DEC/JAN/FEB 2027

EVENT GUIDE

BRANCH DISTRICT LIBRARY

BranchDistrictLibrary.org/events









BRANCH
DISTRICT LIBRARY

LOCATIONS
Get location information and current hours at BranchDistrictLibrary.org/hours

Find the Bookmobile schedule at BranchDistrictLibrary.org/bookmobile

CLOSURES
All library locations will be closed the following:
Thursday, December 24
Friday, December 25
Thursday, December 31
Friday, January 1
Monday, February 15

PROGRAM REGISTRATION
Online:
BranchDistrictLibrary.org using our Events Calendar

In Person:
Any Library Location

By Phone:
Call any Library Location

Note:
Check out our calendar at BranchDistrictLibrary.org/events or call ahead for the latest information, as program and hours are subject to change or cancellation.

Photos or videos may be taken during library events to use for our promotional purposes.

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Library of Things

Why buy when you can BORROW!

Radon Testing Made Easy!



Radon is an invisible, odorless gas, and about one in four Michigan homes may have unsafe levels. The only way to know is to test! The library has four easy-to-use EcoBlu digital radon monitors available to borrow for up to two weeks. Installation involves positioning the device as directed, connecting the power supply, and optionally resetting the unit.

Initial readings are generated within minutes, with greater accuracy achieved after several hours. To test your home and keep your family safe, check out one of our radon kits today!

Chomp Saw



Let the cardboard creations begin! The Chomp Saw is a child-friendly tool designed for cutting cardboard, making it easier for kids to turn boxes and recycled cardboard into imaginative creations. Perfect for DIY projects, crafting, engineering challenges, and hands-on STEAM activities. Check it out today!

See our entire Library Of Things at BranchDistrictLibrary.org/things

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Some events require registration and are marked with an "R". Register online at BranchDistrictLibrary.org/calendar or call any library. Registration opens 45 days before the event.

Take Your Child to the Library Day 2027

Sat, Feb 6

Free fun for all! Play, discover, make friends and have fun with activities and a sweet treat at your Local Library!

Algansee: 10:00A-12:00P

Bronson: 10:00A-1:00P

Coldwater: 9:00A-1:00P

Quincy: 9:00A-12:00P

Sherwood: 9:00A-1:00P

Union Twp: 9:00A-1:00P



ALGANSEE BRANCH

Tuesday Tales
Weekly on Tuesday, 10:30, *at 1070 E. Central Rd., in Quincy at Paula Preston's Daycare.*
Join us for songs, games, crafts, and stories as we explore books together. For infants and toddlers.

Kids WHOO Craft
Weekly on Tuesday, 4:00
Learn crafty new skills as we discover a new hobby each month.



December - Macramé
January - Perler beads
February - Cross stitch

Little Explorers
Weekly on Thursday, 1:00
(Not held on Dec. 24, Dec. 31)
Wiggle while we read books with movement each week. After the book, enjoy a small art project. Perfect for toddlers.

Builders Club
Friday, Dec. 4, Feb. 5, 4:00
Stretch your creativity and engineering skills as we build with LEGOs, blocks, and circuits.

STEM Robots
Friday, Dec. 18, Jan. 15, Feb.19, 4:00
Connect with others while creating mini robots. Each month there will be a new robot to build and collect.

Build a Reading Buddy - R
Saturday, Feb. 6, 10:00 - 12:00
Bring your child to explore the library, and help them build a special reading buddy of their own. Registration required.

Warm Winter Fun
Friday, Feb. 26, 4:00
It's time for some warm winter fun! Make some snow, have an indoor snowball fight, and melt a snowman.



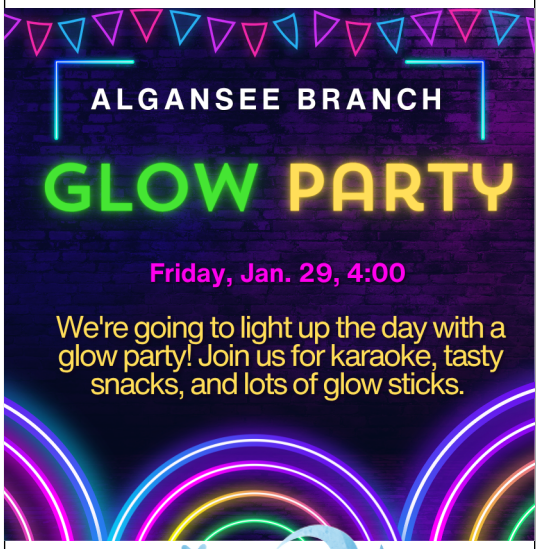
Junk Journals
Thursday, Dec. 3, Jan. 7, Feb. 4, 4:00
Journal your way with words, stickers, or doodles. No rules, it's completely up to you.

Brain Games
Thursday, Dec. 10, Jan. 14, Feb. 11, 4:00
Use your brain to solve puzzles, escape rooms, and win trivia games. There will be a new challenge each month.

Book Dragons
Thursday, Dec. 17, Jan. 21, Feb. 18, 4:00
Become part of a unique reading experience where your voice matters. Members will propose titles, and we'll vote on our upcoming reads. For tweens and teens.

It's A Small World
Thursday, Jan. 28, Feb. 25, 4:00
Create your own miniature worlds using recycled containers, mini resin figures, and your imagination.

Reading Buddies
Friday, Jan. 8, 4:00
Relax and read a good book with a canine friend in front of the fireplace.



Plastic Canvas Craft - R
Monday, Dec. 7. 1:00
Learn the basics of plastic canvas while making a gingerbread house picture frame. Registration required.

Winter Wonderland - R
Monday, Jan. 11, 1:00
Create your own winter wonderland, contained in a happy little snow globe. Registration required.

Help Desk
Friday, Jan. 22, 1:00
Have questions about tablets, computers, or library apps? Meagan will be here to help! She's also your go-to expert for using Hoopla and Libby to enjoy digital library resources!

Rag Rugs - R
Friday, Jan. 29, 1:00
Bring your unloved t-shirts and transform them into rag rugs. Registration required.

Patchwork Bookbag - R
Monday, Feb. 1, 1:00
Embellish a bookbag that is uniquely yours with stencils, buttons, and patches. Registration required.

Spill The Tea
Monday, Feb. 8, 1:00
Bring a craft, work on the community puzzle, or simply get to know your neighbors while enjoying free refreshments.

Native Seed Sowing - R
Monday, Feb. 22, 1:00, *at the Algansee Township Hall next to the library.*
Join the Branch County Conservation District in the joy of cultivating native seeds. Bring a friend and a fun attitude! Plant a mini greenhouse and connect with other nature lovers. Leave with a jumpstart on your Spring planting. Registration required.

Signature Scents - R
Friday, Feb. 26, 1:00
Use essential oils to create your own signature scent and fill a roll-on bottle to enjoy. Registration required.

BRONSON BRANCH

Toddler Time Storytime
Weekly on Thursday, 10:15
(Not held on Dec. 24, Dec. 31)
Welcome to Toddler Time Storytime, a magical world where little ones can immerse themselves in stories, fingerplays, songs, and playtime. For infants and toddlers.

Friday Tales
Weekly on Friday, 10:15
(Not held on Dec. 25, Jan. 1)
Embark on enchanting journeys through stories, fingerplays, songs, and spark creativity with simple crafts and playtime. Best for ages 3-5, but all ages are welcome.

Little Humanities
Tuesday, Dec. 1, Dec. 15, Jan. 12, Jan. 26, Feb. 9, Feb. 23, 3:15
Humanities for kids! We will be hosting discussions and projects on literature, art, and writing. Come ready to learn about the vital importance of the arts, and to put them into practice!

December: Art
January: Literature
February: Writing

Snow Slime Party - R
Monday, Dec. 21, 1:30
Make sparkling, fluffy snow slime! Registration required.

Coffee House
Weekly on Monday, 4:00
(Not held on Dec. 21, Dec. 28)
An hour for tweens and teens to socialize, enjoy snacks, and take part in a program or craft with Steve. For ages 11-17.

Dec. 7: Make & Take Snacks
Dec. 14: Duct Tape Christmas Craft

Jan. 4: Stop Motion Animation
Jan. 11: Manga Revue
Jan. 18: Pizza Mania!
Jan. 25: Journal Making

Feb. 1: Rube Goldberg Machines
Feb. 8: Anime Night
Feb. 15: Stop Motion Animation
Feb. 22: Watercolor Art

Jigsaw Junkies
Wednesday, Dec. 16, Jan. 20, Feb. 17, 5:00 - 7:00
Puzzle Club is on! Pick from 32 different 300-piece puzzles and go solo, team up, or race someone to the finish. Refreshments served after 6:00.

Take Your Child to the Library Day
Saturday, Feb. 6, 10:00 - 1:00
Celebrate Take Your Child to the Library Day with us by attending a special storytime. Solve a special edition scavenger hunt and puzzles for extra prizes and treats. For infants to teens!

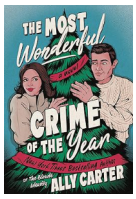
Cozy & Creative
Tuesday, Jan. 5, Jan. 19, 4:30
Beat the winter blues with a night of cozy creativity. Bring a craft project from home, or use our supplies to create junk journals, bad art, tiny art, and more! For teens and adults.

Dungeon Crawlers!
Thursday, Jan. 28, 3:30 - 5:30
In a beginner-friendly setting learn to play Dungeons & Dragons from a Dungeon Master! Create a character sheet and learn how to start a game with other players. For teens and adults.

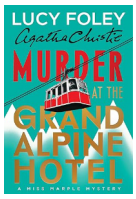
Totally Tubular '90s Night
Friday, Feb.12, 3:00
Relive the '90s with sand art, Perler beads, friendship bracelets, classic Saturday morning TV, and nostalgic snacks like Gushers, Pop-Tarts, and Fruit Roll-Ups!

Murder Mystery Monday Book Club
Monday, Dec. 7, Jan. 4, Feb. 1, 4:30
If you are a fan of murder mystery books then this book club is for you! Join us for conversation and light snacks.

Dec. 7: T*he Most Wonderful Crime of the Year* by Ally Carter
Jan. 4: *The Crying Killer* by Jess Lourey
Feb. 1: *Murder at the Grand Alpine Hotel* by Lucy Foley







Book Lovers 'R' Us
Wednesday, Dec. 2, Jan. 6, Feb. 3, 10:30
Welcome to Book Lovers 'R' Us Club, where book enthusiasts gather to share their favorite reads and discover new literary treasures.

De-Stress Wrapping Fest - R
Friday, Dec. 18, 4:00
Do you have trouble getting motivated to wrap that pile of holiday gifts alone? Come to our holiday de-stress fest for adults! Bring the gifts you want to wrap, and we'll provide the rest! Tape, scissors, wrapping paper, as well as warm drinks, snacks, and a perfectly cheesy holiday movie. Registration required.

BRONSON BRANCH

ADULT CRAFTS

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Thursday, Dec. 17, Jan. 21, Feb. 18, 4:30

Dec. 17: Papercraft Snowflake
Jan. 21: Snow Measuring Yardstick
Feb. 18: Tin Can Lantern

Separate registration is required for each date



BEAT THE WINTER BLUES!

Visit these branches for extra fun this winter

ALGANSEE BRANCH

CHRISTMAS CLASSICS (ALL-AGES): DEC 1-30
Take time to relax and make memories with your family. Borrow a Christmas film and get a bag of popcorn to go with it throughout December.

NORTH POLE EXPRESS (KIDS): DEC 1-18
Use the North Pole Express mailbox to get your important letters to Santa. Letters, envelopes, and stamps will be provided.

ELF WORKSHOP (ADULTS): DEC 14-16
Bring your supplies and use our festive workshop to wrap up your Yuletide frenzy. Then take a quiet moment to sip a hot drink by the fire.

FAMILY GAME NIGHT (ALL-AGES): JAN 1-31
Feeling nostalgic? Borrow a board game or puzzle from the library, pick out a snack from the basket to enjoy a free family game night at home.

BROKE TRAVELER (ADULTS): FEB. 1-27
Want to travel, but lack the funds? Let the library help broaden your horizons from home. Choose your travel destination tote filled with a travel guide, dvd about the country, recipe book and a brochure on how to use Mango, so you can learn the lingo.

BRONSON BRANCH

BE KIND, AND REWIND WEEKENDS (ALL-AGES): FRIDAYS IN FEBRUARY
Do you miss the nostalgia of going to a video rental store on a Friday night? Revisit it or make a new memory with your kids on Friday nights! Get a movie rental (with a library card), fresh popcorn, candy, and staff picks for FREE!

QUINCY BRANCH

SELFIE COMPETITION: SHOW US YOUR BOOKISH SIDE! (ALL-AGES): JAN 1-31
Take a selfie with your favorite book, then drop off or email your photos. It will be displayed at the library. Submitting your picture automatically enters you in for a chance to win a gift card! Email your pics to Quincy@BranchDistrictLibrary.org



COLDWATER BRANCH

Storytime
Weekly on Tuesday, 10:30
Join us to read, write, sing, talk, and play!

Once Upon A Storytime
Weekly on Thursday, 4:30
(Not held on Dec. 24, Dec. 31)
Snuggle in for a family storytime that focuses on read, write, sing, talk, and play!

Get Craftin'
Wednesday, Dec. 16, 4:00
Stop in to get your craft on!

Dec. 16: Painted Salt Snowflakes
Jan. 20: Bedazzled Ducks
Feb. 17: Paper Lanterns

Hora Del Cuento en Español Spanish Storytime
Thursday, Dec. 17, Jan. 21, Feb. 18, 10:30
¡Únete a BDL y Laura Flores mientras leemos, escribimos, cantamos, hablamos y jugamos! ¡Todo en Español!

Join BDL and Laura Flores as we read, write, sing, talk, and play! All in Spanish.

Homeschool Hangout
Thursday, Dec. 10, Jan. 14, Jan. 28, Feb. 11, Feb. 25, 1:00
Join us for an hour of fun: crafts, STEM, history, and life skills. It will be something new and fun each month! For ages 5-12.

Marshmallow Catapults
Saturday, Dec. 5, 11:00
Create a marshmallow catapult using rubber bands, Popsicle sticks, and bottle caps. Test your creation in a fun competition to see whose marshmallows fly the farthest.

LEGO Build Night
Wednesday, Dec. 30, 5:00
Dive into a sea of LEGO and unleash your creativity! Build your ultimate masterpiece until your imagination or our LEGO supply runs out!

DIY Kaleidoscopes
Wednesday, Jan. 6, 4:00
Create a colorful kaleidoscope using a tube, reflective paper, beads, and tape for a dazzling effect!

Bawks and Books
Monday, Jan. 11, 5:00
Join us for a delightful storytime featuring the modern-day dinosaurs: chickens! Enjoy singing songs, crafting a fun project, and reading a story to one of our feathered friends.

Wild Kratts Party
Friday, Jan. 22, 5:00
Gonna Go Wild, Wild Kratts! Help save an animal from Zach Varmitech by creating a creature power disc and completing a scavenger hunt.

String Art - R
Saturday, Jan. 30, 10:00
Craft your own string art by hammering nails into a wooden board and weaving colorful thread between them to create textured geometric patterns or images. Registration required.

Gabby's Dollhouse Party
Friday, Feb. 26, 5:00
Boogie with DJ Catnip, craft your own Gabby ears, join MerCat for some bath bomb and slime science! Then swing by Cakey's kitchen for some cupcake decorating fun!

Art Club
Monday, Dec. 7, Jan. 4, Feb. 1, 5:00
Learn the tips and tricks professional artist Ben Lyon uses to create something totally unique to take home and display.

Teen Anime Club
Wednesday, Dec. 23, Jan. 27, Feb. 24, 4:00
Watch Anime and have a Japanese-inspired snack! For ages 10-18.

Homeschool Power Hour
Thursday, Dec. 10, Jan. 14, Jan. 28, Feb. 11, Feb. 25, 1:00
Teens are welcome to join us for an hour of fun! With a different overarching topic every quarter, we will have a new craft, STEM project, history or life skill learning activity biweekly.

Teen Trivia
Friday, Dec. 18, Jan. 15, Feb. 19, 5:00
Put your knowledge to the test in a monthly trivia competition. Winner will receive a gift card!

Weird Winter
Wednesday, Dec. 2, Dec. 9, Dec. 16, 4:00
Learn about and celebrate one of the many worldwide holiday traditions that make winter weird. While supplies last.

Dec. 2: Caga Tió
Dec. 9: Mari Lwyd
Dec. 16: Yule Goats

Event Key	
	Children – Programs designed for those under 12.
	Teens – Events and activities just for teens.
	All-Ages – Fun for everyone to enjoy together!
	Adults – Created with adult participants in mind.

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Winter Movie Marathon
Monday, Dec. 21, 1:00 - 6:30

Join us while we watch three Winter movies and enjoy snow-day snacks. Drop in or stay for the whole marathon!







Name Pennants
Tuesday, Jan. 12, 5:00

Use felt, ribbon, glitter, beads and much more to make a pennant proudly displaying your name. All materials provided. While supplies last.

Altoids Upcycle
Saturday, Jan. 16, 11:00

Turn blank Altoid tins into personalized pocket wallets, trinket holders, or even mini first-aid kits! Teens will use paint, printed designs, and various craft materials to upcycle ordinary tins into functional accessories.

Origami Stars
Tuesday, Jan. 26, 4:00

Learn how to make origami stars. Decorate or fill a jar with wishes on them for the year ahead.

Poké Ball Terrariums - R
Friday, Jan. 29, 4:00

Make a home and habitat for your favorite Pokémon. Registration required.

Year of the Goat No-Bake Treats
Saturday, Feb. 6, 11:00

Celebrate the Year of the Goat by learning how to make three delicious no-bake treats.

Cherry Blossom Valentine Cards
Saturday, Feb. 13, 11:00

Make a Valentine card for your sweetheart inspired by the Spring cherry blossoms.

Pokémon Club
Monday, Dec. 21, Jan. 18, Feb. 22, 4:00

Got a stash of Pokémon cards itching for a showdown? Love binge-watching the epic adventures, diving into the tales, or geeking out over your favorite characters? Then jump into our Pokémon Club and connect with fellow Poké-fanatics! For ages 6-15.

Stretch And Story
Thursday, Dec. 10, Jan. 14, Feb. 11, 5:45

Relax so deeply, you'll forget it's fitness! Join resident instructor Kayla for a gentle, beginner-friendly yoga flow while listening to a Young Adult audiobook. Mats are provided, or bring your own. For teens and adults.

Beaded Spider Ornament
Thursday, Dec. 3, 5:00

Create a sparkling beaded spider ornament using colorful beads and wire that will dazzle any tree, nook or cranny in your home. For ages 12 and up.



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Festive Holiday Crowns
Monday, Dec. 7, 4:00
Create festive holiday headbands using tinsel, mini trees, pom-poms, glitter, and more! Make a fun, one-of-a-kind accessory to celebrate the season in style. Bring in the New Year in style or just be the life of the staff Christmas party with these fun and delightful head pieces. While supplies last.

Meet The New Library Catalog
Wednesday, Dec. 9, 10:00 or Monday, Jan. 25, 6:00
Questions about our new library catalog? Join library staff for a guided tour of the new catalog that launched in November and learn how to use its new features!

Edible Art: Graham Cracker Holiday Houses
Monday, Dec. 14, 4:00
Create a festive gingerbread house using graham crackers, icing, and colorful candies! This fun, easy holiday craft is perfect for decorating and enjoying a sweet treat.

Merry Craftsmas!
Saturday, Dec. 19, 9:00 - 12:00
Enjoy festive holiday jazz while making keepsakes with family. Visit the cocoa stand for warm cup of chocolate and mint treats. Join us anytime between 9:00 and noon for this drop-in program!

Snowbirds: Winter Birds of Michigan
Tuesday, Dec. 29, 4:00
Learn how to identify the birds hanging out in your yard this winter, what to feed them, how to care for them, and why they don't fly south! Naturalist Nicole Ball will be here to teach us all about our feathered friends. Make a suet cake craft to hang up for winter feeding. For ages 5 and up.

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Lewis Art Gallery Presentation at Tibbits Opera House
Friday, Jan. 8, 5:30, *at Tibbits Opera House, 14 S Hanchett St, in Coldwater.*
Brittany Gemmill of the Holbrook Heritage Room at Branch District Library will explore the history of Henry Clay Lewis and the Lewis Art Gallery at Tibbits Opera House. View historic photographs, the original 1875 gallery catalogue, and select paintings from the Lewis Collection. A reception will follow, offering time for questions and a closer look at the artwork.

Messy Play
Friday, Feb. 5, 10:00
Come messy play with us! Make marbled hearts out of shaving cream and then finger-paint other heart-themed items!

Take Your Child To The Library Day
Saturday, Feb. 6, 9:00 - 1:00
Come on down to the library for our favorite event ever: Take Your Child to the Library Day! Drop by anytime between 9 AM and 1 PM to unleash your inner artist and help us create custom bookends for the library!

"Palentines" Pickle Party
Monday, Feb. 8, 4:00
Celebrate Valentine's Day and create the pickle-perfect gift! We will be creating mini papier-mâché pickle piñatas while feasting on assorted pickles and pickle-flavored snacks!



Romance Book Club
Tuesday, Dec. 8, Jan. 12, Feb. 9, 4:00
Do you like Spicy Romance books? Come out and enjoy a good book, with a guaranteed happily ever after, a themed snack, and good company!

Dec. 8: *Beginning to Look a Lot like Murder* by Ally Carter
Jan. 12: *Hope this Email Finds You in Hell* by Mackenzie Reed
Feb. 9: *Queen of Lombard Street* by Lisa Kleypas

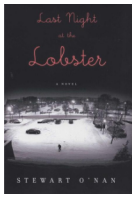




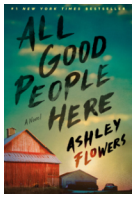


Books On Tap Book Club - R
Wednesday, Dec. 16, Jan. 27, Feb. 24, 6:00, *at 32 Railroad St. in Coldwater at Trainwreck Grill & Ale House*
This fiction/nonfiction book club explores a wide variety of literature. Please register for reservation purposes at Trainwreck.

Dec. 16: *Last Night at the Lobster* by Stewart O'Nan
Jan. 27: *Winter Moon* by Lauran Pine
Feb. 24: *All Good People Here* by Ashley Flowers







Mug Exchange and Rustic Ornament Craft
Friday, Dec. 4, 6:00
Bring a mug that you can trade or exchange. We will provide warm drinks to sip from your mug while we craft rustic ornaments.

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Cookie Swap - R
Tuesday, Dec. 8, 5:30
Bring 2 dozen of your favorite Christmas cookies, 12 copies of the recipe, and a container to take others' cookies home! Registration required.

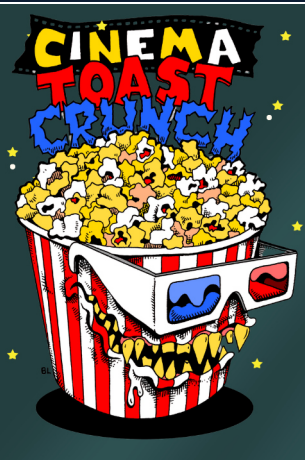
Christmas Murder Mystery At Coldwater Community Center At The Beech House - R
Friday, Dec. 11, 5:00 at the *Coldwater Community Center At The Beech House, across the street from the library.*
Get into the holiday festivities with a mysterious game of whodunit at this holiday themed murder mystery party. Roles will be assigned upon arrival but dress in your favorite holiday gear. Awards will be given for various roles and refreshments will be provided. Registration required.

Holidays Are Scary
Friday, Dec. 18, Feb. 12, 5:00
Get out of the holiday spirit by enjoying themed snacks and watching a movie! Ages 18 and up only.

Dec. 18: *Black Christmas* (1974)
Feb. 12: *My Bloody Valentine* (1981)







Tuesday, Dec. 15, Jan. 19, Feb. 16, 5:00

Like a book club but with moving pictures. We pick a movie ahead of time, watch it on your own, then get together to discuss what you liked and disliked.Light refreshments will be provided.

Dec. 15: *Zodiac* (2007) Directed by David Fincher
Jan. 19: *Red Eye* (2005) Directed by Wes Craven
Feb. 16: *Dead Man* (1995) Directed by Jim Jarmusch







Basic Computer Skills - R
Thursday, Jan. 7, 5:00
Learn some fundamentals abilities required to operate a computer and use everyday software. Learn the basics of using Microsoft Word and resume building. Registration required.

AI Literacy
Wednesday, Jan. 13, 5:30
Artificial intelligence (AI) is changing how people find information, complete everyday tasks, and interact with technology. Find out how it works, the different types of AI and how to stay informed about the risks and benefits in this informational workshop

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Oddities and Curiosities Crafts
Thursday, Jan. 21, 4:00
Create your own oddity and curiosity using faux bones, moss, feathers, insects, and more!

Vaesen One Shot - R
Thursday, Feb. 18, 1:00 – 7:00
Join us for a one-shot adventure in *Vaesen*, a role-playing game set in an alternate 19th-century Scandinavia. Investigate supernatural mysteries and protect humanity by managing the Vaesen. Registration required.

Bleach Painting on Textiles
Friday, Feb. 26, 4:00
Bleach painting is a cool and creative craft where you use bleach instead of pigment to "draw" or "paint" designs onto fabric. Feel free to bring your own textiles to bleach paint we will have a few items available to bleach paint.

CRAFT & HOBBY

NATIONAL HOBBY MONTH
JANUARY
LEARN IT.
MAKE IT. LOVE IT.

Get started at
BranchDistrictLibrary.org/craft



QUINCY BRANCH

Storytime
Weekly on Wednesday, 10:30
A special time for toddlers with a book, snack, and craft. For ages 2-5.

Jingle Bell Craft Jam
Monday, Dec. 7, 3:30
Get into the holiday spirit! We'll be making fun and festive Christmas crafts, so come join the fun and get creative!

Hard Candy Hustle
Monday, Dec. 14, 3:30
Make some yummy hard candy with Miss Tracy! While supplies last.

Movie Matinee
Monday, Dec. 21, 1:00
Eat popcorn and Christmas tree cakes while we enjoy *Frosty the Snowman*. Feel free to wear your Christmas jammies!

Fling & Things
Monday, Jan. 11, 3:30
Get ready to build, launch, and have some fun! Make your own catapult, then put it to the test and see just how far you can send your creations soaring!

Sewing For Beginners
Monday, Jan. 18, 3:30
Stitch up a little woodland magic! With all supplies provided, sew a woodland creature, and create a cuddly friend to take home.

Snowscape Workshop
Monday, Jan. 25, 3:30
Step into a little Winter magic! Create a winter wonderland diorama and let your imagination sparkle. Supplies are limited, so join the fun while they last!

Dotify
Monday, Feb. 1, 3:30
Get creative with some sparkle! Join us for a fun-filled diamond dotting experience and create your very own dazzling masterpiece.

Shenanigans WITH SANTA
Saturday, Dec. 19, 9:00 – 11:00 at the Union Church, 8 Fulton St, in Quincy.
Join us for a magical holiday celebration filled with festive fun! There will be breakfast, cookie decorating, games, pictures with Santa, and more.
Special thanks to our sponsor the Schultz family!

Take Your Child To The Library Day
Saturday, Feb. 6, 9:00 - 12:00
Looking for a fun and free activity for your family? Enjoy a fun craft and snack for this annual celebration.

Cut, Glue, & Cupid Too
Monday, Feb. 8, 3:30
Join the fun as we create adorable Valentine's Day crafts that are sure to make your heart flutter.

Game Day Fun
Monday, Feb. 22, 3:30
Let the games begin! Come join us for some fun, friendly competition, and plenty of laughs. Bring your game face and let's play.

Beyblades
Wednesday, Dec. 2, Jan. 6, Feb. 3, 3:30
Come play Beyblades and see who will become the ultimate Blading Champion each month.

Snacks & Crafts
Wednesday, Dec. 16, Jan. 20, Feb. 17, 3:30
Teens can visit the library for a craft and snack, a new theme every month.

Poinsettia Time - R
Tuesday, Dec. 1, 10:30
Come make a DIY poinsettia. These are ADORABLE! You don't want to miss out! Registration required.

Pine Cone Flower Arrangement - R
Friday, Dec. 11, 10:30
Make a beautiful arrangement with pine cones. Registration required.

From Wick to Winter - R
Tuesday, Jan. 12, 10:30
With a little creativity and some old candle jars, we'll transform them into enchanting little winter wonderlands. Registration required.

Native Seed Sowing - R
Tuesday, Jan. 26, 10:30
Join the Branch County Conservation District in the joy of cultivating native seeds. Bring a friend and a fun attitude! Plant a mini greenhouse and connect with other nature lovers. Leave with a jumpstart on your Spring planting. Registration required.

Cozy Nests & Candy Rests - R
Monday, Feb. 1, 10:30
Create a little love bird nest on top of a candy jar that you'll get to fill with sweet things. Registration required.

Spiced & Sliced - R
Monday, Feb. 8, 5:30
Join Jessica Kelley as she shares the magic behind her simmer pot kits! Learn about her creative process and how she brings these fragrant bundles of goodness to life. Then, get hands-on and create your very own simmer pot kit to take home. Registration required.

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SHERWOOD BRANCH

Storytime
Weekly on Thursday, 10:30
(Not held on Dec. 24, Dec. 31)
Story time with the littles. Best for ages 0-5.

Christmas Stocking Decorating
Tuesday, Dec. 8, 4:00
Create a personalized Christmas stocking. Stockings and all decorative materials will provided.

Bleeding Tissue Paper
Tuesday, Jan. 12, 4:00
Join us for a tie-dye program using tissue paper, white crayons, and squirt bottles to create cool designs and masterpieces to take home. For ages 5-12.

Snow Painting
Tuesday, Jan. 19, 4:00
Wear your coats and mittens and come to the library to snow paint! We'll be using water bottles and food coloring to decorate the snow around the library. In case there is no snow, come inside for games and Mario Kart. For ages 5-12.

Groundhog Day Shadow Art
Tuesday, Feb. 2, 4:00
Make a picture where the groundhog sees his shadow. Oh no, six more weeks of winter! Using black and white cardstock, a groundhog template, and chalk to make pictures of groundhog shadows. For ages 5-12.

Take Your Child To The Library Day
Saturday, Feb. 6, 9:00 - 1:00
Looking for a fun and free activity for your family? Visit the library for a snack and a Valentine's Day craft to celebrate this annual event!

Mario Kart
Tuesday, Dec. 29, 4:00
Stop by and challenge your friends to a friendly Switch game of Mario Kart! For ages 10-18.

Puffy Snow Paint
Tuesday, Jan. 26, 4:00
Get messy at the library! Using glue, shaving cream, glitter and food coloring to paint all kinds of fun things you come up with!

Mandala Painted Rocks
Tuesday, Feb. 16, 4:00
We're using acrylic paints and Q-tips to paint flat river rocks in mandala designs. For ages 10-18.

Washer Necklaces
Tuesday, Feb. 23, 4:00
Who knew you could turn tools into cool looking jewelry? Today we'll be painting metal washers with nail polish to hang on corded necklaces. For ages 10-18.

Winter Bingo
Tuesday, Dec. 1, 4:00
Friendly games of old school Bingo games on a Winter afternoon. Win games - win prizes! For ages 7-15.

Game Day
Tuesday, Dec. 15, 4:00
Board games at the Library! Choose from several different games and be sure to bring all of your friends.

Wooden Christmas Decorations
Tuesday, Dec. 22, 4:00
Use slices of wood to create Christmas ornaments with stencils, paint, glitter and many other materials to choose from to decorate!

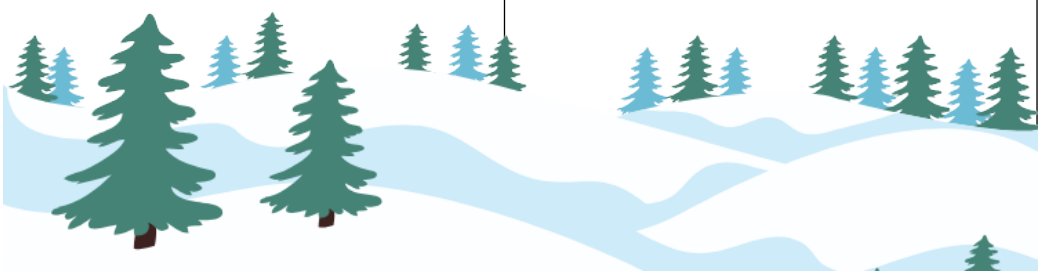
Button Making
Tuesday, Jan. 5, 4:00
Spend the afternoon with us making buttons! Choose from a variety of pictures and designs, or you can create your own masterpiece and turn into a really cool button to wear. For ages 7-18.

Fat Tuesday and National Pancake Day
Tuesday, Feb. 9, 4:00
Join us for National Pancake Day where we get to eat our crafts! Microwavable pancakes will be served with many toppings to choose from. For ages 5-18.

Christmas Driftwood Wall Hanger - R
Thursday, Dec. 17, 5:00
A fun craft using a stick of driftwood, burlap twine, random Christmas ornaments and bells to hang on the wall for the holiday. Registration required.

Bread Bowl Candles - R
Thursday, Jan. 14, 5:00
Join us for a relaxing evening of candle making. Wooden bread bowl candles will make a beautiful centerpiece using bee/soy wax, candle wicks, essential oils, and dried flowers. Registration required.

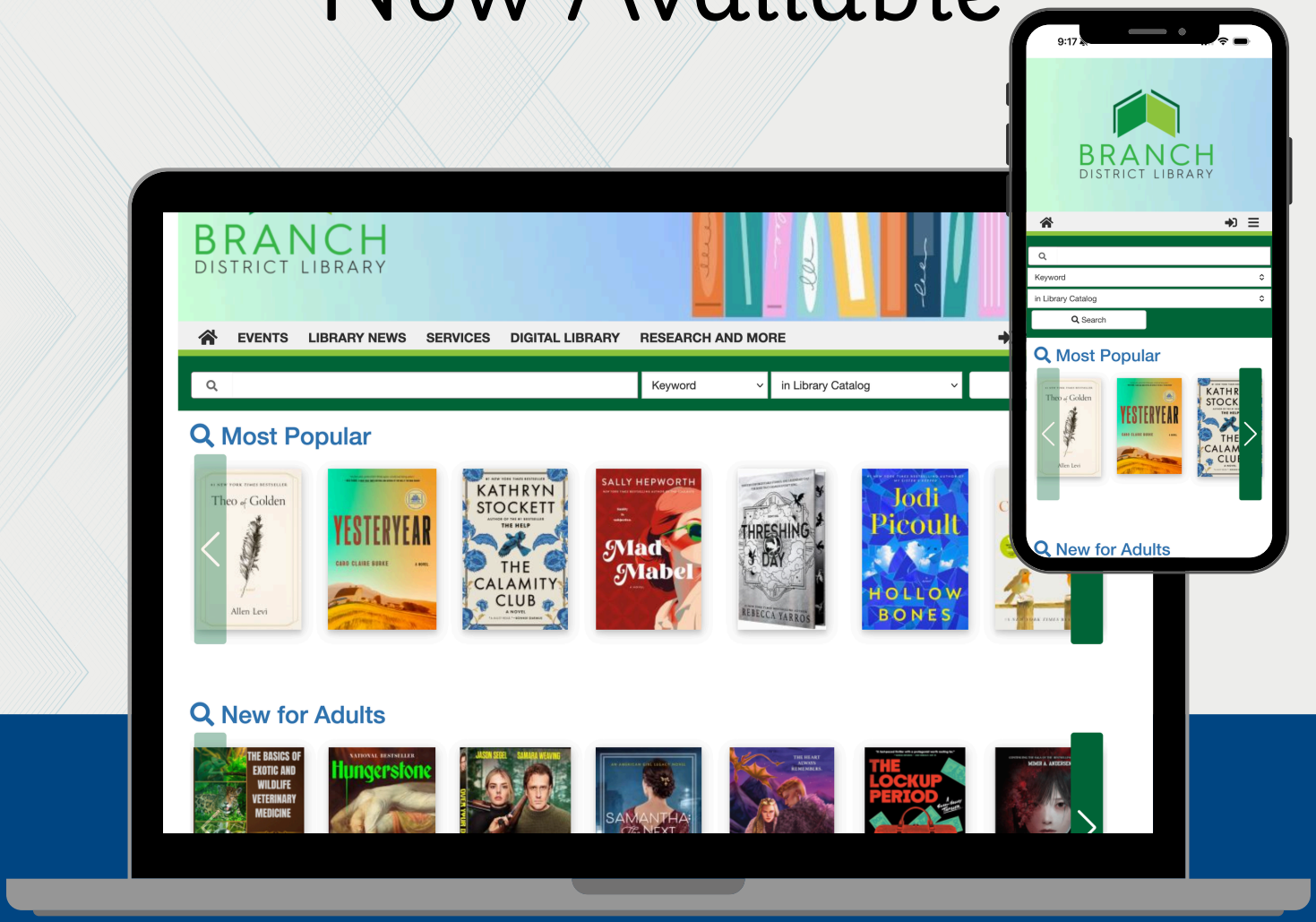
Painted Stained Glass Butterflies - R
Thursday, Feb. 11, 5:00
Join us for a creative evening of butterfly stained glass art! Using picture frames, templates, foil, acrylic paints, and glue, you will design and create their own colorful butterfly masterpieces. Registration required.



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Storytime
Weekly on Wednesday, 11:00
Stories, songs, and crafts for toddlers.

Elf Puppet Craft
Thursday, Dec. 17, 3:00
Get crafty and create your very own silly, festive elf puppet! Once your puppet is ready you will be able to put on a show. For ages 5-12.

Snowflake Creations
Tuesday, Dec. 22, 1:00
Learn how to combine folding and cutting to create an unique snowflake decoration. For ages 5-12.

Emoji Creations
Tuesday, Jan. 12, 3:00
Get creative and paint your favorite emoji! All materials will be provided. For ages 5-12.

Water Bottle Penguins
Tuesday, Jan.19, 3:00
Turn a recycled water bottle into an adorable penguin. Have fun crafting, decorating and creating your own waddle friend to take home. For ages 5-12.

Paper Heart Garlands
Friday, Feb. 12, 3:00
Add color and love to your Valentine's Day with festive heart garland decorations. For ages 5-12.

Yarn Cardboard Letters
Thursday, Feb. 25, 3:00
Choose your favorite letter, pick out your colors and wrap and twist to create a unique piece of art with just cardboard and yarn.

Folded Book Christmas Trees
Tuesday, Dec. 15, 3:00
Learn how to transform an old book into a festive Christmas tree decoration using simple folding techniques. For ages 12-18.

DIY Snowman Gnome
Tuesday, Jan. 5, 3:00
Get crafty this winter and create your own adorable snowman gnome.

Friendship Bracelets
Tuesday, Feb. 23, 3:00
Choose from a variety of beads, colors and patterns to create bracelets for yourself or share with your best friend.



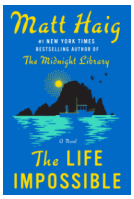
Holiday Bingo
Friday, Dec. 18, 11:00
Get ready for some holiday fun! Play some festive rounds of bingo, enjoy holiday cheer, and have plenty of chances to win prizes.

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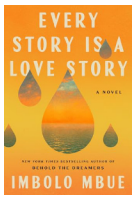
Death Cafe
Thursday, Dec. 3, Jan. 7, 5:30
Death is a natural part of life, so let's talk about it. Join nurse and death doula Kristin Steckbauer for a relaxed, group-led conversations with no set agenda. These monthly gatherings offer a safe, welcoming space to share thoughts and reflect on death and dying. Light refreshments will be provided.

All Booked Up
Thursday, Dec. 10, Jan. 14, Feb. 11, 4:00, *at 204 N. Broadway in Union City at Broadway Grille*
Gather with fellow readers at the Union City's Broadway Grille where lively discussion and a welcoming atmosphere awaits.

Dec. 10: *The Life Impossible* by Matt Haig
Jan. 14: *Revenge Plot* by Stephanie Wrobel
Feb. 11: *Every Story is a Love Story* by Imbolo Mbue







Holiday Gift Tags - R
Tuesday, Dec. 8, 1:00
Add a personal touch to your holiday gifts by creating unique gift tags with festive papers, embellishments, and creative designs. Registration is required.

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Murder Mystery Book Club
1st Monday of the month, 4:30
Bronson Branch

Book Lovers 'R' Us
1st Wednesday of the month, 10:30
Bronson Branch

Romance Book Club
2nd Tuesday of the month, 4:00
Coldwater Branch

Books On Tap (Registration Required)
4th Wednesday of the month, 6:00 at
Trainwreck Grill and Ale House
in Coldwater

All Booked Up
1st Thursday of the month, 4:00
Broadway Grille in Union City

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Dec./Jan.: *When the Moon Hits Your Eye* by John Scalz

WINTER COMMUNITY EVENTS

Coldwater Christmas Parade
Saturday, Dec. 5, 7:30

Coldwater Christmas Market
Friday, Dec. 11, 4:00 - 8:00

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