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Ervin "Maestro" Masters and King Solomon

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Bucket Blues

The King of the Gut Bucket Blues and Slim Harpo 2018 Award winner returns to the fostival with his Mississippi Dalta and







The Original Heavy Storm

Storm Band join the festival with their explosive Southern Soul and R&B tunes.









Wall of Valor honoring our Fallen Heroes

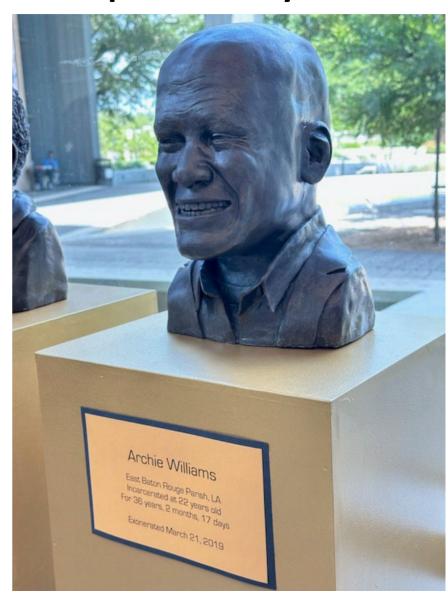




Exonerated Exhibition on Display Through July Sculptor Becky Gottsegen will speak on July 6



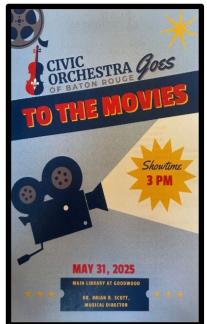
Freed through the work of the Innocence Project New Orleans, these 23 men served a total of 644 years for crimes they did not commit.



Memorial Day with the Baton Rouge Concert Band



Then on
TO THE MOVIES
with the
Civic Orchestra
of Baton Rouge









Cool Careers for Teens

Register now at: ebrpl.com/career-center/events

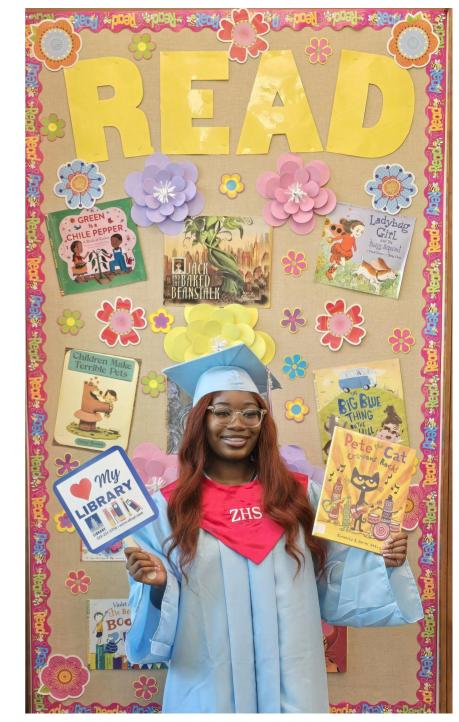


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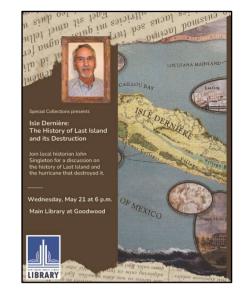


Student Success!

This Happy Graduate Came to the Zachary Library to Celebrate!



Special Collections: Looking back at the destruction of Last Island in 1856 ... archived at https://ebrpl.co/lastislandvideo



Letters come to Baton Rouge during 'Summer of Legacy'





BATON ROUGE — What would you say in a letter to your child or grandchild that would positively impact her or him for life?

Blake Brewer has asked people that question countless times. Right now, he is traveling across the country and speaking to groups online, helping them







TBT to 2017 at the Fairwood **Branch with the unforgettable Daisy** the Reading Pig and Farmer Minor! They're back again this summer to help us pig out on reading! Find their schedule on the events calendar on our website.



SUMMER!!! SUMMER!!!



East Baton Rouge ...

Harvey Rabbit and Friends are back for another summer of fun and laughs! Registration may be required to attend. Call the Library location for registration information.



10 a.m. - Pride-Chaneyville Branch

Wednesday, June 18

10 a.m. - South Branch

2:30 p.m. - Main Library at Goodwood

Thursday, July 3

10 a.m. - Baker Branch

2:30 p.m. - Zachary Branch

Monday, July 7

10 a.m. - Bluebonnet Regional Branch

2:30 p.m. - Jones Creek Regional Branch









Movies on the Plaza Going Full Blast!



















A Puzzling Situation:

Speed Puzzling Fun at Jones Creek!

Teams raced against the clock at our Speed Puzzling event at the Jones Creek Regional Branch Library! Each team tackled the same 500-piece puzzle, but only one could be the fastest.

The winning team completed their puzzle in an impressive 75 minutes and 47 seconds!

Think you've got what it takes?
Come join us for the next round at the Fairwood Branch Library next Saturday at 10 a.m.! Gather your team and put your puzzle skills to the test!







New! for Small Business Owners & Entrepreneurs

Small Business Engine Series LIBRARY A alliance

Marketing Starter Kit: What To Do Before Hiring An Agency



Library Resources + Local Subject Matter Experts

Virtual Author Talk Series

Remember – Author Talks are archived at libraryc.org/ebrpl

Recent Author falk Arytime



Liberating Latin American Genre Fiction: in Conversation with Bestselling Author Silvia Moreno-Garcia

New York Times diestselling Author of Meucan Gottic and Gods of Jade and Shadow

Wednesday, October 9th 2024 at 6:00 PM CDT



A Journey into the Hidden World of Tropical Bats with Scientists from the Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute

Presented by Southsovian Scientists Dr. Rachel Page, Dr. Dina Declimann, and Dr. Toaque O'Moro

Wednesday, October 2nd 2024 at 1.00 PM CDT



A Deep Dive in Character Development with Global Sensation Liane Mortarty

#1 New York Tenes Bestsolling Author of Big Little Lies, The Hissband's Secret, and Apples Never Foll

Seturday, September 21st 2024 at 6:00 PM CDT



Living with an Expansive Mind in a Distracted World-with Nate Klemp, PhD

New York Times Einsteiling Co. Author of Start Here: Mader the Lifelong Skill of Web-Devio

Wednesday, September 18th 2024 at 1:00 PM CDT



Capturing the Human Drama of 9/11 and D-Day Through Oral History with Gerrett Graff

New York Times destreiling Author and Pulitzer Prize Finalish Tuesday, September 10th 2024 at 1:00 PM CDT

Author Talk Series

Don't miss these virtual events!

Join us in June for live discussions and Q & A sessions with these bestselling authors!

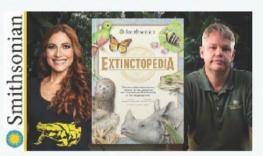
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Wednesday, June 4 at 1 p.m.



Katherine Applegate Odder (K-12 Series) Tuesday, June 24 at 3 p.m.



To register, use the QR code or visit libraryc.org/ebrpl



Lisa Jewell Don't Let Him In Tuesday, June 10 at 1 p.m.





Mary Bird Perkins COO Jodi Conachen shares insights on leading with clarity, purpose and compassion on the June episode of Strictly Business

By Business Report Staff











For today's executive, success hinges on more than strategy—it requires the ability to lead with clarity, align teams with purpose, and operate with compassion at every level. But how do you balance execution with empathy? And what does it take to scale a mission-driven organization while keeping people and performance in sync?





Strictly Business Episode 30: Tony Zanders of Nexus Louisiana

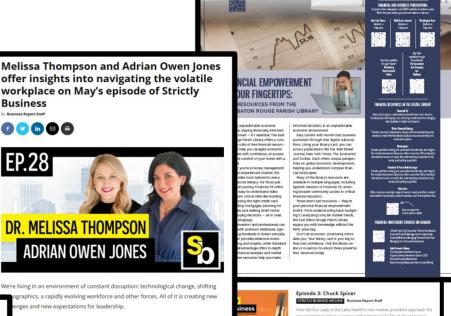
Join us for a casual conversation with Louisiana's most inspiring and influential CEOs and entrepreneurs. They'll share their personal stories of leading through successes and challenges, and lessons learned. Get inside insights on reading market opportunities, growing and transforming your organization, dealing with crisis and more.

SAVE THE DATE FOR→

Small Business Engine Series presents: **Marketing Starter Kit: What to Do**

BEFORE You Hire an Agency

Tuesday, July 8



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Plus: view the Archives...

Episode 2: Josh Descant

Frisade 1: Mike Wampold

Libraries Change Lives **Features: Geaux Ride** Owner, **Charles Daniel!**

Libraries Change Lives

was upended in 2005 by Hurricane ── Katrina. However, he didn't flee New Orleans: he moved there As a Baton Rouge native with a degree in ISDS from LSU, he originally relocated to NOLA to help his grandmother rebuild her home after the catastrophic storm, then began working as a tech auditor for local businesses in the area. Charles explained, "I loved helping companie cut costs and save money, but often, due to my audit, employees were laid off and replaced with tech alternatives. That started to weigh on me. I didn't like being the bad guy."

To counteract the stress of his job Charles started biking around the city at night with several friends. By 2015, the group had grown to between 500-1 000 cyclists on any given night and is still rrently active in New Orleans.

But after the flood of 2016. Charles came back home to Baton Rouge, once again heading toward the devastation to offer help and hope. He started with 10 bikes in a travel trailer and led guided tours of the downtown area. "During this time, people needed an outlet to maintain a positive physical, and especially mental, well-being," shared



In December 2019, he opened his plan, brick-and-mortar location, GeauxRide, on Third Street in downtown Baton Rouge. This proved fortuitous as the open two more locations in the Covid lockdown of 2020-21 made it even more important for Baton Rouge citiz to get outside, reconnect with friends, and focus on health and wellness "During the lockdown, we were the



iness Librarian Austin Lanoley

only business open downtown at night Because biking is an outdoor activity people were excited to have something to do. They could get some everrise and also maybe see their city in a different

As Charles continued to seek new ways to run and grow his business, he learned about the Library's Small Business Services in 2023 and made an appointment with Busi Librarian Austin Langley. After meeting with Austin, he was amazed at the number of free

resources available to small business owners through the Library, some which would have cost him thousand of dollars to access personally. "At first, I didn't even know what to ask," admitted Charles, "but Austin met me where I was. He was instrumental in gathering market research data, providing business demographics, producing a financial analysis, and helping me to build a solid busines

for Geaux Ride? Charles hopes to near future, adding retail bikes and apparel. He also plans to ramp up community outreach efforts, including bike-riding lessons and bicycle giveawa

encourage a renewed interest in biking round Baton Rouge. I know the Library's resources will help me do just

To learn more about the man exciting services at Geaux Ride such as Glow-in-the-Dark Bicycle Tours, Free Social Bike Rides, and Geaux Paint Parties, visit geauxridebikes.com.

May is National Small Business Month, so if you are a small business owner who is ready to take your business to the next level, make an appointment with EBRPL's Small Business Services at the Main Library at Goodwood by calling 231-3750 or stop by during Business Librarian Office Hours any

"Although there are ups and downs to any business, including mine, expressed Charles, "it's always been worth it to look over my shoulder during a bike tour and see people smiling and











Libraries Change Lives - Geaux Ride



East Baton Rouge Parish Library



Pre-Party July 10 7pm – Midnight Henry Turner, Jr.'s Listening Room 2733 North St, Baton Rouge, LA 70802

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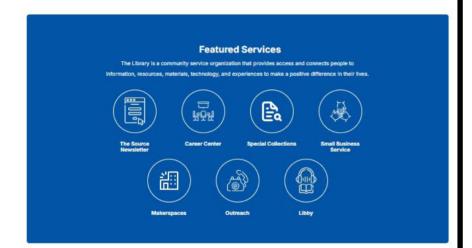


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Attend Exciting Events









Generations Of Joy: An Intricate Easter Egg Collection May 4, 2:00pm - 6:00pm

Departments



