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# EVENT GUIDE

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TO VIEW & REGISTER  
FOR EVENTS

Happy Holidays





Don't miss  
**Santa**  
 at the  
 Library!


See event listing  
 for times & locations.



*Let It Snow*  
*Globe Painting*

**Children**

**Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch**  
**Friday, December 15, 4:00pm - 5:30pm**



**Adult**

**Diamond Art**  
*Christmas Stocking*

**Johnson Branch**  
**Friday, December 15, 1pm - 2:30pm**

**Coming Soon to Your Local Branch... In January**

**TEENS:**  
**Can you Break A World Record?**

Westside Regional  
 Thursday, January 4, 4:00 pm  
 Libuse Branch –Teens  
 Friday, January 5, 5:00 pm  
 Main Branch  
 Monday, January 8, 4:00 pm  
 Robertson Branch  
 Tuesday, January 9, 3:00 pm  
 Boyce Branch  
 Thursday, January 11, 3:00 pm  
 Libuse Branch—Children  
 Friday, January 12, 5:00 pm  
 McDonald Branch  
 Thursday, January 18, 3:30 pm  
 Martin Branch  
 Monday, January 22, 4:00 pm  
 Hinston Branch  
 Tuesday, January 23, 4:00 pm  
 Johnson Branch  
 Thursday, January 25, 3:00 pm  
 King Branch  
 Tuesday, January 30, 4:00 pm

Can you beat a world record? Is it easier or harder than you think? Come join the fun as we attempt to break some records! There is sure to be a lot of laughs and a lot of fun! Note: RPL will not be recording or able to do paperwork for actual world record attempts. Contact branch you plan to attend for more information.

**FOR ALL AGES:**  
**Sand Art For The Family**

King Branch  
 Tuesday, January 9, 4:30 pm to 5:30 pm  
 Westside Regional Branch  
 Saturday, January 13, 10:30 am to 11:30 am  
 Boyce Branch  
 Thursday, January 18, 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm  
 Hinston Branch  
 Saturday, January 20, 10:00 am to 11:00 am

Sand art is the practice of modeling sand into artistic form. Join us as we create sand art by layering colored sand into unique shaped bottles! Registration required. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact branch for more info.

**FOR ADULTS:**  
**Westside Get Fit!**

Westside Regional  
 Thursday, January 11, 9am  
 Thursday, January 25, 9am

Join us for a fun fitness session that combines chair aerobics and yoga led by an instructional DVD. Don't forget to bring a towel or yoga mat to join in on the stretching! Increase your heart rate, burn calories and build strength without getting out of your chair! Contact 318-442-2483 for more information.



Adult Programs

**It's A Wreath Making 101 Social**  
King Branch  
Monday, December 4, 5 pm to 6 pm  
Want to know how to make a beautiful wreath for any holiday or occasion? It's easier than you think! Join local business-hobbyist, Shterroca Shotlow for a basic wreath making workshop. Come learn, enjoy and go home with your very own door décor! Space is limited. Registration required. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

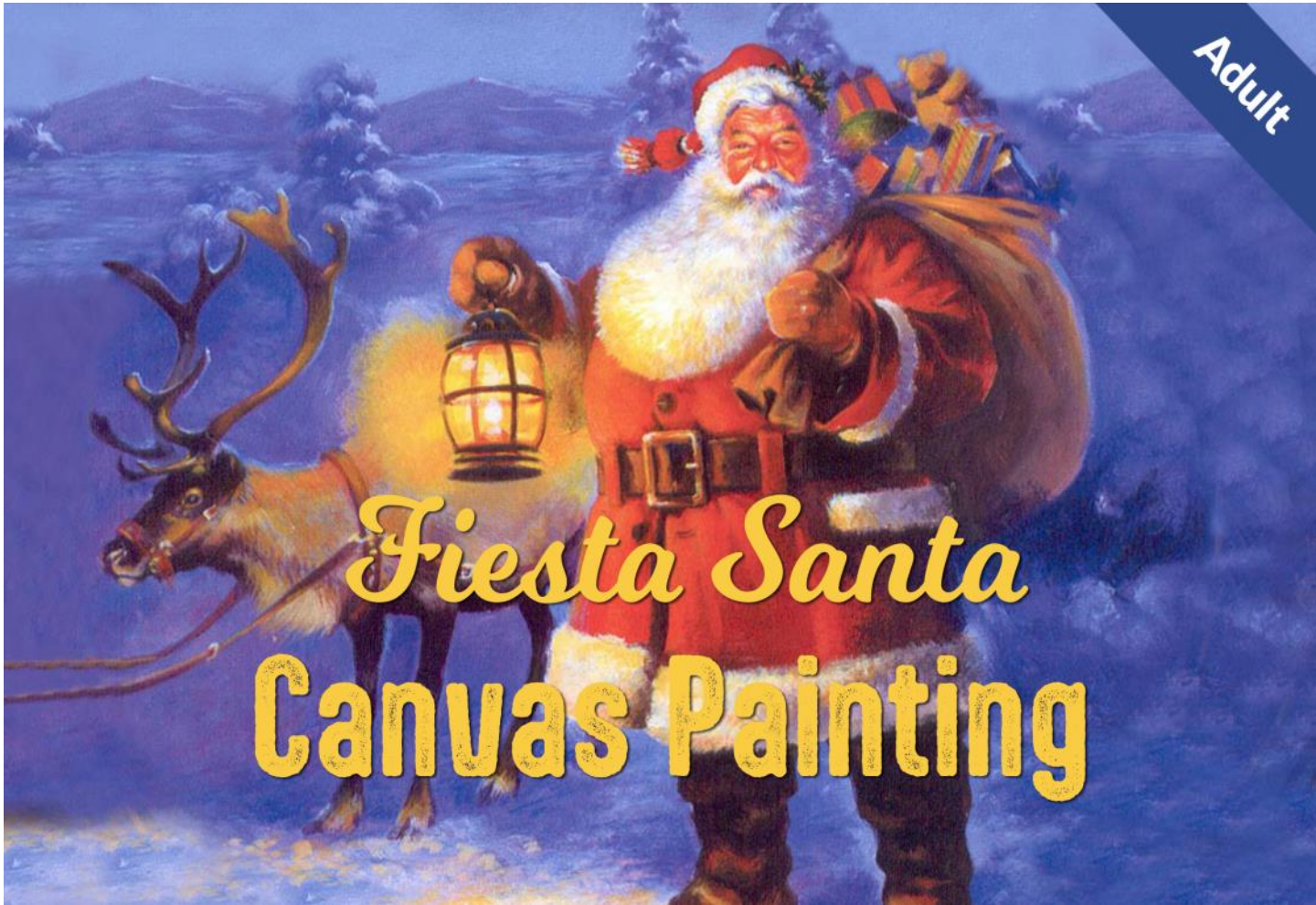
**For the Love of Food**  
Main Library  
Monday, December 4, 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm  
LSU AgCenter's, Jennifer Duhon is here preparing her favorite recipes to make sure you have a healthy holiday season! Come watch, learn and taste how to make your holiday table healthy this year! Contact 318-445-2411 for more information.

**Simple Felting For Beginners**  
Hineston Branch  
Tuesday, December 5, 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm  
Want to learn how to felt? Join us as we learn to felt with wool to make Christmas ornaments! Registration required. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-793-8461 for more information.

**Chair Aerobics—Get Moving!**  
Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch  
Wednesday, December 13, 10 am to 11 am  
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 December. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

**Diamond Art Christmas Stocking Painting**  
Johnson Branch  
Friday, December 15, 1 pm to 2:30 pm  
Just in time to hang them on your mantle, come make a diamond art stocking! Come learn this unique and fun craft! Reservations are required. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-776-5153 for more information.

**Tea and Hot Cocoa Party**  
McDonald Branch  
Saturday, December 16, 11 am to 12:00 pm  
Come enjoy a variety of hot teas and hot chocolates while making a Christmas themed craft! Reservations are required. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-748-4848 for more information.



Book and Writing Clubs for All Ages

**The Southern: A Book Club**  
Westside Regional Library  
Tuesday, December 5, 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 *Skipping Christmas* by John Grisham. Contact 318-442-2483 for more information.

**King's Teens' Book Tasting**  
Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch  
Wednesday, December 6, 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm  
King's teens gather on the second Wednesday of each month for a book discussion and crafting session! This month's selection is the book *Whiteout*, a collection of stories by different authors. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

**A Little Bit of Everything Book Club**  
Westside Regional Library  
Monday, December 11, 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 of each month. This month, we'll discuss *Red Hill* by Jamie McGuire. Contact 318-442-2483 for more information.

**Libuse Kids' Book Club**  
Libuse Branch  
Tuesday, December 12, 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 *A Boy Called Christmas* by Matt Haig. Contact 318-443-7259 for more information.

**Triple A Book Club**  
Martin Luther King, Jr Branch  
Tuesday, December 12, 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 Davenports* by Krystal Marquis. Call (318) 445-3912 for information.

**Libuse Teen Book Club**  
Libuse Branch  
Tuesday, December 19, 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 *The Girl Who Saved Christmas* by Matt Haig. Contact 318-443-7259 for more information.

**Libuse Ladies' Book Club**  
Libuse Branch  
Thursday, December 21, 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 *Love & Saffron: A Novel of Friendship, Food, and Love* by Kim Fay. Contact 318-443-7259 for more information.

**Christian Fiction Book Club**  
Robertson Branch  
Thursday, December 28, 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 *The Winter Rose* by Melanie Dobson. Contact 318-640-3098 for more information.

**Century Readers Club**  
at Main Library  
#forVoraciousReaders  
Inquire at the circulation desk or call (318) 445-2411 x1023.

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.

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**Essential Computer Skills**

- Basic Computer Skills
- Internet Basics
- Using Email
- Windows OS
- Mac OS

**Essential Software Skills**

- Microsoft Word
- Microsoft Excel
- Microsoft PowerPoint
- Google Docs

**Using Technology in Daily Life**

- Social Media
- Information Literacy
- Career Search Skills
- Supporting K-12
- Distance Learning
- Your Digital Footprint



Programs for All Ages

**Ho! Ho! Ho! Santa is Coming!**  
McDonald Branch  
Saturday, November 25, 10 am to 11:30 am  
King Branch  
Saturday, December 2, 10 am to 11:30 am  
Robertson Branch  
Tuesday, December 5, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm  
Westside Regional Branch  
Thursday, December 7, 10 am to 11 am  
Boyce Branch  
Saturday, December 9, 10:30 am to 12 pm  
Libuse Branch  
Thursday, December 14, 10:30 am to 11:30 am  
Hineston Branch  
Saturday, December 16, 10:30 am to 12:00 pm  
Martin Branch  
Wednesday, December 20, 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm  
Ho, ho, hope you don't miss it when Santa stops by our branches to visit with you, check if you are on his list and take a picture with you! Photos are free. Contact branch you plan to attend for more information.

**Plant Propagation Workshop With LSU AG Westside Regional**  
Tuesday, December 5, 3:00 pm to 5:00 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 be cover basic propa- gation by seeds and cuttings. This will be two hour informa- tive and interactive workshop hosted by Molly Lyles of the LSU AG Center. Registration is required. See the RPL digi- tal calendar to register. Contact 318-442-2483 for more information.

**It's A Holiday Wrapping Party**  
Libuse Branch –Teens  
Friday, December 1, 5:00 pm  
Martin Branch  
Tuesday, December 5, 4:00 pm  
McDonald Branch  
Thursday, December 7, 4:00 pm  
Libuse Branch –Children  
Friday, December 8, 5:00 pm  
Robertson Branch  
Monday, December 11, 3:00 pm  
Johnson Branch  
Tuesday, December 12, 2:30 pm  
Boyce Branch  
Thursday, December 14, 3:30 pm  
It's time to get your gifts wrapped! Calling all par- ents, grandparents, kids and teens let's teach each other and learn from each other how to wrap beautiful gifts! Bring a present or a box we provide to wrap while learning to wrap beautifully. Parents and grandparents welcome to come show a lost art of wrapping to the younger generations. Regis- tration is required. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact branch you plan to attend for more information.

**Kwanzaa Family Grab-N-Go Kits**  
All Branches, All Month During Open Hours  
Families can celebrate Kwanzaa together with a collection of activities that highlight the principles and traditions of this meaningful holiday. Pick up this grab-n-go kit to take home and enjoy with the whole family. Each activity comes with instructions to make it easy for families to enjoy and learn about Kwanzaa together! Call branch for more infor- mation.

**Candy Cane Craft Grab-N-Go Kits**  
Hineston Branch  
All Month During Open Hours  
Make your own holiday ornaments! Crafting kit includes supplies and instructions to make paper candy cane tree ornaments and reindeer candy cane tree ornaments! Stop in and create yours or pick up a grab-n-go kit to make at home! Contact 318-793-8461 for more information.

**Christmas Card Grab-N-Go Kits**  
Libuse Branch  
Friday, December 1 to Friday, December 8, Open Hours  
Make your own handmade Christmas card with this grab-n- go kit! Card, envelope and decorations included. Call 318- 443- for more information.

**Craft Saturdays in December**  
Hineston Branch  
Saturday, December 2, 10:00 am to 12:00  
Bring the family and come in and create some crafts! We will have crafts and crafts supplies of all kinds for all ages! Don't miss this fun family time! Contact 318-793-8461 for more information.



**Plant Propagation Workshop**  
**Westside Regional Library**  
**Tuesday, December 5, 3:00pm - 5:00pm**

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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.



**McDonald Branch**  
Tuesday, December 5, 10:00 am  
318-748-4848

**Boyce Branch**  
Tuesday, December 12, 10:00 am  
318-793-5954

**Robertson Branch**  
Wednesday, December 13, 10:00 am  
318-640-3098

**Westside Regional Library**  
Thursday, December 14, 10:00 am  
318-442-2483

**Libuse Branch**  
Friday, December 15, 10:00 am  
318-443-7259

**Johnson Branch**  
Tuesday, December 19, 10:00 am  
318-776-5153

**Main Library**  
Thursday, December 21, 10:00 am  
318-445-2411

This program is sponsored by Healthy Blue.

Ancestry Research Programs

**Rebels, Rogues, Royals, and Renegades: An Ancestry Heritage Exploration**  
Alfred Boyce Wettermark Branch  
Friday, December 8, 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 infor- mation.

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**Adult Painting Programs**

**Fiesta Santa Canvas Painting**  
Wednesday, Dec. 6 at 10 am—Westside Regional  
Friday, Dec. 8 at 5 pm—Westside Regional  
Tuesday, Dec. 19 at 10:30 am—Boyce Branch  
Friday, Dec. 22 at 3:30 pm—McDonald Branch  
Hola! It's time for a Fiesta Santa painting! Have fun painting this unique version of Santa on canvas! All supplies provided. Registration is required. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact branch you plan for more info.

**Watercolors for Adults**  
Main Library  
Main Library—Wednesday, December 6, 10:00 am  
Main Library—Wednesday, December 20, 10:00 am  
Let your creativity flow during this watercolor class led by Lea Ryder Thomas. Registration is required. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-445-2411 for more information.

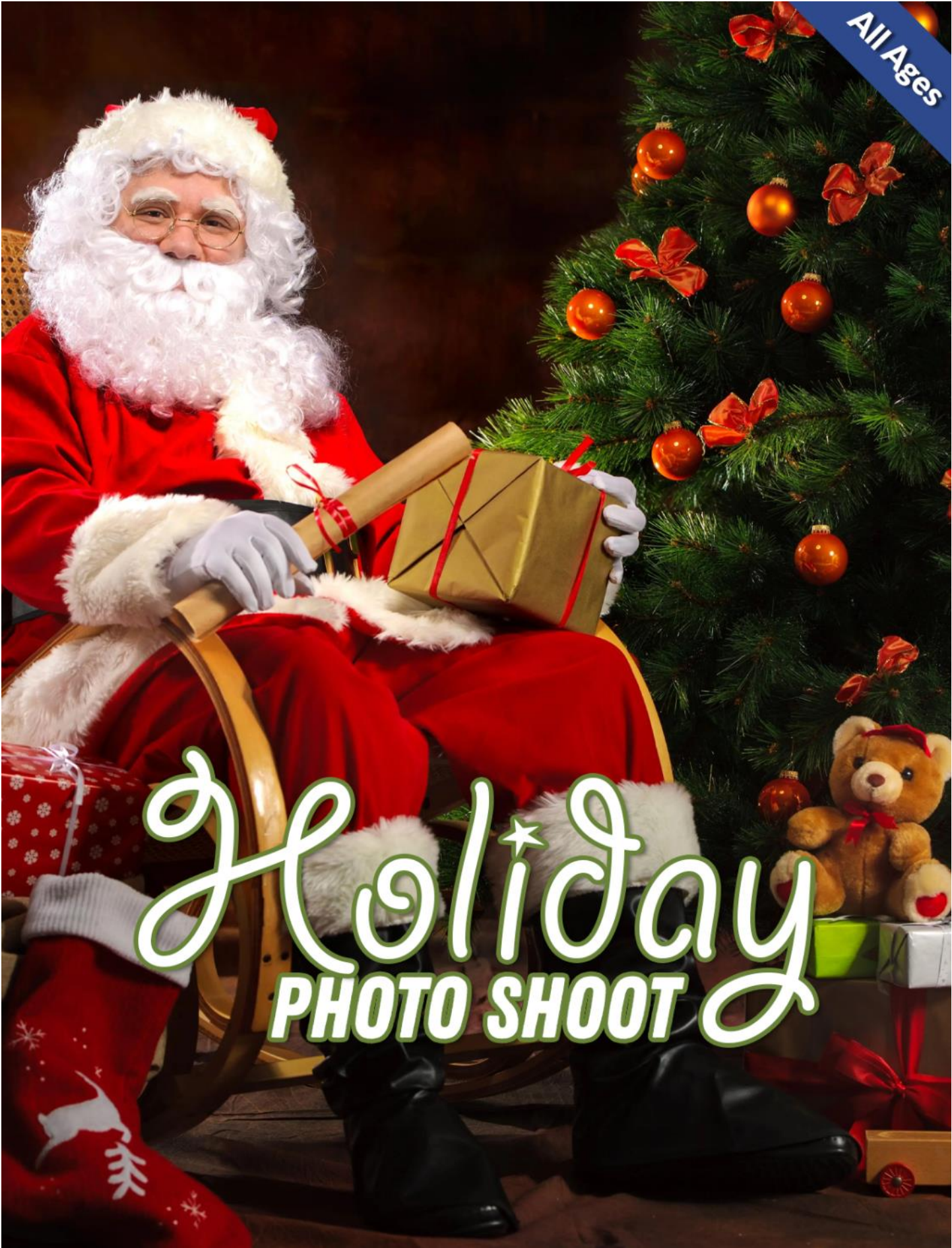
**Art Is Life**  
Main Library  
Thursday, December 7, 10:00 am  
Monday, December 11, 10:00 am  
Learn various acrylic painting techniques during this class led by Alice McBride. Registration is required. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-445-2411 for more info.

**Christmas Sip & Paint Party**  
King Branch  
Monday, December 11, 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm  
Join us for the Holiday edition of the King Adult Sip & Paint party as we welcome memories of cheer, family and mistletoe while sipping on beverages! Join Ms. Mary, who so kindly volunteers her time, in creating a work of holiday-themed art! Supplies and refreshments provided. Reservations required. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Call 318-445-3912 for more information.

**Color Me Chill**  
Main Library  
Thursday, December 14, 4:00 pm to 5:00pm  
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.

**Holiday Snowman Canvas Painting**  
Johnson Branch  
Thursday, December 21, 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm  
Everybody loves a snowman and what's better than one adorned in holiday attire! Let's paint a fun holiday themed snowman or woman acrylic canvas painting! Supplies provided. Registration is required. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Call 318-776-5153 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.





## Children's Programs

### **DIY Christmas Treat Jar**

Johnson Branch

Friday, December 1, 3:00 pm to 3:30 pm

Candy is everywhere during the holidays, so why not make an adorable Christmas Reindeer Treat Jar to keep your candy in? Stop by to for this fun craft where you create your very own Christmas Treat Jar! Registration required. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-776-5153 for more information.

### **Little Coders**

Robertson Branch

Wednesday, December 6, 11:30 pm to 12:30 pm

It's time to learn and build those first basic computer skills and eventually block coding. This class starts with drag and drop practice followed by sequence puzzles. Class is for children Pre-K to 2nd Grade. Parents need to attend with child. Reservations are required. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 443-7259 for more information.

### **Hot Cocoa Party**

McDonald Branch

Friday, December 8, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Kids bring your parents to enjoy hot chocolates while making a Christmas themed craft! Reservations are required. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-748-4848 for more information.

### **Let It Snow! Let It Snow Globe Painting!**

Martin Luther King, Jr Branch

Friday, December 15, 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm

Everybody loves a snowman and what's better than one in a snow globe! Let's paint a fun holiday themed snowman or snowwoman in a snow globe acrylic canvas painting! Supplies provided. Registration is required. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

### **Craft Time with Ms. Bree**

Westside Regional Library

Every Tuesday in December 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! Craft time will not be held Tuesday, December 26 this month. Contact 318-442-2483 for more details.

### **Holiday Reindeer Multi-Media Art Project**

Westside Regional Library

Wednesday, December 20, 10 am to 11 am

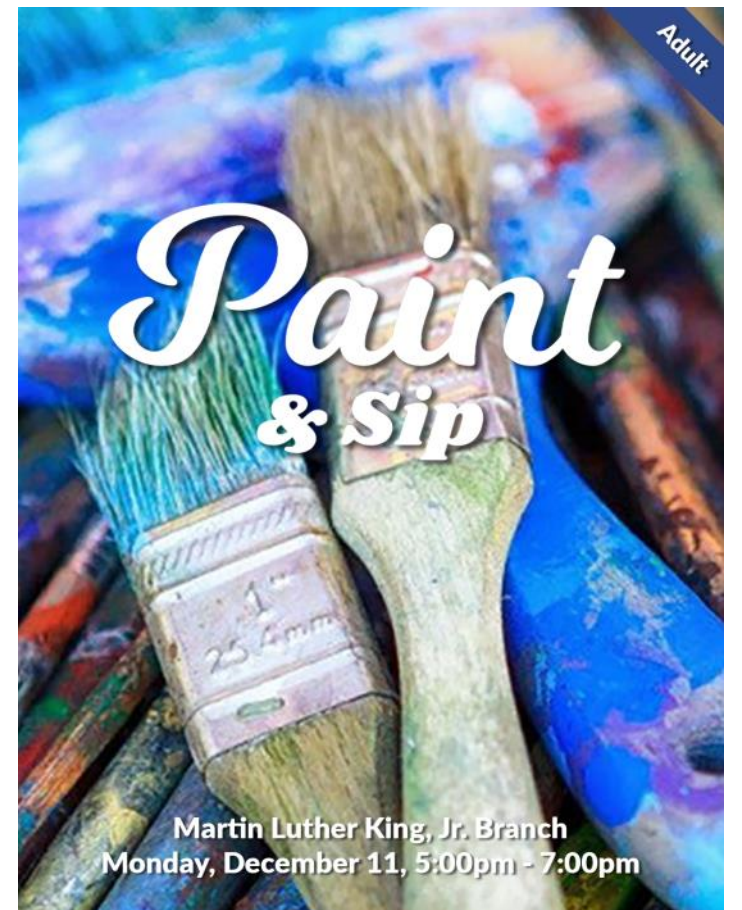
Just in time for Christmas, join us for a fun reindeer art project! We will be using oil pastels and other art supplies to make this cute reindeer craft! Supplies provided. Reservations are required. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-442-2483 for more information.

### **Pajama Party Storytime**

Libuse Branch

Thursday, December 28, 10:30 am to 11:30 am

Parents and kids are invited to come to the Libuse branch in family friendly pajamas for this special story time filled with hot chocolate, snacks and a special craft! Don't miss the fun! Contact 318-443-7259 for more information.





Teen Programs

**Make A Snack Board with LSU AgCenter**  
Johnson Branch  
Wednesday, December 6, 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm  
Charcuterie boards are all the rage right now! Join in the fun with LSU AgCenter as we learn to create a holiday snack board! Everything is edible and you get to go home with what you make... if you don't eat it all first! Registration required. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Call 318-776-5153 for more information.

**King's Teens' Book Tasting**  
Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch  
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King's teens gather on the second Wednesday of each month for a book discussion and crafting session! This month's selection is the book *Whiteout*, a collection of stories by different authors. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

**DIY Bath Bombs**  
Boyce Branch  
Thursday, December 7, 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm  
The holidays can be stressful and they say a nice warm bath can soothe that stress, so don't miss this fun program where we make calming bath bombs from scratch! Great for yourself or for a Christmas gift for your friends! Registration required. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Call 318-793-5954 for more information.

**Christmas Oyster Shell Painting**  
Johnson Branch  
Friday, December 8, 3:00 pm to 3:30 pm  
Oysters shells are popular for art and home decor right now! Come in and create your own oyster shell with a Christmas theme! These will be fun to make and great for displaying for the holidays or for a gift! See the RPL digital calendar to register. Call 318-776-5153 for more information.

**Holiday Cookie Decorating**  
McDonald Branch  
Tuesday, December 12, 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm  
Yummy yum yum! It's a holiday favorite activity at the McDonald branch! Join us as we decorate holiday cookies! All cookies are edible and you get to go home with what you make... if you don't eat them first! Registration required. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Call 318-748-4848 for more information.

**Teen Cuisine Cook Club**  
Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch  
Wednesday, December 13, 4:00 pm to 5:30 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, just in time for the holidays, we make, socialize and sample Homemade Sugar Cookies! Recipe will be provided. Registration required. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Please contact 318-445-3912 for more info.

**A "Cup" Of Cheer Craft**  
Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch  
Thursday, December 14, 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm  
Hot coco or hot tea, it's a wonderful time of year for a Cup of Cheer! Come join us as we paint a cup to bring us all some cheer this holiday season! You get to take it home and enjoy all your holiday drinks in it! Registration required. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Please contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

**Winter Wonderland Painting**  
Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch  
Monday, December 18, 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm  
Walking in a Winter Wonderland is a great song and a fun thing to do, so we thought we would capture that winter wonderland magic in a painting! Come join us to make your own winter wonderland canvas painting! All supplies provided. Registration required. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Please contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

**Libuse Teen Book Club**  
Libuse Branch  
Tuesday, December 19, 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 *The Girl Who Saved Christmas* by Matt Haig. Contact 318-443-7259 for more information.

**Teen Mental Wellness**  
Martin Luther King, Jr Branch  
Wednesday, December 20, 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm  
Sometimes the holidays are tough for people. We want to change that by focusing on the good and happy times! Come share with us your favorite holiday day memories as we make more happy ones! Local community counselors, providers and mentors are welcome and encouraged to attend as well. Call 318-445-3912 for more information.

**Hurray For The Holidays Party**  
Westside Regional  
Wednesday, December 20, 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm  
Let's shout Hurray for the Holidays! We are celebrating world wide December Holidays all in one day with food, games and crafts! There will be lots to do and see and learn and make and eat so you don't want to miss this fun program! Registration is required. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-442-2483 for more information.

**Teen Hang Out Day**  
McDonald Branch  
Thursday, December 28, 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.

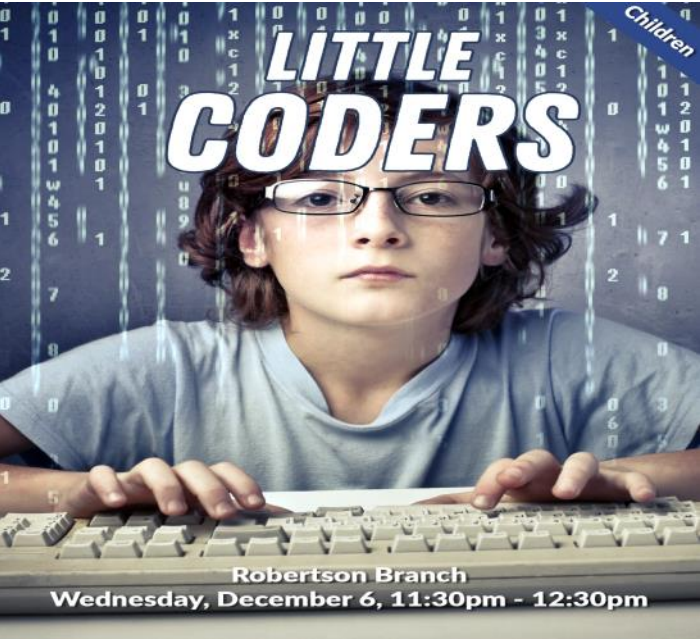
Children's & Teen Programs

**Candy Cane Lane**  
Martin Luther King, Jr Branch  
All Month During Open Hours  
All month long we are making a dazzling candy cane lane with candy canes designed by you! Come in anytime this month during our open hours and make your own unique candy cane to add to our community candy cane path! Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

**Ooey, Goopy Grinch Slime!**  
Libuse Branch  
Thursday, December 21, 9:00 am to 10:00 am  
Come make some ooey, goopy slime! Thankfully it won't stink, stank, stunk but it will be green and slimey just like the Grinch himself! Registration is required. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-443-7259 for more information.

**Rock Around the Tree Ornament Craft**  
Martin Luther King, Jr Branch  
Thursday, December 21, 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm  
Come rock around the Christmas Tree while we make personalized ornaments for the tree while listening to our favorite Christmas music! Don't miss the rocking and the crafting! Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

**Happy Holiday Game Day**  
Johnson Branch  
Friday, December 22, 3:00 pm to 3:45 pm  
It's a Holiday Game Day! We are setting aside a day to just to play and you are invited! Join us as we play video games, board games and table top games! Who knows... we might even play a good old fashioned game like hide and seek! Registration is required. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-776-5153 for more information.





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## 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

Libuse Branch  
Fri. Dec. 1st, 10-11

**Beginning  
Internet**

#### Beginning Internet

Learn basic web navigation skills using Internet Explorer while visiting several useful websites.

King Branch  
Tue. Dec. 5th, 4:30-5:30

**Hoopla**

#### 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.

Hineston Branch  
Wed. Dec. 6th, 10-11

**Beginning  
Internet**

Westside Branch  
Tue. Dec. 12th, 10-11

**Hoopla**

#### Hoopla

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!

McDonald Branch  
Wed. Dec. 13th, 10-11

**Intermediate  
Microsoft Word**

Main Library  
Mon. Dec. 18th, 3:30-5:30

**Intermediate  
Microsoft Word**