



LIVINGSTON PARISH  
**LIBRARY**



# NEWSLETTER

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## SUMMER READING PROGRAM

**Summer is here and that means one thing at the Livingston Parish Library...it's time for the annual Summer Reading Program! Adults, teens, and children are invited to read and attend events to earn prizes all summer long.**

This year's summer reading theme is **"Imagine Your Story"** and that's exactly what you'll do at the Library this summer. From programs and events for all ages to an ever-growing collection of books, video games, learning kits, museum passes, and more; your Library has everything you'll need to fill the summer days with lots of fun!

Plus...did we mention there's a full slate of entertainment coming to the library this summer?! Featured performers this year include: Johnette Downing, Mitch the Magician, Barnhill Preserve, Harvey Rabbit, The Crescent Circus, and more! Check inside this newsletter for a full listing of event dates and times!



## REGISTERING FOR SUMMER READING

There are four fun and exciting programs for all ages in this year's Summer Reading Program: Read-to-Me (Ages 0-5), Youth (Ages 6-11), Teen (Ages 12-18), and Adult (Ages 18 and older). Each program has certain requirements to fulfill in order to complete the reading challenge. A complete list of challenge goals can be found on the summer reading website below.



There are two ways to register for the LPL's Summer Reading Program: online by visiting [www.mypl.info/SummerReading](http://www.mypl.info/SummerReading) and following the directions shown OR by simply visiting your local library branch and speaking with a staff member.

**Registration began on Monday, May 22 & runs through Sunday, August 6.**



# SUMMER READING PROGRAM



## IMAGINE YOUR STORY

### YOUTH BALLET COPPELIA

The Baton Rouge Ballet Theatre's Youth Ballet presents "Coppélia" at the library. Set to the timeless music of Leo Delibes, "Coppélia" is a comical ballet set hundreds of years ago in a lively Hungarian village. Follow the antics of Swanilda and Franz, young lovebirds who quarrel over the beautiful maiden who sits in the window of the local toymaker's shop. Havoc ensues as Swanilda and her friends sneak into Dr. Coppelia's toyshop to discover life-size dancing toys and the truth about the girl in the window. *For all ages.*

DSW Friday, June 2 9:30 am

### SHELLY FREDERICK

Desserts are literary! Percy Jackson has his blue chocolate chip cookies, and Alice has her "Eat Me" tea cakes. Be literary yourself and join Shelly Frederick at the library for a cookie decorating workshop. You'll learn the difference between piping and flooding while following instructions to complete fantasy-themed cookie designs. Bring home your mixed-media creations to enjoy, but snap a picture first because this is art you can eat. All supplies provided for this workshop. **Registration is required.**

DSW Tuesday, June 20 11:00 am 6-11  
DSW Tuesday, June 20 1:30 pm 12-18

### BARNHILL PRESERVE

Barnhill Preserve's Mobile Outreach Team is bringing the wildlife to you this summer! Come interact with live mammals, reptiles, and birds -some exotic, some creepy, some cute- at the library and learn about these incredible creatures. Barnhill Preserve is a live animal haven, conservation partner, and education company based out of Louisiana. *For all ages.*

AS Tuesday, June 27 10:00 am  
MAIN Tuesday, June 27 2:00 pm  
DSW Wednesday, June 28 10:00 am  
WAT Wednesday, June 28 2:00 pm  
STH Thursday, June 29 10:00 am

### SUMMER READING PROGRAM FOR ALL AGES

Summer is here and that means one thing at the Livingston Parish Library: it's our annual Summer Reading Program! Adults, teens, and children are invited to read and attend events to earn prizes all summer long. When you register through our Summer Reading page on Beanstack, your age will determine which program you are eligible to participate in.

### JOHNETTE DOWNING

Laissez les bon temps rouler with Johnette Downing! Back by popular demand, Ms. Downing will lead children and their families in a musical celebration of songs and books as we all get together and sing. Called the "Musical Ambassador to Children" and the "Pied Piper of Louisiana Music Traditions," Johnette Downing is a multi-award winning singer, musician, composer, author, and poet who serves up a gumbo of Louisiana roots music and books in a toe-tapping, two-stepping good time for children across the globe. *For all ages.*

AS	Tuesday, June 6	10:00 am
MAIN	Tuesday, June 6	2:00 pm
DSW	Wednesday, June 7	10:00 am
WAT	Wednesday, June 7	2:00 pm
STH	Thursday, June 8	10:00 am



### MITCH THE MAGICIAN

Alakazam! Mitch the Magician is back with another fun, fast paced, interactive comedy magic show that is squeaky clean and sure to please every age. Mitch uses a variety of props and volunteers to create silly situations that always end with enormous laughs from the crowd. Join Mitch the Magician at the Livingston Parish Library where you are guaranteed to laugh out loud. *For all ages.*

AS	Tuesday, June 13	10:00 am
MAIN	Tuesday, June 13	2:00 pm
DSW	Wednesday, June 14	10:00 am
DSW	Wednesday, June 14	2:00 pm
WAT	Thursday, June 15	10:00 am
STH	Thursday, June 15	2:00 pm



**Read-To-Me Summer Reading Challenge (For ages 0-5):** Earn 10 points to complete your summer reading challenge by reading & logging 10 picture books.

**Youth Summer Reading Challenge (For ages 6-11):** Earn 3 points to complete your summer reading challenge by reading & logging 3 chapter books or 180 minutes of reading time.

**Teen Summer Reading Challenge (For ages 12-18):** Earn 3 points to complete your summer reading challenge by logging 3 chapter books you read, 180 minutes of reading time, 3 activities you complete, or a combination.

**Adult Summer Reading Challenge (For ages 18 and older):** Earn 3 badges to complete your summer reading program challenge by reading and logging 3 books, attending 3 programs, or a combination.

# TEEN SCENE



## DRAGON EYES IN A DRAWSTRING POUCH

Create dragon eyes to collect in a drawstring pouch and mix or match with your friends. Registration is required. For ages 12-18.

AS Thursday, June 8  
MAIN Thursday, June 15  
DSW Thursday, June 22  
STH Tuesday, June 20  
WAT Thursday, June 29

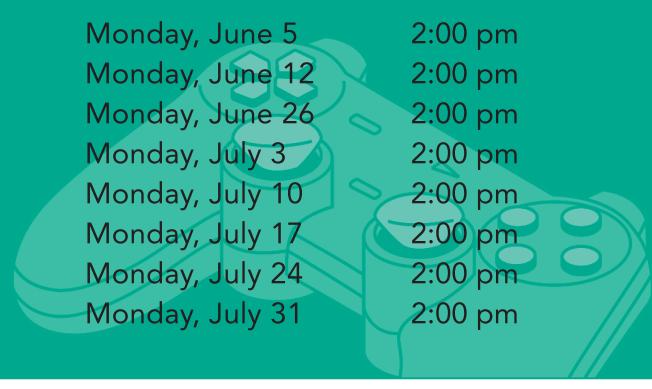


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## VIDEO GAMER'S DAY

Come play various video games at the library! Join us weekly during the summer to have fun going head to head with other teens! For ages 12-18.

DSW Monday, June 5 2:00 pm  
DSW Monday, June 12 2:00 pm  
DSW Monday, June 26 2:00 pm  
DSW Monday, July 3 2:00 pm  
DSW Monday, July 10 2:00 pm  
DSW Monday, July 17 2:00 pm  
DSW Monday, July 24 2:00 pm  
DSW Monday, July 31 2:00 pm



## FANDOM CLUB: LABYRINTH EDITION

'Ello! You're invited to Fandom Club: Labyrinth Edition! For ages 12-18.

DSW Wednesday, June 7 5:00 pm

## COTTAGECORE TEA

Indulge in your cottagecore fantasies! Learn the craft of blending tea leaves and flowers to make a delicious, magically-inspired brew while getting creative with those tea leaves and making a unique painting! Registration is required. For ages 12-18.

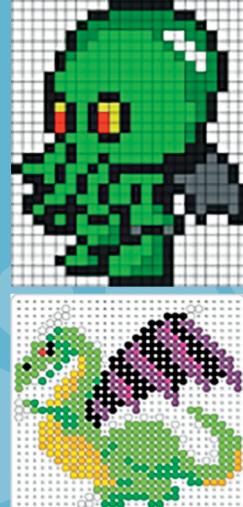
WAT Thursday, June 8 5:00 pm  
AS Wednesday, June 14 2:00 pm  
DSW Wednesday, June 28 2:00 pm



## CRYPTID PERLER BEAD KEYCHAIN

Do you have an interest in Cryptozoology? Join us as we make key chains based on cryptid creatures from around the world! For ages 12-18.

STH Sat., June 3 11:30 am  
DSW Tue., June 13 2:00 pm  
WAT Thur., June 15 5:00 pm  
MAIN Thurs., June 22 5:30 pm



# KIDS CORNER



## FAIRY GARDEN PARTY

Have a fun magical adventure at our Fairy Garden Party! Complete with games and delightful crafts! Ages 3-7.

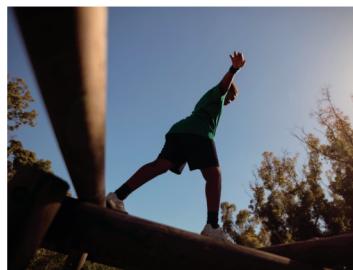
MAIN	Monday, June 5	2:00 pm
STH	Tuesday, June 6	5:30 pm
WAT	Tuesday, June 20	2:00 pm
AS	Thursday, June 22	2:00 pm
DSW	Thursday, June 29	2:00 pm



## MEDIEVAL OBSTACLE COURSE

Hear ye! Hear ye! Come try your hand at different challenges popular during medieval times. After, use your impressive skills to make a dragon to take home! For ages 5-7.

DSW	Friday, June 2	2:00 pm
WAT	Tuesday, June 6	10:30 am
MAIN	Saturday, June 24	11:00 am
AS	Thursday, June 29	2:00 pm



## TAKE AND MAKE DRAGON BOOKMARK

Craft a fun and easy corner bookmark and have a cute little dragon save your place while reading! Craft kits are available at all branches while supplies last. For all ages.



## STARRY DREAM CATCHERS

Making a dream catcher is a fun and easy craft and a great way to show off your creativity! Refreshments are provided. Registration is required. For ages 8-11.

MAIN	Thursday, June 1	3:00 pm
AS	Wednesday, June 21	2:00 pm
DSW	Friday, June 30	2:00 pm



## STEM SUPERSTARS - FAIRY TALE STEM CHALLENGE

Interested in learning more about science, technology, engineering, and math? Join us every month for a lesson and fun activity related to a STEM concept! This month, we will explore architecture and engineering with the Three Little Pigs and Jack and the Beanstalk in our first Fairy Tale STEM Challenge.

For ages 6-11.

DSW	Thursday, June 1	6:00 pm
STH	Friday, June 16	11:30 am
AS	Wednesday, June 28	2:00 pm

## MYTHS AND MONSTERS ESCAPE ROOM

Explore the legends of mythical stories, monsters, and lore in this fun escape room! Registration is Required. For Ages 8-11. Please call your local branch to sign up for a time slot.

WAT	Thursday, June 1	1:00 pm - 6:30 pm
AS	Wednesday, June 7	1:00 pm - 3:00 pm
STH	Tuesday, June 13	1:00 pm - 6:30 pm
DSW	Wednesday, June 21	2:00 pm - 6:30 pm



## A GOLD STAR FOR ZOG DRAGON

Join us to learn all of the necessary skills and arts of being a dragon: flying, roaring, breathing fire, and capturing a princess! Refreshments are provided. Registration is required. For ages 3-7.

DSW	Friday, June 9	10:00 am
AS	Thursday, June 15	2:00 pm
MAIN	Tuesday, June 20	2:00 pm
WAT	Friday, June 23	10:00 am



## ENCHANTED FOREST FAMILY BINGO

Fairies, Owls, and Dragons! Oh My! Bring the whole family to join us for an Enchanted Forest Family Bingo Night based on some of the critters and creatures who call the forest their home. For all ages.

MAIN	Tuesday, June 13	4:00 pm
DSW	Thursday, June 15	6:00 pm
AS	Tuesday, June 20	2:00 pm



## TINY FAIRY GARDEN

Create a magical little world that can fit in your pocket! We will be crafting miniature fairy gardens that can fit in a small box. Registration is Required. For ages 8-11.

DSW	Thursday, June 8	2:00 pm
WAT	Thursday, June 22	5:00 pm
STH	Tuesday, June 27	5:30 pm
MAIN	Thursday, June 29	5:30 pm

## SUMMER MOVIE SERIES

Looking for some family-friendly entertainment to shorten those long summer days? Look no further than your local library! Catch a variety of fun, fantasy-themed films at each of our five branches this summer. From retellings of classic legends to all new fairy tales, there's sure to be a movie for everyone. For all ages.

AS	Friday, June 9	1:00 pm
AS	Friday, June 23	1:00 pm
AS	Friday, July 21	1:00 pm
AS	Friday, July 28	1:00 pm
DSW	Friday, June 9	2:00 pm
DSW	Friday, June 23	2:00 pm
DSW	Friday, July 7	10:30 am
DSW	Friday, July 21	2:00 pm
MAIN	Friday, June 16	2:00 pm
MAIN	Friday, June 30	2:00 pm
MAIN	Friday, July 14	2:00 pm
MAIN	Friday, July 28	2:00 pm
STH	Friday, June 2	1:00 pm
STH	Friday, June 23	1:00 pm
STH	Friday, July 7	1:00 pm
STH	Friday, July 14	1:00 pm
WAT	Friday, June 2	2:00 pm
WAT	Friday, June 23	2:00 pm
WAT	Friday, July 7	2:00 pm
WAT	Friday, July 14	2:00 pm



# ADULT PROGRAM



## DRAGON EGGS

Which came first, the dragon or the egg? Bring your imagination and we'll supply all the rest to decorate beautifully painted and textured dragon's eggs.  
*For ages 18+.*

DSW Thursday, June 1 10:00 am

## FAIRY DOORS

Legend says that fairy doors are a portal to a magical kingdom. Let's create one and bring the fairies closer to home! *For ages 18+.*

WAT	Saturday, July 8	1:00 pm
DSW	Tuesday, July 11	2:00 pm
MAIN	Thursday July 13	5:30 pm
AS	Tuesday, July 18	5:00 pm
STH	Thursday, July 20	5:30 pm

## FAIRY LANTERNS

Fairies dancing around twinkly lights...what could be more magical? Come make your own fairy lantern at the library. We supply everything but you! *For ages 18+.*

DSW	Wednesday, June 21	2:00 pm
WAT	Tuesday, June 27	5:30 pm
STH	Saturday, July 1	11:30 am
MAIN	Thursday, July 6	2:00 pm
AS	Friday, July 14	1:00 pm

## STRING PAINTING A FEATHER

Catch a floating feather...on canvas! Come learn how to paint with string. The library will provide everything you need to finish a beautiful acrylic painting of a feather drifting down to land. Wear old clothes and have some creative fun! *For ages 18+.*

DSW	Tuesday, June 6	6:00 pm
WAT	Friday, June 9	1:00 pm
AS	Tuesday, June 20	5:00 pm

## WATERCOLOR PAINTING WITH HEIDI LINDSLEY

Join us with local artist Heidi Lindsley as she takes us on another watercolor painting adventure. Mrs. Lindsley will teach a beginner's level painting of the Emerald City from the Wizard of Oz; all supplies will be provided.  
*Registration is required. For ages 18+.*

AS	Tuesday, June 6	4:30 pm
STH	Thursday, June 22	5:30 pm
WAT	Tuesday, July 18	5:00 pm

## SUN PRINTING

Learn to create works of art on greeting cards using the power of the sun! Join us as we learn the technique of cyanotype printing, the printmaking process of making blueprints. Participants are invited to bring their own flat objects for their works, but we will have a variety of objects on hand for you to work with. Supplies are limited so be sure to register in advance. Registration is required.  
*For ages 18+.*

AS	Friday, June 2	1:00 pm
MAIN	Friday, June 9	1:00 pm
WAT	Friday, June 16	1:00 pm
STH	Thursday, July 6	5:30 pm
DSW	Wednesday, July 19	2:00 pm



# **Juneteenth Community!**

DSW

Saturday, June 10

1:00 pm

Join us in Celebrating the Black American Business Community at the Livingston Parish Library this Juneteenth! Experience the rich culture of Black Americans with live music and inspiring stories. Listen to Celton Hayden, Jr., CEO of CC's Coffee House, and LaQueda Ricks, visionary life coach and author, as they share their personal journeys and inspirations. Don't miss out on the live performance by The Essential Groove band! Refreshments provided. *For ages 15+.*



## **MAKING A FAIRY GARDEN**

Following the Master Gardeners' Fairy Garden Presentation, join us to make a magical fairy garden with the crafts you've created this Summer or come be inspired to create your own. *For ages 18+.*

WAT	Friday, July 21	2:00 pm
MAIN	Tuesday July 25	6:00 pm
DSW	Thursday, July 27	3:00 pm
AS	Friday, August 4	1:00 pm

## **PAINTING WITH CATHY BOND**

Do you love to paint or have you ever wanted to give it a try? We have a treat for you! Local artist, Cathy Bond will lead a class in creating a fairy painting. All supplies are provided - no experience necessary! *For ages 18+.*

WAT	Tuesday, June 6	5:30 pm
STH	Thursday, June 8	5:30 pm
MAIN	Tuesday, June 20	5:30 pm
AS	Friday, June 30	1:00 pm

## **CUSTOM CRICUT COASTERS**

Our Cricut adventures continue this summer as we learn about using Cricut Infusible Inks and sublimation blanks to create our very own custom coasters! All supplies will be provided. Registration is required, basic computer knowledge is a pre-requisite. *For ages 18+.*

AS	Friday, June 16	1:00 pm
AS	Saturday, June 17	10:30 am
STH	Saturday, June 24	11:30 am
MAIN	Thursday, June 29	5:30 pm



Have you ever wondered about the mystery surrounding crystals? Are they just beautiful stones, or do they have special properties? Cristy Nicole, Certified Crystal Reiki Healer and Spiritual Life Coach will speak on the history, lore, and uses of crystals and other stones. Everyone who attends will receive a stone to take home. This program is provided for educational and informational purposes only and does not constitute providing medical advice or professional services. Always consult with your health provider regarding personal medical conditions. *For ages 18+.*

DSW

Tuesday, June 27

6:00 pm

## **PLANTING A FAIRY GARDEN - A MASTER GARDENER PRESENTATION**

Have you ever thought of creating your own whimsical garden, but just didn't know where to start? We will have some Master Gardeners available to give you suggestions for making one for either inside or outside. They will go over the type of container, the soil, and some possible plant options to choose. This is an educational presentation. To participate in making a fairy garden, register for our separate "Making a Fairy Garden" program. *For ages 18+.*

WAT	Friday, July 21	1:00 pm
MAIN	Tuesday, July 25	5:00 pm
DSW	Thursday, July 27	2:00 pm

## **IMAGINE & CREATE A STENCILED CANVAS BAG**

Imagine your story. Join us and create a magical stenciled tote to carry your Summer reads. *For ages 18+.*

MAIN	Thursday, June 15	1:00 pm
WAT	Tuesday, June 20	5:30 pm
STH	Thursday, July 13	5:30 pm
AS	Friday, July 7	1:00 pm

## **CRYSTALS - MYTH OR MODERN MEDICINE?**



# SUMMER TAKE AND MAKES

Build decorations to embellish your fairy garden! You can pick up each kit from any of our five branches this summer while supplies last. Bring what you make to our "Making a Fairy Garden" program. For ages 18+.

## DATES

Cork Mushroom	May 30 - June 25
Pinecone Fairy	June 19 - July 16
Bottle Garden Gnome	July 10 - August 6



## BRANCHES

### Main Branch

20390 Iowa Street  
Livingston, LA 70754  
Phone: (225) 686 - 4160

Mon. & Wed. 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.  
Tues. & Thurs. 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.  
Fri. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
Sat. 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

### South

23477 LA Hwy 444  
Livingston, LA 70754  
Phone: (225) 686 - 4170

Mon. & Wed. 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.  
Tues. & Thurs. 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.  
Fri. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
Sat. 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

### Albany - Springfield

26941 LA Hwy 43  
Hammond, LA 70403  
Phone: (225) 686 - 4130

Mon. & Wed. 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.  
Tues. & Thurs. 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.  
Fri. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
Sat. 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

### Denham Springs - Walker

8101 US Hwy 190  
Denham Springs, LA 70726  
Phone: (225) 686 - 4140

Mon. - Thurs. 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.  
Fri. & Sat. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
Sun. 2 p.m. - 6 p.m.

### Watson

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Denham Springs, LA 70706  
Phone: (225) 686 - 4180

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