

Weekly Program Schedule

In-Person and Virtual Programs

Feb. 12-18, 2024



Hieroglyphics for Valentine's Day

Virtual | Wednesday, Feb. 14, 2 p.m.

Learn how to say "I love you" in Ancient Egyptian. Museum educator Marisa Horowitz-Jaffe delves into the symbols that created this language, the life of a scribe and the invention of papyrus. *For adults.*

Monday, Feb. 12

10 a.m. — Messy Monday, Lovettsville Library: Make art and play with sensory toys. *For children with a caregiver.*

1 p.m. — Homeschool Enrichment: Geography Fair, Ashburn Library: Share what you've learned about a location with other homeschoolers. *For Grades K-8.*

1 p.m. — Pre-K Skill Builders, Purcellville Library

Links for the virtual programs and the complete calendar are available at library.loudoun.gov/calendar.



Monday, Feb. 12 (continued)

2 p.m. — Homeschool Enrichment: Hand Sewing, Brambleton Library: Make a pencil pouch. *For Grades K-5.*

2 p.m. — Adult Yoga: Flow, Middleburg Library

6 p.m. — Love T-Shirt, Ashburn Library: Decorate a tee with decoupage. Bring your own shirt or use one of ours (while supplies last). *For Grade 9-adults.*



6 p.m. — Common Threads: Knitting Basics, Lovettsville Library: Learn how to read a knitting pattern. *For Grade 9-adults.*

6 p.m. — Knitting 101, Sterling Library: Learn the basics, including cast on, knit and purl stitches. *For adults.*

7 p.m. — Adult Yoga, Gum Spring Library: Kiss of Yoga's Kirsten Shabanowitz leads this easy-flow class.

7 p.m. — Adult Book Club, Middleburg Library: Discuss *Circe* by Madeline Miller.

Tuesday, Feb. 13

10 a.m. — Adult Book Club: Nonfiction, Ashburn Library: Discuss *The Last Castle* by Denise Kiernan.

10 a.m. — Baby Cafe, Lovettsville Library: Caregivers socialize while children play with developmental toys.

1 p.m. — Homeschool Enrichment: Art, Lovettsville Library: Make a valentine-themed creature.

2 p.m. — Adult Yoga: Chair, Middleburg Library

2 p.m. — Common Threads, Rust Library: Chat with fellow crafters as you knit, crochet or stitch. *For adults.*

3 p.m. — Tech Help, Cascades Library: Stop by from 3 to 5 p.m. for help with your phone, tablet or computer.

Tuesday, Feb. 13 (continued)

4 p.m. — Nature Explorers, Ashburn Library: Learn about trees from a certified arborist. *For Grades K-5.*

4 p.m. — Teen Tuesday: Valentine's Day Cards, Sterling Library

6 p.m. — Middle School Book Club, Ashburn Library: Discuss *The Maze Runner* by James Dashner.

6 p.m. — DIY Teens: Palentine's Day, Gum Spring Library: Make crafts and enjoy treats.

7 p.m. — Common Threads, Brambleton Library: Chat with others as you knit, crochet or stitch. *For adults.*

7 p.m. — Adult Crafternight: Decoupage Coasters, Gum Spring Library



7 p.m. — Lofi Study Room, Purcellville Library: *For teens.*

7 p.m. — Adult Book Club, Sterling Library: Discuss *The Flatshare* by Beth O'Leary.

Wednesday, Feb. 14

10 a.m. — Pre-K Skill Builders, Middleburg Library

11 a.m. — Valentine's Day Party, Lovettsville Library: Celebrate with a story, toys and crafts. *For children.*

Noon — Douglass Day, Gum Spring Library: Celebrate the life and legacy of Frederick Douglass, social reformer, abolitionist and statesman, and learn about the Library of Congress volunteer transcription program. Drop in from 1 to 4 p.m. to transcribe historical documents. *For adults.*

12:30 p.m. — DIY: Palentine Chocolates, Middleburg Library: Make sweets. *For ages 7+.*

1 p.m. — Adult Crafternoon: Flowerpot Painting, Gum Spring Library: Learn about the branch's new Houseplant Clippings Swap program while you paint.

1 p.m. — Adult Book Club, Purcellville Library: Discuss *Anxious People* by Fredrik Backman.

2 p.m. — Common Threads, Cascades Library: Chat with fellow crafters as you knit, crochet or stitch. *For adults.*

3 p.m. — Wednesday Wind Down, Middleburg Library: Participate in a de-stressing activity. *For adults.*

3 p.m. — Tech Help, Sterling Library: Stop by for assistance with your phone, tablet or computer.

Wednesday, Feb. 14 (continued)

3:30 p.m. — Time Travel Club, Purcellville Library: Explore the world of pirates by minting doubloons, making a flag and tying nautical knots. *For Grades 2-6.*

4 p.m. — Grade 2-3 Children's Book Club: Magic Tree House, Gum Spring Library: Discuss *Good Morning, Gorillas* by Mary Pope Osborne and do activities.

5:30 p.m. — Socrates Cafe, Purcellville Library: Gather with others to ponder a question. *For adults.*

6 p.m. — Tech Help, Gum Spring Library: Stop by from 6 to 8 p.m. for help with your phone, tablet or computer.

6 p.m. — Family Crafts, Lovettsville Library

6:30 p.m. — D&D Club for Teens, Ashburn Library: Participate in a peer-led *Dungeons & Dragons* adventure.

6:30 p.m. — Drop-In Chess Club, Gum Spring Library: Play chess from 6:30 to 8 p.m. *For teens and adults.*

7 p.m. — Grade 4-5 Children's Book Club, Gum Spring Library: Discuss *Twins* by Varian Johnson.

7 p.m. — Adult Book Club: Nonfiction, Rust Library: Discuss *The Worst Hard Time* by Timothy Egan.

Thursday, Feb. 15

10:15 a.m. — Kids Yoga with Kristen Golden, Purcellville Library: *For ages 2-5 with a caregiver.*

11 a.m. — Adult Book Club: Mystery, Gum Spring Library: Discuss *The Girl on the Train* by Paula Hawkins.

2 p.m. — Tech Help, Rust Library: Stop by from 2 to 4 p.m. for help with your phone, tablet or computer.

4 p.m. — Grade 2-3 Children's Book Club: Magic Tree House, Ashburn Library: Discuss *Dingoes at Dinnertime* by Mary Pope Osborne and do activities.

4 p.m. — Picture Books That Pop, Brambleton Library: Learn about author Peter Reynolds and participate in activities that bring his books to life. *For Grades K-5.*

4 p.m. — Friendship Tea Party, Cascades Library: Gather for stories, activities and a snack. *For Pre-K-Grade 2.*

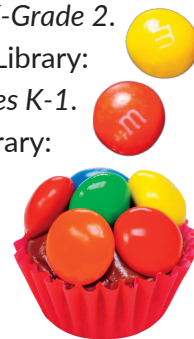
4 p.m. — My First Book Club, Lovettsville Library: Read *Hop, Frog!* and do activities. *For Grades K-1.*

4:30 p.m. — Chocolate Olympics, Rust Library: Find gummy worms in chocolate pies, race in a Whoppers relay, stack Oreos, and speed sort M&Ms. *For Grades 4-6.*

5:30 p.m. — Spa Night, Cascades Library: Make soap and salt scrubs. *For teens and adults.*

6 p.m. — Taste Test: Chocolate and Chips, Brambleton Library: Sample snacks. *For teens.*

6 p.m. — D&D Club for Teens, Rust Library: Participate in a one-shot *Dungeons & Dragons* adventure.



Thursday, Feb. 15 (continued)

6:30 p.m. — DIY Teens: Flower Smashing,

Ashburn Library: Transfer pigments to a fabric square.

7 p.m. — Drop-In Chess Club, Cascades Library:

Play with fellow enthusiasts. *For teens and adults.*

7 p.m. — Great Decisions: Introduction, Purcellville Library:

Retired Foreign Service Officer Robert Pollard previews this year's discussion topics and provides an introduction to U.S. foreign policy on Israel-Palestine. *For adults.*



7 p.m. — History's Greatest Hoaxes, Rust Library:

Historian Jim Lewis presents a two-part series on hoaxes that have been committed throughout the centuries and the wizardry and artistry involved to pull them off. The second session will be on February 22. *For adults.*

7 p.m. — Master Gardeners: Perfect Performance for Native Plants, Virtual: Hear how horticulturalists approach pruning in public and private gardens to maintain high standards of aesthetics while tending to native flora and fauna. Presenter Chelsea Ruiz explains why, how and when to use different cuts. *For adults.*

Friday, Feb. 16

9:30 a.m. — Builders Free Play, Lovettsville Library:

Drop in between 9:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

10 a.m. — Pre-K Skill Builders, Ashburn Library, Brambleton Library and Cascades Library:

For ages 3-5 with a caregiver.

10 a.m. — Little Artists, Lovettsville Library:

Explore a variety of art styles and crafts. *For children.*

10 a.m. — Miniature Musicians, Rust Library:

Sing, play and move with Ms. Jess from Everyday Musicians. *For ages 0-3 with a caregiver.*

10:30 a.m. — Pre-K Skill Builders, Gum Spring Library

11 a.m. — Rambling Readers, Middleburg Library:

Talk about books while you walk. *For adults.*

Friday, Feb. 16 (continued)

1 p.m. — Conversational Spanish, Sterling Library:

Develop your language skills. *For adults.*

1 p.m. — Puzzle Swap, Purcellville Library:

Trade old jigsaw puzzles for ones that are new to you. *For teens and adults.*

1:30 p.m. — Knit and Purl, Sterling Library:

Learn to knit with an easy project. *For adults.*

2 p.m. — Create a Bird Feeder, Lovettsville Library

4:30 p.m. — Teen Friday: Two-Sided Art, Sterling Library:

Make an agamograph using a template or your own design.

6 p.m. — After Hours Teen Center: Sand Art by Numbers,

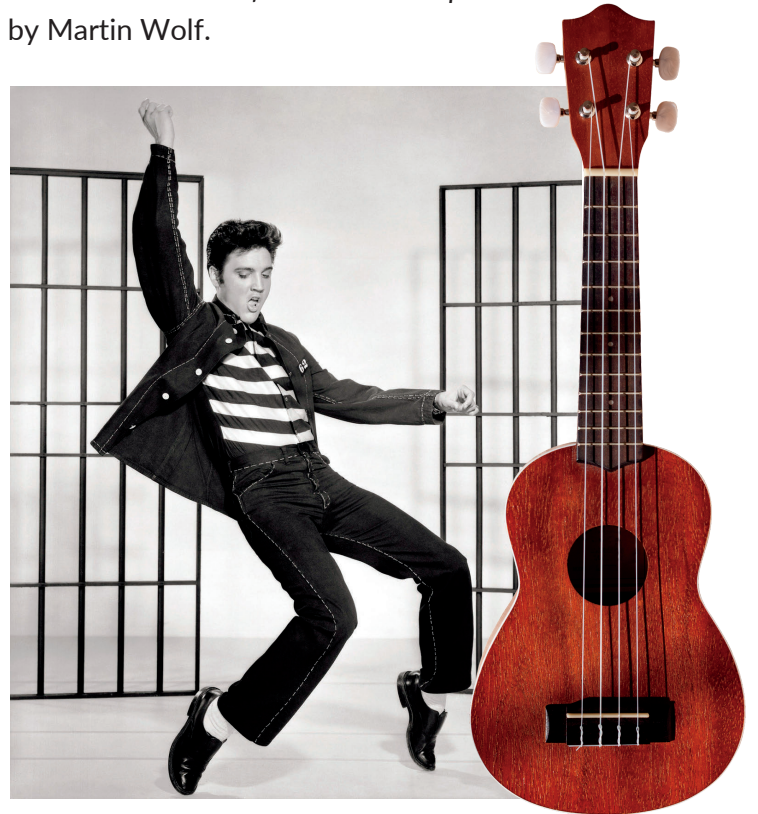
Cascades Library: Enjoy pizza, games and this week's featured activity. *For Grades 6-12.*



Saturday, Feb. 17

1 p.m. — Adult Book Club: Economics, Rust Library:

Discuss *The Crisis of Democratic Capitalism* by Martin Wolf.



1 p.m. — Live Music: The Golden Ukesters, Rust Library:

Ukulele players strum through Elvis Presley's greatest hits in this celebration of the King of Rock 'n' Roll.

For complete program details, visit
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All Loudoun County Public Library programs are free. To request a reasonable accommodation for a disability, call 703-777-0368. Three days' notice is requested.

Saturday, Feb. 17 (continued)

1:30 p.m. — Upcycled Art, Sterling Library: Create with artist María Brito. Space and supplies are limited.

For Grade 9-adults.

2 p.m. — Tea Cupping, Cascades Library: Sample teas from China as you learn about their history and the role that tea plays in Lunar New Year celebrations. *For adults.*



2:30 p.m. — Teen Photographers: Product Photography, Brambleton Library: Experiment with different props, sets and off-camera lighting to make products such as jewelry really pop in your smartphone photographs.



Storytimes are offered five days a week. For details, see library.loudoun.gov/calendar.

Saturday, Feb. 17 (continued)

3 p.m. — DIY: Crochet Hour, Ashburn Library: Whether you are new to the craft or need a refresher, presenter Elizabeth Werling guides you through making crochet stitches. *For teens and adults.*

Sunday, Feb. 18

2 p.m. — Remarkable Black Citizens of Loudoun County, Purcellville Library: Local historian Paul McCray shares the stories of residents who have made notable achievements, despite often facing hardships and discrimination. *For Grade 9-adults.*

ESOL at LCPL

Adult Book Club

Read *It Happened on Saturday* by Sydney Dunlap.

Sterling Library: Tuesday, Feb. 13, 5 p.m.

Business English

Sterling Library: Thursday, Feb. 15, 4 p.m.

English Conversation Group — Beginner

Gum Spring Library: Thursday, Feb. 15, 1 p.m.

Sterling Library: Monday, Feb. 12, 7 p.m.

English Conversation Group — Intermediate/Advanced

Brambleton Library: Tuesday, Feb. 13, 7 p.m. and
Wednesday, Feb. 14, 10 a.m.

Rust Library: Thursday, Feb. 15, 7 p.m.

Sterling Library: Tuesday, Feb. 13, 4 p.m. and
Thursday, Feb. 15, 10 a.m.

Virtual: Monday, Feb. 12, 2 p.m.

English Conversation Group — All Levels

Ashburn Library: Tuesday, Feb. 13, 7 p.m. and
Thursday, Feb. 15, 10 a.m.

Cascades Library: Monday, Feb. 12, 11 a.m.

Gum Spring Library: Tuesday, Feb. 13, 7 p.m.

Middleburg Library: Tuesday, Feb. 13, 7 p.m.

Rust Library: Tuesday, Feb. 13, 10 a.m.

Sterling Library: Wednesday, Feb. 14, 7 p.m.

How to Become a U.S. Citizen

Learn about eligibility, the application process, and what to expect at the citizenship interview.

Virtual: Tuesday, Feb. 13, 7 p.m.



Makerspace

3D Design with Tinkercad

See a demo, then create. *For teens and adults.*

Brambleton Library: Monday, Feb. 12, 7 p.m.

Art Folds — Book Folding for Beginners

Turn a book into a sculpture. *For Grade 9-adults.*

Sterling Library: Wednesday, Feb. 14, 3:30 p.m.

Cameo Cutter 101

Familiarize yourself with equipment as you work on a small project. *For teens and adults.*

Brambleton Library: Tuesday, Feb. 13, 10 a.m.-noon

DIY Thank You Card

Craft with Silhouette Studio software and the Cameo cutting machine. *For Grade 9-adults.*

Rust Library: Sunday, Feb. 18, 2 p.m.

Meet Your Makerspace

Stop by for a guided tour from 10 a.m. to noon.

Brambleton Library: Saturday, Feb. 17

Yarn Therapy

Do you like to crochet, knit or weave? Bring in a project to work on or start a new one. *For adults.*

Gum Spring Library: Wednesday, Feb. 14, 10 a.m.

Note: Supplies and space are limited.