



Adult Summer Reading Club 2024 Branch Adult Programs

For questions or to register by phone, please visit www.slcl.org/events or call 314-994-3300.

Bridgeton Trails Branch

Wednesday, June 5, 6:30 p.m.

Intro to Contemporary Dance

Explore the basics of contemporary dance with a little bit of exercise and get in tune with your body.

Adults. Registration required.

Wednesday, June 12, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Mexican Talavera Tile Art

Explore the cultures and the stories behind the handmade Mexican Talavera tile art.

Adults. Registration required.

Thursday, June 13, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Adventure Planning

Bring your own journal or notebook to set up your next adventure, share ideas with others and create something that will last a long time. Supplies provided.

Adults.

Tuesday, June 25, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

High Tea and Watch Party

Enjoy an evening of crafts, snacks and a viewing of "Alice in Wonderland" (2010). MPAA rating: PG. Run time: 108 min.

All ages. Registration required.

Friday, June 28, 4:00-5:00 p.m.

Japanese Cherry Blossom Painting

Create an iconic Japanese cherry blossom painting.

Adults. Registration required.

Wednesday, July 10, 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Yoga Adventure Retreat

Learn yoga, body movements and breathing exercises that can bring deep relaxation to the body and improve sleep, digestion and stress relief.

Adults. Registration required.

Wednesday, July 31, 2:00 p.m.

Jigsaw Puzzle Tournament

Teams of 2-4 players will have two hours to assemble a puzzle. The first team to finish the puzzle or with the fewest puzzle pieces remaining wins! Prizes will be awarded.

All ages. Registration required.

Saturday, August 10, 2:00-5:00 p.m.

Sense of Tea: Formosa Longevity Tea Tasting

Learn about the tea with a tea ceremony demonstration, tea tasting session and cookies.

Adults. Registration required.

Clark Family Branch

Thursday, July 11, 5:00 p.m.

All About Ste. Genevieve National Historic Park

Presented by the National Park Service

Explore the complex history of French colonialism and its impacts on North America to plan like a park ranger for your own adventure to Ste. Genevieve National Historical Park, one of the newest National Park Service sites in the nation.

Adults.

Monday, July 22, 6:00 p.m.

Fix-a-Flat Clinic

Presented by Trailnet

A bicycle educator shows you how to fix a flat bicycle tire from start to finish with a few tips and tricks.

Adults.

Wednesday, July 24, 6:00 p.m.

Crafting a Greener Kitchen

Presented by Perennial

Craft along with a teaching artist while exploring DIY eco-friendly solutions for your own kitchen.

Adults. Registration required.

Friday, July 26, 2:00 p.m.

Balance Barre

Presented by Vitality in Motion

Enjoy gentle yet effective balance combinations using the “barre” for stability that will focus on flexibility, posture, range of motion, coordination, strength-building and memorization. No prior dance experience necessary.

Adults. Registration required.

Cliff Cave Branch

Tuesday, June 25, 2:00 p.m.

Friendship Rocks

Celebrate friendship by painting a rock to give away or to drop on July 3rd, International Drop a Rock Day.

All ages. Registration required.

Friday, July 5, 2:00 p.m.

Stretch Yoga

Presented by Vitality in Motion

Enjoy gentle yet effective balance combinations using the “barre” for stability that will focus on flexibility, posture, range of motion, coordination, strength-building and memorization. No prior dance experience necessary.

Adults. Registration required.

Saturday, July 6, 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Jigsaw Puzzle Tournament

Teams of 2-4 players will have two hours to assemble a puzzle. The first team to finish the puzzle or with the fewest puzzle pieces remaining wins! Prizes will be awarded.

Teens and adults. Registration required (one registration per team).

Wednesday, July 17, 2:00 p.m.

Local History: South County

Presented by Amanda Clark

This program brings the Missouri Historical Society's See STL tours to Cliff Cave Branch to highlight lesser known local histories.

Adults.

Daniel Boone Branch

Monday, June 3, 6:00 p.m.

Game Spotlight: Yahtzee

Learn a new fast-paced dice game.
Adults. Registration required.

Wednesday, June 5, 6:00 p.m.

Balance Barre

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Adults. Registration required.

Thursday, June 13, 6:00 p.m.

Big Ideas Only: The Extraordinary Life of James B. Eads

Presented by Amanda Clark

James Eads came to St. Louis at 13, leaping off a burning steamboat to safety and a new life, one that was forever defined by the Mississippi River. Learn about the many contributions to history Eads would make, including diving to the bottom of the river to salvage steamboat wrecks, building St. Louis’s great bridge, designing ironclad ships for the Union Army, and forever altering the Port of New Orleans.
Adults.

Saturday, July 6, 12:00-2:00 p.m.

Craft Swap

Drop in with your leftover craft supplies to swap with others or discover new materials to spark your creativity.
All ages.

Wednesday, July 10, 2:00 p.m.

Senior Team Trivia and Social Hour

Participants will be divided into teams that compete against each other answering fun, basic trivia questions.
Adults. Registration required. Meeting Room 1.

Wednesday, July 24, 2:00 p.m.

Jigsaw Puzzle Tournament

Teams of 2-4 players will have two hours to assemble a puzzle. The first team to finish the puzzle or with the fewest puzzle pieces remaining wins! Prizes will be awarded.
All ages. Registration required.

Wednesday, August 7, 6:00 p.m.

DIY Spa Retreat

Take some time to nurture yourself and get away without having to leave town by creating various potions to help soothe away your worries.
Adults. Registration required. Meeting Room 1.

Eureka Hills Branch

Tuesday, June 4, 6:30 p.m.

Hobbit Chair Yoga

Go on an adventure through Middle Earth in this Hobbit-themed chair yoga class. With the support of a chair, practice yoga poses to relieve stress and improve flexibility while exploring the themes of this classic book. Please dress comfortably, but no mat is needed. Beginners welcome.
Adults. Registration required.

Monday, June 17, 2:00 p.m.

How the Railroads Shaped St. Louis

St. Louis lecturer Doug Schneider explores the arrival, growth and role of railroads in St. Louis and how our dedicated railroad library fields research questions from all around the country.

Adults. Registration required.

Monday, June 24, 6:00 p.m.

Basic Bike Maintenance

Presented by Trailnet

A bicycle educator demonstrates how to check a bicycle to make sure it's rideable as well as how to make adjustments to the bike.

Adults.

Tuesday, June 25, 2:00 p.m.

Cooking with Herbs

Presented by St. Louis Herb Society

Learn how to use herbs in a variety of ways in the kitchen.

Adults. Registration required.

Saturday, June 29, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Steam Engines

Visit our model train display and bring your own standard gauge and 'O' gauge trains to run on the tracks. Chat with other train enthusiasts, make crafts and play games.

All ages.

Friday, July 19, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Jigsaw Puzzle Tournament

Teams of 2-4 players will have two hours to assemble a puzzle. The first team to finish the puzzle or with the fewest puzzle pieces remaining wins! Prizes will be awarded.

All ages. Registration required.

Florissant Valley Branch

Wednesday, June 5, 2:30 p.m.

Cooking with Herbs

Presented by St. Louis Herb Society

Learn how to use herbs in a variety of ways in the kitchen.

Adults. Registration required.

Saturday, June 29, 10:00 a.m.

Basic Bike Maintenance

Presented by Trailnet

A bicycle educator demonstrates how to check a bicycle to make sure it's rideable as well as how to make adjustments to the bike.

Adults.

Friday, July 19, 2:30 p.m.

Local History: North County

Presented by Amanda Clark

This program brings the Missouri Historical Society's See STL tours to Florissant Valley Branch to highlight lesser known local histories.

Adults.

Tuesday, July 23, 6:30 p.m.

Hobbit Chair Yoga

Go on an adventure through Middle Earth in this Hobbit-themed chair yoga class. With the support of a chair, practice yoga poses to relieve stress and improve flexibility while exploring the themes of this classic book. Please dress comfortably, but no mat is needed. Beginners welcome.

Adults. Registration required.

Thursday, August 1, 6:00 p.m.

Crafting a Greener Kitchen

Presented by Perennial

Craft along with a teaching artist while exploring DIY eco-friendly solutions for your own kitchen.

Adults. Registration required.

Grand Glaize Branch

Monday, June 17, 6:00 p.m.

Intro to Contemporary Dance

Explore the basics of contemporary dance with a little bit of exercise and get in tune with your body.

Adults. Registration required.

Thursday, June 27, 6:00 p.m.

Harvesting and Preserving Herbs

Presented by St. Louis Herb Society

Discover how simple it is to extend the life of your garden herbs.

Adults. Registration required.

Thursday, June 27, 6:30 p.m.

Paint Your Own Upcycled Ukulele

Mix your love of music and creativity with an upcycled ukulele constructed with recycled materials.

Adults. Registration required.

Thursday, July 18, 6:00 p.m.

Freehand Embroidered Clothing

Get creative and learn how to embroider a design on clothing. Bring your own clothing to be embroidered. All other materials will be provided.

Adults and teens. Registration required.

Wednesday, July 24, 6:00 p.m.

Card Game Adventure

Discover a new game or enjoy your favorite with others. Various card games available.

Adults.

Wednesday, July 31, 6:30 p.m.

DIY Book Nook

Spruce up your space at home by making a tiny world to slide onto your bookshelf.

Adults. Registration required.

Grant's View Branch

Saturday, June 8, 9:30 a.m.

Beginner Bird Walk

Presented by St. Louis Audubon Society

Discover the colorful world of birding with a guided bird walk. Some binoculars provided. Bring your own if you have them.

Adults. Registration required.

Thursday, June 13, 10:30 a.m.

All About Ste. Genevieve National Historic Park

Presented by the National Park Service

Explore the complex history of French colonialism and its impacts on North America to plan like a park ranger for your own adventure to Ste. Genevieve National Historical Park, one of the newest National Park Service sites in the nation.

Adults.

Friday, June 21, 2:00 p.m.

Card Game: Hearts

Play the card game Hearts. Playing cards provided. Beginners welcome.

All ages. Registration recommended.

Monday, July 8, 6:30 p.m.

Paint Night: Sunflowers

Paint a sunflower on a black canvas.

Adults. Registration recommended.

Wednesday, July 17, 2:30 p.m.

Balance Barre

Presented by Vitality in Motion

Enjoy gentle yet effective balance combinations using the “barre” for stability that will focus on flexibility, posture, range of motion, coordination, strength-building and memorization. No prior dance experience necessary.

Adults. Registration required.

Friday, July 19, 2:00 p.m.

Game Show Afternoon: “The Price Is Right”

Test your consumer skills with our version of “The Price is Right.”

Adults.

Monday, July 22, 6:30 p.m.

Ukulele 101

Bring your own ukulele to learn basics like strumming and beginner chords, then jam with us as a group.

Adults. Registration required.

Jamestown Bluffs Branch

Wednesday, June 5, 6:30 p.m.

Adventure Snacks

Make trail mix and protein balls to take on your summer adventures.

Adults. Registration required.

Friday, June 14, 10:00 a.m.

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Adults.

Monday, July 8, 6:30 p.m.

Stretch Yoga

Presented by Vitality in Motion

Explore chair stretches, postures and modified yoga sequences to create a mindful and invigorating experience, accompanied by stimulating music. No prior yoga experience necessary.

Adults. Registration required.

Tuesday, July 16, 2:00 p.m.

Tea Around the World

Take an adventure around the world by sampling different teas.

Adults. Registration required.

Tuesday, July 23, 6:00 p.m.

Adventure Journals

Learn simple bookbinding techniques and create your own adventure journal.

Adults. Registration required.

Lewis & Clark Branch

Saturday, June 1, 2:00 p.m.

Summer Movie: "The Color Purple"

MPAA rating: PG-13. Running time: 140 min.

Teens and adults.

Friday, June 14, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Issa Kickback: Juneteenth Celebration

Help us celebrate Juneteenth with a kickback featuring food trucks, yard games, a live DJ and a performance by Gentlemen of Vision.

All ages.

Saturday, June 15, 9:30 a.m.

Beginner Bird Walk

Presented by St. Louis Audubon Society

Discover the colorful world of birding with a guided bird walk. Some binoculars provided. Bring your own if you have them.

Adults. Registration required.

Saturday, June 22, 2:00 p.m.

Afro Jazz and Modern Dance

Learn a fusion of hip hop and jazz dance techniques, aimed to build confidence, agility and musicality with energetic and powerful dance moves.

Adults. Registration required.

Thursday, June 27, 6:00 p.m.

Dungeons & Dragons

Team up with other players for an epic role-playing adventure. Beginners welcome. Pre-made characters and dice provided.

Adults. Registration required.

Saturday, July 6, 2:00 p.m.

Summer Movie: "Independence Day"

MPAA rating: PG-13. Running time: 145 min.

Teens and adults.

Wednesday, July 24, 3:30 p.m.

Crochet Workshop

Learn basic stitches that can get you started on a variety of projects. Yarn and crochet hooks provided.

Teens and adults.

Meramec Valley Branch

Wednesday, June 5, 6:00 p.m.

Stretch Yoga

Presented by Vitality in Motion

Explore chair stretches, postures and modified yoga sequences to create a mindful and invigorating experience, accompanied by stimulating music. No prior yoga experience necessary.

Adults. Registration required.

Wednesday, June 26, 2:00 p.m.

Adventure Journals

Learn simple bookbinding techniques and create your own adventure journal.

Adults. Registration required.

Tuesday, July 16, 6:00 p.m.

Tea Around the World

Take an adventure around the world by sampling different teas.

Adults. Registration required.

Saturday, July 20, 1:00 p.m.

All About Ste. Genevieve National Historic Park

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Explore the complex history of French colonialism and its impacts on North America to plan like a park ranger for your own adventure to Ste. Genevieve National Historical Park, one of the newest National Park Service sites in the nation.

Adults.

Friday, August 2, 2:00 p.m.

Map Magnets

Use maps to create magnets unique to places you love.

Adults. Registration required.

Mid-County Branch

Saturday, June 8, 2:00 p.m.

Tea Around the World

Take an adventure around the world by sampling different teas.

Adults. Registration required.

Tuesday, June 11, 6:00 p.m.

Marvel Trivia

Answer trivia questions about your favorite Marvel superhero films.

All ages. Registration required.

Thursday, June 20, 6:30 p.m.

Harvesting and Preserving Herbs

Presented by St. Louis Herb Society

Discover how simple it is to extend the life of your garden herbs.

Adults. Registration required.

Tuesday, June 25, 6:30 p.m.

Watercolor Postcards

Paint pre-drawn scenic postcards with watercolors.

All ages. Registration required.

Saturday, June 29, 2:00 p.m.

Percy Jackson Trivia

Test your knowledge of “Percy Jackson and the Olympians.” Register in teams of one to four.
All ages. Registration required.

Saturday, July 6, 2:00 p.m.

Planning Your Tea Garden

Learn how to choose and grow different plants for tea then take home a plant to start your own tea garden.
Adults. Registration required.

Saturday, July 13, 2:00 p.m.

Secondhand Book Swap

Bring old books to trade, and leave with something new. Enjoy snacks, tea and the company of other bookworms while you swap.

All ages. Registration required.

All ages. Registration required.

Saturday, August 3, 1:00 p.m.

Land of Eem RPG: Double Treasure, Double Trouble

Team up with others to explore the magical and dangerous Land of Eem in a humorous and fun role-playing session. Beginners welcome.

Teens and adults. Registration required.

Natural Bridge Branch

Wednesday, June 12, 4:00-5:30 p.m.

Jewelry Making 101: Friendship Bracelets

Learn how to make fun and colorful friendship bracelets.

Adults.

Saturday, June 22, 12:00 p.m.

Crafting a Greener Kitchen

Presented by Perennial

Craft along with a teaching artist while exploring DIY eco-friendly solutions for your own kitchen.

Adults. Registration required.

Monday, July 22, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Cross Stitch for Beginners

Learn the fun and relaxing craft of cross stitching with a provided kit and pattern to make your own project.

Adults. Registration required.

Monday, June 24, 10:00 a.m.

Intro to Dance Improvisation

Let go of perfection, release tension and trauma, and build your confidence in creativity. Through prompts, cultivate bodily awareness, efficiency in movement and a mind-body-soul connection.

Adults. Registration required.

Wednesday, July 24, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Jewelry Making 101: Waist Beads

Learn about the history of waist beads and make your own.

Adults. Registration required.

Oak Bend Branch

Wednesday, June 12, 9:30 a.m.

Beginner Bird Walk

Presented by St. Louis Audubon Society

Discover the colorful world of birding with a guided bird walk. Some binoculars provided. Bring your own if you have them.

Adults. Registration required.

Thursday, June 13, 2:00 p.m.

Listening Party: Europe & Africa

Spend an hour listening to music of European and African artists. Activities provided or feel free to bring your own writing, drawing or coloring projects.

Adults.

Saturday, June 15, 12:00 p.m.

Lord of the Rings Viewing Party

Adventure through Middle Earth by watching the extended editions of the trilogy. This week: "The Fellowship of the Ring." MPAA Rating: PG-13. Running time: 208 min.

Adults.

Saturday, June 22, 12:00 p.m.

Lord of the Rings Viewing Party

Adventure through Middle Earth by watching the extended editions of the trilogy. This week: "The Two Towers." MPAA Rating: PG-13. Running time: 223 min.

Adults.

Saturday, June 29, 12:00 p.m.

Lord of the Rings Viewing Party

Adventure through Middle Earth by watching the extended editions of the trilogy. This week: "The Return of the King." MPAA Rating: PG-13. Running time: 252 min.

Adults.

July 1-31, All day

Where is Felix?

Felix is a most adventurous dog; come to the front desk to guess where Felix's adventures have taken him. New pictures and a raffle entry are available each Monday and Thursday.

All ages.

Wednesday, July 10, 6:00 p.m.

Adventures in Language Invention

Learn about the process of creating a language from start to finish.

Adults.

Thursday, July 11, 6:30 p.m.

Crafting a Greener Kitchen

Presented by Perennial

Craft along with a teaching artist while exploring DIY eco-friendly solutions for your own kitchen.

Adults. Registration required.

Thursday, July 18, 2:00 p.m.

Listening Party: Asia & Australia

Spend an hour listening to music of Asian and Australian artists. Activities provided or feel free to bring your own writing, drawing or coloring projects.

Adults.

Parkview Branch

Tuesday, June 4, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Jigsaw Puzzle Tournament

Teams of 2-4 players will have two hours to assemble a puzzle. The first team to finish the puzzle or with the fewest puzzle pieces remaining wins! Prizes will be awarded.

All ages. Registration required.

Tuesday, June 11, 5:30 p.m.

Feature Film '80s Style: "Adventures in Babysitting"

Enjoy a movie on our big screen. MPAA rating: PG-13. Running time: 102 minutes.

Adults.

Tuesday, June 25, 6:00 p.m.

Fix-a-Flat Clinic

Presented by Trailnet

A bicycle educator shows you how to fix a flat bicycle tire from start to finish with a few tips and tricks.

Adults.

Wednesday, June 26, 6:30 p.m.

Hobbit Chair Yoga

Go on an adventure through Middle Earth in this Hobbit-themed chair yoga class. With the support of a chair, practice yoga poses to relieve stress and improve flexibility while exploring the themes of this classic book. Please dress comfortably, but no mat is needed. Beginners welcome.

Adults. Registration required.

Tuesday, July 9, 6:00 p.m.

Nail Polish Flower Pot

Design a unique flower pot using your nail polish.

Adults. Registration required.

Thursday, July 18, 4:00 p.m.

DIY Book Jar

Create a jar full of potential book reads. Materials provided.

Teens and adults. Registration required.

Saturday, July 20, 10:00 a.m.

Secondhand Book Swap

Bring old books to trade, and leave with something new. Enjoy snacks, tea and the company of other bookworms while you swap.

All ages. Registration required.

Wednesday, August 7, 1:00 p.m.

Bookmark Your Adventure

Decorate a bookmark. Materials provided.

All ages. Registration required.

Prairie Commons Branch

June 1-30, All day

Quest for the Treasure

Solve the puzzles to earn your piece of the pirate's treasure.

All ages.

Wednesday, June 5, 3:00 p.m.

Outdoor Plant and Bulb Swap

Bring your extra outdoor plants and bulbs and swap them for new ones. Please have plants potted, bulbs in bags and all items clearly marked. Seed planting station available for children.

All ages.

Tuesday, June 11, 6:00 p.m.

Harvesting and Preserving Herbs

Presented by St. Louis Herb Society

Discover how simple it is to extend the life of your garden herbs.

Adults. Registration required.

Tuesday, June 18, 6:00 p.m.

150 Years of the Eads Bridge

Presented by Amanda Clark

The Eads Bridge, celebrating its 150th anniversary in 2024, sits humbly beneath our iconic Gateway Arch. The bridge has no reason to be humble—it was the first, largest, and greatest of its kind when built. This presentation will tell the story of not only the bridge's origins, but also its life, bearing witness to a century and a half of our city's daily rhythms and monumental moments.

Adults.

Friday, June 21, 2:00 p.m.

Adventure Bookmarks

Create an adventure-themed bookmark. Materials provided.

All ages. Registration required.

July 1-31, All day

Pokemon Scavenger Hunt

Find the Pokemon hidden around the library.

All ages.

Monday, July 1, 6:00 p.m.

Basic Bike Maintenance

Presented by Trailnet

A bicycle educator demonstrates how to check a bicycle to make sure it's rideable as well as how to make adjustments to the bike.

Adults.

Tuesday, July 2, 6:00 p.m.

Indoor Plant Swap

Bring your extra indoor plants and swap them for new ones. Please have plants potted and clearly marked. Seed planting station available for children.

All ages.

Friday, July 19, 3:00 p.m.

All About Ste. Genevieve National Historic Park

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Adults.

Saturday, July 20, All day

Pokemon Lure Event

We will keep the Pokemon Go lures up so you can catch those Pokemon!

All ages.

Wednesday, July 24, 6:00 p.m.

Board Game Night

Play tabletop games of exploration and adventure. Bring your own game or try one of ours.

Teens and adults.

Rock Road Branch

Friday, June 14, 10:00 a.m.

Balance Barre

Presented by Vitality in Motion

Enjoy gentle yet effective balance combinations using the “barre” for stability that will focus on flexibility, posture, range of motion, coordination, strength-building and memorization. No prior dance experience necessary.

Adults. Registration required.

Saturday, June 22, 2:00 p.m.

Legends of the Hidden Temple

Play the game based on the classic Nickelodeon show.

Teens and adults. Registration recommended.

Saturday, June 29, 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Magic the Gathering

Use our cards or bring your own. Staff will be available to help newcomers learn how to play.

Teens and adults.

Saturday, July 13, 2:00-3:30 p.m.

Mad Hatter Tea Party

Sample Wonderland-themed teas while creating curious crafts.

Teens and adults.

Saturday, July 20, 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Seven Wonders

Build the best city as the leader of one of the seven great cities of the ancient world.

Teens and adults. Registration recommended.

Saturday, July 27, 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Magic the Gathering

Use our cards or bring your own. Staff will be available to help newcomers learn how to play.

Teens and adults.

Samuel C. Sachs Branch

Saturday, June 1, 10:00 a.m.

Plant Swap

Swap indoor and outdoor plants and cuttings with fellow gardeners. Bring labeled plants that are healthy, pest free and will fit in an average sized car.

Adults. Registration recommended.

Wednesday, June 5, 6:00 p.m.

Concerts in the Garden Featuring Danita Mumford

Enjoy some of St. Louis' most talented jazz musicians for concerts in the Reading Garden. Patrons are encouraged to bring chairs, blankets and coolers.

All ages.

Friday, June 7, 2:00 p.m.

Painting with Curiosity

Challenge your creativity by using anything but a paint brush to create unique pieces of art.

Adults. Registration recommended.

Tuesday, June 11, 5:30 p.m.

Adventure Painting

Learn step-by-step how to create an acrylic painting.

Teens and adults. Registration required.

Thursday, June 13, 2:00 p.m.

Adventure Into Watercolor

Journey into the world of watercolor and create your own seascape painting.

Adults. Registration required.

Thursday, June 20, 6:30 p.m.

Hobbit Chair Yoga

Go on an adventure through Middle Earth in this Hobbit-themed chair yoga class. With the support of a chair, practice yoga poses to relieve stress and improve flexibility while exploring the themes of this classic book. Please dress comfortably, but no mat is needed. Beginners welcome.

Adults. Registration required.

Monday, June 24, 2:00 p.m.

Adventures in TikTok

Try out a trending TikTok craft to see if it is really as easy as it looks.

Teens and adults. Registration recommended.

Wednesday, June 26, 2:00 p.m.

Movie Musical Sing-along: "Hairspray"

Sing along to "Hairspray" and enjoy themed snacks and activities. MPAA rating: PG. Running time: 117 min. All ages.

Thursday, June 27, 6:00 p.m.

Music Bingo

Trivia meets bingo in this music filled game. Play, listen and sing along to some of your favorite songs.

Teens and adults. Registration recommended.

Wednesday, July 3, 6:00 p.m.

Concerts in the Garden Featuring The Usual Suspects

Enjoy some of St. Louis' most talented jazz musicians for concerts in the Reading Garden. Patrons are encouraged to bring chairs, blankets and coolers.

All ages.

Monday, July 8, 2:00 p.m.

Adventures in TikTok

Try out a trending TikTok recipe to see if it is really as easy as it looks.

Teens and adults. Registration recommended.

Tuesday, July 9, 5:30 p.m.

Painting Off the Beaten Path

Learn step-by-step how to create an acrylic painting.

Teens and adults. Registration required.

Thursday, July 11, 2:00 p.m.

Adventure Into Watercolor

Journey into the world of watercolor and create your own cacti painting.

Adults. Registration required.

Tuesday, July 23, 2:00 p.m.

Adventures in Culture

This month we will bring out supplies leftover from previous Culture and Craft sessions. Catch any craft you missed and travel the world in an hour.

Adults. Registration recommended.

Tuesday, July 23, 6:00 p.m.

Adventures in Crafting

Explore crafting while focusing on the journey, not the destination.

Teens and adults. Registration recommended.

Friday, July 26, 2:00 p.m.

Adventures in Tea

Learn about the history of tea while using the beverage to paint tea-riffic art.

Adults. Registration recommended.

Monday, July 29, 2:00 p.m.

Adventures in TikTok

Come talk about TikTok trending books. Share your favorites and hear what the librarians have been enjoying.

Teens and adults. Registration recommended.

Wednesday, July 31, 5:00 p.m.

Jigsaw Puzzle Tournament

Teams of 2-4 players will have two hours to assemble a puzzle. The first team to finish the puzzle or with the fewest puzzle pieces remaining wins. Snacks provided and prizes will be awarded.

Teens and adults. Registration required.

Wednesday, August 7, 6:00 p.m.

Concerts in the Garden Featuring Harvey Lockhart and the Collective

Enjoy some of St. Louis' most talented jazz musicians for concerts in the Reading Garden. Patrons are encouraged to bring chairs, blankets and coolers.

All ages.

Thornhill Branch

Monday, June 3, 5:00 p.m.

Plant Swap

Swap plants, cuttings and seeds with your fellow gardeners. Please have plants potted and clearly marked.

All ages.

Thursday, June 6, 2:00 p.m.

Sidewalk Chalk Fun

Enjoy an afternoon of sidewalk chalk fun.

All ages.

Friday, June 7, 2:00 p.m.

K-pop Deco Party

In collaboration with Kork, decorate toppers and binders for your photo cards. Materials provided. K-pop freebies will be available while supplies last.

Teens and adults. Registration recommended.

Friday, June 14, 2:00 p.m.

Cooking with Herbs

Presented by St. Louis Herb Society

Learn how to use herbs in a variety of ways in the kitchen.

Adults. Registration required.

Friday, June 21, 2:00 p.m.

All About Ste. Genevieve National Historic Park

Presented by the National Park Service

Explore the complex history of French colonialism and its impacts on North America to plan like a park ranger for your own adventure to Ste. Genevieve National Historical Park, one of the newest National Park Service sites in the nation.

Adults.

Monday, July 8, 6:30 p.m.

Spice Up Your Life

Identify spices, learn the health benefits and get simple recipes.

Adults and teens. Registration required.

Friday, July 12, 2:00 p.m.

Summer Movie: "The Princess Bride"

MPAA rating: PG. Running time: 98 min.

All ages.

Saturday, July 13, 2:00 p.m.

World of Adventure

Explore adventures on each continent to get ideas for your travel bucket list.

All ages.

Monday, July 15, 6:30 p.m.

Book Page Art

Create a beautiful art decor from old book pages.

Adults and teens. Registration required.

Wednesday, July 17, 6:30 p.m.

Hobbit Chair Yoga

Go on an adventure through Middle Earth in this Hobbit-themed chair yoga class. With the support of a chair, practice yoga poses to relieve stress and improve flexibility while exploring the themes of this classic book. Please dress comfortably, but no mat is needed. Beginners welcome.

Adults. Registration required.

Friday, July 19, 10:00-11:30 a.m.

Fin-tastic Fish Care

Learn to set up the perfect freshwater tank, what equipment to buy and how to maintain and read ideal water conditions for your new finned friend.

All ages.

Monday, July 22, 6:30 p.m.

Herb Infused Candles

Make your very own herb infused candles.

Adults and teens. Registration required.

Weber Road Branch

Thursday, June 6, 3:00 p.m.

Resources for a Successful Job Interview

Learn how to prepare for your new job adventure. Get tips and find relevant interview questions and put yourself ahead of your competition.

Adults. Registration required.

Wednesday, June 12, 10:00 a.m.

Crafting a Greener Kitchen

Craft along with a teaching artist while exploring DIY eco-friendly solutions for your own kitchen.

Adults. Registration required.

Wednesday, July 24, 10:00 a.m.

Spice Adventure

Explore a pair of spices or blends and learn about their use in different regions or cuisines. Along with a sample of each featured spice, we'll include simple recipes that showcase the spices and provide SLCL resources to find more recipes and ideas.

Adults. Registrations required.

Wednesday, July 31, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Harry Potter Adventure

Celebrate the boy who lived with crafts, snacks and activities.

All ages.

Virtual

Monday, June 3, 6:30 p.m.

Learn to Knit, Part 1

Presented by Craft Academy

Learn basic knitting techniques such as holding the needles and yarn, making knit and purl stitches, creating swatches, and reading patterns. After this class, participants will have a basic understanding of knitting and can begin their first knitting project.

Adults. Registration required. Participants will receive Zoom information via email immediately after registering. A recording of this virtual program will be posted to YouTube within three business days.

Tuesday, June 11, 11:00 a.m.

Big Ideas Only

Presented by Amanda Clark of the Missouri Historical Society

James Eads came to St. Louis at 13, leaping off a burning steamboat to safety and a new life, one that was forever defined by the Mississippi River. Learn about the many contributions to history Eads would make, including diving to the bottom of the river to salvage steamboat wrecks, building St. Louis's great bridge, designing ironclad ships for the Union Army, and forever altering the Port of New Orleans.

Adults. Registration required. Participants will receive Zoom information via email immediately after registering. A recording of this virtual program will be posted to YouTube within three business days.

Monday, June 17, 6:30 p.m.

Presented by Craft Academy

Learn to Knit, Part 2

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Tuesday, June 18, 2:00 p.m.

150 Years of the Eads Bridge

Presented by Amanda Clark of The Missouri History Historical Society

The Eads Bridge, celebrating its 150th anniversary in 2024, sits humbly beneath our iconic Gateway Arch. The bridge has no reason to be humble—it was the first, largest, and greatest of its kind when built. This presentation will tell the story of not only the bridge's origins, but also its life, bearing witness to a century and a half of our city's daily rhythms and monumental moments.

Adults. Registration required. Participants will receive Zoom information via email immediately after registering. A recording of this virtual program will be posted to YouTube within three business days.

Tuesday, June 18, 7:00 p.m.

Food Writing

Explore the genre of food writing with dining critic and food writer Holly Fann. Learn about key features of the genre and give it a try with some prompts.

Adults. Registration required. Participants will receive Zoom information via email immediately after registering. A recording of this virtual program will be posted to YouTube within three business days.

Thursday, June 20, 6:00 p.m.

Agave Cocktail Class

Presented by Decoding Cocktails and Experience

Enjoy a deep dive into the history, culture and recipes of agave growing regions in Mexico. Recipes and an ingredient list will be sent to all registered patrons in advance.

Adults age 21+. Registration required. Participants will receive Zoom information via email immediately after registering. A recording of this virtual program will be posted to YouTube within three business days.

Monday, June 24, 6:30 p.m.

Virtual Program: Personal Map Making Daily Practice Kickoff

Find out how to use Creativebug's step-by-step video lessons to exercise and rejuvenate your creativity to make personal maps throughout July. Map-making will be your point of departure as you fill up your sketchbook with paint, photographs, leaves, ephemera, and pieces of actual maps to create vibrant, mixed-media spreads. Share your efforts on Instagram with #createdbySLCL all month long to track your progress and find inspiration.

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Monday, July 8, 6:30 p.m.

Crochet for Beginners, Part 1

Presented by Craft Academy

Learn how to read a pattern, crochet new stitches, and create an accurate swatch for your project. These classes will allow beginners to follow along, practice, and ask questions of our expert instructor in real time.

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Writing on the Road

Explore writing about place and travel through examples and prompts with creative nonfiction writer Delia Rainey.

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