



EVENT GUIDE

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Book and Writing Clubs for All Ages

The Southern: A Book Club Westside Regional Library

Tuesday, October 1, 10:00 am to 11:00 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 *Appalachian Song* by Michelle Shockley. Contact 318-442-2483 for more information.

Books & Beyond!

Westside Regional Library

Friday, October 4, 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 will 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.

Little Bit of Everything Book Club

Westside Regional Library

Monday, October 7, 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

If you enjoy reading a little bit of everything, then you'll enjoy this book club, meeting the first Monday this month. Join us this month to discuss *I Know Who You Are* by Barbara Rae-Venter. Contact 318-442-2483 for more information.

Triple-A Book Club

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Tuesday, October 8, 5:30 pm to 6:30 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 *Homego-*

ing by Yaa Gyasi. Books are available to request for participation. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

Kids' Book Club

Libuse Branch

Tuesday, October 8, 6:00 pm to 6:30 pm

Kids' are invited to read *Secret of the Storm* by Beth McMullen and come to the Libuse Branch Library for snacks and a book discussion. Contact 318-443-7259 for more information.

Teen Book Tasting Book Club

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Wednesday, October 9, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Tweens and Teens are encouraged to read *Gone* by Lisa McMann for a small session of talking about the book. As well as what they enjoyed about it and what they didn't enjoy about the book. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

Main Writer's Club

Main Library

Thursday, October 10, 4:30 pm to 5:30 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.

Teen Book Club

Libuse Branch

Tuesday, October 15, 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Teens are invited to read *Egg & Spoon* by Gregory MacGuire and come to the Libuse Branch for snacks and a book discussion. Contact 318-443-7259 for more information.



Book and Writing Clubs for All Ages

Ladies' Book Club

Libuse Branch

Thursday, October 17, 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm

Ladies are invited to read *The School Teacher of Saint-Michel* by Sarah Steele and come to the Libuse Branch for this potluck style book discussion. Contact 318-443-7259 for more information.

Children Book Tasting Book Club

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

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

Children are encouraged to read *Just Beyond: The Scare School* for a small session of talking about why they enjoy the books they do. After we will make our own Halloween monsters! *Just Beyond: The Scare School* will be available to be picked up at the branch or digitally through Hoopla and Cloud Library. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

The Main Mystery Book Club

Main Library

Friday, October 18, 4:30 pm to 5:30 pm

Time to uncover some mysteries! Our next adventure awaits in the pages of *The Woman in White* by Wilkie Collins. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-445-2411 for more information.

Daytime Book Club

Libuse Branch

Monday, October 21, 10:30 am to 11:30 am

Patrons are invited to read *The Wonder Boy of Whistle Stop* by Fannie Flagg and come to the Libuse Branch for a book discussion. Contact 318-445-2411 for more information.

Come Write In!

Main Library

Tuesday, October 22, 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, October 22, 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm

Join the Martin Branch Library for a multi-generational bookclub on the fourth Tuesday of every month from 5:30 to 6:30PM. This month we will be discussing *Demon Cooperhead* by Barbara Kingsolver. As always bring your recommendations. Contact 318-442-7575 for more information.

Cenla Authors' Club

Westside Regional Library

Thursday, October 24, 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, even if you haven't written your first word (yet!). This month, we will have a public conversation between four authors plus one special guest about the process of writing, publishing, and promoting books. The author's will include Mike Wynn, Dr. David Holcombe, Curt Iles, and Marian Nevill. It is sure to be a one of a kind, informative evening! Contact 318-442-2483 for more information.

New King Media Club

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Thursday, October 24, 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm

This is NOT your momma's book club! New King Media is a multimedia literacy club exploring the intersection of literature, technology, and pop-culture. Our engaging discussions and group activities will cover exciting topics such as popular up-and-coming authors, podcasters, online creators, and so much more. Join us at New King Media as we navigate the intersections of literature, technology, and culture. What are the future impacts of A.I. on writing, medicine, and love? What are the nuances lost or gained in book-to-movie adaptations? How will new tech influence how we engage with stories? Expand your horizons, challenge your perceptions, and connect with fellow multimedia enthusiasts. Whether you're a self-proclaimed bookworm or a curious newcomer, there's a place for you in our vibrant community. Be part of thought-provoking conversations, connect with like-minded enthusiasts, and enrich your understanding of the ever-evolving media world. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

Next Chapter Literary Underliner's Book Club

Alfred Boyce Wettermark Branch

Friday, October 25, 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 *American Jezebel* by Eva LaPlante. Contact 318-793-5954 for more information.

Robertson Book Club

Robertson Branch

Tuesday, October 29, 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

The Robertson Book Club meets the last Tuesday of each month at 6:00 and is facilitated by Sonya Jeter. This month we're reading *Stranger in the Asylum* by Alys Clare. Contact 318-640-3098 for more information.

Christian Fiction Book Club

Robertson Branch

Thursday, October 31, 10:00 am to 11:00 am

This month we will read and discuss *These Tangled Threads* by Sarah Loudin Thomas. Contact 318-640-3098 for more information.



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NOT-SO-SCARY STORIES

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MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT

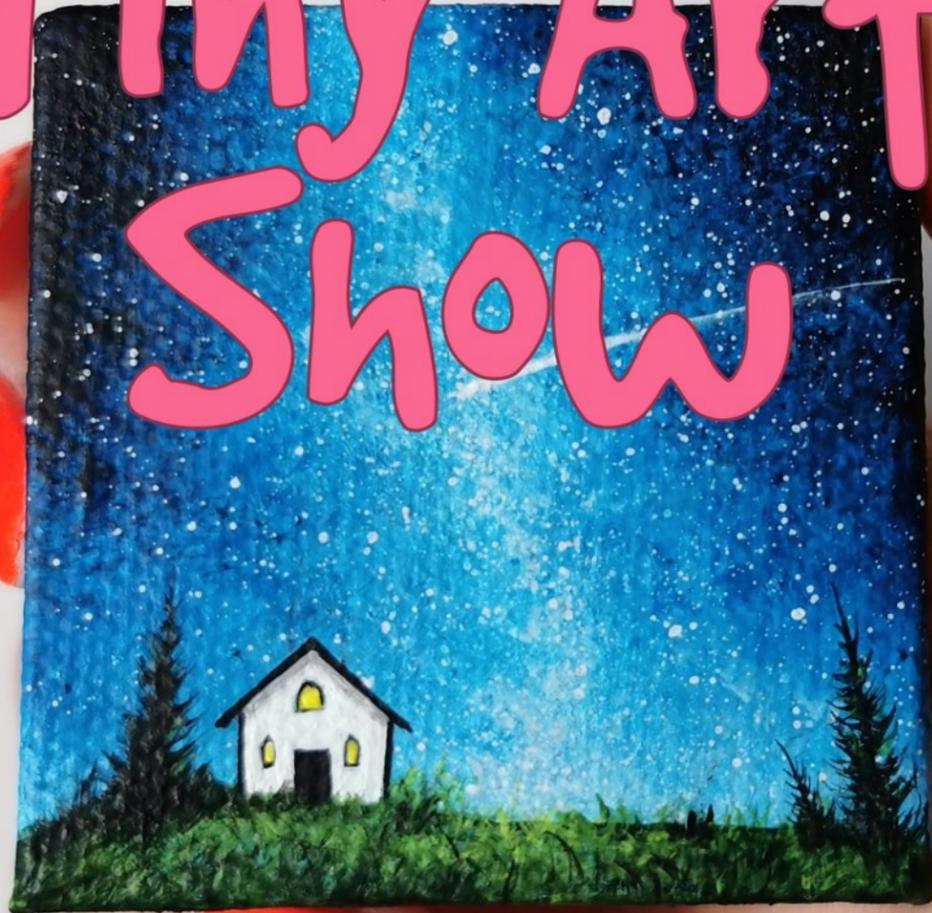
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SCARY STORIES

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KENT PLANTATION HOUSE

All Ages

Tiny Art Show



4th Annual Tiny Art Show Kit Distribution

All Library Branches
October 1-31

Display your artistic talents in our Tiny Art Show! Come by any branch to pick up your mini art kit and create your masterpiece. When completed, return it to the library to be part of our show! Kit includes canvas, paint and brushes. Return your art piece to the Library by Thursday, October 31 for it to be included in the month-long display in November. The library reserves the right to exclude any works. Contact the branch you plan to attend for more information.

All Ages Programs

4th Annual Tiny Art Show Kit Distribution

All Library Branches

October 1-31

Display your artistic talents in our Tiny Art Show! Come by any branch to pick up your mini art kit and create your masterpiece. When completed, return it to the library to be part of our show! Kit includes canvas, paint and brushes. Return your art piece to the Library by Thursday, October 31 for it to be included in the month-long display in November. The library reserves the right to exclude any works. Contact the branch you plan to attend for more information.

Basic Computer Training

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Wednesday, October 2, 10:00 am to 11:00 am

Wednesday, October 16, 10:00 am to 11:00 am

Wednesday, October 30, 10:00 am to 11:00 am

Unlock your tech potential with our Basic Computer Training classes every other Wednesday! Ideal for beginners of any age, you'll learn computer essentials from knowing how to use a mouse, keyboard, and flash-drive to navigating your desktop to using productivity tools. Enjoy small class sizes, hands-on practice, and friendly instruction. Gain confidence and open new possibilities in your personal and professional life. Sign up now and start your tech journey! Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

Crafty Saturdays

Hineston Branch

Saturday, October 5, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

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

Saturday, October 19, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Saturday, October 26, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Bring the family and come in and create some crafts every Saturday in October! We will have crafts and craft supplies of all kinds for all ages. While supplies last. Contact 318-793-8461 for more information.

Pumpkin Painting

J.W. McDonald Branch

Thursday, October 10, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Join us as we have pumpkin painting at the library. All supplies will be provided. If the weather is good, we will have it outside! Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-748-4848 for more information.

Gleaux for the Girls

Bookmobile

Saturday, October 12, 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Come visit us at the annual Gleaux for the Girls 1-mile Fun Run supporting breast cancer awareness. Take a selfie with our butterfly wings backdrop and tag the library! We will be in the parking lot of Walker Toyota. Contact 318-445-2411 for more information.

Bits & Boards

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Tuesday, October 15, 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Join us for afternoon gaming! Play group video games like Mario Kart, Mario Wonder, and Mario Party. Or test your skills with classic board games such as Chess, Checkers, Dominoes, Trouble, Uno, and more! From exciting races to strategic showdowns, there's something here for everyone. Don't miss out—mark your calendars for Bits & Boards! Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

TALES ALONG THE BAYOU

Tales Along the Bayou

Kent Plantation House

Friday, October 18, 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm

Have a ghoulishly good time listening to scary tales brought to you from the bayou and beyond at Tales Along the Bayou, our annual storytelling event! This storytelling event will include musical entertainment from Brian and Terri Kinder, not-so-scary stories by master storyteller Sylvia Yancy Davis and then get ready to be scared right out of your socks by scary storyteller Mike Anderson! Bring your blanket, lawn chairs, and money for some food, drinks, and glow sticks! Don't miss this family fun evening filled with face painting, food vendors and spooky tales! In the event of rain, this program will be moved to Westside Regional Library. Contact 318-445-2411 for more information.



Artist OF THE MONTH

Megan Hale



Artist of the Month Megan Hale

Martin Library
Saturday, October 12, 10:00 am to 11:30 am

Come paint with Artist of the Month Megan Hale! Megan's artistic exploration traverses the landscapes of everyday life, intertwining elements of magic realism, nature, and the allure of Southern Gothic. Her compositions encompass a diverse range of subjects, including landscapes, portraits, nature and still life, often combining them to create compelling compositions. All supplies provided. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-442-7575 for more information.

Grab-N-Go & Month Long Programs

Color Me Chill Hineston Branch

All Month Long, 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. Contact 318-793-8461 for more information.

Guess the Pumpkin's Weight!

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

October 1-26, During Open Hours

Everyone can come in and guess the pumpkin's weight from October 1-October 26th. On October 28th, we'll call the winner so they can come pick up the pumpkin with time to spare for Halloween! Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

Doll Head Necklace Kit

Hineston Branch

All Month Long, During Open Hours

Grab n Go Craft to decorate a doll head into a scary necklace for the Halloween season. Kits are available during regular opening hours, while supplies last. Contact 318-793-8461 for more information.

Spooky Ghost in a Bottle

Hineston Branch

All Month Long, During Open Hours

Grab n Go Craft to make a spooky ghost in a bottle necklace craft for the Halloween season. Kits are available during regular opening hours, while supplies last. Contact 318-793-8461 for more information.

Spider in a Web Kit

Hineston Branch

All Month Long, During Open Hours

Grab n Go Craft to make a spider in a web using string and popsicle sticks for the Halloween season. Kits are available during regular opening hours, while supplies last. Contact 318-793-8461 for more information.

Choose Your Own Adventure: Whodunnit Edition

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

All Month Long, During Open Hours

Everyone can come in anytime during the month of October during operating hours to help us find out WHO has gone missing and how!!! Don't miss this fun mystery adventure anytime you are in the branch this month! Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

Halloween Bookmarks

Johnson Branch

All Month Long, During Open Hours

Stop by Johnson Library during the month of October and color your very own Grab n Go Halloween Bookmark. While supplies last. Contact 318-776-5153 for more information.

Coffee, Color, and Chill

Libuse Branch

Saturday, October 12, 9:30 am to 12:00 pm

Patrons of all ages are invited to drop by the Libuse Branch Library to spend a relaxing Saturday morning with delicious coffee or tea, peaceful music, and a coloring page. Embrace the Autumn with some fall themed coloring pages and a hot drink. Contact 318-443-7259 for more information.



Children's Programs

Crafty Tuesdays

Westside Regional Library

Tuesday, October 1, 3:30 pm to 4:15 pm

Tuesday, October 8, 3:30 pm to 4:15 pm

Tuesday, October 15, 3:30 pm to 4:15 pm

Tuesday, October 22, 3:30 pm to 4:15 pm

Tuesday, October 29, 3:30 pm to 4:15 pm

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

Halloween Flower Pot

Johnson Branch

Friday, October 4, 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm

Come make your very own spooky Halloween Flower Pot! 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

Thursday, October 17, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Come in and join us as we paint a candy corn ghost! Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

Alexandria Garden Club Kids Program

Westside Regional Library

Friday, October 18, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

The Alexandria Garden Club presents this exciting program that includes captivating stories, lively songs, and creative coloring sheets. Learn all about bayou animals and the native vegetation they eat through engaging activities. We'll explore the habitats and diets of these unique creatures and finish with a hands-on craft to bring your bayou adventure to life. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Con-

tact 318-442-2483 for more information.

Saturday in the Library

Martin Library

Saturday, October 19, 10:00 am to 11:00 am

Hey kids! Stop by and enjoy a craft or a book or a game or a snack! You never know what the Martin Branch Library staff will have waiting for you! Contact 318-442-7575 for more information.

Teddy Bear Craft

Johnson Branch

Friday, October 25, 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Teddy Bear Day is a wonderful occasion to celebrate these cuddly companions. In celebration of teddy bear day come make a paper teddy bear and learn the history of the teddy bear. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-776-5153 for more information.

Costume Tea Party

J.W. McDonald Branch

Saturday, October 26, 11:00 am to 12:00 pm

Calling all princesses, princes, fairies, dragons, knights, and the whole kingdom; you are invited to our tea party! We'll have yummy food, a craft, and plenty of fun! We look forward to seeing you! Kids are encouraged to wear their costume, but not required. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-748-4848 for more information.

Libuse Fall Festival

Libuse Branch

Thursday, October 31, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Patrons are invited to come by the Libuse Branch Library for games and treats at our fantastic Fall Festival! Contact 318-443-7259 for more information.

Children's & Teen Programs

Movie Monster Themed Escape Room

Westside Regional Library

Tuesday, October 1, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Libuse Branch

Saturday, October 5, 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm (Teens)

J.W. McDonald Branch

Thursday, October 17, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Robertson Branch

Monday, October 21, 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm

Hineston Branch

Tuesday, October 29, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Learn about various classic movie monsters as you find clues and figure out how to open the prize boxes in our Movie Monster Escape Room! Contact the branch you plan to attend for more information.



Children's & Teen Programs

STEM: Music Lab

J.W. McDonald Branch

Wednesday, October 2, 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm

In this interactive lesson, students will use Music Lab, a block-based IDE, to learn about events, functions, and loops while creating unique sounds, composing songs, and performing live music. They will utilize sound generation, loops, functions, and events to craft and share a unique composition, developing foundational coding skills and an appreciation for the connection between music and technology. For Children 6 to 18, a parent signature is required on a permission form for minors enrolled in classes that involve computer usage. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-748-4848 for more information.

Bloody Slime

Libuse Branch

Saturday, October 5, 10:00 am to 11:00 am

Alfred Boyce Wettermark Branch

Saturday, October 10, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Tuesday, October 22, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Martin Library

Thursday, October 31, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Make some slime the color of blood! You might have made fluffy slime or regular slime, but this slime is sure to showcase the spookiness of the season! Contact the branch you plan to attend for more information.



STEM: Ghoulish Guts

Main Library

Tuesday, October 8, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Join us for a hands-on adventure where kids get to delve into the inner workings of computers! In this interactive program, participants will have the opportunity to safely dismantle and explore the components of a computer, learning about each part's function and how they all work together. This educational session is perfect for young tech enthusiasts and curious minds eager to understand the technology they use every day. All tools and safety equipment will be provided. Ideal for ages 10 and up. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-445-2411 for more information.



Spooky Rock Painting Party

Johnson Branch

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

Westside Regional Library

Saturday, October 12, 10:30 am to 11:30 am

Alfred Boyce Wettermark Branch

Thursday, October 17, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Martin Library

Friday, October 18, 10:30 am to 11:30 am

Hineston Branch

Saturday, October 19, 10:00 am to 11:00 am

Robertson Branch

Monday, October 21, 10:00 am to 11:00 am

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Monday, October 21, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

J.W. McDonald Branch

Tuesday, October 22, 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm

Join us for a spooktacular Rock Painting Party at the Library! Embrace the Halloween spirit and turn ordinary rocks into eerie, whimsical, or enchanting decorations. This family-friendly event is perfect for all ages and skill levels. Whether you're painting ghosts, pumpkins, witches, or monsters, your creativity will bring these rocks to life! Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact the branch you plan to attend for more information.

Home School STEM: Bath Bombs

Libuse Branch

Thursday, October 17, 9:00 am to 10:00 am

Unleash your inner chemist and join us for a relaxing and fun-filled Bath Bomb Making Workshop at the Library! Learn how to create your very own luxurious bath bombs with a variety of scents, colors, and shapes. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-443-7259 for more information.

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Author of the Month

Author of the Month
 Jack Townsend

Westside Regional Library
 Friday, October 25, 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm

Come meet our October Author of the Month Jack Townsend as he will give a talk about his books as well as the writing and publishing process! Jack Townsend is a storyteller, blogger, professional fear monger, and co-recipient of Time Magazines 2006 "Person of the Year". And, every now and then, he writes a silly book.

Jack rose to internet notoriety when his series of horror-comedy short stories - collectively known as *Tales from the Gas Station* - received the award for "Best series of 2017" from *NoSleep*, an online Forum with over 14 million subscribers. Since then he has authored four novels, two novellas and countless short stories with more on the way soon.

Children's & Teen Programs



Book Reading and Signing with Alisha Stutson
 Robertson Branch
Saturday, October 19, 10:00 am to 11:00 am
 Join us for a book signing and reading with author Alisha Stutson. She will be reading from her book, *I Always Have And I Always Will*. *I Always Have and I Always Will* takes place in the romantic, historical town of Savannah, Georgia. ABIGAIL WHITTINGER and SCOTTIE HARMON are two friends who deny that there is any chemistry between the two. MIRANDA JOHNSON and ISABELLA SMITH, Abigail's two best friends, try to convince them to stop playing games with one another and confess their love. However, graduation is approaching fast, but neither of them is ready to confess their secrets for fear of losing the other. When an accident occurs, Scottie is left to wonder if it is too late. It is a young adult, romance, 400 + page novel that is clean enough for ages 12 and up to enjoy. At the end of the book Scottie and Abigail's playlist is listed with a Spotify link for my readers to connect to each chapter as their story unfolds. Contact 318-640-3098 for more information.

Minecraft: Heroes Journey
 Westside Regional Library
Tuesday, October 22, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm
 Build and explore with Minecraft! Players write code that instructs the Agent to execute their commands and overcome in-game obstacles. In this lesson, learners of all ages get an introductory experience with coding and computer science in a safe, supportive environment. This lesson works well for any students old enough to read (ages 6+). Younger learners will probably not finish the tutorial, but will have lots of fun working through the puzzles for an hour. High school students will mostly finish the tutorial and have some time to play on the free play level at the end. A parent signature is required on a permission form for minors enrolled in classes that involve computer usage. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-442-2483 for more information.

Eerie Engineering: Hydraulic Claw Workshop
 Libuse Branch
Wednesday, October 23, 11:30 am to 12:30 pm
 Dive into the eerie world of engineering with our spooktacular hands-on workshop where kids get to build their very own hydraulic claw! In this interactive Halloween-themed session, participants will learn about the principles of hydraulics and how they are used in various machines. Guided by our knowledgeable staff, kids will assemble a working hydraulic claw using simple materials. This program is designed to spark curiosity and creativity while providing a fun and educational experience with a spooky twist. All materials will be provided. Ideal for ages 10 and up. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-443-7259 for more information.

Home School Art: Spooky Marbled Paper Art for Kids
 Westside Regional Library
Wednesday, October 30, 10:00 am to 11:00 am
 Get ready for a spooky good time at our Halloween-themed Marbled Paper Art Project at the Library! Kids will love creating their own eerie, swirling masterpieces using the fun and mesmerizing technique of marbling. This hands-on craft activity is perfect for kids of all ages and skill levels. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-442-2483 for more information.

Dungeons & Dragons
 Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch
Wednesday, October 30, 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm
 Join our thrilling new D&D play group exclusively for tweens and teens! Meet us monthly as we journey into the fantastical realm of Stormwreck Isle, where heroic deeds, daring escapades, and dragons await. Whether you've played the game before or are new to the world of Dungeons & Dragons, this club offers a welcoming start for all. All play materials will be provided. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

Spooky Fun Party
 Johnson Branch
Thursday, October 31, 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm
 Stop in at Johnson Library for our Spooky Fun Party time on Halloween! We will have games, craft and snacks! Contact 318-776-5153 for more information.

Trick or Treat Social
 Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch
Thursday, October 31, 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm
 Children, tweens and teens come into the library or drive through our drive-thru to show off your Halloween costumes and get a treat! Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

Computer Classes

CLASS SCHEDULE

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

Google Sheets	King Branch Tuesday, October 1 4:30 pm to 5:30 pm	Create and edit spreadsheets online for free. This editor is part of the free Google Editor Suite along with Google Docs. Share and collaborate with others on spreadsheet creation.
Microsoft Publisher	Hineston Branch Wednesday, October 2 10:00 am to 11:00 am	Learn the basics to create a simple flyer and you'll soon be ready to create programs, brochures, menus, greeting cards, and business cards.
Microsoft PowerPoint	Libuse Branch Friday, October 4 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm	PowerPoint is Microsoft's popular presentation program. Participants will create a presentation, apply formatting, insert clip art, and use transition effects.
Google Sheets	Westside Library Tuesday, October 8 10:00 am to 11:00 am	Create and edit spreadsheets online for free. This editor is part of the free Google Editor Suite along with Google Docs. Share and collaborate with others on spreadsheet creation.
Intermediate Microsoft Excel	Boyce Branch Thursday, October 10 10:00 am to 11:00 am	Discover a few intermediate functions of a spreadsheet including shortcuts and extras to making using Excel easier.
Beginning Internet	McDonald Branch Friday, October 11 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm	Learn basic web navigation skills using Internet Explorer while visiting several useful websites.
Google Docs	Main Library Wednesday, October 16 9:00 am to 11:00 am	Online word processing at your figure tips and on the go. Google docs is a free online word processor that is apart of the Google Editor Suite. Learn how to create a document, collaborate, and share.
Google Docs	Main Library Monday, October 21 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm	Online word processing at your figure tips and on the go. Google docs is a free online word processor that is apart of the Google Editor Suite. Learn how to create a document, collaborate, and share.
Beginning Microsoft Word	Johnson Branch Friday, October 25 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.
Intermediate Microsoft Word	Robertson Branch Monday, October 28 10:00 am to 11:00 am	Create macros and other shortcuts, work with the head and footer, page numbers, tabs and tables. Look at ways to enhance a document using text boxes and word art.

Teen Programs

Hocus Pocus Escape Room

J.W. McDonald Branch

Tuesday, October 15, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

If you love Hocus Pocus, then you'll have fun with this escape room! Join us as we try to escape from the Sander-son sisters! Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-748-4848 for more information.

Teen Cuisine

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Wednesday, October 16, 4:00 pm to 5:30 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 spooky Mummy Oreo Cookie Pops! 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.

Spider in a Jar

Johnson Branch

Wednesday, October 16, 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm

Come make this scary but fun Spider in a Jar craft! Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-776-5153 for more information.

Halloween Costume Party!

J.W. McDonald Branch

Tuesday, October 29, 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm

It's time to party the SPOOKY way! Come to the McDonald Branch Library for a ghastly costume party! Bring your best and scariest costumes! Dress as terrifying--or as cute--as you want and enjoy spooky music, ghoulish snacks and have some Halloween fun! Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-748-4848 for more information.

Teen Craft Scene

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Tuesday, October 29, 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm

Teens and Tweens are encouraged to come in and learn how to do canvas art of horror movie icons! Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

Adults & Teen Programs

D&D Fridays

Main Library

Friday, October 11, 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Friday, October 25, 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Dive into fantasy realms, 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.

Horror Movie Trivia

Martin Library

Friday, October 25, 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm

Join the Martin Branch Library for a spooky good time! Test your scary skills in Horror Movie trivia! Contact 318-442-7575 for more information.

Adult Painting Programs

Creative Canvases

Westside Regional Library

Wednesday, October 2, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Friday, October 11, 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Tuesday, October 29, 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm

Alfred Boyce Wettermark Branch

Tuesday, October 15, 10:30 am to 12:30 pm

J.W. McDonald Branch

Friday, October 25, 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm

Johnson Branch

Thursday, October 31, 1:00 pm to 3:00 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.



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 Painting Programs

Watercolors for Adults

Main Library

Wednesday, October 2, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Wednesday, October 16, 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, October 3, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Monday, October 28, 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.

Halloween Black Cat Painting

Libuse Branch

Monday, October 7, 11:00 am to 1:00 pm

Adults are invited to the Libuse Branch to paint a black cat themed artwork. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-443-7259 for more information.

Sip-N-Paint

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Monday, October 28, 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

It's your time to shine. Our very own, Mary Roberts will come bring your passion to light. This is not your trace or paint by number class. This is a worry free, kid free, no judgment zone artistry class. Relaxation and socialization is the end result. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

Adult Programs

AS YOUNG AS YOU FEEL

J.W. McDonald Branch

Tuesday, October 1, 10:00am to 11:30am
318-748-4848

Johnson Branch

Tuesday, October 15, 10:00am to 11:30am
318-776-5153

Robertson Branch

Monday, October 7, 10:00am to 11:30am
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Main Library

Thursday, October 17, 10:00am to 11:30am
318-445-2411

Alfred Boyce Wettermark Branch

Tuesday, October 8, 10:00am to 11:30am
318-793-5954

Libuse Branch

Friday, October 18, 10:00am to 11:30am
318-443-7259

Westside Regional Library

Thursday, October 10, 10:00am to 11:30am
318-442-2483

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Monday, October 28, 10:00am to 11:30am
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Fall & Winter Plants

With LSU-Ag Center

Join Molly Lyles from the LSU-Ag Center to explore the advantages of fall planting. If you haven't yet considered fall plants, let's discuss why they might be perfect for your garden! Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch
Wednesday, October 9, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Adult

WESTSIDE FIT!

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

Westside Regional Library
Thursday, October 10, 9:00 am to 10:00 am
Thursday, October 24, 9:00 am to 10:00 am

Adult Programs



Pumpkin Candleholder Centerpiece Craft

J.W. McDonald Branch

Tuesday, October 1, 11:30 am to 1:30 pm

Main Library

Thursday, October 3, 12:30 pm to 2:30 pm

Robertson Branch

Monday, October 7, 11:30 am to 1:30 pm

Alfred Boyce Wettermark Branch

Tuesday, October 8, 11:30 am to 1:30 pm

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Tuesday, October 15, 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Libuse Branch

Monday, October 21, 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm

Westside Regional Library

Thursday, October 24, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Transform your dining table with a charming fall-themed wine glass centerpiece. This simple DIY project is easy to make and requires minimal crafting skills. Join us to create a stunning and elegant centerpiece for your autumn gatherings. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact the branch you plan to attend for more information.

Tea Time at Main

Main Library

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

Come join us for a refreshing cup of tea, biscuits, and conversation. This month experience Jasmine Silver Needle Tea. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-445-2411 for more information.

For the Love of Food

Main Library

Monday, October 7, 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm

Crowd favorite Randy Smith returns with new and exciting dishes from around the world! Come and learn and taste new things! Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-445-2411 for more information.

Fall & Winter Plants with LSU-Ag Center Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Wednesday, October 9, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Join Molly Lyles from the LSU-Ag Center to explore the fun of Fall and Winter plants. Let's discuss why they might be perfect for your gardening enjoyment! Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.

Westside Fit!

Westside Regional Library

Thursday, October 10, 9:00 am to 10:00 am

Thursday, October 24, 9:00 am to 10:00 am

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Social Saturdays

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Saturday, October 12, 10:00 am to 12:30 pm

We aim to stimulate your life with social interaction 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.

Veterans Helping Veterans

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Monday, October 14, 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Our community has many men and women who sacrificed for our country and their families. Join us on the second Monday of each month for veterans to come together to share resources, support and information in partnership with Anthony Elie to support one another and work towards a better quality life for veterans. Contact 318-445-3912 for more information.



LSUA Cavanaugh Lecture Series

Main Library

Thursday, October 17, 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Gary Baldwin, PhD, Adjunct Instructor of History at LSU Alexandria will present the second lecture in this year's series of Cavanaugh Lectures: The One Historical Uniqueness of America That Makes It Great. His presentation will explain how religious freedom played a role in making American both wealthy and religious and how religious freedom also helps to unite rather than divide Americans. The lecture is free and open to the public. Bring a friend! Contact 318-445-2411 for more information.

Adult Programs

1950's Murder Mystery

J.W. McDonald Branch

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

This is a synopsis of the game: It's 1955, and Fontaine City has a problem with teenage street gangs. In the east, there's a hot rod racing gang called the D-Birds. Their ladies are members of the girly clique called the Pink Chicks. These rebels attend Ryder High and spend their free time at Frosty's Diner. The Pit Viper motorcycle gang runs the west side of town, and their ladies are the Black Widows. These hooligans attend Tuscadero High School and frequent the local hangout - the Milkshake Shack. If either of these gangs ends up on the other's turf, a white knuckle rumble may break out and cause chaos in the streets. At Ryder High, the cheerleaders have created an organization called Campus Crew to reduce criminal activity in the city. The founders passionately believe that bringing the teens of Fontaine City together will solve the gang problem, so they have scheduled the Friendship Sock Hop. To their surprise, everybody that was invited has sent in an RSVP! This should be a night to remember! The Campus Crew has promised peace and harmony for this evening of forming new friendships and working out a truce between the east and west of Fontaine City. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-748-4848 for more information.

Lawyers in Libraries

Main Library

Monday, October 21-25, 10:00 am

The Lawyers in Libraries 2024 program, is taking place October 21-25, 2024. With the hopes of reaching as many patrons as possible, we will be hosting in-person and by phone Ask-a-Lawyer consultations. We will also be provid-

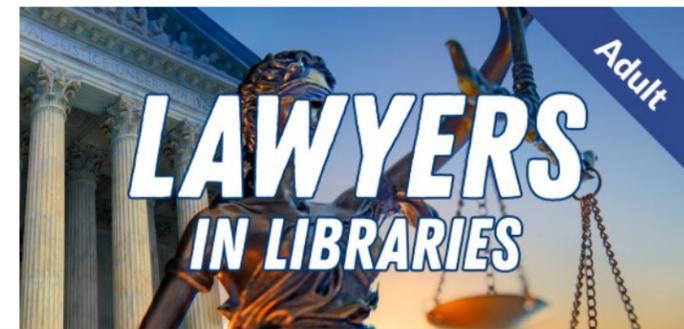
ing daily legal presentations livestreamed on the Lawyers in Libraries Facebook page by attorney volunteers, focusing on common legal issues such as tenants' rights, divorce and custody, estate planning, etc. Patrons will be seen on a first come first serve basis when the attorneys are present. Please call for dates and times. Contact 318-445-2411 for more information.

Preserve the Harvest!

Main Library

Wednesday, October 30, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Join us for a delightful and informative canning class, "Canning Cranberry Pepper Jelly," led by Jennifer Duhon from the LSU-Ag Center! In this hands-on workshop, you'll learn the art of preserving Cranberry Pepper Jelly, a perfect blend of sweet and spicy flavors. Jennifer will guide you through the process, from selecting fresh ingredients to mastering safe canning techniques. Whether you're a seasoned canner or a beginner, this class is perfect for anyone looking to expand their culinary skills. Come for a fun experience and leave with a jar of homemade jelly and the confidence to recreate it at home! Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-445-2411 for more information.



Genealogy Research Programs

Rebels, Rogues, Royals and Renegades

Alfred Boyce Wettermark Branch

Friday, October 11, 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 other databases to create and compile a personal family heritage. Registration is required as seats are limited. See the RPL digital calendar to register. Contact 318-793-5954 for more information.

The Genealogy Club

Main Library

Thursday, October 24, 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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