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Events and News

**Summer 2025**



**Summer Reading, June 16–August 17**





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## Library Mission Statement

Prince William Public Libraries (PWPL) brings people, information, and ideas together to enrich lives and build community in a welcoming, inclusive environment.

## Library Information

### Library Advisory Board Meetings

The next meeting of the Library Advisory Board will be on June 26 in the Administrative Support Center's Trustee Conference Room.

Note: The Trustee Conference Room is located in the lower level of Chinn Park Library.

### Renewals of Library Materials

Renewal Line: 703-792-4885

Web Renewal: [librarycatalog.pwcgov.org](http://librarycatalog.pwcgov.org)

### Library Newsletter

Get the best of Explore straight to your inbox! Our monthly newsletter gives you a quick overview of our top events and resources so you'll be in the know. Visit [pwcva.gov/library/emailnewsletters](http://pwcva.gov/library/emailnewsletters) to sign up today.

### Library Closings

#### JUNE

Thursday, June 19: Juneteenth Holiday  
Observed—All libraries closed

#### JULY

Friday, July 4: Independence Day Holiday  
Observed—All libraries closed

Saturday, July 5: Holiday Weekend—All libraries closed

Sunday, July 6: Holiday Weekend—All libraries closed

#### AUGUST

Saturday, August 30: Holiday Weekend—All libraries closed

Sunday, August 31: Holiday Weekend—All libraries closed

### Library Foundation

Visit [princewilliamlibraryfoundation.org](http://princewilliamlibraryfoundation.org) to help support Prince William Public Libraries.

## Friends of the Libraries

PWPL has seven Friends groups that provide support to all of its libraries, enabling them to offer many free cultural, recreational, and informational programs to our community. To join one of the Friends groups or to learn more, contact:

### Bull Run

Friends of Bull Run Regional Library  
8051 Ashton Avenue  
Manassas, VA 20109  
[Friendsofbullrunlibrary@gmail.com](mailto:Friendsofbullrunlibrary@gmail.com)

### Central

The Friends of Central Community Library  
8601 Mathis Avenue  
Manassas, VA 20110  
[friends2central@gmail.com](mailto:friends2central@gmail.com)  
703-792-8360

### Chinn Park

The Friends of the Chinn Park Regional Library  
13065 Chinn Park Drive  
Woodbridge, VA 22192  
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### Haymarket Gainesville

Friends of the Haymarket Gainesville Library  
c/o Haymarket Gainesville Community Library  
14870 Lightner Road  
Haymarket, VA 20169  
[friendslibhg@gmail.com](mailto:friendslibhg@gmail.com)

### Manassas City

Friends of the Manassas City Library  
10104 Dumfries Road  
Manassas, VA 20110  
[friendsmclibrary@gmail.com](mailto:friendsmclibrary@gmail.com)  
703-792-8820

### Montclair

Friends of the Montclair Community Library  
c/o Montclair Community Library  
5049 Waterway Drive  
Dumfries, VA 22025  
[Fmcl.president@gmail.com](mailto:Fmcl.president@gmail.com)  
[facebook.com/FMCL.5049](https://facebook.com/FMCL.5049)

### Potomac

The Friends of Potomac Library  
2201 Opitz Boulevard  
Woodbridge, VA 22191  
703-792-8330

# Director's Message



Jennifer Patterson

## Our Shared Accomplishments: Fiscal Year 2025

Nothing says "Summer Reading" like wrapping up the fiscal year! I always recognize how significant our shared contributions throughout the year are to promote our mission of bringing people, information, and ideas together in a welcoming, inclusive environment.

The PWPL Fiscal Year 2024 Annual Report will be available at [pwcva.gov/library](http://pwcva.gov/library) next month. This annual snapshot highlights our 12-month progress in addressing your strategic goals. In the fall of 2023, PWPL requested your help developing our current Strategic Plan. We asked for your feedback in the areas of Technology and Digital Inclusion, Outreach and Community Engagement, Accessible Resources and Collection, among others, to gauge how we can address community needs in the coming years.

Now that we're in Year Two of the 2024–2028 Strategic Plan, we've made a lot of progress: Our new Mobile Library brings the library into the community, ensuring more access. We are enhancing our services and collection by introducing new technologies, like the Digital Preservation Lab at Central Library's RELIC, and adding WhaZoodles and Bike Repair Kits for checkout.

Your continued feedback is invaluable in our efforts. Please keep an eye out for the upcoming Annual Survey this summer. Like last year, the survey will focus on how we can do even more—together—to address our strategic goals and bring you quality services, programs, and items in our collection. We look forward to sharing the results and implementing new solutions.

## Let's "Color Our World" During Summer Reading

Prince William Public Libraries' Summer Reading invites you to "Color Our World" from Monday, June 16 to Sunday, August 17, with special programs and activities for the entire family. This year's theme, "Color Our World," celebrates creativity in all forms, from visual arts to music and performance. PWPL has over 350 free programs designed to keep the community reading, learning, and connecting all summer.

Beginning June 16, register at any of our libraries, online at [pwcva.gov/library](http://pwcva.gov/library), or on the Beanstack Tracker app. This year's Summer Reading program is for all ages—from babies to preschool-grade 12 to adults. After you've read for 500 minutes—that's only 20 minutes a day for 25 days—come into the library to pick out a free book to keep. Yes, even adults get their own books! You can track your progress using the grid on page 4 of Explore, picking up a bookmark at our libraries, or using the Beanstack Tracker app to track your minutes digitally.

In addition to this summer's reading challenge, PWPL has exciting programs and special events for all ages. New programs have been added to this summer's schedule, and some familiar favorites return with special twists on the "Color Our World" theme.

PWPL's Summer Scares will return in July. Come if you dare! Search "Summer Scares" on the Online Events Calendar to see programs and activities, including:

Halloween in July Story Trail on Tuesday, July 29, from 11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. at Haymarket Gainesville Library. This program is ideal for all ages as you stroll along the Story Trail and read "At the Old Haunted House" by Helen Kettelman. Costumes are encouraged!

Stuffie Taxidermy at Potomac Library encourages teens entering grades 6–12 to make taxidermy stuffed animals on Monday, July 21, at 2:30 p.m. Cut up old stuffed animals and mount the head to a wood board. Bring a furry toy friend, or use one that we provide. Registration required.

Tying together the creative "Color Our World" theme with the creepy "Summer Scares," teens and adults are welcome to join us at Montclair Library on Wednesday, July 2, at 6:00 p.m. for Diamond Dot Horror. Craft a creepy magnet or coaster using the gem painting method with other fans of the horror genre. All materials will be provided. Registration required.

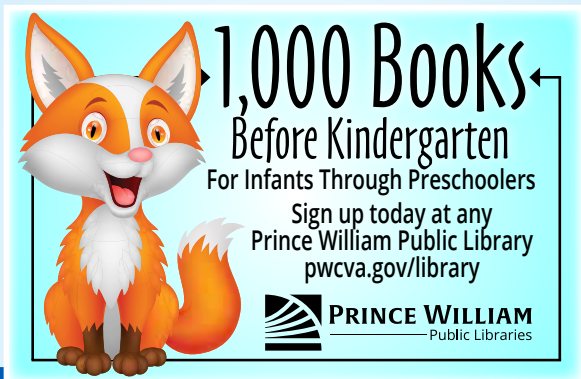


Whether you're interested in the Summer Reading challenge or want to enjoy all the programs our libraries offer this summer, we look forward to seeing you soon!



Track your Summer  
Reading progress here!  
1 Square = 20 Minutes


## Prince William Library Foundation



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It has never been easier for you to support  
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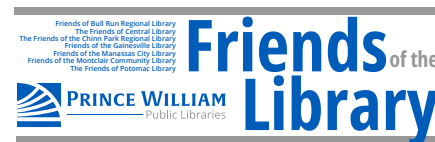
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# Gen Z Wrote the Script and Gregg Had the Rizz to Pull it Off

This spring, PWPL achieved a significant milestone: Our Gen Z Script reel went viral on social media, resulting in more than 2.9 MILLION views on Facebook. Our follow-up blooper reel was viewed more than 70,000 times.

The making of the reel was truly a teen effort: After the librarians and teen volunteer coordinated on the script, we had the perfect person with main character energy in mind: Bull Run Library's Branch Manager had just the right amount of rizz to pull off this trend. Our media specialist's production and editing skills helped bring even more levity and engagement to Gregg's epic performance.

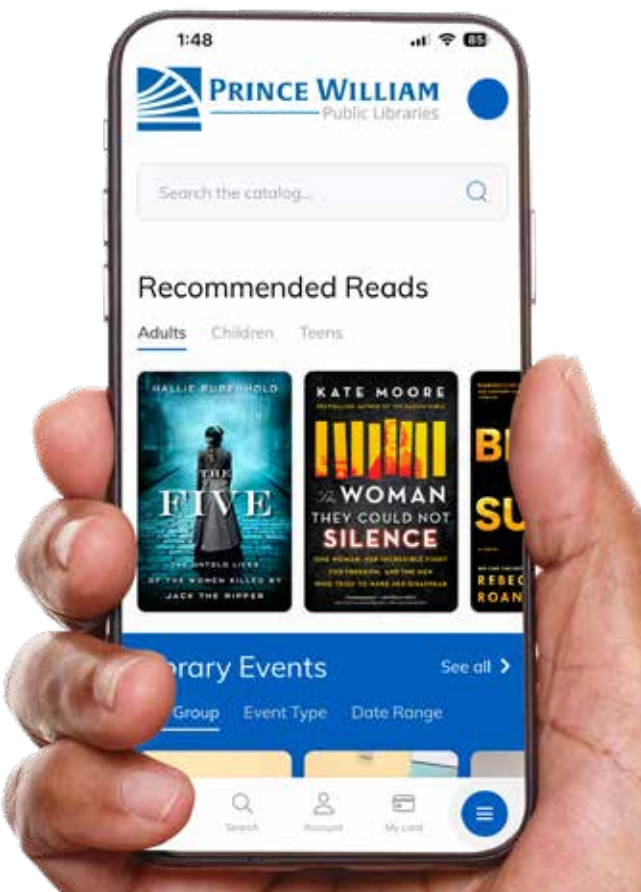
Thanks to the viral reel, the Prince William Library Foundation received multiple donations from individuals nationwide! Sarah from Iowa donated after seeing the video on Reddit. "Thanks for the smile you brought me today and for your important work."

Amie from Washington state donated "...because I watched the Gen Z video you made, and it cracked me up. Slay on!"

An anonymous donor from New York simply stated, "Love Gregg's video; no cap."

The Prince William Library Foundation serves as a catalyst to develop innovative library services, to serve as a conduit to acquire grants to provide programs and services, and to raise funds through community interaction, all of which support programs otherwise unavailable to PWPL.

Visit [facebook.com/PrinceWilliamPublicLibraries](https://facebook.com/PrinceWilliamPublicLibraries) to watch the viral Gen Z Script reel, and visit the Prince William Library Foundation at [princewilliamlibraryfoundation.org](https://princewilliamlibraryfoundation.org) to learn more about their mission and support of PWPL.



## PWPL's Mobile App Makes Planning Your Trips to the Library a Breeze

Prince William Public Libraries' mobile app makes it even easier to find your next read, see upcoming events and programs, and reserve a group study room. Download the app for free by searching "Prince William Public Library" on the App Store and Google Play. Once downloaded, the app offers user-friendly navigation on the following features:

**Explore the Online Catalog:** Search the catalog, check availability, and reserve titles in real time.

**Plan Your Events Schedule:** Browse upcoming events by Age Group, Event Type, and Date Range. You can easily register for events requiring registration on the app.

**Reserve a Room:** For many people in the area, studying doesn't stop during the summer. If you need a quiet space to study, you can book a group study

room on the go. As long as there's space available at your library, you can be in a study room in minutes.

**Scannable Library Card:** If you're out running errands this summer, and a trip to the library is on your list of stops, don't worry if you forgot your library card at home. Pull up the app and click "My Card" for a scannable library card. For iPhone users: Add your library card to Apple Wallet with just one click.

**Recommended Reads:** Our staff selects special collections for Children, Teens, and Adults that are easy to browse and place a hold right from the app—no clicking away to get to the Online Catalog.

There's even more to explore, customize, and learn about on the new Prince William Public Libraries app.

# Sponsors Help Us Change Lives

Fourteen adults received an opportunity to improve their lives through the Career Online High School (COHS) at PWPL this spring. PWPL received sponsorships from the Montclair Lions Club, Prince William Chamber of Commerce Foundation, and QTS to provide scholarships to adults whose life circumstances did not allow them to complete high school when they were younger.

PWPL strives to transform the lives of its community members through access to resources and information. COHS goes to the

heart of our mission. This program opens new career pathways for people, improves their and their family's lives, and allows them to become stronger contributing members of the community and local economy, benefiting the community as a whole.

PWPL aims to offer COHS to at least 20 adults per year. Learn more and take the self-assessment to see if COHS may be right for you at [pwcva.gov/COHS](http://pwcva.gov/COHS).



# Celebrate Lakes and Water Resources with Us This Summer

Prince William Public Libraries has joined the Libraries Love Lakes initiative that pairs school and public libraries with lake scientists to provide collaborative programming emphasizing the importance of lakes in our everyday lives. PWPL will offer lake-related

programs for all ages throughout the summer.

For the first time, PWPL branches will host a captivating mobile aquatic show, "Kinderquarium," that brings the underwater world to life and features live juvenile predatory fish and other freshwater carnivores safely displayed in mobile aquariums. Discover fascinating facts about aquatic predators, ecosystems, and survival strategies through dynamic, age-appropriate storytelling and guided observation.

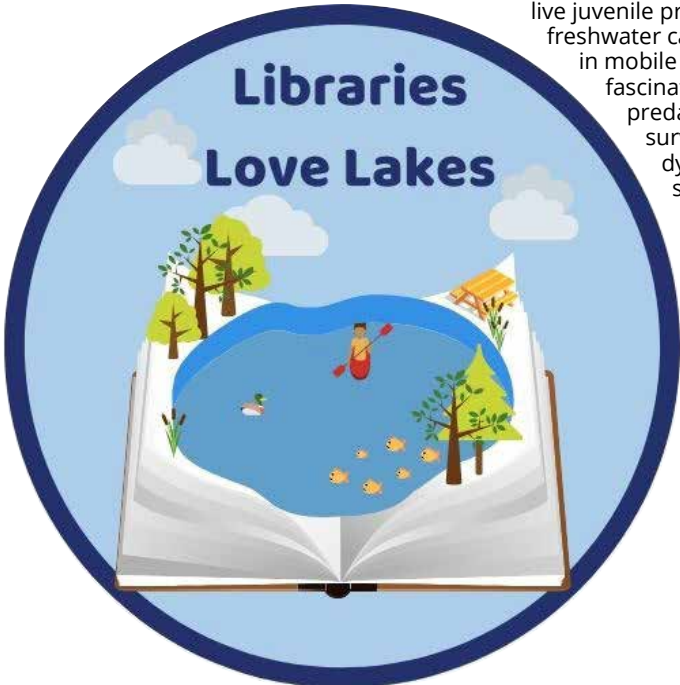
Children in grades K-5 can explore the world of water and learn how to keep our lakes clean during interactive story time demonstrations by Prince William Water. The agency outreach specialists will teach children how water

resources can become polluted and why it is important to conserve water.

Adults and young adults can enjoy the beauty of our lakes during a mixed-media art class, "Layers of the Lake," guided by local artist Kerry Molina. Create a Virginia lake scene using mixed-media art techniques like watercolor washes, torn paper collages, and ink details.

PWPL libraries will also feature book displays to showcase books from its collection that cover topics ranging from the wildlife surrounding lakes to conservation and the threats facing lakes and freshwater systems today.

These programs are funded by a \$4,000 Water Supply Protection and Education Grant from Fairfax Water.



# Welcome to Your Library



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## How to Get a Library Card

If you live, work, own property, or attend school in Prince William County, Manassas, or surrounding jurisdictions, you are eligible for a free library card. To get a card, you must provide identification with your current address. Minors (ages 5–17) are also required to have a parent or legal guardian complete and sign a Library User Agreement Form.

## Your Library Offers So Much More!

**U.S. Passport Services:** Available at Central, Haymarket Gainesville, and Potomac Libraries by appointment.

### Every location offers:

- Free public access computers and Wi-Fi access.
- B/W copy machines and printing: \$.15 per page.
- Color printing: \$.50 per page.
- Fax services: \$1.00 per page outgoing, \$.15 per page incoming.
- Scanning capabilities (bring your own USB/available for purchase).
- Mobile printing.

**Assistive Services:** PWPL provides services and devices for those who need hearing, visual, and physical accommodations to use library resources.

**Management and Government Information Center (MAGIC):** Located at Chinn Park Library, MAGIC is your source for business, government, nonprofit, and local information. Contact: libmagic@pwcgov.org or 703-792-4880.

**Ruth E. Lloyd Information Center (RELIC) Genealogy and Local History:** Located at Central Library, RELIC offers specialized staff assistance of resources concentrated on local history and family history support. Contact: librelic@pwcgov.org or 703-792-8380.

**Makerspace:** Hive 8051 Makerspace at Bull Run Library and Studio 8601 Makerspace at Central Library provide independent workspaces with a variety of machines, tools, and technology to explore, build, collaborate, and create.

Bull Run Library Hive 8051:  
703-792-4500

Central Library Studio 8601:  
703-792-8361

## Borrowing, Returns, Holds, and Renewals

Borrow books, Chromebook laptops, DVDs, Launchpad tablets, magazines, and mobile Wi-Fi hotspots for three weeks.

Return your materials to any branch location or book drop. Books are picked up from the book drops once a week. Please allow at least one week for them to be checked in.

Place holds on materials through the Online Catalog, in person, or by phone. You can have up to 20 holds at a time.

PWPL introduced automatic renewals beginning July 1, 2024. Automatic renewal removes the need to manage eligible renewals of physical materials in your library account. Items eligible for renewal will be listed in notices three days before their due date and will automatically renew for the full three weeks from the due date. Items will auto-renew up to four times as long as they are still eligible. Read more about automatic renewals at [pwcva.gov/library](http://pwcva.gov/library).

Sign up for email or text message reminders or change your email preferences through your online account.

PWPL does not charge fines for late items. Patrons are still responsible for paying fees for lost or damaged items. Please be sure to pay your outstanding fees, as your account is suspended when fees on your account reach \$20.00.

## Digital Library

The Digital Library provides free access to thousands of online and digital resources, including e-books, audiobooks, newspapers, and premium websites.

## Library Locations and Hours

Monday–Wednesday: 10:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.

Thursday–Saturday: 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

Sunday: Closed

Sunday, BR and CP Only: 1:00–5:00 p.m.

*Curbside Pick Up available by request only*

Monday–Wednesday: 10:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.

Thursday: 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

Friday–Saturday: 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.

Sunday: Closed

*Curbside Pick Up available by request only*

### Bull Run Library

8051 Ashton Avenue  
Manassas, VA 20109  
703-792-4500

### Central Library

8601 Mathis Avenue  
Manassas, VA 20110  
703-792-8360

### Chinn Park Library

13065 Chinn Park Drive  
Woodbridge, VA 22192  
703-792-4800

### Haymarket Gainesville Library

14870 Lightner Road  
Haymarket, VA 20169  
703-792-8700

### Manassas City Library

10104 Dumfries Road  
Manassas, VA 20110  
703-792-8820

### Montclair Library

5049 Waterway Drive  
Dumfries, VA 22025  
703-792-8740

### Potomac Library

2201 Opitz Boulevard  
Woodbridge, VA 22191  
703-792-8330

### Dale City Library

4249 Dale Boulevard  
Dale City, VA 22193  
703-792-5670

### Dumfries Library

18115 Triangle Shopping Plaza  
Dumfries, VA 22026  
703-792-5678

### Independent Hill Library

14418 Bristow Road  
Manassas, VA 20112  
703-792-5668

### Lake Ridge Library

2239 Old Bridge Road  
Woodbridge, VA 22192  
703-792-5675

### Nokesville Library

12993 Fitzwater Drive  
Nokesville, VA 20181  
703-792-5665

### Off-Site Book Drops

**Virginia Gateway Shopping Center:**  
7400 Linton Hall Road, Gainesville

**James McCoart Admin Building:**  
1 County Complex, Woodbridge

**Manassas Commuter Rail Station:**  
9431 West Street, Manassas

# SUMMER SCARES

## Kids

### Two-Sentence Horror Story Contest: Haymarket Gainesville

Ages 8 and Up

July 1–31

Sharpen your creative writing skills by crafting a chilling two-sentence horror story. Submit your story for a chance to win a bundle of spooky goodies!

### Horror Book Tasting: Haymarket Gainesville

Ages 8–11

Monday, July 7, 6:00 p.m.

Dive into mysterious tales, creepy creatures, and hair-raising adventures that will send shivers down your spine. Explore a selection of age-appropriate spooky books, discover new favorites, and enjoy some chilling surprises. Whether you're a fan of ghostly encounters or eerie mysteries, this event will make your summer reading extra spooky!

### Halloween in July Story Trail: Haymarket Gainesville

All Ages/Families

Tuesday, July 29, 11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

Stroll along our Story Trail and read "At the Old Haunted House" by Helen Kettelman as you go! Wear your favorite costume and enjoy a treat and craft at the end.

### Campfire Ghost Stories: Potomac

Ages 8–12

Tuesday, July 22, 2:00 p.m.

Gather 'round the (pretend) campfire for spooky stories. Make your own pet ghost-in-a-jar to take home.

## Grades 6–12

### Cryptid Party: Chinn Park

Thursday, July 17, 2:00 p.m.

Are you ready to join the Monster Mash? We'll have music, snacks, games featuring your favorite cryptids, and more!



### Stuffie Taxidermy: Potomac

Monday, July 14, 2:30 p.m.

Come and get creative by making your very own taxidermy stuffed animals. Cut up old stuffed animals and mount the head to a wood board. Bring a furry toy friend, or use one that we provide. Registration required.

## Young Adults/Adults

### \*Diamond Dot Horror: Montclair

Wednesday, July 2, 6:00 p.m.

Craft a creepy magnet or coaster using the gem painting method with other fans of the horror genre. All materials provided. Registration required.

### A Dickey Affair: Potomac

Select Mondays, 5:30–7:45 p.m.

July 7, 21

Try a tabletop RPG with a single-session horror adventure from Summer Scares! Open to all experience levels—learn as you play. All materials provided. Registration required.

### \*Cemeterariums: Montclair

Ages 16 and Up

Wednesday, July 16, 5:00 p.m.

Create a spooky cemetery-themed terrarium! All supplies provided. Registration required.

### \*Geode Skulls: Montclair

Wednesday, July 30, 5:00 p.m.

Join us to craft a scintillating and spooky conversation piece: a geode skull. All materials provided. Registration required.

## Adults

### Two-Sentence Horror Stories: Haymarket Gainesville

July 1–31

Sharpen your creative writing skills by crafting a chilling two-sentence horror story to celebrate Summer Scares. Submit your story for a chance to win a bundle of spooky goodies!

### Retro Horror Movie Night Presents "Night of the Living Dead": Haymarket Gainesville

Wednesday, July 16, 5:40–7:30 p.m.

Stop by for our special retro movie night presentation of "Night of the Living Dead" (1968) through our digital resource Kanopy. Popcorn and drinks will be provided for our moviegoers. Doors open at 5:40 p.m., with the movie starting at 6:00 p.m. Come if you dare!

### Ghost Talk with Old Spirits Investigations: Central

Saturday, July 19, 2:00–4:00 p.m.

Join paranormal investigators Tee Morris and Phil Rossi of Old Spirits Investigations as they share their spooky experiences as ghost hunters!

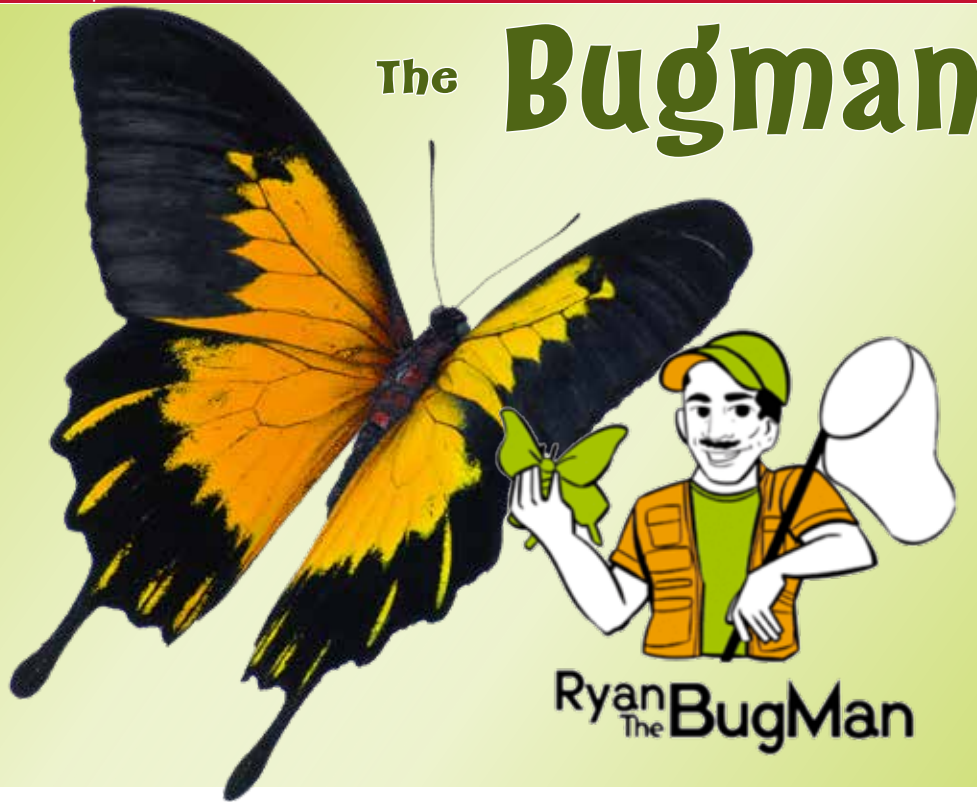
### Horror Trivia Night @ Great Mane Brewery

Wednesday, July 23, 7:00–9:00 p.m.

Join us for the 2nd annual Horror Trivia Night at Great Mane Brewery (6620 James Madison Hwy, Haymarket, VA, 20169)! Test your knowledge as we go down the rabbit hole of all things scary. Prizes will be awarded.



## Special Events



### Lifelong Learning with Yorkshire Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department: Central

All Ages/Families

Tuesday, June 3, 1:00 p.m.

Meet Lt. Semyon Podobed and the team from Yorkshire Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department. Learn about a day in the life of a local firefighter, how to become one, and get a tour of the fire engine!

### Bull Run Maker Faire & Friends Craft Market: Bull Run

All Ages

Saturday, June 7, 11:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

Celebrate the joy of making and art. There will be demonstrations, a book sale, animals, a Guild Hall, a Repair Café, and a Craft Market. Bring the whole family to our HUGE celebration and Maker Faire.

### Zumbini

Ages 6–36 Months

#### Dale City:

Wednesday, June 11, 10:30 a.m.

Saturday, June 21, 10:30 a.m.

Saturday, August 16, 10:30 a.m.

**Lake Ridge:** Wednesday, June 18, 10:30 a.m.

**Dumfries:** Select Saturdays, 10:30 a.m.

July 12, August 9

Zumbini is an early childhood education program that uses music and movement to promote cognitive, social, fine and gross motor skills, and emotional development while creating the ultimate bonding experience. Registration required.

### Bugman

All Ages

**Manassas City:** Wednesday, June 11, 3:00 p.m.

**#Chinn Park:** Tuesday, July 8, 10:30 a.m.

**#Haymarket Gainesville:** Tuesday, July 8, 2:00 p.m.

**Dale City:** Monday, August 11, 10:30 a.m.

**Central:** Monday, August 11, 2:00 p.m.

Learn how bugs and insects use color to survive. Everyone will have the chance to pet and hold the live bugs! #Tokens will be handed out 30 minutes before the program starts.

### Protecting our Water Resources from Pollution with Prince William Water

Grades K–5

**Lake Ridge:** Saturday, June 14, 10:30 a.m.

**Dumfries:** Tuesday, June 17, 2:00 p.m.

**Chinn Park:** Monday, June 23, 2:00 p.m.

**Dale City:** Monday, July 21, 10:30 a.m.

**Potomac:** Thursday, July 31, 2:00 p.m.

**Central:** Tuesday, August 5, 1:00 p.m.

**Montclair:** Wednesday, August 6, 10:30 a.m.

**Bull Run:** Monday, August 11, 2:00 p.m.

**Haymarket Gainesville:** Tuesday, August 12, 2:00 p.m.

Join Prince William Water to explore the world of water and learn what it takes to keep our lakes clean. Learn how water resources can become polluted and why it is important to conserve water through this interactive story time demonstration.

### Ident-a-Child

All Ages

**Bull Run:** Monday, June 16, 10:00 a.m.

**Chinn Park:** Saturday, June 28, 10:00 a.m.

**Dumfries:** Thursday, June 26, 10:00 a.m.

**Lake Ridge:** Tuesday, July 1, 10:00 a.m.

**Haymarket Gainesville:** Thursday, July 10, 10:00 a.m.

**Montclair:** Friday, July 11, 10:00 a.m.

**Manassas City:** Thursday, July 17, 10:00 a.m.

**Nokesville:** Thursday, July 24, 10:00 a.m.

Prince William County Sheriff's Office will produce a plastic ID card with your child's photo and measurements. This card could be the key to assisting law enforcement agencies if a child ever goes missing. Producing the card offers children a fun and positive experience interacting with law enforcement officers. The Sheriff's Office does not retain the information to protect the family's privacy.



### Summer Reading Kickoff: Bull Run

All Ages/Families

Monday, June 16, 10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

Celebrate the beginning of Summer Reading with outdoor fun. Ponies Plus, balloon artist Mike Klee, Prince William County Police K-9 Unit, and others will be there. There will also be bubbles, sidewalk chalk, and more. A food truck will be available to purchase food and treats.

### Summer Kickoff with My Pet Alpaca: Central

All Ages/Families

Monday, June 16, 10:30 a.m.

Start the summer on the right foot (or hoof) with My Pet Alpaca. "Color Our World" and create a summer reading mural to decorate our library space. We'll also have other fun crafts and activities to get you inspired for summer reading.

### Animal Therapy Petting Zoo

All Ages

**Independent Hill:** Monday, June 16, 11:00 a.m.

**Manassas City:** Friday, June 20, 11:00 a.m.

**Potomac:** Tuesday, July 8, 11:00 a.m.

**Haymarket Gainesville:** Monday, July 14, 11:00 a.m.

**Dale City:** Wednesday, July 16, 11:00 a.m.

**Chinn Park:** Monday, July 21, 11:00 a.m.

Get ready for the most adorable stress-relief session ever! These furry companions will bring out all the smiles.

### FROGbots Robotics Demonstration

All Ages/Families

**Montclair:** Monday, June 16, 5:30 p.m.

**Haymarket Gainesville:** Saturday, August 9, 10:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

FROGbots, a community-based robotics team in the FIRST Tech Challenge, will offer kids a hands-on chance to drive their outreach robot, view their competition robot, and learn about robotics. The event aims to spark interest in STEM and help students get involved in robotics.

### Sing Books with Emily

Ages 3–6

**Independent Hill:** Tuesday, June 17, 10:30 a.m.

**Dumfries:** Friday, June 20, 10:30 a.m.

**Dale City:** Wednesday, July 9, 10:30 a.m.

**Potomac:** Friday, July 11, 10:30 a.m.

**Central:** Thursday, July 17, 10:30 a.m.

**Chinn Park:** Saturday, July 19, 10:30 a.m.

Sing Books with Emily is a singing story time of songs made into picture books or sing-along posters. Emily's singing is accompanied by sing-along instrumental tracks, one of Emily's ukuleles, or other silly instruments.



### Rodney's Raptors

All Ages

**Central:** Tuesday, June 17, 11:00 a.m.

**#Haymarket Gainesville:** Tuesday, June 17, 1:00 p.m.

**Montclair:** Wednesday, June 18, 11:00 a.m.

**Potomac:** Wednesday, June 18, 1:00 p.m.

**Chinn Park:** Saturday, June 28, 11:00 a.m.

Rodney Stotts is a master falconer and licensed raptor specialist from Southeast Washington, D.C. Experience the excitement of holding a live bird of prey. #Tokens will be handed out 30 minutes before the program starts.

### Native American Mythology with Star Lab

All Ages

**#Haymarket Gainesville:** Friday, June 20, 10:00 a.m.

**Bull Run:** Friday, June 20, 2:00 p.m.

Crawl through the tunnel into the dome and let the 360-degree projector transport you through the cosmos as Star Lab guides you into an endless starfield, introduces you to the different constellations in the night sky, brings the stories and mythologies surrounding the stars to life right before your eyes, and more. #Tokens will be handed out 30 minutes before the program starts.

### Family Movie Night: Nokesville

All Ages

Third Fridays, 7:30 p.m.

June 20, July 18, August 15

Bring a blanket and join us for an outdoor movie night under the stars. Films will be family-friendly. Please contact Nokesville Library directly for film titles.

### \*Summer Reading Kickoff: Montclair

All Ages/Families

Saturday, June 21, 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Start your summer reading adventure by visiting a petting farm at Montclair Library! Sign up for Summer Reading and enjoy a delicious frozen treat from the ice cream truck. Free ice cream treats for the first 250 patrons who sign up or confirm their registration for Summer Reading; first come, first served.

## Special Events



### Meghan & Alex

All Ages

**Haymarket Gainesville:** Saturday, June 21, 1:00 p.m.

**Montclair:** Saturday, June 28, 1:00 p.m.

Meghan & Alex offer a fresh take on the harp, voice, and cello as they perform covers by Journey, Van Morrison, Norah Jones, and more. They will also perform songs from their Outlander-inspired album, The Skye Boat Song, and original music.

### Creepy Crawly Critters

All Ages

**Potomac:** Monday, June 23, 10:30 a.m.

**Bull Run:** Friday, June 27, 10:30 a.m.

**Central:** Friday, July 11, 10:30 a.m.

**Chinn Park:** Friday, July 18, 10:30 a.m.

**Independent Hill:** Friday, July 25, 10:30 a.m.

**#Haymarket Gainesville:** Friday, August 1, 10:30 a.m.

**Dumfries:** Friday, August 8, 10:30 a.m.

**Montclair:** Friday, August 15, 10:30 a.m.

Get an up close and personal encounter with local bugs, thanks to Prince William County's Mosquito and Forest Pest Management. Enjoy different stations and learn more about our creepy crawly critters. #Tokens will be handed out 30 minutes before the program starts.

### Babysitting Certification

Ages 11 and up

**Central:** Monday, June 23, 10:00 a.m.

**Haymarket Gainesville:** Tuesday, June 24, 10:00 a.m.

**Bull Run:** Wednesday, July 16, 10:00 a.m.

Babysitting Basics from the American Red Cross is designed for new babysitters ages 11 and up and delivers information concisely and interactively. Please bring a lunch; light snacks will be provided. Registration required.

### \*Pigeon Appreciation Day: Bull Run

All Ages/Families

Monday, June 23, 10:30 a.m.

Join us for our annual celebration of everyone's favorite feathered curmudgeon—Mo Willem's Pigeon! Enjoy stories, songs, and crafts.

### \*Bookmaking: Potomac

Grades K–5

Tuesday, June 24, 10:30 a.m.

Join us to write and illustrate your very own story! Bring your imagination and ideas and become an author.

### Deputies in Flight

All Ages

**Chinn Park:** Tuesday, June 24, 2:00 p.m.

**Bull Run:** Thursday, June 26, 2:00 p.m.

**Montclair:** Monday, June 23, 2:00 p.m.

**#Haymarket Gainesville:** Monday, June 30, 10:30 a.m.

**Nokesville:** Tuesday, July 8, 10:30 a.m.

**Potomac:** Wednesday, August 6, 10:30 a.m.

Learn how the Prince William County Sheriff's Office uses drones to keep our community safe and watch a drone demonstration. #Tokens will be handed out 30 minutes before the program starts.

### \*Water Bead Splatter Art Crafternoon: Dumfries

Ages 5 and Up

Thursday, June 26, 11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

Grab an aluminum tray, some water beads, and squirt some paint. See what you can make!

### Tech in Color: Nokesville

All Ages/Families

Thursday, June 26, 10:30 a.m.

Explore art and technology with Spheros robot painting, 3D pens, and more!

### \*Eric Carle Party: Potomac

All Ages/Families

Saturday, June 28, 10:30 a.m.

Join us for an Eric Carle story time, Eric Carle-inspired art projects, and a visit from a very special guest!

### Marines Through History

Grades 1 and Up

**Nokesville:** Monday, June 30, 10:30 a.m.

**Bull Run:** Monday, July 7, 10:30 a.m.

**Montclair:** Friday, August 1, 10:30 a.m.

**Lake Ridge:** Tuesday, August 12, 10:30 a.m.

**Chinn Park:** Tuesday, August 12, 2:00 p.m.

**Dumfries:** Friday, August 15, 10:30 a.m.

Celebrate the 250th Anniversary of the United States Marine Corps! American History comes alive in this fun, interactive trunk show from the National Museum of the Marine Corps. You'll learn what it was like being a Marine through the past 250 years—from the Revolutionary War through present day.

### \*Roller Coaster Design Challenge: Potomac

Grades K–5

Wednesday, July 2, 10:30 a.m.

Build a roller coaster using recycled materials. What kind of coaster can you build?

### Lifelong Learning with PWC Park Ranger: Central

All Ages/Families

Wednesday, July 2, 1:00 p.m.

Meet a Park Ranger from the Prince William County Department of Parks and Recreation. Learn about a day in the life of a local Park Ranger and how to become one!

### \*Mad Tea Party: Bull Run

All Ages/Families

Wednesday, July 2, 2:00 p.m.

Go down the rabbit hole and celebrate our un-birthday at Alice's tea-riffic party! There will be crafts, games, and refreshments. Registration required.

### Bubblepalooza: Haymarket Gainesville

All Ages/Families

Tuesday, July 3, 10:30 a.m.

Let's celebrate summer with outdoor fun! Come for lots of bubbles, sidewalk chalk, and music—weather permitting.

### \*#Bad Art Day: Dumfries

All Ages/Families

Thursday, July 3, 2:30–4:30 p.m.

Freestyle your art in 45 minutes. You can make as many "Bad Art" pieces as you want. The "worst" piece of art gets the prize and a crown. First come, first served. #Tokens will be distributed 30 minutes before the program starts.

### Hawaiiana

All Ages

**Central:** Tuesday, July 8, 10:30 a.m.

**#Chinn Park:** Tuesday, July 15, 10:30 a.m.

**Bull Run:** Tuesday, July 22, 10:30 a.m.

**Lake Ridge:** Tuesday, July 29, 10:30 a.m.

Join Kinikia as she performs traditional and modern Hula (Kahiko and 'Auana) and other Polynesian dances. #Tokens will be handed out 30 minutes before the program starts.

### Adventure of the Missing Color with Science Heroes

Ages 3–10

**Potomac:** Wednesday, July 9, 10:30 a.m.

**#Chinn Park:** Wednesday, July 9, 2:00 p.m.

**Lake Ridge:** Thursday, July 10, 10:30 a.m.

**Central:** Thursday, July 10, 2:00 p.m.

**Montclair:** Friday, July 11, 10:30 a.m.

**#Haymarket Gainesville:** Friday, July 11, 2:00 p.m.

**Bull Run:** Saturday, July 12, 10:30 a.m.

Through hands-on experiments and fun, interactive stories, get excited about the science that's all around us as we celebrate the scientists who color our world with art. #Tokens will be handed out 30 minutes before the program starts.

### Captain Curiosity: Into the Deep

All Ages

**#Haymarket Gainesville:** Thursday, July 10, 10:30 a.m.

**#Chinn Park:** Thursday, July 10, 2:00 p.m.

Full of puppetry, physical comedy, audience participation, and play, Captain Curiosity will share a light-hearted love story about the colorful creatures that live beneath the sea. #Tokens will be handed out 30 minutes before the program starts.



### Sidewalk Chalk Day: Central

All Ages/Families

Thursday, July 10, 10:30 a.m.

Decorate our sidewalk with colorful chalk! Create a piece of art to take home and pot a plant with the Centennial Garden Club while supplies last.

### Back to the Future Celebration: Haymarket Gainesville

All Ages

Saturday, July 12, 3:00 p.m.

Celebrate the 40th anniversary of Back to the Future! Enjoy fun activities, then watch the original time-traveling 1985 adventure in the community room. Check out and take pictures with an actual DeLorean! The movie is rated PG and will be shown after-hours at 5:00 p.m.

### Bobby G. Pets

All Ages/Families

\***#Haymarket Gainesville:** Tuesday, July 15, 10:30 a.m.

**Montclair:** Tuesday, July 22, 10:30 a.m.

Join us for an educational adventure to meet snakes, tortoises, bearded dragons, and other lizards with Bobby G. Pets! #Tokens will be handed out 30 minutes before the program starts.

### Kinderquarium

All Ages

**#Haymarket Gainesville:** Saturday, July 19, 10:30 a.m.

**Central:** Saturday, July 19, 2:00 p.m.

**Montclair:** Wednesday, July 30, 10:30 a.m.

**Potomac:** Wednesday, July 30, 2:00 p.m.

Join us for Kinderquarium, a mobile aquatic show that brings live juvenile predatory fish—like arowana and gar—to the library. Explore aquatic predators, ecosystems, and survival strategies through engaging storytelling and guided observation. #Tokens will be handed out 30 minutes before the program starts.

### Wildlife Center of Virginia

All Ages

**Central:** Tuesday, July 22, 10:30 a.m.

**#Haymarket Gainesville:** Tuesday, July 22, 2:00 p.m.

**Lake Ridge:** Thursday, July 24, 10:30 a.m.

**Chinn Park:** Thursday, July 24, 2:00 p.m.

**Nokesville:** Tuesday, July 29, 10:30 a.m.

**Dumfries:** Tuesday, July 29, 2:00 p.m.

Meet non-releasable wildlife ambassadors, discuss native species, and learn how nature adds color to our world. #Tokens will be handed out 30 minutes before the program starts.

### \*Sticker Storytelling: Dumfries

Ages 3–6  
July 21–25

Grab a bag with a story sheet and some stickers and make a story with them.

## Special Events



### **Drew Blue Shoes Magician: Central**

All Ages/Families

Monday, July 21, 10:30 a.m.

Join Drew Blue Shoes for magical routines highlighting books as kids delve deep into its characters, themes, and lessons. Help Drew perform magic tricks to illustrate what we can learn from each book.

### **\*Melodic Adventures: Our Colorful World of Feelings**

All Ages/Families

**Potomac:** Monday, July 21, 10:30 a.m.

**#Haymarket Gainesville:** Monday, July 21, 2:00 p.m.

Join us for an interactive music and movement adventure designed to help children and families explore emotions in a fun, accessible way. #Tokens will be handed out 30 minutes before the program starts.

### **\*Messy Art Day: Potomac**

Ages 2-6

Tuesday, July 29, 10:30 a.m.

Join us on Potomac's patio for some messy art projects! We will use washable paint, but please wear clothes that can get dirty. Older siblings welcome. Rain date: August 5.

### **\*Tape Town--Terrific Tuesdays: Montclair**

Ages 2-6

Tuesday, July 1, 10:30 a.m.

Bring your mini toy cars or trucks to Montclair's Tape town! Explore and have a great adventure in our temporary town. Get your license and drive along masking tape streets, through tunnels, and over rolling hills to visit cool spots.

### **\*Tape Town: Bull Run**

Ages 2-5

Thursday, August 14, 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Bring your favorite toy car, truck, or other vehicle for an interactive adventure through our temporary town. Get your license and drive along masking tape streets, through tunnels, and over rolling hills to visit spots in your community! Extra cars will be available for use. Designed for ages 2-5, but all are welcome.

### **Bright Star Theatre Presents African Folktales: Dumfries**

Ages 3-12

Monday, July 14, 10:30 a.m.

Join a variety of characters from a wide range of cultures in stories that celebrate the various folk tale traditions of the continent of Africa. Our stories include Anansi, Pourquoi Tales, and facts and figures about this incredible continent.

### **#Bright Star Theatre Presents Winnie-the-Pooh: Chinn Park**

Ages 3-12

Monday, July 14, 2:00 p.m.

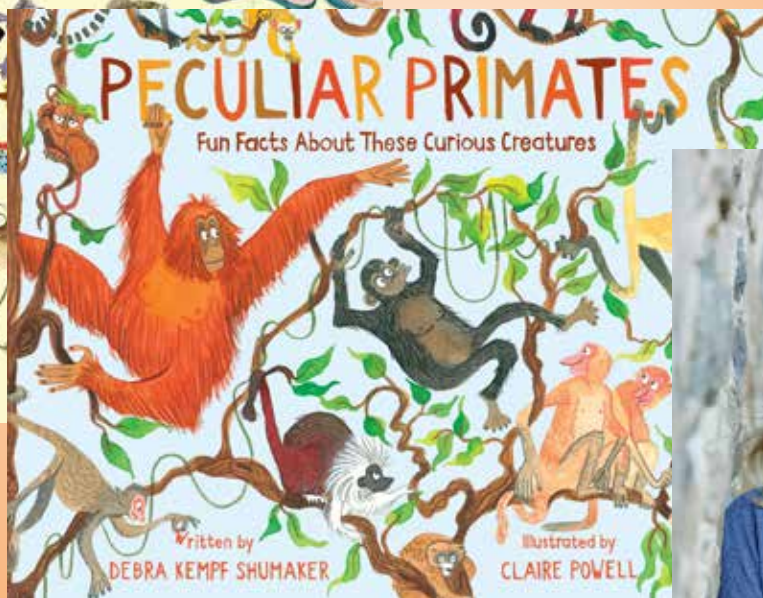
The beloved literary classic comes to life in this sweet and charming production. Pooh and his friends from Hundred Acre Wood find themselves in the playful predicaments first imagined by writer A.A. Milne in 1926. #Tokens will be handed out 30 minutes before the program starts.

### **Bright Star Theatre Presents Freedom Songs--The Music of Black History: Potomac**

Grades 3 and Up

Monday, July 14, 6:00 p.m.

From the work songs of the fields of enslaved people to Ragtime, Jazz, R&B, and the inspired spirituals of the Civil Rights movement, this play follows the compelling story of music's role in the history of Black Americans.



### Not Just a Pretty Face: How Plants Use Color, Scent, and Shape to Attract Pollinators with Master Gardeners

Ages 4–12

**Potomac:** Wednesday, July 23, 10:30 a.m.

**Chinn Park:** Monday, July 28, 10:30 a.m.

**Dumfries:** Thursday, July 31, 10:30 a.m.

**Independent Hill:** Wednesday, August 6, 10:30 a.m.

**Central:** Thursday, August 7, 10:30 a.m.

**Lake Ridge:** Monday, August 11, 10:30 a.m.

Explore the vibrant connections between people, plants, and pollinators. Join Virginia Cooperative Extension Master Gardeners for a colorful journey to discover how every species helps make our world a more beautiful place.

### Color Your World with Animal Adaptation Fun!

Ages 3–8

**Nokesville:** Monday, August 4, 10:30 a.m.

**Bull Run:** Monday, August 4, 2:00 p.m.

**Independent Hill:** Tuesday, August 5, 10:30 a.m.

**#Haymarket Gainesville:** Tuesday, August 5, 3:00 p.m.

**Dale City:** Wednesday, August 6, 10:30 a.m.

**Lake Ridge:** Wednesday, August 6, 2:00 p.m.

**Dumfries:** Thursday, August 7, 10:30 a.m.

**Potomac:** Thursday, August 7, 2:00 p.m.

Join Virginia author Debra Kempf Shumaker as she leads a story time with her rhyming nonfiction picture books “Peculiar Primates” and “Freaky, Funky Fish.” After the story, there will be fun STEM-related activities. #Tokens will be handed out 30 minutes before the program starts.

### \*Q-Tip Pointillism Painting: Potomac

Grades K–5

Monday, August 4, 10:30 a.m.

Use Q-tips to place dots of paint on a canvas to create your own artwork! We'll look at examples of paintings using this technique, called pointillism, and then create our own.

### \*Bluey Bonanza: Terrific Tuesdays: Montclair

All Ages/Families

Tuesday, August 12, 10:30 a.m.

It's time to celebrate your favorite blue heeler family! Come dressed up in your best Bluey gear for fun crafts and games.

### \*Flower Fairy Festival: Montclair

All Ages/Families

Saturday, August 16, 11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

Faye folk of all ages, don your festive costumes and flutter to our Flower Fairy Festival! Celebrate the blooms as we bid summer farewell and welcome autumn. Enjoy unicorn rides, fairy hair, and magical accessories while supplies last. Craft a pressed flower bookmark, refill your pixie dust, and help create a community flower mural!

### Summer Reading Celebration: Bull Run

All Ages/Families

Saturday, August 16, 1:00–3:00 p.m.

Enjoy outdoor fun as we say goodbye to summer and Summer Reading. There will be bubbles, sidewalk chalk, and other outdoor activities. A food truck will be available to buy a sweet treat.

## Story Times and Ongoing Events

Story times are more than just books! They're interactive experiences that engage children with short stories, action rhymes, songs, and fingerplays. Our story times focus on pre-reading skills that all children need to become good readers, and they help parents practice these skills at home. Each story time differs depending on the age group, but all of them help parents foster a love of books and learning in their children.

### Baby Story Time

Ages 6–24 Months

Tuesdays:

**Dumfries:** Select Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.

July 15, August 19

Wednesdays:

**Haymarket Gainesville:** 10:30 a.m., Registration required.

Thursdays:

**\*Bull Run:** Select Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.

June 26

July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

August 7

**\*Montclair:** Select Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.

July 3, August 14

### Toddler Story Time

Ages 18–36 Months, Siblings Welcome

**Central:** Select Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m.

June 25

July 2, 16, 23

August 13

### Preschool Story Time

Ages 3–6

Tuesdays:

**Independent Hill:** Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.

Thursdays:

**Central:** Select Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.

June 26, July 3

**Manassas City:** Select Thursdays, 11:00 a.m.

June 26

July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

August 7, 14

Fridays:

**\*Bull Run:** Select Fridays, 10:30 a.m.

June 20

July 11, 18

August 1, 8, 15

## Special Story Times

### Wonder Wanders Story Time, Craft, and Hike: Independent Hill

All Ages/Families

Select Saturdays, 10:00 p.m.

June 14, 21, 28

July 12, 19, 26

August 2, 9, 16, 23

A certified Master Naturalist and local preschool director will lead preschoolers and their parents on a story time hike on Independent Hill Library's Story Trail. There will be a small craft to do after every hike! In the event of bad weather, this story time and hike will be canceled.

### \*Baby Play Time Extravaganza: Potomac

Select Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.

June 3, July 1, August 5

Babies and caregivers are welcome to come to our play hour, where stations of toys and activities are available to participate. Stroller parking is limited, so please plan accordingly! First come, first served until capacity is reached.

### Maker Faire–Boats Float Story Time: Bull Run

All Ages/Families

Saturday, June 7, 10:30 a.m.

Join us for a fun interactive story time with stories, music, rhymes, and a craft all about boats. No registration.

### Learning Through Play–Story Time and Thoughtful Tips for Early Literacy: Lake Ridge

Ages 6–36 Months

Select Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.

June 10, July 8

Join us for a special story time with our friends from Pediatric Achievements! Enjoy a fun story and tips on using play and books to boost early language and literacy skills.

### Summer Reading Story Time: Chinn Park

All Ages

Select Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.

June 17, 24

July 1, 22, 29

August 5

First come, first served until capacity is reached.

### Summer Story Time–Terrific Tuesdays: Montclair

All Ages/Families

Select Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.

June 17, July 15, August 5

Join us for our special story time as we welcome summer and get excited for all our special summer programs. Summer Story Time is fun for all ages and siblings are welcome.

Story times are weekly unless indicated otherwise.

For any changes in dates and times (such as during holidays), please refer to [pwcva.gov/library](http://pwcva.gov/library), the library's social media, or check with your branch.

### Pajama Story Time: Haymarket Gainesville

All Ages/Families

Select Wednesdays 7:00–7:30 p.m.

June 18, July 9, August 13

Join us in the story time circle for bedtime stories and songs. Pajamas and stuffed animals are highly recommended.

### Stuffed Animal NAP Story Time: Dale City

Ages 6 Months–6 Years

Saturday, July 19, 10:30 a.m.

Join us for stories, songs, and fun at this story time for combined ages. Stuffed animals and pajamas are welcome!

### Family Story Time: Dale City

Ages 6 Months–6 Years

Select Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m.

Join us for stories, songs, and fun at this story time for combined ages.

### \*Family Story Time: Dumfries

Ages 24 Months–6 Years

Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.

Join us for 30 minutes of books, music, movement, play, and community. Siblings welcome.

### Family Story Time: Potomac

Ages 2–6

Select Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.

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### Family Story Time: Central

All Ages/Families

Select Saturdays, 10:30 a.m.

June 28, August 2

Story Times are more than just books! They're interactive experiences that engage children with movement, music, books, and play. Our story times focus on the pre-reading skills that all children need to become confident readers.

### Family Story Time: Nokesville

Ages 2–6

Fourth Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.

July 31, August 28

Join us for puppets, songs, stories, and play.

### Story Time @ the Manassas Museum

Grades K–5

Wednesday, July 16, 11:00 a.m.

Join us for a special story time adventure at the Manassas Museum! Children will enjoy captivating stories that bring history to life in this exciting partnership between the library and the museum.

### Blankets and Bears: Potomac

Ages 2–6

Wednesday, August 13, 10:30 a.m.

Bring your teddy and your favorite blanket to a special cuddly story time! Join us in celebrating what we love about our favorite teddy bears, stuffed animals, and blankets.

## MUSIC AND MOTION

Join us for songs, dancing, and movement to get those wiggles out!

**Nokesville:** Ages 2–6

Second Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.

June 12, July 10, August 14

**Bull Run:** Ages 18–36 Months

Select Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m.

June 18, 25

July 2, 9, 23, 30

August 6, 13

**Chinn Park:** All Ages

Select Fridays, 10:30 a.m.

June 27, August 8

**Central:** Ages 3–6

Select Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.

July 24, August 14

**Montclair:** Ages 2–6

Select Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.

June 26, July 24

**Haymarket Gainesville:**

Ages 2–6

Select Thursdays, 11:00 a.m.

June 26

July 17, 24, 31

August 7, 14

## SPANISH STORY TIMES

### Spanish Circle Time/El Circulo de Cuentos en Español

All Ages

**Bull Run:** Select Mondays, 6:30 p.m.

June 9

July 14, 28

August 11, 25

**Dale City:** Select Mondays, 10:30 a.m.

June 2, July 7, August 4

Spanish Circle Time/El Circulo de Cuentos en Español features stories and songs in Spanish presented by Miss Roxana.

### Me Gusta Spanish: Central

All Ages/Families

Select Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m.

June 18, July 9, August 6

Do you speak Spanish? Interested in learning Spanish? Join Mrs. Narcisa for an energetic and fun story time of stories and songs. ¿hablas español? Interesados en aprender Español? Únase a la Sra. Narcisa para una hora de cuentos enérgica y divertida de historias.

### \*Colorea tu Mundo con el Monstruo de Colores: Manassas City

All Ages/Families

Sábado, junio 21, 11:00 a.m.

Saturday, June 21, 11:00 a.m.

Acompáñenos a una hora del cuento llena de color con un monstruo muy especial, donde exploraremos las emociones a través de cuentos, rimas y canciones en español. Join us for a colorful story time with a very special monster! We'll explore emotions through stories, rhymes, and songs in Spanish.

### \*Hora del Cuento en Español: Manassas City

18–36 meses/months

Viernes, 11:00–11:30 a.m.

junio 27, julio 25, agosto 22

Fridays, 11:00–11:30 a.m.

June 27, July 25, August 22

Disfrute cuentos, rimas y canciones en español, finalizando con 30 minutos para jugar y socializar. Enjoy stories, rhymes, and songs in Spanish, followed by 30 minutes for play and socialization.

## Reading to Dogs

Practice reading aloud while you make a new friend by reading to a therapy dog at the library. Reading to Dogs helps young readers in grades K–5 improve their skills in a relaxed, friendly environment. Bring your own book or read one of ours.

**Nokesville:** First Saturdays, 10:30 a.m.  
June 7, August 2

**Independent Hill:** Select Mondays, 4:30 p.m.  
June 9, 23  
July 14, 28  
August 11, 25

**Dumfries:** Third Mondays, 4:30–5:30 p.m.  
June 16, July 21, August 18

**Bull Run:** Select Wednesdays, 5:00 p.m.  
June 18, July 16

Sign up for a 15-minute reading slot starting at 4:30 p.m.

**Haymarket Gainesville:** Select Saturdays, 10:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m.  
June 21, August 9

Drop in; register at the Children's desk.

**Central:** Select Wednesdays, 5:30 p.m.  
June 25, July 16, August 20

**Chinn Park (All Ages):** Select Wednesdays, 2:00 p.m.  
July 16, 23



## Crafts and Activities



### GIVE Tutoring: Bull Run

Grades K–6

Sunday, June 1, 1:30–3:30 p.m.

Free tutoring in math, science, and reading. To request a free tutoring session for a student, please email [bullrun.center@giveyouth.org](mailto:bullrun.center@giveyouth.org). GIVE is a nonprofit organization started and run by high school students.

### Crafty Littles: Nokesville

Ages 2–6

First Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.  
June 5, July 3, August 7

Enjoy fun crafts just right for little hands.

### \*Take and Make Craft Kits: Chinn Park

All Ages

Mondays, All Day

Each week, a new craft kit will be available for children to take home and make while supplies last.

### \*Kids Take and Make Crafts: Independent Hill

Monthly

All Ages/Families

Stop by to pick up your seasonal craft kit while supplies last.

### Puzzling with a Purpose: Potomac

All Ages/Families

Select Saturdays, 12:30–2:00 p.m.  
June 7, August 2

Exchange jigsaw puzzles with other enthusiasts. Also, discuss how to frame puzzles and maybe assemble puzzles as well.

### Creating Butterfly Origami: Haymarket Gainesville

All Ages/Families

Saturday, June 14, 10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

Making an origami butterfly can be a delightful journey into the art of paper folding. The art of origami, with its roots potentially tracing back to China, has long been associated with the butterfly—a creature that embodies transformation and beauty. We will provide step-by-step instructions and supplies.

### Seasonal Take and Make Crafts for Kids: Lake Ridge

Grades K–5

Select Fridays

June 20, July 18, August 15

Feeling crafty? Join us for our seasonal take and make crafts! Grab one of our crafts to unleash your artistic side and explore your imagination. We'll make a little bit of everything, so stop in and join the fun while supplies last.

### Take and Make Crafts: Nokesville

All Ages

Ongoing

Pick up a Take and Make Kit to complete at home while supplies last.

### \*Summer Scavenger Hunts: Montclair

All Ages/Families

June 2–August 30

Search for answers hidden around the children's department this summer and earn a prize at the children's desk. A different theme and prize will be featured each month. Visit all summer and try all three!

### Color Our World Scavenger Hunt: Lake Ridge

All Ages

June 23–28

Color our world with a fun coloring scavenger hunt! Find pictures of animals hidden around the library and then color them in. Find all eight and win a prize.

### \*Exploration Station: Montclair

All Ages/Families

June 2–August 30

Awaken your inner scientist and experience wonder every time you visit the children's department at Exploration Station. A different science concept and manipulatives will be featured each month. Visit all summer and try all three!

### Little Makers: Central

Ages 3–11

Select Mondays, 10:30 a.m.  
June 9, July 14, August 11

Registration required. Please register each attendee individually.

### Kids Chess Club: Bull Run

Select Tuesdays, 3:00 p.m.  
June 10, July 15, August 5

Practice your chess skills! Kids Chess Club is for all ages and skill levels who already know how to play. Every meeting, we will also read one chapter of "Story Time Chess," recommended for ages 3–7. Story Time Chess teaches kids about the pieces and how they move.

### Open Chess: Haymarket Gainesville

Ages 6 and Up

Select Wednesdays, 2:00–3:30 p.m.  
June 18  
July 2, 16, 30  
August 13

Join us for Open Play Chess Club for Kids. Play with friends or practice moves on your own with our No Stress Chess boards!

### FUN Time ROCK Painting: Dale City

All Ages/Families

Tuesday, June 17, 1:00–3:00 p.m.

Join us for a fun time painting rocks. First come, first served until capacity is reached and while supplies last.

### Tween Summertime Art Workshop: Central

Ages 8–12

Select Tuesdays, 5:30 p.m.  
June 17: Paper Art Printing  
July 22: Mosaics

Welcome to our first Tween Summertime Art Workshop, where we will explore fine art in a uniquely creative process!

### \*Kind Kids Yoga with Ms. Shelley: Chinn Park

Ages 1–5 with Caregiver

Select Fridays, 10:30 a.m.  
June 20, July 11

Breathing exercises, poses, music, and story time will be used to guide you through a fun time together. Please bring a yoga mat or beach towel. First come, first served until capacity is reached.

### STEM Activities: Dale City

Grades K–5

Thursday, July 17, 11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

Science lovers, join us for STEAM activities, where there will be hands-on opportunities to experience different activities the library has to offer! First come, first served until capacity is reached and while supplies last.



### Book Buddies: Haymarket Gainesville

Grades K–5

Select Wednesdays, 2:00–3:30 p.m.  
June 25  
July 9, 23  
August 6

Practice your reading skills with a teen volunteer, "Book Buddy," or be read to, and encourage a love of books and reading. Sign up for a time slot with a teen volunteer.

### \*Crafternoon: Bull Run

Grades K–5

Select Wednesdays, 5:00 p.m.  
June 25, July 30

Join us each month for a different kid-friendly craft.

### \*Crafternoon: Dumfries

All Ages/Families

Thursdays, 11:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Do you feel like doing a bit of crafting? Stop in the library, take a break, and let your creativity out while supplies last.

### Kindergarten Camp: Haymarket Gainesville

Ages 4–6 with Caregiver

Thursdays, 1:00–3:00 p.m.  
June 26  
July 3, 10, 17, 21, 31  
August 7, 14

Are you going to kindergarten this fall? Get ready with our interactive skill-building program. Work on fun activities that promote literacy, learning, and skills needed for school.

### Block and Puzzle Play: Bull Run

All Ages/Families

Select Saturdays, 10:30 a.m.  
June 28, July 26

There will be a variety of learning puzzles and puzzles just for fun.

### Preschool Puzzle Swap: Montclair

Ages 2–6

Thursday, July 31, 10:30 a.m.

Are your kids tired of playing with the same puzzles? Swap your old preschool puzzles for ones that are new to you! Drop off your complete puzzles between July 16–30 and receive a voucher to pick out new-to-you puzzles at our swap on Thursday, July 31.

### Stroller Strides: Montclair

Ages 0–6

Fourth Fridays, 10:00 a.m.  
June 27, July 25, August 29

Stroller Strides is a Mommy and Me fitness class that integrates songs, rhymes, letters, and numbers to keep the little's entertained while mama works out. Stroller and registration required.

### Stroller Strides: Potomac

Third Fridays, 10:15–11:00 a.m.  
June 20, July 18, August 15

Stroller Strides is a Mommy and Me fitness class that integrates songs, rhymes, letters, and numbers to keep the littles entertained while mom works out. Stroller and registration required.

### \*Stroller Strides: Bull Run

Ages 6–24 Months

Select Mondays, 10:30 a.m.  
June 30, July 21

Stroller Strides by Fit4Mom is a fitness class that integrates songs, rhymes, letters, and numbers to keep the littles entertained while mama works out. This will be outside (weather permitting). Your child will need to be in a stroller. Wear comfortable clothing. Registration required.

## Crafts and Activities

### Stoller Strides with Fit4Mom: Haymarket Gainesville

Ages 0-5 with Caregiver  
Friday, July 25, 10:30 a.m.

Join us for a fun 60-minute Stroller Strides class for moms with kiddos in tow brought to us by Fit4Mom. Get in a total body conditioning workout comprised of strength training, cardio, and core restoration, all while entertaining the little ones with songs, activities, and fun! Stick around after for a story and play.

### Pokémon Club: Haymarket Gainesville

Grades K-12

Second and Fourth Mondays,  
5:30 p.m.

June 9, 23  
July 14, 28  
August 11, 25

Join us as we bring Pokémon to you! Pokémon TCG collectors, main console, and GO players are welcome to join, battle, and trade with other Poké fans! Free Pokémon cards to participants while supplies last.

### Pokémon Club: Bull Run

Grades K-5

First Tuesdays, 5:00 p.m.  
July 1, August 5

Join us as we bring Pokémon to you! Pokémon TCG collectors, main console, and GO players are welcome to join, battle, and trade with other Poké fans!

### Building Buddies: Terrific Tuesdays: Montclair

Ages 2-6

Tuesday, July 8, 10:30 a.m.

Let's build friendships and whatever we want to create at this engineering-themed program just for little builders. We will have Duplo and other building materials available.

### 8-Bit Art with Perler Beads: Bull Run

Ages 6-13

Select Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.  
July 15, August 12

Make a design to take home using Perler beads.

### FUN Time with Paint: Dale City

All Ages/Families

Third Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.  
July 15, August 19

Join us for a fun time painting. First come, first served until capacity is reached and while supplies last.



LEGO®lovers, come free-build with us! We provide LEGOs® and Duplos®; you only need to bring your imagination. Bring your cameras to capture the memories. Children in grades K-5 must be accompanied by an adult.

**Dale City:** First Saturdays,  
11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.  
June 7, August 2

**Independent Hill:** Third Mondays,  
4:30 p.m.

June 16, July 21, August 18

### LEGO® LAB: Central

Select Tuesdays, 2:00-4:00 p.m.  
June 24, July 15

Unleash your imagination, participate in a themed challenge, or tell a story with our large collection of LEGO® bricks, pieces, and accessories.

### Nokesville: Grades K-5

Fourth Wednesdays, 4:00 p.m.  
June 25, July 23, August 27

### Construction Club: Manassas City

Ages 3 and Up

Select Tuesdays, 4:00-5:30 p.m.  
July 1, August 5

Build with LEGOs®, DUPLOS®, KEVA, and K'NEX kits! All materials must stay in the library, so bring a camera to capture your creations.

**Dumfries:** Fourth Saturdays, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.  
June 28, July 26, August 23

**Montclair:** Select Tuesdays, 5:00 p.m.  
July 15, August 12

**Bull Run:** Second Tuesdays, 5:00 p.m.  
July 8, August 12

**Haymarket Gainesville:** Ages 5 and Up  
Select Wednesdays, 6:00 p.m.  
July 2, August 6



### Stuffed Animal Sleepover: Haymarket Gainesville

Grades K-5

Friday, July 25

Your stuffed animal is invited to spend the weekend at the library with our mascot, Fifi the Fox! Drop off your fluffy friend on Friday, July 25, and pick them up on Monday, July 28. Animals must be small enough to fit in a backpack. Registration required. One stuffed animal per child.

### Crafternoon: Dale City

Grades K-5

Tuesday, July 29, 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Join us for some fun crafting opportunities! First come, first served until capacity is reached and while supplies last.

### Toddler Sensory Play: Nokesville

Ages 18-36 Months

Third Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.  
July 17, August 21

Join the adventure and explore a sensory wonderland! Dive into a world of texture, color, and imagination.

### \*Sensory Play Time: Terrific Tuesdays: Montclair

Ages 2-6

Tuesday, July 29, 10:30 a.m.

Let your little ones share some play and social time with a variety of toys and sensory items.

## SPECIAL EVENTS

### Mythology in Modern Day with REscape Rooms

**Montclair:** Tuesday, June 17, 4:00 p.m.

**Chinn Park:** Monday, July 14, 6:00 p.m.

**Bull Run:** Saturday, August 9, 2:00 p.m.

In our Mythology in Modern Day escape room, rep your favorite Greek deity as you prove yourself to one of the Olympians! Registration required.

### Swift Escape with REscape Rooms

**Lake Ridge:** Saturday, June 28, 11:00 a.m.

**Montclair:** Saturday, July 12, 1:00 p.m.

**Manassas City:** Monday, July 21, 4:30 p.m.

**Potomac:** Saturday, August 2, 11:00 a.m.

**Haymarket Gainesville:** Monday, August 4, 6:00 p.m.

Prove you're a mastermind who can make it to the end game. You're on your own, kid; only your wits will provide the necessary epiphany to solve all the puzzles provided in the bejeweled labyrinth wonderland of Swift Escape. Registration required.

### \*Laser Tag: Chinn Park

Friday, June 20, 5:30–7:00 p.m.

After the library closes, you get the place to yourself to play laser tag! Registration required. Parents will need to fill out a permission form before teen's entry into the program.

### Laser Tag: Dumfries

Wednesday, June 25, 6:30–8:00 p.m.

Kick off your summer with an after-hours laser tag! Split into two rounds, form teams, or play solo. Registration required.

### \*Candy Sushi: Chinn Park

Wednesday, June 25, 2:00 p.m.

Make candy sushi using marshmallow treats, fruit roll-ups, gummy fish, and other sweets. Show off your cute creations and then enjoy a delicious snack. Registration required.

### Perfect Match—Find Your Summer Book Date!: Haymarket Gainesville, Montclair

July 1–15

Don't judge a book by its cover! Visit Haymarket Gainesville or Montclair Libraries and choose your book date by its genre and opening line. Each wrapped book has a book review form inside. After reading the book, turn in your book review by August 1 to enter to win a special prize pack.



### Pocky and KitKat Taste Test: Chinn Park

Thursday, July 3, 2:00 p.m.

We'll taste-test several kinds of Pocky and KitKats and determine the best tasting. Are the original flavors the best, or will a new flavor become the champion?

### \*Teen Bunny Cuddle with a Side of Alpacas: Haymarket Gainesville

Monday, July 7, 4:00 p.m.

Spend some relaxing time with furry friends from My Pet Alpaca. Cuddle bunnies and pet alpacas!

## ARTS AND CRAFTS

### \*Crafting With Pride: Dumfries

Saturday, June 14, 11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

Celebrate Pride Month with crafts, face painting, prize giveaways, and more. Bring the family!

### \*Friendship Pins: Potomac

Monday, June 16, 2:00 p.m.

Create friendship pins with safety pins and seed beads! You'll plan your design using graph paper and then string the beads onto pins. Pin them to your shoelaces or backpack, or share them with a friend!

### Twine Pattern Stamp Take and Make: Dumfries

June 23–28

Make a stamp with a unique pattern using twine and a wooden block (ink pad provided). Then, use the stamp to make cards, decorate gift bags, plain wrapping paper, punch up tote bags, and more while supplies last.

### \*Teen Tie-Dye Tuesdays: Montclair

First Tuesdays, 4:00 p.m.

July 1, August 5

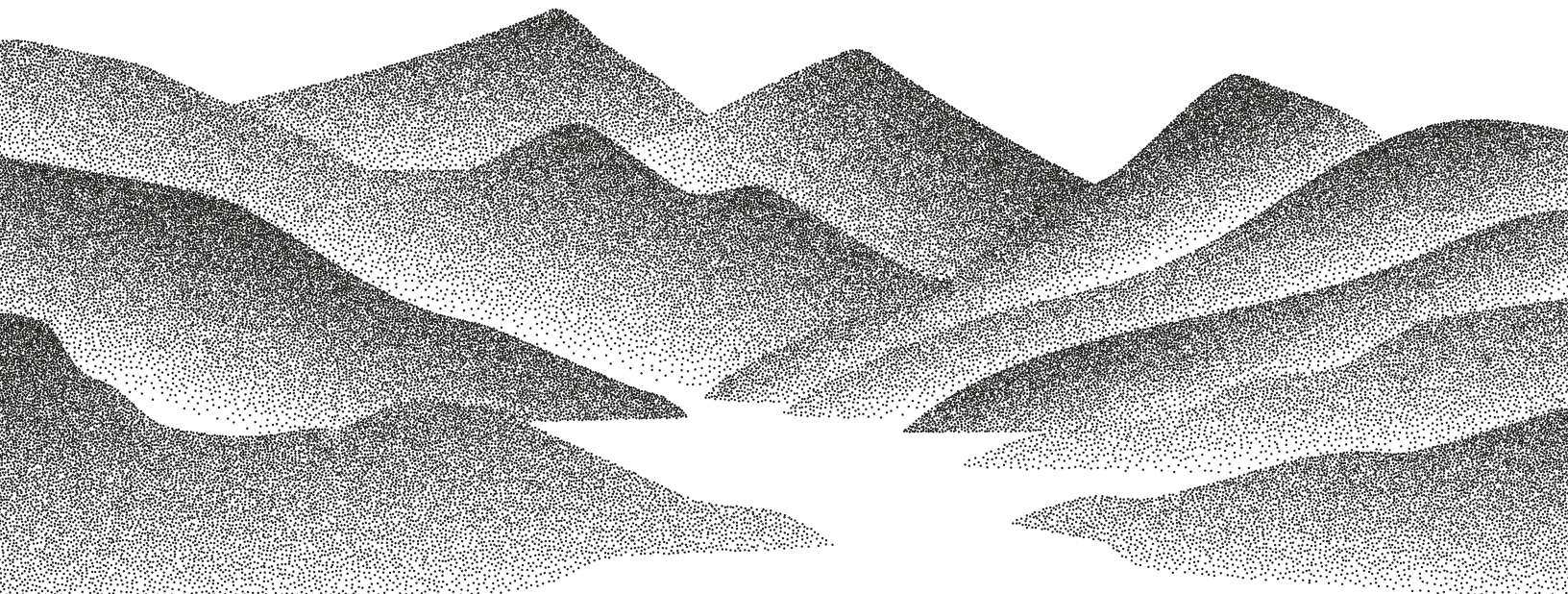
Create a tie-dye style tile coaster on July 1 and tie-dye a tote bag on August 5. All materials provided while supplies last. First come, first served until capacity is reached.

### \*Mini Mandalas: Potomac

Grades 6–8

Monday, July 7, 2:00 p.m.

Join us in making mandalas out of old CDs and DVDs with beads, tissue paper, feathers, and other things.



## **DIY Soapmaking: Chinn Park**

Grades 9–12

Tuesday, July 8, 2:00 p.m.

Join us as we make melt-and-pour soap! You'll walk away with homemade soaps to use or gift and the knowledge to continue making soaps at home. No prior experience is required—just bring your passion for crafting! Registration required.

## **\*Teen LEGO Lab: Montclair**

Second Wednesdays, 4:00 p.m.

July 9, August 13

Join us for a night of cozy LEGO building. You'll get a small LEGO set to build. Participants should have some prior experience in how LEGO pieces work and be able to follow a visual guide of the build. First come, first served while supplies last.

## **Paper Clip Washi Jewelry Take and Make: Dumfries**

July 14–19

This fun craft is easy to make—just hook paper clips together to make bracelets, anklets, or necklaces, then wrap washi tape around the middle of each clip for a punch of color while supplies last.

## **Teen Stipple Art: Chinn Park**

Monday, July 28, 2:00 p.m.

Stipple painting is a fun technique that allows you to create artwork by creatively placing many colorful dots to form one cohesive design. Whether new to stipple painting or a fan of the technique, swing by to try this unique way to create art. Registration required.

## **Basket Weaving for Tweens and Teens—Harvest Basket: Haymarket Gainesville**

Grades 5 and Up

Friday, August 8, 11:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.

We'll make harvest baskets—large round baskets perfect for collecting stuff like fruit, vegetables, laundry, whatever! All supplies are provided. Registration required.

## **Melted Crayon Art: Dumfries**

Young Adults/Adults

Wednesday, August 13, 2:30 p.m.

Bring old crayons and use a hair dryer to make art pieces while supplies last.

## **GAMING**

### **Dungeons & Dragons for Teens and Young Adults: Virtual**

Group One (Grades 9–12):

First Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m.

June 3, July 1, August 5

Group Two (Grades 11–12):

Third Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m.

June 17, July 15, August 19

Whether you're new to the game or a hardened veteran, grab your sword, spell components, and bag of holding to play Dungeons & Dragons with us virtually. Registration required. Only sign up for one group.

### **\*Dungeons & Dragons for Teens: Bull Run**

Ages 13–18

Saturday, June 21, 2:00 p.m.

Pull up a chair, roll some dice, and explore a world full of magic, monsters, and adventure. Registration required.

### **Super Smash Saturday: Bull Run**

Saturday, August 2, 2:00 p.m.

Challenge fellow players to a game of Super Smash Bros on the big screen. This is not a tournament, just casual play. Snacks provided.

## **TEEN ADVISORY GROUP (TAG)**

Join our Teen Advisory Group to help plan library events and spend time with like-minded teens in grades 6–12. All participants will earn volunteer hours. Registration required.

### **TAG Makers: Central**

Select Tuesdays, 5:30 p.m.

June 10: End of School Year Fun Night

July 8: Arts and Crafts Night

August 12: \*Special Event—Book Crafters Club Meeting

Join us for special events in Studio 8601 and outside on Central Green! Get volunteer hours while catching some rays and crafting new skills.

### **Bull Run**

Third Tuesdays, 4:00 p.m.

June 17, July 15

## Young Adults and Adults

### SPECIAL EVENTS

#### Beautiful Binding Basics

**Independent Hill:** Saturday, June 14, 11:00 a.m.

**Bull Run:** Saturday, July 26, 1:00 p.m.

Calling all book lovers! Learn how to make a journal from scratch using the Coptic Stitch in this beginner-friendly class.

#### Peaceful Painting

**Manassas City:** Wednesday, June 18, 2:00 p.m.

**Haymarket Gainesville:** Tuesday, July 15, 6:00 p.m.

**Bull Run:** Wednesday, July 30, 2:00 p.m.

**Potomac:** Tuesday, August 5, 6:00 p.m.

Channel your creativity and follow along as we paint a picture with live instruction. Choose your image from our library, and we'll do the rest! Pair with a drink from the mocktail bar for a fun paint-and-sip event. First come, first served.

#### \*DIY Pride Keychains: Montclair

Ages 16 and Up

Wednesday, June 18, 5:00 p.m.

Celebrate your authentic self by creating a custom Pride flag keychain! Drop in anytime during the program hour. Available while supplies last.

#### Perler Bead Cup Covers: Potomac

Wednesday, June 18, 5:00 p.m.

Create a perler bead cup cover to keep pesky summer bugs from spoiling your drink.

#### Make Your Own Stamps: Chinn Park

Saturday, June 21, 11:00 a.m.

Whether you're the next Picasso or just good at drawing stick figures, join us as we make stamps. No experience? No problem! We'll give you everything you need to create personalized stamps perfect for adding a personalized touch to notes, gifts, or just stamping your way to joy. First come, first served.

#### Murder Mystery

**Central (Adults):** Saturday, June 21, 2:00 p.m.

**Potomac (Young Adults/Adults):** Saturday, July 12, 2:00 p.m.

**Chinn Park (Grades 6–12):** Tuesday, July 15, 2:00 p.m.

**Chinn Park (Adults):** Tuesday, July 15, 6:00 p.m.

**Lake Ridge (Young Adults/Adults):** Saturday, July 26, 11:00 a.m.

It's up to you to piece together the clues, crack the case, and have a blast doing it. Think you've got what it takes to solve the crime? First come, first served.

#### Layers of the Lake: Mixed-Media Art Class

**Chinn Park (Adults):** Tuesday, July 8, 6:00 p.m.

**Lake Ridge (Young Adults/Adults):** Saturday, July 19, 10:30 a.m.

**Montclair (Young Adults/Adults):** Monday, July 28, 1:00 p.m.

**Manassas City (Adults):** Wednesday, July 30, 6:00 p.m.

**Haymarket Gainesville (Adults):** Saturday, July 12, 10:00 a.m.

**Potomac (Young Adults/Adults):** Monday, August 11, 6:00 p.m.

**Bull Run (Adults):** Tuesday, August 12, 6:00 p.m.

**Central (Young Adults/Adults):** Thursday, August 14, 2:00 p.m.

Create a Virginia lake scene using mixed-media art techniques like watercolor washes, torn paper collage, and ink details. You'll be guided by local artist Kerry Molina. Registration required.



#### Tiny Art: Dale City

Saturday, July 12, 10:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

Tiny canvases for big creativity! Drop in between 10:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. to create a miniature masterpiece. First come, first served while supplies last.

#### Powerful Planting

**Chinn Park:** Saturday, July 12, 11:00 a.m.

**Manassas City:** Monday, August 4, 6:00 p.m.

**Potomac:** Thursday, August 14, 2:00 p.m.

Discover the relaxing power of plants and take one home. Join us as we decorate cute planters and plant seeds. First come, first served.

#### Drumming Through Culture and Time

**Haymarket Gainesville:** Friday, July 18, 10:30 a.m.

**Manassas City:** Friday, July 18, 2:00 p.m.

**Potomac:** Saturday, July 19, 11:00 a.m.

**Chinn Park:** Saturday, July 19, 2:00 p.m.

Join us for a tour through the history of percussion and participatory drumming activities for teens and adults. Registration required.



## Meditative Drumming

**Haymarket Gainesville:** Saturday, August 2, 2:00 p.m.

**Bull Run:** Saturday, July 19, 1:00 p.m.

**Lake Ridge:** Saturday, August 9, 10:30 a.m.

Discover how focusing on specific rhythms can clear your mind and draw your attention away from the everyday stresses of life. Drumming is a great way to relax the mind and enjoy the flow. First come, first served.

## Ranger's Roost: Discovering Birds in Your Backyard: Potomac

Thursday, July 24, 1:00 p.m.

Join us for an exciting birding adventure at the library! This program, led by park rangers from Mason Neck State Park, will help you discover fascinating birds in your backyard. Learn about the many bird species that call Northern Virginia home.

## Nature's Palette: Discover and Create with Natural Dyes with Master Gardeners

**Potomac (Adults):** Saturday, July 26, 2:00 p.m.

**Bull Run (Young Adults/Adults):** Saturday, August 16, 2:00 p.m.

Explore the rich history and sustainable practice of natural dyes while creating a vibrant, one-of-a-kind piece. Join us for a colorful experience that connects creativity with the natural world while supplies last.

## \*The Great Art Museum Heist: A Collaborative Escape Room: Montclair

Ages 16 and Up

Friday, August 8, and Saturday, August 9, 11:00 a.m.

The heist was all going according to plan—until it wasn't. You and your team must now escape the museum with your precious art piece before time runs out. Registration required.

## ARTS AND CRAFTS

### Origami Bookmark Take and Make: Chinn Park

Young Adults/Adults

June 2–8

Pick up an origami bookmark kit. Each kit contains a piece of 6"x6" colored paper and a set of folding instructions. Available while supplies last.

### \*Nightly Knits and Crafty Crochets: Independent Hill

Select Saturdays, 10:30 a.m.

June 7, 21, 28

July 12, 19, 26

August 2, 9, 16, 23

Want to learn to knit or crochet? Or to finish that yarn project you've been meaning to tackle? Join our learning circle at Independent Hill! No experience necessary. Hooks, needles, and yarn are provided.

### Miniature Painting Sessions: Potomac

Select Mondays, 5:30 p.m.

June 16, 23

Select Wednesdays, 5:30 p.m.

July 9, 16

August 6, 13

Paint a miniature figure at the library! We provide the space, supplies, and a free 3D-printed miniature, courtesy of our PWPL Makerspaces. Whether you are new or an enthusiast, join us for a fun painting session. Registration required.

### Dungeons & Dragons for Adults: Chinn Park

Ages 16 and Up

Select Saturdays, 1:30–4:30 p.m.

June 28, July 26

Play a one-shot session of Dungeons & Dragons 5th Edition. Dice and characters will be provided, but you're free to bring your own. We'll be playing with 3rd-level characters. For more information, email [rchesley@pwcgov.org](mailto:rchesley@pwcgov.org). Registration required.

# MAKERSPACES



## Art Night

Adults

First Tuesdays, 6:00 p.m.

June 3, August 12

All skill levels are welcome at this fun, low-key night out with art. Try new mediums, materials, and skills as you follow the guided project. Registration required.

## Bull Run Maker Faire & Friends Craft Market

All Ages

Saturday, June 7,  
11:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

Celebrate the joy of making and art. Demonstrations, animals, a Guild Hall, food trucks, live music, and a Craft Market. Bring the whole family to our HUGE celebration and Maker Faire.

## Pop Up Crafting

Adults

Select Wednesdays, 5:00 p.m.

June 11, July 9, August 13

Stop by the Makerspace and discover a new craft each month! From mastering macrame and creating stylish leather bracelets to designing adorable Cricut tote bags, there's always something exciting to try.

## Yarn On! Fiber Fun

Adults

Tuesday, 6:00 p.m.

June 17, July 15, August 19

Do you crochet, knit, or macrame? Join other fiber enthusiasts as we unravel a few balls of fiber and start a project or two. There are plenty of yarn crafters to help you on your journey of learning.

## Sewing 101

Adults

Saturday, June 21, 11:00 a.m. and  
2:00 p.m.

Sign up for this absolute beginners sewing class, and we'll have you know your zipper foot from your feed dogs in no time! Registration required.

## Bull Run Ukulele Players

Adults

Fridays, 1:00 p.m.

June 20, July 11, July 25

Kick back with a ukulele and learn to play some of your favorite songs. Bring your own uke, or borrow one of ours, and let's work it out together. Each week we'll review some chords and strumming patterns to warm up and then move on to playing some songs.

## Wood Carvers Club Night

Adults

Last Tuesdays,

5:00–7:00 p.m.

June 24, July 29,

August 26

Come along and see wood carving experts while they work, and give carving a go yourself. Our carvers will answer all your questions and can get started. Registration required.

## \*Digital Saturday

Adults

Saturday, August 2,  
11:00 a.m.

Learn the basics of Adobe Illustrator and Adobe Photoshop from the ground up. You'll be amazed at what you can create. Registration required.

## Go Big Crochet

Adults

Saturday, July 12,  
11:00 a.m.

Using fabric strips, learn how to crochet a small rag rug. By the end of the class, you will have mastered the half double crochet stitch. All supplies provided. Registration required.

## \*Glowforge Day

Adults

Select Thursdays,  
11:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m.,  
2:00 p.m.

July 24, August 28

Dive into hands-on crafting as you design a personalized cutting board and create a Sweet Summer Memory Keeper Jar to hold your favorite moments. Registration required.

## The (Plant) Stakes are High: Mold a Set of Garden Stakes

Wednesday, June 4, 5:00–7:00 p.m.

Deck out your garden with handcrafted garden stakes! Use durable polymer clay to carve your base and stamp in a custom saying. After a quick bake, stakes can be painted or thrown in a pot. All materials provided. First come, first seated while supplies last.

## 2D Needlefelt Art

Young Adults/Adults

Thursday, June 12, 2:00–4:00 p.m.

Join us at Studio 8601 and needlefelt a simple landscape. No experience necessary. All materials provided. Registration required.

## Do Your Worst–Learn to Crochet: Single Crochet

Young Adults/Adults

Wednesday, June 18,  
5:30–7:00 p.m.

Learn the basic stitches of crochet in this three-part series! First, learn the single crochet stitch and craft a handy washcloth. All materials provided. Registration required.

## Do Your Worst–Learn to Crochet: Double Crochet

Young Adults/Adults

Wednesday, July 16, 5:30–7:00 p.m.

Learn the basic stitches of crochet in this three-part series! Up next: learn the double crochet stitch and craft up ANOTHER handy washcloth. All materials provided. Registration required.

## Do Your Worst–Learn to Crochet: Half-Double Crochet

Young Adults/Adults

Wednesday, August 20,  
5:30–7:00 p.m.

Learn the basic stitches of crochet in this three-part series! Finally, learn the half-double crochet stitch and craft up (you guessed it!) another handy washcloth. All materials provided. Registration required.

## Made from Scrap: Recycle Old Denim

Young Adults/Adults

Wednesday, July 9, 5:00–7:00 p.m. Bring an old pair of jeans to upcycle into a stylish crossbody pouch—perfect for holding your essentials (but not much more!). Bring a pair with both back pockets intact for best results. Registration required.



## Alcohol Ink Art Night: Decorate a Tin

Adults

Thursday, July 24, 2:00–4:00 p.m.

Use bright and colorful alcohol inks to transform a small metal case. All materials provided. First come, first seated while supplies last.

## Intro to Glass Fusing: Meet our Craft Kiln

Adults

Thursday, July 31, 2:00–4:00 p.m.

Learn about our new craft kiln, capable of creating stunning fused glass pieces. Participants will cut and prep a piece to fuse. All materials provided. Registration required.

## Paint by Lasered Numbers: Create Glowforge Art

Young Adults/Adults

Saturday, August 2,  
1:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

Watch the Glowforge laser a paint-by-numbers piece of art! Be sure to bring a smock (or your least favorite shirt) to paint your creation. All materials provided. First come, first seated while supplies last.

## Glowforge 101: Glass Jar Lids with the Glowforge

Young Adults/Adults

Tuesday, August 5, 5:30–7:00 p.m.

Give glass yogurt jars new life by creating a custom lid using the Glowforge! Whether you want to store spices, buttons, or little treasures, learn the basics of laser cutting as you design and take home your own personalized jar lid. Registration required.

## Scratches an Etch: Etch a Glass Jar

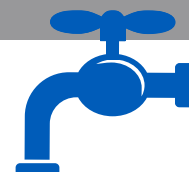
Adults

Wednesday, August 13,  
5:30–7:00 p.m.

Use our Cricut machines to cut a custom stencil and etch it into the surface of a glass jar, perfect for spices, thread scraps, or anything in between! All materials provided. Registration required.

Book clubs are free and open to everyone. Meet new people, read outside the box, and improve your critical reading skills through lively discussion. Adults unless stated otherwise.

For the latest book club titles, visit [pwcva.gov/library](http://pwcva.gov/library). Titles will be posted one month in advance.



## KIDS

### We Love the Facts: Gardening Book Club: Haymarket Gainesville

Grades K-2

Select Mondays, 5:30 p.m.  
June 16, July 21

Join us for a book club for K-2nd graders as we listen to and talk about books highlighting an aspect of gardening and make a craft project! Registration required.

### Kids' Comic Book Club: Manassas City

Ages 8-12

Select Saturdays, 2:00 p.m.  
June 28, July 19

In June and July, we'll read a new comic or graphic novel, then meet to discuss the story and enjoy fun activities inspired by the book. Registration required.

### Book Club Crafters: Central

Grades 6-12

Tuesday, August 12, 5:30-7:00 p.m.

In this creative book club just for teens, crafts and stories unite for a fun, interactive experience. Meet with like-minded teens to discuss the book while learning a new crafting skill in Studio 8601. For more information, email [Wendy.Weldon@pwcgov.org](mailto:Wendy.Weldon@pwcgov.org). Registration required.

## ADULTS

### Miller's Thrillers: Bull Run

First Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m.

Do you like suspenseful plot-driven novels full of twists, turns, and dark, engrossing details? Join the book group devoted entirely to page-turning tension.

### Bull Run BookTalkers: Bull Run and Virtual

Second Tuesdays, 6:15 p.m.

This hybrid book group meets monthly to discuss titles from popular literature. Contact [sholloway@pwcgov.org](mailto:sholloway@pwcgov.org) for the reading list.

### African American Book Group: Potomac

Wednesday, June 11, 6:30 p.m.

A book club dedicated to reading books by and about the African American experience.

## Books on Tap

Books and adult beverages pair perfectly in Books on Tap. If you like to read and discuss books, especially over a drink with friends, this is the club for you. Visit [pwcva.gov/library](http://pwcva.gov/library) to see each month's book selection.

### Books on Tap @ Great Mane Brewery

First Thursdays, 7:00 p.m.  
June 5, August 7

Join us at Great Mane Brewery, 6620 James Madison Hwy, Haymarket, VA 20169. For more information, email [kmccord@pwcgov.org](mailto:kmccord@pwcgov.org).

### Books on Tap @ Brew Republic Bierwerks

Second Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m.  
June 10, July 8, August 12

Join us at Brew Republic Bierwerks, 15201 Potomac Town Place, Woodbridge, VA.

### Books on Tap @ Cedar Run Brewery

Second Wednesdays, 7:00 p.m.  
June 11, July 9, August 13

Join us at Cedar Run Brewery, 12801 Hazelwood Drive, Nokesville, VA. For more information, email [scarito@pwcgov.org](mailto:scarito@pwcgov.org) or visit the brewery's Facebook event page.

### Books on Tap @ Brightworks Brewing Co. (Independent Hill)

Second Thursdays, 6:00 p.m.  
June 12, July 10, August 14

Join us at Brightworks Brewing Co., 9776 Center St, Manassas, VA 20110. For more information, email [hmliller@pwcgov.org](mailto:hmliller@pwcgov.org) or visit the brewery's Facebook events page.

### Books on Tap @ Effingham Winery

Third Wednesdays, 4:00 p.m.  
June 18, July 16, August 20

Join us at Effingham Winery, 14325 Trotters Ridge Place, Nokesville, VA. For more information, email [tsulik@pwcgov.org](mailto:tsulik@pwcgov.org).

### Books On Tap @ Sinistral Brewing Company

Third Wednesdays, 7:00 p.m.  
June 18, July 16, August 20

Join us at Sinistral Brewing Co., 9419 Main St., Manassas, VA 20110. Email [LibManassasCity@pwcgov.org](mailto:LibManassasCity@pwcgov.org) or visit the brewery's Facebook event page for more information.

### Books on Tap @ Brightworks Brewing Co. (Manassas City)

Select Thursdays, 7:00 p.m.  
June 26, July 24, August 28

Join us at Brightworks Brewing Co., 9776 Center St, Manassas, VA 20110. For more information, email [jhendrix@pwcgov.org](mailto:jhendrix@pwcgov.org) or visit the brewery's Facebook events page.



### The New Romantics: Romance Book Club: Haymarket Gainesville

Second Thursdays, 11:00 a.m.  
June 12, July 10, August 14

The New Romantics read and discuss romance books with fellow lovers of the genre. Each month, we read a selected book that highlights a common trope found in the genre. For more information, visit our Online Events Calendar or email [khoelscher@pwcgov.org](mailto:khoelscher@pwcgov.org).

### \*Chinn Chats: Chinn Park

Second Thursdays, 1:00 p.m.  
June 12, July 10

We read an eclectic mix of fiction and nonfiction, including bestsellers, literary fiction, award winners, classics, and multicultural works. Email [rchesley@pwcgov.org](mailto:rchesley@pwcgov.org) to join Chinn Chats.

## Cup of Cozy Mysteries @ Vita Nova Creatives & Coffee

Fourth Tuesdays, 11:00 a.m.  
June 24, July 22, August 26

Chat about cozy mysteries over something tasty at Vita Nova Creatives & Coffee (13051 Fitzwater Drive, Nokesville, VA). For more information, email [scarito@pwcgov.org](mailto:scarito@pwcgov.org).

## Random Reads: Bull Run

Third Mondays, 1:00 p.m.  
June 16, July 21, August 18

This group reads titles from popular literature. Bring your lunch and join us!

## \*Once Upon a Crime: Montclair

Third Mondays, 2:00 p.m.  
June 16, July 21, August 18

Attention all sleuths! Join us for a mystery book discussion. There will be a bit of mystery, murder, and mayhem. For selections, visit the Online Events Calendar.

## \*Central Reads Book Club: Central

Third Wednesdays, 1:00 p.m.  
June 18, July 16, August 20

The Central Reads Book Club meets to discuss cozy mysteries, historical fiction, and occasionally nonfiction novels.

## Historical (Fiction) Book Discussion: Potomac

Third Wednesdays, 1:00 p.m.  
June 18, July 16, August 20

Historical (Fiction) book discussion group reads mainly historical fiction with the occasional historical nonfiction book.

## Third Thursday Thrillers: Virtual

Third Thursdays, 7:00 p.m.  
July 17, August 21

Third Thursday Thrillers is a book club where attendees read a selected mystery that is generally the first in a mystery series. Occasionally, a "stand-alone" mystery will be read.

## \*Science Fiction Book Discussion Group: Central

Third Saturdays, 2:00–4:00 p.m.  
June 21, July 19, August 16

The Science Fiction discussion group meets to share impressions of a classic or new speculative fiction title. As the titles vary, so do the discussions. Join us to debate whether the science would fly or if the editor took a nap.

## \*NOVA Novels: Chinn Park

Last Tuesdays, 6:00 p.m.  
June 24, July 29

We read and discuss a variety of current and contemporary bestsellers. Email [sparker2@pwcgov.org](mailto:sparker2@pwcgov.org) to join NOVA Novels.

## ELL Book Club: Virtual

Thursday, June 26, 10:00 a.m.

Join our virtual ELL Book Club and enjoy the pleasure of reading and learning English together. Connect with us via Webex for fun and interactive sessions. Meeting links will be provided upon registration. For more information, email [skim@pwcgov.org](mailto:skim@pwcgov.org). Registration required.

## Health and Wellness Book Club with Method Gym of Dale City: Dale City

Select Saturdays,  
11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.  
June 28, July 26, August 23

Join us as we discuss our latest health and wellness title, facilitated by our neighbors at Method Gym of Dale City. First come, first served until capacity is reached.

## Brit Lit Book Club: Potomac

Last Mondays, 1:00–2:30 p.m.  
June 30, July 28, August 25

It's all about location! We will read a variety of genres, but the setting will be in the British Isles. New members are always welcome.

## Books Alive: Virtual

Select Mondays, 6:00 p.m.  
June 30, July 28, August 25

We discuss and compare a book and its movie. Read the book and watch the movie, or just watch the movie and join us online for a lively discussion. For more information, email [mdobrev@pwcgov.org](mailto:mdobrev@pwcgov.org). Registration required.

## The Lake Ridge Readers Book Club: Lake Ridge

Select Mondays, 6:30 p.m.  
June 30, July 28, August 25

Whether you're a seasoned reader or just starting, Lake Ridge Readers encourages everyone to bring unique insights to our discussions. Join us as we journey through a different genre every month, celebrating the magic of reading together.

## Read by Dawn: Horror Fiction Book Club: Virtual

Final Mondays, 7:00 p.m.  
June 30, July 28, August 25

This virtual book club focuses on horror in literature, both modern and classic. Those who are brave enough can join us from home via Webex. For more information, visit our Online Events Calendar or contact [mmcclelland@pwcgov.org](mailto:mmcclelland@pwcgov.org).

## Discussion Groups

### Podcast Discussion Group: Virtual

Last Thursdays, 7:00 p.m.  
June 26, July 31, August 28

Discuss fiction and nonfiction podcasts. Listener discretion advised; these podcasts are not suitable for children. Registration required.

## FRIENDS BOOK SALES

### Friends of the Library Book Sale: Chinn Park

Wednesday, July 23, 5:00–7:00 p.m.: Member Pre-Sale  
Thursday, July 24, 10:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.: Public Sale  
Friday, July 25, 10:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.: Public Sale  
Saturday, July 26, 10:00 a.m.–2:30 p.m.: Book by the Bag Sale

## Literacy Volunteers of America Prince William County Tutor Training



Call 703-670-5702 for more details on becoming a tutor, the next tutor training workshops, and how to register.

[pwcva.gov/departments/library/tutoring](http://pwcva.gov/departments/library/tutoring)

## Special and Ongoing Events

**Strength in Motion: Understanding Parkinson's and Exercise: Lake Ridge**

Friday, August 1, 2:30 p.m.

Join us and experts from AIM Human Performance for an informational and interactive program where you can learn more about Parkinson's disease and various exercises that can help individuals with Parkinson's.

**Wildlife Sanctuary Talk with the Virginia Master Gardeners: Central**

Thursday, June 5, 2:00 p.m.

Grow your gardening skills with the Virginia Master Gardeners! Join Leslie Paulson and learn how to care for the natural habitat in your garden or yard.

**\*Speed Friending at Chinn Park: Chinn Park**

Saturday, June 7, 5:30–7:30 p.m.

Join us for an exciting Speed Friending event designed for people in their 30s and 40s (ish). Whether you're new to the area or just want to expand your social circle, this is the perfect opportunity to meet like-minded individuals in a low-pressure setting. Enjoy light snacks, mocktails, and some laughs as you move through small icebreakers and activities. Registration required.

**\*Summertime Mocktails: Virtual**

Thursday, June 12, 6:30 p.m.

Join us online to celebrate summer with some fun-in-the-sun mocktails! Registration required.

**Menopause Café @ Jirani Coffee House**

Saturday, June 14, 10:00 a.m.

Join us at Jirani Coffee House in Manassas and treat yourself to a sip and a nibble. Share and learn from each other about this special stage of life in a casual setting. Registration requested.

**Gardening in Colonial Times: Haymarket Gainesville**

Saturday, June 21, 11:00 a.m.

Join Master Gardener Erin Clark for a presentation on gardening and farming practices in the Colonial Era. She will talk about farming techniques, the types of crops grown, gardening in early America, and the lessons that shaped future gardening practices in the Americas.

**\*Healthy Soils: Chinn Park**

Saturday, June 21, 2:00 p.m.

Join the Garden Club of Lake Ridge for an exciting and informative education class featuring Thomas Bolles of Virginia Cooperative Extension. Learn the secrets of Healthy Soils, where Thomas will share expert insights on how to nurture and maintain the foundation of a thriving garden. Learn practical tips, from soil health to sustainable gardening practices, and discover how rich, vibrant soil can transform your outdoor space. Registration required.

## WRITERS CORNER

**Writers' Room: Montclair**

Second Wednesdays, 6:00 p.m.

June 11, July 9, August 13

Join a monthly forum and share your work with fellow writers. Receive and contribute constructive criticism. Try writing with fun prompts and in new genres and styles.

**Writing Fan Fiction: Chinn Park and Virtual**

Third Tuesdays, 6:00 p.m.

June 17, July 15, August 19 (Virtual-Only August 19)

Discuss how to develop storylines, create characters you can insert into the universe, or get feedback on your work. This is a hybrid program, so you have the option of either coming in person or virtually. For information, call 703-792-4800 or email sparker2@pwcgov.org. Registration required.

**Writing Hour—A Parallel Writing Work Group: Independent Hill and Virtual**

Fourth Thursdays, 6:30 p.m.–8:30 p.m.

June 26, July 24, August 28

Writing Hour is a parallel work group that utilizes the Pomodoro technique. Spend 20 minutes discussing your writing intentions, then alternate between intervals of writing and short breaks to discuss how you can keep on track with your writing goals. Prompts will be provided if you don't have a project planned. Registration required.

### Social Services in the Library

**Central:** Monday, June 23, 11:00 a.m.

**Manassas City:** Monday, June 30, 11:00 a.m.

**Dumfries:** Monday, July 7, 11:00 a.m.

**Potomac:** Monday, July 14, 11:00 a.m.

**Independent Hill:** Monday, July 28, 11:00 a.m.

The Prince William County Department of Social Services Public Assistance Division and Prince William Public Libraries have partnered to bring social services information and assistance to select libraries. We're offering help with:

- Benefits, applications, and existing case questions for food, cash, energy/cooling, childcare, and Medicaid/insurance.
- Connection to other community programs and resources.

All information is confidential. Walk-ins are welcome and will be assisted on a first-come, first-served basis.

### \*Beginner Sourdough: Montclair

Tuesday, June 24, 5:30 p.m.

Beginner Sourdough is a crash course for those wishing to make a sourdough starter, with tips on caring for it and a simple recipe to start. Supplies provided. Registration required.

### Ask a Lawyer: Family Petitions in the Immigration System: Potomac

Saturday, June 28, 2:00 p.m.

Join Herson Merino, Attorney at Law, as he gives an overview of family petitions in the immigration system. Disclaimer: The information provided at this event does not, and is not intended to, constitute legal advice; instead, all information and content are for general informational purposes only.

### Peace and Self-Exploration—Presented by Sahaja Meditation: Chinn Park

Monday, June 30, 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, July 29, 6:00 p.m.

Learn a simple meditation practice that can help improve your emotional, mental, and spiritual well-being. We'll start by explaining how Sahaja Meditation can be helpful in your daily life. Then, you'll experience the awakening of your inner energy and enjoy a short meditation. Learn to relax your mind, reduce stress, and find inner peace by calming the constant stream of thoughts. Registration required.

### Lawn Alternative Talk with the Virginia Master Gardeners: Central

Thursday, July 3, 2:00 p.m.

Grow your gardening skills with the Virginia Master Gardeners. Join Yvette Reid and Moira Suter to learn about grass alternatives for your garden or yard.

### \*Café LEGO: Montclair

Tuesday, July 22, 6:00 p.m.

Join us for a night of cozy LEGO building. You'll receive a small LEGO set to build. Participants should have some prior experience in how LEGO pieces work and be able to follow a visual guide of the build. Light refreshments will be provided. Registration required.



### \*Tattoo Talk with Cobalt Tattoo Studio: Montclair

Saturday, August 2, 2:00 p.m.

Learn more about the art of tattooing, then join us for a Q&A with the experts.

### Lifelong Learning with Author Natalina Reis: Central

Tuesday, August 5, 1:00 p.m.

Join us for an author talk with Natalina Reis! Learn about her experience as a local author and her spellbinding romance novel, "Blind Magic."

### Bridgerton Tea Party: Haymarket Gainesville

Saturday, August 23, 10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

Please join us for an afternoon of Bridgerton-themed fun! Enjoy tea, refreshments, and party games based on the hit book series and television show. Don't be afraid to dress up in your Regency-era finest! Registration required.

## Lifelong Learning

## Conversation Groups and ESL

**English Language and Culture Club: Chinn Park**

First Mondays, 6:00–7:30 p.m.  
June 2, July 7

Learn about various aspects of American life and how they relate to the English language. From idioms to jokes to regional expressions, we'll help you go beyond the literal meanings of phrases and understand their deeper meanings. First come, first served until capacity is reached unless otherwise stated.

**Adult English Conversation Club: Bull Run**

Tuesdays, 10:00 a.m.

Is English your second or third language? Are you looking to practice speaking in a fun and supportive setting? Join our club! Enhance your speaking skills while engaging in enjoyable activities. Supported by library volunteers. First come, first served until capacity is reached. Childcare is not provided.

**English Conversation: Haymarket Gainesville**

Tuesdays, 6:00–7:30 p.m.

Improve your speaking skills in a friendly, relaxed atmosphere where speakers of all languages are welcome. This program is supported by library volunteers and requires a basic working knowledge of English. First come, first served until capacity is reached.

**English Conversation Class: Chinn Park**

Wednesdays, 11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.  
June 4, 11  
July 2, 9, 16, 30

Improve your speaking skills in a friendly, relaxed atmosphere where speakers of all languages are welcome. First come, first served until capacity is reached unless otherwise stated. Supported by the Literacy Volunteers of America. For more information and to join a class, please contact Literacy Volunteers at 703-670-5702 or email [lvapw@lvapw.org](mailto:lvapw@lvapw.org).

**Virtual English Conversation: Virtual**

Select Thursdays, 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m.  
June 5, 12, 26  
August 21, 28

Join us for an opportunity for new speakers of English to practice and improve their speaking skills in a friendly virtual environment. To benefit from these meetings, you need basic knowledge of the English language. For more information, email [mdobrev@pwcgov.org](mailto:mdobrev@pwcgov.org). Registration required.

**\*English Conversation/Conversación en Inglés: Central**

Wednesdays, 11:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m.  
June 4, 11, 18, 25  
July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30  
August 6, 13, 20, 27

Improve your speaking skills in a friendly, relaxed atmosphere. Mejore sus habilidades para hablar inglés en un ambiente amigable y relajado.

**English Conversation: Montclair**

Thursdays, 2:00 p.m.  
June 5, 12, 26  
July 10, 17, 24, 31  
August 7, 14, 21, 28

Improve your speaking skills in a friendly, relaxed atmosphere where speakers of all languages are welcome.

**English Conversation: Potomac**

Select Fridays, 12:30–2:00 p.m.

An opportunity to practice English in a friendly and relaxed atmosphere.

**Adult English Conversation Evening Club: Bull Run**

Wednesdays, 6:00 p.m.

Is English your second or third language? Are you looking to practice speaking in a fun and supportive setting? Join our club! Enhance your speaking skills while engaging in enjoyable activities. First come, first served until capacity is reached. Childcare is not provided.

**Spanish Conversation: Chinn Park**

Select Wednesdays, 1:00–2:30 p.m.  
June 4, 11, 18, 25  
July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

Improve your speaking skills in a friendly, relaxed atmosphere where speakers of all languages are welcome. First come, first served until capacity is reached unless otherwise stated.

**ASL Conversation Circle: Independent Hill**

Young Adults/Adults  
Select Saturdays, 12:00 p.m.  
June 7, 21, 28  
July 12, 19, 26  
August 2, 9, 16, 23

Practice ASL with our certified trainer! All levels of experience are welcome. If there are enough participants, beginners and experienced patrons may split into two practice groups.

## Tech Help

**HG Tech Help: Haymarket Gainesville**

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 12:00–1:00 p.m.  
We offer one-on-one 30-minute sessions with a library staff member using your device or one of our Public Access Computers. We can assist with basic technology, such as accessing our Digital Library, setting up an email account, internet basics, setting up your new device, and basic troubleshooting. Please bring your logins and passwords, power cords, and cables if you are bringing your device. Registration required.

**PWC Tech Help: Central**

Thursdays, 2:00–4:30 p.m.  
June 5, 12, 26  
July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31  
August 7, 14, 21, 28

From navigating smartphones to mastering basic computer skills, get tech help for a more connected future.

**Tech Clinic: Chinn Park**

Select Thursdays, 2:00–4:00 p.m.  
June 12, 26, July 10, 24

Need help using your computer or digital device? Stop by for a drop-in tech tutoring session to receive one-on-one help from a librarian. For more information, email [rchesley@pwcgov.org](mailto:rchesley@pwcgov.org).

### \*Knot Just a Hobby: Chinn Park

First Saturdays, 11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.  
June 7, July 5

If you have a passion for yarn, needles, and creating beautiful masterpieces with your hands, join our Crochet Club! Supplies (yarn, hooks, needles, scissors, and monthly projects) will be provided, but you are welcome to bring your own. For more information, email [bfancsali@pwcgov.org](mailto:bfancsali@pwcgov.org). Registration required.

### \*Meet and Make: Potomac

Select Mondays, 1:00–3:00 p.m.  
June 9, August 11

Let's get together to create something new. Supplies and refreshments will be provided. Registration required.

### \*DIY Soapmaking: Chinn Park

Tuesday, June 10, 5:45–7:30 p.m.

Join us as we make melt-and-pour soap! You'll walk away with homemade soaps to use or gift and the knowledge to continue making soaps at home. No prior experience is required—just bring your passion for crafting! Registration required. Please call 703-792-4800 or email [sparker2@pwcgov.org](mailto:sparker2@pwcgov.org) for more details.

### \*Busy Hands Social Club: Central

Second Tuesdays, 6:00–7:30 p.m.  
June 10, July 8, August 12

Looking for a place to work on your favorite craft? Bring your current craft project for fun and social time with other crafters! All skill levels are welcome; all knitters, crocheters, stitchers, etc., are encouraged to come.

### \*Stitcher's Circle: Montclair

Second Thursdays, 10:00 a.m.  
June 12, July 10, August 14

Whether you are a seasoned stitcher or a beginner, join us to share the craft of cross-stitch. Basic supplies will be provided for beginners.

### \*Make a Book Flower Bouquet: Chinn Park

Friday, June 13, 2:00–3:30 p.m.

Learn how to use old book pages to make a beautiful flower bouquet. All materials will be provided. All materials will be provided. For more information, email [rchesley@pwcgov.org](mailto:rchesley@pwcgov.org). Registration required.

### \*Drawing with Veronica Jones: Central

Second Saturdays 1:00–3:00 p.m.  
June 14, July 12, August 9

Join us as local artist Veronica Jones teaches the fundamentals of drawing, including lines, shapes, and forms, light and shading, perspective, and composition. Registration required.

### Crochet and Coffee: Nokesville

Third Wednesdays, 11:00 a.m.  
June 18, July 16, August 20

Stop by the Nokesville Library and enjoy a hot cup of coffee or tea while crocheting whatever your heart desires—all skill levels are welcome. Or, if you practice a different handicraft, feel free to bring your own supplies.



### Crafty Corner: Haymarket Gainesville

Third Wednesdays, 1:00–3:00 p.m.  
June 18, July 16, August 20

Join us for crafting and chatting. Bring a project to work on or play with our yarn and needles. We'll have scraps, knitting needles, crochet hooks, and books for inspiration.

### Stipple Art: Chinn Park

Tuesday, June 24, 5:30–7:00 p.m.

Stipple painting is a fun technique that allows you to create artwork by creatively placing many colorful dots to form one cohesive design. Whether new to stipple painting or a fan of the technique, swing by to try this unique way to create art. Registration required.

### Beautiful Binding Basics

**Independent Hill:** Saturday, June 14, 11:00 a.m.

**Central:** Friday, June 27, 2:00 p.m.

**Dumfries:** Monday, June 30, 2:00 p.m.

**Manassas City:** Saturday, July 12, 11:00 a.m.

**Haymarket Gainesville:**  
Saturday, August 2, 11:00 a.m.

Calling all book lovers! Learn how to make a journal from scratch using the Coptic Stitch in this beginner-friendly class. Registration required.

### \*Make a No-Sew Heart Pillow: Chinn Park

Friday, July 11, 2:00–3:30 p.m.

Make a comfy heart-shaped pillow without the need for a needle and thread or a sewing machine. All materials will be provided. For more information, email [rchesley@pwcgov.org](mailto:rchesley@pwcgov.org). Registration required.

### Crafts to Go!: Haymarket Gainesville

First Mondays  
June 2, July 7, August 4

Swing by and pick up a bag full of fun! Our Crafts to Go bags will include the supplies and instructions.

### Adult Take and Make: Lake Ridge

Friday, July 18

Get your creativity flowing with our adult Take and Make crafts! Whether you want to unwind, discover a new hobby, or simply have fun, our Take and Makes are designed to spark your imagination. Registration required.

### \*Bad Art Night: Chinn Park

Select Mondays 6:00 p.m.–7:30 p.m.  
June 23, July 28, August 25

Create art in a supportive and low-stakes environment. Basic supplies will be provided, but feel free to bring your own. For more information, email [bfancsali@pwcgov.org](mailto:bfancsali@pwcgov.org). Registration required.

### Basket Weaving 101: Harvest Basket: Haymarket Gainesville

Saturday, August 16,  
10:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

In connection with our new Bushy Park House kitchen garden, we are making harvest baskets, much like what would have been used from the 1700s through the early 1900s. All supplies and equipment will be provided. Registration required.

## Gaming

### Dungeons & Dragons for Adults: Virtual

Group 1: First Tuesdays, 6:00 p.m.

June 3, July 1, August 5

Group 2: Third Thursdays, 6:00 p.m.

June 19, July 17, August 21

Play D&D with us! Whether you are new to role-playing games or a veteran looking for a new campaign, we would love for you to join us VIRTUALLY! For more information, email [MMcCleland@pwcgov.org](mailto:MMcCleland@pwcgov.org). Please register for only one event, Group 1 or Group 2. Group 1 is suited to newer players, while Group 2 is our long-running active campaign. Registration required. Waitlist available if event is full.

## Genealogy and Local History

### RELIC

RELIC offers specialized staff assistance of resources concentrated on local history and family history support. Contact: [librelic@pwcgov.org](mailto:librelic@pwcgov.org) or 703-792-8380. RELIC is located at Central Library.

### Celebrating the Evolution of Fiber Arts in Virginia

Adults

Friday, June 6, 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.

Saturday, June 7, 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.

The Fredericksburg Spinners and Weavers Guild will present four 50-minute hands-on workshops to look at the history and evolution of fiber arts in Virginia over the past 250 years. Registration required; please register for only one session per day. For questions, email the Fredericksburg Spinners and Weavers Guild at [fswguild@gmail.com](mailto:fswguild@gmail.com).

### History and a Book Group

Adults

Third Tuesdays, 6:00 p.m.

June 17, July 15, August 19

History and a Book Group meets to discuss historical fiction and nonfiction books. We will also discuss the historical events and periods associated with the stories. If you are interested in joining this book group, email [LibRELIC@pwcgov.org](mailto:LibRELIC@pwcgov.org).

### Local History Tour Group

Adults

Friday, June 20, 11:00 a.m.

The Local History Travel Group takes learning outside the library by visiting local historical sites, including historical battlefields, homes, gardens, parks, and museums. It works like a book group, but instead of reading, you visit the site for that month and meet at the library to discuss it the next month. Attend the meetings in person or virtually on Webex. For more information, email [mkityakara@pwcgov.org](mailto:mkityakara@pwcgov.org). Registration required.

### RELIC Preservation Lab Orientation

Adults

Select Mondays and Thursdays, 11:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m., 3:00 p.m.

Explore the library's preservation lab and learn how to digitize your keepsakes and preserve your family's history. You can bring a sample of what you would like to digitize for a demonstration of how a particular device works. Contact [LibRELIC@pwcgov.org](mailto:LibRELIC@pwcgov.org) for more information. Registration required.

## Quick Flip! Events by Branch

### In Person SYSTEMWIDE PROGRAMS

#### Kids & Families

#### Story Time @ the Manassas Museum

Grades K–5  
Wednesday, July 16, 11:00 a.m.

#### Adults

#### Books on Tap @ Great Mane Brewery

First Thursdays, 7:00 p.m.  
June 5, August 7

#### Books on Tap @ Brew Republic Bierwerks

Second Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m.  
June 10, July 8, August 12

#### Books on Tap @ Cedar Run Brewery

Second Wednesdays, 7:00 p.m.  
June 11, July 9, August 13

#### Books on Tap @ Brightworks Brewing Company (Independent Hill)

Second Thursdays, 6:00 p.m.  
June 12, July 10, August 14

#### Menopause Café @ Jirani Coffee House

Saturday, June 14, 10:00 a.m.

#### Cup of Cozy Mysteries @ Vita Nova Creatives & Coffee

Fourth Tuesdays, 11:00 a.m.  
June 24, July 22, August 26

#### Books on Tap @ Effingham Winery

Third Wednesdays, 4:00 p.m.  
June 18, July 16, August 20

#### Books on Tap @ Sinistral Brewing Co.

Third Wednesdays, 7:00 p.m.  
June 18, July 16, August 20

#### Books on Tap @ Brightworks Brewing Company (Manassas City)

Select Thursdays, 7:00 p.m.  
June 26, July 24, August 28

#### Summer Scares: Horror Trivia Night @ Great Mane Brewery

Wednesday, July 23,  
7:00–9:00 p.m.

### Virtual SYSTEMWIDE PROGRAMS

#### Young Adults

#### †Dungeons & Dragons for Teens and Young Adults

Group One (Grades 9–12):  
First Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m.  
June 3, July 1, August 5  
Group Two (Grades 11–12):  
Third Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m.  
June 17, July 15, August 19

#### Adults

\*Summertime Mocktails  
Thursday, June 12, 6:30 p.m.

### †Dungeons & Dragons for Adults

Group 1: First Tuesdays,  
6:00 p.m.  
June 3, July 1, August 5  
Group 2: Third Thursdays,  
6:00 p.m.  
June 19, July 17, August 21

#### †Virtual English Conversation

Select Thursdays,  
11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m.  
June 5, 12, 26,  
August 21, 28

#### †ELL Book Club

Thursday, June 26, 10:00 a.m.

#### †Podcast Discussion Group

Last Thursdays, 7:00 p.m.  
June 26, July 31, August 28

#### †Books Alive

Select Mondays, 6:00 p.m.  
June 30, July 28, August 25

#### Read by Dawn: Horror Fiction Book Club

Last Mondays, 7:00 p.m.  
June 30, July 28, August 25

### Bull Run Library

#### Kids & Families

#### Ident-a-Child

All Ages  
Monday, June 16, 10:00 a.m.

#### Native American Mythology with Star Lab

All Ages  
Friday, June 20, 2:00 p.m.

#### Deputies in Flight

All Ages  
Thursday, June 26, 2:00 p.m.

#### Creepy Crawly Critters

All Ages  
Friday, June 27, 10:30 a.m.

#### Adventure of the Missing Color with Science Heroes

Ages 3–10  
Saturday, July 12, 10:30 a.m.

#### Hawaiiana

All Ages  
Tuesday, July 22, 10:30 a.m.

#### Color Your World with Animal Adaptation Fun!

Ages 3–8  
Monday, August 4, 2:00 p.m.

#### Protecting Our Water Resources from Pollution with Prince William Water

Grades K–5  
Monday, August 11, 2:00 p.m.

#### \*Baby Story Time

Ages 0–18 Months  
Select Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.  
June 26, July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31,  
August 7

#### \*Preschool Story Time

Ages 3–6  
Select Fridays, 10:30 a.m.  
June 20, July 11, 18, August  
1, 8, 15

### Spanish Circle Time/El Círculo de Cuentos en Español

All Ages  
Select Mondays, 6:30 p.m.  
June 9, July 14, 28,  
August 11, 25

#### Music and Motion

Ages 18–36 Months  
Select Wednesdays,  
10:30 a.m.  
June 18, 25, July 2, 9, 23, 30,  
August 6, 13

#### Kids Chess Club

Select Tuesdays, 3:00 p.m.  
June 10, July 15, August 5

#### Reading to Dogs

Grades K–5  
Select Wednesdays, 5:00 p.m.  
June 18, July 16

#### \*†Stroller Strides

Ages 6–24 Months  
Select Mondays, 10:30 a.m.  
June 30, July 21

#### \*Crafternoon

Grades K–5  
Select Wednesdays, 5:00 p.m.  
June 25, July 30

#### \*LEGO® Club

Grades K–5  
Second Tuesdays, 5:00 p.m.  
July 8, August 12

#### Pokémon Club

Grades K–5  
First Tuesdays, 5:00 p.m.  
July 1, August 5

#### GIVE Tutoring

Grades K–6  
Sunday, June 1, 1:30–3:30  
p.m.

#### Block and Puzzle Play

All Ages/Families  
Select Saturdays, 10:30 a.m.  
June 28, July 26

#### 8-Bit Art with Perler Beads

Ages 6–13  
Select Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.  
July 15, August 12

#### Bull Run Maker Faire & Friends Craft Market

All Ages  
Saturday, June 7,  
11:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

#### \*Pigeon Appreciation Day

All Ages/Families  
Monday, June 23, 10:30 a.m.

#### \*†Mad Tea Party

All Ages/Families  
Wednesday, July 2, 2:00 p.m.

#### \*Tape Town!

Ages 2–5  
Thursday, August 14,  
10:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

#### Maker Faire: Boats Float Story Time

All Ages/Families  
Saturday, June 7, 10:30 a.m.

#### Summer Reading Kickoff

All Ages/Families  
Monday, June 16,  
10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

**Marines Through History**

Grades 1 and Up  
Monday, July 7, 10:30 a.m.

**Summer Reading Celebration**

All Ages/Families  
Saturday, August 16, 1:00–3:00 p.m.

**Young Adults****Teen Advisory Group**

Ages 12–18  
Third Tuesdays, 4:00 p.m.  
June 17, July 15

**\*‡ Dungeons & Dragons for Teens**

Ages 13–18  
Saturday, June 21, 2:00 p.m.

**‡ Babysitting Certification**

Ages 11 and Up  
Wednesday, July 16,  
10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

**Super Smash Saturday**

Saturday, August 2, 2:00 p.m.

**‡ Mythology in Modern Day**

with **REscape Rooms**  
Saturday, August 9, 2:00 p.m.

**Young Adults/Adults****Meditative Drumming**

Saturday, July 19, 1:00 p.m.

**‡ Beautiful Binding Basics**

Saturday, July 26, 1:00 p.m.

**Peaceful Painting**

Wednesday, July 30, 2:00 p.m.

**Nature's Palette: Discover and Create with Natural Dyes with Master Gardeners**

Saturday, August 16, 2:00 p.m.

**Adults****‡ Layers of the Lake: Mixed-Media Art Class**

Tuesday, August 12, 6:00 p.m.

**Bull Run BookTalkers: In-Person and Virtual**

Second Tuesdays, 6:15 p.m.

**Random Reads**

Third Mondays, 1:00 p.m.  
June 16, July 21, August 18

**Miller's Thrillers**

First Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m.

**Adult English Conversation Club**

Tuesdays, 10:00 a.m.

**Adult English Conversation Evening Club**

Wednesdays, 6:00 p.m.

**MAKERSPACE****‡ Art Night**

Adults  
First Tuesdays, 6:00 p.m.  
June 3, August 12

**Yarn On! Fiber Fun**

Adults  
Tuesday, 6:00 p.m.  
June 17, July 15, August 19

**Pop Up Crafting**

Adults  
Select Fridays, 5:00 p.m.  
June 27, July 18, August 15

**‡ Sewing 101**

Adults  
Saturday, July 21, 11:00 a.m.  
and 2:00 p.m.

**‡ Wood Carvers Club Night**

Adults  
Last Tuesdays, 5:00–7:00 p.m.  
June 24, July 29, August 26

**\*‡ Digital Saturday**

Adults  
Saturday, August 2, 11:00 a.m.

**‡ Go Big Crochet**

Adults  
Saturday, July 12, 11:00 a.m.

**\*‡ Glowforge Day**

Adults  
Select Thursdays, 11:00 a.m.,  
1:00 p.m., 2:00 p.m.  
July 24, August 28

**Central Library****Kids & Families****Lifelong Learning with Yorkshire Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department**

All Ages/Families  
Tuesday, June 3, 1:00 p.m.

**Summer Kickoff with My Pet Alpaca**

All Ages/Families  
Monday, June 16, 10:30 a.m.

**Rodney's Raptors**

All Ages  
Tuesday, June 17, 11:00 a.m.

**Lifelong Learning with PWC Park Ranger**

All Ages/Families  
Wednesday, July 2, 1:00 p.m.

**Hawaiiana**

All Ages  
Tuesday, July 8, 10:30 a.m.

**Sidewalk Chalk Day**

All Ages/Families  
Thursday, July 10, 10:30 a.m.

**Adventure of the Missing Color with Science Heroes**

Ages 3–10  
Thursday, July 10, 2:00 p.m.

**Creepy Crawly Critters**

All Ages  
Friday, July 11, 10:30 a.m.

**Sing Books with Emily**

Ages 3–6  
Thursday, July 17, 10:30 a.m.

**Kinderquarium**

All Ages  
Saturday, July 19, 2:00 p.m.

**Drew Blue Shoes Magician**

All Ages/Families  
Monday, July 21, 10:30 a.m.

**Wildlife Center of Virginia**

All Ages  
Tuesday, July 22, 10:30 a.m.

**Protecting Our Water Resources from Pollution with Prince William Water**

Grades K–5  
Tuesday, August 5, 1:00 p.m.

**Not Just a Pretty Face: How Plants Use Color, Scent, and Shape to Attract Pollinators with Master Gardeners**

Ages 4–12  
Thursday, August 7, 10:30 a.m.

**Bugman**

All Ages  
Monday, August 11, 2:00 p.m.

**Me Gusta Spanish**

All Ages/Families  
Select Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m.  
June 18, July 9, August 6

**Toddler Time**

Ages 18–36 Months  
Select Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m.  
June 25, July 2, 16, 23  
August 13

**‡ Little Makers**

Ages 3–11  
Select Mondays, 10:30 a.m.  
June 9, July 14, August 11

**Preschool Story Time**

Ages 3–6  
Select Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.  
June 26, July 3

**Music and Motion**

Ages 3–6  
Select Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.  
July 24, August 14

**Family Story Time**

All Ages/Families  
Select Saturdays, 10:30 a.m.  
June 28, August 2

**Reading to Dogs**

Grades K–5  
Select Wednesdays, 5:30 p.m.  
June 25, July 16, August 20

**LEGO® LAB**

Grades K–5  
Select Tuesdays, 2:00–4:00 p.m.  
June 24, July 15

**Young Adults****Tween Summertime Art Workshop**

Ages 8–12  
Select Tuesdays, 5:30 p.m.  
June 17, July 22

**TAG Makers**

Select Tuesdays, 5:30 p.m.  
June 10, July 8, August 12

**‡ Babysitting Certification**

Ages 11 and Up  
Monday, June 23,  
10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

**‡ Book Club Crafters**

Tuesday, August 12, 5:30–7:00 p.m.

**Young Adults/Adults****‡ Makerspace 101: Glass Jar Lids**

with the **Glowforge**  
Tuesday, August 5, 5:30–7:00 p.m.

**‡ Layers of the Lake: Mixed-Media Art Class**

Thursday, August 14, 2:00 p.m.

**Adults****Murder Mystery**

Saturday, June 21, 2:00 p.m.

**Social Services in the Library**

Monday, June 23, 11:00 a.m.

**‡ Beautiful Binding Basics**

Friday, June 27, 2:00 p.m.

**Summer Scares: Ghost Talk with Old Spirits Investigations**

Saturday, July 19, 2:00–4:00 p.m.

**Lifelong Learning with Author Natalina Reis**

Tuesday, August 5, 1:00 p.m.

**Wildlife Sanctuary Talk with the Virginia Master Gardeners**

Thursday, June 5, 2:00 p.m.

**Lawn Alternative Talk with the Virginia Master Gardeners**

Thursday, July 3, 2:00 p.m.

**\*‡ Drawing with Veronica Jones**

Second Saturdays 1:00–3:00 p.m.

June 14, July 12, August 9

**\*English Conversation/****Conversación en Inglés**

Wednesdays, 11:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m.  
June 4, 11, 25  
July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30  
August 6, 13, 20, 27

**\*Central Reads Book Club**

Third Wednesdays, 1:00 p.m.  
June 18, July 16, August 20

**\*Science Fiction Book Discussion Group**

Third Saturdays, 2:00–4:00 p.m.  
June 21, July 19, August 16

**\*Busy Hands Social Club**

Second Tuesdays, 6:00–7:30 p.m.  
June 10, July 8, August 12

**PWC Tech Help**

Thursdays, 2:00–4:30 p.m.  
June 5, 12, 26  
July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31  
August 7, 14, 21, 28

**MAKERSPACE****The (Plant) Stakes are High: Mold a Set of Garden Stakes**

Young Adults/Adults  
Wednesday, June 4, 5:00–7:00 p.m.

**‡ 2D Needlefelt Art**

Young Adults/Adults  
Thursday, June 12, 2:00–4:00 p.m.

**‡ Do Your Worst—Learn to Crochet: Single Crochet**

Young Adults/Adults  
Wednesday, June 18,  
5:30–7:00 p.m.

**‡ Do Your Worst—Learn to Crochet: Double Crochet**

Young Adults/Adults  
Wednesday, July 16, 5:30–7:00 p.m.

**‡ Do Your Worst—Learn to Crochet: Half-Double Crochet**

Young Adults/Adults  
Wednesday, August 20,  
5:30–7:00 p.m.

**‡ Made from Scrap: Recycle Old Denim**

Young Adults/Adults  
Wednesday, July 9, 5:00–7:00 p.m.

**Alcohol Ink Art Night: Decorate a Tin**

Adults  
Thursday, July 24, 2:00–4:00 p.m.

**‡ Intro to Glass Fusing: Meet our Craft Kiln**

Adults  
Thursday, July 31, 2:00–4:00 p.m.

**Paint by Lasered Numbers: Create Glowforge Art**

Young Adults/Adults  
Saturday, August 2,  
11:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

**‡ Glowforge 101: Glass Jar Lids with the Glowforge**

Young Adults/Adults  
Tuesday, August 5, 5:30–7:00 p.m.

**‡ Scratches an Etch: Etch a Glass Jar**

Adults  
Wednesday, August 13,  
5:30–7:00 p.m.

**RELIC****Celebrating the Evolution of Fiber Arts in Virginia**

Adults  
Friday, June 6, 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.  
Saturday, June 7,  
10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.

**History and a Book Group**

Adults  
Third Tuesdays, 6:00 p.m.  
June 17, July 15, August 19

**‡ Local History Tour Group**

Adults  
Friday, June 20, 11:00 a.m.

**‡ RELIC Preservation Lab Orientation**

Adults  
Select Mondays and Thursdays, 11:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m., 3:00 p.m.

**Chinn Park Library****Kids & Families****Protecting Our Water Resources from Pollution with Prince William Water**

Grades K–5  
Monday, June 23, 2:00 p.m.

**Deputies in Flight**

All Ages  
Tuesday, June 24, 2:00 p.m.

**Ident-a-Child**

All Ages  
Saturday, June 28, 10:00 a.m.

**Rodney's Raptors**

All Ages  
Saturday, June 28, 11:00 a.m.

**Bugman**

All Ages  
Tuesday, July 8, 10:30 a.m.

**Adventure of the Missing Color with Science Heroes**

Ages 3–10  
Wednesday, July 9, 2:00 p.m.

**Captain Curiosity: Into the Deep**

All Ages  
Thursday, July 10, 2:00 p.m.

**Bright Star Theatre Presents Winnie-the-Pooh**

Ages 3–12  
Monday, July 14, 2:00 p.m.

**Hawaiiana**

All Ages  
Tuesday, July 15, 10:30 a.m.

**Creepy Crawly Critters**

All Ages  
Friday, July 18, 10:30 a.m.

**Sing Books with Emily**

Ages 3–6  
Saturday, July 19, 10:30 a.m.

**Animal Therapy Petting Zoo**

All Ages  
Monday, July 21, 11:00 a.m.

**Wildlife Center of Virginia**

All Ages  
Thursday, July 24, 2:00 p.m.

**Not Just a Pretty Face: How Plants Use Color, Scent, and Shape to Attract Pollinators with Master Gardeners**

Ages 4–12  
Monday, July 28, 10:30 a.m.

**Marines Through History**

Grades 1 and Up  
Tuesday, August 12, 2:00 p.m.

**Summer Reading Story Time**

All Ages  
Select Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.  
June 17, 24, July 1, 22, 29  
August 5

**Music and Motion**

All Ages  
Select Fridays, 10:30 a.m.  
June 27, August 8

## \*Take and Make Craft Kits

All Ages  
Mondays, All Day

## Puffy Paint Take and Make

All Ages  
July 1–31

## \*Kind Kids Yoga with Ms. Shelley

Ages 1–5 with Caregiver  
Select Fridays, 10:30 a.m.  
June 20, July 11

## Reading to Dogs

Grades K–5  
Select Wednesdays, 2:00 p.m.  
July 16, 23

## Young Adults

### ‡Laser Tag

Friday, June 20, 5:30–7:00 p.m.

## \*‡Candy Sushi

Wednesday, June 25, 2:00 p.m.

## Pocky and KitKat Taste Test

Thursday, July 3, 2:00 p.m.

## ‡DIY Soap Making

Grades 9–12  
Tuesday, July 8, 2:00 p.m.

## ‡Mythology in Modern Day

with REscape Rooms  
Monday, July 14, 6:00 p.m.

## Murder Mystery

Tuesday, July 15, 2:00 p.m.

## Summer Scares: Cryptid Party

Thursday, July 17, 2:00 p.m.

## ‡Teen Stipple Art: Chinn Park

Monday, July 28, 2:00 p.m.

## Young Adults/Adults

## Origami Bookmark Take and Make

Young Adults/Adults  
June 2–30

## Make Your Own Stamps

Saturday, June 21, 11:00 a.m.

## Powerful Planting

Saturday, July 12, 11:00 a.m.

## ‡Drumming Through Culture

and Time  
Saturday, July 19, 2:00 p.m.

## Adults

## \*‡Speed Friending at Chinn Park

Saturday, June 7, 5:30–7:30 p.m.

## Murder Mystery

Tuesday, July 15, 6:00 p.m.

## ‡Layers of the Lake: Mixed-

Media Art Class

Tuesday, July 8, 6:00 p.m.

## English Conversation Class

Select Wednesdays,  
11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.  
June 4, 11, July 2, 9, 16, 30

## Spanish Conversation

Select Wednesdays, 1:00–2:30 p.m.  
June 4, 11, 18, 25  
July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

## English Language and Culture

Club  
First Mondays, 6:00–7:30 p.m.  
June 2, July 7

## \*‡Knot Just a Hobby

First Saturdays,  
11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.  
June 7, July 5

## \*‡Bad Art Night

Select Mondays,  
6:00–7:30 p.m.  
June 23, July 28, August 25

## \*‡DIY Soapmaking

Tuesday, June 10, 5:45–7:30 p.m.

## \*‡Make a Book Flower Bouquet

Friday, June 13, 2:00–3:30 p.m.

## \*‡Make a No-Sew Heart Pillow

Friday, July 11, 2:00–3:30 p.m.

## ‡Stipple Art

Tuesday, June 24, 5:30–7:00 p.m.

## \*‡Healthy Soils

Saturday, June 21, 2:00 p.m.

## Tech Clinic

Select Thursdays, 2:00–4:00 p.m.  
June 12, 26, July 10, 24

## ‡Peace and Self-Exploration: Presented by Sahaja Meditation

Monday, June 30, 6:00 p.m.  
Tuesday, July 29, 6:00 p.m.

## \*Chinn Chats

Second Thursdays, 1:00 p.m.  
June 12, July 10

## \*NOVA Novels

Last Tuesdays, 6:00 p.m.  
June 24, July 29

## ‡Writing Fan Fiction: In-person and Virtual

Third Tuesdays, 6:00 p.m.  
June 17, July 15, August 19 (Virtual Only  
August 19)

## ‡Dungeons & Dragons for Adults

Ages 16 and Up  
Select Saturdays, 1:30–4:30 p.m.  
June 28, July 26

## ‡Tabletop One-Shot: Flavor and Flames

Saturday, July 12, 2:00–4:30 p.m.

## Friends of the Library Book Sale

Wednesday, July 23,  
5:00–7:00 p.m.: Member Pre-Sale  
Thursday, July 24,  
10:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.: Public Sale  
Friday, July 25,  
10:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.: Public Sale  
Saturday, July 26,  
10:00 a.m.–2:30 p.m.: Book by the  
Bag Sale

## Dale City Library

### Kids & Families

#### \*‡Zumbini

Ages 6–36 Months  
Wednesday, June 11, 10:30 a.m.  
Saturday, June 21, 10:30 a.m.  
Saturday, August 16, 10:30 a.m.

#### \*Sing Books with Emily

Ages 3–6  
Wednesday, July 9, 10:30 a.m.

#### \*Animal Therapy Petting Zoo

All Ages  
Wednesday, July 16, 11:00 a.m.

## Protecting Our Water Resources from Pollution with Prince William Water

Grades K–5  
Monday, July 21, 10:30 a.m.

## Color Your World with Animal Adaptation Fun!

Ages 3–8  
Wednesday, August 6, 10:30 a.m.

## Spanish Circle Time/El Circulo de Cuentos en Español

All Ages  
Select Mondays, 10:30 a.m.  
June 2, July 7, August 4

## LEGO® Club

Ages 6 and Up  
First Saturdays,  
11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.  
June 7, August 2

## Family Story Time

Ages 6 Months–6 Years  
Select Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m.

## Stuffed Animal NAP Story Time

Ages 6 Months–6 Years  
Saturday, July 19, 10:30 a.m.

## FUN Time with Paint

All Ages/Families  
Third Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.  
July 15, August 19

## \*FUN Time ROCK Painting

All Ages/Families  
Tuesday, June 17, 1:00–3:00 p.m.

## Crafternoon

Grades K–5  
Tuesday, July 29,  
10:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

## STEM Activities

Grades K–5  
Thursday, July 17,  
11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

## \*Bugman

All Ages  
Monday, August 11, 10:30 a.m.

## Young Adults/Adults

## \*Tiny Art

Saturday, July 12,  
10:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

## Adults

## Health and Wellness Book Club with Method Gym of Dale City

Select Saturdays,  
11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.  
June 28, July 26, August 23

## Dumfries Library

### Kids & Families

## Protecting Our Water Resources from Pollution with Prince William Water

Grades K–5  
Tuesday, June 17, 2:00 p.m.

## Sing Books with Emily

Ages 3–6  
Friday, June 20, 10:30 a.m.

## Ident-a-Child

All Ages  
Thursday, June 26, 10:00 a.m.

## Zumbini

Ages 6–36 Months  
Select Saturdays, 10:30 a.m.  
July 12, August 9

## Bright Star Theatre Presents

### African Folktales

Ages 3–12  
Monday, July 14, 10:30 a.m.

## Wildlife Center of Virginia

All Ages  
Tuesday, July 29, 2:00 p.m.

## Not Just a Pretty Face: How Plants Use Color, Scent, and Shape to Attract Pollinators with Master Gardeners

Ages 4–12  
Thursday, July 31, 10:30 a.m.

## Color Your World with Animal Adaptation Fun!

Ages 3–8  
Thursday, August 7, 10:30 a.m.

## Marines Through History

Grades 1 and Up  
Friday, August 15, 10:30 a.m.

## Creepy Crawly Critters

All Ages  
Friday, August 8, 10:30 a.m.

## \*Family Story Time

Ages 24 Months–6 Years  
Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.

## \*Crafternoon

All Ages/Families  
Thursdays, 11:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

## \*Baby Story Time

Ages 6–24 Months  
Select Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.  
July 15, August 19

## Reading to Dogs

Grades K–5  
Third Mondays, 4:30–5:30 p.m.  
June 16, July 21, August 18

## LEGO® Club

Grades K–5  
Fourth Saturdays,  
10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.  
June 28, July 26, August 23

## \*Water Bead Splatter Art Crafternoon

Ages 5 and Up  
Thursday, June 26,  
11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

## \*Bad Art Day

All Ages/Families  
Thursday, July 3, 2:30–4:30 p.m.

## \*Sticker Storytelling Take and Make

Ages 3–6  
July 21–25

## Young Adults

## \*Crafting With Pride

Saturday, June 14,  
11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

## Twine Pattern Stamp Take and Make

June 23–28

## ‡Laser Tag

Wednesday, June 25,  
6:30–8:00 p.m.

## Paper Clip Washi Jewelry Take and Make

July 14–19

## Young Adults/Adults

### ‡Melted Crayon Art

Wednesday, August 13, 2:30 p.m.

## Adults

### ‡Beautiful Binding Basics

Monday, June 30, 2:00 p.m.

## Social Services in the Library

Adults  
Monday, July 7, 11:00 a.m.

## Haymarket Gainesville Library

### Kids & Families

#### Creating Butterfly Origami

Saturday, June 14,  
10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

#### Rodney's Raptors

All Ages  
Tuesday, June 17, 1:00 p.m.

#### Native American Mythology with Star Lab

All Ages  
Friday, June 20, 10:00 a.m.

#### Meghan & Alex

All Ages  
Saturday, June 21, 1:00 p.m.

#### Bubblepalooza

All Ages/Families  
Thursday, July 3, 10:30 a.m.

#### Bugman

All Ages  
Tuesday, July 8, 2:00 p.m.

#### Ident-a-Child

All Ages  
Thursday, July 10, 10:00 a.m.

#### Captain Curiosity: Into the Deep

All Ages  
Thursday, July 10, 10:30 a.m.

#### Adventure of the Missing Color with Science Heroes

Ages 3–10  
Friday, July 11, 2:00 p.m.

#### Summer Scares: Horror Book Tasting

Ages 8–11  
Monday, July 7, 6:00 p.m.

#### Back to the Future Celebration

All Ages  
Saturday, July 12, 3:00 p.m.

#### Animal Therapy Petting Zoo

All Ages  
Monday, July 14, 11:00 a.m.

#### Bobby G. Pets

All Ages/Families  
Tuesday, July 15, 10:30 a.m.

#### Kinderquarium

All Ages  
Saturday, July 19, 10:30 a.m.

#### Melodic Adventures: Our Colorful World of Feelings

All Ages/Families  
Monday, July 21, 2:00 p.m.

#### Summer Scares: Halloween in July Story Trail

All Ages/Families  
Tuesday, July 29,  
11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

#### Wildlife Center of Virginia

All Ages  
Tuesday, July 22, 2:00 p.m.

#### Creepy Crawly Critters

All Ages  
Friday, August 1, 10:30 a.m.

#### Color Your World with Animal Adaptation Fun!

Ages 3–8  
Tuesday, August 5, 3:00 p.m.

#### FROGbots Robotics Demonstration

All Ages/Families  
Saturday, August 9,  
10:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

**Protecting Our Water Resources from Pollution with Prince William Water**

Grades K–5  
Tuesday, August 12, 2:00 p.m.

**‡Baby Story Time**

Ages 6–24 Months  
Wednesdays, 10:30–11:00 a.m.

**Kindergarten Camp**

Ages 4–6 with Caregiver  
Thursdays, 1:00–3:00 p.m.  
June 26, July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31  
August 7, 14

**Music and Motion**

Ages 2–6  
Select Thursdays, 11:00 a.m.  
June 26, July 17, 24, 31  
August 7, 14

**Pajama Story Time**

All Ages/Families  
Select Wednesdays 7:00–7:30 p.m.  
June 18, July 9, August 13

**Stoller Strides with Fit4Mom**

Ages 0–5 with Caregiver  
Friday, July 25, 10:30 a.m.

**‡We Love the Facts: Gardening Book Club**

Grades K–2  
Select Mondays, 5:30 p.m.  
June 16, July 21

**Open Chess**

Age 6 and Up  
Select Wednesdays, 2:00–3:30 p.m.  
June 18, July 2, 16, 30, August 13

**Book Buddies**

Grades K–5  
Select Wednesdays, 2:00–3:30 p.m.  
June 25, July 9, 23, August 6

**Reading to Dogs**

Grades K–5  
Select Saturdays,  
10:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m.  
June 21, August 9

**Pokémon Club**

Grades K–12  
Second and Fourth Mondays,  
5:30 p.m.  
June 9, 23, July 14, 28,  
August 11, 25

**LEGO® Club**

Ages 5 and Up  
Select Wednesdays, 6:00 p.m.  
July 2, August 6

**Stuffed Animal Sleepover**

Grades K–5  
Friday, July 25

**Young Adults****‡Babysitting Certification**

Ages 11 and Up  
Tuesday, June 24,  
10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

**Perfect Match: Find Your Summer Book Date!**

July 1–15

**Summer Scares: Two-Sentence Horror Story Contest**

Ages 8 and Up  
July 1–31

**Teen Bunny Cuddle with a Side of Alpacas**

Monday, July 7, 4:00 p.m.

**‡Swift Escape with REscape Rooms**

Monday, August 4, 6:00 p.m.

**Basket Weaving for Tweens and Teens: Harvest Basket**

Grades 6–8  
Friday, August 8,  
11:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.

**Young Adults/Adults****Peaceful Painting**

Tuesday, July 15, 6:00 p.m.

**‡Drumming Through Culture and Time**

Friday, July 18, 10:30 a.m.

**Meditative Drumming**

Saturday, August 2, 2:00 p.m.

**Adults****Gardening in Colonial Times**

Saturday, June 21, 11:00 a.m.

**‡Beautiful Binding Basics**

Saturday, August 2, 11:00 a.m.

**‡Layers of the Lake: Mixed-Media Art Class**

Saturday, July 12, 10:00 a.m.

**‡Bridgerton Tea Party**

Saturday, August 23,  
10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

**Summer Scares: Retro Horror Movie Night Presents “Night of the Living Dead”**

Wednesday, July 16, 5:40–7:30 p.m.

**2-Sentence Horror Stories**

July 1–31

**The New Romantics: Romance Book Club**

Second Thursdays, 11:00 a.m.  
June 12, July 10, August 14

**Crafty Corner**

Third Wednesdays, 1:00–3:00 p.m.  
June 18, July 16, August 20

**‡Basket Weaving 101: Harvest Basket**

Saturday, August 16,  
10:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

**Crafts to Go!**

First Mondays  
June 2, July 7, August 4

**English Conversation**

Tuesdays, 6:00–7:30 p.m.

**‡HG Tech Help**

Tuesdays and Thursdays,  
12:00–1:00 p.m.

**Independent Hill Library****Kids & Families****Animal Therapy Petting Zoo**

All Ages  
Monday, June 16, 11:00 a.m.

**Sing Books with Emily**

Ages 3–6  
Tuesday, June 17, 10:30 a.m..

**Creepy Crawly Critters**

All Ages  
Friday, July 25, 10:30 a.m.

**Not Just a Pretty Face: How Plants Use Color, Scent, and Shape to Attract Pollinators with Master Gardeners**

Ages 4–12  
Wednesday, August 6, 10:30 a.m.

**Reading to Dogs**

Grades K–5  
Select Mondays, 4:30 p.m.  
June 9, 23, July 14, 28  
August 11, 25

**Preschool Story Time**

Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.

**Wonder Wanders Story Time, Craft, and Hike**

All Ages/Families  
Select Saturdays, 10:00 a.m.  
June 14, 21, 28, July 12, 19, 26  
August 2, 9, 16, 23

**\*LEGO® Club**

Grades K–5  
Third Mondays, 4:30 p.m.  
June 16, July 21, August 18

**Color Your World with Animal Adaptation Fun**

Ages 3–8  
Tuesday, August 5, 10:30 a.m.

**\*Kids Take and Make Crafts**

All Ages/Families  
Monthly

**Young Adults/Adults****Beautiful Binding Basics**

Saturday, June 14, 11:00 a.m.

**\*Knighly Knits and Crafty Crochets**

Select Saturdays, 10:30 a.m.  
June 7, 21, 28  
July 12, 19, 26  
August 2, 9, 16, 23

**ASL Conversation Circle**

Select Saturdays, 12:00 p.m.  
June 7, 21, 28  
July 12, 19, 26  
August 2, 9, 16, 23

**Adults****‡Writing Hour—A Parallel Writing Work Group: In-person and Virtual**

Fourth Thursdays 6:30–8:30 p.m.  
June 26, July 24, August 28

**Social Services in the Library**

Monday, July 28, 11:00 a.m.

**Lake Ridge Library****Kids & Families****Protecting Our Water Resources from Pollution with Prince William Water**

Grades K–5  
Saturday, June 14, 10:30 a.m.

**‡Zumbini**

Ages 6–36 Months  
Wednesday, June 18, 10:30 a.m.

**Ident-a-Child**

All Ages  
Tuesday, July 1, 10:00 a.m.

**Adventure of the Missing Color with Science Heroes**

Ages 3–10  
Thursday, July 10, 10:30 a.m.

**Wildlife Center of Virginia**

All Ages  
Thursday, July 24, 10:30 a.m.

**Hawaiiana**

All Ages  
Tuesday, July 29, 10:30 a.m.

**Color Your World with Animal Adaptation Fun!**

Ages 3–8  
Wednesday, August 6, 2:00 p.m.

**Not Just a Pretty Face: How Plants Use Color, Scent, and Shape to Attract Pollinators with Master Gardeners**

Ages 4–12  
Monday, August 11, 10:30 a.m.

**Marines Through History**

Grades 1 and Up  
Tuesday, August 12, 10:30 a.m.

**Seasonal Take and Make Crafts for Kids**

Grades K–5  
Select Fridays  
June 20, July 18, August 15

**Learning Through Play: Story Time and Thoughtful Tips for Early Literacy**

Ages 6–36 Months  
Select Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.  
June 10, July 8

**Color Our World Scavenger Hunt**

All Ages  
June 23–28

**Young Adults****‡Swift Escape with REscape Rooms**

Saturday, June 28, 11:00 a.m.

**Young Adults/Adults****Murder Mystery**

Saturday, July 26, 11:00 a.m.

**‡Layers of the Lake: Mixed-Media Art Class**

Saturday, July 19, 10:30 a.m.

**Meditative Drumming**

Saturday, August 9, 10:30 a.m.

**Adults****The Lake Ridge Readers Book Club**

Select Mondays, 6:30 p.m.  
June 30, July 28, August 25

**Strength in Motion: Understanding Parkinson's and Exercise**

Friday, August 1, 2:30 p.m.

**‡Adult Take and Make**

Friday, July 18

**Manassas City Library****Kids & Families****Bugman**

All Ages  
Wednesday, June 11, 3:00 p.m.

**Animal Therapy Petting Zoo**

All Ages  
Friday, June 20, 11:00 a.m.

**Ident-a-Child**

All Ages  
Thursday, July 17, 10:00 a.m.

**\*Toddler Story Time**

Ages 18–36 Months  
Select Thursdays, 11:00 a.m.  
June 26, July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31  
August 7, 14

**\*Hora del Cuento en Español**

18–36 meses/months  
Viernes, 11:00–11:30 a.m.  
junio 27, julio 25, agosto 22  
Fridays, 11:00–11:30 a.m.  
June 27, July 25, August 22

**\*Colorea tu Mundo con el Mostruo de Colores**

All Ages/Families  
Sábado, junio 21, 11:00 a.m.  
Saturday, June 21, 11:00 a.m.

**Construction Club**

Ages 3 and Up  
Select Tuesdays, 4:00–5:30 p.m.  
July 1, August 5

**‡Kids' Comic Book Club**

Ages 8–12  
Select Saturdays, 2:00 p.m.  
June 28, July 19

**Young Adults****‡Swift Escape with REscape Rooms**

Monday, July 21, 4:30 p.m.

**Young Adults/Adults****Peaceful Painting**

Wednesday, June 18, 2:00 p.m.

**‡Drumming Through Culture and Time**

Friday, July 18, 2:00 p.m.

**Powerful Planting**

Monday, August 4, 6:00 p.m.

**Adults****Social Services in the Library**

Monday, June 30, 11:00 a.m.

**‡Beautiful Binding Basics**

Saturday, July 12, 11:00 a.m.

**‡Layers of the Lake: Mixed-Media Art Class**

Wednesday, July 30, 6:00 p.m.

**Montclair Library****Kids & Families****Deputies in Flight**

All Ages  
Monday, June 23, 2:00 p.m.

**Meghan & Alex**

All Ages  
Saturday, June 28, 1:00 p.m.

**Ident-a-Child**

All Ages  
Friday, July 11, 10:00 a.m.

**Adventure of the Missing Color with Science Heroes**

Ages 3–10  
Friday, July 11, 10:30 a.m.

**Bobby G. Pets**

All Ages  
Tuesday, July 22, 10:30 a.m.

**Kinderquarium**

All Ages  
Wednesday, July 30, 10:30 a.m.

**Marines Through History**

Grades 1 and Up  
Friday, August 1, 10:30 a.m.

**Protecting Our Water Resources from Pollution with Prince William Water**

Grades K–5  
Wednesday, August 6, 10:30 a.m.

**Creepy Crawly Critters**

All Ages  
Friday, August 15, 10:30 a.m.

**\*Flower Fairy Festival**

All Ages/Families  
Saturday, August 16,  
11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

## Summer Story Time: Terrific Tuesdays

All Ages/Families  
Select Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.  
June 17, July 15, August 5

## Rodney's Raptors

All Ages  
Wednesday, June 18, 11:00 a.m.

## Kids Craft Camp: Terrific Tuesdays

Ages 3-6  
Tuesday, June 24, 10:30 a.m.  
**Building Buddies: Terrific Tuesdays**  
Ages 2-6  
Tuesday, July 8, 10:30 a.m.

## \*Tape Town: Terrific Tuesdays

Ages 2-6  
Tuesday, July 1, 10:30 a.m.

## FROGbots Robotics Demonstration

All Ages/Families  
Monday, June 16, 5:30 p.m.

## \*Sensory Play Time: Terrific Tuesdays

Ages 2-6  
Tuesday, July 29, 10:30 a.m.

## \*Bluey Bonanza: Terrific Tuesdays

All Ages/Families  
Tuesday, August 12, 10:30 a.m.

## \*Baby Circle Time

Ages 6-24 Months  
Select Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.  
July 3, August 14

## Preschool Puzzle Swap

Ages 2-6  
Thursday, July 31, 10:30 a.m.

## Music and Motion

Ages 2-6  
Select Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.  
June 26, July 24

## LEGO® Club

Grades K-5  
Select Tuesdays, 5:00 p.m.  
July 15, August 12

## \*Summer Reading Kickoff

All Ages/Families  
Saturday, June 21,  
10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

## ‡Stroller Strides

Ages 0-6  
Fourth Fridays, 10:00 a.m.  
June 27, July 25, August 29

## \*Summer Scavenger Hunts

All Ages/Families  
June 2-August 30

## \*Exploration Station

All Ages/Families  
June 2-August 30

## Young Adults

## ‡Mythology in Modern Day with REscape Rooms

Tuesday, June 17, 4:00 p.m.

## \*Teen LEGO® Lab

Second Wednesdays, 4:00 p.m.  
July 9, August 13

## \*Teen Tie-Dye Tuesdays

Grades 6-12  
First Tuesdays, 4:00 p.m.  
July 1, August 5

## ‡Swift Escape with REscape Rooms

Saturday, July 12, 1:00 p.m.

## Young Adults/Adults

### \*‡Summer Scares: Diamond Dot Horror Magnets

Wednesday, July 2, 6:00 p.m.

### \*‡Summer Scares: Geode Skulls

Wednesday, July 30, 5:00 p.m.

### \*‡Summer Scares: Cemeterariums

Ages 16 and Up  
Wednesday, July 16, 5:00 p.m.

### \*DIY Pride Keychains

Ages 16 and Up  
Wednesday, June 18, 5:00 p.m.

### \*‡The Great Art Museum Heist: A Collaborative Escape Room

Ages 16 and Up  
Friday, August 8, and Saturday, August 9, 11:00 a.m.

### ‡Layers of the Lake: Mixed-Media Art Class

Monday, July 28, 1:00 p.m.

## Adults

### \*‡Beginner Sourdough

Tuesday, June 24, 5:30 p.m.

### \*Café LEGO®

Tuesday, July 22, 6:00 p.m.

### English Conversation

Thursdays, 2:00 p.m.  
June 5, 12, 26  
July 10, 17, 24, 31  
August 7, 14, 21, 28

### \*Once Upon a Crime

Third Mondays, 2:00 p.m.  
June 16, July 21, August 18

### \*Stitcher's Circle

Second Thursdays, 10:00 a.m.  
June 12, July 10, August 14

### \*Tattoo Talk with Cobalt Tattoo Studio

Saturday, August 2, 2:00 p.m.

### Writers' Room

Second Wednesdays, 6:00 p.m.  
June 11, July 9, August 13

## Nokesville Library

## Kids & Families

### Tech in Color

All Ages/Families  
Thursday, June 26, 10:30 a.m.

### Marines Through History

Grades 1 and Up  
Monday, June 30, 10:30 a.m.

### Deputies in Flight

All Ages  
Tuesday, July 8, 10:30 a.m.

### Ident-a-Child

All Ages  
Thursday, July 24, 10:00 a.m.

### Wildlife Center of Virginia

All Ages  
Tuesday, July 29, 10:30 a.m.

### Color Your World with Animal Adaptation Fun!

Ages 3-8  
Monday, August 4, 10:30 a.m.

### Family Movie Night

All Ages  
Third Fridays, 7:30 p.m.  
June 20, July 18, August 15

### Take and Make Crafts

All Ages  
Ongoing

## Toddler Sensory Play

Ages 18-36 Months  
Third Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.  
July 17, August 21

## Crafty Littles

Ages 2-6  
First Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.  
June 5, July 3, August 7

## Music and Motion

Ages 2-6  
Second Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.  
June 12, July 10, August 14

## Family Story Time

Ages 2-6  
Fourth Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.  
July 31, August 28

## Reading to Dogs

Grades K-5  
First Saturdays, 10:30 a.m.  
June 7, August 2

## LEGO® Club

Grades K-5  
Fourth Wednesdays, 4:00 p.m.  
June 25, July 23, August 27

## Adults

### Crochet and Coffee

Third Wednesdays, 11:00 a.m.  
June 18, July 16, August 20

## Potomac Library

## Kids & Families

### \*Rodney's Raptors

All Ages  
Wednesday, June 18, 1:00 p.m.

### Creepy Crawly Critters

All Ages  
Monday, June 23, 10:30 a.m.

### \*Bookmaking

Grades K-5  
Tuesday, June 24, 10:30 a.m.

### \*Eric Carle Party

All Ages/Families  
Saturday, June 28, 10:30 a.m.

### \*Roller Coaster Design Challenge

Grades K-5  
Wednesday, July 2, 10:30 a.m.

### Animal Therapy Petting Zoo

All Ages  
Tuesday, July 8, 11:00 a.m.

### \*Adventure of the Missing Color with Science Heroes

Ages 3-10  
Wednesday, July 9, 10:30 a.m.

### Sing Books with Emily

Ages 3-6  
Friday, July 11, 10:30 a.m.

### \*Freedom Songs: The Music of Black History with Bright Star Theatre

Grades 3 and Up  
Monday, July 14, 6:00 p.m.

### \*Melodic Adventures: Our Colorful World of Feelings

All Ages/Families  
Monday, July 21, 10:30 a.m.

### Not Just a Pretty Face: How Plants Use Color, Scent, and Shape to Attract Pollinators with Master Gardeners

Ages 4-12  
Wednesday, July 23, 10:30 a.m.

### \*Summer Scares: Campfire Ghost Stories

Ages 8-12  
Tuesday, July 22, 2:00 p.m.

## Kinderquarium

All Ages  
Wednesday, July 30, 2:00 p.m.

## Protecting Our Water Resources from Pollution with Prince William Water

Grades K-5  
Thursday, July 31, 2:00 p.m.

### \*Q-Tip Pointillism Painting

Grades K-5  
Monday, August 4, 10:30 a.m.

### Deputies in Flight

All Ages  
Wednesday, August 6, 10:30 a.m.

### Color Your World with Animal Adaptation Fun!

Ages 3-8  
Thursday, August 7, 2:00 p.m.

### Family Story Time

Ages 2-6  
Select Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.

### \*Baby Play Time Extravaganza

Select Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.  
June 3, July 1, August 5

### \*Messy Art Day

Ages 2-6  
Tuesday, July 29, 10:30 a.m.

### Blankets and Bears

Ages 2-6  
Wednesday, August 13, 10:30 a.m.

### Puzzling with a Purpose

All Ages/Families  
Select First Saturdays,  
12:30-2:00 p.m.  
June 7, August 2

### ‡Stroller Strides

Third Fridays, 10:15-11:00 a.m.  
June 20, July 18, August 15

## Young Adults

### \*Friendship Pins

Monday, June 16, 2:00 p.m.

### \*Mini Mandalas

Grades 6-8  
Monday, July 7, 2:00 p.m.

### \*‡Summer Scares: Stuffed Taxidermy

Monday, July 14, 2:30 p.m.

### ‡Swift Escape with REscape Rooms

Saturday, August 2, 11:00 a.m.

## Young Adults/Adults

### ‡Miniature Painting Sessions

Select Mondays, 5:30 p.m.  
June 16, 23  
Select Wednesdays, 5:30 p.m.  
July 9, 16, August 6, 13

### Murder Mystery

Saturday, July 12, 2:00 p.m.

### \*‡Drumming Through Culture and Time

Saturday, July 19, 11:00 a.m.

### Ranger's Roost: Discovering Birds in Your Backyard

Thursday, July 24, 1:00 p.m.

### ‡Summer Scares: A Dickey Affair

Select Mondays, 5:30-7:45 p.m.  
July 7, 21

### Perler Bead Cup Covers

Wednesday, June 18, 5:00 p.m.

### Peaceful Painting

Tuesday, August 5, 6:00 p.m.

### ‡Layers of the Lake: Mixed-Media Art Class

Monday, August 11, 6:00 p.m.

### Powerful Planting

Thursday, August 14, 2:00 p.m.

## Adults

### Social Services in the Library

Monday, July 14, 11:00 a.m.

### Nature's Palette: Discover and Create with Natural Dyes with Master Gardeners

Saturday, July 26, 2:00 p.m.

### English Conversation

Select Fridays, 12:30-2:00 p.m.

### \*‡Meet and Make

Select Mondays, 1:00-3:00 p.m.  
June 9, August 11

### African American Book Group

Wednesday, June 11, 6:30 p.m.

### Historical (Fiction) Book Discussion

Third Wednesdays, 1:00 p.m.  
June 18, July 16, August 20

### Third Thursday Thrillers

Third Thursdays, 7:00 p.m.  
July 17, August 21

### Brit Lit Book Club

Last Mondays, 1:00-2:30 p.m.  
June 30, July 28, August 25

### Ask a Lawyer: Family Petitions in the Immigration System

Saturday, June 28, 2:00 p.m.

# Library Locations and Hours

## Off-Site Book Drops

Virginia Gateway Shopping Center:  
7400 Linton Hall Road, Gainesville

James McCoart Admin Building:  
1 County Complex, Woodbridge

Manassas Commuter Rail Station:  
9431 West Street, Manassas

Please note: Books are picked up from  
the book drops once a week. Please  
allow at least one week for them to be  
checked in.

### Bull Run Library

8051 Ashton Avenue  
Manassas, VA 20109  
703-792-4500

Monday–Wednesday: 10:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.  
Thursday–Saturday: 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.  
Sunday: 1:00–5:00 p.m.

#### Curbside Pickup Hours:

Monday–Thursday: 11:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

### Central Library

8601 Mathis Avenue  
Manassas, VA 20110  
703-792-8360

Monday–Wednesday: 10:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.  
Thursday–Saturday: 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.  
Sunday: Closed

#### Curbside Pickup Hours:

Monday–Thursday: 11:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

### Chinn Park Library

13065 Chinn Park Drive  
Woodbridge, VA 22192  
703-792-4800

Monday–Wednesday: 10:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.  
Thursday–Saturday: 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.  
Sunday: 1:00–5:00 p.m.

#### Curbside Pickup Hours:

Monday–Thursday: 11:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

### Dale City Library

4249 Dale Boulevard  
Dale City, VA 22193  
703-792-5670

Monday–Wednesday: 10:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.  
Thursday: 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.  
Friday–Saturday: 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.  
Sunday: Closed

*Curbside Pickup available by request only*

### Dumfries Library

18115 Triangle Shopping Plaza  
Dumfries, VA 22026  
703-792-5678

Monday–Wednesday: 10:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.  
Thursday: 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.  
Friday–Saturday: 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.  
Sunday: Closed

*Curbside Pickup available by request only*

### Haymarket Gainesville Library

14870 Lightner Road  
Haymarket, VA 20169  
703-792-8700

Monday–Wednesday: 10:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.  
Thursday–Saturday: 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.  
Sunday: Closed

#### Curbside Pickup Hours:

Monday–Thursday: 11:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

### Independent Hill Library

14418 Bristow Road  
Manassas, VA 20112  
703-792-5668

Monday–Wednesday: 10:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.  
Thursday: 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.  
Friday–Saturday: 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.  
Sunday: Closed

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### Lake Ridge Library

2239 Old Bridge Road  
Woodbridge, VA 22192  
703-792-5675

Monday–Wednesday: 10:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.  
Thursday: 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.  
Friday–Saturday: 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.  
Sunday: Closed

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### Manassas City Library

10104 Dumfries Road  
Manassas, VA 20110  
703-792-8820

Monday–Wednesday: 10:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.  
Thursday–Saturday: 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.  
Sunday: Closed

#### Curbside Pickup Hours:

Monday–Thursday: 11:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

### Montclair Library

5049 Waterway Drive  
Dumfries, VA 22025  
703-792-8740

Monday–Wednesday: 10:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.  
Thursday–Saturday: 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.  
Sunday: Closed

#### Curbside Pickup Hours:

Monday–Thursday: 11:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

### Nokesville Library

12993 Fitzwater Drive  
Nokesville, VA 20181  
703-792-5665

Monday–Wednesday: 10:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.  
Thursday: 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.  
Friday–Saturday: 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.  
Sunday: Closed

*Curbside Pickup available by request only*

### Potomac Library

2201 Opitz Boulevard  
Woodbridge, VA 22191  
703-792-8330

Monday–Wednesday: 10:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.  
Thursday–Saturday: 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.  
Sunday: Closed

#### Curbside Pickup Hours:

Monday–Thursday: 11:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.



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