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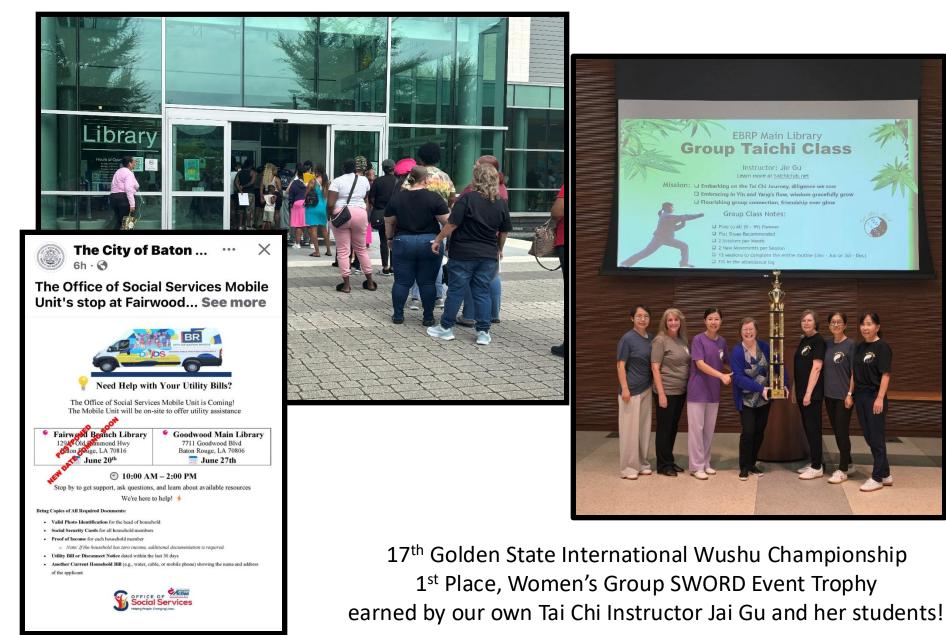
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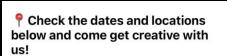
Independence Day with the Baton Rouge Concert Band





OSS: Lines Out the Door!





Kindness Rocks Tuesday, July 1 4 p.m. - Carver Branch Wednesday, July 2 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. - Bluebonnet Regional Branch 5 - 7 p.m. - Zachary Branch Monday, July 7 10 a.m. - South Branch Wednesday, July 9 2:30 p.m. - Pride-Chaneyville Branch 3 p.m. - Delmont Gardens Branch Monday, July 14 4:30 p.m. - Fairwood Branch Wednesday, July 16 2-4 p.m. - Jones Creek Regional Branch Saturday, July 19 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. - Main Library at Goodwood 2 p.m. - River Center Branch 3 p.m. - Eden Park Branch Monday, July 21 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. - Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch Thursday, July 24 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. - Baker Branch JULL stay

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Louisiana Snake ID at the Central Branch Library!

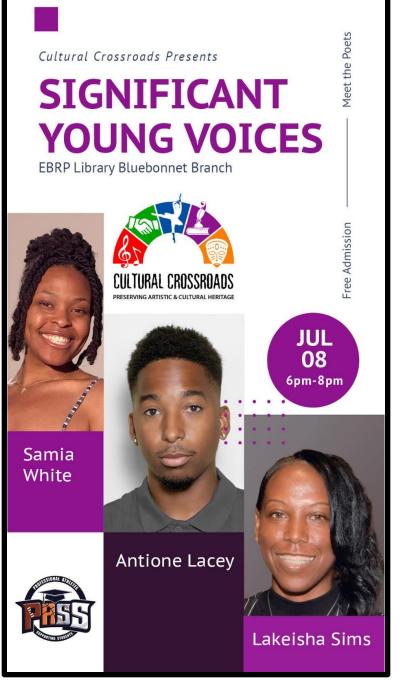




More Summer Time Fun!







Creatives @ the Library!

FILMMAKER FORUM



Main Library at Goodwood

Networking for professionals interested in the filmmaking industry

Q&A panel with local professionals from various roles in the industry:

actor/producer, director, cinematographer, production designer, & special effects artist Nathan Hall & Brendan Pyron – Directing Duo Michael Prince-Bouton – Cinematographer Marcelle Tiblier – Production Design Jenika Kolacz – Makeup Artist/ Producer Clay Achee – Director, Producer, Puppeteer

#ebrpl #BatonRouge









A thousand thanks to the LSU FACES Laboratory for making our Cool Careers in Forensic Anthropology seminar such a success. We were delighted by your informative and engaging presentation!



Cool Careers for Teens

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June 13: King Crow Studios -XR Technology Fridays in June at 10 a.m.



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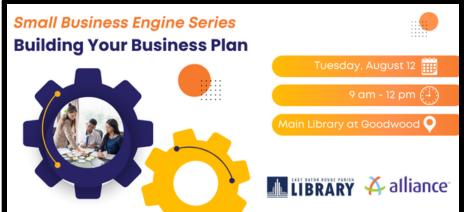
Cool Careers in Videogame Design was a smashing success, with more than 65 attendees in spite of the apocalyptic weather. Our thanks to Cody Louviere of King Crow Studios for a dynamic and informative presentation.





New Series! Small Business Engine for Small Business Owners & Entrepreneurs





Library Resources + Local Subject Matter Experts

Next Up:

Tuesday, August 12 @ 9 am

Building Your Business Plan



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

Exonerated Exhibition & Program



Special Collections: Genealogy Symposium

The Paper Trail:

UNCOVERING ANCESTORS IN NON-DIGITAL RECORDS

with Ann Boltin, Bill Stafford, Dan Lewis and Jari Honora

East Baton Rouge Parish Library's Genealogy Department welcomes four local archivists to present their collections and demonstrate how to access materials for researching your ancestors. Also, learn about resources available in the Library's Special Collections.

Saturday, July 26

9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Main Library at Goodwood



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Letters come to Baton Rouge during 'Summer of Legacy'

Jun 6, 2025 in News Source: WBRZ By: Sylvia Weatherspoon





Virtual Author Talk Series

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

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Liberating Little American Genre Fiction: In Conversation with Bestselling Author Sitvia Moreno-Garcia New York Towe Bestselling Author of Mexican Gothic and Gode of Jade and Shadow Wedeveday, October 9th 2024 at 6:00 FM CDT



A Journey into the Hidden World of Tropical Bats with Scientists from the Smitheonian Tropical Research Institute Presented by Softworks Scientifics Dr. Rachel Page, Dr. Dira Deckmany, and Dr. Tangue Official Wedresday, October 2nd 2024 at 1.00 PM CDT



A Deep Dive in Character Development with Global Sensation Liane Moriarty

#1 New York Times Bestarding Action of Big Little Line, The Hasband's Secret, and Applier Never Fait Setundes, September 21st 2024 at 0:00 PM CDT



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

New York Times Bestealing Co Author of Start Here. Master the Likelang Skill of Weik-Berrig Wedesday, September 18th 2024 at 1:00 PM CDT



Capturing the Human Drama of 9111 and D-Day Through Oral History with Garrett Graff

New York Troes bestseling Author and Pultzer Prize Finalish Tuesday, September 10th 2024 at 1.00 PM CDT

Author Talk Series

Join us for these virtual events for kids and teens!

Live conversations and Q & A sessions with bestselling authors!



Katherine Applegate Tuesday, June 24 at 3 p.m. 3rd - 6th grade



Marie Lu Thursday, July 17 at 3 p.m. 9th -12th grade

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

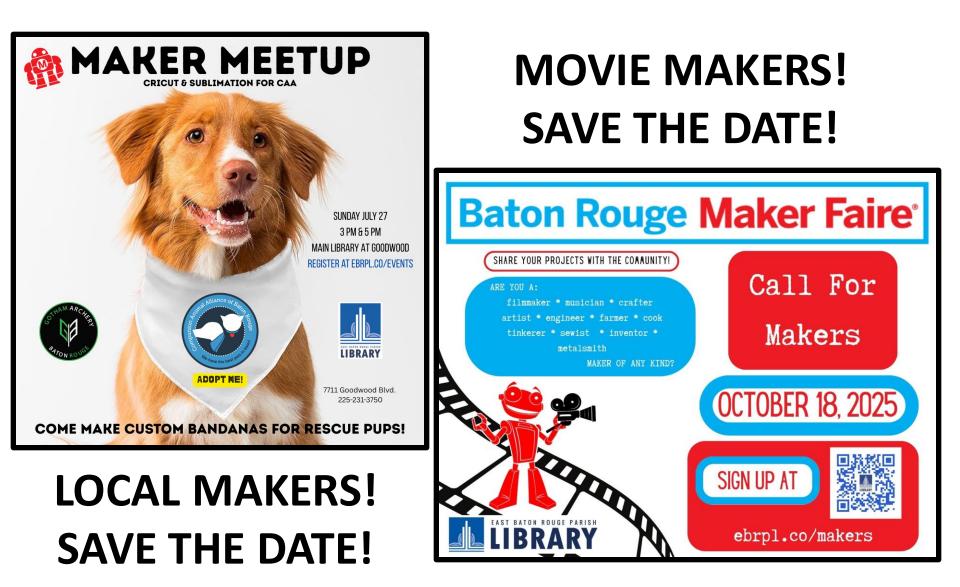


Raul the Third Tuesday, July 8 at 3 p.m. Pre-K - 2nd grade



Rex Ogle Wednesday, July 23 at 3 p.m. 5th - 8th grade









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Strictly Business Episode 30: Tony Zanders of Nexus Louisiana

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



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





For today's executive, success hinges on more than strategy-it requires the abilit with clarity, align teams with purpose, and operate with compassion you balance execution with empathy? And what does it take to scale organization while keeping people and performance in sync?

In the June 18 episode of Strictly Business, we sit down with Jodi Conofficer of Mary Bird Perkins Cancer Center, to explore the leadership Louisiana's most renowned and rapidly growing health care institution background in marketing, communications and operations, she'll sh

Melissa Thompson and Adrian Owen Jones offer insights into navigating the volatile workplace on May's episode of Strictly **Business** 00000





ire living in an environment of constant disruption: technological change, shifting ographics, a rapidly evolving workforce and other forces. All of it is creating new

re navigating generational dynamics, discerning Al integration nticipating market complexities or trying to future-proof your organization, today's kplace is anything but predictable. On the next apisode of St n and Adrian Owen Jones of Success Labs unpack the dyt ange and what today's C-suite needs to be doing to lead through i





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How did a Baton Rouge developer known for redefining the Baton Rouge landscape spot opportunities and calculate risks for investment? Mike Warnoold shares the

Plus: view the Archives...

Libraries Change Lives **Features: Baker Branch** Library's 'Monday Morning' **Book Club's** power reader, **Clara Chambers!**

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



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



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.



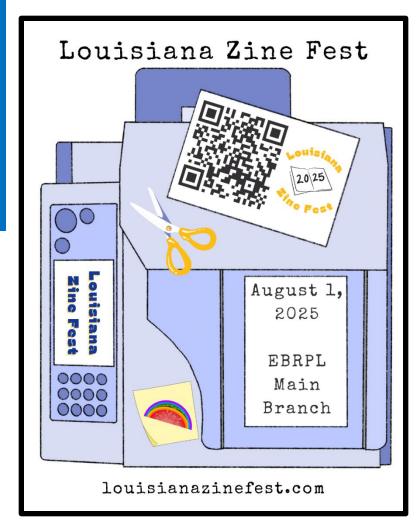


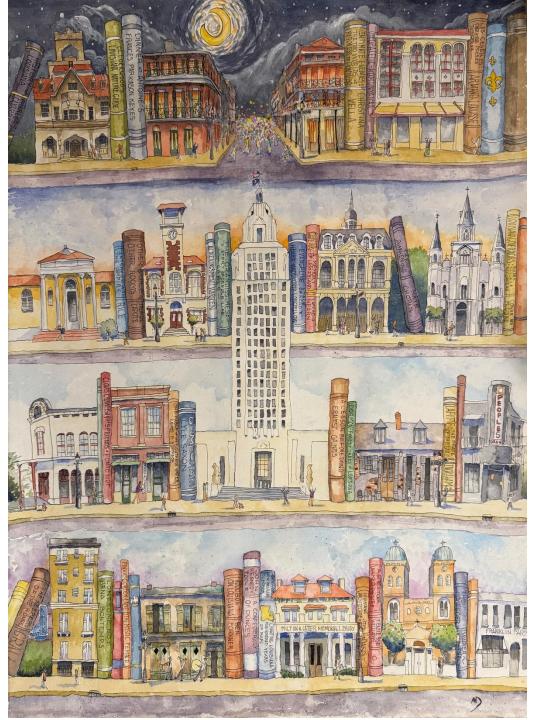
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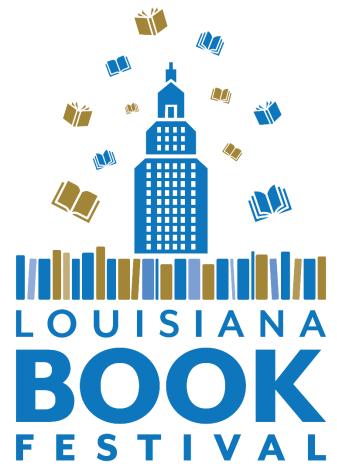
DEDICATION CEREMONY for the SOUTH BRANCH LIBRARY

Sunday, August 10, 2025 at 3:00 p.m. 2210 Glasgow Avenue

Save the Date!







November 1, 2025