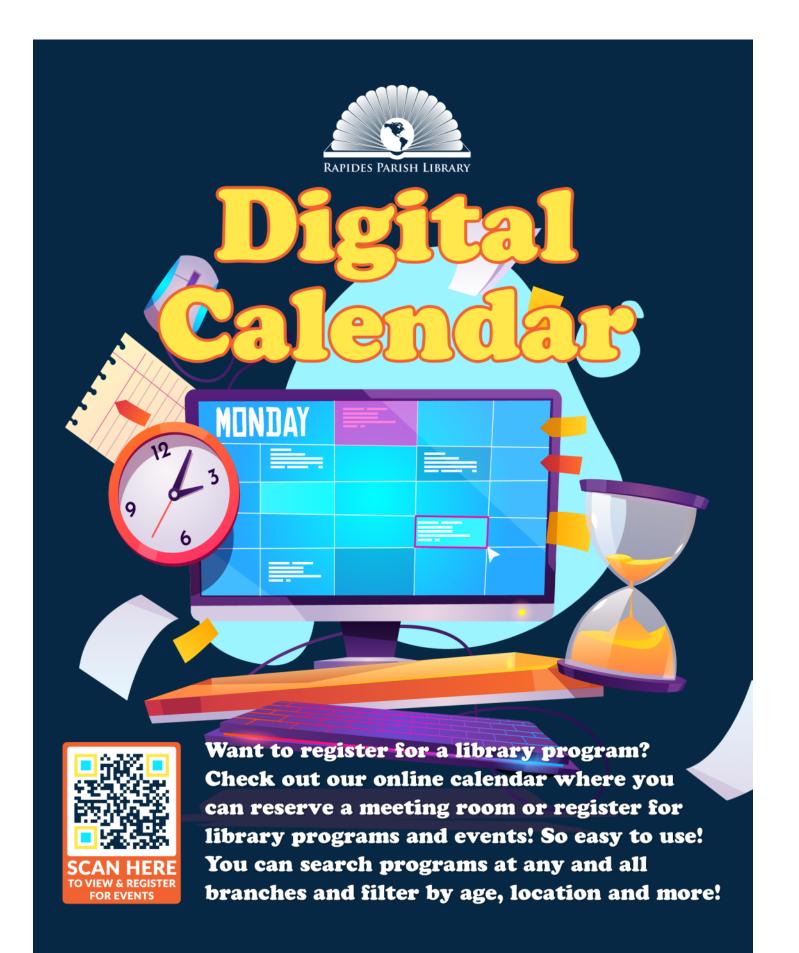


EVENT GUIDE

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Book and Writing Clubs for All Ages

The Southern: A Book Club

Westside Regional Library

Tuesday, March 4, 10:00 am to 11:30 am

Join us on the first Tuesday of the month for book talk, and all things Southern. Some books are set in the South, while others are written by Southern authors ranging from classic to contemporary. The Seamstress of New Orleans by Diane McPhail is this month's southern iewel. There's an empty seat just waiting for you! Contact 318-442-2483 for more information.

Little Bit of Everything Book Club Westside Regional Library

Monday, March 10, 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

If you enjoy reading a little bit of everything, you'll enjoy this book club, meeting each second Monday of the month. Join us this month to discuss Murder in the Family by Cara Hunter. Contact 318-442-2483 for more information.

Triple-A Book Club

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Tuesday, March 11, 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. This month we're reading Finding Me by Viola Davis. Books are available to request for participation Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

Kids' Book Club

Libuse Branch

Tuesday, March 11, 6:00 pm to 6:30 pm

Kids' are invited to read Time Castaways: The Mona Lisa Key by Liesl Shurtliff and come to the Libuse Branch Library for snacks and a book discussion. Contact 318-443-7259 for more information.

Daytime Book Club

Libuse Branch

Monday, March 17, 10:30 am to 11:30 am

Patrons are invited to read The Book of Doors by Gareth Brown and come to the Libuse Branch for a book discussion. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-443-7259 for more information.

Children Book Tasting Book Club Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

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

Children are encouraged to read *The Babv-Sitters Club*: Kristy and the Walking Disaster by Kellen T. Crenshaw for a small session of talking about why they enjoy the books they do. The Baby-Sitters Club: Kristy and the Walking Disaster by Kellen T. Crenshaw will be available for pick up at the King Branch. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

Teen Book Club

Libuse Branch

Tuesday, March 18, 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Teens are invited to read *The Dragonet Prophecy* by Tui Sutherland and come to the Libuse Branch for snacks and a book discussion. Contact 318-443-7259 for more infor-

Ladies' Book Club

Libuse Branch

Thursday, March 20, 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm

Ladies are invited to read The Year of Yellow Jack: A Novel About Fever. Felicite. and the Early Years on the Bayou Teche by Anne L. Simon and come to the Libuse Branch for this potluck style book discussion. Registration is reguired as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-443-7259 for more information.

Main Mystery Book Club

Main Library

Friday, March 21, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Join us as we discuss this month's book, The Hound of the Baskervilles by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-445-2411 for more information.

Come Write In!

Main Library

Tuesday, March 25, 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.

18 to 80 Book Club

Martin Library

Tuesday, March 25, 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm

Join the Martin Branch Library for a multi-generational book club on the fourth Tuesday of every month from 5:30 to 6:30PM. This month we will be discussing *Tomorrow* and Tomorrow and Tomorrow by Gabrielle Zevin as always bring your suggestions for the rest of the year. Contact 318-442-7575 for more information.

Robertson Book Club

Robertson Branch

Tuesday, March 25, 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

The Robertson Book Club meets each last Tuesday of the month at 6:00 and is facilitated by Sonya Jeter. This month we're reading The Housemaid by Frieda McFadden. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-640-3098 for more information.

Christian Fiction Book Club

Robertson Branch

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

Please join us this month as we read *Irish Matchmaker* by Jennifer Deibel. Contact 318-640-3098 for more information.

Book and Writing Clubs for All Ages

Cenla Authors' Club

Westside Regional Library

Thursday, March 27, 6:00 pm to 8:00 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, even if you haven't written your first word (yet!). This month's speaker is Paul Schexnavder, Paul, a nationally-known children's book author, will share his remarkable tips on how to produce great books and great children's books. A native of New Iberia, Louisiana, Paul Schexnayder earned his Bachelor of Fine Art degree from Louisiana State University. He has since worked as an artist, author/illustrator, and art teacher. Schexnayder is a member of the Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators, has illustrated over half a dozen children's books, and has been the official Louisiana artist of many state festivals and events. He owns an art gallery in his hometown of New Iberia, where he cur-

rently lives with his wife and three kids. Contact 318-442-2483 for more information.

The Next Chapter Literary Underliner's **Book Club**

Alfred Boyce Wettermark Branch

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

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 All Other Nights by Dara Horn. Contact 318-793-5954 for more information.

All Ages Programs

Spend the Day with Rosie

Johnson Branch

Saturday, March 1, 11:00 am to 12:00 pm

Take a paws-itively relaxing break at the library and spend Spring Photo Shoot with Pets! some time with Rosie, our lovable therapy dog! This special program is designed to provide a calming, therapeutic experience for patrons of all ages. Whether you're looking to de-stress, enjoy a moment of comfort, or simply have a chance to bond with a friendly dog, Rosie is here to bring joy and smiles to your visit. Contact 318-776-5153 for more information.

Crafty Saturdays

Hineston Branch

Saturday, March 1, 10:00 am to 11:30 am Saturday, March 8, 10:00 am to 11:30 am Saturday, March 15, 10:00 am to 11:30 am Saturday, March 22, 10:00 am to 11:30 am

Come in to enjoy a time to craft and be creative. There will be plenty of supplies from which to choose. Sometimes there will be guided crafts, other times it will be crafter choice. Contact 318-793-8461 for more information.

Basic Computer Training

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Wednesday, March 12, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm Wednesday, March 26, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Unlock your tech potential with Basic Computer Training class. Every other Wednesday, you will gain confidence and create personal and professional possibilities with new or improved computer skills. This is 1-on-1 tutoring for digital calendar to register. Contact 318-445-3912 for any basic level computer skills questions you have, such as sending a text, using a mouse and keyboard, etc. For more specific training in Microsoft programs, please check out our other Computer Classes! Registration is required

as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

Main Library

Wednesday, March 12, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

Come take your Holiday Photos at the Library! Wellbehaved pets (and humans) welcome! You will receive an emailed link to a personal DropBox containing all your photos. You are free to use them as you wish. Contact 318-445-2411 for more information.

Neighborhood Forests Tree Giveaway! Every Branch

Wednesday, April 16-22, During Open Hours

Earth Week runs from April 16-22, and we will again be handing out free trees in partnership with Neighborhood Forests. We love trees! We want to give every child the priceless joy of planting and watching trees grow. Contact the branch you plan to attend for more information.

Make a Mini-Magazine Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

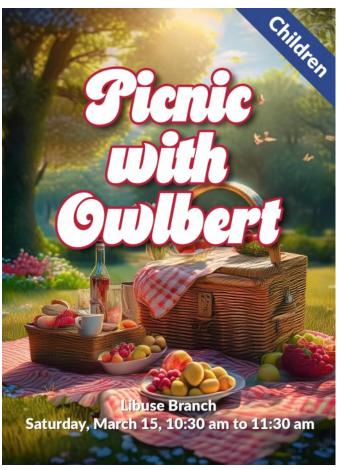
Wednesday, March 19, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

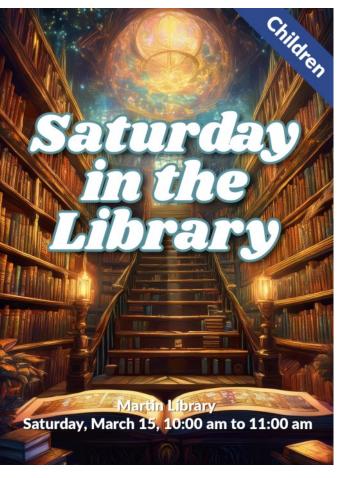
Let's start a magazine! Have you ever wanted to step into the world of writing and publishing? Here's your chance! Together, we will learn 2 ways to make mini-magazines that can be printed, drawn, or made and shared with your friends, family, and community. All materials provided. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL more information.











Grab-N-Go & Month Long Programs

Pot-o-Gold Kits

Hineston Branch

Saturday, March 1-31, During Open Hours

Just in time for St Patrick's day we will be having some leprechaun fun while crafting a pot of gold. Stay in and craft in the branch or grab and go with your craft kit. Kits are available during regular opening hours. While supplies last. Contact 318-793-8461 for more information.

Paper Plate Crown Kits

Hineston Branch

Saturday, March 1-31, During Open Hours

We will construct a crown using a paper plate and embellishments as well. Stay in and craft in the branch or grab and go with your craft kit. Kits are available during regular opening hours. While supplies last. Contact 318-793-8461 for more information.

Crinkle Paper Duck Picture

Hineston Branch

Saturday, March 1-14, During Open Hours

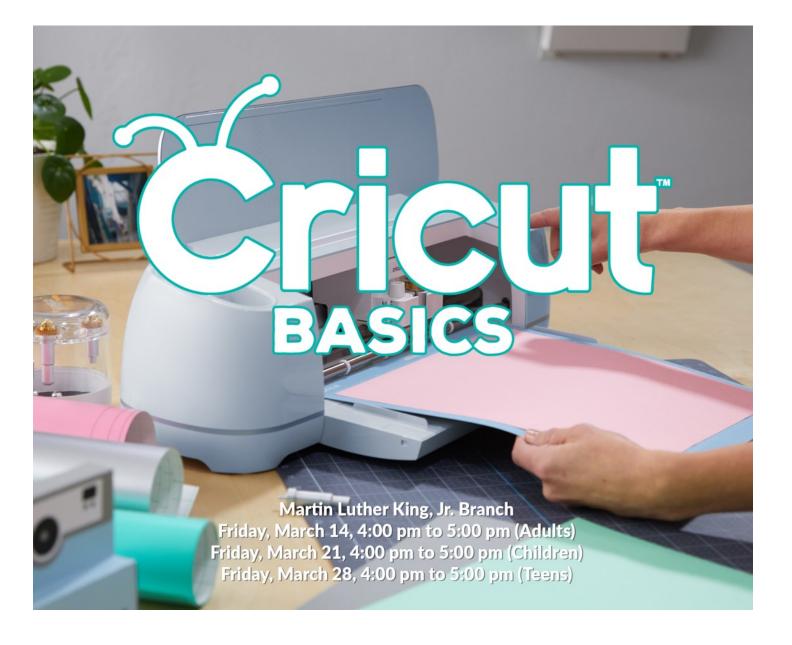
Come decorate an adorable duck. This will be a tissue paper art work. Stay in and craft in the branch or grab and go with your craft kit. Kits are available during regular opening hours. While supplies last. Contact 318-793-8461 for more information.

Coffee, Color and Chill

Libuse Branch

Saturday, March 8, 9:30 am to 11:00 am

Patrons of all ages are welcome to come by the Libuse Branch between 9:30 and 11 AM to relax with a coloring page and a warm beverage. Step into early spring with a quiet library morning sipping coffee or tea and some peaceful coloring. Contact 318-443-7259 for more information



Children's Programs

Crafty Tuesdays

Westside Regional Library

Tuesday, March 4, 3:30 pm to 4:15 pm Tuesday, March 11, 3:30 pm to 4:15 pm Tuesday, March 18, 3:30 pm to 4:15 pm Tuesday, March 25, 3:30 pm to 4:15 pm

Come join us at Westside for a fun after school craft! Children from the ages 2-12 are welcome! Contact 318-442-2483 for more information.

Creative Discovery WednesdaysMartin Library

Wednesday, March 5, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm Wednesday, March 12, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm Wednesday, March 19, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm Wednesday, March 26, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Join us every Wednesday at the library for Creative Discovery Wednesdays—a dynamic afternoon filled with fun, learning, and imagination! This engaging event offers a mix of activities to spark creativity and curiosity. Come with an open mind and leave with new friends, exciting projects, and a love for learning! Contact 318-442-7575 for more information.

Pong It!

Martin Library

Thursday, March 6, 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm

Libuse Branch

Wednesday, March 26, 11:30 am to 1:00 pm

This library program is designed to introduce participants (ages 10 to 14) to the world of game development through Scratch, an intuitive block-based programming platform. The focus of the program will be to create a simple but fun Pong game, where participants will design and code the game's mechanics, from controlling paddles to detecting ball collisions and scoring points. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact the branch you plan to attend for more information.

Dr. Seuss Birthday Celebration

J.W. McDonald Branch

Thursday, March 6, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Come and join us as we celebrate Dr. Seuss's birthday. There will be games, crafts, and a whole lot of fun. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-748-4848 for more information.

Coffee Filter Rainbow

Johnson Branch

Friday, March 7, 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Get ready for a magical, colorful journey with this fun and easy coffee filter rainbow craft? With just a few simple supplies, you'll create a vibrant rainbow that is sure to brighten up any room. The best part? You'll also get to explore the science of colors as you mix them to make your masterpiece. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-776-5153 for more information.

Children Craft Zone

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Friday, March 7, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Come in with us and make a phone charm using pony beads! Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

Kid's Social Hour

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Monday, March 10, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Kids can come in with their peers and learn how to create a faux-stained glass 3-leaf clover! Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

Build & Play: Off-Road Engineering Adventure

Alfred Boyce Wettermark Branch

Tuesday, March 11, 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Westside Regional Library

Wednesday, March 19, 10:00 am to 11:00 am

Martin Library

Thursday, March 27, 11:00 am to 12:00 pm

Join us for an exiting STEAM project where we will us the Black and Decker Constructor Off Roader Engineering Kit to teach kids to build and learn! As they follow step-by-step instructions, children will develop problem-solving, spatial awareness, and fine motor skills. Once assembled, the off-roader comes to life, tackling rough terrain for endless interactive play and fun. It's a hands-on way to explore engineering concepts while having a blast! For children 4 to 8. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact the branch you plan to attend for more information.

Storytime with author Rob Butler Libuse Branch

Thursday, March 13, 10:30 am to 11:30 am

Patrons are invited to come to a special storytime at the Libuse Branch with guest author Rob Butler. Rob was born and raised in Oakdale Louisiana were he gained his appreciation for the outdoors from his Uncle Billy. Following college he worked in Baton Rouge for the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality with a wonderful group from Ville Platte. He obtained a masters degree in geology and worked in Houston Texas for 15 years longing to return to his home state. He is building his dream with family and friends outside of Alexandria hunting, fishing, cooking, and writing. Contact 318-443-7259 for more information.

Saturday in the Library Martin Library

Saturday, March 15, 10:00 am to 11:00 am

Join us at the library for an exciting day of creativity and fun designed just for kids. Dive into a world of crafts, games, and interactive activities that will spark your imagination and keep you entertained. Bring your friends and family for a Saturday full of laughter, learning, and lasting memories. You never know what the Martin Branch Library staff will have waiting for you! Contact 318-442-7575 for more information.

Children's Programs

Picnic with Owlbert

Libuse Branch

Saturday, March 15, 10:30 am to 11:30 am

Owlbert invites children and their stuffed animal or plushy friends to come to the Libuse Branch for a late morning picnic. Light refreshments will be available for children and their quardians visiting Owlbert at this time. Please reserve your spot so Owlbert knows how many snacks to buy. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-443-7259 for more information.

Easter Basket Read Off

All Branches

Monday, March 17—Thursday, April 17

Hippity Hoppity! Calling all young readers! It is time yet again for our annual Easter Basket Read Off! Starting on March 17, log your reading minutes using your Beanstack account. Each minute you read puts you into the drawing for an Easter Basket prize! There will be two winners per branch -- one for 0-5 years and one for 6-12 years. The

logging will begin on March 17 and end on April 17. Winners will be notified on April 21. Contact the branch you plan to attend for more information.

Odd Holidays: Bus Driver Appreciation Day Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

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

Join our new crafting series for children! Each month we will explore a silly or unknown holiday through music, crafts, and other fun activities. Stop by this month as we celebrate Bus Driver Appreciation Day and make a school or city bus inspired thank you card! Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

Cricut Basics

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Friday, March 21, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Join us as we learn the basics of how to use a Cricut to make a personalized T-Shirt! Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.





Children's & Teen Programs

Pictionary Party

Libuse Branch

Saturday, March 1, 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm (Teens)

Main Library

Monday, March 3, 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm

Westside Regional Library

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

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Monday, March 17, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

J.W. McDonald Branch

Thursday, March 20, 3:30 pm to 4:30pm

Johnson Branch

Friday, March 21, 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Come one, come all to our Pictionary Party! Show off your quick art skills by convincing people to guess the right word or phrase before the time runs out. Will you and your team be able to beat the others? Contact the branch you plan to attend for more information.

Mythology Expo

Libuse Branch

Saturday, March 1, 10:00 am to 11:00 am (Children) **Hineston Branch**

Thursday, March 6, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Robertson Branch

Monday, March 10, 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm

Martin Library

Thursday, March 13, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Alfred Boyce Wettermark Branch

Wednesday, March 26, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Come learn about myths from different lands as you solve a puzzle to earn a prize. We'll be presenting mythology and folklore so that you might learn something new about the legends you love! Contact the branch you plan to attend for more information.

Sandy Creations: A Sand Art Adventure Robertson Branch

Monday, March 3, 10:30 am to 11:30 am

J.W. McDonald Branch

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

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Thursday, March 6, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Westside Regional Library

Saturday, March 8, 10:30 am to 11:30 am **Hineston Branch**

Saturday, March 15, 10:00 am to 11:00 am

Alfred Boyce Wettermark Branch

Tuesday, March 18, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm **Martin Library**

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

This program will introduce children to the art of sand painting, allowing them to explore their creativity, learn about colors, textures, and patterns, and develop fine motor skills through hands-on activities. Registration is reguired as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact the branch you plan to attend for more information.

Children's & Teen Programs

Home School STEM: Pitch and Sound Libuse Branch

Thursday, March 20, 9:00 am to 10:00 am

Get ready for a fun and creative STEM workshop where you'll build your very own harmonica using Popsicle sticks, Pour Painting rubber bands, and straws! This hands-on activity will teach you all about sound and pitch as you experiment with different materials to create your instrument. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-443-7259 for more information.

Tie Dye at the Library Main Library

Saturday, March 22, 11:00 am to 12:00 pm

Join us for a fun and creative tie-dye tote bag craft session Wednesday, March 26, 10:00 am to 11:00 am at the library! In this hands-on workshop, participants will learn the colorful art of tie-dveing while designing their own unique tote bags. Using fabric-safe dyes and different tie-dye techniques, such as spiral, bullseye, and crumple, you can create a one-of-a-kind design that's both functional and fashionable. Whether you're new to tie-dye or an experienced pro, this workshop is perfect for all skill levels. Take home a beautifully personalized tote bag to carry the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-442-2483 vour books, groceries, or favorite items. All supplies will be for more information. provided, so just bring your creativity and excitement!

Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-445-2411 for more information.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Monday, March 24, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Children, Tweens, and Teens are encouraged to visit the library for a Pour Painting Party! Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

Home School Art: Painted Easter Tile Westside Regional Library

This program is designed to allow children to explore their artistic talents while celebrating Easter with a fun and creative tile-painting activity. Kids will be able to paint their own Easter-themed ceramic tiles, such as colorful Easter eggs, bunnies, and spring flowers, while learning simple techniques to create a personalized keepsake to take home. Registration is required as seats are limited. See



Teen Programs

Teen Craft Scene

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Monday, March 3, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Teens and Tweens are encouraged to come in and create a phone charm with pony beads! Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

Teens Can...

Westside Regional Library

Friday, March 7, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Westside Regional Library. Come by and make cereal slime for National Cereal Day! We have snacks! Join us on the first Friday of the month! Contact 318-442-2483 for more information.

Teen Cuisine

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

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

Unsure of your way around the kitchen? 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 make Brownie Batter Dip! 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.

Sakura Tree Craft

J.W. McDonald Branch

Tuesday, March 18, 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm

Join us at the McDonald Branch to create a 'sakura tree' using paint and recycled bottles. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-748-4848 for more information.

What's Your Game: Teen Edition Johnson Branch

Saturday, March 22, 10:00 am to 11:00 am

What's your game? Come show us your skills at playing board games and card games (Monopoly, checkers, Teens CanHave fun with friends making slime at the Spades, etc.) A chance to have fun, hang out or meet new friends. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-776-5153 for more information.

Teen Social Hour

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Wednesday, March 26, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Teens and Tweens are encouraged to come in and learn how to create a hand-sewn forest animal. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

Cricut Basics

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Friday, March 28, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Join us as we learn the basics of how to use a Cricut to make a personalized Tote-Bag! Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.



Computer Classes

Microsoft Word



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

check, format fonts, and colors, etc.

Microsoft PowerPoint	King Branch Tuesday, March 4 4:30 pm to 5:30 pm	PowerPoint is Microsoft's popular presentation program. Participants will create a presentation, apply formatting, insert clip art, and use transition effects.
Google Docs	Hineston Branch Wednesday, March 5 10:00 am to 11:00 am	Online word processing at your figure tips and on the go. Learn how to create a document in the web base application, collaborate, and share your document with others.
Windows 10	Westside Library Tuesday, March 11 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	Boyce Branch Thursday, March 13 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.
Google Slides	Main Library Monday, March 17 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm	Design presentations online with the web based Google Slides Editor for school, work, events and more. The Slides Editor is part of the free Google Editor Suite.
Google Docs	McDonald Branch Tuesday, March 18 10:00 am to 11:00 am	Online word processing at your figure tips and on the go. Learn how to create a document in the web base application, collaborate, and share your document with others.
Google Slides	Main Library Wednesday, March 19 9:00 am to 11:00 am	Design presentations online with the web based Google Slides Editor for school, work, events and more. The Slides Editor is part of the free Google Editor Suite.
Beginning Microsoft Word	Libuse Branch Friday, March 26	Covers the basic functions of the office button and ribbon environment. Create a simple document and learn how to cut, copy & paste, spell

1:00 pm to 2:00 pm

Adults & Teen Programs

Abstract Art 101

Libuse Branch

Tuesday, March 4, 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm

Adults and teens are invited to come learn the basics of abstract painting at the Libuse Branch Library. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-443-7259 for more information.

D&D Fridays

Main Library

Friday, March 14, 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm Friday, March 28, 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Dive into fantasy reals, battle monsters, and embark on epic quest with friends every other Friday at the Main Library on Washington Street. Contact 318-445-2411 for more information.

Adult Painting Programs

Abstract Art 101

Libuse Branch

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

Adults are invited to come learn the basics of abstract painting at the Libuse Branch Library. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-443-7259 for more information.

Creative Canvases

Robertson Branch

Tuesday, March 4, 10:30 am to 12:30 pm

Westside Regional Library

Wednesday, March 5, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Johnson Branch

Thursday, March 13, 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Westside Regional Branch

Friday, March 14, 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm Tuesday, March 25, 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm

J.W. McDonald Branch

Friday, March 28, 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm

Join our library's painting class and unlock your creativity! Led by an experienced instructor, you'll learn techniques and styles suitable for all levels. Connect with fellow art enthusiasts and enjoy a supportive environment. Come unleash your inner artist with us! Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact the branch you plan to attend for more information.

Watercolors for Adults

Main Library

Wednesday, March 5, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm Wednesday, March 19, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Let your creativity flow during this watercolor class led by Lea Ryder Thomas. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-445-2411 for more information.

Art is Life!

Main Library Thursday, Mare

Thursday, March 6, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm Monday, March 10, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm Monday, March 24, 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm

Learn various acrylic painting techniques during this class led by local artist Alice McBride. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-445-2411 for more information.

Sip-N-Paint: Library Edition

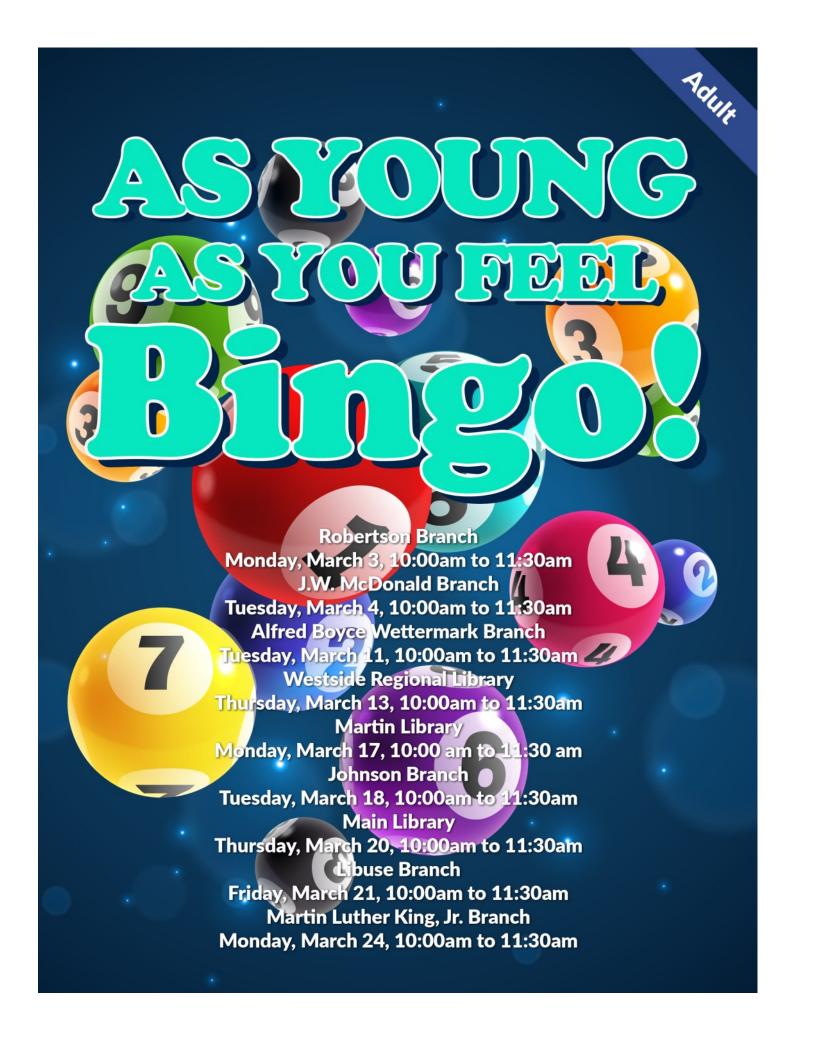
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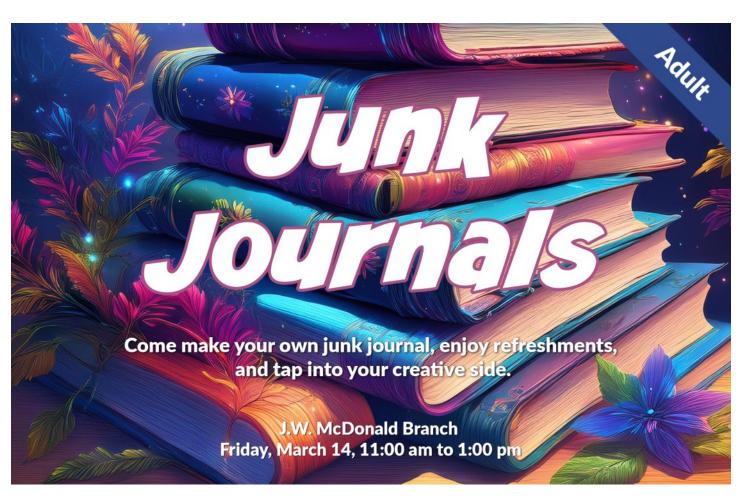
Monday, March 31, 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm

Whether you're an experienced artist or a first-timer, Sip and Paint encourages you to explore your artistic side while having fun with friends, old and new. Hosted by the talented Mary Roberts, it's time to relax and unwind while building and connecting with others. Your creativity is inspired as you discover your artistic potential. This combination of a fun, social experience of painting or crafting something beautiful often sparks inspiration and helps people feel more connected to their artistic side. This is a worry-free, kid-free, no judgement zone. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. 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.







Adult Programs

Self Care Saturday

Martin Library

Saturday, March 1, 10:00 am to 11:00 am

Join us for Self Care Saturday a relaxing DIY workshop where you'll create soothing bath bombs, refreshing body scrubs, calming mists or practice meditation. Discover the joy of crafting personalized self-care products with guidance and materials provided. Enjoy a peaceful, creative afternoon, connect with others, and take home beautifully handmade items designed to enhance your self-care routine. Contact 318-442-7575 for more information.

For the Love of Food!

Main Library

Monday, March 3, 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm

Audience favorite Sheila Saunders returns to the library demonstration stage with her go-to easy recipes that anyone can make! Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-445-2411 for more information.

Diamond Art: Suncatcher

Robertson Branch

Monday, March 3, 11:30 am to 12:30 pm J.W. McDonald Branch

Tuesday, March 4, 11:30 am to 12:30 pm Main Library

Wednesday, March 5, 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm

Alfred Boyce Wettermark Branch

Tuesday, March 11, 11:30 am to 12:30 pm **Martin Library**

Monday, March 17, 11:30 am to 12:30 pm

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Monday, March 24, 11:30 am to 12:30 pm Libuse Branch

Wednesday, March 26, 10:00 am to 11:00 am

Westside Regional Branch

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

Discover the captivating world of Diamond Art! This program offers a relaxing and creative experience as you transform vibrant diamond beads into stunning, mosaiclike artwork. Join us for hands-on workshops and connect with fellow enthusiasts. All materials are provided, so bring **Veterans Helping Veterans** vour creativity and let's sparkle together! Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact the branch you plan to attend for more information.

How To's Day **Martin Library**

Tuesday, March 4, 10:00 am to 11:00 am Tuesday, March 18, 10:00 am to 11:00 am

Unlock your creativity and master new skills at How To's Day! This hands-on program is perfect for adults eager to explore the world of DIY crafts and Cricut machines. Join us for an engaging workshop where you'll learn to use a Cricut machine, dive into a variety of crafting techniques, and bring your unique ideas to life. Whether you're a seasoned crafter or a complete beginner - we will learn and explore together. Registration is required as seats are lim-

ited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-442-7575 for more information.

Tea Time at Main

Main Library

Friday, March 7, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Join us in March for a refreshing and earthy cup of Pu-erh tea. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-445-2411 for more information.

Social Saturdays

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Saturday, March 8, 10:00 am to 11:00 am

We aim to stimulate your life with social interactions and brain reactions. Whether it be a craft or learning a new technique, this class aims to keep the mind working. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

Tried and True Tips for Growing Tomatoes Westside Regional Library

Thursday, March 13, 1:00 pm to 3:30 pm

Discover the secrets to growing your best tomatoes with Master Gardener Debbie Morrison, presented by the LSU AgCenter and Master Gardener Program. From choosing the best varieties to soil preparation, planting tips, and pest control, Debbie will share expert advice to help your garden thrive. Whether you're just starting out or have years of experience, this is a must-attend event for every tomato enthusiast! Contact 318-442-2483 for more information.

Westside Fit

Westside Regional Library

Thursday, March 13, 9:00 am to 10:00 am Thursday, March 27, 9:00 am to 10:00 am

Join us for a fitness session that combines chair aerobics and yoga led by an instructional DVD. Contact 318-442-2483 for more information.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Monday, March 10, 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Communities have many men and women who sacrificed for the country and their families. In partnership with Anthony Elie, veterans come together to share resources available to them and in supporting one another, they work towards a better quality of life. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

Cricut Basics

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

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

Join us as we learn the basics of how to use a Cricut to make a personalized T-Shirt! Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

Adult Programs

Junk Journals

J.W. McDonald Branch

Friday, March 14, 11:00 am to 1:00 pm

Join us in our first ever junk journal class. Come make your own junk journal, enjoy refreshments, and tap in on vour creative side. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-748-4848 for more information.

Musical Bingo: 1970's

Johnson Branch

Saturday, March 15, 11:00 am to 12:00 pm

Get ready to groove and test your knowledge of one of the Alfred Boyce Wettermark Branch most iconic decades in music history with 1970s Musical Bingo! This fun and interactive activity combines the excitement of bingo with the classic hits from the 1970s. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-776-5153 for more information.

Flower Pot Mod Podge

Johnson Branch

Friday, March 21, 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm

Get ready to transform a plain flower pot into a stunning work of art with this fun and easy Mod Podge flower pot craft! Perfect for kids and adults alike, this project lets you create a one-of-a-kind flower pot that's as colorful as your imagination. Whether you want to make a gift or brighten up your own garden, this craft is sure to bring a smile to your face! Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-776-5153 for more information.

Books & Bites!

Tuesday, March 25, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Join us monthly for Books & Bites, a fun cooking demonstration where you'll learn new recipes, enjoy tasty samples, and discover cookbooks from our collection. Each session features a recipe inspired by books, regional flavors, or seasonal ingredients. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-793-5954 for more information.



Adult Programs

Robertson Branch March 3, 10:00am to 11:30am 318-640-3098

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Alfred Boyce Wettermark Branch March 11, 10:00am to 11:30am 318-793-5954

Westside Regional Library March 13, 10:00am to 11:30am 318-442-2483

Martin Library March 17, 10:00 am to 11:30 am 318-442-7575

Johnson Branch March 18, 10:00am to 11:30am 318-776-5153

Main Library March 20, 10:00am to 11:30am 318-445-2411

Libuse Branch March 21, 10:00am to 11:30am 318-443-7259

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch March 24, 10:00am to 11:30am 318-445-3912

Healthy Blue

Genealogy Research Programs

Rebels, Rogues, Royals and Renegades Alfred Boyce Wettermark Branch

Wednesday, March 14, 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. Learn about Ancestry Library Edition and other databases to create and compile a personal family heritage. Meets monthly. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-793-5954 for more information.

Genealogy Club Main Library

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

Have you ever wanted to search your ancestry. Are you already researching your family tree but are stuck. Come

join us for the Genealogy Club where you will meet people just like you that are willing to share their knowledge and help others find with their ancestry journey. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-445-2411 for more information.



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