

## 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 - 11:30 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*  
Wednesdays  
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

Hineston Library  
*Storytime*  
Thursdays  
10:30 am - 11:00 am

### **Main Library**

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

### **Libuse Branch**

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

### **Johnson Branch**

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



Rapides Parish Library  
411 Washington Street  
Alexandria, LA 71301

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RAPIDES PARISH LIBRARY

# EVENT GUIDE

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# TALES ALONG THE BAYOU

**SYLVIA YANCY DAVIS**  
NOT-SO-SCARY STORIES

**BRIAN & TERRI KINDER**  
MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT

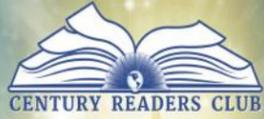
**OBA WILLIAM KING**  
SCARY STORIES

6:00PM  
OCT  
27

## Century Readers Club at Main Library

#forVoraciousReaders

Inquire at the circulation desk or call (318) 445-2411 x1022



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 for all participants in celebration at the end of the 12-month reading period. The 2023 reading period began January 1. Contact 318-445-2411 for more info.

## Book and Writing Clubs for All Ages

### The Southern: A Book Club Westside Regional Library

Tuesday, October 3, 10:00 am to 11:30 am

Join Sonja Spahn and other readers on the first Tuesday of each month to discuss great Southern books written by great Southern writers. This month, we will discuss the book *Whiskey Chitto Women* by Marguerite Hudson. Contact 318-442-2483 for more information.

### Libuse Kids' Book Club

Libuse Branch

Tuesday, October 10, 6:00 pm to 6:30 pm

Kids meet on the second Tuesday of each month for a book discussion and snack. This month, we'll discuss the book *Fly on the Wall* by Remy Lai. Contact 318-443-7259 for more information.

### Triple A Book Club

Martin Luther King, Jr Branch

Tuesday, October 10, 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm

Join us on second Tuesdays at the King Branch Library to discover, read, and discuss books by African American authors and others of the African diaspora. This month we're reading *The Bluest Eye* by Toni Morrison. Call (318) 445-3912 for information.

### Hineston Travel Club

Hineston Branch

Saturday, October 14, 11:00 am to 1:00 pm

Join us this month as Michelle and James Merchant will share their tales of travels from West Virginia to California plus Mexico and Canada. Jeanette Hayward will share memories from her travels in Europe as we enjoy refreshments!. Contact 318-793-8461 for more info.

### Libuse Daytime Book Club

Libuse Branch

Monday, October 16, 10:30 am to 11:30 am

Join us on the third Monday of each month for a lively daytime book discussion. This month, we'll discuss *Murder at the Brightwell* by Ashley Weaver. Contact 318-443-7259 for more information.



**TRICK OR TREAT  
AT THE LIBRARY**

**Trick or Treat at the Library!**  
**All Branches**  
**Friday, October 27, 4pm to 5pm**

Come Trick or Treat at your favorite RPL location. Each location will be giving out candy and Halloween grab-and-go crafts. Children will also receive a card for a free glow necklace at Tales Along the Bayou (held at Kent Plantation House that same evening).

**DELIVERING  
THE LIBRARY  
TO YOU**

**HOMEBOUND  
DELIVERY**

**Tiny Art Show  
Kit Distribution**

**Grab-n-Go a Kit in October!  
Let Us Display it in November!**

**3rd Annual Tiny Art Show Kit Distribution**  
**Every Branch**  
**October 2 to October 31**

Display your artistic talents in our Tiny Art Show! Come by any branch to pick up your mini art kit and create your masterpiece. When completed, return it to the library to be part of our show!

1. Kits available beginning October 2nd through October 31.
2. Open to all patrons.
3. Your art will be displayed in November at the Library.

Kit includes canvas, paint and brushes. Return your art piece to the Library by Tuesday, October 31 for it to be included in the month-long display in November.

## Coming Soon to Your Local Branch... In November

### FOR KIDS & TEENS: Super Smash Bros. Tournament

**Martin Branch**  
Thursday, November 2, 4 pm to 5 pm  
**Libuse Branch—(Teens Only)**  
Friday, November 3, 5 pm to 6 pm  
**Westside Regional**  
Monday, November 6, 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm  
**Boyce Branch**  
Thursday, November 9, 3 pm to 4 pm  
**Libuse Branch—(Kids Only)**  
Saturday, November 11, 1 pm to 2 pm  
**King Branch**  
Monday, November 13, 4 pm to 5 pm  
**Johnson Branch**  
Tuesday, November 14, 3 pm to 4 pm  
**McDonald Branch**  
Thursday, November 16, 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm  
**Robertson Branch**  
Monday, November 20, 3 pm to 4 pm  
**Hineston Branch**  
Tuesday, November 21, 2 pm to 3 pm  
Got skills? RPL is hosting a Super Smash Bros. Ultimate Tournament! We want to see you take on other gamers for a chance to win great prizes! We will be using Nintendo Switch for this tournament. Contact the branch where you would like to attend for more information.

### FOR ADULTS: Holiday Gnome Ornament Diamond Art Craft

**Main Branch**  
Wednesday, November 1, 1:00 pm  
**McDonald Branch**  
Tuesday, November 7, 12:30 pm  
**Robertson Branch**  
Wednesday, November 8, 12:30 pm  
**Westside Regional**  
Thursday, November 9, 12:30 pm  
**Martin Branch**  
Monday, November 13, 1:00 pm  
**Boyce Branch**  
Tuesday, November 14, 12:30 pm  
**Libuse Branch**  
Monday, November 20, 1:00 pm  
**King Branch**  
Monday, November 20, 5:00 pm  
Just in time to decorate your Holiday tree! Join us as we create adorable holiday gnome ornaments using diamond art! Registration is required. Contact branch you plan to attend to register or for more information



## Book and Writing Clubs for All Ages

### King's Teens' Book Tasting

**Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch**  
Wednesday, October 11, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm  
King's teens gather on the second Wednesday of each month for a book discussion and crafting session! This month's selection is *Harmony House* by Nic Sheff. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

### Libuse Teen Book Club

**Libuse Branch**  
Tuesday, October 17, 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm  
Teens gather on the third Tuesday of the month for a book discussion over snacks. This month, we'll discuss *Redwall* by Brian Jacques. Contact 318-443-7259 for more information.

### Libuse Ladies' Book Club

**Libuse Branch**  
Thursday, October 19, 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm  
Ladies meet on the third Thursday of each month for this potluck-style book club. This month, we'll discuss *The Woman They Could Not Silence: One Woman, her Incredible Fight for Freedom, And The Men Who Tried To Make Her Disappear* by Kate Moore. Contact 318-443-7259 for more information.

### Cenla Author's Club SPECIAL EVENT

**LSUA Mulder Hall, Solomon Northup Room, #145**  
Thursday, October 19, 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm  
Open to authors and writers of all levels and genres and anyone interested in learning more about the book writing process—even if you haven't written your first word (yet!). This month we present a special event with novelist, actress, playwright and Alexandria native Rebecca Wells, author of the New York Times bestseller, *The Divine Secrets of the YaYa Sisterhood*. Hosted by Michael Wynne. Contact 318-442-2483 for more information.

### Main Writers Club

**Main Library**  
Thursday, October 19, 4:30 pm to 5:45 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 for more information.

### Come Write In!

**Main Library**  
Tuesday, October 24, 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 for more information.

### Robertson Book Club

**Robertson Branch**  
Tuesday, October 24, 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm  
Meet us on the last Tuesday of each month where Sonya J will lead us in a book discussion. This month we're reading *The Unspoken* by Heather Graham. Contact 318-640-3098 for more information.

### Sands of Time Book Club

**Main Branch**  
Thursday, October 26, 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm  
Join this NEW book club each fourth Thursday of the month for a lively discussion of favorite historical figures, eras and events. This month we will discuss *Midnight at Chernobyl* by Adam Higginbotham. Call 318-445-2411 for more information.

### Christian Fiction Book Club

**Robertson Branch**  
Thursday, October 26, 10:00 am to 11:30 am  
Gather to discuss favorite Christian and historical novels with us on the third Thursday of each month. This month, we'll discuss *Loving Luther* by Allison Pittman. Contact 318-640-3098 for more information.

### Cenla Author's Club

**Westside Regional Library**  
Thursday, October 26, 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm  
Open to authors and writers of all levels and genres and anyone interested in learning more about the book writing process—even if you haven't written your first word (yet!). This month veteran food and travel journalist Chere Dastugue Coen will bring stories from her travels as well as experiences as the prolific author of romance and mystery novels, ghost story collections, and Louisiana destination travel books. Hosted by Michael Wynne meets each 4th Thursday of the month. Contact 318-442-2483 for more information.

### Next Chapter Literary Underliners Book Club

**Alfred Boyce Wettermark Branch**  
Friday, October 27, 10:30 am to 12:30 pm  
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 *Hour of the Witch* by Chris Bohjalian. Call (318) 793-5954 for info.



## Programs for All Ages

### Seeds 4 Trees Giveaway

ALL Branches

All October—While Supplies Last

Available while they last! Plant a tree seed and watch your forest grow! Seeds 4 Trees has generously donated tree seed kits to be handed out at each branch to encourage everyone to share the mission of restoring global forest and protecting ecosystems for current and future generations! When we sow a seed, we plant a narrative of future generations! While supplies last. Contact any branch for more information.

### 3rd Annual Tiny Art Show Kit Distribution

All October in All Branches

October 2nd to October 31st

Display your artistic talents in our Tiny Art Show! Come by any branch to pick up your mini art kit and create your masterpiece. When completed, return it to the library to be part of our show! Kits available October 2 –31 and open to all patrons. Art will be displayed at the library in November. Kit includes canvas, paint and brushes. Return art by October 31st for it to be included in the month-long display in November. The library reserves the right to exclude any submissions. Contact any branch for more information.

### Miniature Pumpkin Painting

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Saturday, October 7, 2 pm to 3 pm

Martin Branch

Thursday, October 12, 4 pm to 5 pm

Westside Regional Library

Saturday, October 14, 10:30 am to 11:30 am

Westside Regional Library

Wednesday, October 25, 10 am to 11am

Libuse Branch

Thursday, October 26, 9 am to 10 am

Join us as we paint miniature pumpkins for Halloween! This is fun for all ages! Reservations are required. Contact the branch where you will attend the program to RSVP or for more information.

### Worm Farming With Windy Willows Garden

Boyce Branch

Tuesday, October 10, 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm

Libuse Branch

Monday, October 16, 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm

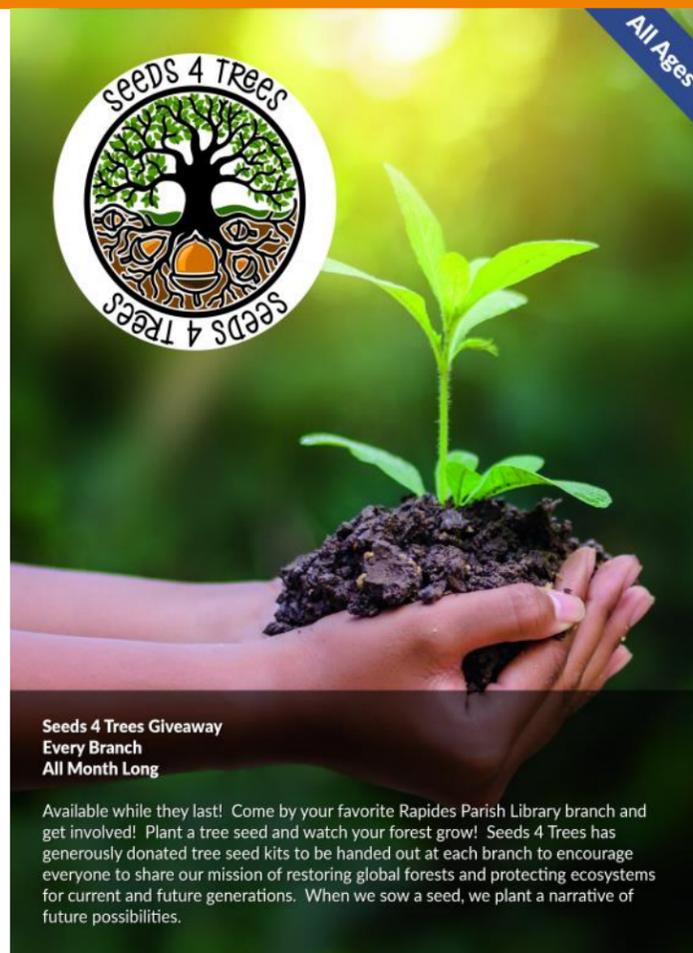
Robertson Branch

Tuesday, October 17, 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm

Westside Regional Library

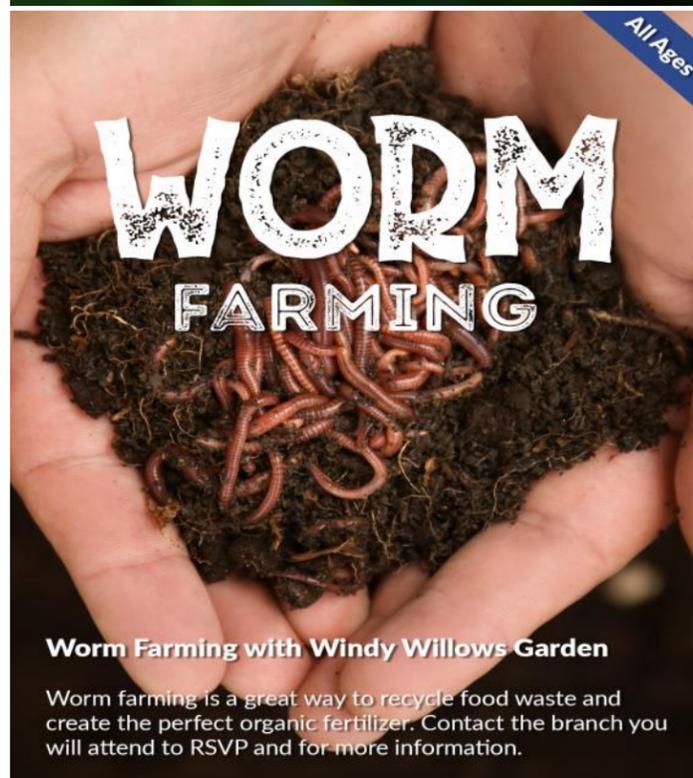
Tuesday, October 24, 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm

Come join us to discover the secrets of vermicomposting! Worm farming is a great way to recycle food waste and create the perfect organic fertilizer. Vermicomposting is easy and fun and inexpensive. This workshop will teach you the fundamentals of this worm composting and guide you through setting up your own worm farm, selecting the right worms and maintaining a thriving colony. Hosted by Windy Willows Garden. Registration is required. Contact the branch where you will attend the program to RSVP or for more information.



Seeds 4 Trees Giveaway  
Every Branch  
All Month Long

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## Adult Programs

### Fall Into Scrapbooking

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Saturday, October 14, 11:00 am to 1:00 pm

This monthly scrapbooking club lets you remember and rejoice in memories. This month as we scrapbook and fall in love with the good times, bring your fall photos, little pumpkins, etc. and harvest all the smiles and love on one page! Call 318-445-3912 for more information.

### Let's Cook Up A Book: Make & Bring A Fall/October/Orange Themed Recipe

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Monday, October 23, 5:30 pm

Let's have fun as we socialize and enjoy Fall colored, October themed or orange foods found in a cookbook! Bring a sample of the food and copies of your recipe to share with everyone! Orange souffle, yams, pumpkin pie,, the list is endless! Who knows what wonderful recipes we will discover! Registration required Call 318-445-3912 to RSVP and for more information.

### Lawyers in Libraries 2023 Program

Main Library

October 23 to October 28, Scheduled Times

The Lawyers in Libraries 2023 program is taking place October 23 –28. There will be opportunities for in-person and by phone Ask-A-Lawyer consultations. There will be daily legal presentations livestreamed on the Lawyers in Libraries Facebook page by attorney volunteers, focusing on common legal issues such as tenants rights, divorce and custody lawyers, estate planning and more. Patrons must sign up at Main branch for the time slot provided by the attorneys. Contact 318-445-2411 to sign up and for more information.

### Hands-on 2D Animation with Graphic Artist —Ky Beaux

Westside Regional Library

Saturday, October 21, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Join digital and graphic artist, photographer and animator Ky Beaux in an animation workshop introducing you to hands-on 2D animation using digital and manual drawing techniques. Participants are urged to bring an iPad, tablet or light pad, if preferred. Pencil and paper will be supplied. Basic computer skills are needed. This is the second in a series of workshops continuing in November. Registration is required. Call 318-442-2483 to register and for more info.

### Chair Aerobics—Get Moving!

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Wednesday, October 25, 10am to 11am

Join us for a good time and some good fun while getting your exercise in with Chair Aerobics! Increase your heart rate, burn calories and build strength without getting out of your chair! This program is usually held every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month but will only be once in October. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.



Main Library

October 23-28, 2023

Call 318-445-2411 to  
schedule your appointment

**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.**

**as young  
as you  
FEEL**



**McDonald Branch**

Tuesday, October 3, 10:00 am  
318-748-4848

**Boyce Branch**

Tuesday, October 10, 10:00 am  
318-793-5954

**Robertson Branch**

Wednesday, October 11, 10:00 am  
318-640-3098

**Westside Regional Library**

Thursday, October 12, 10:00 am  
318-442-2483

**Johnson Branch**

Tuesday, October 17, 10:00 am  
318-776-5153

**Main Library**

Thursday, October 19, 10:00 am  
318-445-2411

**Libuse Branch**

Friday, October 20, 10:00 am  
318-443-7259

**King Branch**

Monday, October 23, 10:00 am  
318-445-3912

**This program is sponsored by Healthy Blue.**

**Adult Programs**

**For the Love of Food**

**Main Library**

Monday, October 2, 5:30 pm

Culinary veteran, Randy Smith, is making a triumphant return to our kitchen, delighting us with his expertise in crafting an exquisite selection of beloved international dishes this month. Contact 318-445-2411 x1022 for more information.

**Veterans Helping Veterans**

**Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch**

Monday, October 9, 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Join us on the second Monday of each month for veterans to come together to share resources, support and information in partnership with Anthony Elie to support one another and work towards a better quality life for veterans. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

**Tunica-Biloxi Basketry with Artist of the Month — Elisabeth Pierite Mora**

**Main Branch**

Thursday, October 12, 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Join our October RPL Artist of the Month, Elisabeth Pierite Mora for a workshop in traditional long-leaf pine needle basketry. Learn about the cultural significance of basket weaving and gain insight into this traditional tribal craft, including how Tunica-Biloxi basket weaving differs from other tribal weaving in style and technique. A display of Ms. Mora's weaving, beading, and textile crafts will be on view at the Main library and other locations throughout the month. Space is limited. Call 318-445-2411 to register and for more information.

**Programs for All Ages**

**Plant Propagation Workshop With LSU-AG**

**McDonald Branch**

Wednesday October 11, 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm

If you love growing plants, at some point that evolves to wanting to learn how to GROW more and MAKE more! This lecture and hands-on class will cover basic propagation by seeds and cuttings. This will be two hour informative and interactive workshop hosted by Molly Lyles of the LSU AG Center. Registration is required. Contact 318-445-2411 to RSVP and for more information.

**Tales Along the Bayou**

**The Kent House in Alexandria, LA**

Friday, October 27, 6 pm to 8:30 pm

Have a ghoulishly good time listening to scary tales brought to from the bayou and beyond at Tales Along the Bayou is an annual storytelling program! This virtual storytelling event will include musical entertainment from Brian and Terri Kinder, not-so-scary stories by master storyteller Sylvia Yancy Davis and then get ready to be scared right out of your socks by scary storyteller Oba William King! Don't miss this family fun evening will be filled with face painting, food vendors and spooky tales! In the event of rain, this program will be moved to Westside Regional Library. Contact any branch for more information.

**Guess the Weight??? Jack-O'-Lantern Style!**

**Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch**

October 1st to 21st, During branch open hours

Starting October 1st, our King branch Jack-O'-Lantern can be yours! Stop in and guess his weight for a chance to bring him home to your pumpkin patch! The winner will be announced Oct. 22nd. Contact 318-445-3912 and for more information.

**Craft Saturdays in October**

**Hineston Branch**

Every Saturday in October, 10 am to 12 pm

Bring the family and come in and create some crafts! We will have crafts and crafts supplies of all kinds for all ages! Oct 7- Spooky Spoons, Oct 14—Bats in the Sunset Canvas Painting, Oct. 21- Hanging Ghost Wind Catchers, Oct. 28—Cute Spiders in Webs. Don't miss this fun family time! Contact 318-793-8461 for more information.

**National Book Month: Let's Get Batty!**

**Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch**

October 1st to 25th, During branch open hours

In honor of National Book Month, come by the library and get your bat on! Help us decorate with batty, flying books. We have a cut out for each and everyone one you give wings to. You can even tell us about the books so that we may continue to help it fly with other patrons. Accepting batty suggestions up until Oct. 25. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

**Bishops & Bones**

**Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch**

Saturday, October 28, 11:00 am to 2:00 pm

Bring the family and join the community to learn, teach and play games 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.



All Ages

# TALES ALONG THE BAYOU

HAVE A GHOULISHLY GOOD TIME LISTENING TO SCARY TALES BROUGHT TO FROM THE BAYOU AND BEYOND! RPL'S ANNUAL STORYTELLING EVENT INCLUDES MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT FROM BRIAN AND TERRI KINDER, NOT-SO-SCARY STORIES BY MASTER STORYTELLER SYLVIA YANCY DAVIS AND THEN GET READY TO BE SCARED RIGHT OUT OF YOUR SOCKS BY SCARY STORYTELLER OBA WILLIAM KING! DON'T MISS THIS FAMILY FUN EVENING WILL BE FILLED WITH FACE PAINTING, FOOD VENDORS AND SPOOKY TALES!



**WHERE:**  
**THE KENT HOUSE**  
ALEXANDRIA, LA

**WHEN:**  
6:00PM  
**OCT 27**

**WHAT:**  
SYLVIA YANCY DAVIS  
NOT-SO-SCARY STORIES  
BRIAN & TERRI KINDER  
MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT  
OBA WILLIAM KING  
SCARY STORIES

# TUNICA-BILOXI TRIBAL BASKETRY



## Artists

IN LIBRARIES

**ARTIST OF THE MONTH** *Elisabeth P. Mora*

Thursday, October 12, 2:00 p.m. Reservations required. Main Library - (318) 445-2411 x 1022

## Adult Painting Programs

### Artapalooza

Libuse Branch

Monday, October 2, 10am and 1 pm

Come paint acrylics with Alice McBride at 10 am and stay for watercolors with Linda Ryder Thomas at 12:30 pm. Bring lunch and have a day of creativity! Call 318-443-7259 to register and for more information.

### Watercolors for Adults

Main Library

Main Library—Wednesday, October 4, 10:00 am

Main Library—Wednesday, October 18, 10:00 am

Let your creativity flow during this watercolor class led by Linda Ryder Thomas. Registration is required. Contact 318-445-2411 to register and for more information.

### Art Is Life

Main Library

Main Branch—Thursday, October 5, 10:00 am

Main Branch—Monday, October 23, 5:30 pm

Learn various acrylic painting techniques during this class led by Alice McBride. Registration is required. Contact 318-445-2411 to register and for more info.

### Black Cat & Full Moon Painting

Tuesday, Oct. 3 at 10:30 am—Robertson Branch

Wednesday, Oct. 4 at 10 am—Westside Regional

Tuesday, Oct. 24 at 5:30 pm—Westside Regional

Just in time for Halloween, join us as we paint a black cat silhouetted by a full moon. Registration is required. Contact branch you plan to attend to register or for more info.

### Cat In A Pumpkin Painting

Friday, Oct. 13 at 5:00 pm—Westside Regional

Wednesday, Oct. 18 at 10:30 am—Boyce Branch

Friday, Oct. 20 at 3:30 pm—McDonald Branch

Just in time for Halloween, join us as we paint an adorable cat inside of a carved pumpkin. Registration is required. Contact branch you plan to attend to register or for more info.

### Color Me Chill

Main Library

Thursday, October 12, 4:00 pm to 5:00pm

Thursday, October 26, 10:00 am to 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. Chill anytime with one of our new Color Me Chill coloring packs available at the Circulation Desk. Contact 318-445-2411 for more information.

### DIY Painted Coasters

McDonald Branch

Friday, October 13, 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm

Join us at the McDonald branch as we paint our own DIY drink coasters! Supplies provided. Registration is required. Call 318-748-4848 to register and for more info.

### Hocus Pocus Halloween Painting

Johnson Branch

Tuesday, October 31, 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Nothing says Halloween like the Sanderson Sisters! Let's paint a fun Hocus Pocus Halloween themed acrylic canvas painting! Supplies provided. Registration is required. Call 318-776-5153 to register and for more info.



Art Classes are supported by a grant from the Louisiana Division of the Arts, Office of Cultural Development, Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism, in cooperation with the Louisiana State Arts Council, as administered by the RAC. Funding has also been provided by the National Endowment of the Arts.

## Ancestry Research Programs

### Intro to African American Genealogy

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch—Part 2

Thursday, October 5, 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm

Boyce Branch—Part 1

Wednesday, October 25, 10:30 am to 12:30 pm

Join genealogist Pat Boone for an introduction to African American genealogical research. Learn the basics of navigating online genealogy sites to find family records and documents. Discover techniques and resources to overcome common obstacles in conducting African American family research. Boyce branch workshop will be info from the beginning and King branch workshop will be a continuation of the previous class there. Space is limited. Reservations required. Must be familiar with using a computer and the internet to attend. Contact 318-793-5954 for more information.

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

Alfred Boyce Wettermark Branch

Friday, October 13, 10:30 am – 11:30 am

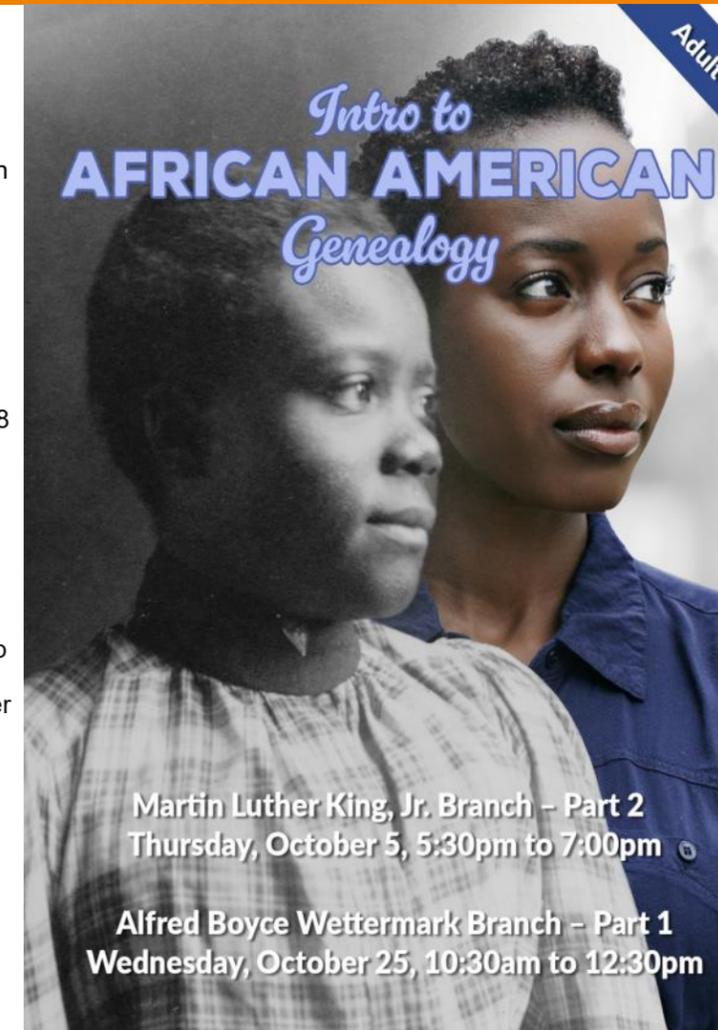
Compile a personal family heritage journal as you learn to do self-directed research on your heritage. This group meets on the second Friday of each month. Reservations are needed. Must be familiar with using a computer and the internet to attend. Contact 318-793-5954 for more information.

### Genealogy Club

Main Branch

Friday, October 27, 4:30 pm to 5:30 pm

Trace your family tree using Ancestry.com Library Edition. Learn to search census records, obituaries, and other records to find missing links in your family history. Beginners are welcome. Contact 318-445-2411 x1022 for more info.



## Children's Programs



Contact branch you plan to attend to register or for more info.

### Halloween Fun & Games

Thursday, Oct. 5, 4 pm—Westside Regional  
Tuesday, Oct. 10, 3 pm—Robertson Branch  
Thursday, Oct. 12, 3 pm—Boyce Branch  
Friday, Oct. 13, 5 pm—Libuse Branch  
Monday, Oct. 16, 4 pm—King Branch  
Tuesday, Oct. 17, 3:30 pm—Hineston Branch  
Thursday, Oct. 19, 3:30 pm—McDonald Branch  
Monday, Oct. 30, 4 pm—Martin Branch

Are you ready for lots of belly laughs and a good time? Kids and teens will participate in a series of Halloween games sure to keep you in stitches! Wrap each other as mummies, test your horror and Halloween movie trivia and enjoy other spooky fun games! Contact branch you plan to attend for more info.

### DIY Tissue Paper Snail Craft

Johnson Branch

Friday, October 13, 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm

Come join us in this fun paper craft as we make the cutest tissue paper snail you've ever seen! Reservations are required. Contact 318-776-5153 to RSVP or for more information.

### Monster Rock Painting

Martin Luther King, Jr Branch

Tuesday, October 17, 4:30 pm to 5:30 pm

Who's afraid of a thing that goes bump in the night? Certainly not us! Come in and make paint some spooky rocks to look like your favorite monster! Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

### Hedgehog Fun Crafty Storytime

Martin Luther King, Jr Branch

Thursday, October 19, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

It's time to Fall for a good book! Come in hear a great story about a hedgehog and then make a fun hedgehog craft! Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

### Floral Arranging for Kids

Westside Regional Library

Friday, October 20, 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

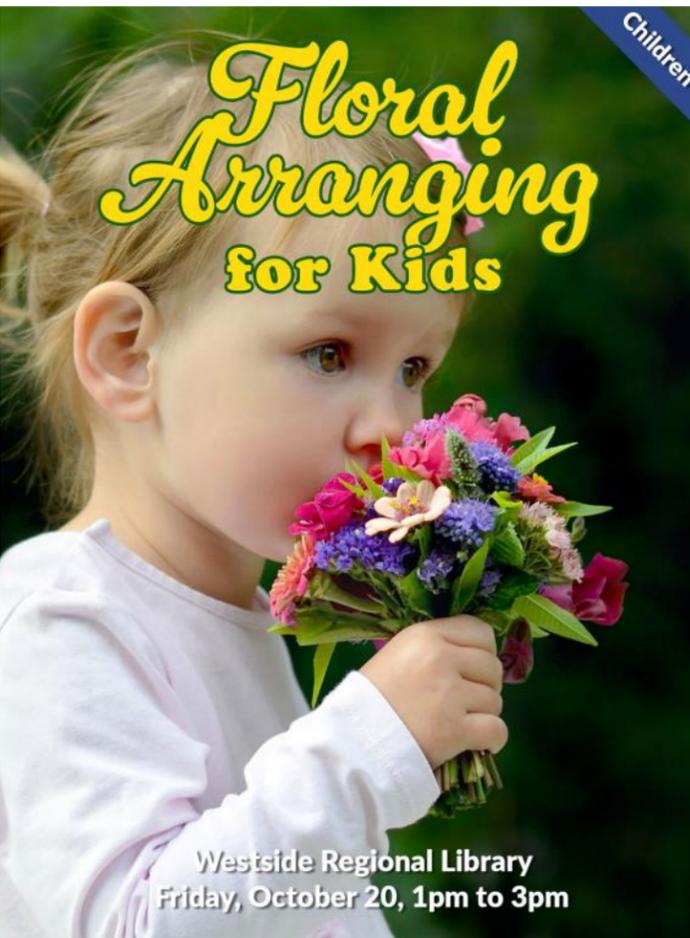
What a fun workshop for kids to learn a creative new skill! Bring the kids and join the Alexandria Garden Club to learn the basics of creating a small flower arrangement for your room! Reservations required. Contact 318-442-2483 to RSVP and for more information.

### Perler Bead Crafting

McDonald Branch

Tuesday, October 24, 3:30 pm to 5:00 pm

If you have never used perler beads, you are missing out! Now is your time to come make your own unique designs using perler beads. Supplies provided. Reservations are required. Contact 318-748-4848 to rsvp and for more information.



Westside Regional Library  
Friday, October 20, 1pm to 3pm

## Teen Programs

### DIY Kindness Rock Painting

Johnson Branch

Tuesday, October 3, 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm

There is never enough kindness in the world! Help us share more by painting rocks with kind messages in this fun craft in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Reservations are required. Contact 318-776-5153 to RSVP or for more information.

### Spooky Halloween Tunes & Painting

Johnson Branch

Tuesday, October 3, 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm

Come in to hear some spooky tunes as we learn to create a spooky Halloween painting! Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

### Halloween Fun & Games

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Tuesday, Oct. 10, 3 pm—Robertson Branch

Thursday, Oct. 12, 3 pm—Boyce Branch

Friday, Oct. 13, 5 pm—Libuse Branch

Monday, Oct. 16, 4 pm—King Branch

Tuesday, Oct. 17, 3:30 pm—Hineston Branch

Thursday, Oct. 19, 3:30 pm—McDonald Branch

Monday, Oct. 30, 4 pm—Martin Branch

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### Zombie Barbies Are Back!

Tuesday, Oct. 3, 3:30 pm—McDonald Branch

Friday, Oct. 6, 5 pm—Libuse Branch

Saturday, Oct. 7, 11 am—Westside Regional

Thursday, Oct. 19, 3 pm—Johnson Branch

Saturday, Oct. 21, 10:00 am—Hineston Branch

Wednesday, Oct. 25, 4:00 pm—King Branch

Thursday, Oct. 26, 3:30 pm—Boyce Branch

Monday, Oct. 30, 4:00 pm—Robertson Branch

The Zombie Barbie apocalypse is back! Join us as we transform the stereotypical Barbie into a Zombie Barbie! Registration is required. Contact branch you plan to attend to RSVP or for more info.

### Anime Club

McDonald Branch

Tuesday, October 10, 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm

Are you into Anime? Teens come in to the McDonald branch to join our new Anime Club we started! We will talk about what anime characters would win in certain battles while doing an anime craft! Refreshments are provided! Registration is required. Call 318-748-4848 to rsvp and for more info.

### King's Teens' Book Tasting

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Wednesday, October 11, 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm

King's teens gather on the second Wednesday of each month for a book discussion and crafting session! This month's selection is *Harmony House* by Nic Sheff. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

### Libuse Teen Book Club

Libuse Branch

Tuesday, October 17, 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Teens gather on the third Tuesday of the month for a book discussion over snacks. This month, we'll discuss *Redwall* by Brian Jacques. Contact 318-443-7259 for more information.

### Teen - Cuisine Cook Club

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Wednesday, October 18, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Unsure of your way around the kitchen? Learn how to make simple teen cuisine dishes with ingredients you probably already have during this monthly cook club. This month, we make and sample Jack-O-Lantern Cheese Quesadillas! Recipe will be provided. Reservations are needed. Please contact 318-445-3912 to rsvp and for more information.

### Hands-on 2D Animation with Graphic Artist—Ky Beaux

Westside Regional Library

Saturday, October 21, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Join digital and graphic artist, photographer and animator Ky Beaux in an animation workshop introducing you to hands-on 2D animation using digital and manual drawing techniques. Participants are urged to bring an iPad, tablet or light pad, if preferred. Pencil and paper will be supplied. Basic computer skills are needed. This is the second in a series of workshops continuing in November. Registration is required. Call 318-442-2483 to register and for more info.

### Teen Mental Wellness

Martin Luther King, Jr Branch

Wednesday, October 25, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

With so much going on today, teens need an outlet to release your anxiety and stresses. Come in this month and learn how to work with air dry clay by making pumpkins while learning you can create good memories doing everyday tasks. Local community counselors, providers and mentors are welcome and encouraged to attend as well. Call 318-445-3912 for more information.

### Teen Hang Out Day

McDonald Branch

Thursday, October 26, 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm

Teens come in to the McDonald branch to meet up, hang out, enjoy some refreshments, play some games and maybe make some new friends! Every 4th Thursday of the month. Call 318-748-4848 for more information.

**HALLOWEEN Games**

Children & Teen

Contact branch you plan to attend to register or for more info.

**ZOMBIE Barbie**

Teen

Contact branch you plan to attend to register or for more info.

## Children's Programs

### Knights, Princesses, Catapults & Tea with Artist of the Month — ML Tarpley

Westside Regional Library

Saturday, October 21, 11:00 am

Boy and girls join our RPL Artist of the Month, ML Tarpley in an adventurous tale of brave knights and fearless princesses, complete with catapults and British tea! Author of the children's adventure book series, *Tales of a Travel Girl*, ML Tarpley engages young audiences with interactive stories of travel and adventure. Best for ages 8 and above. Space is limited. Registration is required. Call 318-442-2438 to register and for more information.

### Chillin' at Autumn Fest

Libuse Branch

Friday, October 27, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Come chill at our Autumn Fest! We will have spooky stories, crafts, games and an fall treat! Contact 318-443-7259 for more information.

### Trick or Treat At The Library!

ALL Branches

Friday, October 27, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Trick or Treat! Dress up and visit your favorite RPL branch! Each branch will be giving out candy and have fun Halloween grab-and-go crafts! Children will also receive a card for a free Glow Necklace at Tales Along the Bayou being held that same evening at Kent House Plantation (see listing below for details). Contact the branch you plan to attend for more information.

**TRICK OR TREAT AT THE LIBRARY**

All Ages

Trick or Treat at the Library!  
All Branches  
Friday, October 27, 4pm to 5pm

Come Trick or Treat at your favorite RPL location. Each location will be giving out candy and Halloween grab-and-go crafts. Children will also receive a card for a free glow necklace at Tales Along the Bayou (held at Kent Plantation House that same evening).

### Tales Along the Bayou

The Kent House in Alexandria, LA

Friday, October 27, 6 pm to 8:30 pm

Have a ghoulishly good time listening to scary tales brought to from the bayou and beyond at Tales Along the Bayou is an annual storytelling program! This virtual storytelling event will include musical entertainment from Brian and Terri Kinder, not-so-scary stories by master storyteller Sylvia Yancy Davis and then get ready to be scared right out of your socks by scary storyteller Oba William King! Don't miss this family fun evening will be filled with face painting, food vendors and spooky tales! In the event of rain, this program will be moved to Westside Regional Library. Contact any branch for more information.

### Pumpkin Fun Read Aloud & Treat Making

Libuse Branch

Monday, October 30, 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm

Join us as Heather Bordelon from the LSU Agcenter reads aloud *Too Many Pumpkins* by Linda White. We will then make our own pumpkin pies in a cup while discussing what other fun Fall treats can be made using pumpkin! All attendees will receive a recipe card with new pumpkin treats to try at home. Contact 318-443-7259 to RSVP and for more information.

### Craft Time with Ms. Bree

Westside Regional Library

Every Tuesday in October from 3:30 pm to 4:15 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.

**PUMPKIN FUN READ ALOUD & Treat Making**

Children

Libuse Branch  
Monday, October 30, 2023, 3:30pm to 4:30pm



Computer Class

## Computer Classes

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

### CLASS SCHEDULE

### CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

King Branch Tue. Oct. 3rd, 4:30-5:30	<b>Beginning Microsoft Word</b>	<u>Windows 11</u> 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.
Hineston Branch Wed. Oct. 4th, 10-11	<b>Flipster</b>	<u>Beginning Microsoft Word</u> 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.
Libuse Branch Fri. Oct. 6th, 10-11	<b>Beginning Microsoft Word</b>	<u>Beginning Microsoft Excel</u> 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.
Westside Branch Tue. Oct. 10th, 10-11	<b>Beginning Microsoft Excel</b>	<u>Intermediate Word</u> 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.
Martin Branch Wed. Oct. 11th, 10-11	<b>Windows 11</b>	<u>Intermediate Microsoft Excel</u> Discover a few intermediate functions of a spreadsheet including shortcuts and extras to making using Excel easier.
Boyce Branch Thu. Oct. 12th, 10-11	<b>Microsoft PowerPoint</b>	<u>Microsoft PowerPoint</u> PowerPoint is Microsoft's popular presentation program. Participants will create a presentation, apply formatting, insert clip art, and use transition effects.
Main Library Mon. Oct. 16th, 3:30-5:30	<b>Intermediate Microsoft Excel</b>	<u>Hoopla</u> Break out the library card and dive into a library of various digital media. Learn how to search and check out titles from Movies, TV, Books, and more! All from the comfort of home!
Main Library Wed. Oct. 18th, 9-11	<b>Intermediate Microsoft Excel</b>	<u>Flipster</u> Learn how to access digital magazines from your computer or your mobile devices!
McDonald Branch Wed. Oct. 25th, 10-11	<b>Hoopla</b>	<u>Google Maps</u> Learn how to find locations, set a route between locations, print directions, and more!
Johnson Branch Fri. Oct. 27th, 10-11	<b>Google Maps</b>	
Robertson Branch Mon. Oct. 30th, 10-11	<b>Intermediate Microsoft Word</b>	

# Knights, Princesses, Catapults & Tea



with  
**Cenla Author of the Month**  
**Morgan Tarpley Smith**  
Saturday, October 21 @ 11:00



Ages 8 -12. Registration required. Westside Regional Library, 5416 Provine Place - (318) 442-2483