



EVENT GUIDE

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TO VIEW & REGISTER
FOR EVENTS

Book and Writing Clubs for All Ages

Books & Beyond!

Westside Regional Library

Friday, March 1, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Teens can come and join us at Westside on the first Friday of each month to read and discuss books. This month you will get to choose the book you want to read and then swap books until every one has read each other's book picks. After that we'll vote on our overall favorite book and then create a display in the Teen Area with our favorite. Contact 318-442-2483 for more information.

The Southern: A Book Club

Westside Regional Library

Tuesday, March 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 *Swamp Story* by Dave Barry. Contact 318-442-2483 for more information.

A Little Bit of Everything Book Club

Westside Regional Library

Monday, March 11, 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

If you enjoy reading a little bit of everything, then you'll enjoy this book club, meeting each second Monday of the month. Join us this month to discuss *Dead Man's Wake* by Paul Doiron. Contact 318-442-2483 for more information.

Kids' Book Club

Libuse Branch

Tuesday, March 12, 6:00 pm to 6:30 pm

Kids are invited to read *Anne of Green Gables* by Mariah Marsden, Brenna Thummler, and L.M. Montgomery and come to the Libuse branch for a book discussion over snacks. Contact 318-443-7259 for more information.

Triple A Book Club

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Tuesday, March 12, 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm

Join the club on second Tuesdays to discover, read and discuss books by African American authors and others of the African diaspora. This month we're reading *Flipping Boxcars* by Cedric "The Entertainer" Kyle. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

Teen Book Tasting Book Club

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Wednesday, March 13, 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm

Tween/Teens are encouraged to come in and discuss *The Girl in the Lake* by India Hill Brown. We will also do a craft inspired by the novel. Books will be available in advance for checkout. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.



Book and Writing Clubs for All Ages

Cenla Author Of The Month Curt Iles: Stories In The Afternoon

Westside Regional Library

Saturday, March 2, 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Join March Author of the Month Curt Iles for an afternoon of stories and conversation. The popular author will read from *Deep Roots*, his most recent volume of stories as well as excerpts from an upcoming release. Known for his easy down-home manner, Iles spins stories filled with humor and wisdom from his western Louisiana roots as well as his experiences as a missionary in Africa. Light refreshments will be served. Contact 318-442-2483 for more information.

Main Writers Club

Main Library

Thursday, March 14, 4:30 pm to 5:45 pm

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

Sands of Time Book Club

Main Library

Friday, March 15, 4:30 pm to 5:30 pm

Join this group of history lovers on third Fridays for a lively discussion of intriguing historical figures, eras, and events. This month we're discussing *Art of War* by Sun Tzu. Contact 318-445-2411 for more information.

Children's Book Tasting Book Club

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Tuesday, March 18, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Children are encouraged to come in and discuss *Leon the Extraordinary* by Jamar Nicholas. Books will be available in advance for checkout. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

Daytime Book Club

Libuse Branch

Monday, March 18, 10:30 am to 11:30 am

Gather for a lively daytime discussion of authors and their books every third Monday morning. This month, we're reading and discussing *Demon Copperhead* by Barbara Kingsolver. Contact 318-443-7259 for more information.

Teen Book Club

Libuse Branch

Tuesday, March 19, 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Teens are invited to read *Jane Eyre: The Graphic Novel* by Charlotte Bronte, Amy Corzine, John M. Burns, et. al. and come to the Libuse Branch for snacks and a book discussion. Contact 318-443-7259 for more information.

Ladies' Book Club

Libuse Branch

Thursday, March 21, 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm

Ladies meet on the third Thursday of each month for this

potluck-style book club. Join us this month for a discussion of *The Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo* by Taylor Jenkins Reid. Contact 318-443-7259 for more information.

Next Chapter Literary Underliners Book Club

Alfred Boyce Wettermark Branch

Friday, March 22, 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 literary, popular, and historical fiction, fantasy, suspense, nonfiction, biographies, and more! This month we're reading *Gardening for Love: The Market Bulletins* by Elizabeth Lawrence. Contact 318-793-5954 for more information.

Come Write In!

Main Library

Tuesday, March 26, 4:30 pm to 5:45 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, March 26, 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

The Robertson Book Club meets each last Tuesday of the month at 6:00 pm and is facilitated by Sonya Jeter. This month we are reading *The Exchange* by John Grisham. Contact 318-640-3098 for more information.

Cenla Authors' Club

Westside Regional Library

Thursday, March 28, 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

The Cenla Authors' Club is open to authors and writers of all levels and genres, and anyone interested in learning more about the book-writing process. Each month features a presentation by a noted author plus self-publishing tips, information, and practices. This month we'll hear from Louisiana forestry researcher and historian James P. Barnett, a 2020 inductee to the Louisiana Agriculture Hall of Distinction. Hosted by Michael Wynne, the Cenla Authors' Club meets each fourth Thursday of the month at 6:00 at the Westside Regional Library. Contact 318-442-2483 for more information.

Christian Fiction Book Club

Robertson Branch

Thursday, March 28, 10:00 am to 11:30 am

Join the Christian Fiction Book Club on the last Thursday of each month to read and discuss favorite Christian and historical fiction. This month's selection is *When the Meadow Blooms* by Ann Gabhart. Contact 318-640-3098 for more information.

Programs for All Ages

Neighborhood Forests Tree Giveaway

Every Library Branch

March 1-15, During Open Hours

Want a FREE tree??? Just register at this link below before March 15th for your own Free Tree! <https://www.neighborhoodforest.org/parent-registration/?school=17981>. We love trees! We want to give every child the priceless joy of planting and watching trees grow. By doing so, we will beautify our neighborhoods, put a significant dent in our carbon footprint, and help instill in the hearts of our little ones a sense of magic, wonder, and love for our planet. Trees for kids are distributed, via the library, for kids to plant with their family during Earth Week (April 22-30). Contact 318-445-2411 for more information.

Spring Portrait Session for People & Pets

Main Library

Saturday, March 2, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Come take your Spring photos at the Library! Several backdrops to choose from. Well-behaved pets (and humans) welcome! You will receive an emailed link to a personal DropBox containing all your photos, or use your own camera. Cost is free and you are free to use them as you wish. Contact 318-445-2411 for more information.

Grab-N-Go: Crafty Saturday

Hineston Branch

Saturday, March 2, Dr. Seuss Cat in the Hat

Saturday, March 2-8, Cupcake Liner Shamrock

Saturday, March 9-15, Handprint Leprechaun

Saturday, March 16-28, Paper Roll Chick

Bring the family and come in and create some crafts - every Saturday in March, 10 am to 12 pm! We will have crafts and crafts supplies of all kinds for all ages! Stay and craft or grab a kit to go! Don't miss this fun family time! Contact 318-793-8461 for more information.

Grab-N-Go: Birdfeeders

Libuse Branch

March 4-31, During Open Hours

Patrons are invited to come pick up a grab and go bird-feeder kit to make at home! Kits are available in March on a first come, first served basis. Supplies limited. Contact 318-443-7259 for more information.

Plant Swap

Westside Regional Library

Thursday, March 14, 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm

Plants too big for your space? Plants you just don't want? Plants that have been thinned with roots intact? Got babies with roots? Looking for a new plant? Come and share your plants with others and reap the rewards with your own new plant! Drop off plants at 2:00 pm and stay to browse books! Pick up a new plant before you leave! Contact 318-442-2483 for more information.

Neighborhood Forests Tree Giveaway



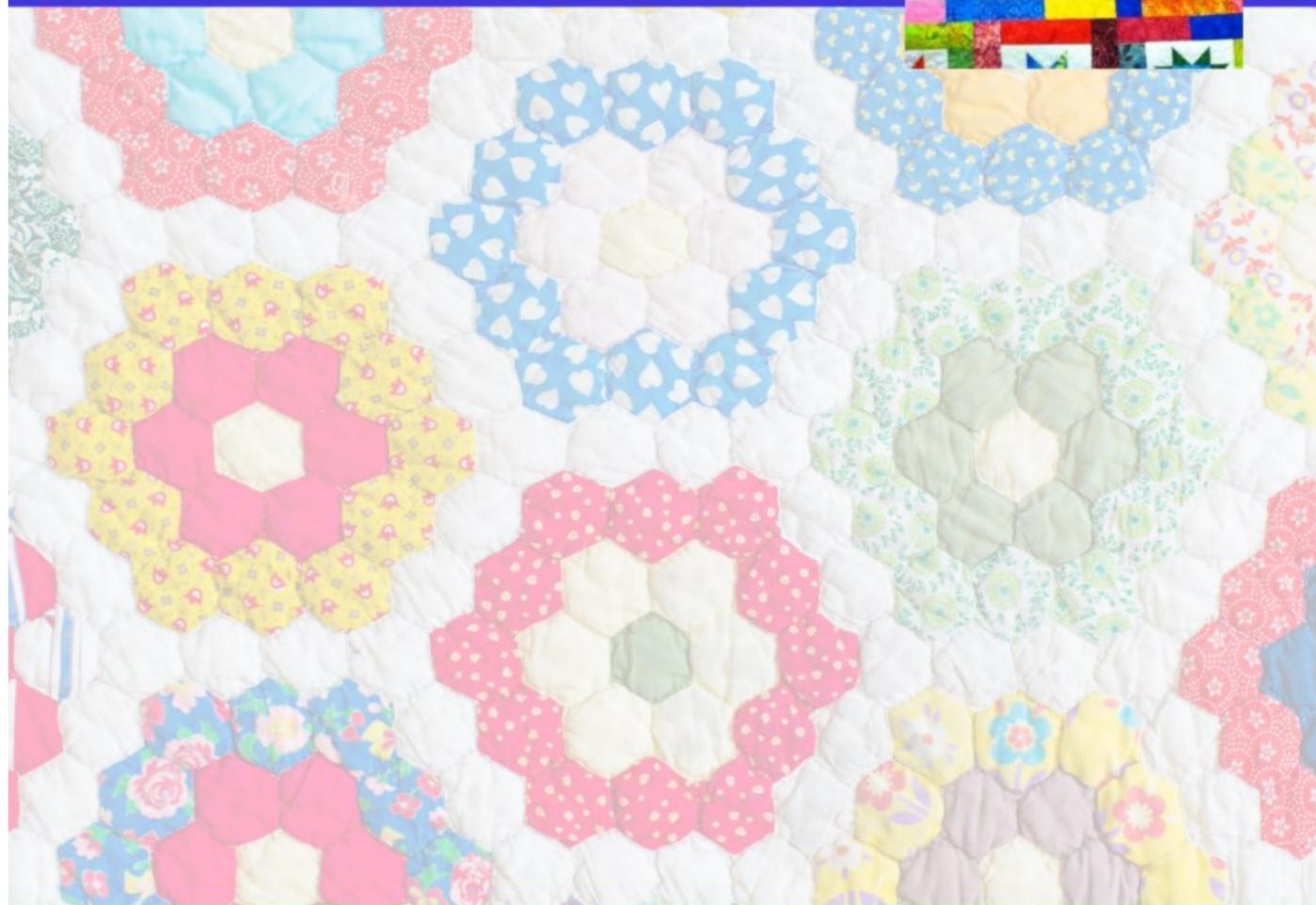
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Artists

IN LIBRARIES

ARTISTS OF THE MONTH



Celebrate National Quilting Month with our Cenla Artists of the Month the Cenla Patience Quilters in a workshop and demonstration of basic and advanced quilting techniques.

Patience Quilters Guild

Saturday, March 16, 10:00 a.m. Libuse Branch Library Reservations required (318) 443-7259

Children's Programs

Paper Roll Spring Flower

Johnson Branch

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

Join us in creating your one of a kind Paper Roll Spring Flower. Let's get a jump on creating flowers that really won't require water, wink. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-776-5153 for more information.

Dr. Seuss Birthday Party

Main Library

Saturday, March 2, 10:30 am to 11:30 am

Join us for a party celebrating Dr. Seuss's birthday. Come in to hear your favorite Dr. Seuss stories, enjoy refreshments and crafts. Contact 318-445-2411 for more information.

Easter Basket Read Off

Every Branch

March 1-27

Calling all young readers! It is time yet again for our annual Easter Basket Read Off! Starting on March 1, log your amount of reading minutes using your Beanstack account and put your name into the drawing for an Easter Basket prize! There will be two winners per branch, one for 0-5 and one for 6-12. The logging will begin on March 1 and end on March 27. Branches will draw their winners and notify them on March 28. Contact branch you plan to attend for more information.

Crafty Tuesdays

Westside Regional Library

Tuesday, March 5, 3:30 pm to 4:15 pm

Tuesday, March 12, 3:30 pm to 4:15 pm

Tuesday, March 19, 3:30 pm to 4:15 pm

Tuesday, March 26, 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 information.

Caught a Leprechaun Jar

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Tuesday, March 5, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Join Rapides Parish Library staff in building a trap to catch your very own leprechaun. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

St. Patrick's Day Party

J.W. McDonald Branch

Thursday, March 14, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Join us for our St. Patrick's Day party. We'll have games and crafts. We'll also decorate our own cookie and learn some fun facts about St. Patrick's day. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-748-4848 for more information.

Zinetangle Rabbit

Westside Regional Library

Wednesday, March 27, 10:00 am to 11:00 am

Join Rapides Parish Library as we use water color and line drawing to create a piece of art for the Easter season. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-442-2483 for more information.

Little Coders

Libuse Branch

Wednesday, March 27, 11:30 am to 12:30 pm

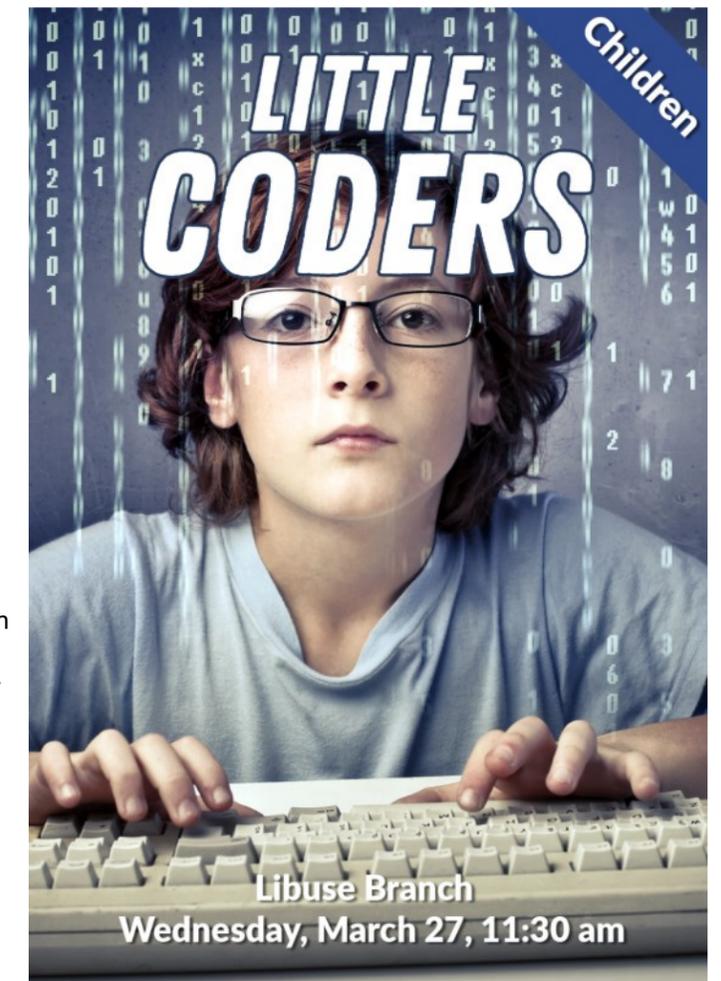
Join Rapides Parish Library staff to learn and build those first computer skills. Class is for Pre-K to second grade. Parents need to attend with child. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-443-7259 for more information.

Eggstravaganza Storytime

Libuse Branch

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

Kids are invited to this special Storytime with an Easter craft and an egg hunt. Contact 318-443-7259 for more information.



Libuse Branch

Wednesday, March 27, 11:30 am

Children's & Teen Programs



EGG DYEING FUN

Children & Teen

J.W. McDonald Branch
Tuesday, March 26, 3:30 pm
Libuse Branch
Thursday, March 28, 9:00 am
Alfred Boyce Wettermark Branch
Thursday, March 28, 3:00 pm

Dr. Seuss Day!

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Saturday, March 2, 11:00 am to 1:00 pm

Come help us celebrate Dr. Seuss Day by making crafts inspired from Dr. Seuss Stories as well as refreshments inspired by Dr. Seuss stories! Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

Women's History Month is...

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Monday, March 4, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Come visit us to learn about important women in history and tell us about women in your life that are important to you. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

Alexandria Garden Club: Floral Arranging

Westside Regional Library

Monday, March 4, 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Monday, March 11, 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Monday, March 18, 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Monday, March 25, 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Floral Arranging taught by the Alexandria Garden Club! The theme for March 4 is International Women's Day! Kids register but parents are welcome to join in the fun once we begin. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-442-2483 for more information.

LSU AgCenter Program: Air Fryer Recipes

Robertson Branch

Wednesday, March 6, 10:00 am to 11:00 am

Calling all junior chefs! Join LSU AgCenter as they show

how to cook up yummy and healthy recipes in the air fryer. Participants may sample finished projects.

Flower Pot with Sharpie

Johnson Branch

Friday, March 8, 3:00 pm to 3:30 pm

Please stop in at Johnson branch and register to create your own Flower Pot with Sharpie design. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-776-5153 for more information.

Up-Cycled Bird Feeder

Westside Regional Library

Saturday, March 9, 10:30 am to 11:30 am

Martin Library

Thursday, March 14, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Hineston Branch

Saturday, March 16, 10:00 am to 11:00 am

Join Rapides Parish Library staff to create a bird feeder from up-cycled household objects and almond butter. Peanut Butter *will not* be used for this activity. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact branch you plan to attend for more information.

Scratch Coding I: Introduction to Coding

Robertson Branch

Thursday, March 21, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Scratch is a visual programming language created by the MIT Media Lab in 2007. Its drag-and-drop interface with colorful blocks makes it one of the most intuitive programming languages to learn. Unlike traditional programming languages like Python where the coder must write out the code, Scratch empowers young people and adults alike to easily build interactive games and programs by connecting code blocks together. Registration is required. Contact 318-640-3098 for more information.

Easter Egg-stravaganza

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Saturday, March 23, 11:00 am to 12:00 pm

Come visit us for a fun Easter Egg Hunt! Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

Egg Dyeing Fun

J.W. McDonald Branch

Tuesday, March 26, 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm

Libuse Branch

Thursday, March 28, 9:00 am to 10:00 am

Alfred Boyce Wettermark Branch

Thursday, March 28, 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Whether you eat them or knock them or hide them, everyone loves Easter Eggs! Come join us for some egg dyeing fun! We will use food color and vinegar so be prepared to get colorful! Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact branch you plan to attend for more information.



Stories with Curt

with Author Curt Iles



Cenla Author of the Month

Curt Iles

Saturday, March 2 @ 3:00
Westside Regional Library, 5416 Provine Pl. (318) 442-2483

Computer Classes



CLASS SCHEDULE

Seating is limited. Please register for Computer and Makerspace classes by accessing the new digital calendar on our website.

Intermediate Microsoft Word	Libuse Branch Friday, March 1 10:00 am to 11:00 am	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 Word	Martin Library Monday, March 4 10:00 am to 11:00 am	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.
Beginning Internet	King Branch Tuesday, March 5 4:30 pm to 5:30 pm	Learn basic web navigation skills using Internet Explorer while visiting several useful websites.
Beginning Microsoft Excel	Hineston Branch Wednesday, March 6 10:00 am to 11:00 am	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.
Windows 10	Westside Library Tuesday, March 12 10:00 am to 11:00 am	Take a look at the Windows 10 operating system. Learn about the features Windows 10 has to offer and how to customize them to your needs.
Windows 10	Boyce Branch Thursday, March 14 10:00 am to 11:00 am	Take a look at the Windows 10 operating system. Learn about the features Windows 10 has to offer and how to customize them to your needs.
Beginning Microsoft Word	Main Library Monday, March 18 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm	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.
Beginning Microsoft Word	Main Library Wednesday, March 20 9:00 am to 11:00 am	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 Microsoft Excel	Johnson Branch Friday, March 22 10:00 am to 11:00 am	Discover a few intermediate functions of a spreadsheet including shortcuts and extras to making using Excel easier.
Google Slides	Robertson Branch Monday, March 25 10:00 am to 11:00 am	Design presentations online with the web based Google Slides Editor. The Slides editor is part of the free Google Editor Suite along with other apps provided by Google. A google account is required.
Google Docs	J.W. McDonald Branch Wednesday, March 27 10:00 am to 11:00 am	Learn how to create a document in the free online web based application. Collaborate, and share your document with others. A google account is required.

Cupcake Decorating

Libuse Branch
Saturday, March 2, 11:00 am to 12:00 pm (Children)
Saturday, March 2, 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm (Teens)

Martin Library
Monday, March 4, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm
Westside Regional Library
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Johnson Branch
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Hineston Branch
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Thursday, March 21, 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm

Teen Programs

Books & Beyond!

Westside Regional Library

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Hineston Branch

Tuesday, March 19, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

J.W. McDonald Branch

Thursday, March 21, 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm

What is more fun - eating or decorating cupcakes? Well you get to find out when you come join us for some decorating fun! We will be providing everything you need to make your masterpiece cupcake! Contact branch you plan to attend for more information.

Escape Room

J.W. McDonald Branch

Tuesday, March 12, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Do you have what it takes to escape? Come and find out at our Escape Room! Put your sleuthing skills to the test and crack the codes. See you there! Space is limited. Registration is required. Contact 318-748-4848 for more information.

Teen Cuisine

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Wednesday, March 20, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Unsure of your way around the kitchen? You want to increase your palate's delight? Come in and join us as we learn how to make a delicious treat. This month you will be socializing with your peers and learning how to make Pepperoni Roll-Ups! The recipe will be available as well. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

Tissue Roll Flowers

Johnson Branch

Friday, March 22, 3:00 pm to 3:30 pm

Spring is almost here and though the flowers haven't quite bloomed, we can make our own! Come to the Johnson Library to create your very own Tissue Roll Flowers. Lets see how many colorful arrangements you can make! Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-776-5153 for more information.

Teen Mental Health Wellness

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Wednesday, March 27, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

With so much going on today, teens need an outlet to release their anxiety and stresses. Come in this month to create a Salt Dough Ornament and learn meditation techniques. Local community counselors, providers and mentors are welcomed and encouraged to attend as well. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.



Driving-Tests.org

Use Driving-Tests Interactive OMV Practice Tests for motorcycle, car, and CDL licenses. Resources that you can't get with just the handbook.

Ace your official exam with FREE study help from the Library!



Adult Painting Programs



Paint A Wine Glass

Libuse Branch

Monday, March 4, 11:00 am to 1:00 pm

Westside Regional Library

Friday, March 8, 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm

J.W. McDonald Branch

Friday, March 22, 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm

Sipping your favorite beverage out of uniquely painted glass only makes it taste better! Come join us as we paint on actual wine glasses! Seating is limited. Registration is required. Contact branch you plan to attend for more information.

Watercolors for Adults

Main Library

Wednesday, March 6, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Wednesday, March 20, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Let your creativity flow during this watercolor class led by Lea Ryder Thomas. Seating is limited. Registration is required. Contact 318-445-2411 for more information.

Easter Gnome Canvas Painting

Westside Regional Library

Wednesday, March 6, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Robertson Branch

Tuesday, March 19, 10:30 am to 12:30 pm

Westside Regional Library

Tuesday, March 26, 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm

Everyone loves a gnome painting! Come join us as we paint an Easter Gnome! Seating is limited. Registration is required. Contact branch you plan to attend for more information.

Art Is Life!

Main Library

Thursday, March 7, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Monday, March 11, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Monday, March 25, 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm

Learn various acrylic painting techniques during this class led by local artist Alice McBride. Contact 318-445-2411 for more information.

Cenla Artists Of The Month: Cenla Patience Quilters

Libuse Branch

Saturday, March 16, 10:00 am to 1:00 pm

Celebrate National Quilting Month with our Artists of the Month, the Cenla Patience Quilters, in a workshop and demonstration to learn basic quilting techniques. Quilters must bring your sewing machine to participate. Seating is limited. Registration is required. Contact 318-443-7259 for more information.

Abstract Rabbit

Johnson Branch

Thursday, March 21, 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Join us we explore the world of modern art with this colorful bunny painting just in time for Easter decorating! Seating is limited. Registration is required. Contact 318-776-5153 for more information.

Sip-N-Paint

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Monday, March 25, 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm

One of our very own extraordinary patrons, Mary Roberts comes through with her self-taught talents to teach art will come bring your passion for art to light. Bring out the artist in you; while sipping and painting with your peers. Seating is limited. Registration is required. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

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.

AS YOUNG AS YOU FEEL

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Genealogy Research Programs

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

Alfred Boyce Wettermark Branch
Friday, March 8, 10:30 am to 11:30 am
Learn to conduct self-directed research using Ancestry Library Edition. Discover your heritage and create a personal family heritage journal to document the journey. Meets monthly. Registration is required. Contact 318-793-5954 for more information.

Genealogy Club

Main Library
Friday, March 29, 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm
Trace your family tree using Ancestry.com Library Edition and other library resources you have to pay for everywhere else! Learn to search census records, obituaries, and other records to find missing links in your family history. Beginners are welcome. Seating is limited. Registration is required. Contact 318-445-2411 for more information.

Get access to the ancestry database
FREE at your library!
See your branch to find out how!

 **ancestry** library edition

Adult Programs

Financial Literacy: Protect Yourself From Identity Theft

Robertson Branch
Tuesday, March 5, 10:00 am to 11:00 am

Familiarize yourself with the common forms of identity theft, the proper actions to take if you are a victim, and how you can protect yourself. Seating is limited. Presented by Regions Bank. Contact 318-640-3098 for more information.

Financial Literacy: Financial Tips For Your Small Business

Libuse Branch
Monday, March 11, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Learn the best financial practices, rules, and tools available to help you start, manage, or grow your business. Presented by Regions Bank. Registration is required. Contact 318-443-7259 for more information.

Financial Literacy: Energize Yourself Financially

Westside Regional Library
Friday, March 15, 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm

Learn why it's important to create a savings plan and how your plan should evolve to help you meet your short-, medium-, and long-term goals. Presented by Regions Bank. Registration is required. Contact 318-442-2483 for more information.

Financial Literacy: Banking Basics For Students (or Anyone!)

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch
Tuesday, March 19, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Stay on top of your grades and your finances. Learn how to stick to a budget, use credit wisely, and start saving. Presented by Regions Bank. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

Financial Literacy: Your Credit Report

Main Library
Tuesday, March 26, 10:30 am to 11:30 am

Learn what a credit report is, how it affects your finances, and what you can do to maintain or improve your credit score. Presented by Regions Bank. Registration is required. Contact 318-445-2411 for more information.



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LSUA Cavanaugh Lecture Series

Westside Regional Library
Thursday, March 7, 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm

The quest for happiness is universal. Academic "happiness studies" purport progress regarding the elusive concept. In this Cavanaugh Lecture presentation, LSUA Professor of Religion & Ethics Holly Wilson will give the audience a peek into her most recent work-in-progress, "The Happiness Experiment," and how seven religions converge on the question "What is happiness?". Contact 318-442-2483 for more information.

Adult Programs

Tea Time at Main

Main Library

Friday, March 1, 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm

Join us this month for a discussion on the tea blend of the month and where its leaves come from. A cup of tea will be served. This month's blend will be Darjeeling. We will also continue to discuss tea preparation and tea origins. Participants are encouraged to bring tea to swap or share. Seating is limited. Registration is required. Contact 318-445-2411 for more information.

Color Me Chill Anytime!

Alfred Boyce Wettermark Branch

Hineston Branch

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

J.W. McDonald Branch

March 1-31, During Open Hours

Adults, treat yourself to an oasis of relaxation and creativity! Come color and chill with us anytime you want! Need a break? Come in and relax and get one our Color Me Chill coloring packs available at the Customer Service Desk. Packs are not for check out and for in-library use only. Packs available at Boyce, Hineston, King and McDonald branches only. Contact branch you plan to attend for more information.

For the Love of Food!

Main Library

Monday, March 4, 5:30 pm

Come find out all you didn't know about the art of cooking! Come learn Culinary Literacy with LSU-Ag Center's Jennifer Duhon, registered dietician. Seating is limited. Registration is required. Contact 318-445-2411 for more information.

A Women's Worth Commemoration

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Thursday, March 7, 10:00am to 11:00 am

March brings a celebration of Women's History. We recognize all who have paved the way for us. Today, we celebrate those in our history who have inspired or who is inspiring us. We encourage you to bring a photo of that inspiring woman so that we can commemorate her and put her on display for the month. You can choose a woman of history that fought for rights you now enjoy today or the woman in your life who encouraged your right to fight. You have a voice because of them. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

It's A Bake Off

J.W. McDonald Branch

Friday, March 8, 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm

Back by popular demand, we are having another bake-off! Bring in your favorite dessert and even the recipe if you dare to share! We will sample all the baked goods and vote for a winner. May the best baker win! Registration is required. Contact 318-748-4848 for more information.

Social Saturdays Are For Crafting

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Saturday, March 9, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Another Saturday to socialize and relax and CRAFT! Guided by Ms. Mary Roberts, we will continue on our crocheting adventure. Come learn and fine tune your craft of crocheting. As you stimulate your mind and increase your socialism, you'll be surprised at what you can do! Seating is limited. Registration is required. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

DIY Salt Scrub Workshop

Main Library

Wednesday, March 13, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Looking for smoother, more refreshed-feeling skin? Self-care always feels good. And you will love how smooth and soft this DIY salt scrub makes your skin feel. Learn how to make your own body scrub using natural products during this hands-on workshop. You'll learn about the unique properties of essential oils, and choose exfoliants to use in your custom scrub. During our workshop, you will hand mix your own scrub – and leave with a handmade jar of body scrub. Seating is limited. Registration is required. Contact 318-445-2411 for more information.

Artists in Libraries: Pysanky Easter Eggs

Main Library

Thursday, March 14, 10:00 am 12:00 pm

Alfred Boyce Wettermark

Wednesday, March 27, 10:30 am 12:30 pm

Join artist Nicole Holcombe to create beautiful Easter eggs dyed in the ancient Ukrainian Pysanky style, a wax-resist technique originated in Eastern Europe. All materials provided. Space is limited. Advance registration is required. Contact 318-793-5954 for more information.

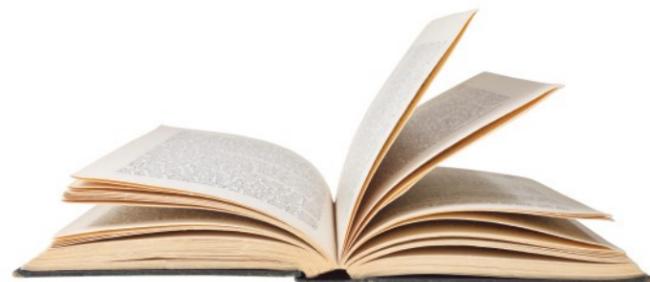
Westside Fit!

Westside Regional Library

Thursday, March 14, 9:00 am to 10:00 am

Thursday, March 28, 9:00 am to 10:00 am

Join us for a 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! Contact 318-442-2483 for more information.



A LIBRARY BRANCH FOR EVERYONE.

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THURSDAYS 10:00AM-11:00AM

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WEDNESDAYS 10:00AM-11:00AM

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STORYTIME
FRIDAYS 10:00AM-10:30AM

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MON-FRI 9AM-6PM

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