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Summer Reading Program 2022!

In this week's Teen Craft Packet, our theme is Seashells! Find a seashell (or two!) from the beach and decorate it using watercolors and fabric paint to make your personal design really pop!

Craft Packets contain a list of supplies and instructions. These packets can be picked-up at any branch within Brevard County during the week of the related theme and are available for curbside service.

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Storytime, STEAM, Craft, and Teen Packets developed by the Youth Services Department

Puffy Paint Seashells

Supplies

Seashell(s)

Fabric paint

Paint brush

Paper towel or cloth towel

Directions:

Rinse seashell to remove sand and other debris.

Dry seashell using a paper towel or cloth towel.

When your seashell is completely dry, apply a thin horizontal line of fabric paint onto a section of your seashell and spread using your paintbrush. Then repeat until the front of the shell is fully painted. Feel free to use multiple colors on one shell!

Then use the fabric paint to add in some details. You will not need a paintbrush for this step. To add details, squeeze the paint directly from the tube onto the shell. When painting lines or outlines, make sure to apply even pressure onto the bottle to ensure lines of even thickness.

After adding your details, set your seashell aside to dry for at least 24 hours.

Web Resources

[How to paint seashells with watercolors and puffy paint](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Wg58wN87onc)
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Books

The Sound of the Sea: Seashells and the Fate of the Oceans (2021) by Cynthia Barnett (Adult Non-fiction)

Florida Seashells: A Beachcomber's Guide (2018) by Blair Witherington (Adult Non-fiction)

Spirals in Time: The Secret Life and Curious Afterlife of Seashells (2019) by Helen Scales (Adult Non-fiction)