



MEMPHIS PUBLIC LIBRARIES

2023
YEAR IN REVIEW

1,148,494

Items checked out in 2023



1,200,000
1,000,000
800,000
600,000
400,000
200,000
0

up
10%
from 2022

CIRCULATION TOP 5

Top Youth Overall

1. Baby-sitters Little Sister -Katy Farina
2. One Piece -Eiichirō Oda
3. Diper Överlöde -Jeff Kinney
4. Amulet -Kazu Kibuishi
5. Dragon Ball Z -Akira Toriyama

Top Adult Fiction

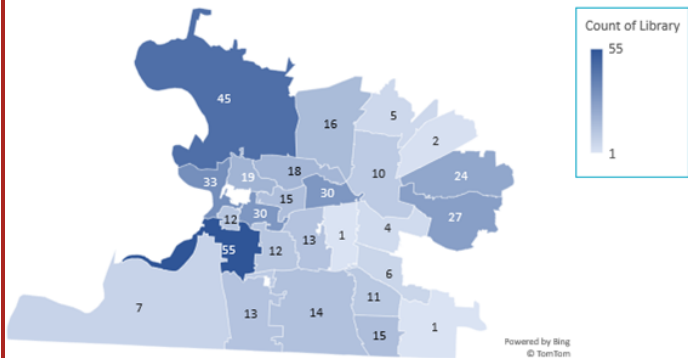
1. The Boys from Biloxi -John Grisham
2. Triple Cross -James Patterson
3. Demon Copperhead -Barbara Kingsolver
4. Mad Honey -Jodi Picoult and Jennifer Finney Boylan
5. Long Shadows -Erin Hunter

Top Adult Nonfiction

1. Spare -Prince Harry
2. The Light We Carry -Michelle Obama
3. Killers of the Flower Moon -David Grann
4. The Psychology of Money -Morgan Housel
5. Finding Me -Viola Davis

SPOTLIGHT ON OUTREACH

Number of Outreach Events by Zip Code, 2023



Top Outreach Events

Anime Blues Con - July

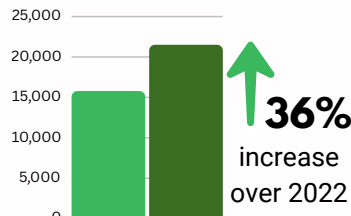
M 901 Day - Sept

National Civil Rights Museum - May

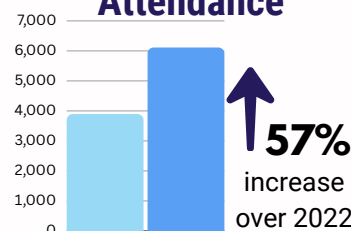
B Bartlett Festival - Oct

Master Gardeners' Spring Fling - March

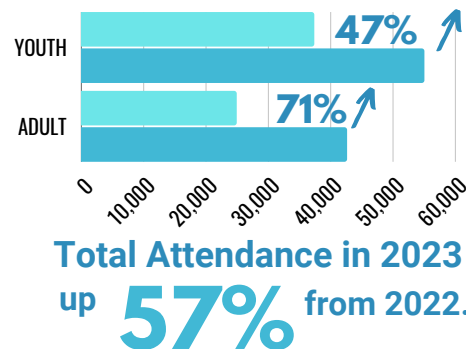
Outreach Attendance



Connect Crew Attendance



PROGRAMMING



Top Youth Programs

- Hollywood Library: Hollywood Halloween!
- Central Library: MPL Read for the Record Celebration
- Central Library: Pictures with Santa
- Central Library: Evicted Exhibit School Tours
- Cossitt Library: 901 Kidsfest

Friends of the library



Memphis Library Foundation

together supported over

650 library programs in 2023!

STRATEGIC
PLAN
2020-2025

ENHANCE
EQUITABLE
ACCESS

CHAMPION
LITERACY
FOR ALL
AGES

PROMOTE
WORKFORCE
DEVELOPMENT

ADVANCE
ROLE AS
COMMUNITY
ANCHOR

INCREASE
COMMUNITY
AWARENESS
OF OFFERINGS

REACH BEYOND
LIBRARY WALLS
WITH STRATEGIC
OUTREACH AND
INNOVATION

STRENGTHEN
THE BACKBONE
OF MPL BY
SUPPORTING
STAFF