

CHECKING IN

C A B A R R U S C O U N T Y P U B L I C L I B R A R Y

NEW PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT

Start the New Year right by "Sparking Joy" in your life! Join certified KonMari consultant Shannon Honeycutt this month to learn new ways to tidy up and declutter. Visit the Midland, Harrisburg, or Mt. Pleasant branch for a presentation on clearing away clutter so you can live the life you want!

It's a New Year! What will you learn in 2023? Want to strengthen your computer skills? Using Northstar, you can learn basic computer skills, internet basics, and managing an email account. Want to learn a new hobby? Learn how to make basic crochet stitches, a tiny terrarium, a snowstorm jar, or origami stars! Look inside for all the learning possibilities at the library!

SCAN TO REGISTER FOR JAN. PROGRAMS

or visit go.activecalendar.com/cabarrus-county/site/library/. Call (704) 920-2050 for questions about registration.



UPCOMING CLOSINGS

Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Mon. Jan. 16

Harrisburg Library Closed for repairs
Wed. Dec. 28 - Wed. Jan. 11



CABARRUS COUNTY
Public Library System



CabarrusCountyLibrary

VIRTUAL

HYBRID

● CONCORD

● HARRISBURG

● KANNAPOLIS

● MIDLAND

● MT. PLEASANT



WEEKLY STORY TIMES

Join us for stories, songs, and fingerplays for the whole family!

FAMILY STORY TIME

(Family)

Harrisburg Mondays, Wednesdays & Thursdays • 11am

Kannapolis Mondays • 11am

BABY STORY TIME

(0-Walking with caregiver)

Concord Tuesdays & Thursdays • 9:15am

Kannapolis Mondays • 10am

Harrisburg Mondays & Thursdays • 9:30am

BABY/TODDLER STORY TIME

(0-3 with caregiver)

Midland Thursdays • 11am

TODDLER STORY TIME

(Walking-3 with caregiver)

Concord Tuesdays • 10:15am & Wednesdays • 9:15am

Harrisburg Mondays • 10:15am & Wednesdays • 9:30am

Mt. Pleasant Mondays • 10:30am

Kannapolis Thursdays • 10am

PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

(Ages 3-5 with caregiver)

Concord Wednesdays & Thursdays • 10:15am

Harrisburg Wednesdays & Thursdays • 10:15am

Mt. Pleasant Thursdays • 10:30am

Kannapolis Tuesdays • 11am

TUESDAY, JANUARY 3

Conversational English Group 9:30am / Adults

Come read, talk, and participate in fun activities that will increase your English vocabulary and speaking skills. Registration is required.

Basic Computer Skills with Northstar 1:30pm / Adults

Class held at Cabarrus County Senior Center. Feeling lost when it comes to computers? We will discuss the parts of a computer, practice mouse skills, learn about programs & more! Spaces limited; call the Senior Center @ 704.920.3484 to register.

DIBS 6pm / Adults

This month we will be discussing Rebecca by Daphne du Maurier. See a staff member for a full listing for 2023.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4

Giant Snowflakes 6pm / Ages 13-18

Come join us in constructing giant versions of icy snowflakes!

THURSDAY, JANUARY 5

Basic Computer Skills Assessment with Northstar 10am / Adults

Know little or nothing about computers? Start the New Year off & take a basic computer skills assessment from Northstar Digital Literacy to gauge what you know.

MINDFUL MOVEMENT

Ages 3-5 with caregiver - An energetic program of movement, mindfulness and interactive stories.

Midland Tuesdays • 11am

Concord Fridays • 10:15am

Kannapolis Thursdays • 11am



STEAM EXPLORERS

Ages 6-11 - Do you love all things SCIENCE? Join us for engaging, hands-on activities exploring the fields of science, technology and art.

Kannapolis Fri. Jan. 6 • 4pm

Harrisburg Tue. Jan. 17 • 1:30pm & 6pm

Midland Wed. Jan. 18 • 4:30pm

Concord Tue. Jan. 24 • 1pm & 4:30pm

Mt. Pleasant Wed. Jan. 26 • 4pm



Ages 6-11 - Join other home-school students as we explore literature, art and science through interactive activities.

HOMESCHOOL HUB

Concord Wed. Jan. 4 • 1pm

Mt. Pleasant Tue. Jan. 10 • 10:30am

Midland Tue. Jan. 17 • 2:30pm

Kannapolis Thu. Jan. 19 • 2pm



LIBRARY TAKEOUT

Need help finding your next read? Fill out our short form and let a Librarian pick out a list of books just for you!

Kids' Writing Workshop 2pm / Ages 7-11

Bring out the creative writer in you with story starters, prompts, games!

Sparkling Joy in the New Year 5pm / Adults

Certified KonMari consultant Shannon Huneycutt will show how you can spark joy in your life by learning new ways to tidy up & declutter.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 6

Game Over: Old School Video Games 4-5:30pm / Ages 10+

Drop in and play old school video games, we have a selection from video game history for you to choose from!

SATURDAY, JANUARY 7

High School Study Zone 10am-12pm / Ages 13-18

Join us for an interruption-free study time with snacks! Come prepare for your exams and study with your classmates.

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HARRISBURG CLOSED UNTIL WED. JAN. 11

Roots Roundtable 10:30am-12pm / Adults

Learn about Newspaper Archive, a searchable newspaper database you can use for free through the Cabarrus County Public Library. It includes the Kannapolis Daily Independent from 1938-1994 and much more! Registration is required.

Gaming Guild: Dungeons and Dragons 2:30pm / Ages 12+

Disconnect and enjoy the original role-playing game! Come to the library to slay monsters, cast spells, and snag loot in this introductory and approachable version of Dungeons and Dragons. Registration required.

Saturday Surprise! 3pm / Ages 6-11

Come in and discover our surprise activity! Drop in.

MONDAY, JANUARY 9**Adult Sensory Program 10am / Adults**

Adults with autism spectrum disorder, sensory integration issues, and other developmental disabilities and their caretakers are invited to our sensory program. Full of stories, crafts, and activities, our program will create a great opportunity to meet friends and engage in the community. Registration is required.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 10**Conversational English Group 9:30am / Adults**

Come read, talk, and participate in fun activities that will increase your English vocabulary and speaking skills. Registration is required.

Bookends Book Discussion 4pm / Adults

Join us to discuss The Bookshop on the Corner by Jenny Colgan.

Play-Doh Lab 4:30pm / Ages 4-12

Are you ready to squish, knead, and create new things? Join us for Play-Doh Lab—all you need to bring is your imagination. We provide the supplies—you provide the fun.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11**Society for the Study of the Mythic Creatures: The Yeti 4pm / Ages 6-11**

Discover the secrets of the legendary yeti with a story, craft, and activities.

Snowman Party 4:30pm / Ages 5-11

There's "snow" party like a snowman party. Let's celebrate all things snowman by reading stories, playing games, and making snowmen crafts.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 12**Basic Computer Skills with Northstar 10am / Adults**

Feeling lost when it comes to computers? Start the New Year off by brushing up on your basic computer skills. We will discuss the parts of a computer, practice mouse skills, learn about programs & more, using the Northstar Digital Literacy curriculum! Registration required.

Kids' Writing Workshop 2pm / Ages 7-11

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Need Help Finding Help? 3pm / Adults

Come speak to a Community Health Worker at the Concord Library about resources for housing/rent, food/clothing, employment, transportation, childcare, legal assistance, medical/dental care, WIC, mental health/wellness, and other resources. Every 2nd Thursday at 3:00 pm. Every 4th Wednesday at 3pm. In partnership with the Cabarrus Health Alliance.

League of Extraordinary LEGOs 4:30pm / Ages 4-12

We'll bring the LEGOS®, you bring your imagination! Now with DUPLO!

Reflect & Relate 5pm / Ages 12-18

Come set new intentions with us this year as we learn about the benefits of journaling, the importance of daily gratitude, and practice self-loving affirmations.

Teen Advisory Board 6pm / Ages 13-18

Want to make your library better? Come to a T.A.B. meeting! Share ideas, collaborate with other teens, and finish each meeting with a different activity.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 13**Preschool Picassos 10:15am-12pm / Ages 3-5 with caregiver**

Does your child love to make messy art? Join us for collaborative, process-based art at the library! You WILL get messy – please wear old clothes!

Pokémon Club 4pm / Ages 10-16

Trainers of all Skill levels are welcome to join and test their skills. Both Pokémon trading cards and video games are welcome. Bring your own cards or games.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 14**Saturday Surprise! 3pm / Ages 6-11**

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Card Club 10:30am / Adults

Create everything from cards to wall art, using mostly paper. Beginners welcome!

Crafty Creators 11am / Adults

All crafters welcome! Bring your own project and enjoy some good company. Small, impromptu craft materials are available, but your creation is entirely up to you. Registration required.

Stitch & Knit: Make a Mug Cozy 11am / Intergenerational

Join us and knit mug cozies for your favorite hot winter beverage using a circle loom! Materials and instruction will be provided. Supplies limited; registration is required.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 17**Conversational English Group 9:30am / Adults**

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Gaming Guild: Dungeons and Dragons 4:30pm / Ages 12-17

Disconnect and enjoy the original role-playing game! Come to the library to slay monsters, cast spells, and snag loot in this introductory and approachable version of Dungeons and Dragons. Registration required.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18**Kid Krafters 4:30pm / Ages 7-12**

Join us as we explore the pop art of artist Keith Haring. We will practice his techniques together as a group and then break off to become our own Haring-inspired artist.

Snowstorm Jars 6pm / Ages 13-18

Come join us in making a small, contained snowstorm that fits in a jar!

THURSDAY, JANUARY 19**Internet Basics with Northstar 10am / Adults**

Start the New Year off by refreshing your computer skills. This class will go over the basics of the Internet & tips for staying safe online, using the Northstar Digital Literacy curriculum.

Advance Directive Workshop 4:30-6:30pm / Adults

Join us for program about advance directive planning, presented by Atrium Health. Explanation on how to review and complete healthcare power of attorney and living will forms is provided. These workshops will offer free notarization of advance directives.

Legos and Duplos and Mega Blocks, Oh my! 4:30pm / Ages 4-11

Get inspired with our directed building, timed challenges, games and more!

Sparking Joy in the New Year 6pm / Adults

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 21**Adventures from the Lore Room 2pm / Adults**

As part of the Concord Friends of the Library Annual Meeting, Lore Room staff will share tales of adventure from the local history reference desk. Free and open to the public.

Saturday Surprise! 3pm / Ages 6-11

Come in and discover our surprise activity! Drop in.

MONDAY, JANUARY 23

Water Lilies Guided Paint-by-Number 5:30pm / Adults

Anyone can paint a masterpiece when you take it step by step! We'll create a work of art inspired by "Water Lilies" by Claude Monet, no experience required. Registration required.

Witness the Fitness: Yoga Class 6:30pm / Adults

Improve your strength, posture, and balance by learning simple yoga poses. We will use a combination of mat, standing, and seated (chair) poses. Registration required.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 24

Conversational English Group 9:30am / Adults

Come read, talk, and participate in fun activities that will increase your English vocabulary and speaking skills. Registration is required.

Preschool Story Time: Snow Much Fun! 11am / Ages 3-5 w/ caregiver

We'll have fun reading a wintry story and making a personalized snowman craft!

Yay for Yeti! 4:30pm / Family

Calling all Yeti trackers and puffy paint lovers! Join us for mountains of Yeti-themed fun! We'll read funny stories, create a puffy paint masterpiece, and make origami bookmarks.

Sparkling Joy in the New Year 5:30pm / Adults

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Teen DIY Snowflake Art 5:30pm / Ages 12-18

Come create a beautiful piece of art using canvas, paint, and of course, snowflakes! All supplies provided. Registration is required.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25

Hi, Fly Guy! 4pm / Ages 6-11

Here's the buzz. We'll be celebrating our love of Fly Guy with trivia, games, and a craft.

Murder & Mayhem Book Club 6pm / Adults

Join us as we discuss Every Last Fear by Alex Finlay.

Need Help Finding Help? 3pm / Adults

Come speak to a Community Health Worker at the Concord Library about resources for housing/rent, food/clothing, employment, transportation, childcare, legal assistance, medical/dental care, WIC, mental health/wellness, and other resources. Every 2nd Thursday at 3:00 pm. Every 4th Wednesday at 3pm. In partnership with the Cabarrus Health Alliance.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 26

Using Email with Northstar 10am / Adults

Start the New Year off by brushing up on your computer skills. This class will go over how to create, use & manage an email account using the Northstar Digital Literacy curriculum.

Yay for Yeti! 4:30pm / Family

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Teen Book Bites 5:30pm / Ages 12-18

Not sure what you want to read this year? Ready to explore new genres and authors? Come 'taste' some of our newest titles and discover a new favorite read!

FRIDAY, JANUARY 27

Adult DIY TBR Bookmarks 4pm / Adults

Ready to tackle a New Year of reading? Come make a fun and colorful bookmark to help keep track of what you've read and what you want to read! All supplies provided. Registration is required.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28

Reading Tales - Maui 11am / Ages 4-12

Meet the Library's Furriest Reader...Maui! Need Reading Practice? Drop in to read to our lovable Reading Therapy Dog, Maui who loves to listen to stories.

Tiny Terrariums 11am / Adults

Do you have a green thumb or even a black thumb? Come make your own succulent terrarium, learn how to take care of it, and take it home to display in a bright window in your home! Registration required.

Saturday Surprise! 3pm / Ages 6-11

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Mini Star Paper Mosaics 3pm / Ages 13+

Learn how to fold miniature origami stars and create a larger work of art with the pieces you make.

MONDAY, JANUARY 30

Crafters Corner 4pm / Adults

Gather with other crafters to work on crafts in a comfortable atmosphere.

Crafters Unite 5-7pm / Ages 13+

Drop in and work on a project from home in a comfortable and friendly atmosphere.

Vintage Mushroom Wall Hanging 6pm / Adults

Make a cute, vintage-inspired mushroom wall hanging with yarn! We'll use some basic sewing techniques, but no experience is required. Registration required.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 31

Conversational English Group 9:30am / Adults

Come read, talk, and participate in fun activities that will increase your English vocabulary and speaking skills. Registration is required.

Fine Art Makers 1:30pm & 6pm / Ages 6-15

Love art? Want to learn about the techniques of the masters AND get to create your own work of art? Come and join the FAM where we will explore a different fine artist each month! Registration Required.