



The Source

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ONE BOOK



ONE COMMUNITY 2023

THE BLUES BY CHRIS THOMAS KING

Come celebrate *The Blues* with us as we explore the roots of Louisiana blues music! Join us this spring in reading our 2023 One Book One Community selection, Chris Thomas King's compelling book, *The Blues: The Authentic Narrative of My Music and Culture*. Although prior histories on the blues have alleged it originated on plantations in the Mississippi Delta, author & musician Chris Thomas King contends that the blues began as a cosmopolitan art form in New Orleans. In *The Blues*, the son of late Baton Rouge Blues Musician Tabby Thomas presents supporting facts to disprove such myths & preserve the authentic historical memory of his music & culture.



The 17th annual One Book One Community initiative will highlight King's book as well as many other blues-inspired programs for all ages throughout the Library system. We will explore such topics as blues music; Baton Rouge and Louisiana's music culture/history; songwriting and poetry; black history; and the lives and contributions of music legends.



Author Talk with Chris Thomas King

Chris Thomas King, author of this year's One Book One Community selection, *The Blues: The Authentic Narrative of My Music and Culture*, will give a presentation about conducting research for his book at the Main Library at Goodwood on Saturday, April 29 at 4 p.m. Q & A session and book signing will follow.

For more information about One Book One Community, please visit ReadOneBook.org.

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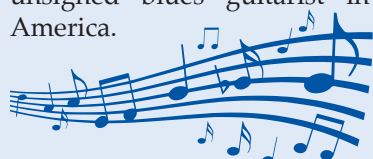


Live Music with Jonathon “Boogie” Long

You’re invited to experience the blues at the Main Library at Goodwood on Sunday, April 2 at 3 p.m. with an hour of live music by Jonathon “Boogie” Long, Louisiana Music Hall of Fame inductee and 2011 Guitar Center “King of the Blues” winner for best unsigned blues guitarist in America.



Jonathon “Boogie” Long



The Original King Bee Screening

Come to the Main Library at Goodwood on Saturday, April 15 at 2 p.m. for a screening of Johnny Palazzotto and Steve Zaffuto’s *The Original King Bee*, a documentary about blues star and Grammy Hall of Famer, Slim Harpo. Palazzotto will be present to introduce the film and answer questions after the viewing.

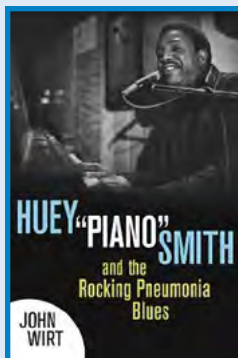


The Blues Book Talk

The Zachary Branch will host a book talk on One Book One Community selection, *The Blues* by Chris Thomas King, on Saturday, April 15 at 2 p.m. Afterward, patrons can discuss King’s book and other related books and topics.

Huey “Piano” Smith and the Rocking Pneumonia Blues

Huey “Piano” Smith, along with Fats Domino, Little Richard, Jerry Lee Lewis and Chuck Berry, is among the first generation of American rock and roll performers and recording artists. In the late 1950s, he created high-charting hits that became classics — 1957’s “Rocking Pneumonia and the Boogie Woogie Flu,” 1958’s “Don’t You Just Know It,” and 1959’s “Sea Cruise.” John Wirt, author of *Huey “Piano” Smith and the Rockin Pneumonia Blues*, will speak at the Main Library at Goodwood on Sunday, April 16 at 3 p.m. about the unanticipated origin of the Smith biography, Smith’s life and achievements, his unique place in New Orleans music, and the enduring influence and popularity of his songs.



Lloyd “Teddy” Johnson

Blues Reminiscing with Lloyd “Teddy” Johnson

Join Lloyd “Teddy” Johnson, owner of the world-famous Teddy’s Juke Joint, at the Scotlandville Branch on Tuesday, April 4 at Noon. He will speak on his decades of life experiences operating a blues music venue and other stories about the blues. Johnson has been the owner of Teddy’s Juke Joint in Zachary for more than 40 years. Teddy’s was granted a Keeping the Blues Alive award by the Memphis-based Blues Foundation. Juke joints — rough and ready bars where early bluesmen honed their skills — were once ubiquitous around the South. Now they’ve all but disappeared, with just a small handful of places like Teddy’s remaining to keep their history alive. Established in 1979 by Johnson, Teddy’s has played host to a who’s who of local and touring blues artists over the years.

History of Blues and Jazz Music

Eric Baskin, Professor of Music at Baton Rouge Community College, will discuss the evolution of jazz from its roots in the blues on Wednesday, April 19 at 6:30 p.m. at the Main Library at Goodwood. An experienced trumpeter, jazz pianist, and composer, Prof. Baskin has arranged music for the Baton Rouge Symphony and New Orleans Pop Orchestra and has toured France, Germany, Canada, Belize and other countries as an Ambassador of Louisiana Music. Learn more about his music at ericbaskin.com.



Eric Baskin



ONE BOOK ONE COMMUNITY

One Book One Community Kickoff Party

Thanks to everyone who came out to celebrate Louisiana blues with us at the One Book One Community Kickoff Party on March 19! The Michael Foster Project kept us dancing, author Chris Thomas King greeted fans and signed books, delicious local cuisine was served, community organizations shared their visions, and much more! A great time was had by all! If you missed the party, there's still plenty of opportunities to be part of our One Book One Community celebration! Visit ReadOneBook.org.



FEATURED PROGRAMS

2nd Annual Edible Book Festival

The Edible Book Festival is an international celebration of books, food, and bad puns, held on or around April Fools' Day each year. Participants are invited to choose a book and create an edible representation of its title or a wordplay on its title. Join us as we gather at the Main Library at Goodwood on Saturday, April 1 at 2 p.m. to view the bookish fare concocted to amuse, amaze, or, yes, even disgust onlookers and fellow participants. Vote for your favorites in categories such as Best in Show, Wittiest Wordplay, Least Appetizing and more! Winners will be announced at 4 p.m. and prizes will be awarded!

To submit an entry, just bring your punny, edible creation to the Library at 1 p.m. to be displayed! Here are a couple of last year's winners. Can you "beet" them? Come on, "cake" a chance! Give us something to "taco" 'bout! "Gouda" luck!



War and "Peas"



"Skittle" Women



13th Annual Community History Festival: The Sportsman's Life!

Come out and join the Pride-Chaneyville Branch in celebrating their 13th Annual Community History Festival, The Sportsman's Life, on Saturday, April 22, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. The whole family will enjoy a day of FREE country fun, food, games, crafts, and entertainment. Activities will include rodeo roping, a bouncing bull pen, archery, basketball arcade, virtual reality headsets, electronic reel fly fishing, football toss, boxing bags, face painting, balloon animals, storytimes, artesian BBQ and hot sauce cooking demos, and much more!

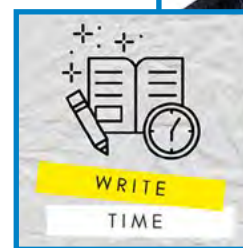
There will be guest speakers, including an author talk and book signing with famed chef Philippe Parola on his new book *Can't Beat 'Em, Eat 'Em!* followed by a tasting of delicious invasive game gumbo! You can purchase a copy of his book at <http://cantbeatemeatem.us/> and have it signed at the festival.

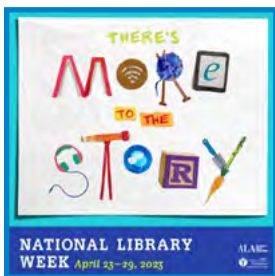
Various artists and craftsmen will participate, along with local vendors who will have homemade and handcrafted items available for purchase. The Louisiana Lagniappe Dulcimers and the Upbeats will provide music for the event. The ever-popular old-fashioned Cake Walk will be held every hour! We will have everything from local professional athletes meet and greets, oral histories, boy scouts, Dept. of Wildlife and Fisheries, LSU's Renewable and Natural Resources Department, local hunting, fishing, sports, rodeo booths, and more!

Come take a step back in time, revisiting the storied past of the Pride-Chaneyville area. We will be harking back to the old days, celebrating the sportsman's life throughout our area, and passing down sportsman's wisdom to the current day. For more information, call 658-1540.

Write Time! with Boo Milton

Join us on Tuesday, April 4 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, May 2 at 6 p.m.! Register for any or all of these monthly sessions at ebrpl.com/calendar or by emailing programs@ebrpl.com.





National Library Week: There's More to the Story!

Show your appreciation and support for libraries by visiting your East Baton Rouge Parish Library during National Library Week, April 23-29! The theme for National Library Week 2023 is "There's More to the Story," illustrating the fact that in addition to the books in library collections, available in a variety of formats,

libraries offer so much more. Local libraries now lend items like museum passes, games, arduino kits, paintings, and hotspots. Library programming brings communities together for entertainment, education, and connection through book clubs, storytimes, movie nights, crafting classes, and lectures. And library infrastructure advances communities, providing internet and technology access, literacy skills, and support for businesses, job seekers, and entrepreneurs.

National Library Week is a time to highlight the essential role that libraries, librarians, and library workers play in transforming lives and strengthening communities. Check out the testimonials from EBRPL patrons included in each section of this month's Source! In addition to visiting your local branch, you can shout out your love for libraries on social media by following EBRPL on Facebook and Twitter, using the hashtag #NationalLibraryWeek.

Interim Library Director, Kristen Edson

Meet our new Interim Library Director, Kristen Edson! Prior to joining the Library's senior leadership team in 2018, Kristen worked at Bossier Parish Library and the Chicago Public Library. An experienced trainer, Kristen holds a Certificate in Instructional Design from George Washington University and has served as President of the Library Instruction Round Table for the American Library Association. At EBRPL, she has focused on IT, organizational development, policy, facilities management, contracts, and capital projects. Since moving to Baton Rouge, Kristen has also worked and volunteered with Forum 225, the Greater Baton Rouge Food Bank, St. Vincent DePaul, and other community organizations. She is currently serving on the Capital Area STEM Network Center Advisory Board and will also be the liaison for the LA Library Association Conference to be held this summer in downtown Baton Rouge. Ms. Edson expressed, "I am excited and proud to be named Interim Library Director. I look forward to what the future holds for the Library as we serve our patrons and support our staff."

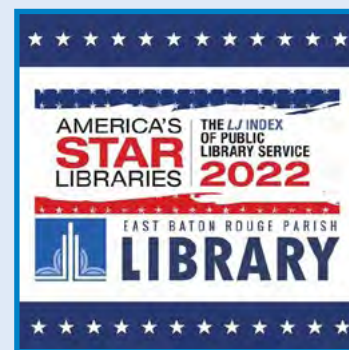


National Library Week Open House

You're invited to a National Library Week Open House, sponsored by Patrons of the Public Library (POPL) and the East Baton Rouge Parish Library. There are three opportunities to attend at the Main Library at Goodwood: Sunday, April 23 at 3 p.m. and Wednesday, April 26 at 3 p.m. or 7 p.m. Come enjoy light refreshments and meet members of POPL and EBRPL staff, including new Interim Library Director, Kristen Edson. We will be presenting information about the Library's new Strategic Plan as well as construction projects at Library branches and other updates.

2022 Library Stats

- The overall Library visitor gate count was 1,553,128 - up 32%!
- The Library issued 26,958 new library cards!
- The Bookmobile made 2,115 stops to preschools, day care centers, retirement centers, schools, and events - up 24%!
- The Library reached a milestone of over 1 million digital checkouts in 2022!



EBRPL Chosen as Star Library

For the 10th time, *Library Journal* has designated the East Baton Rouge Parish Library as a Star Library! *Library Journal* has awarded Star Library ratings for 15 years based on the Library Journal Index of Public Library Service.

EBRPL's 2022-2024 Strategic Plan

With input from Library patron surveys, staff surveys, and staff focus groups, EBRPL has developed a new Strategic Plan to help us better serve our community in the years to come. There are three main components to the Plan:

- **Mission:** The Library is a community service organization that provides access and connects people to information, resource, 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

To learn more about the Strategic Plan and the goals set forth to realize our mission, vision, and values, please visit ebrpl.co/strategicplan.



Riders on the Orphan Train

As part of the Baton Rouge Room Series, join us for Riders on the Orphan Train, a multi-media program that combines live music, storytelling, and a video montage with archival photographs and interviews to tell the story of the largest child migration in American history which took place between 1854 and 1929 when over 250,000 orphans and unwanted children were taken out of New York City and given away at train stations across America. The “Orphan Train” movement is recognized as the beginning of the modern day foster care system. One of the states that the Orphan Train passed through was Louisiana, where many children found new homes. Join Phillip Lancaster and award-winning author Alison Moore at the Main Library at Goodwood on Tuesday, April 4 at 6:30 p.m. for this multi-media program that combines live music, storytelling, and a video montage with archival photographs and interviews. Alison and Phillip are coordinating with the Louisiana Orphan Train Museum in Opelousas and dedicate this tour to the Louisiana Orphan Train riders.

Authors Row

Discover works by local published authors at Authors Row! The Jones Creek Regional Branch Library will host its annual authors’ expo on Saturday, April 22, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Authors Row provides a platform for budding as well as established local authors to gain exposure for their work. Authors from many different genres will be participating. Free and open to all ages, attendees will be able to interact with the authors and purchase books. Local bookstore, Cavalier House, will also be selling Louisiana books for children and adults. For those interested in self-publishing, there will be a presentation on available Library resources and a table demonstration highlighting digital resources such as Biblioboard, Indie Author Project, and Pressbooks.

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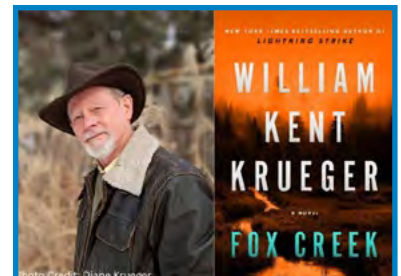
Virtual Author Talk Series

The Library continues its Author Talk Series with three new authors in April! 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 April selections and dates/times below. Visit libraryc.org/ebprpl 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 ebprpl.co/virtual.

Tuesday, April 4 at 6 p.m. - Join us for an enlightening hour online with highly-acclaimed author Kate Beaton, the *New York Times* bestselling author of *Hark! A Vagrant!* and *Ducks: Two Years in the Oil Sands*. Her first full-length graphic narrative follows Beaton after university as she heads out west to take advantage of Alberta’s oil rush. With the singular goal of paying off her student loans, what the journey will actually cost Beaton will be far more than she anticipates. She encounters the harsh reality of life in the oil sands where trauma is an everyday occurrence yet never discussed. Beaton’s natural cartooning prowess is on full display as she draws colossal machinery and mammoth vehicles set against a sublime Albertan backdrop of wildlife, Northern Lights, and Rocky Mountains. *Ducks: Two Years in the Oil Sands* is more than a memoir; it’s also an untold story of Canada: a country that prides itself on its egalitarian ethos and natural beauty while simultaneously exploiting both the riches of its land and the humanity of its people.



Thursday, April 27 at 7 p.m. - You are in for a riveting hour online with *New York Times* bestselling author William Kent Krueger! Join us as he discusses his newest book in the Cork O’Connor series *Fox Creek* and his other works! *Fox Creek* follows Cork O’Connor in a race against time to save his wife, a mysterious stranger, and an Ojibwe healer from bloodthirsty mercenaries. The ancient Ojibwe healer Henry Meloux walks the Northwoods in solitude as he tries to prepare himself peacefully for the end of his long life. But peace is destined to elude him as hunters fill the woods seeking a woman named Dolores Morriveau, a stranger who had come to the healer for shelter and the gift of his wisdom. Meloux guides this stranger and his great niece, Cork O’Connor’s wife, to safety deep into the Boundary Waters, his home for more than a century. Meanwhile, in Aurora, Cork works feverishly to identify the hunters and the reason for their relentless pursuit, but he has little to go on. He knows only too well that with each passing hour time is running out.



Garden Discoveries:

The Baton Rouge Botanic Garden Foundation will host a FREE Garden Discoveries series event, "Using Native Plants in Your Garden," on Saturday, April 8 at 10 a.m. at the Main Library at Goodwood. The presentation will be led by Bob Dillemoth, a member of the Louisiana Native Plant Society, Certified Master Naturalist, and Master Gardener. Learn how to grow native plants in your home garden and see how these plants can thrive in your landscape, adding color, diversity, and a habitat for birds and other wildlife! This presentation will dispel some common misconceptions about native plants and explore the many benefits of using them. Mr. Dillemoth will show you options for selecting native plants that can add seasonal color and texture, ranging from large trees to blooming shrubs and perennials. The program will conclude with a walking tour to see some of the native plants in the BREC Botanical Garden adjacent to the Library. To register, visit ebrpl.com/calendar or call 231-3750 for registration assistance. Learn more at ebrpl.co/garden.



EBR Master Gardeners

The East Baton Rouge Master Gardener Association (EBRMGA) will offer talks on "Ground Covers and Mulching" and "Composting" on Thursday, April 13 at 5:30 p.m. at the Carver Branch. The first presentation will be on ways you can overcome those nasty weeds by using "Ground Covers and Mulching." Master Gardener Nancy Guillot will take you through the myriad of choices you can use to beautify your gardens while keeping those pesky weeds under control, from colorful plants to popular rocks, plus all different types of mulches and how they can be used. Our second presenter will be Master Gardener Bob Dillemoth. He will show you the tricks of "Composting." Have you ever wanted to learn how to take all that kitchen and yard waste and put it to good use? He'll show you how to do it.



Another set of presentations on "Weed Control" and "Lilies" will take place on Thursday, April 27 at 5:30 p.m. at the Fairwood Branch. LSU Ag Center Extension Agent, Bert Hammett, will give you all the latest information on "Weed Control" and will help you decide which methods meet your needs. He will take you through a list of organic products before discussing the pros and cons of a number of chemical weed killers. Our second presenter will be Master Gardener Carol Paine. Did you know that a lot of the flowers we call lilies aren't true lilies at all? Many are not even closely related to the lily family. Come learn what makes a lily a lily, and find out about all those that are truly misnamed.

These presentations are free and open to the public. For more information on EBRMGA, visit ebrmg.wildapricot.org.

OverDrive & Libby Apps Update

Attention, OverDrive app users! OverDrive is discontinuing the legacy OverDrive app in early 2023 and transitioning users to the Libby app. Libby is OverDrive's newer app for browsing and enjoying digital content from our library. It's time to give Libby a try! All your loans, holds, and wish list items will be waiting for you in Libby when you add your library card. Libby also comes with new features we know you'll love, like:



- Tags to categorize books however you'd like—you can even sync your OverDrive wish list into a tag!
- A central bookshelf for all loans and holds
- Customizable notifications for ready holds, new magazine issues, and more
- Compatibility with Apple CarPlay, Android Auto, and Sonos speakers
- Extra learning and entertainment resources, like *Qello*, *IndieFlix*, *Kanopy*, *ArtistWorks*, *Classica*, and *Kovels*
- Easy access to OverDrive support staff

Learn more at ebrpl.co/switchtolibby
Kindle Fire users can find help at ebrpl.co/libbykindlefire

Note: Our library's digital collection will continue to be available for browsing and reading at <https://ebr.overdrive.com> on desktop and mobile devices.

LifeShare Blood Drive

LifeShare will conduct a blood drive on the LifeShare bus in the parking lot of the Zachary Branch on Tuesday, April 11, 2-7 p.m.



Legal Aid for HIV with CrescentCare

Attorney Kennedy LeJeune of CrescentCare Legal Services (CCLS) will discuss HIV in the Baton Rouge community on Tuesday, April 18 at 3 p.m. at the Delmont Gardens Branch. CCLS provides free aid to low-income people living with HIV. During the presentation, learn about HIV rates in Baton Rouge, some of the common legal issues people living with HIV face, and the type of help CrescentCare provides. CCLS strives to connect people living with HIV to case management services, community resources, and other legal service providers. To learn more, please call 354-7050.



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"I belong to three different book clubs!"

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"They bring the books out to my car. That is so great since I am 90."

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"They have an excellent movie inventory – lots of new titles."

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"The Source newsletter inspires! I enjoy reading it every month."

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"The reference staff helped me get a full-time job at Southern University as a custodian. I was homeless and unemployed and came to the library needing help. They helped me apply on the state civil service website. Three months later, I got the job. I appreciate you all so much."

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"They have great books that I don't have to buy to examine at length. You can hang out 'all day' and no one objects."

Civic Orchestra of Baton Rouge Concert

On Saturday, April 1 at 3 p.m., the Civic Orchestra of Baton Rouge will present a free community concert, *Musical Tales*, at the River Center Branch as part of the Arts Council of Greater Baton Rouge's Ebb & Flow Festival. Pieces will include Ravel's *Ma Mère l'Oye* (*Mother Goose*) and Bizet's *Carmen Suite No. 2*. For more information, visit www.civicorchestrabr.org.



Record Swap Day

Adults are invited to the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Saturday, April 29, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., for Record Swap Day, where vinyl record collectors can connect and trade with each other. Local vinyl record vendors will also be present with tables of records to browse for purchase. As a part of our One Book One Community initiative, we'll be showcasing local blues legends and their vinyl albums. For more information, email jcourtney@ebrpl.com or call 763-2250.

An Afternoon of Poetry with Kelly Harris-DeBerry

Kelly Harris-DeBerry, author of the poetry collection *Freedom Knows My Name* (Xavier Review Press), will present her poems at the Main Library at Goodwood on Saturday, April 22 at 3 p.m. Her work has been featured in publications including *400yrs: The story of Black people in poems written from love 1619–2019* (Third World Press), *I Am New Orleans* (University of New Orleans Press), and *Words Beats & Life: The Global Journal of Hip Hop*. She has also produced literary visuals including *Black Love: A Sustaining Force Post-Katrina*. Harris-DeBerry has served as a literary consultant and grant writer for the New Orleans Words & Music Festival and for Poets & Writers for New Orleans as well as receiving several fellowships and awards.



Kelly Harris-DeBerry

Be Inspired! BRCC Presents: Survival of the Greenest

Join Professor Sandra Guzman on Wednesday, April 5 at 6 p.m. at the Main Library at Goodwood where she will discuss how sustainability is not a fad but a lifestyle. Explore ways in which we can make small adjustments that reduce our footprint. This series is presented by BRCC faculty and will explore a variety of topics to inspire you. Join us at the Main Library at Goodwood this month and Be Inspired!

Digital Archives in the Classroom

Digital archives at the Library provide free and open access to materials that would otherwise be inaccessible for community members. Maps, primary source documents, and artifacts can be powerful teaching resources for educators at every level of education, from kindergarten through college. Join us at the Main Library at Goodwood on Wednesday, April 19 at 6 p.m. to explore the different resources available to educators through the Library; learn how these resources relate to the Louisiana Student Standards in social studies, English, and science. Obtain sample lessons utilizing the resources found in the Baton Rouge digital archives. Seating is limited to 12 in-person and 15 virtual attendees. **Registration is required.** To register, visit ebrpl.com or call 231-3752.





Ernie Hines

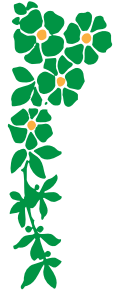
Ernie Hines with Don Cornelius

Ernie Hines – Gospel Musician

Join recording artist and gospel musician Ernie Hines at the Main Library at Goodwood on Saturday, May 6 at 11 a.m. to learn about his life and career. Founder of the Baton Rouge musical group, the Scotlandaires, he enjoyed a 40-year music career in both New York City and Chicago, playing all genres of music including blues, gospel, and soul.

EBR Master Gardeners

The East Baton Rouge Master Gardener Association (EBRMGA) will present talks on “Weed Control” and “Edible Plants” at the Central Branch on Thursday, May 11 at 5:30 p.m. and on “Bromeliads” and “Greenhouses” at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Thursday, May 25 at 6:30 p.m.



Garden Discoveries

The Baton Rouge Botanic Garden Foundation will host a FREE Garden Discoveries series event on Saturday, May 13 at 10 a.m. at the Main Library at Goodwood.

EBR Schools Talented Music Spring Concert

You’re invited to the EBR Schools Talented Music Spring Concert on Sunday, May 14 at 3 p.m. featuring pieces by Vivaldi, Bach, Strauss, Schubert and more!



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

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

Take a moment and decide to do the right thing to protect our environment.

How long does litter take to decompose?

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

For reading resources and upcoming community projects to help save our local environment visit www.ebrpl.libguides.com/litter

Small changes make big differences

Join the Movement to Brighten Up Baton Rouge

Join a clean-up crew.
Commit to a litter-free future!
Visit BrightenUpBatonRouge.com
for more information.



BrightenUpBatonRouge.com

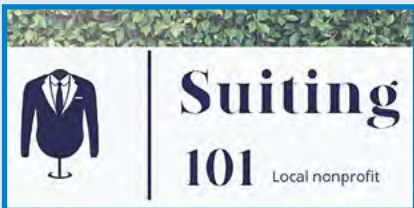
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For more information on litter statistics, local anti-litter resources, and tips on how you can do your part for a litter-free Baton Rouge, visit ebrpl.co/litter.



Farmer's Market Returns

The Red Stick Farmers Market will host a group of farmers and food artisans every Tuesday, beginning April 11, from 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 Community Park and Botanic Gardens. For more information, visit breada.org or follow BREADA at facebook.com/breada.



Suits for Success

Suited 101, a 501c3 nonprofit, will host its second annual "Suits for Success" suit drive on Saturday, April 15, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., in the parking lot of the Main Library at Goodwood. Drive through and drop off your gently used suits! The following criteria is a requirement for donors: dry cleaned suits must have cleaners' tags attached and be on hangers; suit size must be written/attached to cleaner's bag; suits should be gently used or in good condition. The suits will be donated to programs that work with prison reform, drug and alcohol reform, and at-risk and/or underprivileged individuals. For more information, email suited101@gmail.com.

VITA Tax Preparation

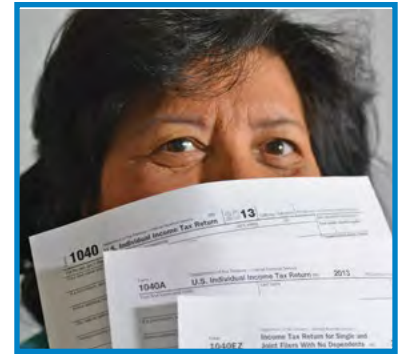
Appointment Required. Please call 211 to make an appointment for VITA tax-assistance at the following Library locations.

Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5:30-7 p.m.
Saturdays, 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Jones Creek Regional Branch

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9 a.m.-9 p.m.
Through April 14



Louisiana Author Project Contest

The Louisiana Author Project is seeking the best indie-published books in Louisiana! Are you a Louisiana resident who has indie-published an adult fiction or young adult fiction book? If so, submit your work to indieauthorproject.librariesshare.com/louisiana between April 1 and May 31, 2023, for a chance to win! Prizes include \$1,000 each in adult and young adult categories; honors at the 2023 Indie Author Day reception; opportunities to promote your book(s) to Louisiana public libraries; inclusion in a full-page print spread in *Library Journal*; and opportunities to earn royalties through the IAP Select collection (ePUB format only). Please submit your entry in ePUB (strongly encouraged) or a PDF file. For more information, email eref@ebrpl.com or call 231-3750.



Free Saturday Tutoring

The Baton Rouge Magnet High School Beta Club will be offering FREE tutoring services on Saturdays, April 1, 15, 22 & 29, 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.

Convention of States Action April Meeting

Convention of States Action will host Calvin Fabre, developer of LA Wallet – Louisiana's Legal Digital Driver's License, at the Main Library at Goodwood on Thursday, April 6 at 6 p.m. to discuss all of the features on LA Wallet and how it will be synced to election integrity. He will also talk about ESG (Environmental Social Governance) and the difference between facial matching and facial recognition.



Ask-a-Lawyer

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

- April 29 – Carver Branch
- May 20 – Pride-Chaneyville Branch
- June 10 – Fairwood Branch
- August 12 – Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch
- September 16 – Zachary Branch
- October 14 – Central Branch
- November 4 – Baker Branch
- December 9 – Jones Creek 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.



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 April are:

- April 4 - Adjudicated Property Map
- April 11 - Cybersecurity Tip: Securing Your Connection
- April 18 - Open Data and Blight Remediation
- April 25 - Citizen Data Academy: Blighted Property Dashboard



Safe Hopeful Healthy Initiative

In September 2020, Mayor-President Sharon Weston Broome established Safe Hopeful Healthy BR, within the Mayor's Healthy City Initiative, to develop a collective vision and strategy to strengthen coordination, capacity, and partnerships to address the root causes of violence and to advance policies and practices that are grounded in a culture of health. By developing a public safety ecosystem, a diverse coalition of stakeholders, including survivors, advocates, and community partners, work collaboratively to prevent all forms of violence and promote healing. For more information on the Mayor-President's initiative, visit SafeHopefulHealthyBR.com.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

LSU HURRICANE IDA STUDY

We are interested in understanding how the 2021 Hurricane Ida may have affected you and your community.

We are interviewing adults ages 18 and older who lived in Ascension, East Baton Rouge, Jefferson, Lafourche, Terrebonne, St. Charles or St. John Parish during Hurricane Ida.

INTERESTED?

Participants will answer demographic questions and survey measures of self-perceived health, wellness, and social activities.

To participate, we need to know some background information and how to contact you.

Please scan the code below with your mobile device for a brief online survey.

QUESTIONS?

Please contact **Piper Bordes**, pbord11@lsu.edu or **Dr. Katie Cherry**, Department of Psychology, 225-578-8745, pskatie@lsu.edu



♥ I Love My Library Because...

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"My son is in the 2nd grade. We have been coming to the library regularly to check out books – sometimes dozens at a time. Everyone there is always so nice and helpful. We have particularly enjoyed visiting with the Children's section folks who go above and beyond to help us find the books he loves and other resources and supplies like bookmarks, handouts, and coloring sheets. We are so grateful for our public library!"
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"Thank you for helping my elderly mother print out some documents that she needed. My mom has been declining in health and in her ability to manage dealing with technology by herself. I am so grateful you were there to help her out!"
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"You guys have the greatest employees! So nice. They certainly believe in customer service!"
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"Because of car problems, we aren't able to get to the library as frequently, so I'm thankful for the bookmobile. My daughters and I visit the bookmobile every other Thursday at Kelly Terrace. We do a happy dance when we see it coming!"
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"I brought my two boys for their first visit, and the staff was absolutely wonderful! They went above and beyond for us. My husband also was pleased about how kind and helpful everyone was."
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"The Wi-Fi hotspots saved us during the school-from-home period during Covid. We would not have been able to connect to the internet otherwise."

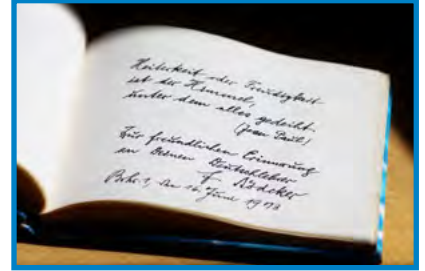
ADULTS

You Are the Sunshine of My Life

Stop by the Jones Creek Regional Branch during the month of April to write down the names of people who have made a positive impact on your life. We will provide paper daffodils on which to write the names and will pin them to a special display near the circulation desk.

National Poetry Month

Celebrate National Poetry Month by writing your own poem! Patrons can bring their original poems to the Jones Creek Regional Branch during the month of April to be displayed in the gallery hallway.



It's Poetry Time

Let your voice be heard through the words of a poem during National Poetry Month! Share some of your original poetry or read poems from your favorite poet at the Scotlandville Branch on Sunday, April 23, 2:30-5:30 p.m.



Zen Coloring

Touted as a therapeutic source of creativity and relaxation, people everywhere are rediscovering coloring! Come to the River Center Branch on Wednesday, April 5, 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.

The Cookbook Club: Taste the Blues

Do you love to cook and try new recipes? Adults can join us for The Cookbook Club: Taste the Blues! Come to the Bluebonnet Regional Branch at 6:30 pm on Wednesday, April 12 where we will discuss Louisiana Soul Food and other cuisine associated with blues music. Patrons are encouraged to bring their "Bluesy-est" dish for others to try.

Learn to Play the Mountain Dulcimer

The Lagniappe Dulcimer Society is holding a 4-part series of beginning mountain dulcimer classes on Tuesdays, April 18 & 25 and May 2 & 9 at 6:30 p.m. at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch. Adults are invited to learn to play this simple, fretted instrument. Learn how to hold the dulcimer, strum, and fret the strings to play a wide variety of music including gospel, fiddle, folk, and children's songs. No musical background is necessary. Since the classes are progressive, attendance at all four classes is encouraged. Contact Maylee Samuels at 205-7407 or mayleesam@aol.com to register for the classes and reserve a dulcimer.



Spanish Reading Club

Do you speak or read Spanish? Perhaps you're looking for a fun way to speak Spanish with others? If you also love reading and discussing books with others, then we have just the group for you! Join us for a club centered around reading books in Spanish! Adults can come to the Bluebonnet Regional Branch at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 19 for our second meeting. For more information, call 763-2250.

Coloring and Word Search Puzzles

De-stress with coloring and word search puzzles at the Scotlandville Branch on Thursday, April 13, 4-5 p.m. Color in and outside of the lines with calming yet brain-stimulating activities. Colored pencils, color sheets, and word puzzles will be provided.



Blues and Jazz Trivia

Are you a fan of blues or jazz music? Test your knowledge in five rounds of music trivia at the Fairwood Branch on Monday, April 24 at 4 p.m. **Registration is required.** To register, call 924-9385.

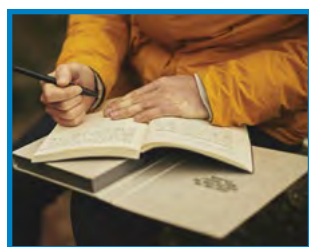
CALLING ALL WRITERS

Self-Publishing Workshop

Adults are welcome to join a group of local authors at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Monday, April 3 at 6:30 p.m. for the Self-Publishing Workshop to acquire skills on preparing your book for publication.

Fiction Writers Workshop

Are you an aspiring author? Join the Fiction Writers Workshop to get feedback on your fiction stories. Email Jordan Courtney at jcourtney@ebrpl.com 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, April 17 at 6:30 p.m. at Bluebonnet Regional Branch to meet other local authors and discuss the stories.



Writers Rendevous

Writers are invited to join Writers Rendevous at the Fairwood Branch for their monthly writers group on Tuesday, April 11. There are sessions at 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. Writers Rendevous is an informal writers group where people can meet, share ideas, and get feedback on current projects.

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:

Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch

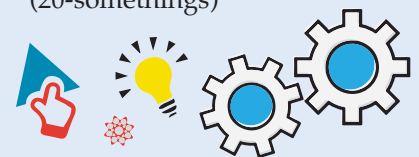
- **Thursday, April 13 at 6 p.m.**
Cricut and Heat Press Class: Blues-themed Tote Bags
- **Friday, April 14 at Noon**
Audio Equipment Class
- **Saturday, April 15, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.**
Button Making Class: Blues Buttons
- **Thursday, April 27 at 6 p.m.**
Sublimation Printer Class: Blues Bookmarks
- **Saturday, April 29 at 11 a.m.**
3D Printer Class: 3D Printed Guitar Pick

Jones Creek Regional Branch

- **Tuesday, April 11 at 6:30 p.m.**
Sewing Class
- **Monday, April 17 at 6 p.m.**
Cricut and Heat Press Class
- **Tuesday, April 18 at 6:30 p.m.**
Sergger Class
- **Thursday, April 20 at 6:30 p.m.**
3D Printing Class

River Center Branch

- **Tuesday, April 18 at 3:30 p.m.**
Cricut Class: Baseball Decals (20-somethings)



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.

Crochet (and Knit) for a Cause

Crocheters and knitters will meet at the Main Library at Goodwood on Saturday, April 15 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.

Embroidered Music Notes

Celebrate the blues and create your own unique embroidery piece! Join the River Center Branch on Saturday, April 15, 3-4:45 p.m., to make a musical-themed piece with fabric squares, embroidery hoops, and thread.

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 Thursday, April 20 at 4 p.m. to learn the basics of crochet. All skill levels are welcome and supplies are provided! Learn how to construct your first chain stitch. **Registration is required.** To register, call 354-7050 or visit www.ebrpl.com/calendar.

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, April 26 at 12:30 p.m. **Registration is required.** To register, call 756-1140.

Let’s Knit Together

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



Crafting for a Cause

Come learn a new skill and join other adults at the Pride-Chaneyville Branch at 1 p.m. every Thursday in April 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.

Arts and Crafts for Adults

Relax and follow your muse to the Arts and Crafts for Adults program at the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch on Saturday, April 29 at 2 p.m. Freehand drawers, painters, crafters, adult coloring book enthusiasts - this is for you! We provide the supplies; you bring the creativity!

Mother’s Day Decorative Boxes

Join the Pride-Chaneyville Branch on Saturday, April 8 at 4 p.m. to make Mother’s Day trinket boxes with floral designs.

Knitting Nook & Crochet Corner

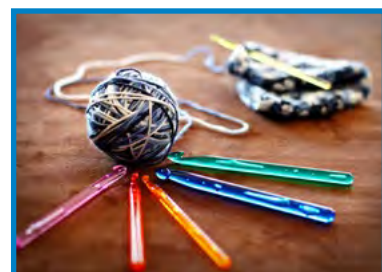
Have you been wanting to learn how to knit? Are you having trouble with a new technique or pattern? Just want to meet fellow knitting enthusiasts? Join knitters of all levels, beginners to advanced, at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Thursdays, April 13 & 27, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., to learn and share.

‘Fraid Knot Crochet Club

Have you ever wanted to learn to crochet? Are you an experienced crocheter? Would you like company, support, and inspiration? Join us on Thursday, April 13 at 6:30 p.m. at the Jones Creek Regional Branch. All experience levels are welcome. Beginners will learn the basics while the more experienced will learn new, more complicated stitches. Supplies will be provided for the first 15 people, but you are welcome to bring your own supplies and/or projects. Registration is strongly encouraged. To register, call 756-1150.

Crochet Compassion

Join us at the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Saturday, April 8 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.



MOVIES



Baton Rouge Film Club

Join the Baton Rouge Film Club for a series celebrating actor Paul Newman. Adults can come to the Bluebonnet Regional Branch at 6:15 p.m. on Monday, April 10 to watch Newman in Alfred Hitchcock's *Torn Curtain*. An American scientist publicly defects to east Germany as part of a cloak and dagger mission to find the solution for a formula resin before planning an escape back to the West. Come back on Monday, April 24 at 6:15 p.m. to watch Newman in 1982's *The Verdict*, about an outcast alcoholic Boston lawyer who sees the chance to salvage his career and self-respect by taking a medical malpractice case to trial rather than settling.

Classic Horror Series

Come to the Carver Branch on Tuesday, April 11 at 3:30 p.m. for the latest installment our classic horror series featuring John Carpenter's *The Thing* starring Kurt Russell.

Afternoon Movie

Adults are invited to the Scotlandville Branch on Saturday, April 15 at 3 p.m. for a viewing of *Poetic Justice*, a movie about a beautician who escapes her pain by writing poetry after her boyfriend has been killed.

The Blues Brothers

As part of the One Book One Community series, adults are invited to a showing of *The Blues Brothers* (1980), starring Dan Aykroyd and John Belushi, on Sunday, April 16 at 2:30 p.m. at the Jones Creek Regional Branch.



Lady Sings the Blues

Join the Carver Branch on Tuesday, April 18 at 3 p.m. for a screening of *Lady Sings the Blues*, starring Diana Ross and Billy Dee Williams, a film which complements the Library's One Book One Community series.

Summer of Soul

Bring your friends and join us at the Baker Branch for a morning movie matinee on Wednesday, April 19 at 10 a.m. We'll be viewing *Summer of Soul*, a music documentary that explores and reclaims the legacy of the six-week 1969 Harlem Cultural Festival.

It features unpublished footage of performances by Nina Simone, B.B. King, Sly and the Family Stone, Stevie Wonder, and Gladys Knight & the Pips at Mount Morris Park (now Marcus Garvey Park).



HEALTH AND WELLNESS



River Center Walking Club

Walk with us at the River Center Branch each Monday in April at 4 p.m. 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.

Jones Creek Exercise Group



Join the Jones Creek Regional Branch every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday in April (excluding Good Friday), 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 April (excluding Good Friday), 10-11 a.m., patrons can come get fit by exercising with a beginner aerobics video. 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 on Mondays at 4 p.m. and Tuesdays & Thursdays at 2 p.m. Come walk with us in the gardens next to the Main Library. On bad weather days, we'll walk on the second floor. Participants should be able to walk unaided and at a fair pace. **Registration is required.** To register or for more information, email Alison at anikitopoulos@ebrpl.com.

Guessing Game

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

Sci-Fi and Fantasy Wargames

Tabletop war games have come a long way since H. G. Wells knocked toy soldiers around a battlefield of carpet and books. Join us at the Main Library at Goodwood on Wednesday, April 5, 5:30-7:30 p.m., for a club dedicated to fast-paced skirmish gaming—from desperate last stands amid city ruins to daring ambushes in deadly wastelands. This month we focus on One Page Rules' sci-fi skirmish game, *Gridmark Future Firefight*. Rules, models, and terrain provided—just bring a love of fighting little wars! For more information, call 231-3750.



Scrabble for Adults

Scrabble is back! Bring a friend and join us at the Baker Branch on Thursday, April 20 at 10 a.m. for a round of good, old-fashioned Scrabble Crossword – the fun, classic word game that never goes out of style!

ADULT GRAB AND GEAUX

Saturday, April 1
Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch
 3D Paper Balls

Thursday, April 6
Jones Creek Regional Branch 🎵
 Make-your-own Harmonica

Monday, April 24
Main Library at Goodwood 🎵
 Music-themed Magnets

Tuesday, April 25
Jones Creek Regional Branch 🎵
 Jukebox Card



Games 2 Geaux

Check out our circulating board game collection featuring fifty different titles! Adults, teens, and tweens can now stop by the Main Library at Goodwood and borrow up to three board games for game nights at home. Revisit classics like Monopoly and The Game of Life or try out something totally new like Abandon All Artichokes or Disney's Villainous. Come browse the available collection in person or go online at ebprl.co/games for a full list of game titles.

GUGL! The Grown-Up Gaming League

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

Upcoming dates:

- **Saturday, April 8 at Noon:**
Tabletop Saturdays: Pathfinder and Dungeons & Dragons (Registration required)
- **Wednesday, April 12 at 6 p.m.:**
Introduction to Carcassone / Open Board Game Night (Beginners-Intermediate)
- **Wednesday, April 19 at 6 p.m.:**
Introduction to Magic the Gathering (Beginners-Intermediate)
- **Saturday, April 22 at Noon:**
Tabletop Saturdays: Pathfinder and Dungeons & Dragons (Registration required)
- **Wednesday, April 26 at 6 p.m.:**
Big Board Game Night (Choose from the Group's 200+ games, or bring your own)



B-I-N-G-O

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

- **Scotlandville Bingo:**
Scotlandville Branch
 Wednesday, April 12 at 4 p.m.
- **Bingo in the Gardens:**
Delmont Gardens Branch
 Thursday, April 13 at 4 p.m.
- **Fourth Monday Bingo:**
Carver Branch
 Monday, April 24 at 11 a.m.
- **Tuesday Morning Bingo:**
Main Library at Goodwood
 Tuesday, April 25 at 10 a.m.



Job Fair Success

Attention, active jobseekers! April is Job Fair month. In order to make the most of your chances for success, we recommend that you come to our Job Fair Success seminar! Join us at the Main Library at Goodwood on Saturday, April 15 at 10:30 a.m. to learn what to expect at job fairs, how to prepare, how to make a good first impression, and how to avoid common mistakes. **Registration is required.** To register, please call 231-3733 or visit www.careercenterbr.com/events.



Work at Home 101

Join us at the Main Library at Goodwood on Wednesday, April 19 at 11:30 a.m. for Work at Home 101. We will teach you the good, the bad, and the ugly about working from home. In this workshop you will learn what kind of work-at-home jobs are available, how to avoid the scams, and how to find legitimate opportunities. **Registration is required.** To register, please call 231-3733 or visit www.careercenterbr.com/events.

YouTube Roundup

Get FREE, Certified Professional Career & Job Search Help Virtually!

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



How to Apply for a Job at Performance Contractors

In this video, we show the step-by-step process of completing an online job application for industrial construction firm, Performance Contractors.

How Ex-Offenders Can Answer, "Why Should We Hire a Convicted Felon?"

This question is a little blunt, but it is honest; employers will worry that they are taking a risk by hiring someone with a criminal record. In this video, we demonstrate how you can address those concerns and reassure employers that you will be an asset to their company.

Resume Quick Tips: How to Write a Good Objective or Summary Statement

This video is part of our Resumes Before and After series, which showcases common resume mistakes and our recommended solutions. In this video, we take a look at the opening section of the resume - the objective or summary section. We demonstrate how to use this section to grab employers' attention and convince them of your relevant skills.

♥ I Love My Library Because...

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"I had graduated from LSU in December of 2020. After almost a year of searching for a job, I decided to go to the EBRPL Career Center for help. They helped me refine my resume, prepare for interviews and develop a better job strategy. By January 2022, I landed a job and I cannot thank them enough."
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"Thank you all so much for helping me. I got the job as the apartment maintenance supervisor. I would not have been able to do it without your help."
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"I have been binge watching the 'how teens can answer' YouTube videos in order to prepare for an interview since this will be my first job. Thank you guys for teaching me so much!"
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"I am now employed with a job I love. God put me right where I needed to be and put people in my life when I needed them. This library was more helpful in me gaining employment than any staffing agency or online career site. I truly appreciate you guys and what you've done for the people of our city."
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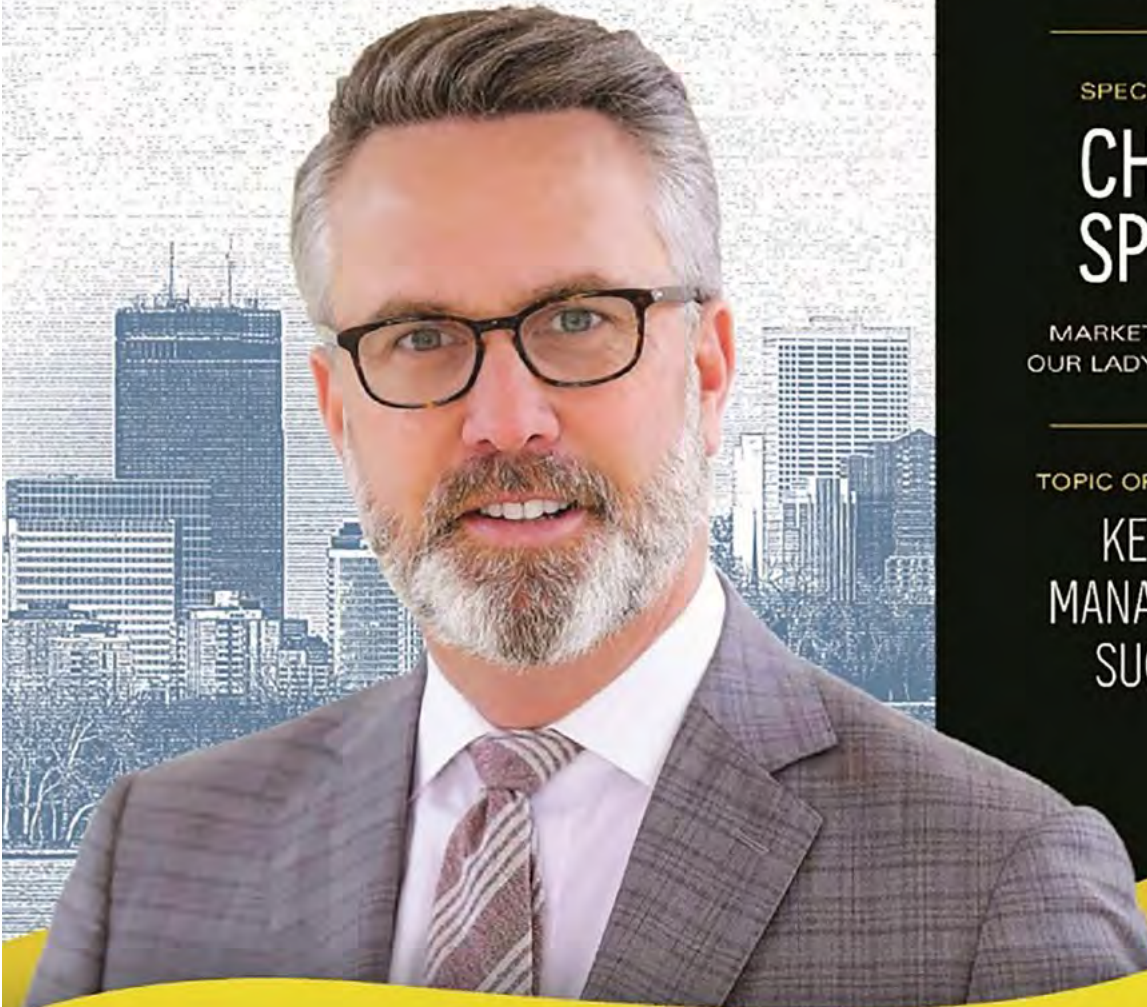
"You encouraged and guided me and I will never forget it. Thanks for simply being you and for helping with my resume as well. I interviewed with every company on my list and they all offered me a position."
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"I didn't want to attend the Resume Seminar at first. My mom forced me to come but I am happy that I did. I was all ears! There was so much information to write down that will help me in the future. These were tips that I had never heard before, not the same overused tips from other seminars."
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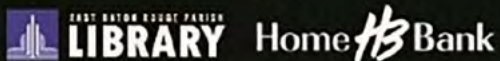
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20-SOMETHINGS

Puzzle Power: Sportsman's Paradise

During the month of April, come by the Pride-Chaneyville Branch to work on a sportsman's paradise jigsaw puzzle as we get ready for our 13th Annual Community History Festival!

Paint a Tote Bag

Adults 18-30ish are welcome to join us at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Tuesday, April 4 at 6:30 p.m. to customize your own tote bag. Have fun painting any design you like! All supplies will be provided. **Registration is required.** To register, call 763-2270.



Easter Egg-Inspired Wine Glass

Show us your crafty side at the Zachary Branch on Wednesday, April 5 at 6 p.m. by making an Easter egg-inspired wine glass. **Registration is required.** To register, call 658-1840.

Throwback Movie

20-somethings are invited to the Carver Branch on Monday, April 10 at 4 p.m. to watch Disney's *Meet the Robinsons*.

April Watercolors

Come out to the Fairwood Branch on Monday, April 10 at 4 p.m. for an hour of painting with watercolors! We will learn to paint flowers for cute springtime decorations. **Registration is required.** To register, call 924-9385.

Video Game Night

20-somethings, come socialize and unwind at the River Center Branch with some casual Nintendo Switch gaming on Tuesday, April 11 at 5:30 p.m.



3D Embroidered House Plant

Join us at the Main Library at Goodwood on Saturday, April 15, 2-4 p.m., and take traditional embroidery to the next level by making your own mini decorative house plant.

Baseball Decal Stickers on the Cricut

Come learn about the Cricut and its functions at the River Center Branch on Tuesday, April 18 at 3:30 p.m.; then make a baseball decal sticker using a template made by staff. **Registration is required.** To register, visit ebrpl.com/calendar or call 389-4960.

Documentary Screening

You're invited to the Eden Park Branch on Saturday, April 22 at 2:30 p.m. to view the documentary, *Summer of Soul*. Bring your own snacks and prepare to be entertained.

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.

20-SOMETHINGS GRAB AND GEAUX

Monday, April 3
Eden Park Branch
Felt Magnolia

Tuesday, April 4
Main Library at Goodwood
Painted Moon Phase Handbag

Tuesday, April 18
Main Library at Goodwood
Mini Book Magnets

Wednesday, April 19
Central Branch
Mini Clay Succulents

I Love My Library Because...

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"The library staff makes me feel like a person, like I am somebody. Without saying a word, they motivate me not to give up."

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"There is so much to do at the library, so many classes to choose from."

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"I grew up in the local library. I hope other people – children and adults – find the joy in it that I do."



ALA's An Afternoon with the Author

Adult Literacy Advocates of Baton Rouge invites you to An Afternoon with the Author featuring Ana Reyes, author of *The House in the Pines*, a *NY Times* bestseller and January 2023 Reese Witherspoon Book Club pick. The event will be held at the LSU Barnes and Noble on Sunday, April 23 at 2 p.m. Doors open at 1:30. Join Ms. Reyes for a book talk and Q & A session followed by a reception and book signing. Admission is \$30 for the general public, \$20 for senior citizens, and \$10 for students with an ID. Tickets can be purchased online at www.adultliteracyadvocates.org. For more information, call (225) 383-1090. All proceeds benefit Adult Literacy Advocates programs.



Derek Gordon & Rodolfo Ramirez-Rodriguez Collection

The Arts Council of Greater Baton Rouge presents *Derek Gordon & Rodolfo Ramirez-Rodriguez: A Collection Retrospective*. This exhibition opens in the Shell Gallery of the Cary Saurage Community Arts Center on Thursday, April 27. A reception is scheduled for May 18, with a closing date of May 31.

The exhibit includes some 50-plus carefully curated items from among the 526 individual art pieces in the collection assembled by Gordon and Ramirez throughout their lives, and ranges from paintings, etchings, lithographs, and charcoal drawings in a variety of styles from impressionist to abstract to pop art.

A native of Baton Rouge, Gordon returned home in 2006 to serve as president/CEO of the Arts Council after stints at Jazz at Lincoln Center in New York and the John F. Kennedy Center for Performing Arts in Washington, D.C. until his death in 2012.

The exhibition is part of the series of events celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the Arts Council of Greater Baton Rouge. The Shell Gallery is open weekdays from 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. through the end of May.



Botanical Illustrations Exhibition at LASM

The Louisiana Art & Science Museum (LASM) presents *Artistry and Accuracy: Botanical Illustrations* by Margaret Stones. The botanical illustrations of Australian-born Margaret Stones, who is one of the world's most celebrated botanical artists, are a seamless combination of art and science. The artist's drawings document Louisiana's plants and flowers with accurate scientific detail while also artistically and uniquely capturing the flora's intricate beauty.

Margaret Stones' work during her time in Louisiana is considered an extraordinary record of the state's plant life. Referring to her time in Louisiana as "the ten happiest years of my life," Stones was clearly charmed by the state and even called it "my Louisiana." Insisting on only working from live specimens, Stones made regular trips to Baton Rouge over the years, collecting specimens with locals and creating many enduring friendships.

In 1996, Stones was awarded an honorary Doctor of Science from LSU, and in 1991, her drawings were published in a book titled *Flora of Louisiana*. Stones left a great legacy documenting the beloved flora of Louisiana, especially some rare and endangered plants that had never been illustrated before. In 2018, the entire collection was republished in a limited-edition folio titled *Native Flora of Louisiana*. Twelve of the over 200 illustrations were offered as prints in a limited-edition series. The Louisiana Art & Science Museum's collection includes all twelve of these prints.

This exhibition was made possible by Cary Saurage through the Alma Lee, Norman, and Cary Saurage Fund of the Baton Rouge Area Foundation. The Baton Rouge Rotary Club donated Margaret Stones' work to LASM's collection and Ann Connelly Fine Art provided framing.

LASM is open on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m., Saturdays from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m., and Sundays from 1 p.m. – 5 p.m. Admission, which includes unlimited access to all planetarium shows, is free for members and children 2 years old and under; \$10 for children ages 3-12 and senior adults aged 65 and up; and \$12 for adults. Visit lasm.org for more information on *Artistry and Accuracy: Botanical Illustrations* by Margaret Stones and other exhibitions at LASM.



LSU Museum of Art

AT THE SHAW CENTER FOR THE ARTS

Unbranded Exhibition at LSU Museum of Art

The LSU Museum of Art is pleased to present a curated selection of works from the series by Hank Willis Thomas, *Unbranded: Reflections in Black by Corporate America*, on view April 20–July 30. American artist Hank Willis Thomas investigates race, identity, and class, with a focus on African American imagery and references in advertising, media, and popular culture. Thomas’s series *Unbranded* surveys fifty years of print advertising targeting African Americans. Drawn from advertisements published in prominent African American magazines such as *Ebony* and *Jet*, the appropriated source materials span from the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. in 1968 to the election of President Barack Obama in 2008. Thomas strips the advertisements of text and all references to product names and slogans. The resulting images of African Americans in clearly manufactured poses and environments uncover subliminal messages of inequality and reinforce cultural stereotypes often conceived and disseminated through popular culture.



This exhibit features a selection of forty images, drawn from the original series of eighty-two artworks, organized by LSU MOA Curatorial Fellow, Clarke Brown. LSU MOA thanks Alabama art collectors Becky Patterson and Doug McCraw for generously loaning the selection from their complete set.

Unbranded Reception and Panel Discussion

Join LSU MOA Curatorial Fellow Clarke Brown; Nancy Hampton, Interim Library Director at Xavier University of Louisiana; and Dr. Gheni Platenburg, Assistant Professor of Journalism at the Auburn University School of Communication and Journalism as they discuss the history of prejudice in advertising through *Ebony* and *Jet* Magazine. The event will take place on Thursday, April 20 at 6 p.m. on the 5th floor of the Shaw Center for the Arts. Admission is free.

Toddler Thursday: April Showers

Who says rain can’t be fun? Join LSU MOA on Thursday, April 6 at 10 a.m. for a spring craft project that makes any rainy day colorful and bright! Designed for kids five and under accompanied by a caregiver; members, free; nonmembers, \$5 per child, caregivers free. This program is held on the fifth floor of the Shaw Center for the Arts.

Art at Lunch: Landscape Design with Monique Bassey







Join Monique Bassey, the 2021 Marie Bickham Chair in Landscape Architecture at LSU, as she explores the socioeconomic factors that play key roles in the landscape development of areas within the parish. Bring a lunch to the third floor of the Shaw Center of the Arts on Tuesday, April 11 at Noon. Water and sodas will be provided.

Gospel in the Gallery

Listen to the sounds of the award winning and nationally recognized Southern University Gospel Choir in the LSU MOA galleries on the fifth floor of the Shaw Center for the Arts on Friday, April 21 at 6 p.m. Admission is free.



APRIL 21-23

- Tommy Castro & The Painkillers
- Elizabeth King
- Southern Avenue
- The Peterson Brothers
- TC Carter Band
- Brother Dege
- Veronica Lewis
- Luther Kent
- JP Bimeni 
- DK Harrell 
- Moonlight Benjamin
- Lowdown Sugarharp
- Mia Borders
- Sundanze
- Sam Hogan & The Rhythm Ramblers
-  Gregg Martinez
- Slay Melton
- Kristin Diable
- Emily & The Fried Honeys
- Kenny Acosta
- Dwight James & The Royals
- Troy Turner Band
- Hanna PK
- Chris Leblanc Band
- Alex V. Cook
- Jim Standley 
- Peter Simon 
- Nancy Broussard
- Worth Powers
- Hex Windham
-  Ameal Cameron
- Cliff Patrick
- Holger Nozel & Bruce Lamb
- Anthony Parker
- Ace Dubois

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"The staff is very patient, sweet, and kind when they help me!"

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"It is very organized and clean."

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"The librarians are very fun and nice."

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"It's cool."

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"It's so peaceful and quiet. Love to read in da library."

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"OMG, I love it here. Good job!"

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"I love this place. I don't need anything EBRPL doesn't have. Amazing place to be."

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"The staff is super helpful and the resources are endless."

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"It's quiet...it is the only public place where people adhere to the rules. People are loud everywhere else but not at the library. The library is sacred, the library is revered, the library is...get a thesaurus! I don't know what else to say. I love the library."

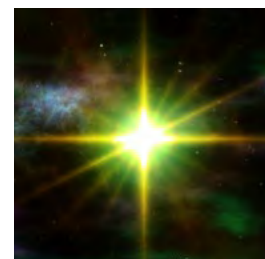
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"I always find the book I want."

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"The website is easy to use!"



Saturday Science

Teens and adults are invited to the Main Library at Goodwood on Saturday, April 22 at 1 p.m. for Saturday Science, LSU's free public talk series connecting the community to science and technology. This month, Dr. Juhan Frank will speak on how some stars attract each other, dance, and merge. Many stars, perhaps most, that appear as a single point of light in the sky, are in fact two or more stars bound together by gravity. Some are so far apart that they age as single stars without ever interacting beyond the gravity that binds them and may die without affecting each other. Others are close enough to exchange mass and change their lives. Some are still closer, so that gravity's fatal attraction will bring them so close that they end up merging into a single object. What follows depends on the masses of the pair. Sometimes the merger explodes as a supernova, sometimes produces a different type of cataclysm, and sometimes the product survives as a single star of unusual and puzzling properties. These "Interacting Binary Stars" and "Stellar Mergers" teach us a great deal about the evolution of the universe and the origin of the chemical elements.



Practice ACT Test

Brush up on your ACT test-taking skills! Students ages 13 and older can come to the Zachary Branch on Thursday, April 13 at 9:30 a.m. to take a free practice test. The practice test is organized to run like the real ACT test to give teens experience in the type of questions to expect as well as the testing environment. Please bring sharpened number 2 pencils, a permitted calculator, and a snack for the break. Space is limited. **Registration is required.** To register, call 658-1870.

Slam Poetry

Teens, come learn about the power of poetry and finding your voice at the Carver Branch on Thursday, April 20 at 3 p.m. Write and perform your own poetry with music or sounds that you choose.

GAMING GALORE

Teens, get your game on at the Library locations below!

Board Games at Eden

Come to the Eden Park Branch for an afternoon of board games on Tuesday, April 18 at 3 p.m. Challenge other teens and have fun! Snacks and refreshments will be provided.



Among Us in Real Life

Join us for a night in space at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Wednesday, April 26, 3-5 p.m. If you love Among Us, try playing it in real life. Work together with your crewmates to complete tasks – but watch out! There's an imposter among us. Will you survive? **Registration is required.** To register, call 762-2270.

Rock On!

Join us for a rocking good time at the following Library locations.

Thursday, April 20 at 4 p.m. – Fairwood Branch

Teens are invited to play Rock Band on the Xbox.

Saturday, April 22 at 2:30 p.m. – Main Library at Goodwood

Play Rock Band or other games, and enjoy light refreshments.



Make It and Take It

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

Saturday, April 1 at 2:30 p.m. – Jones Creek Regional Branch
Listen to music while you upcycle a CD by painting with aesthetic designs.

Saturday, April 1 at 2:30 p.m. – Main Library at Goodwood
April Fools' Day is the perfect day to make sneaky sushi – one made of candy and one made of wax.

Monday, April 3 at 4 p.m. – Fairwood Branch
Create a colorful canvas that features a saxophone.



Tuesday, April 4 at 4 p.m. – Central Branch
Make a faux stained glass bookmark using tissue paper.

Wednesday, April 5 at 3 p.m. – Main Library at Goodwood
Build your very own tabletop basketball game and compete with friends.

Saturday, April 8 at 2:30 p.m. – Jones Creek Regional Branch
Use duct tape to create all sorts of amazing flowers.

Tuesday, April 11 at 4 p.m. – Central Branch
Create a cool sheet music paper bead bracelet.



Wednesday, April 12 at 4 p.m. – Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch
Show off your love of music with a colorful guitar pick keychain.



Saturday, April 15 at 2:30 p.m. – Main Library at Goodwood
Celebrate Earth Day by painting planters to look like Pokemon.

Wednesday, April 19 at 3 p.m. – Bluebonnet Regional Branch
Learn how to hydro dip and decorate a guitar pick to make a unique necklace.



Wednesday, April 19 at 4 p.m. – Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch
Make a musical bracelet by making beads out of sheet music.



***Friday, April 21 at 3:30 p.m. – River Center Branch**
Jump start Earth Day festivities by repurposing fabric, paper, and plastic into handmade paper, jewelry, or clothes and accessories. To register, call 389-4960.

Saturday, April 22 at 2:30 p.m. – Jones Creek Regional Branch
Experiment with a pantograph drawing machine, a clever mechanical device that draws a bigger or smaller version of what you're drawing.

Monday, April 24 at 4 p.m. – River Center Branch
Try out your painting skills with our watercolor kit.



Tuesday, April 25 at 3 p.m. – Eden Park Branch
Use a brayer to make your own musical-themed prints.

Thursday, April 27 at 4:30 p.m. – Zachary Branch
Make your own magnetic poetry kit.

Saturday, April 29 at 2:30 p.m. – Main Library at Goodwood
Fashion flowers out of guitar picks and old CDs.



MOVIE MANIA

Teen Movie Night

Teens, come to the River Center Branch on Monday, April 10 at 4 p.m. to enjoy the movie, *School of Rock*, a classic film about the love of rock and roll. Popcorn and lemonade will be provided.

Hairspray Live Musical Movie

Teens are invited to watch *Hairspray* and listen to a variety of musical selections inspired by the movie at the Delmont Gardens Branch on Wednesday, April 26 at 3:30 p.m.



ANIME

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

- **Thursday, April 6 at 4 p.m. Carver Branch**
Enjoy Japanese snacks and culture while watching anime.
- **Thursday, April 6 at 4 p.m. Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch**
Join us for snacks and an afternoon of anime.
- **Saturday, April 8 at 2:30 p.m. Main Library at Goodwood**
Watch anime on Crunchyroll while you snack on ramen.

TEENS GRAB AND GEAUX

- **Monday, April 10 Bluebonnet Regional Branch**
Painting with tissue paper, white crayons, and water.



Press Start!

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

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

The booklets are full of fun activities that the children will enjoy while learning basic concepts that build a firm foundation for math and reading. Each monthly booklet will feature a new letter, number, color or concept, while also building on the previous month’s concepts. The month of April is brought to you by the letter M, the number 0, and the time concept, Noon!

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

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

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.

What is a conductor? What are they doing when they wave their arms and batons? How does a child decide to start composing music? Hear the story of a young girl who gets to go to an orchestra concert because her uncle gets sick; the experience changes her. Learn a Renaissance dance, meet a professional musician, practice naming instruments, and conduct a giant orchestra.



In April, there are two opportunities to attend this fun program! See dates and times below. *All children under the age of 9 must be accompanied by an adult.* **Registration is required.**

- **Saturday, April 8 at 11 a.m. – Main Library at Goodwood**
To register, please call 231-3760.
- **Saturday, April 15 at 11 a.m. –Bluebonnet Regional Branch**
To register, please call 756-1160.

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 April’s story titles:



- Main Library at Goodwood: *Chicken in the Kitchen* by Nnedi Okorafor
- Baker Branch: *Little Red and the Very Hungry Lion* by Alex T. Smith
- Carver Branch: *John Henry: An American Legend* by Ezra Jack Keats



Board Game Night

Come to the Fairwood Branch on Tuesday, April 11 at 5 p.m. for Board Game Night! We’ll have many games to play like Candyland, Chutes & Ladders, Guess Who?, Pete the Cat Memory Game, Scooby-Doo Mystery Mansion Game, Giant Checkers and more!

April Showers Scavenger Hunt

Find umbrellas around the children’s room and learn how to say rain in different languages at River Center Branch’s April Showers Scavenger Hunt on Saturday, April 1 or Sunday, April 30. Stop by any time on those days!

Easter Activity Packet

Happy Easter! Kids ages 4-11 can stop by the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Saturday, April 8, 9 a.m.-6 p.m., to pick up an Easter activity packet, which includes a word find, a dot-to-dot, and some craft projects.



LEGO Challenge

Kids ages 6-9 are invited to the Zachary Branch on Saturday, April 15 at 3 p.m. to create an animal of their choice using LEGOs from our collection. They will be asked to describe it, and it will be displayed in the Library during the following week.



Frog Crafts

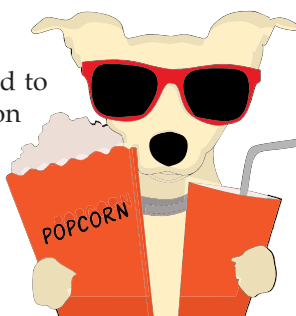
April is National Frog Month! Kids ages 6-11 are welcome to stop by the Zachary Branch on Saturday, April 22, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., to assemble a frog craft.

Children’s Yoga

Join the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Saturday, April 22 at 2:30 p.m. for a children’s yoga class taught by Jaci Aaron. Kids ages 4-7 are invited. Please wear shoes and bring your own mat or towel. **Registration is required.** To register, please call 756-1160.

Pajama Party Movie Night

Children ages 5-11 and their families are invited to the Jones Creek Regional Branch children’s room on Monday, April 24 at 6:15 p.m. to watch *The Great Muppet Caper*, in which a group of muppet reporters investigate the crime of the century. Children may wear their pajamas and bring a stuffie or blanket to snuggle with during the film.



BOOK CLUBS

Artsy Smartsy Saturday

Kids ages 6-11 are invited to Artsy Smartsy Saturday at the Pride-Chaneyville Branch on Saturday, April 8 at 10:30 a.m.! Join us to read and discuss the book *Volcano Rising* by Elizabeth Rusch, watch an erupting volcano demonstration, and make your own decorative volcano to take home! **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, April 20 at 4:30 p.m. to share their reactions to *Buddy* by M. H. Herlong, a story about Hurricane Katrina’s impact on a family and their dog. They will also discuss evacuating and what to pack as well as participate in a fun relay race. 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.



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.

♥ I Love My Library Because...



“I get Humphrey books and coloring sheets.”

“I like to learn about new things at the library!”

“The Library has stairs!”

“I love Wonderbooks!”

“It’s so welcoming, fun and has lots of books.”

“I like the singing clock!”

“It has a lot of books. I am good at reading.”

“The library is fun.”

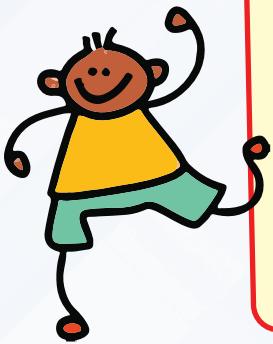
“They share books we couldn’t find anywhere else.”

“It has lots of DVDs.”

“You can get tons of books.”

“They have lots of cool books and activities! The gameboard table is fun too! Thank you!”

“I get to take free books.”



Family Activity Kits

Get moving with Family Activity Kits! These kits encourage families to engage in physical activity while having loads of fun and are available for check out at the Main Library at Goodwood! Tweens, teens, and adults can choose from six unique kits: Fantasy and Fun Kit, Medieval Kit, Obstacle Course Kit, Get Fit Quick Kit, Yoga Kit, and Inner Child Kit. Display cards for the kits are featured on the board game display outside of the Teen room, which patrons can exchange with Teen staff for an actual kit in a sturdy bag. There is even a QR code on each bag label that explains how to get the most out of your kit!





Storytime at the Library

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

Lapsit

Bluebonnet Regional Branch	10:30 a.m.	Tuesday, April 4
Zachary Branch	10 a.m.	Tuesdays, April 11, 18, 25



Toddler Time

Bluebonnet Regional Branch	10:30 a.m.	Wednesday, April 5
Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch	10 a.m.	Tuesdays, April 4, 11, 18, 25
Jones Creek Regional Branch	10:45 a.m.	Tuesday, April 4
Pride-Chaneyville Branch	10:30 a.m.	Tuesday, April 4
Zachary Branch	10 a.m.	Wednesdays, April 12, 19, 26



Preschool

Baker Branch	11:30 a.m.	Tuesdays, April 4, 11, 15, 25
Bluebonnet Regional Branch	10:30 a.m.	Wednesday, April 5
Carver Branch	10 a.m.	Thursdays, April 6, 20, 27
Delmont Gardens Branch	10:30 a.m.	Tuesdays, April 4, 18
Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch	10:30 a.m.	Tuesdays, April 4, 11, 18, 25
Jones Creek Regional Branch	10 a.m.	Tuesday, April 4
River Center Branch	10:30 a.m.	Thursdays, April 6, 13, 20, 27
Zachary Branch	10 a.m.	Wednesdays, April 12, 19, 26

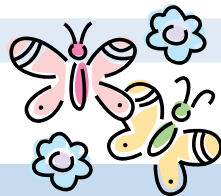


PJ Storytime

Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch	6 p.m.	Thursdays, April 6, 13, 20, 27
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Family Storytime

Delmont Gardens Branch	7 p.m.	Thursdays, April 6, 13, 20, 27
Eden Park Branch	5 p.m.	Tuesdays, April 4, 11, 18, 25
Pride-Chaneyville Branch	10:30 a.m.	Saturday, April 1



Combined Ages

Central Branch	10:30 a.m.	Tuesdays, April 4, 11, 18, 25
Fairwood Branch	11:30 a.m.	Wednesdays, April 5, 12
Scotlandville Branch	10:30 a.m.	Wednesdays, April 5, 12, 19, 26

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
*Saturday, April 1 at 10 a.m. Main Library at Goodwood	<i>Snakes on the Job</i> by Kathryn Dennis	Building with Mega Blocks, Lincoln Logs and Magformers, ages 3-5
*Saturday, April 1 at 11 a.m. Delmont Gardens Branch	<i>Made by Maxine</i> by Ruth Spiro	STEM Saturday: Marble Maze, ages 6-11
*Saturday, April 1 at 11 a.m. Jones Creek Regional Branch	<i>Get Busy, Beaver!</i> by Carolyn Crimi	Floating Beaver Craft, ages 5-8
Monday, April 3, all day River Center Branch	<i>Home for a Bunny</i> by Margaret Wise Brown	Explore "Bunny" Tunnels, ages 2-4
Wednesday, April 5 at 10:30 a.m. Zachary Branch	<i>That's My Carrot</i> by Il Sung Na	Cute Carrot Collage, ages 2-5
Wednesday, April 5 at 4 p.m. Central Branch	<i>Have You Ever Seen a Flower?</i> by Shawn Harris	Paper Fan Flowers, ages 4-11
*Wednesday, April 5 at 4:30 p.m. Delmont Gardens Branch	<i>Everyone Loves Cupcake</i> by Kelly Dipucchio	Cupcake Magnets, ages 9-11
Thursday, April 6, all day River Center Branch	<i>Home for a Bunny</i> by Margaret Wise Brown	Explore "Bunny" Tunnels, ages 2-4
Thursday, April 6 at 4:30 p.m. Fairwood Branch	<i>Peter Easter Frog</i> by Erin Dealey	Animal Finger Puppet, ages 3-6
*Thursday, April 6 at 5 p.m. Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch	<i>Peter Easter Frog</i> by Erin Dealey	Animal Poster Painting, ages 3-5
*Saturday, April 8 at 10:30 a.m. Bluebonnet Regional Branch	<i>Pretty Perfect Kitty Corn</i> by Shannon Hale and Leuyen Phan	Mini Unicorn Banner, ages 5-8
*Saturday, April 8 at 11 a.m. Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch	<i>Love the World</i> by Todd Parr	Daisy Flower Craft, ages 6-11
Saturday, April 8 at 2 p.m. Zachary Branch	 <i>Trombone Shorty</i> by Troy Andrews	Jazzy Trombone, ages 6-11
Monday, April 10, all day River Center Branch	<i>Big Bad Bubble</i> by Adam Rubin	3D Doodler Bubble Wands, ages 6-11
*Tuesday, April 11 at 4:30 p.m. Carver Branch	<i>The Cupcake Caper</i> by Gertrude Warner	Thiebaud-style Cupcake Painting, ages 8-11
*Tuesday, April 11 at 4:30 p.m. Delmont Gardens Branch	 <i>Trombone Shorty</i> by Troy "Shorty" Andrews	DIY Musical Instruments, ages 6-11
Wednesday, April 12 at 10:30 a.m. Zachary Branch	<i>Dog on a Frog</i> by Kes Gray	Paper Plate Froggy Faces, ages 2-5
Friday, April 14, all day River Center Branch	<i>Big Bad Bubble</i> by Adam Rubin	3D Doodler Bubble Wands, ages 6-11
*Saturday, April 15 at 11 a.m. Delmont Gardens Branch	<i>Power Up!</i> by Seth Fishman	Snap Circuits, ages 8-11





Date, Time, Location	Story Title & Author	Craft/Activity Description & Age Group
*Saturday, April 15 at 2:30 p.m. Main Library at Goodwood	<i>Field Trip to Volcano Island</i> by John Hare	Erupting Volcano and Volcano Mosaics, ages 6-11
*Saturday, April 15 at 2:30 p.m. Pride-Chaneyville Branch	 <i>Trombone Shorty</i> by Troy Andrews	Listen to Music and Paint with Watercolors, ages 6-11
*Saturday, April 15 at 3 p.m. Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch	 <i>Melba and Her Big Trombone</i> by Katheryn Russell-Brown	Listen to <i>Lead Belly Sings for Children</i> , ages 4-11
*Monday, April 17 at 10 a.m. Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch	<i>Why the Crawfish Lives in the Mud</i> by Johnette Downing	Cubelets, Building Straws, Doodler Pens, and Beebots, ages 6-11
Monday, April 17 at 4:30 p.m. Fairwood Branch	 <i>Trombone Shorty</i> by Troy Andrews	March in a Parade with Instruments and Scarves, ages 6-11
Wednesday, April 19 at 10:30 a.m. Zachary Branch	<i>I Had a Hippopotamus</i> by Hector Lee	"Animal Crackers" with Rubbings, Stencils, and Stamps, ages 2-5
Wednesday, April 19 at 11 a.m. River Center Branch	 <i>Trombone Shorty</i> by Troy Andrews	Play Music in a Parade, ages 3-11
Wednesday, April 19 at 4 p.m. Central Branch	<i>The Very Impatient Caterpillar</i> by Ross Burach	Butterfly Foam Bracelets, ages 4-11
Wednesday, April 19 at 4 p.m. River Center Branch	 <i>Trombone Shorty</i> by Troy Andrews	Balloon Trombones, ages 8-11
*Wednesday, April 19 at 4:30 p.m. Delmont Gardens Branch	<i>Seeds</i> by Carme Lemniscates	Colorful Flower Garden, ages 3-6
*Thursday, April 20 at 4:30 p.m. Carver Branch	<i>Winged Wonders: Solving the Monarch Migration</i> by Meeg Pincus	Spring Flowers and Butterfly Garden, ages 6-8
*Saturday, April 22 at 10 a.m. Main Library at Goodwood	<i>You Choose! Scooby Doo-The Secret of the Flying Saucer</i> by Laurie Sutton	Foam UFO Launcher, ages 7-11
*Monday, April 24 at 4:30 p.m. Carver Branch	<i>Spring Stinks</i> by Ryan Higgins	Paper Basket of Spring Flowers, ages 6-9
Wednesday, April 26 at 10:30 a.m. Zachary Branch	<i>If I Were a Tree</i> by Andrea Zimmerman	Handprint Tree, ages 2-5
*Wednesday, April 26 at 4:30 p.m. Delmont Gardens Branch	<i>I Like Myself!</i> by Karen Beaumont	Paper Self-Portraits, ages 6-8
*Wednesday, April 26 at 4:45 p.m. Baker Branch	<i>Off to See the Sea</i> by Nikki Grimes	Rubber Ducky Craft, ages 2-5
Thursday, April 27 at 4:30 p.m. Fairwood Branch	<i>The Song of Spring</i> by Hendrik Jonas	Cute Bird Ornament, ages 5-8
*Saturday, April 29 at 11 a.m. Delmont Gardens Branch	<i>Again, Essie?</i> by Jenny Lacika	Build Button Towers, ages 3-8
*Saturday, April 29 at 2:30 p.m. Pride-Chaneyville Branch	<i>Cinco de Mouse-O!</i> by Judy Cox	Fiesta Sombrero Sign, ages 3-8
Sunday, April 30, 2-6 p.m. River Center Branch	<i>Spike, the Mixed-Up Monster</i> by Susan Hood	Axolotl Masks, ages 5-11



GENEALOGY

Census, Part 2: 1850-1950

Census records are one of the cornerstones of genealogical research. Starting in the year 1850, they provided valuable information on every free person in the United States, including names, ages, education, occupations and more. Join us at the Main Library at Goodwood on Thursday, April 13 at 3 p.m. to learn how to use these records in conjunction with others to help you build a timeline of your family history and trace their lives from one generation to the next. This class will cover the censuses from 1850 through 1940. Seating is limited to 12 in-person attendees with 15 virtual slots available. To register for this class, call 231-3751 or visit ebrpl.co/genclass.

Maps and Land Records

Land records are some of the most important documents available in genealogy research. Available farm land encouraged westward migration, rewarded military service, fulfilled requirements for voting or holding public office, or simply helped to support the family. Using maps and land records together will help you learn not only when and where your ancestor lived, but why he lived there and how he got there. You're invited to the Main Library at Goodwood on Saturday, April 15 at 10:30 a.m. to look at some of the ways your ancestor could acquire land: including bounty land warrants, federal patents, inheritance, or private sales. You'll also learn to use maps to ensure that you're looking in the right places for your ancestors. Seating is limited to 10 in-person attendees with 15 virtual slots available. To register for this class, call 231-3751 or visit ebrpl.co/genclass.

Analyzing Records and Standards of Proof 4/19

Come to the Main Library at Goodwood on Thursday, April 20 at 3 p.m. to learn how to analyze and interpret information from genealogical records found during the course of your research. You'll learn about the Genealogical Proof Standard and how it can help you resolve issues involving conflicting evidence. With the Genealogical Proof Standard, you can build a case for the veracity of your research even though you may lack clear evidence of a person's identity or parentage. Seating is limited to 12 in-person attendees with 15 virtual slots available. To register for this class, call 231-3751 or visit ebrpl.co/genclass.

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FREE Computer Classes at the Library

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



Baker Branch

Introduction to Computers

11 a.m. Monday, April 3

Introduction to Word

10 a.m. Tuesday, April 11

Introduction to Email

10 a.m. Wednesday, April 12

Bluebonnet Regional Branch

*Computers Without Fear

10 a.m. Thursday, April 20

*One-on-one Tech Tutoring

9:30 a.m. Thursday, April 27

Carver Branch

Introduction to Word

10 a.m. Tuesday, April 11

Open Lab

10 a.m. Tuesday, April 18

10 a.m. Tuesday, April 25

Delmont Gardens Branch

Typing Lessons

4 p.m. Thursday, April 6

Eden Park Branch

Gmail

4 p.m. Monday, April 3

Internet Basics

10:30 a.m. Saturday, April 8

The Library Website

10:30 a.m. Saturday, April 22

Fairwood Branch

Introduction to Digital Databases

4 p.m. Wednesday, April 12

Bring Your Own Device

4 p.m. Sunday, April 30

Jones Creek Regional Branch

*Introduction to Computers

10 a.m. Thursday, April 6

*Introduction to PowerPoint

10 a.m. Wednesday, April 12

*Introduction to Word

10 a.m. Tuesday, April 18

*One-On-One Tech Tutoring

9:30 a.m. Wednesday, April 19

10:30 a.m. Wednesday, April 19

11:30 a.m. Wednesday, April 19

*Introduction to Excel

10 a.m. Wednesday, April 26

Scotlandville Branch

*Introduction to Publisher

3 p.m. Tuesday, April 18

Appointments Only.

Call 354-7550 to register

Computer Tutoring

4 p.m. Wednesday, April 19

Zachary Branch

*Microsoft Word for Beginners

10 a.m. Tuesday, April 11

*How to Use Pinterest

2 p.m. Thursday, April 27

**Indicates Registration Required*



Book Clubs @ Your Library

Baker Branch

- Baker Morning Book Club
10:30 a.m. Monday, April 10

The Music Shop

by Rachel Joyce

Bluebonnet Regional Branch

- Historical Fiction Book Club
10 a.m. Thursday, April 20

A.D. Chronicles: Third Watch
by Brock and Bodie Thoene

- The Quirky Ladies' Book Club
6:30 pm Thursday, April 20

White Houses by Amy Bloom

Central Branch

- Central Book Club

11 a.m. Thursday, April 27

The Lincoln Highway by Amor Towles

Fairwood Branch

- Books and Brew Book Club

11 a.m. Monday, April 17

Reader's Choice

Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch

- *Next Chapter Book Club

6 p.m. Thursday, April 20

Share the book you are reading with the group.

Jones Creek Regional

- Historical Society Book Club
2 p.m. Thursday, April 20

Dead Wake: The Last Crossing of the Lusitania by Erik Larson

Main Library at Goodwood

- Mystery Lovers Book Club
Noon, Tuesday, April 11

Mysteries Around The World: Italy

- Fantasy Book Club
6:30 p.m. Thursday April 20

Authors will be V. E. Schwab or Sarah J. Maas.

Zachary Branch

- Zachary Book Club

10 a.m. Thursday, April 20

Any book by Stephen King

Main Library at Goodwood

Interim Library Director, Kristen Edson

7711 Goodwood Boulevard (225) 231-3740

Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 9 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sunday, 2 – 9 p.m.

Baker Branch Library

3501 Groom Road (225) 778-5940

Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sunday, 2 – 6 p.m.

Bluebonnet Regional Branch Library

9200 Bluebonnet Boulevard (225) 763-2240

Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 9 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sunday, 2 – 6 p.m.

Carver Branch Library

720 Terrace Street (225) 389-7440

Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sunday, 2 – 6 p.m.

Central Branch Library

11260 Joor Road (225) 262-2640

Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sunday, 2 – 6 p.m.

Delmont Gardens Branch Library

3351 Lorraine Street (225) 354-7040

Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sunday, 2 – 6 p.m.

Eden Park Branch Library

5131 Greenwell Springs Road (225) 231-3240

Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sunday, 2 – 6 p.m.

Fairwood Branch Library

12910 Old Hammond Highway (225) 924-9384

Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sunday, 2 – 6 p.m.

Greenwell Springs Road

Regional Branch Library

11300 Greenwell Springs Road (225) 274-4440

Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 9 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sunday, 2 – 6 p.m.

Jones Creek Regional Branch Library

6222 Jones Creek Road (225) 756-1140

Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 9 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sunday, 2 – 6 p.m.

Pride-Chaneyville Branch Library

13600 Pride–Port Hudson Road (225) 658-1540

Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sunday, 2 – 6 p.m.

River Center Branch Library

250 North Boulevard (225) 389-4967

Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sunday, 2 – 6 p.m.

Scotlandville Branch Library

7373 Scenic Highway (225) 354-7540

Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sunday, 2 – 6 p.m.

Zachary Branch Library

1900 Church Street (225) 658-1840

Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 9 p.m.

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Sunday, 2 – 6 p.m.

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These Things Give Me Joy!

A collaboration between Darlene Moore and the 6-8th grade students of the Baker Middle School Arts Council consisting of mixed media acrylic in collages.

Bluebonnet Regional

Wood Carvings

Glynn Gautreau will display his fabulous wood carvings during the month of April.

River Center Branch

You Bring Me Joy

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Scotlandville Branch

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