

# The Source

EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH LIBRARY

AUGUST 2023

**C**alling all comic fans! The 6th Annual Mid City Micro-Con returns to the Main Library at Goodwood on **Saturday, August 5, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sunday, August 6, 2-6 p.m.** Mid City Micro-Con is an annual celebration of diverse and inclusive comics, creators, and fans. We strive to connect our EBR community to local and regional creators and to amplify voices in comics and fandoms to highlight authentic, positive representation in storytelling.

Discover local art and artists in the Artist's Alley and participate in workshops with content creators all weekend long! Sign up for our cosplay contest to strut your stuff in front of professional cosplay judges and be entered to win great prizes donated from local vendors. Winners will be announced as part of the Mid City Micro-Con's closing events on Sunday, August 6!



## **This year's special guests include:**

- Worldbuilding 101 with Black speculative fiction author Milton Davis
- Drawing workshop with Keith "Cartoonman" Douglas
- Acrobatic performances by The Acadian Circus
- Live video game tournament
- NERDSoul with Blerd-ish on Black representation in pop culture
- Trapped in Anime and 8BitoffFun on content creation
- Teen Film Festival
- Our cosplay pros: Miss Oolala, Gamma Rae, LigerZero, and Lady Luna Loveless
- Food trucks, photo booths, board games, video games, and much more!
- Visit [ebrpl.com/MCMC](http://ebrpl.com/MCMC) for updates on the event schedule, cosplay contest, and more



**Inside: Get Organized! • Facilities Survey • BRSO Pop-up Concert • and more!**



## FEATURED PROGRAMS

### Fine Free in 2023!

Beginning August 1, all locations of the East Baton Rouge Parish Library will no longer collect fines for overdue items. "Access to credible information is crucial for lifelong learning and personal economic advancement," states Deputy Library Director Kristen Edson. "By going fine free, EBRPL will reduce barriers for adults that need the Library's materials and resources whenever and wherever they are. We are joining many peer libraries across the country to further our commitment to providing access for all and being a place to inspire everyone of all ages to learn. To deny anyone access to library resources is counter intuitive to our Mission, which is to be a Library that 'provides access and connects people to information, resources, materials, technology, and experience to make a positive difference in their lives.' Time and time again libraries have proven that when you eliminate fines, library card holders come back in droves because they feel welcome again. I say welcome BACK!" For more information on our new fine free policy, please call 231-3740.

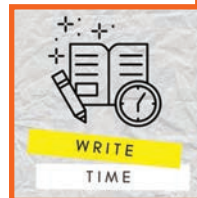


### From Concept to Manifestation: Meet the Creator Walking Gallery Tour

Meet Antoine "Ghost" Mitchell, local comic author of *Sankofa's Eymbrace*, for a behind-the-scenes look at the art and process of bringing his comic to life at the Main Library at Goodwood on Friday August 4 at 4 p.m.

### Write Time! with Boo Milton

Join us on Tuesday, August 1 at 6 p.m. at the River Center Branch for Write Time!, a FREE poetry and general creative writing session for adults ages 18-33. Beginners and seasoned writers will enjoy creating poems and spoken word pieces while connecting with other creatives. This event is hosted by media personality Boo Milton with a live DJ and refreshments. And mark your calendar for next month's Write Time! session on Tuesday, September 5 at 6 p.m.! Register for any or all of these monthly sessions at [ebrpl.com/calendar](http://ebrpl.com/calendar) or by emailing [programs@ebrpl.com](mailto:programs@ebrpl.com).



Boo Milton

### Get Organized!

Join Louisiana's only Certified Professional Organizer, Alyssa Trosclair, as she helps you Get Organized in 2023. Registration for these free programs is available at [ebrpl.com/calendar](http://ebrpl.com/calendar) or call 231-3750 for assistance. Topics at the Main Library at Goodwood include:

- **Why am I Disorganized?** – Sunday, August 20 at 3 p.m. Explore the reasons why you are disorganized! This presentation goes beyond tips and tricks to get organized and focuses on why you are disorganized in the first place and what might be holding you back from reaching your organizing goals.
- **Overcoming Procrastination** – Sunday, August 27 at 3 p.m. Do you tend to procrastinate? Do you struggle with clutter? Explore the connection between procrastination and clutter.



Learn strategies to overcome procrastination and how to set up systems to make it easier to handle necessary actions in a timely manner.

## MUSIC

### Baton Rouge Symphony Orchestra Pop-Up Concert

It's Symphony Week! Join us at the Main Library at Goodwood on Monday, August 7 at Noon for a FREE Pop-up concert with the Baton Rouge Symphony Orchestra String Quartet.



### St. Alban's Orchestra Ukelele Concert

Join the St. Alban's Ukulele Orchestra on Tuesday, August 29 at 6 p.m. for a free concert at the Main Library at Goodwood. The program will feature folk songs, train songs, and some classics with several opportunities for the audience to sing along. In addition to varieties of ukuleles, the Orchestra consists of a bass player, a percussionist or two, and ample kazoos. The St. Alban's Ukulele Orchestra began in 2016 and about half of the players are members of St. Alban's Chapel where they practice weekly.

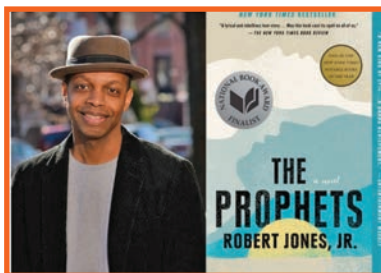


## FEATURED PROGRAMS

### Virtual Author Talk Series

The Library continues its Author Talk Series with three new authors in August! Each live, virtual event features a different bestselling author, along with an interactive Q&A session where participants can ask questions directly to the author. See August selections and dates/times below. Visit [libraryc.org/ebprl](http://libraryc.org/ebprl) to register for these virtual events, learn about other upcoming conversations with bestselling authors, and view previous author talk recordings. For more information about these and other virtual events, visit [ebprl.co/virtual](http://ebprl.co/virtual).

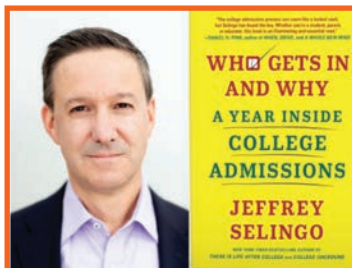
**Tuesday, August 15 at 3 p.m.** – All are welcome and encouraged to join us for an engaging hour online with *New York Times* bestselling author Robert Jones, Jr., as he discusses his debut, award-winning novel, *The Prophets*. In his book, Jones fiercely summons the voices of slaver and enslaved alike. As tensions build and the weight of centuries—of ancestors and future generations to come—culminates in a climactic reckoning, *The Prophets* fearlessly reveals the pain and suffering of inheritance but is also shot through with hope, beauty, and truth, portraying the enormous, heroic power of love.



**Wednesday, August 23 at 7 p.m.** – Join us for an exciting evening online as we chat with mega-bestselling author, Cassandra Clare, about her newest and final book in The Last Hours series, *Chain of Thorns*. In the third and final installment in the series, Cordelia has lost everything that matters to her. After fleeing to Paris, Cordelia hopes to forget her sorrows in the city's glittering nightlife. But reality intrudes when shocking news comes from home. Cordelia returns to London, now riven by chaos and dissent. If Cordelia and her friends are going to save their city—and their families—they will have to muster their courage, swallow their pride, and trust one another again.



**Wednesday, August 30 at 1 p.m.** – Spend an hour with bestselling author Jeff Selingo, who immersed himself in the world of admissions for a year to answer the question on the minds of teenagers and their parents: how do colleges select their freshman class? The result is his most recent book, *Who Gets In and Why: A Year Inside College Admissions*, named one of the 100 Notable Books of 2020 by the *New York Times*. In this conversation, Jeff will dispel the entrenched notions of how to compete and win at the admissions game, reveal why families have much to gain by broadening their notion of what qualifies as a “good” college, and explain how the pandemic impacts admissions.



### Garden Discoveries

The Baton Rouge Botanic Garden Foundation will host a FREE Garden Discoveries series event, “What to Do in Your Vegetable Garden in August,” on Saturday, August 12 at 10 a.m. at the Main Library at Goodwood led by Kathryn “Kiki” Fontenot, Ph.D., Horticulturalist with LSU AgCenter. Have you ever wanted to know how to grow the best tasting vegetables in your home garden? “There really is something empowering about harvesting your first tomato and cooking it with your family, or just slicing it up and eating it,” says speaker Kathryn “Kiki” Fontenot. This presentation is perfect for beginner and avid gardeners. We will cover tips to keep plants alive in August, rejuvenating failing crops, and what to plant when it’s terribly hot - even if you haven’t started. Vegetables can be grown and harvested 12 months out of the year and August is no exception. You can plant in the ground and in containers... you can even start your fall crops! Come on out for a vegetable gardening 101 presentation. If the weather permits, we will take a short walk outside to the adjacent Baton Rouge Botanical Gardens located in BREC Independence Park.

To register, visit [ebprl.com/calendar](http://ebprl.com/calendar) or call 231-3750 for registration assistance. Learn more at [ebprl.co/garden](http://ebprl.co/garden).



## FEATURED PROGRAMS



### Waddill Wildlife Refuge

Did you know that right outside of Baton Rouge along the Comite River there is a two-hundred fifty acre wildlife refuge with fishing ponds, air rifle and archery ranges, picnic facilities, and many other fun outdoor amenities? Waddill Wildlife Refuge is part of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries. Biologist Joelle Constant, manager of the refuge, will be at the Main Library at Goodwood on Wednesday, August 16 at 6 p.m. to talk about the history of the refuge and its current purpose and functions. She will also discuss upcoming events for kids and adults, as well as outreach programs offered to the public. Join us for this fun, nature-focused presentation as part of the Library's Special Collections Lecture Series.



### Teen Film Camp Premiere

Friends, family, and everyone else are invited to join us at the Main Library at Goodwood during the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Mid City Micro-Con on Saturday, August 5 at 2 p.m. for the premiere of six films created by teens at our Summer Film Camp. Snacks will be served, photos will be taken, and awards will be given to the filmmakers.

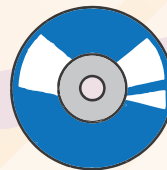
### EBRPL Facilities Survey

We value your opinion! The East Baton Rouge Parish Library is developing a plan for library buildings to help guide its future. We need your input and ideas to help us create the best libraries and library services for our community. Deputy Library Director Kristen Edson shares, "Community input and engagement are the key to being a successful and transparent government agency. In an age where change is growing more rapidly every day, it is important to increase our interactions with our community and ask for their opinion. We want to hear from you! As we make plans for our next tax election, the Library wants to ensure we are providing the types of spaces and services that are convenient and meet our community needs." We hope that you will take a few moments to complete this questionnaire. Please use the QR code or visit [ebrpl.co/survey2023](http://ebrpl.co/survey2023) to get started!



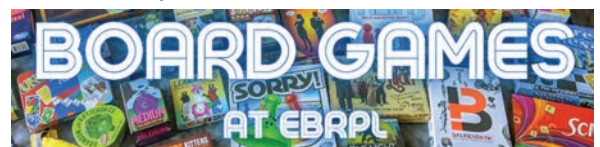
### Special Collections Offers New CD and DVD Copy Service

Do you have a CD or DVD full of special family photos, videos, or important documentation that you would like to copy for yourself or to share with others? The Library's Special Collections Department is now offering to copy any CD or DVD (that does not contain copyrighted material) onto a DVD or thumb drive, free of charge! If you would like to copy to a thumb drive, please bring one with you. DVDs will be provided. Visit the Special Collections Department on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Main Library at Goodwood on Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-6 p.m., to take advantage of this great new service!



### Games 2 Geaux at Bluebonnet

The Library is excited to announce that we have expanded our Games 2 Geaux program! Adults, teens, and tweens can now check out games at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch! With over 50 games available, choose classics like Clue, Jenga, and Pictionary or new favorites like Abandon All Artichokes, Exploding Kittens, and Sushi Go! Patrons may check out three games at a time. Just bring the games boxes to the circulation desk to receive a bag with all game pieces. We hope to bring Games 2 Geaux to more Library branches soon! For a full list of games available at our libraries, please visit [ebrpl.co/games](http://ebrpl.co/games).

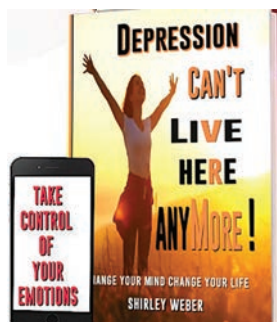




## BOOK PREMIERES

### Depression Can't Live Here Anymore!

Author Shirley Weber invites you to the launch party of her book, *Depression Can't Live Here Anymore!* at the Main Library at Goodwood on Saturday, August 12 at 2 p.m. Come early for a prize drawing! Copies of her book will be available for purchase and signing at the event.



Cecily S. Moore

Join author Cecily S. Moore as she debuts her two children's books, *A Little Praying Black Girl* and *A Little Praying Black Boy* at the Main Library at Goodwood on Sunday, August 13 at 6:30 p.m. Moore will be reading from her books and signing copies. Books will be available for purchase at the event.

### Book of Prayers for Children

Join author Cecily S. Moore as she debuts her two children's books, *A Little Praying Black Girl* and *A Little Praying Black Boy* at the Main Library at Goodwood on Sunday, August 13 at 6:30 p.m. Moore will be reading from her books and signing copies. Books will be available for purchase at the event.

### Squeezing Success

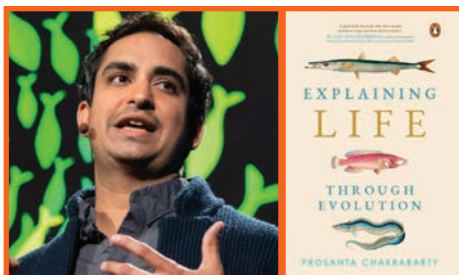


Author Blake Hicks wrote his book, *Squeezing Success*, to encourage dads to spend productive, quality time with their kids. The book was inspired by his four year-old daughter and "Creative Director" Alina's

participation in the Library's 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten program. Join Hicks for his book release event at the Main Library at Goodwood on Saturday, August 19 at 3:30 p.m.

### Explaining Life Through Evolution

Join Dr. Prosanta Chakrabarty, LSU Professor and Curator of Fishes at the LSU Museum of Natural Science and Department of Biological Sciences, for the premiere of his book, *Explaining Life Through Evolution*. He will lead a discussion at the Main Library at Goodwood on Sunday, August 20 at 7 p.m. on our current understanding of the origins of life on this planet and how it diversified into the many organisms we see around us today.



Dr. Prosanta Chakrabarty

## SAVE THE DATE



### SoleLab Hip Hop Festival

The SoleLab Hip Hop Festival returns to the Main Library at Goodwood on Sunday, September 3 at 2 p.m. to celebrate "50 Years of Hip Hop." The festival's founders, DJ Sole Lab and Mark Dub, incorporate music, art, dance, and over 50 local vendors to create a cultural community experience for all ages. This year's event features local and regional performers, graffiti artists, break-dance crews, up to 20 local painters, and some of the best food truck vendors Louisiana has to offer. Admission is free and open to the public.

### Jag Mobile Health Screenings



Nursing students from Southern University's School of Nursing will offer health screenings in the Jag Mobile at the Baker Branch on Friday, September 8, Noon-4 p.m. They plan to offer biometrics screenings (body mass index, blood pressure, glucose, cholesterol) and HIV/Syphilis/Hepatitis C testing at no charge to the general public.

### Garden Discoveries

The Baton Rouge Botanic Garden Foundation will host a FREE Garden Discoveries series event on Saturday, September 9 at 10 a.m. at the Main Library at Goodwood. Registration is available at [ebrpl.com/calendar](http://ebrpl.com/calendar) or call 231-3750 for registration assistance. Learn more at [ebrpl.co/garden](http://ebrpl.co/garden).

### Get Organized!

Join Louisiana's only Certified Professional Organizer, Alyssa Trosclair, as she helps you Get Organized in 2023! She will show you "How to Create a Home Inventory" at the Main Library at Goodwood on Sunday, September 10 at 3 p.m. Registration is available at [ebrpl.com/calendar](http://ebrpl.com/calendar) or call 231-3750 for assistance.

### EBR Master Gardeners

East Baton Rouge Master Gardeners Library Series will begin its fall presentations on Thursday, September 14 at 6:30 p.m. at the Main Library at Goodwood with talks on "Trees and Shrubs" and "School Gardens." A second set of presentations on "Raised Beds and Bags" and "Fairy Gardens" will take place at the Fairwood Branch on Thursday, September 28 at 5:30 p.m. For more information, visit [ebrmg.wildapricot.org](http://ebrmg.wildapricot.org).






## Litter breeds litter

and puts pets and wildlife in danger

**A split second decision to conveniently toss litter can have a long lasting effect on our community. It can be avoided.**

The average time to smoke a cigarette is 6 minutes. Tossed in the street, it can take a cigarette butt up to 10-12 years to decompose. It is the most littered item on earth but to dogs and other animals, the poisonous nicotine in a cigarette butt's plastic and cellulose can be a tasty, potentially deadly treat. Take a moment and decide to do the right thing to protect our environment.

How long does litter take to decompose?

- Cardboard - 2 months
- Plywood - 1-3 years
- Lumber - 10-15 years
- Aluminum cans - between 80-200 years
- Plastic bottles - over 450 years
- Plastic bags - up to a 1,000 years

For reading resources and upcoming community projects to help save our local environment visit [www.ebrpl.libguides.com/litter](http://www.ebrpl.libguides.com/litter)

**Small changes make big differences**  
Join the Movement to Brighten Up Baton Rouge

Join a clean-up crew.  
Commit to a litter-free future!  
Visit [BrightenUpBatonRouge.com](http://BrightenUpBatonRouge.com) for more information.



Mayor's Litter Task Force

[BrightenUpBatonRouge.com](http://BrightenUpBatonRouge.com)

For more information on litter statistics, local anti-litter resources, and tips on how you can do your part for a litter-free Baton Rouge, visit [ebrpl.co/litter](http://ebrpl.co/litter).



## Get Down and Clean Up Kits

It's time to "Get Down and Clean Up," Baton Rouge! The East Baton Rouge Parish Library is now circulating Get Down and Clean Up Kits at seven of its Library locations. Participating locations are the Baker Branch, Bluebonnet Regional Branch, Carver Branch, Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch, Main Library at Goodwood, Scotlandville Branch, and Zachary Branch.

Sponsored by Keep Louisiana Beautiful, each kit includes:

- 24 Litter Grabbers
- 24 High Visibility Safety Vests
- Large Garbage Bags
- Bottles of Hand Sanitizer

The kits will assist volunteers in their goal of litter removal and beautification in the Baton Rouge area. Groups can register a time and area for litter pickup by calling 311, visit the [brightenupbatonrouge.com](http://brightenupbatonrouge.com) calendar to add their clean up event, then check out a Get Down and Clean Up Kit from the Library. Let's work together to keep our city litter-free! For more information, please visit [keeplouisianabeautiful.org](http://keeplouisianabeautiful.org) or [ebrpl.co/litter](http://ebrpl.co/litter).







## Employee Recognition Luncheon

Library employees who reached milestone years of service were honored at the Main Library at Goodwood on July 6. A delicious lunch was provided by the Patrons of the Public Library. Afterward, the honorees were congratulated by Deputy Director Kristen Edson, and pins and certificates were presented by POPL's Jane Beyer and Assistant Library Director Mary Stein. Library Board of Control Vice-President, Candace Temple, closed the event with a word of thanks to the employees for their important service to the community.



## Ask-a-Lawyer

Adults can come to the Library to take advantage of FREE, individual counseling sessions offered by the Pro Bono Project of the Baton Rouge Bar Association. Area attorneys will be available for one-on-one, 15-minute sessions for legal advice on a first-come, first-served basis for advice on non-criminal matters involving Family, Consumer, Housing, Social Security, Employment, Education, and Succession law on the following Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.:

- August 12 – Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch
- September 2  
Bluebonnet Regional Branch
- September 16 – Zachary Branch
- October 14 – Central Branch
- November 4 – Baker Branch
- December 9  
Jones Creek Regional Branch
- December 16  
Main Library at Goodwood

Can't make it in-person? The Baton Rouge Bar Association also provides assistance anytime through their Online Intake Application. Just visit [ebrpl.co/brbaonlineapp](http://ebrpl.co/brbaonlineapp), complete the application, and a dedicated attorney will contact you shortly afterwards. For more information about this program, email [lynn@brba.org](mailto:lynn@brba.org) or call 225-214-5564.

## Know Your Rights: Wills and Estates

Join Southeast Louisiana Legal Services for a FREE legal workshop, "Know Your Rights: Wills and Estates," at the Carver Branch on Thursday August 17, 4-6:30 p.m. Southeast Louisiana Legal Services is a nonprofit law firm whose mission is to achieve justice for low-income people in Louisiana by enforcing and defending their legal rights, through civil legal aid, advocacy, and community education. For more information, visit [SLLS.org](http://SLLS.org).







## Downsizing & Decluttering Workshop

Having too much stuff can impede people from relocating or getting health care in their homes. AARP Baton Rouge invites you to an engaging presentation at the Main Library at Goodwood on Thursday, August 31 at 10 a.m. that explores why stuff is so important to some people and teaches practical, easy-to-follow tips on downsizing and decluttering. Learn how to get started!



## Medicaid Updates, Renewal, and Enrollment

Feeding Louisiana, a partner of the Greater Baton Rouge Food Bank, will visit participating Library locations during the months of August and September to offer assistance with Medicaid contact information updates, renewals, and enrollment. They will be at the Main Library at Goodwood on Monday, August 7, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. To learn about more opportunities at other Library locations on additional dates, please visit [ebrpl.com/calendar](http://ebrpl.com/calendar). Feeding Louisiana understands that access to healthcare coverage is essential for the well-being of individuals and families, and aims to ensure that eligible individuals receive the necessary support and guidance to successfully enroll in Medicaid. To find out more about Feeding Louisiana, visit their website at [feedinglouisiana.org](http://feedinglouisiana.org).

## Project Power Diabetes Education Program

The Library is partnering with the American Diabetes Association to bring Project Power to our community by hosting this important, no-cost program at various Library locations across the parish. Project Power is an innovative diabetes lifestyle change program from the American Diabetes Association® that raises diabetes awareness and offers diabetes risk reduction education to people with diabetes and prediabetes nationwide. By promoting healthy lifestyles, healthy eating, and increased physical activity, this 12-week diabetes risk reduction program will educate the public on diabetes and remove barriers to treatment—including destigmatizing diabetes and identifying and removing social determinants of health-related barriers. Over the duration of the program, healthcare provider coaches work closely with participants in a small group setting to help them break old habits, create new ones, set attainable goals, and keep them motivated. For more information about Project Power, go online to [diabetes.org/ProjectPower](http://diabetes.org/ProjectPower).

PROJECT POWER



*More than 350,000 out-of-hospital cardiac arrests occur each year in the U.S.*

*Immediate CPR can double or triple a person's chances of survival.*



**Thursday, August 10**  
**Central Branch Library**

Classes begin at 4:30 p.m. and will be offered every 15 minutes. The last class will begin at 6:30 p.m.

*Space is limited to 8 people per session. Register for a training class by calling (225) 262-2640. Walk-ins are welcome.*





## Vitalant Blood Drive

Vitalant will be at the Main Library at Goodwood on Thursday, August 17, 3:30-5:30 p.m., for a blood drive. Donors must present ID at the time of donation and should have plenty to eat and drink before and after!



## Voter Registration Week

In order to provide citizens with an opportunity to register to vote near their home or workplace, the East Baton Rouge Parish Registrar's Office will visit Library locations during the week of August 28- September 1. Please see dates and locations below. Voter registration will take place 1-6 p.m. each day. *Please bring a valid ID that establishes identity, age, and residency.*

### Monday, August 28

Bluebonnet Regional Branch  
River Center Branch  
Scotlandville Branch

### Tuesday, August 29

Central Branch  
Fairwood Branch  
Zachary Branch

### Wednesday, August 30

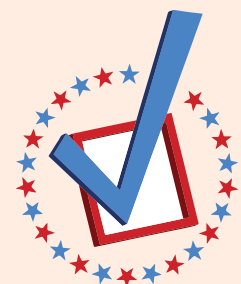
Carver Branch  
Delmont Gardens Branch  
Main Library at Goodwood

### Thursday, August 31

Eden Park Branch  
Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch  
Pride-Chaneyville Branch

### Friday, September 1

Baker Branch  
Jones Creek Regional Branch



## ADULT PROGRAMS

### CALLING ALL WRITERS

#### Self-Publishing Workshop

Adults are welcome to join a group of local authors at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Monday, August 7 at 6:30 p.m. for the Self-Publishing Workshop to acquire skills on preparing your book for publication.

#### Poetry Writing Workshop

Want to start writing poetry but don't know how? Love writing but haven't in years? Share your poetry in a supportive environment. Come write with us on Tuesday, August 8 at 6:30 p.m. at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch. The meeting will consist of poetry reading, writing prompts and exercises, and those who are interested can share their drafts. To register, visit [ebrpl.com/calendar](http://ebrpl.com/calendar) or email Ava Hughes at [ahughes@ebrpl.com](mailto:ahughes@ebrpl.com).

#### Writers Rendezvous

Writers are invited to join Writers Rendezvous at the Fairwood Branch for their monthly writers group on Tuesday, August 15. There are sessions at 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. Writers Rendezvous is an informal writers group where people can meet, share ideas, and get feedback on current projects.

#### Fiction Writers Workshop

Are you an aspiring author? Join the Fiction Writers Workshop to get feedback on your fiction stories. Email Jordan Courtney at [jcourtney@ebrpl.com](mailto:jcourtney@ebrpl.com) to get started. We email new stories out once a month. Once you have given feedback on at least 2 other members' stories, you are qualified to sign up for a critique of your own writing. Join us at the in-person meeting on Monday, August 21 at 6:30 p.m. at Bluebonnet Regional Branch to meet other local authors and discuss the stories. For more information, call 763-2250.



#### Earn Your Makerspace Badge

Get creative with Makerspaces at these Library locations! Adults and teens are invited to attend a badging class to learn the basics of safely operating our Makerspace equipment, including professional microphones and soundboards, 3D printers, sewing machines, button makers, Cricuts, and more! Once you have completed a badging class, you may reserve the equipment for personal use! **Registration is required.** To register, call the branch directly or visit [ebrpl.com/calendar](http://ebrpl.com/calendar). See opportunities below:

##### Jones Creek Regional Branch

Saturday, August 12 at 10 a.m. – Cricut and Heat Press Class

Tuesday, August 15 at 6:30 p.m. – Sewing Class

Thursday, August 17 at 6:30 p.m. – 3D Printing Class

Tuesday, August 29 at 6:30 p.m. – Serger Class



##### River Center Branch

Wednesday, August 16 at 4 p.m. – Laser Cutter:

World Honey Bee Day Coasters

Monday, August 21 at 3 p.m. – Beginner Laser Cutter Class

Thursday, August 31 at 3 p.m. – Beginner Sewing Class



#### Zen Coloring

Touted as a therapeutic source of creativity and relaxation, people everywhere are rediscovering coloring! Come to the River Center Branch on Wednesday, August 2, 3-4:45 p.m., and de-stress with other adults as we color inside and outside of the lines. Coloring sheets and colored pencils will be provided.

#### Coloring and Word Search Puzzles

De-stress with coloring and word search puzzles at the Scotlandville Branch on Thursday, August 10, 4-5 p.m. Color in and outside of the lines with calming yet brain-stimulating activities. Colored pencils, color sheets, and word puzzles will be provided.

#### ¿HABLAS ESPAÑOL?

#### Spanish Reading Club

Do you speak or read Spanish? Perhaps you're looking for a fun way to speak Spanish with others? If you also love reading and discussing books with others, then we have just the group for you! Join us for a club centered around reading books in Spanish! Adults can come to the Bluebonnet Regional Branch at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 16 as we discuss *Las Películas de Mi Vida* (The Movies of my Life: A Novel) by Alberto Fuguet. Copies are available on Libby, the Library reading app. For more information, call 763-2250.



## Let's Knit Together

Adults, if you love knitting or would like to learn, let's knit together at the Zachary Branch each Tuesday in August at 6 p.m. Bring your project to work on or bring size 8, 9, or 10 needles and a smooth, worsted weight (#4) yarn to start learning.

## Crafting for a Cause

Join us at the Pride-Chaneyville Branch at 1 p.m. every Thursday in August for a chance to create something beautiful and enjoy the company of fellow crafters. All skill levels are invited. Donations of yarn, supplies or finished items are welcome.

## Knitting Nook & Crochet Corner

Have you been wanting to learn how to knit? Are you having trouble with a new technique or pattern? Just want to meet fellow knitting enthusiasts? Join knitters of all levels, beginners to advanced, at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Thursdays, August 10 & 24, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., to learn and share.

## 'Fraid Knot Crochet Club

Have you ever wanted to learn to crochet? Are you an experienced crocheter? Would you like company, support, and inspiration? Join us on Thursday, August 10 at 6:30 p.m. at the Jones Creek Regional Branch. All experience levels are welcome. Beginners will learn the basics while the more experienced will learn new, more complicated stitches. Supplies will be provided for the first 15 people, but you are welcome to bring your own supplies and/or projects. Registration is strongly encouraged. To register, call 756-1150.



## Crochet Basics

Crochet is the skill and hobby of interlocking yarn using a small hook. Come join other adults at the Delmont Gardens Branch on Tuesday, August 15 at 4 p.m. to learn the basics of crochet. All skill levels are welcome and supplies are provided! Learn how to construct your first chain stitch. **Registration is required.** To register, call 354-7050 or visit [www.ebrpl.com/calendar](http://www.ebrpl.com/calendar).

## Crochet (and Knit) for a Cause

Crocheters and knitters will meet at the Main Library at Goodwood on Saturday, August 19 at 3 p.m. and work on projects to benefit those in need, which will include hats for premature babies, hats for cancer patients, waterproof sleeping mats for the homeless, and "knitted knockers," which are soft comfortable prosthesis alternatives for breast cancer survivors. Patterns and some supplies will be provided, though participants are encouraged to bring their own knitting needles and crochet hooks. (Knitting needles DPN or circular size 4, crochet hook size 4.5 or G7) Want to help but don't know how to knit? No problem! Come stuff the knockers with filler or make "plarn" from shopping bags for sleeping mats. Some instruction can be provided, though please note, this is not an instructional class for beginners. Some experience with knitting or crochet preferred.

## Polymer Clay Dog Charms



August is National Dog Month! Come celebrate a furry friend by making a polymer clay dog charm at the River Center Branch on Saturday, August 19, 3-5 p.m.

## Rock Painting

Come paint fun designs on rocks for decorations at the Eden Park Branch on Tuesday, August 22 at 4 p.m. **Registration is required.** To register, call 231-3240.

## Perler Bead Art

Come make your own colorful, fun Perler bead art at the Fairwood Branch on Wednesday, August 23 at 5 p.m.

## Bookmark Embroidery

Have you always wanted to try embroidery but never seem to have your stitches in a row? Join us at the Main Library at Goodwood on Saturday, August 26 at 2 p.m. for a hands-on presentation from Traveling on a Thread. Learn about embroidery and how to make embroidered bookmarks. **Registration is required.** To register, call 231-3740.

## Crochet Compassion

Join us at the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Saturday, August 26, 3:30-5 p.m., for Crochet Compassion. We will make plarn and crochet it into plastic sleeping mats for the homeless. In addition, we will be participating in Knitted Knockers to make handmade, soft, and adjustable breast prosthesis for people who have undergone mastectomies. There is a crochet pattern also available. More information about Knitted Knockers can be found at [www.knittedknockers.org](http://www.knittedknockers.org). Crochet experience is not necessary. We will need a lot of help making that plarn! Registration is requested but not required.

## Acrylic Art Workshop



Make beautiful art representing a wide variety of countries while learning the basics of acrylic painting. Join Martha Whittington at the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Wednesday, August 30 at 12:30 p.m. **Registration is required.** To register, call 756-1140.



## HEALTH AND WELLNESS

### Jones Creek Exercise Group

Join the Jones Creek Regional Branch every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday in August, 9:30–10 a.m., as we exercise with a video guided 30-minute workout session. First come, first served for floor space.

### Fitness in the Stacks

No traffic, no heat, no excuses! Join Bluebonnet Regional Branch for Fitness in the Stacks, a fun fitness group enthusiastic about staying healthy. Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning in August, 10-11 a.m., patrons can get fit by exercising with a beginner aerobics video. All fitness levels are welcome!



### Yoga

Join us at the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch every Monday in August at 5 p.m. for a gentle yoga flow. We'll provide up to 8 yoga mats. No need to register, but feel free to bring your own mat in case we run out. You may also bring a towel for extra padding. For more information, call 274-4450.

## GAMES

### Guessing Game

Stop by the Jones Creek Regional Branch during the month of August to guess how many multi-colored push pins are in the jar. If you guess the correct number, you win a prize at the end of the month!

### GUGL! The Grown-Up Gaming League

Calling all adult gamers in the Greater Baton Rouge area! Join us for GUGL! The Grown-Up Gaming League at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch. GUGL is a monthly games program open to adult players of all skill levels, ages 18 and older. Sessions may feature games such as Dungeons & Dragons, Catan, Ticket to Ride, Arkham Horror, Five Minute Dungeon, Risk, Munchkin, Magic the Gathering (TCG), and over 200 more to choose from! BYOG – Bring your own games or play using GUGL's sets.



Upcoming dates:

- Wednesday, August 9 at 6 p.m.: Open Board Game Night (*Beginners-Intermediate*)
- Saturday, August 12 at Noon: *Tabletop Saturdays: Pathfinder and Dungeons & Dragons, and other TTRPGs*
- Wednesday, August 16 at 6 p.m.: *Introduction to Magic the Gathering (Beginners-Intermediate)*
- Wednesday, August 23 at 6 p.m.: *Big Board Game Night (Choose from the group's 250+ games or bring your own to share)*
- Saturday, August 26 at Noon: *Tabletop Saturdays: Pathfinder and Dungeons & Dragons and other TTRPGs*

### B-I-N-G-O

Adults are invited to a fun-filled time of playing Bingo and winning prizes at the Library locations below:

- Morning Bingo: Eden Park Branch – Tuesday, August 8 at 10 a.m.
- Wonderful Wednesday Bingo: Scotlandville Branch – Wednesday, August 9 at 4 p.m.
- Third Monday Bingo: Carver Branch – Monday, August 21 at 11 a.m.
- Bingo in the Gardens: Delmont Gardens Branch – Thursday, August 24 at 4 p.m.

### Scrabble for Adults

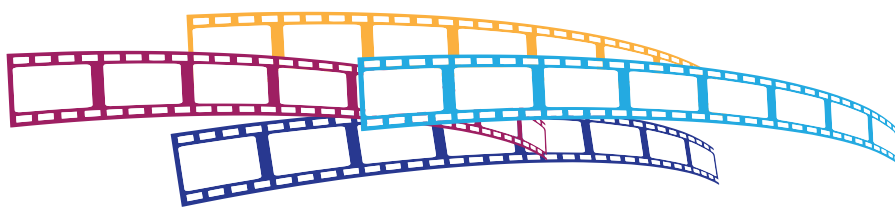
Bring a friend and join us at the Baker Branch on Thursday, August 17 at 10 a.m. for a round of good, old-fashioned Scrabble Crossword – the fun, classic word game that never goes out of style.

### Chess Club

Adults are invited to the Delmont Gardens Branch on Tuesday, August 22 at 3 p.m. to play chess! All skill levels welcome.



## MOVIES



### Afternoon Movie

Join us at the Scotlandville Branch on Saturday, August 5 at 3 p.m. for *Fall*, a movie about Becky and Hunter, two daredevil friends who push themselves through fear, forcing each other beyond their limits for the thrill of it. When they climb an abandoned radio tower, they find themselves stranded 2,000 feet in the air with no easy way down. This time, have they bitten off more than they can chew?

### Classic Horror Series

Come to the Carver Branch on Monday, August 7 at 3:45 p.m. for the latest in our classic horror series featuring writer and director Jordan Peele's recent hit, *Nope*.

### Baton Rouge Film Club

Join the Baton Rouge Film Club for a film screening and discussion as we look at the work of director Wes Anderson! Adults can come to the Bluebonnet Regional Branch at 6:15 pm on Monday, August 14 as we watch and discuss 2001's comedy/drama *The Royal Tenenbaums*. The eccentric members of a dysfunctional family reluctantly gather under the same roof. Come back on Monday, August 28 for 2014's *The Grand Budapest Hotel*. A writer encounters the owner of an aging high-class hotel who tells him of his early years serving as a lobby boy in the hotel's glorious years under an exceptional concierge.



### Movie Matinee

Come for the laughs as we watch *80 for Brady* at the Baker Branch on Wednesday, August 16 at 10:30 a.m. "After decades of dreaming, a quartet of older women who are dedicated football fans finally decide to make a pilgrimage to the Super Bowl for the once-in-a-lifetime chance to meet their favorite player, noteworthy NFL mainstay, Tom Brady. Along the way, hijinks ensue." —swank.com

### 'Queer' History Film Series

'Queer' History Film Series is an exploration into LGBTIQ+ history, influence, politics and gaiety throughout the ages. In partnership with Baton Rouge Pride, this series will feature a different film on the last Sunday of each month, continuing this month with *Beauty Before Age: Growing Older in Gay Culture* (1997, Unrated) at the Main Library at Goodwood on Sunday, August 27 at 6 p.m.. "The film critically examines the pressure to look young and attractive, lack of positive older role models and ways in which AIDS intensifies the fear and process of aging. *Beauty Before Age* offers a male perspective on a historically female issue and illuminates the larger societal obsession with physical appearance." - New Day Films

Adult topics will be discussed so we ask that no children attend, and viewer discretion is advised.

## GENEALOGY

### Newsbank Historical Newspaper Archive

The East Baton Rouge Parish Library's Advocate Historical Newspaper database is home to full scans of millions of pages from Baton Rouge and New Orleans newspapers dating from 1832 to 1996. This class at the Main Library at Goodwood on Wednesday, August 16 at 3 p.m. will teach you how to search and sort this large amount of information and uncover stories about the people, places, and things in your ancestors' community. Seating is limited to 15 in-person and 15 virtual attendees. **Registration is required.** To register, visit [ebrpl.co/genclass](http://ebrpl.co/genclass) or call 231-3751.

### Resources for African Americans

Due to the history of slavery, prejudice, and discrimination against African Americans in our country, African Americans were routinely excluded from many records that could have documented details of their daily lives. In this class at the Main Library at Goodwood on Monday, August 21 at 3 p.m., you will learn about search techniques and special records collections that will help you find your ancestors. Seating is limited to 15 in-person and 15 virtual attendees. **Registration is required.** To register, visit [ebrpl.co/genclass](http://ebrpl.co/genclass) or call 231-3751.



### ADULT GRAB AND GEAUXS

**Tuesday, August 1 – Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch**  
3D Paper Balls

**Friday, August 11 – Jones Creek Regional Branch**  
Hanging Photo Display

**Thursday, August 17 – Jones Creek Regional Branch**  
Apple Stress Ball

## YouTube Roundup

Get FREE, Certified Professional Career & Job Search Help Virtually! If you need help with your job search or career, but can't make it to the Career Center in-person, we can come to you through the power of our online videos. Our videos provide guidance on how to write resumes and cover letters, answer interview questions, complete online job applications, negotiate your salary, find work-from-home jobs, and much more. We even have dedicated playlists for teens, Spanish-speaking citizens, and the formerly incarcerated. Whatever type of help you need with your job search or career progression, we've got a video for that! Check out the following videos (and more!) at [www.careercenterbr.com/YouTube](http://www.careercenterbr.com/YouTube) :



YouTube

### How to Answer, "What motivates you?"

Learning about what motivates you - what drives you to succeed or inspires you to happiness - can tell a hiring manager a lot about what type of employee you'll be. In this video, we demonstrate an answer that aligns with the needs of the position and the company culture.

### How to Apply for a Job at Chili's

In this video, we walk you step by step through the process of applying online for a job with restaurant chain Chili's.

### Resume Quick Tips: Outgrown Resume Formats

This video is part of our Resumes Before and After series, which showcases common resume mistakes and our recommended solutions. In this video, we demonstrate why the resume format you've been using since the beginning of your career may not be the best fit now that you're an experienced professional.

## Mastering the Job Interview

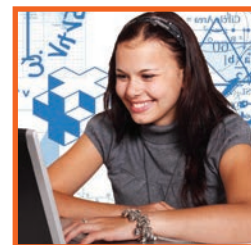
Are you searching for a new job? Your performance during an interview can land you – or cost you – your dream job. Learn to perfect your job interview skills at the Zachary Branch Library on Thursday, August 10 at 10 a.m. The Library's Career Center will present tips for a great interview, common traps and pitfalls to avoid, and interactive demonstrations for answering the most common interview questions. **Registration is required.** To register, call 658-1850.

## Advance Your Career and Skills with MOOCs

Are you looking to learn more about a subject in your field in order to advance your career? Or do you simply want to learn more about a subject that catches your interest? MOOCs are Massive Open Online Courses that have become a popular approach to learning new subjects and skills. Our MOOCs workshop at the Main Library at Goodwood on Wednesday, August 23 at 11:30 a.m. will introduce you to:

- What MOOCs are
- How much they cost (many are free or inexpensive)
- What degrees or certificates you can earn
- How they can help you advance your career

**Registration is required.** To register, please call 231-3733 or visit [www.careercenterbr.com/event](http://www.careercenterbr.com/event).



## Cover Letters and Other Job Search-Related Writing

You know how to write a resume, but what about all the other letters involved in a job search?

- What kind of cover letter will get hiring managers' attention?
- What needs to be contained in a thank-you letter after an interview?
- How can you reach out to a friend and ask for help with your job search?

These questions and more will be answered at the Main Library at Goodwood on Saturday, August 26 at 2 p.m. in this free seminar, presented by Certified Professional Resume Writer, Lynnette Lee. **Registration is required.** To register, please call 231-3733 or visit [www.careercenterbr.com/event](http://www.careercenterbr.com/event).

## New in the Digital Library: Mometrix

You've worked hard and are well on your way to your dream career. Only one thing stands in your way...a test. Mometrix can help! Their database includes thousands of study guides, practice tests, and flashcard titles, for 1,500+ different exams making Mometrix the most comprehensive test preparation company in the world. Their Product Development Department works hard to keep the materials aligned with the latest exam standards. Mometrix offers test prep in fields such as business, construction, law, healthcare, and real estate, just to name a few. You can also find test guides for K-12 students and college admissions! Access to this invaluable resource is FREE; all you need is your Library card! Visit [ebrpl.co/mometrix](http://ebrpl.co/mometrix) to invest in your future, today!

**Mometrix**  
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## 20-SOMETHINGS

### Acrylic Keychains

Do you like cute accessories? Adults 18-30ish are invited to come to the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Tuesday, August 1 at 6:30 p.m. to decorate your own acrylic keychain with paint, glitter, and adorable designs. All supplies will be provided.

### Meditation Seminar

Some quiet introspection can help you stay grounded when life gets stressful. 20-somethings are invited to join us at the Fairwood Branch on Wednesday, August 16 at 5 p.m. for our meditation seminar. We will discuss the purpose of meditation, benefits, and some techniques to help you find your center.

### Bath Bombs

Come create bath bombs at the Carver Branch on Tuesday, August 8, 2-3:30 p.m. You can choose your own color and scent! Join us for this fun, rewarding activity.

### Superhero Buttons

Make buttons featuring your favorite superheroes or even villains (for those who root for the bad guys) at the River Center Branch on Wednesday, August 9 at 3:30 p.m.

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### Painted Terracotta Pots

Do your plants need a new home? Come decorate terracotta pots with us at the Main Library at Goodwood on Monday, August 14 at 6 p.m. The pots are safe for indoor and outdoor plants.

### DIY Cologne

Put a personal (and healthy) touch to your cologne by making it yourself! You'll discover how easy and fun it is to make cologne and perfume at the Pride-Chaneyville Branch on Tuesday, August 22 at 5 p.m.

### Video Game Night

Join us at the River Center Branch on Tuesday, August 22 at 5:30 p.m. for a chill evening of Mario Kart and Super Smash Bros. Ultimate.



## 20-SOMETHINGS GRAB AND GEAUX

**Tuesday, August 1**  
**Eden Park Branch**  
Louisiana String Art

**Monday, August 7**  
**Main Library at Goodwood**  
Poetry Magnets

**Friday, August 11**  
**Zachary Branch**  
Macrame Plant Hanger

**Wednesday, August 16**  
**Central Branch**  
Glitter Wine Glass

**Monday, August 21**  
**Main Library at Goodwood**  
Beaded Wind Chime

## LSU Museum of Art

AT THE SHAW CENTER FOR THE ARTS

### African American Masterworks Exhibition, Reception, and Performance

The LSU Museum of Art (LSU MOA) premieres the exhibition *African American Masterworks from the Paul R. Jones Museum at The University of Alabama* on Thursday, August 3. The show features sixty paintings, sculptures, photographs, and prints by prominent twentieth century Black artists including Sam Gilliam, Faith Ringgold, Jacob Lawrence, Howardena Pindell, Emma Amos, and Romare Bearden. A free public opening reception is scheduled for Thursday, August 3 at 6 p.m. on the fifth floor of the Shaw Center, featuring a performance of music by Nina Simone, presented by Chloé Marie.



Faith Ringgold's  
*Wynton's Tune*

### Reclaiming African American Traditions in the Decorative Arts

The LSU Museum of Art is pleased to announce the next installment of its annual Decorative Arts Lecture Series, featuring the talk entitled *Reclaiming African American Traditions in the Decorative Arts* with Dr. Lauren Cross, the Esteemed Gail-Oxford Associate Curator of American Decorative Arts at the Huntington Library, Art Museum, and Botanical Gardens in San Marino, California. The event will take place on Tuesday, August 29 at 6 p.m. on the fifth floor of the Shaw Center for the Arts and is free and open to the public.



Dr. Lauren Cross

### Members+ Exhibition

The Arts Council of Greater Baton Rouge's annual *Members+ Exhibition* highlighting works by its member artists opens Friday, August 4 in the Shell Gallery at the Cary Saurage Community Arts Center. An opening reception is set for Thursday, August 17, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Bolstered by other local creatives, *Members+ Exhibition* celebrates local visual artists and the inspiration they bring to the Arts Council's 11-parish region. The artists are prompted to create a work inspired by our everyday life, a scene always at the forefront of every Louisianian's mind—the roads and routes we take to get to where we need to go every day. The exhibit runs through September 13 and is free and open to the public. Gallery hours are Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.



### Southern Avenue Concert

Manship Theatre invites you to a night of blues with Southern Avenue on Friday, August 25 at 7 p.m. in the Hartley / Vey Studio Theatre. Memphis-based, GRAMMY®-nominated Southern Avenue inked their first record deal with legendary Stax Records in 2016. The first Memphis band signed to Stax in over 40 years, their self-titled debut was an immediate phenomenon, reaching #1 on iTunes' "Top Blues Albums" chart before being honored with the 2018 Blues Music Award for "Best Emerging Artist Album." 2019's *KEEP ON* proved an even greater success, debuting among the top 5 on Billboard's "Top Blues Albums" chart amidst worldwide critical acclaim, ultimately earning Southern Avenue their first GRAMMY® Award nomination, for "Best Contemporary Blues Album." Purchase your tickets at [manshiptheatre.org](http://manshiptheatre.org). *This show is standing room only.* The entrance to the Hartley / Vey Studio Theatre is on North Blvd., across from the Old State Capitol.



### Parents: Is your child 3 or 4 years old?

#### See if your child qualifies for the Mini Movers study!

The purpose of the Mini Movers study is to figure out what active play, screen-time, and sleep look like in the home environment. We want to find ways to help kids move more and sleep well.

#### To qualify for this research study, your child should:

- Be 3 or 4 years old
- Be physically capable of exercise and have no parent-reported mobility limitations
- Have a parent willing to use a mobile phone app for this study

Compensation of up to \$100 is offered for the completion of this study.



[www.pbrc.edu/MiniMovers](http://www.pbrc.edu/MiniMovers)

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## End of Summer Party

Summer's almost over, so let's take one more chance to celebrate! Teens, join us at the Main Library at Goodwood on Tuesday, August 1 at 2:30 p.m. to play video games, do crafts, win at board games, eat snacks, and generally have an amazing time!

## Practice ACT Test

Brush up on your ACT test taking skills! This practice test at the River Center Branch Library on Saturday, August 19 at 9:30a.m. is organized to run like the real ACT test to give teens experience in the type of questions to expect, as well as the testing environment. Please bring sharpened number 2 pencils, a permitted calculator, and a snack for the break. Space is limited. **Registration is required.** To register, call 389-4960



## GEAUX STEM!

Hey teens! Check out these terrific STEM programs! Learn a little and have lots of fun!

\*Indicates registration required.

### Air Cannon

Create a scrappy air cannon that puts the power of an air vortex in your hands at the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Saturday, August 12, 2:30-4 p.m.

### Keva Planks

Come by the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Saturday, August 19, 2:30-4 p.m., to build giant wooden models or participate in a series of engineering challenges with Keva construction planks.

## GET YOUR GAME ON!

### Teen Tabletop Games

Join other teens at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Wednesday, August 16 at 3 p.m. to play a variety of board and card games!

### Game Nation

Teens, enjoy an afternoon playing Nintendo Switch and board games at the Carver Branch on Thursday, August 31 at 3:30 p.m.

## MAKE IT AND TAKE IT

Teens, get crafty at your local Library! Express your creativity at these in-person programs! \*Indicates registration required.

**Tuesday, August 8 at 4 p.m. – Central Branch**  
Make your own geometric painted tote bags.



**Saturday, August 12 at 2:30 p.m. – Main Library at Goodwood**

Create a dazzling piece of anime art at our glass painting program.

**Wednesday, August 16 at 5 p.m. – Zachary Branch**

Shape a candle of out beeswax that looks like a sushi roll.



**Friday, August 18 at 3 p.m. – Eden Park Branch**

Try your hand at Nippon painting using watercolors to create Japanese and anime-themed art.

**Saturday, August 19 at 2:30 p.m. – Main Library at Goodwood**

Transform old cigar boxes into art and have a place to store your stuff.

**\*Saturday, August 19 at 3:30 p.m. – River Center Branch**

Turn old jeans and other pieces of scrap material into a bi-fold wallet.



**Thursday, August 24 at 4 p.m. – Central Branch**

Assemble your own 3-pronged boomerang that will spin right back to you.

**Thursday, August 24 at 4 p.m. – Fairwood Branch**

Craft your own sushi candles that look good enough to eat.



**Thursday, August 24 at 4:30 p.m. Zachary Branch**

Create a decorative silhouette out of magazine paper and black paint.

**Saturday, August 26 at 2:30 p.m. – Jones Creek Regional Branch**

Use flexible gel printing plates to create unique, beautiful prints, perfect for stamping and monoprint projects.



**Wednesday, August 30 at 3 p.m. – Bluebonnet Regional Branch**

Get creative with perler beads and make your own distinctive designs.

**MORE TEENS ON NEXT PAGE** ➡

## TEENS

### MOVIE MANIA

#### Remember the Titans

Come enjoy a football classic, *Remember the Titans*, at the River Center Branch on Monday, August 7 at 4 p.m. Popcorn and lemonade will be served.

#### Diary of a Wimpy Kid

Teens are invited to the Fairwood Branch on Wednesday, August 16 at 3:30 p.m. to watch the movie, *Diary of a Wimpy Kid*.



#### Dungeons and Dragons: Honor Among Thieves

Beat the heat with an afternoon of snacks and a movie at the Baker Branch on Saturday, August 26 at 3 p.m. Bring your friends and watch *Dungeons & Dragons: Honor Among Thieves*. In this movie, a charming thief and a band of unlikely adventurers embark on an epic quest to retrieve a long lost relic, but their charming adventure goes dangerously awry when they run afoul of the wrong people.

## ANIME

Calling all anime fans! Teens, join us for an afternoon of anime at the following Library locations!



**Thursday, August 3 at 1 p.m. – Carver Branch**  
Experience ramen, pocky, and chopsticks while watching anime.

**Wednesday, August 23 at 3 p.m. – Bluebonnet Regional Branch**

Watch, discuss, and geek out over anime and enjoy snacks and refreshments.

**Saturday, August 26 at 2:30 p.m. – Main Library at Goodwood**

Snack on ramen while watching anime on Crunchyroll.

## TEENS GRAB AND GEAUXS

**Tuesday, August 1 – Baker Branch**  
Boba Plant Pot

**Monday, August 7 – Main Library at Goodwood**  
DIY Mini Notebook

## KIDS

#### Back to School Scavenger Hunt

It's time for school, everybody! Stop by the Fairwood Branch any day in August to search for storybook children and animals, who just finished their day at school, hiding in the children's room! Can you help us find all of them? Children who participate will be entered into weekly prize drawings.

#### The Princess and the Frog

All ages are invited to the Baker Branch on Saturday, August 5 at 3 p.m. to watch Tiana and Prince Naveen hop along on an adventure through the bayous to seek the help of a powerful voodoo priestess. Enjoy popcorn and cookies while we watch *The Princess and the Frog*.

#### Tippy Toes Dance Workshop

Young patrons, ages 3-7, are invited to the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch on Tuesday, August 8 – Friday, August 11, 4 – 6 p.m., to participate in Tippy Toes Dance Workshop with dance instructor, Ms. Jaz. Tippy Toes is a free program by Pulse Dance Studio with the goal of introducing children to the art of dance. They will learn basic movements, positioning of the feet, and a small routine that will be performed for their parents at the end of the workshop. **Registration is required.** To register, please call 274-4460.

#### Pajama Party Movie Night

Join us at the Jones Creek Regional Branch for a showing of *Tangled* on Wednesday, August 16 at 6:15 p.m. Children are invited to wear their pajamas and bring a blanket or stuffie to snuggle with during the film.

## BOOK CLUBS

#### Artsy Smartsy Saturday

It's Artsy Smartsy Saturday: Egypt! Come to the Pride-Chaneyville Branch on Saturday, August 26 at 10:30 a.m. to help us choose an adventure from the book *Your Purrrr-fect Birthday* (a Choose Your Own Adventure series novel) by R.A. Montgomery. Then, create a torn paper pyramid and desert scene, and make a cartouche bookmark using hieroglyphs to personalize it.



#### FAB (Fairwood's Awesome Bookworms) Book Club Kickoff

Announcing the FAB (Fairwood's Awesome Bookworms) Book Club! FAB Book Club members will meet at the Fairwood Branch on Thursday, August 31 at 4:30 p.m. to discuss their favorite books and activities from this year's Summer Reading Program. The first book selection for next month's meeting, *Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes* by Eleanor Coerr, will be introduced. Afterwards, members will play their choice of Twister, Jenga, or UNO. **Registration is required.** To register, call 924-9386. We can't wait to see you at the new FAB Book Club!



## Books and Music with the Kids' Orchestra

Kids' Orchestra invites children, ages 5-11, to an experiential program that combines library books with music education! Kids will explore a theme as they learn about an instrument, sing a song, explore a dance, and play a game. See upcoming dates below. All programs begin at 11 a.m. **Registration is required.** To register, please call the Library location directly.

- Saturday, September 2 – Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch
- Saturday, September 9 – Main Library at Goodwood
- Saturday, September 16 – Bluebonnet Regional Branch
- Saturday, September 23 – Jones Creek Regional Branch

## Press Start!

East Baton Rouge Parish Library's **Press Start! Ready, Set, Read!** program seeks to equip children ages 2-4 with early literacy skills that will enable them to enter school with confidence.

Parents and caregivers may stop by the children's room of any Library location to pick up a booklet that focuses on beginning literacy concepts that can be incorporated into their daily routines.

The booklets are full of fun activities that the children will enjoy while learning basic concepts that build a firm foundation for math and reading. Each monthly booklet will feature a new letter, number, color or concept, while also building on the previous month's concepts. The month of August is brought to you by the letters L, M, N, O, P; the number 13; and the weather concept, Storms!

The Press Start! three-year initiative began in January 2022, but families may start the program at any time. Children begin with booklet one, work their way through the program at their own pace, and earn rewards along the way.

Studies show that early literacy development strongly correlates to later school achievement. For this reason, EBRPL Children's Services has developed the Press Start! program to ensure its youngest patrons get off to a good start and continue to reap the benefits once they reach school-age and beyond.

## Farewell, Summer!

Kids, thank you for making Summer 2023 at the Library a summer to remember! We played "All Together Now" and learned so much! Some reading was done, some prizes were won, and mostly, we just had fun, fun, fun! Congratulations to all who reached their summer reading goals! If you haven't yet, no worries! You have until August 15. You've got this!



## Storytime at the Library

Storytime gives children an excellent introduction to books and the Library. It increases their attention spans and develops their social skills by involving them in stories, poetry, and songs. The Children's Services staff hopes Storytime will be an enjoyable experience for each child, leading to a lifelong love of books and reading.



### Lapsit

#### Zachary Branch

10:00 AM

Tuesdays, August 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29

### Combined Ages

#### Zachary Branch

10:00 AM

Wednesdays, August 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30



## Story Walks

Literacy and exercise go together! Visit one of our Story Walks today! There are numbered stations near each of the locations below. Each station has 1-2 pages of a children's book, plus a suggestion for physical activity as you travel to the next station. At the last station, there will be a story-related worksheet for the children to take home. See below for branches and July's story titles:

- Main Library at Goodwood: *The Watermelon Seed* by Greg Pizzoli
- Baker Branch: *Do Not Bring Your Dragon to the Library* by Julie Gassman
- Carver Branch: *I Got the Rhythm* by Connie Schofield-Morrison

# Story & Craft/Activity

Story & Craft/Activity programs provide a literacy-based social setting to get creative! Hear a book read while making or doing something interesting. Check out the schedule below for Story & Craft/Activity opportunities taking place this month. \*Indicates registration required. To register, call the Library location directly.



Date, Time, Location	Story Title & Author	Craft/Activity Description & Age Group
Tuesday, August 1 – Friday, August 4, All Day River Center Branch	<i>It's Not a School Bus, It's a Pirate Ship</i> by Mickey Rapkin	Scratch Art Pirate Flag Pencil Topper, ages 3-11
Wednesday, August 2 at 10:30 a.m. Zachary Branch	<i>The Day the Crayons Quit</i> by Drew Daywalt	Crayon-Shaped Card, ages 2-5
Wednesday, August 2 at 11 a.m. Fairwood Branch	<i>Second Grade Holdout</i> by Audrey Vernick	First Day of School Mobile, ages 4-11
Thursday, August 3 at 3 p.m. Central Branch	<i>This Is a School</i> by John Schu	School Is the Best Craft, ages 4-11
Thursday, August 3, 3-6 p.m. Scotlandville Branch	<i>Llama, Llama, Back to School</i> by Anna Dewdney	Back to School Magnet, ages 6-11
*Saturday, August 5 at 10:30 a.m. Bluebonnet Regional Branch	<i>Kindergarten Hat</i> by Janet Lawler	First Day of School Mobile, ages 4-6
Saturday, August 5 at 11 a.m. Eden Park Branch	<i>Apple and Magnolia</i> by Laura Gehl	Fuzzy Apple Picture, ages 4-11
*Saturday, August 5 at 11 a.m. Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch	<i>Geeger the Robot Goes to School</i> by Jarrett Lerner	Draw a Classroom Mural and Build an "Encyclopedia" Robot, ages 8-11
*Saturday, August 5 at 2:30 p.m. Pride-Chaneyville Branch	<i>Butterflies on the First Day of School</i> by Annie Silvestro	School Bus Craft, ages 4-8
*Monday, August 7 at 10 a.m. Main Library at Goodwood	<i>Back to School, Tortoise</i> by Lucy George	School Spirit Magnet, ages 3-6
Tuesday, August 8 at 4:30 p.m. Delmont Gardens Branch	<i>Best Frints at Skrool</i> by Antoinette Portis	Back to School Heart, ages 6-8
Wednesday, August 9 at 10:30 a.m. Zachary Branch	<i>Summer Song</i> by Kevin Henkes	Paper Plate Sun Craft, ages 2-5
Friday, August 11 – Sunday, August 13, All Day River Center Branch	<i>The Day the Universe Exploded in My Head</i> by Allan Wolf	Meteor Shower Game, ages 5-11
*Saturday, August 12 at 10:30 a.m. Bluebonnet Regional Branch	<i>The Perfect Plan</i> by Leah Gilbert	Build a Treehouse with LEGOs, ages 4-8
*Saturday, August 12 at 10:30 a.m. Jones Creek Regional Branch	<i>Put Me in the Zoo</i> by Robert Lopshire	"Leonard" Sack Puppet, ages 3-5
*Saturday, August 12 at 11 a.m. Eden Park Branch	<i>If You Ever Want to Bring an Alligator to School, DON'T</i> by Elise Parsley	Paper Alligator Pencil Topper, ages 5-11
*Saturday, August 12 at 11 a.m. Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch	<i>Hot Dog</i> by Doug Salati	Paper Bag Dog Puppet, ages 3-5





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Saturday, August 12 at 2 p.m. Zachary Branch	Excerpt about mermaids from <i>Dragons and Mythical Creatures</i> by Mary Pope Osborne	Sparkly Mermaid Slime, ages 6-11
*Tuesday, August 15 at 10:30 a.m. Pride-Chaneyville Branch	<i>Big Choo</i> by Stephen Shaskan	T Is for Train Picture, ages 2-5
Wednesday, August 16 at 10:30 a.m. Zachary Branch	<i>Don't Eat Bees</i> by Dev Petty	Letter "B" Bee, ages 2-5
Wednesday, August 16 at 4 p.m. Central Branch	<i>Green Wilma, Frog in Space</i> by Teddy Arnold	Frog Tube Craft, ages 4-11
Wednesday, August 16 at 4:30 p.m. Delmont Gardens Branch	<i>Codzilla</i> by David Zeltser	3D Paper Fish, ages 6-11
Thursday, August 17, 3-6 p.m. Scotlandville Branch	<i>Bunny Braves the Day: A First Day of School Story</i> by Suzanne Bloom	Paper Plate Bunny Craft, ages 3-11
Tuesday, August 17 at 4 p.m. River Center Branch	<i>Macavity</i> by T.S. Eliot	Black Cat Fan, ages 5-11
*Thursday, August 17 at 4:30 p.m. Main Library at Goodwood	<i>Craftily Ever After: Tie-Dye Disaster</i> by Martha Maker	Repurpose Summer Reading Shirts into Tote Bags, ages 7-11
Saturday, August 19 at 11 a.m. Delmont Gardens Branch	<i>Made by Maxine</i> by Ruth Spiro	Construct a Chain Reaction, ages 6-11
Saturday, August 19 at 11 a.m. Eden Park Branch	<i>Snakes in Space</i> by Kathryn Dennis	Space Adventure Storybook, ages 5-11
*Saturday, August 19 at 2:30 p.m. Main Library at Goodwood	<i>Field Trip to the Moon</i> by John Hare	Build LEGO Creations, ages 8-11
*Saturday, August 19 at 3 p.m. Jones Creek Regional Branch	<i>Is Your Buffalo Ready for Kindergarten?</i> by Audrey Vernick	Back-to-School Magnet, ages 5-7
Monday, August 21 – Friday, August 25, All Day River Center Branch	<i>Not a Box</i> by Antoinette Portis	Box Creation Craft, ages 3-5
Wednesday, August 23 at 10:30 a.m. Zachary Branch	<i>George and Martha</i> by James Marshall	Hippopotamus Face Craft, ages 2-5
Wednesday, August 23 at 4:30 p.m. Delmont Gardens Branch	<i>After the Fall</i> by Dan Santat	Humpty Dumpty Craft, ages 3-5
*Wednesday, August 23 at 5 p.m. Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch	<i>It's Not a School Bus, It's a Pirate Ship</i> by Mickey Rapkin	Pirate Chest Craft, ages 6-11
*Saturday, August 26 at 10 a.m. Baker Branch	<i>Best Day Ever!</i> by Marilyn Singer	Construction Paper Dog Face, ages 3-6
*Saturday, August 26 at 10 a.m. Main Library at Goodwood	<i>It Began with Lemonade</i> by Gideon Sterer	Lemonade Stand Photo Frame, ages 7-11
Wednesday, August 30 at 10:30 a.m. Zachary Branch	<i>A Pizza with Everything on It</i> by Kyle Scheele	Paper Plate Pizza, ages 2-5
Thursday, August 31, 3-6 p.m. Scotlandville Branch	<i>Goldilocks and the Three Dinosaurs</i> by Mo Willems	Goldilocks STEM Kit Experiments, ages 3-11



# Book Clubs @ Your Library

## Baker Branch Library

- Baker Morning Book Club  
**10:30 a.m. Monday, August 14**  
*Simply Lies*  
by David Baldacci

## Bluebonnet Regional Branch

- Historical Fiction Book Club  
**10 a.m. Thursday, August 17**  
*A.D. Chronicles: Seventh Day*  
by Brock and Bodie Thoene
- Quirky Ladies Book Club  
**6:30 p.m. Thursday, August 17**  
*Hamnet*  
by Maggie O'Farrell

## Fairwood Branch

- Books and Brew Book Club  
**11 a.m. Monday, August 21**  
*Nine Perfect Strangers*  
by Liane Moriarty

## Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch

- \*Next Chapter Book Club  
**6 p.m. Thursday, August 17**  
Discuss any book of your choice.

## Jones Creek Regional Branch

- History Book Club  
**2 p.m. Thursday, August 17**  
*In the Hurricane's Eye: The Genius of George Washington and the Victory at Yorktown*  
by Nathaniel Philbrick

## Main Library at Goodwood

- Mystery Lovers Book Club  
**Noon, Tuesday, August 8**  
*Mysteries Around The World: France*
- Fantasy Book Club  
**6:30 p.m. Thursday, August 17**  
*The Night Circus*  
by Erin Morgenstern

## Zachary Branch

- Zachary Book Club  
**10 a.m. Thursday, August 24**  
*Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil*  
by John Berendt



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# FREE Computer Classes at the Library

Adults are invited to the Library this month for FREE computer classes. Registration is required for some locations. For more information and to register, call the Library location directly. Check out the schedule:

## Baker Branch

### Introduction to Computers

11 a.m. Monday, August 7

### Introduction to Word

10 a.m. Tuesday, August 8

### Introduction to Email

10 a.m. Wednesday, August 9



## Carver Branch

### Introduction to Computers

10 a.m. Tuesday, August 8

### Introduction to Microsoft Word

10 a.m. Tuesday, August 15

### Open Lab

10 a.m. Tuesday, August 22

10 a.m. Tuesday, August 29

## Delmont Gardens Branch

### Introduction to Computers

10 a.m. Thursday, August 10

### Typing Lesson

4 p.m. Thursday, August 17

### Introduction to Word

10 a.m. Thursday, August 24



## Eden Park Branch

### Gmail

10:30 a.m. Saturday, August 12

### Ebooks

10:30 a.m. Saturday, August 26

### Internet Basics

4 p.m. Monday, August 28

## Fairwood Branch

### Introductions to Computers

5 p.m. Wednesday, August 2

### Bring Your Own Device

5 p.m. Wednesday, August 30

## Jones Creek Regional Branch

### \*Introduction to Computers

10 a.m. Thursday, August 3

### \*Introduction to Word

10 a.m. Wednesday, August 9

### \*Introduction to PowerPoint

10 a.m. Wednesday, August 16

### \*Introduction to Publisher

10 a.m. Wednesday, August 23

### \*One-On-One Tech Tutoring

9:30 a.m. Wednesday, August 30

10:30 a.m. Wednesday, August 30

11:30 a.m. Wednesday, August 30

## Main Library at Goodwood

### Computers without Fear

10 a.m. Wednesday, August 2

### Introduction to Microsoft Word 2016

10 a.m. Thursday, August 3

### Introduction to the Internet

10 a.m. Tuesday, August 8

### Introduction to Microsoft PowerPoint 2016

10 a.m. Wednesday, August 16

### Making Tables in Microsoft Word 2016

10 a.m. Thursday, August 17

### Making a Newsletter in Word 2016

10 a.m. Saturday, August 19

### Introduction to Microsoft Publisher 2016

10 a.m. Wednesday, August 23

### Introduction to Microsoft Excel 2016

10 a.m. Wednesday, August 30

## Pride-Chaneyville Branch

### Computer Basics

5 p.m. Tuesday, August 8

### Internet Basics

5 p.m. Tuesday, August 15

### Email Basics

5 p.m. Tuesday, August 29

## Scotlandville Branch

### Introduction to Computers

4 p.m. Thursday, August 3

### Digital Library: World Book Advanced

4 p.m. Thursday, August 17

### Computer Tutoring

4 p.m. Tuesday, August 29

*\*Indicates Registration Required*



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## Main Library at Goodwood

Interim Library Director, Kristen Edson

7711 Goodwood Boulevard (225) 231-3740

Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 9 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sunday, 2 – 9 p.m.

### Baker Branch Library

3501 Groom Road (225) 778-5940

Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sunday, 2 – 6 p.m.

### Bluebonnet Regional Branch Library

9200 Bluebonnet Boulevard (225) 763-2240

Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 9 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sunday, 2 – 6 p.m.

### Carver Branch Library

720 Terrace Street (225) 389-7440

Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sunday, 2 – 6 p.m.

### Central Branch Library

11260 Joor Road (225) 262-2640

Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sunday, 2 – 6 p.m.

### Delmont Gardens Branch Library

3351 Lorraine Street (225) 354-7040

Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sunday, 2 – 6 p.m.

### Eden Park Branch Library

5131 Greenwell Springs Road (225) 231-3240

Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sunday, 2 – 6 p.m.

### Fairwood Branch Library

12910 Old Hammond Highway

(225) 924-9384

Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sunday, 2 – 6 p.m.

### Greenwell Springs Road

#### Regional Branch Library

11300 Greenwell Springs Road (225)

274-4440

Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 9 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sunday, 2 – 6 p.m.

### Jones Creek Regional Branch Library

6222 Jones Creek Road (225) 756-1140

Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 9 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sunday, 2 – 6 p.m.

### Pride-Chaneyville Branch Library

13600 Pride–Port Hudson Road

(225) 658-1540

Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sunday, 2 – 6 p.m.

### River Center Branch Library

250 North Boulevard (225) 389-4967

Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sunday, 2 – 6 p.m.

### Scotlandville Branch Library

7373 Scenic Highway (225) 354-7540

Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sunday, 2 – 6 p.m.

### Zachary Branch Library

1900 Church Street (225) 658-1840

Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 9 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sunday, 2 – 6 p.m.

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## Main Library at Goodwood

### Antoine "Ghost" Mitchell

*From Concept to Manifestation* by Antoine "Ghost" Mitchell, local comic author of *Sankofa's Eymbrace*. Join him for a walking gallery tour on Friday, August 4 at 4 p.m.

## Jones Creek Regional Branch

### LA Photographic Society

A display featuring the works of talented members from The Louisiana Photographic Society. From beautiful botanicals to breathtaking landscapes to lively native Louisiana animals. For more information about the society, visit [www.laphotosociety.com](http://www.laphotosociety.com).

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