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# STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE 2022-2024

The following mission, vision, and values were developed with input from the Library's customer survey, a staff survey, and staff focus groups from 2021 to 2022.

#### Mission

The Library is a community service organization that provides access and connects people to information, resources, materials, technology, and experiences to make a positive difference in their lives.

#### Vision

The Library strengthens its role as an essential partner in the success of the community as a center of learning, knowledge, literacy, communication, culture, creativity, discovery, and enjoyment for all people.

#### Values

Community, Opportunity, Inclusion, Learning, and Service For more information, visit ebrpl.co/strategicplan.



#### **FEATURED PROGRAMS**

#### Heroes of African American History Series: Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

The Baker Branch will host the Heroes of African American History Series on Saturday, January 7, 10 a.m.-Noon. January's program will honor Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and Justice Sunday. A documentary about Dr. King will be shown, followed by a dialogue and commentary about his life with Dr. Charles Vincent. Back to school supplies will be provided to the first five students in attendance, courtesv of Dr. Vincent. See February's Source for details on the second part of this series. For more information, please call 778-5940.



#### Sounds of Science Series

Join the East Baton Rouge Parish Library in collaboration with the LSU School of Music, the LSU Department of Astronomy and Physics, and the LSU Manship School of Mass Communication for the Sounds of Science series. The first presentation, "How Earth Came to Be: From the Big Bang to Planet Formation" by Matthew Penny, will be held at the Main Library at Goodwood on Sunday, January 29 at 3 p.m. Penny is an Assistant Professor in the LSU Department of Physics & Astronomy and Center for Computation & Technology. For more information on the series that will span three months and culminate with a presentation, concert, and panel discussion, visit ebrpl.co/soundsofscience.

#### EBRPL Chosen as Star Library

The East Baton Rouge Parish Library has again been designated a Star Library by *Library Journal*! *Library Journal* has scored U.S. public libraries for 15 years on the Library Journal Index of Public Library Service and has awarded Star Library ratings. This is the 10th time EBRPL has received this designation!



#### Lincoln at the Library

Join President Abraham Lincoln at the Main Library at Goodwood for two events in January. Come hear him say, "That reminds me of a little story..." as he entertains and enlightens patrons with anecdotes that, in his day, were often used to illustrate a point, to relieve tension, or to distract from the difficulties of life during the midst of the Civil War. The programs will be followed by a Q & A session, and photos with Mr. Lincoln will be welcome.



#### • Sunday, January 22, 2023 at 3 p.m.

"Lincoln as Story-Teller" (for ages 12+) President Abraham Lincoln will share about our nation's history and his own personal history by way of some of his favorite stories and jokes.

• Monday, January 23, 2023 at 5 p.m. – "A Visit with Mr. Lincoln" (for kids) Mr. Lincoln will talk about his own life and the history of the United States of America during his time.

#### Write Time! with Boo Milton

Join us on Tuesday, January 3 at 6 p.m. at the River Center Branch for Write Time!, a FREE poetry and general creative writing session for adults ages 18-33. Beginners and seasoned writers will enjoy creating poems and spoken word pieces while connecting

with other creatives. This event is hosted by media personality Boo Milton with a live DJ and refreshments. And mark your calendar for next month's Write Time! session on Tuesday, February 7 at 6 p.m.! Register for any or all of these monthly sessions at ebrpl.com/calendar or by emailing programs@ebrpl.com.



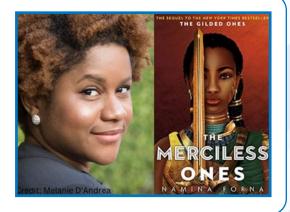


All programs are free and open to the public. Registration for all programs is encouraged. To register, call the Library branch directly. For more information, visit www.ebrpl.com. \*Registration required.

#### FEATURED PROGRAMS

The Library continues its Author Talk Series with three new authors in January! 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 January 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**.

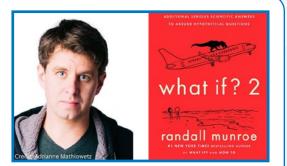
**Saturday, January 7 at 1 p.m.** Join us for an action-packed online conversation with Namina Forna, *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Gilded Ones* series in a discussion about her second installment in the series, *The Merciless Ones*. In *The Gilded Ones*, readers are introduced to sixteen-year-old Deka, who is different from everyone else because of her unnatural intuition. She leaves the only life she's ever known, uncovering mysteries surrounding herself and the kingdom all along the way. The sequel picks up six months since Deka has freed the goddesses in the ancient kingdom of Otera and discovered who she really is... but war is waging across the kingdom, and the real battle has only just begun. For there is a dark force growing in Otera—a merciless power that Deka and her army must stop.



**Tuesday, January 17 at 1 p.m.** You're invited to start your new year calm and collected by learning to become better organized and clutterfree with Dana K. White, creator of popular podcast and blog, *A Slob Comes Clean*, as she imparts tips from her books *Organizing for the Rest of Us* and *Decluttering at the Speed of Life*. If the thought of decluttering overwhelms you, decluttering expert and bestselling author Dana White's humor and practical, reality-based tips will give you exactly what you need to start making an impact on your space. In this deepdive webinar, Dana will share actionable mindset shifts that will free you to make fast decluttering progress using minimal emotional energy. In addition, she offers sustainable ideas to simplify and manage your home and will teach you how to make great strides with minimal effort in every room of our home.



**Tuesday, January 31 at 1 p.m.** Please join for what is sure to be the most fun-filled hour of the day as we chat online with Randall Munroe about his new book *What If? 2: Additional Serious Scientific Answers to Absurd Hypothetical Questions*. The millions of people around the world who read and loved *What If?* still have questions, and those questions are getting stranger. Thank goodness xkcd creator Randall Munroe is here to help. Planning to ride a fire pole from the moon back to Earth? The hardest part is sticking the landing. Hoping to cool the atmosphere by opening everyone's freezer door at the same time? Maybe it's time for a brief introduction to thermodynamics. Unfazed by absurdity,



Randall consults the latest research on everything from swing-set physics to airplane-catapult design to clearly and concisely answer his readers' questions. As he consistently demonstrates, you can learn a lot from examining how the world might work in very specific extreme circumstances.

### **FEATURED PROGRAMS**

#### Get Organized: Five Steps to Getting Organized

struggle you with Do organization? Get Organized in 2023! Join Louisiana's only Certified Professional Organizer, Alyssa Trosclair, on Sunday, January 8 at 3 p.m. at the Main Library at Goodwood to learn the five-step EMEND process that teaches the organizational skills necessary to maintain an organized space, work environment, and lifestyle. Learn realistic ways to declutter, find the best home for items, and set up systems to make sure the clutter and disorganization never return. To register, visit ebrpl.com/calendar or call 231-3750 for assistance.



#### The Underrated Book Swap

Do you have a favorite book that deserves more attention? Come to Fairwood Branch on Wednesday, January 25 at 5 p.m. for our Underrated Book Swap! Everyone will have a chance to talk about their book and why they love it. Also, patrons can swap books and maybe find a new favorite!

# Introduction to Finding Grants

Join us at the River Center Branch on Saturday, January 21 at 3 p.m. to view a training video by Candid, the organization that runs the Foundation Center. The video, *Introduction to Finding Grants*, includes ten tips for non-profits such as "The One Size Fits All Approach Doesn't Work" and "Getting Your Foot in the Door." After the video, we will have a demonstration on how to search the Foundation Center.

#### **Evangeline Reconsidered**

EBRPL's Special Collections invites you to a presentation by Veni Harlan, author of *Evangeline Reconsidered*, on Wednesday, January 18 at 6 p.m. at the Main Library at Goodwood. Her carefully researched book focuses on Henry Wadsworth Longfellow's 1847 poem, *Evangeline: A Tale of* 

*Acadie*, and explores the roots, legends, history, and impact of the poem and the enigmatic heroine, Evangeline. Learn how Evangeline became an icon and why she continues to inspire artists, historians, musicians, and Acadians the world over.



#### New Interactive Mural at Main

Gloria Ruiz, the executive director of Palacios House of Arts, and Jamie Heidelberg, the artistic coordinator, stand in front of the newly unveiled mural on the first floor at the Main Library at Goodwood. This mural was designed and created by the PHOA team and the students in their programs. It was donated and dedicated to the library on December 3. Come by to view the 20-foot mural,



entitled "Ida: Be a Resilient Artist," that combines art and music to express the students' response to challenges like Hurricane Ida. A QR code is next to the mural that, when scanned, will allow viewers to hear a recording of the music represented on the panels.



Share your holiday warmth



#### Socks Success

With your help, the Library collected 7,133 pairs of socks as part of *Baton Rouge Parents'* Sock It to Me socks drive. They will be distributed to the homeless in our community. Thanks for your generosity in sharing holiday warmth to those in need!



#### Our city government cannot do it alone. The problem of litter will be solved when <u>you get involved.</u>

Neighborhoods, streets, sidewalks, and waterways in our community need our help. Become part of the movement. Visit BrightenUpBatonRouge.com to view a calendar of dates and locations for teams and organizations cleaning up litter and debris.

Did you know, from January - June 2022, the Department of Maintenance collected...

- 900 tons of illegally dumped debris from our parish right-of-ways
- **26 tons** of debris from the Spanish Town Parade cleanup
- **44 tons** of debris from the St. Patrick's Day Parade cleanup

• 9,300 bags of trash collected from weekend litter collection every Saturday and Sunday morning from our high litter corridors averaging about 350-500 bags every weekend

· 2,100 Tires



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.

#### Garden Discoveries: Growing Orchids in Louisiana

The Baton Rouge Botanic Garden Foundation will host a FREE Garden Discoveries series event, "Growing Orchids in Louisiana," on Saturday, January 14 at 10 a.m. at the Main Library at Goodwood led by Patty Granier and Lata Johnson, members of the Baton Rouge Orchid Society.

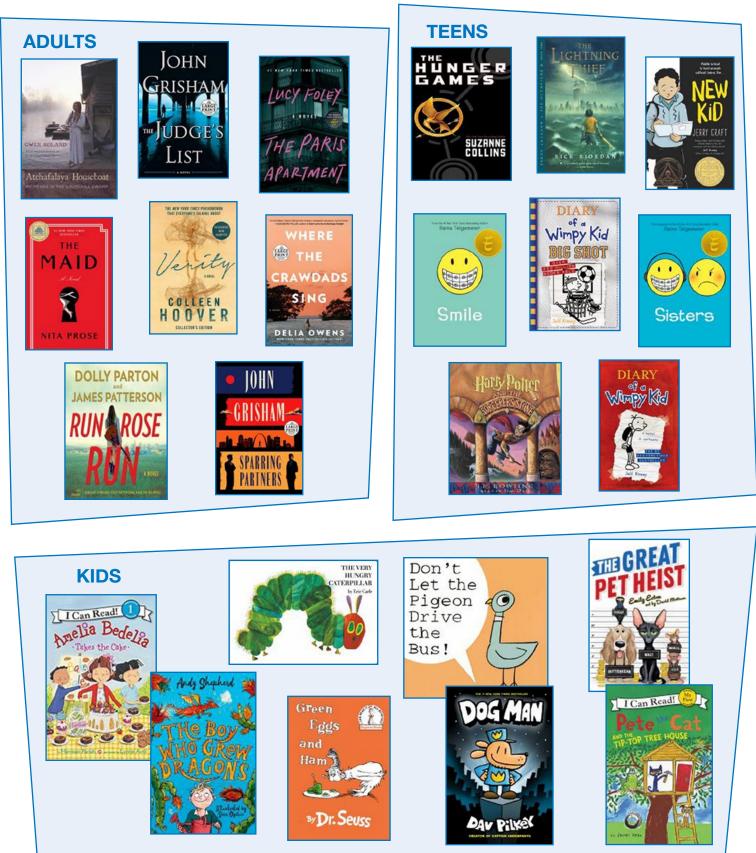
Orchids are a large family of beautiful flowering plants which are wonderful to grow and once you have one, you may want another... and another! Learn how orchids have evolved to attract their pollinators and tips on how to care for orchids in your home and garden, including how to choose types of orchids suitable for beginners. Both speakers fell in love with the blooms and fragrance of orchids at local garden flower shows, and through the Baton Rouge Orchid Society, they met the challenge of learning how to grow and bloom these amazing plants. A walking tour of the Botanical Gardens adjacent to the library will follow the presentation.

To register, visit ebrpl.com/ calendar or call 231-3750 for registration assistance. Learn more at ebrpl.co/garden.

Holiday Closure The Library will close on Sunday, January 1 for New Year's Day and on Monday, January 16 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

### **CHECK IT OUT!**

As we welcome in the new year, let's take a look back at some of the most borrowed books of 2022! Do you see one of your favorites? The Library looks forward to inspiring readers of all ages in 2023!



#### SAVE THE DATE



#### African American Read-In

Join the Main Library at Goodwood on Sunday, February 5 at 3 p.m. as we host a National African American Read-In event in the Children's Room. The event is part of a nationwide effort to lift up and raise greater awareness of African American writers and artists. Children will read aloud kid-friendly selections from African American writers, hear a short presentation about African American artists, and create their own art.

#### **EBR Master Gardners**

The East Baton Rouge Master Gardener Association (EBRMGA) will present talks on "The Therapeutic Benefits of Gardening" and "Backyard Vegetable Gardening" on Thursday, February 9 at 6:30 p.m. at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch.

Another set of presentations will take place on Thursday, February 23 at 6:30 p.m. at the Main Library at Goodwood on the topics of Orchids and Ferns. For more information on EBRMGA, visit ebrmg.wildapricot.org.

### Get Organized

Get Organized in 2023 at the Main Library at Goodwood with Louisiana's only Certified Professional Organizer, Alyssa Trosclair! Register at ebrpl.com/calendar.

- Sunday, February 5 at 3 p.m.: Conquering Paper Clutter, Part One
- Sunday, February 12 at 3 p.m.: Conquering Paper Clutter, Part Two

#### **Garden Discoveries**

The Baton Rouge Botanic Garden Foundation will host a FREE Garden Discoveries series event, "Color in the Garden," on Saturday, February 11 at 10 a.m. at the Main Library at Goodwood led by Cynthia Cash, landscape architect. Register at ebrpl.com/calendar.



#### Sounds of Science Series

Join the East Baton Rouge Parish Library in collaboration with the LSU School of Music, the LSU Department of Astronomy and Physics, and the LSU Manship School of Mass Communication for the continuation of the Sounds of Science series. February's presentation, "A Journey to the Big Bang and Beyond" by LSU's Dr. Parampreet Singh, will be held at the Main Library at Goodwood on Sunday, February 26 at 3 p.m. He will be joined by fellow presenter Dr. Mara Gibson for a talk on music applications in science. For more information on the series that will culminate in March with a presentation, concert, and panel discussion, visit ebrpl.co/soundsofscience.

### **NEW YEAR DIGITAL DIVE**

Take an online course through the **Digital Library** for a positive start to the new year.

## Try a six-week, instructor-led class through **Gale Courses**:

- Individual Excellence
- Interpersonal Communication
- Listen to Your Heart, and Success Will Follow
- Skills for Making Great Decisions

## These **LinkedIn Learning** courses are available on demand:

- Create Healthy Self-Esteem: Know Your Worth
- Discovering Your Strengths
- Habits for Becoming Your Most Effective Self
- Mastering Self-Motivation
- One-Minute Habits for Success

## Gale Presents: Udemy includes these courses:

- How to be Successful: Create a Growth Mindset for Success
- Positive Self-Talk Affirmations & Mindset
- Life Transformation Blueprint
- Practical Time Management
- Personal Finance Masterclass

## Download one of these motivational eBooks on **Libby/Overdrive**:

- Attention Span by Gloria Mark
- Geek Girls Don't Cry by Andrea Towers
- Good Boundaries and Goodbyes by Lysa TerKeurst
- Make Space for Happiness by Tracy McCubbin
- The Stress Prescription by Elissa Epel
- You are Not Stuck by Becky Vollmer

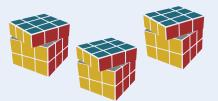
#### Exercise your mind with **BrainHQ**.

It features more than two dozen brain-training exercises organized into six categories: Attention, Brain Speed, Memory, People Skills, Intelligence, and Navigation.

## Find healthy living articles in these digital magazines in **PressReader**:

- Best Health
- Men's Health
- Prevention
- Women's Fitness
- Women's Health





#### Speed Cubing Competition

The Baton Rouge Winter Cube Competition will take place at the Main Library at Goodwood on Saturday, January 7, 8 a.m.-6 p.m. New and experienced speed cubers will solve "Rubik's" cube-type puzzles at a lively and fast-paced event. The public may view the competition free of charge.



## Free Saturday Tutoring

The Baton Rouge Magnet High School BETA Club will be offering tutoring services each Saturday in January, 9:30-10:30 a.m., at the Main Library at Goodwood. Beta members will offer help for elementary, middle, and high school students. See subjects offered below. Only 60 spots are available each Saturday. **Registration is required**. Register online at ebrpl. co/tutor or call 231-3770.

- Elementary students: English, Math, Science, and Reading
- Middle schoolers (6th grade -8th grade): English, Math, and Science
- High schoolers: English, Math (9th Calculus), and Science
- Upon **advanced** request, they will provide tutoring in French, Spanish, and Latin.

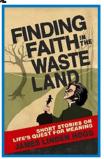
## **BOOK PREMIERES**

## Finding Faith in the Waste Land

You're invited to an afternoon of literature and music with James Linden Hogg on Saturday, January

14 at 2 p.m. at the Main Library at Goodwood. He will discuss his new book, *Finding Faith in the Waste Land*, and entertain attendees by playing music. Copies of his book and CDs will be available for purchase.







#### What My Grandchildren Taught Me About Alzheimer's

How does a polar bear pooping on a rug turn into a lesson on Alzheimer's behaviors of paranoia and hallucinations? To find out, join Dana Territo as she premieres her book, *What My Grandchildren Taught Me about Alzheimer's Disease*, on Sunday, January 15 at 3 p.m. at the Main Library at Goodwood. The innocent

dialogue and anecdotes the author has recorded for years between her and her grandchildren serve as introductions – and lessons learned – to managing the daily responsibilities in Alzheimer's care. These poignant stories and insightful perspectives offer a fresh approach in understanding the disease.

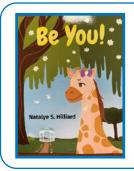
### I'm Best as Me!

Come meet children's author, Mulonda Janelle, on Saturday, January 21, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m., at the Main Library at Goodwood. She will discuss her books, *I Discovered My Strength!* 





and *I'm Best as Me!* There will also be a book signing and giveaways.



## Be You!

High school student, Natalye Hilliard, will hold her author premiere at the Main Library at Goodwood on Saturday, January 28 at Noon. She will present her book *Be You!* which she wrote to encourage young readers to always be proud of who they are and to be confident in themselves and their talents.

# JOIN US

**STEAM** PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

#### "LIFE IN THE CONCRETE JUNGLE: A STEAMy Introduction to Urban Ecology"

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Brandon Ballengée Ph.D., Artist and Biologist www.brandonballengee.com

Atelier de la Nature, Co-Founder and President atelierdelanature.org

WHAT "Life in the Concrete Jungle: A STEAMy Introduction to Urban Ecology"

WHEN Tuesday, January 10, 2023 2:00 PM – 6:00 PM

#### WHERE

Main Library at Goodwood 7711 Goodwood Boulevard



### Vitalant Blood Drive

January is National Blood Donor Month! Vitalant and the Library invite you to donate blood on Tuesday, January 3, 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Main Library at Goodwood. To schedule an appointment, scan the OR code or visit donors.vitalant.org and use blood drive code: EBRPL. Walk-ins are welcome! As a special thanks for donating around the holidays, donors will receive an exclusive Vitalant Winter Donor long-sleeved t-shirt, redeemable by email. For more information, call (877) 258-4825 or visit vitalant.org.







### **Tech Tuesday**

Follow the City of Baton Rouge on Facebook, Twitter, or Nextdoor to receive information every Tuesday on important topics that affect the citizens of East Baton Rouge Parish. #techtuesday

Tech Tuesday topics for January:

- January 3: Cybersecurity in the New Year
- January 10: Open Budget 2023
- January 17: Open Data Policy Report
- January 24: Open Data Policy Report
- January 31: Data Analytics and Performance 2023 Outlook

# Parlez- vous Français?

#### French Language Classes

Learn to speak French at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch! We will offer two different classes, depending on your language level:

- French 101: Tuesdays, January 10 & 24 at 6:30 p.m. – Learn the basics of speaking French in a group setting with an in-person instructor.
- Conversational French: Saturday, January 21 at 2 p.m. – Join an inperson and instructor-led group for intermediate to advanced French speakers to practice your French-language skills through conversation.

## Zen Coloring

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

### **LEGO** Replay

Calling all Master Builders and LEGO enthusiasts! Join us at the Main Library at Goodwood on Saturday, January 28 at 2 p.m. for Lego Replay. Build your own Lego masterpiece with our collection or B.Y.O.L. (Bring Your Own LEGOs!) Your creation will be featured in the Library's first-floor display case in February. All donated Legos will be sent to the Lego Replay charity program.

## **ADULT PROGRAMS**

#### Fiction Writers Workshop

Are you an aspiring author? Join the Fiction Writers Workshop to get feedback on your fiction stories. Email Jordan Courtney at *fourtney@ebrpl.com* to get started. We email new stories out once



a month. Once you have given feedback on at least 2 other members' stories, you are qualified to sign up for a critique of your own writing. Join us at the in-person meeting on Monday, January 30 at 6:30 p.m. at Bluebonnet Regional Branch to meet other local authors and discuss the stories.

## Earn Your Makerspace Badge

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

#### **Bluebonnet Regional Branch**

- Saturday, January 14 at 10 a.m. Audio Equipment Class: How to Start a Podcast
- Saturday, January 28 at 10 a.m. 3D Printing Class

#### **Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch**

- Saturday, January 7 at 2 p.m. 3D Printing Class
- Thursday, January 12 at 6 p.m. Mug Press and Sublimation Printing Class
- Saturday, January 21 at 2 p.m. Button Making Class
- Saturday, January 28 at 2 p.m. Cricut and Heat Press Class: Tote Bags
- Tuesday, January 31 at 10 a.m. Audio Equipment Class

#### Jones Creek Regional Branch

- Tuesday, January 17 at 6:30 p.m. Sewing Class
- Tuesday, January 24 at 6:30 p.m. Serger Class
- Thursday, January 26 at 6:30 p.m. 3D Printing Class



• Monday, January 30 at 6 p.m. – Cricut Class

## Need e-books for your next road trip?

- Need e-books for a distraction?
- Visit the Digital Library at www.ebrpl.com/ DigitalLibrary to get started
- e-books & e-audiobooks for Reading on the Go
- Popular Digital Magazines

- Music Downloads of Popular Artists
- Streaming Videos & Concerts
- Recipes & Craft Tutorials
- AND MORE!
- All you need is your Library card!
- www.ebrpl.comDigitalLibrary

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#### **CRAFTS AND HOBBIES**

#### Let's Knit Together

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

## Crafting for a Cause

Come learn a new skill and join other adults at the Pride-Chaneyville Branch at 1 p.m. every Thursday in January for a chance to create something beautiful and enjoy the company of fellow crafters. All skill levels are invited. Donations of yarn, supplies or finished items are welcome.



#### Threadheads – a Contemporary Crochet Club

A crochet class for beginner and experienced crocheters will meet at the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch on Tuesday, January 10 at 4:30 p.m. Each participant will need a crochet hook H or larger and a skein of yarn. We occasionally have limited supplies.

## Knitting Nook & Crochet Corner

Have you been wanting to learn how to knit? Are you having trouble with a new technique or pattern? Just want to meet fellow knitting enthusiasts? Join knitters of all levels, beginners to advanced, at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Thursdays, January 12 & 26, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., to learn and share. Are you having trouble with a pattern or stitch? Bring your questions. Crocheters are welcome, too!

## 'Fraid Knot Crochet Club

Have you ever wanted to learn to crochet? Are you an experienced crocheter? Would you like company, support, and inspiration? Join us on Thursday, January 12 at 6:30 at the Jones Creek Regional Branch. All experience levels are welcome. Beginners will learn the basics while the more experienced will learn new, more complicated stitches. Supplies will be provided for the first 15 people, but you are welcome to bring your own supplies and / or projects. Registration is strongly encouraged. To register, call 756-1150.

## Crochet (and Knit) for a Cause

Crocheters and knitters will meet at the Main Library at Goodwood on Saturday, January 14 at 4 p.m. and work on projects to benefit those in need, which 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.

#### **Crochet Compassion**

Join us at the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Saturday, January 14 at 3:30 p.m. for Crochet Compassion. We will make plarn and crochet it into plastic sleeping mats for the homeless. In addition, we will be participating in Knitted Knockers to make handmade, soft, and adjustable breast prosthesis for people who have undergone mastectomies. There is a crochet pattern also available. More information about Knitted Knockers can be found at www. knittedknockers.org. Crochet experience is not necessary. We will need a lot of help making that plarn! Registration is requested but not required.

## Patchwork Potholders

The Pride-Chaneyville Branch will be sewing up a storm to make patchwork potholders on Thursday, January 19, 1-3 p.m. We've all been home and cooking a lot more, so now is the perfect time to add some fabric fun in our kitchens. Our "How to Make a Quilted Potholder" tutorial will have you making these cute potholders for yourself and your loved ones. Feel free to bring fabric scraps of your own for a memorial piece, and let's have fun sewing!

#### Sinus Relief Bath Soak

Cold weather got your sinuses running amok? The Zachary Branch has you covered! Come by on Thursday, January 19 at 6 p.m. to make a bath soak that is sure to help you breathe easier through these colder months.

#### Acrylic Painting 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, January 25 at 12:30 p.m. **Registration is required.** To register, call 756-1140.

### **Crochet Basics**

Crochet is the popular hobby of interlocking yarn using a small hook. Come join other adults at the Delmont Gardens Branch on Thursday, January 26 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 stich. **Registration is required.** To register, call 354-7050 or visit www.ebrpl.com/calendar.

#### HEALTH AND WELLNESS

## Jones Creek Exercise Group

Join the Jones Creek Regional Branch every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday in January (excluding January 16), 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

Join Bluebonnet Regional Branch for Fitness in the Stacks, a fun fitness group enthusiastic about staying healthy. Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning in January (excluding January 16), 10-11 a.m., patrons can come get fit by participating in a beginner aerobics video. No traffic, no heat, no excuses! All fitness levels are welcome!

## Walk and Stretch at Main

Get moving and have a good time! Patrons

are invited to walk and stretch at the Main Library at Goodwood, Monday-Friday. Come walk with us in the gardens next to the Main Library. On bad weather days, we'll walk on the second floor. Walks start at either 11 a.m. or 2 p.m.



If you are interested in joining us, please text your number to 939-3794, and you will receive a text each morning confirming the time and place. Participants should be able to walk unaided and at a fair pace. For more information, email parnold@ebrpl.com.

## Calmness Now: Yoga

Start the new year off right and bring some calm into your life with beginner's yoga. Join us at the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch on each Monday in January (excluding January 16). We'll provide up to 8 yoga mats and guide you through 30 minutes of restorative yoga poses. If you have a mat, please bring it. For more information, call 274-4480 or email us at gsr. reference@gmail.com.

## **River Center Walking Club**

Meet up at the River Center Branch on each Monday in January (excluding January 16) to follow along with videos by trainer Leslie Sansone for a gentle but calorie-burning workout centered on walking in place. New participants will receive a free water bottle.

#### **GAMES**

#### **Christmas Ornaments Guessing Game**

Come by the Jones Creek Regional Branch during the month of January to guess how many peppermint candies are in the jar. If you guess the correct number, you win a prize!

### Scrabble for Adults

Scrabble is back! Bring a friend and join us at the Baker Branch for a round of good, old-fashioned Scrabble Crossword – the fun, classic word game that never goes out of style! There are two chances to play: Tuesday, January 10 at 11:15 a.m. and Wednesday, January 18 at 10 a.m.

## GUGL! The Grown-Up Gaming League

Calling all adult gamers in the Greater Baton Rouge area! Join us for GUGL! The Grown-Up Gaming League at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch. GUGL is a monthly games program open to adult players of all skill levels, ages 18 and older. Sessions may feature games such as Dungeons & Dragons, Catan, Ticket to Ride, Arkham Horror, Five Minute Dungeon, Risk, Munchkin, Magic the Gathering (TCG), and over 200 more to choose from! BYOG – Bring your own games or play using GUGL's sets. **Registration is required for Dungeons and Dragons**. To register, call 763-2240.

Upcoming dates:

- Wednesday, Janurary 11 at 6 p.m.: *Introduction to Carcassone /* Open Board Game Night (*Beginners-Intermediate*)
- Saturday, January 14 at Noon: *Tabletop Saturdays: Dungeons & Dragons (Registration required)*
- Wednesday, January 18 at 6 p.m.: Introduction to Magic the Gathering (Beginners-Intermediate)
- Wednesday, January 25 at 6 p.m.: *Board Game Night (Choose from the Group's* 200+ *games, or bring your own)*
- Saturday, January 28 at Noon: *Tabletop Saturdays: Dungeons & Dragons (Registration required)*

## 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 in the Gardens: Delmont Gardens Branch Friday, January 20 at 4 p.m.
- Fourth Monday Bingo: Carver Branch Monday, January 23 at 11 a.m.

## Thursday Night Sudoku

Come to the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Thursday, January 26, 6-8:30 p.m., to try your luck with Sudoku number puzzles. Easy, intermediate and challenging levels will be available.

#### **MOVIES**

#### **Classic Movie Series**

Come to the Carver Branch on Monday, January 9 at 4 p.m. for the latest installment our classic movie series featuring Alfred Hitchcock's *Psycho*.

#### Baton Rouge Film Club

Join The Baton Rouge Film Club for a series celebrating filmmaker Rob Reiner. Adults can come to the Bluebonnet Regional Branch at 6:15 p.m. on Monday, January 9 to watch *Stand by Me*. After the death of one of his friends, a writer recounts a childhood journey with his friends to find the body



of a missing boy. Come back on Monday, January 23 at 6:15 p.m. to watch *The Princess Bride*. While home sick in bed, a young boy's grandfather reads him the story of a farm boy-turned-pirate who encounters numerous obstacles, enemies, and allies in his quest to be reunited with his true love.

#### **Movie Matinee**

Adults are invited to the Baker Branch for a screening of *Julie and Julia* on Monday, January 23 at 10:30 a.m. This 2009 adaption of Julie Powell's autobiographical book is about an amateur chef who decides to try out every recipe in a cookbook by chef Julia Child and writes about it in a blog over the course of a year. Meanwhile, flashbacks show Child learning about French cuisine while living in Paris.

#### ADULT GRAB AND GEAUXS

**Monday, January 2 – Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch** 3D Paper Balls

**Monday, January 2 – Jones Creek Regional Branch** Pocket Journal for the New Year

Wednesday, January 11 – Jones Creek Regional Branch Winter Penguin Craft

**Thursday, January 19 – Jones Creek Regional Branch** Bird Feeder



#### GENEALOGY



#### Introduction to Ancestry

Ancestry.com is arguably the biggest genealogy site around and can be overwhelming (and expensive) to use. With Ancestry Library Edition, you can do almost everything that you can on Ancestry.com like learning tips and techniques for searching effectively and navigating their major historical collections like vital records, census lists, immigration, military, and directories. You can also browse Public Member Trees to quickly and effortlessly find others who have been researching your family tree. Join us at the Main Library at Goodwood on Monday, January 9 at 7 p.m. to get started! Space is limited to 12 in-person and 15 virtual attendees. **Registration is required**. Please go to www.ebrpl. com/calendar to register or call 231-3751.

#### Understanding the Census, Part 1: 1790-1840

Census records are one of the cornerstones of genealogical research. Before 1850, however, they contain little information and can be difficult to utilize for those who may be unfamiliar with the process. You're invited to the Main Library at Goodwood on Thursday, January 19 at 3 p.m. to learn how to read, understand, and extract information from these confusing records, starting with the very first US census of 1790. Space is limited to 10 in-person and 10 virtual attendees. **Registration is required**. Please go to www.ebrpl.com/calendar to register or call 231-3751.

#### Living a Legacy: Writing Your Life Story

Take the next step with your genealogy by writing a book! Learn how to preserve your life story for future generations through self-publishing. Join us on Thursday, January 26 at 3 p.m. to learn how to get started, tips and tricks to help you through the writing process, and how to self-publish. Space is limited to 10 inperson and 15 virtual attendees. **Registration is required**. Please go to www.ebrpl.com/calendar to register or call 231-3751.

#### Job Search Boot Camp for Returning Citizens

For jobseekers who have criminal records, the job search may present extra difficulties. If you're a formerly incarcerated citizen who's looking for work, please join us on Thursday, January 19 at 11:30 a.m. at the Main Library at Goodwood for the Job Search Boot Camp for Returning Citizens. The seminar will cover general job search tips, including lists of ex-offenderfriendly employers; resume-writing guidance, including how to disguise incarceration on your resume; and interview preparation, including how to discuss your criminal record in an interview. Please note that this is an informational seminar, not a job fair or hiring event. **Registration is required**. To register, please call 231-3733 or visit www.careercenterbr.com/events.

#### The ADA and the Rights of Job Applicants with Disabilities

It can be difficult to apply for jobs when you are also struggling with a disability. Come and learn about the resources available to you and about what rights you have as an applicant! This information is also useful for those currently employed. LaShawn James, Employment Specialist at Louisiana Rehab Services, will provide information about the services that her department provides to applicants and job seekers with disabilities. In addition, Vicki Crochet, an employment law expert, will provide information about the American Disability Act and the rights afforded to those who have disabilities. The workshop will take place at the Main Library at Goodwood on Wednesday, January 25 at 11:30 a.m. Registration is required. To register, please call 231-3733 or visit www.careercenterbr. com/events.

## **CAREER CENTER**

## YouTube Roundup

Get FREE, Certified Professional Career & Job Search Help Virtually! Did you know that your East Baton Rouge Parish Library's Career Center has a YouTube channel? All the career and job search help you need is at your fingertips when you visit www. careercenterbr.com/ YouTube to see FREE video seminars on cover letter and



resume writing, job interview tips, computer skills and more! The collection is updated weekly, with new offerings becoming available regularly. Check out these videos:

#### How Ex-Offenders Can Answer, "Tell Me About Your Criminal Record"

It may seem awkward to discuss your criminal record in a job interview, but it's your best chance to tell your story on your own terms. In this video, we demonstrate how to tell a redemption story that will help employers see the person beyond the conviction.

#### Resumes Quick Tips: How to Display Your References

This video is part of our resumes Before and After series, which showcases common resume mistakes and our recommended solutions. In this video, we demonstrate the best way to create a References page, how to structure it, and what information to include.



#### This Month's Spotlight: The Resources for Teens Playlist

These videos are aimed specifically at helping young adults as they enter the working world and/or transition to college. Topics include paying for college, writing one's first resume, and preparing for one's first job interview.



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. \*Registration required.

## **20-SOMETHINGS**

## Puzzle Power: It's a Cozy Winter

Stop by the Pride-Chaneyville Branch during the month of January to enjoy some seasonal puzzles to keep you cozy this winter!

## Zine Workshop

Interested in zines? Join us at the River Center Branch on Tuesday, January 10 at 6 p.m. to draw, write, or collage your contribution to a collaborative self-published zine. Bring your creativity!

## Mario Kart Derby

Head over to the Fairwood Branch on Wednesday, January 11 at 4 p.m. for Mario Kart Derby! You're invited to play some friendly rounds of Mario Kart 8 on the Nintendo Switch. Choose your character, build your vehicle, and hit the road!



## Painted Canvas Tote Bags

Join us at Zachary Branch on Wednesday, January 11 at 6 p.m. to create your very own customized tote bag. **Registration is required**. To register, call 658-1840.

## Virtual Reality Game Day

20-somethings are invited to the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch on Saturday, January 14 at 2 p.m. for a virtual reality gaming experience by playing Beat Saber.

### Movie Night: The Batman

Come to the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch on Thursday, January 19 at 6:30 p.m. for a screening of the 2022 movie, *The Batman*, starring Robert Pattinson.

#### Throwback Movie Night: The Emperor's New Groove

Join us at the Carver Branch to watch the 2000 Disney classic, *The Emperor's New Groove*, on Monday, January 23 at 4:30 p.m.

## Polymer Clay Jewelry

Want to make earrings or a necklace with polymer clay? You're invited to the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Monday, January 23 at 6:30 p.m. to make jewelry with polymer clay. All supplies will be provided.

### 20-SOMETHINGS GRAB AND GEAUXS

• Monday, January 2 – Eden Park Branch Beaded Wind Chimes

• **Tuesday, January 3 – Baker Branch** Penguin Painting



#### NEW TO THE DIGITAL LIBRARY

#### **Bloom's Literature**

Bloom's Literature is rich with relevant content on core authors and works, multicultural classics, contemporary literature, and more. Students will find exactly what they need for research and deeper learning without having to wade through an uncurated search. Professors will appreciate the thoughtful organization and important assetsincluding videos, proprietary essay topics and discussion questions, and valuable writing guidance—that can be used in lectures or for independent study. To take advantage of this free, vital resource, visit ebrpl.co/ bloomslit.



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#### **AROUND THE TOWN**

#### World of Bees

The Louisiana Art & Science Museum (LASM) has opened its newest exhibition, *Wild Bees*, with photographs by Paula Sharp, writer and photojournalist, and Ross Eatman, veteran nature

photographer. It will be on display in the Colonnade Gallery through April 2023. *Wild Bees* is a collection of 26 photographs that were taken during a three-year project documenting wild bees. Sharp and Eatman's stunning photographs include over 120 species in this exhibition.



Sponsored by the New York State Environmental Protection Fund, this project focused on wild bees within a dynamic ecosystem.



# **Museum of Art**

#### AT THE SHAW CENTER FOR THE ARTS

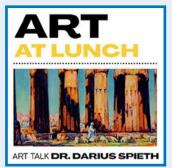
#### Toddler Thursday: Polar Bear Handprint Activity

Join LSU MOA for Toddler Thursday on Thursday, January 5 at 10 a.m. on the fifth floor of the Shaw Center for the Arts. Enjoy a book about polar bears in the gallery then make a polar bear handprint design. This program is designed for kids five and under accompanied by a caregiver; members, free; nonmembers, \$5 per child, caregivers free.



#### Art at Lunch: The Historic European Tour Tradition

LSU MOA invites you to a talk by Professor Dr. Darius Spieth, the Art History Area Coordinator in the LSU College of Art + Design, and to explore the history of the *Mediterranea* exhibition on the third floor of the Shaw Center on Tuesday, January 24 at Noon. Bring a lunch—water and sodas will be provided.



### Gallery Talk: Kevin Benham

Learn more about *Volterra* and *Pasqua* during a conversation between Ludovico Geymonat, LSU Assistant Professor of Art History, and featured artist Kevin Benham, LSU Assistant Professor of Landscape Architecture. Join LSU MOA on Friday, January 27 at 6 p.m. on the fifth floor of the Shaw Center. Admission is free.



Kevin Benham



Ludovico Geymonat

### TEENS

#### ACT Practice Test <

Students ages 13 and older can come to the Bluebonnet Regional Branch for a free ACT practice test on Saturday, January 28 at 9 a.m. The practice test will begin promptly and will be administered by Library staff through the Homework Louisiana database. Results will be sent to students via email; please allow 7-10 days to receive scores. **Registration is required**. To register, call 763-2270.

#### Saturday Science

Teens are invited to the Main Library at Goodwood on Saturday, January 21 at 1 p.m. for Saturday Science! This month, Heather McKillop, a Maya archaeologist and professor in the Department of Geography and Anthropology at Louisiana State University, will present "Below the Sea Floor in Belize: Discovering Ancient Maya Sites Submerged by Sea-level Rise." She will discuss her field research in Belize where she and her team of LSU undergraduate and graduate students discovered ancient Maya wooden buildings and a canoe paddle spectacularly preserved in mangrove peat below the sea floor. She will describe the search for sites, mapping the underwater finds, and excavations at the Paynes Creek Salt Works, as well as use of 3D technology to image the waterlogged wood and pottery.

#### Louisiana Reader's Choice Voting Machines



Representatives from the Louisiana Secretary of State Voter Outreach Division will be on hand at the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Friday, January 27, 9

a.m.-1 p.m., with voting machines for children in grades 3-5, tweens in grades 6-8, and teens in grades 9-12, to vote for their favorite title from the Louisiana Reader's Choice Lists. Paper Ballots will be available January through April, for those who are unable to attend.

## **Teen Planning Party**

Are you interested in making the Library a cooler place, meeting other teens, and eating snacks? If yes, join us for at the Main Library at Goodwood on Saturday, January 7 at 2 p.m. for a Teen Planning Party! We'll get to know each other and brainstorm ways to make the library more *You*!

### **Marvel Trivia Night**

Calling all Marvel enthusiasts! Teens are invited to the Zachary Branch on Wednesday, January 18 at 5 p.m. to compete in a Marvel Trivia Kahoot! First place prize goes to The One Who Remains!

## Cyanotype Workshop

Cyanotype is a printing process that was one of the earliest photographic techniques discovered in 1842. Join us at the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Saturday, January 21, 2:30-4 p.m. to try your hand at making a print with sun, transparency sheets, and light-reactive chemicals!

## Coding with Spheros

Teens, come by the Eden Park Branch on Wednesday, January 25 at 3 p.m. to learn how to control your own spherical robot!

## MAKE IT AND TAKE IT

Teens, get crafty at your local Library! Express your creativity at these in-person programs!

**Tuesday, January 3 at 3:30 p.m. – Jones Creek Regional Branch** Make a cute and functional clay tangram magnet.

Thursday, January 5 at 3:30 p.m. – River Center Branch Learn how to turn old plastic bags into fancy bookmarks.

Saturday, January 7 at 2:30 p.m. – Main Library at Goodwood Create a dazzling piece of anime art at our glass painting program.

**Tuesday, January 10** at 3:30 p.m. – **Fairwood Branch** Join us in the teen room to make a mushroomthemed keepsake jar.

Wednesday, January 11 at 4 p.m. – Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch

Create your own journal to keep track of important dates in 2023.

Thursday, January 12 at 4:30 p.m. – Zachary Branch Make some cool Perler bead magnets.

Saturday, January 14 at 2:30 p.m. – Jones Creek Regional Branch Use the Makerspace's Cricut machine to make a perpetual desk calendar from papercraft cubes.

Saturday, January 14 at 2:30 p.m. – Main Library at Goodwood Design a Perler bead key chain or magnet for your book sack or locker. Monday, January 16 at 3:30 p.m. – River Center Branch Come paint your own adorable penguin in this fun winter craft.

Wednesday, January 18 at 3 p.m. – Bluebonnet Regional Branch Follow step-by-step instructions to create various gadgets and accessories with duct tape.

Saturday, January 21 at 2:30 p.m. – Main Library at Goodwood Make art that literally pops off the page with our 3D pens.

Wednesday, January 25 at 3 p.m. – Bluebonnet Regional Branch Show your love for your favorite fandoms with customizable buttons and stickers.

Wednesday, January 25 at 3:30 p.m. – Delmont Gardens Branch Express the beauty of the winter season by making winter luminaries.

Wednesday, January 25 at 4 p.m. – Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch Interested in the fiber arts? Learn macramé with this easy-to-make feather keychain.



#### **TEENS**

#### GET YOUR GAME ON

### Video Games

Hang out and play video games with other teens at one of the Library locations below!

- Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch – Thursday, January 19 at 4 p.m.
- Carver Branch Saturday, January 21 at 3 p.m.

#### **MOVIE MANIA**

#### Teen Afternoon Movie

Teens, join us at the Eden Park Branch on Thursday, January 12 at 3 p.m. for the movie, *The Hate U Give*, based on the young adult novel of the same name by Angie Thomas. Popcorn and drinks will be provided.

#### Monday Movie Matinee

Teens are invited to the Fairwood Branch on Monday, January 23 at 3 p.m. for a showing of *Black Panther*.

### Anime

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

- River Center Branch Wednesdays, January 11 & 25 at 3:30 p.m.
- Carver Branch Thursday, January 12 at 4 p.m.
- Main Library at Goodwood Saturday, January 28 at 2:30 p.m.

#### TEENS GRAB AND GEAUXS

**Tuesday, January 3 – Baker Branch** Paper Aquarium

**Tuesday, January 3 – Baker Branch** Pokemon Bookmarks

Wednesday, January 4 – Bluebonnet Regional Branch Winter-themed Paper Lantern

#### KIDS

## A Visit with Mr. Lincoln

Learn about the life of Abraham Lincoln from the former president himself! Abraham Lincoln is one of our nations most beloved and esteemed historical figures, and his story is an inspiration to us today. Join us at the Main Library at Goodwood on Monday, January 23 at 5 p.m. to learn how he rose from a humble background to the highest office in the land through self-study, hard work, ambition, and a strong moral



character. Mr. Lincoln will share stories about why he got the name "Honest Abe," what he keeps in his hat, and more! **Registration is encouraged.** To register, call 231-3760. *All children under the age of 9 must be accompanied by an adult.* 

#### LSU Geaux Science Explorations: STEM Story Time

The LSU College of Science invites children in kindergarten through third grade to explore the worlds of math and science through an exciting science story time adventure led by some of the university's top scientists and mathematicians. Each STEM story is followed by a fun, hands-on activity that allows the young scientists to feed their curiosity and take an even deeper dive into math and science discovery. The STEM Story Time will take place on Saturday, January 28, 10:30-11:45 a.m., at the four Library locations below. **Registration is required.** To register, call the branch directly at the number provided.

- Main Library at Goodwood 231-3760
- Bluebonnet Regional Branch 763-2260
- Carver Branch 389-7460
- Eden Park Branch 231-3260

#### Children's Books and Music Series featuring The Kids' Orchestra

Collect new musical skills! Discover new library books! Experiment with new dance steps! Kids' Orchestra invites children, ages 5-11, to an experiential program that combines library books with music education. Each month, children will explore a theme as they learn about an instrument, sing a song, explore a dance, and play a game – all inspired by a book in the East Baton Rouge Parish Library collection.

As we start the new year, join us at the Main Library at Goodwood

on Saturday, January 14 at 10 a.m. as we explore food cultures by singing from *Today is Monday*, beautifully illustrated by Eric Carle. We will also play a game associating our favorite foods with stories of family and celebrations, learn a super silly



'60s dance called the "Peppermint Twist," and create our own man, made of food, who lives in the moon. A guest performer will share a surprise musical instrument! *All children under the age of 9 must be accompanied by an adult*. **Registration is required.** To register, please call 231-3760.

### KIDS

#### **STEM ENDEAVORS**

#### Building Bridges with the Three Billy Goats Gruff

Children ages 3-5 are invited to the Main Library at Goodwood on Saturday, January 7 at 10 a.m. to hear different versions of the classic tale, *The Three Billy Goats Gruff*, and to plan, design, create, and test your own bridge for the goats to cross. Help them avoid the hungry troll! **Registration is required**. To register, call 231-3760.

#### **Snap Circuits**

Kids ages 8-11, stop by the Delmont Gardens Branch on Saturday, January 7 at 11 a.m. to create with Snap Circuits and listen to *Power Up!* by Seth Fishman. **Registration is required.** To register, call 354-7060.

# Building with the Power of Imagination

Join us at the Scotlandville Branch on Thursday, January 12, 3-6 p.m., for a reading of *This Is the House Monsters Built* by Steve Metzger; then have fun playing with Lincoln Logs to make buildings of your own!

## Cracking the Code

The Zachary Branch invites children ages 6-11 to learn Morse Code, Secret Spy Code, and more on Saturday, January 14 at 2 p.m. We'll be reading *Can You Crack the Code* by Ella Schwartz and learning how to write our names in Morse Code.

## Kid Inventors' Day

Kids ages 6-11, join the River Center Branch in celebrating Kid Inventors' Day on Tuesday, January 17 at 4 p.m. Listen to *Rosie Revere, Engineer* by Andrea Beaty and make your own LEGO inventions. **Registration is required**. To register, call 389-4959.

## Cardboard Construction

The Delmont Gardens Branch welcomes kids ages 6-11 on Saturday, January 21 at 2 p.m. to listen to *What to Do with a Box* by Jane Yolen and then take part in a little cardboard construction. **Registration is required**. To register, call 354-7060.

### International Creativity Month

Children ages 5-11 are welcomed to come by the

Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch on Monday, January 30 at 10 a.m. to celebrate International Creativity Month with fun STEM activities such as Cubelets, Playstix, and Beebots, following the story, *The Smart Cookie* by Jory John and Pete Oswald. **Registration is required.** To register, call 274-4460.





#### Louisiana Reader's Choice Voting Machines

Representatives from the Louisiana Secretary of State Voter Outreach Division will be on hand at the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Friday, January 27, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., with voting machines for children in grades 3-5, tweens in grades 6-8, and teens in grades 9-12, to vote for their favorite title from the Louisiana Reader's Choice Lists. Paper ballots will be available January through April for those who are unable to attend.

#### Cursive Writing Made Easy

Children will learn cursive writing skills during three sessions at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Saturdays, January 7, 14 & 21 at 10:30 a.m. This proven method, taught by volunteer retired teachers, builds confidence and critical thinking, as well as spelling and vocabulary skills. And it will be fun! All supplies will be provided. **Registration is required.** To register, call 763-2260.



#### KIDS

#### **BOOK CLUBS**

#### Artsy Smartsy Saturday

Join us at the Pride-Chaneyville Branch on Saturday, January 14 at 10:30 a.m. for the Artsy Smartsy Book Club. This month, we'll be reading the first chapter of *The Quest Begins* by Erin Hunter, the first book in the Seekers series. Then, you can make a mixedmedia Northern Lights landscape using pastels, paint, and silhouette cutouts. **Registration is required**. To register, please call 658-1560.



#### High Five Book Club

High Five Book Club members will meet at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Thursday, January 19 at 4:30 p.m. to discuss the humorous book *My Life as a Book* by J. Tashjian and the mystery that the main character revealed. Next, they will try cartooning and creating dialogue in bubbles to advance a story. February's selection is *No Talking* by Andrew Clements. The beginning chapter will be read to establish the setting and conflict. The High Five Book Club is open to kids ages 9 to 11. **You must be a registered member to attend.** To register, call 763-2260.

#### **MOVIE TIME**

#### Midday Movie

Join the River Center Branch on Tuesday, January 3 at Noon for a showing of *Ice Age*. The story revolves around sub-zero heroes like a woolly mammoth, a saber-toothed tiger, a sloth, and a prehistoric combination of a squirrel and rat known as Scrat.

#### Pajama Party Movie Night

Children are invited to the Jones Creek Regional Branch to watch *Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory* on Wednesday, January 11 at 6:15 p.m. A poor, young boy wins the chance of a lifetime to explore a mysterious man's wonderful chocolate factory.

Children may wear their pajamas and

bring a stuffie or blanket to snuggle with during the film.

#### **Puzzles!**

Children ages 2-6 are welcomed to the Zachary Branch on Wednesday, January 4 at 10:30 a.m. to play with an assortment of puzzles with themes like Blue's Clues, Dinosaur Explorer, Pete the Cat, Minnie Mouse, Farm Friends, Curious George and more!

#### Game Night: Nintendo Switch

Kids ages 7-11 are invited to the Fairwood Branch on Tuesday, January 24 at 5 p.m. to play Nintendo Switch games like Mario Kart 8, Super Mario Party, Minecraft, Rocket League and Clubhouse Games. **Registration is required**. To register, call 924-9386.

#### Press Start!

Stop by the Children's Room of any library location to pick up your Press Start! booklet! The month of January is brought to you by the letter K, the number 10, and the time concept, "morning." Each month's booklet introduces basic



concepts with fun activities for ages 2-4 that you can fit into your daily routine and that help prepare your child for kindergarten.



#### The Dinosaur Experience

The Dinosaur Experience crew will be bringing their baby T. Rex named Rexi and one of his friends to visit our Children's Rooms in February! Come laugh and learn about dinosaurs, discover where they lived, and see some real fossils, too! The dinosaurs may even get a little mischievous and play pranks on their keepers! Grab next month's Source to find out February dates and times for all 14 Library locations, and join us for lots of dinosaur fun!





## Storytime at the Library



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

	Lapsit	
Bluebonnet Regional Branch	10:30 a.m.	Tuesdays, January 10, 17, 24, 31
Main Library at Goodwood	10:30 a.m.	Tuesdays, January 17, 24, 31
Zachary Branch	10 a.m.	Tuesdays, January 10, 17, 24, 31

#### **Toddler** Time

Bluebonnet Regional Branch	10:30 a.m.	Wednesdays, January 11, 18, 25
Jones Creek Regional Branch	10:45 a.m.	Tuesdays, January 17, 24, 31
Main Library at Goodwood	10 a.m.	Tuesdays, January 17, 24, 31
Pride-Chaneyville Branch	10: 30 a.m.	Tuesdays, January 10, 17, 24, 31
Zachary Branch	10 a.m.	Wednesdays, January 11, 18, 25

	Preschool		
Baker Branch	11:30 a.m.	Tuesday, January 31	
Bluebonnet Regional Branch	10:30 a.m.	Wednesdays, January 11, 18, 25	
Carver Branch	10 a.m.	Thursdays, January 12, 19, 26	
Delmont Gardens Branch	10:30 a.m.	Tuesdays, January 3, 17, 31	
Jones Creek Regional Branch	10 a.m.	Tuesdays, January 17, 24, 31	
Main Library at Goodwood	10:30 a.m.	Tuesday, January 17, 24, 31	
Zachary Branch	10 a.m.	Wednesdays, January 11, 18, 25	
Family Storytime			
Delmont Gardens Branch	7 p.m.	Thursdays, January 5, 12, 19, 26	
Eden Park Branch	5 p.m.	Tuesdays, January 10, 17, 24, 31	
Combined Ages			

Central Branch	10:30 a.m.	Tuesdays, January 3, 10, 17, 24, 31
Fairwood Branch	11:30 a.m.	Wednesdays, January 11, 18, 25
Scotlandville Branch	10:30 a.m.	Wednesdays, January 4, 11, 18, 25
Storvtime on Facebook		

Monday Night	Every Monday	EBRPL Kids Facebook
Bedtime Stories Page	at 7 PM w	ww.facebook.com/ebrplkids

#### 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 storyrelated worksheet for the children to take home. See below for branches and January's story titles:

- Main Library at Goodwood: *William's Winter Nap* by Linda Ashman and Chuck Groenink
- Baker Branch: *I Ain't Gonna Paint No More* by Karen Beaumont and David Catrow
- Carver Branch: *The True Story of the Three Little Pigs* by Jon Scieszka and Lane Smith

#### NEW IN THE DIGITAL LIBRARY FOR KIDS The World Almanac for Kids: Elementary

A complement to the awardwinning The World Almanac<sup>®</sup> for Kids, The World Almanac® for Kids *Elementary* is an exciting, fun resource especially for elementary school students. This new database provides a wealth of elementary-level content, including engaging illustrated articles, videos, interactives, Fun Facts, and more, in a colorful, kid-friendly format perfect for helping young children develop online research skills. The World Almanac® for Kids Elementary includes exclusive, onlineonly material as well as content from award-winning Chelsea House and Facts On File sets and seriessources students, educators, and librarians can trust. It also features helpful teacher resources, including worksheets, graphic organizers, and classroom management forms educators can use with any lesson, plus science diagrams and projects to help reinforce lessons in a fun and engaging way. To get started, visit ebrpl.co/worldalmanacelem.



**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
*Monday, January 2 at 10:30 a.m. Bluebonnet Regional Branch	<i>Shante Keys and the New Year's Peas</i> by Gail Piemas-Davenport	New Year's Day Glittery Door Hanger, ages 3-6
Monday, January 2, 3-6 p.m. Scotlandville Branch	Goodbye, Old Year, Hello, New Year by Frank Modell	Festive New Year's Banner, ages 3-11
Monday, January 2 at 4 p.m. Central Branch	<i>Shante Keys and the New Year's Peas</i> by Gail Piernas-Davenport	New Year's Resolution Cards, ages 3-11
*Tuesday, January 3 at 4:30 p.m. Fairwood Branch	Just in Time for New Year's! by Karen Gray Ruelle	Glittery New Year's Hanging Sign, ages 3-11
*Wednesday, January 4 at 4:30 p.m. Delmont Gardens Branch	I Am Every Good Thing by Derrick Barnes	Vision Board, ages 9-11
*Saturday, January 7 at 11 a.m. Jones Creek Regional Branch	<i>The Hat</i> by Jan Brett	Winter Yarn Hat Craft, ages 3-6
*Saturday, January 7 at 3 p.m. Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch	Frog and Friends: Celebrate Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Eve by Eve Bunting	New Year's Hanging Sign, ages 3-5
*Saturday, January 7 at 3 p.m. Pride-Chaneyville Branch	<i>The Hat</i> by Jan Brett	Yarn Hat Decoration, ages 3-11
*Tuesday, January 10 at 10 a.m. Main Library at Goodwood	I'm a Unicorn by Mallory Loehr	Cute Felt Unicorn Banner, ages 3-5
*Tuesday, January 10 at 4:30 p.m. Carver Branch	Go Big or Go Gnome by Kirsten Mayer	Snowflake Gnome, ages 6-8
Wednesday, January 11 at 10:30 a.m. Zachary Branch	Three Little Kittens by Jerry Pinkney	Construction Paper Mittens, ages 3-5
*Wednesday, January 11 at 4:30 p.m. Delmont Gardens Branch	I Like Myself by Karen Beaumont	Newspaper Self-Portraits, ages 3-5
*Thursday, January 12 at 4:30 p.m. Fairwood Branch	<i>Be a King: Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Dream and You</i> by Carole Boston Weatherford	Freedom Bell Craft, ages 4-11
Friday, January 13 at 4 p.m. River Center Branch	Lucky Ducky by Doreen Mulryan	Lucky Duck Horseshoe Dream Catcher, ages 7-11
*Saturday, January 14 at 11 a.m. Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch	As Good as Anybody by Richard Michelson	Martin Luther King Day Hand Tracing Craft, ages 6-11
Wednesday, January 18 at 10:30 p.m. Zachary Branch	Disney's Winnie-the-Pooh Storybook Collection	Winnie-the-Pooh Paper Bag Puppets, ages 2-5
*Wednesday, January 18 at 4:30 p.m. Carver Branch	Love Matter Most by Mij Kelly	Polar Bear Prints, ages 2-5
*Wednesday, January 18 at 4:30 p.m. Delmont Gardens Branch	Mulan's Lunar New Year by Natasha Yim	Chinese New Year Dragons, ages 6-8
Thursday, January 19, 3-6 p.m. Scotlandville Branch	<i>This Is a Dog</i> by Ross Collins	Dog Puppet, ages 3-11
*Thursday, January 19 at 4:30 p.m. Fairwood Branch	The Nian Monster by Andrea Wang	Rattle Drum, ages 5-11
*Saturday, January 21 at 10 a.m. Main Library at Goodwood	Stuck Inside by Sally Anne Garland	Fabric Tic Tac Toe Board, ages 5-11
*Saturday, January 21 at 2:30 p.m. Pride-Chaneyville Branch	Chinese New Year by Sharon Katz Cooper	Origami Rabbits, ages 5-11
Monday, January 23 at 4 p.m. Central Branch	The Color Monster Goes to School by Anna Llenas	Party Hat Monster, ages 3-11
Monday, Janurary 23 – Thursday, January 26 at 4 p.m. River Center Branch	Lin Yi's Lantern by Brenda Williams	Rabbit Lantern, ages 3-11
Wednesday, January 25 at 10:30 a.m. Zachary Branch	Mama, Do You Love Me? by Barbara M. Joosse	Coffee Filter Eskimos, ages 2-5
*Wednesday, January 25 at 4 p.m. Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch	Freedom Soup by Tami Charles	Paper and Bead Royal Palm Craft, ages 5-11
Thursday, January 26, 3-6 p.m. Scotlandville Branch	Can I Give You a Squish? by Emily Nielsen	Brightly-colored Paper Plate Fish, ages 3-11
*Thursday, January 26 at 4:30 p.m. Carver Branch	Knight Owl by Christopher Denise	Winter Owl Magnets, ages 8-11
Saturday, January 28 at 2 p.m. Zachary Branch	<i>Owl Diaries: Eva's Treetop Festival</i> by Rebecca Elliot	Cute Owl Craft, ages 6-11
*Saturday, January 28 at 2:30 p.m. Jones Creek Regional Branch	Little Owl's Snow by Divya Srinivasan	Snowy Owl Friend, ages 6-9

#### **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 Word 11 a.m. Tuesday, January 24 Email

11 a.m. Wednesday, January 25 Introduction to Computers

11 a.m. Tuesday, January 31

#### Bluebonnet Regional Branch

<u>\*Zoom Basics</u> 10 a.m. Thursday, January 12

<u>\*Gmail Basics</u> 10 a.m. Thursday, January 26

#### **Carver Branch**

Introduction to Computers 10 a.m. Tuesday, January 3

Introduction to Microsoft Word 10 a.m. Tuesday, January 10 Open Lab 10 a.m. Tuesday, January 24 10 a.m. Tuesday, January 31

#### Delmont Gardens Branch

<u>Typing Lessons</u> 4 p.m. Thursday, January 12

Introduction to Computers 4 p.m. Tuesday, January 24

#### Eden Park Branch

<u>Gmail</u> 4 p.m. Monday, January 9

Internet Basics 10:30 a.m. Saturday, January 14

<u>The Library Website</u> 10:30 a.m. Saturday, January 28

#### Fairwood Branch

Typing 101 4 p.m. Wednesday, January 4

Introduction to Computers 4 p.m. Wednesday, January 18

Bring Your Own Device 4 p.m. Tuesday January 31

#### Greenwell Springs Regional Road Branch

\*One-on-One Tech Tutoring Appointment only. Please call the Library directly at 225-274-4450.

#### Jones Creek Regional Branch

\*Introduction to Computers 9:30 a.m. Thursday, January 12

\*Introduction to Word 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, January 18 \*Introduction to PowerPoint

9:30 a.m. Thursday, January 19 \*Introduction to Publisher

9:30 a.m. Tuesday, January 24

\*One-On-One Tech Tutoring 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, January 31

#### Main Library at Goodwood

Introduction to Microsoft Word 2016 10 a.m. Thursday, January 5

Introduction to the Internet 10 a.m. Tuesday, January 10

<u>Computers without Fear</u> 10 a.m. Wednesday, January 11

Introduction to Microsoft PowerPoint 2016

10 a.m. Wednesday, January 18

Making Tables in Microsoft Word 2016

10 a.m. Thursday, January 19

Making a Newsletter in Word 2016 10 a.m. Wednesday, January 25

Introduction to Microsoft Excel 2016 10 a.m. Thursday, January 26

#### Scotlandville Branch

Introduction to Computers 4 p.m. Monday, January 9

\*Microsoft Publisher One-On-One 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, January 18 Appointments Only. Call 354-7550 to register.

#### **Zachary Branch**

<u>\*Introduction to Microsoft</u> <u>PowerPoint</u> 10 a.m. Tuesday January 10

\*Learn to Use the Library Catalog 2 p.m. Thursday January 26

\*Indicates Registration Required

#### Book Clubs @ Your Library

#### **Baker Branch**

• Baker Morning Book Club 10:30 a.m. Monday, January 9 *The Wish Book Christmas* by Lynn Austin

#### **Bluebonnet Regional Branch**

• The Quirky Ladies' Book Club 6:30 pm Thursday, January 19 *The Reading List* by Sara Nisha Adams

#### Fairwood Branch

• Books and Brew Book Club 11 a.m. Monday, January 23 *The Great Halifax Explosion* by John U. Bacon

#### Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch

• Next Chapter Book Club 6 p.m. Thursday, January 19 Discuss any book of your choice.

#### Jones Creek Regional

• Historical Society Book Club **11 a.m. Thursday, January 19** *The Spartans: The World of the Warriorheroes of Ancient Greece, from Utopia to Crisis and Collapse* by Paul Cartledge

#### Main Library at Goodwood

• Mystery Lovers Book Club Noon, Tuesday, January 10 Spring Cleaning Mysteries

•Fantasy Book Club 6:30 p.m. Thursday January 19 Nnedi Okorafor and/or S.A. Chakraborty

#### Pride-Chaneyville Branch

• Crafting for a Cause Book Club **1 p.m. Thursday, January 5, 12, 19 & 26** *The Diva Runs Out of Thyme* by Krista Davis

•Like it or Not Book Club **12:30 p.m. Saturday, January 28** *The Thursday Murder Club* by Richard Osman

#### Scotlandville Branch

• Scotlandville Book Club **3 p.m. Saturday, January 21** *This Time Tomorrow* by Emma Straub

#### Main Library at Goodwood

*Director, Spencer Watts* 7711 Goodwood Boulevard (225) 231-3740 Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sunday, 2 – 9 p.m. **Baker Branch Library** 3501 Groom Road (225) 778-5940 Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. Sunday, 2 – 6 p.m.

**Bluebonnet Regional Branch Library** 9200 Bluebonnet Boulevard (225) 763-2240 Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. Sunday, 2 – 6 p.m.

**Carver Branch Library** 720 Terrace Street (225) 389-7440 Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. Sunday, 2 – 6 p.m.

**Central Branch Library** 11260 Joor Road (225) 262-2640 Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. Sunday, 2 – 6 p.m.

**Delmont Gardens Branch Library** 3351 Lorraine Street (225) 354-7040 Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. Sunday, 2 – 6 p.m.

Eden Park Branch Library 5131 Greenwell Springs Road (225) 231-3240 Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. Sunday, 2 – 6 p.m.

Fairwood Branch Library 12910 Old Hammond Highway (225) 924-9384 Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. Sunday, 2 – 6 p.m.

#### Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch Library

11300 Greenwell Springs Road (225) 274-4440 Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. Sunday, 2 – 6 p.m.

Jones Creek Regional Branch Library 6222 Jones Creek Road (225) 756-1140 Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. Sunday, 2 – 6 p.m.

Pride-Chaneyville Branch Library 13600 Pride–Port Hudson Road (225) 658-1540 Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. Sunday, 2 – 6 p.m.

**River Center Branch Library** 250 North Boulevard (225) 389-4967 Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. Sunday, 2 – 6 p.m.

Scotlandville Branch Library 7373 Scenic Highway (225) 354-7540 Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. Sunday, 2 – 6 p.m.

Zachary Branch Library 1900 Church Street (225) 658-1840 Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. Sunday, 2 – 6 p.m.

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#### **Recycled Reads**

9 a.m. – 2 p.m. Saturday, January 28 *Registration is Required* Registration opens on Tuesday, January 3 at 10 a.m. To register, visit ebrpl.co/calendar.

Text a Librarian (225) 361-8476

