



MEMPHIS PUBLIC LIBRARIES

By the
NUMBERS
MAY-JUN 2021

In honor of this year's **Juneteenth Celebration**, MPL unveiled three new library cards, featuring the winners of our **Black History Month Library Card Design** contest!

Stop by your local branch to get a new library card showcasing the winning design from one of the three categories (Adult, Teen, Under 9).

**CONGRATULATIONS
TO THE WINNING
DESIGNERS!**



Outside!

Over **1,000** people have joined us outside for over **40 different programs** including music concerts, line dancing, escape rooms, story times, and more.

"We missed our community, and they seem to have missed us just as much." - North Librarian Johnnie Mosley



Tales from the Virtual World



MUSIC LESSONS



In May and June, over **150** people joined us for virtual **ukulele lessons**.

"I cannot believe how much I have learned even though I've been playing for years."

BOOK CLUBS

Nearly **100** people joined us for **13 book clubs & author talks**.



STORY TIMES



Over **800** people joined us for numerous online **story times**.



"Do you remember the flower seeds you gave us in March? They're growing. My daughter goes out and reads them stories all the time." -Cordova Story Time Parent



2021 WINNER National Medal for Museum & Library Service

Memphis Public Libraries is one of six recipients of the **2021 National Medal for Museum and Library Service**, the nation's highest honor given to libraries and museums that

make significant and exceptional contributions to their communities, making us the first-ever two-time recipient (winning in 2007 and 2021).



**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**