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# BOOKTALK

Newsletter

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# Reading brings us Together

How many  
days can  
you read  
this summer?

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South Regional Library

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# 100 Days of Reading Summer Challenge June 1 - September 8



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## Summer Reading Challenge



# 100 Days of Reading Summer Challenge

How many days can you read this summer?

How many days can you read this summer? Find out by joining the **100 Days of Reading Summer Challenge**! The Lafayette Public Library challenges you to read at least 20 minutes every day from June 1st to September 8th (World Literacy Day), and the best part is, it doesn't matter what you read—books, audiobooks, magazines, graphic novels, and more all count.

Anyone who reads at least 30 days during this time will be eligible for a prize pack and entered for a chance to win the grand prize. But you don't have to stop there—the more days you read, the more you can win! Earn bonus prizes at the 50, 75, and 100 day mark, as well as extra entries for the grand prize drawing.

South Regional Library will host the **Summer Reading Kickoff Celebration** on **Saturday, June 3 from 10:30 AM until 2:30 PM**. You'll have the opportunity to sign up for the Summer Reading Challenge and to enjoy a day of family fun. There will be a fun jump, petting zoo, balloon artist, face painting, and live performances by Mitch the Magician (11:00 AM & 2:00 PM).

Summer Reading Challenge Sponsors include Friends of the Lafayette Public Library, Broussard & David LLC, Hub City Cycles, Acadian Kitchens, Bonne Vie Macarons, Chick-fil-A, Chicken Salad Chick, Fun Nation, Izzo's Illegal Burrito, Jason's Deli, Kart Ranch, Pizza Artista, and Rock n' Bowl.



Reading brings us Together

There are so many ways that **Reading Brings Us Together**—whether you take part in a book club, read chapter books to your children, or even listen to a narrator read your favorite audiobook.

We hope that you discover reading enriches your life! For more information about our Summer Reading Challenge and Kickoff Celebration, call your favorite library location or visit [lafayettepubliclibrary.org/summer](http://lafayettepubliclibrary.org/summer).

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## Special Announcements



### Meet Author Kimberly Benoit

Thursday, July 20  
Main Library

6:00 – 7:30 PM  
337-261-5787

WE'VE  
ALL  
DONE IT  
Kimberly J. Benoit

Kimberly J. Benoit, author of *We've All Done It: Getting Real about the Role We Each Play in a Toxic Workplace*, is a Lafayette native and graduate of Northside High (1994). She is a leadership and workplace toxicity expert who coaches, consults, and speaks for organizations needing fresh strategies to keep great leaders, unite teams, and combat toxicity. *Ages 18 & up.*



**The Seed Library by Healthy Acadiana** has officially opened at the Main Library, offering patrons a variety of fruit, vegetable, and pollinator seeds that they can take home to plant and grow! Full-service library cardholders can borrow up to 2 packets per day. **The Seed Library** thrives on donations, so please consider donating seeds back to The Seed Library after you grow your plants. You can drop off seed donations (saved or store-bought) at the Main Library.

**The Seed Library** by Healthy Acadiana would not have been possible without the generous support and donations from several community organizations, businesses, and members. Seeds were generously donated by Chastant Bros., High Mowing Seeds, Seed Savers Exchange, Burpee, and other community donors. **The Seed Library** card catalog cabinet was handcrafted by Kevin Blanchard. **The Seed Library** logo was designed by Burning Stick Creative.

Many thanks also go out to Grow Acadiana, Louisiana Native Seed, and 24 Hour Citizen Project for their support in launching this program. For more information, please call (337) 261-5765 or visit [lafayettepubliclibrary.org/seedlibrary](http://lafayettepubliclibrary.org/seedlibrary).



## Book Clubs

### Classics Book Club

Thursdays, 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM

South Regional Library & Zoom

**June 1** *Wide Sargasso Sea* by Jean Rhys  
**July 6** *Palace Walk* by Naguib Mahfouz  
**August 3** *The Crying of Lot 49* by Thomas Pynchon

### East Regional Library Book Club

Thursdays, 6:00 – 7:00 PM

**Ages 18 & up**  
 East Regional Library

**June 1** *The Summer Place* by Jennifer Weiner  
**July 6** *Before the Fall* by Noah Hawley  
**August 3** *The Lioness* by Chris Bohjalian

### Fantasy & Sci-Fi Book Club

Mondays, 6:00 – 7:00 PM

**Ages 18 & up**  
 Main Library

**June 5** *A Deadly Education* by Naomi Novik  
**July 10** *An Absolutely Remarkable Thing* by Hank Green  
**August 7** *Tell Me An Ending* by Jo Harkin

### Milton Book Club

Wednesdays, 2:00 – 3:00 PM

**Ages 18 & up**  
 Milton Branch

**June 7** *In Five Years* by Rebecca Searle  
**July 12** *Ask Again, Yes* by Marybeth Keane  
**August 9** *This Tender Land* by William Kent Kruger

### History Book Club

Tuesdays, 6:30 – 7:30 PM

**Ages 14 & up**  
 South Regional Library & Zoom

**June 13** *The Writing of the Gods: The Race to Decode the Rosetta Stone* by Edward Dolnick  
**July 11** *The Wright Brothers* by David McCullough  
**August 8** *Behind the Beautiful Forevers: Life, Death, and Hope in a Mumbai Undercity* by Katherine Boo

### Mystery Book Club

Tuesdays, 6:30 – 7:30 PM

**Ages 18 & up**  
 West Regional Library

**June 20** *The Last Policeman* by Ben Winters  
**July 18** *Murder in Old Bombay* by Nev March  
**August 15** *The Decagon House Murders* by Yukito Ayatsuji

### Once Upon a Crime

Mondays, 6:00 – 7:00 PM

**Ages 18 & up**  
 Main Library

**June 26** *Local Woman Missing* by Mary Kubica (crime fiction)  
**July 31** *When a Killer Calls* by John E. Douglas (true crime)  
**August 28** *The Book of Cold Cases* by Simone St. James (crime fiction)

### Beyond Black History Month Book Club

Tuesdays, 6:00 – 7:00 PM

**Ages 14 & up**  
 Zoom

**June 27** *The Sweetness of Water* by Nathan Harris  
**July 25** *How the Word Is Passed: A Reckoning with the History of Slavery Across America* by Clint Smith  
**August 29** *The Prophets* by Robert Jones, Jr.

For up-to-date program information,  
 visit [LafayettePublicLibrary.org](http://LafayettePublicLibrary.org).

## Movies & General Audience

### Throwback Theatre

Thursdays

Timeless Fantasies

June 8 *Legend* 1985, PG, 89 min  
 June 22 *Labyrinth* 1985, PG, 101 min

Wild Adventures

August 10 *Back to the Future* 1985, PG, 116 min  
 August 24 *The Goonies* 1985, PG, 114 min  
 Main Library 337-261-5787

### Friday Afternoon Films presents...

Join us on Fridays at South Regional Library for various themed movies.

Whodunit?

June 9 *Without A Clue* 1988, PG, 107 min  
 June 16 *Missing* 1982, PG, 122 min  
 June 23 *Rear Window* 1954, TV-PG, 112 min  
 June 30 *The Last of Sheila* 1973, PG, 120 min

The Life and Times of Indiana Jones

July 7 *Raiders of the Lost Ark* 1981, PG, 115 min  
 July 14 *Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom* 1984, PG, 118 min  
 July 21 *Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade* 1989, PG-13, 127 min  
 July 28 *Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull* 2008, PG-13, 123 min

2022 Oscar Nominations

August 4 *Top Gun: Maverick* 2022, PG-13, 130 min  
 August 11 *The Fabelmans* 2022, PG-13, 159 min  
 August 18 *Women Talking* 2022, PG-13, 104 min  
 South Regional Library 337-981-1028

### Strange Cinema

Saturdays

June 10 *The Truman Show* 1998, PG-13, 103 min  
 July 8 *The 'Burbs* 1989, PG, 102 min  
 August 5 *The Lost Boys* 1987, R, 97 min  
 West Regional Library 337-232-9321

### Classic Movies at Main

Thursdays

July 13 *The War of the Worlds* 1953, NR, 85 min  
 July 27 *Invasion of the Body Snatchers* 1956, NR, 80 min  
 Main Library 337-261-5787

# Save the Date!



### Friends of the Lafayette Public Library Mini Book Sale

Thursday, June 29 • 1:00 - 7:00 PM  
 Friday, June 30 • 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM  
 Saturday, July 1 • 9:00 AM - Noon  
 Main Library

For up-to-date information,  
 follow the Friends on Facebook at  
[facebook.com/LafayetteFriends](https://facebook.com/LafayetteFriends).



# General Audience

## Free Zumba at the Library!

All Ages

Join licensed Zumba instructor Sahra Arabaca for an energetic hour of movement and excitement!

**Thursdays: June 1; July 6; August 3**

Main Library

5:30 – 6:30 PM

337-261-5787

**Tuesdays: June 6, 13, 20, 27; July 11, 18, 25;**

**August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29**

East Regional Library

5:30 – 6:30 PM

337-445-3168

**Wednesdays: June 7, 14, 21, 28; July 5, 12, 19, 26;**

**August 2, 9, 16, 23, 30**

South Regional Library

5:30 – 6:30 PM

337-981-1028

**Thursdays: June 8, 15, 22, 29; July 13, 20, 27;**

**August 10, 17, 24, 31**

North Regional Library

5:30 – 6:30 PM

337-896-6323

**Fridays: June 9, 23; July 14, 28; August 11, 25**

West Regional Library

4:45 – 5:45 PM

337-232-9321

## En Garde! Fencing at the Library

Ages 8 & up

Learn the basics of fencing with a group of dedicated practitioners. *Protective gear provided.*

**Thursdays: June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; July 6, 13, 20, 27;**

**August 3, 10, 17, 24, 31**

East Regional Library

5:30 – 7:30 PM

337-445-3168

## Tiny Art Show

All Ages

Let our Summer Reading theme "Reading Brings Us Together" inspire you to create mini paintings on canvas. All necessary supplies will be provided in a take home kit. Return your work of art to the library where it will be displayed and entered to win prizes. Pick up a kit with everything you need at Main or any Regional Library. Submissions due by Friday, July 7. *Available while supplies last.*

**Distribution begins Monday, June 5**

## Level Up and Grow

Ages 14 & up

Bianka Francis from **Level Up and Grow** will discuss topics related to the Summer Reading Challenge theme, including friendship, unity, and kindness. She will talk about how we can build better friendships, come together in unity, and be kind to other through our differences. No registration required for in-person attendance. *A Zoom link will be available.*

**Wednesdays: June 17; July 15; August 19**

South Regional Library

3:30 – 4:30 PM

337-981-1028

## Chess Club

Ages 7 & up

Chess players of all levels are welcome to come play. *Registration is required.*

**Wednesday, June 21**

Main Library

6:00 – 7:00 PM

337-261-5787

**Wednesdays: July 19; August 23**

North Regional Library

6:00 – 7:00 PM

337-896-6323

## Author's Alley

Ages 18 & up

Meet and support local authors as they gather to sell and sign their books. Authors may reserve a table by calling 337-981-1028 by Wednesday, August 9. *Space is limited.*

**Saturday, August 19**

South Regional Library

1:00 – 3:00 PM

337-981-1028

# Adult Programs

## Genealogy Programs

Ages 18 & up

Join Lafayette Genealogical Society and explore your history!

### Genealogy Tuesdays

Receive one-on-one assistance from a member of the Lafayette Genealogy Society as you research family history.

**Tuesdays: June 6, 13, 20, 27; July 11, 18, 25;**

**August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29**

Main Library

9:30 – 11:30 AM

337-261-5787

### Genealogy 101

Experts and novices alike can learn about researching family history.

**Saturdays: June 3; July 1; August 5**

Main Library

9:30 – 10:30 AM

337-261-5787

### Discover Genealogy

Monthly meetings with a guest speaker.

**Thursdays: June 15; July 20; August 17**

South Regional Library

6:00 – 7:30 PM

337-981-1028

## Line Dancing

Ages 18 & up

Scoot your boots over to the library for some line dancing fun! Be sure to wear hard-soled shoes you can slide in. *Ages 18 & up only.*

**Thursdays: June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; July 6, 13, 20, 27;**

**August 3, 10, 24, 31**

East Regional Library

10:30 – 11:30 AM

337-445-3168

## Mah Jongg Lessons

Ages 18 & up

Interested in learning how to play Mah Jongg? Join the library's weekly lessons led by Becky Stickell. *Registration is required.*

**Thursdays: June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; July 13, 20**

South Regional Library

1:00 – 4:00 PM

337-981-1028

## Mah Jongg at the Library

Ages 18 & up

Players of all experience levels can join us for a game of Mah Jongg at the library.

**Thursdays: June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; July 6, 13, 20, 27;**

**August 3, 10, 17, 24, 31**

South Regional Library

1:00 – 4:00 PM

337-981-1028

## Board Game Basement

Ages 14 & up

Saunter down to the basement to enjoy board games and make new friends. Feel free to bring your own games.

**Mondays: June – August**

Main Library

5:30 – 7:30 PM

337-261-5787

**Tuesdays: June 20; July 18; August 15**

South Regional Library

5:30 – 7:30 PM

337-981-1028

## Coloring for Adults

Ages 18 & up

Relieve stress and develop fine motor skills and vision by using coloring pages.

**Tuesdays: June 6; July 11; August 8**

Main Library

6:00 – 7:00 PM

337-261-5787

**Wednesdays: June 7; July 5; August 2**

North Regional Library

1:00 – 2:00 PM

337-896-6323

**Fridays: June 16; July 7; August 11**

South Regional Library

10:00 – 11:00 AM

337-981-1028

## Trivia Time

Do you think you know trivia? Test your skills against others in our monthly themed trivia contests. Bring a team or join one when you get here.

**Tuesdays:** **June 6** *Food* **6:00 – 7:00 PM**  
**August 1** *Conspiracy Theories*  
 South Regional Library 337-981-1028

## Write With Us

Get into creative writing with our biweekly workshops. We offer support and guidance in your writing efforts.

**Tuesdays: June 6, 20; July 18; August 1, 15, 29** **6:00 – 7:30 PM**  
 Main Library 337-261-5787

## Let's Go with GO!

Learn to play and compete at one of the most ancient games still played today. The rules are simple, though the strategy can be complex.

**Tuesdays: June 6; July 11; August 8** **3:00 – 5:00 PM**  
 North Regional Library 337-896-6323

## 4th of July Confetti-Painted Wine Glasses

Paint a pair of wine glasses confetti-style and add a sparkly tulle skirt for instant, festive flair at your Independence Day celebrations! *Registration is required.*

**Wednesday, June 7** **11:00 AM – 1:00 PM**  
 West Regional Library 337-232-9321

## Foster Care Heroes

Join Taylor Dugas of Methodist Foster Care for a presentation on what being a foster family in Louisiana entails, and get an overview of becoming a licensed therapeutic foster family.

**Wednesday, June 7** **6:00 – 7:30 PM**  
 South Regional Library 337-981-1028  
**Wednesday, August 2** **6:00 – 7:30 PM**  
 West Regional Library 337-232-9321

## Beginner's Acrylic Painting

Join local artist Natalie Christophe as she shares acrylic painting techniques in this hands-on program. *Registration is required.*

**Wednesday, June 14** **5:30 – 6:30 PM**  
 East Regional Library 337-445-3168  
**Wednesday, June 28** **5:30 – 6:30 PM**  
 North Regional Library 337-896-6323  
**Thursday, July 13** **5:30 – 6:30 PM**  
 South Regional Library 337-981-1028

### Beginner's Acrylic Painting: Main Library

Join us for an easy beginner's acrylic painting class and leave with your own masterpiece! *Registration is required.*

**Wednesday, June 7** *Sparklers & Flag Jar* **2:00 – 4:00 PM**  
**Wednesday, August 9** *Tropical Summer Flower* **2:00 – 4:00 PM**  
 Main Library 337-261-5787

## Beginner's Bookbinding

Bind your own book with a decorative hardcover in this beginner friendly craft! *Registration is required.*

**Monday, June 12** **1:00 – 3:00 PM**  
 Main Library 337-261-5787

## Adult Programs



## Dungeons & Dragons

**Ages 18 & up**

Join us for a game of Dungeons & Dragons (5<sup>th</sup> edition). Bring your own level five character, or use one of our pre-built sheets! *Registration is required.*

**Tuesdays: June 13, 27; July 11, 25; August 8, 22** **5:30 – 7:30 PM**  
 Main Library 337-261-5787

## Painted Teapot

**Ages 18 & up**

Paint a floral or plant-themed design onto a ceramic teapot, with instruction by Gail Trim. Each program will have a different theme. *Registration is required.*

**Wednesday, June 14** *English Roses* **1:00 – 3:00 PM**  
 South Regional Library 337-981-1028  
**Wednesday, June 28** *Louisiana Marsh Scene* **1:00 – 3:00 PM**  
 West Regional Library 337-232-9321  
**Wednesday, July 12** *Colorful Blossoms* **1:00 – 3:00 PM**  
 East Regional Library 337-445-3168  
**Wednesday, July 26** *Forest Scene* **1:00 – 3:00 PM**  
 North Regional Library 337-896-6323

## Art Journaling Group

**Ages 14 & up**

Instructor Chris Menard will guide you in combining literature and art to create amazing journal pages! *Registration is required.*

**Thursday, June 15** *Lend A Hand!* **2:00 – 4:00 PM**  
**Thursday, July 20** *Stretch Yourself!* **2:00 – 4:00 PM**  
**Thursday, August 17** *Dance!* **2:00 – 4:00 PM**  
 Main Library 337-261-5787

## Café Bibliothèque

**Ages 18 & up**

Come join library staff for a cup of coffee and a side of coffee knowledge on a Friday each month! *Registration is required.*

**Fridays:** **4:00 – 5:00 PM**  
**June 16:** *Iced Coffee vs. Cold Brew*; **July 21:** *International Iced Coffee Drinks*;  
**August 18:** *Coffee Mug Show & Tell*  
 Main Library 337-261-5787

## Stencil Art

**Ages 18 & up**

Lack the talent for free painting? Do you still want to create a unique work of art? Come draw/paint/trace with various stencils on canvas. *Registration is required.*

**Tuesday, June 20** **4:00 – 5:30 PM**  
 North Regional Library 337-896-6323

## Needle Arts Club

**Ages 18 & up**

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

**Tuesdays: June 20; July 18; August 22** **6:00 – 7:00 PM**  
 Main Library 337-261-5787  
**Mondays: June 26; July 31; August 28** **6:00 – 7:00 PM**  
 South Regional Library 337-981-1028

## Pinterest Projects

**Ages 18 & up**

Join us as we attempt small online craft projects. *Registration is required.*

**Thursday, June 22** *Diamond Painting 101* **2:00 – 3:00 PM**  
**Thursday, July 20** *Stained Glass Candle Holder* **2:00 – 3:00 PM**  
 East Regional Library 337-445-3168

Registration opens two weeks before the date of the program.



# Adult Programs

## Festival Friends

Join Amis du Festival as they describe their history and ties to Festival International de Louisiane.

**Saturday, June 24**  
South Regional Library

**Ages 18 & up**  
**10:00 – 11:00 AM**  
337-981-1028

## Stars and Stripes Candle Holder

Decorate a glass vase to create a patriotic candle holder. *Registration is required.*

**Monday, June 26**  
Main Library

**1:30 – 3:00 PM**  
337-261-5787

## Lessons with a Life Coach

Join certified Life Coach JaWand Edwards Morris, MA, CPC, ACC, ELI-MP, for this dynamic workshop that will assist you in setting personal goals. You will also create your very own vision board with all supplies provided

**Wednesday, June 28**  
East Regional Library

**Ages 16 & up**  
**5:30 – 6:30 PM**  
337-445-3168

## Make-at-Home Painted Dimensional Bookmark

Pick up a kit containing materials to paint and decorate a summer-themed bookmark, and have fun making it at home on your own free time.

West Regional Library  
Distribution begins Wednesday, July 5 (West Regional Library only)



**Ages 14 & up**  
337-232-9321

## Fabricadabra!

Learn the “magic” of sewing by watching these YouTube tutorials and making small, beginner projects!

**Reusable Snack Bags (Grab & Go Craft):** Swing by the Main Library drive-thru and pick up a bag full of fun! Practice your sewing skills while making a reusable snack bag you can use during our Summer Reading Challenge and beyond. Grab & Go bags will include most of the supplies you’ll need and instructions.

Main Library  
Distribution begins Saturday, July 15 (Main Library only, while supplies last)

  **Ages 14 & up**

## Birds on a Wire Button Mosaic

Create a colorful mosaic with buttons on a wood backing. *Registration is required.*

**Monday, July 17**  
Main Library

**Ages 18 & up**  
**1:30 – 3:00 PM**  
337-261-5787

## Inspirational Woodcraft

Paint and decorate an inspiring message on wood slats. *Registration is required.*

**Tuesday, July 18**  
South Regional Library

**Ages 18 & up**  
**1:00 – 3:00 PM**  
337-981-1028

## DIY Flag Making

Need to claim a territory but don’t have the flag to plant? Create your very own with a drop cloth! *Registration is required.*

**Tuesday, July 18**  
North Regional Library

**Ages 16 & up**  
**5:00 – 6:00 PM**  
337-896-6323

## Adult Ballet Class with The Ballet Studio

This beginner class welcomes adults of all ages to increase mobility and balance while learning graceful ballet sequences. No experience necessary! **The Ballet Studio** invites you to come as you are in comfortable clothing and socks or ballet shoes. *Registration is required.*

**Wednesday, July 19**  
East Regional Library

**Ages 18 & up**  
**5:30 – 6:30 PM**  
337-445-3168

## DIY Natural Bug Repellent Candle

With all natural ingredients, create a candle to drive all those pesky bugs away! *Registration is required.*

**Tuesday, July 25**  
North Regional Library

**Ages 16 & up**  
**5:00 – 6:00 PM**  
337-896-6323


## Clothespin Dragonfly Wall Art

Your porch or patio will look great with this incredible dragonfly made from colorful clothespins. *Registration is required.*

**Wednesday, July 26**  
West Regional Library

**Ages 18 & up**  
**11:00 AM – 1:00 PM**  
337-232-9321

## Dysbiosis

 **Ages 14 & up**

Do you experience occasional gas, bloating, and abdominal discomfort? We know the importance of beneficial bacteria in our gut, but when we have too many, or the wrong types of gut bugs, we can experience digestive discomfort and gut dysfunction. In this class, you’ll discover the importance of having a healthy microbial balance in the gut, which can support gut comfort and overall health. Taught by Valerie Willis, MS RDN LDN.

**Thursday, July 27**  
South Regional Library

**6:00 – 7:00 PM**  
337-981-1028

## Faux Succulent Cork Planter

Add a touch of greenery to your fridge with these magnetic cork planters. *Registration is required.*

**Monday, July 31**  
Main Library

**Ages 16 & up**  
**1:30 – 3:00 PM**  
337-261-5787

## Poured Paint Art

Create abstract wall art on canvas using the introductory cup-poured paint technique. *Registration is required.*

**Wednesday, August 2**  
West Regional Library

**Ages 18 & up**  
**11:00 AM – 1:00 PM**  
337-232-9321

## DIY Bamboo Basket

Build a simple basket from bamboo twigs in this fun craft. *Registration is required.*

**Monday, August 14**  
Main Library

**Ages 16 & up**  
**1:30 – 3:00 PM**  
337-261-5787

## Vinyl Record Collage

Using vintage 45 RPM records as the base, we will use photos from magazines to create a unique collage. *Registration is required.*

**Tuesday, August 15**  
South Regional Library

**Ages 18 & up**  
**1:00 – 3:00 PM**  
337-981-1028

## Macramé Plant Holders

Spruce up your home with a hanging potted plant holder. *Registration is required.*

**Tuesday, August 15**  
North Regional Library

**Ages 18 & up**  
**4:00 – 5:00 PM**  
337-896-6323

## Doily Luminaries

Welcome autumn by making a gorgeous, lighted centerpiece from doilies and mason jars that will be perfect for your table, mantel, or porch. *Registration is required.*

**Wednesday, August 23**  
West Regional Library

**Ages 18 & up**  
**11:00 AM – 1:00 PM**  
337-232-9321

## Wood Block Magnet

Create a decorative magnet with simple supplies and mod podge. *Registration is required.*

**Monday, August 28**  
Main Library

**Ages 16 & up**  
**1:30 – 3:30 PM**  
337-261-5787

## Makerspace Open Access Hours

Open access hours allow patrons to explore and experiment as they independently work on projects of their choosing. One-on-one assistance and self-guided online tutorials are available for most applications. *Open to all ages; no registration required.*

**Tuesdays & Thursdays**  
(except July 4 and July 27)

**West Regional Library**

**Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays**  
**Saturdays: June 17, July 15, August 19**  
**Main Library**

**3:00 – 5:30 PM**

337-232-9321

**1:00 – 7:30 PM**

**9:00 AM – 4:30 PM**  
337-261-5787

## Computer Classes

Learn valuable skills to navigate the digital world. *Registration is required.*

### Main Library

**337-261-5787**

Basic Computing - 2 part course	June 5 & 7	2:00 – 4:00 PM
Intro to Microsoft Word - 2 part course	June 12 & 14	2:00 – 4:00 PM
Intro to Microsoft Excel - 2 part course	June 19 & 21	2:00 – 4:00 PM
Integrating Word & Excel - 2 part course	June 26 & 28	2:00 – 4:00 PM
Basic Computing - 2 part course	August 14 & 16	2:00 – 4:00 PM
Intro to Microsoft Word - 2 part course	August 21 & 23	2:00 – 4:00 PM
Intro to Microsoft Excel - 2 part course	August 28 & 30	2:00 – 4:00 PM

### West Regional Library

**337-232-9321**

Library Website	June 5	5:00 – 6:00 PM
Basic Email	June 12	5:00 – 6:00 PM
Basic Computing	June 19	5:00 – 6:00 PM
Canva	July 17	5:00 – 6:00 PM
E-Books with Libby	July 31	5:00 – 6:00 PM
Smartphones	August 7	5:00 – 6:00 PM
Basic Computing	August 21	5:00 – 6:00 PM
Online Card Catalog	August 28	5:00 – 6:00 PM

### South Regional Library

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Basic Email	June 6	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Basic Computing	June 13	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Online Card Catalog	June 20	6:00 – 7:00 PM
E-Books with Libby	July 18	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Canva	July 25	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Basic Computing	August 1	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Basic Internet	August 8	6:00 – 7:00 PM
iPad Basics	August 15	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Library Website	August 22	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Internet Searching	August 29	6:00 – 7:00 PM

### East Regional Library

**337-445-3168**

Basic Computing	June 7	4:00 – 5:00 PM
Smartphones	June 14	4:00 – 5:00 PM
Library Website	June 21	4:00 – 5:00 PM
Online Card Catalog	July 19	4:00 – 5:00 PM
E-Books with Libby	July 26	5:00 – 6:00 PM
iPad Basics	August 9	4:00 – 5:00 PM
Smartphones	August 16	4:00 – 5:00 PM
Basic Internet	August 23	4:00 – 5:00 PM
Basic Computing	August 30	4:00 – 5:00 PM

### North Regional Library

**337-896-6323**

Basic Computing - 2 part course	July 10 & 12	12:30 – 2:30 PM
Intro to Microsoft PowerPoint	July 17	12:30 – 2:00 PM
Intro to Google Sheets	July 24	12:30 – 2:30 PM

**For up-to-date program information,  
visit [LafayettePublicLibrary.org](http://LafayettePublicLibrary.org).**

## Makerspace & Tech

### Tech Assistance By Appointment

Have a technology question? Have a device and want to learn how to use it? Tech Assistance to the rescue! You can have an Electronic Resource Librarian call and set up a one-on-one session to discuss your questions.

*Please call 337-261-5770 and leave a message to set up an appointment.*

### Makerspace Grab & Go Craft Kits

Grab & Go kits will include most of the supplies you'll need and instructions. Available at the Main Library Makerspace during open access hours, while supplies last.  
**Main Library** 337-261-5787

#### Layered Wood Seaside

**Ages 13 & up**

Create your own decorative layered coastal landscape!

**Distribution begins Tuesday, June 13 at 1:00 pm**

#### 3D Light-Up Submarine

**Ages 13 & up**

Create your own deep-sea submarine model with light-up elements!

**Distribution begins Tuesday, July 11 at 1:00 pm**

#### Shark Puzzle

**Ages 13 & up**

Create your own shark puzzle using laser cut wooden parts!

**Distribution begins Tuesday, August 15 at 1:00 pm**

### Let's Make

Use various equipment in the Makerspace and learn how to make both digital and physical designs. *Registration is required.*

#### Suit & Tie Card

**Ages 13 & up**

Come out and make a sharp-dressed suit and tie card using laser cut shapes!

**Monday, June 12**

**Main Library**

**1:00 – 2:30 PM**  
337-261-5787

#### Friendship Bracelets

**Ages 13 & up**

Come learn how to make a colorful friendship bracelet!

**Monday, July 17**

**Main Library**

**1:00 – 2:30 PM**  
337-261-5787

#### Exquisite Earrings

**Ages 13 & up**

Come make colorful 3D-printed earrings with us!

**Monday, August 21**

**Main Library**

**1:00 – 2:30 PM**  
337-261-5787

### 101 Courses

Learn how to use equipment in the Makerspace. *Registration is required.*

#### 3D Printing 101

**Ages 13 & up**

Learn the basics of creating and printing on 3D printers using Tinkercad.

**Monday, June 19**

**Main Library**

**1:00 – 2:00 PM**  
337-261-5787

#### Laser Cutting 101

**Ages 13 & up**

Learn the basics of creating and printing on a laser cutter using CorelDraw.

**Monday, July 10**

**Main Library**

**1:00 – 2:00 PM**  
337-261-5787

#### Vinyl Cutting 101

**Ages 13 & up**

Learn the basics of creating, cutting, and applying vinyl sticker designs using Silhouette Studio and a Cameo Vinyl Cutter.

**Monday, August 14**

**Main Library**

**1:00 – 2:00 PM**  
337-261-5787

# Teen Programs

## Teen Art Collective

Art and craft programs at [West Regional Library](#). *Registration is required.*

**Fridays, 2:00 – 3:30 PM** 337-232-9321

### The Drawing Board

Enjoy grab bag of drawing instruction, talk, and games.

**June 2, July 7, & August 4** 2:00 – 3:30 PM

### Charcoal Art Study

Try your hand at charcoal drawing, and leave with a masterpiece.

**Friday, June 30** 2:00 – 3:30 PM

### Intro to Digital Art

Learn how to use the many tools available in digital art.

**Monday, July 10** 2:00 – 3:30 PM

### Pastel Art Study

See what chalk pastels can do when you create a colorful still life study.

**Friday, July 21** 2:00 – 3:30 PM

### Japanese Tie-Dye

Learn the ancient art of Shibori, a dyeing technique. Dress for a mess.

**Monday, July 24** 2:00 – 3:30 PM

### Locker Monster Magnet

Create a unique cute and/or disgusting monster magnet to guard your locker.

**Friday, August 18** 2:00 – 3:30 PM

## Teen LEGO Lab

LEGO-loving teens can hang out, build original creations for display, and explore various LEGO-themed activities in this monthly meet up.

**Thursdays: June 1; July 6; August 17** 3:00 – 4:00 PM

[North Regional Library](#) 337-896-6323

**Mondays: June 5; August 7** 3:00 – 4:00 PM

[South Regional Library](#) 337-981-1028

**Saturday, June 10** 2:00 – 3:00 PM

[Main Library](#) 337-261-5778

## Teen Drawing Round Table

Calling teen artists of all skill levels! Come meet at the library to exchange ideas, techniques, and banter while you draw. *Some art supplies provided.*

**Fridays: June 2, 23; July 7; August 4** 2:00 – 3:00 PM

[North Regional Library](#) 337-896-6323

## Drop-In Gaming

Join old and new friends to play on various gaming consoles.

**Fridays: June – August** 3:30 – 5:00 PM

[Main Library](#) 337-261-5778

**Wednesdays: June – August** 3:00 – 7:00 PM

[West Regional Library](#) 337-232-9321

**Wednesdays: June 7, 21; July 5, 19; August 2, 16, 30** 3:00 – 4:00 PM

[North Regional Library](#) 337-896-6323

**Fridays: June 30; July 14, 28; August 11** 4:00 – 5:00 PM

[South Regional Library](#) 337-981-1028

## Teen Library Summer Olympics

Test your random skills, such as making paper airplanes, at our summer olympics!

**Monday, June 5, to Friday, July 28** All Day

[Main Library](#) 337-261-5778

## Manic Monday

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

**Mondays: June – August** 6:00 – 7:00 PM

[Main Library](#) 337-261-5778

**Mondays: June 19; July 10; August 14** 6:00 – 7:00 PM

[East Regional Library](#) 337-445-3168

## VR Playground

Immerse yourself in the magic of virtual reality. Enter alternate worlds created by game designers or build your own! *Registration is required.*

**Mondays: June 5; July 17; August 14** 3:00 – 4:30 PM

[West Regional Library](#) 337-232-9321

## Teen Cinema

Join us at the library to beat the heat with popcorn and a movie.

**Tuesday, June 6** *Teen Titans Go! To the Movies (2018)*

**Tuesday, July 11** *Turning Red (2022)*

[North Regional Library](#)

**Ages 12 & up**

**2:00 – 4:00 PM**

**2:00 – 4:00 PM**

337-896-6323

## AniManga Club

Watch anime clips, discuss manga favorites, and more! *Refreshments provided.*

**Wednesdays: June 7, 21; July 5, 19; August 2, 16, 30** 5:30 – 7:00 PM

[South Regional Library](#) 337-981-1028

## Freestyle Art

Use our extra craft supplies or bring your own to create a masterpiece.

**Thursdays: June 8; July 13; August 24** 3:30 – 4:30 PM

[North Regional Library](#) 337-896-6323

**Saturdays: July 8; August 12** 2:00 – 3:00 PM

[Main Library](#) 337-261-5778

## Table Read

Practice your voice acting skills as we do a table read of the movie, *The Princess Bride* (1987). *Registration is required.*

**Thursday, June 8** 4:00 – 6:00 PM

[Main Library](#) 337-261-5778

## Teen LibCrate

Sign up to receive a free Teen LibCrate from the Main or Regional Libraries! You'll receive a themed box containing a library book, a snack, a craft, and more! When you're done with the book, return it with the box, and the rest is yours to keep! *Registration is required.*

Summer Theme: *Reading Brings Us Together*

*Distribution begins Monday, June 12*

## Teen Puppeteer Studio

Aspiring teen actors are invited to produce and perform a puppet show for children! You must attend both sessions. *Registration is required.*

**Monday, June 12** *Session One: Production* 2:00 – 4:00 PM

**Friday, June 23** *Session Two: Performance* 9:30 – 11:00 AM

[West Regional Library](#) 337-232-9321

## K-Pop Kommunity Meet-up

Watch k-pop music videos of our old and new favorite girl groups and boy bands.

**Monday, June 12** 2:00 – 3:00 PM

[South Regional Library](#) 337-981-1028

## Unity Bracelets with Adorn

Adrian Guidry from Adorn will show how to create unity bracelets with her expertise, a handmade charm, and gemstones! *Registration is required.*

**Tuesday, June 13** 4:00 – 5:00 PM

[East Regional Library](#) 337-445-3168

**Tuesday, June 20** 4:00 – 5:00 PM

[Main Library](#) 337-261-5778

**Monday, June 26** 4:00 – 5:00 PM

[West Regional Library](#) 337-232-9321

**Tuesday, July 11** 4:00 – 5:00 PM

[South Regional Library](#) 337-981-1028

**Tuesday, July 18** 4:00 – 5:00 PM

[North Regional Library](#) 337-896-6323

## Painted Picture Frames

Paint a wooden picture frame for you to take home. *Registration is required.*

**Wednesday, June 14** 2:00 – 3:00 PM

[Main Library](#) 337-261-5778



## Teen Snack Attack

Learn to create some easy recipes! Amaze your friends and family with your culinary skills. *Registration is required.*

**Wednesdays: June 14; July 12; August 2**  
East Regional Library

**Thursdays: June 22; July 27**  
North Regional Library

**Thursday, June 29; Wednesday, July 26**  
Main Library

**Monday, July 17**  
South Regional Library

**Ages 12–18**

**3:00 – 4:00 PM**  
337-445-3168

**2:00 – 3:00 PM**  
337-896-6323

**4:30 – 5:30 PM**  
337-261-5778

**3:00 – 4:00 PM**  
337-981-1028

## After Hours: Murder in the Stacks

Help us solve a mysterious murder in the eerie darkness of the closed library!  
*Registration is required.*

**Friday, June 16**  
South Regional Library

**Ages 12–18**

**5:30 – 7:30 PM**  
337-981-1028

## Customized Father's Day Gift

Show your dad how much you care by designing a custom work/BBQ apron.  
*Registration is required.*

**Friday, June 16**  
West Regional Library

**Ages 12–18**

**2:00 – 3:30 PM**  
337-232-9321

## Tiny Hands Challenge

Tiny Hands equal Big Fun! Try to complete outrageous tasks using tiny hands in this fun competition. *Registration is required.*

**Monday, June 19**  
East Regional Library

**Ages 10–18**

**2:00 – 3:00 PM**  
337-445-3168

**Tuesday, July 25**  
South Regional Library

**2:00 – 3:00 PM**  
337-981-1028

Storytime Room (Tweens) and Large Meeting Room (Teens)

## Macramé Hanging Planter

We're making Macramé hanging planters! Our in-person program will include a plant, but if you can't make it, we will have Grab & Go Kits available beginning June 21, while supplies last. *Registration is required.*

**Tuesday, June 20**  
South Regional Library

**Ages 12–18**

**2:00 – 3:00 PM**  
337-981-1028

## Superhero Diamond Painting

Use diamond painting kits to create a superhero sticker. *Registration is required.*

**Wednesday, June 21**  
East Regional Library

**Ages 12–18**

**2:00 – 3:00 PM**  
337-445-3168

## Beyond Bullet Journaling

Join our new club for aesthetic bullet journaling! Use our supplies to get started, or bring your own and create with us.

**Mondays: June 26, July 31, & August 28**  
East Regional Library

**Ages 12–18**

**6:00 – 7:00 PM**  
337-445-3168

## Bestie Bracelets

Learn how to make braided friendship bracelets with us!

**Tuesday, June 27**  
North Regional Library

**Ages 12–18**

**2:00 – 3:00 PM**  
337-896-6323

**Monday, July 3**  
South Regional Library

**3:00 – 4:00 PM**  
337-981-1028

**Thursday, July 20**  
Main Library

**2:00 – 3:00 PM**  
337-261-5778

**Tuesday, July 25**  
East Regional Library

**2:00 – 3:00 PM**  
337-445-3168

## Doodle Together

Create a collaborative masterpiece and experience the power of the doodle!

**Wednesday, June 28**  
North Regional Library

**Ages 12–18**

**2:00 – 3:00 PM**  
337-896-6323

**Monday, July 17**  
East Regional Library

**2:00 – 3:00 PM**  
337-445-3168

## Teen Programs

### YA Snapshots

Join us virtually as we read an excerpt from a popular teen book, then check it out so you can see what happens next!



June 6: *Radio Silence* by Alice Oseman

July 4: *Scythe* by Neal Shusterman

August 1: *You Should See Me in a Crown* by Leah Johnson



**Ages 12 & up**



## Themed Punch-a-Cup Bingo

Join us for Themed Punch-a-Cup Bingo! You never know what you might get!  
*Registration is required.*

**Tuesday, June 27**  
East Regional Library

**Ages 12–18**

**2:00 – 3:00 PM**  
337-981-1028

**Monday, August 7**  
West Regional Library

**3:00 – 4:00 PM**  
337-232-9321

**Tuesday, August 22**  
South Regional Library

**4:30 – 5:30 PM**  
337-981-1028

## Movie Critic

Join us as we watch a poorly-rated movie to critique it in real time. We'll be watching *Battleship* (2012). Talking during the movie is encouraged!

**Wednesday, July 5**  
Main Library

**Ages 12–18**

**3:00 – 5:30 PM**  
337-261-5778

## Fancy Cheese Shindig

Sample a variety of cheeses, paired with sparkling, age-appropriate, beverages.

**Tuesday, July 11**  
Main Library

**Ages 12–18**

**4:00 – 5:00 PM**  
337-261-5778

## Birds, Bees, & STDs

Woman's Foundation presents a class for teens that covers anatomy, consensual decisions, healthy relationships, and STD prevention. Parents are required to stay with the teen for the entire class. *Registration is required.*

**Thursday, July 13**

**10:00 AM – 12:00 PM**

Boys' Class: (Meeting Room 1); Girls' Class: (Meeting Room 2)

West Regional Library

337-232-9321

## Solar Ovens (Teen)

Louisiana State Energy Office will show how to make solar ovens out of household items. *Registration is required.*

**Monday, July 17**  
Main Library

**Ages 12–18**

**11:30 AM – 1:00 PM**  
337-261-5778

## Mad Scientists

Come take part in our messy and fun experiments!

**Thursday, July 20**  
South Regional Library

**Ages 12–18**

**3:00 – 4:00 PM**  
337-981-1028

## Team Nerf

Bring your own unmodified Nerf dart gun for an after-hours showdown! Teens must have parental consent, and should arrive before the library closes for the day. *Registration is required.*

**Friday, July 21**  
North Regional Library

**Ages 12–18**

**5:45 – 7:00 PM**  
337-896-6323

## PJs and Popcorn Movie Night

BYF (Bring Your Friend) and watch *Holes* (PG, 2003, 117 min) with us!

**Tuesday, August 1**  
South Regional Library

**Ages 12–18**

**5:00 – 7:00 PM**  
337-981-1028

# Summer Performers

## Bubbles with Bubblee

Ages 3 & up

Join us for outdoor fun with giant bubbles made by local bubble artist, Bubblee!

Thursday, June 22

10:00 – 11:00 AM

West Regional Library's Patio

337-232-9321

## Roger Day: Zookeeper's In the House

Ages 3 & up

Zookeeper's In the House!, is STEAM-Based learning with a jungle beat. Through interactive, energetic songs like "It's a No No to Kiss a Rhino" and "Rumble in the Jungle," Roger will encourage students to "observe, reflect, question and decide" as they not only learn about the amazing animals at the zoo but also the dedicated team of scientists who take care of them everyday.

Thursday, June 8

10:00 AM

West Regional Library

337-232-9321

Thursday, June 8

2:00 PM

Main Library

337-261-5779

Friday, June 9

10:00 AM

South Regional Library

337-981-1028

Friday, June 9

2:00 PM

East Regional Library

337-445-3168

## Bright Star Touring Theatre Presents...

Ages 3 & up

*The Velveteen Rabbit* is about a young boy who gets a special gift that leads to a heartwarming tale of childhood and imagination. This story shows us how much care it takes to hold on to special friends, and how important it is to sometimes let those things go. With endearing costumes and unforgettable characters, *the Velveteen Rabbit* is sure to appeal to your young audience. Based on the classic tale by Margery Williams Bianco, this show examines what it means to love and what it means to be real.

Friday, June 16

10:00 AM

Main Library

337-261-5779

Friday, June 16

2:00 PM

East Regional Library

337-445-3168

Monday, June 19

10:00 AM

South Regional Library

337-981-1028

Monday, June 19

2:00 PM

West Regional Library

337-232-9321



## Zak Morgan: Sound of Science

Ages 3 & up

Zak Morgan's science show is designed to generate excitement about science and encourage children to think about how we all use science in our daily lives. His performance is filled with musical stories, laughter and warmth as he encourages children to learn through reading, imagination, and believing in themselves.

Monday, June 26

10:00 AM

Carencro Community Center

(Next to North Regional Library)

337-896-6323

Monday, June 26

2:00 PM

East Regional Library

337-445-3168

## Mitch the Magician

Ages 3 & up

Mitch the Magician offers a fun, fast-paced, interactive comedy magic show that is squeaky clean and sure to please every age! Mitch uses a variety of props and volunteers to create silly situations that always end well and with enormous laughs from the crowd!

Friday, July 7

2:00 PM

West Regional Library

337-232-9321

Monday, July 10

10:00 AM

Carencro Community Center

337-896-6323

(Next to North Regional Library)

Monday, July 10

2:00 PM

South Regional Library

337-981-1028

Friday, July 14

10:00 AM

Main Library

337-261-5779

Friday, July 14

2:00 PM

East Regional Library

337-445-3168



## Schoolhouse Safari

Ages 3 & up

Schoolhouse Safari: Animal Adventure Educational Encounter will offer fun-filled, hands-on encounters with a lizard, snake, tortoise, tarantula, scorpion, beetle, and more! Guests will get a chance for a Q & A with our handlers and have the option to take an individual photo with one of our animal ambassadors!

Monday, July 17

10:00 AM

Carencro Community Center

337-896-6323

(Next to North Regional Library)

Monday, July 17

2:00 PM

Main Library

337-261-5779

Friday, July 21

10:00 AM

West Regional Library

337-232-9321

Friday, July 21

2:00 PM

South Regional Library

337-981-1028

## Harvey Rabbit & Friends Show

Join Miss Laura, Mr. Tim, Harvey Rabbit, Cecil the Orangutan, and T-Boy the Alligator in a fun, energetic show of puppetry, music, comedy, magic, ventriloquism, and audience participation. They'll also promote reading, libraries, and the summer reading program.



Monday, July 24

10:00 AM

Carencro Community Center

337-896-6323

(Next to North Regional Library)

Monday, July 24

2:30 PM

South Regional Library

337-981-1028

Thursday, July 27

2:30 PM

West Regional Library

337-232-9321

Friday, July 28

10:00 AM

Main Library

337-261-5779

Friday, July 28

2:30 PM

East Regional Library

337-445-3168

## The Summer Passport

All Ages

Grab a punch card from any branch and collect five stamps in total by visiting any of our nine physical locations, the Bookmobile, or one in-person program and you are eligible to collect the grand prize – a limited edition Lafayette Public Library mini-puzzle! Regional branches are decorating for the occasion with cool literary themes: (Main Library – Fantasy, South Regional – SciFi, North Regional – Animals, East Regional – Graphic Novels, and West Regional – Adventure). Make sure to check them all out while they're up until the end of July!

## Summer Shenanigans

Ages 5–12

Join us for an afternoon of fun! Each week will feature a different surprise activity!

**Thursdays: June – August (except on August 17)** 5:00 – 6:00 PM  
Butler Branch Library 337-234-0363

**Mondays: June – August** 4:00 – 5:00 PM  
Chenier Branch Library 337-291-2941

**Wednesdays: June 14, 28; July 12, 26; August 9** 3:00 – 4:00 PM  
Duson Branch Library 337-873-3521

## Little Scientists

Ages 3–5

Explore the wonders of science with a themed story and activity. Dress for a mess!

*Registration is required.*

**Friday, June 2** 10:00 – 10:45 AM  
Main Library 337-261-5779

**Monday, July 10** 10:00 – 10:45 AM  
South Regional Library 337-981-1028

## Stuffed Animal Summer Camp

Ages 3–6

Bring your stuffed animal to the library for a summer camp! Drop them off at the camp storytime, then pick them up later to see pictures of their shenanigans!

**Drop Off: Monday, June 5** 6:00 – 7:00 PM

**Pick Up: Tuesday, June 13** 5:00 – 7:45 PM  
South Regional Library 337-981-1028

**Drop Off: Thursday, June 8** 10:15 – 11:15 AM

**Pick Up: Thursday, June 15** 10:15 – 11:15 AM  
Milton Branch Library 337-856-5261

## SOLA Gymnastics Academy Visit

Ages 5 & Up

SOLA Gymnastics Academy will be teaching gymnastics classes that are designed to improve motor skills, coordination, and balance. *Registration is required.*

**Monday, June 5** 9:30 – 10:00 AM  
*Session 1 (Ages 6 months – 4 years)*  
*Session 2 (Ages 5 – 12 years)*  
East Regional Library 337-445-3168

## Kids Workshop

Ages 7–12

Come build some cool take-home summer projects with our friends from the Home Depot! *Registration is required.*

**Monday, June 5** 10:30 – 11:30 AM

Main Library 337-261-5779

**Wednesday, June 7** 2:00 – 3:00 PM  
West Regional Library 337-232-9321

**Thursday, June 22** 10:30 – 11:30 AM  
North Regional Library 337-896-6323

**Wednesday, July 19** 2:00 – 3:00 PM  
South Regional Library 337-981-1028

## Children's & Family Programs

### Book Buddy Grab & Go

Ages 3–8

Stop by the children's departments of East and West regional libraries to pick up a craft based on your favorite book characters.

**Tuesdays: June – August (except on July 4)** 337-232-9321  
West Regional Library

**Wednesdays: June – August** 337-445-3168  
East Regional Library

### Small Folks Studio

Ages 18 Months–3 Years

An opportunity for toddlers to create and explore art mediums. Dress for a mess!

*Registration is required.*

**Monday, June 5** 10:00 – 10:45 AM  
South Regional Library 337-981-1028

**Friday, June 23** 10:00 – 10:45 AM  
Main Library 337-261-5779

**Friday, August 11** 10:00 – 10:45 AM  
West Regional Library 337-232-9321

### K-9 Show & Tell

Ages 3–12

Meet a local sheriff and his fellow four-legged officer!

**Tuesday, June 6** 10:00 – 11:00 AM  
North Regional Library 337-896-6323

**Tuesday, June 13** 2:00 – 3:00 PM  
South Regional Library 337-981-1028

**Wednesday, June 28** 10:30 – 11:15 AM  
Main Library 337-261-5779

**Wednesday, July 12** 2:00 – 3:00 PM  
West Regional Library 337-232-9321

### Chalk The Sidewalks with Kindness

Ages 5–12

Help spread some kindness outdoors! We supply the chalk. You provide the kindness!

**Wednesday, June 7** 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM  
Main Library 337-261-5779

**Friday, June 9** 10:00 – 11:00 AM  
North Regional Library 337-896-6323

### Paws & Pages

Ages 4–10

Practice reading with a certified therapy dog from Pet Partners of Acadiana!

*Registration is required in person or by phone.*

**Wednesdays: June 7, 14, 21** 10:00 – 11:00 AM  
East Regional Library 337-445-3168

### LEGO Club

Ages 5–12

Build unique LEGO creations based on a given theme.

**Thursdays: June 8; July 13** 2:00 – 3:00 PM  
**Thursday, August 10** 4:00 – 5:00 PM  
Milton Branch 337-856-5261

**Wednesdays: June 14; July 5; August 2** 2:00 – 3:00 PM  
North Regional Library 337-896-6323

**Friday, June 16** 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM

**Wednesday, July 5** 2:00 – 3:00 PM

**Friday, August 4** 3:00 – 4:00 PM  
West Regional Library 337-232-9321

**Saturdays: June 17; July 15** 10:00 – 11:00 AM  
Main Library 337-261-5779

**Fridays: June 23; July 28** 2:00 – 3:00 PM

**Friday, August 18** 4:00 – 5:00 PM  
South Regional Library 337-981-1028

**Wednesday, June 28; July 26** 2:00 – 3:00 PM  
**Saturday, August 19** 10:00 – 11:00 AM  
East Regional Library 337-445-3168



# Children's & Family Programs



## LEGO WeDo Workshops

Ages 7–12

Explore the basics of robotics engineering with LEGO WeDo kits. Take building to a new level! *Registration is required.*

<b>Thursday, June 8</b>	<b>2:00 – 3:00 PM</b>
North Regional Library	337-896-6323
<b>Wednesday, June 21</b>	<b>2:00 – 3:00 PM</b>
South Regional Library	337-981-1028
<b>Saturday, July 1</b>	<b>2:00 – 3:00 PM</b>
Main Library	337-261-5779
<b>Friday, July 14</b>	<b>2:00 – 3:00 PM</b>
<b>Friday, August 18</b>	<b>4:00 – 5:00 PM</b>
West Regional Library	337-232-9321
<b>Thursday, August 3</b>	<b>11:00 AM – 12:00 PM</b>
East Regional Library	337-445-3168

## Little Artists

Ages 3–5

Preschoolers will explore open-ended art activities and different art mediums while learning about color, texture, and more. *Registration is required.*

<b>Fridays: June 9; July 7</b>	<b>10:30 – 11:15 AM</b>
Main Library	337-261-5779
<b>Friday, July 21</b>	<b>10:30 – 11:15 AM</b>
North Regional Library	337-896-6323
<b>Thursday, August 31</b>	<b>10:00 – 10:45 AM</b>
West Regional Library	337-232-9321

## Create a Comic

Ages 6–12

Hang out with fellow comic book fans and create your own comic book to be displayed at the library! *Registration is required.*

<b>Friday, June 9</b>	<b>11:00 AM – 12:00 PM</b>
West Regional Library	337-232-9321

## Summer Movies

All Ages

Come chill out with these summer movie offerings!

<b>Friday, June 9</b>	<i>Toy Story 3 (G, 2010, 103 min)</i>	<b>1:30 – 3:30 PM</b>
North Regional Library		337-896-6323
<b>Wednesday, June 21</b>	<i>Wall-E (G, 2008, 98 min)</i>	<b>2:00 – 4:00 PM</b>
<b>Wednesday, July 19</b>	<i>The Lorax (PG, 2012, 86 min)</i>	<b>2:00 – 4:00 PM</b>
Main Library		337-261-5779

## Be Strong with KidStrong Acadiana

Ages 2–11

Unlock your child's superpowers and confidence with KidStrong's classes that focus on brain, physical, and character development. Each month covers a different subject. *Registration is required.*

<b>Monday, June 12</b>	<b>9:00 – 9:30 AM</b>
Session 1: Ages 2–4	<b>9:45 – 10:15 AM</b>
Session 2: Ages 5–8	<b>10:30 – 11:00 AM</b>
Session 3: Ages 9–11	
<b>Monday, July 10</b>	<b>9:00 – 9:30 AM</b>
Session 1: Ages 2–4	<b>9:45 – 10:15 AM</b>
Session 2: Ages 5–8	<b>10:30 – 11:00 AM</b>
Session 3: Ages 9–11	<b>337-445-3168</b>
East Regional Library	

## DIY Father's Day Card

Ages 5–12

Make your dad a Father's Day card he'll be sure to remember for years to come!

*Registration is required.*

**Monday, June 12**  
Main Library

**1:00 – 2:00 PM**  
337-261-5779



## Meet a Firefighter

Ages 3–12

Meet a firefighter and tour a fire truck! *Registration only required for June 15th.*

<b>Thursday, June 15</b>	<b>10:00 – 11:00 AM</b>
North Regional Library	337-896-6323
<b>Wednesday, July 12</b>	<b>10:30 – 11:30 AM</b>
Main Library	337-261-5779
<b>Monday, July 31</b>	<b>10:00 – 11:00 AM</b>
South Regional Library	337-981-1028

## Tape Town

Ages 3–6

Zoom down the streets of our pretend town while making stops at the car wash, bakery, and more. Bring a small toy vehicle to participate.

<b>Thursday, June 15</b>	<b>10:00 – 11:00 AM</b>
Main Library	337-261-5779
<b>Friday, July 21</b>	<b>10:30 – 11:30 AM</b>
South Regional Library	337-261-5779
<b>Monday, July 24</b>	<b>10:30 – 11:30 AM</b>
Milton Library Branch	337-856-5261

## Body Talk Class

Ages 8–12

Help your child prepare for puberty through an engaging class presented by the Woman's Foundation. Parents are required to stay with the child for the entire class. *Registration is required.*

<b>Thursday, June 15</b>	<b>10:00 AM – 12:00 PM</b>
West Regional Library	337-232-9321
<i>(Boys' Class: Meeting Room 1, &amp; Girls' Class: Meeting Room 2)</i>	
<b>Saturday, August 5</b>	<b>2:00 – 4:00 PM</b>
Main Library	337-261-5779
<i>(Boys' Class: Conference Room, &amp; Girls' Class: Meeting Room)</i>	

## Daddy & Me Tea

Ages 2–5

Celebrate Father's Day by having tea time with dad. We'll have storytime, a craft, and refreshments. *Registration is required.*

<b>Friday, June 16</b>	<b>10:00 – 11:45 AM</b>
South Regional Library	337-981-1028
<b>Saturday, June 17</b>	<b>10:30 – 11:15 AM</b>
West Regional Library	337-232-9321

## Playdough Playtime

Ages 3–5

Have fun with Playdough! We provide the tools and you provide creativity! *Registration is required.*

**Fridays: June 16 & August 18**  
North Regional Library

**10:30 – 11:15 AM**  
337-896-6323



## Kindness Rocks

Ages 5–12

Show random acts of kindness by painting rocks with uplifting messages, then spreading them throughout the community! *Registration is required.*

**Monday, June 19**  
Main Library

**1:00 – 2:00 PM**  
337-261-5779

## Crafternoon

Ages 5–12

Come get crafty at our freestyle crafting program, with all supplies provided!

**Tuesdays: June 20 & August 8**  
North Regional Library

**1:00 – 2:00 PM**  
337-896-6323

**Saturday, July 22**  
Main Library

**2:00 – 3:00 PM**  
337-261-5779

**Monday, August 7**  
East Regional Library

**2:00 – 3:00 PM**  
337-445-3168



## STEAM Stations by the Children's Museum of Acadiana

Ages 3–10

The Children's Museum of Acadiana will set up STEAM-based activity stations for your child to drop in and experience at any time during the listed hours. Each month will feature different activities.

**Friday, June 23**  
**Friday, July 21**  
East Regional Library

**2:00 – 4:30 PM**  
**2:00 – 4:30 PM**  
337-445-3168

## Master Puppet Theater

Ages 3–10

Join us for a fun puppet show with storytelling performed by our teen puppeteers! Families are welcome.

**Friday, June 23**  
West Regional Library

**10:30 – 11:00 AM**  
337-232-9321

## Self-Care Saturday

Ages 7–12

Practice self-care with gentle yoga, mindfulness meditation, and mandala coloring. Bring your own yoga mat or blanket. *Registration is required.*

**Saturday, June 24**  
Main Library

**2:00 – 3:00 PM**  
337-261-5779

# Children's & Family Programs

## Parachute Play

Ages 18–36 Months

Up, down, and all around! Join us for a magical morning of songs and games around our colorful parachute. *Registration is required.*

**Monday, June 26**  
South Regional Library

**10:00 – 10:30 AM**  
337-981-1028

## Passport to Latin America

Ages 3–10

¡Vivan los niños! Let's make mini piñatas, eat sweet and spicy treats, and learn Spanish at this fun program about Latin American culture. *Registration is required.*

**Wednesday, June 28**  
West Regional Library

**2:00 – 3:00 PM**  
337-232-9321

## Make & Munch

Ages 7–12

Let's make no-bake snacks! *Registration is required.*

**Thursday, June 29**  
North Regional Library

Tasty Trail Mix

**10:00 – 11:00 AM**  
337-896-6323

**Friday, June 30**  
Main Library

Cookie Dough Bites

**2:00 – 3:00 PM**  
337-261-5779

**Friday, July 14**  
South Regional Library

Ice Cream in a Bag

**2:00 – 3:00 PM**  
337-981-1028

## Pete the Cat Birthday Celebration

Ages 3–12

Join us for a birthday celebration for our favorite cool cat! We'll play games, sing songs, and make a craft. *Registration is required.*

**Friday, June 30**  
South Regional Library

**10:30 – 11:30 AM**  
337-981-1028

**Thursday, July 27**  
Main Library

**2:00 – 3:00 PM**  
337-261-5779



## Discover American Sign Language

Ages 6–12

Learn about American Sign Language and the Deaf/DeafBlind community with UL Lafayette ASL Instructors Leah Dawsey and Katie Potier. *Registration is required.*

**Friday, June 30**  
West Regional Library

**2:00 – 3:00 PM**  
337-232-9321

**Wednesday, July 12**  
South Regional Library

**2:00 – 3:00 PM**  
337-981-1028

## Family Video Game Tournament

Ages 8 & Up

Bring the family to this competitive video game challenge for a chance at victory!

**Wednesday, July 5**  
East Regional Library

**2:00 – 4:00 PM**  
337-445-3168

Registration opens two weeks before the date of the program.

# Children's & Family Programs

## Friendship Bracelets

Spread some kindness by making bracelets for your friends! All supplies provided. *Registration is required.*

**Wednesday, July 5**

Main Library

**Thursday, July 20**

North Regional Library

**Ages 7–12**

**2:00 – 3:00 PM**

337-261-5779

**10:30 – 11:30 AM**

337-896-6323

## Seed Paper Cards

Give the gift that keeps on growing! Join us in making seed paper cards that you can plant and grow into flowers! *Registration is required.*

**Monday, July 10**

Main Library

**Ages 7–12**

**4:30 – 5:30 PM**

337-261-5779

## Bee Awesome

Learn about bees while playing games, making crafts, and tasting honey! Bee ready to have questions for local bee expert Matt Robidoux, from Ducky's Apiary, too!

**Thursday, July 13**

Main Library

**Ages 5–12**

**11:00 AM – 12:00 PM**

337-261-5779

## Children's Ballet Class with The Ballet Studio

**Ages 18 months–12 years**

The Ballet Studio will put on engaging classes on ballet and creative movement. *Registration is required.*

**Monday, July 17**

Session 1: (Ages 18 months–3 years)

Session 2: (Ages 4–6 years)

Session 3: (Ages 7–12 years)

East Regional Library

**9:30 – 10:00 AM**

**10:15 – 11:00 AM**

**11:15 AM – 12:00 PM**

337-445-3168

## Summer Bingo

Come inside from the heat and meet new friends by playing a cool game of bingo! *Registration is required.*

**Thursday, July 13**

North Regional Library

**Ages 5–12**

**1:30 – 2:30 PM**

337-896-6323

## Solar Ovens

Our friends at the Louisiana State Energy Office will show us how to make our own solar oven that we can use to cook delectable treats and snacks! *Registration is required.*

**Monday, July 17**

Main Library

**Monday, July 17**

North Regional Library

**Ages 7–12**

**10:00 – 11:30 AM**

337-261-5779

**1:30 – 2:30 PM**

337-896-6323

## Sidekick Circuits

Learn about circuitry and how electricity works through an interactive presentation by the Louisiana Energy Office! *Registration is required.*

**Tuesday, July 18**

West Regional Library

**Ages 7–12**

**10:00 – 11:00 AM**

337-232-9321



## PAW Patrol Fun Day

Join us for PAW Patrol-themed stories, games, and crafts! *Registration is required.*

**Thursday, July 20**

West Regional Library

**Ages 2–6**

**10:00 – 11:00 AM**

337-232-9321

## 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, while learning about colors, numbers, and letters. *Registration is required.*

**Friday, July 21**

Main Library

**Ages 3–5**

**10:00 – 11:00 AM**

337-261-5779

## Time Capsules

Create your own personal time capsule using a mason jar! *Registration is required.*

**Monday, July 24**

Main Library

**Ages 7–12**

**1:00 – 2:00 PM**

337-261-5779

## Kindness Jar

Decorate a jar and add notes of kindness for someone special! *Registration is required.*

**Tuesday, July 25**

North Regional Library

**Ages 8–12**

**10:30 – 11:30 AM**

337-896-6323

## Paper Quilling for Kids

Learn paper quilling and make decorative art to take home! *Registration is required.*

**Wednesday, July 26**

West Regional Library

**Ages 7–12**

**2:00 – 3:00 PM**

337-232-9321

## Wild About Whooping Cranes

Learn how to identify whooping cranes and other wetland creatures through stories, puppets, animal figurines, and crafts! Presented by the **International Crane Foundation**. *Registration is required.*

**Thursday, August 3**

West Regional Library

**Ages 3–8**

**10:00 – 11:00 AM**

337-232-9321

## Creative Builders

Calling all junior engineers! What can you build using straws, mini design shapes and structure sticks? Join us to find out! *Registration is required.*

**Tuesday, August 29**

North Regional Library

**Ages 5–12**

**4:00 – 5:00 PM**

337-896-6323

**For up-to-date program information,  
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# Storytime Calendar: June – August 2023

## Main Library

### Baby Time & Toddler Time

#### Baby Time, Tuesdays

9:30 AM

#### Toddler Time, Tuesdays

10:30 AM

June 6, 13, 20, 27

July 11, 18, 25

### Pajama Time

#### Tuesdays

6:00 PM

June 6, 13, 20, 27

July 11, 18, 25

### Story Castle

#### Wednesdays

10:00 AM

June 7, 14, 21, 28

July 12, 19, 26

### Bibliobop

#### Friday

10:00 AM

June 30

#### Thursday

10:00 AM

July 27

### Stay & Play

#### Tuesdays

9:30 AM

August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

## North Regional Library

### Storytime

#### Wednesdays

10:30 AM

June 7, 14, 21, 28

July 12, 19, 26

### Stay & Play

#### Wednesdays

10:30 AM

July 5; August 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

## South Regional Library

### Baby Time

#### Tuesdays

9:30 AM

June 6, 13, 20, 27

July 11, 18, 25

### Toddler Time

#### Wednesdays

10:00 AM

June 7, 14, 21, 28

July 12, 19, 26

### Bibliobop

#### Thursdays

10:00 AM

June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

July 13, 20, 27

### Stay & Play

#### Wednesdays

10:00 AM

July 5

August 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

## Milton Branch

### Storytime

#### Thursdays

10:15 AM

June 8, 15, 22, & 29

July 13, 20, & 27

## East Regional Library

### Storytime Jr.

#### Tuesdays

9:30 AM

June 6, 13, 20, 27

July 11, 18, 25

### Storytime

#### Tuesdays

10:30 AM

June 6, 13, 20, 27

July 11, 18, 25

#### Thursdays

3:00 PM

June 8, 22, 29

July 20, 27

### CYT Character Storytimes

#### Thursday

3:00 PM

June 15 (princesses) & July 13 (superheroes)

### Stay & Play

#### Thursday

3:00 PM

July 6

#### Tuesdays

9:30 AM

August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

## West Regional Library

### Storytime Jr. (Baby Time/Toddler Time)

#### Tuesdays

9:30 AM

June 6, 13, 20, 27

July 11, 18, 25

August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

### Storytime

#### Tuesdays

10:30 AM

June 6, 13, 20, 27

July 11, 18, 25

August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

### 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.

### CYT Character Storytime

Your child's favorite characters come to life courtesy of CYT hosting these special Storytimes, which include a themed craft and photo meet & greet.

### 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.

### Storytime Jr.

Children ages birth – 36 month olds and their caregivers engage in pre-literacy activities, stories, songs, and rhymes suitable for growing minds.

### Toddler Time

An opportunity for babies and toddlers up to 3 years old and their caregivers to take part in stories and pre-literacy activities.



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### Upcoming Calendar

**Tuesday, July 4**  
**(Independence Day)**

All locations closed.

**Thursday, August 17**  
**(Full Staff In-Service Day)**

All locations open at 1:00 PM.

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## Lafayette Public Library System

### MAIN LIBRARY

301 W. Congress St., Downtown

Phone 337-261-5787

Mon – Thurs 9:00 – 8:00

Friday 9:00 – 6:00

Saturday 9:00 – 5:00

### BUTLER MEMORIAL BRANCH

309 Cora St., Lafayette

Phone 337-234-0363

Mon – Thurs 5:00 – 7:00

### CHENIER BRANCH

220 W. Willow, Bldg. C, Lafayette

Phone 337-291-2941

Mon – Thurs 9:00 – 7:00

Friday 9:00 – 6:00

### DUSON BRANCH

310 Ave. Au Nord, Duson

Phone 337-873-3521

Mon – Fri 10:00 – 1:00; 2:00 – 6:00

### MILTON BRANCH

108 W. Milton Ave., Milton

Phone 337-856-5261

Mon – Fri 10:00 – 1:00; 2:00 – 6:00

### WEST REGIONAL LIBRARY

501 Old Spanish Trail, Scott

Phone 337-232-9321

Mon – Thurs 9:00 – 8:00

Friday 9:00 – 6:00

Saturday 10:00 – 5:00

### NORTH REGIONAL LIBRARY

5101 N. University, Carenco

Phone 337-896-6323

Mon – Thurs 9:00 – 8:00

Friday 9:00 – 6:00

Saturday 10:00 – 5:00

### SOUTH REGIONAL LIBRARY

6101 Johnston St., Lafayette

Phone 337-981-1028

Mon – Thurs 9:00 – 8:00

Friday 9:00 – 6:00

Saturday 9:00 – 5:00

### EAST REGIONAL LIBRARY

215 La Neuville Rd., Youngsville

Phone 337-445-3168

Mon – Thurs 9:00 – 8:00

Friday 9:00 – 6:00

Saturday 10:00 – 5:00

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