



BOOKTALK

Newsletter

LafayettePublicLibrary.org



Jan – Feb 2020

Upcoming Closures

Wednesday, January 1
(New Year's Day)
All locations closed.

Monday, January 20
(Martin Luther King Jr. Day)
Butler Branch open 9 am–1 pm;
All other locations closed.

Saturday, February 15
(parades)
North Regional Library and
Main Library closed all day.


Sunday, February 16
(parades)
West Regional closed all day.

Friday, February 21
(parades)
Main Library closes at 5 pm.

Saturday, February 22
(parades)
Main Library closed all day.

Monday, February 24
(parades)
Main Library closes at 5 pm.

Tuesday, February 25
(Mardi Gras Day)
All locations closed.

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Lafayette Reads Together presents: Dry

LAFAYETTE READS TOGETHER is a community read that involves the Lafayette Public Library, the Lafayette Parish School System and many other local organizations. Visit our libraries for free copies of the book *Dry* by Neal and Jarrod Shusterman, starting Monday, January 13, and join us for the following programs:

An Evening with Neal Shusterman

The New York Times bestselling author Neal Shusterman will discuss his dystopian novel, *Dry*, where California spirals out of control when water is no longer available. We follow Alyssa and her brother as they search for their parents and a way to survive as society collapses into chaos. Ages 12 & up. *Book signing to follow.*

Tuesday, February 11 6:15 – 7:30 PM
Main Library 261-5787

Arduino Water Level Sensor

Learn how to use an Arduino microcontroller to measure and warn of low water levels. Ages 12 & up. *Registration begins Monday, January 13.*

Friday, January 24 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM
Main Library 261-5787

Make a Paracord Bracelet

Create your own paracord survival bracelet that is both fashionable and functional. It's a perfect accessory for wilderness adventures or in case of emergency. Ages 12–18. *Registration by phone or in person begins Monday, December 30.*

Tuesday, January 21 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM
North Regional Library 896-6323

Thursday, February 6 4:00 PM – 5:30 PM
West Regional Library 232-9321

Wednesday, February 19 4:30 PM – 5:30 PM
Main Library 261-5778

Can You Survive?

Join us for an interactive adventure! Can you and your friends survive when even nature is against you? Ages 7–13. *Registration by phone or in person begins Monday, January 13.*

Tuesday, January 28 4:30 PM – 5:30 PM
Main Library 261-5779

Thursday, January 30 4:30 PM – 5:30 PM
East Regional Library 445-3168

Desalination Station

Learn how to make drinkable water from salt water by building a desalination chamber; while it filters, you will make and learn about solar roaches. Ages 12 & up. *Registration begins Monday, January 27.*

Friday, February 7 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM
Main Library 261-5787

Tuesday, March 3 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM
North Regional Library 896-6323

Survival Challenge

See if you have what it takes to complete a survival challenge in 30 minutes or less! Ages 14 & up. *Registration begins Monday, January 27.*

Monday, February 17 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
South Regional Library 981-1028

Thursday, February 27 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM
North Regional Library 896-6323

Monday, March 2 4:00 PM – 7:30 PM
West Regional Library 232-9321

Tuesday, March 3 5:00 PM – 8:30 PM
Main Library 261-5778

Thursday, March 5 4:00 PM – 7:30 PM
East Regional Library 445-3168

LRT Pop-Up Book Clubs

Pop in for a pop-up book discussion! Meet new friends as we explore Neal Shusterman's *Dry*. Refreshments will be available for purchase at each location.

Sunday, February 16 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM
The Tap Room (201 Settlers Trace #4001) Ages 21 & up

Saturday, February 29 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM
Carpe Diem! Gelato (812 Jefferson St.) Ages 14 & up

Backyard Foraging

Learn how to find a feast in your own backyard at this presentation by Herbalist Lanier Cordell. Ages 12 & up.

Saturday, March 14 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM
North Regional Library 896-6323

YA Virtual Book Club

Join our online Goodreads group to discuss a new book each month! Sign up @ [LafayettePublicLibrary.org/YAVirtualBookClub](https://www.LafayettePublicLibrary.org/YAVirtualBookClub)

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returns with Gobi!
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Director's Message



Warning!

Reading *Dry*, this year's Lafayette Reads Together pick, will make you thirsty. Read only with liquid refreshment at hand! I listened to the audiobook (which is great, by the way), but I was feeling parched through most of it. I enjoyed the characters in the book. It really had me thinking about water, mob mentality, survivalists, leadership, and family for all 300 plus pages. The story centers on a crisis involving the lack of all water in Southern California. Even in water-logged Louisiana, we have seen similar situations play out with a lack of clean drinking water after a hurricane. Most of those crises are short lived and effect small geographic areas, but the lack of drinking water is a problem that plagues many around the world every day.

Of course, the whole idea behind a community reading one title is for everyone to have the opportunity to discuss ideas and topics, so I hope you pick up a copy to read. Then, pass it along to friends and family. It's never too early to forge alliances (see book)! Join us for the next two months as we host a variety of programs centered on the various topics in the book and enjoy an evening with the author, Neal Shusterman, on February 11th. We promise no one will go home thirsty.

Teresa Elbertson, Director
Lafayette Public Library

Friends of the Library are Cooking Up a Sale!

See what's cooking at this Friends mini book sale! They'll have a wide selection of cookbooks plus fiction books for sale.

Saturday, January 25

10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Sunday, January 26

1:00 – 5:00 PM

Monday, January 27

10:00 AM – 1:00 PM

South Regional Library

981-1028

Drone School

Ever wonder how drones work or what they're used for? Want to take one for a test drive? Join us as LPSS teacher Ben Godwin shares his expertise on remote piloted aircraft systems. Ages 12–18. *Registration begins Monday, January 13.*

Thursday, January 30
South Regional Library

4:30 – 6:00 PM
981-1028

Wednesday, February 5
Main Library

4:30 – 6:00 PM
261-5778

Tiny Air Plant Pot

Create a tiny pot out of paper clay for an "air plant"! Air plants require little water and no soil – a good choice when you are busy surviving the apocalypse but still want a little green in your life. Ages 14 & up. *Registration begins Monday, January 13.*

Monday, February 3
Main Library

6:00 – 8:00 PM
261-5787

Shadow of Drought:

Southern California's Looming Water Crisis

Join us for a screening of *Shadow of Drought* (2017, 42 min., NR), an Emmy®-award winning documentary that details the realities and implications of California's water issues, from years-long droughts of the recent past to necessary conservation efforts for the future. Stick around after the film for a discussion of *Dry*. Ages 14 & up.

Thursday, February 13
South Regional Library

6:30 – 7:30 PM
981-1028

Tuesday, March 3
Main Library

6:30 – 7:30 PM
261-5787

Drought-Proof Plants

As water availability becomes an increasing concern, gardens nationwide are adapting to address this issue. Join master gardener Lanier Cordell for a presentation on plants that do not require a lot of water and those that can produce more water than they consume. Ages 18 & up.

Saturday, March 7
West Regional Library

2:00 – 3:00 PM
232-9321



Students in grades K–12 can submit original pieces of short fiction, nonfiction, or poetry in English, French, Spanish, or Mandarin. 7th–12th graders must submit entries via the online form. Visit LafayettePublicLibrary.org, or call 261-5779, for more information and submission guidelines.

All entries due Friday, March 20, 2020.

We are excited to announce that Louisiana author Ashley Elston will be coming to the 7th–12th grade awards ceremony!



About the Authors

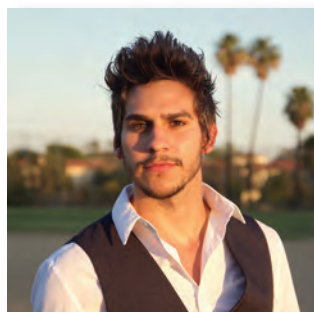
Neal Shusterman

Neal Shusterman is the *New York Times* bestselling author of more than thirty award-winning books for children, teens, and adults, including the Unwind dystology, the Skinjacker trilogy, *Downsiders*, and *Challenger Deep*, which won the National Book Award. *Scythe*, the first book in his newest series, *Arc of a Scythe*, is a Michael L. Printz Honor Book. He also writes screenplays for motion pictures and television shows. Neal is the father of four, all of whom are talented writers and artists themselves. Photograph © Neal Shusterman



Jarrold Shusterman

Jarrold Shusterman is the author of the short story "UnDevoured" in bestselling *Unbound*. He writes for film and television, and his talents extend to directing films and commercials. He was the story producer on the television movie *Zedd—Moment of Clarity*, and he and Neal Shusterman are adapting *Dry* for the screen. Jarrold lives in Los Angeles but enjoys traveling internationally, and is currently studying Spanish. He can be found on Instagram @JarroldShusterman.



About the Book

The drought—or the Tap-Out, as everyone calls it—has been going on for a while now. Everyone's lives have become an endless list of don'ts: don't water the lawn, don't fill up your pool, don't take long showers.

Until the taps run dry.

Suddenly, Alyssa's quiet suburban street spirals into a war zone of desperation: neighbors and families turned against each other on the hunt for water. And when her parents don't return and her life—and the life of her brother—is threatened, Alyssa has to make impossible choices if she's going to survive.

Book Clubs

We're constantly adding new book clubs. Whether you're looking to talk about *Wuthering Heights*, need a place to share your love of memoirs, are re-reading *Harry Potter* or just want to chat about the amazing romance novel you finished, we have a book club for you! You can find full descriptions and easy links to selections in our catalog by visiting the library calendar.

Interested in Lafayette Reads Together? Join the discussion at bit.ly/34QGMTa. 🔥

Classics Book Club

Meets on first Thursday monthly, 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM. South Regional Library

January 2 *Wuthering Heights* by Emily Bronte
February 6 *All Quiet on the Western Front* by Erich Maria Remarque

Books on Tap

Join fellow book lovers at The Tap Room (201 Settlers Trace Blvd #4001) in River Ranch each month to tap into different literary topics! *Participants must be 21 or older.* Meets on Sundays monthly, 1:00 – 2:30 PM.

January 12 Memoirs
February 16 *Dry* by Neal Shusterman and Jarrold Shusterman 🔥

Milton Book Club

Meets on second Tuesday monthly, 2:00 – 3:00 PM. Milton Branch

January 14 *Maisie Dobbs* by Jacqueline Winspear
February 11 *The Poisonwood Bible* by Barbara Kingsolver

History Book Club

Meets on second Tuesday monthly, 6:30 – 7:30 PM. South Regional Library

January 14 *The Pioneers* by David McCullough
February 11 *The Accident of Color* by David Brook

North Regional Library Book Club

Meets on third Wednesday monthly, 1:30 – 2:30 PM. North Regional Library

January 15 *The Guest Book* by Sarah Blake
February 19 *Dry* by Neal Shusterman and Jarrold Shusterman 🔥

Harry Potter Book Club

Meets on Tuesdays monthly, 6:30 – 7:30 PM. Main Library

January 21 *Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix* by J.K. Rowling
February 18 *Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince* by J.K. Rowling

Mystery Book Club

Meets on third Tuesday monthly, 6:30 – 7:30 PM. South Regional Library

January 21 *Where the Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens
February 18 *A Gentleman's Murder* by Christopher Huang

Wheel of Time Book Club

"Let the Dragon ride again on the winds of time." Join us as we discuss the Wheel of Time series by Robert Jordan in chronological order.

Meets on Mondays monthly, 6:30 – 7:30 PM. East Regional Library

January 27 *New Spring* (Prequel)
February 24 *The Eye of the World* (Book 1)

Romance Book Club

Meets on Wednesdays monthly, 6:00 – 7:30 PM. West Regional Library

January 29 *Bringing Down the Duke* by Evie Dunmore
February 26 *Red, White & Royal Blue* by Casey McQuiston

Adult Programs



Needle Arts Club

Do you have an interest in crocheting, knitting, sewing, or other needle arts? Bring your own project, get new ideas, and socialize with others. Ages 14 & up.

Thursdays: January – February	9:30 – 11:00 AM
North Regional Library	896-6323
Thursdays: January – February	6:00 – 7:30 PM
East Regional Library	445-3168
Wednesdays: January 8, 22; February 5, 19	6:00 – 7:30 PM
West Regional Library	232-9321

Zumba at the Library

Kick the New Year off right by joining Sahra Arabaca and friends for an energetic hour of Zumba! All ages.

Thursdays: January 2, 9, 16, 23; February 6, 13, 20	5:30 – 6:30 PM
North Regional Library	896-6323
Fridays: January 3, 17, 31; February 14, 28	5:00 – 6:00 PM
South Regional Library	981-1028
Fridays: January 10, 24; February 7, 21	4:45 – 5:45 PM
West Regional Library	232-9321

L'Atelier de la Table Française (The French Table)

The French Table Workshop provides a forum to improve your verbal skills in both Cajun and standard French through casual conversation. Ages 18 & up; some knowledge of standard or Cajun French required.

Saturdays: January 4, 18; February 1, 15	9:30 – 11:30 AM
South Regional Library	981-1028

Discover Genealogy

The Lafayette Genealogical Society hosts monthly presentations and offers weekly one-on-one genealogy assistance. Ages 18 & up.

Genealogy 101	
Saturdays: January 4; February 1	9:30 – 11:30 AM
Main Library	261-5787
One-On-One Help	
Tuesdays: January – February (except February 25)	8:30 AM – 12:00 PM
Main Library	261-5787
Monthly Meetings with Guest Presenters	
Thursdays: January 16; February 20	6:30 – 8:00 PM
South Regional Library	981-1028

Trivia Time

Do you think you know trivia? Jump into Trivia Time and test your skills against others in our monthly themed trivia contests. Ages 14 & up.

Monday, January 6	<i>World Geography</i>	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Monday, February 3	<i>The Academy Awards</i>	6:00 – 7:00 PM
South Regional Library		981-1028
Thursday, January 9	<i>Movie Stars</i>	6:00 – 7:00 PM
West Regional Library		232-9321

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Coloring for Adults

Your focus and creativity will be your utensils, while we provide prints and coloring pencils. Ages 14 & up.

Tuesdays: January 7; February 4	2:00 – 3:00 PM
West Regional Library	232-9321
Wednesdays: January 8; February 12	1:30 – 2:30 PM
North Regional Library	896-6323
Wednesdays: January 15; February 19	2:00 – 3:00 PM
Main Library	261-5787

“Me in 2020” Vision Board

Create a vision type board to help you reach all your 2020 goals by attaching inspiring quotes, magazine clippings, colorful scrapbook paper, and other ephemera to a poster that can be viewed daily. Ages 14 & up. *Registration begins Monday, December 16.*

Tuesday, January 7	2:00 – 4:00 PM
North Regional Library	896-6323
Wednesday, January 8	6:00 – 8:00 PM
South Regional Library	981-1028
Monday, January 13	1:00 – 3:00 PM
Chenier Branch	291-2941
Tuesday, January 14	2:00 – 4:00 PM
West Regional Library	232-9321
Wednesday, January 22	2:00 – 4:00 PM
Milton Branch	856-5261
Monday, January 27	2:00 – 4:00 PM
Main Library	261-5787

Trivia Night @ Broaddus Burger

Round up your smartest friends and bring them to Broaddus Burger for weekly trivia! Ages 18 & up.

Wednesdays: January – February (except January 1)	7:00 – 8:00 PM
Broaddus Burger (call East Regional Library for Information)	445-3168

Small Business Development Workshops

An ongoing series hosted by UL Lafayette's Small Business Development Center. Call 482-6312 for a full description of these exciting and informative workshops. Ages 14 & up.

January 8	<i>Starting & Financing Your Small Business</i>	3:00 – 4:30 PM
January 22	<i>SEBD - Certification to Grow Your Business</i>	3:00 – 4:30 PM
February 12	<i>Small Business 101</i>	3:00 – 4:30 PM
February 19	<i>Creating Impactful Marketing Strategies</i>	5:30 – 7:00 PM
South Regional Library		981-1028
January 15	<i>Small Business 101</i>	5:30 – 7:00 PM
February 5	<i>Starting & Financing Your Small Business</i>	4:00 – 5:30 PM
East Regional Library		445-3168

Write with Us!

If you've ever wanted to try your hand at creative writing, this program is for you! We offer support and a bit of guidance in your writing efforts. Nonfiction, fiction, poetry, or the story of your life - come try your hand at writing! Ages 18 & up.

Wednesdays: January – February (except January 1)	6:00 – 7:30 PM
Main Library	261-5787

Board Game Basement

Saunter down to the basement to enjoy board games and tabletop gaming. Feel free to bring your own games! Refreshments provided. Ages 14 & up.

Thursdays: January – February
Main Library

5:30 – 8:30 PM
261-5787

Beginner's Sewing: Throw Pillow Cover

New to sewing and don't know where to begin? In this class you'll learn sewing machine basics and complete an easy project. Fabric will be provided, but feel free to bring your own! Ages 14 & up. *Registration begins Monday, December 30.*

Friday, January 10
East Regional Library

2:00 – 4:00 PM
445-3168

Exploring Essential Oils

Come join registered nurse Erin Dufor for an educational discussion about the benefits of essential oils. Ages 18 & up. *Registration begins Monday, December 30.*

Saturday, January 11 *New Year to Wellness*
Saturday, February 8 *Oils & Emotions*
North Regional Library

10:30 – 11:30 AM
10:30 – 11:30 AM
896-6323

Disney Fan Meetup

Are you counting down to your next Disney trip? Join other Disney fans once a month for trivia, crafts, planning discussions, and more! Ages 14 & up. *Registration begins Monday, December 30.*

Mondays: January 13 & February 17
East Regional Library

5:30 – 6:30 PM
445-3168

Beginner's Tai Chi

Join Dr. Liu Dan to learn some beginning techniques of tai chi. Ages 14 & up. *Registration begins Monday, December 30.*

Monday, January 13
Monday, February 10
South Regional Library

3:00 – 4:00 PM
7:00 – 8:00 PM
981-1028

Recycling Do's and Don'ts

Sue Scott, a Recycling Specialist working for Lafayette Consolidated Government, will be on hand to give details on what can and cannot be recycled. Ages 14 & up.

Wednesday, January 15
South Regional Library

1:30 – 2:30 PM
981-1028

Crafting for a Cause

LPL is dedicated to making our community a better place. This series of craft programs creates items to be donated to charitable organizations. Ages 18 & up. *Registration begins Monday, December 30.*

Feeling Dolls for Healing House
Wednesday, January 15
West Regional Library

6:00 – 7:30 PM
232-9321

Fleece Hats and Scarves for the Extra Mile
Thursday, January 23
South Regional Library

6:00 – 8:00 PM
981-1028

Thursday, February 6
West Regional Library

2:00 – 4:00 PM
232-9321

Clay Water Pots

Clay pottery has been used as vessels for transporting and storing water for over 10,000 years. Come make and decorate your own clay water pot using air dry clay. Ages 14 & up. *Registration begins Monday, December 30.*

Thursday, January 16
West Regional Library

4:00 – 5:30 PM
232-9321

Adult Programs



Mouton House Lecture Series

Tupper General Merchandise Museum: Shopping in the '30s

Join us at the Alexandre Mouton House, located at 1122 Lafayette Street, Downtown Lafayette where Speaker Rachel Thomas, Curator of the Tupper General Merchandise Museum in Jennings, will talk about living in rural Louisiana during the 1920s, '30s, and '40s where a family had to rely on all their needs (except what they grew) from the general mercantile store. Doors open at 1:30 PM. Limited seating, and admission is free. Refreshments will be served. Ages 14 & up.

Sunday, January 19
Alexandre Mouton House

1:00 – 2:00 PM
234-2208

Acrylic Painting for Beginners

Have you always wanted to learn how to paint? In this class, you will learn the basics of acrylic painting and create an original work of art. Ages 14 & up. *Registration begins Monday, December 30.*

Tuesday, January 21
Friday, February 7
East Regional Library

"Fleur de Lis"
"Mardi Gras Mask"

6:00 – 7:30 PM
1:00 – 3:00 PM
445-3168

Wednesday, January 22
Monday, February 10
West Regional Library

"Fleur de Lis"
"Mardi Gras Mask"

1:00 – 3:00 PM
1:00 – 3:00 PM
232-9321

15th Annual Cinema on the Bayou Film Festival

Cinema on the Bayou is an annual eight-day film festival held throughout Lafayette that presents world, U.S., and Louisiana premieres of high-quality narrative, documentary, animated, and experimental films. For more information, visit CinemaOnTheBayou.com

Saturday, January 25
Sunday, January 26
South Regional Library

981-1028

Leprosy in Louisiana: A Complicated Relationship

Join Captain John Figarola and Betsy Wilks of the National Hansen's Disease Program for a special presentation on World Leprosy Day. Learn about the history of Carville and the patients, stigma, and treatment of the disease and its complications. Ages 14 & up.

Sunday, January 26
Main Library

2:00 – 3:00 PM
261-5787

Adult Programs

Protect Yourself from Fraud

Join a representative from Chase Bank to learn how best to protect yourself from financial fraud. Ages 18 & up.

Tuesday, January 28
South Regional Library

6:30 – 7:30 PM
981-1028

Chair Caning

Learn how to cane a chair under the expert guidance of Bonnie Boudreaux. This class meets 2 hours once a week over a 6-week span. Please be able to attend every class when you register. Ages 18 & up. *Registration begins Monday, January 13.*

Wednesdays, January 29 – March 4
North Regional Library

6:00 – 8:00 PM
896-6323

Spiritual Songs

A Musical Lecture on the History of the Negro Spiritual

Join Dr. Naima Johnston-Bush for a multimedia musical adventure that explores the Negro spiritual as a historical American art form. Learn the stories behind each song, tracing spirituals from their roots in West Africa to their apex on southern plantations and their influence on modern music today. Ages 12 & up.

Saturday, February 1
Main Library

2:00 – 3:00 PM
261-5787

Fleur de Lis Hanging Craft

Make a unique decoration by painting a chipboard fleur de lis and gluing it on a decoupaged wooden plaque, all cut by our Makerspace staff. Ages 14 & up. *Registration begins Monday, January 13.*

Tuesday, February 4
North Regional Library

1:00 – 3:00 PM
896-6323

Wednesday, February 5
South Regional Library

2:00 – 4:00 PM
981-1028

Monday, February 10
Chenier Branch

1:00 – 3:00 PM
291-2941

Wednesday, February 12
Milton Branch

2:00 – 4:00 PM
856-5261

Monday, February 17
Main Library

2:00 – 4:00 PM
261-5787

Tuesday, February 18
West Regional Library

5:30 – 7:30 PM
232-9321

Community Health Fair

Get happy and healthy at the library! UL Lafayette nursing students will offer several free health screenings and provide health information. All ages.

Wednesday, February 5
Main Library

9:00 AM – 2:00 PM
261-5787

Wednesday, March 18
North Regional Library

9:00 AM – 2:00 PM
896-6323

Outdoor Survival Movies

Nature can be a formidable place. Characters in these movies will be pushed to the edge of survival, while you will be safe and warm inside the library. Ages 18 & up.

Thursdays

February 6 *Jeremiah Johnson*

6:00 – 8:00 PM

February 20 *Limbo*

(PG, 1972, 1hr 48min)

February 27 *The Revenant*

(R, 1999, 2hr 6min)

(R, 2015, 2hr 36min)

South Regional Library

981-1028

Mardi Gras Tile Painting

Make a Mardi Gras keepsake with Diana Menard by learning techniques to paint decorations on tiles. Ages 18 & up. *Registration begins Monday, January 27.*

Friday, February 7
South Regional Library

2:00 – 4:00 PM
981-1028

'Rasslin and Race in the Mid-South

Dr. Christopher Stacey, Professor of History at LSUA, presents "Rasslin' and Race in the Mid-South Wrestling Territory," and leads a discussion on the social and cultural impact of such legendary characters as Junkyard Dog, "The Big Cat" Ernie Ladd, "Cowboy" Bill Watts, Sputnik Monroe, Kamala the Ugandan Giant, and more. Ages 18 & up.

Saturday, February 8
West Regional Library

1:00 – 2:00 PM
232-9321

Bad Romance Movie Marathon

A marathon of sad romantic movies for Valentine's Day! Ages 18 & up.

Friday, February 14

10:00 – 11:30 AM *500 Days of Summer* (PG-13, 2009, 1hr 37min)

12:00 – 1:45 PM *Seeking a Friend for the End of the World* (R, 2012, 1 hr 41min)

2:00 – 4:00 PM *Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind* (R, 2004, 1 hr 48min)

Main Library 261-5787

Shuttle Tatting

Advanced crafters and needle art enthusiasts, your opportunity to learn lacemaking has arrived! Ms. Christy Castille will guide you through a hands-on introduction to shuttle tatting. Ages 18 & up. *Registration begins Monday, February 10.*

Thursday, February 20
North Regional Library

1:00 – 3:30 PM
896-6323



Join the 100 Book Club LPL's Annual Reading Challenge

Make it your New Year's resolution to read more books in 2020! Better yet, strive to read or listen to 100 books between January 1 and December 31, so you can become a member of the LPL's 100 Book Club. Receive cool prizes and recognition, plus the bragging rights to say you accomplished something few others will! Registration begins January 3 in our libraries and January 10 online.

Visit LafayettePublicLibrary.org or download the LPL Mobile app to sign up.

LEGO WeDo Workshops

Builders and brick enthusiasts assemble! Explore the basics of robotics and engineering with the fun, easy-to-use LEGO WeDo kits. Take building to a new level! Ages 7–12. *Registration begins Monday, December 16.*

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Friday, January 17 West Regional Library	4:00 – 5:00 PM 232-9321
Tuesdays: January 21; February 18 East Regional Library	4:30 – 6:00 PM 445-3168
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LPL Coding Club

For kids and tweens who want to learn the basics of computer programming. Whether you're just getting started with coding or want to expand on what you already know, we've got something for you. Ages 7–12. *Registration begins Monday, December 30.*

Wednesdays: January 8; February 5 East Regional Library	4:30 – 5:30 PM 445-3168
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Pixelate It

Design and build your own pixelated platform game using our hands-on Bloxels boards! Ages 7–12. *Registration begins Monday, December 30.*

Thursday, January 30 North Regional Library	4:00 – 5:00 PM 896-6323
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Wednesday, February 19 West Regional Library	4:00 – 5:00 PM 232-9321

Ollie Robot Lab

Meet your need for speed with the Ollie racing robot! The power is in your hands as you navigate obstacle courses, execute tricks, and take on other fun challenges. Ages 8–12. *Registration begins Monday, December 30.*

Thursday, January 9 East Regional Library	4:30 – 5:30 PM 445-3168
Monday, January 27 Tuesday, January 28 North Regional Library	1:00 – 2:00 PM 4:00 – 5:00 PM 896-6323

Teen Tech Lab

You want the tech? We've got it! Make a video game, draw in 3D, build a robot, and more! Ages 12–18. *Registration begins Monday, December 30.*

Fridays: January 10 & February 7 Main Library	4:30 – 5:30 PM 261-5778
Thursdays: January 23 & February 20 East Regional Library	4:30 – 5:30 PM 445-3168

Makerspace & Tech

Makerspace Open Access Hours

Open access time allows patrons to explore and experiment as they independently work on projects of their choosing. Self-guided online tutorials are available for most applications. Open to all ages; no registration required.

Wednesdays (except January 1 & February 26) Sundays: January 5, February 9 South Regional Library	3:00 – 6:00 PM 1:00 – 5:00 PM 981-1028
Mondays (except January 20) Fridays (except January 3 & February 28) North Regional Library	3:00 – 5:00 PM 3:00 – 5:00 PM 896-6323
Mondays: January 6 & February 3 Fridays: January 24 & February 21 East Regional Library	4:30 – 6:30 PM 3:30 – 5:30 PM 445-3168
Tuesdays/Wednesdays/Thursdays (except February 25) Saturday, January 18 Main Library	1:00 – 7:30 PM 9:00 AM – 4:30 PM 261-5787
Tuesdays (except February 25) West Regional Library	3:00 – 6:00 PM 232-9321

3D Printing Workshops

Our Makerspaces feature an incredible array of tech, and the 3D printers are no exception. Whether you'd like to print one of the amazing creations you've found on Thingiverse.com or design your own original work using Tinkercad, we have everything you need to bring your creation to life!

3D Printing for Kids

Kids will learn the basics of 3D printing at the library! See our printer in action, design in Tinkercad, and learn about other online resources for 3D designs. Ages 8–12. *Registration begins Monday, January 13.*

Monday, January 27 East Regional Library	4:30 – 5:30 PM 445-3168
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Introduction to 3D Design & Printing

Learn the basics of 3D design with a guided project using Tinkercad. Finished projects will be printed for pickup at a later date. Ages 13 & up. *Registration begins Monday, December 30.*

Thursdays: January 16; February 20 South Regional Library	6:00 – 7:00 PM 981-1028
Monday, February 10 East Regional Library	6:00 – 7:00 PM 445-3168

Fabricadabra!

Learn the "magic" of basic sewing skills while working on different projects each month. Ages 14 & up. *Registration begins Monday, December 16.*

January: *Quilt Blocks*

February: *Don't Fear the Zipper*

Tuesdays: January 7; February 11 South Regional Library	6:00 – 8:00 PM 981-1028
Fridays: January 10; February 14 Main Library	1:30 – 3:30 PM 261-5787

Makerspace & Tech

Computer Classes

Adult computer classes are offered at several of our library locations throughout Lafayette Parish, and instruction is user-friendly and free. Ages 14 & up.

January Classes

Registration begins Monday, December 16.

Basic Computing	January 7 & 9	2:00 – 4:00 PM
Basic Internet	January 28 & 30	2:00 – 4:00 PM
Main Library		261-5787
Basic Computing	January 6 & 8	9:30 – 11:30 AM
Intro to Word	January 13 & 15	9:30 – 11:30 AM
Intro to PowerPoint	January 22	9:30 – 11:00 AM
Intro to Excel	January 27 & 29	9:30 – 11:30 AM
South Regional Library		981-1028
Intro to Google Docs	January 8	2:00 – 4:00 PM
Chenier Branch		291-2941
Intro to Excel	January 29	3:00 – 5:00 PM
North Regional Library		896-6323
Basic Computing	January 22 & 24	2:00 – 4:00 PM
West Regional Library		232-9321

February Classes

Registration begins Monday, January 13.

Intro to Word	February 11 & 13	2:00 – 4:00 PM
Intro to Excel	February 25	2:00 – 4:00 PM
Intro to YouTube	February 27	2:00 – 4:00 PM
Main Library		261-5787
Integrating Word & Excel	February 3 & 5	9:30 – 11:30 AM
Intro to Microsoft Access	February 10 & 12	9:30 – 11:30 AM
Intro to Google Docs	February 19	9:30 – 11:30 AM
South Regional Library		981-1028
Integrating Word & Excel	February 3 & 5	2:00 – 4:00 PM
Intro to Microsoft Access	February 10 & 12	2:00 – 4:00 PM
Intro to Google Docs	February 19	2:00 – 4:00 PM
East Regional Library		445-3168
Intro to Excel	February 12	2:00 – 4:00 PM
Chenier Branch		291-2941
Intro to Publisher	February 26	3:00 – 5:00 PM
North Regional Library		896-6323
Basic Internet	February 19 & 21	2:00 – 4:00 PM
West Regional Library		232-9321



AOC Community Media Workshops Now Open to Library Patrons

Looking to level up your tech skills? We are now partnering with AOC Community Media to offer a few spots for workshops including production, audio production, basic video editing, Adobe Illustrator, and podcast production. Spring session workshops run February to April and take place at AOC Community Media located within the Rosa Parks Transportation Center (101 Jefferson St., Lafayette). Four (4) spaces per workshop will be available for LPL patrons. Visit the Lafayette Public Library calendar of events to register.

Tech Assistance

Register for one-on-one help with your mobile device or learn how to access the library's collection of eBooks, eAudiobooks and digital magazines! Ages 18 & up. Registration begins Monday, December 30.

Thursdays: January 9; February 6	5:00 – 6:00 PM
South Regional Library	981-1028
Mondays: January 13; February 10	10:00 – 11:00 AM
North Regional Library	896-6323
Tuesdays: January 14; February 11	2:00 – 3:00 PM
East Regional Library	445-3168
Wednesdays: January 15; February 12	2:00 – 3:00 PM
West Regional Library	232-9321
Tuesdays: January 21; February 18	2:00 – 3:00 PM
Main Library	261-5787

Electric Flowers

Grab a soldering iron, LED lights, and resistors to add an electric glow to origami flowers. Ages 18 & up. Registration begins Monday, December 30.

Friday, January 10	10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Main Library	261-5787

Maker Meetup

Like crafting, building, creating, and making of all kinds? Join like-minded makers for a short presentation and socialization each month leading to Maker Faire 2020 (March 28, 2020). These gatherings are sure to get your creative juices flowing. Ages 14 & up.

Andre Angelle, president of local non-profit BikeLafayette, will discuss the organization's ongoing community projects including the Bike Kitchen, a program that repairs broken and discarded bicycles, then donates them to people in need of new wheels.

Tuesday, January 21	6:00 – 8:00 PM
Main Library Makerspace	261-5787

Students at the Academy of Interactive Entertainment (AIE) will present character animations that they have created and give attendees a brief demonstration of their design process.

Tuesday, February 18	6:00 – 8:00 PM
Academy of Interactive Entertainment/LITE	
537 Cajundome Blvd Suite 211, Lafayette	261-5787

Silhouette 101

Learn more about the Silhouette vinyl cutter. This class for beginners will teach you the basics to get started. Ages 14 & up. Registration begins Monday, January 27.

Friday, February 14	1:30 – 3:00 PM
East Regional Library	445-3168

Mad Mug Ruggin'

Sew and embroider an adorable, small quilted placemat for your teacup called a "mug rug." Ages 18 & up. Registration begins Monday, February 10.

Friday, February 21	10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Main Library	261-5787

Teen Fandom Art: Deathly Hallows Galaxy Painting

Join us for this beginner's acrylic painting workshop just for teens! Learn basic acrylic painting techniques and create an original work of art with a fandom twist. Ages 12–18. *Registration begins Monday, December 16.*

Thursday, January 2
East Regional Library

3:00 – 5:00 PM
445-3168

Candy Science

Candy Science is the best kind of science: edible. Come experiment and see what your favorite candy can do! Ages 12–18. *Registration begins Monday, December 16.*

Friday, January 3
Main Library

2:00 – 3:00 PM
261-5778

Battle of the Gamers

Compete for bragging rights against fellow gamers in organized tournaments featuring Nintendo Switch and PS4. Ages 12–18.

Friday, January 3
West Regional Library

2:00 – 4:00 PM
232-9321

AniManga Club

Watch anime clips, discuss manga favorites, and argue subs vs. dubs in this fun teen gathering! Refreshments will be provided. Ages 12–18.

Friday, January 3
Friday, February 7
South Regional Library

2:30 – 4:30 PM
4:30 – 6:00 PM
981-1028

Teen Drawing Circle

In the collaborative spirit of the Algonquin Round table, a group of teens meet monthly at the library to exchange ideas, techniques, and banter about drawing. Ages 12–18.

Wednesdays: January 8, 22; February 5, 19
North Regional Library

4:00 – 5:00 PM
896-6323

Chess Club

A chance to practice your chess moves on others. All playing levels, including beginners, welcome. Ages 8 & up. *Registration begins Monday, December 30.*

Thursday, January 9
South Regional Library

6:00 – 7:00 PM
981-1028

Wednesday, January 22
North Regional Library

6:00 – 7:00 PM
896-6323

Monday, February 10
Main Library

6:00 – 7:00 PM
261-5778

Wednesday, February 19
East Regional Library

6:00 – 7:00 PM
445-3168

Teen LEGO Lab

Teenage LEGO-lovers can hang out, build original creations for display, and explore LEGO Mindstorms in this monthly meetup. Ages 12–18. *Registration begins Monday, December 30.*

Fridays: January 10 & February 7
East Regional Library

4:30 – 5:30 PM
445-3168

Teen Programs



YA Virtual Book Club

Join our online Goodreads group to discuss a new book each month! We'll be kicking things off with our 2020 LRT Selection: *Dry*, by Neal Shusterman and Jarrod Shusterman. Sign up @ LafayettePublicLibrary.org/YAVirtualBookClub

Drop-In Gaming

Join old and new friends to play on various gaming consoles or play board games. Ages 12–18.

Sundays: January – February
Main Library

3:00 – 4:00 PM
261-5778

Saturdays: January 11 & February 8
East Regional Library

2:00 – 4:00 PM
445-3168

Wednesdays: January 15, 29; February 12
North Regional Library

3:30 – 4:30 PM
896-6323

Saturdays: January 18; February 15
South Regional Library

2:30 – 3:30 PM
981-1028

Saturdays: January 25; February 15
West Regional Library

3:00 – 4:00 PM
232-9321

Manic Monday

Got a case of the Mondays? Come color, play games, or have a snack. We've got just the cure for your Monday blues. Ages 12–18.

Mondays: January – February
(except January 20 & February 24)
Main Library

6:00 – 7:00 PM
261-5778

Mondays: January 13; February 3
West Regional Library

4:30 – 5:30 PM
232-9321

Teen Library Corps

Teens are welcome to hang out with friends, discuss old and new programs, and work on upcoming library projects. Ages 12–18.

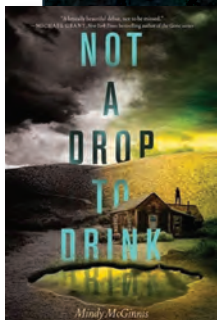
Saturdays: January 18; February 15
South Regional Library

1:00 – 2:00 PM
981-1028

Teen Programs

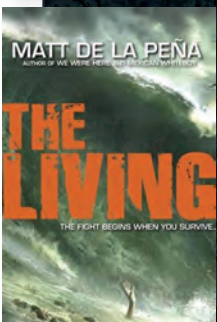
The Rec Room: YA Book Recommendations

This year's Lafayette Reads Together selection is a disaster story about an apocalyptic event. If you enjoyed it, you may like these read-alikes.



Not a Drop to Drink by Mindy McGinnis

Lynn knows every threat to her pond: drought, a snowless winter, coyotes, and, most importantly, people looking for a drink. She makes sure anyone who comes near the pond leaves thirsty, or doesn't leave at all. But wisps of smoke on the horizon mean one thing: strangers. The mysterious footprints by the pond, nighttime threats, and gunshots make it all too clear Lynn has exactly what they want, and they won't stop until they get it. . .



The Living by Matt de la Peña

Shy took the summer job to make some money. Then an earthquake destroys California and a tsunami wrecks the luxury cruise ship he works on, and Shy's life is forever changed. But the earthquake is only the first disaster. Suddenly it's a fight to survive for those left living.



Monument 14 by Emmy Laybourne

Fourteen kids. One superstore. A million things that go wrong. After seeing a series of environmental and chemical disasters ravage the outside world, the group realize they're trapped inside the store. Unable to communicate with the ones they love, they attempt to cobble together a new existence. As they struggle to survive, they must decide which risk is greater: leaving... or staying.



Gone by Michael Grant

In a small town on the coast of California, everyone over the age of fourteen suddenly disappears, setting up a battle between the remaining town residents and the students from a local private school, as well as those who have "The Power" and are able to perform supernatural feats and those who do not.



Not If I Save You First by Ally Carter

Maddie and Logan were best friends. But when your dad is a Secret Service agent and your best friend is the president's son, life can be complicated. After an incident at the White House, Maddie's dad is dragging her to a cabin in the middle of the Alaskan wilderness. No phone. No Internet. And not a single word from Logan. Until he shows up six years later...and Maddie wants to kill him. However, Logan is kidnapped by an assailant and dragged off into the treacherous Alaskan terrain. Maddie still really wants to kill Logan, but she has to save him first.

Snack Attack

Learn to create easy recipes! Amaze your friends and families with the things you can make. Ages 12–18. *Registration begins Monday, December 30.*

Thursdays: January 16; February 13 **4:00 – 5:00 PM**
North Regional Library 896-6323

Thursdays: January 16; February 13 **4:30 – 5:30 PM**
Main Library 261-5778

Thursdays: January 16; February 13 **4:30 – 5:30 PM**
East Regional Library 445-3168

Wednesdays: January 29; February 12 **5:00 – 6:00 PM**
South Regional Library 981-1028

Thursdays: January 30; February 20 **4:30 – 5:30 PM**
West Regional Library 232-9321

Krazy for K-POP

Teen K-POP fans are invited to bring a photo of their favorite idol to make photo cards, listen to K-POP, and make some new friends. Ages 12–18.

Sunday, January 19 **2:00 – 3:30 PM**
South Regional Library 981-1028

Crayon Recycling

Help us turn our old, broken crayons into something new! Ages 12–18. *Registration begins Monday, January 13.*

Wednesday, January 22 **4:30 – 5:30 PM**
Main Library 261-5778

UNO Afternoon

Don't go in "reverse," but "skip" over to the library for a "wild" afternoon of the best card game ever: UNO. Ages 12–18.

Thursdays: January 23; February 20 **4:00 – 5:00 PM**
North Regional Library 896-6323

Treat Yourself Spa Day

Treat yourself this Valentine's Day. Come paint your nails while we show you how to make a sugar lip scrub and a honey lemon face mask to bring home with you. Ages 12–18. *Registration begins Monday, January 27.*

Friday, February 14 **4:00 – 5:00 PM**
West Regional Library 232-9321

Geek Cinema: The Sun is Also a Star

College-bound romantic Daniel Bae and Jamaica-born pragmatist Natasha Kingsley meet -- and fall for each other -- over one magical day amidst the fervor and flurry of New York City. Snacks provided. Come see the film based on this amazing YA Drama with us. Ages 12 & up. (PG-13, 2019, 120min)

Wednesday, February 26 **3:00 – 5:00 PM**
East Regional Library 445-3168

Teen Fandom Art: DIY Decoupage Coasters

Decoupage tiles with pictures and logos from your favorite franchises to create fun custom coasters. We will provide pictures, but you can also bring your own! Ages 12–18. *Registration begins Monday, February 10.*

Thursday, February 27 **4:30 – 5:30 PM**
East Regional Library 445-3168

School's Out Special

No school and nothing to do? Join us for an afternoon of fun with a surprise activity! Ages 5–12.

Thursday, January 2
Chenier Branch

2:00 – 3:00 PM
291-2941

Family Movies

Fun movies fit for the whole family! All ages.

The Lion King (2019, PG, 118 minutes)
Thursday, January 2 **2:00 – 4:00 PM**
South Regional Library 981-1028

Ralph Breaks the Internet (2018, PG, 112 minutes)
Saturday, January 18 **2:00 – 4:00 PM**

Secret Life of Pets 2 (2019, PG, 86 minutes)
Monday, February 24 **2:00 – 3:30 PM**
West Regional Library 232-9321

Toy Story 4 (2019, G, 100 minutes)
Monday, February 24 **1:00 – 2:40 PM**

Aladdin (1992, G, 90 minutes)
Wednesday, February 26 **1:00 – 2:30 PM**
North Regional Library 896-6323

How to Train Your Dragon: The Hidden World (2019, PG, 90 minutes)
Monday, February 24 **1:00 – 2:30 PM**
Main Library 261-5779

Pokémon Detective Pikachu (2019, PG, 104 minutes)
Monday, February 24 **2:00 – 4:00 PM**
East Regional Library 445-3168

The Great Library Race

Compete in a series of challenges including a scavenger hunt. The first team to find all the clues and complete all the challenges wins! Ages 8–14. *Registration by phone or in person begins Monday, December 16.*

Thursday, January 2 **2:30 – 4:30 PM**
West Regional Library 232-9321

Snow Day

It's a snow day at the library! Enjoy snow-themed crafts, games, and other activities. Ages 5–12.

Thursday, January 2 **2:00 – 3:30 PM**
Main Library 261-5779

Friday, January 3 **2:00 – 3:30 PM**
East Regional Library 445-3168

Family Fort Night

Come to the library in your pajamas and build blanket forts during this special after-hours event. Bring your own fort-building materials like blankets, pillows, and games to play. All families welcome!

Friday, January 3 **5:30 – 7:00 PM**
Main Library 261-5779

Children's & Family Programs

Hurray for Pre-K!

Get your little ones ready for preschool at this fun program where we'll read a story and practice motor skills, all while reinforcing concepts such as colors, numbers, and letters. Ages 3–5.

Friday, January 3 **10:30 – 11:30 AM**
Main Library 261-5779

LEGO Clubs

Build unique LEGO Creations based on a given theme! Ages 5 & up.

Saturdays: January 4; February 1 **2:00 – 3:00 PM**
East Regional Library 445-3168

Tuesdays: January 7; February 4 **4:00 – 5:00 PM**
Duson Branch 873-3521

Wednesdays: January 8; February 12 **4:00 – 5:00 PM**
West Regional Library 232-9321

Fridays: January 10; February 14 **4:00 – 5:00 PM**
South Regional Library 981-1028

Saturdays: January 11; February 8 **2:00 – 3:00 PM**
Main Library 261-5779

Saturdays: January 18; February 22 **2:00 – 3:00 PM**
North Regional Library 896-6323

Thursday, February 6 **4:00 – 5:00 PM**
Milton Branch 856-5261

After-School Special

Join us for after-school fun. Each week is a different surprise activity! Ages 5–12.

Mondays (except January 20 & February 24) **4:30 – 5:30 PM**
Chenier Branch 291-2941

Tuesdays: January 7; February 4 **4:30 – 5:30 PM**
South Regional Library 981-1028

Thursdays (except January 2 & February 27) **4:30 – 5:30 PM**
Butler Memorial Branch 234-0363

Art Explorers

Come explore different art mediums, learn about famous artists, and create your own masterpieces! Ages 5–10. *Registration begins Monday, December 16.*

Monday, January 6 **4:30 – 5:30 PM**
East Regional Library 445-3168

Family Craft: Collages

Families can make a craft together! Children and their adults will make a collage art piece. Ages 3–12. *Registration begins Monday, December 16.*

Tuesday, January 7 **6:30 – 7:30 PM**
Main Library 261-5779

For Children's Book Clubs, see page 14.

Children's & Family Programs

Sew Awesome! Drawstring Bag

Use the sewing machine to create a small drawstring bag for special items. Ages 9–12. *Registration begins Monday, December 30.*

Thursday, January 9 4:00 – 5:00 PM
North Regional Library 896-6323

Crafternoon

Come play with us! Drop in and join us for some crafty fun. Ages 5–12.

Thursdays: January 9; February 13 4:00 – 5:00 PM
Milton Branch 856-5261

Wednesdays: January 29; February 26 4:30 – 5:30 PM
East Regional Library 445-3168

Tuesday, February 4 4:00 – 5:00 PM
North Regional Library 896-6323

Wednesday, February 5 4:30 – 5:30 PM
West Regional Library 232-9321

Tape Town

Zoom down the streets of our pretend town while making stops at the car wash, bakery, and more. Please bring a small toy vehicle to participate. Ages 2–5. *Registration begins Monday, December 30.*

Friday, January 10 10:30 – 11:30 AM
South Regional Library 981-1028

Origami Afternoon

Join us for an afternoon of paper folding! Ages 7–12.

Friday, January 10 4:00 – 5:00 PM
West Regional Library 232-9321

Game On!

Join us for family-friendly video and board games. Open to all ages and skill levels. Ages 5–12.

Tuesdays: January 14; February 11 4:00 – 6:00 PM
East Regional Library 445-3168

Saturdays: January 25; February 29 2:00 – 3:00 PM
Main Library 261-5779

Little Scientists

Explore the wonders of science with a themed story and an activity. Dress for a mess! Ages 3–5. *Registration begins Monday, December 30.*

Tuesday, January 14 4:30 – 5:30 PM
Main Library 261-5779

Wednesday, January 15 4:00 – 5:00 PM
East Regional Library 445-3168

Winter Bingo

Come in from the cold and warm up with a game of bingo. Ages 5–12.

Tuesday, January 14 4:00 – 5:00 PM
North Regional Library 896-6323

American Girl Club

Meet a new American Girl each month and enjoy activities based on her interests. All dolls, American Girl or other, are welcome! Ages 7–12. *Registration begins Monday, December 30.*

Tuesdays: 4:30 – 5:30 PM
January 14: 2020 American Girl of the Year
February 11: Marie Grace Gardner & Cécile Rey
South Regional Library 981-1028

Homeschool Hangout

An afternoon of learning stations revolving around different themes for homeschooling families. Ages 5–12. *Registration begins Monday, December 30.*

January: *Water Conservation* 
February: *Eat Fit Acadiana*

Wednesdays: January 15; February 12 1:00 – 2:30 PM
Main Library 261-5779

Thursdays: January 23; February 13 1:00 – 2:30 PM
North Regional Library 896-6323

Mondays: January 27; February 17 1:00 – 2:30 PM
West Regional Library 232-9321

Messy Munchkins

Your babies and toddlers will squish and smush their way to a good time with this multi-sensory playtime. Dress for a mess! Ages birth–36 months.

Friday, January 17 10:30 – 11:30 AM
East Regional Library 445-3168

Friday, February 7 10:30 – 11:30 AM
Main Library 261-5779

Small Folk Studio

An opportunity for toddlers to create and explore art mediums. Dress for a mess! Ages 18 months–36 months. *Registration begins Monday, December 30.*

Friday: January 17 10:30 – 11:15 AM
North Regional Library 896-6323

Fridays: January 17; February 21 10:30 – 11:15 AM
Main Library 261-5779

Fridays: January 24; February 28 10:30 – 11:15 AM
East Regional Library 445-3168

Friday, February 14 10:30 – 11:30 AM
South Regional Library 981-1028

French Fun Day

French language programs for the whole family! Ages 5–12.

Saturday, January 18 LEGO Fête 10:30 – 11:30 AM
Main Library 261-5779

Think Like a Mythbuster

Use the scientific method to prove or debunk popular myths. Ages 7–12. *Registration begins Monday, December 30.*

Tuesday, January 21 4:30 – 5:30 PM
South Regional Library 981-1028

Big Nate Fan Day

An afternoon of *Big Nate* trivia, crafts, and laughs. Come hang out with all your fellow *Big Nate* fans! Ages 7–12. *Registration begins Monday, December 30.*

Tuesday, January 21 4:30 – 5:30 PM
Main Library 261-5779

It's Chinese New Year!

2020 is the Year of the Rat. Come celebrate with us! Ages 7–12. *Registration begins Monday, January 13.*

Wednesday, January 22 4:30 – 5:30 PM
West Regional Library 232-9321

Tuesday, January 28 4:30 – 5:30 PM
South Regional Library 981-1028

Make a Rainstick

Learn history and folklore of how past civilizations responded to times of drought; then make your own rainstick! Ages 7–12. *Registration begins Monday, January 13.*

Wednesday, January 22 4:30 – 5:30 PM
South Regional Library 981-1028

Fuse Bead Creations

Melt colorful fuse beads into a work of art! Use patterns or create your own design. Ages 7–12. *Registration begins Monday, January 13.*

Wednesday, January 22 4:00 – 6:00 PM
East Regional Library 445-3168

Hot Wheels Speedway

Fun ways to use tracks and loops to create the ultimate Hot Wheels race car experience! Ages 5–12. *Registration begins Monday, January 13.*

Saturday, January 25 4:00 – 5:00 PM
East Regional Library 445-3168

Pipe Cleaner Animals

Make adorable friends out of pipe cleaners. Ages 7–12. *Registration begins Monday, January 13.*

Wednesday, January 29 4:30 – 5:30 PM
South Regional Library 981-1028

After-Hours Mini Golf

Families will have a “hole” lot of fun after hours as they play through a multi-hole mini golf course set up throughout the library. Ages 5–12.

Saturday, February 1 6:00 – 7:00 PM
South Regional Library 981-1028

Mamma Griot & Her Rocking Story Bag

Dr. Naima Johnston Bush will share traditional folktales and sing songs using her Rocking Story Bag filled with items from countries all around the world. This interactive, family-friendly program is an engaging and joyous celebration of music and the beauty of diversity. Ages 3–10.

Saturday, February 1 10:30 – 11:30 AM
Main Library 261-5779

Children's & Family Programs

Junior Scientists

Think like a scientist! Explore and discover with hands-on experiments and activities! Ages 5–10. *Registration begins Monday, January 13.*

Monday, February 3 4:30 – 5:30 PM
East Regional Library 445-3168

Pucci Percussion Workshop

Experience the art of hand drumming using West African instruments and percussion techniques under the instruction of Herb “Pucci” Green. Ages 5–12. *Registration begins Monday, January 27.*

Tuesday, February 4 4:30 – 5:30 PM
Main Library 261-5779

Valentine Creation Station

Craft one-of-a-kind Valentines for all the special people in your life. Ages 5–12.

Wednesday, February 5 4:30 – 5:30 PM
East Regional Library 445-3168

Tuesday, February 11 4:00 – 5:00 PM
North Regional Library 896-6323

Wednesday, February 12 4:30 – 5:30 PM
South Regional Library 981-1028

Indoor Camping

Tents, a paper mache fire, s'mores trail mix, songs, and a story or two. Come camping for this special PJ party in the story castle! Ages 3–8.

Thursday, February 6 6:30 – 7:30 PM
Main Library 261-5779

Play-Doh Playtime

Come have fun with Play-Doh! We'll provide the tools, and you provide the creativity! Ages 2–5. *Registration begins Monday, January 27.*

Friday, February 7 10:30 – 11:30 AM
East Regional Library 445-3168

Friday, February 14 10:30 – 11:30 AM
North Regional Library 896-6323

Tween Craft: Light-Up Circuit Valentines

Tweens are invited to make light-up circuit Valentine's Day cards. Ages 9–12. *Registration begins Monday, January 27.*

Monday, February 10 5:00 – 6:00 PM
South Regional Library 981-1028

Little Artists

Preschoolers will explore open-ended art activities and different art mediums while learning about color, texture, and more. Ages 3–5. *Registration begins Monday, January 27.*

Wednesday, February 12 4:00 – 5:00 PM
East Regional Library 445-3168

Children's & Family Programs



Children's Book Clubs

I Survived Book Club

Ages 8–12

Join us for discussion, snacks, and activities based on books from the *I Survived* series by Lauren Tarshis.

Meets on first Mondays monthly, 4:30 – 5:30 PM.

Main Library

January 6	<i>I Survived the Eruption of Mount St. Helens, 1980</i>
February 3	<i>I Survived Hurricane Katrina, 2005</i>
March 2	<i>I Survived the Joplin Tornado, 2011</i>

To Be Continued Book Club

Ages 7–10

Come listen as we read aloud from a chapter book over the next few weeks. When we finish, we'll do a fun book-related activity!

January	<i>Fortunately, the Milk</i> by Neil Gaiman
February	<i>James and the Giant Peach</i> by Roald Dahl

Tuesdays: January – February (except February 25) 4:00 – 5:00 PM
West Regional Library 232-9321

Dumbledore's Army

Ages 9–14

Hop aboard the Hogwarts Express and meet us in the wizarding world for spellbinding discussions of the Harry Potter series.

Mondays: January 13 & February 10 5:30 – 6:30 PM
East Regional Library 445-3168

Land of Stories Book Club

Ages 9–12

Join us as we explore the Land of Stories, where fairy tales are real! We'll discuss the books as well as enjoy snacks, crafts, and trivia based on the series.

Meets on Wednesdays monthly, 4:30 – 5:30 PM. East Regional Library

January 15	<i>A Grimm Warning</i>
February 19	<i>Beyond the Kingdoms</i>

My First Book Club

Ages 5–8

Join us as we read and discuss longer picture books and early-readers together. We'll finish with a fun activity and craft based on the book. *Kids do not need to be reading on their own for this club.*

Main Library 5:30 – 6:30 PM

January 22	<i>The Dark</i> by Lemony Snicket
February 12	<i>You Are Home</i> by Evan Turk

East Regional Library 4:30 – 5:30 PM

January 27	<i>Reading Beauty</i> by Deborah Underwood
February 24	<i>Once Upon a Goat</i> by Dan Richards

Valentine Science

Do we have chemistry? Come experiment on candy hearts and create a slimy love potion. Ages 7–12. *Registration begins Monday, January 27.*

Friday, February 14 4:00 – 5:00 PM
West Regional Library 232-9321

Cajun Mardi Gras Mask and Hat Craft

Join our special guest, local artist Hannah Gumbo, as she shows you how to make your very own paper version of a Cajun Mardi Gras mask and hat! Ages 7–12.

Registration begins Monday, January 27.

Saturday, February 15 10:00 – 11:30 AM
West Regional Library 232-9321

Allons Courir de Mardi Gras

Celebrate the traditions of both Cajun and Creole Mardi Gras and participate in an indoor Courir de Mardi Gras. Ages 5–12.

Tuesday, February 18 4:30 – 5:30 PM
Main Library 261-5779

Mardi Gras Mask Making

Get ready to laissez les bons temps rouler by creating your own festive mask! Ages 5–12.

Tuesday, February 18 4:00 – 5:00 PM
North Regional Library 896-6323

Tuesday, February 18 4:30 – 5:30 PM
South Regional Library 981-1028

Wednesday, February 19 4:30 – 5:30 PM
East Regional Library 445-3168

Meet a Firefighter

Come meet a firefighter and tour a fire truck! Ages 3–12.

Saturday, February 22 2:00 – 3:00 PM
East Regional Library 445-3168

Wednesday, February 26 10:30 – 11:30 AM
Main Library 261-5779

DIY Paper Cactus

Create your own paper cactus that needs no water or sun! Ages 7–12. *Registration begins Monday, February 10.*

Thursday, February 27 1:00 – 2:00 PM
South Regional Library 981-1028

Pet Rocks

There's no easier pet to care for! Come select, name, and officially adopt your very own pet rock! Ages 7–12. *Registration begins Monday, February 10.*

Saturday, February 29 2:00 – 3:00 PM
West Regional Library 232-9321

Storytime Calendar: January – February 2020

Main Library

Baby Time & Toddler Time

Baby Time, Tuesdays	9:30 AM
Toddler Time, Tuesdays	10:30 AM
January 7, 14, 21, 28	
February 4, 11, 18	

Story Castle

Wednesdays	10:00 AM
January 8, 15, 22, 29	
February 5, 12, 19	

Pajama Time

Thursdays	6:30 PM
January 9, 16, 23, 30	
February 6, 13, 20	

Bibliobop

Fridays	10:30 AM
January 10	
February 14	

North Regional Library

Storytime

Wednesdays	10:30 AM
January 8, 15, 22, 29	
February 5, 12, 26	

South Regional Library

Baby Time

Tuesdays	9:30 AM
January 7, 14, 21, 28	
February 4, 11, 18	

Toddler Time

Wednesdays	10:00 AM
January 8, 15, 22, 29	
February 5, 12, 19	

Bibliobop

Thursdays	11:00 AM
January 9, 16, 23, 30	
February 6, 13, 20	

Pajama Party

Thursdays	6:30 PM
January 9, 16, 23, 30	
February 6, 13, 20	

Sensory Friendly Storytime

Saturday	10:00 AM
February 8	

Stay & Play

Wednesday	10:00 AM
February 26	

East Regional Library

Toddler Time

Tuesdays	9:30 AM
January 7, 14, 21, 28	
February 4, 11, 18	

Wednesdays

	10:30 AM
January 8, 15, 22, 29	
February 5, 12, 19	

Storytime

Tuesdays & Thursdays	10:30 AM
January 7, 9, 14, 16, 21, 23, 28, 30	
February 4, 6, 11, 13, 18, 20	

Baby Time

Wednesdays & Thursdays	9:30 AM
January 8, 9, 15, 16, 22, 23, 29, 30	
February 5, 6, 12, 13, 19, 20	

Stay & Play

Wednesday	9:30 AM
February 26	

West Regional Library

Storytime Jr. (Baby Time/Toddler Time)

Tuesdays	9:30 AM
January 7, 14, 21, 28	
February 4, 11, 18	

Storytime

Tuesdays	10:30 AM
January 7, 14, 21, 28	
February 4, 11, 18	

Pajama Party

Thursdays	6:00 PM
February 13	

Duson Branch

Storytime

Thursdays	10:30 AM
January 9, 16, 23, 30	
February 6, 13, 27	

Milton Branch

Storytime

Thursdays	9:30 AM
January 9, 16, 23, 30	
February 6, 13, 20	

Chenier Branch

Family Storytime

Mondays	10:30 AM
January 6, 13, 27	
February 3, 10, 17	

Baby Time

Designed to introduce parents or caregivers and babies aged birth to 18 months to nursery rhymes, songs, fingerplays, and early literacy.

Bibliobop

Shake out your sillies with a morning of dance, movement, and singable books. Ages 2 – 6.

Family Storytime

Designed to be inclusive of all Ages and families.

Pajama Time/Party

Children are encouraged to wear pajamas, bring a stuffed animal, and enjoy night-time stories.

Stay & Play

Informal play and social time for babies and toddlers up to 3 years old and their caregivers during times when regular storytimes are not available.

Story Castle/Storytime

Begin your child's literacy education with a star-studded lineup of storytelling, music, fingerplays, and other activities. Ages 3–6.

Toddler Time

An opportunity for children ages 18 months to 3 years and their caregivers to take part in stories and pre-literacy activities.

Sensory Friendly Storytime

Designed to be inclusive and sensitive to children with special needs. Open to families.

Storytime with Gobi and Author Dion Leonard

Join our very special guest Dion Leonard as he reads his book, *Gobi: A Little Dog with a Big Heart*, and actually meet Gobi herself! Ages 3–8.

Thursday, January 16 **9:30 – 10:30 AM**
West Regional Library 232-9321

Inclusive Family Storytime

An inclusive and interactive storytime experience for children of all ages and abilities and their families.

Sundays:

January 19; February 9 **3:00 – 4:00 PM**
West Regional Library 232-9321
 (Presented by D.R.E.A.M.S. Foundation of Acadiana)

Saturday, January 25 **10:30 – 11:30 AM**
Main Library 261-5779
 (Presented by staff from Touchstone)

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Mon – Thurs 3:00 – 7:00

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Phone 291-2941
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Friday 9:00 – 6:00
Saturday 11:00 – 3:00

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310 Ave. Au Nord, Duson

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SOUTH REGIONAL LIBRARY

6101 Johnston St., Lafayette

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Friday 9:00 – 7:00
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215 La Neuville Rd., Youngsville

Phone 445-3168
Mon – Thurs 9:00 – 8:00
Friday 9:00 – 6:00
Saturday 10:00 – 5:00
Sunday 12:00 – 6:00

Victory Lap: Dion Leonard returns with Gobi!

Dion Leonard, our 2019 Lafayette Reads Together author, is back! Only this time, he's bringing Gobi from his celebrated book *Finding Gobi*. Join us for a special storytime in the morning as well as an author talk that night (*see below*).



Thursday, January 16

Storytime with Gobi: A Little Dog with Big Heart 9:30 – 10:30 AM
West Regional Library Ages 3 – 8

Author Visit with Dion Leonard and Gobi 6:30 – 7:15 PM
Main Library All Ages



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Join us for an encore presentation
of 2019's *Finding Gobi* with author
Dion Leonard and his dog, Gobi.

And be sure to pick up your copy of
the 2020 community read, *Dry*, by
Neal and Jarrod Shusterman.

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