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Legacy Letter Challenge: Summer of Legacy

Your East Baton Rouge Parish Library has partnered with Legacy Letter to offer all EBRPL cardholders an opportunity to sign up for this Summer's Letter Legacy Challenge. What is the Legacy Letter Challenge? You'll be guided to write a heartfelt Legacy Letter — a personal message to your children, grandchildren, or loved ones — during one of several live virtual workshops led by Legacy Letter founder, Blake Brewer. It's a chance to reflect, write, and share the wisdom, love, and life lessons that matter most. These 90-minute livestreams will walk you step-by-step through writing a letter that can impact generations. Whether you're a parent, grandparent, mentor, or community leader, this is your chance to leave a legacy in words.

To register or learn more, visit ebrpl. co/legacy. To waive the fee, use code EBRPL when registering. If you need help with registration, please email programs@ ebrpl.com or call 231-3710. After you have completed sign-up, Legacy Letter Challenge will send you a link to the virtual meeting via your email.

FREE registration includes:

- Access to a 90-minute guided virtual workshop
- Legacy Letter writing template
- Digital Summer of Legacy workbook
- Optional support for those who want to complete and share their letter

See upcoming Legacy Letter virtual workshop dates below. All workshops take place on Monday.

July 7 at 2 p.m.	August 4 at 2 p.m.
July 14 at 2 p.m.	August 11 at 2 p.m.
July 21 at 7 p.m.	August 18 at 2 p.m.
July 28 at 2 p.m.	August 25 at 7 p.m.

Summer Reading Is Here!

Bring your creativity and imagination...and explore all the colors of the world this summer! Join in the fun with East Baton Rouge Parish Library's 2025 Summer Reading Challenge, *Color Our World*!

Enjoy an entire summer of FREE programs, workshops, storytimes, concerts, and performances for all ages, scheduled throughout the Library system. Learn more at **www.ebrpl.SummerReading**.

Track your reading and earn rewards! It's easy! First, sign up at your local Library location or online at ebrpl. beanstack.org. Then, read books and log them into your



Beanstack account through August 15 to earn virtual badges and completion rewards, as well as entries for weekly prize drawings! There are reading challenges and incentives for kids, teens, and even adults!

We'll see you at the Library this summer for exciting events and reading rewards!



Hidden History of Louisiana's Jazz Age

The Library welcomes author Sam Irwin to the Main Library at Goodwood on Wednesday, July 2 at 6 p.m. to discuss his book, *The Hidden History of Louisiana's Jazz Age*. His talk will focus on New Orleans-born jazz trumpeter, Louis Armstrong, world famous musician and one of America's biggest and most recognizable celebrities.

Armstrong, a brilliant and talented man, transcended poverty, prejudice, and Jim Crow to forge a successful career as a musician, actor, and entertainer. Among other interesting historical facts, the author will share his research and findings into the relationship between Louis Armstrong's birthday and the racialized celebration of Independence Day in the early 20th Century.

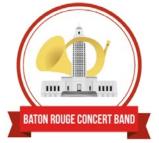


Sam Irwin

4th of July Concert

Celebrate Independence Day with the Baton Rouge Concert Band! Join them for a patriotic evening of music and fun at the Main Library at Goodwood as they present their annual Celebration Concert on Friday, July 4 at 7 p.m. Bring your chairs, refreshments, and patriotic spirit for a night filled with uplifting tunes. This free, family-friendly event will feature a rousing selection of American classics, marches, and

tributes that honor the spirit of Independence Day. Come enjoy the music, the atmosphere, and the joy of gathering in celebration of our nation's birthday.



The Paper Trail: Uncovering Ancestors in Non-Digital Records

Archives are a valuable and often overlooked source for genealogy research. East Baton Rouge Parish Library's Genealogy Department welcomes four local archivists to the Main Library at Goodwood on Saturday, July 26, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. for an informative and entertaining look at history!

Presenters include:

- Ann Boltin, Diocese of Baton Rouge
- Bill Stafford, Louisiana State Archives
- Dan Lewis, Louisiana State Archives
- Jari Honora, New Orleans Historic Collection.

Each will present their collections and demonstrate how to access these materials for researching your ancestors. Also, learn about resources available in the Library's Special Collections. This event is free, and no registration is required to attend.







Dan Lewis



Jari Honora

Ann Boltin

Bill Stafford



Pick Up and Play

Have you ever wanted to try out a musical instrument but never had the opportunity? Join Baton Rouge



Music Studios for Pick Up and Play at the Main Library at Goodwood on Saturday, July 5, 1-3 p.m. Connect with the music inside you and jam with others with a little guidance from music professionals. **Registration is required.** To register, visit ebrpl.co/events.

Exonerated Artist Reception and Talk with Becky Gottsegen

Exonerated: Portraits of the Wrongfully Convicted is a powerful art exhibit featuring ceramic busts of 23 men wrongfully imprisoned in Louisiana. Sculpted by artist Becky Gottsegen, the portraits honor those unjustly incarcerated, highlighting the devastating personal toll of wrongful convictions while aiming to humanize and



raise awareness about systemic injustice. Join Ms. Gottsegen at the Main Library at Goodwood on Sunday, July 6 at 2 p.m. for a reception where she will discuss her work on this project. **Registration is required.** To register, visit ebrpl.co/events. The exhibit will be on display in the lobby at the Main Library at Goodwood through July 31.

Ready to rev up your small business? The Library is here to fuel your journey to success! Join us for the first installment of the EBRPL Small Business Engine Series, co-hosted by East Baton Rouge Parish Library and The Alliance, on Tuesday, July 8, 9 a.m.-noon, at the Main Library at Goodwood. This informative session, facilitated by The Alliance CEO Stuart Gilly, is designed for aspiring entrepreneurs and established business owners alike. Connect with seasoned local experts and discover how to supercharge your marketing strategy.

Featured speakers include:

- Scott Hodgin, Owner/Creative Director of Tilt
- Jeremy Beyt, Co-founder & CEO of ThreeSixtyEight
- Brian Rodriguez, President & Founder of Gatorworks
- Chelsey Blankenship, Owner of CLB Consulting
- Stan Levy, Founder & CEO of SASSO
- David Day, CMO of The Day Group

Don't miss this opportunity to gain insider knowledge, make valuable connections, and drive your business forward! **Registration is required**. To register, visit ebrpl.co/events.

Future series sessions include Building Your Business Plan on Tuesday, August 12 and Capitalizing Your Business Via Investors or Grants on Wednesday, August 27.



Filmmaker Forum

Lights, camera, action! The Library will host a Filmmaker Forum at the Main Library at Goodwood on Sunday, July 13 at 6 p.m. as we anticipate this year's Baton Rouge Maker Faire which will focus on the art of making films. Baton Rouge Underground Film Festival will present selected short films from their upcoming festival, along with presentations on acting, lighting, and finance. This networking event will provide attendees with a chance to meet other local creatives interested in the filmmaking industry.

Film Camp Premiere

Join us at the Main Library at Goodwood on Wednesday, July 30 at 6 p.m. as we premiere all seven films created by teens at the Library's 2025 Teen Summer Film Camps taught by filmmaker and puppeteer, Clay Achee. Photos will be taken and awards presented to our celebrated filmmakers!



Collage Workshop with Veronica Hallock

It's time to cut it up – and glue it back down! Escape the summer heat with a cool library experience. Veteran artist, Veronica Hallock, will teach you how to turn scraps into creative collages. She'll offer three different ideas for all levels of creativity. No experience needed, no supplies needed; just bring yourself and maybe a friend! See workshop dates and locations below.

- Sunday, July 13 at 2:30 p.m. Jones Creek Regional Branch
- Wednesday, July 16 at 6 p.m. Zachary Branch
- Saturday, July 19 from 10 a.m. Carver Branch
- Monday, July 21 at 6 p.m. Central Branch
- Saturday, July 26 at 11 a.m. Main Library at Goodwood

Accidental Happies: A Collaborative Painting Experience

Color a small part of your world with us at the Main Library at Goodwood, any time on Saturday, July 5, as we line our large meeting room with a continuous canvas! Turn up your inner Bob Ross and turn all those frowns upside down. Clip your creation out or leave it with us to cherish, display, and treasure forever. We provide the paint; you provide the talent, raw or refined.

Bingo Family Fun

Who loves playing bingo for a chance to win prizes? Bring the whole family to these fun bingo nights at the Library locations listed below!

• Thursday, July 3 at 6:30 p.m. Jones Creek Regional Branch Fourth of July Bingo

• Thursday, July 17 at 6 p.m. Baker Branch Family Bingo Night

Genealogy Brown Bag Lunch

Join a community of genealogy researchers for discussions on genealogy, research, and history at the Main Library at Goodwood on Friday, July 18 at noon. Bring your questions! Bring your knowledge! *And bring your lunch!* No registration required.



2025 International Chess Day

The BBR Chess Club invites all chess enthusiasts in Baton Rouge to celebrate International Chess Day at the South Branch on Sunday, July 20 at 2:30 p.m. All ages and skill

levels are welcome. We will have a chess puzzle competition, an "exhibition simul match," a scavenger hunt, arts and crafts, a showing of the movie *Queen of Katwe*, and more!

Board Games at Jones Creek

Bring home the fun! Check out a board game from our collection at the Jones Creek Regional Branch Library! Adults, teens, and tweens can check out up to three board games per visit. Games are also available for check out at the Main Library at Goodwood, Baker Branch, Bluebonnet Regional Branch and South Branch. Browse the collections in person or go online to view a full list of games at ebrpl.co/games.

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Are You Up for the Linder Challenge?

In the summer of 2024, the Linder family had a bold idea! Why not attempt to visit all EBRPL locations in one day? They mapped their journey, packed lots of snacks, and set off on an adventure! After eight fun-filled hours, their quest was complete! Inspired by their amazing feat, the East Baton Rouge Parish Library calls upon you to follow in their footsteps (or tire tracks)! There are a couple of different options for completing the Linder Challenge*:

Option 1: The Scenic Route

Visit all locations of the East Baton Rouge Parish Library *at your own pace* throughout the summer (June 1 – August 15). Pick up a map at your first location and receive a stamp at each library you visit. At your last stop, turn in your completed map to receive your Linder Challenge achievement certificate.

Option 2: The Heroic Act of Literacy

Visit all 15 locations of the East Baton Rouge Parish Library *in one day*! Start by calling 231-3710 or emailing programs@ ebrpl.com that morning, so we can let our staff know to expect you! Pick up a map at your first location and receive a stamp at each library you visit. At your last stop, turn in your completed map to receive your Linder Challenge achievement certificate. Families who accomplish this heroic act are also invited to create a special Linder Challenge medallion in the makerspace at the Main Library at Goodwood and join us for the Linder Fête celebration. Just call or email the programming department to schedule an appointment to make your medallion.

*An alternative option that does not require transportation is also available. Contact us for more information.

We can't wait to see you this summer! Congratulations to the Olguin, Terrell, Perrien, Rutherford/Watson, McPherson, Duda, Baise-Turner, Williams, Boutte, and Boeneke families who conquered the Linder Challenge in June! Special honors to the Linder family who completed their namesake quest again this summer, adding the new South Branch to last year's route!

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Reading and Signing with Author Olivia **Claire Friedman**

Join author Olivia Claire Friedman at the South Branch on Thursday, July 24 at 6 p.m. as she reads selections from her new book of poetry, An Arm Fixed to a Wing. Friedman is director of the Center For Writers at the University of Southern Mississippi and has previously

authored a novel, Here Lies; a short story collection, Disasters in the First World; and a book of poetry, The 26-Hour Day. Her fiction and poetry Olivia Claire



have appeared in Friedman Paris Review and The Atlantic, among others. Books will be available for purchase, and a book signing will conclude the event.

Business Librarian Office Hours

Come meet our Business Librarians to discuss "all things business" at the Main Library at Goodwood every Thursday, 4-6 p.m. Whether your business is still a dream, just starting out, or well-established, let us help you optimize its potential. No appointment required! We're also happy to help anytime by appointment at the Library or your place of business. Please call 231-3750 to make an appointment or for more information.

New! Customize Your EBRPL Emails

Now EBRPL cardholders can customize the emails they receive from the Library! Have an interest in gaming? Or is gardening more your style? Don't want to miss an author talk? Need information on events at your branch? Let us know, and we'll tailor your emails to your interests! Click on a link at the bottom of any EBRPL email to manage your preferences, then choose from a variety of options. It's just another reason to Love Your Library!



WRITING WORKSHOPS

Writer's Lounge

Join journalist and artist Carolina Murriel at the Main Library at Goodwood on Tuesday, July 22 at 6 p.m. for a free writing workshop! This monthly program is for writers of all skill levels, genres, and styles to create and revise together. Craft, write, and share your work with supportive peers looking to learn from each other. Register at ebrpl.co/events or just show up!



Carolina Murriel

Break a Nib!

Get ready to Break a Nib! with Pratima at EBRPL's latest monthly workshop for creatives! Make things, get feedback, or get started on your crazy comic journey at the Main Library at Goodwood on Wednesday, July 23 at 6 p.m. Register or just drop in! Pratima Pinnepalli is a local comic artist and avid self-publisher. She hosts monthly workshops to help people get started selfpublishing or work through their current projects. To find out more about Pratima and her art, visit www.pratima.art. To find out more about yourself and your art, sign up for a session at ebrpl.co/events!



Form Factor: A Workshop for Writers Who Wish to Advance Their Art

Do you have something to share but are not sure how to say it? Join us for EBRPL's monthly writing workshop, led by LSU MFA candidate Halley McArn, at the Main Library at Goodwood on Tuesday, July 29 at 7 p.m. Connect with a



group of seasoned writers as they hone their Halley McArn craft across genres. Each month we'll dive into a new form, write into it, and share our work with a supportive community. Registration is required. To register, visit ebrpl.co/events.

Virtual Author Talk Series

The Library continues its Author Talk Series in July with three amazing children's authors and one for adults! 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 July selections and dates/times below. Visit **libraryc.org/ebrpl** 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 **ebrpl.co/virtual**.

Tuesday, July 8 at 1 p.m. & 3 p.m. (PreK-2nd **grade)** – Join author and illustrator Raúl the Third as he discusses his book *¡Vamos! Let's Go Read!* Meet Little Lobo and friends as they explore their library's Libro Love Book Festival! From cookbook demonstrations and comics workshops to mask making and language classes, this library has something for everyone, and Little Lobo can't wait to show you. Students will be encouraged to explore their world through a creative lens. A draw-along is planned; drawing supplies and paper are recommended. *Please note that we will be hosting Raúl the Third twice on this date, once in Spanish and in English. Be sure that you are registering for your preferred format.*

Thursday, July 17 at 3 p.m. (9th-12th grade) – Explore the intricate world of *Legend* with Marie Lu as she encourages readers to look beyond the surface and reveal hidden secrets. Explore the depths of deceit, battle for power, and the lengths characters will go to unmask the Truth. *Legend* is a dystopian novel where two unlikely characters, June and Day, cross paths in search of the Truth. Can they set aside their differences and preconceptions for the greater good? Readers will devour Marie Lu's words as they are challenged to think critically about the world around them and are reminded to never judge a book by its cover.

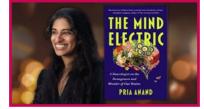
Wednesday, July 23 at 3 p.m. (5th-8th grade) – You're invited to join us online with award-winning author Rex Ogle as he talks to viewers about his struggles to navigate sixth grade as written in his book, *Free Lunch*. As a poor kid in a wealthy school district, better-off kids crowd impatiently behind him as he tries to explain to the cashier that he's on the free meal program. The lunch lady is hard of hearing, so Rex has to shout. *Free Lunch* is the story of Rex's efforts to navigate his first semester of sixth grade—who to sit with, not being able to join the football team, Halloween in a handmade costume, classmates and a teacher who take one look at him and

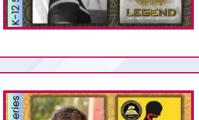
decide he's trouble—all while wearing secondhand clothes and being hungry. Unsparing and realistic, *Free Lunch* is a story of hardship threaded with hope and moments of grace.

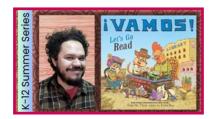
Thursday, July 31 at 1 p.m. – You're invited to a fascinating conversation with neurologist and author Pria Anand to chat about her new book *The Mind Electric: A Neurologist on the Strangeness and Wonder of Our Brains. The Mind Electric* speaks to the stories we tell ourselves about our brains and the stories that our brains tell to us. A girl believes she has been struck blind for stealing a kiss. A mother watches helplessly as each of her children is replaced by a changeling. A woman is haunted each month by the same four chords of a single song. In neurology, illness is inextricably linked with narrative, the clues to unraveling these mysteries hidden in both the details of a patient's story and the tells of their body. Anand reveals—throut

in both the details of a patient's story and the tells of their body. Anand reveals—through case study, history, fable, and memoir—all that the medical establishment has overlooked: the complexity and wonder of brains in health and in extremis, and the vast gray area between sanity and insanity, doctor and patient, and illness and wellness, each separated from the next by the thin veneer of a different story.









Libraries Change Lives

s a member of the Baker Branch Library's Morning Book Club for over a decade, it's safe to say that Clara Chambers is an avid reader. But this passion for books didn't begin with her. "I grew up in Woodville, MS. Neither of my parents graduated high school, but my mother loved to read." Clara explains how her mother joined the Doubleday Mail Order Book Club when Clara was just a child, and she would purchase books and magazines each month for herself and for her children. Clara recalls her favorite book from Doubleday was red with beautiful, gold writing and held a collection of Shakespeare's writings that she started reading as a child but would often revisit as she grew older and could understand and appreciate them more. Her mother's intentional building of a home library set up Clara for academic success.

After graduating with a degree in secondary education from Mississippi Vocational College (now Mississippi Valley State), Clara taught for a few years in Gloster, MS, before moving with her husband to Baton Rouge. Her career continued at Glen Oaks Middle School where she utilized Library resources at the Scotlandville Branch to benefit her students. "I introduced my students to the Library and helped them get



Clara Chambers with Librarian Donna Griffith

library cards. However, many of the students didn't have a way to get to the Library on their own, so I would check out books on my card and keep them in the classroom for students to read. I never lost a single book!"

Clara's family then moved to Thomas Road in Baker, and she began to bring her own children to activities at the Baker Branch. She continued the tradition of reading by making sure her children (and herself) participated in the Summer Reading program each year.

By 2015, her children were all grown up, and she had recently retired from teaching, but she remained a faithful patron of the Baker Branch Library. It was then that the librarians "recruited" Clara for the Morning Book Club. "At the time, I was immersed in the Black Southern genre, but the book club expanded my interests into other types of literature." Clara is quick to add that she's "still not really into science-fiction," so they don't read much of that. Reference Librarian Donna Griffith is familiar with the kinds of stories that book club



Clara's great granddaughter, Chelle, loves learning with Press Start!

members like and is always looking for new books to recommend. One book that Clara recently enjoyed is *The Women* by Kristin Hannah which is set during the Vietnam War. "My husband fought in the Vietnam War, and it really took me back to that time."

Clara continues to foster a love of reading in her family by bringing her 5 year-old great granddaughter, Chelle, to the Library to check out books and take part in children's activities. Chelle also participates in the Library's Press Start! Ready, Set, Read program, which introduces letters, numbers, and other basic concepts with simple, fun ideas that can be incorporated at home. Learn more about Press Start! on page 34 of The Source.

Clara shares, "The Library is a very important part of the community. It opens doors for kids that might not be opened otherwise." An appreciation for books and a love of reading has permeated generations of Clara's family. The Library is honored to have played a role in their legacy.







Morning Book Club members Marie B. Robinson, Clara Chambers, and Brenda Birkett



Red Stick Farmers Market

The Red Stick Farmers Market will host a group of farmers and food artisans on Tuesday, July 1, 3-6 p.m., at the Main Library at Goodwood, weather permitting. Vendors will set up in the public plaza in front of the Library, which boasts shaded walkways, water features, seating, and a large LED screen. Guests can shop for local fruits and vegetables, honey, gelato, prepared foods, jams, jellies, and more while visiting the Library or BREC's Independence Park and Botanic Gardens. For more information, visit breada.org or follow BREADA at facebook.com/breada.

Garden Discoveries

The Baton Rouge Botanic Garden Foundation will host a FREE Garden Discoveries event, "Healing Traditions of South Louisiana: Prayer, Plants, and Poultices" led by Mary Broussard Perrin, at the Main Library at Goodwood on Saturday, July 12 at 10 a.m. Ms. Perrin is an author, traiteur, Master Gardener, and co-chair of the Healer's Garden at Vermilionville in Lafayette. She will delve into the local tradition of traiteurs, or healers, as well as medicinal plants that are still available for use today and will focus on the history of the Acadians, Creole, and Native Americans who took care of their communities with both prayers and plant-based medicine. Her book,



Healing Traditions of South Louisiana: Prayers, Plants, and Poultices, will be available for purchase. Weather permitting, a tour will follow of the Baton Rouge Botanic Gardens adjacent to the Library. Registration is available at ebrpl.co/events or call 231-3750 for registration assistance. Learn more at ebrpl.co/garden.



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.



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

*Smaller kits of five 4-grabber kits (family-sized) and four 1-grabber kits (individual) are available at the Main Library at Goodwood. Multiple kits may be checked out by one patron.

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 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 litterfree! For more information, please visit keeplouisianabeautiful.org or ebrpl.co/litter.





Student Library Card Update

As required by ACT 436, the East Baton Rouge Parish Library is now issuing new library cards for ALL minor children aged 0-17. You may update the card status at your convenience at any Library location.

Parents must choose between several card categories:

- Current, Standard Card
- Computer Use Only Card
- Restricted Card AKA "Bookshelf" Card
- Unrestricted Card AKA "Explore" Card

In order to keep your child's *current* card active as a Standard Card, a Computer Use Only Card, OR as a STUDENT eCard, parents or guardians may simply contact the Circulation Department at cardmaintenance@ebrpl. com to indicate this approved status. No new plastic card is required. A form is also available on the website at **ebrpl.** com/parentalconsent, as well as more information about each type of card.

In order to switch to either the new Restricted or Unrestricted status, parents or guardians must come into the Library of your choice with their minor child and complete a new application; parents should present a photo ID and proof of current address to Circulation staff at that time.



SAVE THE DATES

South Branch Library Dedication Ceremony

The East Baton Rouge Parish Library Board of Control invites you to the Dedication Ceremony of the South Branch Library on Sunday, August 10 at 3 p.m. at 2210 Glasgow Ave. After the ceremony, join us for a reception and tour of our newest library!



Garden Discoveries

The Baton Rouge Botanic Garden Foundation will host a FREE Garden Discoveries series event, "Landscape 101" led by Buck Abbey, at the Main Library at Goodwood on Saturday, August 9 at 10 a.m. Registration is available at ebrpl.co/events or call 231-3750 for registration assistance. Learn more at ebrpl.co/garden.

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 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

- July 12 Pride-Chaneyville Branch
- August 30 Eden Park Branch
- September 27 Main Library at Goodwood
- October 11 Baker Branch
- November 15 South Branch
- December 13 Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch

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, complete the application,

and a dedicated attorney will contact you shortly afterwards. For more information about this program, email lynn@brba.org or call 225-214-5564.





HOLIDAY CLOSURES

All Library locations will be closed on Friday, July 4 in observance of Independence Day.

New! Red Stick Ready App

Mayor-President Sid Edwards and the Mayor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (MOHSEP) are proud to announce the launch of a brand-new Red Stick Ready© mobile app, a powerful tool designed to help every resident prepare, plan, and stay informed before, during, and after a disaster. "Preparedness starts with teamwork – and that includes using the best tools available," said Mayor-President Edwards. "The new Red Stick Ready© app puts hurricane preparedness in your pocket. Whether you're building an emergency kit, tracking weather alerts, or creating a family disaster plan, this app gives you everything you need, right at your fingertips." Louisiana's weather is growing increasingly unpredictable; staying informed and ready is essential. The Red Stick Ready© app provides a streamlined way to plan now, before the storm arrives.

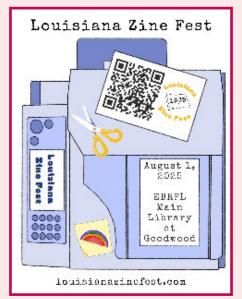
Red Stick Ready[©] App Features:

- Hurricane preparedness guides
- Customizable disaster plans
- Real-time weather notifications
- Emergency supply checklists
- Disaster resources and much more!

For further information follow "Red Stick Ready©" on Facebook, Instagram, and X@RedStickReady© and visit redstickready.com for additional preparedness tips.

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Louisiana Zine Fest Kickoff

Educational zines! Art zines! Poetry zines! Comic zines! Fan zines! All the zines! Get ready for the Louisiana Zine Fest, in partnership with the East Baton Rouge Parish Library! Join us at Main Library at Goodwood on Friday, August 1 from 12-8 p.m. to enjoy a zine showcase from across Louisiana. Zines will be available for sale, trade, and discussion. Zinefocused workshops will also be held. Food trucks will be on site to sell fun treats for this special afternoon. Registration is required for tabling as a zinester, for hosting or attending workshops, or to support the event as a volunteer. Sign-up forms are available at https://louisianazinefest.com/





Summer Reading for Adults!

Summer Reading isn't just for kids! Participants ages 18+ can sign up for the Adult Summer Reading Challenge at ebrpl.beanstack.org or at your local Library. You'll receive an incentive just for signing up! Then, read three books (audiobooks count, too) between June 1 and August 15, log your books online through Beanstack or on a paper form, and you'll receive some great rewards and an entry into prize drawings at the end of the summer! Once you've reached your initial goal, keep reading. For every additional three books you read, you'll receive an extra entry in the drawings. You can also pick up a fun Summer Reading Bingo Card and earn more entries! Color your world with some wonderful books this summer!



Spanish Reading Club/Club de Lectura en Español

Join us at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch to read and discuss books in Spanish! This month's meeting will take place on Wednesday, July 16 at 6:30 p.m., and we'll be reading *The Other* by Miguel de Unamuno. *This club is for readers and speakers who are proficient in Spanish*. For more information about the Spanish Reading Club, call 763-2250.

¡Únase a nosotros en la Bluebonnet Regional Branch para leer y discutir libros en español! La reunión de este mes tendrá lugar el miércoles 16 de julio a las 18:30, y leeremos *El Otro* de Miguel de Unamuno.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Pottery Workshop with Nickeyia Johnson

Join us for a pottery workshop at the Main Library at Goodwood on Saturday, July 19 at 1 p.m., in which participants will get the opportunity to craft with Louisiana clay, locally dug and processed by artist Nickeyia Johnson. The focus of the workshop will be the importance of clay as a

connective healing medium utilized throughout time. Information on how to process locally dug clay will be provided, as well as a pinch pot demonstration and guided clay hand building techniques. Pieces will be fired and available for pick up within 3 to 4 weeks at the Library depending on kiln firing schedules and clay drying cycles. **Registration is required.** To register, visit ebrpl.co/events.



Nickeyia Johnson



Meet the Artist: Heather Kinsel

Meet Heather Kinsel, the artist of the amazing Resin Geode Artwork display at the Zachary Branch Library on Saturday, July 19 at 10 a.m. Heather shares about her work, "I let God's beauty and grace flow through my creativity into my artwork." The present display

has several pieces that were inspired by women of the Bible and their stories. The exhibit can be viewed at the Zachary Branch throughout the month of July.

La Table Française á Zachary

Interested in speaking French? Adults are invited to the Zachary Branch for Zachary's French Table on the second and fourth Monday of each month, 6-7:30 p.m. Take advantage of this opportunity to practice listening and speaking in French. Adults at any level of French are invited.

Lagniappe Historic Dance & Pastime Society

Come dance with us! The Lagniappe Historic Dance & Pastime Society invites you to join them to learn 18th and 19th century dances on Thursday evenings in July, 6-7:30 p.m., at the Pride-Chaneyville Branch. Join our dancers for a spin around the floor as they teach and demonstrate authentic period dances straight from the pages of Jane Austen novels. Wear comfortable shoes.

Junk Journaling in July

Join us at the Main Library at Goodwood for an art journaling session on Wednesday, July 9, 2-4 p.m., where you can make scrapbook and collage spreads from recycled materials and other "junk". You can bring a few "junk" items with you such as wrappers, receipts, labels, magazines, mail, etc. and upcycle them into something special. All other journaling supplies will be provided.



ADULT PROGRAMS

Journal Hang

Adults are invited to the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch on Sunday, July 13 at 2:30 p.m. to hang out with fellow journaling enthusiasts! Every journaling type is welcome, from traditional bullet journaling to memory keeping to reading journaling. Bring your current journal and a few supplies to work on your journal and/or show off your favorite spreads. This will also be a good way to source new ideas and inspiration if you're in a journaling slump, so come out and join the fun!

Virtual Author Talk Livestream

Join us at the Carver Branch on Thursday, July 31 at 1 p.m. to view a virtual author talk with neurologist and author Pria Anand as she discusses her new book, *The Mind Electric: A Neurologist on the Strangeness and Wonder of Our Brains*. Anand's book speaks to the stories we tell ourselves about our brains and the stories that our brains tell to us. For more information, see page 7 of *The Source*.

Horror in Nature: Appreciating Louisiana's Wildlife Through a Different Lens

Thorns. Teeth. Traps. Join us on Thursday, July 31 at 6:30 p.m. at the Main Library at Goodwood to explore horror vibes in nature and see them reflected in entertainment. We'll highlight parallels between the horror genre and the natural world using examples of species & environments found in Louisiana. And you'll leave with resources and inspiration to explore the natural world through a different lens, as well as an appreciation for a genre which helps us experience and confront our fears.

Color Your Cares Away

Discover coloring as a way to be creative and relax during July at the following locations.

Saturday, July 5 at 3 p.m. – Fairwood Branch Color Our World: Coloring and Meditation

Tuesday, July 15 at 2 p.m. – Jones Creek Regional Branch Color Jam

Wednesday, July 16 at 9:30 a.m. – Baker Branch Coloring for Adults

Wednesday, July 23, 5-7 p.m. – Delmont Gardens Branch Drop In & Color

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CALLING ALL WRITERS

Writers Rendezvous

Writers are invited to join Writers Rendezvous at the Fairwood Branch for their monthly writers' group on Tuesday, July 8 at 2 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 Desmond Stevens at dstevens@ebrpl. com to get started! We email new stories out once a month. Once you have given feedback on at least two other members' stories, you are qualified to sign up for a critique of your own writing. Join us at the in-person meeting at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Monday, July 21 at 6:30 p.m. to meet other local authors and discuss the stories.

JCR Poets' Group

Do you have a hidden or reluctant poet inside you? Join local poet Caroline Derbes at the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Wednesday, July 30 at 6 p.m. to try catching poems with bait-buckets of 4-word prompts. You can also bring previously written pieces that you would like to share with the group.



ADULT PROGRAMS

Earn Your Makerspace Badge!

Get creative with Makerspaces! 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.co/events. See opportunities below:

Bluebonnet Regional Branch

Wednesday, July 2 at 10 a.m. Cricut and Heat Press Badging Class

Wednesday, July 16 at 10 a.m. Sublimation Badging Class

Saturday, July 5 at 10 a.m.



Main Library at Goodwood

Saturday, July 19 at 2 p.m. Sublimation Printer Badging Class

Wednesday, July 23 at 6:30 p.m. **3D Printer Badging Class**

River Center Branch

Thursday, July 3 at 3:30 p.m. **Recording Studio Badging Class**

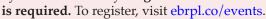
Tuesday, July 8 at 4 p.m. Sewing Badging Class

Monday, July 14 at 3:30 p.m. Sublimation Badging Class

Maker Meetup: Cricut and Sublimation for CAA

Come meet other local makers at the Main Library at Goodwood on Sunday, July 27 at 3 p.m. or 5 p.m. and make bandanas for sweet rescue pups! Companion Animal Alliance (CAA) will dress their

dapper doggies in the bandanas for their upcoming "Date a Dog" program. Make some new friends and help some cute canines find their fur-ever homes! Makerspace staff will be on site to assist with the process. Supplies are provided by Gotham Archery. Registration



HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Group Tai Chi Classes

Join us for free, hour-long Tai Chi sessions and meet friends through group practice. Together with the Tai Chi Club, we will explore the yin and yang of mind-body and find the way of nature in Tai Chi. By the end of the series, you



will have learned a full Tai Chi routine to practice on your own and share with people around you. This month's sessions will take place at the Main Library at Goodwood on Sundays, July 6 & 20 at 6 p.m. Wear flat shoes and comfortable clothes!

Moments of Movement with Hiveclass

Want to move to the beat without all of the outdoor heat? Come to the Main Library at Goodwood on Mondays, July 14, 21 & 28, 11:30 a.m.-noon, to explore what the Hiveclass database has to offer as we take a moment of mindfulness, learn gentle stretching techniques, and experience this fantastic online resource.

Jones Creek Exercise Group

Join the Jones Creek Regional Branch every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday in July (excluding July 4), 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 July (excluding July 4), 10-11 a.m., patrons can get fit by exercising with a beginner aerobics video. All fitness levels are welcome!

Footnotes: Take a Hike in Your Library



Walk and talk about your latest read with a friend at the Pride-Chaneyville Branch! Walking just 30 minutes every day can increase cardiovascular fitness, strengthen bones, reduce excess body fat, and boost muscle power and endurance. There are three measured areas: the "inside loop" is 145 steps or 1/16 of a mile, "against the wall" is 280 steps or 1/8 of a mile, and the "serpentine" is 565 steps or ¼ mile. There are also exercise stations scattered throughout the library.

Let's Get to Running

Want to get fit? Join us in July at the Zachary Branch for the Let's Get to Running program where you submit daily runs to improve your physical health and fitness and have a chance to win prizes! On Thursday, July 31 at 5 p.m., join us as we wrap up the month to reflect on our experiences and discuss future fitness programs. For more information, please call 658-1850.



CRAFTS AND HOBBIES

Color Your World Collaborative Art Project

Stop by the Zachary Branch in July and participate in our Color Your World Collaborative Art Project! While at the Library, please decorate a craft stick. The craft sticks will be put together to form a piece of original wall art to be displayed in the Library for all to see!

Summer Color Collage

Choose your favorite color and decorate a paper shape to add to our Summer Color Collage at the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch during the month of July.

Let's Knit Together

Adults, are you an enthusiastic knitter? Are you yearning to create something cozy? Let's knit together at the Zachary Branch every Tuesday in July at 6 p.m. Bring your project to work on or bring size 7 or 8 needles and a smooth, worsted weight (#4) yarn to start learning a new skill.

Fairwood Stitch Society

Pass some time with fellow fiber enthusiasts at the Fairwood Stitch Society! All skill levels and all types of fiber arts are welcome at Fairwood Branch on Tuesdays, July 1, 8, 15 & 29 at 4 p.m. You are encouraged to bring your own projects! Yarn and needles will be available during meetings for beginning knitters to learn.



'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 each Wednesday in July at 6:30 p.m. at the Jones Creek Regional Branch. On the first Wednesday of the month, we will introduce the new pattern of the month. The second Wednesday will focus on lessons for beginners. The remaining weeks are just for getting together and working on

ongoing projects. All experience levels are welcome. Registration is strongly encouraged. To register, call 756-1150.

Crafting for a Cause

Join us at the Pride-Chaneyville Branch each Thursday in July at 1 p.m. to create something beautiful and enjoy the company of fellow crafters. We will be making lovies for babies. A crochet lovey is a small, crocheted blanket, often with an attached amigurumi (stuffed animal) head, designed to be a comfort object for babies and young children. It serves as both a blanket and a cuddly toy, providing security and comfort for the child. To be donated to the pregnancy crisis center. All skill levels are invited. Donations of yarn, supplies, or finished items are welcome.

Arts & Crafts for Adults

Nourish or rediscover your creative spark in a relaxing, free-form atmosphere at Arts & Crafts for Adults at the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch on Saturdays, July 5 & 19 at 2:15 p.m. You're invited to color, explore watercolor paints, and free draw; learn to macramé and tie fancy knots; make jewelry and keychains; repaint your shoes; and much more! All supplies provided.



Threadheads Crochet Club

Come be a Threadhead! Join us at the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch every Monday in July at 6 p.m. for a crochet class for beginner and experienced crocheters. Please bring a crochet hook H or larger and a skein of yarn. We occasionally have limited supplies.

Upcycled CD Suncatcher

Use old CDs to make beautiful suncatchers at the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Wednesday, July 9 at 2 p.m. **Registration is required**. To register, visit ebrpl.co/events.

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 at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Thursdays, July 10 & 24 at 10:30 a.m., to learn and share.

Small Scale Tie-Dye

Let's color our world with tie dye at the Eden Park Branch on Thursday, July 10 at 5 p.m. We'll supply the dye; you bring a small item (ex: socks, scrunchies, bandanas, canvas shoes, or baseball/bucket hats). First come, first served. See you then!

Crochet (and Knit) for a Cause

Crocheters and knitters will meet at the Main Library at Goodwood on Saturday, July 12 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 is preferred

Coloring with Prismacolors

Adults are invited to the Zachary Branch on Thursdays, July 17 & 31 at 4 p.m. for drawing and coloring with prismacolor pencils. Prismacolors tend to have more oil than regularcolored pencils and are great for mixing different colors! The program will involve coloring an image on black matboard. You can reserve a spot online at ebrpl.co/events or call 658-1840.

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, July 22 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, ask questions about a project you're working on, or just come for some crochet company. For more information, call 354-7050.

CRAFTS AND HOBBIES

Customized Zipper Pouch

Customize your own zipper pouch using the sublimation printer in the makerspace at the River Center Branch on Tuesday, July 22 at 4 p.m. **Registration is required**. To register, visit ebrpl.co/events.

Fantasy Map Drawing

Do you ever wish you had a map of your favorite fantasy land from a book, TV series, or video game? Why not make your own! Come to the Zachary Branch on Wednesday, July 23 at 5 p.m. and learn how to create a map of your favorite fantasy land. **Registration is required**. To register, visit ebrpl.co/events.

Color Your Own Buttons

Stop by the Fairwood Branch on Wednesday, July 23 at 5:30 p.m. as we Color Our World with buttons! Color our designs or draw your own, then put them onto a 3-inch wearable button.

Sew Easy

Don't let a clothing malfunction ruin your day! Learn how to sew on a button, repair a zipper, and put in a hem! The Pride-Chaneyville Branch will offer a sewing class for beginners on Saturday, July 26 at 2 p.m., led by community member Donna Long. She is an experienced seamstress and a former teacher and 4-H leader. The class will start with simple projects like sewing on different kinds of buttons, hemming garments, and learning about various types of fabrics. As the group masters simple skills, it will continue with more advanced projects using a sewing machine Come and join our fun, friendly group!

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, July 30 at 12:30 p.m. **Registration is required.** To register, please visit ebrpl.com/calendar or call 756-1140.



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GAMES

Guessing Game

Come to the Jones Creek Regional Branch during the month of July to guess how many slap bracelets are in the jar. At the end of the month, the patron who guesses the closest, without going over, will receive a prize.

Puzzle Power

During the month of July, come to the Pride-Chaneyville Branch to puzzle your way through a summer fireworks country scene with an old-fashioned jigsaw.

Color Our World Scavenger Hunt

All summer long, search for Color Our World icons at the Eden Park Branch. Find them all; win a prize!

GUGL! The Grown-Up Gaming League at the NEW South Branch

Calling all adult gamers in the Greater Baton Rouge area! Join us for GUGL! GUGL events are now held at the new South Branch Library, 2210 Glasgow Ave. GUGL is a monthly games program open to adult players of all skill levels, ages 18 and older. Sessions may feature games such as Pathfinder, Dungeons & Dragons, Catan, Ticket to Ride, Arkham Horror, Five Minute Dungeon, Risk, Munchkin, and Magic the Gathering (TCG). Our collection includes almost 350 games! BYOG – Bring your own games or play using GUGL's sets. Questions? Call 763-2250 for more information.

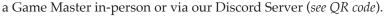
Upcoming dates:

- Wednesday, July 2 at 6 p.m.: GUGL's Two First Wednesday Events Online Game Night in Discord (*see QR code*)
- "Learn a Game" Night Learn new board games at the South Branch
- Wednesday, July 9 at 6 p.m.: Board Game Night New style board, dice, and card games (*Beginners-Intermediate*)
- *Saturday, July 12 at Noon: Tabletop RPG Saturdays -Pathfinder, Dungeons & Dragons, Call of Cthulhu, and Mothership
- Wednesday, July 16 at 6 p.m.: Board Game Night New style board, dice, and card games (*Beginners-Intermediate*)
- Wednesday, July 23 at 6 p.m.: BIG Board Game Night: Choose from the group's 250+ games or bring your own to share.



GROWN

- *Saturday, July 26 at Noon: Tabletop RPG Saturdays Pathfinder, Dungeons & Dragons, Call of Cthulhu, and Mothership
- Wednesday, July 30 at 6 p.m.: XTRA Board Game Night *New players: To join our Tabletop RPG Saturdays, please reach out to





Scrabble for Adults

Bring a friend and join us at the Baker Branch on Thursday, July 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.

Weekend Card and Board Games

Join us at the Zachary Branch on Saturday, July 12 at 4:30, Saturday, July 26 at 4:15, and Sunday, July 27 at 3 p.m. to play a variety of card and board games, including Risk, Chess, Mind the Gap, and Scrabble. Refreshments will be available. **Registration is required.** To register, visit ebrpl.co/events or call 658-1840.

Colorful Tunes

Calling all music lovers! Join us at the Main Library at Goodwood on Tuesday, July 22 at 3 p.m. to play a colorful game of Guess the Tune. This music-inspired game will allow you to test your music knowledge while having fun. Grab your friends, wear your favorite color, and guess that tune!



B-I-N-G-O

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

- Bingo for Adults: Baker Branch Monday, July 28 at 10 a.m.
- Bingo in the Gardens: Delmont Gardens Branch – Monday, July 28 at 4 p.m.

SINGO: Musical Bingo

Do you love to play bingo? Do you love music? Then join us for SINGO--Musical Bingo! It's bingo with a musical twist! Listen to music, figure out the title, mark your card, 5 in a row – shout SINGO! Join us at Zachary Branch on Saturday, July 19 at 2 p.m. to play SINGO: Songs that Color Our World edition. There will be popcorn, lemonade, and some cool prizes for the winners!

Puzzle Exchange

Puzzle Exchanges are now available at the Jones Creek Regional Branch and Central Branch! Bring a puzzle from home and swap it for one that's new to you! Just leave your puzzle on the display, then take a puzzle that you're excited to put together.

After taking a puzzle, you can:

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- Return it and swap for another puzzle
- Return it with no swap at all Join the fun! Exchange a puzzle today!



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James Bond Film Series

Come to the Carver Branch on Thursday, July 3 at 3:15 p.m. for the next installment in our James Bond Film Series featuring *Skyfall* (2012, PG-13).

Anime for Adults

Let's Color Our World with art from Japan! You don't need to stop watching anime when you grow up! Join us at the Fairwood Branch on Saturday, July 19 at 1 p.m. for an afternoon of watching anime on the Library's Crunchyroll account and enjoying ramen with friends, old and new!

Movie Matinee

Join us at the Baker Branch on Monday, July 21 at 10:30 a.m. for a showing of the movie *Here Today* (2021, PG-13). Veteran comedy writer Charlie Burnz meets New York street singer Emma Payge when she wins him in an auction. They later form a unique bond that starts when he brings her to the E.R. after a food allergy incident, and the doctors



mistake them for father and daughter. As Emma gets to know Charlie's life, she takes it upon herself to help him fix things before it's too late for him to achieve his last life goals.

Horror Film Screening: The Swarm

Enjoy a horror film screening of *The Swarm* (1978, PG) at the Main Library at Goodwood on Thursday, July 24 at 7 p.m. *Viewer discretion is advised*.

Afternoon Movie

Come to the Carver Branch on Tuesday, July 29 at 3 p.m. to see the film based on critically acclaimed author Colson Whitehead's novel, *Nickel Boys* (2024, PG-13), which follows two African American students as they face the challenges of a brutal reform school.

ADULT GRAB AND GEAUX

Tuesday, July 1 – Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch Paper Crafts

Tuesday, July 1 – Jones Creek Regional Branch Faux Bottle Rocket

Wednesday, July 23 – Jones Creek Regional Branch Magic Origami Spiral Fidget

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CAREER CENTER

Productivity Hour

Bring your laptop, literature, or project and join us at the Main Library at Goodwood for an hour-long session of productivity! The EBRPL Career Center's Productivity Hour will take place each Monday in July at 6 p.m. and is for workers of all stripes, even students and hobbyists, ages 16 and up. Participants are expected to work quietly but will be asked to share their progress at the end



of the session. Free Wi-Fi access will be available, along with pen and paper and light refreshments. Laptops are also available upon request.



GENEALOGY

Introduction to Genealogy

Start the journey of exploring your family's history with Introduction to Genealogy at the Main Library at Goodwood on Saturday, July 12 at 11 a.m. This class teaches you how to conduct genealogical research, introduces the types of records used to track a family's history, explores online databases available through the Library, and explains how to read historical records to help you fill in the gaps of your family tree. Registration is required. To register, call 231-3751 or visit ebrpl.co/events.



Fold 3 and Military Records

Fold3 is a genealogy database that specializes in military records. Join us at the Main Library at Goodwood on Wednesday, July 16 at 3 p.m. to learn how to use Fold3 to track your ancestors and find proof of their military service by searching service records, draft cards, pension lists, casualty lists, and other sources. **Registration is required**. To register, call 231-3751 or visit ebrpl.co/events.

YouTube Roundup

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 inperson, we can come to YouTube 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:

How to Apply for a Job at Jimmy John's

In this video, we walk you step-by-step through the process of completing an online application for sandwich shop Jimmy John's.

How Teens Can Answer, "Tell me about a Time You Helped Someone."

This interview question measures your helpfulness, attitude, and work ethic. In this video, we demonstrate what sorts of examples you can give even without work experience.

From the Vaults: This month's Golden Oldie Spotlight

How to Use the Gale **Business Plan Builder**

Creating a business plan is an important first step in becoming a successful entrepreneur. In this video, we demonstrate how to create a business plan using the Gale Business Plan Builder, available for free to East Baton Rouge Parish Library cardholders.

20-SOMETHINGS

Blackout Poetry

Read between the lines! 20-somethings are invited to the Main Library at Goodwood on Tuesday, July 15 at 6 p.m. to practice blackout poetry on discarded book pages.



Watercolor Beach Painting

Feeling adventurous? Come to Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Tuesday, July 15 at 6:30 p.m. for a beginner-friendly class on how to make your own ocean landscape watercolor painting! All supplies will be provided.

Lethal Luau: Murder Mystery Game

Aloha, 20-somethings, and welcome to Hawaii! It is sunset on the beach, and friends of private eye Chase Diamond have gathered at a luau to celebrate his birthday. The impromptu party quickly turns into a woeful wake when Chase is poisoned by one of his guests. Was it friend or foe who fatally freshened his favorite cocktail? It's up to you to find out! Join us at the Pride-Chaneyville Branch on Wednesday, July 16 at 5 p.m. for an evening of mysterious fun!

Cherry Rings

Create beaded cherry rings at the Delmont Gardens Branch on Thursday, July 24 at 6 p.m.

20-SOMETHINGS GRAB AND GEAUX

Tuesday, July 8 – Main Library at Goodwood Air Dry Moon Mobile

Wednesday, July 16 – Central Branch Paint by Number

Tuesday, July 22 – Main Library at Goodwood Boondoggle Basics

Summer Reading for Teens!

Hey teens! Join us for this year's Summer Reading Challenge, *Color Our World*! It's not too late to sign up at ebrpl.beanstack.org or at your local Library to start logging your reading hours to earn virtual badges, completion rewards, and to be entered into weekly prize drawings! The teen who reads and logs the most hours this summer will win a Barnes and Noble gift certificate! And check out some of the awesome programs offered in July! Look how much fun we had in June!



End of Summer Party at Fairwood

Come celebrate the end of the Summer Reading Program at the Fairwood Branch on Wednesday, July 30 at 3 p.m. with games on the Nintendo Switch, board games like Uno and Jenga, snacks, and make

your own sushi candles to take home!

End of Summer Party at Main



Summer is almost over! Celebrate a summer well spent at the Main Library at Goodwood on Thursday, July 31 at 2 p.m. with video games, crafts, door prizes, and more!

NAPA Auto Parts "Drive into STEM" Saltwater Cars Workshop

NAPA Auto Parts invites teens to build and test cars powered by something surprising – saltwater! Rev up for this cool project at the following Library locations!

- Tuesday, July 1 at 2:30 p.m. Bluebonnet Regional Branch
- Monday, July 14 at 2 p.m. South Branch
- Tuesday, July 15 at 2:30 p.m. Jones Creek Regional Branch

Crochet Together

Do you want to learn how to crochet? Or maybe you started a project that you have some questions about? Join us as we Crochet Together at the Delmont Gardens Branch on Tuesday, July 1 at 3 p.m.

The Upside Down Showdown: Stranger Things Trivia

Test your knowledge of Hawkins, the Upside Down, and all things *Stranger Things*! From Demogorgons to Dungeons & Dragons, see if you have what it takes to outsmart the Mind Flayer and claim the ultimate trivia victory at the South Branch on Wednesday, July 2 at 3 p.m. Gather your party and get ready for a totally tubular time!

Bingo Music Challenge

We play your favorite songs; you mark them off on your bingo card! The first to get a bingo wins "amazing" prizes! Join us at the Main Library at Goodwood on Thursday, July 3 at 2:30 p.m. and feel free to sing along if the mood strikes you.



DIY Sushi

Curious about sushi but not sure where to begin? Come to our DIY Sushi class at the Main Library at Goodwood on Monday, July 7 at 2:30 p.m. We'll make sushi rice together, then each teen will build and roll their own veggie or fruit sushi to enjoy!

Zine in a Week

What is a Zine and how do we make them? Join this free, two-day workshop to learn the history of this funky little book format and make one yourself at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Tuesday, July 8 and Thursday, July 10 at 2:30 p.m.

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Room Teens, can you survive the end-ofthe-world obstacles in an apocalypsethemed escape room? Join us at the River Center Branch on Wednesday, July 9 at noon to find out!

Apocalypse Escape

Join us at the Main Library at

Goodwood on Tuesday, July 8 at

2:30 p.m. for stitching made simple! Learn how to embroider simple designs

Beginner

Embroidery

using the backstitch.

Surviving the

STEAM Challenge: Bridge Building

Put your skills to the test and build a bridge out of common (and uncommon) crafting materials at the Main Library at Goodwood on Wednesday, July 9 at 2:30 p.m. Can you build a bridge that holds weight?

Exploding Paint Rockets

Part science experiment, part art... let's explode some paint! When you add alka seltzer to a tiny container with paint in it, the pressure goes boom and the paint goes everywhere! Join us at the Central Branch on Wednesday, July 9 at 3 p.m. and please wear clothes you don't mind getting paint on.

Trivia Olympics 🧒

Test your knowledge and your skills at the Main Library at Goodwood on Thursday, July 10 at 2:30 p.m. at our special Trivia Olympics event! Each team will not only need to know their stuff, they'll need the skills to win in a series of mini games sprinkled throughout the event!

Snap Circuits

Teens can build and explore the basics of electronic circuits with Snap Circuits kits at the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch on Thursday, July 10 at 3:30 p.m.

Blind Karaoke

Come sing karaoke while testing your music knowledge at the Delmont Gardens Branch on Thursday, July 10 at 4:30 p.m.



VR Day

Teens are welcome to the River Center Branch on Monday, July 14 at 4 p.m. to check out our virtual reality program!

STEAM Challenge: Balloon Car Racing

Teens, come put your skills to the test and build a balloon powered car out of crafting materials at the Main Library at Goodwood on Tuesday, July 15 at 2:30 p.m. Will your car be the fastest on the track?



Hunger Games Escape Room

Can you survive the Hunger Games? Will the Snow fall and the Sun rise? Come and see! Join us at Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Thursday, July 17 at 2 p.m. to test your skills and see if you can escape our Hunger Games themed escape room. **Registration Required**. To register, please call 763-2270.

Five Nights at Freddy's Movie Bingo

Do you like horror and creepy animatronics? Come play Five Nights at Freddy's themed bingo while we watch the movie, *Five Nights at Freddy's* (2023, PG-13) at the Main Library at Goodwood on Thursday, July 17 at 2:30 p.m.

Boom! Science

Explore physics, chemistry, engineering, and more through a variety of fun activities at the Zachary Branch on Thursday, July 17 at 2:30 p.m.

Teen Obstacle Course and Color Run

Teens, get ready for a colorful fight to the finish at River Center Branch's Obstacle Course and Color Run on Saturday, July 19 at 2 p.m. Individuals or team participants will tap into their competitive side to dodge water balloons and pastel powder through a maze of hula-hoops, spiderwebs, traffic cones, and much more! Registration is not required, but highly recommended. To register, call 389-4960.

Tiny Hands Challenge

Can you win the tiny hand challenge? Wield a pair of tiny plastic hands at the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch on Saturday, July 19 at 2:30 p.m. and see if you can unwrap a snack cake or stack some tiny cups. The winner will win a not so tiny prize!

D&D Escape Room

Come participate in an escape room inspired by fantasy worlds and aided by a giant 20-sided die! Join us at the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Monday, July 21 at 2:30 p.m. **Registration is required.** To register, call 756-1170.

Bubble Science

Step into the bubble laboratory and create a monstrous bubble that breaks the laws of physics at the Main Library at Goodwood on Monday, July 21 at 2:30 p.m.

Granny Square Workshop

Learn how to crochet basic granny squares at the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch on Monday, July 21 at 3:30 p.m. and be invited to add your squares to a colorful, chaotic granny square afghan that will live in the teen room for anyone to use.

Ellemnop: Wearable Expressions Workshop

Ready to turn your clothes into a canvas? Join us at the South Branch on Wednesday, July 23 at 2 p.m. for a fun, hands-on workshop led by local artist Ellemnop! You'll learn how to design and paint your own wearable art like a t-shirt, tote bag, or denim jacket. No experience? No problem! We'll guide you through mixing colors and using fabric paints, planning your design, step-by-step help as you paint, and tips to seal and care for your masterpiece. Come ready to get creative, make a mess, and leave with something truly one-of-a-kind.

Scribble Robots

Yes, you can make a robot! With a battery, small motor, and some colorful markers, see what scribbles it can make at the Main Library at Goodwood on Wednesday, July 23 at 2:30 p.m.

Cast On! at Delmont

Have you ever wanted to learn to knit? Join us at the Delmont Gardens Branch on Wednesday, July 23 at 3 p.m. to learn knitting basics!



All programs are free and open to the public. Registration for all programs is encouraged. To register, call the Library branch directly. For more information, visit www.ebrpl.com.

Handle It: Tiny Hands Tournament

Think you've got the skills to *handle* the ultimate challenge? Put your dexterity to the test, outmaneuver your rivals, and prove you're the ultimate champion in our Tiny Hands Tournament at the South Branch on Thursday, July 24 at 3 p.m. Win prizes, bragging rights, and maybe even a newfound appreciation for your regular-sized hands!

Ellemnop Album Jacket Painting

Teens are invited to the Carver Branch Library for an Album Jacket Painting Workshop led by local artist Ellemnop on Monday, July 28 at 2 p.m. Transform vintage record jackets into bold, expressive works of art!

Paper Plane Flying Contest

Teens will have 30 minutes to construct their plane, then see whose flies the furthest in our Paper Plane Flying Contest at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Tuesday, July 29 at 2:30 p.m.

ACT Practice Test

Need a little practice before the big day? Take an ACT practice test at the Fairwood Branch on Wednesday, July 9 at 2 p.m. **Registration is required.** You must have a valid phone number and email to sign up for the test. Preference will be given to high school students, so middle school students will be automatically wait-listed. If there are still test spots available five days before the test, wait-listed middle school students will be offered a spot. Results will be emailed out 7-10 days after the practice test.



GET YOUR GAME ON!



Summer Scavenger Hunt

Celebrate the summer season with a fun, exciting, and interactive scavenger hunt! Stop by the Eden Park Branch during July to find every item and win a prize!

Pokémon Scavenger Hunt

Join us for a Pokémon themed scavenger hunt at the Eden Park Branch on Wednesday, July 2 at 3 p.m. that will span the breadth of the library. Those who complete the hunt will receive a prize!

Board Game Blowout

Come join us at the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch on Saturday, July 5 at 2:30 p.m. as we play both old favorite board games and some you may have never seen before!

D&D at Eden



Teens are invited to the Eden Park Branch on Thursday, July 10 at 3 p.m. to partake in cookies and lemonade while running through a short, one-shot Dungeons and Dragons campaign. Dice and character sheets will be provided. No previous experience required.

Game On! Board Game Day

Grab your friends and get ready for some friendly competition! Join us at the South Branch on Tuesday, July 15 at 3 p.m. for a fun-filled afternoon of classic and new board games. Whether you're into strategy, chance, or just having fun, we've got a game for everyone!

Life-Sized Games

Come feel like an ant and play enormous games with us like life-sized Sorry, Checkers, Tic-Tac-Toe, and Uno at the Fairwood Branch on Wednesday, July 16 at 3 p.m.

Board Games at Eden

Join us at the Eden Park Branch on Tuesday, July 29 at 3 p.m. to play a plethora of board games and enjoy refreshments.



Hey teens! Come hang out and play video games at these Library locations!

Tuesday, July 1 at 6 p.m. Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch

Nintendo Switch: Smash Bros., Mario Kart, and Rocket League

Tuesday, July 15 at 2:30 p.m. Zachary Branch Xbox 360 Kinect Dance Party

Tuesday, July 15 at 6 p.m. Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch

PS4 Fighting and Racing Games

Thursday, July 17 at 5 p.m. Delmont Gardens Branch NBA 2K25 **Tuesday, July 22 at 2:30 p.m. Main Library at Goodwood** Super Smash Bros. Tournament

Saturday, July 26 at 2:30 p.m. Main Library at Goodwood Video games and snacks

Tuesday, July 29 at 3 p.m. South Branch NBA 2K22

Tuesday, July 29 at 6 p.m. Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch Xbox: Overcooked and NBA 2K25

DIY @ the Library

Teens, get crafty at your local Library! Express your creativity at these in-person programs! *Indicates registration required. Register online at ebrpl.co/events.

*Watercolor Echo Art

Tuesday, July 1 at 2:30 p.m. Jones Creek Regional Branch Make beautiful, calming watercolor art by starting with a series of shapes and having their lines echo outward like ripples in a pond.

Sun Print Workshop Tuesday, July 1 at 2:30 p.m. Zachary Branch



Try your hand at making a cyanotype, an early photographic technique discovered in 1842.

Bubble Painting Tuesday, July 1 at 2:30 p.m.

Main Library at Goodwood Create unique, abstract artwork with colorful, sudsy bubbles.

*Laser Cut Paint by Numbers Tuesday, July 1 at 3 p.m. Central Branch

Paint designs that were engraved by the laser cutter in the River Center Branch's makerspace.

Mini Masterpieces: Jar Edition Tuesday, July 1 at 3 p.m. South Branch

Unleash your creativity and transform a mini jar into a work of art.

Honeycomb Shelves Wednesday, July 2 & Thursday, July 3 at 3 p.m.

Baker Branch

On Wednesday, use paint and popsicle sticks to begin making your honeycomb shelves; come back on Thursday to assemble it.

Perler Bead Pixel Art

Wednesday, July 2 at 3:30 p.m. Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch

Create cool, pixelated designs with Perler beads, then iron them into a solid piece of art.

*Wobblebots Thursday, July 3 at 2:30 p.m. Bluebonnet Regional Branch Build your very own wobblebots.

*Soap Jellies

Thursday, July 3 at 2:30 p.m. Jones Creek Regional Branch Make showering even more refreshing this summer with scented jelly soap.

Bubble Rings Thursday, July 3 at 4:30 p.m. Delmont Gardens Branch Come create beaded bubble rings.

Patriotic Rock Candy Saturday, July 5 at noon River Center Branch In celebration of U.S. independence, make some red and blue rock candy.

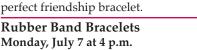
*Puffy Foam Flower Mirror Saturday, July 5 at 2:30 p.m.

Jones Creek Regional Branch Frame a fantastic little mirror in puffy modeling foam flowers you sculpt yourself.

*Snap Set Storage Pockets Monday, July 7 at 2:30 p.m. Jones Creek Regional Branch Learn to use a laminator and a snap button setter to make a fantastic storage envelope to organize your life.

Bracelet Bash: Weaving Threads, Making Friends

Monday, July 7 at 3 p.m. South Branch Twist, knot, and weave your way to the



Monday, July 7 at 4 p.m. River Center Branch Design your own bracelets out of rubber bands.

Never Ending Card Monday, July 7 at 6:30 p.m. Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch Fun folds will create a never ending card that reveals a new layer of patterned paper, images, or messages each time you open the card.

Mason Jar Suncatcher Tuesday, July 8 at 2 p.m. River Center Branch Make personalized suncatchers with us.

Quilling Art Dragonflies

Tuesday, July 8 at 2:30 p.m. Delmont Gardens Branch Use the art of quilling to craft fun dragonflies.

*Perler Bead Projects

Tuesday, July 8 at 2:30 p.m. Jones Creek Regional Branch Craft accessories, art, charms from fusible Perler beads.

Floral Foam Sculptures Tuesday, July 8 & Thursday, July 10 at

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Zachary Branch

Join us for this two-part program to shape and paint a floral foam sculpture.

*Faux Stained Glass with 3Doodler Pens

Wednesday, July 9 at 2:30 p.m. Jones Creek Regional Branch

Create a stained-glass effect by drawing leaded glass frames on acrylic sheets with a 3D print pen.

Clay Tangram Wednesday, July 9 at 3 p.m. Baker Branch



Learn how to make tangram magnets which create a 7-piece square puzzle that can be rearranged for hours of fun.

Tie-Dye with Ice Thursday, July 10 at 11 a.m. Central Branch Use ice and dye powder to dye whatever

100% cotton item you would like to bring.

Ribbon Bookmarks Thursday, July 10 at 4 p.m. South Branch Choose from a variety of ribbons, beads,

and charms to craft a bookmark that's as unique as your reading style!

Perler Bead Bookmarks Monday, July 14 at 2:30 p.m. Main Library at Goodwood Make custom Perler bead bookmarks to add style to your summer reading.

Blackout Buttons Wednesday, July 16 at 2:30 p.m. Main Library at Goodwood Find word art in the pages of discarded novels, then turn the art into a button.

3D Tissue Paper Art Wednesday, July 16 at 3 p.m. Baker Branch

Use strips of tissue paper to make 3D works of art by using patterns or go the abstract route.

*Fidget Bead Bookmark Thursday, July 17 at 2:30 p.m. Jones Creek Regional Branch Create a beaded bookmark to fidget with as you read.

Ocean Paint and Pour Art Thursday, July 17 at 3 p.m. Central Branch

Paint the ocean waves! Learn how to use a paint pour technique to make the ocean come to life.

Totoro Feltie

Thursday, July 17 at 3 p.m. Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch Sew a small totoro plush out of felt.

Pom Pom Tassel Keychains Thursday, July 17 at 3 p.m. River Center Branch

Make some pom pom tassel keychains with us.

Tin-Tastic Trinket Boxes Thursday, July 17 at 3 p.m. South Branch

Get creative and turn ordinary tins into one-of-a-kind trinket boxes, the perfect spot to store your small treasures!

*Marbled 3D Paint Friendship Bracelets

Saturday, July 19 at 2:30 p.m. Jones Creek Regional Branch Express your artistic side and create meaningful mementos by making friendship bracelets.

Stamped Clay Keychains Saturday, July 19 at 2:30 p.m.

Main Library at Goodwood Turn ordinary clay into a unique medallion keychain using a little paint and impressions from stamps.

*Intro to 3D Printing

Monday, July 21 at 3:30 p.m. River Center Branch

Learn the basics of 3D printing, then make something for yourself.

Squirt Gun Art

Tuesday, July 22 at 10:30 a.m. Bluebonnet Regional Branch

Make art using water pistols filled with paint.

Shrink and Shine: Shrinky Dinks Tuesday, July 22 at 3 p.m. South Branch

Draw your design, watch it shrink, and transform your creations into keychains, pins, or charms.

Embroidered Bookmarks Tuesday, July 22 at 2:30 p.m. Delmont Gardens Branch Create your own embroidered bookmarks.

*Aluminum Embossing Wednesday, July 23 at 2:30 p.m. Jones Creek Regional Branch Make elaborate, embossed, aluminum plaques with our Cricut machine, foil, and Sharpies.

Terracotta Pot Paint Pour Wednesday, July 23 at 2:30 p.m. Zachary Branch

Do a paint pour on a terracotta pot, then use as a decorative pen holder or plant something in it.

Newton's Cradle Wednesday, July 23 at 3 p.m. Baker Branch Learn about momentum and energy while making your own Newton's Cradle.

Edible Slime Wednesday, July 23 at 3 p.m. Fairwood Branch Come make your own edible slime with

us. **Fabric Collage Art Thursday, July 24 at 2:30 p.m. Bluebonnet Regional Branch** Use scrap fabric to create art.

Tie Dye

Thursday, July 24 at 2:30 p.m. Main Library at Goodwood Bring a white t-shirt and learn how to color it with tie-dye.

Puzzle Art Thursday, July 24 at 3 p.m. Central Branch Design and color your own puzzle to take home.

Fantasy Map Making Thursday, July 24 at 3 p.m. Eden Park Branch Make your own fantasy map while enjoying cookies and lemonade.

Watercolor Whimsy Thursday, July 24 at 3:30 p.m. Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch Explore using watercolor paints with us.

*Hand-Cranked GIF Saturday, July 26 at 2:30 p.m. Jones Creek Regional Branch Make a GIF in a can. Turn the crank and watch the pages flip by so quickly it looks like a movie.

Foam Relief Printmaking

Monday, July 28 at 2:30 p.m. Main Library at Goodwood Learn the basics of printmaking by carving your own designs in Styrofoam.

Harry Potter Buttons Monday, July 28 at 4 p.m. River Center Branch



Celebrate everyone's favorite wizard by making Harry Potter themed buttons.

*Undying Terrarium

Tuesday, July 29 at 2 p.m. Jones Creek Regional Branch Assemble beautiful faux plant terrariums and enjoy plants that you can't kill.

Paracord Bracelets Tuesday, July 29 at 3 p.m. Central Branch Make a bracelet out of paracord.

Exploring Watercolors Tuesday, July 29 at 3:30 p.m. Delmont Gardens Branch Explore using watercolor paints; no experience required!

Color Your World Art Challenge Wednesday, July 30 at 2:30 p.m. Main Library at Goodwood Let your creative juices flow by painting a 4 x 4 piece of art.

Perler Bead Zipper Pulls Wednesday, July 30 at 2:30 p.m. Zachary Branch

Use Perler beads to make cute zipper pulls for your purse or backpack.

Lined Abstract Painting Wednesday, July 30 at 3 p.m. Baker Branch



Create sharp lines and corners by using painters tape and colorful paint on blank canvases.

*Candy-Coated Grapes Thursday, July 31 at 2:30 p.m. Jones Creek Regional Branch Use a super easy recipe to make these crunchy, coated grapes.

Back to School Vision Board Thursday, July 31 at 3 p.m. South Branch

Join us for a Back to School Vision Board Workshop where you can map out your dreams, set your intentions, and get inspired for the year ahead!

Rainbow Loom Bracelets Thursday, July 31 at 3:30 p.m. Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch Use our rainbow looms to make friendship bracelets.



MOVIE MANIA

She's the Man

Watch the movie *She's the Man* (2006, PG-13) based off of Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night* at the River Center Branch on Wednesday, July 2 at 3 p.m.

Percy Jackson Movie Critique Party

Do you have strong feelings about the *Percy Jackson and Lightning Thief* (2010, PG) movie? Would you like to join others in discussing how much better the book was? Join us at Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Tuesday, July 15 at 2:30 p.m. as we have our own mystery science theatre experience and watch the first movie in the Percy Jackson world.

Freaky Friday



Teens are invited to the River Center Branch on Wednesday, July 23 at 3 p.m. to watch *Freaky Friday* (2003, PG) with us!

Karate Kid Movie Marathon

Are you ready to become a karate master? After River Center Branch's 7-hour *Karate Kid* movie marathon on Wednesday, July 30 at noon, you will be crane certified! Totally impossible, but a teen can dream. So, grab your gi and wax on, wax off to the old and new karate movie classics.

Movie Matinee and Craft Time: The Hunger Games

Join us in District 12 as we create Mockingjay suncatchers while we watch the first *Hunger Games* (2012, PG-13) movie at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Thursday, July 31 at 2:30 p.m.

Supernatural and Snacks

Watch your favorite Supernatural episodes and snack at the Delmont Gardens Branch on Thursday, July 31 at 5 p.m.

Calling all anime fans! Teens, join us to watch ad-free anime at the locations below.

Tuesdays, July 8 & 22 at 6 p.m. Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch

Saturday, July 12 at 2:30 p.m. Main Library at Goodwood

Tuesday, July 15 at 2:30 p.m. – Eden Park Branch

Tuesday, July 15 at 4 p.m. – Delmont Gardens Branch

Wednesday, July 16 at noon - River Center Branch

TEENS GRAB AND GEAUXS

Tuesday, July 1

Baker Branch: Yarn Painting Pride-Chaneyville Branch: 3D Origami Strawberry

Saturday, July 5

Main Library at Goodwood & Carver Branch: Felt LED Flashlight Bluebonnet Regional Branch: Black Out Poetry

Monday, July 7

Baker Branch: Laser Cut Paint by Number Central Branch: Twirligig Paper Toy Eden Park Branch: Dragon's Eye Fairwood Branch: Orca Keychain Zachary Branch: Pizza Box Solar Oven



Tuesday, July 8

Pride-Chaneyville Branch: Felt LED Flashlight

Friday, July 11

Main Library at Goodwood & Carver Branch: Beaded Star Charm

Saturday, July 12

Bluebonnet Regional Branch: Lotus Lantern

Monday, July 14

Baker Branch: Spider Web Sun Catcher Central Branch: Unicorn Poop Pendant Eden Park Branch: Yarn Painting Fairwood Branch: Straw Flyer Zachary Branch: Mountaintop Photo Holder



Tuesday, July 15 Pride-Chaneyville Branch: Beaded Star Charm

Friday, July 18 Main Library at Goodwood & Carver Branch: Floam

Saturday, July 19 Bluebonnet Regional Branch: Tiny Watercolor

Monday, July 21 Baker Branch: Craft Stick Crossbow Central Branch: Origami Butterflies Eden Park Branch: Beach in a Jar Fairwood Branch: Cork Boat Zachary Branch: Macrame Keychain



Tuesday, July 22 Pride-Chaneyville Branch: Floam

Friday, July 25 Main Library at Goodwood & Carver Branch: Mini Zen Gardens

Saturday, July 26 Bluebonnet Regional Branch: Cardboard Spectrometers

Monday, July 28 Baker Branch: String Pull Art Central Branch: Straw Stars Eden Park Branch: Bow Craft Fairwood Branch: Paper Spinning Tops Zachary Branch: Bugle Bead Bracelet



Tuesday, July 29 Pride-Chaneyville Branch: Mini Zen Gardens

SUMMER READING FOR KIDS!

The world around us is full of COLOR! Find it at your Library this summer with our 2025 Summer Reading Program, *Color Our World*! Join us for amazing entertainment and events offered in July! And don't forget to sign up at ebrpl.beanstack.org or at your local Library to start logging your reading to earn virtual badges; completion rewards from Texas Roadhouse, All Star Lanes, LASM, and more; and to be entered into weekly drawings for prizes from Nothing Bundt Cakes, Celebration Station, and other fun prizes! Get ready for creativity, take out your art supplies, and let's create a masterpiece! Just look how much fun we had in June!



End of Summer Reading Parties!

Join us for bouncy houses, games, prizes, face painting, balloon animals, magic, refreshments and more! Kids ages 2-11 are invited to our end of summer reading parties! Each party will last two hours. **Groups are required to register.** Call the library location to register.

Monday, July 28	~ (?
10 a.m. – South Branch	
5 p.m. – Jones Creek Regional Branch	

Tuesday, July 29

10 a.m. - Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch

Wednesday, July 30 10 a.m. – Main Library at Goodwood

Cereal Box Collage Workshop

Join pop artist Michael Albert for his hands-on Cereal Box Collage Workshop! Kids and their families will create their own masterpieces using cereal boxes and other colorful cardboard packages. All participants will receive a free signed poster of one of Albert's creations as a special gift for joining him in this creative art making session. This workshop is two hours long and is designed for kids ages 5-11 and their families. **Registration is required.** *Sorry, no groups.* Call the Library location to register.

Wednesday, July 2 10 a.m. – Central Branch 2:30 p.m. – Main Library at Goodwood

Interactive Art

Interact with art from famous artists at the River Center Branch during the month of July! Visit designated stations for hands-on activities and create art in the style of Van Gogh, Picasso, Warhol, Munch and more!

Tri-Parish Ballet Presents Under the Big Top

Join us for a delightful and enchanting ballet performance by talented young dancers as they present "Under the Big Top." **Registration may be required to attend.** Call the Library location for registration information.

Monday, July 14 2:30 p.m. – Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch

Tuesday, July 15 10 a.m. – South Branch

Wednesday, July 16 10 a.m. – Jones Creek Regional Branch

Monday, July 21 2:30 p.m. – Zachary Branch

Tuesday, July 22 2:30 p.m. – Bluebonnet Regional Branch

Harvey Rabbit and Friends

Join Harvey Rabbit, Cecil the Orangutan, Miss Laura, and Mr. Tim as they bring fun to the Library with ventriloquism, puppetry, music, magic, and comedy! It just wouldn't be summer without this gang's fun and entertainment! **Registration** may be required to attend



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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

Charlie the Noise Guy Presents Sound Safari Theater

Charlie the Noiseguy is a vocal sound effectionist who teaches kids how to create funny sounds with their mouths and how to use them in stories, cartoons, and reading out LOUD. Join Charlie to hear noisy tales about dinosaurs, airplanes, sneezes, and toilets, and learn how to make your own sound effects! **Registration may be required to attend.** Call the Library location for registration information.

Monday, July 7 10 a.m. – Carver Branch 2:30 p.m. – Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch

Tuesday, July 8 10 a.m. – Pride-Chaneyville Branch 2:30 p.m. – Central Branch

Wednesday, July 9 10 a.m. – River Center Branch 2:30 p.m. – South Branch

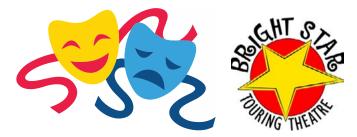
Thursday, July 10 10 a.m. – Eden Park Branch 2:30 p.m. – Fairwood Branch

Friday, July 11 10 a.m. – Baker Branch 2:30 p.m. – Jones Creek Regional Branch

Saturday, July 12 10 a.m. – Bluebonnet Regional Branch 2:30 p.m. – Delmont Gardens Branch

Monday, July 14 10 a.m. – Main Library at Goodwood 2:30 p.m. – Zachary Branch





Bright Star Theater Presents Once Upon a Time: Cinderella & Jack and the Beanstalk

Join Lenny and Mabel for a fun and interactive show. Dance at the ball with Cinderella and challenge the giant in Jack and the Beanstalk as these stories come to life in front of your very eyes! **Registration may be required to attend.** Call the Library location for registration information.

Thursday, July 10

10 a.m. – Main Library at Goodwood 6 p.m. – Bluebonnet Regional Branch

Saturday, July 12 2:30 p.m. – Carver Branch

Sunday, July 13 3 p.m. – Fairwood Branch

Monday, July 14 10 a.m. – River Center Branch 2 p.m. – Jones Creek Regional Branch 6 p.m. – Delmont Gardens Branch

Tuesday, July 15 6 p.m. – Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch

Bright Star Theater Presents Alice's Adventures in Wonderland

Join us for an imaginative ride through Wonderland with the Queen of Hearts, Cheshire Cat, Mad Hatter, and Alice. **Registration may be required to attend.** Call the Library location for registration information.

Thursday, July 10 2 p.m. – South Branch

Friday, July 11 10 a.m. – Eden Park Branch 2:30 p.m. – Central Branch

Tuesday, July 15 10 a.m. – Baker Branch

Bright Star Theater Presents Peter Pan

Join Lenny and Mabel as they work to bring this literary classic to life in a hysterical play within a play. Enjoy the antics of Tinkerbell, the bumbling Captain Hook, Darling Wendy, and, of course, the free-spirited adventurous boy who just wouldn't grow up. **Registration may be required to attend.** Call the Library location for registration information.

Saturday, July 12 10 a.m. – Zachary Branch

Tuesday, July 15 2 p.m. – Pride-Chaneyville Branch

Professor Universe Presents Found in the Stars



Join us for an interactive science-filled show! After Professor Universe gets abducted by an alien who steals his painting, he needs help from the audience and his star friend (who wishes to never become a black hole) to get back his stolen artwork! **Registration may be required to attend.** Call the Library location for registration information.

Friday, July 18 10 a.m. – Baker Branch 2:30 p.m. – Pride-Chaneyville Branch

Saturday, July 19 10 a.m. – Fairwood Branch 2:30 p.m. – Jones Creek Regional Branch

Monday, July 21 10 a.m. -South Branch 2 p.m. – Delmont Gardens Branch

6 p.m. – Central Branch

Tuesday, July 22 10 a.m. – Carver Branch 2 p.m. – River Center Branch 6 p.m. – Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch

Wednesday, July 23 10 a.m. – Zachary Branch

Thursday, July 24 10 a.m. – Eden Park Branch 2 p.m. – Main Library at Goodwood 6 p.m. – Bluebonnet Regional Branch



Aloha to Summer Tea Party

It's time to say "aloha" to summer! Join us at the River Center Branch on Thursday, July 31 at 10:30 a.m. for a reading of *Punky Aloha* by Shar Tuiasoa, then make your own pineapple sunglasses to wear to our Hawaiian themed tea party where we'll practice our limbo and hula hooping skills while snacking with friends! *Sorry, no groups.*

LITTLE ONES AT THE LIBRARY

Join us for these programs designed especially for our youngest patrons!

Baby Playdate

Join us for a fun baby playdate at the South Branch on Wednesday, July 2 at 3 p.m. We'll have a variety of age-appropriate, baby-safe toys for your little ones ages 0-2 to explore and enjoy! *Sorry, no groups*.

Baby Boogie Woogie

Put on your boogie shoes and join us for a Baby Boogie Woogie at the Main Library at Goodwood on Wednesday, July 9 at 10 a.m. We'll have a dance floor, photo op, snacks, and craft for children ages 0-3. When you're ready to take a break, we'll have a book nook to relax in and read. **Registration is required**. To register, please call 231-3760. Come and dance the morning away!

Toddler Dance Party

"Polka dot pants, polka dot pants, sing and dance in your polka dot pants!" Join us for a toddler dance party at the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Thursday, July 17 at 10:30 a.m. We'll read *The Nuts: Sing and Dance in Your Polka Dot Pants* by Eric Litwin, then dance to some great tunes with a disco ball, laser light video, and a bubble machine. Children are encouraged to wear polka dots! Kids ages 1-5 are welcome. *Sorry, no groups.*

Messy Baby Playdate

Let's get messy, baby! Babies ages 0-2 can come listen to the board book, *Colors* by Leo Lionni, then get into some messy, baby-safe fun at the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Wednesday, July 23 at 10:30 a.m. Dress for a mess! *Sorry, no groups.*

Color Fun with Pete the Cat

Kids ages 3-5 are invited to the Main Library at Goodwood on Thursday, July 24 at 10 a.m. for messy colorful fun with Pete the Cat! We'll read *Pete the Cat: I Love My White Shoes* by Eric Litwin, then explore colors with paints, crayons, puzzles, and more. Come dressed for a mess! **Registration is required**. To register, please call 231-3760. *Sorry, no groups*.

BOOK CLUB

Young Book Tasters Reading Club

Join us this summer for the Young Book Tasters Reading Club, a fun book tasting experience, where kids can sample chapter books,

explore different genres, fill out book menus, and vote for their favorite books! Kids ages 7-11 are invited to the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Saturday, July 5 at 10:30 a.m. for a spooky read, *The Hiddenseek* by Nate Cernosek and on Saturday, July 19 at 10:30 a.m. when we'll read an excerpt



from Thomas Wheeler's *The Doomsday Vault* and explore other titles from the science fiction genre. Kids can also hang out in the Book Reading Nook, swap books with each other, and get reader's advisory tips. **Registration is required.** To register, please call 763-2260. *Sorry, no groups.*

MOVIE TIME!

Brown Bag Movies

Children are invited to the Bluebonnet Regional Branch each Wednesday in July at 11:15 a.m. to watch a book-based movie. Feel free to bring your own lunch and drink. *Sorry, no groups*. See film titles below.

- July 2: Pixar Short Films, Vol. 2
- July 9: Pixar Short Films, Vol. 2, Officer Buckle and Gloria, and Dot the Fire Dog
- July 16: Armadilly Chili. The Great Fuzz Frenzy, and I Could Do That!
- July 23: Aesop's Fables

Summer Cinema

Join us in the Children's Room at the Main Library at Goodwood on Fridays at 10 a.m. or 2:30 p.m. to watch some of your favorite movies. See July dates and film titles below. *All children under the age of 9 must be accompanied by an adult.* Group registration is required.

- July 11: *Cars* (G)
- July 18: The Princess and the Frog (G)
- July 25: Sherlock Gnomes (PG)

Monday Movie Pajama Party

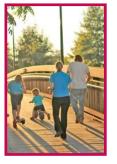
"Part Man. Part Dog. All Hero." Do you love the *Dog Man* books? Kids ages 6+ and their families are invited to watch the movie *Dog Man* (2025, PG) with us at the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Monday, July 21 at 6:30 p.m. Feel free to wear your pajamas and bring a blanket or stuffie to snuggle with. *Sorry, no groups.*





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 this month's story titles:

- Main Library at Goodwood: *The Not So Quiet Library* by Zachariah Ohora
- Baker Branch: Over There by Steve Pilcher
- Carver Branch: Goodnight, Astronaut by Scott Kelly



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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, July 1 at noon River Center Branch	Pets and Their Famous HumansBuild and Paint a Birdhouse, aby Ana Gallo and Katherine Quinn	
Tuesday, July 1 at 2 p.m. Baker Branch	Independence Day by Erika Manley	Patriotic Dinosaur Sign, ages 4-8
*Tuesday, July 1 at 2:30 p.m. Bluebonnet Regional Branch	The Cuckoo Bird by Judy Corbalis	Wooden Birdhouse, ages 6-11
Tuesday, July 1 at 2:30 p.m. Carver Branch	Pie Is for Sharing by Stephanie Ledyard	Patriotic Stain Glass Window, ages 6-11
*Tuesday, July 1 at 2:30 p.m. Main Library at Goodwood	On the Fourth of July by Maggie Rudd	July 4 th Owl Ornament, ages 3-6
Tuesday, July 1 at 4 p.m. Central Branch	Yoshi, Sea Turtle Genius by Lynne Cox	Sea Turtle Beaded Necklace, ages 4-11
*Wednesday, July 2 at 10 a.m. Main Library at Goodwood	Kamishibai Man by Allen Say	Kamishibai (Traditional Japanese Story Box), ages 6-11
Wednesday, July 2 at 10:30 a.m. Zachary Branch	Ice Cream Face by Heidi Woodward Sheffield	Ice Cream Cone Craft, ages 2-5
*Wednesday, July 2 at 11 a.m. Pride-Chaneyville Branch	On the Fourth of July by Maggie Rudd	Fireworks Salt Painting, ages 6-11
*Wednesday, July 2 at 2:30 p.m. Jones Creek Regional Branch	<i>The Lady with the Alligator Purse</i> by Nadine Westcott	Coin Purse, ages 5-7
*Wednesday, July 2 at 5 p.m. Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch	Abner Doubleday and Baseball's Beginning by Nelson Yomtov	Baseball Windsock, ages 5-11
Thursday, July 3 at 10 a.m. Fairwood Branch	<i>The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind</i> by William Kamkwamba and Bryan Mealer	Pinwheel, ages 7-11
Thursday, July 3 at 10 a.m. River Center Branch	Santa Shark by Mike Lowry	Sparkly Kinetic Sand, ages 6-11
Thursday, July 3 at 11 a.m. Delmont Gardens Branch	<i>Pete the Kitty and the Unicorn's Missing</i> <i>Colors</i> by Kim Dean	Puffy Paint Experience, ages 3-5
*Tuesday, July 3 at 2:30 p.m. Bluebonnet Regional Branch	<i>This Book Will Make You an Artist</i> by Ruth Millington	Cookies and Collage, ages 8-11
*Thursday, July 3 at 3 p.m. South Branch	Independence Day by Erika Manley	Patriotic Dinosaur Sign, ages 3-5

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Story & Craft/Activity – continued

Date, Time, Location	Story Title & Author	Craft Activity Description & Age Group
*Thursday, July 3 at 3:30 p.m. Jones Creek Regional Branch	Weird but True! USA: 300 Fascinating Facts about the Fifty States	Patriotic Dinosaur Sign, ages 6-11
Monday, July 7 at noon River Center Branch	by National Geographic Kids Splat! The Most Exciting Artists of All Time by Mary Agnes Richards	Spattered Paint Art, ages 6-11
Tuesday, July 8 at 10 a.m. Baker Branch	Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See by Bill Martin	Bear Craft, ages 2-5
Tuesday, July 8 at 11:30 a.m. Carver Branch	Yoshi Sea Turtle Genius by Lynne Cox	Sea Turtle Craft, ages 6-11
Tuesday, July 8 at noon Fairwood Branch	I Am the Shark by Joan Holub	Shark Tooth Necklace, ages 3-11
Tuesday, July 8 at 2:30 p.m. Delmont Gardens Branch	Bugs Galore by Peter Stein	Bug Mask, ages 5-11
*Tuesday, July 8 at 3 p.m. South Branch	Horton Hatches the Egg by Dr. Seuss	Wooden Birdhouse, ages 7-11
Wednesday, July 9 at 10:30 a.m. Zachary Branch	On Account of the Gum by Adam Rex	Gumball Machine Craft, ages 2-5
*Wednesday, July 9 at 2:30 p.m. Pride-Chaneyville Branch	The All-Together Quilt by Lizzy Rockwell	Paper Quilt Craft, ages 6-11
*Wednesday, July 9 at 3:30 p.m. Jones Creek Regional Branch	Boxitects by Kim Smith	Build with Cardboard Boxes, ages 7-11
*Wednesday, July 9 at 4:30 p.m. Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch	Unicorn Day by Diana Murray	Unicorn Crown, ages 3-8
*Thursday, July 10 at 10 a.m. Jones Creek Regional Branch	Pete the Cat Screams for Ice Cream by Kimberly and James Dean	Mini Ice Cream Fan, ages 5-7
*Thursday, July 10 at 2:30 p.m. Main Library at Goodwood	The Curious Way by Angela DiTerlizzi	LEGO Free-Build, ages 4-11
Thursday, July 10 at 4:30 p.m. Delmont Gardens Branch	I Ain't Gonna Paint No More by Karen Beaumont	Abstract Art Painting, ages 8-11
*Saturday, July 12 at 10 a.m. Jones Creek Regional Branch	Colors with Little Fish by Lucy Cousins	Handprint Aquarium Picture, ages 0-2
*Monday, July 14 at 11 a.m. South Branch	Thelma the Unicorn by Aaron Blabey	Unicorn Headband, ages 3-6
Monday, July 14 at 11:30 a.m. Carver Branch	Paletero Man by Lucky Diaz	Popsicle Craft, ages 6-11
Tuesday, July 15 at 11 a.m. Eden Park Branch	Ice Cream Face by Heidi Woodward Sheffield	Mini Ice Cream Fan Craft, ages 3-11
Tuesday, July 15 at noon River Center Branch	<i>Little People, Big Dreams: Pablo Picasso</i> by Maria Isabel Sanchez Vegara	Picasso Game and Self-Portrait, ages 2-11
*Tuesday, July 15 at 2:30 p.m. Bluebonnet Regional Branch	Welcome to the Green House by Jane Yolen	Wooden Tropical Mobile, ages 5-11
*Tuesday, July 15 at 2:30 p.m. Main Library at Goodwood	Millions of Maxes by Meg Wolitzer	Write with 3D Doodlers, ages 9-11
Tuesday, July 15 at 4 p.m. Central Branch	Red Light, Green Light by Margaret Wise Brown	Play Red Light, Green Light Game, ages 4-11
Tuesday, July 15 at 4:30 p.m. Delmont Gardens Branch	<i>Oops! Accidental Inventions: Bubble Gum</i> by Cahterine C. Finan	Buttons Bubblegum Machine Craft, ages 6-8
*Wednesday, July 16 at 10 a.m. Main Library at Goodwood	<i>Little Blue and Little Yellow</i> by Leo Leonni	Playing with Play Dough, ages 2-7
Wednesday, July 16 at 10:30 a.m. Zachary Branch	Butterfly Park by Elly Mackay	Butterfly Craft, ages 3-5
Wednesday, July 16 at 11:30 a.m. Carver Branch	One World Many Colors by Ben Lerwill	3D Paper Rainbow, ages 6-11
*Wednesday, July 16 at 2:30 p.m. Pride-Chaneyville Branch	<i>Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters</i> by John Steptoe	African Unity Beaded Bracelet, ages 6-11

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*Wednesday, July 16 at 3 p.m. Bluebonnet Regional Branch	Get Me Out of This Book! Rules and Tools Braided Bookmark, ages 6-11 for Being Brave by Kalli Dakos	
*Wednesday, July 16 at 3:30 p.m. Jones Creek Regional Branch	How Are Cars Made and Sold? by Bridey Heing	Create Electric Vehicles, ages 9-11
Wednesday, July 16 at 4 p.m. Central Branch	<i>Big Bad Bubble</i> by Adam Rubin	Bubble Painting, ages 6-11
*Wednesday, July 16 at 5 p.m. Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch	Under the Love Umbrella by Davina Bell	Stained Glass Umbrella Craft, ages 3-6
Thursday, July 17 at noon River Center Branch	The Rainbow Fish by Marcus Pfister	Rainbow Fish Craft, ages 4-11
*Thursday, July 17 at 2:30 p.m. Main Library at Goodwood	Invisible Lizard by Kurt Cyrus	Wooden Tropical Mobile, ages 6-8
Thursday, July 17 at 3 p.m. Delmont Gardens Branch	Summer Color! by Diana Murray	Sun and Rainbow Hanger, ages 6-8
*Thursday, July 17 at 4:15 p.m. Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch	Heads and Tails Underwater by John Canty	Jellyfish Craft, ages 5-11
Monday, July 21 at 10 a.m. Fairwood Branch	Are Your Stars Like My Stars? by Leslie Helakoski	Spinner Toy, ages 4-11
Monday, July 21 at 11:30 a.m. Carver Branch	Mary Blair's Unique Flair by Amy Novesky	Geometric Shapes Artwork, ages 6-11
Monday, July 21 at noon River Center Branch	Stories for Kids Who Dare to be Different: True Tales of Amazing People Who Stood Up and Stood Out by Ben Brooks	Cardboard Surfboard, ages 4-11
*Monday, July 21 at 5:30 p.m. Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch	Animal Robots by Thomas Kingsley Troupe	Monster Claw Craft, ages 5-11
*Tuesday, July 22 at 3 p.m. South Branch	Weird Plants by Mellonee Carrigan	Wooden Mobile, ages 7-11
*Wednesday, July 23 at 2:30 p.m. Main Library at Goodwood	<i>Cam Jansen and The Mystery at the Haunted House</i> by David A. Adler	Lace-Up Coin Purse, ages 6-11
Wednesday, July 23 at 4 p.m. Central Branch	<i>The Little Butterfly That Could</i> by Ross Burach	Wiggle Eye Butterfly Magnet, ages 4-11
Thursday, July 24 at 10 a.m. Fairwood Branch	The Rainbow Fish by Marcus Pfister	Woven Paper Rainbow Fish, ages 5-11
*Thursday, July 24 at 2 p.m. Jones Creek Regional Branch	True or False? Art by Shawn Brennan	Blendie Spinning Top, ages 7-11
Thursday, July 24 at 4 p.m. River Center Branch	<i>Art Is Everywhere: A Book About Andy</i> <i>Warhol</i> by Jeff Mack	Pop Art Cupcake Craft, ages 3-11
Thursday, July 24 at 4:30 p.m. Delmont Gardens Branch	<i>The Hidden Rainbow</i> by Christine Matheson	Flower Craft, ages 4-6
*Thursday, July 24 at 5 p.m. Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch	Your Birthday Was the Best! by Maggie Hutchings	Tic Tac Toe Game, ages 5-11
*Friday, July 25 at 11 a.m. Eden Park Branch	A House for Every Bird by Megan Maynor	Birdhouse Craft, ages 3-11
*Friday, July 25 at 11 a.m. Jones Creek Regional Branch	Bugs Galore by Peter Stein	Bug Mask, ages 3-5
*Friday, July 25 at 10:30 a.m. Bluebonnet Regional Branch	I Ain't Gonna Paint No More by Karen Beaumont	Watercolor Artwork, ages 4-11
Saturday, July 26 at 10 a.m. & 11 a.m. Delmont Gardens Branch	Jabari Tries by Gaia Cornwall	Constructing Chain Reactions STEM Experiments, ages 6-11
*Saturday, July 26 at 10:30 a.m. Bluebonnet Regional Branch	<i>Katie's Sunday Afternoon</i> by James Mayhew	Pointillist-Style Painted Picture, ages 7-11
Saturday, July 26 at 11 a.m. Zachary Branch	A House for Every Bird by Megan Maynor	Paint a Wooden Birdhouse, ages 6-11
Thursday, July 31 at 11 a.m. Jones Creek Regional Branch	<i>Cityscape: Where Science and Art Meet</i> by April Pulley Sayre	Build with LEGOs and Blocks, ages 1-11



Press Start!

East Baton Rouge Parish Library's **Press Start! Ready, Set, Read**! program equips children ages 2-4 with early literacy skills that will enable them to enter kindergarten with confidence! Parents and caregivers can stop by the Children's Room of any Library location to pick up a booklet full of fun activities that focuses on beginner reading and math concepts. Children start with Booklet One, work their way through the program at their own pace, and earn rewards along the way.

Each monthly Press Start booklet:

- Features a new letter, number, color or concept
- Follows state curriculum guidelines for children ages 2-4
- Includes simple activities to incorporate into your daily routine
- Highlights community events for kids
- Offers helpful parenting tips
- Recommends books for reading to your child

This month's Press Start! booklet is brought to you by the letter F; the number 6; and the oval shape!



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.

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Bluebonnet Regional Branch	10:30 a.m.	Wednesdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23
Jones Creek Regional Branch	10:30 a.m.	Tuesdays, July 1, 8, 15, 22
Main Library at Goodwood	10 a.m.	Tuesdays, July 1, 8, 15, 22
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Baker Branch	11:30 a.m.	Wednesdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23
Bluebonnet Regional Branch	10:30 a.m.	Tuesdays, July 1, 8, 15, 22
Carver Brach	10 a.m.	Thursdays, July 3, 10, 17, 24
Delmont Gardens Branch	10 a.m.	Saturday, July 12
Jones Creek Regional Branch	9:45 a.m.	Tuesdays, July 1, 8, 15, 22
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Central Branch	10:30 a.m.	Tuesdays, July 1, 8, 15, 22
Delmont Gardens Branch	6 p.m.	Wednesdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23
Fairwood Branch	11:30 a.m.	Wednesdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23
Greenwell Springs Regional Branch	10:30 a.m.	Tuesdays, July 1, 8, 15, 22
Main Library at Goodwood	7 p.m.	Tuesdays, July 1, 8, 15, 22
River Center Branch	5 p.m.	Wednesdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23
South Branch	10:30 a.m.	Thursdays, July 3, 10, 17, 24
Zachary Branch	10 a.m.	Wednesdays, July 2, 9, 16

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 Email 10 a.m. Monday, July 7

*Introduction to MS Word 10 a.m. Tuesday, July 8

Carver Branch

<u>Open Lab</u> 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, July 2

Getting Started with Libby 11 a.m. Wednesday, July 30

Delmont Gardens Branch

Typing Lesson 4 p.m. Monday, July 7

Fairwood Branch

Starting with Google Slides 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 9

Bring Your Own Devices 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 30

Jones Creek Regional Branch

*Open Technical Support 2 p.m. Thursday, July 3 & 24

<u>*Introduction to Canva</u> 2 p.m. Thursday, July 17

Main Library

<u>Computers without Fear</u> 10 a.m. Wednesday, July 9

Introduction to the Internet 10 a.m. Thursday, July 10

Introduction to Microsoft Word 2016 10 a.m. Wednesday, July 16

BOOK CLUBS @ YOUR LIBRARY

Baker Branch

• Morning Book Club 10:30 a.m. Monday, July 14 Harlem Rhapsody by Victoria Christopher Murray

Bluebonnet Regional Branch

• Reading the Classics Book Club **12:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 8** *Science and Religion: A Very Short Introduction* by Thomas Dixon

• Spanish Reading Club 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 16 *The Other* by Miguel de Unamuno

• Quirky Ladies Book Club 6:30 PM Thursday, July 17 *The Briar Club* by Kate Quinn

Carver Branch

• Reading Gumbo Book Club **3 p.m. Sunday, July 20** Discuss you current reads!

Central Branch

• Central Book Club **11 a.m. Thursday, July 31** *The Secret Book and Scone Society* by Ellery Adams

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Eden Park Branch • Eden Park Adult Book Club 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 15 It's Not All Downhill from Here by Terry McMillan

Fairwood Branch

• Books and Brew Book Club 2 p.m. Monday, July 21 Bury the Lead by David Rosenfelt

Jones Creek Regional

• Next Door Book Club 6 p.m. Thursday, July 10 *The Echo of Old Books* by Barbara Davis

Main Library at Goodwood

• Mystery Lovers Book Club **Noon Tuesday, July 8** Author Focus: Laura Joh Rowland

• Fantasy Lovers' Book Club 6:30 p.m. Tuesday July 15 *Author Feature* by Dianne Wynne Jones Introduction to Microsoft Excel 2016 10 a.m. Thursday, July 17

Introduction to Microsoft PowerPoint 10 a.m. Wednesday, July 23

Introduction to Canva 11 a.m. Saturday, July 26

Pride-Chaneyville Branch

<u>Email Basics</u> 4 p.m. Wednesday, July 2

<u>Internet Basics</u> 4 p.m. Wednesday, July 23

<u>PowerPoint Basics</u> 4 p.m. Wednesday, July 30

Zachary Branch

*Introduction to Canva 3 p.m. Saturday, July 12

*Bring Your Own Devices 3 p.m. Saturday, July 26

Pride-Chaneyville Branch

• Like it or Not Book Club **10:30 a.m. Saturday, July 12** *The Book of Doors* by Gareth Brown

• There's Treasure Inside Book Club Treasure Hunt **3 p.m. Saturday, July 12** *There's Treasure Inside* by Jon Collins-Black

• Crafting for a Cause Book Club **1 p.m. Thursday, July 17** *True Colors* by Kristin Hannah

Zachary Branch

• Lively Discussion Book Club **10 a.m. Thursday, July 17** *Frozen River* by Ariel Lawhon

• Curious Minds Book Club 6 p.m. Thursday, July 24 *The Iliad* by Homer



Main Library at Goodwood

Director, Katrina Stokes 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.

South Branch Library 2210 Glasgow Ave. (225) 964-5414 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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Library Board of Control Meeting

Thursday, July 17 at 4 p.m. Main Library at Goodwood All meetings are open to the public.



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