Children’s Programs (continued)

Registration required.

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 & 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!

Tech Tales
For ages 3-5 & a parent or caregiver
Thursday, November 4 & December 16, 6:30 to 7:00 pm, Purple Room
This classic storytime 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,
3:00 to 4:00 pm
Join us from home and play minigames on the Library’s
Minecraft Realms. Pre-registration for 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 wondering if you’re old enough for book clubs at
RRPL? Join now! We will discuss such titles as Thank you,
Mr. Falker, Seven Rules You Absolutely Must Not Break If You
Want to Survive the Cafeteria, 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!

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. In case of inclement weather,
rain location will be in the Green Room. Permission slips are
required and parents must remain onsite.

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 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 1 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!

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 the world a better
place and learn about selfless volunteers 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 anytime from 2:00 to 4:00 pm 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 & Fall 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!

Trails and Tales
For students in grades 4-6
Thursday, September 9, October 21, 4:00-4:45 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 at Elmwood
Park to explore nature, local trails, and animals. In case of in-
clement weather, we will meet in the Purple Room. Permission
slips are required and parents must remain onsite.

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 Dias 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!

Registration Information

FALL REGISTRATION begins Saturday, August 28 at
9:00 am. To register, visit our Children’s page at
www.rrpl.org, and click on Programs, call 440-333-7610,
press 4, or stop by the Children’s Department.

Masks are required for all in-person programs.
Volunteer Youth Crew
For students in grades 4-6
Wednesdays, September 22, November 3, 4:00 to 5:00 pm, Zoom
Wednesday, December 1, 4:00 to 5:00 pm, Purple Room
Would you like to volunteer at the Library? Now is your chance!
We will have a mandatory volunteer orientation on Zoom, then set up individual times to come independently, or with a partner from class, 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 Children's Department 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.

Fall Festival
Family event
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! No registration required.

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.

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 2, 4:00 to 5:00 pm, Purple Room
A National Book Award Finalist, When Stars are Scattered by Victoria Jamieson 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.

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 many of the varied versions of the beloved fairy tale. No registration required.

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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 when 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 on the 2nd floor of the Children's Department wearing 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, 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 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 Folkslore
Family event
Tuesday, November 9, 7:00 to 7:45 pm, Zoom
Join us as we share 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.

Family Programs
Registration required (unless noted)

Celebrate Library Card Sign Up Month
Family event
September 1-30
Celebrate Library Card Sign Up Month in September with a raffle to win a prize basket in the Children's Department. 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 August 29 to September 26. No registration required.