# **Weekly Program Schedule**

# **In-Person and Virtual Programs**

# Nov. 18-24, 2024



# Photography on Tap Feedback for Your Images

Old Ox Brewery, 44652 Guilford Dr., #114, Ashburn Thursday, Nov. 21, 6:30 p.m.

National Geographic photographer Jeff Mauritzen will display images anonymously on a big screen and provide helpful tips. To participate, arrive 30 minutes before the program to share a digital file of your work. *For ages 21+*.

# Monday, Nov. 18

10 a.m. – Busy Babies, Brambleton Library: Build your baby's gross and fine motor skills through age-appropriate sensory play. For ages 0-2 with a caregiver.
10 a.m. – Messy Monday, Lovettsville Library: Make art and play with sensory toys. For children with a caregiver.
1 p.m. – Adult Book Club, Lovettsville Library: Discuss Remarkable Creatures by Tracy Chevalier.
1:30 p.m. – Pre-K Skill Builders, Purcellville Library
2 p.m. – Adult Yoga: Flow, Middleburg Library: This slow-flow class is adaptable to any level of experience.
3 p.m. – Even Messier Monday, Lovettsville Library: For Grades 1-5.

3:30 p.m. – Little Artists, Sterling Library: For children.
4 p.m. – Mickey and Minnie Mouse Birthday Bash,
Gum Spring Library: For children.

**4 p.m. – Teen Movie Club,** Sterling Library: Watch Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse (PG, 117 minutes).

# Monday, Nov. 18 (continued)

4:30 p.m. – The Write Stuff: Creative Writing Club, Cascades Library: For Grades 3-5.
6 p.m. – Writing Group, Ashburn Library: For adults.
6 p.m. – Picture Book Basics, Gum Spring Library: Author Laura Renauld offers a crash course in writing picture books, including best practices, industry standards and an overview of revision strategies. For Grade 9-adults.



6 p.m. – Teen Sewing School: Stuffed Pumpkins,
Rust Library: Practice sewing curves and gather lines.
6 p.m. – NaNoWriMo Write-In, Sterling Library:
Take on the challenge of writing a novel. For adults.
6:30 p.m. – Teen Cuisine: Pumpkin Cheesecake,
Cascades Library: Make this seasonal, no-bake dessert.
7 p.m. – Haunted Northern Virginia, Cascades Library:
Author Alex Matsuo delves deep into the region's ghostly
lore, sharing stories from historic battlefields, old towns
and Arlington National Cemetery. For Grade 9-adults.

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



# Monday, Nov. 18 (continued) 7 p.m. – Adult Book Club, Middleburg Library: Discuss The Talented Mr. Ripley by Patricia Highsmith. 7 p.m. – Adult Book Club: Book to Art, Gum Spring Library: Discuss Paladin's Grace by T. Kingfisher and make art inspired by the book. 7 p.m. – Writing Group, Gum Spring Library: For adults.

## Tuesday, Nov. 19

9:30 a.m. – Sensory Play, Lovettsville Library:
Children play while caregivers connect. For ages 0-5.
10:30 a.m. – Messy Art, Cascades Library:
For ages 18 months-5 with a caregiver.
11 a.m. – Tech Help, Brambleton Library: Learn basic skills for the computer, mobile devices, social media and other technology. For adults.

# ESOL at LCPL

#### **Adult Book Club**

**Ashburn Library:** Thursday, Nov. 21, 10 a.m. Discuss *The Paris Library* by Janet Skeslien Charles.

Business English Sterling Library: Thursday, Nov. 21, 4 p.m.

#### **English Practice — Beginner**

**Gum Spring Library:** Thursday, Nov. 21, 1 p.m. **Sterling Library:** Monday, Nov. 18, 7 p.m. and Wednesday, Nov. 20, 7 p.m.

## English Practice — Intermediate/Advanced

Brambleton Library: Tuesday, Nov. 19, 7 p.m. and Wednesday, Nov. 20, 10 a.m.
Rust Library: Tuesday, Nov. 19, 10 a.m.
Sterling Library: Tuesday, Nov. 19, 4 p.m. and Thursday, Nov. 21, 10 a.m.
Virtual: Monday, Nov. 18, 2 p.m.

## **English Practice — All Levels**

Ashburn Library: Tuesday, Nov. 19, 7 p.m. and Thursday, Nov. 21, 10 a.m.Cascades Library: Monday, Nov. 18, 11 a.m.

**Gum Spring Library:** Tuesday, Nov. 19, 7 p.m. **Middleburg Library:** Monday, Nov. 18, 7 p.m. **Rust Library:** Thursday, Nov. 21, 5:30 p.m.

**English Pronunciation Practice Sterling Library:** Tuesday, Nov. 19, 5 p.m.

# Tuesday, Nov. 19 (continued)

# 11 a.m. – Decluttering for the Holidays,

Cascades Library: Transform your space into a joyful, organized haven with guidance from decluttering expert Carolyn Bledsoe Masters. *For Grade 9-adults*.

**11 a.m. – Homeschool Enrichment: Art,** Purcellville Library: Make Perler bead crafts. *For ages* 7-12.



**1 p.m. – Adult Book Club: Mystery,** Purcellville Library: Discuss *Redemption Road* by John Hart.

**2 p.m. – Homeschool Enrichment: Make and Learn,** Gum Spring Library: Get acquainted with Makerspace technology and gadgets. *For Grades 2-6*.

2 p.m. – Adult Yoga: Chair, Middleburg Library
2 p.m. – Adult Book Club, Rust Library:

Discuss Code Talker by Joseph Bruchac. **3 p.m.** – **Tech Help**, Cascades Library: Stop by from
3 to 5 p.m. for help with your phone, tablet or computer.

**4 p.m.** – **Grade 4-5 Children's Book Club**, Ashburn Library: Decorate a journal and pen while you

Ashburn Library: Decorate a journal and pen while you discuss *Frindle* by Andrew Clements.

4 p.m. – Art at the Library, Brambleton Library: Learn about colors while you craft. For Grades 2-5.
4 p.m. – My First Book Club, Cascades Library: Read a story together and make a craft. For Grades K-1.

**4 p.m. – Grade 2-3 Children's Book Club**, Rust Library: Discuss *March of the Ankylosaurus* by Rex Stone and participate in book-themed activities.

**4:30 p.m. – Teen Tuesday: Zodiac Signs Artwork,** Sterling Library

6 p.m. – Teen Art Hour, Gum Spring Library
6:30 p.m. – Anime Club for Teens, Ashburn Library:
Play *Jeopardy*! and compete for prizes.

**6:30 p.m.** – Science on Tap: The Secrets of Life, Old Ox Brewery, 44652 Guilford Dr., #114, Ashburn:

Teng-Leong Chew, director of Advanced Imaging at HHMI's Janelia Research Campus, explores the hidden wonders of cellular structures using cuttingedge microscopy techniques. *For ages 21+*. **7 p.m. – Adult Book Club:** 



**Around the World,** Cascades Library: This month's destination is Austria. Discuss *The Only Woman in the Room* by Marie Benedict.

7 p.m. – DIY Adults: Hanging Art Mobile, Rust Library

# Wednesday, Nov. 20

11:30 a.m. – Common Threads, Ashburn Library: Chat with others as you knit, crochet or stitch. For adults.
1 p.m. – Meet with a Law Librarian, Purcellville Library: Drop in from 1 to 5 p.m. to talk about your legal information and resource needs. For adults.

**1 p.m. – Common Threads,** Sterling Library: Chat with other crafters as you knit, crochet or stitch. *For adults*.

2 p.m. — Common Threads: Create for a Cause,

Cascades Library: Make hats and mittens of all sizes to be distributed by Women Giving Back. For Grade 9-adults.

# 2 p.m. – Wednesday Wind Down,

A de-stressing activity. For adults.



2 p.m. – Meet Your Neighbor, Rust Library: Gather for coffee, tea, treats and conversation. For adults. 3:30 p.m. – After-School Art, Purcellville Library: Learn about Salvador Dalí. For Grades K-3. 4 p.m. — STEAM Club: Balloon Science. Gum Spring Library: For Grades K-5. 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. – D&D Club for Teens, Lovettsville Library: Explore the world of Dungeons & Dragons. 6 p.m. – Family Crafts, Lovettsville Library 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.** – **Reading Help for Adults,** Cascades Library: Work with a trained speech and language pathologist. 7 p.m. – Adult Book Club: Classics, Gum Spring Library: Discuss A Raisin in the Sun by Lorraine Hansberry. 7 p.m. – Adult Book Club, Purcellville Library: Discuss The Quantum Spy by David Ignatius. 7 p.m. – Meet the Author: Mona Susan Power, Virtual: Power talks about A Council of Dolls, which shines a light on Indian boarding schools and the historical massacres

# Thursday, Nov. 21

of Indigenous people. For Grade 9-adults.

**10 a.m. — Busy Babies,** Ashburn Library: Build your baby's gross and fine motor skills through age-appropriate sensory play. For ages 0-2 with a caregiver.

10 a.m. – Pre-K Skill Builders, Lovettsville Library
11 a.m. – Adult Book Club, Cascades Library:
Discuss Rock Paper Scissors by Alice Feeney.
11 a.m. – Adult Book Club: Mystery, Gum Spring Library:
Discuss The Housemaid by Freida McFadden.

# Thursday, Nov. 21 (continued)

11 a.m. – Adult Book Club: Book to Art, Sterling Library: Discuss Long Bright River by Liz Moore and make art.
1 p.m. – Socrates Cafe, Purcellville Library: Gather with others to ponder a question. Listen and learn. For adults.
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. – Birthday Science, Ashburn Library: For Grades K-5.
4 p.m. – Marvelous Marbling, Brambleton Library: Create while exploring marbling methods. For Grades K-5.
5 p.m. – Teen Book Club: Case Closed, Brambleton Library: Use evidence to solve a mystery based on Your Lonely Nights Are Over by Adam Sass.

5 p.m. – Teen Book Club: Choose Your Own Book, Gum Spring Library: Talk about what you've read.

**5:30 p.m. – DIY Teens and Adults: Holiday Decorations,** Cascades Library

6 p.m. – D&D Club for Teens, Rust Library:

Take part in a one-shot *Dungeons & Dragons* adventure. **6:30 p.m. – Adult Crafternight: Dessert Plating and Craft,** Gum Spring Library: Decorate a plate with decoupage and learn techniques for presenting desserts.

**6:30 p.m. – Become a Homeowner,** Sterling Library: Get pointers for finding the right home for your budget and navigating the mortgage process. Co-presented by Truist.

7 p.m. – DIY Teens: Doodles and Donuts, Ashburn Library: Make a watercolor design and eat a sweet treat.

7 p.m. – Drawing Workshop,

Ashburn Library: Learn how to give your portraits character with artist Jyotsna Umesh. *For Grade 9-adults*.



# Friday, Nov. 22

10 a.m. – Pre-K Skill Builders, Ashburn Library
10 a.m. – Little Artists, Lovettsville Library: For children.
10:30 a.m. – Puppet Play, Cascades Library: For ages 0-5.
1 p.m. – Builders Free Play, Lovettsville Library:
Drop in between 1 and 4:30 p.m. For children.
5 p.m. – Teen Game Night, Brambleton Library
6 p.m. – After Hours Teen Center: Human Ring Toss,
Cascades Library: For Grades 6-12.



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

# Saturday, Nov. 23

**1 p.m. — Read With Me Book Club,** Purcellville Library: Discuss Winnie-the-Pooh by A. A. Milne and make a craft. For Grades 2-5 with a caregiver.

2 p.m. – D&D for Adults, Cascades Library: Take part in a *Dungeons and Dragons* adventure.
2 p.m. – Live Music: Origem, Cascades Library: This dynamic quintet blends Brazilian rhythms with jazz and funk to create a vibrant, unique sound.

**6 p.m. – Star Party: View the Night Sky**, Rust Library: Use telescopes to observe wonders of the universe. This event is in the field adjacent to Rust Library, weather permitting. Park at the library and follow the path to the observation area. Limited accessible parking is also available closer to the field. Co-presented by the Northern Virginia Astronomy Club. Stop by between 6 and 10 p.m.



# Sunday, Nov. 24

1 p.m. – Drop-In Mahjong, Cascades Library:
Play the tile game from 1 to 3 p.m. For Grade 9-adults.
1 p.m.– Gobble, Gobble, Shh!, Purcellville Library:
Help a paper turkey enjoy Thanksgiving by giving it an imaginative disguise! For children.

**1 p.m. – Death Cafe,** Rust Library: Eat cake, drink tea, and discuss your feelings and thoughts about death. Sharon Crowell, a death doula, facilitates. *For Grade 9-adults*.

#### 2 p.m. – Live Music: Guitarist Cristian Perez,

Gum Spring Library: Listen to a holiday performance of classical, jazz, and South American songs.

**2 p.m. – Live Music: Pictrola,** Rust Library: This quintet incorporates modern themes into traditional bluegrass.

# For complete program details, visit **library.loudoun.gov/calendar**.

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### Hand Embroidery

Work on your current needlepoint or hand embroidery project or start a new one. *For adults*. **Gum Spring Library:** Wednesday, Nov. 20, 10 a.m.

#### Intro to Glowforge

Craft a key chain using the laser printer. *For adults*. **Sterling Library:** Tuesday, Nov. 19, 7 p.m.

#### Machine Embroidery Drop-In

Make a small project using this month's featured equipment. *For teens and adults*. **Brambleton Library:** Tuesday, Nov. 19, 10 a.m.-noon

#### Machine Sew Hand Warmers

Learn machine-sewing basics. *For adults*. **Gum Spring Library:** Thursday, Nov. 21, 3-6 p.m.

#### Meet Your Makerspace

Stop by for a guided tour from 10 a.m. to noon. Brambleton Library: Saturday, Nov. 23

#### **Memory Sublimation Pillows**

Make a decorative throw pillow using your favorite pictures. *For teens and adults*. **Sterling Library:** Friday, Nov. 22, 4:30 p.m.

#### **Mending Clothes Basics**

Learn how to hem, reattach a button, or patch a small tear. *For Grade 9-adults*. **Rust Library:** Saturday, Nov. 22, 2 p.m.



# Thanksgiving Cactus Transplant Drop-In

Bring your own pot, if possible. *For teens and adults*. **Brambleton Library:** Thursday, Nov. 21, 6-8 p.m.

#### Wood Sublimation Art

Create a small piece of wall art. *For Grade 9-adults*. **Brambleton Library:** Monday, Nov. 18, 7 p.m.