



Newsletter

Spring into
a new book!



BookTalk is printed with funds provided by the Friends of the Lafayette Public Library.

Special Events

Lafayette Cooks Together

Ages 18 & up

Join us for an exciting culinary experience as we warmly welcome Brittany Khamille, cookbook author and TikTok sensation, to guide us through an engaging Cajun cooking demonstration. *Seating is limited and first-come, first-served.*



@brittany.khamille

Saturday, March 16

11:00 AM – 12:30 PM

South Regional Library

337-981-1028

"I decided to share my love for cooking online and my family expanded exponentially. I wouldn't change it for the world. We cook, celebrate, and love together.

We use garlic til people start worrying and season with whatever makes our little hearts happy!"



**LAFAYETTE
ART ASSOCIATION
& GALLERY**
PRESENTS

Beauty Scene Through Gene's Eye The Art of Gene Guidry

**Now through
Thursday, March 21
2nd & 3rd Floors
Main Library**



facebook.com/LafayetteArt



Coming soon to LPL!
cloudLibrary by Bibliotheca

For up-to-date information, visit our website
or follow us on Facebook!
facebook.com/LafayettePublicLibrary

Solar Eclipse with the UL Lafayette Science Museum

All Ages

Join us with our friends at the Lafayette Science Museum (433 Jefferson Street) for a special viewing of the solar eclipse this April! The downtown museum is walking distance from the Main Library. The eclipse begins at 10:30 AM, peaks at 12:05 PM, and will finish around 1:40 PM. We hope to see you there! *Eclipse Viewing Glasses will be available at all Regional and Main Libraries beginning Monday, April 1, while supplies last.*

Monday, April 8

Main Library

10:30 AM – 1:30 PM

337-261-5787



2

Movies

Movies at Main

Ages 14 & Up

Join us on Fridays at the Main Library for various themed movies.

Thursdays

5:30 – 7:30 PM

March 14

Batman

1989, PG-13, 126 min

March 28

Batman Returns

1992, PG-13, 126 min

April 4

The 'Burbs

1989, PG, 102 min

April 18

Wayne's World

1992, PG-13, 94 min

May 9

Duel

1971, PG, 90 min

May 23

Race with the Devil

1975, PG, 88 min

Main Library

337-261-5787



Teen Cinema

Ages 12 - 18

Come enjoy a movie and popcorn with your peers.

Wednesday, April 3

2:00 – 4:00 PM

Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Mutant Mayhem

2023, PG, 99 min

North Regional Library

337-896-6323

**Become a
Literary Legend**



**LAFAYETTE PUBLIC LIBRARY
FOUNDATION**

**Lafayette Public
Library Foundation
Annual Spring Luncheon**

Friday, April 19, 2024
Petroleum Club of Lafayette

11:00 AM – 1:30 PM

*To reserve a \$45 ticket or for
more info, call (337) 284-0900.*

Save the Date!

**Friends of the Lafayette
Public Library Book Sale**

Wednesday, March 13 3:00 PM – 7:00 PM
(FRIENDS DAY)

Thursday, March 14 9:00 AM – 8:00 PM

Friday, March 15 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM

Saturday, March 16 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Heymann Convention Center Ballroom

For up-to-date information,
follow the Friends on Facebook!
facebook.com/LafayetteFriends



LafayettePublicLibrary.org



Book Clubs

Fantasy and Sci-Fi Book Club

Mondays, 6:00 – 7:00 PM

March 4 *The Paradox Hotel* by Rob Hart
April 1 *The Hobbit* by J.R.R. Tolkien
May 6 *The 7 1/2 Deaths of Evelyn Hardcastle* by Stuart Turton

Classics Book Club

Thursdays, 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM

March 7 *Uncle Tom's Cabin* by Harriet Beecher Stowe
April 4 *A Room with a View* by E.M. Forster
May 2 *Père Goriot* by Honoré de Balzac

South Regional Library Book Club

Thursdays, 6:00 – 7:00 PM

March 7 *Dreamland* by Sarah Dessen
April 4 *The Henna Artist* by Alka Joshi
May 2 *All We Ever Wanted* by Emily Giffin

History Book Club

Tuesdays, 6:30 – 7:30 PM

March 12 *Who Killed Jane Stanford* by Richard White
April 9 *The Last Slave Ship* by Ben Raines
May 14 *Wolf Hall* by Hilary Mantel

Milton Book Club

Wednesdays, 2:00 – 3:00 PM

March 13 *Molly's Game* by Molly Bloom
April 10 *The Remains of the Day* by Kazuo Ishiguro
May 8 *River Sing Me Home* by Eleanor Shearer

Mystery Book Club

Tuesdays, 6:00 – 7:00 PM

March 19 *Death at the Terminus* by Edward Marston
April 16 *Killing Trail* by Margaret Mizushima
May 21 *Murder in Chianti* by Camilla Trinchieri

Romance Book Club

Thursdays, 6:00 – 7:00 PM

March 21 *One Last Stop* by Casey McQuiston
April 18 *Loathe to Love You* by Ali Hazelwood
May 16 *Get a Life, Chloe Brown* by Talia Hibbert

Beyond Black History Book Club

Tuesdays, 6:00 – 7:00 PM

March 26 *From Here to Equality: Reparations for Black Americans in the Twenty-First Century* by William Darity & Kirsten Mullen
April 30 *Binti* by Nnedi Okorafor
May 28 *Defiant: Growing up in the Jim Crow South* by Wade Hudson

Friends of the Lafayette Public Library Annual Meeting

Monday, March 4th
12:00 PM

South Regional Library
6101 Johnston Street



Visit our website, calendar of events, or Facebook page for Zoom links.



General Audience

Scott Snapshots Challenge

All Ages

Get to know your community in a fun way by taking our challenge – take a snapshot or selfie at five noteworthy points in Scott, just in time for the Boudin Festival! You can pick up a list of suggested points to visit from the West Regional Library, Scott City Hall, or download the list of locations at lafayettepubliclibrary.org.

Send Photos to: wrl@lafayettepubliclibrary.org (due by Friday, March 29)
 Participants will receive a prize and entries will be displayed at West Regional Library.

Cajun Spelling Bee

Ages 12 & up

How Cajun are you? Make your Cadien famile fier and take part in the Cajun-French Spelling Bee! The gagnant will take home a special prize.

Tuesday, March 5

West Regional Library

5:00 – 6:30 PM

337-232-9321

Free Zumba at the Library!

All Ages

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

Tuesdays:

March 5; April 2, 9; May 7, 14, 21, 28

East Regional Library

5:30 – 6:30 PM

337-445-3168

Wednesdays:

March 6, 13, 20, 27; April 3, 10, 17, 24; May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Fridays:

March 1, 15; April 5, 19; May 3, 17, 31

South Regional Library

5:30 – 6:30 PM

4:45 – 5:45 PM

337-981-1028

Thursdays:

March 7, 21; April 11; May 2, 16, 30

Main Library

5:30 – 6:30 PM

337-261-5787

Fridays:

March 8, 22; April 12, 26; May 10, 24

West Regional Library

4:45 – 5:45 PM

337-232-9321

Trivia Time

Ages 14 & up

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:

March 5

April 2

May 7

South Regional Library

All Things Southern

All Things Northern

All Things Eastern

6:00 – 7:00 PM

337-981-1028

Game On!

All Ages

Join us for family-friendly video and board games.

Friday, March 8

South Regional Library

4:00 – 5:00 PM

337-981-1028

Golden Groove Line Dancing

All Ages

Learn line dancing moves to country, R&B, Afro Beats, Hispanic, Zydeco, and Cajun music, then progress to a fun-filled, high-energy calorie burn while grooving to the beat!

Thursdays: March 14, 28; April 11, 25; May 9, 23

West Regional Library

6:00 – 7:30 PM

337-445-3168

K-Pop Kommunity Meet-up

Ages 14 & up

Come hang out as we recommend our favorite groups to each other. We'll do some dancing, crafting, and research along the way!

Thursday, March 14

South Regional Library

5:00 – 6:00 PM

337-981-1028

Chess Club

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

Mondays:

March 18; April 15; May 20

South Regional Library

Ages 7 & up

6:00 – 7:00 PM

337-981-1028

Scribble Day

Get out some energy by joining us in honor of National Scribble Day! Scribble away the time on a shared large piece of paper.

Wednesday, March 27

South Regional Library

East Regional Library

North Regional Library

All Ages

10:00 – 11:00 AM

11:00 AM – 12:00 PM

4:00 – 5:00 PM

En Garde! Fencing at the Library

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

Thursdays:

March 28; April 4; May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

East Regional Library

Ages 8 & up

5:30 – 7:30 PM

337-445-3168

Adult Programs

Genealogy Programs

Join Lafayette Genealogical Society and explore your history!

Genealogy 101

Experts and novices alike can learn about researching family history.

Saturdays: March 2; April 6; May 4

Main Library

Ages 18 & up

9:30 – 10:30 AM

337-261-5787

Genealogy Tuesdays

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

Tuesdays

March – May

Main Library

9:30 – 11:30 AM

337-261-5787

Discover Genealogy

Monthly meetings with a guest speaker.

Thursdays:

March 21; April 18; May 16

South Regional Library

6:00 – 7:30 PM

337-981-1028

Seniors Fit for Life

This moderate exercise and strength training program offers older adults a fun and active way to stay fit. Seated/Chair Exercising is available. *Ages 55 & up only.*

Tuesdays: March 5; April 2, 9; May 7, 14, 21, 28;

Fridays: March 1; April 5; May 3, 10, 17, 31

East Regional Library

Ages 55 & up

11:00 – 12:00 AM

337-445-3168

L'Atelier de la Table Française

The French Table provides a forum to improve your verbal skills in both Louisiana and standard French through casual conversation. *Some knowledge of French is required.*

Saturdays: March 2, 16; April 6, 20; May 4, 18

South Regional Library

Ages 18 & up

9:30 – 11:30 AM

337-981-1028

Board Game Basement

Saunter down to the basement to enjoy board games and make new friends.

Feel free to bring your own games.

Mondays: March – May (except May 27)

Main Library

Ages 13 & up

5:30 – 8:00 PM

337-261-5787

Write With Us

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

Tuesdays: March 5, 19; April 2, 16, 30; May 14, 28

Main Library

Ages 18 & up

6:00 – 7:30 PM

337-261-5787

Life Writing

Join a life writing group led by Earlene Broussard Echeverria. Bring a writing sample to share and discuss the writing process. Take time to write your memories or your plans.

Wednesdays: March 6, 13

South Regional Library

Ages 18 & up

1:00 – 3:00 PM

337-981-1028

Unwind Time

Take a moment to relax and unwind at the library with coffee, colored pencils, puzzles, and other activities.

Fridays: March 1; April 5; May 3

South Regional Library

Tuesdays: March 5; April 2; May 7

West Regional Library

Wednesdays: March 6; April 3; May 1

North Regional Library

Ages 18 & up

10:00 – 11:00 AM

337-981-1028

5:30 – 6:30 PM

337-232-9321

1:00 – 2:00 PM

337-896-6323

Plant Talk: Saving Seeds & Growing from Seed

Join us for an instructional lecture on seed saving (collecting seeds from your garden to be replanted later) and growing from seed. Alison Nelson from the Children's Museum of Acadiana will give the presentation on behalf of *The Seed Library* by Healthy Acadiana and LPL!

Wednesday, March 6

Main Library

Ages 18 & up

6:00 – 7:00 PM

337-261-5787

Mah Jongg at the Library

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

Thursdays: March – May

South Regional Library

Ages 18 & up

1:00 – 4:00 PM

337-981-1028

Dungeons & Dragons

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

Tuesdays: March 12, 26; April 9, 23; May 7, 21

Main Library

Ages 18 & up

5:30 – 7:30 PM

337-261-5787

Junk Journaling

Use our craft supplies or bring your own and indulge your creativity in a freestyle art project. *Registration is required.*

Thursdays: March 14; April 11; May 9

Main Library

Ages 18 & up

1:30 – 3:30 PM

337-261-5787

Fabric Easter Eggs

Create a basket of decorative eggs as a holiday decoration. *Registration is required.*

Monday, March 18

Main Library

Ages 18 & up

1:30 – 3:00 PM

337-261-5787



Needle Arts Club

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: March – May

North Regional Library

Tuesdays: March 19; April 16; May 21

Main Library

Mondays: March 25; April 29; May 20

South Regional Library

Ages 18 & up

10:00 – 11:00 AM

337-896-6323

6:00 – 7:00 PM

337-261-5787

6:00 – 7:00 PM

337-981-1028

Café Bibliothèque

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

Fridays:

March 22

History of Coffee Culture

April 19

Coffee Sustainability

May 17

Flavored Roasts in a French Press

Main Library

Ages 18 & up

4:00 – 5:00 PM

337-261-5787

Painting Projects

Join us for a unique painting project each month. *Registration is required.*

Wednesdays:

March 27

Botanical Scene on Garden Stone

May 1

Floral Image on Canvas

East Regional Library

Ages 18 & up

2:00 – 4:00 PM

337-445-3168

Line Dancing

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: March 28; April 4; May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

East Regional Library

Ages 18 & up

10:30 – 11:30 AM

337-445-3168

Plantapalooza!

Do you love plants and want to expand your collection? Join us for a plant swap at the library! Bring a healthy plant or cutting to trade (no pests/mold/fungus), label each plant with name and care instructions, and share plant care tips at this community meet-up. A limited selection of free plants/cuttings will be available for those without one to trade (first-come, first-served).

Wednesday, April 3

Main Library

Ages 14 & up

5:30 – 7:00 PM

337-261-5787

Adult Makeup Tutorial: Soft Spring Glam

Makeup Artist Logan LaFleur will demonstrate the latest tips and tricks for you to create the hottest beauty trends just in time for spring and wedding season.

Monday, April 8

East Regional Library

Ages 18 & up

2:00 – 3:30 PM

337-445-3168



Beginner's Acrylic Painting

Join us for an easy beginner's acrylic painting class, taught by local artist, Chris Menard, and leave with your own masterpiece! *Registration is required.*

Wednesday, April 10

Main Library

Bridge Over Calm Water

Ages 18 & up

2:00 – 4:00 PM

337-261-5787

Adult Programs

Cajun Country Chronicles

Ages 18 & up

Join William J. Thibodeaux, a native of Rayne, LA, for a discussion of his third non-fiction book: *Cajun Country Chronicles*. This book is a collection of local historical stories. Mr. Thibodeaux is a native of Rayne, LA and is the facilitator of *La Table Cadien de Rayne*.

Saturday, April 13

South Regional Library

1:00 – 2:00 PM

337-981-1028

Painted Dinner Candles

Ages 18 & up

Paint your own decorative candles with a floral design. *Registration is required.*

Monday, April 15

Main Library

1:30 – 3:00 PM

337-261-5787

Pressed Flower Bookmark

Ages 18 & up

Have a flower from your garden or use one provided to create a unique bookmark. *Registration is required.*

Tuesday, April 16

West Regional Library

5:00 – 6:00 PM

337-232-9321

Hand-Sewn Plushie

Ages 18 & up

Learn to sew an adorable stuffed friend by hand. *Registration is required.*

Monday, April 29

Main Library

1:30 – 3:30 PM

337-261-5787

DIY Wax Seal Stamp

Ages 18 & up

Stylize your correspondence by making your own unique wax seal! *Registration is required.*

Wednesday, May 8

West Regional Library

6:00 – 7:00 PM

337-232-9321



NO WASTE
LAFAYETTE'S

FIX IT CAFÉ MAIN LIBRARY CAFÉ

Ages 18 & up

No Waste Lafayette will host a Fix-it Café at the Main Library focusing on bike repair, clothing, textiles, furniture, electronics, and small appliances.

Saturday, May 11

Main Library

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

337-261-5787



ERL True Crime Club

Ages 18 & up

Bring your sleuthing skills to the library, where Michelle N. Jeanis, Ph.D., of UL Lafayette's Criminal Justice Department, will present a case for the group to discuss. Prepare as much or as little as you like beforehand.

Case: The Jennings 8

Wednesday, May 15

East Regional Library

6:00 – 7:30 PM

337-445-3168

Button Flower Bouquets

Ages 18 & up

Create a beautiful bouquet with wire and buttons. *Registration is required.*

Monday, May 20

Main Library

1:30 – 3:00 PM

337-261-5787

Visit our website, calendar of events, or Facebook page for Zoom links.



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

3D Lighthouse Model

Build your own lighthouse model using 3D printed parts!

Distribution begins Tuesday, March 12 at 1:00 PM

Spring Songbird

Create your own paintable decorative bird using wooden parts!

Distribution begins Tuesday, April 9 at 1:00 PM

B-Wing Starfighter Model

Create your own Star Wars B-Wing starfighter model with poseable wings using 3D printed parts!

Distribution begins Tuesday, May 7 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.

Painted Hibiscus Plaque

Come out and paint a tropical hibiscus using a vinyl stencil!

Monday, March 11

Main Library

Ages 13 & up

1:00 – 2:30 PM

337-261-5787

Art Deco Secrets Box

Come out and assemble a miniature lidded box with art deco patterns!

Monday, April 8

Main Library

Ages 13 & up

1:00 – 2:30 PM

337-261-5787

Lightsaber Hilt

Come out and celebrate Revenge of the Sixth by learning how to assemble your own lightsaber hilt!

Monday, May 6

Main Library

Ages 13 & up

1:00 – 2:30 PM

337-261-5787

101 Courses

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

3D Printing 101

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

Monday, March 18

Main Library

Ages 13 & up

1:00 – 2:00 PM

337-261-5787

Laser Cutting 101

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

Monday, April 15

Main Library

Ages 13 & up

1:00 – 2:00 PM

337-261-5787

Vinyl Cutting 101

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

Monday, May 13

Main Library

1:00 – 2:00 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
West Regional Library

3:00 – 5:30 PM
337-232-9321

Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays
Saturdays: March 23, April 20, May 18
Main Library

1:00 – 7:30 PM
9:00 AM – 4:30 PM
337-261-5787

Computer Classes

Ages 18 & up

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

Main Library

337-261-5787

Google Account	March 4	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Selling Items Online	March 6	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Google Docs	March 11	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Digital Payment Methods	March 13	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Google Drive	March 18	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Digital Photo Organization	March 20	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Google Sheets	March 25	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Artificial Intelligence	March 27	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Smartphones	April 8	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Basic Internet	April 15	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Basic Computing	April 22	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Streaming Services	April 29	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Intro to Microsoft Word	May 6	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Microsoft Word: Text Editing	May 13	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Microsoft Word: Graphics	May 20	6:00 – 7:00 PM

South Regional Library

337-981-1028

Google Drive	March 5	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Google Sheets	March 12	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Google Docs	March 19	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Google Account	March 26	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Basic Computing	April 9	6:00 – 7:00 PM
iPad Basics	April 16	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Basic Email	April 23	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Selling Items Online	April 30	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Intro to Microsoft Excel	May 7	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Intro to Microsoft PowerPoint	May 14	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Intro to Microsoft Word	May 21	6:00 – 7:00 PM

East Regional Library

337-445-3168

Streaming Services	April 10	4:00 – 5:00 PM
Smartphones	April 17	4:00 – 5:00 PM
iPad Basics	May 1	4:00 – 5:00 PM
Basic Computing	May 8	4:00 – 5:00 PM
Intro to Microsoft Word	May 15	4:00 – 5:00 PM
Microsoft Word: Text Editing	May 22	4:00 – 5:00 PM

North Regional Library

337-896-6323

Intro to Computers for Absolute Beginners	March 7	1:00 – 2:30 PM
Intro to Computers for Absolute Beginners	April 4	1:00 – 2:30 PM
Intro to Computers for Absolute Beginners	May 2	1:00 – 2:30 PM

West Regional Library

337-232-9321

Intro to Computers for Absolute Beginners	March 12	5:00 – 6:30 PM
Intro to Computers for Absolute Beginners	April 9	5:00 – 6:30 PM
Intro to Computers for Absolute Beginners	May 14	5:00 – 6:30 PM

For up-to-date program information,
visit LafayettePublicLibrary.org.

Artlab

Create art projects under a monthly theme, using our supplies.

Fridays: March 1, April 5, May 3

West Regional Library

Ages 12–18

3:00 – 5:00 PM

337-232-9321

Drop-In Gaming

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

Fridays: March – May (except March 29 and April 26)

Main Library

Mondays: March – May (except May 27)

North Regional Library

Wednesdays: March – May

West Regional Library

Wednesdays: March 6, April 3, May 1

East Regional Library

Ages 12–18

3:30 – 5:00 PM

337-261-5778

3:00 – 4:30 PM

337-896-6323

4:30 – 7:30 PM

337-232-9321

4:00 – 5:00 PM

337-445-3168

Black Light Painting

Create an abstract work of art using fluorescent acrylic paint that glows under black light. *Registration is required.*

Monday, March 4

East Regional Library

Ages 13–18

6:00 – 7:00 PM

337-445-3168

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: March - May (except April 4 and May 27)

Main Library

Ages 12–18

6:00 – 7:00 PM

337-261-5778

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.

March 5

April 9

May 7

The Running Dream by Wendelin Van Draanen

Rez Ball by Byron Graves

Nation by Terry Pratchett

Ages 12 & up

AniManga Club

Watch anime clips, discuss manga favorites, and more!

Wednesdays: March 6, 20; April 3, 17; May 1, 15, 29

South Regional Library

Ages 12–18

5:30 – 7:00 PM

337-981-1028

Freestyle Art

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

Thursdays: March 7, 28; April 11, 25; May 2

North Regional Library

Saturday, March 9

Main Library

Ages 12–18

3:00 – 4:00 PM

337-896-6323

2:00 – 3:00 PM

337-261-5778

Teen Dungeons & Dragons

Join us for snacks and a game of Dungeons & Dragons (5th Edition). Bring your own level three character, or use one of our pre-built sheets. *Registration is required.*

Thursdays: March 7; April 4; May 2

Main Library

Ages 14–18

4:00 – 6:00 PM

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.*

Spring's Theme: **Sporty Spring!**

Distribution begins Monday, March 11

Ages 12–18

Teen Programs

Cuttin' Up

Learn how to layer collages effectively and make priceless works of art by transforming books, newspapers, magazines, and more. *Registration is required.*

Monday, March 11

West Regional Library

Ages 12–18

4:00 – 5:30 PM

337-232-9321

Risk and Reward Trivia

Compete in this Jeopardy-style Trivia match, in which contestants wager their points based on their confidence in category/difficulty to win prizes.

Registration is required.

Monday, March 18

West Regional Library

Ages 12–18

5:00 – 6:00 PM

337-232-9321

Beyond Bullet Journaling

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

Mondays: March 18; April 22; May 20

East Regional Library

Ages 12–18

6:00 – 7:00 PM

337-445-3168

Snack Attack

Learn to create some easy recipes to impress your friends and family! *Registration is required.*

Tuesday, March 19

South Regional Library

Tuesdays: March 26, April 16, May 21

North Regional Library

Wednesday, April 10

Main Library

5:00 – 6:00 PM

337-981-1028

3:15 – 4:15 PM

337-896-6323

4:00 – 5:00 PM

337-261-5778

Painting Birdhouses

Celebrate Spring! We'll provide birdhouses to paint, personalize, and take home with you. *Registration is required.*

Wednesday, March 20

Main Library

Friday, April 19

West Regional Library

Ages 12–18

4:00 – 5:00 PM

337-261-5778

4:00 – 5:00 PM

337-232-9321

Teen LEGO Lab

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

Wednesdays: March 20, April 17, May 15

North Regional Library

Ages 12–18

3:15 – 4:15 PM

337-896-6323

Teen Makeup Tutorial: Soft Spring Glam

Makeup Artist Logan LaFleur will demonstrate the latest tips and tricks for you to create the hottest beauty trends for spring and prom season.

Tuesday, March 26

East Regional Library

Ages 13–18

2:00 – 3:30 PM

337-445-3168

National Scribble Day (Teens!)

Celebrate National Scribble Day with us as we create art out of our scribbles!

Wednesday, March 27

South Regional Library

Ages 12–18

5:00 – 6:00 PM

337-981-1028

Teen Programs



Return to Kindergarten

Ages 12–18

Finger painting and juice boxes, macaroni art and play-doh, all of the things you loved back in the simpler days.

Wednesday, March 27

Main Library

Monday, April 8

East Regional Library

4:00 – 5:00 PM

337-261-5778

6:00 – 7:00 PM

337-445-3168

Totes Bag Art

Ages 12–18

We're tote-ally gonna have a great time painting tote bags! *Registration is required.*

Wednesday, April 10

South Regional Library

5:00 – 6:00 PM

337-981-1028

Movie Critic

Ages 12–18

Join us for a poorly-rated movie so we can critique it in real time. Talking is encouraged during this screening of *Super Mario Bros* (1993).

Saturday, April 13

Main Library

2:00 – 4:00 PM

337-261-5778

Frame By Frame

Ages 12–18

Stop motion animation session, focused on obtaining fluid character movements. *Registration is required.*

Monday, April 15

West Regional Library

4:00 – 5:30 PM

337-232-9321

After Hours Nerf War

Ages 12–18

Join us, if you dare, as we battle it out in the library after it closes. Bring your un-modified nerf gun (or borrow one of ours). We'll supply the Nerf bullets! *Registration is required.*

Friday, April 19

South Regional Library

5:30 – 7:00 PM

337-981-1028

Tournament Time

Ages 12–18

Do you think you're the best? Come test yourself against other teens while we play *Just Dance*! We'll also have an elimination bracket. *No outside controllers. Registration is required.*

Saturday, April 20

South Regional Library

1:00 – 2:30 PM

337-981-1028

Teen Table Read

Ages 12–18

Practice your voice acting skills as we do a table read for *Spiderman: Into The Spider-Verse* (2018). *Registration is required.*

Tuesday, April 23

Main Library

5:30 – 7:30 PM

337-261-5778

Dog Day Afternoon

Ages 12–18

Feeling stressed out? Join us at the library and let the dogs from Acadiana Animal Aid wag, lick, and cuddle that stress away.

Wednesday, April 24

North Regional Library

3:30 – 4:30 PM

337-896-6323

Teen Diamond Painting

Ages 12–18

Create your own unique sparkly diamond painting! Based on the same concept as mosaics and paint-by-numbers. *Registration is required.*

Tuesday, April 30

South Regional Library

5:00 – 6:00 PM

337-981-1028

Tote-ally Mother's Day Art

Ages 12–18

Design and paint a beautiful Mother's Day tote bag fit for a queen. *Registration is required.*

Monday, May 6

West Regional Library

4:00 – 5:30 PM

337-232-9321

Freestyle Photo Frames

Ages 12–18

Decorate a personalized photo frame that makes the perfect unique gift for Mom, friends, or yourself! *Registration is required.*

Monday, May 6

East Regional Library

6:00 – 7:00 PM

337-445-3168

Giant Scrabble

Ages 12–18

Play Scrabble on a giant board, with giant tiles from a giant sack.

Registration is required.

Monday, May 13

West Regional Library

4:00 – 5:30 PM

337-232-9321

Vinyl Record Art

Ages 12–18

We're painting vinyl records! Customize it to fit the vibe of your room! *Registration is required.*

Thursday, May 23

South Regional Library

5:00 – 6:00 PM

337-981-1028

Children's & Family Programs

Small Folks Studio

Ages 18–36 Months

Toddlers will create and explore using various art mediums. Dress for a mess. *Registration is required.*

Friday, March 1

South Regional Library

10:00 – 10:45 AM

337-981-1028

Friday, March 15

Main Library

10:00 – 10:45 AM

337-261-5779

Thursday, March 21

North Regional Library

10:30 – 11:15 AM

337-896-6323

Wednesday, April 3

East Regional Library

10:00 – 10:45 AM

337-445-3168

Hurray for Pre-K!

Ages 3–5

Prepare your child for preschool. We'll read a story, practice motor skills, and learn about colors, numbers, and letters. *Registration is required.*

Friday, March 1

Main Library

10:00 – 11:00 AM

337-261-5779

Friday, April 12

South Regional Library

10:00 – 11:00 AM

337-981-1028

After School Special

Ages 5–12

Join us for an afternoon of fun, with a different surprise activity each week.

Mondays: March – May (except May 27)

Chenier Branch

4:00 – 5:00 PM

337-291-2941

Wednesdays: March 6, 20; April 3, 17; May 1, 15

Duson Branch

3:30 – 4:30 PM

337-873-3521

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.*

Saturdays: March 2; April 6

Main Library

Wednesdays: March 6; May 1

North Regional Library

Monday, April 1

South Regional Library

Friday, May 3

East Regional Library

Thursday, May 30

West Regional Library

2:00 – 3:00 PM

337-261-5779

4:00 – 5:00 PM

337-896-6323

11:00 AM – 12:00 PM

337-981-1028

3:30 – 4:15 PM

337-445-3168

2:00 – 3:00 PM

337-232-9321

Read with Rio

Ages 5–12

Kids are invited to read a story with Rio, a trained Labrador Retriever, and learn how service animals help people. *Registration is required.*

Mondays: March 4; May 6

West Regional Library

4:00 – 5:00 PM

337-232-9321

Book Buddy Grab & Go

Ages 3–8

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

Tuesdays: March – May

West Regional Library

337-232-9321

Wednesdays: March – May

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.*

Wednesday, March 6

East Regional Library

10:00 – 10:45 AM

337-445-3168

Fridays: March 8; April 12

Main Library

10:30 – 11:15 AM

337-261-5779

Thursday, April 11

North Regional Library

10:30 – 11:15 AM

337-896-6323

Create with Clay

Ages 5–12

Kids will use clay to mold unique creations. *Registration is required.*

Wednesday, March 6

South Regional Library

4:30 – 5:30 PM

337-981-1028

Tuesday, April 23

North Regional Library

4:00 – 5:00 PM

337-896-6323

Playdough Playtime

Ages 3–5

Have fun with playdough using our tools. *Registration is required.*

Thursdays: March 7; May 2

North Regional Library

10:30 – 11:15 AM

337-896-6323

Monday, April 15

Main Library

10:00 – 10:45 AM

337-261-5779

Wednesday, May 15

East Regional Library

10:00 – 10:45 AM

337-445-3168

Passport to Greece

Ages 6–12

Learn about Greek culture, make a craft, and taste some Greek treats! *Registration is required.*

Thursday, March 7

West Regional Library

4:30 – 5:30 PM

337-232-9321



Children's & Family Programs

Messy Munchkins

Ages Birth – 36 months

Babies and toddlers will squish and smush their way to a good time with this multi-sensory playtime. Be sure to dress for a mess. *Registration is required.*

Monday, March 11

East Regional Library

10:00 – 10:45 AM

337-445-3168

LEGO Club

Ages 5–12

Build unique LEGO creations based on a given theme.

Wednesdays: March 13; April 10; May 8

North Regional Library

4:00 – 5:00 PM

337-896-6323

Thursdays: March 14; April 11; May 9

Milton Branch

4:00 – 5:00 PM

337-856-5261

Fridays: March 15; April 5; May 3

West Regional Library

4:00 – 5:00 PM

337-232-9321

Saturdays: March 23; April 20; May 18

Main Library

10:00 – 11:00 AM

337-261-5779

Tuesday, March 26

Saturday, April 20; Friday, May 24

East Regional Library

12:00 – 1:00 PM

11:00 AM – 12:00 PM

337-445-3168

Tuesday, March 26

Friday, April 26

Friday, May 24

South Regional Library

2:00 – 3:00 PM

4:00 – 5:00 PM

2:00 – 3:00 PM

337-981-1028

St. Pat's Day Jamboree

Ages 3–12

Learn about St Patrick's Day and enjoy reading stories, making a craft, and eating some green food!

Wednesday, March 13

Main Library

4:00 – 5:00 PM

337-261-5779

Pot of Gold Bingo

Ages 5–12

Wear green and earn gold chocolate coins and goodies in a game of bingo. *Registration is required.*

Thursday, March 14

West Regional Library

4:30 – 5:30 PM

337-232-9321

Crafternoon

Ages 5–12

Get crafty at our freestyle crafting program, with all supplies provided.

Thursdays: March 14; April 18; May 16

North Regional Library

4:00 – 5:00 PM

337-896-6323

Friday, May 24

East Regional Library

2:00 – 3:00 PM

337-445-3168

Kids Workshop

Ages 5–12

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

Thursdays: March 14; April 11

Main Library

10:00 – 11:00 AM

337-261-5779

Tape Town

Ages 3–5

Zoom down the streets of our pretend town while making stops at the zoo, grocery store, and more!

Friday, March 15

South Regional Library

10:30 – 11:30 AM

337-981-1028

Friday, March 22

Milton Library

10:30 – 11:30 AM

337-856-5261

Children's & Family Programs

Spring Windsock

Ages 5–12

Make a windsock to hang outdoors on a windy day. *Registration is required.*

Tuesday, March 19
North Regional Library

4:00 – 5:00 PM
337-896-6323

Little Scientists

Ages 3–5

Explore the wonders of science with a themed story and activity. Dress for a mess. *Registration is required.*

Thursday, March 21
Main Library

10:00 – 10:45 AM
337-261-5779

Friday, April 5
South Regional Library

10:00 – 10:45 AM
337-981-1028

Egg Adventure

Ages 2–5

Join us for a spring-themed story and egg hunt, then make a craft and play with bubbles. *Registration is required.*

Friday, March 22
West Regional Library

10:00 – 10:45 AM
337-232-9321

Pete the Cat Bonanza

Ages 2–6

Join us for a fun musical Pete the Cat Storytime, where we will get groovy and make a radical craft! It's all good!

Friday, March 22
Main Library

10:00 – 11:00 AM
337-261-5779

Easter Shake Up

Ages 5–12

Join us for Easter-themed crafts and activities. *Registration is required.*

Monday, March 25
Session 1
Session 2
East Regional Library

2:00 – 2:45 PM
3:00 – 3:45 PM
337-445-3168

Mario Mania

Ages 5–12

Level up and enjoy some Super Mario activities. *Registration is required.*

Monday, March 25
South Regional Library

2:00 – 3:00 PM
337-981-1028

Easter Egg Painting & Sensory Bins

Ages 18–36 months

Toddlers can paint paper Easter eggs with holiday-inspired items and explore colorful fizzing sensory bins. Dress for a mess. *Registration is required.*

Monday, March 25
East Regional Library

10:00 – 11:00 AM
337-445-3168

Wednesday, March 27
Main Library

10:00 – 11:00 AM
337-261-5779



Meet a Meteorologist

Ages 5–12

Learn about weather events with meteorologist Michael Crowley, then try presenting the weather in front of a green screen! *Registration is required.*

Wednesday, March 27
West Regional Library

4:30 – 5:30 PM
337-232-9321

Elephant and Piggie Palooza

Ages 3–8

Celebrate Mo Willems and our favorite elephant and pig, Gerald and Piggie! We'll play games, hear stories, have snacks, and more! *Registration is required.*

Thursday, March 28
South Regional Library

10:00 – 11:00 AM
337-981-1028



Ollie Robot Lab

Ages 8–12

Navigate obstacle courses, execute tricks, and take on other fun challenges with Ollie, the racing robot. *Registration is required.*

Thursday, March 28
Main Library

4:00 – 5:00 PM
337-261-5779

Lazers & Feelings

Ages 8–12

Join us for a game of Lazers & Feelings. Make your own character in program or use one of the pre-made options. *Registration is required.*

Monday, April 1
East Regional Library

2:00 – 4:00 PM
337-445-3168

Creative Builders

Ages 5–12

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

Tuesdays: April 2; May 14
North Regional Library

1:00 – 2:00 PM
337-896-6323

Springtime Tea Party

Ages 3–6

Celebrate Spring with a tea party featuring treats, stories, and a craft. *Registration is required.*

Friday, April 5
Main Library

10:00 – 11:00 AM
337-261-5779

Monday, April 22
East Regional Library

10:30 – 11:15 AM
337-445-3168

Busy Bees

Ages 5–12

Learn about bees and the science of beekeeping. *Registration is required.*

Wednesday, April 10
West Regional Library

4:30 – 5:30 PM
337-232-9321

Let's Make Music!

Ages 3–5

Join us for a musical story, then create a musical instrument using craft supplies. *Registration is required.*

Friday, April 12
West Regional Library

10:00 – 11:00 AM
337-232-9321

Paperbag Monsters

Ages 3–16

Children will get creative and make their very own paperbag puppet monster. *Registration is required.*

Friday, April 12
East Regional Library

10:00 – 10:45 AM
337-445-3168

Yarn Bugs

Ages 5–12

Make a cute crawly friend for springtime. *Registration is required.*

Wednesday, April 17
South Regional Library

4:00 – 5:00 PM
337-981-1028

Tuesday, April 30
North Regional Library

4:00 – 5:00 PM
337-896-6323

Make & Munch

Ages 7–12

Learn how to make no-bake Graham Cracker goodies. *Registration is required.*

Wednesday, April 17
Main Library

4:00 – 5:00 PM
337-261-5779

Bouncing Buddies

Ages 18–36 months

Engage your child's gross motor skills with ball games and social play.

Friday, April 19

West Regional Library

10:00 – 10:45 AM

337-232-9321

Paper Cacti

Ages 7–12

Make a cute cactus out of paper for a low-maintenance and less prickly decoration! *Registration is required.*

Wednesday, April 24

South Regional Library

4:00 – 5:00 PM

337-981-1028

Hot Wheels Speedway

Ages 5–12

Use math and science to construct tracks and loops for the ultimate Hot Wheels race car experience. *Registration is required.*

Wednesday, April 24

Main Library

3:30 – 4:30 PM

337-261-5779

My Superhero Mom

Ages 5–12

Create a superhero gift using candy and craft supplies for Mother's Day. *Registration is required.*

Thursday, April 25

West Regional Library

4:30 – 5:30 PM

337-232-9321

Parachute Play

Ages 18–36 months

Join us for magical morning of songs and games around our colorful parachute. *Registration is required.*

Monday, April 29

South Regional Library

10:00 – 10:30 AM

337-981-1028

May Flowers

Ages 5–12

Brighten up someone's day with colorful homemade flowers. *Registration is required.*

Wednesday, May 1

South Regional Library

4:30 – 5:30 PM

337-981-1028

Thursday, May 9

North Regional Library

4:00 – 5:00 PM

337-896-6323

Star Wars Bingo

Ages 4 & up

May the Fourth be with you as you play Star Wars Bingo with us!

Saturday, May 4

East Regional Library

11:00 AM – 12:00 PM

337-445-3168

May the Fourth Be With You

Ages 5–14

Build a lightsaber, play some cool outer space games, and take pictures with local cosplayers dressed as your favorite Star Wars characters! Star Wars costumes are encouraged.

Saturday, May 4

Main Library



2:00 – 3:30 PM

337-261-5779

Mommy and Me Tea

Ages 2–6

Join us for treats and a craft to celebrate Mom. *Registration is required.*

Saturday, May 11

West Regional Library

10:30 – 11:30 AM

337-232-9321

Seeds for Good Eats

Ages 7–12

Where does our food come from? Learn about growing fruits and vegetables at this fun, hands-on workshop presented by LSU AgCenter. *Registration is required.*

Wednesday, May 15

West Regional Library

4:30 – 5:30 PM

337-232-9321

Storytimes: March–May

Main Library

Baby Time

Tuesdays: March 5, 12, 19; April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

9:30 AM

Toddler Time

Tuesdays: March 5, 12, 19; April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

10:30 AM

Pajama Time

Tuesdays: March 5, 12, 19; April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

6:00 PM

Story Castle

Wednesdays: March 6, 13, 20; April 3, 10, 17, 24; May 1

10:00 AM

Stay & Play

Tuesday: March 26

9:30 AM

Bibliobop

Friday: April 26

10:00 AM

South Regional Library

Baby Time

Tuesdays: March 5, 12, 19; April 2, 9, 16, 23

9:30 AM

Toddler Time

Wednesdays: March 6, 13, 20; April 3, 10, 17, 24

10:00 AM

Bibliobop

Thursdays: March 7, 14, 21; April 4, 11, 18, 25

10:00 AM

Stay & Play

Tuesday, March 26

10:00 AM

Wednesdays: May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

10:00 AM

North Regional Library

Family Storytime

Wednesdays: March 6, 13, 20, 27; April 3, 10, 17, 24

10:30 AM

Stay & Play

Wednesdays: May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

10:30 AM

East Regional Library

Storytime Jr.

Tuesdays: March 5, 12, 19; April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

9:30 AM

Storytime

Tuesdays: March 5, 12, 19; April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

10:30 AM

Thursdays: March 7, 14, 21; April 4, 11, 18, 25

3:30 PM

Stay & Play

Tuesdays: March 26; May 7, 14, 21, 28

9:30 AM

West Regional Library

Storytime Jr.

Tuesdays: March 5, 12, 19, 26; April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; May 7, 14, 28

9:30 AM

Storytime

Tuesdays: March 5, 12, 19, 26; April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; May 7, 14, 28

10:30 AM

Stay & Play

Tuesday: May 21

9:30 AM

Milton Branch

Storytime

Thursdays: March 7, 14, 21; April 4, 11, 18, 25

10:15 AM

Registration opens two weeks before the date of the program.

Friends of the Lafayette Public Library
P. O. Box 61825
Lafayette, LA 70596

Non-Profit
U. S. Postage
PAID
Lafayette, LA
Permit No. 590

Library Closures

March 29 (All Locations Closed)

Good Friday

March 30 (All Locations Closed)

Holy Saturday

May 27 (All Locations Closed)

Memorial Day

*Visit our website to view a full list
of the 2024 holiday hours.*

Current Resident or

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 4:00 – 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, Carencro

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



LafayettePublicLibrary.org

