



Henrico County Public Library Program Guide



Calendar of Events for Summer

June, July, August 2025

Locations & Hours

AREA LIBRARIES

Mon–Thu	9 AM–9 PM
Fri, Sat	9 AM–6 PM
Fairfield	(804) 501-1930
1401 N. Laburnum Ave., Henrico VA 23223	
also open Sundays 1–5 PM	
Libbie Mill	(804) 501-1940
2100 Libbie Lake East St., Henrico VA 23230	
also open Sundays 1–5 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 AM–9 PM
Thu	1 PM–9 PM
Fri, Sat	10 AM–6 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 AM–4:30 PM
Admin Offices	(804) 501-1900
Mobile Library	(804) 501-1953
1700 N. Parham Rd., Henrico VA 23229	

HOLIDAY CLOSURES

Juneteenth	Thu., Jun. 19
Independence Day	Fri., Jul. 4

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SUMMER READING

• JUNE 1–AUGUST 1, 2025 •

READ BOOKS • WIN PRIZES

Art has the power to transform, uplift, and connect us! It allows us to see the world through different lenses, fostering empathy and understanding. This summer, we invite you to embark on a journey of reading, art, and creativity, celebrating the myriad ways in which art enriches our lives.

For details about this year's Summer Reading Challenge, join us for one of our Summer Reading kickoff events (see page 15) or visit henricolibrary.org/summerreading.

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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.

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.



 = 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



Book Discussions

Summer 2025

FAIRFIELD

Book Bites: A Tasty Book Club

Join our discussion and enjoy a bite-sized treat featured in the book.

Jun 3, Tue. 7:00 PM at Fairfield.

The Guest List by Lucy Foley. An exclusive wedding on a remote island turns into a murder investigation when one of the guests turns up dead, and many secrets of the past come to light. 60 min.

Jul 1, Tue. 7:00 PM at Fairfield. *The Personal Librarian* by Marie Benedict and Victoria Christopher Murray.

This remarkable novel tells the story about J. P. Morgan's personal librarian, Belle da Costa Greene, a Black American woman forced to hide her true identity and pass as White in order to leave a lasting legacy that enriched our nation. 60 min.

Fairfield Black Authors Book Discussion

Jun 17, Tue. 7:00 PM at Fairfield. *River Sing Me Home* by Eleanor Shearer. A former enslaved woman embarks on a perilous journey across the Caribbean to find her children, confronting the scars of the past and the hope for a future reimagined. 60 min.

Jul 15, Tue. 7:00 PM at Fairfield. *The Neighbor Favor* by Kristina Forest. Two former high school sweethearts get a second chance in this marriage of convenience romance. 60 min.

Aug 19, Tue. 7:00 PM at Fairfield. *Maame* by Jessica George. Maddie is more than ready to shake up her life in London and step away from family responsibilities and relationships that have limited her chances at love, friendship, and fun. In this funny, smart, and poignant late-coming-of-age tale, Maddie makes her way through the complexities of family, culture, and what she truly wants. 60 min.

GAYTON

Gayton Afternoon Book Discussion

Jun 9, Mon. 1:00 PM at Gayton. *Tomorrow and Tomorrow and Tomorrow* by Gabrielle Zevin. Two friends—often in love, but never lovers—come together as creative partners in the world of video game design, where success brings them fame, joy, tragedy, duplicity, and, ultimately, a kind of immortality. 60 min.

Jul 14, Mon. 1:00 PM at Gayton. *American Ramble* by Neil King Jr. King documents his walk from Washington, D.C., to New York City and tells stories about the people and pieces of history he encounters along the way. 60 min.

Aug 11, Mon. 1:00 PM at Gayton. *First Lie Wins* by Ashley Elston.

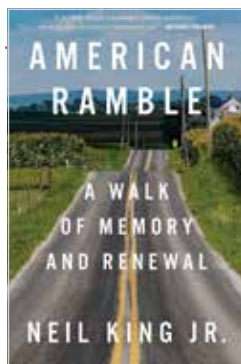
A woman working for a secret organization is assigned to gather information on a seemingly normal man, but unexpected twists keep changing her perspective. 60 min.

Gayton Evening Book Discussion

Jun 9, Mon. 7:00 PM at Gayton. *Banyan Moon* by Thao Thai. A Vietnamese-American mother and daughter must grapple with their family's legacy when they inherit the Banyan House manor. 60 min.

Jul 14, Mon. 7:00 PM at Gayton. *Tomorrow and Tomorrow and Tomorrow* by Gabrielle Zevin. 60 min.

Aug 11, Mon. 7:00 PM at Gayton. *American Ramble* by Neil King Jr. 60 min.



GLEN ALLEN

Glen Allen Book Discussion

Jun 10, Tue. 7:00 PM at Glen Allen. *Necessary Trouble: Growing Up at Midcentury* by Drew Gilpin Faust.

A privileged white girl in conservative, segregated Virginia was expected to adopt a willful blindness to the inequities of race and the constraints of gender. During the 1960s, through her love of learning and her active engagement in the civil rights, student, and antiwar movements, Drew forged a path of her own—one that would eventually lead her to become a historian of the very conflicts that were instrumental in shaping the world she grew up in. 60 min.

Jul 8, Tue. 7:00 PM at Glen Allen. *The Frozen River* by Ariel Lawhon. In 18th century New England, midwife and healer Martha Ballard struggles to solve the mystery behind a local man's shocking death. 60 min.

Aug 12, Tue. 7:00 PM at Glen Allen. *The Berry Pickers* by Amanda Peters. Growing up as the only child of affluent and overprotective parents, Norma, troubled by recurring dreams and visions that seem more like memories than imagination, searches for the truth, leading her to the blueberry fields of Maine, where a family secret is finally revealed. 60 min.

LIBBIE MILL

Libbie Mill LGBTQIA+ Book Discussion

Jun 3, Tue. 7:00 PM at Libbie Mill and via Webex: 2631 850 5153.

Blackouts by Justin Torres. During a deathbed conversation at a desert estate, two generations of queer men weave together histories real, imagined, and enduring in the face of attempts to distort or suppress them. 60 min.

Jul 1, Tue. 7:00 PM at Libbie Mill and via Webex: 2631 850 5153.

Open Throat by Henry Hoke. Enter the perspective of a queer mountain lion living under the Hollywood sign, perplexed by hikers' conversations, hungry, meditative. When a fire drives them further into town, their confrontation with humanity reveals deeper truths about LA, climate grief, and what it means to be sentient. 60 min.

Aug 5, Tue. 7:00 PM at Libbie Mill and via Webex: 2631 850 5153.

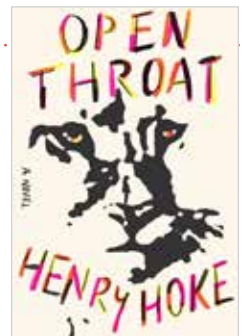
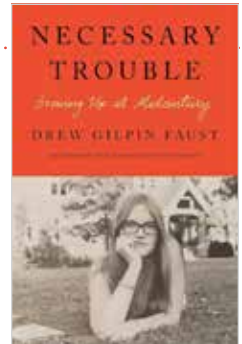
Dykette by Jenny Fran Davis. A three-couple vacation in the countryside implodes, demanding that each guest reckon with their desires around conformity, consumption, and the contemporary thirst for attention. 60 min.

Libbie Mill Afternoon Book Discussion

Jun 11, Wed. 1:00 PM at Libbie Mill. *Chain-Gang All-Stars* by Nana Kwame Adjei-Brenyah. Loretta and Hamara, lovers and teammates, are modern-day gladiators ensnared in the private prison industry, where fighters must entertain the masses and attempt to preserve their humanity as they fight to the death for freedom. 60 min.

Jul 9, Wed. 1:00 PM at Libbie Mill. *The Country of the Blind: A Memoir at the End of Sight* by Andrew Leland. Having been diagnosed with a degenerative eye condition as a college student, the author explores what it means to be blind as he navigates the journey from sightedness to blindness, seamlessly weaving his own personal experiences with insight from others, historical and cultural context, and literary references. 60 min.

Aug 13, Wed. 1:00 PM at Libbie Mill. *Unlikely Animals* by Annie Hartnett. In this quirky small town novel, medical school dropout Emma Starling returns home in order to care for her terminally ill father who, haunted by animal hallucinations and a well-known naturalist's bossy ghost, is driven to solve a local mystery. 60 min.



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NORTH PARK**North Park Evening Book Discussion**

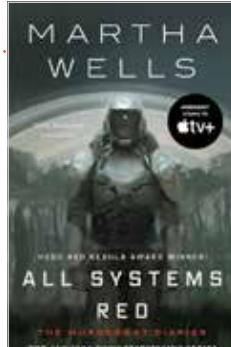
Jun 23, Mon. 7:00 PM at North Park. *How Far the Light Reaches: A Life in Ten Sea Creatures* by Sabrina Imbler. Imbler explores intriguing models of family, care and community deep in the sea while integrating tales of their own life and childhood. 60 min.

Jul 21, Mon. 7:00 PM at North Park. *All Systems Red* by Martha Wells. A self-aware security android questions consciousness and morality in a far future interplanetary adventure. 60 min.

Aug 18, Mon. 7:00 PM at North Park. *West with Giraffes* by Lynda Rutledge. An emotional, rousing novel inspired by the incredible true story of two giraffes who made headlines and won the hearts of Depression-era America. 60 min.

Next Chapter Book Club

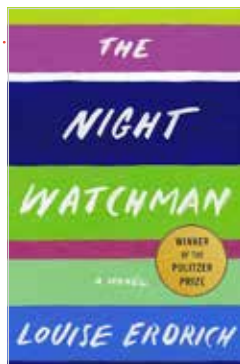
Jul 9, 16, 23, 30; Aug 6, 13, 20, 27, Wednesdays 10:00 AM at North Park. An eight-week program for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities to read, learn, and make new friends in a relaxed community setting. Spots are limited, but anyone age 18+ can participate regardless of their reading or ability level. Two facilitators will be present to read aloud and lead book discussions. Books are provided. To register, please contact Kimberly Bridges at kbridges@henricolibrary.org or (804) 501-1929. 60 min.

**SANDSTON****Savvy Sandston Book Discussion**

Jun 11, Wed. 7:00 PM at Sandston. *The Night Watchman* by Louise Erdrich. This historical novel is based on the life of the author's grandfather, tracing the experiences of a Chippewa Council night watchman in the mid-19th-century rural North Dakota as they battle with Congress to enforce Native American treaty rights. 60 min.

Jul 9, Wed. 7:00 PM at Sandston. *Lucky* by Marissa Stapley. A young con artist finds out how far she will go to claim a winning lottery ticket. 60 min.

Aug 13, Wed. 7:00 PM at Sandston. *The Incredible Winston Browne* by Sean Dietrich. In a small town in 1950s Florida, a man's life and a community are changed when a runaway girl arrives unexpectedly. 60 min.

**TUCKAHOE****Next Chapter Book Club**

Jul 7, 14, 21, 28; Aug 4, 11, 18, 25, Mondays 10:00 AM at Tuckahoe. See North Park description. 60 min.

Tuckahoe Afternoon Fiction Book Discussion

Jun 12, Thu. 1:00 PM at Tuckahoe. *The House in the Cerulean Sea* by TJ Klune. An enchanting love story, beautifully told, about the profound experience of discovering an unlikely family in an unexpected place. 60 min.

Jul 10, Thu. 1:00 PM at Tuckahoe. *Interior Chinatown* by Charles Yu. In an indictment and send-up of the tropes available to Asian American characters, aspiring actor Willis Wu navigates seemingly endless hurdles between his present circumstances and a life at center stage. 60 min.

Aug 14, Thu. 1:00 PM at Tuckahoe. *The Night Ship* by Jess Kidd. Explore the stories of two lonely children, living 350 years apart, whose paths unexpectedly cross on a small, remote island off the coast of Western Australia in this hauntingly beautiful novel. 60 min.

Tuckahoe Evening Fiction Book Discussion

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Jul 10, Thu. 7:00 PM at Tuckahoe. *Interior Chinatown* by Charles Yu. 60 min.

Aug 14, Thu. 7:00 PM at Tuckahoe. *The Night Ship* by Jess Kidd. 60 min.

Tuckahoe Real Stories Book Discussion

Jun 17, Tue. 7:00 PM at Tuckahoe. *Eager: The Surprising, Secret Life of Beavers and Why They Matter* by Ben Goldfarb. Goldfarb's book explores the critical ecological role of beavers in North America, tracing their historical decline from fur trade days to modern conservation efforts, while also touching on similar species in Great Britain. 60 min.

Jul 15, Tue. 7:00 PM at Tuckahoe. *Maid: Hard Work, Low Pay, and a Mother's Will to Survive* by Stephanie Land. Land's memoir vividly details her struggles as a single mother and minimum-wage housecleaner, offering a poignant critique of poverty, domestic violence, and inadequate social benefits while challenging stereotypes about the working poor. 60 min.

Aug 19, Tue. 7:00 PM at Tuckahoe. *Madness: A Brief History* by Roy Porter. This richly illustrated, pocket-sized book traces the evolution of perceptions and treatments of mental illness from ancient demonic possession beliefs to modern debates, highlighting the shift from supernatural causes to the Greek humoral theory. 60 min.

Not Just For Kids Book Discussion

Jun 24, Tue. 7:00 PM at Tuckahoe. *Simon vs. the Homo Sapiens Agenda* by Becky Albertalli. A closeted high school student navigates a secret romance with anonymous classmate, Blue, while facing the threat of exposure from a manipulative peer group. 60 min.

Jul 22, Tue. 7:00 PM at Tuckahoe. *Race to the Sun* by Rebecca Roanhorse. Seventh grader Nizhoni Begay teams up with her friends to rescue her father from monsters targeting her unique abilities, relying on her Navajo heritage and newfound powers to confront the threat. 60 min.

Aug 26, Tue. 7:00 PM at Tuckahoe. *White Smoke* by Tiffany D. Jackson. In a gripping mix of horror and social commentary, Mari navigates family tensions and sinister secrets in her new Cedarville home while battling her past and supernatural threats. 60 min.

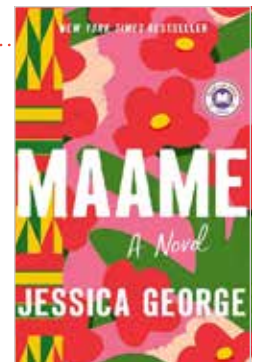
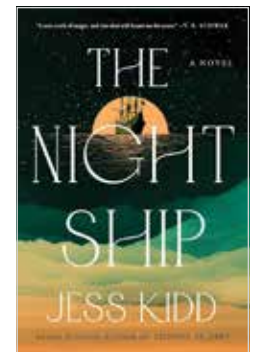
TWIN HICKORY**Twin Hickory Afternoon Book Discussion**

Jun 11, Wed. 1:00 PM at Twin Hickory.

Maame by Jessica George. See Fairfield description. 60 min.

Jul 9, Wed. 1:00 PM at Twin Hickory.

Pineapple Street by Jenny Jackson. The Stocktons of Brooklyn are entrenched one-percenters surfing the waves of the new Gilded Age, and enjoying their privilege. But they aren't immune to some universal family conflicts while sorting out who they want to be. Satire, humor, and details of their indulgences spell summer escapism. 60 min.

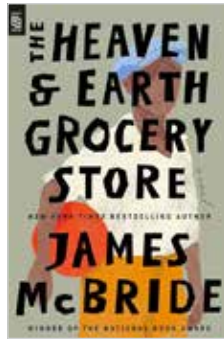


Aug 13, Wed. 1:00 PM at Twin Hickory. *All the Sinners Bleed* by S.A. Cosby. Charon County, Virginia has seemed like a quiet backwater for decades, but when Titus Crown returns to his hometown after a career in the FBI, he is faced with a series of unfolding town secrets, including a serial murderer hiding in plain sight. 60 min.

Twin Hickory Evening Book Discussion

Jun 26, Thu. 7:00 PM at Twin Hickory. *The Librarianist* by Patrick deWitt. Bob Comet, a melancholy introvert, is finding retirement difficult and boring, but a chance encounter in Portland finds him volunteering at a local senior center. All the complex memories of a far from routine life bubble to the surface as he discovers one of the residents played a role in his past in this humorous and poignant story of a retired librarian. 60 min.

Jul 24, Thu. 7:00 PM at Twin Hickory. *The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store* by James McBride. Chicken Hill in Pottstown, Pa., rallies its Jewish, Black, and immigrant citizens to protect an orphaned deaf boy from the machinations and interference of the city's white establishment. Old mysteries, stories, and relationships are brought to life through the complex, hilarious, and deeply human characters who make up the neighborhood. 60 min.



Aug 28, Thu. 7:00 PM at Twin Hickory. *Weyward* by Emilia Hart. Weyward Cottage is a refuge for Kate, who is fleeing an abusive relationship, but for her great aunt Violet, Weyward was a straitjacket that kept her from an education. But generations before Kate and Violet, Althea awaited trial in 1619 for witchcraft. Weyward Cottage's spells bind the three women together across five centuries. 60 min.

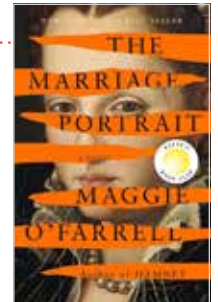
VARINA

Varina Evening Book Discussion

Jun 16, Mon. 7:00 PM at Varina. *Sisters in Arms* by Kaia Alderson. This historical novel based on true events explores the untold story of the only all-Black female US 6888th Central Postal Directory Battalion, known as the Six Triple Eight, during World War II. 60 min.


Jul 21, Mon. 7:00 PM at Varina. *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.

Aug 18, Mon. 7:00 PM at Varina. *Summer on the Bluffs* by Sunny Hostin. In the exclusive black beach community of Oak Bluffs on Martha's Vineyard, the three unofficial "goddaughters" of Amelia Vaux Tanner, successful women from different backgrounds, gather for one last summer together before Amelia moves to the south of France. 60 min.



Computer & Media Lab Classes

Summer 2025

 Computer and media lab classes with this symbol **require registration**, online or in person. 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

AGES 14+

Computer Basics: Keyboard & Mouse

Get familiar with how to interact with a desktop computer. If you know little or nothing about computers and want to learn more, this is the place to start!

Jun 3, Tue. 2:00 PM at Libbie Mill, 2 hrs.
Jul 15, Tue. 6:30 PM at Twin Hickory, 90 min.
Jul 16, Wed. 6:30 PM at Fairfield, 90 min.
Jul 24, Thu. 10:00 AM at Libbie Mill, 2 hrs.
Jul 24, Thu. 10:00 AM at Varina, 2 hrs.
Aug 27, Wed. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe, 60 min.

Computer Basics: Windows & File Management

Learn how to organize your files and use basic commands in Microsoft Office software.

Jun 11, Wed. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe, 2 hrs.
Jul 10, Thu. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill, 2 hrs.
Jul 29, Tue. 6:30 PM at Twin Hickory, 90 min.
Jul 31, Thu. 10:00 AM at Fairfield, 90 min.

Internet Basics: Getting Started

Learn how to navigate the web with a hands-on tour of the basics.

Jun 14, Sat. 2:00 PM at Fairfield, 90 min.
Jul 9, Wed. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe, 2 hrs.

Meet Libby

Get guidance and learn about using our ebook and audiobook service, Libby. This session will cover signing in, navigating the app, browsing and searching for titles, placing holds, and more. Attendees are encouraged to bring their own devices.

Jun 9, Mon. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe, 60 min.

Tech Tutor

Library staff assists with personal devices such as cellphones, e-readers, and laptops. Find answers to your technology questions. *Library staff can only offer basic assistance. We are not able to troubleshoot/repair malfunctioning or broken hardware or software.*

Jun 18, Wed. 7:00 PM at Fairfield, 60 min.
Jun 20, Fri. 11:00 AM at Sandston, 60 min.
Jun 20, Fri. 2:00 PM at Varina, 60 min.
Jul 8, Tue. 10:00 AM at Sandston, 60 min.
Aug 6, Wed. 6:00 PM at Sandston, 60 min.
Aug 12, Tue. 6:30 PM at Twin Hickory, 2 hrs.



PRODUCTIVITY

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Microsoft Word

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

Jun 12, Thu. 2:00 PM at Libbie Mill, 2 hrs.
Jul 2, Wed. 2:00 PM at Twin Hickory, 2 hrs.
Jul 8, Tue. 2:00 PM at Varina, 2 hrs.
Aug 6, Wed. 6:00 PM at Tuckahoe, 2 hrs.
Aug 6, Wed. 6:30 PM at Fairfield, 90 min.
Aug 7, Thu. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill, 2 hrs.

Word Focus: Resumes

Learn how to create your resumes using Microsoft Word. 90 min.

Aug 4, Mon. 2:00 PM at Twin Hickory

Microsoft Excel

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

Jun 11, Wed. 10:00 AM at Varina
Jun 24, Tue. 6:30 PM at Twin Hickory
Jun 25, Wed. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe
Jun 26, Thu. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill
Aug 19, Tue. 2:00 PM at Libbie Mill
Aug 21, Thu. 2:00 PM at Fairfield
Aug 27, Wed. 2:00 PM at Twin Hickory

Microsoft PowerPoint

Create slideshows with text, graphics, and animation. 2 hrs.

Jun 16, Mon. 6:30 PM at Twin Hickory
Jun 26, Thu. 10:00 AM at Fairfield
Jul 14, Mon. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe
Jul 15, Tue. 2:00 PM at Libbie Mill
Aug 14, Thu. 10:00 AM at Varina
Aug 21, Thu. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill

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✂ Creating and Using Google Forms

Google Forms lets you create online surveys, questionnaires, and quizzes. Learn how to set up a form that suits your needs, and how to manage the data you collect. Participants must have a Google Gmail account. 60 min.
Jul 10, Thu. 6:30 PM at Twin Hickory

✂ Introduction to Google Tools

Increase your productivity and organization with your Gmail account. Learn and explore Google apps, Google Drive, and Google Calendar. 90 min.
Jul 12, Sat. 2:00 PM at Fairfield

✂ Microsoft Publisher

Create flyers and brochures with text, borders, and graphics. 90 min.
Aug 9, Sat. 2:00 PM at Fairfield

MEET THE MEDIA LAB**✂ Introduction to the Digital Media Lab**

Discover the equipment and software available in the Digital Media Lab, such as Adobe Creative Suite, 3D printing, VHS transfer, podcasting, scanning, and green screens.

Aug 16, Sat. 10:30 AM at Twin Hickory, 2 hrs.
Aug 28, Thu. 6:00 PM at Varina, 90 min.

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 RESERVABLE
 LAB HOURS**

**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, and practice using Tinkercad to create a 3D design you can submit to be printed.

Jun 2, Mon. 2:00 PM at Twin Hickory for adults, 2 hrs.
Jun 2, Mon. 6:00 PM at Varina for grades K-5 with an adult, 90 min.
Jun 12, Thu. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill for grades K-5 with an adult, 90 min.
Jun 30, Mon. 6:00 PM at Varina for HS students and adults, 2 hrs.
Jul 23, Wed. 6:30 PM at Fairfield for grades K-5 with an adult, 2 hrs.
Aug 11, Mon. 6:00 PM at Tuckahoe for adults, 2 hrs.
Aug 20, Wed. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill for HS students and adults, 2 hrs.

✂ Pride Pronoun Pin Party

Learn how to design your own 3D custom pronoun pins using Tinkercad. Attendees will be eligible for a free print via the library's 3D printing service and will have the opportunity to add a pinback at pickup. 90 min.
Jul 17, Thu. 6:30 PM at Fairfield

✂ 3D Printed Photos

Learn how to 3D print your photos. We'll learn about 3D printing and the history of lithophanes (embossed photos) before generating files for printing. Attendees will be eligible for a free print via the library's 3D printing service. Bring digital photo files to class on a thumb drive, access your files through a cloud service, or submit your file online after class.
Jul 19, Sat. 2:30 PM at Fairfield for adults, 60 min.

IMAGING AND DESIGN**✂ Adobe Photoshop Basics**

This class will provide an overview of the tools and concepts that are fundamental in Adobe Photoshop. 2 hrs.

Jun 3, Tue. 6:30 PM at Fairfield for adults
Jun 5, Thu. 6:30 PM at Twin Hickory for adults
Aug 18, Mon. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe for adults

✂ Photoshop Shorts: Pop Art Pets

Learn how to create an Andy Warhol-inspired pop art piece based on a photo of your favorite companion. Bring a clear, well-lit photo (digital or physical) of your pet. 90 min.

Jun 4, Wed. 6:00 PM at Tuckahoe

**✂ Photoshop Shorts: Painting Basics**

Learn basic techniques for digital painting as well as understanding and organizing brush tools in Photoshop. 60 min.

Jun 5, Thu. 2:30 PM at Libbie Mill
Jun 24, Tue. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill

✂ Photoshop Shorts: Photo Restoration

Restore old photographs with Adobe Photoshop. Learn how to heal blemishes and use neural filters to quickly mend rips and tears and correct any color issues on a sample photo. Beginner experience with Photoshop is encouraged but not required. 60 min.

Jun 5, Thu. 7:00 PM at Fairfield
Aug 4, Mon. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill

✂ DIY Stickers

Learn to design and create your own stickers using Canva, a free, web-based design program, and our Cricut machine. 90 min.

Jun 11, Wed. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill for teens
Aug 28, Thu. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill for adults

✂ Digitize Your Photos, Film and Slides

Preserve your photos, film, and slides by digitizing them. We'll give instructions on using the photo scanner and accessories in the Digital Media Lab and give you time to try the equipment yourself. 90 min.

Jun 11, Wed. 6:30 PM at Twin Hickory

✂ Digital Camera Basics

Learn basic photography concepts and discover how to control and adjust certain settings. Please bring your own camera device and manual to class, or feel free to join camera-less to listen and learn. 60 min.

Jun 17, Tue. 2:30 PM at Fairfield

✂ Digitize Your Photos and Home Movies

Preserve your photos and old home movies by digitizing them. We'll provide instructions on using the photo scanner and VHS cassette converter. 2 hrs.

Jun 30, Mon. 6:00 PM at Tuckahoe

✂ Design Weaving Patterns

Use Microsoft Excel to create simple, clean designs for all your weaving needs. Experience with a loom is recommended, but not necessary. 90 min.

Jul 15, Tue. 6:30 PM at Fairfield

✂ Photoshop Shorts: Repairing Photos

Experiment with Photoshop's neural filters to discover the creative ways that you can modify a basic portrait headshot. Bring your own photo or use a class sample. Beginner level knowledge of Photoshop or working with digital images is required. 60 min.

Jul 23, Wed. 6:30 PM at Twin Hickory

✂ Adobe Illustrator Basics

For adults. Learn the basics of Adobe Illustrator by creating a logo.

Jul 28, Mon. 6:00 PM at Tuckahoe, 90 min.
Aug 25, Mon. 10:30 AM at Twin Hickory, 2 hrs.

✂ Introduction to Photopea

Learn the basics of Photopea, a free web-based photo and graphics editor similar to Adobe Photoshop. This class will provide an overview of Photopea and hands-on practice with the basics. 90 min.

Jul 21, Mon. 2:00 PM at Varina

✂ Digital Painting Program

Learn basic techniques for digital painting and using a Wacom art tablet. We will be using Krita, a free digital painting program. 90 min.

Jul 22, Tue. 6:00 PM at Varina

✂ Green Screen Basics

This class will provide an overview of using a green screen, including how to use Adobe Photoshop to edit the background by removing and replacing the green screen with an image of your choice. 90 min.

Aug 11, Mon. 6:00 PM at Varina for HS students and adults



Adobe InDesign Basics

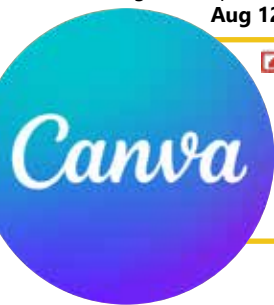
For adults. Learn the basic tools in Adobe InDesign. We will also cover design concepts that will help ensure your documents look great. 2 hrs.

Aug 12, Tue. 6:30 PM at Fairfield, 2 hrs.

Introduction to Canva

Canva is an online graphic design tool used to create an array of projects, including cards, stickers, flyers, social media posts, and presentations. Get an overview of Canva with hands-on practice of the basics. 2 hrs.

Aug 21, Thu. 2:00 PM at Varina

**CODING****Pixel Art with Scratch for Teens**

Create pixel art with Scratch programming language. 60 min.

Jul 21, Mon. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill

RECORDING AND EDITING**Podcasting Workshop**

For HS students and adults. Learn the basics of audio recording and editing with Audacity. 2 hrs.

Jul 9, Wed. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill

Jul 10, Thu. 6:00 PM at Varina

Jul 16, Wed. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe

Aug 4, Mon. 6:30 PM at Fairfield

ADULT programs

Summer 2025

JUNE**Learn to Knit**

Jun 3, Tue. 6:30 PM at Varina. If you are interested in learning to knit and want help getting started, learn the basic stitches you need and start your own scarf. 2 hrs.

Poe in Richmond

Jun 5, Thu. 6:00 PM at North Park. While many cities claim Edgar Allan Poe as their own, Poe considered Richmond his hometown. The River City is the alpha and omega of Poe's literary legacy, where he wrote his first lines of poetry, got his first job in journalism, and gave his last public reading before his death. The Poe Museum follows him through his many years in Richmond to show how the city influenced his greatest works. 60 min.

Craft Supply Swap: Get Ready to Color Your World

Jun 5, Thu. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill. Revitalize your craft supply stash and checking out a few books to inspire a summer of creativity. Bring in your gently used crafting materials: tools, fabric, yarn, paper, beads, and other supplies to share and find something new to you. Donations will be accepted in bags or boxes (limit of 2) starting Thursday, May 15. Contact the Libbie Mill adult reference desk for details. 90 min.

Botanical Artists Mini-Expo

Jun 6, Fri. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe. Drop in for live art demonstrations by botanical artists from Central Virginia Botanical Artists. There will be a craft station for kids of all ages, and displays and information related to native plants and pollinators. 90 min.

Celebrating Pride with the Virginia Department of Historic Resources

Jun 10, Tue. 6:30 PM at Fairfield. Blake McDonald from the Virginia Department of Historic Resources will present the key tenets of LGBTQ historic preservation and the statewide efforts to document and protect these stories and sites. Historical images of local places and narratives of individuals from the LGBTQ community will be shared. 60 min.

**LGBTQ+ in RVA: A History of Lesbian and Gay Richmond**

Jun 10, Tue. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill. Explore local LGBTQ+ history with Beth Marschak, co-author of *Lesbian and Gay Richmond*, as she shares stories, photos, and further research she's completed since the book's printing. 60 min.

In Stitches: Needlework and Fiber Arts Social

Jun 11, Wed. 3:00 PM at Gayton. Bring a project to work on or try a sample craft (while supplies last). Whether you're an experienced crafter or a curious beginner, this gathering offers a supportive space to share ideas, learn new techniques, and celebrate handcrafts. From crochet and quilting to embroidery and felting, all fiber arts are welcome. 90 min.

Foster Care Information Meeting

Jun 11, Wed. 6:00 PM at Fairfield. Foster parent coordinators from the Henrico County Department of Social Services will provide an orientation session informing interested parties about the process of becoming a foster parent in Henrico. They will also share the next steps for becoming licensed providers. 2 hrs.

Garden Bloopers: Learn from a Henrico Master Gardener

Jun 17, Tue. 11:00 AM at Sandston. For seniors. Overwatering, mulch volcanoes, shrub balls and "crape murder" are mistakes we've all made. Avoid these and other bloopers in your garden while saving time and money. Presented by Henrico Cooperative Extension and Henrico Master Gardeners. 60 min.

Native Plants

Jun 17, Tue. 2:00 PM at Glen Allen. Native plants take less care, feed wildlife, and attract birds and butterflies. Learn which native plants are best for landscaping. Presented by Henrico Cooperative Extension and Henrico Master Gardeners. 60 min.

Bubble Wrap Flower Painting

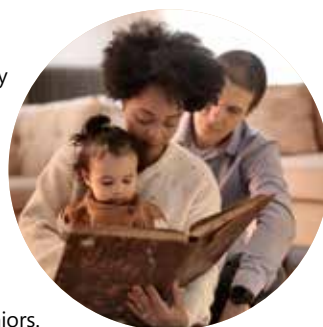
Jun 18, Wed. 2:00 PM at Sandston. Pop your way to a treasured piece of art. Use the unexpected power of bubble wrap to create stunningly colorful flower paintings. 60 min.

Silk Painting

Jun 20, Fri. 10:00 AM at Twin Hickory. Discover the French technique of serti, drawing designs and patterns on silk scarves with a liquid resist. Once the resist has dried and set with an iron, fabric paints are applied to complete the design. Students can expect to finish a long scarf. The workshop will also include a brief overview of the history of silk painting. Organized by the VMFA Office of Statewide Partnerships and funded, in part, by the Jean Stafford Camp Memorial Fund. 5 hrs.

Bouquet Shadow Drawings

Jun 21, Sat. 11:00 AM at Varina. Create shadow art with watercolors and flower bouquets! 90 min.



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Voices of Abolition

Jun 21, Sat. 2:00 PM at Fairfield. Discover the remarkable and invaluable contributions of African Americans who played a pivotal role in the abolition movement. Delve deeper into the extraordinary lives and works of historical figures like Frederick Douglass, who fought tirelessly for the rights of enslaved people; Sojourner Truth, who fought for women's rights and the abolition of slavery; and Harriet Tubman, who led countless enslaved individuals to freedom through the Underground Railroad. 60 min.

Adult Spelling Bee

Jun 21, Sat. 2:00 PM at Twin Hickory. Test your spelling ability and build your vocabulary in this fun, family-friendly, and noncompetitive spelling bee where no one is eliminated. Partner with someone or participate alone. The whole family is welcome to participate or observe and children may participate with an adult. Either way, it will be more fun if you are there! Sponsored by the Friends of HCPL. 60 min.

**Meet Finlay Donovan Book Discussion**

Jun 23, Mon. 3:00 PM at Tuckahoe. Get acquainted with the Finlay Donovan series in time for the upcoming visit of bestselling author Elle Cosimano on July 19. The first book in the series, *Finlay Donovan is Killing It*, follows a struggling crime writer as she becomes a suspect in a real-life investigation. Be prepared for a humorous and contemporary take on the cozy mystery genre! Books will be available at the adult reference desk starting June 1. 60 min.

Let's Play Cards

Jun 24, Tue. 6:00 PM at Varina. Card games are a fun, relaxing, and easy to learn activity that you can enjoy with others. Join us each month on the fourth Tuesday to learn and play a new card game. This month, we will be playing the popular game of cribbage. 2 hrs.

Creative Mending for Beginners

Jun 24, Tue. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill. Learn the basic techniques used for visible mends, then experiment with fun ways to fix and freshen up damaged clothes. 90 min.

Paper Quilled Art

Jun 25, Wed. 2:00 PM at Varina. Learn the simple technique of paper quilling. Create beautiful decorative designs that can be hung on your wall, framed, or turned into cards by coiling and shaping strips of colored paper. 90 min.

International Tabletop Game Night

Jun 26, Thu. 5:30 PM at Tuckahoe. International Tabletop Day is an annual event that occurs in June. Come flex your classic game skills! Board and card games suitable for the whole family will be provided, including chess, backgammon, Monopoly, cribbage, playing cards, and more. Feel free to bring your own board or card game. 2-1/2 hrs.

**Inspired Color: Painter Alma Woodsey Thomas**

Jun 26, Thu. 6:00 PM at North Park. See July 8 description at right.

Watercolor Sketching

Jun 28, Sat. 10:00 AM at Tuckahoe. Watercolor is a fun way to add color to your world. Come learn how to enhance your sketching and journaling with this easy and portable medium. If weather permits, we will be painting outside in the library garden. All skill levels welcome. 90 min.

UnScene: A Musical Experience

Jun 28, Sat. 10:00 AM at Varina. UnScene is a meditative musical experience in which classically trained musicians are positioned behind the audience, allowing listeners to focus on the music and all that is unseen. We recommend that you arrive before 10 AM to take a seat on the Grand Staircase for this wordless gathering. 30 min.

**Author Talk: Victoria Christopher Murray's *Harlem Rhapsody***

Jun 28, Sat. 11:00 AM at Fairfield. Join bestselling author Victoria Christopher Murray for an insightful discussion about her newest book, *Harlem Rhapsody*, a compelling story that explores love, secrets, and the vibrant culture and notable figures of the Harlem Renaissance. Books will be available for purchase and signing. Sponsored by the Friends of HCPL. 2 hrs.

Henrico Community Authors Showcase

Jun 30, Mon. 6:00 PM at Fairfield. Come see D. Denise Williams, author of *Welcome to Fluvanna, B*****. This book tells the story of the author who was incarcerated at age 55 for aggravated malicious wounding. Williams, a Christian Buddhist, goes into detail about behaviors, relationships, programs, and the prison system during her years at the maximum-security Prince William-Manassas Jail and Fluvanna Correctional Center for Women. She tells about the consistent, non-judgmental friendship of her Atlanta gal pal, and speaks of prayer and meditation as her saving grace. 60 min.

JULY**Board Games for Seniors**

Jul 1, Tue. 10:30 AM at Sandston. Advance to Go. Sink a battleship. Roll snake eyes. We're playing classic board games. Choose from our provided selection or bring your favorites from home. Sponsored by the Friends of HCPL. 2 hrs.

How to Establish and Maintain a Purple Martin Colony

Jul 1, Tue. 6:30 PM at Tuckahoe. Learn about the colony of purple martins living and breeding at the Tuckahoe Area Library. You will find out about the amazing life cycle of these migratory birds and how you might even be able to start a colony of your very own. Presented by Thomas Foster, Certified Virginia Master Naturalist. 60 min.

Creative Workshop: Summer Junk Journaling

Jul 2, Wed. 3:00 PM at Gayton. Preserve your favorite travel memories and summer highlights in a unique, personal record known as junk journaling. Create one-of-a-kind journals to treasure using everyday items that would otherwise be considered "junk." No previous art experience necessary, all skill levels are welcome. Bring a journal of your own to get started or learn to make one from discarded materials. 90 min.

Product Photography

Jul 2, Wed. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill. Learn how to take professional-looking photos of your products. We'll learn how to use light boxes, green screens, and more to enhance your photos. Please bring your camera device or phone to class, or use one of ours. 2 hrs.

Inspired Color: Painter Alma Woodsey Thomas

Jul 8, Tue. 6:00 PM at Libbie Mill
Jul 15, Tue. 6:00 PM at Sandston
Jul 17, Thu. 2:00 PM at Varina
Jul 25, Fri. 10:00 AM at Glen Allen
Jul 26, Sat. 10:00 AM at Fairfield. In this featured Summer Reading event, we will briefly survey the life, achievements, and key paintings of Alma Woodsey Thomas, the first Black woman to have her work added to the White House Collection of Art. Then, participants will design and use acrylic paints on canvas to create their own small paintings inspired by Thomas' bold and colorful work. Instruction and supplies will be provided. Sponsored by the Friends of HCPL. 2 hrs. *Image of Resurrection by Alma W. Thomas courtesy of the White House Collection of Art*



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Colorful Play: Games for Color Enthusiasts of All Ages**Jul 10, Thu. 2:00 PM** at Gayton**Jul 22, Tue. 10:00 AM** at Twin Hickory**Jul 23, Wed. 2:30 PM** at Tuckahoe

Jul 31, Thu. 2:00 PM at Gayton. In this featured Summer Reading event, we'll introduce award-winning, easy-to-learn board games like Azul and Hues and Cues that feature color theory and art elements. Leave knowing how to play and access these games and others. Sponsored by the Friends of HCPL. 90 min.

📌 Ceramic Planter Painting

Jul 12, Sat. 10:30 AM at Tuckahoe. Color your world with plants! Grab a brush and paint your own ceramic planter to bring some color into your home. Starter plants will be available to plant in your newly designed pot! 90 min.

**Culture 365 World Music & Dance Series: Culture Encounters**

Jul 12, Sat. 2:30 PM at Varina. Join us for an exciting, immersive experience into the vibrant culture of Ghana! This event will feature a blend of traditional music, dance, art, and cuisine. 60 min.

Jul 12, Sat. 3:30 PM at Varina. Ghanaian Inspired Craft and Food Tasting: Enjoy a taste of authentic Ghanaian cuisine and make a wooden bead bracelet inspired by Ghanaian culture. 60 min. *photo: Culture Encounters*

📌 Sharpie Painted Tiles

Jul 16, Wed. 2:00 PM at Sandston. Unleash your inner artist. Discover the magic of abstract art with Sharpies and rubbing alcohol. 60 min.

Make Your Travel More Meaningful: Volunteer!

Jul 16, Wed. 6:00 PM at Twin Hickory. Learn how to find opportunities to volunteer abroad and how to choose the best volunteer travel organization to fit your interests. Learn about the different types of volunteering abroad, including research, wildlife, and conservation. 90 min.

📌 Knitting Colorwork: A Beginner's Overview

Jul 17, Thu. 6:30 PM at North Park. Color your world with an introductory overview of stranded, intarsia, and mosaic colorwork. Then we'll grab some needles and yarn and knit together. Basic knowledge of cast on, knitting garter and stockinette stitch, and joining yarn recommended. Bring your own materials or use those provided. 60 min.

📌 Color Theory Through Watercolor with VMFA

Jul 18, Fri. 10:00 AM at Fairfield. In this featured Summer Reading event, artist Dawn Flores will guide participants through a series of fun exercises to support learning about tints, shades, and tones; the color wheel; complementary colors, and color schemes. Participants will also produce useful charts and swatches to consult for future reference. Perfect for the beginner or someone with experience, this workshop will help build masterful color mixing skills, no matter the medium used. Supported in part by the Paul Mellon Endowment and the Jean Stafford Camp Memorial Fund, with additional sponsorship by the Friends of HCPL. 4 hrs.

Bring Some, Take Some!

Jul 19, Sat. 10:00 AM at Twin Hickory. Bring in your jigsaw puzzles and/or books (in good condition) that you've already enjoyed, and swap out for new ones. 3 hrs.

**The Use of Color in Art: My Day-Long Obsession, Joy, and Torment**

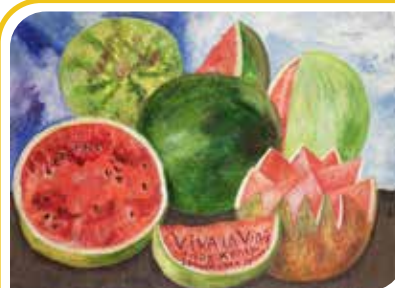
Jul 19, Sat. 11:00 AM at Libbie Mill. In this featured Summer Reading event, art historian and Associate Professor Barbara Rothermel traces the history and science of color seen in the visual arts starting more than 40,000 years ago through the present day. Supported in part by the Paul Mellon Endowment and the Jean Stafford Camp Memorial Fund, with additional sponsorship by the Friends of HCPL. 60 min.

Kitchen Gardens

Jul 19, Sat. 11:00 AM at Varina. 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.

Author Talk: Elle Cosimano's Finlay Donovan Series

Jul 19, Sat. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe. Meet Elle Cosimano, *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling author, International Thriller Award winner, and Edgar Award nominee. Elle's novel, *Finlay Donovan is Killing It*, kicked off a witty, fast-paced contemporary mystery series, which was a *People Magazine* Pick and one of New York Public Library's Best Books of 2021. The author will discuss the development of the series, which now includes six titles plus a short story based on the character Veronica Ruiz. Books will be available for purchase and signing. Sponsored by the Friends of HCPL. 90 min.

**Viva la Vida: A Concert with William Feasley Celebrating Frida Kahlo**

Jul 22, Tue. 2:00 PM at Twin Hickory. Classical guitarist William Feasley returns in concert with an original composition, *Viva la Vida, A Musical Celebration of the Art and Times of Frida Kahlo*, in conjunction with the

current VMFA exhibition *Frida: Beyond the Myth*. Feasley draws together influences from Mexican music and culture from the 1700s to the present to weave together a new musical interpretation of the story of the groundbreaking painter. Sponsored by the Friends of HCPL. 60 min.

📌 Painter's Tape Art

Jul 23, Wed. 2:00 PM at Varina. Create abstract art using painter's tape and acrylic paint on a canvas board. 2 hrs.

Music Bingo

Jul 24, Thu. 6:30 PM at Tuckahoe. Color your world with music! Test your knowledge of colorful tunes with a few rounds of music bingo. Songs will range from classics to new hits. Match the songs with your bingo card for colorful prizes! 90 min.

Bold and Easy Coloring

Jul 29, Tue. 2:00 PM at Glen Allen. Express yourself through coloring bold and easy designs. No need to register, just stop by and color. 60 min.

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Get Crafty: Button Art Mosaic

Jul 29, Tue. 6:30 PM at Fairfield. In this Summer Reading event, we will create a button mosaic that focuses on color, texture, and patterns. Use your creativity and imagination to create designs from nature on canvases using colorful buttons. Supplies will be provided, but you are welcome to bring your own to include in your piece. Craft books will be available for checkout. 90 min.

AUGUST

Beginner Amigurumi

Aug 6, Wed. 2:00 PM at Gayton. Ages 14+. Learn to crochet a base to make amigurumi, with three variations to choose from. Amigurumi is the Japanese craft of making small stuffed toys. We will be using 5mm/size H-8 crochet hooks. 90 min.



Based on a True Story: The Franklin Expedition

Aug 7, Thu. 3:00 PM at Gayton. Phil Ford of HCPL Outreach and Mobile Library Services will talk about *The Terror* by Dan Simmons, a captivating historical novel with supernatural elements based on the lost Arctic expedition of Sir John Franklin in the 1840s. Hear about the underlying true story of England's race to find the Northwest Passage and the tragedy that ensued. 60 min.

Historically Speaking: Experiences of Virginia's Mennonites and Dunkers During the American Civil War

Aug 9, Sat. 11:00 AM at Glen Allen. Author and public historian Karl Rhodes explores the response of Mennonite and Dunker families in Virginia's Shenandoah Valley to participation in the Civil War. Inspired by his great-great-grandmother's role in establishing an Underground Railroad for religious objectors, Rhodes conducted extensive research on the topic for his book, *Peggy's War*. Books will be available for purchase and signing. Presented in partnership with the History Division of Henrico Recreation & Parks, and sponsored by the Friends of HCPL. 60 min.

Create a Manga Cover

Aug 9, Sat. 11:00 AM at Varina. Learn how to create dynamic manga characters from concept to final design. All skill levels are welcome. 90 min.

Color Our World Landscape Painting

Aug 9, Sat. 2:00 PM at Twin Hickory. Paint an idyllic location with artist Zach Barnard. No experience necessary. All supplies are provided by the the Cultural Arts Center at Glen Allen. 2 hrs.

Paint and Sip

Aug 13, Wed. 3:00 PM at Gayton. Relax and unwind with a paint-by-numbers landscape and a cool beverage. All artistic skill levels are welcome. 90 min.

Foster Care Information Meeting

Aug 13, Wed. 6:00 PM at Fairfield. See June 11 listing. 2 hrs.

Small Business Legal Workshop

Aug 13, Wed. 6:30 PM at Tuckahoe. Find answers to your questions about how to set up a business and become better equipped with understanding legal filings and entity status. Our local expert will also assist with identifying local legal resources. 60 min.

Backyard Composting

Aug 14, Thu. 2:00 PM at Libbie Mill. The best fertilizer for your plants is organic compost. The good news is that you can create this treasure in your backyard. Save time and money while growing the best garden in the neighborhood. Presented by Henrico Cooperative Extension and Henrico Master Gardeners. 60 min.



Loom Weaving for Beginners

Aug 14, Thu. 2:00 PM at Twin Hickory. Learn the basics of loom weaving as you design and make your own mini, woven wall hanging in this fun and relaxing workshop. 90 min.

Birds In Your Backyard

Aug 16, Sat. 11:00 AM at Fairfield. Birdwatching is one of the fastest growing pastimes. You will be surprised by the number and variety of birds in your backyard. Attract birds and get them to stay. Presented by Henrico Cooperative Extension and Henrico Master Gardeners. 60 min.

Free Plants!

Aug 19, Tue. 2:00 PM at Gayton. Learn how to get new plants for free by growing them from seed, taking cuttings, dividing and rooting. Presented by Henrico Cooperative Extension and Henrico Master Gardeners. 60 min.

Resume Building Workshop

Aug 19, Tue. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill. Learn what makes a strong resume and get pointers for creating or updating your own. Bring in a draft to get personalized suggestions from the Reynolds Community College presenter if time allows. 60 min.

Breathe Easy

Aug 23, Sat. 10:00 AM at Twin Hickory. We will cover different types of breathing techniques to help you be more mindful. Regular breathing exercises can lead to better health, positive emotions, and alleviate stress. Mindful breathing can also help you think more clearly and reduce anxiety. 90 min.

The Caregiver's Toolkit

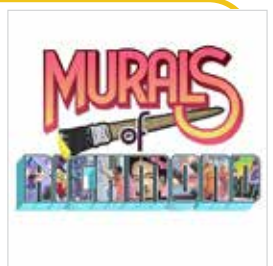
Aug 26, Tue. 11:00 AM at Sandston. The Capital Area Agency on Aging's Caregiver Support Team will present an informative and engaging session for family caregivers of older adults. We'll discuss strategies for reducing stress, accessing resources in your community, and finding joy in your caregiver journey. 60 min.

Lessons Learned: Perspectives from Black Business Owners

Aug 28, Thu. 6:00 PM at Fairfield. This interactive discussion features Black entrepreneurs in the community who will share their experiences, wisdom, challenges, and lessons they have learned along the way. Presented by Henrico Economic Development Authority. 2 hrs.

Murals of Richmond with the Night Owl

Aug 28, Thu. 6:30 PM at Tuckahoe. Mickael Broth, also known as the Night Owl, is a Richmond-based artist, muralist, sculptor, and writer. Broth will give a lecture about his second published book, *Murals of Richmond*, which documents Richmond's public art explosion. Books will be available for purchase and signing after the talk. Sponsored by the Friends of HCPL. 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 hrs.

Jun 14, Sat. 2:00 PM at Varina

Jul 12, Sat. 2:00 PM at Varina

Aug 9, Sat. 2:00 PM at Varina

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Art for All Abilities

Adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their caregivers are invited 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. 90 min.

Jun 5, Thu. 10:00 AM at Fairfield

Jun 5, Thu. 6:30 PM at Tuckahoe

Jun 12, Thu. 10:00 AM at Fairfield

Jun 12, Thu. 6:30 PM at Tuckahoe

Cook & Book

Jun 23, Mon. 7:00 PM at Varina. Fresh, Seasonal, and Local: Drawing on the long legacy of her family, both home cooks and professional dietitians, Chef Trice Myrick-Alston will use fresh, locally-obtained and seasonal ingredients to treat us to her healthy spin on family dinners. Her work honors the influence of her mother, grandmother, and African-American ancestors in her own style of cuisine. 90 min.

Jul 28, Mon. 7:00 PM at Varina. Pasta Making: There's nothing more delicious than fresh pasta, and crafting it yourself is much easier than you think. We will show you the secret of perfect pasta. 90 min.

Aug 25, Mon. 7:00 PM at Varina. Flavors of Spain through Easy Tapas: Entertain the Spanish way! Cristina Ramirez will offer ideas and recipes for easy tapas (appetizers) that showcase the iconic ingredients of Spain such as olives, cheese, bread, olive oil, fish, and cured meats. Hear about the history of tapas and her experiences trying tapas in various parts of Spain. 90 min.



Coffee & Conversations

Enjoy coffee, tea, and pastries as Allied Theatre Legacy Artists and Supporters (ATLAS Partnership) and guest speakers present a series of panel discussions on various theater topics. 2 hrs.

Jul 17, Thu. 10:00 AM at Libbie Mill and via Webex: 2861 518 5064.

Walking the Line: Protecting Students from Opioids. During this session we will be joined by representatives from VA State Police and the VA Pharmacists Association.

Crafternoon

Explore different crafts and techniques one Saturday a month with beginner and veteran makers alike. 2 hrs.

Jun 7, Sat. 2:00 PM at Libbie Mill. Needle Point Fly Swatters: This month, we will use embroidery thread to transform fly swatters into works of art.

Jul 5, Sat. 2:00 PM at Libbie Mill. Pom-pom Plants: We'll use pom-poms, wooden spoons, and other materials to make decorative plants.

Aug 2, Sat. 2:00 PM at Libbie Mill. Stenciled Book Edges: We'll use stencils and paint to create ornate designs on book edges. All supplies are provided, or bring your own book to decorate!

ESL Conversation Cafe

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

Jun 2, Mon. 7:00 PM at Tuckahoe

Jun 9, Mon. 7:00 PM at Fairfield

Jun 11, Wed. 7:00 PM at Twin Hickory

Jun 16, Mon. 7:00 PM at Tuckahoe

Jun 23, Mon. 7:00 PM at Libbie Mill

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Aug 13, Wed. 7:00 PM at Twin Hickory

Aug 18, Mon. 7:00 PM at Tuckahoe

Aug 25, Mon. 7:00 PM at Libbie Mill



Feel Good Films

Jun 9, Mon. 10:00 AM at Twin Hickory. *The Imitation Game* (2014, PG-13, 113 min.)

Jul 14, Mon. 10:00 AM at Twin Hickory. *Little Miss Sunshine* (2006, R, 101 min.)

Aug 11, Mon. 10:00 AM at Twin Hickory. *A Man Called Otto* (2023, PG-13, 126 min.)

First Thursdays

Alternating months of live music and screenings of food-themed movies. Sponsored by the Friends of HCPL.

Jun 5, Thu. 6:00 PM at Sandston. Gospel music legend and Virginia-native pianist and psalmist Cora Armstrong has been delighting audiences for over 40 years. She will sing favorite gospel hymns and original compositions. 60 min.

Jul 3, Thu. 6:00 PM at Sandston. *Ratatouille* (2007, G, 111 min.)

Aug 7, Thu. 6:00 PM at Sandston. 3rd Wave returns with surf rock sounds and classic tunes from the 60s and 70s—perfect for a summer evening. 60 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. Registration for every participant and caregiver is required. 60 min.

Jul 31, Thu. 10:30 AM at Libbie Mill

Great Films & Discussions

View and discuss popular films and occasional DVD commentaries. Titles will be announced as the scheduled program dates approach. 2-1½ hrs.

Jun 23, Mon. 6:00 PM at Gayton

Jul 28, Mon. 6:00 PM at Gayton

Aug 25, Mon. 6:00 PM at Gayton

Having Seen: A Film Discussion Group

Jun 26, Thu. 7:00 PM at Twin Hickory and via Webex: 2864 939 5176. *The Endless Summer* (1966, PG). If you really wanna go back in time and get to the heart of summertime films, start here. Charismatic

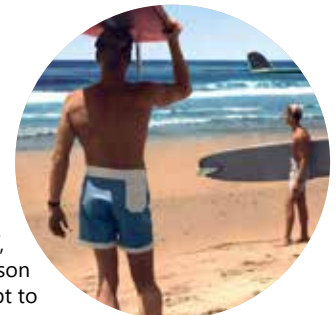
documentarian Bruce Brown, a surfer himself, follows classic California surfers Michael Hynson and Robert August worldwide as they attempt to find the "perfect" wave. 60 min.

Jul 31, Thu. 7:00 PM at Twin Hickory and via Webex: 2864 979 1947.



Clueless (1995, PG-13). "Uh, whatever!" Cher, the matchmaking Beverly Hills High schooler, has shopping and boys on her mind. She leads a hectic lifestyle but keeps it all together until she starts to fall in love and finds she's clueless. A loose adaptation of Emma, Jane Austen's 19th-century comedy of manners. 60 min.

Aug 14, Thu. 7:00 PM at Twin Hickory and via Webex: 2633 547 1280.

L.A. Confidential (1997, R). Based on the best-selling novel by James Ellroy, this award-winning crime drama explores both the dark side of the Los Angeles police force and Southern California's criminal underbelly in the early '50s, when Hollywood was still seen as America's capital of sophistication, glitter, and glamour. 60 min.



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Henrico EDA Business Educational Series

Interactive workshops from the Henrico Economic Development Authority (EDA). 2 hrs.

Jun 12, Thu. 6:00 PM at Libbie Mill. Free Resources for Business Growth: Have you taken full advantage of the resources available to you as a business owner? From local organizations to online business templates, this workshop will cover what you need to know to elevate your business while also keeping costs low.

Henrico EDA's Pop-up Mentoring Program (PUMP)

Meet your business needs and foster growth with the award-winning Pop-Up Mentoring Program (PUMP) series from Henrico EDA. Join us to connect with accomplished professionals for in-person coaching from a rotating list of SCORE Richmond mentors. Get personalized insights related to your specific business needs. 2 hrs.

Jun 11, Wed. 9:30 AM at Fairfield

Jun 25, Wed. 5:00 PM at Libbie Mill

Aug 13, Wed. 9:30 AM at Fairfield

Aug 27, Wed. 5:00 PM at Libbie Mill

Jueves en Español

Practice speaking conversational Spanish in an informal setting. Registration is not required, but participants must be age 16+ and able to speak Spanish on an intermediate level. Sponsored by the Friends of HCPL. 60 min.

Jun 18, Wed. 6:30 PM at Twin Hickory (meeting Wednesday due to Juneteenth holiday)

Jul 17, Thu. 6:30 PM at Twin Hickory

Aug 21, Thu. 6:30 PM 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. Bring your own projects and supplies and get to know other LGBTQIA+ crafters. Beginners are welcome. 90 min.

Jun 5, Thu. 6:30 PM at Tuckahoe

Jul 3, Thu. 6:30 PM at Tuckahoe

Aug 7, Thu. 6:30 PM at Tuckahoe

Silver Screen Saturdays

Celebrate old Hollywood by watching classic movies from the 1920s through the 1970s, and discuss facts related to the movie for additional background. Titles will be announced as dates approach. 2 hrs.

Jun 7, Sat. 3:00 PM at Gayton

Jul 19, Sat. 3:00 PM at Gayton

Aug 2, Sat. 3:00 PM at Gayton

Aug 30, Sat. 3:00 PM at Gayton



Sit and Stitch

Stitch socially with us on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month for an informal craft night. Bring whatever fiber craft you are working on, whether that be knitting, crocheting, weaving, or cross stitch, and join the conversation with fellow crafters. All skill levels are welcome. 90 min.

Jun 10, Tue. 6:30 PM at Fairfield

Jun 24, Tue. 6:30 PM at Fairfield

Jul 8, Tue. 6:30 PM at Fairfield

Jul 22, Tue. 6:30 PM at Fairfield

Aug 12, Tue. 6:30 PM at Fairfield

Aug 26, Tue. 6:30 PM at Fairfield



Small Business Administration

Presented by the Small Business Administration. 60 min.

Jun 11, Wed. 12:00 PM at Fairfield. Overview: Learn all about the SBA and the services they offer. Find out how to start your own business, learn about helpful resources, and get tips on navigating the SBA.gov webpage.

Jul 23, Wed. 12:00 PM at Fairfield. Disaster Preparedness for Your Small Business: Virginia is not immune to disasters. Don't be scared, but be prepared and take control of your small business's recovery.

Aug 13, Wed. 12:00 PM at Fairfield. Grant Strategies for Small Businesses, Part 1: Learn valuable tips and tricks on finding and applying for grants for your small business.

Something to Talk About

Come out 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 hrs.

Jul 8, Tue. 10:00 AM at Varina. Chatsworth School is a small building with a big part in the development of Richmond.

Aug 12, Tue. 10:00 AM at Varina. The House Is on Fire: Phil Ford of HCPL Outreach and Mobile Library Services shares the story of the Richmond Theatre fire of 1811, one of America's deadliest tragedies and the inspiration for Rachel Beanland's *The House Is on Fire*.



Summer Adventure Movie

Jun 17, Tue. 2:00 PM at Twin Hickory. *Back To The Future* (1985, PG, 116 min.)

Jul 22, Tue. 2:00 PM at Twin Hickory. *Back to the Future: Part II* (1989, PG, 89 min.)

Aug 19, Tue. 2:00 PM at Twin Hickory. *Back to the Future: Part III* (1990, PG, 118 min.)

Tuckahoe Stitching Group

Come meet other crafters for knitting, crocheting, sewing, and crafting on the third Thursday of each month. Bring your own projects and supplies and get to know other crafters. Beginners are welcome. 90 min.

Jun 18, Wed. 1:00 PM at Tuckahoe

Jul 17, Thu. 1:00 PM at Tuckahoe

Aug 21, Thu. 1:00 PM at Tuckahoe

Varina Stitchers

Craft socially with us twice a month. Knit, crochet, weave, sew—bring your supplies and join the conversation. 2 hrs.

Jun 5, Thu. 10:00 AM at Varina

Jun 17, Tue. 10:00 AM at Varina

Jul 3, Thu. 10:00 AM at Varina

Jul 15, Tue. 10:00 AM at Varina

Aug 7, Thu. 10:00 AM at Varina

Aug 19, 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. This free, no obligation class satisfies the educational requirements for a VHDA loan, and participants will receive a 2-Year Certificate upon completion. Registration is required and will open one month before the class at VirginiaHousing.com/FindAClass. 6-½ hrs.

Jun 7, Sat. 10:00 AM at Twin Hickory

Aug 2, Sat. 10:00 AM at Twin Hickory

Aug 9, Sat. 10:15 AM at North Park

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TEEN & TWEEN programs

Summer 2025

JUNE

☑ Potato Chip Taste Test Challenge

Jun 2, Mon. 2:00 PM at Libbie Mill. Take your taste buds on an epic adventure. Explore the weird, wild world of potato chip flavors. We will taste them all, then crown the ultimate flavor champion. 60 min.

☑ Pride Month Button Pin Party

Jun 4, Wed. 2:00 PM at Twin Hickory. Come create your one-of-a-kind pin in recognition of Pride Month using our button maker. We'll also have rainbow reads for the month to browse from the collection. 60 min.

Teens Summer Reading Kickoff

Jun 4, Wed. 2:30 PM at Libbie Mill. We're kicking off Summer Reading in the teen room! Unleash your creativity, enjoy some snacks, and get information about our Summer Reading Challenge. 2 hrs.

☑ Alcohol Ink Painting for Teens

Jun 6, Fri. 4:00 PM at Glen Allen. Kick off the summer by coloring your world using alcohol inks to create a work of art. 60 min.

☑ Memory Wire Jewelry

Jun 9, Mon. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe. Create jewelry with memory wire. 2 hrs.

Awesome Possums

Jun 10, Tue. 1:00 PM at Libbie Mill. Learn about our nocturnal buddies that wander outside late at night, and then hang out with some live ambassador possums from Awesome 'Possumz. We'll explore their history, role in our environment, and how you can help them at home. 60 min.

Super Smash Bros. Gaming Tournament

Jun 10, Tue. 2:00 PM at Fairfield. Put your Smash skills to the test on our Switch console and controllers as you challenge other teens for victory and prizes. 90 min.

Pinhole Camera Obscuras

Jun 10, Tue. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe. Discover the magic of light and shadow in this DIY workshop. Participants will learn the science behind this ancient optical device and create their own working pinhole cameras using simple materials. 60 min.

☑ Painting in the "Dark"

Jun 10, Tue. 3:00 PM at Twin Hickory. Best for ages 13–18. Try a paint-along in the "dark"! You can paint according to instructions or create your own scene with your eyes closed using glow in the dark paint. 2 hrs.

☑ How to be a Dungeon Master

Jun 12, Thu. 6:30 PM at Fairfield. Calling all teens with a passion for storytelling, adventure, and Dungeons & Dragons who want to run their own epic campaigns! Whether you're a seasoned player or new to the world of D&D, this program will guide you through the essentials of becoming a Dungeon Master. 90 min.

Himmeli Sculpting

Jun 16, Mon. 6:00 PM at Varina. Using pipe cleaners and straws, create one-of-a-kind 3D sculpture art. 90 min.

☑ Foodie Quest for Teens and Tweens: International Sushi Day!

Jun 18, Wed. 2:00 PM at Varina. If you love all things sushi, you are not alone! Come celebrate International Sushi Day with us. Participants will learn how to make traditional sushi rolls as well as candy sushi, play games, and more. No cooking experience needed. *Registrants: We will be handling a variety of ingredients. Please be conscious of your child's food allergies and inform us of any potential issues.* 2 hrs.

☑ Mario Kart Tournament

Jun 18, Wed. 2:30 PM at Twin Hickory. Put your gaming skills to the test playing Mario Kart on our console and controllers. Compete with other tweens and teens in the race to achieve victory and win prizes. 2 hrs.

Cyanotype Photography

Jun 21, Sat. 2:00 PM at Varina. Learn about one of the oldest forms of photo processing, cyanotype or sun printing. Participants are encouraged to bring leaves, flowers, or other natural materials to create their prints; all other materials will be provided. 60 min.

☑ Babysitting Workshop

Jun 23 and 25, Mon. and Wed. 12:00 PM at Sandston
Jun 24 and 26, Tue. and Thu. 10:00 AM at Twin Hickory. Ages 12–18. The Henrico Office of Virginia Cooperative Extension offers two-day workshops covering fun activities to do with children, making healthy snacks, handling emergencies, and the business of babysitting. Teens must commit to attending both days at a location; finishers receive a tote bag and a certificate. 3 hrs.

Photo Comics

Jun 25, Wed. 1:00 PM at Tuckahoe. Learn to craft a story and create photo comics using supplied images and your imagination. 60 min.

☑ Nailed It: Cupcake Edition for Teens

Jun 25, Wed. 2:00 PM at Fairfield
Jun 25, Wed. 6:00 PM at Fairfield. Throw on an apron as you and your team attempt to recreate a colorful cake with the supplies provided. Teens will compete in teams of five, so bring some friends or make new ones, and then watch the sugar fly! Prizes will be awarded. To allow more people a chance to participate, please only sign up for one session. 90 min.

☑ Color Palette Challenge

Jun 25, Wed. 5:00 PM at Gayton. Limit your palette to five colors and create a work of art using a medium of your choice. 60 min.

JULY



Meet an Illustrator!

We will discuss what it's like to be an illustrator and then get to see some drawing in action. Sponsored by the Friends of HCPL. 60 min.

Jul 8, Tue. 2:00 PM at Fairfield. Bestselling and award-winning local illustrator Shannon Wright's work includes *Twins* by Varian Johnson and *Holding Her Own: The Exceptional Life of Jackie Ormes* by Traci N. Todd.

Jul 15, Tue. 2:00 PM at Libbie Mill. Bestselling and award-winning local illustrator Theodore Taylor III's work includes *Garvey's Choice: The Graphic Novel* by Nikki Grimes, *Woke: A Young Poet's Call to Justice* by Elizabeth Acevedo, and *C is for Country* by Lil Nas X. 60 min.

Jul 23, Wed. 7:00 PM at Twin Hickory. Local illustrator Ron Salas has worked on several large projects, including the Eisner Comic Industry Award nominated book *Messenger: The Legend of Muhammad Ali* by Marc Bernardin.

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K-Pop Night

Jul 1, Tue. 6:30 PM at Fairfield. Celebrate idols, fandoms, and all things K-Pop with activities like decorating photocards and eating snacks. Plus, learn how to listen to your favorite K-pop bands on Hoopla. 90 min.

Snack Attack: Shark Style

Jul 9, Wed. 2:00 PM at Fairfield. Build your perfect shark-cuterie board and vote on which fin-tastic movie to sink your teeth into. 2 hrs.

3D Paper Art

Jul 14, Mon. 6:00 PM at Varina. Craft with us using paper to create various 3D artworks. We will have a variety of projects available. 90 min.

Fun Food Science: Gummy Worm Creation

Jul 15, Tue. 4:00 PM at Twin Hickory. Explore basic food science and celebrate Gummy Worm Day by making your own gummy candies! We will watch a short video on how these chewy candies are made and then create our own! 90 min.



Upcycled Lab

Jul 16, Wed. 6:00 PM at Varina. Jewelry: Design and craft your own bracelets, earrings, or keychains. 90 min.

How to Pack for the End of the World

Jul 16, Wed. 6:30 PM at Fairfield. Whether it's the present or future, reality or alternate reality, plagues, climate crisis, or even zombies, let's figure out how we can survive it together. We'll share tips and tricks, make snack mixes, and compile stories of preparing for the unknown to make your own field guide. 90 min.

Embroidery Basics for Teens

Jul 18, Fri. 3:00 PM at Glen Allen. Learn 14 different basic embroidery stitches. 90 min.

Kawaii Clay

Jul 23, Wed. 5:00 PM at Gayton. Create a cute clay charm or magnet using air-dry or polymer clay. 60 min.

Curious Readers, Creative Writers

Jul 23, Wed. 6:00 PM at Libbie Mill. Best for ages 10–12. If you love to read and write stories, join us! We will explore fiction (and even a little poetry) and experiment with creative writing techniques. 90 min.



Perler Bead Pixel Art

Jul 24, Thu. 2:00 PM at Twin Hickory. Perler beads, also known as fuse beads, are a great creative craft to let your imagination run wild! Make pixel-like art of your favorite characters or go freeform. 90 min.



Shonen Showing

Jul 28, Mon. 2:00 PM at Fairfield. *One Piece: Stampede* (2019, TV-14, 101 min.)

Hanging Yarn Art

Jul 29, Tue. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe. Makers create unique, colorful decor with yarn using simple macramé stitches. 60 min.



Teen Summer Movie Nights

Jul 30, Wed. 6:00 PM at Twin Hickory. *Wicked* (2024, PG, 160 min.), based on the musical that was based on the book by Gregory Maguire, inspired by the L. Frank Baum classic *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz*.

The Auction of Arbitrary Art

Jul 31, Thu. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill. Experience the thrill of a live art auction. All attendees will receive the same amount of funny money they can use to bid on an eclectic mix of art, posters, and tchotchkes collected by the teen staff. Manage your budget and keep what you win. 2 hrs.

AUGUST

Art Heist Escape Room

Aug 2, Sat. 2:00–5:00 PM at Libbie Mill. Split into two teams to commit the heist of the century in this unique escape room. Four 45 minute sessions—please only register for one.

Pipe Cleaner Palooza

Aug 4, Mon. 6:00 PM at Varina. Sculpt or make whatever your heart desires out of pipe cleaners and other various supplies. 60 min.

Mythical Creature Origami

Aug 5, Tue. 2:00 PM at Twin Hickory. Learn folding techniques and experiment with making different mythical creatures in our origami event! 60 min.

DIY Junk Journals

Aug 7, Thu. 6:30 PM at Fairfield. Use a variety of craft and recycled materials to decorate a journal and learn how the library can help set you up for success this upcoming school year. 90 min.

Teen Friendship Bracelets

Aug 11, Mon. 4:00 PM at Glen Allen. Celebrate National Friendship Day by making bracelets for your friends. 60 min.

Teen Summer Movie Nights

Aug 13, Wed. 6:00 PM at Twin Hickory. *Scott Pilgrim vs. the World* (2010, PG-13, 112 min.), based on the graphic novel series by Bryan Lee O'Malley.

Buttons For Your Backpack

Aug 14, Thu. 2:00 PM at Glen Allen. Design and create your own original button for your school backpack from a variety of materials! 60 min.

Book Art Chandelier

Aug 14, Thu. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe. Upcycle old, well-loved paperbacks by transforming them into your own incredible chandelier. 60 min.



Freeform Weaving

Aug 20, Wed. 6:00 PM at Varina. Come create your own small wall hanging using freeform weaving techniques. 2 hrs.

Drop-In Board Games in the Cafe

Aug 21, Thu. 4:00 PM at Twin Hickory. Whether you are a seasoned player or new to the world of board games, stop by the cafe (near the entrance) to play a selection of games. 2 hrs.

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Dungeons & Dragons Movie Night

Aug 21, Thu. 6:00 PM at Fairfield. Get your school year off to an adventurous start as we watch *Dungeons & Dragons: Honor Among Thieves* (2023, PG-13, 134 min.)

Back-to-School Buttons and Bookmarks

Aug 27, Wed. 6:00 PM at Fairfield. Use a variety of provided craft supplies to create buttons and bookmarks as you head into the new school year. While you're crafting, you'll also learn about various library resources that can help you with any school project. 60 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.

Jun 11, Wed. 6:00 PM at Varina. 90 min.

Jun 12, Thu. 6:30 PM at Twin Hickory. 90 min.

Jun 24, Tue. 7:00 PM at Fairfield. 60 min.

Jun 25, Wed. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill. 90 min.

Jul 9, Wed. 6:00 PM at Varina. 90 min.

Jul 22, Tue. 7:00 PM at Fairfield. 60 min.

Jul 23, Wed. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill. 90 min.

Aug 7, Thu. 6:30 PM at Twin Hickory. 90 min.

Aug 13, Wed. 6:00 PM at Varina. 90 min.

Aug 26, Tue. 7:00 PM at Fairfield. 60 min.

Aug 27, Wed. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill. 90 min.



Hacking Adulthood: Life Skills for Teens and Young Adults

For ages 15–25. 2 hrs.

Jun 14, Sat. 2:00 PM at Varina. Professional Headshots: Discover useful tips and techniques for capturing professional headshots with a green screen. Then learn editing skills to add a background and touch-ups to your photo. Be sure to wear neutral-colored clothing, avoid garments with logos, and refrain from wearing green. All participants will receive an edited version of their photo via email.

Jul 26, Sat. 11:00 AM at Varina. Exploring Entrepreneurship with Candle Making: Join us for a fun and creative workshop! We'll teach you how to craft your own candles, explore unique scents, and offer tips for turning your creations into a potential business. Build new skills, spark your entrepreneurial spirit, and take home something truly one-of-a-kind.

Aug 16, Sat. 2:00 PM at Varina. Exploring Entrepreneurship with Self-Care Essentials: Learn to create your own bath bombs, sugar scrubs, and soaps, transforming these DIY crafts into potential business ventures. We'll guide you through product creation, marketing strategies, and online sales setup, all while emphasizing stress management and mental well-being.

How to Draw

Before drawing a character to bring them to life, learn the basics in this foundational series. 90 min.

Jun 16, Mon. 6:30 PM at Fairfield. Gestures and Anatomy: In the first session, we will sketch gestures, learn basic anatomy, and cover how gestures can create your story.

Jul 21, Mon. 6:30 PM at Fairfield. Movement and Action:

We'll learn about dynamic poses and muscles, including how to stretch and pull forms to demonstrate fast movement.

Aug 11, Mon. 6:30 PM at Fairfield. Folds and Fashion: We'll go over clothing figures and how clothes sit on the body, the weight and gravity of folds, and pulling from fashion photo references to dress your character.



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.

Jun 25, Wed. 2:30 PM at Libbie Mill. Grades 6–8, 60 min.

Jul 16, Wed. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill. Grades 6–8, 90 min.

Jul 22, Tue. 6:30 PM at Tuckahoe. Grades 9–12, 2 hrs.

Aug 13, Wed. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill. Grades 6–8, 90 min.

Aug 26, Tue. 6:30 PM at Tuckahoe. Grades 9–12, 2 hrs.

Open D&D Hours

Whether you're an adventurer looking for a Dungeon Master or a DM looking for players, stop by the Teen Room during the month of June to sign up for a campaign. Then meet your party during Open D&D hours and start your adventure. The library will not be providing a DM during this program but will have D&D resources, such as pre-printed character sheets and one-shots, maps, character tokens, official rule books, and more available for use. Library staff will be on hand to monitor games and provide support. 2 hrs.

Jul 10, Thu. 6:00 PM at Fairfield

Aug 14, Thu. 6:00 PM at Fairfield

STEM Series

Jun 30, Mon. 2:00 PM at North Park.

Tardigrade Hunt! Tardigrades, or water bears, are microorganisms that live in moss and can survive extreme environments, including the vacuum of space. Join us to find some in our own backyard. We will collect samples from outside and examine them in our "lab" using pocket microscopes. The hunt is on! 2 hrs.

Aug 23, Sat. 2:00 PM at North Park. Molecular Gastronomy! Unleash your inner mad scientist with a process called spherification. Create liquid noodles and squishy spheres using sodium alginate and calcium lactate solutions. We'll have a variety of juices to use for your experiments. 60 min.



Teen Art Club

Drop by for some creative art time after school. Bring your supplies or use our art supplies to create your doodles, sketches, and masterpieces. There will be a guided art activity available, or feel free to hang out and create your own project. 60 min.

Jun 9, Mon. 5:30 PM at North Park. Plein Air: We will be mostly outside if the weather holds, to paint *en plein air* or "in the open air."

Jul 28, Mon. 5:30 PM at North Park. Clay

Aug 25, Mon. 5:30 PM at North Park. Gold Leaf

Teen Art Studio

Let your imagination flow! All artistic skill levels are welcome. 2 hrs.

Jun 10, Tue. 6:00 PM at Varina. Abstract Scrape Art: craft abstract art using acrylic paints, experimenting with techniques like drawing, drips, blobs, and scraping.

Jul 15, Tue. 6:00 PM at Varina. Dessert Art Painting: Join us for a fun and delicious workshop where you'll paint a sweet treat inspired by artists like Wayne Thiebaud and Beverly Shipko. Each participant will receive a dessert to paint, then snack on once finished with their masterpiece! Learning how to capture the vibrant colors and textures that make desserts pop in art. This session is all about creativity, fun, and indulging your sweet tooth, regardless of skill level. You'll leave with your own dessert masterpiece and a full belly!

Teen Role-Playing Game: D&D One-Shot Adventure

Dive into a single, one-shot adventure to practice your Dungeons & Dragons skills. Bring your own level 5 character or play with one of our pre-made characters. All experience levels welcome. 2 hrs.

Jul 12, Sat. 3:00 PM at Libbie Mill

Aug 9, Sat. 3:00 PM at Libbie Mill

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Teen Trivia

It's Trivia Night in the teen room! Eat snacks, hang out, compete against your friends, and win prizes.

Jun 26, Thu. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill. 90 min.

Jul 9, Wed. 6:30 PM at Twin Hickory. 90 min.

Jul 15, Tue. 6:00 PM at Tuckahoe. 60 min.

Jul 17, Thu. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill. 90 min.

Aug 21, Thu. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill. 90 min.

Teens Make Stuff

Come craft with us! Bring your friends, hang out, and make something cool. 60 min.

Jun 10, Tue. 2:00 PM at Libbie Mill. Tote bags for summer reading

Jun 17, Tue. 2:00 PM at Libbie Mill. Mixed media with yarn and photos

Jun 24, Tue. 2:00 PM at Libbie Mill. Soda tab butterfly keychains

Jul 1, Tue. 2:00 PM at Libbie Mill. Decorating book edges

Jul 8, Tue. 2:00 PM at Libbie Mill. Paint and sip

Jul 15, Tue. 2:00 PM at Libbie Mill. Beaded bracelets

Jul 22, Tue. 2:00 PM at Libbie Mill. Wildflower planters

Jul 29, Tue. 2:00 PM at Libbie Mill. Shrinky-dinks

Aug 5, Tue. 2:00 PM at Libbie Mill. Macrame wall hangings

Aug 12, Tue. 2:00 PM at Libbie Mill. Duct tape wallets

Tween Lego Club

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

Jun 2, Mon. 5:30 PM at North Park

Jul 14, Mon. 5:30 PM at North Park

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

Twisted Stitches

Learn to crochet, make something silly, and hang out with other fabric artists. Join us monthly for fun projects! 60 min.

Jun 12, Thu. 6:00 PM at Varina

Jul 17, Thu. 6:00 PM at Varina

Aug 21, Thu. 6:00 PM at Varina

Upcycled Lab

Jun 26, Thu. 6:00 PM at Varina. Paper Lab: Reuse various paper products to create an awesome DIY item. 90 min.

Jul 24, Thu. 6:00 PM at Varina. Book Art: Create a one-of-a-kind piece of art by using old books and magazines. 90 min.

Aug 14, Thu. 6:00 PM at Varina. Paper Lab. 90 min.



KIDS & FAMILY programs

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JUNE

Baby Rave

Jun 4, Wed. 9:30 AM at Varina. Dance, enjoy music, pop bubbles, play with toys and more. It's the hottest ticket in Varina for the youngest generation. To get in this club, you must be accompanied by a baby or toddler and the dress code is set to: fun, sparkly, or comfy! 45 min.



Bright Star Theatre: *The Wizard of Oz*

Jun 6, Fri. 10:30 AM at Fairfield

Jun 6, Fri. 2:30 PM at Sandston

Jun 20, Fri. 10:30 AM at Glen Allen

Jun 20, Fri. 2:30 PM at North Park

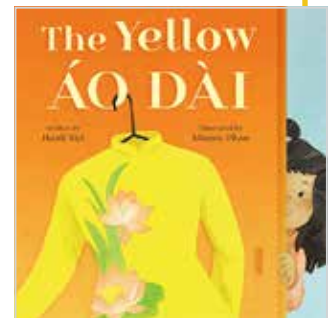
Jun 21, Sat. 10:30 AM at Tuckahoe

Jun 21, Sat. 2:30 PM at Gayton. Meet all your favorite characters in this fun, interactive retelling of the L. Frank Baum classic. 60 min.

Hanh Bui & Chiêu Anh Urban: Picture Book Authors Visit

Jun 7, Sat. 10:00 AM at Tuckahoe.

Explore Vietnamese culture at this special author event featuring a pair of award-winning picture book stars. Hanh Bui is the author of *The Yellow Áo Dài* and *Ánh's New Word*, two colorful and joyous picture books that look at the refugee experience through the eyes of a child. Chiêu Anh Urban is the author and illustrator of many picture books, including her *Illusions in Art* series. All ages are welcome to attend and there will be crafts and activities for children. Books will be available for purchase and signing. Sponsored by the Friends of HCPL. 4 hrs.



Summer Reading Kickoffs!

Sign up for Summer Reading and we'll start our reading adventure together! Sponsored by the Friends of HCPL.

Jun 2, Mon. 2:00 PM

at Glen Allen. The Northwest Teen Advisory Board presents a variety of activities for all ages. Usher in summer with anything from games to crafts! 60 min.



Jun 2, Mon. 2:30 PM at Gayton. Create fabulous tie-dye using Sharpies! Bring one clothing item to dye (make sure it's 100% cotton, or the color won't stay). Sharpies will be provided while supplies last. 60 min.

Jun 3, Tue. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe. Calling artists

of all ages and abilities! Come paint a tiny canvas during this open-ended art session. We'll provide supplies and submission guidelines, and finished works will be displayed at the library for the summer. If you can't make it to this event but would like to participate, pick up a canvas during June and submit it to the library when completed. 2 hrs.

Jun 3, Tue. 3:00 PM at Libbie Mill. Enjoy a performance by Jonathan The Juggler and find out about our exciting summer reading program! 60 min.

Jun 4, Wed. 10:30 AM at Sandston. Begin a summer of vibrant reading adventures! We'll dive into a rainbow of stories with exciting games, captivating activities, and plenty of fun. One lucky registrant will win a prize! 2 hrs.

Jun 4, Wed. 2:00 PM at Fairfield. Enjoy a variety of games, crafts, and interactive activities that will let your creativity shine! 90 min.

Jun 5, Thu. 10:30 AM at Twin Hickory. Bright Star Theatre presents *Peter Pan*. Our acclaimed comic duo Lenny and Mabel hilariously bring this classic to life with a new show. 60 min.

Jun 5, Thu. 2:00 PM at Varina. Add your touch to a collaborative dot art installation inspired by Yayoi Kusama, explore hands-on art activities, and enjoy various crafts and snacks. 2 hrs.

Jun 21, Sat. 2:00 PM at North Park. Try our scavenger hunt with prizes (while they last)! 2 hrs.

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Games Galore

Jun 9, Mon. 2:00 PM at Twin Hickory. Best for grades K–5 with an adult. We encourage families to come to the library for an exciting afternoon of playing board and card games. Play to learn, play for fun; but most importantly, play together. 60 min.



✂ Pokémon Perlers

Jun 9, Mon. 6:00 PM at Fairfield. Design some of your favorite Pokémon with perler beads! 60 min.

Summer Watercolors

Jun 10, Tue. 2:00 PM at Varina. Bring your creativity as we explore painting. Participants choose to create a seasonal project or make their own design using watercolor techniques. 60 min.

Taylor Swift Dance Party

Jun 11, Wed. 3:00 PM at Glen Allen. Come shake it off with other Swifties as we dance and sing to your favorite Taylor Swift songs! We'll be making friendship bracelets and celebrating the eras with karaoke. 60 min.

✂ Journal Cover Art

Jun 14, Sat. 2:00 PM at Libbie Mill. Design your own journal cover using vibrant, concentrated pigments that dry quickly. These semi-transparent inks can be layered for a beautiful effect. Finished artwork will be mounted on the front cover of a journal to take home. 60 min.

✂ Young Authors Program: Crafting Our Own Book

Jun 16, 23, 30; July 7, 14, 21, 28; Aug 4, Mondays 2:00 PM at Twin Hickory. For rising grade 4–5 students. An eight-week writing program designed to engage kids in creative writing through a variety of formats, culminating in a book of their creative writing. Participants will learn about and create poetry, short stories, comics, scripts, and more, developing their writing skill. Registrants must commit to attend all eight weekly sessions. 60–90 min. per session.

Rainbow Radness

Jun 16, Mon. 3:00 PM at Fairfield. Kick off summer with some rainbow fun: bring something small to tie-dye or enjoy another activity celebrating our world's kaleidoscope of color. Bring one clothing item of your choice to dye (make sure it's 100% cotton, or the color won't stay). 60 min.

Kids' Pokémon Card Swap

Jun 17, Tue. 3:00 PM at Tuckahoe. Best for ages 7–13. Bring your spare Pokémon cards and trade with fellow fans. 60 min.

Readers Rule

Jun 17, Tue. 3:30 PM at Twin Hickory. 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.

✂ DIY Paint Set

Jun 18, Wed. 2:30 PM at Fairfield. Make your own paper and paintbrush, then just add paints to have your own handmade art set! 90 min.

✂ Create Your Own GIF

Jun 20, Fri. 2:30 PM at Fairfield. Animate your art and create a GIF using the open-source program Piskel. Please bring a flash drive to this program to save your creations. 60 min.

✂ Seashell Painting

Jun 21, Sat. 11:00 AM at Sandston. Best for ages 6–12. Ahoy, budding artists! Transform ordinary seashells into colorful masterpieces. 60 min.

✂ Friendship Bead Bracelets

Jun 23, Mon. 2:30 PM at Libbie Mill. Discover the joy of crafting friendship bead bracelets! Kids will explore beadwork, creating unique bracelets that they can share and swap with friends. 60 min.



Tween Pink Painting

Jun 23, Mon. 3:00 PM at Glen Allen. Ages 8–12. Bring your friends and celebrate National Pink Day by using pink, black, and white paint in order to make a pink-themed masterpiece. 60 min.

Tie-Dye Craft

Jun 24, 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 bandanas 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. 60 min.

Colorful Chameleons

Jun 24, Tue. 3:30 PM at Twin Hickory. Ages 3–5 with an adult. Why did the chameleon go to the library? It wanted to borrow some "colorful" books! Come in to hear a story about our fun friend the chameleon, and learn a unique technique to craft with. 30 min.



✂ Nailed It: Cupcake Edition for Kids

Jun 26, Thu. 2:00 PM at Fairfield. Throw on an apron as you and your team attempt to recreate a colorful cake with the supplies provided. Kids will compete in teams of five, so bring some friends or make new ones, and then watch the sugar fly! Prizes will be awarded. To allow more people a chance to participate, please only sign up for one Nailed It program. 90 min.

JULY

Summer Movies

Jul 1, Tue. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe. *Inside Out 2* (2024, PG, 96 min.)
Jul 8, Tue. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe. *Despicable Me 4* (2024, PG, 94 min.)
Jul 15, Tue. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe. *Moana 2* (2024, PG, 100 min.)
Jul 22, Tue. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe. *Wild Robot* (2024, PG, 102 min.)
Jul 29, Tue. 2:00 PM at Tuckahoe. *Dog Man* (2024, PG, 89 min.)

Bad Art Night for All

Jul 2, Wed. 6:00 PM at Fairfield. Come and join us for a fun and silly "Bad Art night" where there's no such thing as making a mistake! Everyone is welcome to create the wackiest, most colorful, and totally goofy art you can imagine. It's all about having fun and embracing your imagination. 60 min.



Monday Mid-Day Movie Month

Color your world and celebrate graphic novels on the big screen.
Jul 7, Mon. 2:00 PM at Varina. *Dog Man* (2025, PG, 93 min.)
Jul 14, Mon. 2:00 PM at Varina. *Captain Underpants: The First Epic Movie* (2017, PG, 84 min.)
Jul 21, Mon. 2:00 PM at Varina. *The Bad Guys* (2022, PG, 100 min.)
Jul 28, Mon. 2:00 PM at Varina. *Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse* (2018, PG, 117 min.)

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International Cookie Taste Test

Jul 7, Mon. 3:30 PM at Fairfield. Come sample cookies with origins from around the globe, guessing where each is from along the way. Then read more in books like *Yummy: A History of Desserts* by Victoria Grace Elliot, or pick up a cookbook and create your own delectable treats! 60 min.

Shadow Puppets: A Wild Goose Chase!

Poetry springs hilariously to life as the shadow puppets of Matt Sandbank's Shadow Factory hit the screen. From mischievous spaceships to rockstar grannies and dancing pants, a parade of delightfully strange puppets await. 60 min.

Jul 9, Wed. 10:30 AM at Varina

Jul 9, Wed. 2:30 PM at Sandston

Jul 9, Wed. 6:30 PM at Fairfield

Jul 10, Thu. 10:30 AM at Libbie Mill

Jul 10, Thu. 2:30 PM at Tuckahoe

Jul 10, Thu. 6:30 PM at Twin Hickory



Family Matinee

Best for ages 6+.

Jul 9, Wed. 11:30 AM at North Park. *Paddington* (2014, PG, 95 min.)

Jul 16, Wed. 11:30 AM at North Park. *Paddington 2* (2017, PG, 105 min.)

Jul 23, Wed. 11:30 AM at North Park. *Paddington in Peru* (2024, PG, 106 min.)

Color Your World with Tie-Dye!

Jul 9, Wed. 2:00 PM at Glen Allen. Bring your own white, pre-washed t-shirt (100% cotton is best) or tote bag, and create your own wearable work of art! Dye and other materials provided while supplies last. This is messy, so please wear clothes you don't mind getting stained. 2 hrs.

Rock Painting

Jul 12, Sat. 11:30 AM at Varina. Bring our your inner artist and paint rocks to keep or share with others. 60 min.

Vikings and Dragons

Jul 15, Tue. 3:00 PM at Glen Allen. Best for ages 4+ with an adult. Create a Viking shield, choose a dragon from the nursery, make a catapult, plus other activities inspired by the book *How To Train Your Dragon* and Viking culture. 60 min.

Rhyme Time Players

Jul 15, Tue. 3:30 PM at Twin Hickory. Ages 3–5. Fun with nursery rhymes for the preschool set. Children will take turns acting out a classic verse using minimal props and costumes, followed by a related activity and craft. 30 min.

Summer Reading Finales

It's been a great summer! Come pick up your finishing prize and stay for these fun activities. Sponsored by the Friends of HCPL.

Jul 31, Thu. 2:00 PM at Sandston. Get ready for a toe-tapping, high-energy show where the music starts with just one man. One-man band Peter McCorry has been strumming guitar while simultaneously playing harmonicas, kazoo's, whistles, and drums for over 25 years. Sing, clap, and dance along to familiar songs, folk tunes, and original pieces in this unique and joyful celebration of music. 60 min.



Jul 30, Wed. 3:00 PM at Glen Allen. Uncle Ty-Rone's World: Uncle Ty-Rone brings his team of puppets, better known as ventriloquists, to the stage along with music and comedy. Discover the power of reading while laughing and dancing along with Uncle Ty-Rone and his friends. 60 min.

Jul 31, Thu. 2:00 PM at Varina. Family Fun & Art Exhibition: Throughout the summer you've created amazing artwork and projects, and now it's time to showcase your talent. Explore the exhibits, celebrate the creativity of our community, and enjoy a fun-filled event with activities for the whole family! 2 hrs.

Aug 1, Fri. 2:00 PM at Fairfield. Magician, juggler, and comedy entertainer Jonathan Austin joins us to celebrate a summer full of art and creativity. When the show is over, enjoy an ice cream treat with us. 2 hrs.

Aug 1, Fri. 3:00 PM at Tuckahoe. It's time for a summer sendoff with a treat and fun activities! We'll have bubbles, music, and crafts, and announce Summer Reading Prize winners. 30 min.

Aug 2, Sat. 11:45 AM at North Park. Ice cream truck! Enjoy an ice cream treat (while supplies last). You deserve it! 60 min.

Aug 4, Mon. 1:30 PM at Twin Hickory. Celebrate the end of summer with an ice cream treat with your whole family. 60 min.

Aug 4, Mon. 3:00 PM at Gayton. Watercolors: Best for ages 4–10. Explore the joys of painting using watercolor kits. Adult helpers are welcome, especially for younger participants. 60 min.

Aug 9, Sat. 2:00 PM at Libbie Mill. Close out your summer of creativity by learning the art of screen printing with Studio Two Three's mobile printing truck! Print on paper (provided), or bring your own t-shirt or tote bag to print on. 2 hrs.



Lego Waterworks

Jul 16, Wed. 2:30 PM at Libbie Mill. Put your Lego skills to the test in a series of build challenges that use water to heighten the difficulty. We will attempt to make boats that really float as well as containers that are waterproof. 60 min.

Crime Scene Investigations

Jul 17, Thu. 2:00 PM at Twin Hickory. Best for grades K–5 with an adult. Come and explore topics in forensic science with fun experiments and activities. 60 min.

Chess Time

Jul 17, Thu. 3:30 PM at Fairfield. Best for ages 5+. Stop by for a casual game of chess. Players of all experience levels are welcome! 2 hrs.

Sticker Party

Jul 17, Thu. 3:30 PM at Gayton. Celebrate all things stickers! Collect new stickers, bring stickers from home to trade, bring school supplies and other items you would like to decorate. 60 min.

Creative Movement

Jul 18, Fri. 10:30 AM at Libbie Mill. Best for ages 4–8. Explore the wonders of rhythm and movement! Kids will dance to diverse music tempos, transform into animals through playful motions, and creatively act out a captivating story. Take part in an enchanting blend of music, imagination, and dance—a delightful experience fostering creativity and expression in our young attendees. 60 min.

School Bus Safety Workshop

Children entering kindergarten are invited to practice getting on and off a school bus, learn about bus safety, and get a free box of crayons. A bus and driver from Henrico County Public Schools' Pupil Transportation department will be on hand to answer questions for incoming kindergarten families before starting the new school year. All children must be accompanied by a legal guardian. 60 min.

Jul 21, Mon. 9:30 AM at Twin Hickory



Jul 22, Tue. 10:00 AM at Fairfield

Jul 23, Wed. 10:00 AM at Varina

Jul 24, Thu. 10:00 AM at Tuckahoe

Jul 28, Mon. 9:30 AM at Libbie Mill

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 **Natural Dyes with Powhatan State Park**

Jul 24, Thu. 1:00 PM at Fairfield. Best for ages 5–10. Join a park ranger from Powhatan State Park to learn about native plants that can be processed into beautiful natural dyes. Using the dyes as watercolors, you'll decorate greeting cards or postcards that you can share with others or keep for yourself. These dyes will stain clothing, so please wear painting clothes! We will provide disposable gloves and smocks. 60 min.

Tape Town

Jul 25, Fri. 10:00 AM at Fairfield. Best for ages 2–5. Beep beep! Come 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. 60 min.

Museum Me

Jul 30, Wed. 11:30 AM at North Park. Transform an image of yourself into the style of Kahlo, Lichtenstein, Picasso, or Warhol or create a never before seen style all your own. 90 min.

Harry Potter Birthday Celebration

Jul 31, Thu. 3:00 PM at Tuckahoe. Start planning your costumes and practicing your potion skills, and help us celebrate Harry Potter's birthday! Choose your Hogwarts house, practice your Quidditch skills, mix a special potion, create wizard crafts, and make magical memories. 60 min.

AUGUST**Family Maker Lab: Robot Obstacle Course**

Aug 2, Sat. 2:30 PM at Fairfield. Stop by the Digital Media Lab anytime during this program to explore a fun activity and learn about some cool technology with your family. This month, we'll use pre-coding skills to help robots complete an obstacle course. 60 min.

**Teddy Bear Tea Party**

Aug 5, Tue. 10:30 AM at Glen Allen. Best for ages 2+ with an adult. Bring your favorite stuffy and play some games, read a book, and have a mini dance party before enjoying a juice box and snack. 45 min.

Stuffed Animal Spa

Aug 5, Tue. 10:30 AM at Varina. Bring your favorite stuffed animal or doll to the library for a special spa day. Brush their hair/fur, care for their nails and bring them home feeling fresh and new. There will be relaxing music and dim lighting to create the ultimate spa experience. No stuffed animal? No problem. Library puppets need care too. 90 min.

Paint and Sip For Kids

Aug 6, Wed. 7:00 PM at Libbie Mill. Enjoy a juice box while learning to recreate a painting step-by-step. Paints, brushes, canvases, and juice boxes will be provided. 60 min.

STEM Craft: Zoetropes

Aug 7, Thu. 3:00 PM at Fairfield. Learn how to make your own moving pictures with the lost art of the Zoetrope. 60 min.

Stickers and Stamping

Aug 8, Fri. 11:00 AM at Tuckahoe. Celebrate all things stickers and stamps! Let your toddler stamp and place as many stickers as they want. 30 min.

Book Tasting

Aug 9, Sat. 11:00 AM at Varina. Whet your appetite and take a bite out of your next great read. Spend time browsing different books that are available for check out. It's up to you if you check out a favorite to re-read or try something from a new genre. Make book-themed crafts to go with your book. 90 min.

Messy Science

Aug 11, Mon. 2:00 PM at Twin Hickory. Best for grades 2–6 with an adult. Join in the fun as we perform hands-on activities with messy, splashy science experiments. 60 min.

Quest for the Brightest Brain

Aug 12, Tue. 1:30 PM at Twin Hickory. Grades 1–5. Do you love fun facts? Show off your trivia chops at the library during this summer library event. There will be a series of questions in multiple kid-centric categories, and the top three contenders will win prizes and bragging rights! 60 min.

Art Bots

Aug 12, Tue. 2:30 PM at Libbie Mill. Construct your own little robot that makes art! In this program we will make art-bots that create drawings as they move. Customize your bot to change how it draws and make a unique piece of art. 60 min.

Pipe Cleaner Party

Aug 12, Tue. 6:00 PM at Fairfield. Use different techniques and embellishments to adorn yourself in pipe cleaner bracelets, crowns, or any other accessory you can imagine. 60 min.

Kindergarten Readiness Skills

Aug 13, Wed. 10:30 AM at Tuckahoe. For children entering kindergarten, explore different stations designed to teach skills that will prepare them for their next big learning adventure. Along with their adults, they will discover some easy ways to practice those kindergarten readiness skills at home before the school year begins. 45 min.

Tissue Paper Art

Aug 13, Wed. 2:00 PM at Sandston. Get crafty with tissue paper. We'll fold, layer, and tear our way to colorful masterpieces. 2 hrs.

Mosaic Clay Art

Aug 14, Thu. 3:00 PM at Fairfield. Design a pot or other clay art of your choice, then embellish it with a mosaic of beans, seeds, and more. 60 min.

Baby Explorer

Aug 22, Fri. 10:30 AM at Sandston. Best for ages 0–24 months with a caregiver. Let's explore new rhymes, bounce, make animal sounds, and meet some new friends. 30 min.

After School Origami

Aug 22, Fri. 3:30 PM at Fairfield. You made it through the first week back to school! Relax by making some origami creations. 60 min.

Sensory Fun for Babies and Toddlers

Aug 27, Wed. 10:30 AM at Fairfield. Best for ages 12–36 months. Play with different types of materials and textures while practicing fine motor skills and early literacy concepts. 60 min.

REGULAR KIDS & FAMILY PROGRAMS

These programs occur regularly or semi-regularly.

After School Art

Grades 1–5. 60 min.



Jun 3, Tue. 3:30 PM at Twin Hickory. Draw-a-thon: On your marks. Get set. DRAW! How many drawings can you make in one hour?

Jul 1, Tue. 3:30 PM at Twin Hickory. Open Art Studio: Paint, sketch, sculpt, design—you bring your creativity, we'll bring the supplies.

Aug 5, Tue. 3:30 PM at Twin Hickory. Abstract Art: Let the lines, shapes, and colors of your artwork show how you feel, not what you see.



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Baby & Toddler Playtime

Babies and toddlers play together and explore their senses. 60 min.

Jun 13, Fri. 10:00 AM at Fairfield

Jul 18, Fri. 10:00 AM at Fairfield

Chess Time

Jul 17, Thu. 3:30 PM at Fairfield. Best for ages 5+. Stop by for a casual game of chess. Players of all experience levels are welcome! 2 hrs.

Dungeons & Dragons for Kids

Dive into the world of Dungeons & 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, or you can bring your own level-one character. All experience levels are welcome. 60 min.

Jun 18, Wed. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill

Jul 22, Tue. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill

Aug 20, Wed. 6:30 PM at Libbie Mill

Edible Science

Ages 6–10 with an adult. Explore everyday science using kitchen ingredients. Discover the answers to why certain things fizz, bubble and pop. Registrants: Be aware that we will be handling a variety of ingredients. Please be conscious of your child's food allergies and inform us of any potential issues. 60 min.

Jul 30, Wed. 3:00 PM at Tuckahoe

Aug 6, Wed. 3:00 PM at Tuckahoe

Elementary Explorers

Best for grades K–5. Explore different STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math) topics through fun, hands-on activities, challenges, and demonstrations. 60 min.

Jun 25, Wed. 4:00 PM at Varina. Slime: Make colorful slime.

Aug 13, Wed. 4:00 PM at Varina. Archimedes' Screw: Make a device from ancient Greece used to manage and raise water.

Escape the Library

Best for grade 2+. Younger friends may need an older teammate to be able to participate. Use your problem-solving skills to unlock the Super-Secret Box! Can you come up with a solution in time? New participants can drop in and join the game every half hour. 2 hrs.

Jun 7, Sat. 1:00 PM at Varina

Aug 16, Sat. 1:00 PM at Varina

Gardening Fun for Kids Series

Ages 6–8 with an adult. After sharing a book together, we'll make a craft the kids can take home. Hands-on programs—we'll be getting dirty, so come dressed for mess! 60 min.

Jun 7, Sat. 11:00 AM at Glen Allen.

Pollinator Power: Learn about how pollinators support plants, and make a butterfly feeder.

Jul 19, Sat. 11:00 AM at Glen Allen.

Feeding the Plants: Learn about compost and worms, and make an edible worm cup.

Krafty Kids

Enjoy some creative learning and fun. 45 min.

Jul 19, Sat. 11:00 AM at North Park

Aug 2, Sat. 11:00 AM at North Park

Pajama Storytime

Bring your favorite stuffie and join us for stories, songs, and fun! 45 min.

Jun 26, Thu. 6:30 PM at Glen Allen

Jul 24, Thu. 6:30 PM 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 emphasizing discovery and independence. 60 min.

Jun 16, Mon. 2:30 PM at Libbie Mill

Jul 14, Mon. 2:30 PM at Libbie Mill

Aug 11, Mon. 2:30 PM at Libbie Mill

Preschool Craft

Ages 3–5 with an adult helper. Listen to a story, then make a craft. 60 min.

Jun 26, Thu. 3:30 PM at Twin Hickory. Bird Art Bonanza

Jul 24, Thu. 3:30 PM at Twin Hickory. Hippopotamus Jamboree

Aug 28, Thu. 3:30 PM at Twin Hickory. Beautiful Butterfly Art

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 friend! 60 min.

Jun 7, Sat. 11:30 AM at Varina

Jul 5, Sat. 11:30 AM at Varina

Aug 2, Sat. 11:30 AM at Varina



Saturday Family Movie

An adult must stay in the room with their child throughout the entire movie.

Jul 26, Sat. 2:00 PM at Twin Hickory. *Dog Man* (2024, PG, 89 min.) Best for ages 7+.

Aug 23, Sat. 2:00 PM at Twin Hickory. *The Wild Robot* (2024, PG, 101 min.) Best for ages 8+.

Saturday Make and Take

Best for ages 3+. Enjoy open-ended art and crafts at this fun program, perfect for budding artists and crafty kiddos. 60 min.

Jun 21, Sat. 11:00 AM at Glen Allen

Jul 26, Sat. 11:00 AM at Glen Allen

Aug 23, Sat. 11:00 AM at Glen Allen

Summer Kid's Club

Best for ages 5+. Thursdays this summer, we will have a fun craft or activity to enjoy. 30 min.

Jun 5, Thu. 3:00 PM at Tuckahoe

Jun 12, Thu. 3:00 PM at Tuckahoe

Jun 26, Thu. 3:00 PM at Tuckahoe

Jul 3, Thu. 3:00 PM at Tuckahoe

Jul 17, Thu. 3:00 PM at Tuckahoe

Jul 24, Thu. 3:00 PM at Tuckahoe

Summer Music Time

Best for ages 3–5 with an adult. Come sing, dance and hear a colorful summer story. 30 min.

Jun 13, Fri. 10:30 AM at Twin Hickory

Jul 11, Fri. 10:30 AM at Twin Hickory

Aug 8, Fri. 10:30 AM at Twin Hickory

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.

Jun 23, Mon. 3:30 PM at Gayton

Jul 21, Mon. 3:30 PM at Gayton

Aug 18, Mon. 3:30 PM at Gayton



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Weekly Storytimes

Summer 2025



These storytimes take place weekly, except holidays and during storytime breaks. Storytime breaks are May 18–June 7 and August 3–16.

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 Tuckahoe
Wednesdays 9:30 AM at Fairfield
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 10:00 AM at Fairfield
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 10:00 AM at Fairfield
Tuesdays 10:30 AM at Tuckahoe
Wednesdays 9:30 AM at Libbie Mill
Wednesdays 9:30 AM at Twin Hickory
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
Saturdays 10:30 AM at Libbie Mill
Saturdays 10:30 AM at Twin Hickory
Saturdays 10:30 AM at Varina
Saturdays 11:00 AM at Tuckahoe
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
Wednesdays 6:30 PM at Fairfield

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

Adaptive Storytime

Ages 1–12 and all abilities, with an adult.

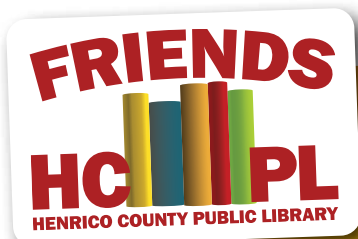
Designed for neurodivergent children, this inclusive storytime incorporates movement, music, stories, sensory activities, and play. Activities presented generally fall within a preschool interest level. Siblings and therapists are welcome.

Mondays 3:30 PM at Tuckahoe
Tuesdays 10:30 AM at Varina
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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