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Director's Message



Library Director Teresa Elbersen on the lookout for the perfect site to construct the North East Regional Library.

An Update on Library Capital Projects as of August 2020

We love the idea of offering something new and exciting for our community while still offering plenty of traditional library services. Here is an update on some of our current projects:

Expansion Project-South Regional Library, 6101 Johnston St., Lafayette

South Regional opened over ten years ago and is our busiest library location. Plans are underway to add 7700 square feet to the existing 37,600 sq. ft. library. The original architects, Sellers and Associates, are designing the expansion.

Plans are to:

- Add a public meeting room and a multi-purpose craft room for all ages near current meeting rooms .
- Add a lactation room in the children's area.
- Give the teen space a new look.
- Add sq. ft. on the back side of the building for restrooms, study rooms, shelving and seating.
- Update lighting and mechanical systems to lower utilities bills and eliminate hot and cold spots.
- Add outdoor patios to the back and side for patron use.

The four million dollars in funding comes from library fund balance appropriated in the FY17/18 capital budget. This project has a tentative completion date of early 2022.

Expansion Project-North Regional Library, 5101 N. University, Carencro

This library, which opened in 2007, was the first regional library funded with bond money. As the smallest of our regional facilities (12,700 sq. ft.), it is next in line for expansion since it is in a growing area in the northern part of Lafayette Parish. Plans are underway to add approximately 6200 square feet with the original architects, Angelle Architects, designing the expansion. We had 444 responses to our online survey last month with patrons indicating their desire for more books, a makerspace, quiet reading area, more seating, and of course, more room for children and teens. We will also replace mechanical systems to make the building more energy efficient. We should be entering the design phase of this four-million-dollar expansion in fall 2020 with library fund balance funds appropriated in 2019. Completion of this project is slated for early 2023.

NEW LOCATION! -North East Regional Library

Eight million dollars in library fund balance funds were appropriated in 2019 for a new library to be located in the north east section of Lafayette Parish. Jim Ziler Architects will be designing this library, but the exact location has not yet been determined.

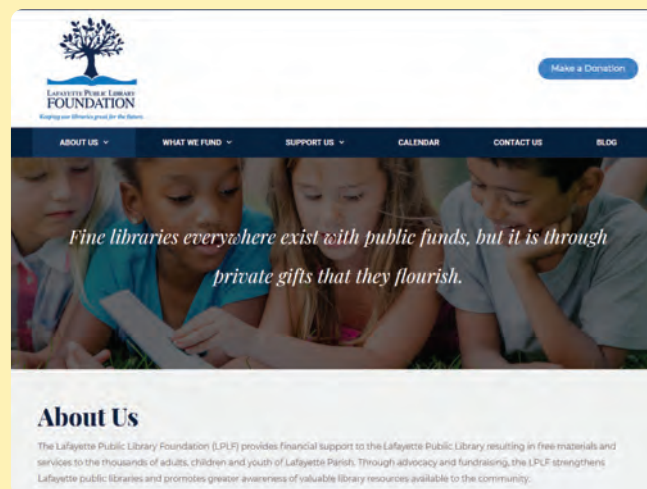
Gathering information from our patrons is the first step in developing a building program for the facility. We will be working with 720 Design to collect responses from the community this fall to outline what services and spaces the public wants in a new library. Additionally, we will be conducting an online survey in September, and once we can gather together again, we will have community meetings to hear feedback. While collecting this data, we will also be searching for several acres of property on which to build in north east Lafayette.

We are excited to see all of our projects come to life over the next few years, and we look forward to growing with Lafayette Parish!

Teresa Elbersen,
Library Director

Lafayette Public Library Foundation Unveils New Website

www.LPLFoundation.org



The nonprofit, Lafayette Public Library Foundation (LPLF), was founded in 1992 to raise private funds for materials and services not otherwise available for the Lafayette Public Library System.

Though the LPLF does not support the library's basic operations, it does work with the library to determine where private support can expand the library's work, making a life-changing difference for Lafayette's children and families.

Lafayette Public Library Foundation proudly supports local programs such as Lafayette Reads Together and services like the GoGo Biblio Bookmobile.

The LPLF has membership and endowment opportunities. Visit their new website to see how the Foundation is truly making a difference in our library system and the community it serves.



September is Library Card Sign-up Month!

Lasso a Library Card...and Find Your Super Power!

September is Library Card Sign-up Month, a time when the Lafayette Public Library joins the American Library Association (ALA) and libraries nationwide to remind parents, caregivers, and students that signing up for a library card is the first step on the path to academic achievement and lifelong learning.



There is nothing more empowering than signing up for your own library card. Through access to technology, media resources, and educational programs, a library card gives students the tools to succeed with their schoolwork and provides people of all ages an opportunity to pursue their dreams and passions. A library card offers so many things that a family may not have at home: a quiet place to study, Wi-Fi, and in some cases, a working computer and printer.

The Library has teamed up with the Lafayette Parish School System to provide your child with a free Student ID-Public Library Card. This program automatically enrolls more than 32,000 Lafayette Parish public school students into the library system. Students can turn to their public library for materials, online services and databases, and knowledgeable library staff who support academic achievement.

The Lafayette Public Library is very excited to announce the addition of two limited-edition library cards for 2020. Sign up for a commemorative card featuring DC Comics' *Wonder Woman* or "Bookworm" by award-winning comic book artist Rob Guillory. Both cards will be available throughout the remainder of the year while supplies last.



Photo by Andre Arceneaux

How many years have you worked as a visual artist?

RG: Well, I've been making art since I can remember, so that's hard to track. Professionally though, I've been working full-time as a comic creator since 2008.

How did you become interested in drawing and later comic books?

RG: Hard to say, but I'm pretty sure they were linked. I think I was more interested in pure storytelling than anything else, and comics are possibly the purest storytelling there is.

How did you segue your passion for art into a business?

RG: Through necessity. I wanted to keep making art, but I needed to pay my bills, so eventually I figured out a way to make a living out of what I make. Again, this was largely trial and error. I'd make things to sell at cons, they'd either succeed or fail, and I'd evolve my approach. That's my career in a nutshell.

Before becoming a visual artist, what was the best piece of advice you were given?

RG: "Go to college, not art school." That was my Mom's advice, and she was right. I would've missed out on a lot of other interests had I gone to art school.

What advice do you have for those looking to get their artwork out into the world?

RG: Make what you love. Play to your strengths. Strengthen your weaknesses. Never build an ego. Mind your career, no one else's. And when you fail, only sulk for a little while before trying again.

RG!

This year, DC's Wonder Woman is embarking on a mission to champion the power of a library card by serving as Library Card Sign-up Month Honorary Chair. In her new role, Wonder Woman will promote the value of libraries and encourage everyone to get their very own library card.

Born, raised, and currently based in Lafayette, Rob Guillory is most known for his art on Image Comics' long-running series *CHEW*. Written by John Layman, the comic series has achieved much success, winning two Harvey Awards (including Best New Talent for Guillory) and two Eisner Awards (Best New Series in 2010 and Best Continuing Series in 2011). Guillory has recently focused his talents on his own creation, *Farmhand*, which has become widely popular.

For more information about how to sign up for a library card, visit any of the nine branches of the Lafayette Public Library in person or online at LafayettePublicLibrary.org.

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LAFAYETTEPUBLICLIBRARY.ORG/GETACARD**

General Audience

Join Us Online for Virtual Programs!

We have plenty of fun programs for all ages to enjoy and the best part is -- they're virtual! You can follow along from the comfort of your home. If you want to know where you can find a program, look for the social media platform symbol next to each event. And, be sure to join us online to participate!



Facebook



Instagram



YouTube



Zoom



Friday Trivia

Put your trivia knowledge to the test with our weekly trivia questions! Visit our Facebook page or website every Friday for a new theme based off your favorite shows, movies, books, and more. Show off your knowledge by commenting or sharing your score on social media; then, tag your friends to challenge them! Recommended for teens and adults.

Fridays: September–October



Show Off Your Skills

Your library staff will “show off” their unique, fun, interesting, and silly skills in a series of YouTube videos. Stay connected while getting to know them a little better.

Saturdays: September–October



Book Cover Challenge

We challenge you and your family to recreate your favorite book cover in a photo challenge to be shared on our website and on social media! Keep the community and the library connected in fun, new ways!

Saturday, September 5– Tuesday, September 8



Pumpkin Decorating Contest

We invite the community to participate in a pumpkin decorating contest. All ages are welcome to enter, and the judging will be broken up into age groups (kids, teens, and adults). Visit our website or Facebook for more information.

Thursday, October 1–Monday, October 26



Vote for Your Favorite Book Character!

It's election time! All ages can participate in the democratic process by voting for their favorite characters in a variety of categories. Fill out a ballot at the Main Library, Regional Libraries, or online. Winners will be announced Tuesday, November 3.

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Thursday, October 1–Saturday, October 31



Follow Our Friends!

www.facebook.com/LafayetteFriends

Officers for the Friends for 2020-2021

President - Alverta Hasling

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Board Members: Sarah Billeaud, Anne Credeur, Natalie Delahoussaye, Rosemary Frederic, Debbie Hargrave, Shirley Hoisington, Marilyn Long, Alice McFillen, Mary Ann Privat, and Dennis Sullivan.

A Bonus Membership Year!

Whether you become a member of the Friends to help the library, to attend Friends' Night (a bonus night of shopping during the book sales), or both, the Friends of the Library would like to thank you by extending your membership. Since the spring book sale was cancelled due to COVID-19, and there is an uncertainty about when the next sale will be, all current members who joined in 2020 will have their memberships renewed until December 2021. Thank you for your patience and continued support.

Fall Book Sale Postponed

Unfortunately, due to the social distancing guidelines and the loss of use of the Heymann Center, the fall book sale will not take place in September. The Friends of the Library are currently exploring options to be able to host a sale before the end of the year. Since plans change daily, be sure to follow the Friends of the Library on Facebook for updates.

GoGo Biblio Bookmobile

Lafayette Public Library's GoGo Biblio Bookmobile will continue to serve the community on the road this fall by offering delivery of books, movies, crafts, tech support, and free Wi-Fi to patrons on its route. Regular stops will be at apartment complexes and more across Lafayette Parish. For the complete schedule or to request a new stop, visit LafayettePublicLibrary.org/outreach.



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(*add zeros here in the middle to make a 14-digit sequence)

Your PIN is 1234.

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Online learning resources available 24/7



Looking for even more recommendations?

Check out "Your Next Great Read." Our librarians will send you personal recommendations based on your interests!

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LafayettePublicLibrary.org



Book Clubs

We're constantly adding new book clubs, and now, they are all virtual! Whether you're looking to talk about a classic, need a place to share your love of memoirs, or just want to chat about the amazing romance novel you finished, we have a book club for you! You can find full descriptions and easy links to selections in our catalog by visiting the library calendar. *Virtual book clubs for adults will be hosted on Zoom.*

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Classics Book Club

Ages 14 & up

Thursdays, 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM

September 3 *The Time Machine* by H.G. Wells
October 7 *Cranford* by Elizabeth Gaskell

History Book Club

Ages 14 & up

Tuesdays, 6:30 – 7:30 PM.

September 8 *The Radium Girls* by Kate Moore
October 13 *The Triumph of Christianity* by Bart Ehrman

Romance Book Club

Ages 18 & up

Wednesdays, 6:00 – 7:30 PM.

September 23 *The Kiss Quotient* by Helen Hoang
October 21 *Soulless* by Gail Carriger

Beyond Black History Month Book Club

Ages 14 & up

Tuesdays, 6:00 – 7:00 PM.

September 29 *The Fire Next Time* by James Baldwin
October 27 *The Fire This Time* by Jesmyn Ward

YA Virtual Book Club

Ages 12 & up

Thursdays, 5:30 PM.

September 17 *There's Someone Inside Your House* by Stephanie Perkins
October 22 *Pumpkinheads* by Rainbow Rowell

Children's Book Clubs

To Be Continued Book Club

Ages 7–10

Join us virtually every Tuesday at 1:00 PM as we read the first few chapters of a book. Then, check out the book to read the rest of the story.

September 1 *Upside-Down Magic* by Sarah Mlynowski
September 8 *The Cats of Tanglewood Forest* by Charles de Lint
September 15 *39 Clues: The Maze of Bones* by Rick Riordan
September 22 *A Properly Unhaunted Place* by William Alexander
September 29 *Iggy Peck & the Mysterious Mansion* by Andrea Beaty
October 6 *The Worst Witch* by Jill Murphy
October 13 *The Graveyard Book* by Neil Gaiman
October 20 *Coraline* by Neil Gaiman
October 27 *Bunnicula* by Deborah Howe



My First Book Club

Ages 5–8

Join us on Zoom as we read and discuss longer picture books and early readers together. We'll finish with a fun craft based on the book. Kids do not need to be reading on their own for this club. *Registration with a valid email address is required to receive Zoom link. Materials for the activity can be picked up from the Main Library beforehand.*

September 23 *Peanut Butter & Jellyfish* by Jarrett J. Krosoczka **4:30 PM**
October 28 *Bird Hugs* by Ged Adamson **4:30 PM**

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Adult Programs

Grab & Go Crafts

Swing by a Lafayette Public Library drive-thru (Main Library and Regional Libraries), and pick up a bag full of fun! Grab & Go bags will include all the supplies you'll need and instructions. Recommended for adults. *Available while supplies last.*

Personalized Glass Magnets

Ages 18 & up

Create your own decorative refrigerator magnets using clear stones, an image of your choice, glue, and magnets.

Distribution begins Sunday, September 6

Fabricadabra

Ages 18 & up

Learn the "magic" of everyday sewing skills while working on different projects!

Mask Up with LPL! – This craft will be a simple mask with ties.

Distribution begins Sunday, September 13

Main and South Regional Libraries Only

Hand Sewn Felt Sugar Skulls – This craft will be a small stuffed sugar skull.

Distribution begins Sunday, October 25

Main and South Regional Libraries Only

Aged Journal

Ages 14 & up

Ever wanted to make your own aged, vintage journal? Pick up a kit from the Makerspace to assemble and decorate it at home.

Distribution begins Sunday, September 13

Main Library Only

DIY Coasters

Ages 18 & up

Create your own tile coasters! *Registration is required.*

Distribution begins Monday, September 14

East Regional Library Only

Autumn Shadow Box

Ages 14 & up

Create mixed media art by gluing old book pages to a recycled food tray. Add acorns, faux fall leaves, a card stock fairy, and a quote to complete your craft.

Distribution begins Sunday, September 20

DIY Macrame Keychains

Ages 14 & up

Transform simple materials into a super cute macrame rainbow charm.

Distribution begins Sunday, September 20

Woven Paper Hot Air Balloon

Ages 18 & up

Make a little hanging hot air balloon out of woven paper.

Distribution begins Sunday, September 27

Paper Roll Pumpkins

Ages 18 & up

Make a cute fall pumpkin centerpiece using repurposed items.

Distribution begins Sunday, October 4

Articulated Finger Extensions

Ages 14 & up

Build creepy extensions that you can place over your fingers and control! The Makerspace provides the parts and instructions for you to build these nifty gadgets at home! *Kits provided on a first-come, first-served basis.*

Distribution begins Sunday, October 4

Main Library Only

Cute or Creepy Fall Hanging

Ages 14 & up

Design a decorative hanging from chipboard and special paper.

Distribution begins Sunday, October 11

DIY Herb Garden

Ages 18 & up

Swing by to grab a kit complete with seeds, soil, label stakes, and a pot. *Registration is required.*

Distribution begins Monday, October 12

East Regional Library Only

Fall/Halloween Plaque

Ages 18 & up

Make a fantastic wooden plaque at home with a vinyl stencil made on the library's Makerspace equipment. We provide the wood and stencil, and you provide the paint.

Distribution begins Sunday, October 18

Main, South Regional, and North Regional Libraries Only

Virtual Needle Arts

Ages 14 & up

Do you have an interest in crochet, knitting, sewing, or other needle arts? Join us for a Zoom meet up where you can show off and discuss any current projects as well as get new ideas. *Visit our website, calendar of events, or Facebook for a link to join.*

Wednesdays: September 2 & 16; October 14 & 28

3:00 PM

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Get Growing

Ages 14 & up

Expert gardening tips presented virtually by the Lafayette Parish Master Gardeners. *Videos will be posted to YouTube and Facebook on the dates below.*

Everything You Wanted to Know about Tomatoes but Were Afraid to Ask

Thursday, September 10

Seed to Seed: Starting Plants from Seed & Saving Seed

Thursday, October 8



Learn to Crochet: Easy Crochet Rose

Ages 14 & up

Watch this prerecorded video on YouTube or Facebook to learn how to crochet a rose using basic crochet stitches. *Video will be posted to YouTube and Facebook on the date below.*

Thursday, September 10



Frankenstein Cookies

Ages 14 & up

Learn how to use royal icing to decorate cookies like Frankenstein's Monster! *Video will be posted to YouTube and Facebook on the date below.*

Thursday, October 15



3D Holograms

Ages 12 & up

Use your smartphone to create 3D holograms with this fun DIY project. *Video will be posted to YouTube and Facebook on the date below.*

Tuesday, September 1



Snack Attack

Ages 12 & up

Learn to create some easy recipes! Amaze your friends and families with snacks you can make yourself. *Videos will be posted to YouTube and Facebook on the dates below.*

Wednesdays:

September 9 Ice Cream
September 23 Funfetti Dip
October 14 Chocolate Acorns
October 28 Halloween Snacks



Teen Scattergories

Ages 12 – 18

Teens are invited to play a virtual game of Scattergories with the teen librarians from South Regional Library on Zoom. *Visit our website, calendar of events, or Facebook for a link to join.*

Saturday, September 19



Online ACT Practice Test

Ages 12 – 18

Take a fully-proctored ACT practice test at home. This free test will be presented live by the Princeton Review. *Visit our website, calendar of events, or Facebook for a link to join.*

Saturday, September 26

10:30 AM



Discarded Book Art

Ages 12 & up

Discover different ways to use discarded books—blackout poetry, book page flowers, and more. *Video will be posted to YouTube and Facebook on the date below.*

Tuesday, September 29



Plastic Bag Printmaking

Ages 12 & up

Create beautiful prints with plastic storage bags and acrylic paint. *Video will be posted to YouTube and Facebook on the date below.*

Tuesday, October 6



Scary Storytelling

Ages 12 & up

Get in the Halloween spirit by sharing scary stories with other teens and the teen librarians from the South Regional Library on Zoom! Attend at your own risk! *Visit our website, calendar of events, or Facebook for a link to join.*

Tuesday, October 6



Teen Programs



Grab & Go Crafts

Swing by a Lafayette Public Library drive-thru (Main Library and Regional Libraries), and pick up a bag full of fun! Grab & Go bags will include all the supplies you'll need and instructions. Recommended for ages 12–18. *Available while supplies last.*

Sensory Bottles Redux

We're bringing these popular bottles with glitter and glue back with a twist! **Distribution begins Sunday, August 30**

Paper Circuits

Practice your STEM skills with a new paper circuit pattern and supplies. **Distribution begins Sunday, September 6**

DIY Watercolors

Use the ingredients provided to make homemade watercolor paint and art! **Distribution begins Sunday, September 13**

Shrinky Dinks

Make wearable art using Shrinky Dink plastic! **Distribution begins Sunday, September 20**

Clay Charms

Use air-drying clay to create creative charms. **Distribution begins Sunday, September 27**

Glitter Tumblers

Use glitter and Mod Podge to create glittery tumblers (all included). **Distribution begins Sunday, October 4**

Fall Slime

Make cinnamon-scented slime with ingredients provided. **Distribution begins Sunday, October 11**

Candy Catapults

Practice your STEM skills by creating mini candy catapults! **Distribution begins Sunday, October 18**

String Art

Create a pattern with embroidery floss and chipboard pads. **Distribution begins Sunday, October 25**

Children's & Family Programs



Grab & Go Crafts

Ages 3–12

Swing by a Lafayette Public Library drive-thru (Main Library and Regional Libraries), and pick up a bag full of fun! Grab & Go bags will include most of the supplies you'll need and instructions. *Available while supplies last.*

Scarecrow Pals

Decorate for fall with a not-so-scary paper bag scarecrow!

Distribution begins Sunday, August 30

Fox Leaf Craft

Make adorable foxes out of fall leaves!

Distribution begins Sunday, September 6

Dinosaurs!

Create and paint a fierce and cute dinosaur.

Distribution begins Sunday, September 13

Wrist Parakeets

Ahoy, matey! Every good pirate needs a bird as a sidekick! You're no exception!

Distribution begins Sunday, September 20

Tissue Paper Fall Wreath

Enjoy the colors of fall with a handmade wreath.

Distribution begins Sunday, September 27

Owl Craft

Make a unique sponge-painted owl.

Distribution begins Sunday, October 4

Monster Mask

Make a monster mask! It'll be a Halloween smash!

Distribution begins Sunday, October 11

Q-Tip Skeletons

Turn Q-Tips into a poseable skeleton friend. It's sure to tickle your funny bone!

Distribution begins Sunday, October 18

DIY Water Bottle Lanterns

Make your own lantern from a water bottle and tissue paper!

Distribution begins Sunday, October 18

West Regional Library Only

Spiderwebs

Make creepy-crawly web using popsicle sticks and yarn.

Distribution begins Sunday, October 25

Tinker Tuesday

Each week we will present a fun new opportunity to explore science concepts through hands-on activities. Age ranges vary depending on the week's activity. *Videos will be posted to YouTube and Facebook on the dates listed.*

Card Tower Challenge

See who can make the highest tower out of index cards or playing cards.

Tuesday, September 1



Little Scientists

Ages 3–5

Calling all little scientists! In this program, we'll explore the wonders of science with a themed story and an activity. *Registration with a valid email address is required to receive Zoom link. Materials for the activity can be picked up from the Main Library beforehand.*

Tuesdays:

September 8

Body Science

October 13

All About Bones

4:30–5:30 PM



Shrinky Dinks

Don't throw away those plastic food containers—turn them into wearable works of art! We'll walk you through the entire process from decorating the plastic, to shrinking it in the oven, to transforming it into a unique accessory!



Tuesday, September 15

Leaf Science

Ever wonder why leaves change colors with the seasons? We'll learn why!

Tuesday, September 22



Apple Science and Art

Apple science and art fun for everyone!

Tuesday, September 29



Shadow Art

Make fun art with shadows.

Tuesday, October 6



Candy Science

Ages 5–12

What can you do with candy aside from eating it? Experiment with it! In this program, we'll mix, microwave, and more with all sorts of candy. *Registration with a valid email address is required to receive Zoom link. Materials for the activity can be picked up from the Main Library beforehand.*

Tuesday, October 20

4:30–5:30 PM



Pumpkin Science

What do you get when you combine a pumpkin and a volcano? A pumpcano! Join us for this and other ooey-gooey pumpkin experiments.

Tuesday, October 27





Wild Card Wednesday

Stay tuned for special activities or programs because Wednesdays are full of surprises! Age ranges vary depending on the week's activity. *Videos will be posted to YouTube and Facebook on the dates listed.*

After School Snacks

Hungry after a long day of class? Tune in to discover yummy recipes that are easy enough to make on your own!

Wednesday, September 2



Ages 5–12

Salt Painting

Make a cool raised salt painting using salt and watercolors.

Wednesday, September 9



Tortilla Art

Make art that you can eat!

Wednesday, September 16



Master Puppet Theater

Join us for our puppet show that is sure to entertain!

Wednesday, September 23



Ages 3–10

Disney Puzzle Room

Disney characters are going missing from their movies! Your librarians are going in to save them, but we need your help! Log into Zoom, find clues to solve puzzles, and free the Disney heroes so they can return to their movies. *Registration in person or by phone (337-261-5779) is required.*

Wednesday, September 30 11:00 AM–5:15 PM



Origami

Try your hand at origami, the ancient art of Japanese paper folding. *Registration with a valid email address is required to receive Zoom link. Materials for the activity can be picked up from the Main Library beforehand.*

Wednesday, October 7 4:30–5:30 PM



Spooky Campfire Stories

Grab a flashlight and a blanket as we share some spooky campfire stories!

Wednesday, October 14



Ages 5–12

Haunted Library Tour

Take a tour through our "haunted" library...if you dare!

Wednesday, October 28



Ages 5 & up

Children's & Family Programs

Craft Challenge Thursday

Are you up for the challenge? Follow along with the weekly videos to complete your crafty creation then show us what you made in the comments of our weekly Facebook post for Craft Challenge Thursday. Recommended for ages 5–12. *Videos will be posted to YouTube and Facebook on the dates listed.*

Drawstring Pouch

Learn how to make your own no-sew drawstring pouch for small items.

Thursday, September 3



Cardboard Roll Knitting

Make your own loom and learn to knit!

Thursday, September 10



Foil Printed Trees

Paint your own tree using aluminum foil!

Thursday, September 17



DIY Sidewalk Chalk

Make your own sidewalk chalk paint with stuff you have at home!

Thursday, September 24



Nature Art

It's fall! Let the beauty of the season inspire you to create works of art!

Thursday, October 1



Marble Painting

Gather your materials and get ready to learn how to paint with marbles.

Thursday, October 8



Tessellations

Create your own funky artistic pattern! Wow with the shapes you make!

Thursday, October 15



DIY Halloween Costume

Grab some old clothes, paint, and felt because we're making homemade costumes for Halloween!

Thursday, October 22



Spooky Snack Art

Make spooky snacks that are a work of art!

Thursday, October 29



Children's & Family Programs



Digital Storytimes

Mondays & Wednesdays: September–October



10:00 AM

LEGO Club

Ages 5–12

Calling all LEGO lovers! We'll post themes on Facebook at the beginning of each week. You'll build your unique creations at home and share them with us by commenting on the original post. As a bonus, we'll also have live Zoom show & tell sessions on Saturdays at 10:30 AM for you to tell us all about your brilliant LEGO builds! *Registration with a valid email address is required to receive Zoom link.*

Sunday, August 30	Ramps and slides	
Saturday, September 5	Show & Tell	10:30 AM
Sunday, September 6	Airplanes	
Saturday, September 12	Show & Tell	10:30 AM
Sunday, September 13	Pirate Ships	
Saturday, September 19	Show & Tell	10:30 AM
Sunday, September 20	Pokémon	
Saturday, September 26	Show & Tell	10:30 AM
Sunday, September 27	Dinosaurs	
Sunday, October 4	Sea Creatures	
Saturday, October 10	Show & Tell	10:30 AM
Sunday, October 11	Haunted Houses	
Sunday, October 18	Wind Racers	
Saturday, October 24	Show & Tell	10:30 AM
Sunday, October 25	Halloween	

**Please check our website, calendar of events or Facebook for additional show & tell sessions in October.*

Ukulele Class

Ages 7–12

An 8-week beginner course through Zoom for kids interested in learning to play the ukulele. We'll put focus on making it simple and fun to learn, but please be prepared to attend class weekly. *Registration with a valid email address is required to receive Zoom link.*

Thursdays: 6:00 – 6:45 PM
September 3, 10, 17, 24
October 1, 8, 15, 22



Kids' Trivia

Ages 5–12

Visit our Facebook page or website every Friday to take our fun quizzes and see how you stack up against other kids in Lafayette!

September 4	Percy Jackson
September 11	Animals
September 18	Disney Movies
September 25	Classic Books
October 2	Harry Potter
October 9	Minecraft
October 16	Raina Telgemeier
October 23	Pokémon
October 30	Halloween



LPL Online: Homework Louisiana

Ages 6 & up

Looking for language tutoring, homework help, or test prep? This prerecorded video will show you how to get started with Homework Louisiana, an online service provided by the State Library of Louisiana and through the Lafayette Public Library. *Video will be posted to YouTube and Facebook on the date listed.*

Thursday, October 1



Monster of the Week

Ages 10–14

Are you a tabletop RPG fanatic? Or maybe you've been curious about trying one out? Join us for a Monster of the Week session with a few others and help us vanquish a baddy. We'll use **Roll20.net** to meet virtually. *Registration is required.*

Wednesday, October 21

3:00–5:00 PM



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MUSICAL INSTRUMENT LIBRARY



The Lafayette Community M.I.Brarry, located in the Chenier Branch Library, is now home to nearly 40 musical instruments including acoustic and electric guitars, keyboards, violins, and drums. But did you know that through the M.I.Brarry, you also have access to a steel lap guitar, an electric banjo, a mandolin, a dulcimer, accordions, bongos, Ukuleles, and even a Glockenspiel?! The Musical Instrument Library is always growing and changing!

So, if you've ever wanted to take a musical instrument for a test drive, now's your chance! All you need is a library card*, and you can check out any one (1) instrument of your choice for 28 days! Visit LafayettePublicLibrary.org/mibrarry for more details and information.

**You must be 16 years or older and be in good standing to check out an instrument. Loan does not renew after 28 days. See website for a full list of rules.*

SEPTEMBER 2020

Daily literacy-building activities to share with your child.

Early Literacy Calendars

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 WRITING Have fun scribbling today! Use different kinds of paper and different pens, markers, crayons, etc.	2 PLAYING Blow bubbles—this strengthens muscles needed for speech.	3 TALKING As you tell a story, use new words and explain what they mean.	4 SINGING Clap your hands to the beat of a favorite song. 	5 COUNTING Lace Cheerios onto a piece of yarn and then count them.
6 READING Read a book or find information about insects that are active in late summer, like crickets or cicadas. Talk about how you can hear them at night.	7 WRITING Write your to-do list together. Have your child check off each as it is completed.	8 PLAYING Play alphabet search today. Take turns picking a letter and searching for it. 	9 TALKING Talk about something your child hasn't experienced and explain what happens.	10 SINGING How many ways can you move to the music? Play a favorite song and clap, march, spin, and tap.	11 COUNTING Count how many red cars you see today. Tally up at the end of the day.	12 READING Have a friends book club. Each friend brings a book for a story time.
13 WRITING Pop bubble wrap or play with squirt toys to develop muscles needed for writing.	14 PLAYING Tape a sheet of contact paper to the wall, sticky side out. See which toys stick and which toys do not.	15 TALKING Make silly sounds today. Encourage your child to imitate you. 	16 SINGING Sing "Now it's bath time, now it's bath time, yes, it is" to the tune of "Frère Jacques."	17 COUNTING Take a walk and count how many birds or squirrels you see. 	18 READING Visit the library and help your child select books to check out.	19 WRITING Use cooked pieces of spaghetti to make shapes and letters.
20 PLAYING Go on a scavenger hunt today. Look for things that start with the 'p' sound, like a plate, a pan, and a pen.	21 TALKING Use simple props to tell a story. Use silly voices for different characters.	22 SINGING Recite a nursery rhyme like "Humpty Dumpty." (Words are on the back. ➡)	23 COUNTING Use blocks to measure how long something is. How many blocks long is your arm, your foot, etc.?	24 READING Pick a child's favorite book. When you come to a favorite part encourage your child to "read" along with you.	25 WRITING Work together to make a list of your child's favorite words.	26 PLAYING Sing "Scarecrow, Scarecrow" to practice following directions. (Words are on the back. ➡)
27 TALKING Use family photos to tell different stories. Encourage your child to tell a story.	28 SINGING Recite a nursery rhyme like "Hickory Dickory Dock." (Words are on the back. ➡)	29 COUNTING Time yourself. How long does it take to walk one block? Show your child the time at the beginning and at the end.	30 READING Go to the library and check out a book on a topic your child is interested in. The librarian can help you find one.	 		

OCTOBER 2020

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Lafayette Public Library System

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 WRITING Start a list of things to do this week. Talk about it and decide who will do each.	2 PLAYING Cut out pictures of food from magazines. Let your child choose which to use and glue those onto a paper plate.	3 TALKING Talk about the weather today and what you should wear outside.
4 SINGING Sing "good morning to you" to the tune of Happy Birthday. <i>Good morning to you, good morning to you, good morning to you, good morning to you!</i>	5 COUNTING Count out a healthy snack. <i>One for you and one for me and one for Daddy. Two for you, two for me, and two for Daddy.</i>	6 READING Go the library and take out a new book. Talk about new words you come across while reading the new book.	7 WRITING Write a grocery list together. Go around checking what you need and add it to the list.	8 PLAYING Take a walk outside. Collect colorful leaves. Try to find as many different types as possible.	9 TALKING Expand on what your child says. <i>Yes, we saw a dog at the park. It was large and brown and wagging its tail.</i>	10 SINGING Take turns singing bits of the alphabet song.
11 COUNTING Trace the hand of each person in your family. Whose hand is bigger? Whose is smaller?	12 READING Try to spot letters on license plates today. How many can you see?	13 WRITING Write your child's name in big letters. Talk about each letter.	14 PLAYING Play "I Spy" with rhyming words. <i>I spy with my little eye something that rhymes with fall. What is it? Yes! A ball!</i>	15 TALKING Read a book together. Ask "what" questions. <i>What is happening here? What do you think will happen next?</i>	16 SINGING Sing "Where is Thumbkin?" (Words are on the back. ➡)	17 COUNTING Pick a point in your house or on your block. Count the steps to get there.
18 READING Read a book about bears or other animals that hibernate over the winter. The library can help you find one.	19 WRITING Use crayons or markers to write the names of colors. Use the red crayon to write the word red; the blue crayon to write the word blue; etc.	20 PLAYING Take turns pretending to be animals. <i>What sound do you make? How do you move?</i>	21 TALKING Talk about foods that are orange. 	22 SINGING Sing "If You're Happy and You Know It" (Words are on the back. ➡)	23 COUNTING Count the number of pumpkins you see today. Keep a tally. 	24 READING Read a book about fall. The library can help you find one.
25 WRITING Write a list of words that rhyme with dog. 	26 PLAYING Play a rhyming riddle game. <i>What do you see that rhymes with bee? Yes, a tree!</i>	27 TALKING Smell different things and talk about them: spices, flowers, fruit, and cocoa. Which scents do you like or dislike?	28 SINGING Dance to a fast song and then dance to a slow song. Clap along to both songs.	29 COUNTING What three things would fit inside your pumpkin? What three things won't fit?	30 READING Read a book about Halloween.	31 WRITING Make a list of things you liked most about this month.

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Phone 261-5787
Mon – Thurs 8:30 – 9:00
Friday 8:30 – 6:00
Saturday 9:00 – 5:00
Sunday 12:00 – 6:00

BUTLER MEMORIAL BRANCH

309 Cora St., Lafayette

Phone 234-0363
Mon – Thurs 3:00 – 7:00

CHENIER BRANCH

220 W. Willow, Bldg. C, Lafayette

Phone 291-2941
Mon – Thurs 9:00 – 7:00
Friday 9:00 – 6:00
Saturday 11:00 – 3:00

DUSON BRANCH

310 Ave. Au Nord, Duson

Phone 873-3521
Monday – Friday 9:00 – 6:00

MILTON BRANCH

108 W. Milton Ave., Milton

Phone 856-5261
Monday – Friday 9:00 – 6:00

24-hour Renewal Line: 261-5771

WEST REGIONAL LIBRARY

501 Old Spanish Trail, Scott

Phone 896-6321
Mon – Thurs 9:00 – 8:00
Friday 9:00 – 6:00
Saturday 10:00 – 5:00
Sunday 12:00 – 6:00

NORTH REGIONAL LIBRARY

5101 N. University, Carencro

Phone 896-6323
Mon – Thurs 9:00 – 8:00
Friday 9:00 – 6:00
Saturday 10:00 – 5:00
Sunday 12:00 – 6:00

SOUTH REGIONAL LIBRARY

6101 Johnston St., Lafayette

Phone 981-1028
Mon – Thurs 9:00 – 9:00
Friday 9:00 – 7:00
Saturday 9:00 – 5:00
Sunday 12:00 – 6:00

EAST REGIONAL LIBRARY

215 La Neuville Rd., Youngsville

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



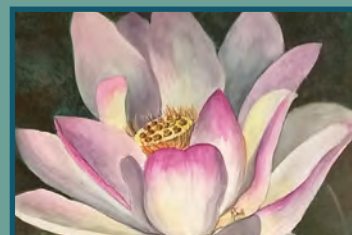
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