

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

Thursdays, 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 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***, ***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 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!

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 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

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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

Thursdays, 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 inclement 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.

Tween Book Clubs & Fall Programs (continued)

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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.

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 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.

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.**

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.

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.**

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 Folklores

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.



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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 to 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, 1:30 to 2:15 pm or 7:00 to 7:45 pm, Purple Room
September 27 to November 1 (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 Storytime

For children with developmental needs and 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 to 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.**

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 or
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!