

Weekly Program Schedule

In-Person and Virtual Programs

Dec. 2-8, 2024



The Night Before Christmas

Presented by Rainbow Puppets

Purcellville Library — Thursday, Dec. 5, 6 p.m.

Brambleton Library — Friday, Dec. 6, 6:30 p.m.

Cascades Library — Saturday, Dec. 7, noon

Gum Spring Library — Saturday, Dec. 7, 3 p.m.

The beloved Clement Clarke Moore poem is brought to life with colorful puppets, original songs and recorded narration by actor Mickey Rooney.

Monday, Dec. 2

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.*

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

1:30 p.m. — Messy Monday, Gum Spring Library: Create with paint. *For ages 18 months-5 with a caregiver.*

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



Monday, Dec. 2 (continued)

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

4:30 p.m. — Grade 4-6 Children's Book Club: Graphic Novels, Rust Library: Discuss *El Deafo* by Cece Bell.

6 p.m. — Monday Mix-Up, Rust Library: Watch an episode of *Gilmore Girls* and design a tote bag. *For teens.*

6:30 p.m. — Adult Book Club: Crafter's Choice, Brambleton Library: Share a book with the theme "A Light in the Dark" and create a lighted book nook.

6:30 p.m. — Draw with Pastels, Purcellville Library: Draw a brilliant fall tree with instructions by artist Caitlin Keefe.

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

Tuesday, Dec. 3

9:30 a.m. — Sensory Play, Lovettsville Library:

Children play while caregivers connect. *For ages 0-5.*

10 a.m. — Watercolor Workshop, Virtual: Paint a cupcake with artist Megha Mehra. *For teens and adults.*



11 a.m. — Tech Help, Brambleton Library: Learn basic skills for the computer, mobile devices, social media and other technology. *For adults.*

11 a.m. — Homeschool Enrichment: Science, Purcellville Library: Make a mini golf hole. *For ages 7-12.*

Tuesday, Dec. 3 (continued)

2 p.m. — Ski Lodge Relaxation Room, Brambleton Library:
Drop by the faux fireside for self-care crafts and refreshments. *For Grade 9-adults.*

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

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. — Nature Explorers, Ashburn Library:
Make ornaments out of twigs. *For Grades K-5.*

4 p.m. — My First Book Club, Rust Library: Read *Goodbye Autumn, Hello Winter* by Kenard Pak. *For Grades K-1.*

4:30 p.m. — Teen Tuesday: Mosaic Coasters, Sterling Library



3D Design with Tinkercad

Create a simple project. *For teens and adults.*

Brambleton Library: Monday, Dec. 2, 7 p.m.

Cameo Cutter Drop-In

Make a small craft. *For teens and adults.*

Brambleton Library: Tuesday, Dec. 3, 10 a.m.-noon

Crochet Workshop

Learn basic stitches and patterns. *For adults.*

Gum Spring Library: Wednesday, Dec. 4, 10 a.m.

Embroidered Cards Drop In

Hand embroider holiday cards. *For Grade 9-adults.*

Gum Spring Library: Tuesday, Dec. 3, 6-8 p.m.

Glowforge Holiday Ornament Drop-In

Laser engrave a design on a small wooden ornament.
For Grade 9-adults.

Gum Spring Library: Thursday, Dec. 5, 3-6 p.m.

Meet Your Makerspace

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

Brambleton Library: Saturday, Dec. 7

Sublimation 101

Learn the basics while you make an ornament.

Rust Library: Sunday, Dec. 8, 2 p.m.

Sublimation Coasters

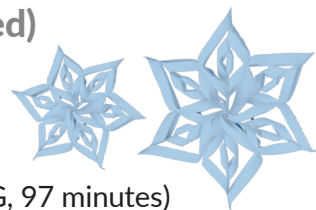
Prepare wood for sublimation and take home a personalized pine coaster. *For teens and adults.*

Brambleton Library: Saturday, Dec. 7, 2 p.m.

Note: Supplies and space are limited at programs.

Tuesday, Dec. 3 (continued)

6 p.m. — DIY Teens: 3D Paper Snowflakes, Gum Spring Library



6 p.m. — Holiday Movie Night, Middleburg Library: Watch *Elf* (PG, 97 minutes) and make a craft.

7 p.m. — Adult Book Club, Ashburn Library and Virtual:
Discuss *The Elegance of the Hedgehog* by Muriel Barbery.

Wednesday, Dec. 4

11:30 a.m. — Common Threads, Ashburn Library: Sara Gustafson demonstrates the art of spinning. *For adults.*

Noon — Adult Book Club: George C. Marshall

International Center, Virtual: Discuss *Tyranny of the Minority* by Steven Levitsky.

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

2 p.m. — Meet Your Neighbor, Rust Library: Gather for coffee, tea, treats, and conversation. *For adults.*

2 p.m. — Meet the Author: Dr. Jeffrey Post, Virtual:
The emeritus curator of the Smithsonian National Gem Collection shares scandals, mysteries and human tales from his book *Unearthed: Surprising Stories Behind the Jewels*. *For Grade 9-adults.*



Wednesday, Dec. 4 (continued)

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. — Twelve Hidden Rebels: The Lesser-Known Washington Memorials, Cascades Library: Master guide Tony Spadafora shares the stories of revolutionaries who played integral roles in the evolution of our country and inspired the rest of the world. *For teens and adults.*

6:30 p.m. — Art at the Library: Claude Monet, Gum Spring Library: Learn about the impressionist painter and create your own masterpiece. *For Grades K-5.*

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: Book to Art, Ashburn Library: Discuss *The Giver of Stars* by Jojo Moyes and make art inspired by the book.

7 p.m. — Writing in Rhyme, Cascades Library: Local picture book author Debra Kempf Shumaker explains rhyme and meter and other poetic techniques to help your writing sing. The session includes hands-on writing time.

7 p.m. — Winter Trivia, Route 7 Brewery, 20051 Riverside Commons Plaza, #148, Ashburn: *For ages 21+.*

7 p.m. — Adult Book Club: Oh, the Horror!, Rust Library: Discuss *Rebecca* by Daphne du Maurier.

Thursday, Dec. 5

10 a.m. — Puzzle Swap, Lovettsville Library: *For adults.*

10:45 a.m. — Pilates for Parents, Ashburn Library: Instructor Clarissa Shepherd leads a class designed for caregivers and young children ages 0-18 months.

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

2 p.m. — Conversational German, Purcellville Library

Thursday, Dec. 5 (continued)

2 p.m. — Tech Help, Rust Library: Stop by from 2 to 4 p.m.

3:30 p.m. — DIY Kids, Sterling Library: Use Makerspace tools and supplies to complete a project. *For Grades K-5.*

4 p.m. — Art at the Library, Ashburn Library: Use glue, salt and watercolors to create. *For Grades K-5.*

4 p.m. — Builders Free Play, Brambleton Library: Tackle building challenges. *For children with a caregiver.*

4 p.m. — My First Book Club, Gum Spring Library: Read a selection from the *Flubby* series by J. E. Morris and do activities. *For Grades K-1.*

6 p.m. — Drop-In Chess Club, Ashburn Library: *For teens and adults.*

6 p.m. — Teen Volunteer Drop-In, Cascades Library: Help staff prepare for library programs from 6 to 8 p.m.

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

6:30 p.m. — From Broadway to the Boardroom, Ashburn Library: Learn acting skills — concentration, focus, relaxation, and creative thinking — and how to apply them for positive reviews and success in your personal and professional life. Actor and director Kate Beckman presents. *For Grade 9-adults.*



7 p.m. — Adult Book Club, Brambleton Library: Discuss *A Tale for the Time Being* by Ruth Ozeki.

7 p.m. — Meditation and Movement for Calm and Peace, Gum Spring Library: Instructor Gretchen Schutte leads this gentle, mindful session. *For Grade 9-adults.*

7 p.m. — Grupo de discusión de libros en español, Sterling Library: Discusión del libro *Historia del Rey Transparente* de la autora Rosa Montero. *For adults.*

7:30 p.m. — Hello Jupiter! Planet Viewing Party, Lovettsville Library: Astronomer Jeremy Gaulke presents.



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

Friday, Dec. 6

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

10 a.m. — Little Artists, Lovettsville Library: *For children.*

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

1 p.m. — Hearing Screenings, Cascades Library:
Email Loudoun@nvrc.org to schedule an appointment with Northern Virginia Resource Center for the Deaf & Hard of Hearing Persons. *For adults.*

1 p.m. — Builders Free Play, Lovettsville Library:
Drop in between 1 and 4:30 p.m. *For children.*

2 p.m. — DIY: Penguin Ornaments, Middleburg Library

5 p.m. — DIY Teens: Frankentoys, Brambleton Library:
Use scissors and glue to create.

6 p.m. — After Hours Teen Center: DJ Matt Ocean, Cascades Library: *For Grades 6-12.*

Saturday, Dec. 7

10 a.m. — PRCS WinterFest,
Hal & Berni Hanson Regional Park,
42071 Nature Overlook Drive, Aldie:
Visit with library staff at this free,
family-friendly celebration. We'll
host "Fireside Stories" at 10:30 a.m.,
11:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 p.m.

Noon — Live Music: Pianist Caleb Nei, Middleburg Library:
Listen to love songs, jazz standards and holiday favorites.

1 p.m. — Family Holiday Crafts, Sterling Library

2 p.m. — Volunteer Fair, Ashburn Library: *For teens.*

2 p.m. — Teen Photographers, Brambleton Library:
Learn the basics of Adobe Photoshop. Explore different
tools and their uses and get tips on essential techniques for
every beginner. Space is limited.

2 p.m. — Live Music: Danny Webber and Cam Millar,
Purcellville Library: Hear holiday tunes with a jazzy twist
performed by the guitarist and trombonist.

Sunday, Dec. 8

1 p.m. — Drop-In Mahjong, Cascades Library:
Play the tile game from 1 to 3 p.m. *For Grade 9-adults.*

1:30 p.m. — Live Music: Old Dominion Chorus,
Ashburn Library: Enjoy carols and yuletide tunes.

2 p.m. — Live Music: Danny Webber and Cam Millar,
Gum Spring Library: The duo performs holiday favorites.

3:30 p.m. — Paws to Read, Ashburn Library:
Therapy dogs and their Heeling House caregivers read
with your child. Space is limited. *For Grades K-5.*



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Adult Book Club

Sterling Library: Tuesday, Dec. 3, 5 p.m.
Read *Pride and Prejudice* by Jane Austen.

Business English

Sterling Library: Thursday, Dec. 5, 4 p.m.

Craft and Chat

Gum Spring Library: Monday, Dec. 2, 7 p.m.

English Practice — Beginner

Gum Spring Library: Thursday, Dec. 5, 1 p.m.

Sterling Library: Monday, Dec. 2, 7 p.m. and
Wednesday, Dec. 4, 7 p.m.

English Practice — Intermediate/Advanced

Brambleton Library: Tuesday, Dec. 3, 7 p.m. and
Wednesday, Dec. 4, 10 a.m.

Rust Library: Tuesday, Dec. 3, 10 a.m.

Sterling Library: Tuesday, Dec. 3, 4 p.m. and
Thursday, Dec. 5, 10 a.m.

Virtual: Monday, Dec. 2, 2 p.m.

English Practice — All Levels

Ashburn Library: Tuesday, Dec. 3, 7 p.m. and
Thursday, Dec. 5, 10 a.m.

Cascades Library: Monday, Dec. 2, 11 a.m.

Gum Spring Library: Tuesday, Dec. 3, 7 p.m.

Middleburg Library: Monday, Dec. 2, 7 p.m.

Rust Library: Thursday, Dec. 5, 5:30 p.m.

Makerspace for English Learners

Sterling Library: Wednesday, Dec. 4, 4 p.m.

Pick up basic English words while you work on a
project using the Carvey machine.

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.