BookMatch Teen
Info Packet for Applicants

WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO?

Learn all about how libraries select, market and recommend books, and offer a book recommendation service exclusive to teens in this award-winning program.

Job description: BookMatch Teen participants will attend seven weekly training sessions in the fall at Central Library. Participants will learn about library services, receive training in readers’ advisory, and explore careers in libraries and publishing. They will use their knowledge and training to maintain and enhance a book recommendation service just for teens.

Participants will return in the new year and attend bimonthly meetings from January through June to put their training in action, providing readers’ advisory for other teens, creating booklists and displays, and offering live book matching at programs including Teens Take the Met and the Summer Reading kickoff.

BookMatch Teen Members will earn a stipend of up to $700, depending on participation.

WHEN & WHERE?

Fall Training: 7-8 consecutive Wednesdays after school at BPL Central Library
BPL Central Library, 10 Grand Army Plaza, Brooklyn

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Questions? Contact Lisa Goldstein at lgoldstein@bklynlibrary.org

**BENEFITS**

**Perks for BookMatch Teen members**

- Do something important in your community.
- Earn a stipend of up to $700, volunteer hours, and resume-boosting experience.
- Meet kids from across the city, and connect to new opportunities.
- Fun, friends, and food!

**WHO IS RUNNING THE PROGRAM?**

**BPL Youth Librarians and Expert Guests**

Two main coordinators will be running the program: Lisa Goldstein, Central Youth Wing Division Chief and Yesha Naik, Senior Librarian, Central Youth Wing. You will also have the opportunity to meet Brooklyn Public Library staff from a range of departments including Youth and Family Services, Marketing and BookOps.

**BASIC EXPECTATIONS**

**As a BookMatch Teen Member I will…**

- Bring enthusiasm and positive energy to each meeting
- Have excellent attendance, and arrive on time
- Actively communicate between meetings and complete tasks by due date
- Help make the program a great experience for all involved through respect, tolerance, inclusiveness, and kindness
- Challenge myself to meet new people, learn new skills, find new interests, see new points of view, and have new experiences
- Take excellent care of program equipment and spaces
- Represent Brooklyn Public Library with professional and polite behavior
- Meet high expectations for trust and responsibility
- Work hard, have fun, and make the most of my time on BookMatch Teen

**Library Staff will…**

- Create a fun, welcoming, safe environment, where BookMatch Teen participants feel comfortable trying new things, meeting new people, and sharing their skills, talents, and ideas
- Provide engaging training activities that will give you insight into libraries, publishing, and future careers
- Have high expectations for all participants

**AFTER THE PROGRAM ENDS**

We hope you will continue to be actively involved at Brooklyn Public Library throughout your life. In the short-term, we will keep in touch with other great events and opportunities to offer the BookMatch Teen book recommendation service!
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