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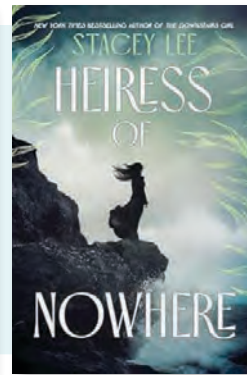
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March

Life: A Love Story by Elizabeth Berg

Heiress of Nowhere by Stacey Lee

Future Book by Mac Barnett and Shawn Harris

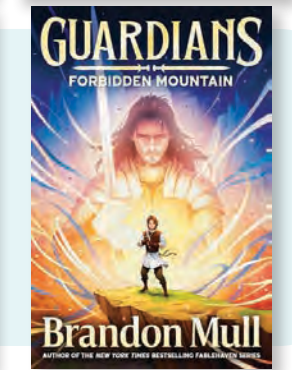


April

We Burned so Bright by TJ Klune

Piper at the Gates of Dusk by Patrick Ness

Forbidden Mountain by Brandon Mull

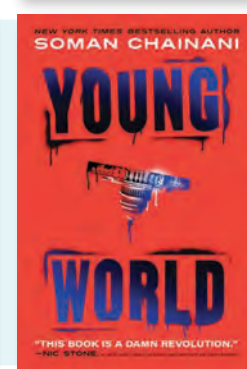


May

The Midnight Train by Matt Haig

Young World by Soman Chainani

Renegades #1: The Magic Awakens by Erin Hunter



National Library Week

April 19-25

Join us April 19-25 for a week filled with fun, creativity, and community as we celebrate the power of libraries to inspire, connect, and enrich lives. Enjoy storytimes with our beloved mascot Ripple, shop new merchandise, and participate in Spirit Week activities, creative stations, and more!



Yard Signs

Show your library love with a “Community Starts At My Library” yard sign. Available for free starting April 19 at all locations (while supplies last).

New Merch

A fresh wave of library pride is on the way! Starting April 19, browse new merchandise in our online store. www.bonfire.com/store/richmond-public-library/

Spirit Week

Gear up for seven days of excitement with Spirit Week! Every day offers a fresh way to show your love of reading and support of the library.

Sunday	Hats Off for Reading	Wear your favorite hat!
Monday	Favorite Book Day	Dress up as your favorite book or character.
Tuesday	Reading Rocks	Rock your favorite band shirt.
Wednesday	Shelfie Day	Wear something with words, quotes, or images related to books.
Thursday	Team Up and Read Day	Sport your favorite team’s jersey.
Friday	Library Love Day	Show off your favorite Richmond Public Library shirt.
Saturday	Favorite Genre Day	Represent your favorite genre with a color or accessory.

Ripple Storytimes

Read, dance, and take photos with Ripple during these very special National Library Week storytimes.

Main	4/19	3:30PM	Hull Street	4/21	10:30AM	Westover Hills	4/23	10:30AM
East End	4/20	11:00AM	Ginter Park	4/22	10:30AM	North Avenue	4/23	1:00PM
Broad Rock	4/20	5:30PM	Belmont	4/22	3:00PM	West End	4/25	10:30AM

Bookmark-Making Stations

Stop by any location during library hours and unleash your creativity at our all-ages bookmark-making stations. Design and decorate your own unique placeholders using a variety of materials—perfect for keeping your spot in your current book or for sharing with a friend.

Lit Happens: National Library Week Book Social

Enjoy coffee shop vibes for free! Join us in the Teen Space for a book social with friends, snacks on us, and a creative bookmark design bar during National Library Week. **Main 4/8 4:00PM**

rvalibrary.org/events/national-library-week/



Adults

Author Talks

An Evening of Hospitality and Heart with John Cario

Join us for an inspiring evening with Richmond writer John Cario, author of *A Room at the Inn: My Journey through Hospitality*.

Main 3/19 5:30PM



Book Clubs

Page Turners

A reading group for older teens and adults with Down syndrome, autism, cerebral palsy, and other intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Main Tuesdays 10:30AM

READ Out Loud Book Club

Practice reading and share the joy of books in a supportive weekly group with READ RVA tutors. All levels welcome!

Ginter Park Thursdays* 1:00PM

*Except 4/9, 4/16, 4/23

Show & Tell Book Club

Discover new books! Make new friends! Bring any book you are currently reading and share it with the group.

Broad Rock 3/3, 4/7, 5/5 6:30PM

Found in Translation Book Discussion

Cultivate curiosity and uncover surprising truths about yourself and the world.

Main 3/3, 5/5 6:30PM

Library Teatime Book Society

Join the Library Teatime Book Society, a quarterly book club for mothers and daughters to explore the world of tea together.

Hull Street 3/10 5:15PM

Droids & Dragons: A Sci-Fi/Fantasy Book Club

Whether you dream of exploring distant galaxies or ancient enchanted realms, we dive into the best of sci-fi and fantasy—one epic tale at a time.

Hull Street 6:30PM

3/12 *Parable of the Sower* by Octavia Butler

4/9 *Hitchhikers Guide to the Galaxy* by Douglas Adams

5/14 *Lucky Day* by Chuck Tingle

Senior Book Club

For residents of Richmond 55+. Join us for a book club led by the Office of Aging & Disability Services.

Hull Street	3/16, 4/20, 5/18	10:15AM
Belmont	3/18, 4/15, 5/20	10:15AM
Westover Hills	3/20, 4/17, 5/15	10:15AM
Broad Rock	3/20, 4/17, 5/15	1:00PM

Book Banter

The only thing better than a good book is a good book discussion!

Westover Hills 6:00PM

3/16 *Factory Girls* by Michelle Gellen

4/13 *Martyr!* by Kaveh Akbar

5/11 *Interior Chinatown* by Charles Yu

Walk & Talk

Take a stroll with a walking library book club!

Westover Hills 3/18, 4/15, 5/20 10:00AM

Recent Award-Winning Fiction Book Club

Read and discuss acclaimed contemporary novels that have captured critics' praise and literary awards.

East End 3/19, 4/16, 5/21 6:00PM

Community Action Book Club

Engage in book talks covering such topics as green spaces, housing, and sustainability, and enjoy snacks on us.

Hull Street 3/20, 4/17, 5/15 12:00PM

Horror, Fantasy, & Sci-Fi Book Club

Love horror, fantasy, or sci-fi? We'll discuss a new book each month.

Ginter Park 3/20, 4/17, 5/15 4:30PM

Patterson Pages

Take part in a lively discussion on a variety of titles, both fiction and nonfiction.

West End 1:00PM

3/21 *Who is Government? The Untold Story of Public Service* by Michael Lewis

4/18 *Tomorrow, and Tomorrow, and Tomorrow* by Gabrielle Zevin

5/16 *The Girls of Atomic City: The Untold Story of the Women Who Helped Win World War II* by Denise Kiernan

Reading History Together

A quarterly book discussion focused on classic or recently published works of narrative nonfiction, including general histories and biographies. March's selection is *Mr. President, How Long Must We Wait?: Alice Paul, Woodrow Wilson, and the Fight for the Right to Vote* by Tina Cassidy.

Main 3/25 6:30PM

Silent Reading Party

Quiet reading time with minimal chatting—bring your book and mug to enjoy!

West End 3/29, 4/26, 5/31 2:00PM

Just the Facts

Explore history and adventure—from Roman legions to Everest and Kon-Tiki—in our nonfiction book club.

East End 3/31, 4/28, 5/26 6:00PM

As Seen on TV Book Club

We'll explore well-loved titles of fictional (and sometimes real!) characters! The reading for April will be *Naruto* as featured in the tv series, *Heartstopper*.

Main 4/1 6:00PM

Crafting & Needle Arts

Library Yarns

Bring your portable handwork project for an informal group experience. Teens and adults welcome.

Belmont Mondays 1:00PM
*Except 2nd Mondays

The Crafting Hour

Participants will be led through a single project that they can take home.

Westover Hills 6:30PM

3/2 Beware the Evil Eyes of March
4/6 Felt Succulents
5/4 Decoupage Collage

Belmont Crafters

Create projects that range from easy to intermediate.

Belmont 4:00PM

3/11 Spring Welcome Sign
5/13 CD Mosaic Art

Art Club

Learn a new skill while connecting to others or share your expertise.

Main 10:00AM

3/14 Decoupage Collage
4/25 Sewing Basics for Beginners

Stitching Circle

Grab your hooks or needles and your current project to work on with other fiber art enthusiasts.

Westover Hills 3/14, 4/11, 5/9 2:00PM

Crafting Conversations

Make something special at our relaxed, monthly crafting meetup.

West End 10:00AM

3/16 Introduction to Paper Quilling
4/13 Rock Mandalas
5/11 Decoupage DIY Spring Flowerpots

Yarn Yippee!

For individuals working on personal projects to come together, socialize, and learn from each other. Some beginner supplies available.

Main 3/18, 4/15, 5/20 6:00PM

Hobbit Door Wreath

Celebrate Tolkien Reading Day and National Craft Month by creating your own Hobbit door wreath.

Ginter Park 3/25 6:00PM

Mellow Markers

Whether solo or social, join fellow coloring enthusiasts in a welcoming meetup for all skill levels.

Ginter Park 4/10, 5/22 4:30PM

Snail Mail Workshop

Use fun materials to make a beautiful letter to mail to a friend or family member—or get paired up with a pen pal.

Main 4/22 6:00PM

Color & Flow

Welcome the season by experiencing the art of watercolor.

Ginter Park 4:30PM

4/24 Florals
5/8 Mother's Day Cards

Fun & Games

Virtual Bowling for Senior Adults

No special shoes or heavy ball to roll. Play seated or standing, only lifting up to one pound. All abilities welcome.

West End Mondays 2:00PM

Tabletop/Board Games

Was it Colonel Mustard, in the study, with the lead pipe? We have all the classics here along with decks of cards. All ages welcome.

North Avenue Wednesdays 4:00-6:00PM

Good Morning Game

Play games and connect with fellow patrons! Try video games, board games, or puzzles in a fun, social setting.

Main 3/4 11:00AM

Gaming & Theory

Adulting is hard—game night isn't. We've got the dice, sheets, and games ready. You just bring yourself.

West End 3/7, 4/4, 5/2 1:00PM

Puzzle Meetup

Bring a puzzle to swap then sip tea and chat while working on your new find.

Main 3/22 1:00PM


Disney Pin Trading and Trivia

Trade official Disney pins and play Disney trivia for a shot at a limited-edition pin. Authentic pins only; no sales. All ages welcome.

Westover Hills 3/28 2:00PM




Nerdy Wordy Adult Spelling Bee

 Enter our Adult Spelling Bee to match wits for some nerdy wordy fun! You can play solo or bring a team of friends (up to 4 people).


Belmont 3/30, 4/29, 5/18 6:15PM

The Brain-Tingling Puzzle-Solving Competition

 Individuals or teams of up to 4 can compete to see who can put together a 500-piece puzzle the fastest.

Belmont 4/15 5:00PM

Gently Used Toy Swap

 Refresh your toy bin the eco-friendly and budget-happy way by swapping toys with other community members.

Belmont 5/8 11:00AM

Health & Fitness

Fitness Warriors: Feeling Fit with Pat

Have fun with Pat in a relaxed, low-to-moderate impact workout.

Ginter Park Mondays 6:30PM

Libraries with Heart

Get your blood pressure checked at your local library. Blood pressure kits are also available for checkout. This program is provided in partnership with VCU Health, American Heart Association, Daily Planet, and Capital Area Health Network.

Main 1st Mondays 11:00AM-1:00PM

3rd Saturdays 11:00AM-1:00PM

Broad Rock 3rd Mondays 3:30-5:30PM

Ginter Park 3rd Tuesdays 11:00AM-1:00PM

North Avenue 4th Tuesdays 11:00AM-1:00PM


East End 2nd Wednesdays 11:00AM-1:00PM

Hull Street 2nd Thursdays 5:00-7:00PM

Westover Hills 1st Saturdays 11:00AM-1:00PM


Lifelong Learning

Richmond Writing Community

 Whether new or experienced, meet writers, sharpen your craft, and exchange feedback in a supportive community.

Hull Street Fridays 1:30PM

Buying 101: How Buying a Home Works

 First-time homebuyer workshop with potential grants (up to \$25,000) for program completers.

Hull Street 3/7, 4/4, 5/2 10:00AM

Spring Planting Panel with the Master Gardeners

Hear from Master Gardeners about spring planting and get expert tips for your garden.

Main 3/7 2:00PM

Local Birds with Richmond Audubon Society

Explore spring avian migration in your backyard with Richmond Audubon Society. Bird lovers of all ages welcome.

West End 3/8 2:00PM

Broad Rock Library Advisory Board Meeting

Help shape your library by joining the Advisory Group. Call 804-646-8488 for details.

Broad Rock 3/10, 4/14, 5/12 3:00 PM

Church Hill Central Civic Association Meeting

Meet your neighbors and discuss important local issues with the Church Hill Central Civic Association at their monthly meeting.

East End 3/10, 4/14, 5/12 6:00PM

Richmond Community Sing

 Turn solo singing into a choir experience with easy songs and friendly voices. All levels welcome!

Main 3/10, 4/14, 5/12 6:00PM

Master Gardener Help Desk

Master Gardeners are eager to answer any of your gardening questions and have soil sample kits and other helpful resources.

Belmont 3/12, 4/9, 5/14 3:30-5:30PM


Westover Hills 3/19, 4/16, 5/21 10:30-11:30AM

From Values to Vision: Aligning Goals with Your Values

Feeling pressure to pursue certain objectives? Slow down in this interactive workshop and create goals that actually make sense for you.


Main 3/12 5:30PM

Vermiculture!

 Set up a worm bin and start composting with Malique Middleton of Gewd Botanicals.


East End 3/12 6:00PM

Peace Corps Information Session

 Chat with a local recruiter to learn about volunteer experiences, ask questions about service, and gain tips to guide you through the application process.

Hull Street 3/17 5:30PM

Start Speaking Spanish!

 Learn basic conversational Spanish in a friendly six-week course for beginners.

Broad Rock 3/18, 3/25, 4/1, 4/8, 4/15, 4/22 1:00 & 5:30PM

Keys to Homeownership: Affordable Housing Workshop

Two homebuyer information class sessions in one day! 9:30-10:30AM: Downpayment Assistance/Affordable Housing Program

 10:30AM-4:45PM: Virginia Housing Homebuyer Education sponsored through Virginia Housing.

Main 3/21, 4/18, 5/16 9:30AM-4:45PM

Library Power Users

Learn useful tips and tools to use the library with confidence, no matter your experience level.

Broad Rock		2:00PM
3/23	Libby, Hoopla, and Kanopy (programa bilingüe)	
4/27	Finding Reliable Information	
5/18	What Do You Want to Learn?	

Pop Culture PowerPoint Party

🍷 Celebrate your unique interests by sharing a PowerPoint presentation to a crowd that loves the wonderfully weird.

Belmont	3/23, 4/20, 5/27	6:30PM
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Seasons of the James

Study the river's spring flora and fauna with the James River Association.

East End	4/11	11:00AM
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James River Association Rain Barrel Workshop

🍷 Assemble and install rain barrels at home with help from James River Association staff.

Westover Hills	5/18	6:00PM
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Movies & Entertainment

Movie Matinees

Catch a movie you might've missed! Snacks provided but bring your own drink.

West End	Wednesdays	2:00PM
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Sunday Matinees with Hard Light Cinema

Enjoy a movie handpicked by Richmond's favorite film buffs.

Main	3/1, 4/5, 5/10	2:00PM
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Hidden in Plain Sight: A Black History Play

Written and directed by Richmond native Remmie Chew Jr. (The Griot) and performed by the Prime Time Players Theater Troupe, *Hidden in Plain Sight* uncovers the often-overlooked history of the "house slaves" and their vital contributions to the Union Army's victory in the Civil War.

Hull Street	3/3	5:30PM
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Noir Night

🍷 Experience the suspense and style of this genre with screenings of timeless classics.

Main		6:00PM
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3/11	Woman on the Run
5/13	Too Late for Tears

Nowhere Cinema Presents: Saturday Morning International Cartoons

Enjoy a global cartoon adventure every Saturday morning! Watch international favorites and discover new animated stories.

Main		11:00AM
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3/14	Son of the White Mare
4/11	Boy & the World
5/9	Alice the Pied Piper

Sunday Shorts: A Series of French Short Films

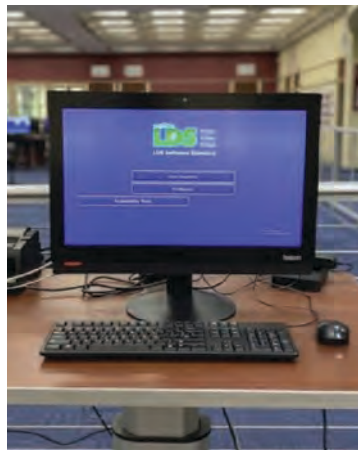
Spend an afternoon with a series of short films originally viewed over the years at RVA's French Film Festival.

West End	3/15, 3/22	2:00PM
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Good Morning Movie

Pop in for a movie and stay for a quick chat about your thoughts and recommendations.

Main	5/6	11:00AM
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Mobile Print Services Now Available

PRINCH, a new printing service at Richmond Public Library, makes it easy and secure to print from your phone, tablet, or laptop. Print remotely or from any library location. Ask a librarian for details!

Technology

1-on-1 Tech Help

🍷 New to computers or struggling with your e-reader? Meet with our library staff for 1-on-1 help in reaching your digital goals with a Q&A session. Schedule a 30-minute session by calling your preferred location.

Broad Rock	Monday-Thursday	11:00AM-5:00PM
Belmont	Tuesdays	2:00-4:00PM
West End	Tuesdays	2:00-5:00PM
East End	Wednesdays	11:00AM-1:00PM

Library Life: How to Use Libby and Hoopla

Make the most of your library card and discover how to access free e-books, e-audiobooks, movies/TV shows, music, and more.

Ginter Park	3/4, 4/1, 5/6	5:00PM
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Computer Basics: Dive Into Digital Resources

Your library card unlocks free movies, newspapers, language tools, legal templates, and more. Come learn how to access it all on your device.

Westover Hills	3/13, 4/10, 5/8	10:30AM
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Tech 101

Get practical tips on digital devices, internet, and online safety in this Humana-led tech presentation with Q&A session.

Main	3/26	5:30PM
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Digital Storage Spring Cleanup

Tackle email overload and photo clutter with a group digital cleanup—let's organize together!

Ginter Park	3/27	4:30PM
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Richmond Room

Main Library – First Floor
(804) 646-3425

RichmondRoom@rva.gov
rvalibrary.org/richmond-room



Business, Law, & Non-Profit AI-Assisted Grant Writing: How to Work Smarter, Not Harder

✍ Learn to combine AI tools and human insight for stronger grant proposals in this interactive session with Matt Leighty, Founder and Chief Strategy Officer of GrantFlow.

Main 3/11 12:00PM

Understanding Contracts for Small Business and Nonprofits

✍ Join our expert-led workshop on Contract Law and discover trusted legal services for small businesses and nonprofits.

Virtual 4/8 1:00PM

Starting a Nonprofit

✍ Learn how to start and manage a nonprofit in Virginia, including entity types, required filings, and how to use free library tools like Guidestar and the Foundation Center for governance and fundraising.

West End 4/24 11:00AM

Starting a Small Business

✍ Discover how to set up your business, understand LLCs, S-Corps, and more, plus access free legal documents and local resources.

Broad Rock 5/13 6:00PM

Local History, Genealogy, & Special Collections

Adoption, Genealogy, and Family History

✍ Exploring family history can be deeply meaningful—but when adoption is part of that story, it can also be complex. This presentation, led by C2Adopt, offers guidance on how to approach adoption in genealogy with understanding, respect, and sensitivity.

Main 3/4 10:00AM
Main 3/25 6:00PM

Of Hope and Remembrance: A Survey of the Free Black Experience in the Richmond Area from 1780-1865

Through the use of riveting narratives, rare documents and photographs, Elvatrice Belsches will discuss the lives and organizations of free Blacks in the Richmond area prior to 1865.

Main 3/28 1:00PM

Maymont Moments Collection Day

Celebrate Maymont's centennial by sharing your photos and recordings—Memory Lab staff will help you digitize them.

Main 4/11 9:00AM-5:00PM

A History of Brookland Park

✍ Join Dr. John Nicolay for a discussion of his newest book, *A History of Brookland Park: The People and the Places*.

Main 4/22 6:00PM

Local History Detective Workshop

Become a history detective! Use old maps, photos, and archives to uncover Richmond's hidden stories in this hands-on workshop.

Main 4/25 1:00PM

Community Sharing Day

Join us at Community Sharing Day to digitize personal items, share stories, and help preserve Richmond's history in the Memory Lab.

Main 5/16 1:00-4:00PM

Memory Lab Recording Pod

The Memory Lab Recording Pod is a free, reservable recording space located on the first floor of the Main Library. Designed to provide a quiet, comfortable environment, the semi-soundproof pod is ideal for recording oral histories, interviews, and other audio projects that require focus and minimal interruption.

The pod can accommodate up to four users and includes seating, adjustable lighting, ventilation for longer sessions, and multiple power outlets for personal devices and recording equipment. Its primary purpose is to support in-person or virtual oral history recording; bookings that do not align with this use may be redirected to other library spaces.

Please note that the Recording Pod is located on the first floor of the Main Library near the Richmond Room. This is separate from the Memory Lab, which is located in the basement. Patrons may also reserve a Personal Archiving Kit (PAK), which includes audio recorders, camcorders, and other equipment.

Contact Memory Lab staff at:
804-646-1609
MemoryLab@rva.gov

Learn more at:
rvalibrary.org/services/memory-lab/

The Arts

First Fridays

Make the Main Library a stop on your culture crawl by joining us on First Fridays! These events feature openings from a variety of local artists in each of our gallery spaces.

Main 3/6, 5/1 6:30-8:30PM

Spring Concert Series

Experience Richmond's unique independent spirit at your library with free live music from local legends.

Main 2:00PM

3/14 Laura Ann Singh + Marlysse Simmons

3/21 David Dominique

4/18 Mia Zabelka

5/23 Deborah Saidel

Songwriting Workshop with Ashley Virginia

Learn how to use songwriting as a tool for storytelling, self-expression, and community building from professional musician Ashley Virginia.

Main 3/20 3:00PM



Join us to celebrate Youth Arts Month and experience the extraordinary talent of young artists in our community. Visit any of our locations during the month of March and discover a vibrant display of artwork that showcases the creativity and passion of our local youth.

Bookmark Design Contest

Calling all young artists! Elementary, middle, and high school students are invited to create an original bookmark design in celebration of Youth Art Month. One winner from each age group will be selected, and their artwork will be printed and distributed at all Richmond Public Library locations during National Library Week. Pick up a design template at any library in March—submissions are due by March 31.

Youth Art Month at Ginter Park

🔪 Teens, come celebrate Youth Art Month with a new art project every Wednesday in March.

Ginter Park 4:30PM

3/4 Art Collage

3/11 Beaded Houseplants

3/18 Spring Needle Felting

3/25 Woven Art

Get Crafty Together: Youth Art Month - Introduction to Gouache

Discover the vibrant world of gouache painting! Learn basic techniques and create your own colorful artwork.

Main 3/6 4:00PM

First Friday at Richmond Public Library Featuring Richmond Public Schools

Celebrate young talent at First Friday! Experience Youth Art Month with exhibitions from students across Richmond Public School system.

Main 3/6 6:30-8:30PM

STEAM Team: Fizzy Art

🔪 Celebrate Youth Art Month by making fizzy art with baking soda, vinegar, and food coloring.

West End 3/17 4:00PM

Special Events



Pi Day

STEAM Team: All About Pi

Celebrate Pi Day by exploring π with fun, hands-on activities using simple tools.

Broad Rock **3/5** **4:30PM**

STEAM Team: Optical Illusion Color Wheel Spinners

Make Pi Color Wheel Spinners and watch colors fade to gray in this cool optical illusion.

Main **3/11** **4:30PM**
Hull Street **3/12** **4:30PM**

Pi Day @ Your Library!

All ages are welcome to explore the magic of Pi with crafts, hands-on math projects, and a fun scavenger hunt. And of course, no Pi Day is complete without some delicious pie!

West End **3/14** **10:00AM-4:00PM**

Pi Day Taste Test

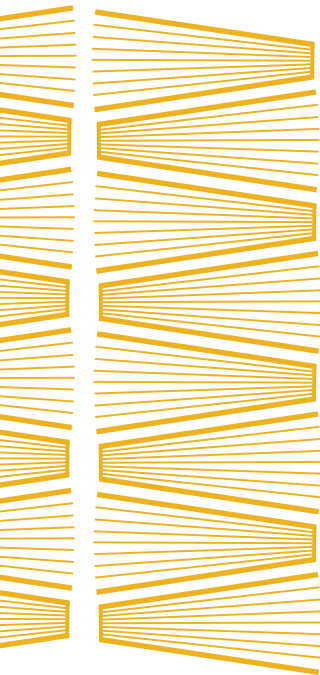
Get ready to taste and vote! Sample three delicious pies from Proper Pie and help us crown the Proper Pie Champion.

East End **3/14** **11:00AM**

Film Screening: *Pi* by Darren Aronofsky

Dive into the intense world of a paranoid mathematician hunting for a number that unlocks nature's secrets. Experience his spiral between genius and obsession in this gripping thriller.


West End **3/14** **2:00PM**



Between Two Worlds: Exploring Jewish Culture and Religion Through Yiddish Literature


All are welcome to explore Yiddish literature and culture through thoughtful translations and guided conversation—no prior knowledge required. Presented as part of the Yiddish Book Center's Public Libraries Program, a partnership with the American Library Association. Made possible by the Lilly Endowment, Inc.

Tevye the Dairyman and Motl the Canotot's Son by Sholem Aleichem: Book Discussion

 Sholem Aleichem (1859–1916) was a pioneering Yiddish writer who turned Eastern European Jewish life into enduring literary classics. His beloved character, Tevye the Dairyman, inspired *Fiddler on the Roof* and remains a vibrant part of world culture.


Main **3/15** **2:00PM**

Introduction to Yiddish Language

 Lomir zikh lernen in eyne — Let's learn together! This Introduction to Yiddish Language covers the Yiddish alphabet (alef-beys), the history behind the language's formation, and basic vocabulary practice.

Main **4/19** **2:00PM**


The Zelmanyaners: A Family Saga by Moyshe Kulbak

 This marks the first complete English translation of a classic Yiddish novel and one of the twentieth century's great comic masterpieces. *The Zelmanyaners* follows a Jewish family in Minsk as they navigate the upheavals brought by Soviet rule.

Main **5/17** **2:00PM**

Poetry Month

Collaborative Poetry: Moving Beyond the Page and Into Creative Community

 Explore unique forms like renga, exquisite corpse, and golden shovel. See how collaborating sparks creativity and builds community, then dive in and create your own poems with fellow poets.

Main **3/24** **6:00PM**

An Evening with Richmond Poet Laureate Joanna Lee

Celebrate the end of Joanna Lee's term as Richmond's Second Poet Laureate with an evening conversation alongside Richmond poet Dorinda Wegener, author of *Four Fields*. Join them for an intimate discussion about poetry, writing, and Richmond's vibrant literary scene. Joanna will also share poems created during her two-year tenure.

Main **3/31** **6:00PM**



Earth Day

STEAM Team: Seed Bomb Science

Celebrate Earth Day by making seed bombs and learning about pollinators and plant life cycles.

East End **4/7** **4:00PM**


Get Crafty Together: Earth Day Loom Weaving

Take part in Earth Day by creating vibrant loom weavings inspired by nature's colors.

Broad Rock **4/7** **4:30PM**

East End **4/22** **4:30PM**

Earth Day Plants: Plant Swap and Workshop

 Bring your propagations, seedlings, and cuttings to swap with fellow plant lovers! Kids can plant seeds to take home, and Master Gardeners will be on hand to share care tips. Please label all healthy, pest-free plants for swapping. The James River Association will also present a Native Plant Workshop from 12-1 PM. Registration is required only for the workshop.

Westover Hills **4/18** **11:30AM**


Teen STEAM: How Does Your Garden Grow?

Explore plant life cycles and Virginia native plants for Earth Day. Starter pots and seeds included.

Broad Rock **4/23** **4:30PM**




National Bike Month: Little Free Library Tour

 We'll take a leisurely 1.5 mile bike ride through Ginter Park to visit and add books to neighborhood Little Free Libraries. The route is mostly flat and on paved streets. Helmets are required and riders should feel comfortable biking in an urban setting. Please bring books to donate to the LFL's.

Ginter Park **5/2** **10:30AM**



May The Fourth Escape Room

 The Death Star is coming, and you're the Rebel Alliance's last hope! Team up with 2 to 6 Rebels and race against the clock to stop the Empire in 30 minutes. But beware—Darth Vader himself stands in your way. Can you save the galaxy? Ages 9+. Groups of 2-6 players; smaller groups may be combined. Call 804-646-4768 to register.

Main **5/2, 5/3, 5/4** **Call for available times**



Mother's Day

STEAM Team: DIY Bath Bombs

Create a fizzing bath bomb to keep or gift. Perfect for Mother's Day! Ages 5-18.

West End **5/2** **10:00AM**

Mother's Day Card Making

Use our templates or create your own Mother's Day card.

Ginter Park **5/6** **All Day**

Mother's Day Plantable Seed Paper Cards

Honor moms with eco-friendly Mother's Day cards made from seed-filled biodegradable paper. Ages 5-18.

Ginter Park **5/5** **4:30PM**

Belmont **5/6** **4:30PM**

Mother's Day Buttons from the Heart

Make Mother's Day special with a heart craft and special messages showing moms they're the buttons that hold it all together.

Hull Street **5/8** **4:30PM**



Tweens & Teens

Express Yourself

It's a Vibe

Hang out, create, and unwind with art, games, and friends.

Main **Sundays** **1:00-3:00PM**

Library Yarns

Bring your portable handwork project for an informal group experience. Teens and adults welcome.

Belmont **Mondays** **1:00PM**

*Except 2nd Mondays

Get Crafty Together

Novice and experienced crafters alike, get ready to create something special as we all get crafty together!

Broad Rock **4:30PM**

3/3 Soda Tab Chainmail
4/7 Earth Day Loom Weaving
5/5 Begleri Fidget Toys

East End **4:30PM**

3/4 Soda Tab Chainmail
4/22 Earth Day Loom Weaving

Main **4:00PM**

3/6 Youth Art Month - Introduction to Gouache
5/1 Bao Bun Bag Charm


Youth Art Month

 Celebrate Youth Art Month with a new project every Wednesday in March.

Ginter Park **4:30PM**

3/4 Collage
3/11 Beaded Houseplants
3/18 Spring Needle Felting
3/25 Woven Art

Made by Me

 Show the world who you are, one craft at a time!

Main **4:00PM**

3/13 Fabric Pen Free Art
4/10 Renaissance Faire Season Prep
5/15 Clay Jewelry Design

One Piece Crafts

It's Straw Hat Month! Make wanted posters, design Devil Fruits, and craft your favorite nakama while enjoying the soundtrack to the anime *One Piece*. Ages 5-18.

Broad Rock **4/2** **4:30PM**

Palestinian Tatreez Embroidery

 Explore Tatreez, a Palestinian embroidery style rich in history and meaning. Learn stitches and take home supplies.

Ginter Park **4/16** **4:00PM**

Belmont **4/29** **4:00PM**

Mother's Day Plantable Seed Paper Cards

Honor moms with eco-friendly cards made from seed-filled biodegradable paper. Ages 5-18.

Ginter Park **5/5** **4:30PM**

Belmont **5/6** **4:30PM**

Original Character Illustration Workshop

Visiting artist Grace Mae Huddleston will lead teens through the steps of creating their own original characters.

Westover Hills **5/6** **4:00PM**

Get Involved

Teen Anime Manga Association (TAMA)

TAMA is an anime and manga club that meets for screenings, discussions, and an optional Japanese cultural craft.

North Avenue **Mondays*** **4:00PM**

*Except 4/6 & 5/4

Main **3/5, 4/2, 5/7** **4:00PM**

East End **3/11, 4/8, 5/13** **4:30PM**

West End **3/18, 4/15, 5/20** **5:00PM**

Hull Street **3/24, 4/21, 5/19** **4:00PM**


Westover Hills **3/31, 4/28, 5/26** **4:00PM**

Tween Book Club

Discuss the middle grade book of the month and eat snacks! Newcomers ages 9-13 welcome.

Ginter Park **3/2, 4/6, 5/4** **4:30PM**

Tweens Read!: *Rebellion 1776*

 Celebrate Independence Day with *Rebellion 1776*, set during the Siege of Boston. Follow Elsbeth Culpepper as she navigates revolution and a deadly plague. Ages 10-13. Books provided—register to reserve your copy.

West End **4:30PM**

3/3 Introduction

3/24 Discussion

Young Adult Film Society

The Young Adult Film Society is your ticket to discovering unforgettable stories, iconic characters, and the magic of cinema.

Main **3/4, 4/1, 5/6** **4:00PM**

Lit Happens

A social read-your-own-book club where young adults read YA books of their choosing with a common monthly theme/genre.

Main **3/11, 4/8, 5/13** **4:00PM**

Rainbow Readers: A Queer YA Book Club

Join us for snacks and discussion of each month's queer book selection. New members welcome!

Ginter Park **3/11, 4/8, 5/13** **4:30PM**

Teen Advisory Board (TAB)

Get involved with TAB to help design YA programs, events, and displays while serving the Richmond community.

Main **3/12, 4/9, 5/14** **5:00PM**

Mindful Mondays

Be present and intentional at the start of the week by learning new ways to practice self-care and mindfulness.

Main 5:00 PM
3/16 Self-Acceptance Portraits
4/20 Mindful Poetry

Comix Club

Love comics or manga? Come to Comix Club for creative prompts and comic discussions!

Broad Rock 3/26, 4/30, 5/28 4:30PM

Volunteer Month: Making Dog Toys

🔪 Team up for National Volunteer Month to make dog toys from t-shirts for pet pantries. Donations welcome.

Ginter Park 4/15 4:30PM

Live & Learn

Student Success

Build your academic success toolkit with practical workshops on studying, focus, and stress management.

Main 4:00PM
3/2 Creating and Delivering Effective Presentations
4/6 Ace Your Tests
5/4 Know Your (Copy)Rights: Responsible AI Use

Future Ready

Be future ready by learning life skills that will help you navigate everyday challenges and succeed in life.

Main 5:00PM
3/3 Goal Setting for Personal Success
4/7 The Bill Slayer's Guide to Mastering Your Monthly Payments
5/5 From Passion to Profit

Gardening for Wildlife

🔪 Learn how native plants support wildlife, then plant some for the library.

Ginter Park 5/16 3:00PM

Play

Level Up!

Drop in for an hour of low-stress gaming. Ages 10-18.

East End Mondays 4:30PM
Main 3/26, 4/23, 5/21 4:00PM

Tabletop/Board Games

Was it Colonel Mustard, in the study, with the lead pipe? We have all the classics here along with decks of cards. All ages welcome.

North Avenue Wednesdays 4:00-6:00PM

Warhammer Club

Dive into *Warhammer*! Learn to build and paint miniatures and explore *Age of Sigmar* and *Warhammer 40k* lore and gameplay.

Ginter Park 3/12, 3/26, 4/9, 4/23, 5/7, 5/21 4:30PM

RPG Club

Join RPG Club to play role-playing games, create characters, and embark on quests with new friends.

Main 4:00PM
3/20 Intro to *Masks: A New Generation*
4/24 *Masks: A New Generation* Part 1
5/22 *Masks: A New Generation* Part 2

Disney Pin Trading and Trivia

Trade official Disney pins and play Disney trivia for a shot at a limited-edition pin. Authentic pins only; no sales. All ages welcome.

Westover Hills 3/28 2:00PM

Gaming Teen Alliance (GTA)

We'll discuss our favorite video games, watch YouTube and Twitch streamers, and play some games of our own (*Among Us*, anyone?).

East End 4/29, 5/27 4:30PM

Mario Kart Tournament

You're invited to a *Mario Kart* tournament on the Switch! First place wins a prize.

North Avenue 5/6 5:00PM

PLAY thousands of puzzles & games!

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Ages 11-18

Upcycled Rabbit Portraits

Turn recycled egg cartons into distinguished rabbit portraits to decorate your walls.

Belmont 3/5 4:45PM

Learn Macrame

Use basic knots to macrame a wristlet or keychain. Beginner friendly.

Westover Hills 3/7 2:00PM

DIY Infinity Cubes

Make your own infinity cube fidget toy with tape and wooden blocks.

West End 3/12 4:00PM

Polymer Bead Bottles

Learn about superabsorbent polymers with these fun Orbeez bead bottles!

East End 3/18 4:30PM

Who's Like You?

Explore how features like chins and earlobes reveal biology beyond what's skin deep.

Broad Rock 3/19 4:30PM

Plant Propagation

Find out simple ways to turn one plant into many and take home a propagated houseplant.

Ginter Park 3/19 4:30PM

Lavender Lotion Bars

Discover cosmetic chemistry and craft your own lavender lotion bar for spring.

Hull Street 3/23 4:00PM

Main 3/30 4:00PM

Paint A Wishing Stone

Uncover the tradition of Celtic wishing stones and create a painted lucky rock.

North Avenue 3/25 5:00PM

Terrariums

Make a terrarium with layers of sand, gravel, and soil—an ecosystem that needs only light.

Belmont 4/2 4:45PM

Poetry 101

Hone your poetry skills by sharing and writing with peers.

North Avenue 4/8 5:00PM

Recycled Hello Kitty Planters

Create a recycled Hello Kitty planter to hold your succulent or air plant.

West End 4/9 4:00PM

Flying Cup Rockets

Use propulsion and tension to your advantage and learn how to make your cup rocket fly.

East End 4/15 4:30PM

Art Journals

Start a creative journal blending images and writing. Materials and inspiration provided.

Westover Hills 4/17 4:00PM

How Does Your Garden Grow?

Explore plant life cycles and Virginia native plants for Earth Day. Starter pots and seeds included.

Broad Rock 4/23 4:30PM

Engineering and Earthquakes

Discover how earthquakes and forces impact structures and how to build them stronger with VCU Village Mentors.

Main 4/27 4:00PM

Cyanotypes

Investigate cyanotypes by collecting items from nature and making prints with sunlight.

Ginter Park 4/28 4:30PM

Turkish Mosaic Patterns

Create Turkish mosaic candle holders and explore patterns, symmetry, and geometry.

Hull Street 4/30 4:00PM

Pressed Flower Lanterns

Make lanterns out of recycled jars and pressed flowers.

Belmont 5/7 4:45PM

Bird Feeders

Construct a recycled bird feeder and learn about Virginia's native birds and wildlife conservation.

West End 5/14 4:00PM

Kokedama

Discover kokedama, a Japanese technique of displaying plants in moss-wrapped soil balls. Pick a plant and create your own.

Ginter Park 5/14 4:30PM

Batik Fabric Dyeing

Learn the wax-resist method of Indonesian batik, a UNESCO cultural treasure, and create your own patterned fabric.

Main 5/18 4:00PM

Galaxy Jars

Get to know about the stars and other large celestial bodies as we create our very own galaxy jars.

East End 5/20 4:30PM

DIY Bath Fizzies

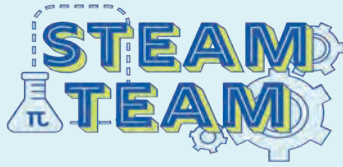
Formulate your own bath fizzy and enrich your self-care routine.

Broad Rock 5/21 4:30PM

DIY Candles

Experience the science of candle making—melt wax, add scents, and create your own candles to take home.

Hull Street 5/28 4:00PM



Ages 5-10

Splash With Sound for World Hearing Day

Make a splash for World Hearing Day using a tuning fork and water. Dress accordingly!

Ginter Park 3/3 12:00PM

Silly Slime

Make colorful slime, learn about polymers, and take home your ooey-goopy creation. Fun and messy!

East End 3/3 4:00PM

All About Pi

Celebrate Pi Day by exploring π with fun, hands-on activities using simple tools.

Broad Rock 3/5 4:30PM

Paper Airplane Race

Flex your folding skills to discover which folding pattern creates the fastest paper plane.

Ginter Park 3/10 4:30PM

Optical Illusion Color Wheel Spinners

Make Pi Color Wheel Spinners and watch colors fade to gray in this cool optical illusion.

Main 3/11 4:30PM

Hull Street 3/12 4:30PM

The History and Art of Paper Quilling

Explore the history of paper quilling and create your own art to take home.

Westover Hills 3/11 4:30PM

Fizzy Art

Celebrate Youth Art Month by making fizzy art with baking soda, vinegar, and food coloring.

West End 3/17 4:00PM

Color Changing Flowers

Explore capillary action with flowers and create colorful carnations using food dyes.

North Avenue 3/18 4:00PM

Bird's Nest Challenge

Team up to design and build sturdy model bird nests inspired by real ones.

Westover Hills 3/21 11:30AM

Color-Changing Playdough

Discover how thermochromic pigment makes playdough change color with hand warmth.

Belmont 3/26 4:00PM

Seed Bomb Science

Celebrate Earth Day by making seed bombs and learning about pollinators and plant life cycles.

East End 4/7 4:00PM

Water Vortex

Explore centripetal forces while creating a water tornado in a bottle.

Ginter Park 4/7 4:30PM

Lava Lamps

Find out how lava lamps make colorful orbs float and move in a mesmerizing show, then create your own to take home!

Main 4/8 4:30PM

Hull Street 4/9 4:30PM

Jellyfish

Did you know some jellyfish glow in the dark? Learn about these creatures, and then create a jellyfish craft to hang and enjoy.

Westover Hills 4/8 4:30PM

Rain Cloud in a Jar

Recreate precipitation with shaving cream, food coloring, and a jar of water.

Ginter Park 4/14 12:00PM

Marbled Art Cards

Use science to construct beautiful cards to send to friends and family.

North Avenue 4/15 4:00PM

Oil Spill Experiment

Simulate an oil spill to learn its causes, environmental impacts, and cleanup methods.

Broad Rock 4/16 4:30PM

Bristlebots

Build your own tiny robot and watch it go wild!

West End 4/21 4:00PM

Fingerprint Forensics

Learn about your unique fingerprints and exercise your detective skills by identifying fingerprint patterns.

Belmont 4/23 4:00PM

DIY Bath Bombs

Make a fizzing bath bomb to keep or gift. Perfect for Mother's Day! Ages 5-18.

West End 5/2 10:00AM

Balloon Rockets

Blast off with balloon rockets and discover how air and motion make objects fly.

East End 5/5 4:00PM

Robot Hand

Learn about tendons by creating a paper model of a hand that flexes its fingers.

Ginter Park 5/12 4:30PM

Coded Bracelets and Keychains

Become a coding spy! Make a keychain code of your name and a secret bracelet for a friend.

Main 5/13 4:30PM

Hull Street 5/14 4:30PM

Craft Stick Catapults

From pirates to knights, discover centuries of catapult history and test your own cotton ball launcher.

North Avenue 5/13 4:00PM

Create a Nature Journal

Start a nature journal blending notes and drawings to explore the world.

Westover Hills 5/13 4:30PM

Sunprints

Join us to create sunprints using special paper, objects, and sunlight.*

*Weather dependent.

West End 5/19 4:00PM

Mexican Folk Weaving Craft

Learn the artistic technique behind Ojo de Dios weaving, a folk-art craft rooted in Wixarika traditions from Mexico.

Ginter Park 5/19 4:30PM

Rangoli Sand Painting

Celebrate Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month and explore the Indian art of rangoli, or temporary sand paintings.

Belmont 5/28 4:00PM

Kids & Family

Arts & Crafts

Craft Corner

Bring your baby, toddler, or school-aged kiddo for a colorful, crafty, and creative afternoon.

Main		4:00PM
3/12	Handprint Butterflies	
4/9	Rainbow Art	
5/14	Paper Flower Collages	

Mini Maker Mondays

Explore different materials and create fridge-worthy art. Get ready to get messy—we'll handle cleanup! Ages 2+.

Main	3/16, 4/20, 5/18	10:00AM
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Celtic Knot Necklaces

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day by crafting colorful Celtic Knot Necklaces—fun, hands-on, and inspired by Irish tradition.

Hull Street	3/17	4:30PM
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Make It! Monday

Bi-weekly arts and crafts program, themed or freestyle.

Ginter Park	3/23, 4/6, 4/20, 5/4, 5/18	4:30PM
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Yarn Wrapped Fruit

Turn cardboard and yarn into quick and easy fruit-themed decorations.

Ginter Park	3/24	4:30PM
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Comix Club

Love comics or manga? Join Comix Club for creative prompts and comic discussions!

Broad Rock	3/26, 4/30, 5/28	4:30PM
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One Piece Crafts

Celebrate Straw Hat Month! Make wanted posters, design Devil Fruits, and craft your favorite nakama while enjoying the anime soundtrack. Ages 5-18.

Broad Rock	4/2	4:30PM
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Painted Rocks

Drop in and use paint pens to create designs on a small rock. Give them as a gift or use them to beautify your garden.

West End	4/6	4:00-7:00PM
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Cherry Blossom Painting with Cotton Balls

Mimic the stunning sight of cherry blossoms by painting with cotton balls.

Ginter Park	4/7	12:00PM
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Broccoli Painting for Toddlers & Pre-K

Spring is in full swing! Celebrate by using broccoli as a brush to paint bright, colorful trees. Pre-K.

Belmont	4/20	10:30AM
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Earth Day Recycled Art

It's Earth Day! Create art with us using recycled materials. Ages 3-17.

West End	4/22	4:00PM
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Beaded Grogu Take & Make Kits

Celebrate *Star Wars* Day and gear up for *The Mandalorian* and *Grogu* movie and craft a Grogu keychain.

Belmont	5/4-5/9	All Day
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Mother's Day Plantable Seed Paper Cards

Honor moms with eco-friendly Mother's Day cards made from seed-filled biodegradable paper. Ages 5-18.


Ginter Park	5/5	4:30PM
Belmont	5/6	4:30PM

Mother's Day Card Making

Use our templates or create your own Mother's Day card.

Ginter Park	5/6	All Day
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Paint a Mini Birdhouse

 Kids will decorate mini wooden birdhouses with paint, glitter, and other fun supplies.

Westover Hills	5/7	4:00PM
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Mother's Day Buttons from the Heart

Construct a Mother's Day special with a craft and special messages showing moms they're the buttons that hold it all together.

Hull Street	5/8	4:30PM
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Games

Tabletop/Board Games

Was it Colonel Mustard, in the study, with the lead pipe? We have all the classics here along with decks of cards. All ages.


North Avenue	Wednesdays	4:00-6:00PM
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Trivia Time!

Love trivia but hate the pressure? Stop by for a fun, relaxed trivia game with plenty of musical hints to guide you!

Main	3/16, 4/20, 5/18	4:00PM
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Kids D&D Club

 New to *Dungeons & Dragons*? Learn the basics and create your own character!

Ginter Park	3/18, 4/22, 5/20	4:00PM
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Cascarones Hunt

Discover cascarones, a festive Mexican tradition! Search for confetti-filled eggs and join in the fun.

Ginter Park	3/28	All Day
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Disney Pin Trading and Trivia

Trade official Disney pins and play Disney trivia for a shot at a limited-edition pin. Authentic pins only; no sales. All ages.

Westover Hills	3/28	2:00PM
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Native Bee/Flower Scavenger Hunt

May is for flowers—and bees! Find hidden flowers and bees in the kids' area, then claim your prize and fun facts.

Ginter Park 5/2 All Day

Movies

Family Flicks

Join us for a free family-friendly movie!

Hull Street Fridays 3:30PM

North Avenue 2:00PM

3/21 *How to Train Your Dragon*

4/18 *The Secret of NIMH*

5/17 *Rio*

Play & Learn

Homework Help & Reading Together

Help with homework and reading! Always accepting volunteers to help with the program. Please call (804) 646-8488 for more information.

Broad Rock Monday-Thursday 3:30-5:30PM



LEGO Club

We provide the LEGOs, you provide the imagination!

Belmont 4/13, 5/11 All Day

Broad Rock 3/12, 4/9, 5/14 4:30PM

East End 3/6, 4/2, 5/1 4:00PM

Ginter Park 3/14, 3/28, 4/11, 4/25, 5/9, 5/23 All Day

Hull Street 3/6, 3/20, 4/17, 5/1, 5/15 3:30-5:30PM

North Avenue Saturdays 11:00AM-4:00PM

West End 3/5, 4/2, 5/7 4:00PM

Westover Hills 3/21, 4/18, 5/16 1:00PM

Read to Callie the Dog!

Bring your kids to read to Callie and her 2-legged buddy, Landon from PUP READERS.

Ginter Park 3/14, 3/28, 4/11, 4/25, 5/9, 5/23 10:30AM

Shaving Cream Coin Hunt

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day by searching for gold coins hidden in shaving cream sensory bins. Ages 2-5.

Belmont 3/16 10:30AM

Baby Artsplay!™

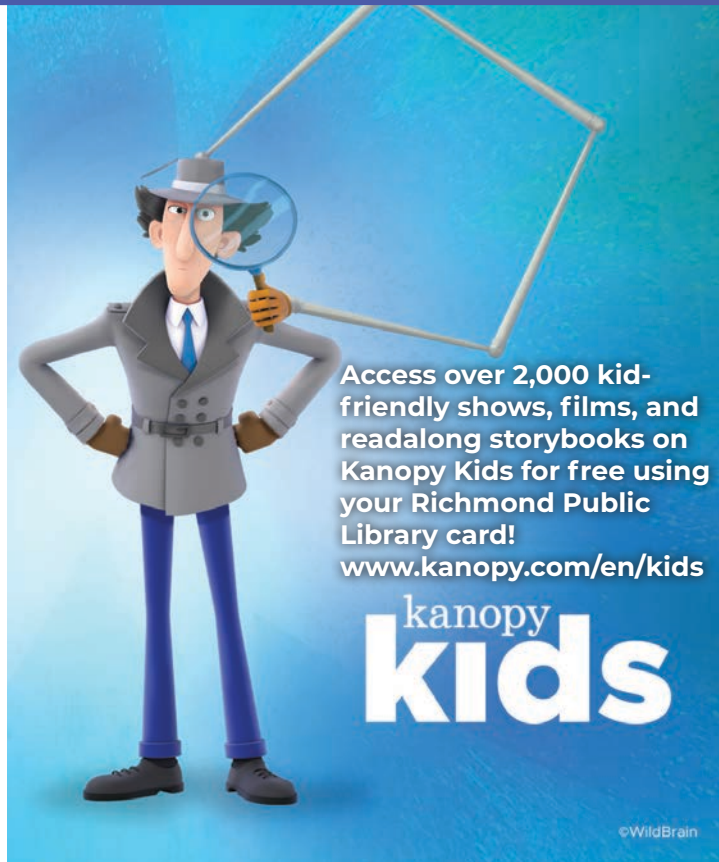
Join Baby Artsplay!™ a family program led by Greater Richmond Wolf Trap artists using music, movement, and drama to boost learning and development.

Main 3/20, 4/17, 5/15 10:30AM

North Avenue 4/13, 4/20, 4/27, 5/4, 5/11

West End 4/16, 4/23, 4/30, 5/7, 5/14

East End 4/17, 4/24, 5/1, 5/8, 5/15



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Play Connections

Join Richmond City Early Intervention for an enriching playgroup experience. Ages birth-5.

Main 3/23, 4/13, 4/27, 5/11 10:00AM

School Age Storytime

Delight in a fun story, music, and a craft based on our book selection of the month. Ages 5-10.

Main 3/25, 4/22, 5/27 4:00PM

The Basics with Bluey

Celebrate your favorite Blue Heeler family at the library! Listen to stories, make art, and join in on silly activities.

North Avenue 4/17 10:30AM

Classical Poetry Mad Libs

"Quoth the raven [adverb]" We're going to take some beloved poetry and spice it up by filling in the blanks—without knowing which poem it is!

Ginter Park 4/21 4:30PM

Sensory Sprouts

Take part in a hands-on play program for babies and toddlers to explore through their senses and support early development.

East End 4/25, 5/23 10:00AM

Baby Prom

Enjoy dancing, sensory play, photo opportunities, and a chance to dress up and celebrate. Ages birth-3.

Belmont 5/18 10:30AM



Book Babies **Ages 0-17 months**
Toddler Time **Ages 18-36 months**
Preschool Storytime **Ages 3-5 years**
Family Storytime **Ages 0-5 years**

Book Babies

Belmont	Thursdays	10:30AM
Broad Rock	Wednesdays*	10:00AM
	*Bilingual 1st & 3rd Wednesdays	
East End	Tuesdays	10:00AM
Ginter Park	Wednesdays	10:30AM
Hull Street	Tuesdays	10:00AM
Main	Tuesdays	10:30AM
North Avenue	Tuesdays	10:30AM
West End	Wednesdays	11:00AM
Westover Hills	Tuesdays	10:30 & 11:30AM

Toddler Time

Belmont	Wednesdays*	10:30AM
	*Except 3rd Wednesdays	
Broad Rock	Wednesdays*	10:30AM
	*Bilingual 1st & 3rd Wednesdays	
East End	Mondays	11:00AM
Ginter Park	Thursdays	11:00AM
Hull Street	Tuesdays	10:30AM
Main	Tuesdays	11:15AM
North Avenue	Thursdays	10:30AM
West End	Tuesdays	10:00 & 11:00AM
Westover Hills	Thursdays	10:30 & 11:30AM

Preschool Storytime

Belmont	Tuesdays	10:30AM
Broad Rock	Mondays*	5:30PM
	*Bilingual 1st & 3rd Mondays	
East End	Thursdays	10:30AM
Ginter Park	Tuesdays	10:30AM
Hull Street	Wednesdays	10:30AM
Main	Thursdays	10:30AM
North Avenue	Wednesdays	11:00AM
West End	Wednesdays	10:00AM
Westover Hills	Thursdays	3:00PM

Family Storytime

East End	3/12, 4/9, 5/14	4:00PM
Main	Sundays	3:30PM
North Avenue	Thursdays	1:00PM
Westover Hills	3/7, 3/21, 4/4, 4/18, 5/2, 5/16	10:30AM

Ripple Storytimes

Read, dance, and take photos with Ripple during these very special National Library Week storytimes.

Main	4/19	3:30PM	Belmont	4/22	3:00PM
East End	4/20	11:00AM	Westover Hills	4/23	10:30AM
Broad Rock	4/20	5:30PM	North Avenue	4/23	1:00PM
Hull Street	4/21	10:30AM	West End	4/25	10:30AM
Ginter Park	4/22	10:30AM			

Storytime @ SCRAP Creative Reuse

✂️ Enjoy a storytime followed by a craft led by SCRAP in their special crafting room located at 322 W. Brookland Park Blvd. After the program, SCRAP will be open and available for kid-friendly browsing and shopping. Ages 1-5.
SCRAP RVA **3/2, 4/6, 5/4** **10:00AM**

Problem Solvers: STEM Storytime

Hear a STEM-themed story and then dive into a hands-on project. Ages. 3-5.
Main **3/3, 4/7, 5/5** **3:30PM**

Pajama Storytime

Put on your jammies, grab your stuffie, and head to the library for Pajama Storytime! We'll read books, dance, and have loads of fun! For families of all ages.

Westover Hills **3/30, 4/27** **6:30PM**

AAPI Month Storytime: All About Japan

Learn about Japan's history and cultural influence with Miss Summer in honor of AAPI Heritage Month, then enjoy a take-home origami craft inspired by her travels to Tokyo, Osaka, and Kyoto. All ages welcome.

Broad Rock **5/7** **4:30PM**





The Basics™

We want your child to love storytime and reading as much as we do! We strive to provide quality storytimes that stimulate children's minds, promote brain development, and give children the tools they need to succeed in school. To do so, we use an overall brain development curriculum called The Basics that uses 5 simple principles:

- Maximize Love, Manage Stress
- Talk, Sing, and Point
- Count, Group, and Compare
- Explore Through Movement and Play
- Read and Discuss Stories

These principles can be used at any age but studies show that the younger children are when they start learning the principles, the more prepared they are to start school. These basics will instill in your child a love of learning to last a lifetime. Learn more at thebasics.org/

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CHILDREN'S DAY

BROAD ROCK

4/25 1:00-3:00PM

Celebrate books and childhood at Broad Rock Library with an afternoon filled with story times, resources for families, and lots of fun! This is a bilingual Spanish/English event.

- Bilingual Story Times
- Performances
- Music
- Crafts
- Face Painting
- Food
- Community Resources

¡Celebra los libros y el niñez en la Biblioteca Broad Rock con una tarde llena con horas de cuentos, recursos para la familia, y muchas diversiones! Este evento será bilingüe, en español e inglés.

- Horas de Cuentos Bilingües
- Espectáculos
- Música
- Manualidades
- Pintura de Caras
- Comida
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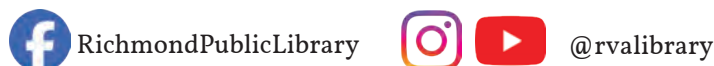
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Library Board of Trustees Meetings

Join our monthly Library Board of Trustees meeting to learn about what's happening at Richmond Public Library. The meetings are open to all, and we hope you can attend.

East End	3/25	11:45AM
North Avenue	4/22	11:45AM
Main	5/27	11:45AM

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Belmont 804-646-1139
3100 Ellwood Ave., Richmond, VA 23221
Monday, Wednesday 10AM-8PM
Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 10AM-6PM
Saturday 10AM-5PM

Broad Rock 804-646-8488
4820 Old Warwick Rd., Richmond, VA 23224
Sunday 1PM-5PM
Monday - Thursday 9AM-8PM
Friday 9AM-6PM
Saturday 9AM-5PM

East End 804-646-4474
1200 N 25th St., Richmond, VA 23223
Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9AM-6PM
Tuesday, Thursday 9AM-8PM
Saturday 9AM-5PM

Ginter Park 804-646-1236
1200 Westbrook Ave., Richmond, VA 23227
Sunday 1PM-5PM
Monday-Thursday 9AM-8PM
Friday 9AM-6PM
Saturday 9AM-5PM

Hull Street 804-646-8699
1400 Hull St., Richmond, VA 23224
Monday, Wednesday, Friday 10AM-6PM
Tuesday, Thursday 10AM-8PM
Saturday 10AM-5PM

Main 804-646-4867
101 E Franklin St., Richmond, VA 23219
Sunday 1PM-5PM
Monday-Thursday 9AM-8PM
Friday 9AM-6PM
Saturday 9AM-5PM

North Avenue 804-646-6675
2901 North Ave., Richmond, VA 23222
Monday, Wednesday 10AM-8PM
Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 10AM-6PM
Saturday 10AM-5PM

West End 804-646-1877
5420 Patterson Ave., Richmond, VA 23226
Sunday 1PM-5PM
Monday-Thursday 9AM-8PM
Friday 9AM-6PM
Saturday 9AM-5PM

Westover Hills 804-646-8833
1408 Westover Hills Blvd., Richmond, VA 23225
Monday, Wednesday 10AM-8PM
Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 10AM-6PM
Saturday 10AM-5PM

