

Henrico County Public Library

Program Guide



Calendar of Events for Fall

September, October, November 2026



**Try new tools,
make great things!**

Digital Media Labs (DML)

offer resources to help our community create and learn while experimenting with new technologies. Take a class, visit a DML during Open Lab hours, or reserve a DML to use on your own.

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For all the latest events and full event details, visit our online events calendar.

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Book Discussions

Fall 2026

Visit henricolibrary.org/book-discussions for latest dates and links to book titles in our catalog. Newcomers are welcome to all book discussions.

FAIRFIELD

📖 READ Out Loud Book Group

Sep 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; Oct 6, 13, 20, 27; Nov 3, 11, 17, 24; Tuesdays 1:00 PM @Fairfield.

This multi-week program is dedicated to reading written works aloud in a group setting, sharing stories, and discussing text to improve literacy and fluency. Seats are limited. To register, contact Kimberly Bridges at kbridges@henricolibrary.org or (804) 501-1929. Presented in partnership with READ RVA. 60 min.

Fairfield Black Authors Book Discussion

Sep 15, Tue. 7:00 PM @Fairfield. *The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store* by James McBride. 60 min.

Oct 20, Tue. 7:00 PM @Fairfield. *Happy Land* by Dolen Perkins-Valdez. 60 min.

Nov 17, Tue. 7:00 PM @Fairfield. *Good Dirt* by Charmaine Wilkerson. 60 min.

📖 Next Chapter Book Club

Oct 5, 12, 26; Nov 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; Mondays 10:00 AM @Fairfield. A multi-week program for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities to read, learn, and make new friends in a relaxed community setting. Two facilitators will be present to read aloud and lead book discussions. Books are provided. Participants are welcome regardless of their reading or ability level, but seats are limited. To register, contact Kimberly Bridges at kbridges@henricolibrary.org or (804) 501-1929. 60 min.



GAYTON

Gayton Afternoon Book Discussion

Sep 14, Mon. 1:00 PM @Gayton. *Where the Rivers Merge* by Mary Alice Monroe. 60 min.

Oct 12, Mon. 1:00 PM @Gayton. *The Good Sister* by Sally Hepworth. 60 min.

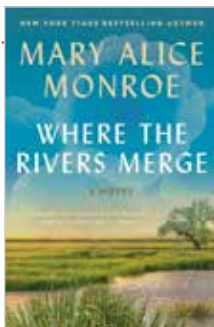
Nov 9, Mon. 1:00 PM @Gayton. *Crow Mary* by Kathleen Grissom. 60 min.

Gayton Evening Book Discussion

Sep 14, Mon. 7:00 PM @Gayton. *Disney's Land* by Richard Snow. 60 min.

Oct 12, Mon. 7:00 PM @Gayton. *Where the Rivers Merge* by Mary Alice Monroe. 60 min.

Nov 9, Mon. 7:00 PM @Gayton. *The Good Sister* by Sally Hepworth. 60 min.



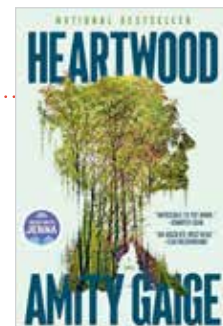
GLEN ALLEN

Glen Allen Book Discussion

Sep 8, Tue. 7:00 PM @Glen Allen. *Heartwood* by Amity Gaige. 60 min.

Oct 13, Tue. 7:00 PM @Glen Allen. *Mary Jane* by Jessica Anya Blau. 60 min.

Nov 10, Tue. 7:00 PM @Glen Allen. *The Improbable Tales of Baskerville Hall* by Ali Standish. 60 min.



LIBBIE MILL

Libbie Mill LGBTQIA+ Book Discussion

Sep 1, Tue. 7:00 PM @Libbie Mill. *Tramps Like Us* by Joe Westmoreland. 60 min.

Oct 6, Tue. 7:00 PM @Libbie Mill. *All Systems Red* by Martha Wells. 60 min.

Nov 3, Tue. 7:00 PM @Libbie Mill. *Song So Wild and Blue* by Paul Lisicky. 60 min.

Libbie Mill Afternoon Book Discussion

Sep 15, Tue. 1:00 PM @Libbie Mill. *The Light Pirate* by Lily Brooks-Dalton. 60 min.

Oct 13, Tue. 1:00 PM @Libbie Mill. *Cantoras* by Caro De Robertis. 60 min.

Nov 10, Tue. 1:00 PM @Libbie Mill. *Moon of the Crusted Snow* by Waubgeshig Rice. 60 min.

Libbie Mill Evening Book Discussion

Sep 15, Tue. 7:00 PM @Libbie Mill. *The Light Pirate* by Lily Brooks-Dalton. 60 min.

Oct 13, Tue. 7:00 PM @Libbie Mill. *Cantoras* by Caro De Robertis. 60 min.

Nov 10, Tue. 7:00 PM @Libbie Mill. *Moon of the Crusted Snow* by Waubgeshig Rice. 60 min.



NORTH PARK

North Park Evening Book Discussion

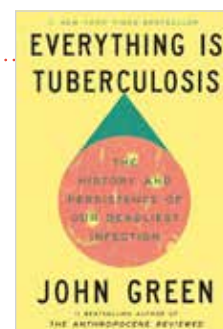
Sep 21, Mon. 7:00 PM @North Park. *This Other Eden* by Paul Harding. 60 min.

Oct 19, Mon. 7:00 PM @North Park. *Everything is Tuberculosis* by John Green. 60 min.

Nov 16, Mon. 7:00 PM @North Park. *Big Dumb Eyes: Stories from a Simpler Mind* by Nate Bargatze. 60 min.

📖 Next Chapter Book Club

Oct 7, 14, 21, 28; Nov 4, 18; Wednesdays 10:00 AM @North Park. See Fairfield description. 60 min.



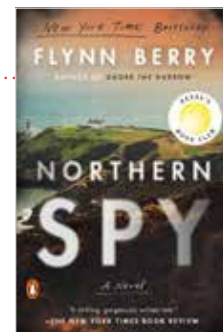
SANDSTON

Savvy Sandston Book Discussion

Sep 9, Wed. 7:00 PM @Sandston. *Darius the Great is Not Okay* by Adib Khorram. 60 min.

Oct 14, Wed. 7:00 PM @Sandston. *The Guncle* by Steven Rowley. 60 min.

Nov 18, Wed. 7:00 PM @Sandston. *Northern Spy* by Flynn Berry. 60 min.



AREA LIBRARIES

Henrico Community Authors Showcase

Read, discuss, and connect with other writers and readers in our community as local authors share their books. Visit henricolibrary.org/authors for details about the program and authors scheduled to appear. Sponsored by the Friends of HCPL.

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TUCKAHOE

Tuckahoe Afternoon Book Discussion

Sep 10, Thu. 1:00 PM @Tuckahoe. *West with Giraffes* by Lynda Rutledge. 60 min.

Oct 8, Thu. 1:00 PM @Tuckahoe. *There There* by Tommy Orange. 60 min.

Nov 12, Thu. 1:00 PM @Tuckahoe. *The Thursday Murder Club* by Richard Osman. 60 min.

Tuckahoe Evening Book Discussion

Sep 15, Tue. 7:00 PM @Tuckahoe. *The Frozen River* by Ariel Lawhon. 60 min.

Oct 20, Tue. 7:00 PM @Tuckahoe. *The Haunting of Hill House* by Shirley Jackson. 60 min.

Nov 17, Tue. 7:00 PM @Tuckahoe. *Ducks: Two Years in the Oil Sands* by Kate Beaton. 60 min.

Not Just For Kids Book Discussion

Sep 22, Tue. 7:00 PM @Tuckahoe. *Anne of Green Gables* by L.M. Montgomery. 60 min.

Oct 27, Tue. 7:00 PM @Tuckahoe. *A Long Pitch Home* by Natalie Dias Lorenzi. 60 min.

Nov 17, Tue. 7:00 PM @Tuckahoe. *Bob* by Wendy Mass. 60 min.

Next Chapter Book Club

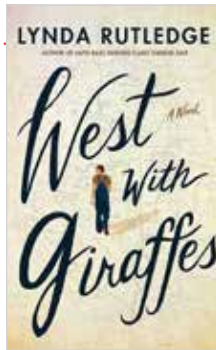
Oct 5, 12, 19, 26; Nov 2, 9, 16, 23, 30;

Mondays 10:00 AM @Tuckahoe. See Fairfield description. 60 min.

TWIN HICKORY

Twin Hickory Afternoon Book Discussion

Sep 9, Wed. 1:00 PM @Twin Hickory. *Culpability* by Bruce Holsinger. 60 min.



Oct 14, Wed. 1:00 PM @Twin Hickory. *Heartwood* by Amity Gaige. 60 min.

Nov 4, Wed. 1:00 PM @Twin Hickory. *The Anxious Generation* by Jonathan Haidt. 60 min.

Twin Hickory Evening Book Discussion

Sep 24, Thu. 7:00 PM @Twin Hickory. *Stone Yard Devotional* by Charlotte Wood. 60 min.

Oct 22, Thu. 7:00 PM @Twin Hickory. *So Far Gone* by Jess Walter. 60 min.

Nov 19, Thu. 7:00 PM @Twin Hickory. *Culpability* by Bruce Holsinger. 60 min.

VARINA

Varina Evening Book Discussion

Sep 21, Mon. 7:00 PM @Varina. *Crooked Letter, Crooked Letter* by Tom Franklin. 60 min.

Oct 19, Mon. 7:00 PM @Varina. *Before I Let Go* by Kennedy Ryan. 60 min.

Nov 16, Mon. 7:00 PM @Varina. *Remarkably Bright Creatures* by Shelby Van Pelt. 60 min.

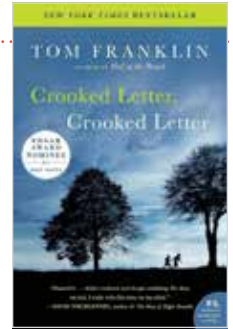
Book Show & Tell

Tell the group about a book you read, loved, and would recommend! Please ensure that your selection is in the library's collection so that others can check it out if they are interested. Bringing in a copy of the book is optional. Stay for light refreshments and chat.

Sep 23, Wed. 6:30 PM @Varina. September is Self-Improvement Month, so we will be sharing books that promote wellness and becoming the best version of yourself. 60 min.

Oct 28, Wed. 6:30 PM @Varina. Give the group a fright with your favorite horror book! 60 min.

Nov 25, Wed. 6:30 PM @Varina. November is National Nonfiction Month. Share your favorite factual tome! 60 min.



Computer & Digital Media Classes

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Computer and digital media classes with this symbol **require registration**, online or in person. Other classes can be attended 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+ unless noted

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!

Oct 6, Tue. 2:00 PM @Libbie Mill, 2 hrs.

Oct 7, Wed. 10:30 AM @Twin Hickory, 2 hrs.

Nov 19, Thu. 2:00 PM @Tuckahoe, 90 min.

Computer Basics: Windows & File Management

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

Sep 22, Tue. 2:00 PM @Tuckahoe, 90 min.

Oct 14, Wed. 2:00 PM @Varina, 90 min.

Oct 21, Wed. 10:30 AM @Twin Hickory, 2 hrs.

Internet Basics: Getting Started

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

Sep 19, Sat. 2:00 PM @Fairfield, 2 hrs.

Oct 20, Tue. 2:00 PM @Libbie Mill, 2 hrs.

Oct 27, Tue. 2:00 PM @Tuckahoe, 90 min.

Nov 12, Thu. 11:00 AM @Varina, 2 hrs.

Listen Up with Audiobooks

Explore the world of audiobooks! Learn what to consider when selecting an audiobook, as well as how to navigate the library's collections, including Libby, Hoopla, and compact discs. Bring your own device for practice, or just listen and learn.

Sep 3, Thu. 3:00 PM @Tuckahoe, 90 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.*

Sep 8, Tue. 10:00 AM @North Park, 60 min.

Oct 3, Sat. 3:00 PM @Fairfield, 60 min.

Oct 12, Mon. 2:00 PM @Twin Hickory, 2 hrs.

Passwords, Plus

Passwords, passkeys, dual authentication, and multi-factor authentication all play a role in keeping you and your data secure online. Learn about how these tools work, and pick up hints for minimizing stress when logging in.

Oct 21, Wed. 6:30 PM @Twin Hickory, 90 min.

Meet Libby

Learn about and get guidance on using Libby, our ebook and audiobook service. We'll cover signing in, navigating the app, browsing and searching for titles, placing holds, and more. Bring your own device for practice, or just listen and learn.

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PRODUCTIVITY

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 Microsoft Excel

Learn the basic features of the popular spreadsheet program.

Sep 8, Tue. 2:00 PM @Tuckahoe, 90 min.

Sep 23, Wed. 11:00 AM @Varina, 2 hrs.

Sep 29, Tue. 2:00 PM @Libbie Mill, 2 hrs.

Oct 28, Wed. 6:30 PM @Twin Hickory, 2 hrs.

 **Microsoft PowerPoint**

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

Sep 10, Thu. 6:30 PM @Libbie Mill, 2 hrs.

Sep 30, Wed. 6:30 PM @Fairfield, 2 hrs.

Nov 3, Tue. 2:00 PM @Tuckahoe, 90 min.

 Microsoft Word

Learn the basics of the popular word processor.

Sep 15, Tue. 6:30 PM @Twin Hickory, 2 hrs.

Oct 6, Tue. 10:00 AM @Varina, 2 hrs.

Oct 22, Thu. 2:00 PM @Fairfield, 2 hrs.

Nov 4, Wed. 2:00 PM @Twin Hickory, 2 hrs.

Nov 19, Thu. 6:30 PM @Libbie Mill, 2 hrs.

 Introduction to Google Tools

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

Oct 14, Wed. 6:30 PM @Fairfield, 90 min.

Nov 17, Tue. 2:00 PM @Varina, 90 min.

 Introduction to Digital Resources: Small Business Edition

The library offers a collection of databases that provide a gateway to knowledge, research, and discovery of small business resources. We'll explore a few of those, including Reference Solutions, Legal Forms, and Universal Class.

Nov 5, Thu. 6:30 PM @Fairfield, 90 min.

 AI Basics

Artificial Intelligence has permeated almost all areas of our lives. Learn the different types of AI, good applications of Large Language Models (LLMs), concerns and ethics, and best practices for keeping your personal information safe. Hands-on exercises will help show you the best ways to responsibly use AI.

Nov 12, Thu. 2:00 PM @Libbie Mill, 2 hrs.

Nov 17, Tue. 2:00 PM @Libbie Mill, 2 hrs.



3D DESIGN AND PRINTING

 Intro to 3D Modeling

Learn the basics of 3D modeling using Tinkercad. We'll explore real-world uses of this technology, see a printer in action, and create your own digital designs.

Sep 2, Wed. 6:30 PM @Twin Hickory for adults, 2 hrs.

Nov 12, Thu. 6:30 PM @Fairfield for adults and grades 5+, 2 hrs.

Nov 19, Thu. 6:00 PM @Fairfield for grades K-5 with an adult, 90 min.

 3D Printed Jack-o'-lanterns

Design your own jack-o'-lantern using 3D design software, submit your creation to be printed, and return another day for your finished product.

Oct 6, Tue. 6:30 PM @Libbie Mill for grades 6-12, 2 hrs.

Oct 20, Tue. 6:00 PM @Tuckahoe for grades 4-12, 90 min.

 3D Spooky Creature & Jack-o'-lanterns Design Modeling

Learn how to sculpt 3D spooky creatures and create custom jack-o'-lanterns using free, accessible 3D modeling programs. We'll go beyond rigid geometry, molding, squishing, and pulling organic shapes to bring unique, eerie designs to life with a model ready for 3D printing.

Oct 27, Tue. 6:00 PM @Varina, 2 hrs.

 3D Printed Cookie Cutters

Learn how to design your own cookie cutter with free online tools, then submit your file to the library's 3D printing service. All class participants will receive a free print of their file.

Nov 5, Thu. 6:30 PM @Libbie Mill for adults and teens, 90 min.

 Blender Basics

Explore the world of 3D design with Blender! In this beginner-friendly class, participants will learn the fundamentals of Blender software and build on basic 3D modeling concepts for creative and practical projects.

Nov 16, Mon. 6:00 PM @Varina, 2 hrs.

2D DESIGN AND IMAGING

 Adobe InDesign Basics

Learn the tools you will need to get started in InDesign, and design concepts that will help ensure your documents look great.

Sep 1, Tue. 10:30 AM @Twin Hickory, 2 hrs.

 DIY Stickers

Learn to design and create your own stickers using Canva.

Sep 10, Thu. 6:30 PM @Twin Hickory for adults, 90 min.

Sep 24, Thu. 6:00 PM @Libbie Mill for grades 6-12, 2 hrs.

Oct 29, Thu. 6:00 PM @Libbie Mill for adults, 2 hrs.

 Making Manga: Krita Basics

Learn how to use Krita, an open-source digital art program, and drawing tablets to create your own manga or graphic novel pages. You'll learn how to use comic page layouts, special effects, set text, and some of Krita's drawing tools to bring your story to life.

Sep 10, Thu. 6:30 PM @Fairfield, 90 min.

 **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 and hands-on practice with the basics. No prior experience with Canva is needed.

Sep 15, Tue. 11:00 AM @Varina, 90 min.

Sep 23, Wed. 10:30 AM @Twin Hickory, 2 hrs.

Sep 24, Thu. 2:00 PM @Fairfield, 90 min.

Oct 1, Thu. 2:00 PM @Tuckahoe, 2 hrs.

Nov 16, Mon. 6:30 PM @Twin Hickory, 2 hrs.

 Digital Painting

Learn basic techniques for digital painting using Photoshop's painting tools and a Wacom art tablet.

Sep 17, Thu. 6:00 PM @Varina, 60 min.

 Organize Your Life with Canva

From day-to-day planning, to goals, to grocery lists, to workout trackers: The possibilities are almost endless. Learn how to create templates to organize your life with Canva.

Sep 28, Mon. 6:30 PM @Libbie Mill, 60 min.



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Adobe Illustrator: Vector Graphics Basics

Learn the basics of vector-based design using Adobe Illustrator. We'll use essential tools to create simple shapes and artwork—perfect for those exploring logo design, icons, and illustrations.

Sep 21, Mon. 2:30 PM @Libbie Mill, 2 hrs.

Oct 26, Mon. 2:00 PM @Tuckahoe, 2 hrs.

Adobe Photoshop: Essential Tools & Techniques

An overview of fundamental tools and concepts in Photoshop, perfect for beginners interested in editing and enhancing images.

Sep 24, Thu. 6:00 PM @Varina for HS students and adults, 90 min.

Oct 1, Thu. 2:30 PM @Fairfield for HS students and adults, 2 hrs.

Oct 6, Tue. 2:00 PM @Tuckahoe for adults, 2 hrs.

Beginner Digital Photography

Learn key photography concepts and the basic settings on your digital camera. Bring your own camera and manual, or just listen and learn.

Oct 5, Mon. 2:30 PM @Fairfield, 90 min.

DIY Cringe Posters with Photopea

Design your own one-of-a-kind cringe poster using Photopea, a free web-based graphic design platform similar to Adobe Photoshop. We'll discuss layers, how to find copyright free photos, and how to assemble them all into a poster of your dreams!

Nov 4, Wed. 6:00 PM @Libbie Mill for teens, 90 min.

Design Your Own Family Holiday Card in Canva

Learn to design your own holiday card using Canva. Please bring any photos you wish to include on a flash drive or in cloud-based storage.

Nov 16, Mon. 2:30 PM @Libbie Mill, 2 hrs.

DIGITIZING AND PRESERVING**Preserving Your Family History**

The library has resources for preserving genealogical information, films, photos, and documents. Learn the best ways to scan, organize, preserve, and manage your digitized family history. We'll also demonstrate how to use a photo scanner and VHS converter.

Sep 8, Tue. 2:30 PM @Fairfield, 90 min.

Oct 7, Wed. 2:30 PM @Libbie Mill, 90 min.

Nov 4, Wed. 6:00 PM @Tuckahoe, 90 min.

Nov 23, Mon. 2:30 PM @Fairfield, 90 min.

**Renewing Vintage Photographs**

Restore old photographs using Photoshop. Learn how to mend tears, heal blemishes, and correct color issues using sample images. Beginner Photoshop experience is helpful but not required.

Sep 17, Thu. 3:00 PM @Tuckahoe, 90 min.

Oct 29, Thu. 6:30 PM @Fairfield, 90 min.

Digitize Your Photos, Film and Slides

Preserve your photos, film, and slides by digitizing them. We'll provide instructions on using a photo scanner and its accessories and include time to try the equipment yourself.

Sep 21, Mon. 10:30 AM @Twin Hickory, 90 min.

Nov 18, Wed. 6:30 PM @Twin Hickory, 90 min.

RECORDING AND EDITING**Adobe Premiere Pro: Video Editing Basics**

Learn the essentials of video editing using Adobe Premiere Pro. This beginner-friendly class covers importing footage, arranging clips on the timeline, adding simple transitions, and exporting a finished video.

Sep 22, Tue. 6:30 PM @Fairfield, 2 hrs.

Nov 16, Mon. 2:00 PM @Tuckahoe, 90 min.

Nov 25, Wed. 2:00 PM @Varina, 2 hrs.

Filmmaking Basics: Camera Shots & Techniques

Explore common types of camera shots used in filmmaking and learn tips to improve your videos. We'll practice shooting short clips using library-provided devices or your own equipment.

Sep 3, Thu. 6:30 PM @Fairfield, 2 hrs.

Intro to Podcasting

For HS students and adults. Learn the basics of audio recording and editing using Audacity. We'll also discuss podcasts as both a creative format and a growing industry.

Sep 14, Mon. 6:00 PM @Twin Hickory, 2 hrs.

Oct 22, Thu. 2:00 PM @Varina, 2 hrs.

Nov 17, Tue. 3:30 PM @Tuckahoe, 90 min.

Pixel Art with Scratch

For teens. Create pixel art with Scratch programming language. Then learn how to add code to animate your creation.

Oct 1, Thu. 6:30 PM @Libbie Mill, 60 min.

**ADULT programs**

Fall 2026

Listings with the VA250 logo are part of our commemoration of the 250th anniversary of the American Revolution, the Revolutionary War, and US Independence in Virginia. Look for them in this issue.

**SEPTEMBER****Solving the Mystery of Credit Reports**

Sep 3, Thu. 3:00 PM @Gayton. Henrico Federal Credit Union provides an overview of credit bureaus, credit scoring, guidance to dispute inaccuracies, improving credit scores, and dealing with identity theft and fraud. 60 min.

Crochet for Beginners

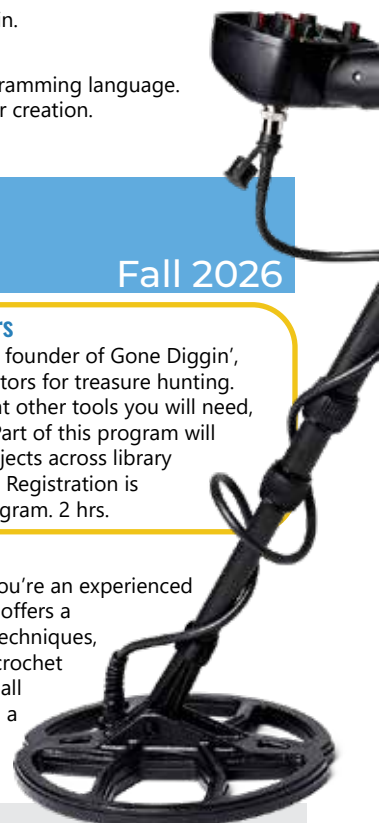
Sep 3, Thu. 6:30 PM @Fairfield. Learn the basic skills of crochet—starting with how to hold the yarn and hook and then how to crochet the basic stitches. 90 min.

Treasure Hunting with Metal Detectors

Sep 8, Tue. 2:00 PM @Varina. Matt Howell, founder of Gone Diggin', will impart his wisdom on using metal detectors for treasure hunting. Learn about how the technology works, what other tools you will need, and relevant laws pertaining to the hobby. Part of this program will take place outside as we hunt for hidden objects across library grounds—dress for the weather and terrain! Registration is optional but will help us prepare for the program. 2 hrs.

Handmade: a Crafty Social

Sep 9, Wed. 3:00 PM @Gayton. Whether you're an experienced crafter or a curious beginner, this gathering offers a supportive space to share ideas, learn new techniques, and celebrate crafting in community. From crochet and quilting to jewelry-making and collage, all handcrafts and fiber arts are welcome. Bring a project to work on or show-off your latest finished object. 90 min.



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Adult Programs, continued

Vedic Architecture with Aparna Patil

Sep 10, Thu. 6:00 PM @Twin Hickory. Your home and its natural surroundings have a profound effect on you and your family's happiness and wellness. Local AIA architect Aparna Patil shares how the basic tenets of Vedic architecture enhance our 21st century living spaces, promoting calm and beauty at home. 60 min.



Ukulele for Beginners

Sep 10, Thu. 7:00 PM @Sandston. Designed for adults and mature teen beginners to learn to play ukulele, one of the most recognizable art forms of Hawaii. Participants will learn proper handling and basic chords on this fun and portable instrument. Register to participate; observers are welcome. Presented in partnership with Virginia Ukapolooza. 90 min.

Author Event: Jon Kukla's *Patrick Henry, Champion of Liberty*

VA250

Sep 12, Sat. 11:00 AM @Tuckahoe. Patrick Henry may be best remembered for saying "Give me liberty or give me death!" But there are many more contributions to American independence to his credit. Join historian Jon Kukla in a discussion of his award-winning book. Books will be available for signing and purchase. 60 min.

Book Swap and Social

Sep 12, Sat. 2:00 PM @Fairfield. Share a book that you've cherished and want to pass along. Join fellow book lovers while savoring some light refreshments and searching for your next favorite read. Leftover books will be donated to the Friends of HCPL. 90 min.

Uno Meet

Sep 14, Mon. 10:00 AM @Fairfield. Play Uno with us. For adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. 90 min.

Let's Paint!

Sep 14, Mon. 10:00 AM @Tuckahoe. Get your creative juices flowing with a fun painting project! For adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. 90 min.

Hawaiian Hula and Culture

Sep 14, Mon. 1:00 PM @North Park. Aloha! Dive into the rich history and vibrant culture of Hawai'i! We'll learn about traditional costumes, discover the names and meaning behind classic Hula movements, and get moving with Hula 'Auana choreography. 90 min.



Iron Clad Perennials

Sep 15, Tue. 2:00 PM @Glen Allen. Perennials are the backbone of most gardens. There's a huge variety of plants to choose from and they come back every year! We will discuss how to select and care for these wonderful plants. Presented by Henrico Cooperative Extension and Henrico Master Gardeners. 60 min.

James River Week: Wildlife Photographer Bill Draper

Sep 15, Tue. 6:00 PM @Gayton. Explore the work of the celebrated outdoor photographer Bill Draper, who is widely admired for his images of the landscapes and wildlife in the James River Park System. Presented in partnership with Keep Henrico Beautiful. 60 min. Photo courtesy Bill Draper Photography

Hispanic Heritage Month

SEP 15–OCT 15

Let's Play Lotería

Sep 16, Wed. 3:00 PM @Sandston
Sep 30, Wed. 6:00 PM @Tuckahoe
Join us for an afternoon of fun as we learn about and play a popular game that is part of Mexico's cultural heritage—*Lotería*! Beginners of all ages are welcome. 60 min.



Film Festival: Director Spotlight on Guillermo del Toro

Sep 22, Tue. 10:00 AM @Twin Hickory. *The Shape of Water* (2017, R, 119 min.)

Sep 29, Tue. 10:00 AM @Twin Hickory. *Nightmare Alley* (2021, R, 140 min.)

Oct 6, Tue. 10:00 AM @Twin Hickory. *Pan's Labyrinth* (2006, R, 112 min.)

Oct 13, Tue. 10:00 AM @Twin Hickory. *Crimson Peak* (2015, R, 119 min.)

Nuestras Historias: Latinos in Richmond

Sep 24, Thu. 6:30 PM @Libbie Mill. Drawing from the Valentine museum's 2017 exhibit "Nuestras Historias," this program explores the diverse experiences of Latinos in the Richmond area. Through interviews, objects and images, hear the stories of entrepreneurs, religious leaders and individuals who have created community in Richmond. 60 min.

Bingo en Español

Oct 6, Tue. 6:00 PM @Twin Hickory. Test your basic Spanish vocabulary skills in this fun, friendly, and noncompetitive game of Spanish language bingo for beginning or intermediate level Spanish-speaking adults. Children ages 5–17 may also participate along with an adult. There will be prizes! 60 min.

Teach Yourself Spanish

Oct 6, Tue. 2:00 PM @Fairfield

Oct 13, Tue. 6:00 PM @Gayton. This workshop is a perfect way to begin or expand your Spanish language learning journey. An array of language learning resources that are free with a library card will be covered. The use of both Rosetta Stone and Transparent Language online tools will be demonstrated and suggestions on ways to improve reading and listening skills will be shared. 60 min.

A Matter of Balance

Sep 16–Nov 4, Wednesdays 10:00 AM @Tuckahoe. This award-winning, evidence-based program is designed to help older adults reduce their risk of falling and increase their physical activity. Sessions will include fall risk evaluations, group discussions, education, problem-solving strategies, and physical activities. Registrants should plan to attend all eight sessions. Presented by Amanda Rudderman, Fall Prevention Coordinator at VCU Medical Center. 2 hrs.

Polish Paper Cutting

Sep 16, Wed. 2:00 PM @Twin Hickory. Wycinanki is the Polish art of cutting paper into intricate designs. Try your hand at this symmetrical style of art and create a colorful masterpiece. 90 min.

Discover Quilting: The Log Cabin Block

Sep 16, Wed. 5:00 PM @Varina. The log cabin block is a classic quilting block popular since at least the mid 1800s. Beginners and experienced quilters alike will discover and practice this simpler-than-it-looks quilting technique using 2 ½ inch strips of quilting cottons. All supplies will be provided, or bring your own fabric and quilting tools. 3 hrs.



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Medicare Basics and Q&A

Sep 17, Thu. 2:00 PM @Twin Hickory. Learn about the Medicare Open Enrollment Period (Oct. 15 to Dec. 7, 2026, also known as the Annual Election Period or AEP), and have your Medicare questions answered by a trained professional. Presented by the Virginia Insurance Counseling and Assistance Program (VICAP). 60 min.

Historically Speaking: The Colonial Republic of Pirates

Sep 17, Thu. 6:00 PM @Tuckahoe. Naval historian Ed Moore of the Mariners' Museum discusses the legion of thousands of men and women who cut off the European powers from their Caribbean holdings by waging warfare as professional thieves, and established the first Democratic Republic in the New World. Presented in partnership with the History Division of Henrico Recreation & Parks. 60 min.

**Land Lovers Series: Fundamentals of Fungi**

Sep 18, Fri. 11:00 AM @Fairfield. Fungi play a critical role in breaking down the nutrients that enhance soil and plant growth. Meet master naturalist and mycology-specialist Drew Fridley to discuss the importance of fungi, including mushrooms, in shaping our ecosystems. Presented in partnership with Keep Henrico Beautiful. 60 min.

✍ Write & Edit with Purpose

Sep 19, Sat. 2:00 PM @Twin Hickory. Ages 16+. This workshop will help writers assess their current writing practice, create a writing goal and action steps, and tackle any limiting beliefs that might be holding them back. Participants will leave with an understanding of the editing process and options for professional support. 2 hrs.

**Bingo Madness**

Sep 21, Mon. 10:00 AM @Fairfield. Meet us for a couple of lively rounds of bingo. For adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. 90 min.

Fun with Mad Libs

Sep 21, Mon. 10:00 AM @Tuckahoe. Have fun with words as we play several rounds of Mad Libs, a game designed to exercise your word knowledge while enjoying some laughs with friends. For adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. 60 min.

Container Gardening

Sep 23, Wed. 6:30 PM @Twin Hickory. Don't have room for a full garden? Try containers on your deck, balcony, front porch, or tucked into your courtyard. Anything can go in a container and anywhere can be a garden! Presented by Henrico Cooperative Extension and Henrico Master Gardeners. 60 min.

Unplug Series

Sep 24, Thu. 2:00 PM @Tuckahoe. Birding. Unplug and learn the basics of analog bird identification and binocular use before heading outside to explore our local habitat and the birds that call it home. Binoculars are available on a limited basis, or bring your own. 90 min.

Sep 26, Sat. 3:00 PM @Tuckahoe. Stitchery. Bring whatever fiber craft you are working on, whether that be knitting, crocheting, weaving, or cross stitch, and join the conversation with your fellow crafters. All skill levels are welcome. 60 min.

☑ Rain Barrel Workshop

Sep 24, Thu. 6:00 PM @North Park. The James River Association explains their River Hero Homes program and teaches how to assemble and install a rain barrel at home. Attendance is free; participants who would like to purchase a 55-gallon rain barrel kit for \$50 must register with the James River Association in advance. 90 min.

☑ Play Schemas: Fundamentals and Practical Applications

Sep 24, Thu. 6:30 PM @Tuckahoe. Workshop for child care providers. Play schemas are repeated patterns of behavior through which young children (typically age 2–6) explore, organize, and make sense of their world through play. Caregivers will learn practical applications to encourage exploration in schemas through invitations to play. Child care providers earn 1.5 hours of continuing education credit. 90 min.

Beyond the Hype: Artificial Intelligence

Sep 26, Sat. 10:30 AM @Tuckahoe. Curious about AI? Concerned? Dr. Shital Thekdi, professor of Analytics & Operations at the University of Richmond, will break down what AI can do, share best practices for its use, and help you recognize and evaluate it in everyday life. Sponsored by the Friends of HCPL. 90 min.

Making Your Backyard a Bird Habitat

Sep 26, Sat. 11:00 AM @Libbie Mill. Learn strategies that can attract birds to your outdoor space and support their wellbeing with master naturalists from the Feminist Bird Club of Richmond. We'll start in the library's large meeting room, followed by a short birding walk on nearby paved trails if weather permits. Binoculars will be provided for the birding walk. Sponsored by the Friends of HCPL. 60 min.

Curb Appeal

Sep 26, Sat. 11:00 AM @Varina. Do you have yard envy? Do you want drivers to stop and joggers to take a break in front of your house? Learn how to design and maintain your front yard so you get this attention at your house. Presented by Henrico Cooperative Extension and Henrico Master Gardeners. 60 min.

Fall Craft Supply Swap

Sep 26, Sat. 2:00 PM @Sandston. Get ready for the holiday season by refreshing your arts and crafts stash. Bring in your gently used tools, excess fabric, yarn, wrapping paper, beads, and other supplies to share and find something "new to you". Donations will be accepted in bags or boxes (limit of 2) from Sep. 15–19. 2 hrs.

Monday Morning Movie

Sep 28, Mon. 10:00 AM @Fairfield. Join us to watch and discuss *The Wizard of Oz* (1939, G, 102 min.) starring Judy Garland. For adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. 2 hrs.

You Guessed It! Let's Play Pictionary!

Sep 28, Mon. 10:00 AM @Tuckahoe. Put your creativity and drawing skills to the test in this fun and interactive session of Pictionary. For adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. 90 min.

Spelling Bee for Adults

Sep 28, Mon. 7:00 PM @Fairfield. If you've ever corrected the spelling in your friends' text messages or quadruple-checked the spelling of a word before sending an e-mail, you're the perfect candidate for our no-elimination spelling competition. Experience the joy of a classic spelling bee in a friendly competitive atmosphere. 60 min.



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Maymont at 100

Sep 29, Tue. 6:00 PM @North Park. This year marks the centennial celebration of Maymont as a public park and museum. Join Kathy Garrett-Cox, Chief Curator & Director of Historical Resources and Engagement, who will share a history of Maymont and the Dooley Family, whose travels created a home filled with treasures that they chose to gift to the City of Richmond for the benefit of everyone. 60 min.

Paranormal Poe: Poe and Victorian Spiritualism

Sep 29, Tue. 6:30 PM @Tuckahoe. From seances to spirit writing, the Spiritualists attempted to communicate with the other side, additionally, many of Edgar Allan Poe's tales offer ideas on the afterlife and how the living can communicate with the dead. Poe took advantage of the coinciding rise of the Spiritualist movement in America to share stories of death and life. Chris Semtner, curator of the Poe Museum of Richmond, discusses Poe's connection with the movement and finds out how he inadvertently influenced their beliefs. 60 min.

INKTOBER

Beginning Ink

Sep 30, Wed. 2:00 PM @Sandston

Oct 14, Wed. 10:00 AM @Glen Allen. An introduction to pen and ink drawing, perfect for those new to the medium. Using dip pens, India ink, and fineline drawing pens, learn basic strokes, common stroke combinations, sketching tips, and practice mark making to build confidence and muscle memory. All skill levels are welcome. 90 min.

Introduction to Drawing in the Manga-Anime Style

Oct 3, Sat. 11:00 AM @North Park. This workshop with Ahn Do, artist and Virginia State University Art Faculty Member, is for anyone who is interested in the Japanese manga-anime style art. Students are introduced to the techniques used by manga and anime artists to help them transform their own work. Some drawing experience is helpful but not required. Organized by the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts and supported, in part, by the Paul Mellon Endowment and the Jean Stafford Camp Memorial Fund. 3 hrs.

Think INK!

Oct 6, Tue. 7:00 PM @Fairfield. Brush pens, fountain pens, gel pens, and more! In celebration of Inktober, join us as we learn about and practice various mediums used for ink-based art. 60 min.

Inktober Supplies Petting Zoo

Oct 7, Wed. 3:00 PM @Gayton. Have you ever tried a glass dip pen? What about a brush pen or quill? Whether you are participating in Inktober by following prompts to draw or write daily, or are a curious creative, you are welcome to this opportunity for hands-on experience with a variety of unique art supplies. 60 min.

Superman Takes Off!

Oct 29, Thu. 6:00 PM @Tuckahoe. Writer, actor, and historian of popular culture Dr. Christopher Irving discusses the important role of the 1940s Superman radio shows in the development of the Superman character across film and comic books. Organized by the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts and supported, in part, by the Paul Mellon Endowment and the Jean Stafford Camp Memorial Fund. 60 min.

OCTOBER

Land Lovers Series: Vermicomposting with Turkey Island Growers & Worm Farm

Oct 1, Thu. 2:00 PM @Gayton. Explore the benefits of composting with worms for your soil, gardens, and crops. Turkey Island Growers & Worm Farm, LLC, a Henrico-based business, will demonstrate how to vermicompost and answer questions about red wigglers and how to use organic vermicast. Presented in partnership with Keep Henrico Beautiful. 60 min.

Historically Speaking: American Revolution Genealogy with Library of Virginia

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Oct 1, Thu. 6:00 PM @Tuckahoe. Cara Griggs, Senior Reference Archivist at the Library of Virginia, discusses research methods and local, state, and federal resources from the Revolutionary War era. She will cover military records, public service claims, tax records, legislative petitions, oaths of allegiance, and records pertaining to Loyalists. Presented in partnership with the History Division of Henrico Recreation & Parks. 60 min.

The Pine Cone Quilt Technique with Karen Middleton

Oct 3, Sat. 10:00 AM @Varina. Pinecone, or pine burr, quilts are created from folded triangles of fabric and layered in a concentric ring pattern that mimics the look of a pinecone. Karen Middleton will discuss the history and technique involved in making these hand sewn works of art and you'll have the chance to try your hand at a sample piece of your own. 5 hrs.



Backyard Composting

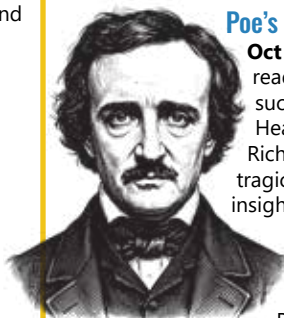
Oct 3, Sat. 11:00 AM @Fairfield. Viewing food waste and yard debris as a renewable resource instead of garbage makes good sense. Demystify composting with these easy steps. Presented by Henrico Cooperative Extension and Henrico Master Gardeners. 60 min.

All About the Virginia Film Office

Oct 5, Mon. 4:30 PM @Libbie Mill. Representatives from the Virginia Film Office give an inside look at Virginia's film industry. Learn about career pathways, production opportunities, what happens behind the scenes on a working set, and the resources available for aspiring filmmakers, creatives, and media professionals. 60 min.

End of Life Planning

Oct 7, Wed. 11:00 AM @Varina. Prepare for the unexpected with a tough conversation about death. Rhonda Pleasants, manager of Dabney Funeral Home, will go over basic questions and how to put a plan in place for loved ones. 60 min.



Poe's Life and Legacy

Oct 7, Wed. 6:30 PM @Fairfield. Why are we still reading Poe's works? Who was the man behind such classic works as "The Raven" and "The Tell-Tale Heart?" Chris Semtner, curator of the Poe Museum of Richmond, answers these questions and tells the equally tragic and compelling story of Poe's life, while providing insight on his legacy in literature. 90 min.

Creature Keychains

Oct 8, Thu. 6:00 PM @Libbie Mill. Create your own monster, critter, or cute friend with felt! Beginners welcome. 90 min.

DIY Autumn Book Page Leaf Wreath

Oct 8, Thu. 6:30 PM @Fairfield. Fall is in the air and leaves are changing their colors, so it's a great time to create a wreath with autumn leaf book pages. 60 min.

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📌 Ukulele for Beginners

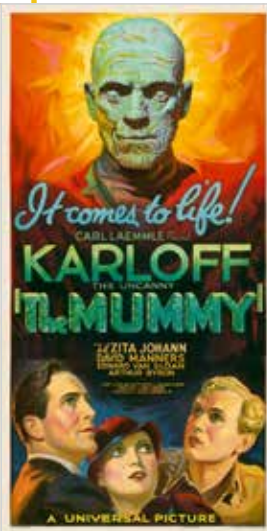
Oct 8, Thu. 7:00 PM @North Park. See Sep. 10 description. 90 min.

📌 Pencil Sketching Basics

Oct 10 and 17, Saturdays 1:00 PM @Fairfield. Unlock your artistic potential in this hands-on workshop designed for all skill levels. In this two-part series, learn the fundamental skills of pencil sketching, with a special focus on blending and shading techniques that bring drawings to life, presented by Reggie Hood, a local artist. 90 min.

📌 Chair Yoga With Meena Dasgupta

Oct 10, 17, 24, Saturdays 1:00 PM @Twin Hickory. Chair yoga is a safe and accessible way to practice for those with limited mobility or balance issues, and it is an excellent starting point for those new to yoga. Meena Dasgupta, an E-RYT 500 hours Traditional/Chair Yoga instructor and Continuing Education Provider by Yoga Alliance, invites you to gentle, low impact chair yoga sessions with dance, beneficial for a range of adults. 60 min.



“It Comes to Life!” Hollywood’s Mummies

Oct 10, Sat. 2:00 PM @Libbie Mill. Ancient Egypt, and specifically mummies, have offered highly creative inspiration for feature films. This presentation by Trent Nicholas, Film and Media Resources Coordinator at the VMFA, will provide a film history background on the art, exploring characteristics of this sub-genre and attitudes towards “exotic” views of Ancient Egyptian culture. Excerpts from the 1932 film *The Mummy* starring Boris Karloff will be shown during the lecture. Organized by the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts and supported, in part, by the Paul Mellon Endowment and the Jean Stafford Camp Memorial Fund. 90 min.

Unplug Series

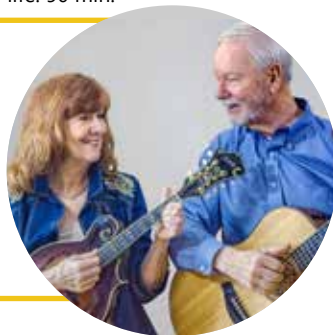
📌 **Oct 10, Sat. 3:00 PM @Tuckahoe.** Make an Analog Bag. Spending too much time on your phone? Interested in finding other ways to enjoy your time? Try creating an analog activity

bag! Sponsored by the Friends of HCPL. 60 min.

Oct 24, Sat. 2:00 PM @Tuckahoe. Book and Record Swap. Bring your favorite gently used books and records to swap with other attendees. Records and books must be gently used, with little visible signs of wear and tear. This is a great opportunity to discover new sounds and stories while giving your treasured items a new life. 90 min.

Bluegrass with Liz & Russ

Oct 13, Tue. 7:00 PM @North Park. We continue our limited series of bi-monthly concerts with bluegrass duo Liz & Russ. Liz Nance and Russell Lawson formed their musical partnership in 1994 and have performed throughout central Virginia. Sponsored by the Friends of HCPL. 60 min.



What to Expect During Perimenopause & Menopause

Oct 14, Wed. 6:30 PM @Libbie Mill. A Menopause Society certified practitioner from Virginia Physicians for Women will lead a talk about what to expect during perimenopause and menopause. After the talk, stay for break out sessions on different menopause related topics. 90 min.

📌 Sensory Friendly Game Night

Oct 15, Thu. 6:00 PM @North Park. Enjoy a variety of sensory friendly and inclusive games like Hive Carbon, A Gentle Rain, and The Fuzzies. Staff assistance and books on gaming will be on hand. 90 min.

UnScene: A Musical Experience

Oct 17, Sat. 10:00 AM @Varina. UnScene is a 30-minute 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 a.m. and take a seat on the Grand Staircase for this wordless gathering. 45 min.

Author Talk: Pet Memorial Park with Dr. Ryan K. Smith

Oct 17, Sat. 11:00 AM @Tuckahoe. Dr. Ryan K. Smith, Professor of History at Virginia Commonwealth University, will discuss the history of Pet Memorial Park in Henrico County. Established in 1934, the historic pet graveyard is one of the oldest in the country. Dr. Smith will discuss the traditions of honoring beloved pets, including the story of Lady Wonder, the psychic horse buried there in 1957. 60 min.

Integration & Civil Rights in Richmond

Oct 20, Tue. 2:00 PM @Gayton. Learn about the harsh realities of Jim Crow, segregation, and integration across the Richmond region, and learn how individuals and communities pushed back to spark change nationally. From early 20th century activists like John Mitchell Jr. to Barbara Johns and Oliver Hill, explore Richmond’s crucial role as a setting for Civil Rights struggles. Presented by the Valentine Museum. 60 min.



Job Search Strategies for Older Adults

Oct 20, Tue. 2:00 PM @Tuckahoe. The SPAN Center presents a workshop geared towards adults 55+ who are returning to the workforce. 60 min.

Paranormal Poe: Poe and Victorian Spiritualism

Oct 20, Tue. 7:00 PM @Glen Allen. See Sep. 29 description. 60 min.

Understanding Your Medicare Options

Oct 21, Wed. 12:00 PM @Libbie Mill. Learn more about Medicare enrollment, costs, and coverage from the Virginia Insurance Counseling and Assistance Program (VICAP). Find out about programs available for eligible individuals to save on Medicare costs and where you can go to find the answers to your Medicare questions. 60 min.

Legal Research 101

Oct 21, Wed. 3:00 PM @Tuckahoe. In this presentation for non-lawyers, learn how to use the Henrico Municipal Government and Law Collection for your legal research needs. Whether you are representing yourself or just want to learn more about the free resources available to you, this presentation will cover the basics of legal research, along with how to access legal databases through our website and computers. 90 min.

Developing Richmond: The City Through Photography

Oct 21, Wed. 6:00 PM @Sandston. This program traces how photography has been used to capture Richmond’s landmarks over time from daguerreotypes to digital photography. Get a look at some unique snapshots of the city from the Valentine museum’s extensive collection of historic photographs. 60 min.

Happy Birthday, Tuckahoe! Literary Trivia for Adults

Oct 22, Thu. 2:00 PM @Tuckahoe. Throughout October, we’re celebrating Tuckahoe Library’s 20th year at 1901 Starling Drive, marking two decades of exploring new ideas, promoting reading, and more! Today, enjoy an afternoon of literary trivia and light refreshments. 90 min.



Beyond the Hype: Artificial Intelligence

Oct 22, Thu. 6:00 PM @Libbie Mill. See Sep. 26 description. 90 min.

Get Organized in the Fall

Oct 24, Sat. 11:00 AM @Glen Allen. Conquer clutter in the fall! Get Organized RVA presents a workshop on strategies to streamline home organization, leading to better time management and less stress. 60 min.

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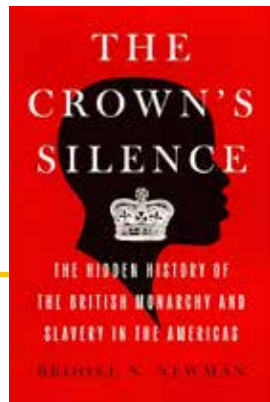
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Music Bingo: Halloween Edition

Oct 24, Sat. 2:00 PM @Fairfield. Enjoy the spooky season with songs from a variety of genres. Show what you know and learn some new tunes. 90 min.

ACOTAR 6 Release Party

Oct 26, Mon. 6:00 PM @Libbie Mill. Start celebrating the next installment of Sarah J. Maas's *A Court of Thorns and Roses* a few hours early! Participants are encouraged to come in costume and enjoy a photo booth, themed crafts, snacks, and some Maasverse trivia with other fans. 2 hrs.



Author Event: Brooke Newman's *The Crown's Silence*

Oct 27, Tue. 6:30 PM @Tuckahoe. Brooke Newman, an award-winning historian of early modern Britain and the British monarchy, discusses her most recent book. *The Crown's Silence: The Hidden History of the British Monarchy and Slavery in the Americas*. Sponsored by the Friends of HCPL. 60 min.

Exploring Nature with Young Children

Oct 27, Tue. 6:30 PM @Twin Hickory. Workshop for child care providers. An introduction to outdoor play and exploration as a way of engaging young

children in learning about the environment through the lens of trees and forests. This workshop will include nature activities, informational books for young children ages 1–6, and information about developing early literacy skills. Child care providers will earn 1.5 hours of continuing education credit. 90 min.

NOVEMBER

Land Lovers Series: Native Garden Planning with Wild Ones

Nov 2, Mon. 2:00 PM @Glen Allen

Nov 4, Wed. 2:00 PM @Tuckahoe. The Wild Ones Natural Landscapers provide practical, educationally-sound information on native landscaping developed specifically for native plant gardeners looking for inspiration, motivation, or help getting started. We'll introduce design concepts and conduct brief exercises with downloadable tools to better understand your planting site, consider your design priorities, and find the "sweet spots". Presented in partnership with Keep Henrico Beautiful. 120 min.



Native America

An eight-part PBS series that travels through 15,000 years to showcase massive cities, unique systems of science, art, and writing, and 100 million people connected by social networks and spiritual beliefs spanning two continents. (2018, TV-PG, 60 min. per episode)

Nov 3, Tue. 10:00 AM @Twin Hickory. Season 1, Episode 1, "From Caves to Cosmos" followed by Episode 2, "Nature to Nations"

Nov 10, Tue. 10:00 AM @Twin Hickory. Season 1, Episode 3, "Cities of the Sky" followed by Episode 4, "New World Rising"

Nov 17, Tue. 10:00 AM @Twin Hickory. Season 2, Episode 1, "New Worlds" followed by Episode 2, "Warrior Spirit"

Nov 24, Tue. 10:00 AM @Twin Hickory. Season 2, Episode 3, "Women Rule" followed by Episode 4, "Language is Life"



Mocktails for Holiday Entertaining

Nov 3, Tue. 6:30 PM @Twin Hickory.

Would you like to spice up your parties and gatherings this holiday season? We have just the thing for you! Learn how to make mocktails with Beth Dixon, founder of Salt and Acid and consultant for private bartending and mixology education. Beth will demonstrate mocktail preparation, provide a recipe card for guests, and discuss cocktail versions of the recipes. 60 min.

Managing Prescription Drug Costs

Nov 5, Thu. 2:00 PM @Libbie Mill. Prescription costs keep rising, but there are tools available to help keep medications affordable. A board-certified pharmacist will review how Medicare prescription coverage works and go over assistance and discount programs. 60 min.

Understanding Your Medicare Options

Nov 5, Thu. 2:00 PM @Twin Hickory

Nov 18, Wed. 2:00 PM @Fairfield. Learn about Medicare enrollment, costs, and coverage with staff and volunteers from the Virginia Insurance Counseling and Assistance Program (VICAP). Find out about programs available for eligible individuals to save on Medicare costs and where you can find the answers to your Medicare questions. 60 min.



Historically Speaking: The USS Henrico

Nov 5, Thu. 6:00 PM @Tuckahoe. Naval historian Ed Moore traces the story of the USS Henrico, a Bayfield-class attack transport ship named after Henrico County. Launched in 1943, the ship served in World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War carrying troops during key invasions, including Normandy. Presented in partnership with the History Division of Henrico Recreation & Parks. 60 min.

Propagating Native Plants

Nov 5, Thu. 6:30 PM @Libbie Mill. Brad Davis of Davis Natives will show techniques for growing natives from seed and cuttings and discuss how to support local wildlife with ecosystem-friendly plantings. 90 min.

Learn to Meditate

Nov 7, Sat. 10:30 AM @Twin Hickory. A workshop for beginners interested in learning meditation techniques to destress, detox, and find peace and joy from within. A certified facilitator from the Heartfulness Meditation Center will share simple techniques that can be practiced 20 minutes in the morning and 20 minutes in the evening that may produce transformative benefits from the inside out for some people. 90 min.

Virginia Marketplace Educational Session

Nov 7, Sat. 1:00 PM @Varina and via Webex: 2867 251 8315. Need health insurance? You can apply for free through the Virginia Marketplace to find out what health insurance plans are available to you, whether you qualify for Medicaid, and if your monthly premium costs can be lowered. A Virginia Marketplace assister will explain the Marketplace, along with how to apply, what information you will need to have on hand, and what your next steps are after receiving your results. 60 min.

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Competitive and Casual Puzzling

Nov 7, Sat. 2:00 PM @Tuckahoe. Do you love to work puzzles and competition? Join us for a team speed puzzling event, or participate in our casual puzzling space while the competition occurs. Individual registration is required for the competitive puzzling portion of this program, and teams will be formed at the event. 2 hrs.

Demystifying Dementia

Presented by Virginia Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services.

Nov 10, Tue. 2:30 PM @Tuckahoe. Brain Health Across the Lifespan: What We Know, What You Can Do. Knowledge about the impact of lifestyle and other factors on brain health has increased tremendously over the past fifteen years, with evidence now suggesting that up to half of dementias could be prevented or delayed. This session will cover several risk factors for dementia, the science behind them, and things that you can do to help protect your brain. 60 min.

Nov 17, Tue. 2:30 PM @Tuckahoe. Dementia Friends Information Session. Activities and discussion that cover the five key messages everyone should know about dementia, communication tips and strategies, and the ten warning signs of Alzheimer's disease. 60 min.

Nov 24, Tue. 2:30 PM @Tuckahoe. Broadening Our Dementia Understanding: Different Dementias and Innovative Caregiving. Alzheimer's disease is the leading cause of dementia, but not the only one. We'll examine other major diseases that cause dementia including vascular dementia, Lewy body dementia, and frontotemporal dementia, then look at innovative ways to provide care for people living with dementia. 60 min.

Author Talk: Annie Tobey's *Secret Richmond: A Guide to the Weird, Wonderful, and Obscure*

Nov 10, Tue. 3:00 PM @Gayton. Annie Tobey's latest book is a celebration of the unexpected in our city. Locals and first-time visitors alike will discover hidden treasures in both never-before-heard stories and when reading about what they thought they knew. Books will be available for sale and signing. Sponsored by the Friends of HCPL. 60 min.

Poetry as Power: Using Your Voice Before the World Gives You Permission

Nov 12, Thu. 6:00 PM @Libbie Mill. Richmond's Poet Laureate, Dr. Maurice "Moeflowz" Brown, will guide participants in how to say what needs to be said with honesty, craft, courage, and purpose. This workshop addresses how poetry helps with processing life—grief, love, anger, culture, and identity—and how to find a voice while still figuring things out. Comparisons between spoken word poetry and poems written on a page will also be explored. Dr. Brown is the founder of Ink & Barrel, Inc., an organization dedicated to empowerment through poetry, and serves as associate director of The Writer's Den RVA. 2 hrs.



Early Literacy Parent Workshop: Ready to Read

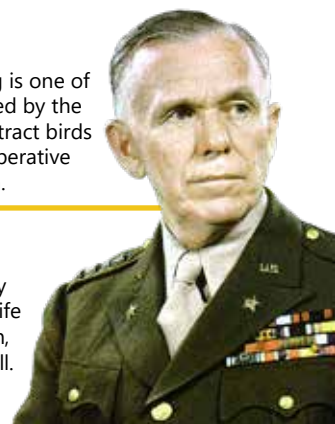
Nov 12, Thu. 6:30 PM @Twin Hickory. For parents. In this workshop, parents and caregivers will learn ways to support early literacy through use of the five practices. Grow your child's love of reading and learning that will support them throughout their life. 45 min.

Birds in Your Backyard

Nov 14, Sat. 11:00 AM @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.

Historically Speaking: George C. Marshall, a Life of Service

Nov 14, Sat. 2:00 PM @Gayton. Virginia Military Institute historian Joel Christenson explores the life of service and achievements of soldier, statesman, and Nobel Peace Prize recipient George C. Marshall. Presented in partnership with the History Division of Henrico Recreation & Parks. 60 min.



Beyond the Checklist: Recognizing Subtle Signs of Autism in Infants and Toddlers

Nov 16, Mon. 6:30 PM @Libbie Mill. Workshop for child care providers, presented by Infant and Toddler Connection of Henrico. By applying nuanced observation techniques and understanding the limitations and strengths of screening tools like the M-CHAT, attendees will gain skills to enhance early identification, support family engagement, and improve referral practices for further evaluation and services. Child care providers earn 1.5 hours of continuing education credit. 90 min.

Marbled Paint Ornaments

Nov 17, Tue. 2:00 PM @Glen Allen. Create a beautiful marbled ornament using acrylic paint. Please bring a clear glass or plastic ornament. 60 min.

Cozy Craft: Paper Lanterns

Nov 18, Wed. 2:00 PM @Tuckahoe. Make several styles of paper lanterns to light up the winter nights, and learn about the significance of lanterns across different cultures. 60 min.

Explore the Dutch Gap Conservation Area

Nov 19, Thu. 2:00 PM @Gayton. Learn about the Dutch Gap Conservation Area, a great spot in the Richmond area to experience the natural world and encounter fascinating plants and animals. Presented by the Riverine Master Naturalists. 60 min.



Ukulele for Beginners II

Nov 19, Thu. 7:00 PM @Libbie Mill. Designed for adults and mature teen beginners who have participated in the "Ukulele for Beginners" workshop. Participants will make progress in proper handling and chords on this fun and portable instrument. Register to participate; observers are welcome. Presented in partnership with Virginia Ukapolooza. 90 min.

UV Resin Crafting

Nov 20, Fri. 11:00 AM @Twin Hickory. Come make a unique creation using molds, mica powder, and UV resin! No experience necessary. 60 min.

Foodways of the Americas

Nov 21, Sat. 11:00 AM @Tuckahoe. Prior to October 12, 1492, North and South America were teeming with plants, crops, animals, and more that had sustained indigenous populations for thousands of years. Join historians from the Mariners' Museum to learn how these foodways continue to play a major role in American cuisine today. 60 min.

Jewelry Making

Nov 21, Sat. 2:30 PM @North Park. The Cultural Arts Center at Glen Allen will teach how to create a necklace from start to finish, using different crimping techniques and tools to secure the clasps. Register for a "make and take" and create your one-of-a-kind necklace! 90 min.

Jigsaw Puzzle Race

Nov 21, Sat. 3:00 PM @Gayton. Puzzlers, assemble! Teams of up to four people compete to see who can finish a 500-piece puzzle the fastest. The winning team will receive a custom trophy. 2 hrs.

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REGULAR ADULT PROGRAMS

These programs occur regularly or semi-regularly.

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; registration is necessary for all participants, including a required caregiver. 90 min

Sep 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; Mondays 10:00 AM @Libbie Mill.

Bob Singer Senior Series

Sep 10, Thu. 2:00 PM

@Twin Hickory. An Audience with Washington. The first president is our guest today. Brian Hilton is a distinguished historian, educator, and one of the nation's premier interpreters of George Washington, who brings history to life with his authentic and captivating portrayals of America's first president. Sponsored by the Friends of HCPL. 60 min.

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Oct 8, Thu. 2:00 PM @Twin Hickory.

Underwater Archaeology: To Protect and Conserve. State underwater archaeologist Brendan Burke

introduces the work of our state's Office of Underwater Archaeology. Learn about the fascinating projects and sites they manage related to submerged areas across the Commonwealth and how they illuminate our maritime history. Sponsored by the Friends of HCPL. 60 min.

Nov 12, Thu. 2:00 PM @Twin Hickory. *Always Order the Pie* featuring Bill Lohmann. Longtime columnist and author Bill Lohmann rides the roads less taken in search of interesting places, people and, of course, pie around Virginia. You might come away with ideas for your next day trip or weekend getaway as Lohmann talks about the newly released third edition of his book, *Backroads and Byways of Virginia*. Sponsored by the Friends of HCPL. 60 min.

Cook & Book

Sep 28, Mon. 7:00 PM @Varina.

Quick & Easy Tacos. The perfect hand held food for summer! Join Cristina Ramirez in learning about a few quick and easy taco recipes, how to prepare a variety of toppings and create your own taco bar at home. 90 min.

Oct 12, Mon. 7:00 PM @Varina. Spooky Cupcake Decorating. Give your baking a spooky twist. Learn techniques on designing festive looks for your haunted parties! 90 min.

Crafternoon

Explore crafts and techniques with beginner and veteran makers. 2 hrs.

Sep 12, Sat. 2:00 PM @Libbie Mill. Foil Frame Magnets

Oct 3, Sat. 2:00 PM @Libbie Mill. Monster Journals

Nov 7, Sat. 2:00 PM @Libbie Mill. Puzzle Piece Wreaths

English Conversation Practice

Practice speaking English in an informal setting. This meet-up style program is perfect for ELL (English Language Learner) and ESL (English as a Second Language) adult students who are ready to practice their English conversation skills. Registration is not required, but participants must be age 16+ and able to speak some English. 75 min.

Sep 9, Oct 14, Wednesdays 7:00 PM @Twin Hickory

Sep 14, Oct 12, Nov 9, Mondays 7:00 PM @Fairfield

Sep 21; Oct 5, 19; Nov 2, 16; Mondays 7:00 PM @Tuckahoe

Sep 28, Oct 26, Nov 23, Mondays 7:00 PM @Libbie Mill



Feel Good Films

Sep 14, Mon. 10:00 AM @Twin Hickory. *Thelma* (2024, PG-13, 97 min.)

Oct 12, Mon. 10:00 AM @Twin Hickory. *Dracula* (1931, NR, 104 min.), followed by *Dracula* (1931, NR, 75 min.) A double feature of the Spanish and English language 1931 Universal productions, which were filmed concurrently using the same sets, story, and script.

Nov 9, Mon. 10:00 AM @Twin Hickory. *Planes, Trains and Automobiles* (1987, R, 93 min.)

Fiber Friends Crafting Night

Bring your supplies and craft with friends. We'll have a small number of knitting needles and crochet hooks available. 60 min.

Sep 17, Nov 5, Thursdays 6:30 PM @North Park

Great Films & Discussions

View and discuss popular films and occasional DVD commentaries. Film titles will be updated online as the program dates approach. 2.5 hrs.

Sep 28, Oct 26, Nov 23, Mondays 6:00 PM @Gayton

Having Seen: A Film Discussion Group

Sep 24, Thu. 7:00 PM @Twin Hickory and via Webex: 2633 037 2772.

The Sting (1979, PG). Paul Newman and Robert Redford star as two con men in 1930s Chicago. After a friend is killed by the mob, they try to get even by attempting to pull off the ultimate sting. 60 min.

Henrico Economic Development Authority



Catalyst 2.0 Henrico Business Academy

Sep 10, Thu. 6:00 PM @Tuckahoe. Understanding Alternative Lending: Accessing Capital Without the Guesswork. You don't need perfect credit or a traditional bank loan to access funding. This workshop breaks down the landscape of capital options available to small businesses, including CDFIs, Kiva, and other relationship-based lending pathways. Learn how alternative funding works, who it's designed for, and what lenders look for before you apply. 2 hrs.

Oct 8, Thu. 6:00 PM @Tuckahoe. Getting Your Books Right: Practical Accounting & QuickBooks for Capital Readiness. Clean, organized financials can make the difference between approval and denial. This workshop covers the accounting concepts lenders care about most, along with step-by-step guidance on maintaining accurate books. 2 hrs.

Nov 12, Thu. 6:00 PM @Tuckahoe. From Startup to Lender-Ready: Understand Financial Documents & Business Credit. If a lender asked today, would your business be ready? This session bridges the gap between bookkeeping and funding by focusing on the financial and credit factors that influence lending decisions. 2 hrs.

Pop-up Mentoring Program (PUMP)

Sep 9, Oct 14, Wednesdays 9:30 AM @Fairfield

Sep 23, Oct 28, Wednesdays 5:00 PM @Libbie Mill. Meet your business needs and foster growth with Henrico Economic Development Authority's (EDA) Award-winning Pop-Up Mentoring Program (PUMP) series. Join us to connect with accomplished professionals for in-person coaching from a rotating list of SCORE Richmond mentors. These sessions will provide personalized business insights related to your specific business needs. View additional programs in the Henrico EDA series. 2 hrs.

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Oct 22, Thu. 7:00 PM @Twin Hickory and via Webex: 2632 490 5108. *Eyes Wide Shut* (1999, R). The title describes a state of “willful ignorance”—deliberately ignoring uncomfortable truths. Tom Cruise and Nicole Kidman frequently look at truth but choose not to see it. 60 min.
Nov 12, Thu. 7:00 PM @Twin Hickory and via Webex: 2866 673 0435. *Being John Malkovich* (1999, R). A frustrated puppeteer (John Cusack) finds a hidden portal in his office that leads directly into actor John Malkovich’s mind, allowing users to experience his life for 15 minutes before being dumped onto the New Jersey Turnpike. 60 min.

Jueves en Español

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

Sep 17, Oct 15, Nov 19, Thursdays 6:30 PM @Twin Hickory

Sandston Stitchers

Do you knit, crochet, or do any needlework of any kind? Bring your projects and craft socially! 90 min.

Sep 21; Oct 5, 19; Nov 2, 16; Mondays 10:30 AM @Sandston

Seniors Make Stuff

Oct 6, Tue. 10:30 AM @Fairfield. Craft Replay. Bring your creativity to make a hand-painted fairy light lamp or a beaded plant. 2 hrs.

Silver Screen Saturdays

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

Sep 12, Oct. 10, Nov 7, Saturdays 3:00 PM @Gayton

Sit and Stitch

Stitch socially with us 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 your fellow crafters. 90 min.

Sep 8, 22; Oct 13, 27; Nov 10, 24; Tuesdays 6:30 PM @Fairfield.

Something to Talk About

Come out on the second Tuesday of every month for movies, local history presentations, genealogy, and more! Sponsored by the Friends of HCPL, who provide coffee, tea, and water.

Sep 8, Tue. 10:00 AM @Varina. Healthy Heart, Healthy Brain. Therapist Jaime Smiley gives tips to keep these essential organs in shape. 2 hrs.

Oct 13, Tue. 10:00 AM @Varina. Lizzie Borden. Phil Ford of HCPL considers Sarah Schmidt’s *See What I Have Done*, based on the murders of Andrew and Abby Borden in 1892. 2 hrs.

The Empowered Caregiver

Presented by the Greater Richmond Chapter of the Alzheimer’s Association.

Sep 2, Wed. 11:00 AM @Varina. Supporting Independence. Helping the person living with dementia take part in daily activities, providing the right amount of support and balancing safety and independence while managing expectations. 60 min.

Oct 1, Thu. 11:00 AM @Varina. Communicating Effectively. How dementia affects communication, and includes tips for communicating well with family, friends, and health care professionals. 60 min.

Nov 4, Wed. 11:00 AM @Varina. Exploring Care and Support Services. How best to prepare for future care decisions and changes, including respite care, residential care, and end of life care. 60 min.

Varina Stitchers

Sep 1, 15; Oct 6, 20; Nov 3, 17; Tuesdays 10:00 AM @Varina. Craft socially with us twice a month. Knit, crochet, weave, sew—bring your supplies and join the conversation. 2 hrs.



TEEN & TWEEN programs

Fall 2026

SEPTEMBER

Teen Super Smash Bros. Tournament

Sep 8, Tue. 4:30 PM @Twin Hickory. Grades 6–12. Put your Smash skills to the test as you challenge other teens in your quest for victory and prizes in our Super Smash Bros. tournament. Nintendo Switch gaming system and controllers supplied. 2 hrs.

So, You Want To Play D&D

Sep 12, Sat. 2:00 PM @Varina. Have you ever wanted to learn how to play Dungeons & Dragons but didn’t know where to start? Or maybe you’ve played before and want to find others who share a similar interest? Join us quarterly for a D&D one-shot experience, where you can make your own characters, or choose from pre-made characters, learn the basics, and immerse yourself in the world of Dungeons & Dragons! 2.5 hrs.

Crochet for a Cause: Information Session

Sep 16, Wed. 5:00 PM @Fairfield. Earn community service hours and learn to crochet at the same time. Get details about the program and start your crocheting journey during this informational session. 90 min.



National Treasure Interactive Movie for Everyone

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Sep 19, Sat. 2:00 PM @Libbie Mill. Join us for a movie showing like no other! Become a part of the action of *National Treasure* (2004, PG, 131 min.) through interactive and passive elements incorporated within the showing. History, thrills, and the Declaration of Independence await! All supplies and props will be provided.

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Teen Workforce Workshop

Grades 9–12. A two-part series to help high school students prepare to enter the workforce or higher education. Each session requires its own registration, but you are strongly encouraged to attend both workshops. One teen per registration, please. Sponsored by the Friends of HCPL.

 **Sep 23, Wed. 6:00 PM @Tuckahoe.** Resumes. Part one is dedicated to creating and refining resumes under the guidance of a professional resume writer. 90 min.

 **Sep 30, Wed. 6:00 PM @Tuckahoe.** Job Interviews. Part two is dedicated to job interviews and elevator pitches under the guidance of a workforce development specialist. 90 min.

College Financial Aid 101

Sep 23, Wed. 6:30 PM @Sandston

Sep 29, Tue. 6:30 PM @Glen Allen. GRASP (Great Aspirations Scholarship Program), a non-profit college access organization, presents the basics of financial aid grants, loans, and scholarships. Learn how to access funding and make sure you're getting the best award package. 90 min.

How to be a Dungeon Master

Sep 24, Thu. 6:30 PM @Fairfield. Running a game of Dungeons & Dragons can be intimidating, but it doesn't have to be. This program will guide you through the essentials of becoming a Dungeon Master, including an introduction to campaign writing, combat basics, and how to set your players up for success. All experience levels welcome. 90 min.

Elementary Comic Workshop

Sep 26, Sat. 2:30 PM @Tuckahoe. Grades 4–6. Learn about comics, their elements, and the process of making them. 60 min.

DIY Slime for Tweens and Teens

Sep 28, Mon. 1:00 PM @Gayton. Learn about the science of slime while creating various slime textures. 60 min.

Make a Phone Charm

Sep 28, Mon. 7:00 PM @Fairfield. Show off your style by using beads to create a phone charm. 60 min.



In the Heights

Sep 29, Tue. 6:00 PM @Fairfield. For Hispanic Heritage Month, bring some friends, watch *In the Heights* (2021, PG-13, 143 min.), and snack on traditional bodega treats.

Puzzle Race

Sep 30, Wed. 6:00 PM @Twin Hickory. Best for ages 11+. Teams of up to four people compete to see who can finish a 500-piece puzzle the fastest. Bring your friends, or join a team when you arrive. 60 min.

OCTOBER

Crochet for a Cause

Oct 3, Sat. 2:00 PM @Fairfield

Oct 21, Wed. 5:00 PM @Fairfield. Earn community service hours and learn to crochet at the same time. Continue building your skills as you create crocheted items for local organizations. 60 min.

Spooky Halloween Lights

Oct 7, Wed. 6:00 PM @Tuckahoe. Create and decorate Halloween lights to celebrate the season. Want a creepy eyeball light? Or perhaps a ghoulish light instead? Materials provided while supplies last. 60 min.



DIY Fantasy Potion Bottles for Teens

Oct 9, Fri. 4:30 PM

@Glen Allen. Learn how to make your own sensory potion bottle. 60 min.

Franken-Prints

Oct 12, Mon. 5:00 PM @Libbie Mill. Learn about the library's 3D printer, and then use failed 3D prints and provided craft supplies to create your own Franken-print. 60 min.

Create a Nicho

Oct 12, Mon. 6:30 PM @Fairfield. For Hispanic Heritage Month, earn about nichos, a shadow box folk art made throughout Latin America. We'll talk about the origin of nichos and look at how they've evolved. Then make your own shadow box—whether it's to honor a loved one, carry your beloved trinkets, or even to show off your fandom. 90 min.

Teen Glow Art: Pumpkins and Skulls

Oct 13, Tue. 4:30 PM @Twin Hickory. Grades 6–12. Get yourself ready for Halloween or Día de Los Muertos by decorating a craft pumpkin or skull with glow-in-the-dark paint.

Ghost Writer Games

Oct 14, Wed. 6:30 PM @Fairfield. It's spooky season, and there are ghosts in the library. Learn about ghost writers and play fun games along the way. 90 min.

The Great Space Station Escape!

Oct 15, Thu. 5:00 or 6:30 PM @Varina. Attention space cadets, our course has been diverted...and someone on board is responsible! Can you escape the space station AND eject the imposter? Designed by our Teen Advisory Board, this escape room can be played in either traditional Escape mode, or Imposter mode, best in a group of five. 60 min.



Budgeting Basics for Teens

Oct 15, Thu. 6:00 PM @Tuckahoe. Come enjoy pizza and a fun-filled evening dedicated to you and your finances! We'll dive into how budgeting works and, more specifically, how it can work for you. Parents are welcome to attend as well. Presented by Virginia Credit Union. 90 min.

Paper Aircraft Competition

Oct 22, Thu. 4:00 PM @Twin Hickory. Explore the science behind paper aircraft and test your own creations in this competition. 60 min.

How to be a Dungeon Master: Adventure Writing Workshop

Oct 22, Thu. 6:30 PM @Fairfield. In this intermediate DM workshop you'll learn in-depth strategies for planning a cohesive adventure from start to finish, such as encounter balancing, encounter objectives, action sequences, plot hooks, and down time activities. All experience levels welcome. 90 min.



Happy Birthday, Tuckahoe!

Cupcake Party & DIY Bookmarks for Teens

Oct 23, Fri. 4:00 PM @Tuckahoe. Enjoy a birthday cupcake (while supplies last!), then create unique bookmarks to swap or keep for yourself. 60 min.

Spooky Craft Fair

Oct 26, Mon. 6:00 PM @Fairfield. Spend an hour making a variety of spooky crafts. Make one or make them all; it's up to you. 60 min.

Creepy Cake Parfaits for Teens and Tweens

Oct 27, Tue. 6:00 PM @Gayton. Create a creepy yet delicious parfait using cake, pudding, and other sweets. *Parents and caregivers are responsible for supervising what their children consume during the program. Please alert staff to any allergies prior to the program.* 60 min.

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Teen & Tween, continued

Special FX Makeup Workshop

Oct 28, Wed. 5:30 PM @Tuckahoe

Oct 29, Thu. 5:30 PM @Fairfield. Learn how to create creepy special effects makeup techniques from a Virginia Repertory Theatre artist! Leave with your very own bone-chilling makeup design. Register to have makeup applied, or just come to watch. 3 hrs.

Make Your Own Zombie Doll

Oct 28, Wed. 6:00 PM @Twin Hickory. Have you ever wanted to be Dr. Frankenstein? Create a bizarre, creepy doll in our program for tweens and teens. 90 min.

NOVEMBER

Diwali Clay Diyas for Teens

Nov 4, Wed. 4:30 PM @Twin Hickory. Grades 6–12. Make your own clay diya lamp for Diwali, the Festival of Lights. 60 min.

How to be a Boss

Nov 5, Thu. 7:00 PM @Fairfield. In this career builder roundtable, aspiring entrepreneurs will get the opportunity to hear about the pros and cons as well as some myths and facts of business ownership from a workforce development specialist. Q&A to follow for those bold enough to discuss their business plans—so bring your big ideas! 60 min.

Meet the Artist: Painter Jeromyah Jones

Nov 9, Mon. 3:30 PM @Fairfield. Learn what it takes to become a professional painter and then put your skills to the test. Local painter Jeromyah Jones will share the path he took to become an artist and demonstrate his painting skills. After the presentation, try your hand at painting on a mini-canvas. 60 min.



Resume Writing and Interview Skills for Teens

Nov 9, Mon. 5:00 PM @Libbie Mill. Grades 9–12.

This two-hour workshop will help students prepare to enter the workforce or higher education. Under the guidance of a workforce development specialist, teens will learn how to write a resume and get some basic interview skills. Sponsored by the Friends of HCPL. 2 hrs.

Autumn Doodle Art

Nov 9, Mon. 6:00 PM @Tuckahoe. Float into fall with a relaxing art project, perfect for beginners and skilled artists alike. Learn to make creative doodles while designing your own seasonal art piece. . 90 min.

Pokémon: Card Traders for Tweens and Teens

Nov 10, Tue. 6:30 PM @Gayton. Grades 6–12. Trading Pokémon cards is un-Bayleaf-able fun. We will provide a safe space to trade cards and have other Pokémon-themed activities. 60 min.

Crochet for a Cause

Nov 14, Sat. 2:00 PM @Fairfield

Nov 18, Wed. 5:00 PM @Fairfield. See Oct. 3 description. 60 min.

Understanding Canine Body Language with the Richmond SPCA

Nov 14, Sat. 2:00 PM @Varina. Learn what your dog is really saying! In this interactive program, we'll explore canine body language, from tail wags and ear positions to facial expressions and posture, so you can better understand how dogs communicate. Perfect for dog lovers of all ages, this program will help you recognize signs of happiness, stress, and comfort to build connections with our four-legged friends. *Participants will interact with a dog and will be required to sign a waiver.* 60 min.

Drinking Straw Cuff Bracelet

Nov 17, Tue. 4:30 PM @Twin Hickory. Grades 6–12.

Make a fun, fantastic cuff-style bracelet with beads made out of drinking straws. 60 min.



The Art of Cell Phone Pet Photography

Nov 19, Thu. 6:00 PM @Tuckahoe. Know your phone. Know your pet. Capture them at their best. Sarah Babcock, chief of education and training for the Richmond SPCA, teaches the best ways to capture your pet on your smart phone without stressing your pet out! 60 min.

Tattoo Art 101: Foundational Drawing Techniques

Nov 21, Sat. 2:00 PM @Tuckahoe. Develop your creativity while learning foundational drawing techniques from professional tattoo artists.

Attendees will learn how to draw several classic tattoo designs, including roses, peonies, and swallows. Using a variety of mediums, you can learn to draw your own tattoos! 2 hrs.

Diamond Art Keychains

Nov 24, Tue. 6:00 PM @Libbie Mill. Create a shimmering 5D diamond art keychain. 90 min.

Min/Max Gaming

Nov 25, Wed. 2:30 PM @Fairfield. Play life-size versions of your favorite games, and then try out some tiny versions. Bring some friends or challenge a librarian. 60 min.

REGULAR TEEN & TWEEN PROGRAMS

These programs occur regularly or semi-regularly.

Anime Café

Learn how to make food from your favorite anime! Every meeting, we'll highlight a different anime or manga series, recreate a food found on the page or on the screen, and chat about our favorite series. *Parents and caregivers are responsible for supervising what their children consume during the program. Please alert staff to any allergies prior to the program.* 60 min.

Sep 15, Oct 20, Nov 17, Tuesdays 7:00 PM @Fairfield

From Scratch

Cooking doesn't have to be hard or scary. Learn how to make a new simple food from scratch each quarter. *Parents and caregivers are responsible for supervising what their children consume during the program. Please alert staff to any allergies prior to the program.* 60 min.

Sep 23, Wed. 6:00 PM @Fairfield. Ice cream

Nov 10, Tue. 6:00 PM @Fairfield. Granola

Hacking Adulthood

Life skills for teens and young adults. Best for ages 15–25.

Sep 14, Mon. 6:00 PM @Varina. Personalities to Professions. Using free and accessible library resources, delve in to personality and career exploration. Learn about yourself, and ways to find a profession that fits your personality. 90 min.

Sep 10, Tue. 6:00 PM @Varina.

Gamifying Your Finances. Everyone loves a challenge! Learn techniques and games to make saving fun while building your rainy day fund. 60 min.



Improv!

Grades 9–12. Improv is great for exercising your creative mind, developing your storytelling skills, and making new friends. We will play games used in professional improv theaters while being coached by an improv comedian. We will work together to make each other laugh, listen, think, and act in all kinds of ways. Come ready to have fun! Only one person per registration, please. 2 hrs.

Sep 8, Oct 13, Nov 10, Tuesdays 6:30 PM @Tuckahoe

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Manga, Mingle, and More!

Dive into Japanese media at our club in the teen department. Explore our collection of manga and anime, meet peers with similar interests, make cool crafts, and participate in various activities and discussions. Don't miss out on epic adventures and unforgettable fun! 60 min.

Sep 9, Oct 14, Nov 18, Wednesdays 6:00 PM @Varina



T+T Movie Night

Tween and teen movie night! Bring your friends to watch, relax, and crunch on snacks.

Sep 10, Thu. 5:30 PM @North Park. *The Iron Giant* (1999, PG, 85 min.)

Oct 22, Thu. 5:30 PM @North Park. *The Nightmare Before Christmas* (1993, PG, 75 min.)

Nov 12, Thu. 5:30 PM @North Park. *The Outsiders* (1983, PG, 91 min.)

Teen Admin Night

Set aside time to get organized and stay on top of your busy to-do list. Enjoy some light snacks while project planning, checking emails and school portals, and setting goals for the month. Then come back each month and check your progress with friends! 60 min.

Sep 1, Oct 6, Nov 3, Tue. 6:00 PM @Tuckahoe

Teen Art Club

Drop by for some creative art time after school. Bring your art supplies or use ours to create your doodles, sketches, and masterpieces. Work on a project with us, or hang out and create your own. Imagination is encouraged. 60 min.

Sep 14, Mon. 5:30 PM @North Park. How to Draw Heads and Faces

Oct 26, Mon. 5:30 PM @North Park. Monster Making

Nov 23, Mon. 5:30 PM @North Park. Clay Creations

Teen Art Studio

Drop by for some fun, hands-on creativity! We'll discuss different styles of art and do a variety of art, craft, and drawing projects. All artistic skill levels are welcome! 2 hrs.

Sep 22, Oct 13, Nov 24, Tuesdays 6:00 PM @Varina

Teen Community Service

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

Oct 6, Tue. 6:00 PM @Fairfield, 60 min.

Nov 14, Sat. 3:00 PM @Tuckahoe, 2 hrs.

Nov 16, Mon. 4:30 PM @Twin Hickory, 60 min.

Nov 21, Sat. 3:00 PM @Glen Allen, 2 hrs.

Nov 30, Mon. 6:00 PM @Gayton, 60 min.



Teen Craft Club

Experiment with a variety of crafts utilizing different media. Each meeting, we will set out various materials for you to create with. Just bring your creativity and imagination! 90 min.

Sep 28, Oct 26, Mondays 4:30 PM @Twin Hickory

Teen Game Night

Come game with us! We will have a variety of video, card, and board games. Each month we will feature a specific game. Snacks will be provided, so come to play or just to hang out. 90 min.

Sep 10, Oct 8, Nov 12, Thursdays 6:00 PM @Libbie Mill

Teen Role-Playing Game: Dungeons & Dragons Adventure

Dive into a three-session Halloween themed campaign to practice your D&D skills. Bring your own level 5 character or play with one of our pre-made characters. Attending all three sessions is encouraged, but not required. All experience levels welcome. 2 hrs.

Sep 5, Oct 3, Oct 31, Saturdays 3:00 PM @Libbie Mill

Teen RPG One Shot

If you're interested in games like Dungeons & Dragons, but don't have time to commit to multiple game sessions, come play a one-shot adventure! Open to new players and veterans alike. Character sheets and dice will be provided, or bring your own level 1 character. 2 hrs.

Nov 7, Sat. 2:00 PM @Twin Hickory

Teen Tabletop Gaming Club

Teens and tweens! Do you like tabletop board games? Join others for a fun offline game experience. Play your favorites and learn new games! We will have games available, or bring your own. 90 min.

Sep 3, Oct 1, Nov 5, Thu. 6:30 PM

@Twin Hickory

Teen Trivia Thursdays

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

Sep 17, Oct 15, Nov 19, Thu. 6:00 PM

@Libbie Mill

Teen Yarn Club

Each month we will explore a different style of fiber craft. Working on something already? Feel free to bring your own project. 90 min.

Sep 21, Mon. 4:30 PM @Twin Hickory. Crochet

Oct 5, Mon. 4:30 PM @Twin Hickory. Felting

Nov 2, Mon. 4:30 PM @Twin Hickory. Crochet

Teens Make Stuff

Come craft with us! Bring your friends, hang out, and make something cool. 90 min.

Sep 14, Oct 5, Nov 2, Mon. 6:00 PM @Libbie Mill

Tween Craft Club

Calling all tweens! Bring a friend, chat, and hang out with us while doing things. Experiment with a variety of crafts utilizing different media. 60 min.

Sep 8, Oct 13, Nov 10, Tue. 6:00 PM @Libbie Mill

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.

Oct 12, Nov 9, Mondays 5:30 PM @North Park

Twisted Stitches

Learn to crochet, make something silly, and hang out with other fabric artists. Join us monthly to make fun projects and creatures from your favorite shows and games! Supplies will be provided, or bring your own. 60 min.

Sep 10, Oct 8, Nov 12, Thursdays 6:00 PM @Varina



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KIDS & FAMILY programs

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SEPTEMBER

Dino-Roar Mini Golf

Sep 5, Sat. 11:00 AM @Varina. Get your mini golf on, with snacks and prizes. See your favorite dinosaur represented on the golf course. 4 hrs.

Marble Mania

Sep 5, Sat. 2:30 PM @Libbie Mill. Using a variety of supplied materials, design and build marble roller coasters. Create twisting tracks, daring drops, and speedy slopes! Once your masterpiece is finished, you'll test it out and see if your marble can make the full journey! 2 hrs.

Preschool Fun: Paper Plate Unicorns

Sep 8, Tue. 3:30 PM @Twin Hickory. Ages 3–5 with an adult. Listen to a story and get creative with color and yarn to make a unicorn. 45 min.

Young Writers Workshop: Crafting Your Best Essay

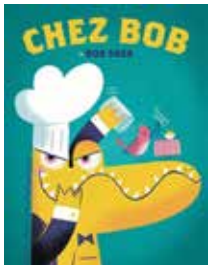
Sep 10, Thu. 3:45 PM @Twin Hickory. Grades 3–5. Join us each month from September to March as we explore the essay writing process. This seven part series will help children build confidence in their writing. Each month participants will focus on a different stage from brainstorming to rewriting and publishing their final essay. Each session will be 1 to 1.5 hours long. Participants are strongly encouraged to attend all seven monthly sessions. 90 min.

Creative Movement

Sep 11, Fri. 10:30 AM @Libbie Mill. Best for ages 2–7. 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.

Bluey Dance Party!

Sep 21, Mon. 2:00 PM @Tuckahoe. Celebrate back-to-school time with a crafts and activities party featuring everyone's favorite blue dog and her friends! 45 min.



Once Upon A Story: Chez Bob

Sep 21, Mon. 2:00 PM @Varina. If you were a bird, would YOU trust an alligator? Enjoy a reading of the book *Chez Bob* where a lovable villain opens a bird seed restaurant on his mouth. After the book, enjoy a craft activity related to the story. 45 min.

Knights Of The Round Table

Sep 21, Mon. 2:30 PM @Libbie Mill. Dragons beware! Come transform yourself into a noble

knight to slay any dragons on your quest! We will learn the basics of knighthood and provide materials for you to forge your shield, sword, and helmet. 60 min.

Roll a Story

Sep 21, Mon. 4:00 PM @Fairfield. Practice your writing skills by making cubes that decide the story elements when you roll them. Share your story, then take your cubes home for future inspiration. 60 min.

Stuffed Animal Sleepover

Sep 24, Thu. 3:30 PM @Gayton. Children of all ages are invited to bring their stuffed animals, read them a bedtime story, and then leave their furry friends overnight. Kids will pick up their stuffed animals the next day and discover what they've been up to at night. 60 min.

A is for Apple

Sep 25, Fri. 10:00 AM @Fairfield. Let's learn more about the letter A! We'll explore various themed activities like apple stamping and then get to sample some of this delicious treat. 60 min.



Firefighter Visit

Sep 28, Mon. 9:30 AM @Twin Hickory. Best for ages 3–5. You're invited to meet one of our neighborhood community helpers. We will learn to be safe with our good friends from the Henrico County Division of Fire. Preschoolers are invited to hear stories, meet a real firefighter and learn more about how they take care of our community. A fire truck may be available for a close-up look. 30 min.



Mad Science: Matter of Fact

Sep 28, Mon. 2:00 PM @Sandston. Best for grades 2–6. Kids explore molecules and the forces that hold atoms together. They see the dramatic differences between physical and chemical changes, as they mix up a batch of their very own Mad Science putty to take home. 60 min.

Homework Resources

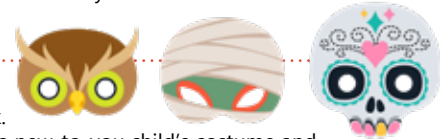
Sep 28, Mon. 6:00 PM @North Park. Learn how free resources can assist you and your family with a successful school year. 60 min.

OCTOBER

Costume Swap

Oct 1, Thu. 5:30 PM @North Park.

They grow so fast! Come swap for a new-to-you child's costume and yummy treats. Bring in gently used children's costumes or costume elements. Donations accepted during September. 60 min.



Crafting Tissue Paper Marigold Garlands

Oct 3, Sat. 10:00 AM @Twin Hickory. Marigold garlands, or cempasúchil, are essential for Day of the Dead (*Día de los Muertos*) as they guide spirits to the *ofrenda* (altar) using their vibrant orange color and pungent scent. These flowers represent the fragility of life and are used to decorate homes, altars, and gravesites during the celebration. 2 hrs.

Skywatch

Oct 5, Mon. 7:15 PM @Varina. All ages. Kick off World Space Week with a Skywatch led by the Richmond Astronomical Society! Take a gander through a telescope to check out the spectacles in space and learn more about the vast cosmos surrounding our planet. We will be outdoors, so dress for the weather! 60 min.

Happy Birthday, Tuckahoe! Birthday Bash for Kids

Oct 8, Thu. 3:30 PM @Tuckahoe. Celebrate Tuckahoe Library's birthday with a special birthday-themed storytime! Then enjoy a cupcake and craft while supplies last. 30 min.

Lego Builders

Oct 10, Sat. 3:00 PM @Sandston. Best for ages 3+. Your imagination is the limit as you build creations out of Lego bricks. 60 min.

Cracking Geodes

Oct 12, Mon. 3:30 PM @Tuckahoe. Best for ages 7+. Discover a crystal treasure! Come learn about geology, geodes, and crystals during this fun STEM activity. Everyone will have the opportunity to break open these rocks to reveal amazing crystals inside. 45 min.

Lego Club: Build a Mansion

Oct 12, Mon. 4:00 PM @Twin Hickory. Best for grades K–5 with an adult. We bring the Lego pieces, and you bring your creativity. Test your building skills with our newest theme: a Lego mansion. Combine your individual rooms to create one massive mansion. 60 min.

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Family Movie Night

Oct 12, Mon. 6:00 PM @Sandston.
Hotel Transylvania (2012, PG, 91 min.)

It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown

Oct 13, Tue. 5:00 PM @Varina. Hop in the pumpkin patch with Charlie Brown and friends! Enjoy crafts, an interactive scavenger hunt, and more with Chuck and the gang. 90 min.

Baby Rave

Oct 14, Wed. 9:30 AM @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.

P is for Pumpkin

Oct 14, Wed. 10:00 AM @Fairfield. Explore autumn colors and paint your very own mini pumpkin as we celebrate fall and tie in early learning concepts as we go. 60 min.

Spooky Watercolors

Oct 14, Wed. 3:30 PM @Gayton. Bring your creativity as we explore watercolor painting. Participants can choose to create a spooky-themed project or make their own design using watercolor techniques. 60 min.

Costume Swap

Oct 17, Sat. 12:00 PM @Libbie Mill. Bring your child's clean and gently-used outgrown costumes to swap for a new-to-you costume. We will accept donated costumes in the Children's Department leading up to the event. 4 hrs.

**Spooky Game Night: Horrified**

Oct 19, Mon. 6:00 PM @Gayton
Oct 20, Tue. 6:00 PM @North Park
Oct 26, Mon. 6:00 PM @Glen Allen
Oct 27, Tue. 6:00 PM @Sandston.
All ages are invited to a night of monsters and cooperative tabletop gaming with the board game Horrified. Help your team battle your choice of either classic monsters or American cryptids. 60 min.

Spooktacular Sing-Along

Oct 20, Tue. 10:00 AM @Fairfield. Best for ages 1–10. Sing some hair-raising, spine-tingling tunes, plus boo-gie to lots of thematic songs to celebrate Halloween. 60 min.

Pre-K Costume Dance Party

Oct 24, Sat. 10:30 AM @Libbie Mill. Ages 2–6. Put on your costume and have fun dancing and singing in this interactive music program. Parents are also welcome to show off their best dance moves! 45 min.

Mad Science: Spooktacular Halloween

Oct 28, Wed. 2:00 PM @Twin Hickory. Celebrate the season with spooky experiments, creepy concoctions, and more! 60 min.

DIY Pumpkin Launchers

Oct 28, Wed. 2:30 PM @Fairfield. Use your engineering skills to launch a candy corn pumpkin as far as possible. Work alone or in groups as you test the laws of pumpkin physics. Prizes will be awarded. 90 min.

Halloween Magic with Mr. B!

Oct 29, Thu. 6:00 PM @Glen Allen. Families are invited to a special Halloween magic show with the Amazing Mr. B! This family-friendly show features spooky and silly magic tricks, perfect for the season! 45 min.

**Halloween Fun**

Oct 31, Sat. 2:00 PM @Twin Hickory. Ages 2+ with an adult. Bring your family to enjoy Halloween fun activities as we celebrate this special holiday. Costumes are encouraged. 60 min.

NOVEMBER**Coloring Extravaganza**

Nov 2–3, Mon.–Tue. 10:00 AM–8:00 PM @Fairfield. Find pockets of color throughout the second floor, as you color everything from bookmarks to a mural.

Minecraft Afternoon

Nov 2, Mon. 2:00 PM @Varina. Search for diamonds, chop down trees, and hide from creepers. Spend the afternoon building crafts and reading Minecraft books. 2 hrs.

Real Life Oregon Trail

Nov 2, Mon. 3:00 PM @Tuckahoe. Discover what life was like travelling west in the 1840s! Start at the General Store, where you'll gather your belongings for the trail. Then travel through stations and learn how to build a raft, barter with the locals, and survive the winding trail. 60 min.

Kids' Pokémon Card Swap

Nov 3, Tue. 2:00 PM @Tuckahoe. Best for ages 7–13. Bring your spare Pokémon cards and trade with fellow fans. 60 min.

DINOvember

Nov 3, Tue. 3:00 PM @Fairfield. Celebrate Triceratops Tuesday with some Dino-mite crafts and activities. 60 min.

**Bright Star Theatre: Turkey Trouble at Friendly Acres Farms**

Nov 9, Mon. 10:00 AM @Sandston
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Watercolor Fun

Nov 9, Mon. 6:30 PM @Sandston. Create a seasonal project or make your own design using watercolor techniques. 90 min.

Friends and Family Photo Night

Nov 12, Thu. 5:30 PM @Gayton. Is it time to update your family portrait? Want a special keepsake of you and your besties? Whether you want a silly snapshot or something perfect for your holiday newsletter, we will have portrait stations set up and all you need to do is strike a pose. Dress up, wear a costume, or come as you are! 3 hrs.

Holiday Creation Station

Nov 14, Sat. 2:00 PM @Sandston. Thoughtful gifts don't have to be expensive. Stop by our gift creation stations to make cards, ornaments, and hot cocoa reindeers to give to friends and family. 2 hrs.

Pokémon: Card Traders for Kids

Nov 17, Tue. 3:30 PM @Gayton. Grades K–5. Trading Pokémon cards is un-Bayleaf-able fun. We will provide a safe space to trade cards and have other Pokémon-themed activities. Books related to Pokémon will also be available for browsing and checkout. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. 60 min.

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Nocturnal November: Eye Spy

Nov 18, Wed. 6:30 PM @Varina. Let's go on an EYE SPY adventure on the Varina Library walking trail. We'll look for hidden objects on the trail for an awesome nocturnal ndventure! 60 min.

Marbling Art

Nov 21, Sat. 2:30 PM @Libbie Mill. Marbling art technique uses ink and water to create mesmerizing, swirling designs on paper. Experiment with color, explore a traditional art form, and make your own one-of-a-kind marbled paper creation. 60 min.

REGULAR KIDS & FAMILY PROGRAMS

These programs occur regularly or semi-regularly.

After School Explorers

Take a break after school and enjoy a fun program for elementary-aged kids! Each month we'll discover something new with different activities, creative challenges, games and more! 60 min.

Oct 14, Wed. 3:30 PM @Libbie Mill

Nov 10, Tue. 3:30 PM @Libbie Mill

After School Fun

Grades K–5. Join us for a story and a craft. 60 min.

Oct 6, Nov 3, Tue. 3:30 PM @Twin Hickory

After School Program: How To-sday

Grades K–2 with an adult. Children will uncover hidden talents and increase their "know-how" by trying out something new. We'll begin each session with a book related to that month's featured skill and then take time to practice it together. 45 min.

Sep 15, Oct 20, Nov 17, Tuesdays 3:30 PM @Twin Hickory

After-School Art

Visit us once school is out for a different craft every month. 60 min.

Sep 10, Thu. 3:30 PM @Fairfield. DIY journal

Oct 13, Tue. 3:30 PM @Fairfield Easter Island-inspired egg carton faces

Nov 9, Mon. 3:30 PM @Fairfield. Honor Diwali with an illuminating craft.

Baby Explorer

Best for ages 6–24 months with a caregiver. Let's explore new rhymes, bounce, make animal sounds, and meet some new friends. 30 min.

Sep 18, Nov 13, Fridays 10:30 AM @Sandston

Busy Hands

Best for ages 3–5. Take part in some creative learning by listening to a fun story and then creating a related craft with provided materials to take home and enjoy. 30 min.

Sep 18, Oct 16, Nov 20, Fridays 10:30 AM @Tuckahoe

Dungeons & Dragons for Kids

Dive into the world of D&D. 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 bring your own level-one character. All experience levels are welcome. 60 min.

Sep 9, Nov 4, Wednesdays 3:30 PM @Libbie Mill

Oct 21, Nov 18, Wednesdays 6:30 PM @Libbie Mill

K–2 Bookworms

Grades K–2. Kids are invited to meet up with friends for an interactive look at books. Get ready to find out just how fun reading can be!

Sep 10, Oct 8, Nov 12, Thursdays 3:30 PM @North Park 60 min.

Oct 5, Nov 9, Mondays 3:30 PM @Tuckahoe. 45 min.

Krafty Kids

Enjoy some creative learning and fun. 45 min.

Sep 12, Oct 24, Nov 7, Saturdays 11:00 AM @North Park

Learn and Play Chess

Best for ages 5+ with an adult. Learn the basics or drop in for a casual game. All experience levels welcome. 90 min.

Sep 1, Oct 6, Nov 3, Tuesdays

3:30 PM @Glen Allen

Mini Makers

Best for ages 3–5. Foster creativity and a love of art from a young age by exploring different textures and media with us. 60 min.

Sep 4, Fri. 11:00 AM @Fairfield

Oct 7, Wed. 11:00 AM @Fairfield

Nov 16, Mon. 11:00 AM @Fairfield

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.

Sep 14, Mon. 2:30 PM @Libbie Mill

Oct 12, Mon. 2:30 PM @Libbie Mill

Nov 17, Tue. 2:30 PM @Libbie Mill

Preschool Craft

Ages 3–5 with an adult helper. Hear a story and create a craft. 60 min.

Sep 24, Oct 22, Nov 19, Thursdays 3:30 PM @Twin Hickory

PUP READERS

Best for ages 6+. Read a story aloud to a trained therapy dog. Improve your reading skills and make a new furry friend!

Sep 5, Oct 3, Nov 7, Saturdays 11:30 AM @Varina, 60 min.

Sep 17, Oct 15, Nov 12, Thursdays 6:00 PM @Glen Allen, 90 min.

Oct 26, Nov 10, Mondays 3:30 PM @Fairfield, 60 min.

Saturday Make and Take

Best for ages 3+. Enjoy open-ended art and crafts in this fun program that's perfect for budding artists and crafty kiddos. 60 min.

Sep 26, Oct 17, Nov 28, Saturdays 11:00 AM @Glen Allen

STEAM

Best for grades K–5 with an adult. Explore science with hands-on activities. 60 min.

Nov 9, Sep 14, Mondays 4:00 PM @Twin Hickory

STEM Squad

Explore a new topic every month with experiments, demonstrations, or other hands-on activities. 60 min.

Sep 15, Tue. 3:30 PM @Fairfield

Oct 22, Thu. 3:30 PM @Fairfield

Nov 24, Tue. 3:30 PM @Fairfield

Young Art Explorers Club

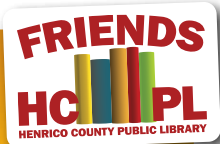
Grades 3–5. Each month, learn about a new artist and their technique. Then make your own piece of art to either take home or leave at the library to be included in the Art Show in May. Some months may get a little messy, so appropriate clothing is recommended. 60 min.

Sep 9, Oct 14, Nov 18, Wed. 3:30 PM @Tuckahoe



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Weekly Storytimes

Fall 2026

These storytimes take place weekly, except holidays and during storytime breaks. Storytimes are on break October 11–24.

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.

Wednesdays 9:30 AM @Fairfield

Thursdays 9:30 AM @Libbie Mill

Baby Songs & Stories

Best for ages 6–24 months. 30 min.

Mondays 10:00 AM @Fairfield

Mondays 10:30 AM @Twin Hickory

Mondays 11:00 AM @Tuckahoe

Tuesdays 9:30 AM @Libbie Mill

Tuesdays 10:30 AM @Gayton

Tuesdays 10:30 AM @Glen Allen

Tuesdays 10:30 AM @Twin Hickory

Wednesdays 9:30 AM @Tuckahoe

Wednesdays 9:30 AM @Varina

Saturdays 9:30 AM @Libbie Mill

Saturdays 9:30 AM @Twin Hickory

Saturdays 10:00 AM @Fairfield

Saturdays 10:00 AM @Tuckahoe

Music, Rhymes, & Wiggle Time

Best for ages 24–36 months. 30 min.

Mondays 10:30 AM @Glen Allen

Mondays 10:30 AM @Libbie Mill

Mondays 10:30 AM @North Park

Tuesdays 10:00 AM @Fairfield

Tuesdays 10:30 AM @Tuckahoe

Wednesdays 9:30 AM @Libbie Mill

Wednesdays 9:30 AM @Twin Hickory

Wednesdays 10:30 AM @Tuckahoe

Thursdays 10:30 AM @Libbie Mill

Thursdays 10:30 AM @Twin Hickory

Thursdays 10:30 AM @Varina

Read, Play, Grow

Best for ages 3–5 years. 30 min.

Mondays 9:30 AM @Libbie Mill

Mondays 9:30 AM @Twin Hickory

Tuesdays 9:30 AM @Twin Hickory

Tuesdays 10:30 AM @Libbie Mill

Tuesdays 11:00 AM @Fairfield

Wednesdays 10:30 AM @Glen Allen

Wednesdays 10:30 AM @North Park

Wednesdays 10:30 AM @Sandston

Wednesdays 11:00 AM @Gayton

Thursdays 9:30 AM @Twin Hickory

Thursdays 11:00 AM @Tuckahoe

Family Fun

All ages. 30 min.

Mondays 10:00 AM @Tuckahoe

Wednesdays 7:00 PM @Twin Hickory

Thursdays 3:30 PM @Varina

Thursdays 6:30 PM @Fairfield

Saturdays 10:30 AM @Libbie Mill

Saturdays 10:30 AM @Twin Hickory

Saturdays 10:30 AM @Varina

Saturdays 11:00 AM @Tuckahoe

Sundays 2:00 PM @Fairfield

Sundays 2:00 PM @Libbie Mill

Pajama Time

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

Tuesdays 6:30 PM @Varina

Hello! Storytime

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

Thursdays 10:00 AM @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 @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.

Tuesdays 9:30 AM @Tuckahoe

Tuesdays 10:30 AM @Varina

Thursdays 10:00 AM @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



Locations & Hours

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AREA LIBRARIES

Mon–Thu 9 AM–9 PM
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Fairfield (804) 501-1930
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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
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Veterans Day Wed, Nov. 11
Thanksgiving Holiday Thu–Fri, Nov. 26–27

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