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ST. CHARLES PARISH LIBRARY NEWS AND EVENTS

NOVEMBER 2023

NaNoWriMo



Celebrate National Novel Writing Month at the St. Rose Branch

Read more on page 3.



Write-Ins
Every
Monday
at 6pm

Start that novel!

We'll provide a quiet space, coffee, and snacks.

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NOVEMBER 2023

Bookpage is published monthly to share information about the events, materials, and services of the St. Charles Parish Library.

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HOLIDAYS AND CLOSURES

- Veterans Day Nov 10
- Thanksgiving Eve Nov 22
(Closing at 5pm)
- Thanksgiving Nov 23-24

ON THE COVER

NaNoWriMo is the perfect time to write the novel you've always wanted to write!

Read more on page 3.



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NaNoWriMo: WRITE YOUR STORY!

The St. Rose Branch will host write-ins each Monday evening in November from 6:00pm to 7:30pm in conjunction with National Novel Writing Month.

National Novel Writing Month (NaNoWriMo) is a fun, empowering approach to creative writing. The challenge: draft an entire novel in just one month.

Why do it? For 30 wild, exciting, surprising days, you get to silence your inner critic, let your imagination take over, and just create!

Join us for an uninterrupted hour of writing and reading, followed by an optional share and discussion after! You'll have the opportunity to get feedback from other writers sharing the same journey as you.

Coffee and refreshments will be provided.



LOCAL AUTHOR STORYTIME

Tayla M. Young, a St. Charles Parish native and Tulane University alum, is joining us for two special storytimes to share her new children's book, *That's A Great Question*.

With a mission to inspire young minds, Tayla encourages readers to embrace their inner power and the wonder of the world around them.

She is dedicated to empowering others to become the best versions of themselves, one story at a time.

Join us for this special storytime the week of November 13!

East Regional Library in Destrehan
Tuesday, November 14 at 10:30am

West Regional Library in Luling
Wednesday, November 15 at 10:30am



FEATURED FIVE

NEW ADULT FICTION



Calamity
Constance Fay



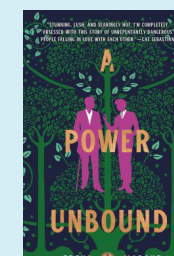
Future
Naomi Alderman



The Manor House
Gilly Macmillan



The Other Half
Charlotte Vassell



A Power Unbound
Freya Marske

ADULTS

CRAFTS

Edible Creations ^R

We will craft simple holiday-themed decorations that are also edible. Wow your guests this season after learning how to make these eye-catching treats!

EAST REGIONAL LIBRARY

Monday, November 20 at 6:00pm

Flying Needles

This knitting and crocheting group is open to anyone who wants to learn a new craft or share their talents.

WEST REGIONAL LIBRARY

Tuesdays at 5:00pm

Journal Decorating ^R

Can't find a journal with a cover that is perfect for you?

No problem! Join us to decorate your own journal just the way you want it to look.

HAHNVILLE BRANCH

Monday, November 20 at 2:00pm

FOOD & COOKING

Cookbook Clubs

Choose a recipe from the selected theme and prepare it for the meeting. Everyone will share information about their dish.

PARADIS BRANCH

Friday, November 17 at 11:00am | Theme: *Hello Fresh*

EAST REGIONAL LIBRARY

Monday, November 13 at 6:00pm | Theme: *Ina Garten*

German Coast Farmers' Market

Visit for fresh local produce, food vendors, and items from local artisans. Then stop into the library!

EAST REGIONAL LIBRARY

Saturdays from 8:00am to Noon

HEALTH & WELLNESS

Yoga with Sara Lyon

Join Sara Lyon for a gentle yoga class introducing yoga postures, breathwork, and mindful meditation.

Supported by the United Way of St. Charles and Creative Family Solutions.

EAST REGIONAL LIBRARY

Tuesdays at 6:00pm

MOVIES

Barbie: The Movie Party

Come on, Barbie, let's go party! Join us for a showing of the hit movie *Barbie* (PG-13) featuring a photo booth, button and mirror making, refreshments, and more.

Doors open at 5:00pm and the movie begins at 6:00pm. Chairs will be provided, but feel free to bring your own seats or blankets to spread out on.

All Barbies, Kens, Allans, and Midges are invited!

EAST REGIONAL LIBRARY

Thursday, November 17 at 5:00pm

Masterpiece Theater: *Yesterday* and 60s Inspired Diamond Art

Join us to watch the 2019 romantic comedy *Yesterday* (PG-13), where a struggling musician realizes he's the only person on Earth who can remember The Beatles after waking up in an alternate reality where they never existed.

While watching the movie, we will create a 60's inspired Diamond Art project.

EAST REGIONAL LIBRARY

Saturday, November 4 at 2:00pm

Movie Thursday: *Free Birds*

Join us as we view the animated movie *Free Birds* (PG) and make simple Thanksgiving and Fall crafts to kickstart the holiday season.

Light snacks will be provided.

Doors open at 10:00am, and the movie begins at 10:15am.

EAST REGIONAL LIBRARY

Thursday, November 2 at 10:00am

SOCIAL

Senior Social Hour

Join us for coffee, light snacks, games, and good conversation.

NORCO BRANCH

Monday, November 13 at noon

WRITING

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ST. ROSE BRANCH

Mondays in November at 6:00pm

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

General Membership Meeting

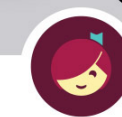
Meet new friends at the Friends of the Library's General Membership Meeting!

We'll greet folks we haven't seen in quite some time, discuss favorite books, and participate in stimulating discussions. There will also be luncheon treats and door prizes.

New officers will also be elected.

EAST REGIONAL LIBRARY

Saturday, November 18 at noon



Libby.

The one-tap reading app from our library.

^R Registration opens 14 days prior to events.

NOVEMBER 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Storytime 10:30am (C) WEST Nerd Night: Cyberpunk Dream TTRPG 5:30pm (T) WEST 	2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Movie Thursday: <i>Free Birds</i> 10am (A) EAST Storytime 10:30am (C) NORCO Storytime 10:30am (C) HAHNVILLE Art Squad Advanced with Becca Hillburn 5:30pm (T) EAST ^R Nerd Night Jr. 6pm (Tw) WEST ^R Evening Showing 6:30pm (Aa) PLANETARIUM 	3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Storytime 10:30am (C) ST. ROSE 	4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> German Coast Farmers' Market 8am to noon (Aa) EAST Children's Matinee 10am (F) PLANETARIUM Masterpiece Theater: <i>Yesterday and 60s Inspired Diamond Art</i> 2pm (A) WEST ^R Saturday Matinee 2pm (Aa) PLANETARIUM
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12	13 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Senior Social Hour noon (A) NORCO Witty's Pumpkin Problem - Escape Room 5:30pm (Tw,T) ZOOM ^R NaNoWriMo: Write Your Story! 6pm (A) ST. ROSE Cookbook Club 6pm (A) EAST 	14 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local Author Storytime 10:30am (C) EAST Storytime 10:30am (C) PARADIS Teen Time: Xbox 4pm (T) ST. ROSE Flying Needles 5pm (A) WEST Yoga 6pm (A) EAST Evening Showing 6:30pm (Aa) PLANETARIUM 	15 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local Author Storytime 10:30am (C) WEST DIY Journal 4pm (T) NORCO ^R 	16 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Storytime 10:30am (C) NORCO Storytime 10:30am (C) HAHNVILLE Thursday Thrills: Artfest 4:30pm (Tw,T) PARADIS Art Squad: Shrinky Dinks 5:30pm (Ages 10+) EAST ^R Around the World in 8 Snacks 6pm (C) WEST ^R Evening Showing 6:30pm (Aa) PLANETARIUM 	17 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Storytime 10:30am (C) ST. ROSE Cookbook Club 11am (A) PARADIS Barbie: The Movie Party 5pm (A) EAST 	18 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> German Coast Farmers' Market 8am to noon (Aa) EAST Children's Matinee 10am (F) PLANETARIUM Wiggle Stories 11am (C) EAST Family Fall Field Day! 11am (F) ST. ROSE FOL General Membership Meeting noon (A) EAST Saturday Matinee 2pm (Aa) PLANETARIUM
19	20 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fall Sensory Bottle 2pm (C) PARADIS ^R Journal Decorating 2pm (A) HAHNVILLE ^R Cookies & Canvas 4:30pm (Tw) NORCO ^R Edible Creations 6pm (A) EAST NaNoWriMo: Write Your Story! 6pm (A) ST. ROSE 	21 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Storytime 10:30am (C) EAST Storytime 10:30am (C) PARADIS Pixel Art and a Movie 2pm (C) EAST Teen Time: Squishy Painting 4pm (T) ST. ROSE ^R Flying Needles 5pm (A) WEST Yoga 6pm (A) EAST Evening Showing 6:30pm (Aa) PLANETARIUM 	22 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Storytime 10:30am (C) WEST Nerd Afternoon: Cyberpunk Dream TTRPG 2:30pm (T) WEST <p style="text-align: center;">All Locations Closing At 5:00pm</p>	23 <p style="text-align: center;">Library Closed Thanksgiving Holiday</p>	24 <p style="text-align: center;">Library Closed Thanksgiving Holiday</p>	25 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> German Coast Farmers' Market 8am to noon (Aa) EAST Crafty Market Morning 9am to 11am (F) EAST Children's Matinee 10am (F) PLANETARIUM Saturday Matinee 2pm (Aa) PLANETARIUM
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All events are free and open to the public.

Children under the age of 10 must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver.

LOCATION

- East Regional in Destrehan
- West Regional in Luling
- Hahnville
- Norco
- Paradis
- St. Rose
- Online

AGE GROUPS

- A = Adults
- T = Teens
- Tw = Tweens
- C = Children
- F = Family
- Aa = All Ages

All activities are subject to change.

Check www.myscpl.org for more information and schedule changes.



Registration is required for some events.

Online registration opens 14 days before the event.

TEENS

ARTS & CRAFTS

Art Squad: Shrinky Dinks[®]

Come make shrinky dinks with us! Choose a design or draw your own and make them into keychains or earrings.

Ages 10 and up.

EAST REGIONAL LIBRARY

Thursday, November 16 at 5:30pm

Art Squad Advanced with Becca Hillburn[®]

How you think something looks and how it actually looks is most often completely different. That's where references come in!

References are used by even the best artists, so join us today to see just how important references are and how to use them.

Ages 13 and up.

EAST REGIONAL LIBRARY

Thursday, November 2 at 5:30pm

DIY Journal[®]

Come personalize your own DIY journal!

NORCO BRANCH

Wednesday, November 15 at 4:00pm

FOOD & COOKING

Teen Cuisine[®]

Choose a recipe from this month's theme and prepare it for the meeting! Share what you think about the recipe and what you would do differently the next time.

The theme for this month is Vegetarian Thanksgiving Sides.

Participants must bring a prepared dish and a list of the ingredients used.

EAST REGIONAL LIBRARY

Thursday, November 9 at 5:30pm

R Registration opens 14 days prior to events.

GAMES & ACTIVITIES

D&D: Monster of the Month[®]

Adventurers wanted! Test your courage and join us as we delve into a different Dungeons and Dragons one-shot each month. No experience necessary!

The hope a night in a warm, cozy tavern is shattered by the arrival of an archaeologist with a package marked for delivery: an amphora that brings trouble and destruction wherever it goes. Can you and your companions traverse the fearsome woods and deliver the artifact in one, terrible night?

EAST REGIONAL LIBRARY

Thursday, November 30 at 5:30pm

Nerd Night: Cyberpunk Dream TTRPG

The Megacorporations spent decades wrecking everything. And in the aftermath of their last War, everyone has to fend for themselves.

This is a continuation of the game started in the Spring of 2023. All teens over the age of 13 are welcome to attend and observe the game.

WEST REGIONAL LIBRARY

Wednesday, November 1, 8 & 29 at 5:30pm

Wednesday, November 22 at 2:30pm

Teen Time: Squishy Painting[®]

Stressing over school?

Come by and paint a squeezable friend to help you take out your worries!

ST. ROSE BRANCH

Tuesday, November 21 at 4:00pm

Thursday Thrills: Artfest

Join us to paint and chill. Have a lazy afternoon of painting and catching up with old friends and making new ones.

For tweens and teens.

PARADIS BRANCH

Thursday, November 16 at 4:30pm

Virtual Escape Room: Witty's Pumpkin Problem[®]

Witty loves the fall, especially when it is time to visit the pumpkin patch. There are so many amazing pumpkins to choose from—how will he choose?

Registration closes early so that supplies can be delivered.

For tweens and teens.

ONLINE VIA ZOOM

Monday, November 13 at 5:30pm

GAMING

Teen Time: Xbox

Teen Time is now every Tuesday!

Come hang out, compete with your friends, or play on your own with our Xbox.

ST. ROSE BRANCH

Tuesdays at 4:00pm (except November 21)

TEEN ADVISORY BOARD

TAB Meeting

Do you want to help out at the library?

Join our Teen Advisory Board and make a difference!

Snacks provided!

EAST REGIONAL LIBRARY

Saturday, November 11 at 11:00am

TACO Tuesday

Ever wondered what to do at the library after school?

You can join us to pick activities and brainstorm ideas at our Teen Advisory Council of Students!

Enjoy snacks and drinks while we discuss upcoming activities.

For tweens and teens.

PARADIS BRANCH

Thursday, November 9 at 4:00pm

PLANETARIUM

105 Lakewood Drive in Luling | 985-785-8471

EVENING SHOWS

Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6:30pm

Autumn Stargazing highlights the stars and constellations of fall.

Learn to find your way around the autumn night sky using the stars as your guide. You will also learn that there are more than just stars to observe in the evening sky.

CHILDREN'S MATINEE

Saturdays at 10:00am

One World, One Sky: Big Bird's Adventure introduces young children to the wonders of stargazing with Big Bird and Elmo as their guide.

Join Elmo and his friend from China, Hu Hu Zhu, on an imaginary trip to the Moon and learn how it differs from our home, the Earth.

SATURDAY MATINEE

Saturdays at 2:00pm

ASTRONOMYTHS brings to life the ancient Greek and Roman stories behind the constellations of the autumn night sky.

Learn the names of the autumn constellations and see the wonders of the universe hidden in each.

Planetarium seating is first come, first served. Due to the unusual lighting conditions, no one is allowed to enter once the show has started.

CHILDREN & FAMILY

ARTS & CRAFTS

Art Squad: Shrinky Dinks®

Come make shrinky dinks with us! Choose a design or draw your own and make them into keychains or earrings.

Ages 10 and up.

EAST REGIONAL LIBRARY

Thursday, November 16 at 5:30pm

Cookies & Canvas®

Learn some new tools and tricks to help your painting skills grow! Follow some simple steps to create your very own masterpiece. Come on over and enjoy a sweet treat while you expand your artistic abilities!

For tweens.

NORCO BRANCH

Monday, November 20 at 4:30pm

Crafty Market Morning

Craft along with us! Take a break from the German Coast Farmers' Market and check out the craft offerings!

EAST REGIONAL LIBRARY

Saturday, November 25 from 9:00am to 11:00am

Fall Sensory Bottle®

Capture fall in a bottle!

Take your favorite colors, shapes, and decorations to add to your very own sensory bottle—a perfect toy to help everyone relax!

PARADIS BRANCH

Monday, November 20 at 2:00pm

Tin Can Turkey Windsock®

Catch the breeze in style with a hand-made turkey windsock crafted out of a tin can and ribbons!

WEST REGIONAL LIBRARY

Thursday, November 9 at 6:00pm

GAMES & ACTIVITIES

Around the World in 8 Snacks®

Feeling hungry?

Prep for stuffing yourself this Turkey Day by sampling some unique snacks from around the world!

WEST REGIONAL LIBRARY

Thursday, November 16 at 6:00pm

LEGO Club

Calling all LEGO Builders! Build your own LEGO creations and meet new friends. Complete a new challenge each month.

For ages 5-11.

EAST REGIONAL LIBRARY

Wednesday, November 29 at 6:00pm

Nerd Night Jr.®

Not old enough for Nerd Night? Why wait?!

This tween-only space offers a monthly primer for the tabletop games you'll be playing at our Nerd Night for Teens.

Enjoy action-packed roleplay adventures with a PG rating.

For ages 8-12.

WEST REGIONAL LIBRARY

Thursday, November 2 at 6:00pm

Pixel Art and a Movie

Join us as we watch *Coco* (PG) and create pixel art using Perler Beads. You can enjoy the movie with popcorn and a drink, or create designs while watching the movie.

Coco is the story of a 12-year-old boy named Miguel who is accidentally transported to the Land of the Dead, where he seeks the help of his deceased musician great-great-grandfather to return him to his family among the living and to reverse his family's ban on music.

Popcorn and punch will be available.

EAST REGIONAL LIBRARY

Tuesday, November 21 at 2:00pm

Thursday Thrills: Artfest

Join us to paint and chill. Have a lazy afternoon of painting and catching up with old friends and making new ones.

For tweens and teens.

PARADIS BRANCH

Thursday, November 16 at 4:30pm

Tween Time!

Tween Time is happening every month!

Come hang out, play games, and eat snacks in a space just for tweens.

For ages 8-11.

ST. ROSE BRANCH

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Virtual Escape Room: Witty's Pumpkin Problem®

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Tuesday, November 14 at 10:30am

WEST REGIONAL LIBRARY

Wednesday, November 15 at 10:30am

Pajama Stories

Get ready to cozy up with an evening storytime! Join us for books, songs, and gentle activities to help get in a restful mood.

This program is family friendly. Pajamas optional!

EAST REGIONAL LIBRARY

Wednesday, November 8 at 6:00pm

Wiggle Stories

Join the fun! Dance and shout!

Come and get your wiggles out!

EAST REGIONAL LIBRARY

Saturday, November 18 at 11:00am

WEEKLY STORYTIMES

Storytime introduces the love of books and reading to young children. We use stories, music, rhymes, and fingerplays to encourage children to discover and explore the world.

Themes change weekly and playtime follows each storytime.

For children ages 0 to 5.

PARADIS BRANCH

Tuesdays at 10:30am

EAST REGIONAL LIBRARY

Tuesdays at 10:30am

WEST REGIONAL LIBRARY

Wednesdays at 10:30am

NORCO BRANCH

Thursdays at 10:30am

HAHNVILLE BRANCH

Thursdays at 10:30am

ST. ROSE BRANCH

Fridays at 10:30am

ALL AGES & FAMILY PROGRAMS

Family Fall Field Day

Play some of your favorite outdoor games with us!

We'll have four square, hopscotch, mini-basketball, cornhole, giant Connect 4, and much, much more!

In the event of inclement weather, activities will be moved inside.

ST. ROSE BRANCH

Saturday, November 18 at 11:00am

Family Game Night

Drop in the last Thursday of the month for family-friendly board games, card games, and tabletop adventures!

WEST REGIONAL LIBRARY

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VISIT

West Regional Library

985-785-8471

105 Lakewood Dr.
Luling, LA 70070

Monday-Thursday: 9 am-8 pm
Friday and Saturday: 9 am-5 pm

East Regional Library

985-764-2366

160 W. Campus Dr.
Destrehan, LA 70047

Monday-Thursday: 9 am-8 pm
Friday and Saturday: 9 am-5 pm

Paradis Branch

985-758-1868

307 Audubon St.
Paradis, LA 70080

Monday: 10 am-8 pm
Tuesday-Thursday: 10 am-6 pm
Friday: 9 am-5 pm
Saturday: 10 am-2 pm

St. Rose Branch

504-465-0646

90 East Club Dr.
St. Rose, LA 70087

Monday: 10 am-8 pm
Tuesday-Thursday: 10 am-6 pm
Friday: 9 am-5 pm
Saturday: 10 am-2 pm

Hahnville Branch

985-783-2341

14996 River Rd.
Hahnville, LA 70057

Monday-Friday: 9 am-5 pm

Norco Branch

985-764-6581

590 Apple St.
Norco, LA 70079

Monday: 10 am-8 pm
Tuesday-Thursday: 10 am-6 pm
Friday: 9 am-5 pm
Saturday: 10 am-2 pm

Bookmobile: Call 985-764-9643 ext. 205 or 206 for more information

Planetarium: Located at the West Regional Library
Show Times: Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6:30 pm
Saturdays at 10 am and 2 pm

Curbside pickup service is available from opening until 30 minutes before closing.



Download the
St. Charles Parish Library app!