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## JOIN LIVINGSTON PARISH'S BIGGEST COMMUNITY OF READERS

Sign Up TODAY to join Livingston Parish's biggest community of avid readers!

Registration is officially open for the Livingston Parish Library's Readers Club, a year-long reading challenge for adults that rewards participants for reaching reading milestones and completing monthly challenges.

Introduced in 2022, the Readers Club is the perfect way to discover new books, genres, topics, and interests! Thousands of people have signed up for Readers Club over the last three years, making this Livingston Parish's biggest club centered around reading!

So whether you want to connect with other reading enthusiasts, challenge yourself to read more, or discover your next favorite book, Readers Club is the club for you!

### To participate in Readers Club, here's what you need to do:

- Visit [www.mylpl.info/readers-club](http://www.mylpl.info/readers-club) and click on the "Sign Up" tab
- Create a Beanstack account
- Read or listen to any book of your choosing
- Log your book into Beanstack to receive "Logging Badges"
- Attend the Readers Club Reception in January 2026 with other club members



### Monthly Challenge

Along with reading or listening to books of their choosing, Readers Club members may also complete Monthly Challenges to earn extra badges.

### Here's how you can complete a Monthly Challenge:

- Read one (1) book pertaining to that month's theme
- Log in to your Beanstack account
- Log your associated book on the Activity Badge for the month (logging must take place within the dates for the badge to earn it)

This year's theme is "A Journey Through Genres." For more information on the theme, go to Page 2.



# JOIN US FOR A POP-UP SCAVENGER HUNT!



Stop by L.M. Lockhart Park in Denham Springs to check out the Bookmobile and see if you can find some critters in a winter scavenger hunt! We will also have books, DVDs, board games, and more available for check out.

This event is for all ages, so bring the entire family!

**Location:** L.M. Lockhart Park in Denham Springs

**Date:** Saturday, January 11

**Time:** 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

## TAKE A 'JOURNEY THROUGH GENRES' IN READERS CLUB

This year, we're inviting you on a reading journey spanning different genres, locations, and attractions.

The theme for the 2025 Readers Club is **A Journey Through Genres**. Each month's theme will feature a different genre, location, and attraction. To complete the Monthly Challenge, read or listen to a book that falls into one of those three categories.

For example: The theme for January is "Winter is Coming." The featured genre is Fantasy; the featured locations are Alaska, Canada, or Northern Europe; and the featured attractions are Northern Lights and Snowy Mountains.



To complete January's Monthly Challenge, you must:

- Read a fantasy book, OR
- Read a book set in Alaska, Canada, or Northern Europe, OR
- Read a book featuring the Northern Lights or Snowy Mountains

Listed below are the themes for each month in 2025. If you wish to see a list of suggestions our librarians have put together, visit [www.mylpl.info/Readers-Club](http://www.mylpl.info/Readers-Club) and click on the "Monthly Challenge" tab.

### January – Winter Is Coming

Genre: Fantasy

Locations: Alaska, Canada, Northern Europe

Attractions: Northern Lights, Snowy Mountains

### February – In Love In Europe

Genre: Romance

Locations: Paris, Rome, London, Prague

Attractions: Eiffel Tower, Grand Canal

### March – Southern Charm

Genres: Southern Literature, Southern Gothic Literature

Locations: South/southeast U.S.

Attractions: Small Towns

### April – Poet-Tree is Blooming

Genre: Poets and their Poems

Locations: Japan, Southeast Asia

Attractions: Cherry Blossoms

### May – Adventure in the Amazon

Genre: Action/Adventure, Survival

Locations: South America

Attractions: Amazon Rainforest

### June – Wild Wild West

Genre: Westerns

Locations: American West

Attractions: Gold Mines, Ghost Towns

### July – Trouble in Paradise

Genre: Contemporary Fiction, True Crime

Locations: Coastal Cities, Beaches

Attractions: Famous Beaches

### August – Eat. Pray. Love

Genre: Nonfiction

Locations: Asia

Attractions: Food, Culture

### September – Safari Storytime

Genre: Traditional Stories, Folklore, Mythology

Locations: Africa

Attractions: Safaris, Pyramids

### October – Are You Fall Real?

Genre: Mystery

Locations: Northeast U.S.

Attractions: Fall Foliage

### November – Dive Into The Past

Genre: Historical Fiction, Historical Nonfiction

Locations: Caribbean, Central America

Attractions: Ancient Civilizations

### December – Holiday Heist

Genre: Thrillers

Locations: Central/Eastern Europe

Attractions: Christmas Markets

# PROGRAMS & EVENTS

EVENTS & ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS & TEENS

JANUARY 2025

## MAIN BRANCH IN LIVINGSTON

1/7	3:00p	DIY Fantasy Map	Ages 13-18
1/8	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5
1/9	5:30p	LEGO Club	Ages 5-12
1/10	10:30a	Wiggle Worms: Music & Movement	Ages 0-5
1/15	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5
1/21	5:30p	Heart Cubism with Oil Pastels	Ages 8-12
1/22	10:30a	1,000 Books Before Kindergarten	Ages 0-5
1/29	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5

## ALBANY - SPRINGFIELD

1/2	5:30p	DIY Fantasy Map	Ages 13-18
1/8	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5
1/9	5:30p	Heart Cubism with Oil Pastels	Ages 8-12
1/15	10:30a	1,000 Books Before Kindergarten	Ages 0-5
1/16	5:30p	LEGO Club	Ages 5-12
1/22	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5
1/29	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5
1/30	5:30p	Little Beats: DIY Instruments & Jam Session	Ages 3-7

## WATSON

1/2	5:00p	Teen Advisory Board	Ages 13-18
1/2	5:30p	Teen Hangout	Ages 13-18
1/3	10:30a	Wiggle Worms: Music & Movement	Ages 0-5
1/8	10:30a	1,000 Books Before Kindergarten	Ages 0-5
1/9	5:30p	Little Beats: DIY Instruments & Jam Session	Ages 6-12
1/15	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5
1/16	5:30p	DIY Fantasy Map	Ages 13-18
1/17	10:30a	Wiggle Worms: Music & Movement	Ages 0-5
1/22	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5
1/23	5:30p	LEGO Club	Ages 5-12
1/29	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5
1/30	5:30p	Snow Day Crafts	Ages 6-12

## DENHAM SPRINGS - WALKER

1/6	9:45a	Book Babies	Ages 0-2
1/6	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5
1/9	10:30a	Bilingual Storytime: La Hora del Cuento Bilingue	Ages 0-8
1/9	6:00p	Snow Day Crafts	Ages 6-12
1/13	9:45a	Book Babies	Ages 0-2
1/13	10:30a	1,000 Books Before Kindergarten	Ages 0-5
1/16	6:00p	LEGO Club	Ages 5-12
1/17	10:30a	Wiggle Worms: Music & Movement	Ages 0-5
1/23	6:00p	Little Beats: DIY Instruments & Jam Session	Ages 3-7
1/27	9:45a	Book Babies	Ages 0-2
1/27	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5
1/30	6:00p	Heart Cubism with Oil Pastels	Ages 8-12

## SOUTH

1/6	4:00p	The Creative Krewe	Ages 8-18
1/8	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5
1/15	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5
1/18	2:00p	Little Beats: DIY Instruments & Jam Session	Ages 6-12
1/22	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5
1/25	2:00p	Heart Cubism with Oil Pastels	Ages 8-12
1/28	5:00p	LEGO Club	Ages 5-12
1/29	10:30a	1,000 Books Before Kindergarten	Ages 0-5

**We Will Be CLOSED**  
**JANUARY 20**  
**for Martin**  
**Luther King**  
**Jr. Day**



# PROGRAMS & EVENTS

★ EVENTS & ACTIVITIES FOR AGES 18+

## MAIN BRANCH IN LIVINGSTON

1/11	10:00a	Glue Resist Fabric Dye Pouches	Ages 18+
1/23	5:30p	Book Flower Press	Ages 18+
1/28	10:30a	Main Branch Book Club	Ages 18+

## ALBANY - SPRINGFIELD

1/11	1:00p	Crafting Club	Ages 18+
1/24	1:00p	Glue Resist Fabric Dye Pouches	Ages 18+
1/25	11:00a	Puzzle Café	Ages 18+
1/27	10:00a	Albany-Springfield Book Club	Ages 18+
1/31	1:00p	Book Flower Press	Ages 18+

## SOUTH

1/4	10:30a	Friends & Needles: A Fiber Arts Circle	Ages 16+
1/7	10:30a	Joyful Reads Book Club	Ages 18+
1/16	5:30p	Book Flower Press	Ages 18+
1/18	10:30a	Threaditions: The Slow Stitch Way	Ages 18+
1/22	2:00p	Master Gardener: Worm Castings	Ages 18+
1/30	5:30p	Bookies Book Club	Ages 18+

## DENHAM SPRINGS - WALKER

1/2	6:00p	Adult Writers' Club	Ages 18+
1/8	1:00p	Seaux Easy	Ages 18+
1/9	2:00p	Book Flower Press	Ages 18+
1/14	5:30p	Reader's Club Reception	Ages 18+
1/15	2:00p	Hooks & Loops Crochet Club	Ages 18+
1/16	2:00p	Box of Chocolates Book Club	Ages 18+
1/18	1:00p	Afternoon Board Games	Ages 18+
1/22	6:00p	Introduction to Laser Engraving	Ages 18+
1/23	10:00a	Adult Writers' Club	Ages 18+
1/30	2:00p	Glue Resist Fabric Dye Pouches	Ages 18+

## WATSON

1/7	5:30p	Snowy Winter Vase	Ages 18+
1/14	10:00a	Sunny Side Up Inspirational Book Club	Ages 18+
1/14	6:00p	Spine Tinglers Book Club	Ages 18+
1/21	5:30p	Glue Resist Fabric Dye Pouches	Ages 18+

All in-person events in red require pre-registration. To register, please call your preferred branch or visit [www.mylpl.info](http://www.mylpl.info) and click on events.



# KIDS CORNER

## LITTLE BEATS: DIY INSTRUMENTS & JAM SESSION

Let's jam out at the library! We'll make some DIY instruments then rock out. Registration is Required. *For ages 3-7.*

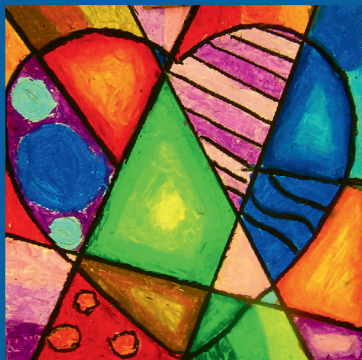
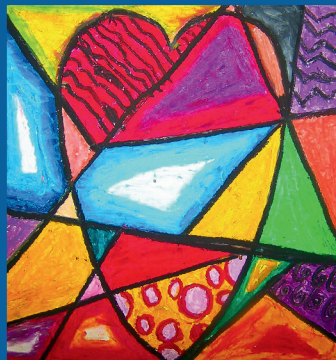
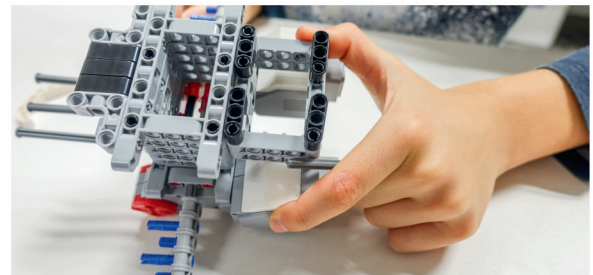
WAT	Thursday, January 9	5:30 pm
STH	Saturday, January 18	2:00 pm
DSW	Thursday, January 23	6:00 pm
AS	Thursday, January 30	5:30 pm



## LEGO CLUB

Calling all LEGO lovers! Each month we will host LEGO Club with a different theme. LEGO will be provided. *For ages 5-12.*

MAIN	Thursday, January 9	5:30 pm
AS	Thursday, January 16	5:30 pm
DSW	Thursday, January 16	6:00 pm
WAT	Thursday, January 23	5:30 pm
STH	Tuesday, January 28	5:00 pm



## HEART CUBISM WITH OIL PASTELS

You will LOVE our abstract heart art. We will use straight lines to form an art piece with oil pastels. Registration is required. *For ages 8-12.*

AS	Thursday, January 9	5:30 pm
MAIN	Tuesday, January 21	5:30 pm
STH	Saturday, January 25	2:00 pm
DSW	Thursday, January 30	6:00 pm

## SNOW DAY CRAFTS

Let's have a snowy day of fun at the library! Join us in making some delightful snow-themed crafts for a wonderful winter! Registration is Required. *For ages 6-12.*

DSW	Thursday, January 9	6:00 pm
WAT	Thursday, January 30	5:30 pm





# TEEN SCENE

## TEEN ADVISORY BOARD

Hey Teens! Do you want to help out at the library and work towards making a positive impact in your community? Connect with other teens to share ideas, plan programs you would like to see, volunteer at the branch, and help choose books for our young adult sections. Join a Teen Advisory Board and make a difference! Apply at the Library Today! *For ages 13-18.*

WAT Thursday, January 2 5:00 pm

## TEEN HANGOUT

Join us for a teen hangout! Bring your friends or come to make new ones where everyone is welcome! Video games, activities, crafts, snacks, and more! *For ages 13-18.*

WAT Thursday, January 2 5:30 pm



## THE CREATIVE KREWE

Creativity starts here: Imagine. Draw. Paint. Come along with us as we learn about various types of art. We will try new mediums and techniques throughout the year. All skill levels are welcome, from beginner to advanced artists.

Registration is required. *For ages 8-18.*

STH Saturday, January 6 4:00 pm



## DIY FANTASY MAP

Let's turn your fantasy world into a reality—one map at a time! Learn how to create a map so you can sketch, color, and detail your own unique land. *For ages 13-18.*

AS Thursday, January 2 5:30 pm

MAIN Tuesday, January 7 3:00 pm

WAT Thursday, January 16 5:30 pm





# ADULT PROGRAMS

## SNOWY WINTER VASE

Even though our holiday decorations are put away, we can still decorate for the Winter Season. Join us to create a snowy winter vase that you can show off all the way through March! All supplies provided. Registration is required. *For ages 18+.*

WAT      Tuesday, January 7      5:30 pm

## INTRODUCTION TO LASER ENGRAVING

Discover the cutting edge of creativity at your library! Join us for an immersive, hands-on experience where you'll learn how to use LPL's state-of-the-art laser engraver. Our knowledgeable staff will guide you through the process, teaching you how to create designs and engrave them on wood. You'll even have the opportunity to create your very own personalized keychain to take home with you. Don't miss out on this incredible opportunity to explore the world of laser engraving and unleash your creative potential! Registration is required as space is limited. *For ages 18+.*

DSW      Wednesday, January 22      6:00 pm



## MASTER GARDENER: WORM CASTINGS

What are worm castings, and why do I need them? Worm castings are an organic form of fertilizer produced from earthworms. Not so weird now, right? Nicole Prudhomme will teach us how to start taking advantage of a fertilizer provided by the earth for the earth. This program is presented in partnership with the Livingston Parish chapter of the LSU AgCenter's Louisiana Master Gardener Program. *For ages 18+.*

STH      Wednesday, January 22      2:00 pm



## 2024 READERS CLUB RECEPTION

Did you participate in the 2024 Readers Club Challenge? If so, please join us at the Denham Springs-Walker Branch for LPL's annual Readers Club Reception! The evening will begin at 5:30 p.m. for refreshments, to receive your completion prizes, and meet and mingle with other members of the club. The presentation will begin at 6:00 p.m. Registration is required. *For ages 18+.*

DSW      Tuesday, January 14      5:30 pm



## BOOK FLOWER PRESS

Get prepared to immortalize those Spring flowers! If you ever pressed a flower in a book, you know how well that works to preserve your blossoms. Join us in creating a literary flower press from an old book; the bigger, the better. We'll decorate it with paint and stencils to make an addition to your book shelf that will be truly unique! If you have a book you would like to use, bring it along; if not, use one of ours. Registration is required. *For ages 18+.*

DSW	Thursday, January 9	2:00 pm
STH	Thursday, January 16	5:30 pm
MAIN	Thursday, January 23	5:30 pm
AS	Friday, January 31	1:00 pm



## GLUE RESIST FABRIC DYE POUCHES

Let's use the glue resist method to paint beautiful, unique designs onto fabric pouches. What a stylish way to store your knick-knacks! Registration is required. *For ages 18+.*

MAIN	Saturday, January 11	10:00 am
WAT	Tuesday, January 21	5:30 pm
AS	Friday, January 24	1:00 pm
DSW	Thursday, January 30	2:00 pm



## THREADITIONS: THE SLOW STITCH WAY

Start a "threadition" for your family by learning to sew and embroider by hand. Learn some of the stitches and techniques that your grandmothers used to make and decorate useful items like clothes, quilts, and pillowcases. This year-long series will teach the basics of hand applique, hand piecing and hand quilting, as well as hand embroidery through the medium of creating a slow stitch journal - one fabric page for every month of the year. Start a "threadition" and join us on the third Saturday each month. Beginners are welcome! Registration is required. *For ages 18+.*

STH	Saturday, January 18	10:30 am
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## ADULT WRITERS' CLUB

Are you looking for a friendly writer's atmosphere? People to share ideas with? Feedback for your latest writing project? Our creative writing group is for you. We focus on support, helping each other, and having fun! All genres and all levels, from novice to pro writers, are welcome. During each club meeting, we will participate in troubleshooting discussions, enjoy some writing time, and end the session with friendly feedback for those who want it. To find out how to join, contact Lee Cline at [LCline@mylpl.info](mailto:LCline@mylpl.info). *For ages 18+.*

DSW	Thursday, January 2	6:00 pm
DSW	Thursday, January 23	10:00 am



# ENJOY CLASSICAL AND JAZZ MUSIC AT YOUR FINGERTIPS

**medici.tv**

With a library card, patrons have access to medici.tv, the premier classical music channel.

Medici.tv is home to the world's largest video-on-demand catalogue in the classical music industry. It contains more than 4,000 concerts, operas, ballets, documentaries, master classes and jazz programs available to stream in HD.

## DIVE INTO A DIY PROJECT WITH CREATIVEBUG



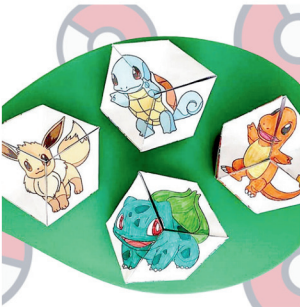
Through Creativebug.com, LPL patrons have access to more than 1,000 award-winning art & craft video courses taught by design experts and artists.

### Through this database, patrons can:

- Stream art & craft classes
- Get first access to new classes released daily
- Download patterns, templates, and recipes
- Stay connected through community galleries and forums

All databases can be found at [www.mylpl.info/databases](http://www.mylpl.info/databases).

## TAKE & MAKES



### Pokemon Evolution Flextanglers - For Kids

Gotta catch 'em all! Are you a Pokemon fan? Take your Pokemon through its evolutionary stages with these do-it-yourself flextanglers! Kits available while supplies last. For ages 8-18.



### Wishes in a Bottle - Adults

What do you wish this new year holds? Help them come true by making a wishing bottle. You will write down your wishes and store them in this sparkly bottle. Pick up your kit at your local branch, while supplies last. For ages 18+.

## BRANCHES

### Main Branch

20390 Iowa Street  
Livingston, LA 70754  
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Mon. & Wed. 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.  
Tues. & Thurs. 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.  
Fri. & Sat. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

### Denham Springs - Walker

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Denham Springs, LA 70726  
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Fri. & Sat. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

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Livingston, LA 70754  
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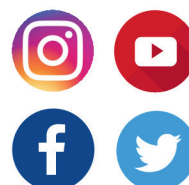
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