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Inside View

News and Events at Rocky River Public Library



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A Message from the Director



Providing a quiet place to read or study is a core service of a library, but as we moved through the many phases of the pandemic, I must admit it was a little too quiet around here. Things have changed! While our designated quiet area, The Schlather Room, remains a peaceful place, I am happy to report there is a buzz in the Library again. Tables and chairs are back in public areas and the Grand Reading Room is busy with people working, studying,

“I am happy to report there is a buzz in the Library again.”

and relaxing. Notary service and passport applications are once again available (by appointment only), and meeting rooms may be reserved for community use again. It is wonderful to see so much of what we took for granted coming back. Especially the patrons.

Big News: We are Fine Free! RRPL is joining over twenty other CLEVNET libraries, along with hundreds of public libraries in the state of Ohio and across the country by no longer charging patrons overdue fines. Interestingly, research shows more items are borrowed and returned when patrons no longer worry about financial penalties. You can learn more about Fine Free details in the What's New section of this edition of Inside View or ask a Circulation Staff member. They will be happy to answer all your questions about loan periods and due dates.

We are committed to serving the Rocky River community and are always exploring new ways to reach our patrons through technology, programs, and outstanding customer service. Our new vision statement: *Leading and innovating through community-based services*, challenges us to keep moving forward while continuing to offer many valuable and essential library services.

It bears repeating: COVID-related news changes quickly, please check the Library website for updates, or sign up for our monthly e-blast to receive Library highlights via email.

See you at the Library!

Jamie L. Mason



All Ages Events

SPECIAL EXHIBIT

Take a look at the following programs happening throughout the library this season that are perfect for anyone to attend.

CELEBRATE NATIONAL LIBRARY CARD SIGN UP MONTH IN SEPTEMBER!

Visit us at the Rocky River Arts Festival on **September 18** and you'll receive a special library card with our brand new logo. There will also be an opportunity to win special treats!

BOOK-O-LANTERN COMMUNITY CONTEST

Do you love books and Halloween? Celebrate with us this October by carving, painting, or decorating a pumpkin inspired by your favorite literature! A limited amount of pumpkins will be provided courtesy of the Friends of Rocky River Public Library. Please register online to claim yours. Pumpkin pickup will be **Saturday, October 9, from 3:00 to 5:00 pm.**

Participants of all ages are invited to display their finished Book-O-Lantern on the Library Lawn on **Saturday, October 23**, as part of our Fall Festival. One winner from each age group (adult, teen, and child) will win a special spooky prize!

FALL FESTIVAL

Saturday, October 23, 2:00 to 4:00 pm, Library Lawn
Stop by for an afternoon of fall fun at the library! Vote for your favorite literary inspired pumpkin on our Book-O-Lantern walk, grab a tasty treat, and enjoy live music with singer-songwriter duo **Jody & John** from 2:00 to 3:00 pm. All ages will enjoy lawn games, photo ops, grab-n-go crafts, and more. Family friendly Halloween costumes are welcome! 

DECEMBER DONATIONS

November 22 to December 16
Join us in supporting **Family Promise** during this Holiday Season by taking a gift tag from the decorated tree in our lobby and purchasing the items requested. You can help a child, adult, or family, with gifts they can use and enjoy, all year long.



Telling a People's Story: African-American Children's Illustrated Literature

Visit the exhibit throughout the library August 29 - September 26.



WE'RE FINE FREE!

Rocky River Public Library no longer charges fines for overdue items.

There are no exceptions – all materials are covered!

We're joining hundreds of libraries nationwide in recognizing the studies that show overdue fines make it harder for communities to use library resources and are not effective in getting materials back.

For the last several years, libraries that have ended overdue fines found it led to an increase in patrons, an increase in returns, and an increase in positive patron experiences.

Ending overdue fines is good for the community and good for the library, and we're so proud to make this a part of our Strategic Plan.

But ending overdue fines does not mean ending all fees. For example, if materials are kept too long beyond its final due date a lost item replacement cost is still charged. As always, lost charges are 100% canceled upon return of the item in good condition.

Questions?

Give us a call: 440-333-7610 x5500



What's New

FIVE DAYS FOR DEMOCRACY

Monday, September 20 to Friday, September 24

#5Days4Democracy is an invitation to take a little time each day, for five days, to think about what it means to live in democracy. This year we're looking at how important it is to participate in local government elections, what does your local government look like, from which issues are passed to who represents you at city hall. You can sign up now and expect to receive one email per day, starting September 20, which will offer challenges, activities, and things to read, showing how all politics are local. We hope you'll join us. For more information visit cityclub.org/fivedays



INTERACTIVE MOVIE KITS

Keep an eye out for interactive movie kits that will include scripts with prompts, props, and the occasional topical snack. Our first Interactive movie kit will be available at our Fall Fest featuring *Hocus Pocus*.

HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE

October 1- 31

Please consider dropping off non-perishable food items in the Circulation Department Most needed items: Canned green beans, cranberry, pumpkin, and sweet potatoes, gravy, evaporated milk, stuffing mix, cornbread mix, boxed mash potatoes, and boxed pie crust. All donations benefit the Rocky River Assistance Program. Thank you for your generosity to hunger relief in our community.



Cowan Pottery Museum

Registration begins September 1.

Please register to receive the Zoom Link for programs noted with a ★

Please register for in-person programs noted with a ★

Please register to receive pickup information for programs noted with a ★

COWAN CLUB SKETCHBOOK PROJECT ★

September 20, 2021 to May 2022

Sign up to be a part of a new art project! We will provide your supplies, monthly prompts inspired by pieces in the Cowan Pottery Museum or Library's collection, and opportunities to share your work with other participants. Pick up supplies the week of September 20. *Grades 6-12.*

HISTORY TALKS: STITCHED: REGIONAL DRESS ACROSS EUROPE ★

Tuesday, September 21, 7:00 to 8:00 pm

Sara Hume, Ph.D, Curator of the Kent State University Museum will discuss the current exhibit *Stitched: Regional Dress Across Europe*. Drawing from the rich collection of Kent State University Museum, this exhibition showcases common features shared by regional costume across Europe.

CERAMIC CHAT ★

Wednesday, November 3, 7:00 to 8:00 pm

Artist David Kachadourian will discuss his work and how to cultivate a creative practice.

CRAFTING WITH THE CURATOR KIT PICK-UP

NATURE IMPRINT ORNAMENT ★

Pick up will run from December 5 - 11

Using air dry clay and elements from nature, make your own seasonal ornament that celebrates the malleable nature of clay. **friends RRPL**

COWAN CLUB ★

Thursday, December 16,

4:00 to 5:00 pm, Community Room

Our first annual Cowan Featured Artist Todd Hickerson will discuss different strategies for presenting and talking about your art. *Grades 6-12.*

COWAN FEATURED ARTIST ★

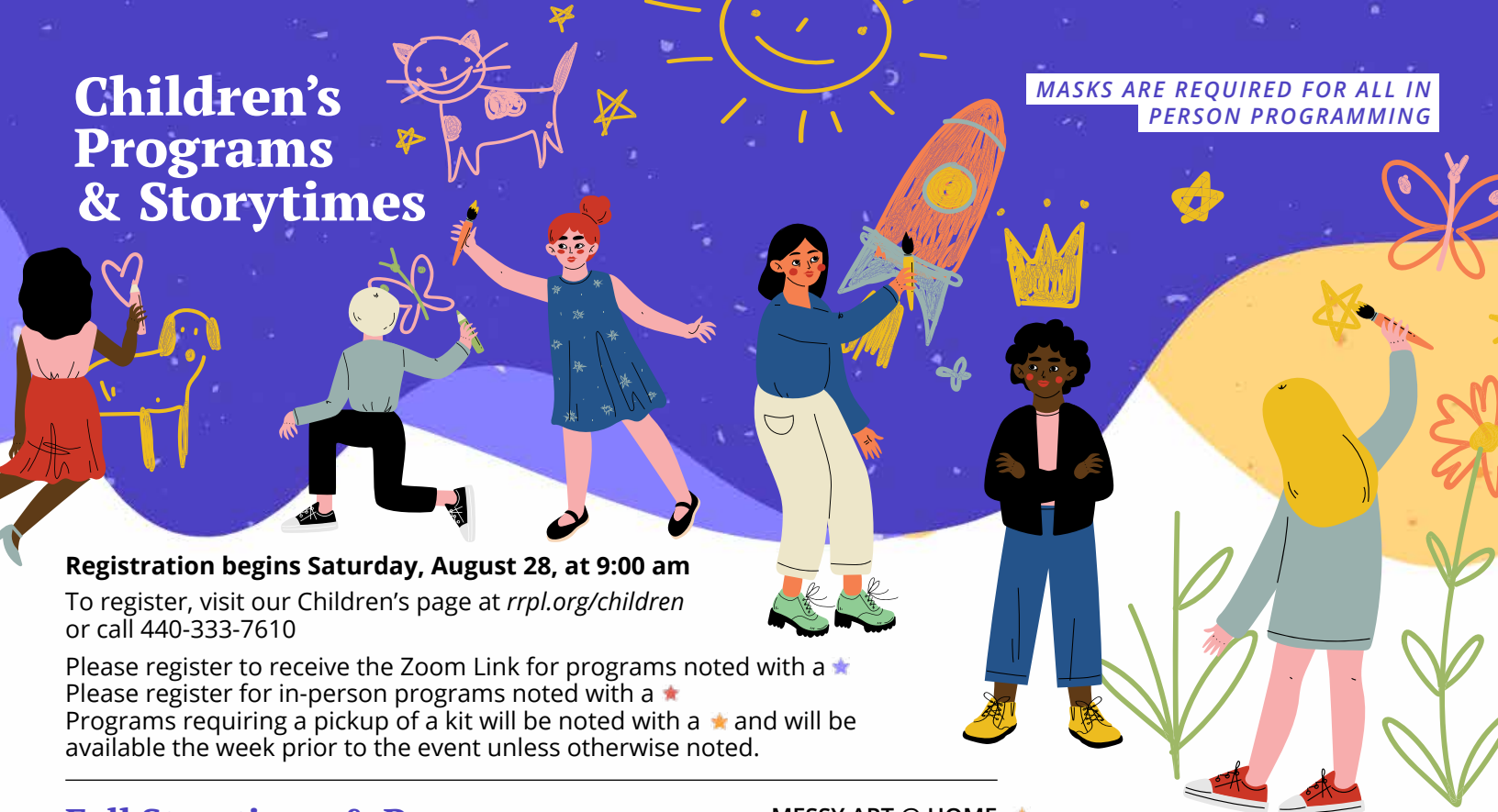
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Children's Programs & Storytimes

MASKS ARE REQUIRED FOR ALL IN PERSON PROGRAMMING



Registration begins Saturday, August 28, at 9:00 am

To register, visit our Children's page at rrpl.org/children or call 440-333-7610

Please register to receive the Zoom Link for programs noted with a ★
Please register for in-person programs noted with a ★
Programs requiring a pickup of a kit will be noted with a ★ and will be available the week prior to the event unless otherwise noted.

Fall Storytimes & Programs

Registration Required

FALL BABY & ME @ HOME

For babies, toddlers & their caregivers

Mondays, August 30 to September 27

Missing Baby & Me at the Library? Register to receive a weekly storytime video from Mrs. Fisher, with fun songs, stories, and rhymes for you and your baby to enjoy at home.

FALL 2S & 3S ★

For children ages 2-3 & their caregivers

September 28 to October 28,

Purple Room, Tuesdays, 9:30 am,

Wednesdays, 1:30 pm, Thursdays, 6:30 pm

Join us for a 30-minute program of stories, rhymes, songs, and a craft or Lego® Duplo® play.

KINDERGARTEN, HERE I COME! ★

For ages 3-6 on their own

Mondays, September 27 to November 1,

1:30 to 2:15 pm or 7:00 to 7:45 pm, Purple Room

(does not meet October 11)

Join us for stories, songs, rhymes, and activities designed to strengthen key skills for school success. Help your preschooler transition into kindergarten with this 5-week series.

ADAPTED STORY TIME ★

For children with developmental needs & their families

Saturdays, September 11, October 9, November 13,

December 11, 10:00 to 11:00 am, Purple Room

Children with varying learning styles and abilities learn together in a safe, supportive environment where respect and appreciation for differences is encouraged. Programs incorporate double visuals, a schedule board and an opportunity for play and socialization.

MESSY ART @ HOME ★

For ages 2-5 & their caregivers

Mondays, September 13, October 4, November 8

Are you brave enough to get messy at home? This kit contains everything you need to create a process centered art project. Supplies must be picked up in person or via our drive thru. **Friends RRPL**

YOU'RE NEVER TOO YOUNG FOR A LIBRARY CARD STORYTIME ★

For babies, toddlers, preschoolers & their caregivers

Monday, September 13, 9:15 am or 1:30 pm &

Wednesday, September 15, 6:30 pm, Auditorium

September is Library Card Sign Up Month! Join us for a fun 30-minute storytime with books, songs, and a craft celebrating the value of libraries and books!

IT'S ALMOST HALLOWEEN: A COSTUME STORYTIME ★

For babies, toddlers, preschoolers & their caregivers

Monday, October 18, 9:15 am or Wednesday, October 20, 1:30 or 6:30 pm, Auditorium

Wear your favorite costume and join us for a fun, non-spooky storytime with songs and stories.

MOVIN' WITH BOOKS AND MUSIC ★

For ages 4-6

Monday, November 22, 7:00 to 7:30 pm, Purple Room

Join us for a fun-filled 30-minutes of stories, music, and lots of movement! **Friends RRPL**

TECH TALES ★

For ages 3-5 & a parent or caregiver

Thursdays, November 4, December 16,

6:30 to 7:00 pm, Purple Room

This classic story time has a digital component. Find out how apps and eBooks can support early literacy, bringing adults and children together. Tablets will be provided.



School-age Programs

Registration Required

I HAVE A LOT TO SAY: CRAFT AND JOURNALING FOR CREATIVE KIDS ★

For students in grades 2-3
Fridays, September 10, 17, 24,
4:00 pm, Library Lawn
Have fun making art collages, a wish jar, drawing, and creating your own journals during this three-week program. Activities will boost your self-esteem, explore expressing feelings, and help develop skills to make good friends.

MINECRAFTERS: HOME EDITION ★

For students in grades 2-6
Mondays, September 13, 27, October 4, 18, November 8, 22, 4:00 to 5:00 pm
Join us from home and play minigames on the Library's Minecraft Realms server! Minecraft Java Edition required. Register, including your email address, and a librarian will contact you to get your child added to the Realms server.

BOOK BABBLE ★

For students in grades 2-3
Tuesdays, September 14,
October 19, December 14,
7:00 pm, Purple Room
Have you been waiting to be old enough for book clubs at RRPL? Join now! We will discuss such titles as *Thank you, Mr. Falker*, *The True Story of the 3 Little Pigs!* By A. Wolf, and *How the Grinch Stole Christmas* with little or no advanced reading necessary.

STEAM STUDIO ★★

For students in grades 1-3
Tuesdays, September 21 & 28,
October 5 & 12,
4:00 pm, Library Lawn
Thursdays, September 23 & 30,
October 7 & 14, 4:00 pm, Zoom
Explore concepts of science, technology, engineering, the arts, and math in this 4-week series. Discover, imagine, create! **Friends RRPL**



TRAILS AND TALES JR. ★

For students in grades K-3
Wednesdays, September 22 &
October 20, 4:00 to 4:45 pm,
Elmwood Park
Do you enjoy the parks around town? Are reading, doing crafts outside and learning about our parks, trails, and animals your idea of fun? Grab your hiking boots and join us to explore nature, local trails, and animals. Permission slip required; parents must stay on site.

SMART ART @ HOME ★

For ages 5-10
Saturdays, September 25 &
November 6
Show us your creativity with Smart Art @ Home. Explore the history of famous artists and art techniques. The program includes a kit to pick up and an emailed presentation to follow along with the kit. Supplies must be picked up in person or via our drive-thru.

POLLINATOR PATHWAYS ★

For students in grades K-3
Monday, September 27,
4:00 pm, Library Lawn
Join us to learn about pollinators, visit our Monarch Waystation Garden planted in May and look for butterflies, hummingbirds, and other pollinators alive and flourishing. Presented by the Rocky River Beach Cliff Garden Club.

BRAINFUSE, INFOBITS, AND YOU ★

For students in grades K-6
Friday, October 8,
11:00 to 11:45 am, Purple Room
Need some school or homework help? Learn about our online databases, Brainfuse, and Kids InfoBits and how they can be a great help to you!

CATS, BATS & HALLOWEEN CRAFTS ★

For students in grades K-2 & their caregivers
Saturday, October 23,
1:00 to 2:00 pm, Purple Room
Let's scare up some fun with creative Halloween crafts. These spirited decorations are sure to put you in a festive Halloween mood! **Friends RRPL**

DO GOOD IN THE WORLD! ★★

For students in grades 2-3
Wednesday, November 3,
4:00 pm, Zoom
Helping others has been shown to increase children's generosity, trust, kindness, and helpfulness. With their families, kids will explore ways they can help others and gain confidence in themselves. Learn how to help make their world a better place and learn about organizations who do. Pick up supplies for the program on October 27.

PICK YOUR CALDECOTT! ★

For students in grades 2-3
Thursdays, November 4, 11, 18,
4:15 pm, Purple Room
Have you always wanted to pick a winner? Now you can! Join us as we review some of the leading books in the race for the 2022 Randolph Caldecott medal for the most outstanding art in a Children's book and help us select our top choice.

MINI MAKERSPACE EXPLORATION ★

For students in grades K-3

Wednesday, December 29,
2:00 to 4:00 pm, Purple Room

Drop in for some hands-on activities to explore, create, build, tinker, and invent to stretch your imagination! Check out our new STEAM collection items. *No registration required.*

Tween Book Clubs & Programs

Registration Required

TWEEN COOKING CLUB ★

For students in grades 4-6

Wednesdays, September 8,
October 6, November 10,
4:00 to 5:00 pm, Zoom

Do you love to cook or want to learn how? Join us for delicious after school snacks and treats! **Friends RRPL**

TRAILS AND TALES ★

For students in grades 4-6

Thursdays, September 9, October 21,
4:00 to 4:45 pm, Elmwood Park

Do you enjoy the parks around town? Are reading, doing crafts outside and learning about our parks, trails, and animals your idea of fun? Grab your hiking boots and join us to explore nature, local trails, and animals. Permission slip required; parents must stay on site.

BE THE CHANGE ★

For students in grades 4-6

Tuesdays, September 14 &
October 19, 4:00 to 5:00 pm,
Purple Room

Do you have a passion for making the world a better place? Join us in an exploration of ALA's Library Card Sign Up Month Ambassador's book: *Marley Diaz Gets it Done and So Can You!* We will explore what is important to each of us, make posters to display in the library, and come away with an action plan to make change happen!

VOLUNTEER YOUTH CREW ★★

For students in grades 4-6

Wednesday, September 22 &
November 3, 4:00 to 5:00 pm, Zoom

Wednesday December 1,
4:00 to 5:00 pm, Purple Room
Want to volunteer at the library? Now is your chance! We will have a mandatory orientation on Zoom and set up times to come independently or with a partner, to work on projects for the library. In November and December, we will be making ornaments for the Community Holiday Tree at City Hall and decorating the 2nd Floor Holiday Tree.

RIVER READERS BOOK CLUB: VOLUNTEER EDITION ★

For students in grades 4-6

Wednesday, September 29,
4:00 to 5:00 pm, Purple Room

Join us in reading the bestselling and award-winning book *Mustaches for Maddie* by Chad Morris and Shelly Brown. When we meet, we will create and send postcards to critically ill children in the hospital through the youth created organization "Sending Smiles". A virtual option is available upon request.

GOING GRAPHIC: GHOSTS ★

For students in grades 4-6

Wednesday, October 27,
4:00 to 5:00 pm, Purple Room

Just in time for the Day of the Dead we will meet and discuss *Ghosts* by Raina Telgemeier then create our very own sugar skulls to take home. A virtual option is available upon request.

GOING GRAPHIC: WHEN STARS ARE SCATTERED ★

For students in grades 4-6

Tuesday, November 16,
4:00 to 5:00 pm, Purple Room

A National Book Award Finalist, *When Stars are Scattered* by Victoria Jamieson's is a remarkable graphic novel about growing up in a refugee camp, as told by a former Somali refugee to the Newbery Honor-winning creator of *Roller Girl*. A virtual option is available upon request.



REGISTRATION FOR HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

**Begins Saturday,
November 13, at 9:00 am**

To register, visit our Children's page at rrpl.org/children or call 440-333-7610

Holiday Programs

Registration Required.

BABY & ME HOLIDAY STORY TIME ★

*For babies, toddlers &
their caregivers*

Wednesday, December 8, 6:15 or
7:00 pm, Purple Room, Thursday,
December 9, 9:15 or 10:15 am,
Purple Room

Get in the holiday spirit with your baby at the Library. Enjoy cheery books and classic sing-along songs with Mrs. Claus (aka Mrs. Fisher).

2S AND 3S HOLIDAY STORYTIME ★

*For children ages 2 or 3 &
their caregivers*

Tuesday, December 7, 9:30 am,
Wednesday, December 8, 1:30 pm,
Thursday, December 9, 6:30 pm,
Purple Room

It's time for the holidays! Enjoy books, songs, rhymes, and a craft to get into the holiday spirit.

HOLIDAY MOVIN' WITH BOOKS AND MUSIC ★

For ages 4-6

Monday, December 6,
7:00 to 7:30 pm, Purple Room

Join us for a fun-filled, holiday-themed program with stories, songs, and lots of movement.

TWEEN CREATIVE CLUB: HOLIDAY DÉCOR ★

For grades 4-6

Wednesday, December 8,
4:00 to 5:00 pm, Purple Room

Help decorate the library and get in the holiday spirit!





Family Events

Take a look at the following programs happening at the library this fall that are perfect for the whole family.

CELEBRATE LIBRARY CARD SIGN UP MONTH

Family Event

September 1 - 30

Celebrate Library Sign Up Month in September with a raffle to win a prize basket on the 2nd Floor. Check out our display and activities celebrating ALA's honorary chair Marley Dias, founder of the #1000BlackGirlBooks campaign, as well as, the exhibit *Telling A People's Story: African-American Children's Illustrated Literature* on display in August 29 – September 26.

CINDERELLA STORIES AROUND THE WORLD ★

Family Event

Thursday, September 16,
7:00 to 7:45 pm, Zoom

Cinderella is known around the world! We will explore the many cultural versions of this story with books, crafts, and other fun activities.

PUT A SMILE ON YOUR FACE ★

Family Event

Friday, October 1,
4:00 to 4:45 pm, Zoom

In honor of World Smile Day, we're planning some stories, songs and a craft that will surely put a big "SMILE" on your face all day.

JUMPSTART'S READ FOR THE RECORD ★

Family Event

Thursday, October 28,
4:00 to 4:45 pm, Zoom

Be a part of millions around the world where we read *My Wu and the Patchwork Dragon* by Kat Zhang together. Let's Read for the Record!

TRICK OR TREAT SCAVENGER HUNT

Family Event

Saturday, October 30,
2:00 to 4:00 pm, 2nd Floor

Join us in your Halloween costumes to search for the missing candies and get a treat in return! No registration required.

THANK A VETERAN!

Family Event

Tuesday, November 2,
4:00 to 4:30 pm and/or
7:00 to 7:30 pm, Purple Room

Stop in the library and make a thank you card in honor of Veterans Day on November 11. Handmade cards made will be distributed to our local veterans by our Outreach Dept. and/or delivered to the American Legion. No registration required.

CELEBRATE OUR NATIVE AMERICAN FOLKLORES ★

Family Event

Tuesday, November 9,
7:00 to 7:45 pm, Zoom

Share with us some of the many Native American Indian legends, folktales, and myths that contributed to our culture and history as we celebrate Native American Heritage Month.

HOLIDAY CRAFT FESTIVAL

Family Event

Tuesday, November 30,
4:00 to 6:00 pm, Auditorium

The holidays are coming and it's time to decorate. Stop by the Library with family and friends and make ornaments together. No registration required.

TAKE IT AND MAKE IT "GINGERBAG" HOUSE ★

Family Event

December 13 to December 17

Pick up a kit on the 2nd Floor with directions and supplies to make your own paper bag gingerbread house that you can use as decoration during the holiday season.

Teen Programs

Registration begins September 1.

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Please register for in-person programs noted with a ★

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August

MIDDLE SCHOOL SURVIVAL KITS

August 24-27

The library is here to help you get off to a great start this school year. Stop in after school during the first week back to pick up your kit in the Teen Room. One kit per student, while supplies last. No Registration. Grades 6-8.  

September

STUDENT ADVOCACY TEAM ★

Tuesdays, September 7, October 5, November 2, December 7, 3:30 to 4:45 pm, Auditorium

New this fall! Students are invited to discuss teen issues related to the library and the community. As a group we will advocate for, plan, and implement programs and activities that meet the diverse needs of Rocky River teens. Grades 7-12.

TEEN VOLUNTEERS

High school students looking to complete required service hours are encouraged to check the online programming calendar for volunteer opportunities. Select "Teen Volunteer Program" in the Event Types dropdown box search bar to see what is available and register for shifts. First time volunteers must complete the volunteer forms found on the Teen page of the website.

TEEN ACTIVITY KITS

Mondays, September 13, October 12, November 8, December 13

Each month pick up a new kit with crafts, puzzles, and other activities to work on at home. Grades 7-12. No registration, while supplies last.

TEEN BOOK HARBOR

Pick up Mondays, September 13, October 18, November 22, December 27

Not sure what to read next? Let us pick for you! Take a quick survey about your reading style and we'll do the rest. Complete the form on the Teen page of our website to get started. Grades 7-12. A library card in good standing required.

COMIX CLUB ★

Wednesdays, September 15, November 3, 3:30 to 4:30 pm, See online calendar for location Join Mses Amanda, Megan, and Nicole for a graphic novel book club! The two meetings in this session will be readers' choice-come prepared to share a favorite title or series. Grades 6-12.

COWAN CLUB

SKETCHBOOK PROJECT ★

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CYBERBULLING

Thursday, September 23, 6:30 to 7:30 pm, Zoom Professor David G. Nardecchia, M.Ed., LPCC will help participants recognize and understand the impact of online bullying as well as offer tips for dealing with bullying. Registration Required. Grades 7-12 and adults.

October

THE ART OF ZINES ★

Thursday, October 21, 3:30 to 5:00 pm, Auditorium Learn about the history of zines before you create your own zine art in this introductory workshop led by artist Emily Poor. Presented by the Morgan Art of Papermaking Conservatory. Grades 6-12.

December

COWAN CLUB ★

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COLLEGE PREP SERIES PRESENTED BY SEELEY TEST PROS

ROADMAP TO COLLEGE ★

Thursday, September 9, 7:00 to 8:00 pm, Zoom New to the college admissions process? The experts at Seeley Test Pros will answer your questions about when to start the process, completing applications, and preparing for and taking tests. A Zoom link will be provided the day of the event.

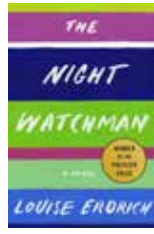
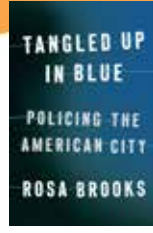
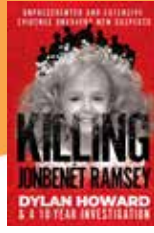
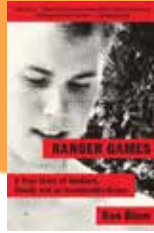
PROCTORED DIAGNOSTIC ACT AND SAT TESTS ★

Saturday, October 2: ACT
Saturday, October 16: SAT
9:00 am to 12:45 pm, Auditorium Get ready for the ACT and/or the SAT by taking an official, full-length test under the guidance of an expert Seeley Test Pros proctor, who will then help everyone score their tests. Students should bring pencils, a calculator, and a watch. Registration for each test required.

SAT/ACT TEST PREP SESSION ★

Monday, November 8, 7:00 to 8:00 pm, Zoom Learn what to expect on the SAT and ACT and how you can maximize your scores. The test prep experts at Seeley Test Pros will explain the differences between tests and tips and tricks to improve your scores. A Zoom link will be provided the day of the event.





Adult Book Discussions

Registration begins September 1. Zoom programs require registration. In-person programs require registration unless noted.

Please register to receive the Zoom Link for programs noted with a ★

No registration required unless noted with a star.

FALL BOOK BUZZ

Thursday, September 9, 7:00 to 8:00 pm, Auditorium
We'll talk about what's new in Fall books and other sure-to-be popular titles. Get the inside scoop and we'll help you begin curating an exciting holds list or start downloading tomorrow's best sellers.

RIVERINOS TRUE CRIME ★

Wednesdays, 7:00 to 8:00 pm, Zoom

You don't have to read the books to join our discussion. You are welcome to learn about the cases we cover through podcasts, tv shows, and documentaries.

September 15: *Confident Women: Swindlers, Grifters, and Shapeshifters of the Feminine Persuasion* by Tori Telfer

October 20: *Amy: My Search for Her Killer: Secrets & Suspects in the Unsolved Murder of Amy Mihaljevic* by James Renner

November 17: *Ranger Games* by Ben Blum

December 15: *Killing JonBenet Ramsey: Unprecedented, Extensive Evidence Uncovers New and Suspects* by Dylan Howard

ONCE UPON A CRIME MYSTERY BOOK DISCUSSION ★

Monday, October 4, 7:00 to 8:00 pm, Zoom

The Mystery of Mrs. Christie by Marie Benedict

A discussion of the reconstruction of one of the most notorious events in literary history: Agatha Christie's mysterious 11-day disappearance in 1926.

ADULT ROCKY RIVER READERS BOOK GROUP ★

Thursdays, 7:00 to 8:00 pm, Zoom

October 7: *The Night Watchman* by Louise Erdrich

Based on the life of the author's grandfather who worked as a night watchman and fought against Native dispossession, this Pulitzer Prize-winning novel takes readers from the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa reservation in rural North Dakota to Washington, D.C.

December 9: *The Giver of Stars* by Jojo Moyes

Five extraordinary women set out on journeys of self-discovery and friendship when they become "horseback librarians," who provide library service to residents in remote areas of the Kentucky Appalachian Mountains. This historical novel is inspired by the real-life WPA initiative that was championed by Eleanor Roosevelt.

BOOK A CHAT WITH CHIEF LICHMAN ★

Thursday, October 21, 7:00 to 8:00 pm, Zoom

Tangled Up in Blue: Policing the American City by Rosa Brooks
Tenured law professor at Georgetown, wife, and mother of two, Rosa Brooks took the training and was sworn in as an armed reserve police officer with the Washington, DC, Metropolitan Police Department. Ms. Brooks shares "a revelatory account of what it's like inside the blue wall of silence." Pick up this thought-provoking look at police work in America today and join a discussion led by Police Chief Lichman.

NOVEL SCARES

Wednesdays, 7:00 to 8:00 pm, Community Room

October 27: *Her Body and Other Parties: Stories* by Carmen Maria Machado

In this engrossing collection, Machado explores women and their bodies, and the violence done to them, both by themselves and others. Her eight inventive, eerie, and sensual stories make strikingly feminist moves by combining elements of horror and speculative fiction with women's everyday crises.

December 1: *The Hunger* by Alma Katsu

This supernatural reimagining of the Donner Party story follows a group of wagon-train pioneers who navigate sanity-testing misfortunes, including the mysterious death of a little boy and a series of disappearances that cause a beautiful member of the group to be accused of witchcraft.

Book Club Kits

We know how difficult it is to choose a book for your next book group meeting, and to find enough copies for all the members of your group. We would like to make this easier for you by offering Book Club Kits to our patrons. You will receive 8 copies of the same title, a set of discussion questions and other pertinent information about the book or author, all inside a canvas library bag, to be checked out on the library card of the patron picking up the kit. The loan period for the kit is 6 weeks. We own 18 Book Club Kits, 12 fiction book titles and 6 nonfiction book titles. Inquire at Adult Reference for more information.



Adult Programs

Registration begins September 1.
No registration required unless noted with a star.
In-person and pick-up programs require registration unless noted.
[All programs are subject to change in order to protect our patrons, community, and staff.](#)

Please register to receive the Zoom Link for programs noted with a ★
Please register for in-person programs noted with a ★
Please register to receive pickup information for programs noted with a ★

Monthly Series

GAME NIGHT
Tuesdays, September 7, October 5, November 2, December 7, 7:00 to 8:00 pm, Community Room
Please join your fellow game lovers for board games and fun!

ASL FORUM: A PLACE TO USE/PRACTICE
Tuesdays, September 14, November 9, Auditorium
October 12, December 14, Community Room
6:30 to 8:00 pm,
Join coordinator R. Kevin Borowiak as attendees practice their American Sign Language skills and proficiency. Practicing the basics along with building vocabulary through usage would be the goals of this Forum. The group is open to the hearing, hard of hearing, and deaf.

STREAMING STORIES SPOTLIGHT
Visit our YouTube channel mid-month to learn about interesting movies available through streaming services available with your library card.

TAKE IT AND MAKE IT CRAFT KITS
The weeks beginning September 19, October 17, November 21, December 19
Stop by the library and pick up a craft kit that you can make at home. We'll provide the instructions and materials and you provide the creativity! Kits will be available at a table in the Reference Area while supplies last. 

WRITER'S GROUP OF ROCKY RIVER ★
Tuesdays, September 21, October 19, November 16, December 21, 7:00 to 8:00 pm, Zoom
Writers wanted! New and experienced writers welcome. Fiction, nonfiction, and all genres in between. Have your work critiqued and give constructive feedback to others in a fun and friendly environment. Participants are expected to read each piece, think about (and note!) how it can be improved, and come to the group prepared to discuss.

MOVIE MATINEE
Fridays, September 24, October 29, November 26, 12:00 pm, Auditorium
Our movie matinees will return this fall in the auditorium featuring a recently released film the last Friday of the month.

FILM CLUB ★
Mondays, September 27, October 25, November 29, 7:00 to 8:00 pm, Zoom
Are you a film lover? Join us the last Monday of the month to discuss a film currently being offered on streaming services, hoopla or Kanopy. You will receive a set of study questions in advance to help prepare for a robust conversation with fellow film lovers.

INDIE INT'L FILM FESTIVAL
Mondays, October 4, November 1, December 7, 6:30 pm, Auditorium
Explore the world of films every month with a selection of a foreign or independent films.

September

BACK TO SCHOOL: MAGAZINE ACCESS AT RRPL

Available on YouTube beginning September 1

Join Adult Services librarian, Emma Ditmar, as she takes you on a tour of the variety of magazine resources customers have access to using the library's website as the gateway. (Consumer information will be included.)

CHALLENGED, BANNED OR BURNED: CONTROVERSIAL BOOKS ★

Wednesday, September 8, 7:00 to 8:00 pm, Auditorium

Negative public reaction to controversial texts goes back centuries, even pre-dating the European printing press. Join us for an overview of censorship from antiquity to the present day, exploring why materials were censored, how texts and authors were dealt with, and how our reaction has evolved. Presented by John T. Rasel, Assistant Professor/ Librarian at Cuyahoga County Community College.

PLANT SWAP

Sunday, September 12, 1:30 to 3:30 pm, Library Lawn, Auditorium rain location

It's almost fall-time to divide perennials and bring the houseplants back indoors. Come share your summer bounty with other plant lovers. Bring your healthy, pest free, outdoor, or houseplants to trade. New to plants? The plant experts from River Plant Co. will be sharing tips and tricks for keeping your houseplants healthy through the winter.

MONARCH MANIA ★

Sunday, September 12, 1:00 pm, Wendy Park

Join Naturalist Jen Brumfield for a visit to Wendy Park on the Cleveland lakefront. This Cleveland Metroparks reservation is renowned for Monarch migration in September. If the weather conditions are right, we may see dozens or hundreds of these spectacular insects as they rest and refuel at this 22-acre green space just outside of downtown! Meet in the parking lot just East of the marina.



TWO-PART WELLNESS/YOGA SERIES WITH RIVER YOGA ★

Mondays, September 13 & 20, 6:30 to 7:30 pm, Zoom

Each week, Elcin of River Yoga, will begin the session with a 15-minute Wellness learning topic to be followed with 45 minutes of slow flow yoga. Join us for one or both of these programs.

BACK TO SCHOOL:


LEARN ABOUT YOUR LIBRARY

Mondays, September 13, 20, 27, 7:00 to 8:00 pm, Zoom

Come back to school and learn about all the things that RRPL has to offer! Part 1 will cover "Using the Catalog and Online App", Part 2 will cover "Exploring Research Tools" and Part 3 will cover "The Digital Library". Sign up for one or all three.

SPARK JOY: THE MAGIC OF TIDYING UP ★

Tuesday, September 14, 7:00 to 8:30 pm, Zoom

Learn the KonMari principles needed to tidy once and for all and feel motivated to Spark Joy in your home, office, and life! The KonMari Method™, a style of tidying focusing on keeping only items you love, was created by Marie Kondo, author of *The Life-Changing Magic of Tidying Up*. Presented by Shannon Huneycutt, certified Silver level KonMari Consultant. 

MEET THE AUTHOR:

HEATHER HURWITZ ★

Wednesday, September 15, 7:00 to 8:00 pm, Zoom

Join Dr. Heather McKee Hurwitz, Rocky River resident and author of *Are We the 99%? The Occupy Movement, Feminism, and Intersectionality*, to commemorate the 10-year anniversary of the Occupy Wall Street Movement. She will reflect on the movement's strengths and fault lines and discuss intersectionality lessons for "big tent" mass organizing.



COLOR THROUGH THE SEASONS

Thursday, September 16, 7:00 to 8:00 pm, Auditorium

With a bit of planning, you can create a welcoming and colorful landscape year-round. The key is to plant perennials and shrubs that bloom at all different times of the year. The Master Gardeners of Cuyahoga County will introduce you to combinations of perennials, shrubs, and even small trees to create garden interest in every season.

WHAT DO 1 IN 100 ADULTS IN THE USA HAVE IN COMMON? HEPATITIS C ★

Saturday, September 18, 11:00 am to 12:00 pm, Zoom

Mukaddes Yasar, MD., Infectious Disease Specialist at University Hospital, Rahway, will answer all your questions about Hepatitis C including how serious it is, if you should get tested, and if it's curable.



HISTORY TALKS: STITCHED: REGIONAL DRESS ACROSS EUROPE ★

Tuesday September 21, 7:00 to 8:00 pm, Zoom

Sara Hume, Ph.D., Curator of the Kent State University Museum will discuss the current exhibit Stitched: Regional Dress Across Europe. Drawing from the rich collection of Kent State University Museum, this exhibition showcases common features shared by regional costume across Europe.

MEET THE AUTHOR:

GENEVIEVE GORNICHEC ★

Wednesday, September 22, 7:00 to 8:00 pm, Zoom

Genevieve Gornichec is the author of the 2021 fantasy novel *The Witch's Heart*. She earned her degree in history from The Ohio State University, but she got as close to majoring in Vikings as she possibly could, and her study of the Norse myths and Icelandic sagas became her writing inspiration. She lives in Cleveland, Ohio.



RRPL TRIVIA NIGHT ★

Tuesday, September 28,
7:00 to 8:30 pm, Zoom

Join us for a fun night of trivia hosted by Cleveland Trivia! You will need to open Zoom on your computer or phone. Feel free to form teams in advance with your friends or the host will assign teams.

NATIONAL VOTER REGISTRATION DAY

Tuesday, September 28,
10:00 am to 4:00 pm, Lobby

Come to the Lobby today to register to vote, or to ask questions related to your voter registration. Be 'VoteReady' for the November elections!

October

BOOK-O-LANTERN COMMUNITY CONTEST ★

Pumpkin Pickup is on
Saturday, October 9,
3:00 to 5:00 pm, Library Lawn

Celebrate with us by carving, painting, or decorating a pumpkin inspired by your favorite literature! Participants of all ages will be entered to win a spooky prize bag, including festive books and treats. A limited number of pumpkins will be provided. Please register online to claim yours.

PARANORMAL INVESTIGATION TOOLS AT THE LIBRARY ★

Wednesday, October 13,
7:00 to 8:00 pm, Zoom

An introduction to all the amazing research tools at the library and how they can be used for anything from hunting ghosts to tracking Bigfoot.

FLAVORS OF THE WORLD:

TURKISH LOKMA ★

Sunday, October 17,
1:00 to 2:00 pm, Zoom

Mrs. Selbi will be preparing Lokma, Turkish pastries made of leavened and deep-fried dough, soaked in syrup or honey. This delicious syrupy desert can be coated with coconut flakes, cinnamon, pistachio, or melted chocolate. A list of ingredients and the recipe will be emailed to you the week of the program so you can cook along at home!

FALL FESTIVAL

Saturday, October 23,
2:00 to 4:00 pm, Library Lawn

Stop by for an afternoon of fall fun at the library! Vote for your favorite literary inspired pumpkin on our Book-O-Lantern walk, grab a tasty treat, and enjoy live music with singer-songwriter duo Jody & John from 2 to 3 pm. All ages will enjoy lawn games, photo ops, grab-n-go crafts, and more. Family friendly Halloween costumes are welcome! [friends RRPL](#)

FRANKENSTEIN! MYTH, MONSTER, AND POPULAR CULTURE ★

Monday, October 25,
7:00 to 8:00 pm, Zoom

Mary Shelley's 1818 novel *Frankenstein* towers over Western literature as one of the most influential novels ever written. Explore the Frankenstein tradition in film and literature, gendered implications of the motherless monster, and social and psychological meanings of the monster who will not die. Presented by Linda Mizejewski, Ph.D., Distinguished Professor in Ohio State University's Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Department.

November

THANK OUR FURRY FRIENDS ANIMAL DONATION DRIVE

Show your gratitude for all the domesticated animals that have shown us so much love and support through this pandemic. We will be accepting donations of NEW pet toys, pet beds and pet food for local animal rescue organizations. Drop off your donation in the box next to the Reference Desk.

NATIONAL NOVEL WRITING MONTH November 2, 11, 30, 6:00 to 8:00 pm, Auditorium/Community Room

November is National Novel Writing Month! All month long, RRPL common areas will serve as a Come Write In space for NaNoWriMo – a quiet space where writers can get away from distractions and just write. On select nights, a meeting room will be reserved exclusively for writers participating in NaNoWriMo.

CERAMIC CHAT ★

Wednesday, November 3,
7:00 to 8:00 pm, Zoom

Artist David Kachadourian will discuss his work and how to cultivate a creative practice.

MEET THE AUTHOR: EMAN QUOTAH ★

Thursday, November 4,
7:00 to 8:00 pm, Zoom

Eman Quotah is the author of the 2021 novel *Bride of the Sea*. Her debut novel is a spellbinding story of colliding cultures, immigration, religion, and family and an intimate portrait of loss and healing. She grew up in Jidda, Saudi Arabia, and Cleveland Heights, Ohio. Her writing has appeared in *The Washington Post*, *USA Today*, *Literary Hub*, and more.

EVENING WITH THE ARTS: CARTOONING WORKSHOP ★

Wednesday, November 10,
7:00 to 8:30 pm, Auditorium
Learn the art of comics and visual storytelling by creating your own single strip comic! Participants will explore the history of comic art in the United States and how it was influenced by newspaper comics during the 20th century. We'll look at *Calvin and Hobbes*, *Peanuts*, and more. Presented by artist Sam Reveley of the Beck Center for the Arts.

OUT OF THE CLOSET AND INTO COMICS ★

Wednesday, November 17,
7:00 to 8:00 pm, Zoom
What's queer about comics? Where do LGBTQ+ history and comics history intersect? Being queer, especially in years past, was like having a secret identity. Join us as we look at LGBTQ+ comics history, queer artists, and queer comics characters. Presented by comics scholar Valentino Zullo, Ph.D, Ohio Center for the Book's Scholar in Residence at Cleveland Public Library.

SECRETS TO A HEALTHY, LONG, LIFE ★

Saturday, November 20,
11:00 am to 12:00 pm, Zoom
Dr. Bulent Aydogan, Associate Professor of Radiation and Cellular Oncology at the University of Chicago, will discuss factors affecting an individual's lifespan, including heredity, environment, and the food we consume.



December

THE MAKING OF IT'S A WONDERFUL LIFE ★

Thursday, December 2,
7:00 to 8:00 pm, Zoom
Hear the story behind the making of the 1946 Christmas classic film *It's A Wonderful Life*. We'll look at its journey from first idea, to movie production, to box-office disappointment, to eventual holiday favorite. Presented by Carl Quatraro.

CRAFTING WITH THE CURATOR KIT PICK-UP NATURE IMPRINT ORNAMENT ★

Pick up will run from December 5 - 11
Using air dry clay and elements from nature, make your own seasonal ornament that celebrates the malleable nature of clay.

BIBLIO BISTRO: COOKIE SANDWICHES WITH SUE JOHANSEN ★

Wednesday, December 8,
7:00 to 8:30 pm, Zoom
Join us for a beloved holiday tradition- baking with Sue Johansen, owner of Wild Flour Bakery. You'll learn how to make delicious sandwich cookies in this virtual baking class. A list of ingredients along with the recipe will be shared prior to the program so you can follow along at home. Friends RRPL

HONORING CLEVELAND'S ADMIRAL ISAAC C. KIDD, U.S. NAVY

Tuesday, December 14,
7:00 to 8:00 pm, Auditorium
Relive Jacob Gibson (graduate of St. Edward High School) and Menlo Park Academy history teacher Mr. Frank O'Grady's trip to Oahu, Hawaii. There they honored a Cleveland hero who was killed in action on the USS Arizona at Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941.

COWAN FEATURED ARTIST ★

Thursday December 16,
7:00 to 8:00 pm, Community Room
Our first annual Cowan Featured Artist Todd Hickerson will discuss his practice and his work currently on display in the Community Case.



Week Of Winter Solstice

This week we are honoring the change of seasons and longer days to come with a series of beautiful crafts to light the way.

Saturday, December 18,
2:00 to 4:00 pm, Auditorium:
Evergreen Centerpiece

Using natural materials, we will create a solstice centerpiece to decorate your table. Please bring evergreen boughs or holly from your yard, as well as clippers if you have them.

Sunday, December 19 -
Wednesday, December 23: Take it and Make It Birdseed Ornament Kit

Wednesday, December 22,
7:00 to 8:00 pm, Auditorium:
Luminarias

Bring nature indoors with simple paper lanterns that emit a lovely diffused light. This waxed paper lantern is an easy way to show off pressed flowers or leaves in a casual way.

SUBSCRIPTION SERVICES AT RRPL

Register through our website, complete a survey based on your reading preferences, and we will select a handful of book recommendations for you to pick up monthly.

BOOK HARBOR
SUBSCRIPTION SERVICE

LIBFLIX

Register through our website, complete a survey based on your viewing preferences, and we will select a handful of movie recommendations for you to pick up monthly.

Five days. Five challenges. Five ways to strengthen our democracy.

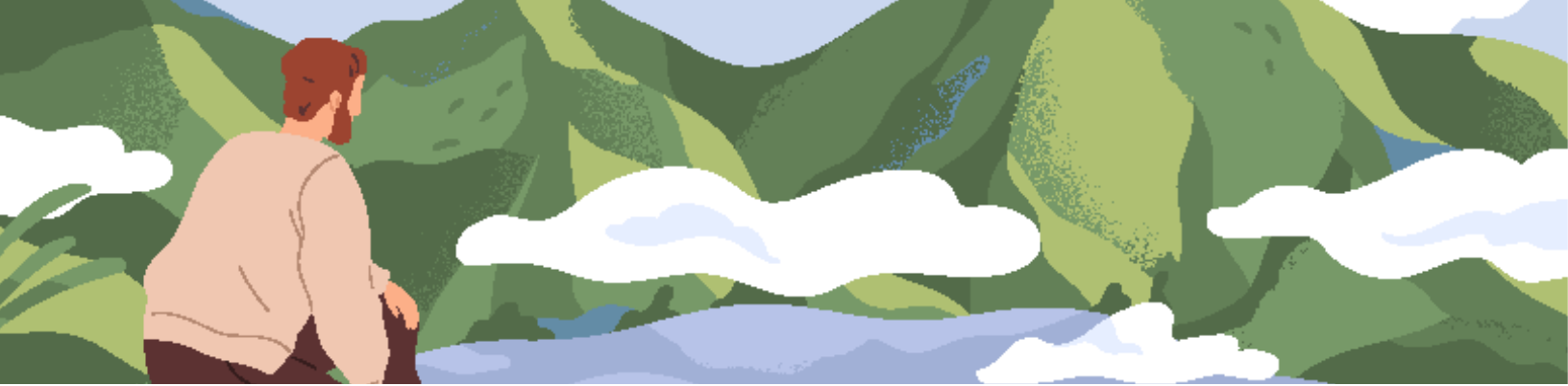
5 DAYS FOR DEMOCRACY

Monday, September 20 to Friday, September 24

5Days4Democracy is an invitation for everyone to take a little time each day, for five days, to think about what it means to live in a democracy. This year we're looking at how important it is to participate in local government elections, what does your local government look like, from which issues are passed to who represents you at city hall.

Visit page 4 or cityclub.org/fivedays for more information.





Travel Series

Saturdays, 10:00 to 11:00 am
On Zoom. *Registrants will receive information on how to connect to sessions.*

CHAT WITH A ZION NATIONAL PARK RANGER

By Zion National Park
Saturday, October 2

EXPLORING SANTA FE

By Nicole Martin
Saturday, November 6

HOLIDAY LIGHTS AROUND OHIO

By Angela Paterek
Saturday, November 20

Career-Minded Series

Thursdays, 6:30 to 7:30 pm
On Zoom. *Registrants will receive information on how to connect to sessions.*

GET RESULTS WITH YOUR RESUME AND COVER LETTER

By Sherry Shuster
September 9

SHARPEN YOUR INTERVIEW SKILLS

By Stark State
October 14

AN OFFICE IN YOUR POCKET

By TBA
November 18


BUSINESS FINANCE FOR A NON-FINANCE PROFESSIONAL

By Ned Parks
December 9

Adult Computer Training

September

Registration begins on September 1 for all fall classes.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 REGISTRATION for All Fall Classes Begins at 9:00 am	2 If you are new to computers, call (440) 333-7610 ext. 5503 to schedule an appointment for individualized assistance.	3	4
6	7 Ten Minute Tech Tips 10:00 am <i>No Registration</i> Zoom I (Part 1) 2:00-3:00 pm	8 Zoom I (Part 2) 2:00-3:00 pm	9 Zoom II (Part 1) 10:00-11:00 am CAREER-MINDED SERIES: Get Results with Your Resume & Cover Letter 6:30-7:30 pm	10	11 Zoom II (Part 2) 10:00-11:00 am
13 Excel IV (Part 1) 6:30-7:30 pm	14 Ten Minute Tech Tips 10:00 am <i>No Registration</i> Excel IV (Part 2) 6:30-7:30 pm	15 Videoconferencing Tools 9:30-10:30 am <i>No Registration</i> 	16 Intro to Computers II (Part 1) 10:00-11:00 am	17 Intro to Computers II (Part 2) 10:00-11:00 am	18
20	21 Ten Minute Tech Tips 10:00 am <i>No Registration</i> File Maintenance I (Part 1) 2:00-3:00 pm	22 File Maintenance I (Part 2) 2:00-3:00 pm	23 Mobile: Smartphones (Part 1) 10:00-11:00 am SPECIAL PROGRAM: Cyberbullying 6:30-7:30pm	24 Mobile: Smartphones (Part 2) 10:00-11:00 am	25
27	28 Ten Minute Tech Tips 10:00 am <i>No Registration</i>	29 SPECIAL PROGRAM: Morning Tech Coffee Chat 9:30-10:30 am	30		

October

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
4 Excel V (Part 1) 6:30-7:30 pm	5 Ten Minute Tech Tips 10:00 am <i>No Registration</i> Excel V (Part 2) 6:30-7:30 pm	6 Mobile: iPad I (Part 1) 10:00-11:00 am	7 Mobile: iPad I (Part 2) 10:00-11:00 am	8	9 Mobile: Settings (Part 1) 10:00-11:00 am
11	12 Ten Minute Tech Tips 10:00 am <i>No Registration</i> File Maintenance II (Part 1) 2:00-3:00 pm	13 File Maintenance II (Part 2) 2:00-3:00 pm	14 CAREER-MINDED SERIES: Interviewing Skills 6:30-7:30 pm	15 SPECIAL PROGRAM: Morning Tech Coffee Chat 9:30-10:30 am	16
18 Excel VI (Part 1) 6:30-7:30 pm	19 Ten Minute Tech Tips 10:00 am <i>No Registration</i> Excel VI (Part 2) 6:30-7:30 pm	20 Exploring Mars with NASA 9:30-10:30 am <i>No Registration</i> 	21 Mobile: Android I (Part 1) 10:00-11:00 am	22 Mobile: Android I (Part 2) 10:00-11:00 am	23 Mobile: Settings (Part 2) 10:00-11:00 am
25 Photos & Computers (Part 1) 6:30-7:30 pm	26 Ten Minute Tech Tips 10:00 am <i>No Registration</i> Photos & Computers (Part 2) 6:30-7:30 pm	27	28 Mobile: iPad II (Part 1) 10:00-11:00 am	29 Mobile: iPad II (Part 2) 10:00-11:00 am	30

November

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Excel VII (Part 1) 6:30-7:30 pm	2 Ten Minute Tech Tips 10:00 am <i>No Registration</i> Excel VII (Part 2) 6:30-7:30 pm	3	4 Mobile: Android II (Part 1) 10:00-11:00 am	5 Mobile: Android II (Part 2) 10:00-11:00 am	6
8 Photoshop* I (Part 1) 6:30-7:30 pm	9 Ten Minute Tech Tips 10:00 am <i>No Registration</i> Photoshop* I (Part 2) 6:30-7:30 pm	10 Google: Drive (Part 1) 10:00-11:00 am	11 Google: Drive (Part 2) 10:00-11:00 am	12	13 SPECIAL PROGRAM: Morning Tech Coffee Chat 9:30-10:30 am
15 Photoshop* II (Part 1) 6:30-7:30 pm	16 Ten Minute Tech Tips 10:00 am <i>No Registration</i> Photoshop* II (Part 2) 6:30-7:30 pm	17 Top Privacy Settings for Computers & Smartphones 9:30-10:30 am <i>No Registration</i> 	18 Google: Docs (Part 1) 10:00-11:00 am CAREER-MINDED SERIES: TBA 6:30-7:30 pm	19 Google: Docs (Part 2) 10:00-11:00 am	20
22 Photoshop* III (Part 1) 6:30-7:30 pm	23 Ten Minute Tech Tips 10:00 am <i>No Registration</i> Photoshop* III (Part 2) 6:30-7:30 pm	24	25	26	27
29 Photoshop* IV (Part 1) 6:30-7:30 pm	30 Ten Minute Tech Tips 10:00 am <i>No Registration</i> Photoshop Elements IV (Part 1) 6:30-7:30 pm	Do you need assistance figuring out your computer or mobile device? Call the Training Department. Get help over the phone for many situations. If more time is needed to help, we will make a Zoom appointment with you. Call (440) 333-7610 ext. 3754.			



Senior Lecture Series

On Zoom. Registrants will receive information on how to connect to sessions.

MEDICARE 101

By Shelley Reddy, Kaz Company
Friday, September 10
10:00 to 11:30 am

IDENTITY THEFT

By Office of the Attorney General
Friday, October 8
10:00 to 11:00 am

SEPSIS: KNOW THE SIGNS AND SAVE A LIFE

By Cleveland Clinic
Friday, November 12
10:00 to 11:00 am

CONQUERING ARTHRITIS: LIVE YOUR BEST LIFE

By Arthritis Foundation of
Northeastern Ohio
Friday, December 3
10:00 to 11:00 am

December

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Google: Maps (Part 1) 10:00-11:00 am	2 Google: Maps (Part 2) 10:00-11:00 am	3	4
6 Google: Gmail I (Part 1) 6:30-7:30 pm	7 Ten Minute Tech Tips 10:00 am <i>No Registration</i> Google: Gmail I (Part 2) 6:30-7:30 pm	8 SPECIAL PROGRAM: Morning Tech Coffee Chat 9:30-10:30 am	9 Google: Sheets (Part 1) 10:00-11:00 am CAREER-MINDED SERIES: Business Finance for Non- Finance Professionals 6:30-7:30 pm	10 Google: Sheets (Part 2) 10:00-11:00 am	11
13 Google: Gmail II (Part 1) 6:30-7:30 pm	14 Ten Minute Tech Tips 10:00 am <i>No Registration</i> Google: Gmail II (Part 2) 6:30-7:30 pm	15 Shopping on Social Media 9:30-10:30 am <i>No Registration</i> 	16 Google: Forms (Part 1) 10:00-11:00 am	17 Google: Forms (Part 2) 10:00-11:00 am	18

Ten Minute Tech Tips

No Registration

WHAT IS
LINKEDIN
LEARNING?
September 7

WHAT IS A
RASPBERRY PI?
September 14

HOW CAN I FIND
INSTRUCTIONS
FOR MY
SMARTPHONE?
September 21

HOW DO I SHARE
MY LOCATION?
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WHY IS MY
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HOW CAN I MAKE
MY SMARTPHONE
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October 12

CREATE
YOUR TOUR:
CLEVELAND
MUSEUM OF ART
October 19

HOW DO I
DICTATE TO MY
COMPUTER?
October 26

Tuesdays at 10:00 am
Livestream.com/rrpl

WHAT ARE
FACEBOOK
GROUPS AND
PAGES?
November 2

WHAT ONLINE
RESOURCES DOES
RRPL OFFER?
November 9

HOW CAN I
VIEW A QR CODE
MENU?
November 16

WHAT DOES THE
RIGHT MOUSE
BUTTON DO?
November 23

HOW CAN I VIEW
MY GOOGLE
MAPS HISTORY?
November 30

WHAT IS A
MOBILE
HOTSPOT?
December 7

IS 5G HERE YET?
December 14

Computer Breakfast Series

Wednesdays, 9:30 to 10:30 am
On Zoom. Registrants will receive information on how to connect to sessions.

VIDEOCONFERENCING TOOLS

By Walter Lesch
September 15

EXPLORING MARS WITH NASA

By Jeff Woytach, NASA
October 20

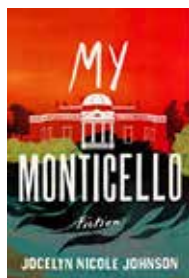
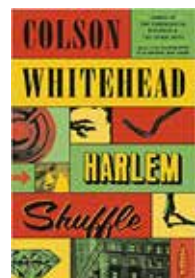
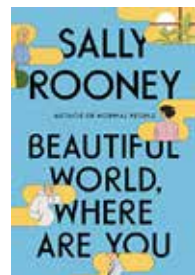
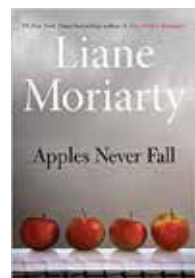
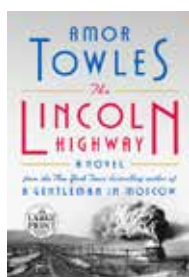
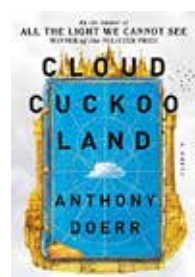
TOP PRIVACY SETTINGS FOR COMPUTERS AND SMARTPHONES

By Walter Lesch
November 17

SHOPPING ON SOCIAL MEDIA

By Molly McGirr Norris
December 15

Between the Covers



September

Cloud Cuckoo Land

Anthony Doerr

From the siege of Constantinople in 1435 to present-day Idaho and the interstellar future, Doerr tells of four youth tied to an ancient text, binding them to ageless messages of hope and appreciation for books, humanity, and our planet.

Matrix

Lauren Groff

Groff reimagines the life of Marie de France, a Medieval poet. Cast out of the court of Queen Eleanor to a poor neglected abbey, she transforms from a lost teenager to a strong, powerful, and self-assured abbess.

Apples Never Fall

Liane Moriarty

The Delaneys have always been close and competitive, but how well do they really know each other? When their retired parents allow a stranger into their lives and the wife goes missing, the grown children wonder if their father had anything to do with it.

Beautiful World, Where Are You

Sally Rooney

Alice, Felix, Eileen, and Simon are still young—but life is catching up with them. They worry about jobs, relationships, friendships, and the world they live in. Every other chapter is told through emails between Alice and Eileen.

Harlem Shuffle

Colson Whitehead

In 1960s Harlem, Ray Carney has a reputation as an upstanding used furniture salesman and a side gig fencing items for the underworld of Harlem.

The Magician

Colm Tóibín

An intimate portrait of one of the 20th century's most intriguing literary figures, Thomas Mann, following Mann and his complex family through the first World War, the rise of Hitler, World War II, and exile.

Bewilderment

Richard Powers

After the death of his wife, astrobiologist Theo Byrne struggles to raise his sensitive but angry son Robin. To avoid medicating Robin, Theo pursues an experimental neurofeedback treatment involving use of the recorded patterns of his mother's brain.

October

The Lincoln Highway

Amor Towles

In 1954, a young man recently released from a juvenile work farm plans to take his little brother to California to start over, but two friends from the work farm have other plans, taking them on a fateful journey in the opposite direction – to the City of New York.

Crossroads

Jonathan Franzen

In 1971, a family is at a crossroads as the parents contemplate divorce and each family member craves freedom that is threatened by the others.

State of Terror

Hillary Rodham Clinton and

Louise Penny

After a series of terrorist attacks, a novice Secretary of State under the administration of her rival must unravel a deadly global conspiracy.

Oh William!

Elizabeth Strout

Lucy Barton recounts her complex, tender relationship with William, her first husband—and longtime, on-again-off-again friend and confidant, recalling their college years, through the birth of their daughters, the painful dissolution of their marriage, and the lives they built with other people.

My Monticello

Jocelyn Nicole Johnson

This collection of stories set in Virginia revolve around the troubled history of the U.S. and the shortcomings of American democracy. The title story is a novella about a small band of people who take refuge in Monticello, among the old ghosts of the former plantation.

On Animals

Susan Orlean

Orlean's essay collection focuses on how we live with animals – from household pets to those that end up on our plates. Her well-researched and empathetic tales include the story of a whale in Iceland who refuses to be free and a New Jersey woman with, unknown to her neighbors, 23 pet tigers!

Between the Covers is a selection of new books coming to Rocky River Public Library this fall! If you'd like to put any of these titles on hold, contact the library at **440-333-7610**, or go to **rrpl.org** to place an online hold.

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Never

Ken Follett

The United States' first female President tries to avoid war when an act of aggression escalates, and the world's greatest powers are caught up in a tangled web of alliances.

Wish You Were Here

Jodi Picoult

A woman finds herself quarantined on the Galapagos Islands during the pandemic and reexamines her choices in life while getting to know the locals.

All Her Little Secrets

Wanda M. Morris

Successful corporate attorney Ellice Littlejohn's life changes when she finds the body of her boss Michael, dead by a gunshot. At first, she puts her head down, not wanting to get involved, but eventually her past and present collide as she faces a sinister conspiracy.

The Sentence

Louise Erdrich

Tookie, an Ojibwe bookseller, grapples with the haunting of the very store she works in. As she attempts to understand why the ghost of a former customer just won't leave, she begins to come to terms with the life she could have had, and the life that still might be hers.

These Precious Days

Ann Patchett

These collected essays, straddling life and art, are deeply personal and beautifully written. From essays on Eudora Welty to knitting, this is a must-read collection.

Our Country Friends

Gary Shteyngart

Our first pandemic novel follows the shifting relationships of a group of friends (including a Russian novelist; an app developer; a K-pop-obsessed child; a Southern essayist) at a country house in upstate New York in March 2020 as they wait out the COVID-19 pandemic.

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Beasts of a Little Land

Juhea Kim

In 1917, deep in the snowy mountains of occupied Korea, an impoverished local hunter on the brink of starvation saves a young Japanese officer from an attacking tiger. In an instant, their fates are connected—and from this encounter unfolds a saga that spans half a century.

Tell Me How to Be

Neel Patel

When Akash returns to his family home in Illinois to help his mother sell the family home, both mother and son must decide between the lives they left behind and the ones they've since created, between making each other happy and setting themselves free.

Bright Burning Things

Lisa Harding

Former actress Sonya, haunted by her failed career and childhood trauma, has turned to the bottle. When she's threatened with the loss of her 4-year-old Tommy, Sonya is forced to confront her drinking problem.

History of Wild Places

Shea Ernschaw

Travis Wren is hired by families to locate missing people—but when he takes on the case of successful macabre children's book author Maggie St. James and is led to a mysterious commune, what will the town do when he disappears himself?

Garbo: Her Life, Her Films

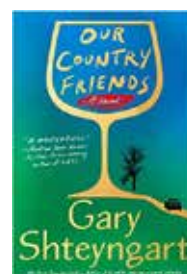
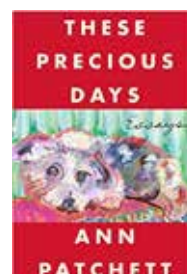
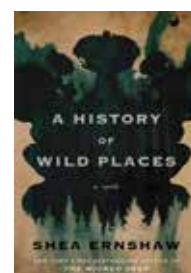
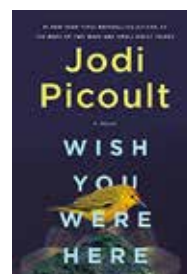
Robert Gottlieb

Gottlieb's biography delves into Garbo's life and mind, attempting to capture the ever elusive film star through the eyes of others, looking at literature, music, private letters, and, of course, films, to better understand her.

The Ballerinas

Rachel Kapelke-Dale

Straddling two timelines, one in Paris and the other in St. Petersburg, this novel explores the dark complexities of female friendship and female desire, all against the backdrop of one of the most famous ballet companies in the world.





PROGRAM LOCATIONS

- O** Online Event
- GRR** Grand Reading Room
- LL** Library Lawn
- L** Lobby
- A** Auditorium
- CR** Community Room
- PR** Purple Room
- GR** Green Room
- EP** Elmwood Park
- 2F** 2nd Floor
- WP** Wendy Park

LIBRARY CLOSING DATES FALL 2021

Sunday, September 5

Labor Day (Sunday)

Monday, September 6

Labor Day

Monday, October 11

Staff Development Day

Wednesday, November 24

Thanksgiving Eve (Close at 6 pm)

Thursday, November 25

Thanksgiving Day

Friday, December 24

Christmas Eve

Saturday, December 25

Christmas Day

Friday, December 31

New Year's Eve

Calendar of Events

September

	1-30	Library Card Sign-up Month		
T	7	Studio Advocacy Team	3:30	A
T	7	Game Night	7:00	CR
W	8	Tween Cooking Club	4:00	O
W	8	Challenged, Banned or Burned Controversial Books	7:00	A
TH	9	Trails and Tales	4:00	EP
TH	9	Get Results with your Resume and Cover Letter	6:30	O
TH	9	Roadmap to College	7:00	O
TH	9	Fall Book Buzz	7:00	A
F	10	Senior Lecture Series: Medicare 101	10:00	O
F	10,17,24	I Have A Lot to Say: Craft and Journaling for Creative Kids	4:00	LL
SA	11	Adapted Story Time	10:00	PR
SU	12	Plant Swap	1:30	LL
SU	12	Monarch Mania	1:00	WP
M	13	Messy Art @ Home	All Day	O
M	13	Minecrafters: Home Edition	4:00	O
M	13	Teen Book Harbor	All Day	
M	13	You're Never Too Young for A Library Card Storytime	9:15/1:30	A
M	13, 20	Two-part Wellness/Yoga Series with River Yoga	6:30	O
M	13, 20, 27	Back to School Learn About Your Library	7:00	O
T	14	Be the Change	4:00	PR
T	14	ASL Forum: A Place to Use/Practice	6:30	A
T	14	Book Babble	7:00	PR
T	14	Spark Joy: The Magic of Tidying Up	7:00	O
W	15	Computer Breakfast Series: Videoconferencing Tools	9:30	O
W	15	Comix Club	3:30	TBA
W	15	You're Never Too Young for A Library Card Storytime	6:30	A
W	15	Meet the Author: Heather Hurwitz	7:00	O
W	15	Riverinos True Crime: <i>Confident Women...</i>	7:00	O
W	16	Color Through the Seasons	7:00	A
TH	16	Cinderella Stories Around the World	7:00	O
SA	18	What Do 1 In 100 Adults Have in Common?	11:00	O
	20 - 24	Five Days of Democracy		
T	21, 28	Steam Studio	4:00	LL
T	21	History Talks: Stitched: Regional Dress Across Europe	7:00	O
T	21	Writer's Group of Rocky River	7:00	O
W	22	Trails and Tales Jr	4:00	EP
W	22	Volunteer Youth Crew	4:00	O
W	22	Meet the Author: Genevieve Gornichec	7:00	O
TH	23, 30	Steam Studio	4:00	O
TH	23	Cyberbullying	6:30	O
F	24	Movie Matinee	12:00	A
SA	25	Smart Art @ Home	All Day	
M	27	Minecrafters: Home Edition	4:00	O
M	27	Pollinator Pathways	4:00	LL
M	27	Film Club	7:00	O
T	28	National Voter's Registration Day	10:00	L
T	28	RRPL Trivia Night	7:00	O
W	29	River Readers Book Club: Volunteer edition	4:00	PR

October

F	1	Put a Smile on Your Face	4:00	O
SA	2	Proctored Diagnostic ACT Test	9:00	A
SA	2	Travel Series: Chat with a Zion National Park Ranger	10:00	O
M	4	Minecrafters: Home Edition	4:00	O
M	4	Messy Art @ Home	All Day	O
M	4	Indie Int'l Film Festival	6:30	A
M	4	Once Upon a Crime Mystery Book Discussion	7:00	O
T	5	Studio Advocacy Team	3:30	A
T	5	Game Night	7:00	CR
T	5, 12	Steam Studio	4:00	LL
W	6	Tween Cooking Club	4:00	O
TH	7	Adult Rocky River Readers: <i>The Night Watchman</i>	7:00	O
TH	7, 14	Steam Studio	4:00	O
F	8	Senior Lecture Series: Identity Theft	10:00	O
F	8	Brainfuse, Infobits, And You	11:00	PR
SA	9	Adapted Story Time	10:00	PR
SA	9	Book-O-Lantern Community Contest	3:00	LL
T	12	ASL Forum: A Place to Use/Practice	6:30	CR
W	13	Paranormal Investigation Tools at The Library	7:00	O
TH	14	Sharpen Your Interview Skills	6:30	O
F	15	Morning Tech Coffee Chat	9:30	O
SA	16	Proctored Diagnostic SAT Test	9:00	A
SU	17	Flavors of The World: Turkish Lokma	1:00	O
M	18	Minecrafters: Home Edition	4:00	O
M	18	It's Almost Halloween: A Costume Storytime	9:15	A
M	18	Teen Book Harbor	All Day	
T	19	Be the Change	4:00	PR
T	19	Book Babble	7:00	PR
T	19	Writer's Group of Rocky River	7:00	O
W	20	Computer Breakfast Series: Exploring Mars with NASA	9:30	O
W	20	Trails and Tales Jr	4:00	EP
W	20	It's Almost Halloween: A Costume Storytime	6:30	A
W	20	Riverinos True Crime: <i>Amy: My Search for her Killer...</i>	7:00	O
TH	21	The Art of Zines	3:30	A
TH	21	Book a Chat with Chief Lichman	7:00	O
W	22	Volunteer Youth Crew	4:00	O
SA	23	Cats, Bats & Halloween Craft	1:00	PR
SA	23	Fall Festival	2:00	LL
M	25	Film Club	7:00	O
M	25	Frankenstein! Myth, Monster, And Popular Culture	7:00	O
W	27	Going Graphic: <i>Ghosts</i>	4:00	PR
W	27	Novel Scares: <i>Her Body and other Parties...</i>	7:00	CR
TH	28	Jumpstart's Read for the Record	4:00	O
F	29	Movie Matinee	12:00	A
SA	30	Trick or Treat Scavenger Hunt	2:00	2F
	1-30	Thank Our Furry Friends Animal Donation Drive	All Day	

November

M	1	Indie Int'l Film Festival	6:30	A
T	2	Game Night	7:00	CR
T	2	Studio Advocacy Team	3:30	A
T	2	Thank a Veteran!	4:00/7:00	PR
	2, 11, 30	National Novel Writing Month	6:00	A, CR
W	3	Do Good in the World!	4:00	O



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ROADMAP TO COLLEGE
Thursday, September 9,
7:00 to 8:00 pm, Zoom

**PROCTORED DIAGNOSTIC ACT
AND SAT TESTS**
Saturday, October 2: ACT
Saturday, October 16: SAT
9:00 am to 12:45 pm, Auditorium

SAT/ACT TEST PREP SESSION
Monday, November 8,
7:00 to 8:00 pm, Zoom

Visit page 10 for more info.

W	3	Volunteer Youth Crew	4:00	O
W	3	Comix Club	3:30	TBD
W	3	Ceramic Chat	7:00	O
TH	4, 11, 18	Pick Your Caldecott!	4:15	PR
TH	4	Tech Tales	6:30	PR
TH	4	Meet the Author: Eman Quotah	7:00	O
SA	6	Smart Art @ Home	All Day	
SA	6	Travel Series: Exploring Santa Fe	10:00	O
M	8	Messy Art @ Home	All Day	O
M	8	Minecrafters: Home Edition	4:00	O
M	8	SAT/ACT Test Prep Session	7:00	O
T	9	ASL Forum: A Place to Use/Practice	6:30	A
T	9	Celebrate Our Native American Folklores	7:00	O
W	10	Tween Cooking Club	4:00	O
W	10	Evening with the Arts: Cartooning Workshop	7:00	A
F	12	Senior Lecture Series: Sepsis: Know the Signs and Save a Life	10:00	O
SA	13	Morning Tech Coffee Chat	9:30	
SA	13	Adapted Story Time	10:00	PR
T	16	Going Graphic: <i>When Stars Are Scattered</i>	4:00	PR
T	16	Writer's Group of Rocky River	7:00	O
W	17	Computer Breakfast Series: Top Privacy Settings	9:30	O
W	17	Out of the Closet and Into Comics	7:00	O
W	17	Riverinos True Crime: <i>Ranger Games</i>	7:00	O
TH	18	An Office in Your Pocket	6:30	O
SA	20	Travel Series: Holiday Lights Around Ohio	10:00	O
S	20	Secrets to a Healthy, Long, Life	11:00	O
M	22	Teen Book Harbor	All Day	
M	22	Minecrafters: Home Edition	4:00	O
M	22	Movin' With Books & Music	7:00	PR
F	26	Movie Matinee	12:00	A
M	29	Film Club	7:00	O
T	30	Holiday Craft Festival	4:00	A

December

W	1	Volunteer Youth Crew	4:00	PR
W	1	Novel Scares: <i>The Hunger</i>	7:00	CR, PR
TH	2	The Making of <i>It's a Wonderful Life</i>	7:00	O
F	3	Senior Lecture Series: Conquering Your Arthritis	10	O
	5 – 11	Crafting with the Curator Kit Pick-Up Nature Imprint Ornament	All Day	
M	6	Holiday Movin' With Books and Music	7:00	PR
M	6	Indie Int'l Film Festival	6:30	A
T	7	Studio Advocacy Team	3:30	A
T	7	Game Night	7:00	CR
W	8	Morning Tech Coffee Chat	9:30	
W	8	Tween Creative Club: Holiday Décor	4:00	PR
W	8	Biblio Bistro: Cookie Sandwiches with Sue Johansen	7:00	O
TH	9	Business Finance for a Non-Finance Professional	6:30	O
TH	9	Adult Rocky River Readers: <i>The Giver of Stars</i>	7:00	O
SA	11	Adapted Story Time	10:00	PR
	13- 17	Take It and Make It "Gingerbag" House	All Day	2F
T	14	ASL Forum: A Place to Use/Practice	6:30	CR
T	14	Honoring Cleveland's Admiral Isaac C. Kidd, U.S. Navy	7:00	A
T	14	Book Babble	7:00	PR
W	15	Computer Breakfast Series: Shopping on Social Media	9:30	O

W	15	Riverinos True Crime: <i>Killing JonBenet Ramsey...</i>	7:00	O
TH	16	Cowan Club	4:00	CR
TH	16	Tech Tales	6:30	PR
TH	16	Cowan Featured Artist	7:00	CR
T	21	Writer's Group of Rocky River	7:00	O
F	24	Movie Matinee	12:00	A
M	27	Teen Book Harbor	All Day	
W	29	Mini Makerspace Exploration	2:00	PR


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Meet the Authors

HEATHER HURWITZ

Wednesday, September 15, 7:00 to 8:00 pm, Zoom
Join Dr. Heather McKee Hurwitz, Rocky River resident and author of *Are We the 99%? The Occupy Movement, Feminism, and Intersectionality*, to commemorate the 10-year anniversary of the Occupy Wall Street Movement. She will reflect on the movement's strengths and fault lines and discuss intersectionality lessons for "big tent" mass organizing.



GENEVIEVE GORNICHEC

Wednesday, September 22, 7:00 to 8:00 pm, Zoom
Genevieve Gornichec is the author of the 2021 fantasy novel *The Witch's Heart*. She earned her degree in history from The Ohio State University, but she got as close to majoring in Vikings as she possibly could, and her study of the Norse myths and Icelandic sagas became her writing inspiration. She lives in Cleveland, Ohio.



EMAN QUOTAH

Thursday, November 4, 7:00 to 8:00 pm, Zoom
Eman Quotah is the author of the 2021 novel *Bride of the Sea*. Her debut novel is a spellbinding story of colliding cultures, immigration, religion, and family and an intimate portrait of loss and healing. She grew up in Jidda, Saudi Arabia, and Cleveland Heights, Ohio. Her writing has appeared in *The Washington Post*, *USA Today*, *Literary Hub*, and more.





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