



BOOKTALK

Newsletter

LafayettePublicLibrary.org

Upcoming Closures

Saturday, February 19 (parade)
Main and North Regional Libraries closed

Sunday, February 20 (parade)
West Regional Library closed

Saturday, February 26 (parade)
Main Library closed

Monday, February 28 (parade)
Main Library closes at 5:00 PM

Tuesday, March 1 (Mardi Gras)
All libraries closed.

Friday, April 15 (Good Friday)
All libraries closed.

Wednesday, April 27 (Festival Int'l.)
Main Library closes at 5 PM.

Thursday, April 28 (Festival Int'l.)
Main Library closes at 4 PM.

Friday, April 29 (Festival Int'l.)
Main Library closes at 4 PM.

Saturday, April 30 (Festival Int'l.)
Main Library closed.

Monday, May 30 (Memorial Day)
All libraries closed.

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Lafayette Reads Together presents: *Clues to the Universe*

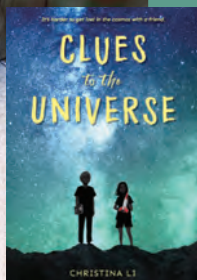


An Evening with Christina Li

Join us for an evening with Lafayette Reads Together author, Christina Li. She will be discussing her book *Clues to the Universe*, the 2022 LRT selection.

Monday, March 7
Main Library

6:30 – 7:30 PM
261-5787



Christina Li is a student studying economics at Stanford University. When she is not puzzling over her stats problem set, she is daydreaming about characters and drinking too much jasmine green tea. She grew up in the Midwest but now calls California home. Find her online at christinaliwrites.com. *Clues to the Universe* is her debut novel.



About the Book

On the surface, Rosalind Ling Geraghty and Benjamin Burns are completely different. Aspiring rocket scientist Ro normally has a plan for everything. Yet she's reeling from her dad's unexpected death, and all she has left of him is a half-built model rocket and a crater-sized grief that she doesn't know how to cope with. Artist Benji loves superheroes and comic books. In fact, he's convinced his long-lost dad, who walked out on his family years ago, created his favorite comic book series, Spacebound—but has no way to reach him.

Ro and Benji were only supposed to be science class partners. But when a mix-up turns the unlikely pair into friends, Benji helps Ro build her rocket, and Ro helps Benji search through his comics—and across the country—to find out where his dad truly could be.

As the two face bullying, loss, and their own differences, Benji and Ro try to piece together clues to some of the biggest questions in the universe.

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About Lafayette Reads Together

Lafayette Reads Together (LRT) began eight years ago when the Lafayette Public Library was approached by a Lafayette Parish School System librarian who was interested in partnering for a community read. The library had previously participated in the National Endowment for the Arts' Big Read, but this would be the first community-wide partnership involving several organizations throughout Lafayette Parish.

Our goal is to get the whole community reading, discussing, and exploring the same book. Thanks to the Lafayette Public Library Foundation, free copies of the chosen book are distributed to all interested patrons, allowing everyone, regardless of socioeconomic status, educational background, race, and age, a chance to participate in the community read. Lafayette Reads Together has become an annual event with book discussions and LRT-related programs scheduled from January through March each year.

LRT Programs & Activities



Create-A-Comic

All Ages

Want to be an author? Stop by any Lafayette Public Library location to pick up a template and create your very own one-page comic book story!

Now through Saturday, March 12

Rocket Kits

Ages 8–12

Join us at the library to make model rockets with the help of **Big Boy Toys!** Choose to launch your creation at the library or take your rocket home for a personal launch. *Registration is required.*

Thursday, March 3
East Regional Library

4:30 – 5:30 PM
445-3168

Thursday, March 10
West Regional Library

4:30 – 5:30 PM
232-9321

Chinese Brush Writing

Ages 12 & up

Learn a little about Chinese brush writing from an **LPSS** Mandarin immersion teacher and try your hand at it! *Registration is required.*

Thursday, March 10
Main Library

5:00 – 6:00 PM
261-5778

Helping Children Grieve

Ages 18 & up

Brad Gros from **Healing House** will talk about grief and the best way for adults to approach grieving children.

Tuesday, March 15
Main Library

6:00 – 7:00 PM
261-5787

Wonder Women

Ages 12 & up

Informal overview and discussion of female superheroes in comic books.

Tuesday, March 22
South Regional Library

6:30 – 7:30 PM
981-1028

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

Registration opens two weeks before the date of the program.

General Audience

Discover the Didgeridoo

All Ages

Join didgeridoo enthusiast and crafter/instructor Raymond Howard for a fun, informative presentation about how authentic and modern didgeridoos are made and played.

Saturday, March 5
West Regional Library

3:00 – 4:00 PM
232-9321

Free Zumba at the Library!

All Ages

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

Wednesdays: March–May (except March 2)
South Regional Library

5:30 – 6:30 PM
981-1028

Thursdays: March–May (except March 3)
North Regional Library

5:30 – 6:30 PM
896-6323

Fridays: March 11, 25; April 8, 22; May 6, 20
West Regional Library

4:45 – 5:45 PM
232-9321

Tuesdays: March 15, 29; April 12; May 10, 24
East Regional Library

5:30 – 6:30 PM
445-3168

Chess Club

Ages 7 & up

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

Wednesdays: March 16; May 4
North Regional Library

6:00 – 7:00 PM
896-6323

Tuesday, April 12
South Regional Library

6:00 – 7:00 PM
981-1028

Wednesday, May 25
East Regional Library

6:00 – 7:00 PM
445-3168

Salty Snacks Supremacy

All Ages

Visit the Main Library, any Regional Library, or our website to vote on which salty snack is the best! The winner will be announced on Friday, May 27th.

Friday, April 29–Thursday, May 26
Visit LafayettePublicLibrary.org to vote.

Weekly Brackets

Star Wars Day

Ages 12 & up

Stop by the library to test your knowledge with a few Star Wars trivia questions and enter your answers for a prize drawing!

Sunday, May 1 – Wednesday, May 4
South Regional Library

981-1028



Writes of Spring Writing Contest

Grades K–12

Students in grades K–12 can submit original pieces of short fiction, personal narrative, or poetry in English, French, Spanish, or Mandarin. Students in grades 7–12 must submit entries via the online form at tinyurl.com/writes2022.

All entries due Friday, March 18, 2022.

First, second, and third place winners will be notified in late April before the awards ceremonies. Call (337) 261-5779 for more information.

Book Clubs

East Regional Library Book Club

Ages 18 & up
East Regional Library

Thursdays, 6:00 – 7:00 PM

March 3 *Just One Look* by Lindsay Cameron
April 7 *Once There Were Wolves* by Charlotte McConaghy
May 5 *Something She's Not Telling Us* by Darcey Bell

Milton Book Club

Ages 18 & up
Milton Branch

Wednesdays, 2:00 – 3:00 PM

March 9 *The Midnight Library* by Matt Haig
April 13 *The Last Thing He Told Me* by Laura Dave
May 11 *The Thursday Murder Club* by Richard Osman

Classics Book Club zoom

Ages 14 & up

Thursdays, 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM

South Regional Library & Zoom

March 10 *Don Quixote, Part 1* by Miguel de Cervantes
April 7 *Don Quixote, Part 2* by Miguel de Cervantes
May 5 *The Remains of the Day* by Kazuo Ishiguro

History Book Club zoom

Ages 14 & up

Tuesdays, 6:30 – 7:30 PM

South Regional Library & Zoom

March 15 *The Myth of Seneca Falls* by Lisa Tetrault
April 12 *American Sherlock* by Kate Winkler Dawson
May 10 *The Medici* by Paul Strathern

Mystery Book Club

Ages 18 & up
West Regional Library

Tuesdays, 6:30 – 7:30 PM

March 15 *Cover Her Face* by P.D. James
April 19 *The Anatomist's Wife* by Anna Lee Huber
May 17 *The Stranger Diaries* by Elly Griffiths

North Regional Library Book Club

Ages 18 & up
North Regional Library

Wednesdays, 1:30 – 2:30 PM

March 16 *A Million Reasons Why* by Jessica Strawser
April 20 *Walk in My Combat Boots* by J. Patterson, M. Eversmann, C. Mooney
May 18 *Dovetail* by Karen McQuestion

Beyond Black History Month Book Club zoom

Ages 14 & up

Tuesdays, 6:00 – 7:00 PM

Zoom

March 29 *Yellow Wife* by Sadeqa Johnson
April 26 *Begin Again* by Eddie S. Glaude Jr.
May 31 *All About Love* by bell hooks

An Afternoon with Author Sarah Guillory

Sarah Guillory is a Louisiana author, avid reader, and English teacher at a public high school. She loves teaching and seeing students fall in love with the written word as much as she likes writing. Outside of work, she spends time with her husband and her dogs. She runs marathons and loves football, rain, and books. She's really addicted to books.

Sarah Guillory is the author of *Reclaimed*, and her new middle-grade novel, *Nowhere Better Than Here*, will be out in September.

Saturday, May 7
Main Library

1:45 – 2:45 PM
261-5778



Adult Programs

Life Writing

Join a life writing group led by Earlene Broussard Echeverria. Bring a writing sample to share and discuss the writing process.

Wednesdays: March–May
South Regional Library

Ages 18 & up
10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
981-1028

Coloring for Adults

Your creativity will be your utensil while we provide prints and colored pencils.

Wednesdays: March 2; April 6; May 4
North Regional Library
Mondays: March 28; April 25; May 23
Main Library

Ages 18 & up
1:30 – 2:30 PM
896-6323
1:30 – 2:30 PM
261-5787

SRL Walking Club

Join us at South Regional Library each Thursday evening for a 2.2 mile walk. *Weather permitting. Meet near the library's entrance.*

Thursdays: March–May
South Regional Library

Ages 18 & up
5:15 – 6:00 PM
981-1028

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. *Adults only; some knowledge of French is required.*

Saturdays:
March 5, 19; April 2, 16; May 7, 21
South Regional Library

Ages 18 & up
9:30 – 11:30 AM
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 30)
Main Library
Tuesdays: April 19; May 17
South Regional Library

Ages 14 & up
5:30 – 8:00 PM
261-5787
5:30 – 7:30 PM
981-1028

Fabricadabra!



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

Mini Rag Rug (video only): This video will teach you how to make a miniature rug from scrap fabric twine!

Video will air Tuesday, March 8

Cutesy Kitchen Towel (Grab & Go Craft): Stop by the library for a kit of supplies, then watch the instructional video to practice beginner sewing skills by adding fabric and a button to a hand towel to hang on your oven.

Distribution begins Tuesday, April 19 (Main Library Only)

Kimono Slippers (video only): This video will teach you how to make a pair of kimono-esque fabric slippers to give as a gift or keep for yourself!

Video will air Tuesday, May 17

Ages 14 & up

Dungeons & Dragons One-Shots

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

Tuesdays: March 8, 22; April 5, 19; May 3, 17, 31
East Regional Library

Ages 18 & up
5:30 – 7:30 PM
445-3168

Needle Arts Club

Ages 14 & up

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

Tuesdays: March 8, 22; April 5, 19; May 3, 17, 31
North Regional Library

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
896-6323

Thursdays: March 24; April 28; May 26
South Regional Library

6:00 – 7:00 PM
981-1028

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 8
April 5
May 3

Europe
Art
The 1970s

6:00 – 7:00 PM

South Regional Library

981-1028

Virtual Write With Us

zoom

Ages 18 & up

Get into creative writing with our biweekly virtual workshops offering support and guidance in your writing efforts.

Wednesdays: March 9, 23; April 6, 20; May 4, 18

6:00 – 7:30 PM

Homesteading in Acadiana

zoom

Ages 14 & up

Do you want to be more self-sufficient? Maybe you are interested in homesteading. This series continues with a presentation on raising rabbits by guest Jessica Trepagnier. Please bring questions and helpful tips. *Registration is required. A Zoom link will also be available.*

Thursday, March 10
South Regional Library

6:30 – 7:30 PM
981-1028

Beginner's Acrylic Painting

Ages 18 & up

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

Saturday, March 12
North Regional Library

Fleur-de-lis

10:30 – 11:30 AM
896-6323

Thursday, March 17
East Regional Library

Fleur-de-lis

5:30 – 6:30 PM
445-3168

Saturday, May 14
South Regional Library

Inspirational Phrase

10:30 – 11:30 AM
981-1028

Witness to Change: Conversations on Coastal Impacts

zoom

Ages 14 & up

This reading and discussion series incorporates history, memoir, and fiction as a vehicle to engage members of the public in conversations on the beauty and challenges of coastal communities. This series is available to Louisiana public libraries and community partners through the LEH's Coastal Impacts Initiative funded by BHP. *Registration is not required to attend but is required for a free copy of each book. A Zoom link will also be available.*

Mondays:

6:00 – 7:30 PM

March 14

Jacob Gautreaux discusses *Rising* by Elizabeth Rush

March 21

Dr. Shelley Ingram discusses *The Water Knife* by Paolo Bacigalupi

April 4

Dr. Liz Skilton discusses *Bayou Farewell* by Mike Tidwell

April 18

Dr. Shelley Ingram discusses *Salvage the Bones* by Jesmyn Ward

South Regional Library

981-1028



Introductory Acrylic Painting

Ages 18 & up

Learn the basics of canvas painting with local artist and instructor Gail Trim. Create a springtime-themed masterpiece! *Registration is required.*

Wednesday, March 16 Hummingbird Scene
West Regional Library

1:00 – 3:00 PM
232-9321

Wednesday, March 23 Easter Bonnet Beauty
South Regional Library

1:00 – 3:00 PM
981-1028

Art Journaling Group

Ages 14 & up

Combine literature and art to create amazing journal pages! Each month will be a different theme and page in your journal. *Registration is required.*

Thursdays:
March 17 Butterfly Queen
April 14 Fresh as a Daisy
May 19 Time for Tea
Main Library

2:00 – 4:00 PM

261-5787

Discover Genealogy

Ages 18 & up

Lafayette Genealogical Society hosts monthly meetings with a guest speaker.

Thursdays: March 17; April 21; May 19
South Regional Library

5:00 – 8:00 PM
981-1028

Easter Bunny Treat Box Grab & Go Craft

Ages 18 & up

Hop over to the library and pick up a cotton-tailed bunny treat box kit! Put it together at home and fill it with your honey bunny's favorite candy. *While supplies last*

Distribution begins Monday, March 21

South Regional Library
West Regional Library

981-1028
232-9321

An Hour with Tolkien

Ages 18 & up

On National Tolkien Day, fans are encouraged to celebrate the life and works of J.R.R. Tolkien by reading their favorite passages. Come celebrate at the library!

Friday, March 25
South Regional Library

12:00 – 1:00 PM
981-1028

Button Mosaic

Ages 16 & up

Make mosaic artwork using buttons and sticker vinyl. *Registration is required.*

Tuesday, March 29
East Regional Library

1:30 – 3:00 PM
445-3168

Fantasy Baseball Tips & Tricks zoom

Ages 14 & up

Join Tim McLeod, a member of top industry leagues (Tou Wars, LABR, XFL), for fantasy baseball tips and answers to your most pressing strategic questions. *A Zoom link will also be available.*

Wednesday, March 30
South Regional Library

6:30 – 7:30 PM
981-1028

Poetry Magnet Grab & Go Craft

Ages 12 & up

Celebrate National Poetry Month with this take-home craft.

Distribution begins Sunday, April 3
East Regional Library

445-3168

Resume Workshop

Ages 16 & up

Struggling to put together a resume? Learn how to use Cypress Resume to create the resume you've been dreaming about! *Registration is required.*

Tuesday, April 5
North Regional Library

10:00 – 11:00 AM
896-6323

Adult Programs

Creating a Winning Business Plan

Ages 18 & up

This three-session series walks you through each step of creating a business plan to give you a map towards success for your business. *Presented by the Louisiana Small Business Development Center at UL Lafayette. Call (337) 482-6312 to register.*

Wednesdays: April 6, 13, 20
West Regional Library

5:30 – 7:00 PM
232-9321

Butterfly Pop-Up Card

Ages 14 & up

Create a pop-up greeting card with a monarch butterfly theme. Design this handmade card and share with someone special. *Registration is required.*

Thursday, April 7
Main Library

2:00 – 3:00 PM
261-5787

Uncaged: Nicholas Cage Through the Decades

Ages 14 & up

Celebrate one of Hollywood's most eccentric presences: Nicholas Cage.

Thursdays:

April 7

Moonstruck (1987, PG, 1 hr 42 min)

April 14

City of Angels (1998, PG-13, 1 hr 54 min)

April 21

Knowing (2009, PG-13, 2 hr 1 min)

April 28

Spiderman: Into the Spiderverse (2018, PG, 1 hr 57 min)

South Regional Library

5:30 – 7:30 PM

981-1028

Spring Kitchen Towels

Ages 18 & up

Make an adorable no-sew spring kitchen towel. *Registration is required.*

Thursday, April 14
East Regional Library

6:00 – 7:00 PM
445-3168

Can Your Food Choices Save the Planet?

zoom

Ages 14 & up

Throughout history, civilizations who destroyed their environments have disappeared. Valerie Willis, MS, RDN, LDN, will teach us how we can influence change with the American environment in jeopardy. *Registration is required. A Zoom link will be available.*

Wednesday, April 20
South Regional Library

12:00 – 1:00 PM
981-1028

Louisiana Poet Laureate Visit zoom

Ages 16 & up

Lafayette Public Library is proud to present a lecture and workshop led by LEH Poet Laureate, Mona Lisa Saloy. *Registration is required. A Zoom link will be available.*

Saturday, April 23
South Regional Library

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
981-1028

Big Dipper Felt Bear Embroidery

Ages 16 & up

Make a stuffed bear ornament with an embroidered constellation design. *Registration is required.*

Tuesday, April 26
East Regional Library

1:30 – 3:00 PM
445-3168

About Trees

Ages 18 & up

Heather Warner-Finley of the Bayou Vermilion Preservation Association, Acadiana Native Plant Project, and Lafayette Master Gardener Association will discuss a variety of topics to consider in regard to trees.

Tuesday, April 26
South Regional Library

6:00 – 7:00 PM
981-1028

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



Adult Programs

Veteran Art Therapy

Ages 18 & up

An art therapy session for Veterans presented in part by the VA Hospital of Alexandria. *Registration is required.*

Tuesday, May 3
North Regional Library

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
896-6323

Mandala Dot Art

Ages 18 & up

Paint a mandala design on stemware using simple dotting tools. *Registration is required.*

Thursday, May 5
Main Library

2:00 – 4:00 PM
261-5787

It's in the Air: Problems with Pollen?

zoom

Ages 14 & up

Wave goodbye to your problems with pollen by learning what nutrients and foods help support a balanced immune response to airborne irritants. Taught by Valerie Willis, MS, RDN, LDN. *Registration is required. A Zoom link will be available.*

Thursday, May 5
South Regional Library

6:00 – 7:00 PM
981-1028

Friday Far East Film Festival

Ages 18 & up

Travel has been difficult during the pandemic, but we can still trot across the globe via film. Join us on Fridays in May to experience movies from Asia.

Fridays:
May 6 *Tokyo Godfathers* (2013, PG-13, 92 minutes)
May 13 *Kagemusha* (1980, PG, 2 hr 42 min)
May 20 *Barking Dogs Never Bite* (2000, NR, 1 hr 40 min)
May 27 *Jackie Chan's Project A* (1983, PG-13, 1 hr 45 min)
South Regional Library 981-1028

Hummingbird Charger Plate Craft

Ages 18 & up

Create a cheery, spring-themed craft by painting a hummingbird on a charger plate with local artist Gail Trim. *Registration is required.*

Wednesday, May 11
South Regional Library

1:00 – 3:00 PM
981-1028

Wire & Nail Polish Flowers

Ages 18 & up

Make cute and stylish flowers out of wire and nail polish. *Registration is required.*

Thursday, May 12
East Regional Library

1:30 – 3:00 PM
445-3168

Microwave Mug Cheesy Snacks

Ages 14 & up

Learn to make two kinds of cheesy snacks (macaroni and cheese and bacon cheddar muffin) in the microwave. Bring your own mugs if you plan to take yours to go. *Registration is required.*

Wednesday, May 18
West Regional Library

4:00 – 5:30 PM
232-9321

Make Your Own Lip Balm

Ages 18 & up

Keep your lips soft this spring using beeswax and coconut oil. *Registration is required.*

Thursday, May 19
East Regional Library

6:00 – 7:00 PM
445-3168

Computer Classes

Computer Classes

Ages 18 & up

Lafayette Public Library offers computer classes for our patrons to learn valuable skills to navigate an increasingly digital world. *Registration is required.*

Basic Computing	March 7 & 9	12:30 – 2:30 PM
Introduction to Excel	March 21 & 23	12:30 – 2:30 PM
Introduction to PowerPoint	March 28	12:30 – 2:00 PM
North Regional Library		896-6323

iPad Basics	March 8	4:00 – 5:00 PM
Digital Photo Organization	March 15	4:00 – 5:00 PM
eBooks & eAudiobooks	March 22	4:00 – 5:00 PM
Streaming Video Services	March 29	4:00 – 5:00 PM
Streaming Audio Services	April 5	4:00 – 5:00 PM
Travel Apps	April 19	4:00 – 5:00 PM
Ridesharing Apps	May 3	4:00 – 5:00 PM
Digital Payment Methods	May 10	4:00 – 5:00 PM
Food Delivery Apps	May 17	4:00 – 5:00 PM
Misinformation Online	May 24	4:00 – 5:00 PM
West Regional Library		232-9321

Digital Photo Organization	March 8	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Canva	March 15	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Electronic Resources for Adults	March 22	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Electronic Resources for Kids	March 29	6:00 – 7:00 PM
iPad Basics	April 5	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Smartphones	April 19	6:00 – 7:00 PM
eBooks & eAudiobooks	May 3	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Misinformation Online	May 10	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Streaming Video Services	May 17	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Smartwatches	May 24	6:00 – 7:00 PM
South Regional Library		981-1028

Digital Photo Organization	March 10	4:00 – 5:00 PM
Canva	March 17	4:00 – 5:00 PM
Electronic Resources for Adults	March 24	4:00 – 5:00 PM
iPad Basics	March 31	4:00 – 5:00 PM
Electronic Resources for Kids	April 7	4:00 – 5:00 PM
Smartphones	April 21	4:00 – 5:00 PM
Streaming Video Services	May 5	4:00 – 5:00 PM
Smartwatches	May 12	4:00 – 5:00 PM
Misinformation Online	May 19	4:00 – 5:00 PM
Selling Items Online	May 26	4:00 – 5:00 PM
East Regional Library		445-3168

Basic Computing	April 4 & 6	1:00 – 3:00 PM
Introduction to Word	April 11 & 13	1:00 – 3:00 PM
Introduction to Excel	April 18 & 20	1:00 – 3:00 PM
Integrating Word & Excel	April 25 & 27	1:00 – 2:30 PM
Main Library		261-5787

Introduction to Google Docs	May 9	2:00 – 4:00 PM
Introduction to Google Sheets	May 16	2:00 – 4:00 PM
Introduction to Google Drive	May 23	2:00 – 3:30 PM
Chenier Branch Library		291-2941

Visit lafayettepubliclibrary.org or lafayette.libcal.com for descriptions and registration.

101 Courses

Learn how to use various equipment in the Makerspace.

3D Printing 101

Ages 14 & up

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

Registration is required.

Monday, March 7

1:00 – 2:00 PM

[Main Library](#)

261-5787

Laser Cutting 101

Ages 14 & up

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

Registration is required.

Monday, April 4

1:00 – 2:00 PM

[Main Library](#)

261-5787

Vinyl Cutting 101

Ages 14 & up

Learn the basics of creating, cutting, and applying vinyl sticker designs using Silhouette Studio and a Cameo vinyl cutter. *Registration is required.*

Monday, May 2

1:00 – 2:00 PM

[Main Library](#)

261-5787

Makerspace Grab & Go Craft Kits

Swing by the [Main Library](#) and pick up a bag full of fun! Grab & Go kits will include most of the supplies you'll need and instructions. *Available during open access hours and while supplies last.*

Space Station Model

Ages 14 & up

Assemble a scale model of a lunar space station!

Distribution begins Tuesday, March 8 at 1:00 PM

Rocket Puzzle

Ages 14 & up

Assemble a rocket ship for display!

Distribution begins Tuesday, April 5 at 1:00 PM

May the Fourth Be with You Plaques

Ages 14 & up

Make a Star Wars inspired painted wooden plaque at home with a vinyl stencil.

Distribution begins Tuesday, May 3 at 1:00 PM

[Main Library](#)

261-5787

Learn to Make

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

Procreate for Beginners

Ages 14 & up

Learn the basics of using the Procreate digital art app for iPad. *Registration is required.*

Tuesday, March 15

1:30 – 3:00 PM

[East Regional Library](#)

445-3168

Heat Transfer Vinyl Cuts

Ages 14 & up

Learn how to use the Silhouette Cameo vinyl cutter with heat transfer vinyl to create iron-on designs. Use our heat press to apply them to a t-shirt you provide.

Registration is required.

Tuesday, April 12

1:30 – 3:00 PM

[East Regional Library](#)

445-3168

Makerspace & Tech

Makerspace Open Access Hours

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

Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays

1:00 – 7:30 PM

Saturdays: March 5, 26; April 16; May 7, 28

9:00 AM – 4:30 PM

[Main Library](#)

261-5787

Tuesdays & Thursdays (except March 1)

3:00 – 6:00 PM

[West Regional Library](#)

232-9321

Mondays

3:00 – 5:00 PM

[North Regional Library](#)

896-6323

Mondays: April 4 & May 9

4:30 – 7:30 PM

Friday, May 27

3:30 – 5:30 PM

[East Regional Library](#)

445-3168

Visit LafayettePublicLibrary.org/makerspace for a full list of equipment.

Claymation Studio

Ages 7–12

Stop-motion animation brings figures and objects to life! Create your own movies with innovative software that allows the uploading of background images, audio, and music. Return any time during Open Access Hours to continue working on your project. *Registration is required and covers both sessions within a month.*

Tuesday, March 15 & Thursday, March 17 (2 sessions)

3:30 – 5:30 PM

Tuesday, May 10 & Thursday, May 12 (2 sessions)

3:30 – 5:30 PM

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Teen Makers: Soldering

Ages 12–18

Calling all teen makers! Learn to solder with us by creating your own light-up lapel pin. *Registration is required.*

Friday, April 8

4:30 – 5:30 PM

[Main Library](#)

261-5778

Design Your Own Tote Bag

Ages 14 & up

Make a customized, usable creation with us! Create a digital design, transfer it to vinyl, then heat press it onto a colorful tote bag. *Registration is required.*

Wednesday, April 13

4:00 – 6:00 PM

[West Regional Library](#)

232-9321

Registration opens two weeks before the date of the program.

Teen Programs

Visit LafayettePublicLibrary.org to vote for the winner of 2022's
YA March Madness
Friday, March 4–Thursday, March 31

Drop-In Gaming

Ages 12–18

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

Fridays: March–May (except April 8, 15, 29) **3:30 – 5:00 PM**
Main Library 261-5778

Wednesdays: March 9, 23; April 6, 20; May 4, 18 **4:00 – 5:00 PM**
South Regional Library 981-1028

Thursdays: March 10, 24; April 7, 21; May 5, 19 **3:30 – 4:30 PM**
North Regional Library 896-6323

Wednesdays: March 16; April 13; May 11 **3:30 – 4:30 PM**
East Regional Library 445-3168

Saturdays: March 19; April 16; May 14 **2:00 – 4:00 PM**
West Regional Library 232-9321

Freestyle Art

Ages 12–18

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

Saturdays: March 5; April 9; May 14 **2:00 – 4:00 PM**
Main Library 261-5778

Tuesdays: March 22; April 26; May 31 **3:30 – 4:30 PM**
North Regional Library 896-6323

YA Snapshots



Ages 12 & up

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

March 7 *A Good Girl's Guide to Murder* by Holly Jackson
April 4 *Reclaimed* by Sarah Guillory
May 2 *Once Upon a Broken Heart* by Stephanie Garber

Manic Monday

Ages 12–18

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

Mondays: March–May (except March 7 & May 30) **6:00 – 7:00 PM**
Main Library 261-5778

Mondays: April 11, 25; May 9, 23 **4:30 – 5:30 PM**
South Regional Library 981-1028

Teen LEGO Lab

Ages 12–18

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

Tuesdays: March 8; April 12; May 10 **3:30 – 4:30 PM**
North Regional Library 896-6323

Wednesdays: March 16; April 20 **5:00 – 6:00 PM**
Main Library 261-5778

Teen LibCrate

Ages 12–18

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!

This spring's theme is **Graphic Novels**. *Registration is required.*
Distribution begins Monday, March 14

Teen Snack Attack!

Ages 12–18

Learn to create some easy recipes! Amaze your friends and families with the things you can make. *Registration is required.*

Mondays: March 14; April 4; May 2 **5:00 – 6:00 PM**
West Regional Library 232-9321

Thursdays: March 17; April 14; May 12 **4:00 – 5:00 PM**
South Regional Library 981-1028

Tuesdays: March 29; April 26 **5:00 – 6:00 PM**
Main Library 261-5778

Wednesdays: March 30; April 27 **3:30 – 4:30 PM**
North Regional Library 896-6323

Shibori: Dyeing with Indigo

Ages 12–18

Learn the basics of an ancient Japanese tie-dyeing technique. Wear old clothes for this hand-on program! *Registration is required.*

Wednesday, March 16 **4:00 – 5:30 PM**
West Regional Library 232-9321

Wednesday, March 23 **3:30 – 5:00 PM**
North Regional Library 896-6323

AniManga Club

Ages 12–18

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

Wednesdays: March 23; May 25 **1:00 – 3:00 PM**
West Regional Library 232-9321

Tuesdays: April 5; May 3 **4:30 – 5:30 PM**
South Regional Library 981-1028

Tie-Dye Egg Bath Bombs

Ages 12–18

Make springtime bath bombs to fill your Easter basket. *Registration is required.*

Friday, April 8 **3:30 – 4:30 PM**
South Regional Library 981-1028

Monday, April 11 **4:00 – 5:00 PM**
East Regional Library 445-3168

Modern Tapestry Weaving

Ages 12 & up

Weave a colorful wall hanging or bookmark. *Registration is required.*

Wednesday, April 13 **4:00 – 5:30 PM**
West Regional Library 232-9321

Make a Flower Resin Bracelet

Ages 12 & up

Learn to create a unique flower resin bracelet. *Registration is required.*

Friday, April 29 **3:30 – 4:30 PM**
North Regional Library 896-6323

De-stress Doggo Day

Ages 12–18

Finals stressing you out? Leave school drama behind and cuddle adoptable puppies!

Friday, May 20 **3:30 – 5:30 PM**
South Regional Library 981-1028

Teen Volunteer Council

Ages 12–18

Do you need volunteer hours or just want to hang out and help? Come to our meet up to chat, have a snack, and sign up for hours. *Registration is required.*

Friday, May 27 **2:00 – 3:00 PM**
Main Library 261-5778

Tuesday, May 31 **2:00 – 3:00 PM**
South Regional Library 981-1028

To Be Continued

Ages 7–12

Join us virtually every Tuesday as we read the first few chapters of a book. Then, check out the book to read the rest of the story.

March 1	<i>The Original Adventures of Hank the Cowdog</i> by John Erickson
March 8	<i>The Haunted Mustache</i> by Joe McGee
March 15	<i>The Last Cuentista</i> by Donna Barba Higuera
March 22	<i>Castle Hangnail</i> by Ursula Vernon
March 29	<i>A Wolf for a Spell</i> by Karah Sutton
April 5	<i>Blue Skies</i> by Anne Bustard
April 12	<i>Root Magic</i> by Eden Royce
April 19	<i>Switched</i> by Bruce Hale
April 26	<i>Jada Jones: Sleepover Scientist</i> by Kelly Lyons

Book Buddy Grab & Go

Ages 3–8

Stop by every Wednesday to pick up a craft based on your favorite book characters. While you're there, be sure to grab a few books to read with your new book buddy!

Wednesdays: March–May
East Regional Library

445-3168

Crafternoon

Ages 5–12

Join us for an afternoon of crafting fun.

Wednesday, March 2 & Tuesday, April 19
East Regional Library

2:00 – 4:00 PM
445-3168

Tuesdays: March 15; April 19; May 17
North Regional Library (*Registration is required*)

4:00 – 5:00 PM
896-6323

Thursdays: March 17; April 14
Milton Branch

4:00 – 5:00 PM
856-5261

Thursdays: April 14; May 5
West Regional Library

2:00 – 4:00 PM
232-9321

Thursday, April 21
Main Library

2:00 – 4:00 PM
261-5779

After-School Special

Ages 5–12

Join us for an after-school craft or activity every other week!

Wednesdays:
March 2, 16, 30; April 13, 27; May 11, 25
Chenier Branch

4:30 – 5:30 PM
291-2941

Tweens Talk Books

Ages 10–12

Calling all tween readers! Let's talk about books we love and books we'd like to read. Games, activities, and snacks galore! *Registration is required.*

Thursdays: March 3; April 7
Main Library

4:30 – 5:30 PM
261-5779

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.*

Fridays: March 4; April 22
Main Library

10:00 – 10:45 AM
261-5779

Friday, March 4
West Regional Library

10:00 – 10:45 AM
232-9321

Friday, March 11
South Regional Library

10:00 – 10:45 AM
981-1028

Friday, March 11
North Regional Library

10:00 – 10:45 AM
896-6323

Children's & Family Programs

Hero Kids

Ages 7–12

Join us on an adventure in this tabletop role-playing game. See if you have what it takes to save the villagers and win the day! *Registration is required.*

Fridays: March 4; April 1; May 6
Mondays: March 28; April 25; May 16
South Regional Library

3:30 – 5:30 PM
4:30 – 6:30 PM
981-1028

Fridays: March 4; April 1; May 6
Main Library

3:30 – 5:30 PM
261-5779

Homeschool Hangout

Ages 5–12

An afternoon of learning stations revolving around different themes for homeschooling families. *Registration is required.*

Wednesdays: March 9; April 6
West Regional Library

1:00 – 2:30 PM
232-9321

Wednesdays: March 16; April 13
Main Library

1:00 – 2:30 PM
261-5779

Thursdays: March 24; April 28
North Regional Library

1:00 – 2:30 PM
896-6323

Fan Day: Raina Telgemeier

Ages 7–12

The *Smile* series, *Drama*, and *Ghosts*, oh my! Celebrate this fan day filled with trivia, crafts, and more surrounding Raina Telgemeier's works. *Registration is required.*

Wednesday, March 9
Main Library

4:00 – 5:00 PM
261-5779

LEGO WeDo Workshops

Ages 7–12

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

Wednesdays: March 9; April 13; May 11
North Regional Library

4:00 – 5:00 PM
896-6323

Saturdays: March 12; April 2
Main Library

1:00 – 2:00 PM
261-5779

Wednesdays: March 16; April 6; May 18
East Regional Library

4:00 – 5:00 PM
445-3168

Friday, March 25
West Regional Library

3:30 – 4:30 PM
232-9321

Wednesday, April 20
South Regional Library

2:00 – 3:00 PM
981-1028

LEGO Club

Ages 5–12

Build unique LEGO creations based on a given theme.

Thursdays: March 10; April 7; May 5
Milton Branch

4:00 – 5:00 PM
856-5261

Fridays: March 11; April 8; May 13
Main Library

4:00 – 5:00 PM
261-5779

Wednesdays: March 16; April 20; May 18
North Regional Library (*Registration is required*)

4:00 – 5:00 PM
896-6323

Saturday, March 19; Wednesday, April 20
Thursday, May 26

2:00 – 3:00 PM
10:30 – 11:30 AM

East Regional Library

445-3168

Fridays: March 25; April 22; May 27
South Regional Library

4:00 – 5:00 PM
981-1028

Saturday, March 26; Friday, April 22; Thursday, May 26
West Regional Library

2:00 – 3:00 PM
232-9321

Children's & Family Programs

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.*

Fridays: March 11; April 8; May 13 10:30 – 11:15 AM
Main Library 261-5779

Fridays: March 25; April 22; May 13 10:30 – 11:15 AM
North Regional Library 896-6323

Friday, April 29 10:00 – 10:45 AM
West Regional Library 232-9321

Friday, May 6 10:30 – 11:15 AM
South Regional Library 981-1028

Little Artists: Easter Edition

Preschoolers will create art with Easter-themed tools! *Registration is required.*

Thursday, April 14 10:00 – 10:45 AM
East Regional Library 445-3168

Family Retro Cartoons

All Ages

Join us for a morning of throwback cartoons for kids!

Saturday, March 12 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
East Regional Library 445-3168

Shoobox Foosball

Ages 7–12

Make your own foosball game from a shoobox. *Registration is required.*

Monday, March 14 4:30 – 5:30 PM
South Regional Library 981-1028

American Girl Club

Ages 7–12

Meet a new American Girl every other month and enjoy activities based on her interests. All dolls, American Girl or other, are welcome! *Registration is required.*

Wednesday, March 16 Corrine Tan, GOTY 4:30 – 5:30 PM
South Regional Library 981-1028

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.*

Thursday, March 17 10:00 – 10:30 AM
Main Library 261-5779

Friday, April 8 10:00 – 10:30 AM
South Regional Library 981-1028

Graphic Novel Book Club

Ages 7–12

Join us as we read and discuss kids' graphic novels.

Mondays: 4:30 – 5:30 PM

March 21 *The Stonekeeper: Amulet Series* by Kazu Kibuishi

April 18 *Smile* by Raina Telgemeier

May 9 *One Dead Spy* by Nathan Hale

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Game On!

Ages 5–12

Join us for family-friendly video and board games. All skill levels are welcome.

Thursdays: March 24; April 28; May 19 4:00 – 5:00 PM
Duson Branch 873-3521

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

Little Scientists

Ages 3–5

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

Registration is required.

Monday, March 28 10:00 – 10:45 AM
West Regional Library 232-9321

Friday, April 1 10:00 – 10:45 AM
East Regional Library 445-3168

Pipe Cleaner Easter Puppets

Ages 5–12

Make adorable bunny and chick finger puppets! *Registration is required.*

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

Hurray for PreK!

Ages 3–5

Get your little ones ready for preschool at this fun program where we'll read a story, practice motor skills, and reinforce concepts like colors, numbers, and letters.

Fridays: April 1; May 6 10:30 – 11:30 AM
Main Library 261-5779

Sew Awesome

Ages 8–12

Use a sewing machine to stitch together a fabric bookmark. All supplies provided. *Registration is required.*

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

Pastel Art

Ages 8–12

Use art pastels to make a picture look like stained glass. *Registration is required.*

Wednesday, April 6 4:00 – 5:00 PM
North Regional Library 896-6323

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, April 11 10:00 – 10:45 AM
West Regional Library 232-9321

Playdough Playtime

Ages 2–5

Have fun with Playdough! We provide the tools and you provide creativity!

Registration is required.

Monday, April 11 10:00 – 11:00 AM
South Regional Library 981-1028

STEAM Saturday

Ages 5–12

Join us for STEAM projects that are different every month. Bring your creativity!

Saturdays: April 16; May 21 2:00 – 3:00 PM
Main Library 261-5779

Master Puppet Theater

Ages 3–10

Join us for our puppet show that is sure to entertain! *Registration is required.*

Monday, April 18 10:30 – 11:00 AM

Tuesday, April 19 10:30 – 11:00 AM

Wednesday, April 20 10:30 – 11:00 AM

South Regional Library 981-1028

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Space Station Disaster Puzzle Room Ages 7–12

Something has gone wrong with the space station! It's up to you and your fellow astronauts to fix it before you crash. *Registration in person or by phone is required.*

Wednesday, April 20; Friday, April 22 2:30 – 5:30 PM
Main Library 261-5779

Bingo! Ages 5–12

Come play a game of Bingo!

Thursday, April 21 10:30 – 11:30 AM
South Regional Library 981-1028

Suncatchers Ages 3–5

Make your own suncatcher to brighten up your window. *Registration is required.*

Friday, April 29 10:30 – 11:15 AM
South Regional Library 981-1028

Friday, May 6 10:30 – 11:15 AM
North Regional Library 896-6323

Fan Day: Bad Guys Ages 7–12

Mr. Wolf, Mr. Snake, Mr. Piranha, and Mr. Shark really aren't bad guys—they promise! Celebrate this fan day filled with trivia, crafts, and more surrounding these well-meaning goons. *Registration is required.*

Wednesday, May 18 4:00 – 5:00 PM
Main Library 261-5779

Toddler Time/Storytime Jr.

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

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.

Pajama Time/Party

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

Story Castle/Storytime

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

Stay & Play

Informal play and social time for babies, toddlers, and their caregivers during times when storytimes are not available. Ages birth–3 years.

An Afternoon with Boudin Queens! Ages 2 & up

Join the Scott Boudin Queens for a special storytime presentation and craft, as well as a meet and greet! *Registration is required.*

Tuesday, April 19 3:00 – 3:45 PM
West Regional Library 232-9321



Storytimes: March – May 2022

West Regional Library

Storytime Jr.

Every Tuesday: March–May (except March 1 & April 19) 9:30 AM

Storytime

Every Tuesday: March–May (except March 1 & April 19) 10:30 AM

Stay & Play

Tuesday, April 19 9:30 AM

East Regional Library

Storytime

Every Tuesday: March (except March 1) 9:30 AM

Every Tuesday: April–May (except April 19) 10:30 AM

Every Thursday: April–May (except April 21) 3:00 PM

Storytime Jr.

Every Tuesday: April–May (except April 19) 9:30 AM

Stay & Play

Tuesday, April 19 9:30 AM

Thursday, April 21 3:00 PM

Main Library

Baby Time

Every Tuesday: March–May (except March 1 & April 19) 9:30 AM

Toddler Time

Every Tuesday: March–May (except March 1 & April 19) 10:30 AM

Pajama Time

Every Tuesday: March–May (except March 1 & April 19) 6:00 PM

Story Castle

Every Wednesday: March–May (except March 2) 10:00 AM

Bibliobop

Fridays: March 18 & May 27 10:30 AM

Stay & Play

Tuesday, April 19 9:30 AM

North Regional Library

Storytime

Every Wednesday: March–May (except March 2 & April 13) 10:30 AM

Stay & Play

Wednesdays: March 2 & April 13 10:30 AM

South Regional Library

Baby Time

Every Tuesday: March–May (except March 1 & April 19) 9:30 AM

Toddler Time

Every Wednesday: March–May (except March 2 & April 20) 10:00 AM

Pajama Party

Wednesdays: March 9, 23; April 13, 27; May 11, 25 6:00 PM

Bibliobop

Every Thursday: March–May (except March 3 & April 21) 10:00 AM

Milton Branch

Storytime

Every Thursday: March–May (except March 3 & April 21) 9:30 AM

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Phone 291-2941

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Phone 873-3521

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