Storytime!

Boyce Branch Storytime upon request

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch Storytime Wednesdays 10:00 am - 11:00 am

Johnson Branch

Storytime upon request

Libuse Branch Library Babies Tuesdays 10:00 am - 10:30 am Storytime Thursdays 10:30 am - 11:15 am

Main Library Storytime Wednesdays 10:30 am - 11:00 am

Martin Library Storytime upon request

J.W. McDonald Memorial Branch Library Babies Thursdays 9:30 am - 10:00 am Storytime Thursdays 10:00 am - 11:00 am

Robertson Branch Explore & Discover Time Tuesdays 10:00 am - 11:00 am

Westside Regional Library Toddler Time Thursdays 10:00 am - 10:30 am Storytime Fridays 10:00 am - 10:30 am

<u>Main Library</u>

411 Washington Street Alexandria, LA 71301 318.445.2411 M-F 9am - 6pm S 9am - 2pm

Alfred Boyce Wettermark Branch

1117 Haywood B. Joiner St. Boyce, LA 71409 318.793.5954 T & Th 9am 6pm W & F 1pm-6pm S 9am-1pm

<u>Libuse Branch</u>

6375 Hwy 28 E Pineville, LA 71360 318.443.7259 M - F 9am-6pm S 9am-2pm

Hineston Branch

1810 Hwy 121 Hineston, LA 71438 318.793.8461 T & Th 9am —6pm W & F 1pm– 6pm S 9am—1pm

J.W. McDonald Memorial Branch

1075 Hwy 497 Glenmora, LA 71433 318.748.4848 T & Th 9am—6pm W 1pm– 5pm F 1pm—6pm S 9am—1pm



1610 Veterans Drive Lecompte, LA 71346 318.776.5153 T & Th 9am - 5pm W & F 1pm - 5pm S 9am - 1pm

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

1115 Broadway Avenue Alexandria, LA 71301 318.445.3912 M - F 9am - 6pm S 9am - 2pm

Martin Library

801 West Shamrock Pineville, LA 71360 318.442.7575 M - F 9am—6pm

Robertson Branch

809 Tioga High School Road Pineville, LA 71360 318.640.3098 M - F 9am-6pm

Westside Regional Library

5416 Provine Place Alexandria, LA 71303 318.442.2483 M - F 9am-6pm S 9am-2pm



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Adult Programs

For the Love of Food

Main Library Thursday, May 11, 4:00 pm to 5:00pm Monday, May 1, 5:30 pm Foodies tease their taste buds with samples of new Thursday, May 25, 10:00 am to 11:00 am recipes this month with Katy Truitt from Simply Adults, treat yourself to an oasis of relaxation and Southern Catering at the For the Love of Food class. Contact 318-445-2411 x1022 for more information.

Veterans Helping Veterans

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch Monday, May 8, 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm Join us on the second Monday of each month for veteran support and information. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

Flower-Pounded Note Cards

Libuse Branch

Wednesday, May 10, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm Make beautiful Spring flower-pounded notecards to gift, send, or frame. Bring a hammer or mallet and favorite flowers from your garden or use those provided. Registration is required. Call 318-443-7259 to register and for more information

Paper Quilled Pendant

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch Thursday, May 4, 10:00 am to 11:30 am Come create a unique quilled paper pendant! Register for this fun program is required. Call 318-445-3912 to register and for more information.



Color Me Chill

Main Library

creativity! Come color and chill with us while you eniov healthy snacks and soothing music. Contact 318-445-2411 x1022 for more information.

Come Write In!

Main Library Tuesday, May 23, 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm Hone your writing skills in this monthly creative writing session. Participants write to suggested prompts or make progress on an existing project of their own, then share with the group for feedback. Contact 318-445-2411 x1022 for more information.

Chair Aerobics!

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Wednesday, May 10, 10:00 am to 11:00 am Join us for a good time and some good fun while getting your exercise in with Chair Aerobics! Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

Scrapbook Club: Memories with Mama

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch Saturday, May 13, 11:00 am to 2:00 pm Bring your favorite picture of mom or memories you've made with mom to scrapbook! Call 318-445-3912 for more information.

Programs for All Ages

Patriotic Stained Glass Window Craft Johnson Branch

Saturday, May 27, 10:00 am to 11:00 am In celebration of Memorial Day, come join us at the Johnson Branch and create a beautiful faux stained glass craft made with crepe and contact paper. Reserve your spot as space is limited by calling 318-776-5153.

Bishops & Bones

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch Saturday, May 27, 11:00 am – 2:00 pm Gather with your community to learn, teach, or play the royal game of chess and the ancient game of dominoes in a family-friendly setting perfect for ages 6 through adult. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

We might be over 50, but

we're as young as we feel!

Come for the bingo, but stay for the friendships!

Reservations are needed.

Contact the branch for more information.

J.W. McDonald Memorial Branch Tuesday, May 2, 10:00 am 318-748-4848

Alfred Boyce Wettermark Branch Tuesday, May 9, 10:00 am 318-793-5954

Robertson Branch Wednesday, May 10, 10:00 am 318-640-3098

Westside Regional Library Thursday, May 11, 10:00 am 318-442-2483 x 1901

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Johnson Branch Tuesday, May 16, 10:00 am 318-776-5153

Main Library Thursday, May 18, 10:00 am 318-445-2411 x 1022

Libuse Branch Friday, May 19, 10:00 am 318-443-7259

This program is sponsored by Healthy Blue.







Children Read to earn prizes! Watch professional entertainers! Win a bingo to earn prizes! Attend programs to gain new skills!

Read to be put into a drawing! Attend fun programs!

Teens

Read to earn a prize! Attend programs to earn a prize!

Grab-n-Go Crafts & Passive Programs

Paper Roll Spring Animals

Main Library & Johnson Branch May 1– 31, During Library hours Create a Spring themed animal out of paper rolls! Take-n-make kits may be picked up at the branch. No reservations are required.

Summer Fruit Mason Jar

Johnson Branch & Westside Regional Branch May 1-31, During Library hours Teens are invited to pick up a kit to make a Summer Fruit Mason Jar! Take-n-make kits may be picked up at the branch. No reservations are required.

Movable Tiger Craft

Johnson Branch Friday, May 19, During Library hours Kids are encouraged to pick up a kit to make a movable tiger craft buddy of their own! Take-n-make kits may be picked up at the branch. No reservations are required. While supplies last.

Paper Plate Asian Hand Fans

Johnson Branch May 1-31, During Library hours In celebration of Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month children may stop by and pick up a Paper Plate Hand Fan kit to make a useful and unique craft. While supplies last.

Tissue Paper Pom Flowers

Johnson Branch Friday, May 5, During Library hours In celebration of Cinco de Mayo, kids and teens can stop by the Johnson Branch to pick up your Tissue Paper Pom craft kit to create your very own bouquet! No reservations are required. While supplies last.

Flower Fairies

Hineston Library May 2–30, During Library hours Create your own flower fairies made from clothes pins, artificial flowers, foliage and other neat items! Contact 318-793-8461 for more information.



Century Readers Club at Main Library

Inquire at the circulation desk or call (318) 445-2411 × 1021

In this self-directed reading club, participants read whatever they like, recommend their favorite reads monthly, and chase the goal of 100 books in a year, all while collecting happy gifts along the way! There are no meetings. Top readers will be recognized, and prize drawings will be held for all participants in celebration at the end of the 12-month reading period. The 2023 reading period began January 1. Get your read on! Contact 318-445-2411 x1022 for more information.

Thursday May 25 @ 2:0

Learn how to create your own richly textured mixed-media art piece using everyday found objects. We will be developing "miniatures" that will qualify for the upcoming Annual 5x5x5 Miniature Show and Competition hosted by the River Oaks Square Arts Center. Space is limited. Reservation required.



Westside Regional Library





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Book and Writing Clubs for All Ages

The Southern: A Book Club Westside Regional Library

Tuesday, May 2, 10:00 am to 11:30 am Join Sonja Spahn and other readers on the first Tuesday each month to discuss great Southern books written by great Southern writers. This month, we will discuss Good Time Coming by C.S. Harris. Contact 318-442-2483 x190 for more information.

A Little Bit of Everything Book Club Westside Regional Library

Monday, May 8, 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm If you enjoy reading a little bit of everything, then you'll enjoy meeting with this book club on the second Monday each month. This month, we'll discuss The Personal Librarian by Marie Benedict. Contact 318-442-2483 x190 for more information.

Triple A Book Club

Martin Luther King, Jr Branch Tuesday, May 9, 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm Join us on second Tuesdays at the King Branch Library discover, read, and discuss books by African American authors and others of the African diaspora. This month we're reading Hitting a Straight Lick with a Crooked Stick by Zora Neale Hurston. Call (318) 445-3912 x1501 information.

Libuse Kids' Book Club

Libuse Branch

Tuesday, May 9, 5:30 pm to 6:00 pm Kids meet on the second Tuesday of each month for a book discussion and snack. This month, we'll discuss the book The Book Wanderers by Anna James. Contact 318-443-7259 x1201 for more information.

King's Teens' Book Club

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Wednesday, May 17, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm Hineston Branch King's teens gather on the third Wednesday of each month Saturday, May 13, 11:00 am to 1:00 pm for a book discussion and crafting session! This month's Join us this month as George Leistman will share about his selection is Demon Slaver Vol. 1 by Koyoharu Gotoge. experiences in the U.S. Air Force in Spain and his travels in Contact 318-445-3912 for more information. Turkey and Italy. Jeanette Hayward will share memories from her travel in London and Paris. Contact 318-793-8461 x1301 for more information.

Libuse Ladies' Book Club

Libuse Branch Thursday, May 18, 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm **Robertson Book Club** Ladies meet on the third Thursday of each month. This **Robertson Branch** month, we'll discuss Into the Wild by Jon Krakauer. Contact Tuesday, May 30, 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm 318-443-7259 x1201 for more information. Meet us on the last Tuesday of each month where Sonya J will lead us in a book discussion. Contact 318-640-3098

Read/Write Group

Main Library Thursday, May 18, 4:30 pm to5:45 pm

Writers of all genres and levels are welcome to join this writing group on third Thursdays. Give and receive feedback on works in progress, hone your skills through challenging writing prompts, get tips on submitting your work to contests and publications. Contact 318-445-2411 x1022 for more information..

	Next Chapter Literary Underliners Book Club
	Alfred Boyce Wettermark Branch
y of	Friday, May 26, 10:30 am to 12:30 pm
d 001	Join us on fourth Fridays for good conversation and loads of fun as we delve into fascinating titles in popular, literary, and historical fiction, fantasy, suspense, nonfiction, biographies, and more! This month we're reading <i>The</i> <i>Kitchen House</i> by Kathleen Grissom. Call (318) 793-5954 for information.
	Christian Fiction Book Club
v of	Robertson Branch
,	Thursday, May 25, 10:00 am to 11:30 am
D1	Gather to discuss favorite Christian and historical novels with us on the third Thursday of each month. This month, we'll discuss <i>The Pirate Bride: Daughters of the Mayflower</i> by Kathleen Y'Barbo. Contact 318-640-3098 for more information.
to	Libuse Daytime Book Club
	Libuse Branch Monday, May 15, 10:30 am to 11:30 am Join us on the third Monday of each month for a lively
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	Libuse Teen Book Club Libuse Branch

Tuesday, May 16, 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm

Teens gather on the third Tuesday of the month for a book discussion over snacks. This month, we'll discuss The Wednesday Wars by Gary K. Schmidt. Contact 318-443-7259 for more information.

Hineston Travel Club



for more information.

Adult Painting Programs

Watercolors for Adults

Main Library Wednesday, May 3, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Wednesday, May 17, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Let your creativity flow during this watercolor class led by Linda Ryder Thomas. Reservations are needed. Contact 318-445-2411 x1022 for more information.

Mothers Day Glass Plate Painting Johnson Branch

Saturday, May 13, 10 am-11 am Paint a lovely painting on a glass plate for mom or with mom! Reservations are required Contact your 318-776-5153 to reserve a spot or for more information.

Art is Life

Main Library

Thursday, May 4, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Monday, May 8, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Monday, May 22, 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm Learn various acrylic painting techniques during this class led by Alice McBride. Reservations are needed. Contact 318-445-2411 x1022 for more information.

Artapalooza

Libuse Branch

Monday, May 1, 10am and 1 pm Come paint acrylics with Alice McBride at 10 am and stay for watercolors with Linda Ryder Thomas at 1pm. Bring lunch and have a day of creativity! Call 318-443-7259 to register and for more information.

Color Me Chill

Main Library

Thursday, May 11, 4:00 pm – 5:00pm Thursday, May 25, 10:00 am - 11:00 am Adults, treat yourself to an oasis of relaxation and creativity! Come color and chill with us while you enjoy healthy snacks and soothing music. Contact 318-445-2411 x1022 for more information.

Blue Dog Painting

Martin Branch

Tuesday, May 23, 2:00-4:00 pm Create your own Blue Dog painting! Reservations required. Call 318-442-7575 to register and for more information

Painting with Local Artist Kate Hodnett Westside Branch

Friday, May 12, 5:00 pm-7:00 pm Join local artist Kate Hodnett as she gives a tutorial on how to paint a messy Spring flower! Reservations are required. Call 318-442-2483 for more information

Ombre Silhouette Dancer Painting

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch Tuesday, May 30, 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm Join us as we paint a silhouette of a dancer on an ombre background!! Reservations required. Call 318445-3912 to register and for more information.

Spring Ornament Diamond Painting

Glenmora Branch, Tuesday, May 2, 12:30 pm Martin Branch, Monday, May 8, 1:00 pm Boyce Branch, Tuesday, May 9, 12:30 pm Tioga Branch, Wednesday, May 10, 12:30 pm Westside Branch, Thursday, May 11, 12:30 pm Libuse Branch, Monday, May 15, 11:30 am King Branch, Monday, May 22, 10:00 am Make vour own Spring ornament décor using diamond painting! Reservations are needed. Contact 318-445-2411 x1036 to register and for more information.

Folk Art Chicken Painting

Westside Branch Wednesday, May 3, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm **Bovce Branch** Tuesday, May 16, 10:30 am - 12:30 pm Wednesday, Westside Branch Tuesday, May 23, 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm **McDonald Branch** Friday, May 26, 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm Try your hand at painting a folk art chicken!

Reservations are needed. Contact the branch where you would like to attend the painting to register and for more information.



Teen Programs

Teen Game Day

McDonald Branch Friday, May 19, 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm Game on! With a large selection of games including Switch, Wii and board games you won't get bored! This is a great way to show off your gaming skills and to make new friends. Refreshments provided. RSVP is required. Call 318-748-4848 to RSVP and for more information

Memorial Canvas Painting

Martin Luther King, Jr Branch Friday, May 26, 4:30 pm to 6:00 pm In recognition of Memorial Day, teens and young adults can paint a canvas in remembrance. Registration is required. Call 318-445-3912 for more information

Teen - Cuisine Cook Club

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch Wednesday, May 24, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm Learn how to make simple teen cuisine dishes with ingredients you probably already have in your kitchen during this monthly cook club. This month, we make and sample The Easiest Pretzel Bites Ever. Reservations are needed. Please contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

Squeeze the Stress Away!

Martin Luther King, Jr Branch Wednesday, May 10, 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm Teens can come in and make homemade Stress Balls to squeeze away the stress of finals!. Registration is required. Call 318-445-3912 for more information

Children's & Teens Programs





May the 4th Be With You!

Martin Luther King, Jr Branch Thursday, May 4, 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm Children and teens can fly away with us for some crafty STAR fun as we make Star Wars themed crafts! Reservations preferred. Please call 318-445-3912 for more information.

For the Love of Music

Martin Branch Tuesday, May 30, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm Children and teens will read the story "Ada's Violin" and watch a short video of the Recycled Orchestra. Afterwards, they will be able to make their own recycled instruments! Reservations preferred. Please call 318-442-7575 for more information.





CLASS SCHEDULE

Beginning Microsoft Excel
Microsoft PowerPoint
Microsoft Publisher
Intermediate Microsoft Excel
Intermediate Microsoft Word
Intermediate Microsoft Excel
Beginning Microsoft Word
Intermediate Microsoft Word
Windows 11 (Limit 4)
Beginning Microsoft Word

Computer Classes

Please register for computer and Makerspace classes by contacting the RPL location in which the class will occur. Seating is limited.



DESCRIPTIONS

Windows 11

Take a look at the new Windows 11 operating system. Learn about the new features offered by the new system and how to navigate it.

Beginning Microsoft Word

Covers the basic functions of the office button and ribbon environment. Create a simple document and learn how to cut, copy & paste, spell check, format fonts, and colors, etc.

Intermediate Word

Create macros and other shortcuts, work with the header and footer, page numbers, tabs and tables. Look at ways to enhance a document using text boxes and word art.

Beginning Microsoft Excel

Covers the basics for entering data, applying formulas, formatting and printing. Create a basic budget and learn techniques for embellishing for professional looking printed results.

Intermediate Microsoft Excel

Discover a few intermediate functions of a spreadsheet including shortcuts and extras to making using Excel easier.

Microsoft PowerPoint

PowerPoint is Microsoft's popular presentation program. Participants will create a presentation, apply formatting, insert clip art, and use transition effects.

Microsoft Publisher

Learn the basics to create a simple flyer and you'll soon be ready to create programs, brochures, menus, greeting cards, and business cards.

Children's Programs

Home School at the Library: Wearable Crayon Art

Libuse Branch

Thursday, May 25, 9:30 am to 10:30 am Children can come to the library to create a personalized tote bag! Create an original drawing on sandpaper then transfer the image onto a tote bag. Reservations are needed. Contact 318-443-7259 for more information.

Birdhouse "Shape" Collage

Westside Regional Library

Wednesday, May 24, 10:00 am to 11:00 am Children can join RPL staff as we will learn about geometric and organic shapes for a birdhouse collage using scrap paper! Reservations are needed. Contact 318-442-2483 for more information.

All Together Now with Zaii: **Homemade Maracas Craft** Martin Luther King, Jr Branch

Friday, May 19, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm Children can join Zaii for a crafty fun project: making homemade maracas! Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

STEM: Fizzing Jupiters

Westside Regional Library

Friday. May 5, 10:00 am to 11:00 am

Children can explore a twist on the classic STEM project ! Check out this unique take on the baking soda and vinegar experiment! Reservations are needed. Contact 318-442-2483 for more information.



Dinosaurs and Fossils at the Library

Westside Regional Library Saturday, May 20, 10:00 am to 11:00 am

Children can come and learn about dinosaurs and how they became fossils. There will be a book read and then an activity and craft about fossils! Reservations preferred. Contact 318-442-2483 for more information.

Read It and Create It

Westside Regional Library

Every Tuesday in May from 3:30 pm to 4:00 pm! Children can come and learn something new EVERY Tuesday! There will be a book about a different topic and a craft or activity to go along with it! Contact 318-442-2483 for more details.

Half Day, Half Night Craft

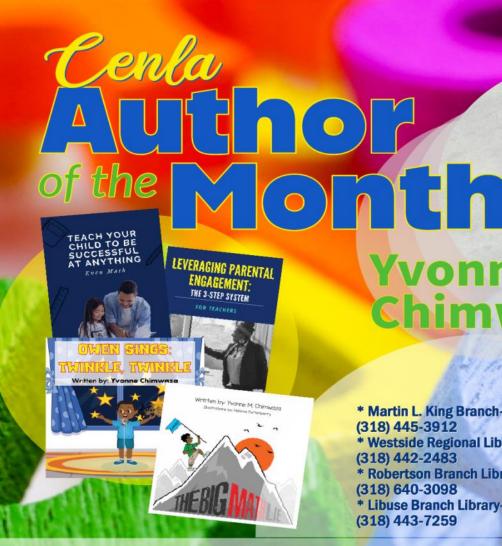
Martin Luther King, Jr Branch Thursday, May 25, 2:00 pm to 3 pm Children can come join us as we let stories take flight! Here a story and then create a corresponding paper project that is half day and half night! Reservations needed. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

Mommy and Me Tea Time

McDonald Branch

Saturday, May 13, 11:00 am to 12:00 pm Come out and have some fun and tea for Mommy and Me Tea Time! Enjoy some tea and cookies with any mom figure in your life! Reservations required. Contact 318-748-4848 for more information.





Join Cenla Author of the Month Yvonne Chimwaza for an interactive workshop to help build confident math parents and math learners! Learn to apply 5 principles that can save hundreds of dollars and hours on tutors and prepare your child for a lifetime of learning. For parents and their school-age children to 10th grade. Space is limited. Please call the scheduled branches for reservations.

Ancestry Research Programs

Rebels, Rogues, Royals, and Renegades: An Ancestry Heritage Exploration

Main Library Alfred Boyce Wettermark Branch Friday, May 26, 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm Friday, May 12, 10:30 am – 11:30 am Trace your family tree using Ancestry.com Library Edition. Compile a personal family heritage journal as you learn to Learn to search census records, obituaries, and other do self-directed research on your heritage. This group records to find missing links in your family history. meets on the second Friday of each month. Reservations Beginners are welcome. Contact 318-445-2411 x1022 for are needed. Contact 318-793-5954 for more information. more information.

* Martin L. King Branch--May 6@ 12:00 Noon (318) 445-3912 * Westside Regional Library--May 13 @ 10:00 a.m. (318) 442-2483 * Robertson Branch Library--May 16@ 10:00 a.m. (318) 640-3098 * Libuse Branch Library--May 24 @ 2:00 p.m. (318) 443-7259

Genealogy Club