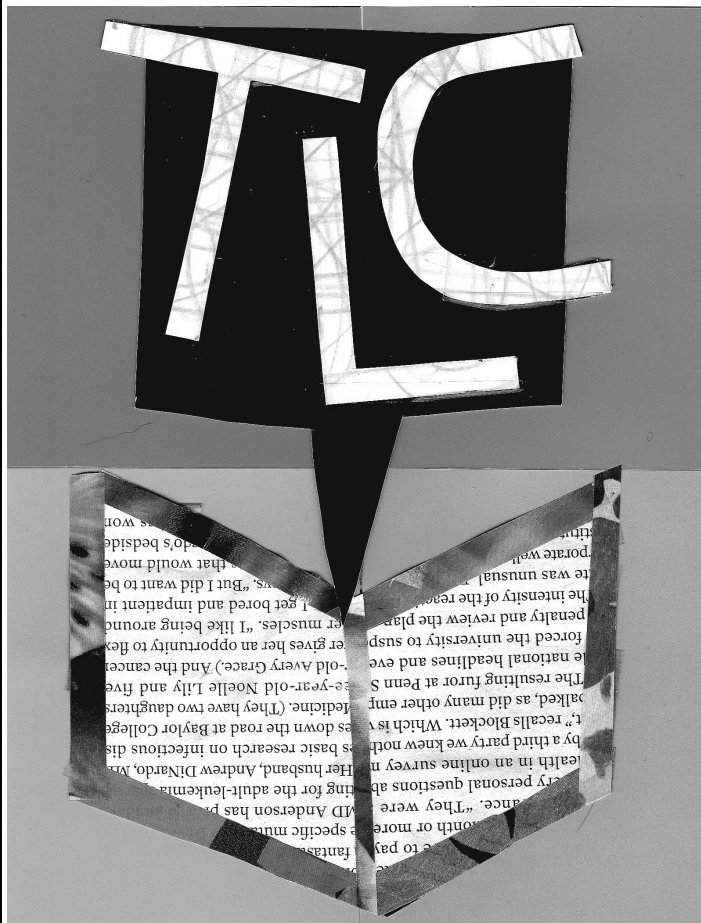
through Tuesday, Sept. 30th. One vote per person, please! See reverse for more information.

Banned Books Week

September 21st-27th

Do you read banned books? During Banned Books Week, TLC challenges you to take a picture of yourself reading a banned book and post it to Twitter using the hashtag #TLCReadsBannedBooks. Check out @BuncombeTLC's Twitter feed during the week for retweets and banned book reading suggestions. You can also post photos of yourself reading banned books to TLC's Facebook wall, www.facebook.com/BuncombeCountyPublicLibraryTeens.

And the TLC logo contest winner is. . .



**Artist: Elena M., age 14,
from Fairview, N.C.**

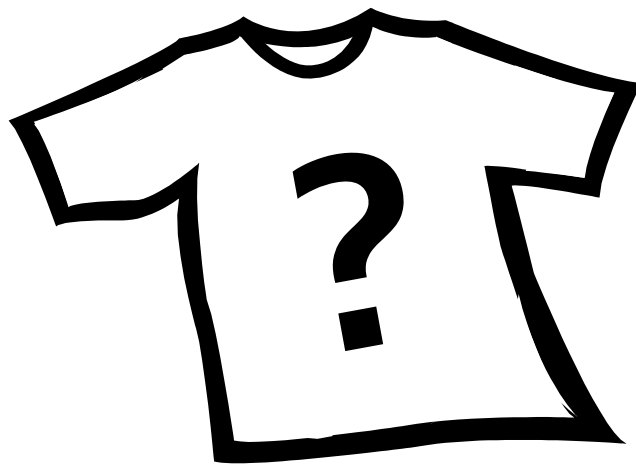
For creating the winning design, Elena received a Kindle e-reader, courtesy of the Friends of the Library. Her logo will be featured on all TLC materials. To see a color version of her art, visit TLC online at one of the locations below.

But that's not all!

There were so many great designs submitted for the logo contest that we want to turn one of them into a TLC t-shirt, and we want you to tell us which one!

Here's how it works. . .

- Throughout the month of September, all the artwork submitted for the TLC logo contest will be on display in the downstairs hallway at Pack Memorial Library in downtown Asheville.
- Artwork will also be posted on the TLC Facebook page. (See the box at the bottom of the page for the address.)
- You can vote for the design you would like to see turned into a t-shirt at www.surveymonkey.com/s/9D5WWLN
- You can also vote in person at any Buncombe County library.
- The winner will receive a TLC t-shirt and a \$20 gift certificate to Malaprop's Bookstore.
- The last day to vote is Tuesday, Sept. 30th!



Check out all the ways you can connect with TLC online!



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