

Weekly Program Schedule

In-Person and Virtual Programs

Jan. 29-Feb. 4, 2024



Black History Month Celebration at Sterling Library

Family Storytime | Saturday, Feb. 3, 10 a.m.

Special guest Zoie Seay reads her book *What if My Hair Had Feet?*

Michael Wesley, Owner of SmoQed Food Truck | Saturday, Feb. 3, 12:30 p.m. Wesley shares his passion for barbeque and how culture relates to the food he makes. Samples available while supplies last.

The Spiritual Harmonizers | Sunday, Feb. 4, 1 p.m.
Listen to a performance of gospel songs.

Expo of Local Black Authors | Sunday, Feb. 4, 3 p.m.
Meet writers, listen to readings and buy books.
For Grade 9-adults.

Monday, Jan. 29

10 a.m. — Baby Playdate, Brambleton Library:
For ages 0-18 months with caregiver.

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

2 p.m. — Adult Yoga: Flow, Middleburg Library: This slow-flow class is adaptable to any level of experience.

4:30 p.m. — The Write Stuff: Creative Writing Club, Cascades Library: Explore different forms of writing and develop your creative side through activities and discussion. *For Grades 3-5.*

Monday, Jan. 29 (continued)

6 p.m. — Ashburn Writing Group, Ashburn Library: Supercharge your creativity with writing sprints and brainstorm activities. *For Grade 9-adults.*

6 p.m. — DIY Teens: String Art, Rust Library: Create by winding string around nails hammered onto wood.

6:30 p.m. — D&D Club for Teens, Cascades Library: Participate in a one-shot *Dungeons & Dragons* adventure.

Tuesday, Jan. 30

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

2 p.m. — Homeschool Enrichment: Science, Lovettsville Library: Explore the concept of density by creating a winter-themed sensory bottle.

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

2 p.m. — Meet the Author: Dr. Robert Lustig, Virtual: The pediatric neuroendocrinologist discusses his latest book, *Metabocal: The Lure and the Lies of Processed Food, Nutrition, and Modern Medicine.* *For adults.*

3 p.m. — Meet a Law Librarian, Purcellville Library: Starting a new business, involved in a court case or have other legal issues? Drop in between 3 and 7 p.m. to talk with a law librarian about legal information and resources available to you at the library. *For adults.*

4 p.m. — Grade 4-5 Children's Book Club, Ashburn Library: Discuss *The Westing Game* by Ellen Raskin and solve a mystery.

4 p.m. — Teen Tuesday: Gnome Garland, Sterling Library: Create a whimsical decoration for your home or locker.

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



Tuesday, Jan. 30 (continued)

4 p.m. — My First Book Club, Rust Library:

Read *The Night Sky* by Marion Dane Bauer and take part in related activities. *For Grades K-1.*

6 p.m. — Socrates and Snacks for Teens,

Gum Spring Library: Ponder a question. Listen and learn.



6:30 p.m. — Citizen Science: FrogWatch, Rust Library:

Learn how to identify local frogs and toads and how you can support Loudoun Wildlife Conservancy's Amphibian Monitoring Program. *For teens and adults.*



Meet Your Makerspace

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

Brambleton Library: Saturday, Feb. 3

Meet Your Makerspace

Learn how to use a sewing machine. *For teens and adults.*

Rust Library: Sunday, Feb. 4, 1-3 p.m.

Pattern Drafting Workshop

Make simple sewing patterns for clothing that will suit your exact measurements. *For adults.*

Gum Spring Library: Wednesday, Jan. 31, 10 a.m.

USB Microscopes Drop-In

Magnify small objects. *For teens and adults.*

Brambleton Library: Tuesday, Jan. 30, 6-8 p.m.

Vision Flags

Use a sewing machine to hem a bunting flag onto bias tape. This craft is inspired by Tibetan prayer flags and vision boards. *For Grade 9-adults.*

Sterling Library: Wednesday, Jan. 31, 3:30 p.m.

Note: Space and supplies are limited.

Tuesday, Jan. 30 (continued)

7 p.m. — Dementia 101 with Insight Memory Care,

Ashburn Library: Learn how to define dementia and distinguish the different types. Gain an understanding of the typical path of disease progression. *For adults.*

7 p.m. — Life in the Last Frontier, Virtual:

Patrice and Justin LaVigne share the everyday adventures and unique experiences of living in a dry cabin outside of Denali National Park in Alaska. *For adults.*



Wednesday, Jan. 31

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

10:45 a.m. — Playtime with Pals, Lovettsville Library:

Children play while caregivers connect with peers.

11 a.m. — Adult Book Club, Gum Spring Library:

Discuss *The Sympathizer* by Viet Thanh Nguyen.

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.

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. — Paint Pouring with Caitlin Keefe,

Cascades Library: Use chain pulls and balloons to create flowers and leaves as you experiment with paint pouring. Space and supplies are limited. *For adults.*

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. — Adult Book Club, Rust Library:

Discuss *The Tiger's Wife* by Téa Obreht.

Thursday, Feb. 1

10 a.m. — Puzzle Swap, Lovettsville Library: Drop by from 10 a.m. to noon to work on our latest jigsaw puzzle and to enjoy refreshments. Bring a puzzle to trade. *For adults.*

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

10:45 a.m. — Pilates for Parents, Ashburn Library: Instructor Clarissa Shepherd leads a class designed for caregivers and children (ages 0-18 months). Please wear movement-friendly clothing and bring your own mat.

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. — Melted Bead Creations, Ashburn Library: Use plastic beads and your imagination to create fused artwork. *For Grades K-5.*

4 p.m. — Builders Free Play, Brambleton Library: Tackle construction challenges. *For Grades K-5.*

4 p.m. — My First Book Club, Gum Spring Library: Read *The Bad Seed Goes to the Library* by Jory John and do activities. *For Grades K-1.*

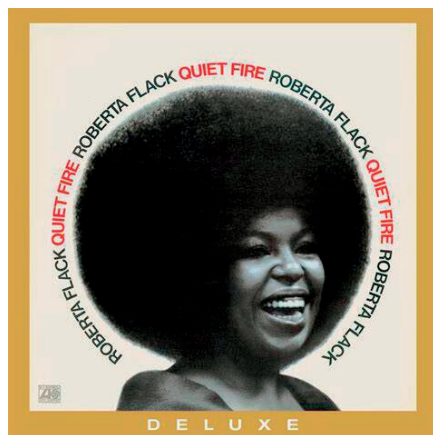
6 p.m. — DIY Adults: Valentine Dot Paint Coffee Mug, Ashburn Library

6 p.m. — Teen Volunteer Drop-In, Cascades Library: Help staff prepare for library programs.

6 p.m. — Teen Time: Gaming, Lovettsville Library: Drop in from 6 to 8 p.m. to play Nintendo Switch games.

6 p.m. — D&D Club for Teens, Rust Library: Take part in a one-shot *Dungeons & Dragons* adventure. Develop a new character or write a campaign of your own design.

6:30 p.m. — DIY Teens: Diamond Art Magnet, Ashburn Library: Choose a cupcake or donut design.



6:30 p.m. — 100 Years of Black Music in the Nation's Capital, Old Ox Brewery, 44652 Guilford Dr., #114, Ashburn: Historian Ken Avis uses film clips and recordings to celebrate the rich popular music culture that took Washington, D.C., and the world by storm. *For ages 21+.*

Thursday, Feb. 1 (continued)

7 p.m. — Book Trivia Night, Brambleton Library: Test your book knowledge. Refreshments provided. *For adults.*

7 p.m. — Grade 5-6 Children's Book Club: Book Box, Brambleton Library: Discuss books with a mystery theme.

7 p.m. — Drop-In Chess Club, Cascades Library: Play with fellow enthusiasts. *For teens and adults.*

7 p.m. — Searching for Birds of Prey, Rust Library: Birds of prey numbers increase dramatically each winter in Loudoun as resident species are joined by others. Raptor expert Liam McGranaghan talks about the habits of these birds and local places to find them. *For adults.*



7 p.m. — Grupo de discusión de libros en español, Sterling Library: Presentación del libro *Aprendiz* del autor peruano Alberto Caballero. This program will be in Spanish. *For adults.*

Friday, Feb. 2

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 and Brambleton 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.*

1 p.m. — Conversational Spanish, Sterling Library: Explore verb tenses and phonetic sounds in this interactive class. *For adults.*

4:30 p.m. — Teen Friday: Melted Crayon Art, Sterling Library

6 p.m. — After Hours Teen Center: Percy Jackson Night, Cascades Library: Enjoy pizza, crafts and this week's featured activity. For additional details, visit library.loudoun.gov/AHTC. *For Grades 6-12.*

Saturday, Feb. 3

11 a.m. — Lunar New Year Celebration,

Purcellville Library: *For children.*

11:30 a.m. — Kids Yoga with Chandana Achanta,

Gum Spring Library: *For Grades K-5.*

1 p.m. — Drop-In Chess Club,

Middleburg Library: Play with other enthusiasts from 1 to 3 p.m.

2 p.m. — DIY Teens: String Art,

Rust Library: Create your design by winding string around nails hammered into wood.



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.*

3 p.m. — Rust Writing Group, Rust Library: Hone your composition skills and connect with peers. *For adults.*

Sunday, Feb. 4

1:30 p.m. — Page to Screen, Purcellville Library: Watch the film adaptation of the book *Stardust* by Neil Gaiman, then talk about how faithful the movie (PG-13, 120 minutes) was to the source material. *For Grade 9-adults.*

2 p.m. — Live Music: The Fly Birds, Rust Library:

Listen to alternative, bluegrass and Appalachian music performed by Mary Dunlap on bass, Sarah Twigg on guitar and Elizabeth Baker on banjo and fiddle.



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.



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

ESOL at LCPL

Adult Book Club

Discuss *Almost American Girl* by Robin Ha.

Gum Spring Library: Monday, Jan. 29, 7 p.m.

Read *It Happened on Saturday* by Sydney Dunlap.

Sterling Library: Tuesday, Jan. 30, 5 p.m.

Business English

Sterling Library: Thursday, Feb. 1, 4 p.m.

English Conversation Group — Beginner

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

Sterling Library: Monday, Jan. 29, 7 p.m.

English Conversation Group — Intermediate/Advanced

Brambleton Library: Tuesday, Jan. 30, 7 p.m. and
Wednesday, Jan. 31, 10 a.m.

Rust Library: Thursday, Feb. 1, 7 p.m.

Sterling Library: Tuesday, Jan. 30, 4 p.m. and
Thursday, Feb. 1, 10 a.m.

Virtual: Monday, Jan. 29, 2 p.m.

English Conversation Group — All Levels

Ashburn Library: Tuesday, Jan. 30, 7 p.m. and
Thursday, Feb. 1, 10 a.m.

Cascades Library: Monday, Jan. 29, 11 a.m.

Gum Spring Library: Tuesday, Jan. 30, 7 p.m.

Middleburg Library: Tuesday, Jan. 30, 7 p.m.

Rust Library: Tuesday, Jan. 30, 10 a.m.

Sterling Library: Wednesday, Jan. 31, 7 p.m.



Go to "Loudoun County Public Library Online Programs" on YouTube to access recordings of our virtual programs.