

Henrico County Public Library Program Guide



Calendar of Events for Spring

March, April, May 2024

Locations & Hours

AREA LIBRARIES

Mon–Thu 9:00 AM–9:00 PM
Fri, Sat 9:00 AM–6:00 PM

Fairfield (804) 501-1930
1401 N. Laburnum Ave., Henrico VA 23223
also open Sundays 1:00–5:00 PM

Libbie Mill (804) 501-1940
2100 Libbie Lake East St., Henrico VA 23230
also open Sundays 1:00–5:00 PM

Tuckahoe (804) 501-1910
1901 Starling Dr., Henrico VA 23229

Twin Hickory (804) 501-1920
5001 Twin Hickory Rd., Glen Allen VA 23059

Varina (804) 501-1980
1875 New Market Rd., Henrico VA 23231

BRANCH LIBRARIES

Mon–Wed 10:00 AM–9:00 PM
Thu 1:00 PM–9:00 PM
Fri, Sat 10:00 AM–6:00 PM

Gayton (804) 501-1960
10600 Gayton Rd., Henrico VA 23238

Glen Allen (804) 501-1950
10501 Staples Mill Rd., Glen Allen VA 23060

North Park (804) 501-1970
8508 Franconia Rd., Henrico VA 23227

Sandston (804) 501-1990
23 E. Williamsburg Rd., Sandston VA 23150

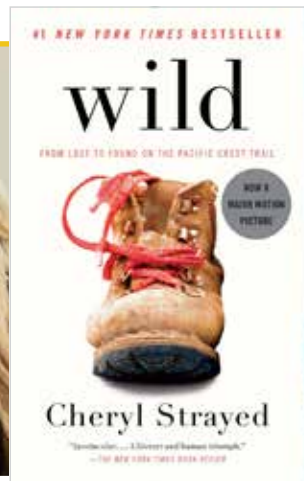
SPECIAL OFFICES

Mon–Fri 8:00 AM–4:30 PM

Admin Offices (804) 501-1900

Mobile Library (804) 501-1953
1700 N. Parham Rd., Henrico VA 23229

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ALL HENRICO READS 2024

with author **Cheryl Strayed**
March 28, Thursday 7:00 PM
Henrico Sports & Events Center

We are thrilled to welcome Cheryl Strayed, New York Times–bestselling author of our 2024 featured title, *Wild: From Lost to Found on the Pacific Crest Trail*.

Strayed will join us in March to discuss *Wild* and her other works. No tickets or registration are required. There will be prize drawings and a book signing after the event. For details visit henricolibrary.org/ahr.

Accessibility

These events are for everyone. If you require access services to fully participate in an event, or have any questions about accessibility, please contact the hosting library at your earliest convenience.

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Get your card!

A **Henrico library card** allows you to borrow books and ebooks, reserve rooms, access online services, and more. Cards are free for Henrico residents, and non-residents may also qualify. Ask at your library or visit henricolibrary.org/card for requirements.

Libraries will be closed:

Monday, May 27 Memorial Day

= Program **requires registration** for each attendee. = Program can be attended virtually.

For registration, latest events, and event details, visit our online events calendar.

henricolibrary.org/calendar





All Henrico Reads Book Discussions

We are thrilled to announce our 2024 featured title, *Wild: From Lost to Found on the Pacific Crest Trail*, by New York Times-bestselling author Cheryl Strayed. In this moving memoir, Strayed sets off alone on the Pacific Crest Trail to find strength and solace after the unbearable loss of her mother. Braving danger and extreme conditions, she struggles to find her path forward on the trail and beyond. *Wild* was a yearslong bestseller and an Oprah's Book Club selection, and was later adapted into an Academy Award-nominated film.

Wild is "uplifting, but not in the way of many memoirs [...] This book is as loose and sexy and dark as an early Lucinda Williams song. It's got a punk spirit and makes an earthy and American sound."—Dwight Garner, *New York Times Book Review*

"Big-hearted, keen-eyed, lyrical, precise ... Cheryl Strayed reminds us in every line that if defeat and despair are part of human experience, so are kindness, patience, and transcendence." — George Saunders, author of *Lincoln in the Bardo*

We have many opportunities this spring to discuss *Wild*. 60 min.

- Mar 4, Mon. 7:00 PM** Virtual only, via Webex: 2630 801 7274 
- Mar 7, Thu. 7:00 PM** at Fairfield
- Mar 12, Tue. 7:00 PM** at Glen Allen
- Mar 13, Wed. 1:00 PM** at Twin Hickory
- Mar 13, Wed. 7:00 PM** at Sandston
- Mar 18, Mon. 1:00 PM** at Gayton
- Mar 18, Mon. 7:00 PM** at North Park
- Mar 19, Tue. 7:00 PM** at Tuckahoe
- Mar 20, Wed. 1:00 PM** at Libbie Mill
- Mar 20, Wed. 7:00 PM** at Libbie Mill
- Mar 25, Mon. 7:00 PM** at Twin Hickory
- Mar 26, Tue. 2:00 PM** Virtual only, via Webex: 2633 919 7303 

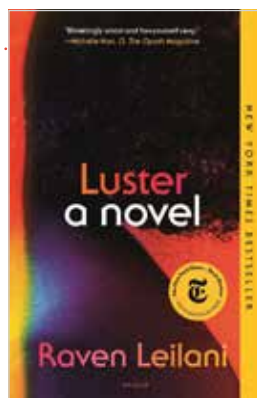
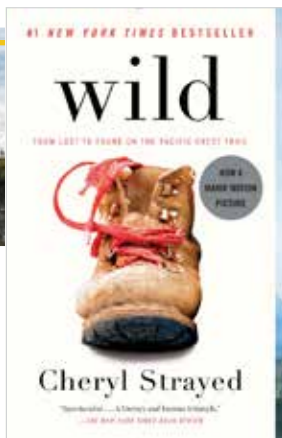
FAIRFIELD

Fairfield Black Authors Book Discussion

Mar 19, Tue. 7:00 PM at Fairfield. *Luster* by Raven Leilani. Follow Edie as she navigates her twenties, confronts her past, and defines herself. 60 min.

Apr 16, Tue. 7:00 PM at Fairfield. *The Thing About Home* by Rhonda McKnight. When social media gets word of her failed marriage, Casey flees to the countryside in hopes of reconnecting with long lost family and to find new meaning. 60 min.

May 21, Tue. 7:00 PM at Fairfield. *Finding Me* by Viola Davis. From poverty and hardships to remarkable achievements, Davis shares her compelling story in this intimate memoir. 60 min.



GAYTON

Gayton Afternoon Book Discussion

Mar 11, Mon. 1:00 PM at Gayton. *Factory Man* by Beth Macy. Faced with intense competition from inexpensive imports, John Bassett III fights to save his family's furniture company, his employees, and, ultimately, his town. 60 min.

Apr 8, Mon. 1:00 PM at Gayton. *The Geography of Bliss* by Eric Weiner. The author travels the globe to find out what makes people from different countries happy. 60 min.

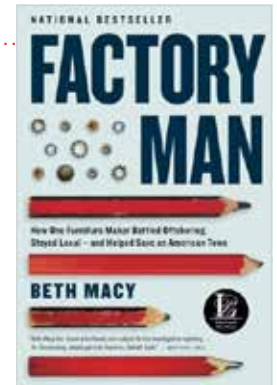
May 13, Mon. 1:00 PM at Gayton. *Miracle Creek* by Angie Kim. Residents of a rural Virginia community find their lives under scrutiny after an experimental medical treatment ends in murder. 60 min.

Gayton Evening Book Discussion

Mar 11, Mon. 7:00 PM at Gayton. *The Marriage Portrait* by Maggie O'Farrell. During the Italian Renaissance, a young woman is unexpectedly thrust into an arranged marriage and must navigate relationships with her new, and possibly sinister, family and court. 60 min.

Apr 8, Mon. 7:00 PM at Gayton. *Factory Man* by Beth Macy. 60 min.

May 13, Mon. 7:00 PM at Gayton. *The Geography of Bliss* by Eric Weiner. 60 min.



GLEN ALLEN

Glen Allen Book Discussion

Apr 9, Tue. 7:00 PM at Glen Allen. *The Island of Missing Trees* by Elif Shafak. A magical fig tree in a taverna on Cyprus witnesses the young love affair of Kostas and Defne. Decades later, after war and destruction, another fig tree in London sets Ada Kazantzakis off on a search for family, identity, and a love story that has been hidden for years by family secrets. 60 min.

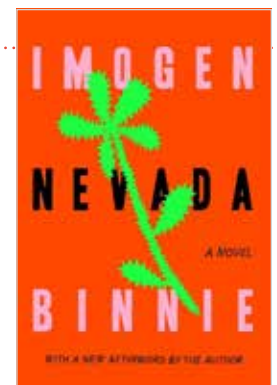
May 14, Tue. 7:00 PM at Glen Allen. *Gold Diggers* by Sanjena Sathian. In this bittersweet and funny debut novel, Neil Narayan is reluctant to buy into his immigrant family's expectations for his future. When he discovers his crush for Anita is partly due to an alchemical secret that promises effortless success for its owner, things go horribly wrong for the whole community. 60 min.

LIBBIE MILL

Libbie Mill LGBTQIA+ Book Discussion

Mar 12, Tue. 7:00 PM at Libbie Mill and via Webex: 2631 850 5153. *Nevada* by Imogen Binnie. In a foundational text of contemporary trans literature, a late-20's punk whose life is in flux steals her ex-girlfriend's car and heads west. 60 min.

Apr 2, Tue. 7:00 PM at Libbie Mill and via Webex: 2631 850 5153. This will be a select-your-own-text month where we each read a different poetry collection with an LGBTQIA+ author, theme, or subject, then meet with questions designed to facilitate conversation across multiple books. We'll have a curated set of options available for checkout next to the adult services desk, or choose a text on your own. Sample questions will be available on-site or via LibbieMillEvents@henricolibrary.org to help give us a shared starting point for our conversation. 60 min.



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May 7, Tue. 7:00 PM at Libbie Mill and via Webex: 2631 850 5153. *A Tiny Upward Shove* by Melissa Chadburn. One day Marina Salles wakes up dead, now an aswang of Filipino lore. Over the next nine days she dips into the interior lives of those she knew, including her killer, and comes to better understand her own life and the circumstances of her death as she weighs the merits of vengeance and mercy. 60 min.

Libbie Mill Afternoon Book Discussion

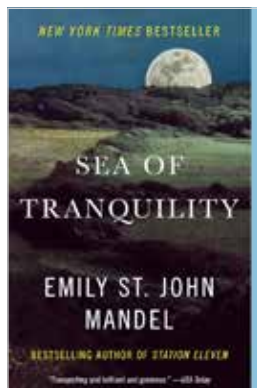
Apr 17, Wed. 1:00 PM at Libbie Mill. *Sea of Tranquility* by Emily St. John Mandel. When three characters across space and time experience a shared moment of haunting violin music, a Time Institute investigator from the distant future is sent to uncover why this temporal glitch occurred. Along the way, he discovers much more than he expected. 60 min.

May 1, Wed. 1:00 PM at Libbie Mill. *Sharks in the Time of Saviors* by Kawai Strong Washburn. As Hawaii's sugarcane industry flounders in the 1990s, the Flores family experiences a supernatural event that forever redefines each family member's identity and completely shifts how they relate to one another. 60 min.

Libbie Mill Evening Book Discussion

Apr 17, Wed. 7:00 PM at Libbie Mill. *Sea of Tranquility* by Emily St. John Mandel. 60 min.

May 15, Wed. 7:00 PM at Libbie Mill. *Sharks in the Time of Saviors* by Kawai Strong Washburn. 60 min.



NORTH PARK

Next Chapter Book Club

Apr 3, 10, 17, 24; May 1, 8, 15, 22, Wednesdays 10:00 AM An eight-week program for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities to read, learn, and make new friends in a relaxed community setting. Spots are limited, but anyone age 18+ can participate regardless of their reading or ability level. Two facilitators will be present to read aloud and lead book discussions. Books are provided. If you wish to attend but registration is full or closed, please contact Kimberly Bridges at kbridges@henricolibrary.org or (804) 501-1929. 60 min.

North Park Evening Book Discussion

Apr 15, Mon. 7:00 PM at North Park. *Fall Down 7 Times Get Up 8* by Naoki Higashida. A young man explores his autistic, non-verbal reality in this heartfelt collection of essays. 60 min.

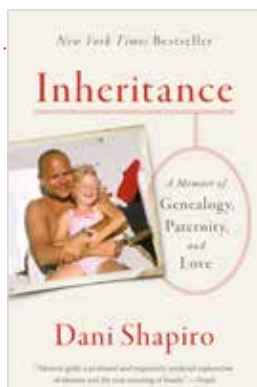
May 20, Mon. 7:00 PM at North Park. *The Stationery Shop* by Marjan Kamali. In 1953 Tehran, seventeen-year-old Roya meets the idealistic, politically active Bahman in a stationery shop, and the two quickly fall in love and become engaged, much to the disapproval of Bahman's class-conscious mother. They plan to marry in a civil ceremony, but a coup d'état on the day of their wedding scuttles their plans. 60 min.

SANDSTON

Savvy Sandston Book Discussion

Apr 10, Wed. 7:00 PM at Sandston. *Before We Were Yours* by Lisa Wingate. The five Foss children find their lives changed forever when they are wrenched from their home by the Tennessee Children's Home Society. 60 min.

May 8, Wed. 7:00 PM at Sandston. *Inheritance: A Memoir of Genealogy, Paternity, and Love* by Dani Shapiro. With an impulsively submitted DNA sample, the author discovers that her beloved parent is not her biological father. 60 min.



TUCKAHOE

Tuckahoe Afternoon Fiction Book Discussion

Mar 14, Thu. 1:00 PM at Tuckahoe. *Still Life* by Sarah Winman. As Allied troops advance, a young English soldier meets a middle-aged art historian in whom he finds a kindred spirit. This chance encounter sets him on a course of events that will shape his life for the next four decades. 60 min.

Apr 11, Thu. 1:00 PM at Tuckahoe. *Shrines of Gaiety* by Kate Atkinson. The raucous and wild underbelly of London's 1920s nightclub scene sets the stage for Ma Coker and her family as they struggle to maintain their empire in this complex and twisting novel. 60 min.

May 9, Thu. 1:00 PM at Tuckahoe. *Joan is Okay* by Weike Wang. Smart, wry, and introverted, Joan would rather be working long hours as the attending physician in a busy ICU than doing anything else, much to the chagrin of her family and neighbors, but she is forced to take a leave of absence that leaves her with lots of time for introspection. 60 min.

Tuckahoe Evening Fiction Book Discussion

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Apr 11, Thu. 7:00 PM at Tuckahoe. *Shrines of Gaiety* by Kate Atkinson. 60 min.

May 9, Thu. 7:00 PM at Tuckahoe. *Joan is Okay* by Weike Wang. 60 min.

Not Just For Kids Book Discussion

Mar 26, Tue. 7:00 PM at Tuckahoe. *The Graveyard Book* by Neil Gaiman. A Newbery Medal winner, this novel traces the story of a boy who is adopted and reared by the supernatural occupants of a graveyard after his family is brutally murdered. 60 min.

Apr 23, Tue. 7:00 PM at Tuckahoe. *Pride: A Pride & Prejudice Remix* by Ibi Aanu Zobi. In this modern retelling of the Jane Austen novel, Zuri Benitez is holding on to what she loves about her community of Flatbush, New York, for fear that it will soon be lost to gentrification. 60 min.

May 28, Tue. 7:00 PM at Tuckahoe. *Everything Sad is Untrue* by Daniel Nayeri.

A coming of age novel told through the eyes of an Iranian refugee growing up in Oklahoma. 60 min.



Tuckahoe Real Stories Book Discussion

Apr 16, Tue. 7:00 PM at Tuckahoe. *Brunelleschi's Dome: How a Renaissance Genius Reinvented Architecture* by Ross King. In 1418, Filippo Brunelleschi, a goldsmith and clock-maker, invented a unique design for the dome to crown Florence's magnificent new cathedral, Santa Maria del Fiore. 75 min.

May 21, Tue. 7:00 PM at Tuckahoe. *Braving the Wilderness: The Quest for True Belonging and the Courage to Stand Alone* by Brené Brown. A timely and important book that challenges everything we think we know about cultivating true belonging in our communities, organizations, and culture. 75 min.

Next Chapter Book Club

Apr 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; May 6, 13, 20, Mondays 10:00 AM See North Park description.


TWIN HICKORY

Twin Hickory Afternoon Book Discussion

Apr 10, Wed. 1:00 PM at Twin Hickory. *The 6:20 Man* by David Baldacci. Veteran Travis Devine commutes to the high pressure world of New York City finance every day and aspires to join the one-percenters he envies. Things take a turn when a former colleague/girlfriend is found dead, and he becomes the focus of investigations that threaten to reveal his own highly suspicious past. 60 min.

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May 8, Wed. 1:00 PM at Twin Hickory. *The Last Thing He Told Me* by Laura Dave. In this thriller, Hannah's new husband, Owen, has disappeared, but not before leaving her a cryptic message to protect his teen daughter, Bailey. Bailey and Hannah must overcome their fraught relationship to team up to find out where Owen is and who he really is. 60 min.

Twin Hickory Evening Book Discussion

Apr 22, Mon. 7:00 PM at Twin Hickory. *The Housemaid* by Freida McFadden. Millie, a young parolee, tries to build a new life, starting as a housekeeper to the incredibly rich and dysfunctional Winchester family. Though they might be a dangerous family to become enmeshed with, Millie has her own secret strengths that may keep her from becoming their victim. 60 min.

May 20, Mon. 7:00 PM at Twin Hickory. *Persuasion* by Jane Austen. Anne Elliot and Frederick Wentworth have a second chance at love and marriage after many years of separation brought about by well-meaning friends. Changes of fortune suddenly make the match seem more attractive, but are Anne and Frederick convinced by their own feelings? This classic, at once a subdued satire and a deeply emotional exploration of second chances, was Austen's last published novel. 60 min.

VARINA

Varina Afternoon Book Discussion

Mar 12, Tue. 3:00 PM at Varina. *Steel Drivin' Man: John Henry, the Untold Story of an American Legend* by Scott Reynolds Nelson. The ballad "John Henry" is the most recorded folk song in American history, and the mighty railroad man who could blast through rock faster than a steam drill is a towering figure in our culture. 60 min.

Apr 9, Tue. 3:00 PM at Varina. *In Love* by Amy Bloom. The author tells the story of her husband's battle with early-onset Alzheimer's, their determination to support one another, and his eventual decision to end his own life with dignity. 60 min.

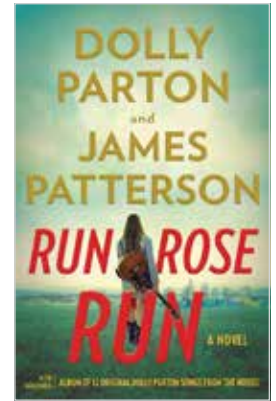
May 14, Tue. 3:00 PM at Varina. *Run, Rose, Run* by Dolly Parton and James Patterson. On the rise and on the run, a young singer-songwriter arrives in Nashville to claim her destiny, but it's also where the darkness she's fled might find her and destroy her. 60 min.

Varina Evening Book Discussion


Mar 18, Mon. 7:00 PM at Varina. *Mad Honey* by Jodi Picoult and Jennifer Finney Boylan. The shocking murder of a teenager thrusts a small town into the headlines and destabilizes the lives of everyone who knew her. 60 min.

Apr 15, Mon. 7:00 PM at Varina. *The Push* by Ashley Audrain. A devoted mother with a painful past gradually realizes that something is very wrong with her daughter, a fear that is complicated by her husband's dismissive views and the birth of a healthy son. 60 min.

May 20, Mon. 7:00 PM at Varina. *A Flicker in the Dark* by Stacy Willingham. When Chloe Davis was 12 years old, six teenage girls went missing in her small Louisiana town. By the end of the summer, her own father had confessed to the crimes and was put away for life, leaving Chloe and the rest of her family to grapple with the truth and trying to move forward while dealing with the aftermath. 60 min.



Computer & Media Lab Classes

 Computer and media lab classes with this symbol **require registration**, starting one month before each class.

Other classes can be attended without registration, on a first-come, first-served basis. Large type keyboards are available for use upon request.

Bring your own USB drive if you want to save your work.

BASICS

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Computer Basics: Keyboard & Mouse

Get familiar with how to interact with a desktop computer. Most computer classes require basic familiarity with using a keyboard and mouse. If you know little or nothing about computers and want to learn more, this is the place to start! 2 hours.

- Mar 5, Tue. 2:00 PM** at Fairfield
- Mar 14, Thu. 6:30 PM** at Libbie Mill
- Mar 20, Wed. 2:00 PM** at Tuckahoe
- Apr 4, Thu. 6:30 PM** at Libbie Mill
- Apr 10, Wed. 2:00 PM** at Varina
- Apr 15, Mon. 2:00 PM** at Twin Hickory
- May 6, Mon. 2:00 PM** at Tuckahoe
- May 21, Tue. 2:00 PM** at Libbie Mill

Computer Basics: Windows & File Management

Learn how to organize your files and use basic commands in Microsoft Office software. Handouts and sample files are available for review before class. 2 hours.

- Mar 14, Thu. 2:00 PM** at Fairfield
- Apr 3, Wed. 2:00 PM** at Tuckahoe
- Apr 11, Thu. 6:30 PM** at Libbie Mill
- Apr 29, Mon. 2:00 PM** at Twin Hickory
- May 20, Mon. 10:00 AM** at Varina
- May 23, Thu. 6:30 PM** at Libbie Mill

Internet Basics: Getting Started

Learn how to navigate the web with a hands-on tour of the basics. Handouts are available for review before class. 2 hours.

- Mar 19, Tue. 2:00 PM** at Varina
- Mar 25, Mon. 2:00 PM** at Libbie Mill
- Mar 28, Thu. 10:30 AM** at Twin Hickory
- May 7, Tue. 2:00 PM** at Fairfield
- May 22, Wed. 2:00 PM** at Twin Hickory

Exploring the Digital Collection

Learn how to navigate our digital collections on Libby, Hoopla, and Magzter. We will cover downloading the apps, browsing, placing holds, and checking out items. 60 min.

- Apr 17, Wed. 2:00 PM** at Tuckahoe

eBooks & More Workshop

Get ready for summer reading by exploring our online collection of ebooks, downloadable audiobooks, and magazines. Learn how to use them on our computers or your own internet-connected devices. 60 min.

- May 18, Sat. 2:00 PM** at Fairfield

Tech Tutor

Having problems with your cellphone, e-reader, tablet, or laptop can be overwhelming. Attendees will receive one-on-one guidance with their devices. Let us assist you in navigating your new technology devices. *Disclaimer: Please keep in mind that library staff can only offer basic assistance. We are not able to troubleshoot/repair malfunctioning or broken hardware or software.*

- Apr 18, Thu. 10:30 AM** at Twin Hickory, 60 min.
- Apr 30, Tue. 2:00 PM** at Fairfield, 90 min.
- May 6, Mon. 10:00 AM** at Varina, 90 min.
- May 7, Tue. 2:00 PM** at Tuckahoe, 90 min.




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PRODUCTIVITY

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Introduction to Google Tools

Increase your productivity and organization with your Gmail account. Learn and explore Google apps, Google Drive, and Google Calendar.

Apr 9, Tue. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill, 2 hours 
May 13, Mon. 2:00 PM at Libbie Mill, 60 min.
May 13, Mon. 6:30 PM at Tuckahoe, 2 hours

Microsoft Word

Learn how to use the basic features of the popular word processor. 2 hours.

Mar 6, Wed. 6:00 PM at Varina
Mar 11, Mon. 10:30 AM at Twin Hickory
Apr 2, Tue. 2:00 PM at Varina
Apr 16, Tue. 2:00 PM at Libbie Mill
Apr 24, Wed. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe
May 1, Wed. 6:00 PM at Varina
May 7, Tue. 10:30 AM at Twin Hickory
May 30, Thu. 2:00 PM at Fairfield

Microsoft Excel

Learn how to use the basic features of the popular spreadsheet program. 2 hours.

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Mar 19, Tue. 2:00 PM at Libbie Mill
Apr 18, Thu. 2:00 PM at Fairfield
Apr 23, Tue. 6:30 PM at Twin Hickory
Apr 26, Fri. 2:00 PM at Varina
Apr 29, Mon. 6:30 PM at Tuckahoe
May 2, Thu. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill
May 7, Tue. 6:00 PM at Varina

Microsoft PowerPoint

Learn how to create slideshows with text, graphics, and animation. 2 hours.

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Mar 13, Wed. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe
Mar 16, Sat. 10:00 AM at Varina
Apr 2, Tue. 2:00 PM at Fairfield
Apr 30, Tue. 2:00 PM at Libbie Mill
May 14, Tue. 6:30 PM at Twin Hickory
May 17, Fri. 10:00 AM at Varina
May 20, Mon. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe

Microsoft Publisher

Learn how to create flyers and brochures with text, borders, and graphics. 2 hours.

Mar 18, Mon. 6:30 PM at Tuckahoe
Apr 18, Thu. 2:00 PM at Varina
Apr 22, Mon. 2:00 PM at Libbie Mill
May 1, Wed. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe
May 16, Thu. 10:30 AM at Twin Hickory

MEET THE MEDIA LAB

 **Introduction to the Digital Media Lab**

This class will show you the equipment and software available in the Digital Media Lab, such as Adobe Creative Cloud, 3D printing, VHS transfer, podcasting, scanning, and green screens.

Mar 12, Tue. 6:30 PM at Twin Hickory, 2 hours
Mar 26, Tue. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill, 60 min.
Apr 20, Sat. 2:00 PM at Varina, 90 min.
May 11, Sat. 10:30 AM at Libbie Mill, 60 min.

3D DESIGN

 **3D Printing & Design Workshop**

Learn how to design objects and print in 3D. We'll discuss the real world applications of 3D printing technology, see a printer in action, and practice designing in 3D using Tinkercad so you can submit a 3D design to be printed at the library. Please bring a thumb drive so you can save your design. 2 hours.

Mar 11, Mon. 6:00 PM at Varina for Grades K–5 with an Adult
Mar 28, Thu. 6:00 PM at Varina for HS Students and Adults
Apr 10, Wed. 6:30 PM at Tuckahoe for Adults
Apr 17, Wed. 2:00 PM at Twin Hickory for Adults
Apr 18, Thu. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill for Teens

 **3D Printing Photos for Beginners**

Learn how to 3D print your photos and create a fun keepsake. No 3D printing or modeling experience is necessary. All attendees will receive a free 3D photo print from the library's 3D printing service. Please bring several photos on a flash drive or easily accessible online account. 60 min.
Apr 25, Thu. 7:00 PM at Libbie Mill

IMAGING AND DESIGN

 **Adobe Photoshop Basics**

This class will provide an overview of fundamental tools and concepts in Adobe Photoshop. Beginner experience with photography encouraged, but not required. 2 hours.

Apr 8, Mon. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe for Adults
Apr 25, Thu. 6:30 PM at Twin Hickory for Adults
Apr 30, Tue. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill for HS Students and Adults
May 16, Thu. 6:00 PM at Varina for HS Students and Adults

 **Digital Camera Basics**

Learn basic photography concepts and discover how to control and adjust certain settings on your camera. Please bring your personal camera device and manual to class or feel free to join camera-less to listen and learn. 90 min.

Mar 25, Mon. 2:30 PM at Fairfield for Adults
Apr 11, Thu. 6:00 PM at Twin Hickory for Adults

 **Digitize Your Photos and Home Movies**

Preserve your photos and old home movies by digitizing them. We'll provide instruction on using the photo scanner and VHS cassette converter. Participants are encouraged to bring photos and VHS cassettes for practice.

Mar 6, Wed. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe, 90 min.
Mar 9, Sat. 10:30 AM at Twin Hickory, 2 hours
Mar 16, Sat. 2:30 PM at Fairfield, 90 min.
May 1, Wed. 2:00 PM at Twin Hickory, 2 hours
May 21, Tue. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill, 2 hours
May 22, Wed. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe, 90 min.
May 29, Wed. 2:30 PM at Fairfield, 90 min.

 **Renewing Vintage Photographs**

Restore old photographs by using photo editing software. We will go over how to mend rips and tears, heal blemishes, and correct any color issues on a sample photo. Beginner experience with photography is encouraged but not required. 2 hours.

Mar 13, Wed. 6:30 PM at Fairfield
May 20, Mon. 6:00 PM at Varina
May 29, Wed. 6:30 PM at Twin Hickory




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Adobe InDesign Basics

Learn about the different tools you will need to get started in Adobe InDesign. We will also cover design concepts that will help ensure your documents look great. 2 hours.

Mar 25, Mon. 6:30 PM at Tuckahoe for Teens and Adults

Apr 15, Mon. 6:30 PM at Fairfield for Adults

May 29, Wed. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe for Adults

Adobe Illustrator Basics

Learn the basics of Adobe Illustrator by creating a logo. 2 hours.

Mar 4, Mon. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe for Adults

Mar 6, Wed. 6:30 PM at Twin Hickory for Adults

May 8, Wed. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe for Adults

RECORDING AND EDITING**Podcasting Workshop**

Learn the basics of audio recording and editing with Audacity. We will discuss podcasts as a format and an industry. 2 hours.

Mar 7, Thu. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill for HS Students and Adults

Apr 15, Mon. 6:30 PM at Tuckahoe for Adults

Apr 24, Wed. 6:30 PM at Fairfield for HS Students and Adults

Apr 25, Thu. 6:00 PM at Varina for HS Students and Adults

May 9, Thu. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill for HS Students and Adults

Interviewing Basics: Podcasting Workshop

In this intergenerational program, develop the interviewing skills you'll need to create your own podcast or oral history. Participants will use the free StoryCorps app to create interview questions and then record a conversation with a friend or family member. Please only register once per family. Children must remain with their adult(s) at all times. 2 hours.

Apr 27, Sat. 2:30 PM at Fairfield for Grades K-5 with an Adult

Video Shooting Basics

Learn about different styles of camera shots used in professional filmmaking. We'll discuss filming tips and tricks to help improve your productions, then try out your new knowledge. Video recording devices will be provided or students are welcome to bring their own. 2 hours.

May 8, Wed. 6:30 PM at Fairfield for Adults

Adobe Premiere Basics

Learn how to make and edit videos. Get a basic overview of the tools and concepts that are fundamental to getting started in Adobe Premiere, a powerful video editing software tool. 2 hours.

Mar 12, Tue. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill for HS Students and Adults

Apr 22, Mon. 6:30 PM at Tuckahoe for HS Students and Adults

Apr 30, Tue. 6:00 PM at Varina for HS Students and Adults

May 13, Mon. 6:30 PM at Fairfield for HS Students and Adults

CODING**Code with Roblox Studio**

Whether you know a little or a lot about coding, come grow your knowledge and confidence in your coding skills bit by bit. We will use Roblox Studio to learn some basics of scripting for games and game design. 2 hours.

Apr 5, Fri. 2:00 PM at Libbie Mill

Code with Codey Rocky

Code a robot with Codey Rocky. We will go over basic coding concepts so that you can code one of our little robots to do your bidding. 2 hours.

May 30, Thu. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill

**ADULT programs****MARCH****Finding Family**

Todd Kneebone, a genealogy enthusiast, will discuss why family history research is important. Together we'll explore the genealogy tools HCPL offers, search ancestors, and build a family tree. Bring your own flash drive to save your work. 2 hours.

Mar 2, Sat. 10:00 AM at Varina. In our first session, we'll develop our trees.

Mar 9, Sat. 10:00 AM at Varina. In the second session, we'll evaluate the evidence. As conflicting information comes to light, we'll talk about how all evidence is not equal.

Skywatch

Mar 4, Mon. 7:00 PM at Glen Allen. All ages are invited to explore the night sky. Learn how to use a skymap, find objects in the night sky, and use a telescope provided by the Richmond Astronomical Society. 60 min.

Living with Black Bears in Virginia

Mar 5, Tue. 6:00 PM at Twin Hickory. Learn about black bears, some of their natural history, why and when you might see one, and how to protect your property from their antics. Presented by the Riverine Chapter of the Virginia Master Naturalists as a joint project with the Virginia Department of Wildlife Resources. 60 min.

What Can the Virginia Department of Veterans Services Do for You?

Mar 6, Wed. 7:00 PM at Libbie Mill. Representatives from the Virginia Department of Veterans Services will share information about the various offerings of the agency and raise awareness of benefits and programming for Veterans. 60 min.

Land Lovers: Container Gardening with Native Plants

Mar 7, Thu. 3:00 PM at Gayton. Explore successful ways to extend your green space with Will Nelson from Will to Plant. Learn how to choose and use unconventional containers, select appropriate native plants, and get tips for feeding and watering. This program is held in partnership with Keep Henrico Beautiful. 60 min.

Trees for Your Landscape

Mar 9, Sat. 11:00 AM at Fairfield. Trees can raise the value of your property, shade your house from the hot sun, and give multi-season color to your landscape. Learn to select the right tree for the right place and to care for your trees. Presented by Henrico Cooperative Extension and Henrico Master Gardeners. 60 min.
Photo: Southside ReLeaf

Maggie Walker: An American Pioneer

Mar 9, Sat. 2:30 PM at North Park. In celebration of Women's History Month, Theresa Gee will portray Richmond native Maggie L. Walker. Learn about Ms. Walker's contributions to education, her "Penny Bank" theory, and how she became a financial genius and the first woman bank president. 60 min.



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River City Taiko

Mar 9, Sat. 2:30 PM at Varina. Experience the thunderous beats and energetic movements of River City Taiko traditional Japanese drumming ensemble. Director Alasdair Denvil will explain the 1,400-year-old history and cultural context of taiko drumming in Japan and the United States. After the performance, a few lucky attendees may get an opportunity to play one of these massive drums. 60 min. Photo: River City Taiko

Master Your Money: Budgeting

Mar 12, Tue. 6:00 PM at Fairfield. Learn tips on budgeting your money amidst the rising cost of living. This program will be led by Kim Edmonds of the Henrico Extension Office. 60 min.

In Stitches: Needlework and Fiber Arts Social

Mar 13, Wed. 3:00 PM at Gayton. Whether you're an experienced crafter or a curious beginner, this gathering offers a supportive space to share ideas, learn new techniques, and celebrate the beauty of textile craftsmanship. From knitting and quilting to embroidery and felting, all fiber arts are welcome. Bring your own project or try one of our samplers. 2 hours.

Circle Time Refresher

Mar 14, Thu. 6:30 PM at Varina. Workshop for Child Care Providers. Library staff will review the fundamentals and best practices of creating engaging and entertaining group literacy experiences. If you've been feeling uninspired in your circle times, this is your chance to get re-energized. Discover storytime resources, learn about fun new picture books, find out how to incorporate the regional early literacy initiative "The Basics" into your planning, and leave with some ready-to-use plans. Child care providers earn 1.5 hours of continuing education credit. 90 min.

Introduction to Birding

Mar 16, Sat. 10:00 AM at Libbie Mill. Learn the basics of using binoculars and how to identify birds by sight and sound with the Feminist Birding Club of Richmond, an organization that aims to make birding safe, fun, and accessible to anyone who wants to learn. We'll start in the library's meeting room, and if weather permits, we will apply our new skills on a short walk by the pond and on nearby walking trails. 90 min.

Monday Morning Matinee

Mar 18, Mon. 10:00 AM at Libbie Mill. *Blue Bayou* (2021, R, 117 min.)

Bicycling the Blue Ridge and French Alps

Mar 18, Mon. 6:30 PM at Twin Hickory. Elizabeth Skinner, author of *Bicycling the Blue Ridge: A Guide to Skyline Drive and the Blue Ridge Parkway*, shares her cycling experiences on these popular local routes and on her trip to France to climb major mountain routes used in the Tour de France. 90 min.

Indoor Plants

Mar 19, Tue. 6:30 PM at Twin Hickory. Bringing the outdoors in has many benefits. House plants require special attention to keep them healthy and beautiful. We'll discuss how to choose and care for the many varieties of plants that can be used indoors. Presented by Henrico Cooperative Extension and Henrico Master Gardeners. 60 min.

All Henrico Reads 2024

These programs are presented in support of this year's All Henrico Reads theme, "Conservation, Connection, and Compassion: Wellness and the Natural World" and are sponsored by the Friends of HCPL.

We welcome author Cheryl Strayed on March 28—also see page 2 for scheduled discussions of our featured novel *Wild*.

Author Talk: Pat Garber Across the Years

Mar 2, Sat. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe. Award-winning journalist and author Pat Garber discusses her work as an environmental anthropologist, memoirist, and nature writer. Garber's many travels and experiences have been incorporated into her writing, including the nature column "From Sea to Sound" (1990–1999) and *Ocracoke Wild: A Naturalist's Year on an Outer Banks Island*, both based on her life in coastal North Carolina. Garber's artwork will be on display in the library during the program, and books will be available for purchase and signing. 90 min.

Bob Singer Senior Series: Becoming Grandma Gatewood

Mar 14, Thu. 2:00 PM at Twin Hickory. See listing on page 11.



Book to Screen: Wild

See the Academy Award-nominated film *Wild* (2014, R, 115 min.), based on this year's All Henrico Reads title.

Mar 18, Mon. 6:00 PM at Sandston

Mar 20, Wed. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe

Mar 27, Wed. 6:00 PM at Fairfield

Trail Magic: The Grandma Gatewood Story

Mar 21, Thu. 2:00 PM at Twin Hickory. Screening the Emmy-nominated documentary (2015, NR, 50 min.) about the first woman to solo thru-hike the 2,000+ mile Appalachian Trail in 1955 at the age of 67. Much of the story is in her own words, augmented by key interviews with family members and historians.

Traversing Ancient Mountains: 2,000 Miles on the Appalachian Trail

Mar 23, Sat. 11:00 AM at Tuckahoe. "The Habitual Hiker," aka Leonard M. Adkins, will present a multimedia program that depicts a typical Appalachian Trail thru-hike. Adkins has hiked the entire length of the AT five times, and is the author of the award-winning books *Wildflowers of the Appalachian Trail* and *All About the Appalachian Trail* (for ages 8–12). Books will be available for purchase and signing. 60 min.

Barbarian Utopia: Encounters on the Appalachian Trail

Mar 23, Sat. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe. (2020, NR, 91 min.) In 2014, documentary filmmaker Thaddeus Lamar embarked on a journey to hike all 2,185 miles of the Appalachian Scenic Trail. Filming while hiking, he captured his adventures and those of over 100 others who shared their stories of challenges, rewards, and camaraderie on the trail.

Let's Go Hiking: The Appalachian Trail with Virginia State Parks

Apr 11, Thu. 6:00 PM at Libbie Mill. Virginia is home to 544 miles of the Appalachian Trail—more miles than any other state. Explore sections of the Appalachian Trail that fall within three Virginia State Parks with park educators, who will also discuss hiker safety, preparedness, and essential gear for day hikes. 60 min.



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Historically Speaking: What's Your Sign? Ephemera and Women's Activism

Mar 19, Tue. 7:00 PM at Libbie Mill. In honor of Women's History Month, the Virginia Museum of History and Culture will join us to examine women's rights movements in the twentieth and twenty-first centuries. From protest signs to political buttons, participants will analyze how demonstrations evolved over time and engage in discussions of how women have shaped the country's political, social, and economic environments. Presented in partnership with the History Division of Henrico County Recreation and Parks. 60 min.

Springtime on a Dime: Gifts and Decorations

Mar 20, Wed. 2:00 PM at Varina. Put some spring in your step with easy, inexpensive gift and decorating ideas. Materials and resources related to the theme will be provided to further spark your creativity. 2 hours.

Celebrate Women's History Month with Barbara Johns

Mar 23, Sat. 11:00 AM at Fairfield. Come meet Barbara Johns, portrayed by Theresa Gee, and learn about how a 16-year-old girl started a student strike that ended with the Brown v. Board of Education Supreme Court decision against "separate but equal" public schools. 60 min.

Wills vs. Trusts

Mar 26, Tue. 6:00 PM at Twin Hickory. David Thornton of Carrell Blanton Ferris & Associates, attorneys-at-law, will share a thought-provoking discussion of the basics of estate planning. Learn about a variety of plans to help decide which is right for you and your loved ones. 60 min.



Women's History Month Film and Discussion

Mar 27, Wed. 6:00 PM at Twin Hickory. In honor of Women's History Month, *On the Basis of Sex* (PG-13, 2018, 120 min.) tells the story of the Ruth Bader Ginsburg, affectionately known as the Notorious RBG, during her early law career. Discuss how her landmark cases impacted her career and equal rights. 2.5 hours.

Ballot Battle: Richmond's Social Struggle for Women's Suffrage

Mar 27, Wed. 6:30 PM at Tuckahoe. To highlight the 100th anniversary of the ratification of the 19th Amendment, the Valentine Museum presents an interactive history program profiling five Richmond viewpoints and the racial and generational tensions exposed by the fight for women's suffrage. 60 min.

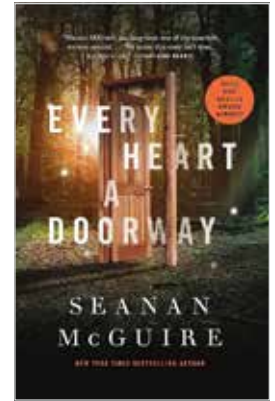
The History of Early Video Games

Mar 28, Thu. 6:00 PM at Libbie Mill. Explore the history of video games from the 1960s through the late 1990s, with a focus on Atari and Nintendo systems. This program is organized by the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts and is supported in part by the Paul Mellon Endowment and the Jean Stafford Camp Memorial Fund. 60 min.



D&D Book Adventures

Mar 30, Sat. 2:00 PM at Libbie Mill. Enter the world of Seanan McGuire's *Every Heart a Doorway* in a Dungeons & Dragons-style one-shot role-playing session. For all levels of players. Pre-rolled characters are available, or you may bring your own pre-rolled level 3 character. A limited number of books will be available to pick up at the Adult reference desk starting one month in advance. 3 hours.



APRIL

Tie-Dye Craft

Apr 2, Tue. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe. Bring your creativity and a cotton t-shirt or tote bag you wish to dye, and we'll provide the rest. Don't worry if you don't have shirt or tote to spare—we have bandannas you can dye too! Throughout the program, we'll rotate participants in groups through the tie-dye creation process. It might get messy, so please dress appropriately. 2 hours.

Intergenerational Games Party

Apr 4, Thu. 3:00 PM at Gayton. Whether you're 5 or 105 years young, come play card games, board games, puzzles, and more! This is a great opportunity to make new friends, share laughs, and enjoy quality time together. Children under age 12 must be accompanied by an adult. 60 min.

Tattoo Talk for Adults and Teens

Apr 4, Thu. 3:00 PM at Tuckahoe. Come for an afternoon of tattoo education led by a local tattoo artist. Learn about some cool tattoo art, the history of tattooing, health/safety considerations before getting one, and how to care for them. While you'll have to wait until you're at least 18 years old to get a real one, we'll have some temporary tattoo designs you can try out if you like or you can design your own. Waivers may be required. 60 min.

Intro to Zentangle

Apr 6, Sat. 12:00 PM at Sandston. Discover the Zentangle drawing method with Lisa Wiertel, Certified Zentangle Teacher. Zentangle is a fun, relaxing, and easy-to-learn art form that uses structured shapes with recurring patterns that can help increase focus and decrease stress. All supplies will be provided. Photo Courtesy: Lisa Wiertel. 90 min.

Sci-Fi-Athon

We're celebrating Eclipse Day 2024 with a triple feature of science fiction movies from the '60s and '70s. Drop in anytime.

Apr 8, Mon. 12:00 PM at Varina. *The Reluctant Astronaut* (1967, G, 115 min.)

Apr 8, Mon. 2:30 PM at Varina. *Journey to the Far Side of the Sun* (1969, G, 100 min.)

Apr 8, Mon. 4:30 PM at Varina. *The Cat from Outer Space* (1978, G, 103 min.)

Master Your Money: Emergency Savings

Apr 9, Tue. 6:00 PM at Fairfield. Emergencies are inevitable. Learn ways to better prepare for these sudden events. This program will be led by Kim Edmonds of the Henrico Extension Office. 60 min.

Documentary Filmmaking Workshop

Apr 10, Wed. 6:00 PM at Fairfield. Explore the art of documentary filmmaking with veteran filmmaker Bill Badgley. Ask questions, share ideas, and learn how to see your own filmmaking vision through to completion. This round table discussion is open to all experience levels. 2 hours.

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📍 Navigating Business Networking for Millennials

Apr 11, Thu. 5:30 PM at Fairfield. A guide to learning how to meet the right people at the right times. Presented by the Henrico Economic Development Authority. 90 min.

Community Science: Birding with eBird

Apr 13, Sat. 10:00 AM at Twin Hickory. Developed by the Cornell Lab of Ornithology, eBird is a powerful online tool to help you keep track of the birds you have seen and find the birds you want to see. Matt Brooks of the Richmond Audubon Society will provide an introduction to eBird and lead a short walk around the library's green space. Participants are encouraged to download eBird to their Android or iOS device before the program. A limited number of binoculars will be available for use. 60 min.



📍 Plant Swap

Apr 13, Sat. 10:00 AM at Varina. Bring a plant, take a plant! Share your perennials with your neighbors. We'll have a Master Gardener on hand to provide tips on gardening and how to care for perennials. For those bringing plants to share, please have plants in soil, labeled with care instructions, and include information such as bloom color, size, and any tips for the new owner.

Please note: Plants on the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation Invasive Plant Species List are not allowed. Presented by Henrico Cooperative Extension and Henrico Master Gardeners. 2 hours.



Landscape Design

Apr 13, Sat. 11:00 AM at Fairfield. Design and maintain your front yard so others will notice. Presented by Henrico Cooperative Extension and Henrico Master Gardeners. 60 min.

📍 Cut/Paste/Erase: Exploring Found-Text Poetry

Apr 13, Sat. 2:00 PM at Libbie Mill. Shake up your creative practice by making art with words from the world around you! We'll experiment with several techniques in an open, supportive environment and talk about poets who've incorporated these forms in their work. All supplies provided. 2 hours.

Travel to Brazil

Apr 15, Mon. 7:00 PM at Fairfield. Take a trip to Brazil from the comfort of the library to learn about this South American nation's history and culture. 60 min.

📍 Beyond Books: Songs and Fingerplays to Foster Early Literacy

Apr 18, Thu. 6:00 PM at Glen Allen. For child care providers. In this workshop, participants will learn some new songs and rhymes to facilitate transitions and engage young children during circle time or any time. Child care providers will earn 1.5 hours of continuing education credit. 90 min.

Virginia529 College Savings Plan

Apr 18, Thu. 7:00 PM at Twin Hickory. Learn how to save for future qualified higher education expenses in tax-advantaged 529 accounts. Then, ask questions about your family's specific needs during a Q&A session with an expert from Virginia529. 90 min.

📍 Keys to Homeownership and Financial Wellness

Apr 20, Sat. 9:45 AM at Twin Hickory. A workshop to increase your financial literacy and money management understanding and prepare you for homeownership or real estate investing. We will cover Budgeting Principles, Credit Preparedness, and Homeowning Financials. 3 hours.

Container Gardening

Apr 20, Sat. 11:00 AM at Glen Allen. If you don't have room for a full garden, try containers on your deck, balcony, front porch, or tucked into your courtyard. Anything can go in a container and anywhere can be a garden! Presented by Henrico Cooperative Extension and Henrico Master Gardeners 60 min.

📍 Adult Spelling Bee

Apr 22, Mon. 7:00 PM at Fairfield. If you've ever corrected the spelling in your friends' text messages or quadruple-checked the spelling of a word before sending an e-mail, you're the perfect candidate for our no-elimination spelling competition. Sign up solo or have a friend register as well for even more fun. 60 min.

Knowledge Challenge! Countries of the World

Apr 23, Tue. 2:00 PM at Gayton. Participants will be divided into groups and will complete activities related to world locations and travel destinations in a game show-like format. No special knowledge of countries or geography is needed—just a desire to learn! 90 min.

Look to the Sky: Gathering Cloud Data for NASA

Apr 23, Tue. 7:00 PM at Tuckahoe. *Richmond Times-Dispatch* meteorologist Sean Sublette discusses cloud formations and weather. Then learn about a Community Science Month opportunity to gather data on local skies through NASA's GLOBE Cloud Observer project. 60 min.

📍 Yarn Craft as Art

Apr 25, Thu. 6:30 PM at North Park. Explore and learn about various yarn crafts as a community while we work on our individual fiber art masterpieces. Feel free to bring your own materials or use those provided by the library. All skill levels and abilities are welcomed. 90 min.

📍 Flat Needle Felting 101

Apr 26, Fri. 10:30 AM at Twin Hickory. Flat needle felting is like painting with wool fibers. Specialized tools let you add layers of loose wool fibers to a flat surface as a type of embroidery. This workshop will introduce the basic tools and materials and you'll will create a small project to take home. All materials and tools are provided. 4 hours.

📍 Kentucky Derby Fascinator

Apr 29, Mon. 7:00 PM at Twin Hickory. Prepare for the 150th Kentucky Derby on May 4, 2024, by making your own iconic fascinator, a fashion must-have for the event. 60 min.

MAY

Start Streaming

May 1, Wed. 11:00 AM at Glen Allen. There are many services to watch TV and movies online, but it can be difficult to decide on what to choose. We'll talk about on-demand and live streaming services, options to best suit your needs, and what is needed if you decide to cancel cable. 60 min.



Asian American Film Festival

May 1, Wed. 6:00 PM at Fairfield. *Better Luck Tomorrow* (2002, R, 101 min)
May 15, Wed. 6:00 PM at Fairfield. *Monsoon Wedding* (2001, R, 114 min)
May 22, Wed. 6:00 PM at Fairfield. *Dim Sum: A Little Bit of Heart* (1985, PG, 84 min).

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Exploring the Spiritual Anatomy

May 4, Sat. 10:30 AM at Twin Hickory. Tend to your mind and body by exploring the anatomical, energetic, and spiritual human body. Recently released by Kamlesh D. Patel, his book *Spiritual Anatomy: Meditation, Chakras, and the Journey to the Center* has been described as an “atlas for consciousness.” Join volunteers from the Heartfulness Institute for a workshop that will walk you through the role of the chakras and their importance in our spiritual well-being. Coffee, tea, and water will be provided. Sponsored by the Friends of HCPL. 2 hours.

Cora Armstrong: An Afternoon of Gospel Music

May 4, Sat. 2:00 PM at Twin Hickory. Gospel music legend, Virginia native, favored artist, pianist, and psalmist Cora Armstrong has been delighting audiences for over 40 years. She will sing favorite gospel hymns and original compositions. Come and enjoy a selection of music to warm the soul. Sponsored by the Friends of HCPL. 60 min.

Chinese Games: Mahjong

May 7, Tue. 3:00 PM at Gayton. Learn to play mahjong, the popular four-player tile game similar to the card game rummy. While multiple variations on the rules exist, we will learn a basic version and will not be focusing on scoring. Sponsored by the Friends of HCPL. 90 min.

Historically Speaking: An Explorer’s Guide to the American Revolutionary War

May 9, Thu. 7:00 PM at Libbie Mill. Historian Robert M. Dunkerly will discuss his most recent book, *An Explorer’s Guide to the American Revolutionary War*. This handbook offers information about hundreds of historic sites and includes detailed battlefield maps and directions for nine walking tours of revolutionary cities. Currently a Park Ranger at Richmond National Battlefield Park, Dunkerly is an award-winning author who has worked at nine historic sites and written 11 books. Books will be available for purchase and signing. Presented in partnership with the History Division of Henrico County Recreation and Parks, and sponsored by the Friends of HCPL. 60 min.

Shoulder People in Concert

May 9, Thu. 7:00 PM at Sandston. Shoulder People return with an all new program of an eclectic mixture of original songs. Compositions range from Bluegrass to Jazz and everything in between. 60 min.



Traditions of India

May 11, Sat. 11:00 AM–4:00 PM at Twin Hickory. In honor of Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month, experience traditional sights and sounds of India through games, activities, and hands-on art practice. Sponsored by the Friends of HCPL. 5 hours.

Sitar with Dr. Suman Sharma

May 11, Sat. 11:00 AM at Twin Hickory. Experience traditional Indian music with a lecture-demonstration on the sitar and accompanying tabla (Indian drum) from the award-winning musician and recording artist, Dr. Suman Sharma. 60 min.

Gardening for Butterflies: Learn from a Henrico Master Gardener

May 15, Wed. 2:00 PM at Gayton. Everyone loves butterflies! Learn about the butterfly life cycle, the two types of plants butterflies need, and how to attract them to your garden. Presented by Henrico Cooperative Extension and Henrico Master Gardeners. 60 min.

Spring Walk and Talk: Plants

May 15, Wed. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe. Come explore the natural areas around the library with staff. We will meet inside the library for a short discussion about the signs of spring, then head outside for a nature walk to observe and identify various plants and animals. Wear comfortable shoes and bring sun or rain protection if needed. 75 min.

Understanding Alzheimer’s and Dementia

May 16, Thu. 2:00 PM at Libbie Mill. Alzheimer’s disease is not a normal part of aging. It’s a progressive and fatal brain disease and is the most common form of dementia. This workshop is for anyone who would like to know more about how Alzheimer’s affects the brain, detection of the disease, causes and risk factors, stages, treatment, and much more. Presented by the Greater Richmond Chapter of the Alzheimer’s Association. 60 min.

Land Lovers Series: Snakes, the Ecosystem, and Us

May 18, Sat. 11:00 AM at Libbie Mill. Human-snake interactions in Central Virginia are not uncommon. Learn more about the ecology of snakes, importance of regional predators, and how to identify local species based on their markings and behaviors with certified Master Naturalist, Chuck Swatske. Practical tips on snake safety for home and property owners will be shared. Live animals will not be present. Held in partnership with Keep Henrico Beautiful. 60 min.



Intro to Zentangle

May 18, Sat. 12:00 PM at Varina. See Apr. 6 listing. 90 min.

Travel to Mexico

May 20, Mon. 7:00 PM at Fairfield. You’re invited to take a trip to Mexico from the comfort of the library. Learn about our fellow North American neighbor’s history and culture. 60 min.

Content Creation for Small Business Owners

May 23, Thu. 6:00 PM at Fairfield. This event will allow aspiring and thriving business owners to learn cutting-edge tricks of the trade in the areas of content creation, social media marketing and management, marketing best practices, and more. Presented by the Henrico County Economic Development Authority. 90 min.



Kitchen Gardens

May 25, Sat. 11:00 AM at Fairfield. Many of us love the idea of growing fresh vegetables but don’t have the space or time. Kitchen gardens are a new trend that combines vegetables, fruits, herbs, and flowers in a garden right outside your back door. Presented by Henrico Cooperative Extension and Henrico Master Gardeners. 60 min.

Parisian History Along the River Seine

May 30, Thu. 7:00 PM at Libbie Mill. Former VCU Professor Chantal Marechal invites you to travel through Parisian history via the architectural backstory of the Seine’s bridges. 60 min.

REGULAR ADULT PROGRAMS

These programs occur regularly or semi-regularly.

Anime Club for Adults

Gather with other anime lovers to watch and talk about Japanese animation. At each meeting, we’ll screen a different anime and enjoy everything from classic titles to new favorites. 2 hours.

Mar 23, Sat. 2:00 PM at Varina

Apr 6, Sat. 2:00 PM at Varina

May 4, Sat. 2:00 PM at Varina

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Art for All Abilities

We invite adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their caregivers to explore hands-on art projects in this workshop led by Art on Wheels. Spots are limited and registration is necessary for all participants, including a required caregiver. We will provide all art materials and instruction. 90 min.

- Mar 12, Tue. 10:00 AM** at North Park
- Mar 21, Thu. 6:30 PM** at Gayton
- Apr 9, Tue. 10:00 AM** at Sandston
- Apr 25, Thu. 6:30 PM** at Libbie Mill
- May 14, Tue. 10:00 AM** at North Park
- May 23, Thu. 6:30 PM** at Varina

Bob Singer Senior Series

Sponsored by the Friends of HCPL. 60 min.

Mar 14, Thu. 2:00 PM at Twin Hickory. *Becoming Grandma Gatewood*: In 1955, Emma Gatewood decided at age 67 to change her life. She set off determined to hike the Appalachian Trail, thus becoming the first woman to hike the trail solo. Actress Anne Van Curen becomes "Grandma Gatewood" in a solo dramatization of Gatewood's experience based on diaries, trail journals, newspapers, and family memories. See page 7 for more All Henrico Reads related programs.



Apr 11, Thu. 2:00 PM at Twin Hickory. *American Sketches*: Award-winning classical guitarist William Feasley presents a solo concert featuring works by American composers in this presentation brought to us from the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts.

May 9, Thu. 2:00 PM at Twin Hickory. *Boomer and Beyond Trivia*: Let's face it—the music was amazing, the TV and movies rocked, and pop culture was changed forever. Bring your competitive side and show off your trivia prowess.

Color Yourself Calm

Express yourself through coloring. All materials will be provided, but feel free to bring your favorite coloring book. 90 min.

- Mar 21, Thu. 6:30 PM** at Fairfield
- Apr 18, Thu. 6:30 PM** at Fairfield
- May 16, Thu. 6:30 PM** at Fairfield

Cook & Book

Mar 25, Mon. 7:00 PM at Varina. *Tasting the Past with Vintage Recipes*: Following in the footsteps of TikTok star B. Dylan Hollis, author of *Baking Yesteryear*, we will whip up some vintage recipes and share our collection of related books. 90 min.

Apr 22, Mon. 7:00 PM at Varina.

Fresh Herbs: Elevate any dish from ordinary to extraordinary. Learn how to incorporate these delicious and nutritious ingredients into your everyday cooking. 90 min.



Crafternoon

Explore different crafts and techniques, one Saturday a month. Fun for beginner and veteran makers alike. Bring home a finished project and check out a craft book or two! Supplies are provided. 2 hours.

- Mar 9, Sat. 2:00 PM** at Libbie Mill. Mini Illuminated Globes
- Apr 6, Sat. 2:00 PM** at Libbie Mill. Paper Chain Wall Hangings
- May 4, Sat. 2:00 PM** at Libbie Mill. Floral Coasters

ESL Conversation Cafe

Practice speaking English in an informal setting. Registration is not required, but participants must be 16 or older and be able to speak some English. 75 min.

- Mar 4, Mon. 7:00 PM** at Tuckahoe
- Mar 11, Mon. 7:00 PM** at Fairfield
- Mar 13, Wed. 7:00 PM** at Twin Hickory
- Mar 18, Mon. 7:00 PM** at Tuckahoe
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- May 20, Mon. 7:00 PM** at Tuckahoe
- May 22, Wed. 7:00 PM** at Libbie Mill



Feel Good Films

- Mar 11, Mon. 10:00 AM** at Twin Hickory. *Julie & Julia* (2009, PG-13, 123 min.)
- Apr 8, Mon. 10:00 AM** at Twin Hickory. *Erin Brockovich* (2000, R, 131 min.)
- May 6, Mon. 10:00 AM** at Twin Hickory. *Lion* (2016, PG-13, 118 min.)

Fun for All Abilities

Welcoming adults with diverse intellectual and developmental abilities, this program will provide different activity stations (such as crafts and puzzles) that participants and caregivers can enjoy at their own pace. Spots are limited, and registration is necessary for all participants, including a required caregiver. To register for Fairfield dates please call (804) 501-1930 x 5; Libbie Mill programs can be registered online. 60 min.

- Mar 19, Tue. 10:30 AM** at Libbie Mill
- Mar 20, Wed. 10:00 AM** at Fairfield
- Apr 17, Wed. 10:00 AM** at Fairfield
- May 7, Tue. 10:30 AM** at Libbie Mill
- May 15, Wed. 10:00 AM** at Fairfield

Great Films & Discussions

View and discuss popular films and occasional DVD commentaries. Film titles will be available as program dates approach. 2.5 hours.

- Mar 25, Mon. 6:00 PM** at Gayton
- Apr 22, Mon. 6:00 PM** at Gayton
- May 20, Mon. 6:00 PM** at Gayton

Having Seen: A Film Discussion Group

Mar 21, Thu. 7:00 PM at Twin Hickory and via Webex: 2630 918 2828.

Thelma and Louise (1991, R) is a full-throttle adventure hailed as one of the best road movies of all time. Susan Sarandon and Geena Davis star as accidental outlaws on a desperate flight across the Southwest after a tragic incident at a roadside bar. Their journey alternates between hilarious, high-speed thrill ride and empowering personal odyssey. 60 min.

Apr 18, Thu. 7:00 PM at Twin Hickory and via Webex: 2631 557 5384.

Sicario (2015, R) In a lawless border area, an idealistic FBI agent is enlisted by an elite government task force official to aid in the escalating war against drugs. 60 min.

May 16, Thu. 7:00 PM at Twin Hickory and via Webex: 2632 849 3888.

The Green Knight (2021, R) One Christmas in Camelot, the revels were interrupted by a hulking, emerald-skinned knight (Ralph Ineson) who dared anyone present to lay a blow on him, so long as he got to strike back a year later. The king's impetuous nephew Gawain (Dev Patel) met the challenge, and after the intruder improbably survived, faced a fateful journey to meet his end of the bargain. 60 min.

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Jueves En Español

An opportunity to practice speaking conversational Spanish in an informal setting. Registration is not required, but participants must be age 16 or older and must be able to speak Spanish at an intermediate level. 60 min.

Mar 14, Thu. 10:00 AM at Twin Hickory

Apr 11, Thu. 10:00 AM at Twin Hickory

May 9, Thu. 10:00 AM at Twin Hickory

Rainbow Stitching Group

A stitching group for LGBTQIA+ makers! Join us on the first Thursday of each month to create community while knitting, crocheting, sewing, and crafting. Peruse informative books on fiber arts and crafts. Bring your own project to work on, or if you would like to learn the basics of a particular stitching technique, please contact bbroome@henricolibrary.org to ensure we have the supplies and expertise to get you started. 90 min.

Mar 7, Thu. 6:30 PM at Tuckahoe

Apr 4, Thu. 6:30 PM at Tuckahoe

May 2, Thu. 6:30 PM at Tuckahoe

Silver Screen Saturdays

Celebrate old Hollywood by watching classic movies from the 1920s through the 1970s with us. Before and after each screening, we will share facts related to the movie to give you additional background on the production. Titles will be announced as program dates approach. 2 hours.

Mar 2, Sat. 3:00 PM at Gayton

Apr 6, Sat. 3:00 PM at Gayton

May 25, Sat. 3:00 PM at Gayton



Sit and Stitch

Stitch socially with us on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month. Bring whatever knitting, crocheting, weaving, or cross stitch projects you're working on, and join the conversation with your fellow crafters for an informal craft get-together. 90 min.

Mar 12, Tue. 6:30 PM at Fairfield

Mar 26, Tue. 6:30 PM at Fairfield

Apr 9, Tue. 6:30 PM at Fairfield

Apr 23, Tue. 6:30 PM at Fairfield

May 14, Tue. 6:30 PM at Fairfield

May 28, Tue. 6:30 PM at Fairfield

Something to Talk About

Come out on the second Tuesday of every month for movies, local history presentations, genealogy, and more! Bring your own lunch; the Friends of HCPL will provide coffee, tea, and water. 2 hours.

Mar 12, Tue. 10:00 AM at Varina. The Mighty Mushroom: This month, a Master Naturalist shares mushroom matters, laying the "groundwork" to grow your own.

Apr 9, Tue. 10:00 AM at Varina. That's Illuminating! Books as Art: In the middle ages, books were also works of art, beautifully decorated and elaborately detailed. Elizabeth C. Teviotdale, Associate at UCLA's CMRS-CEGS (Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies-Center for Early Global Studies), will share her knowledge about illuminated books.

May 14, Tue. 10:00 AM at Varina. Birds are Singing: As the weather gets warmer, the trees and skies are full of birds. Learn to recognize individual calls, and we'll go out and see what they are up to.



Stitching in the AM

Stitch socially with us on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month. Bring whatever knitting, crocheting, weaving, or cross stitch projects you're working on, and join the conversation with your fellow crafters for an informal craft get-together. 2 hours.

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Apr 11, Thu. 10:00 AM at Fairfield

Apr 25, Thu. 10:00 AM at Fairfield

May 9, Thu. 10:00 AM at Fairfield

May 23, Thu. 10:00 AM at Fairfield

Tuckahoe Stitching Group

Come meet other crafters while knitting, crocheting, sewing, and crafting. Check out some of our stitching books while you are here. Bring your own project to work on, or if you would like to learn the basics of a particular stitching technique, please contact bbroome@henricolibrary.org to ensure we have the supplies and expertise to get you started. 90 min.

Mar 21, Thu. 6:30 PM at Tuckahoe

Apr 18, Thu. 6:30 PM at Tuckahoe

May 16, Thu. 6:30 PM at Tuckahoe

Varina Stitchers

Craft socially with us on the first and third Tuesdays of the month. Knit, crochet, weave, sew—bring your supplies and join the conversation. We can always find a book to help you grow. 2 hours.

Mar 5, Tue. 2:00 PM at Varina

Mar 19, Tue. 10:00 AM at Varina

Apr 2, Tue. 2:00 PM at Varina

Apr 16, Tue. 10:00 AM at Varina

May 7, Tue. 2:00 PM at Varina

May 21, Tue. 10:00 AM at Varina

Virginia Housing First Time Homebuyer Class

Learn the entire homebuying process from start to finish, and how to stay on track as a responsible homeowner. The class will cover Personal Finance, Managing Credit, Role of the Lender, Working with a Real Estate Agent, Home Inspection, and the Closing Day. This free, no obligation class satisfies the Virginia Housing educational requirements for a VHDA loan, and all participants will receive a 2-Year Certificate of Completion at the end of the class. Registration is required and will open one month before each class at VirginiaHousing.com/FindAClass. 6 ½ hours.

Mar 16, Sat. 10:00 AM at Fairfield

Mar 23, Sat. 10:15 AM at North Park

Apr 6, Sat. 10:00 AM at Twin Hickory

May 4, Sat. 10:00 AM at Fairfield

May 25, Sat. 10:15 AM at North Park



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TEEN & TWEEN programs

Spring 2024

MARCH

📌 Wildflower Wishes

Mar 4, Mon. 7:00 PM at Fairfield. Make the world a greener, more vibrant place with homemade seed paper filled with seeds from native plants. All materials will be provided. 60 min.

📌 Budding Biologists

Mar 6, Wed. 4:15 PM at Twin Hickory. Learn how biologists collect field data directly from a Maymont nature instructor. Participants will also discover how to conduct community science projects in their own backyard! 60 min.



Community Service Night: Toys for Pets

Mar 6, Wed. 5:30 PM at Libbie Mill. Earn community service hours for school—we'll create pet toys that will be donated to local animal shelters. All supplies will be provided. Please remember to bring any community service paperwork that needs to be signed. 3 hours.

📌 Fantasy Mapmaking

Mar 6, Wed. 6:30 PM at Fairfield. Learn how to make 3D maps for your next fantasy game session. Discover some tips and tricks to make your maps more exciting and realistic. All materials and books to spark creativity will be provided. 90 min.

📌 Faerie Lore

Mar 7, Thu. 4:30 PM at Twin Hickory. Celebrate the upcoming Spring Equinox by learning all about faeries. Explore everything from the history of the fae to current lore surrounding different mythical folk. Craft supplies and books to spark your creativity will be provided. 60 min.

📌 International Snack Tasting

Mar 9, Sat. 1:00 PM at Tuckahoe. Try some delicious samples of international snacks and chips while playing board games. We'll see which global snack wins our taste buds! 60 min.

All About Bees

Mar 13, Wed. 6:00 PM at Fairfield. Hear what all the buzz is about from Dr. Hollee Freeman, local beekeeper at City Bees RVA. Learn how important bees are to our daily lives and leave with a bee-related craft. 60 min.

Saturday Screenings

Mar 16, Sat. 2:45 PM at Glen Allen. Enjoy snacks and watch *Spider-Man: Across the Spider-Verse* (2023, PG, 136 min.)

📌 Garden Pot Decorating

Mar 20, Wed. 4:30 PM at Twin Hickory. Get ready for spring by personalizing your own terra-cotta pot with Mod Podge and a variety of craft materials. We will also discuss how you can use the terra-cotta pots to plant seedlings in preparation for your garden. Books and supplies will be provided—just bring your creativity! 60 min.

On Track For College: Middle School Edition

Mar 21, Thu. 6:30 PM at Twin Hickory. Best for grades 6–8. Middle school-focused presentation from GRASP, a nonprofit college access organization, geared towards students or parents focusing on options for post-secondary education, how students can prepare, and financial preparedness. 90 min.

📌 Pizza and Palettes

Mar 23, Sat. 12:00 PM at Sandston. Celebrate Youth Art Month with artist Tequila Canty of The Art Lounge. Participants will use a variety of painting techniques to create a one-of-a-kind masterpiece. All supplies and pizzas will be provided. 2 hours.

Teen Art Club

Mar 25, Mon. 5:30 PM at North Park. Drop by for some creative art time after school. Bring your own supplies if you like, or use our art supplies to create your own doodles, sketches, and/or masterpieces. There will be a guided art activity available, but feel free to hang out and create your own project. Imagination is encouraged. All supplies are provided. 60 min.

Intro to Camping for Teens

Mar 26, Tue. 6:00 PM at Libbie Mill. Teens who are interested in the outdoors and camping are invited to learn some basic camping tips and tricks from Brent Holifield, owner of Walkabout Outfitter in Carytown. 60 min.



📌 Let it Grow: Gardening for Beginners

Mar 27, Wed. 6:30 PM at Fairfield. Whether outdoors or indoors, plants make for a fun and rewarding hobby. Learn how to start a garden from seeds and how to select and care for house plants to live inside your home. Participants will each leave with a house plant and an assortment of seeds to start their home garden. 90 min.

APRIL

Community Service for Teens

Apr 1, Mon. 2:00 PM at Glen Allen. Best for ages 13–17. Help your community and earn volunteer credit hours in this walk-in and self-paced program. Please bring any paperwork that needs to be signed. 3 hours.

Writing Poetry for Teens

Apr 1, Mon. 2:00 PM at Libbie Mill. April is National Poetry Month! Come learn a little about poetry to celebrate. We will be experimenting with different forms of poetry, including paint strip, blackout, and book spine poetry. No writing experience necessary. 90 min.

The Maker's Lab: Pixelated Creations

Apr 1, Mon. 6:00 PM at Varina. Drop in to learn and create by exploring science, technology, engineering, art, and math concepts. Books and supplies will be provided, just bring your creativity and imagination. This month we will be making pixelated creations with fusible beads. 2 hours.

Retro Video Gaming for High Schoolers

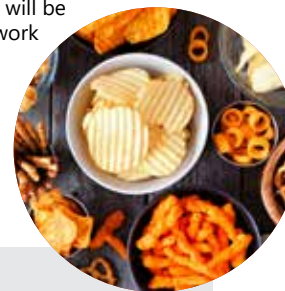
Apr 3, Wed. 2:00 PM at Gayton. Best for ages 14–18. Drop in to try out some games from the 1990s and 2000s and see the original consoles they were released on. 60 min.

Community Service Day: Bookmark Creations

Apr 3, Wed. 2:00 PM at Libbie Mill. Earn community service hours for school by doing something creative to benefit others. Stop by the teen room to create bookmarks that will be donated to Meals on Wheels—and check out some books while you are here. All supplies will be provided. Please bring your community service paperwork with you for us to sign, or we will give you a signed sheet confirming your hours. 3 hours.

Snack and Relax

Apr 3, Wed. 2:30 PM at Fairfield. Swing by the teen room to grab a snack, meet other teens, and play some games, chat, or draw. 60 min.



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Teen Gaming

Apr 3, Wed. 3:00 PM at Glen Allen. Best for ages 13–17. Challenge your friends to one of our games on the Nintendo Switch. 60 min.

📝 Songwriting Workshop

Learn how to craft your original song lyrics during this program presented by David Ensign. Feel free to bring already-written lyrics or existing ideas to the workshop. All supplies will be provided, just bring your creativity!

Apr 3, Wed. 4:30 PM at Twin Hickory, 90 min.

Apr 10, Wed. 6:00 PM at Libbie Mill, 90 min.

Apr 17, Wed. 6:00 PM at Varina, 90 min.

Tween Game Lounge

Apr 3, Wed. 6:30 PM at Fairfield. School is out, so meet up with your friends at the library and play some video games. Snacks will be offered while you wait your turn to play. 90 min.

Jelly Bean Taste Off

Apr 4, Thu. 2:30 PM at Fairfield. Try out a selection of jelly beans and see if you can guess the flavor. After we taste, we will rank our favorites to see which jelly bean is the best. 60 min.

You Got Accepted. Now What?

Apr 4, Thu. 6:30 PM at Twin Hickory. You've finally picked a college, but what happens next and what do you need to do to prepare? Discover all the steps and pitfalls you must navigate to actually attend the college of your choice in the fall. Learn more about next steps from GRASP, a nonprofit college readiness organization that offers programs to teens and parents. 90 min.

Dungeons & Dragons Character Design Workshop

Apr 10, Wed. 6:30 PM at Fairfield. Create a D&D character for your next campaign. Make your character sheet and then get started drawing an iconic character by learning some drawing basics, including anatomy, silhouettes, shape language, and more. 90 min.

Cottagecore Crafts

Apr 22, Mon. 6:30 PM at Fairfield. Explore the cottagecore aesthetic with several DIY activities. All materials will be provided. 90 min.

Look to the Sky: Gathering Cloud Data for NASA

Apr 23, Tue. 7:00 PM at Tuckahoe. For Community Science Month, Richmond Times-Dispatch Meteorologist Sean Sublette discusses cloud formations and weather. Then we'll learn about a Community Science opportunity to gather data on local skies through NASA's GLOBE Cloud Observer project. 60 min.

📝 DIY Stress Ball Craft

Apr 25, Thu. 4:30 PM at Twin Hickory. Relax before upcoming exams and create your own squishy stress ball. All materials for the craft will be provided. 60 min.



MAY

📝 How to Draw Comics

May 1, Wed. 6:30 PM at Fairfield. Create comics and learn about visual storytelling. Bring an OC (original character) or make a new character. We'll cover how to draw words and write pictures to build the foundations of a story. All materials will be provided. 90 min.

Community Service Drop-In

Drop in to earn community service hours through a variety of projects benefiting local organizations. Please bring any forms that need to be signed for your service credit. 2 hours.

May 2, Thu. 6:00 PM at Fairfield

May 6, Mon. 6:00 PM at Fairfield

📝 Teen Stencil Art

May 4, Sat. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe. Come and create stencil art on canvas with us! No art experience is needed, and it's a great way to unwind from a stressful school year. Explore your creativity with various paints and provided stencils and die-cuts. We will be using paint; please dress appropriately. 90 min.

📝 Sew Your Own Scrunchies

May 7, Tue. 6:30 PM at Fairfield. Learn the basics of sewing as you make your very own scrunchie. All materials will be provided. 90 min.

📝 Duct Tape Prom Dress

May 8, Wed. 4:15 PM at Twin Hickory. Prom season is here. Challenge yourself and your friends to make your own duct tape prom dress and vote on which ones you love. Supplies are provided. 60 min.

📝 Give a Cupcake Day

May 8, Wed. 4:30 PM at Glen Allen. Best for ages 10–17. It's National Give Someone a Cupcake Day! Decorate a cupcake for yourself and for a friend or family member. All supplies will be provided. 60 min.

Biking Workshop

Get ready for this summer's biking season at this how-to workshop that will cover basic maintenance and tune-ups to keep you safe while biking. We will also discuss local biking trails and bike-friendly parks. 2 hours.

May 9, Thu. 5:00 PM at Varina

May 18, Sat. 10:00 AM at Twin Hickory

May 23, Thu. 6:00 PM at Libbie Mill



📝 The Art of Henna

May 11, Sat. 2:00 PM at Twin Hickory. In this featured Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month event, learn about the history and culture of Henna from local artist Sadia Ahmed. All are welcome, although registered participants will have the opportunity to leave with their very own unique henna design. Henna is a plant-based dye that lasts for several weeks, please consider this as you register. Ingredients will be discussed and available at the program. *All participants receiving henna application must sign a waiver, which will be handed out before the workshop begins.* 2 hours.

Plein Air for Teens

May 13, Mon. 5:00 PM at North Park. Drop by for some plein-air painting/sketching after school! Painting *en plein air* means to paint in the open air. We will be outside if the weather holds. Bring your own supplies if you like, or use our art supplies to create your own doodles, sketches, and/or masterpieces. Imagination is encouraged. 60 min.

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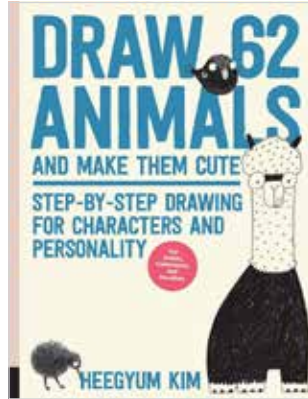
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Community Service Night: Rock Painting

May 14, Tue. 5:30 PM at Libbie Mill. Earn community service hours for school by doing something creative for others. Stop by to create painted art rocks that will be donated to Meals on Wheels. All supplies will be provided. Please either bring your community service paperwork with you for us to sign, or we will give you a signed sheet confirming your hours. Your hours will be confirmed at the end of the program. 3 hours.

Draw Cute Animals

May 18, Sat. 2:00 PM at Sandston. Learn to draw a hedgehog and an alpaca using the book *Draw 62 Animals and Make Them Cute: Step-by-Step Drawing for Characters and Personality* by Heegyum Kim. Tips on adding expressions and accessories to your drawing will be discussed, and supplies will be provided. All artistic skill levels are welcome. 90 min.



Oh My Goth!

May 20, Mon. 6:30 PM at Fairfield. Get ready for World Goth Day with makeup tutorials and themed crafts. All materials will be provided. 90 min.

Paper Marbling

May 21, Tue. 4:30 PM at Twin Hickory. Learn more about the history of this art form, which is known as suminagashi in Japan and ebru in Turkey. Then create your own marbled paper using an ink-floating technique. All materials will be provided. 60 min.

Drawing Anime

May 21, Tue. 6:00 PM at Gayton. Learn how to draw in an anime style. We will go over techniques and break down different styles used in anime and manga. Supplies will be provided, no experience is required. 60 min.

Teens Help Out: Pet Edition

May 22, Wed. 4:30 PM at Twin Hickory. Earn one hour of volunteering by making things to donate to local animal rescue organizations. Bring any documents you need to verify hours. 60 min.

Fifth Grade Celebration

May 22, Wed. 6:30 PM at Fairfield. Calling all rising 6th graders! Celebrate the end of the school year by playing video games and learning how the library can help you in middle school. 90 min.

REGULAR TEEN & TWEEN PROGRAMS

These programs occur regularly or semi-regularly.

Anime Club

Watch anime, meet other fans, learn about Japanese culture, draw, and talk manga with friends at our monthly anime club meetings.

- Mar 9, Sat. 2:00 PM** at Twin Hickory, 60 min.
- Mar 26, Tue. 6:00 PM** at Gayton, 2 hours
- Mar 26, Tue. 7:00 PM** at Fairfield, 60 min.
- Mar 27, Wed. 6:30 PM** at Libbie Mill, 90 min.
- Apr 6, Sat. 2:00 PM** at Varina for Tweens, 2 hours
- Apr 16, Tue. 6:30 PM** at Fairfield for Tweens, 60 min.
- Apr 20, Sat. 2:00 PM** at Twin Hickory, 60 min.
- Apr 23, Tue. 6:00 PM** at Gayton, 2 hours
- Apr 23, Tue. 7:00 PM** at Fairfield, 60 min.
- Apr 24, Wed. 6:30 PM** at Libbie Mill, 90 min.
- May 18, Sat. 2:00 PM** at Twin Hickory, 60 min.
- May 22, Wed. 6:30 PM** at Libbie Mill, 90 min.
- May 28, Tue. 6:00 PM** at Gayton, 2 hours
- May 28, Tue. 7:00 PM** at Fairfield, 60 min.

Improv!

Play improv games used in professional theaters while being coached by a bona fide improv comedian. We will work together to make each other laugh, listen, think, and act in all kinds of ways. Improv is great for exercising your creative mind as well as developing your storytelling skills. Come ready to have fun! Only one person per registration, please. 2 hours.

- Mar 13, Wed. 6:30 PM** at Libbie Mill for grades 6–8
- Apr 3, Wed. 6:30 PM** at Libbie Mill for grades 6–8
- Apr 23, Tue. 6:30 PM** at Libbie Mill for grades 9–12
- May 8, Wed. 6:30 PM** at Libbie Mill for grades 6–8
- May 28, Tue. 6:30 PM** at Libbie Mill for grades 9–12

Karaoke

Show off your singing chops. We welcome you into a singing lounge for your entertainment. Explore titles in our collection about music. 90 min.

- Mar 11, Mon. 6:00 PM** at Tuckahoe
- Apr 8, Mon. 6:00 PM** at Tuckahoe
- May 13, Mon. 6:00 PM** at Tuckahoe

Snackchat: A Tween Graphic Novel Book Club

Read a graphic novel each month and then join other tweens to discuss over snacks. Earn a free book for every three meetings you attend. Stop by the teen room up to a month before we meet to grab a copy of the next book. 60 min.

- Mar 19, Tue. 6:30 PM** at Fairfield. *Go With the Flow* by Karen Schneemann and Lily Williams.
- May 21, Tue. 6:30 PM** at Fairfield. *Duel* by Jessixa Bagley.

Teen Art Studio

Drop by for some fun, hands-on creativity! We'll discuss different styles of art and do a variety of art, craft, and drawing projects. Supplies and books will be provided and all artistic skill levels are welcome. 2 hours.

- Mar 19, Tue. 6:00 PM** at Varina
- Apr 23, Tue. 6:00 PM** at Varina
- May 14, Tue. 6:00 PM** at Varina

Teen Book Night

Discuss teen books with us. Meet up with your friends and talk about what you're reading, share your favorite titles, and get recommendations from our book and pop culture fanatic librarians. 60 min.

- Mar 25, Mon. 7:00 PM** at Varina
- Apr 29, Mon. 7:00 PM** at Varina

Teen Paper Crafters

From collage to origami, there's no telling what can be made out of paper. Each meeting, we will set out options for at least three different types of paper crafts. Materials and further resources will be provided, just bring your creativity and imagination! 2 hours.

- Mar 21, Thu. 6:00 PM** at Varina
- Apr 18, Thu. 6:00 PM** at Varina
- May 23, Thu. 6:00 PM** at Varina

Teen Role-Playing: Dungeons & Dragons One-Shot

Dive into the world of Dungeons & Dragons and grow your role-playing game skills with a one-shot session. We will have a selection of pre-made characters available, or you bring your own level 3 character. All experience levels are welcome. Pencils, paper, and dice will be provided. 2 hours.

- Mar 14, Thu. 6:00 PM** at Fairfield

Teen Role-Playing: Dungeons & Dragons Campaign

Make an extended journey into the world of Dungeons & Dragons in this three-part series. We will have a selection of pre-made characters available, or you are welcome to bring your own level 1 character. All experience levels are welcome. Pencils, paper, and dice will be provided. 2 hours.

- Apr 11, Thu. 6:00 PM** at Fairfield
- May 9, Thu. 6:00 PM** at Fairfield
- Jun 13, Thu. 6:00 PM** at Fairfield



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Teen Trivia Thursdays

It's our monthly trivia in the teen room! Eat snacks, hang out, compete against your friends, and win prizes. Topics change every month, so there's always something for everyone. 90 min.

Mar 21, Thu. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill

Apr 4, Thu. 2:00 PM at Libbie Mill

May 16, Thu. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill

 **Teens Make Stuff**

On the first Tuesday of every month, come to the conference room for a different craft. Bring your friends, hang out, and make something cool. We'll provide the materials, you provide the creativity. 90 min.

Mar 5, Tue. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill

Apr 2, Tue. 2:00 PM at Libbie Mill

May 7, Tue. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill

Tween LEGO Club

Calling all tweens! Get together to create with LEGO. Whether you prefer freestyling your own masterpieces or want a challenge, come hang out and de-stress with some fun, brick-by-brick designs. We will take pics of your creations after each session to display in a LEGO Gallery. 60 min.

Mar 11, Mon. 5:30 PM at North Park

Apr 8, Mon. 5:30 PM at North Park

Twisted Stitches

Learn how to crochet, make something silly, and hang out with other fabric artists. Join us to make fun projects and creatures from your favorite shows and games! Supplies will be provided, or bring your own!

Mar 14, Thu. 6:00 PM at Varina, 2 hours.

May 9, Thu. 6:00 PM at Varina, 60 min.

KIDS & FAMILY programs

MARCH

Read Across the Children's Library Day

Mar 2, Sat. 1:00 PM at Varina. To celebrate "Read Across America Day," we encourage children to read across the Varina Children's collection of books, explore various genres, and discover different reading spaces. 60 min.

Spanish Bingo

Mar 4, Mon. 3:30 PM at Twin Hickory. Best for grades K-5 with an adult. Play Bingo, and learn some Spanish words. 45 min.

 **Knot Tying with Paracords**

Mar 9, Sat. 2:00 PM at Fairfield. Best for ages 8+. Learn the basics of knot tying and impress your friends and family with your very own paracord keychain to take home! Knot tying is useful in many situations such as camping, boating, or decoration — but most of all, it's just plain fun. Supplies will be provided. 60 min.

 **St. Patrick's Day Slime**

Mar 14, Thu. 3:00 PM at Gayton. Best for ages 5-9 with an adult helper. We will learn the science behind how slime is made while creating our own festive slime for St. Patrick's Day. This craft can get messy, so wear something you don't mind getting dirty. Registration is required for all attendees (excluding parents/caregivers).

 **Lucky Clover Painting**

Mar 19, Tue. 4:00 PM at Sandston. Best for ages 4-10. Adult helpers are welcome, especially for younger participants. Bring your luck and creativity and make watercolor four-leaf clovers. All supplies will be provided. 60 min.

Music Lovers Club

Mar 20, Wed. 4:00 PM at Varina. This club highlights a different musician and genre each month. We'll start with a story, then listen to music together. We'll discuss how the music makes us feel, and create art while listening. This month: Roberta Flack. Supplies will be provided. 60 min.

 **Knot Tying For Kids**

Mar 23, Sat. 3:00 PM at Libbie Mill. Level up your knot tying ability and learn some decorative knots that will impress your friends and family! All supplies provided. 90 min.

 **Create Your Own Recycled Flowerpot**

Mar 25, Mon. 6:00 PM at Fairfield. Best for ages 5+. Using aluminum cans and a variety of supplies, make a flowerpot and plant your very own flower seeds! All materials will be provided. 60 min.

 **Shopping at a Spanish Language Supermarket**

Mar 26, Tue. 6:30 PM at Twin Hickory. Best for grades 1-2 with an adult. Shop for items at our supermarket, and learn some Spanish words for foods you enjoy. 30 min.

Science and Stories: Dinosaurs

Mar 28, Thu. 11:00 AM at Tuckahoe. Travel back in time to prehistoric days to learn about dinosaurs. We will read a dynamite story about dinosaurs, sing some dinosaur songs, and learn more about dinosaurs through different station activities. 60 min.

Incredibly Awesome Bird Art

Mar 28, Thu. 3:30 PM at Twin Hickory. Best for ages 3-5 with an adult. Hear a story and create your own awesome bird art to take home. 60 min.



Mario Day

Mar 9, Sat., all day at Libbie Mill. We're celebrating National Mario Day a day early! If you're a fan of the iconic character from the popular Nintendo game series, drop by the library at any time during the day and enjoy some Mario-themed crafts and activities.

Mario Day Movie

Mar 11, Mon. 3:30 PM at Fairfield. March 10th is National Mario Day and we're celebrating with a screening of *The Super Mario Bros. Movie* (2023, PG, 92 min). All are welcome to dress up as a favorite Super Mario character, but it is not required. Here we go!



Mario Day Party

Mar 11, Mon. 3:30 PM at Glen Allen. Celebrate National Mario Day with games, crafts, and a Mario photo booth. 60 min.

Discovering Density: Lava Lamps and more

Mar 11, Mon. 4:30 PM at Twin Hickory. Best for grades 3-6 with an adult. Let's investigate the science of density. Come test your hypotheses, compare which objects float or sink, explore density towers, and create a lava lamp to take home. All supplies will be provided. 60 min.

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Spring Has Sprung

Mar 30, Sat. 4:00 PM at Varina. In celebration of the First Day of Spring, children will participate in various seed, planting, and plant-related stations. We'll learn how plants grow with hands-on activities. All supplies will be provided. 60 min.

APRIL

Interactive Showing of *Encanto*

Apr 1, Mon. 1:00 PM at Tuckahoe. Cool off, sing along, and experience the film *Encanto* (2021, PG, 102 min.) like you never have before. This interactive version lets the audience participate by singing along and engaging with provided props.

Pokémon: Card Traders for Kids

Apr 1, Mon. 2:00 PM at Gayton. Trading Pokémon cards is un-Bayleaf-able fun. We will provide a safe space to trade cards, find books relating to Pokémon, and have other Pokémon related activities. Children under 12 must be accompanied by a caregiver. 60 min.

Spin Art

Apr 1, Mon. 2:30 PM at Libbie Mill. Create your own unique masterpiece with a salad spinner! We will show you how to use a few drops of paint and the centrifugal force of the spinner to make something truly beautiful and interesting. All supplies provided. 60 min.

Look to the Sky: Eclipses & Community Science

Prepare for the Great American Eclipse on April 8 by learning how eclipses work. For Community Science Month, we will also explore a variety of community science projects you can do at home to help scientists around the world, including the GLOBE Observer project. A limited supply of solar eclipse viewing glasses will be given away to attendees at the conclusion of the program on a first come, first served basis. 60 min.

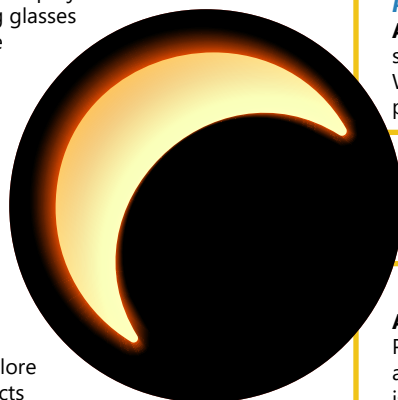
Apr 1, Mon. 2:00 PM at Fairfield

Apr 2, Tue. 10:00 AM at Twin Hickory

Apr 3, Wed. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe

Apr 4, Thu. 10:00 AM at Libbie Mill

Apr 5, Fri. 2:00 PM at Varina



Community Science Explorers

Join us at this Community Science Month celebration for kids who want to help the planet and its wildlife. Explore a variety of Community Science projects you can do at home and help scientists around the world. Learn about Community Science apps like iNaturalist, Seek, Zooniverse, and more. 60 min.

Apr 1, Mon. 2:00 PM at North Park

Apr 2, Tue. 2:00 PM at Gayton

Apr 3, Wed. 10:30 AM at Sandston

Apr 4, Thu. 2:00 PM at Glen Allen

Spring Break Fun: Celebrate the Sun

Apr 1, Mon. 2:30 PM at Twin Hickory. Best for ages 7+ with an adult. Prepare for next week's partial solar eclipse on April 8 by investigating models, creating experiments, and exploring how to safely view. 60 min.

Eclipse Art

Apr 2, Tue. 1:00 PM at North Park. Best for ages 3+. Create sun and moon inspired art. All supplies will be provided but feel free to bring your own clean cardboard item meant for recycling to integrate into your masterpiece, such as a toilet paper roll, paper towel roll, cereal box, and shoe box. 60 min.

Bookmark Bento

Apr 2, Tue. 2:00 PM at Fairfield. Work in different media to create a variety of bookmarks for all your spring break reading needs, then box them up and take them home. Supplies will be provided and craft books will be available for checkout to continue learning at home. 60 min.

Movie Matinee

Apr 2, Tue. 2:00 PM at North Park. Best for ages 6+. Watch *Lyle, Lyle, Crocodile* (2022, PG, 107 min.) featuring a singing reptile who lives in New York City, based on Bernard Waber's classic books. Refreshments will be served, courtesy of the Friends of HCPL. 2 hours.

LEGO Fun

Apr 2, Tue. 3:00 PM at Glen Allen. Best for ages 3+. The only limit is your imagination as you and your family and friends build creations out of LEGO. Books and challenge cards will be available for inspiration if you need some ideas. 90 min.

Spring Break Fun: Art Games

Apr 2, Tue. 3:30 PM at Twin Hickory. Best for grades 1–5. Enjoy your Spring Break at the library by playing various art games. 60 min.

STEAM Basics

Apr 2, Tue. 4:00 PM at Sandston. Best for ages 6–10. Further your STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math) skills with our April challenge. This month we'll build a wind-powered car. 60 min.

Toddler Dance Party

Apr 3, Wed. 11:00 AM at Tuckahoe. Grab your dancing shoes and come to the library! Dance the morning away with bubbles, balls, and some of our favorite tunes. 45 min.

ABC Drawing Class

Apr 4, Thu. 3:30 PM at Tuckahoe. Best for grades 1–3. Learn to draw some fun characters using what you already know: letters and numbers. We will make a few different recognizable characters. All supplies will be provided. 60 min.

Cereal Box Eclipse Viewers

Apr 6, Sat. 2:00 PM at Fairfield. Get ready to safely view the upcoming solar eclipse by making your own eclipse viewer out of cereal boxes. Boxes will be provided, or bring your own. 60 min.

Artist Feature: Yayoi Kusama

Apr 6, Sat. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe. Best for grades 3–8. Participants will enjoy a brief presentation about Japanese artist Yayoi Kusama and her renowned artistic style. She is known for her extensive use of polka dots and for her Infinity Mirrored Rooms. The presentation will be followed by crafts inspired by Kusama's art. All art materials will be provided, but come dressed for mess. 60 min.



Drop in Play Time

Apr 10, Wed. 10:00 AM at Tuckahoe. Best for ages 2–5. Come to the library and explore movement with fun gross motor activities. 60 min.

Family Maker Lab: Makey Makeys

Apr 13, Sat. 2:30 PM at Fairfield. Stop by the Digital Media Lab anytime during the program to explore a fun activity and learn about some cool technology with your family. This month, we'll use organic materials to play computer games with the help of Makey Makeys. 60 min.

Fun With Plarn

Apr 20, Sat. 3:00 PM at Fairfield. Best for ages 8+. Learn how to repurpose single-use plastic shopping bags by turning them into "plarn," a yarn you can crochet, knit, or weave into sustainable crafted items such as durable totes and waterproof outdoor sitting mats. Basic crochet skills recommended but not required. Make your own plarn creation to take home! Bring plastic bags from home, or use bags from our collection. 60 min.

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Earth Day Movie

Apr 22, Mon. 10:00 AM at Twin Hickory. WALL-E (2008, G, 98 min.)

Preschool STEM: Narwhals

Apr 23, Tue. 3:30 PM at Twin Hickory. Best for ages 3–5 with an adult. For National Narwhal Day, let’s celebrate the unicorns of the sea. We will have fun activities and learn some interesting facts about narwhals. 30 min.

Hardware Painting

Apr 25, Thu. 3:00 PM at Fairfield. Best for grades K–5. Create beautiful art with wingnuts, washers, screws, and bolts! We’ll be using paint, so dress for mess. All materials are provided. 60 min.

Preschool Craft: Garden Fairy and Woodland Creature Houses

Apr 25, Thu. 3:30 PM at Twin Hickory. Best for ages 3–5, with an adult. Listen to a story and then create a home for garden fairies, gnomes and other forest creatures. 60 min.

Field Day

Apr 27, Sat. 11:00 AM–1:00 PM at North Park. Created and hosted by the Northside Teen Advisory Board. Come to our Field Day event, rain or shine! We will have different activity stations and games. Play all the way through in order to win a treat at the end. 2 hours.

Once Upon a Time: An Interactive Storytelling Session

Apr 27, Sat. 12:00 PM at Varina. Everyone loves to tell a story. In celebration of National Tell a Story Day, we’re challenging you to use your imagination and a variety of props and prompts to create and tell your own story. All supplies will be provided. 60 min.

Plant A Seed

Apr 27, Sat. 2:00–4:00 PM at Libbie Mill. Celebrate the first days of spring by planting some seeds. Drop in to enjoy creating your own container pots, filling them with soil, and planting a variety of seeds. All supplies provided. 2 hours.

LEGO Builders

Apr 27, Sat. 3:00 PM at Sandston. Best for ages 4+. Your imagination is the limit as you and your family and friends build with LEGO. 60 min.

MAY

Mother’s Day Massage

May 1, Wed. 6:00 PM at Twin Hickory. Give your mother something special for Mother’s Day this year. Learn how to give her a massage! Shelley and Kristina of Nimbus Massage will guide you through the best practices of massaging the scalp, neck, arms, hands, and back. Moms may attend with up to two children ages 5–17. 60 min.

Kindergarten Readiness

May 1, 8, 15, 22, Wednesdays 6:00 PM at Varina. For new kindergartners. So you have registered your child for Kindergarten, now it’s time to get your child school ready! Attend all four sessions in the series in order to help get your child ready for school. Children will learn skills to help set them up for success in the classroom while adults will have the opportunity to talk with Early Childhood professionals and each other. 90 min.



Build A Birdhouse

May 1, Wed. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill. Celebrate spring by building and decorating your own birdhouse. All supplies provided. 60 min.

May the Fourth Be With You

May 4, Sat. 2:00 PM at Fairfield. Celebrate all things *Star Wars* on the second floor. Make some crafts, watch a movie, and keep an eye out for some special guests. 2 hours.

Star Wars Day

May 4, Sat. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe. May the 4th be with you! Whether you’re loyal to the Rebel Alliance or the Empire, drop by the children’s area and visit our various stations with *Star Wars*-themed crafts and activities. Discover your Jedi name, practice your X-wing piloting skills, make a headband or mask of your favorite character, and more. 60 min.

DIY Lei for Mother’s Day

May 6, Mon. 3:30 PM at Gayton. Create a Lei for Asian American and Pacific Islander Month and for the mothers, grandmothers, and mother figures in your life. In Hawaiian culture, the giving of a Lei to a mother, grandmother, or mother figure represents love and appreciation for all they have done. All supplies will be provided. 30 min.

Create Your Own Jellyfish

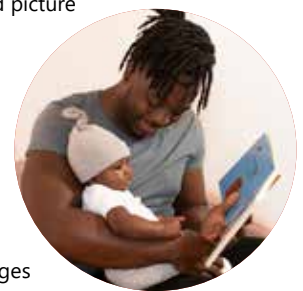
May 6, Mon. 6:00 PM at Fairfield. Best for ages 5+. Using paper bowls, streamers, googly eyes, and more, create your own jellyfish. All materials will be provided. 60 min.

Spring Watercolors

May 6, Mon. 6:00 PM at Varina. Bring your creativity as we explore painting. Participants will make a spring-themed picture using watercolor techniques. All supplies are provided. 60 min.

Baby Explorers

May 11, Sat. 10:30 AM at Sandston. Best for ages 24 months and younger with a caregiver. Let’s explore new rhymes, bounce, make animal sounds, and meet some new friends. 30 min.



Children’s Mini Gardening Club

May 13, Mon. 4:00 PM at Tuckahoe. Best for ages 7–11. Learn and get your hands dirty at the same time! Meet to discuss different elements of gardening. Expect hands-on activities and/or outdoor walks, so dress for the weather and be ready to get a bit messy. 45 min.

Spring Carnival

May 18, Sat. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe. Best for ages 2–7. Step into our Spring Carnival hosted by the West End Teen Advisory Board, where you can participate in various events throughout the space. 2 hours.

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Galaxy Butterflies

May 23, Thu. 3:30 PM at Twin Hickory. Best for ages 3–5 with an adult helper. Listen to a story, enjoy some music, and make your own beautiful galaxy butterfly. Supplies and books for inspiration are provided. 60 min.

Tape Town

May 24, Fri. 10:00 AM at Fairfield. Best for ages 2–5. Beep beep! Come to experience an interactive cityscape, connected with a network of duct tape roads, where you can visit different parts of town with toy vehicles. Kids will strengthen motor skills, make connections, and have lots of opportunities for imaginative and open-ended play in Tape Town. 60 min.

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Summer Kickoff Festival

May 25, Sat. 2:00 PM at Glen Allen. The Northwest Teen Advisory Board presents our Summer Festival. Members of our Teen Advisory Board have worked hard to put together a variety of activities for their community. Usher in summer with anything from games to crafts. Fun for all ages! 2 hours.

Zines!

May 29, Wed. 3:00 PM at Fairfield. Zines (like the end of the word "magazine") are tiny, self-made books. They can be about anything you want! Come learn more about zines, and make one of your very own. All materials will be provided. 60 min.

REGULAR KIDS & FAMILY PROGRAMS

These programs occur regularly or semi-regularly.

After School Art

Best for grades 1–5. Supplies are provided. 60 min.

Mar 5, Tue. 3:30 PM at Twin Hickory. Northern Lights Chalk Art: Learn about the phenomenon of the Aurora Borealis and create a colorful night sky scene using chalk.

May 7, Tue. 3:30 PM at Twin Hickory. Monet in May: Learn about the Impressionist style of artist Claude Monet, and create your own artwork inspired by Monet's water lilies.

Baby & Toddler Playtime

Babies and toddlers are invited to play together and explore their senses. Just bring your imagination, we'll supply the materials! 60 min.

Mar 29, Fri. 9:30 AM at Fairfield

Apr 26, Fri. 9:30 AM at Fairfield

May 10, Fri. 9:30 AM at Fairfield

Busy Hands

Best for ages 3–5. Take part in some creative learning by listening to a fun story and then creating a related craft with provided materials to take home and enjoy. 60 min.

Apr 19, Fri. 10:30 AM at Tuckahoe

May 17, Fri. 10:30 AM at Tuckahoe

Chess Time

Stop by for a casual game of chess. All experience levels welcome! 2 hours.

Mar 21, Thu. 3:30 PM at Fairfield

Apr 18, Thu. 3:30 PM at Fairfield

May 16, Thu. 3:30 PM at Fairfield



Dungeons & Dragons for Kids

Best for grades K–5. Dive into the world of Dungeons and Dragons and grow your role playing game skills. This one-shot adventure will help young gamers get a feel for how tabletop role playing games work. We will have a selection of pre-made characters available or you can bring your own level one character. All experience levels are welcome. 60 min.

Apr 16, Tue. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill

May 22, Wed. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill

Elementary Art Club

Best for grades 3–5. All young budding artists, let your imagination run wild while learning a new art technique each month. Some months we may get a little messy, so appropriate clothing is recommended. All supplies are provided. 60 min.

Mar 13, Wed. 3:30 PM at Tuckahoe

Mar 20, Wed. 3:00 PM at Fairfield

Apr 10, Wed. 3:30 PM at Tuckahoe

Apr 17, Wed. 3:00 PM at Fairfield

May 8, Wed. 3:30 PM at Tuckahoe

May 15, Wed. 3:00 PM at Fairfield



Minute to Win It

Bring your whole family for this fun and giggle-inducing program. Families will be given multiple challenges to achieve in less than 60 seconds. 60 min.

Apr 5, Fri. 11:00 AM at Tuckahoe, best for grades K–5

Apr 27, Sat. 11:00 AM at Glen Allen for all ages

K–2 Bookworms

Best for grades K–2. Kids are invited to meet up with friends for an interactive look at books. Get ready to find out just how much fun reading can be. We will read a book during the program and do a related activity. All supplies are provided.

Mar 14, Thu. 3:30 PM at North Park, 25 min.

Mar 14, Thu. 3:30 PM at Tuckahoe, 45 min.

Apr 11, Thu. 3:30 PM at North Park, 30 min.

Apr 11, Thu. 3:30 PM at Tuckahoe, 45 min.

May 9, Thu. 3:30 PM at North Park, 30 min.

May 9, Thu. 3:30 PM at Tuckahoe, 45 min.

Krafty Kids

Best for preschool–grade 2. Enjoy some creative learning and fun with a green-themed event. 45 min.

Mar 16, Sat. 11:00 AM at North Park

Apr 13, Sat. 11:00 AM at North Park

May 25, Sat. 11:00 AM at North Park

Open Art Studio for Kids

Best for ages 3–9. Encourage your child's creativity with developmentally appropriate art experiences. Process art allows children to explore various techniques and materials, creating a piece of art that's unique and original. Supplies will be provided and picture books will be available to inspire budding artists. 60 min.

Mar 2, Sat. 11:00 AM at Glen Allen

Apr 6, Sat. 11:00 AM at Glen Allen

May 11, Sat. 11:00 AM at Glen Allen

Pre-K Open Art

Best for ages 3–5. Encourage your child's creativity through open-ended art experiences. Children will explore different textures and media through a developmentally appropriate art project that emphasizes discovery and independence. All supplies provided. 60 min.

Mar 18, Mon. 2:30 PM at Libbie Mill

Apr 22, Mon. 2:30 PM at Libbie Mill

May 20, Mon. 2:30 PM at Libbie Mill

PUP READers

Best for ages 6+. Read a story aloud to a trained therapy dog from Paws Unleash Potential. Improve your reading confidence and make a new furry friend!

Mar 2, Sat. 11:30 AM at Varina, 60 min.

Mar 7, Thu. 3:30 PM at Fairfield, 60 min.

Mar 21, Thu. 6:00 PM at Glen Allen, 90 min.

Apr 4, Thu. 3:30 PM at Fairfield, 60 min.

Apr 6, Sat. 11:30 AM at Varina, 60 min.

Apr 11, Thu. 6:00 PM at Glen Allen, 90 min.

May 4, Sat. 11:30 AM at Varina, 60 min.

May 16, Thu. 6:00 PM at Glen Allen, 90 min.

May 30, Thu. 3:30 PM at Fairfield, 60 min.



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Readers Rule

Best for grades K–2 with an adult. Explore a different outstanding beginner book series each month as an engaging way to support emerging literacy. We'll celebrate the appealing characters populating the pages with a read-aloud and various other fun activities. 45 min.

- Mar 19, Tue. 3:30 PM** at Twin Hickory
- Apr 16, Tue. 3:30 PM** at Twin Hickory
- May 21, Tue. 3:30 PM** at Twin Hickory

Time Travel Club

Best for grades K–5. Blast to the past and complete crafts and activities that explore a moment in history. Supplies are provided. 60 min.

- Mar 21, Thu. 3:30 PM** at Twin Hickory. Ancient China
- Apr 18, Thu. 3:30 PM** at Twin Hickory. Titanic
- May 16, Thu. 3:30 PM** at Twin Hickory. Colonial America

Toddler and Preschool Playtime

Best for ages 2–5. Experience creative learning and fun as we develop fine motor skills through hands-on art and sensory play. 60 min.

- Mar 18, Mon. 3:30 PM** at Gayton
- Apr 15, Mon. 3:30 PM** at Gayton
- May 20, Mon. 3:30 PM** at Gayton



Toddler Music Time

Best for ages 2–3 with an adult. Come sing, dance and hear a story. 30 min.

- Mar 8, Fri. 10:30 AM** at Twin Hickory
- Apr 19, Fri. 10:30 AM** at Twin Hickory
- May 17, Fri. 10:30 AM** at Twin Hickory

Weekly Storytimes

These storytimes take place weekly, except during holidays and storytime breaks. Storytime breaks are March 31–April 13 and May 19–June 8.

Newborn Giggle & Gather

For newborns and infants. Help start a lifelong love of books and reading while networking with other parents and caregivers. 30 min.

- Tuesdays 9:30 AM** at Fairfield
- Tuesdays 9:30 AM** at Tuckahoe
- Thursdays 9:30 AM** at Libbie Mill

Baby Songs & Stories

Best for ages 6–24 months. 30 min.

- Mondays 10:00 AM** at Fairfield
- Mondays 10:30 AM** at Twin Hickory
- Mondays 11:00 AM** at Tuckahoe
- Tuesdays 9:30 AM** at Libbie Mill
- Tuesdays 10:30 AM** at Gayton
- Tuesdays 10:30 AM** at Glen Allen
- Tuesdays 10:30 AM** at Twin Hickory
- Wednesdays 9:30 AM** at Tuckahoe
- Wednesdays 9:30 AM** at Varina
- Saturdays 9:30 AM** at Libbie Mill
- Saturdays 9:30 AM** at Twin Hickory
- Saturdays 9:30 AM** at Varina
- Saturdays 10:00 AM** at Tuckahoe

Music, Rhymes, & Wiggle Time

Best for ages 24–36 months. 30 min.

- Mondays 10:30 AM** at Glen Allen
- Mondays 10:30 AM** at Libbie Mill
- Mondays 10:30 AM** at North Park
- Tuesdays 10:30 AM** at Tuckahoe
- Wednesdays 9:30 AM** at Libbie Mill
- Wednesdays 9:30 AM** at Twin Hickory
- Wednesdays 10:00 AM** at Fairfield
- Wednesdays 10:30 AM** at Tuckahoe
- Thursdays 10:30 AM** at Libbie Mill
- Thursdays 10:30 AM** at Twin Hickory
- Thursdays 10:30 AM** at Varina

Read, Play, Grow

Best for ages 3–5 years. 30 min.

- Mondays 9:30 AM** at Libbie Mill
- Mondays 9:30 AM** at Twin Hickory
- Tuesdays 9:30 AM** at Twin Hickory
- Tuesdays 10:30 AM** at Libbie Mill
- Tuesdays 11:00 AM** at Fairfield
- Wednesdays 10:30 AM** at North Park
- Wednesdays 10:30 AM** at Sandston
- Wednesdays 11:00 AM** at Gayton
- Thursdays 9:30 AM** at Twin Hickory
- Thursdays 11:00 AM** at Tuckahoe

Family Fun

All ages. 30 min.

- Mondays 10:00 AM** at Tuckahoe
- Tuesdays 6:30 PM** at Fairfield
- Wednesdays 10:30 AM** at Glen Allen
- Wednesdays 7:00 PM** at Twin Hickory
- Thursdays 3:30 PM** at Varina
- Fridays 3:30 PM** at Varina
- Saturdays 10:00 AM** at Fairfield
- Saturdays 10:30 AM** at Libbie Mill
- Saturdays 10:30 AM** at Twin Hickory
- Saturdays 11:00 AM** at Tuckahoe
- Saturdays 11:00 AM** at Varina
- Sundays 2:00 PM** at Fairfield
- Sundays 2:00 PM** at Libbie Mill

Pajama Time

All ages. Evening storytime with songs and stories. Pajamas welcome! 30 min.

- Tuesdays 6:30 PM** at Varina

Hello! Storytime

All ages. Stories, simple rhymes and repetition to help build English language skills. Not just for children but for the whole family. 30 min.

- Thursdays 10:00 AM** at Tuckahoe

Cuentos Bilingües (Bilingual Storytime)

Todas las edades. Ven a escuchar cuentos que fomentan las habilidades de alfabetización temprana. En español e inglés. / All ages. Come listen to stories that encourage early literacy skills. In Spanish and English. 30 min.

- Wednesdays 10:30 AM** at Libbie Mill
- Wednesdays 6:30 PM** at Fairfield

Adaptive Storytime

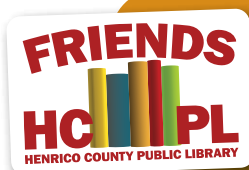
Ages 1–12 and all abilities, with an adult. Designed for neurodivergent children, this inclusive storytime incorporates movement, music, stories, sensory activities, and play. Activities presented generally fall within a preschool interest level. Siblings and therapists are welcome.

- Mondays 10:30 AM** at Glen Allen
- Tuesdays 10:30 AM** at Varina
- Tuesdays 3:30 PM** at Tuckahoe
- Thursdays 10:00 AM** at Fairfield

Virtual Family Storytime

All ages. An online family storytime filled with stories, songs, and activities to help your child grow a love of books and acquire the skills they need to start school ready to learn.

- Thursdays 6:30 PM** via Webex: 2631 310 3414



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