

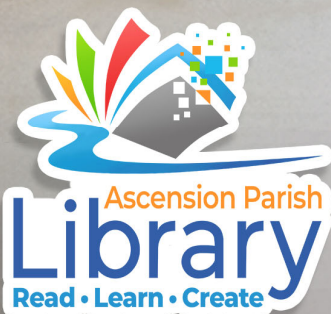
# Read, Renew, Repeat

2024 Summer Reading Program

**MAY 23-JULY 31**



Sign up at [myAPL.beanstack.org](https://myAPL.beanstack.org)  
or the Beanstack app



# Summer reading is for EVERYONE!



Registration begins Thursday, May 23.

Register online at [myAPL.beanstack.org](https://myAPL.beanstack.org) or by using the Beanstack app.

All participation must be logged online by Wednesday, July 31.

Prizes provided by a generous donation from Friends of the Ascension Public Library.

## kids (0–11 years)

Read to Me kids (ages birth–5 years)—Earn prizes based on the number of books that are read to you.

Kids (ages 6–11 years)—Earn prizes based on the number of books, magazines, or audiobooks that you read or listen to.

After registering, visit any Ascension Parish Library location to receive a pencil, magnet, and bookmark.

After logging 20 books for Read to Me or 5 books for kids ages 6–11, visit any Ascension Parish Library location to receive a certificate, tote bag, one pick from our prize bin, one free bowling pass to Premier Lanes, one Raising Cane's free Kids Combo bookmark, and one Chick-fil-A gift card that can be redeemed for one of three dessert items. You will also earn one chance in our Grand Prize drawing for Read to Me or kids.

For each additional 20 books logged for Read to Me or 5 books logged for kids ages 6–11, you will receive one additional chance in our Grand Prize drawing.\*

**Read to Me Grand Prize—Wooden ocean slide and grocery cart push toy**

**Kids Grand Prize—Kick scooter and solar wireless waterproof power bank**

## teens (12–18 years)

Teens (ages 12–18 years\*\*)—Earn prizes based on the number of books, magazines, or audiobooks that you read or listen to.

After registering, visit any Ascension Parish Library location to receive a pen and bookmark.

After logging 3 books, visit any Ascension Parish Library location to receive one duffle bag, one pick from our prize bin, one free bowling pass to Premier Lanes, one Raising Cane's free Kids Combo bookmark, and one Chick-fil-A gift card that can be redeemed for one of three dessert items. You will also earn one chance in our Teen Grand Prize drawing.

For each additional 3 books logged, you will receive one additional chance to win our Teen Grand Prize.\*

**Teen Grand Prize—5G wifi Bluetooth projector with screen**

## adults (18 and up)

Adults (ages 18+)—Earn prizes based on the number of books, magazines, or audiobooks that you read or listen to.

After registering, visit any Ascension Parish Library location to choose a prize from our prize bin.

After logging 3 books, visit any Ascension Parish Library location to receive a tote bag. You will also earn one chance in our Adult Grand Prize drawing.

For each additional 3 books logged, you will receive one additional chance to win our Adult Grand Prize.\*

**Adult Grand Prize—Indoor hydroponic growing system**



\* *Limit: Up to 25 chances*

\*\**18-year-old participants may choose whether they want to participate in our Teen or Adult Summer Reading program.*

*Note: Prizes available while supplies last.*

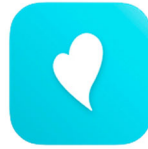
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**How do I register for Ascension Parish Library’s 2024 Summer Reading Program?**

Beginning Thursday, May 23, participants of all ages can register online at [myAPL.beanstack.org](http://myAPL.beanstack.org), through the Beanstack app, or in person at any Ascension Parish Library location.

**I searched the app store and only see Beanstack Tracker. Is that the right app?**

Yes. The app icon will have a white heart on a blue background just like the one pictured here.



**How do I register using the Beanstack app?**

You will first be prompted to select how you will participate in Beanstack. Choose “At my library, school, or bookstore.” Next, you will need to search for Ascension Parish Library. Then sign in with your Beanstack username and password.

**I’ve used Beanstack online before. Do I need a new log in when I use the app?**

No. If you have already used Beanstack’s website in the past, use your same username and password to sign in on the app.

**Do library events require registration?**

Only *some* events require advance registration. See individual event descriptions regarding each event’s details.

**How do I register for an event that requires it?**

Give us a call or stop by and speak with a staff member when you visit any Ascension Parish Library location. Phone numbers and hours of operation for all of our library locations can be found on this page. Select adult events offer online registration. See individual event descriptions regarding each event’s details.

**Are there any restrictions at in-person events?**

The library will follow federal, state, and local mandates as necessary in the event of a health emergency.

**What does “Packet Pickup” mean?**

Packet Pickups are crafts that we have prepared for you to take home and complete. Many have all the components you would need to complete these crafts at home, while some require household items such as scissors, to complete. You should be able to complete them easily with the printed instructions found inside your packet.

*Note: **ALL** events are subject to cancellation at any time. Follow us on social media for the most up-to-date information regarding all of our summer events.*

*Photos and videos taken at APL may be used in promotional materials by the library and its partners. By attending a library event, you consent to media recordings and waive all rights and royalties.*

**Gonzales**

708 South Irma Blvd.  
Gonzales, LA 70737  
(225) 647-3955

Monday – Thursday ..... 8:30am – 8:00pm  
Friday & Saturday ..... 8:30am – 5:30pm  
Sunday ..... 2:00pm – 6:00pm

**Donaldsonville**

500 Mississippi St.  
Donaldsonville, LA 70346  
(225) 473-8052

Monday, Wednesday, & Friday ... 8:30am – 5:30pm  
Tuesday & Thursday ..... 8:30am – 8:00pm  
Saturday ..... 8:30am – 12:30pm  
Sunday ..... CLOSED

**Dutchtown**

13278 Highway 73  
Geismar, LA 70734  
(225) 673-8699

Monday, Wednesday, & Friday ... 8:30am – 5:30pm  
Tuesday & Thursday ..... 8:30am – 8:00pm  
Saturday ..... 8:30am – 12:30pm  
Sunday ..... CLOSED

**Galvez**


40300 Highway 42  
Prairieville, LA 70769  
(225) 622-3339

Monday, Wednesday, & Friday ... 8:30am – 5:30pm  
Tuesday & Thursday ..... 8:30am – 8:00pm  
Saturday ..... 8:30am – 12:30pm  
Sunday ..... CLOSED

**Study Commons at the Wag Center**

1221 Maginnis St.  
Donaldsonville, LA 70346  
(225) 257-1307

Monday – Friday ..... 8:30am – 5:30pm  
Saturday ..... 10:00am – 2:00pm  
Sunday ..... CLOSED



Be sure to snap a photo of your finished creations and share them with us on Facebook, Instagram, or Twitter using [@myAPLibrary](https://www.facebook.com/myAPLibrary).

**Summer Reading Program Kickoff**—Get ready to read, renew, and repeat all summer long! It's going to be a summer of thrills, chills, and magical moments, plus time for reading and relaxing. Sign up for Ascension Parish Library's Summer Reading Program at any library location. Then, grab a cold treat from Louisiana Lemonade at our Gonzales and Galvez locations or at the Study Commons at the Wag Center in Donaldsonville. The Ascension Parish Sheriff's Office will also provide hot dogs and water slides at the Study Commons at the Wag Center in Donaldsonville. The Red River Bank ice cream truck will be swinging by our Dutchtown location.

No matter which library location you visit, be sure to catch a spellbinding performance by magician Tim Spinoza. He will be appearing at 2:00pm in Gonzales and 10:00am in Dutchtown, Galvez, and at the Study Commons.

May 29	1:00pm	Gonzales
May 30	9:00am	Study Commons
May 31	9:00am	Galvez
June 1	9:00am	Dutchtown

**Eco-Creations Recycled Newspaper Animal Art Contest**—

Extra! Extra! Help us create a prints and paws newspaper menagerie this summer. Choose your favorite animal as your inspiration, then bring it to life using newspaper as your medium. We will provide newspapers that were headed for recycling—or you can use your own. This is your chance to showcase your talent while promoting environmental sustainability by using recycled material. Bring your completed artwork to any library location or post a picture of your eco-animal on social media and tag us @myAPLibrary from Saturday, June 1 through Wednesday, July 31. All submissions will be displayed at the library. For online submissions, please message us the name, age, and contact number to be entered in the contest. Enter as many times as you like. Each entry earns one chance to win. Prizes will be awarded via random drawing by age group: Read to Me, Youth, Teen, and Adult.

June 1–July 31	All Day	All Locations
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**Adventures in Neverland presented by Baton Rouge Ballet Theatre's Youth Ballet**—

When Wendy Darling returns to Neverland to find Peter Pan and the Lost Boys in desperate need of a good spring cleaning, the Lost Boys rejoice at the return of their good friend and pretend “mother.” But naughty Tinkerbell is not thrilled about Wendy's return. She tries to team up with the evil Captain Hook and his pirates to kidnap Wendy, but finds herself captured instead. Will Tinkerbell escape?

Adventures in Neverland is based on *Peter Pan* by Sir J. M. Barrie and is designed for kids ages 6 and up, but all ages are welcome to attend. BRBT's Youth Ballet is an outreach program comprised of a select group of dancers ages 10–14.

June 5	1:30pm	Galvez
June 5	3:30pm	Gonzales

**Bad Art Night**—Come together with family and friends for an evening of artistic experimentation, laughter, and artistic chaos to create your own “bad art” masterpieces as you try to win the title of Worstest Artist. Choose from a selection of unconventional art supplies and embrace the beauty of imperfection as you make the worst art possible based upon prompts from library staff. Throughout the evening, enjoy music, snacks, and plenty of encouragement to fuel your non-artistic endeavors.

June 5	3:00pm	Study Commons
June 10	5:00pm	Gonzales
June 11	5:00pm	Galvez
June 25	5:00pm	Dutchtown

**No Show with Doug Berky**—The performance is scheduled, the stage is set, and the audience has gathered and is seated and waiting, but the actors are a no show. What would happen if someone from the audience approached the stage to discover all that awaited? Imagine someone's first attempt at riding a unicycle, discovering theatrical masks, juggling clubs, and playing a sousaphone. Can they keep rhythm juggling shakers while playing classical music on a harmonica? Find out during this memorable mix of physical comedy, music, clowning, improvisation, and circus arts.

Doug Berky has been creating and evolving his own brand of physical theatre for over thirty years. Known internationally for his mask construction, Doug also creates the sets, choreography, scripts, and many of the costumes for his performances. This show is designed for kids and tweens ages 3–11.

June 10	10:00am	Gonzales
June 10	2:00pm	Galvez
June 11	10:00am	Dutchtown
June 11	2:00pm	Study Commons

**Celebrate Pollinator Week with Mariah Simoneaux**—

Learn about butterflies, bees, and other pollinators, as well as how to create a pollinator-friendly environment in your backyard. Any insect or animal that helps carry pollen from flower to flower, allowing it to develop and produce fruit, seeds, or nuts, is a pollinator.

This hands-on workshop, presented in partnership with the LSU AgCenter, Ascension 4-H, and the Ascension Master Gardener Association, is designed for kids ages 6–11, but all ages are welcome to attend.

June 13	10:00am	Galvez
June 14	10:00am	Gonzales





**Crescent Circus**—

Step right up and be entertained by lightning-fast illusions and amazing circus stunts. New Orleans-based husband and wife duo Nathan Kepner and Morgan Tsu-Raun fuse their expertise in magic and circus arts to deliver a one-of-a-kind experience on stage. They have entertained audiences across the country and overseas. Their original stage work has earned them six international titles, performances at London's prestigious Magic Circle Theater, and an appearance on *The Tonight Show*.

June 17	10:00am	Gonzales
June 17	2:00pm	Study Commons
June 18	10:00am	Dutchtown
June 18	2:00pm	Galvez



# May 2024

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
				<b>23</b> <b>Read Renew Repeat</b> <b>Summer Reading 2024</b> <b>begins!</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> <b>Library Closed in</b> <b>Gonzales ONLY</b> <small>(also closed on Sunday)</small>
<b>27</b> <b>All Library Locations</b> <b>Closed</b>	<b>28</b> <b>Pocket Bookmarks</b> <b>Packet Pickup</b> <b>All Locations</b> <small>While supplies last</small> <b>Otterly Amazing</b> <b>10:00am Gonzales</b> <b>Play &amp; Grow with Playdough</b> <b>10:00am Dutchtown</b>	<b>29</b> <b>Poppin' Painting Party</b> <b>10:00am Galvez</b> <b>Summer Reading</b> <b>Program Kickoff</b> <b>1:00pm Gonzales</b>	<b>30</b> <b>Summer Reading Program</b> <b>Kickoff</b> <b>9:00am Study Commons</b> <b>Play &amp; Grow with</b> <b>Playdough</b> <b>10:00am Gonzales</b> <b>Cap Creations Mosaic Art</b> <b>2:00pm Dutchtown</b>	<b>31</b> <b>Summer Reading</b> <b>Program Kickoff</b> <b>9:00am Galvez</b> <b>Play &amp; Grow with</b> <b>Playdough</b> <b>10:00am Study Commons</b>		

## Explore Louisiana's Wild Places with Tanya Sturman—

Come in contact with furs, skulls, and other wildlife products while learning to appreciate all of the wonderful wildlife found in our state. We will have live alligators to see and touch, plus a visit from a certain Louisiana swamp princess—Tiana!

This event is co-sponsored by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and the Louisiana Fur Advisory Council, which strive to promote public understanding of Louisiana's natural resources, including the role of wildlife populations in Louisiana's ecosystems.

July 11	10:00am	Gonzales
July 11	2:00pm	Donaldsonville
July 12	10:00am	Dutchtown
July 12	2:00pm	Galvez

**Animal Exploration with Nature on the Geaux**—Join Tanee Janusz for an exciting and educational adventure into the world of animals. Meet and learn about a variety of fascinating animals, such as the Redtail Boa, Sulcata and Redfoot Tortoises, Blue Tongue Skink, African Giant Millipede, Tenrec, ferret, or hedgehog. Tanee will guide you through interactive presentations, providing interesting facts about each animal's habitat, behavior, diet, and unique characteristics. Through her stories of caring for animals, discover more about these incredible animals and gain a deeper understanding of the importance of wildlife conservation and environmental stewardship.

At the end of the show, those in attendance will have the opportunity to observe the animals up close and touch some of them. Tanee Janusz, founder and operator of Nature on the Geaux, has been an environmental educator and skilled animal keeper for over 25 years.

July 18	10:00am	Gonzales
July 18	2:00pm	Study Commons
July 19	10:00am	Galvez
July 19	2:00pm	Dutchtown

**Bingo Bonanza**—It's all fun and games, and then you yell, "BINGO!" We will play several rounds of traditional bingo and end with a game of blackout. Everyone is guaranteed to leave with a prize. The whole family is invited to attend. Kids ages 5 years and younger may need assistance.

July 23	2:00pm	Dutchtown
July 25	2:00pm & 6:00pm	Gonzales
July 26	2:00pm	Galvez
July 30	2:00pm	Donaldsonville




# June 2024



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					<b>1</b> <b>Mardi Gras Shipwreck artifact exhibit begins</b>  <b>Eco-Creations Recycled Newspaper Animal Art Contest begins</b>  <b>How Does Your Sunflower Grow Contest begins</b>  <b>Summer Reading Program Kickoff</b> <b>9:00am Dutchtown</b>  <b>Play &amp; Grow with Playdough</b> <b>10:00am Galvez</b>
<b>3</b> <b>Newspaper Koala Art Packet Pickup</b> <b>All Locations</b> <small>While supplies last</small>  <b>Card Quilling Kit Packet Pickup</b> <b>All Locations</b> <small>While supplies last</small>  <b>Solar Oven S'mores</b> <b>10:00am Gonzales</b> <b>2:00pm Study Commons</b> <small>Registration required</small>  <b>Otterly Amazing</b> <b>10:00am Galvez</b>	<b>4</b> <b>Solar Oven S'mores</b> <b>10:00am Dutchtown</b> <b>2:00pm Galvez</b> <small>Registration required</small>	<b>5</b> <b>Adventures in Neverland presented by BRBT's Youth Ballet</b> <b>1:30pm Galvez</b> <b>3:30pm Gonzales</b>  <b>Bad Art Night</b> <b>3:00pm Study Commons</b>	<b>6</b> <b>Otterly Amazing</b> <b>2:00pm Dutchtown</b>	<b>7</b> <b>The Mezzz Mezz Show with Jimez Alexander</b> <b>10:00am Galvez</b> <b>2:00pm Study Commons</b>  <b>Tales from Earthsea</b> <b>2:00pm Gonzales</b>	<b>8</b> <b>Otterly Amazing</b> <b>10:00am Donaldsonville</b>  <b>The Mezzz Mezz Show with Jimez Alexander</b> <b>10:00am Dutchtown</b>  <b>Me 2 Z Devise with Jimez Alexander</b> <b>2:00pm Gonzales</b>
<b>10</b> <b>No Show with Doug Berky</b> <b>10:00am Gonzales</b> <b>2:00pm Galvez</b>  <b>Poppin' Painting Party</b> <b>10:00am Dutchtown</b>  <b>Cap Creations Mosaic Art</b> <b>2:00pm Donaldsonville</b>  <b>Bad Art Night</b> <b>5:00pm Gonzales</b>	<b>11</b> <b>No Show with Doug Berky</b> <b>10:00am Dutchtown</b> <b>2:00pm Study Commons</b>  <b>Bad Art Night</b> <b>5:00pm Galvez</b>  <b>The Sportsman's Paradox: LA's Coastal Crisis with Dr. Jacob Gautreaux</b> <b>6:00pm Dutchtown</b> <small>Registration required</small>	<b>12</b> All Library Locations Closed	<b>13</b> <b>Celebrate Pollinator Week with Mariah Simoneaux</b> <b>10:00am Galvez</b>  <b>Bingo for Adults</b> <b>2:00pm Donaldsonville</b>  <b>Jurassic Park</b> <b>5:30 Dutchtown</b>	<b>14</b> <b>Celebrate Pollinator Week with Mariah Simoneaux</b> <b>10:00am Gonzales</b>  <b>Poppin' Painting Party</b> <b>10:00am Donaldsonville</b>  <b>Tales from Earthsea</b> <b>2:00pm Dutchtown</b>	<b>15</b> <b>Poppin' Painting Party</b> <b>10:00am Gonzales</b>  <b>Adult De-Stress Day</b> <b>10:00am Galvez</b> <small>Registration required</small>
<b>17</b> <b>Easy Eco eReader Covers</b> <b>10:00am Dutchtown</b> <small>Registration required</small>  <b>Crescent Circus</b> <b>10:00am Gonzales</b> <b>2:00pm Study Commons</b>  <b>Cap Creations Mosaic Art</b> <b>2:00pm Galvez</b>  <b>Bingo for Adults</b> <b>6:00pm Gonzales</b>	<b>18</b> <b>Crescent Circus</b> <b>10:00am Dutchtown</b> <b>2:00pm Galvez</b>  <b>Macramé Plant Holders</b> <b>2:00pm Study Commons</b> <small>Registration required</small>	<b>19</b> All Library Locations Closed	<b>20</b> <b>Creating &amp; Maintaining a Family Archive with Edward Benoit III, PhD</b> <b>6:00pm Gonzales</b> <small>Registration required</small>	<b>21</b> <b>Cap Creations Mosaic Art</b> <b>2:00pm Gonzales</b>  <b>Tales from Earthsea</b> <b>2:00pm Donaldsonville</b>  <b>Bingo for Adults</b> <b>2:00pm Dutchtown</b>	<b>22</b> <b>Bingo for Adults</b> <b>10:00am Galvez</b>
<b>24</b> <b>Rap It Up Workshop with Jeffery Boston</b> <b>Weatherford</b> <b>10:00am &amp; 2:00pm</b> <b>Donaldsonville</b>	<b>25</b> <b>Rap It Up Workshop with Jeffery Boston</b> <b>Weatherford</b> <b>10:00am &amp; 2:00pm</b> <b>Donaldsonville</b>  <b>Poetry in Motion with Jeffery Boston</b> <b>Weatherford</b> <b>5:00pm Gonzales</b>  <b>Bad Art Night</b> <b>5:00pm Dutchtown</b>	<b>26</b> <b>Rap It Up Workshop with Jeffery Boston</b> <b>Weatherford</b> <b>10:00am &amp; 2:00pm</b> <b>Donaldsonville</b>  <b>Poetry in Motion with Jeffery Boston</b> <b>Weatherford</b> <b>5:00pm Galvez</b>	<b>27</b> <b>Rap It Up Workshop with Jeffery Boston</b> <b>Weatherford</b> <b>10:00am &amp; 2:00pm</b> <b>Donaldsonville</b>  <b>Pirate Goodie &amp; the Magic Chest presented by The Story Ship with Sean Driscoll</b> <b>10:00am Galvez</b> <b>2:00pm Gonzales</b>  <b>Poetry in Motion with Jeffery Boston</b> <b>Weatherford</b> <b>5:00pm Dutchtown</b>  <b>Mardi Gras Shipwreck with Karla Oesch</b> <b>6:00pm Gonzales</b> <small>Registration required</small>	<b>28</b> <b>Pirate Goodie &amp; the Magic Chest presented by The Story Ship with Sean Driscoll</b> <b>10:00am Dutchtown</b> <b>2:00pm Donaldsonville</b>  <b>Tales from Earthsea</b> <b>2:00pm Galvez</b>	<b>29</b> <b>Antiques Discovery Day with Ruth Winston</b> <b>10:00am Gonzales</b> <small>Registration required</small>  <b>Mardi Gras Shipwreck artifact exhibit ends tomorrow</b>

# July 2024

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p><b>1</b> Dive In: Frogs in a Pond Packet Pickup All Locations While supplies last</p> <p>Lavender-Scented Sachets Packet Pickup All Locations While supplies last</p> <p>FernGully: The Last Rainforest 2:00pm Galvez</p>	<p><b>2</b></p>	<p><b>3</b></p>	<p><b>4</b> All Library Locations Closed</p>	<p><b>5</b></p>	<p><b>6</b></p>
<p><b>8</b> Bingo for Adults 2:00pm Donaldsonville</p> <p>Groove to Green: Upcycling Fun with CDs &amp; DVDs 2:00pm Galvez</p>	<p><b>9</b> FernGully: The Last Rainforest 10:00am Dutchtown</p> <p>Author Talks with Kate DiCamillo 1:00pm Gonzales &amp; Virtual</p> <p>Summer Film Series: Notorious 6:00pm Gonzales</p>	<p><b>10</b> Painted Plant Pots Extravaganza 11:00am Study Commons Registration required</p>	<p><b>11</b> Explore Louisiana's Wild Places with Tanya Sturman 10:00am Gonzales 2:00pm Donaldsonville</p>	<p><b>12</b> Explore Louisiana's Wild Places with Tanya Sturman 10:00am Dutchtown 2:00pm Galvez</p> <p>FernGully: The Last Rainforest 2:00pm Gonzales</p> <p>DIY Stenciled Tote Bags 2:00pm Dutchtown Registration required</p> <p>Groove to Green: Upcycling Fun with CDs &amp; DVDs 2:00pm Study Commons</p>	<p><b>13</b> Cooking with Liz 11:00am Gonzales Registration required</p>
<p><b>15</b> Bright Star Touring Theatre 10:00am Gonzales 2:00pm Study Commons</p> <p>Rockin' Memories: Painted Rock Photo Holder 2:00pm Galvez</p> <p>Bingo for Adults 6:00pm Gonzales</p>	<p><b>16</b> FernGully: The Last Rainforest 10:00am Donaldsonville</p> <p>Bright Star Touring Theatre 10:00am Dutchtown 2:00pm Galvez</p> <p>Author Talks With Max Brallier 1:00pm Gonzales &amp; Virtual</p> <p>Summer Film Series: The Night of the Hunter 6:00pm Gonzales</p>	<p><b>17</b></p>	<p><b>18</b> Animal Exploration with Nature on the Geaux 10:00am Gonzales 2:00pm Study Commons</p>	<p><b>19</b> Animal Exploration with Nature on the Geaux 10:00am Galvez 2:00pm Dutchtown</p>	<p><b>20</b></p>
<p><b>22</b> Rock the Rhythm Workshop with Lady Chops 11:00am Dutchtown 3:00pm Study Commons Registration required</p> <p>Groove to Green: Upcycling Fun with CDs &amp; DVDs 2:00pm Gonzales</p> <p>Discover the Beauty of Still Life Art Workshops Part I 6:00pm Gonzales Registration required</p>	<p><b>23</b> Funtastic Picture Bingo 10:00am Dutchtown</p> <p>Rock the Rhythm Workshop with Lady Chops 11:00am Galvez 3:00pm Gonzales Registration required</p> <p>Author Talks with Elizabeth Acevedo 1:00pm Virtual</p> <p>Bingo Bonanza 2:00pm Dutchtown</p> <p>Summer Film Series: Bad Day at Black Rock 6:00pm Gonzales</p>	<p><b>24</b></p>	<p><b>25</b> Funtastic Picture Bingo 10:00am Gonzales</p> <p>Bingo Bonanza 2:00pm &amp; 6:00pm Gonzales</p> <p>Groove to Green: Upcycling Fun with CDs &amp; DVDs 2:00pm Dutchtown</p> <p>Rockin' Memories: Painted Rock Photo Holder 2:00pm Study Commons</p> <p>Popsicle Stick Hanging Planters 5:30pm Gonzales Registration required</p>	<p><b>26</b> Funtastic Picture Bingo 10:00am Galvez</p> <p>Bingo for Adults 2:00pm Dutchtown</p> <p>Bingo Bonanza 2:00pm Galvez</p>	<p><b>27</b> Bingo for Adults 10:00am Galvez</p>
<p><b>29</b> Rockin' Memories: Painted Rock Photo Holder 2:00pm Gonzales</p> <p>Discover the Beauty of Still Life Art Workshops Part II 6:00pm Gonzales Registration required</p>	<p><b>30</b> Funtastic Picture Bingo 10:00am Donaldsonville</p> <p>Crime Scene Investigation: Forensic Science 1:00pm Galvez Registration required</p> <p>Bingo Bonanza 2:00pm Donaldsonville</p> <p>Summer Film Series: Rear Window 6:00pm Gonzales</p>	<p><b>31</b> Author Talks with Dan Santat 1:00pm Virtual</p> <p>Rockin' Memories: Painted Rock Photo Holder 2:00pm Dutchtown</p> <p>Eco-Creations Recycled Newspaper Animal Art Contest ends</p> <p>How Does Your Sunflower Grow Contest ends</p> <p>Last day to log books!</p>	<div style="display: flex; flex-direction: column; align-items: center;"> <div style="background-color: #f96; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 2px;">for all ages</div> <div style="background-color: #333; color: white; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 2px;">for adults</div> <div style="background-color: #0072bc; color: white; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 2px;">for teens</div> <div style="background-color: #6a5acd; color: white; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 2px;">for tweens</div> <div style="background-color: #008000; color: white; padding: 5px;">for kids</div> </div>		

**BABY/TODDLER (0–2 years)**

**Play & Grow with Playdough**—Squish, mash, and roll your way to fun with playdough! Explore shapes and patterns, discover texture and color, and create a mini sculpture. Playdough provides the perfect medium for sensory exploration and fine motor skill development.

May 28	10:00am	Dutchtown
May 30	10:00am	Gonzales
May 31	10:00am	Study Commons
June 1	10:00am	Galvez

**PRESCHOOL (3–5 years)**

**Poppin’ Painting Party**—Pop! Pop! Pop! Everyone loves the sound and feel of popping bubble wrap. Let’s enhance the sensory fun and delight of popping bubble wrap by adding paint and creating artistic masterpieces. We will provide the bubble wrap to tape on mittens or booties. The paint is washable, but don’t forget to wear play clothes because we plan on getting messy!

May 29	10:00am	Galvez
June 10	10:00am	Dutchtown
June 14	10:00am	Donaldsonville
June 15	10:00am	Gonzales

**Newspaper Koala Art Packet Pickup**—Embrace your inner artist while spreading awareness about the importance of protecting wildlife. Transform recycled newspapers into an adorable koala portrait, then bring your koala art back to the library to hang in our summer art gallery, or snap a picture and share it with us on social media @myAPLibrary. Pick up your kit equipped with supplies to make a charming newspaper koala from any library location beginning Monday, June 3. Please note that you will need scissors and glue at home in order to complete this craft. Available while supplies last.

June 3	All Day	All Locations
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**The Mezzy Mezz Show with Jimenez Alexander**—Join Mezzy Mezz and Jimenez Alexander for an exciting puppet show filled with music and laughter that will leave you feeling inspired, empowered, and equipped with valuable knowledge to navigate the world around you with confidence and kindness. This fun-filled journey will incorporate live music, engaging storytelling, and interactive activities to teach essential skills such as counting, rhyming, whole-body listening, making friends, and more.

Jimenez Alexander was a puppeteer and global entertainer for Walt Disney World in Orlando, FL. He specializes in producing live events that create meaningful experiences for all ages.

June 7	10:00am	Galvez
June 7	2:00pm	Study Commons
June 8	10:00am	Dutchtown

**Funtastic Picture Bingo**—It’s the same popular game, but with pictures. We will play several rounds of preschool picture bingo and end with a game of blackout. Everyone is guaranteed to leave with a prize.

July 23	10:00am	Dutchtown
July 25	10:00am	Gonzales
July 26	10:00am	Galvez
July 30	10:00am	Donaldsonville

**ELEMENTARY (6–8 years)**

**Otterly Amazing**—Let’s celebrate the rising population of these perfectly amazing pups that were once threatened by extinction. Create an otter puppet and play games while watching otters frolic and swim on a livestream from Monterey Bay Aquarium in California.

May 28	10:00am	Gonzales
June 3	10:00am	Galvez
June 6	2:00pm	Dutchtown
June 8	10:00am	Donaldsonville

**Pirate Goodie & the Magic Chest presented by The Story Ship with Sean Driscoll**—Sail away with us on a grand

adventure! Pirate Goodie found a treasure chest with unlimited riches. But the treasure is cursed. He must open it every day with a new crew to keep his gold. Are you going to be part of his new crew? Can you help him unravel the mystery and open his chest? Pirate Goodie and his undersea friends could use a hand. Join them aboard The Story Ship for a high-seas adventure with magic, music, puppets, interactive puzzles, and games.

Sean Driscoll and his Story Ship have thrilled audiences with educational workshops and performances for over 30 years. He tours regularly throughout the United States and has completed hundreds of artist-in-residency programs in the Southeast.

June 27	10:00am	Galvez
June 27	2:00pm	Gonzales
June 28	10:00am	Dutchtown
June 28	2:00pm	Donaldsonville

**Dive In: 3D Frogs in a Pond Packet Pickup**—Hop on over to any library location beginning Monday, July 1 to dive into some fun. Inspired by the lively inhabitants of a tranquil pond, this packet will let you leap into the whimsical realm of frogs and lily pads using hands-on 3D art. Cut, fold, and glue together your pond scene, then have fun watching your frog heads wobble and bounce. Available while supplies last.

July 1	All Day	All Locations
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**FernGully: The Last Rainforest**—1992, 1h 16m, Rated G  
Crysta is a curious fairy who lives in FernGully, a peaceful Australian rainforest, and has never seen a human before. In fact, she believes they are extinct, until a crazed bat tells her stories about being captured and experimented on by humans. When a logging company comes near the rainforest, Crysta finds a young logger named Zak and accidentally shrinks him before he is almost crushed by a tree. Now her size, Zak sees the damage that the logging company does and helps Crysta stop not only them but also an evil force of destruction named Hexxus, who feeds off pollution.

This animated musical fantasy film was inspired by and adapted from FernGully stories written by Diana Young. Pixy Stix, pretzels, and lemonade will be served during the film.

July 1	2:00pm	Galvez
July 9	10:00am	Dutchtown
July 12	2:00pm	Gonzales
July 16	10:00am	Donaldsonville





**Author Talks with Kate DiCamillo**—Join us for a visit with everyone's favorite adventure loving pig! Newbery Medal winning author Kate DiCamillo will share stories behind the creation of her early chapter book series, *Mercy Watson*, and the follow up series, *Tales from Deckawoo Drive*.

A viewing party will be held in Gonzales. Registration is required to livestream from home. Scan the QR code to register. You can submit questions for the author to answer during the livestream while registering.



July 9	1:00pm	Gonzales & Virtual
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**Bright Star Touring Theatre**—Experience modern retellings of classic stories, as well as an original play, from the talented players of Bright Start Touring Theatre. *Aesop's Fables* will be performed in Gonzales. *Once Upon A Time: Cinderella & Jack and the Beanstalk* will be performed in Galvez and the Study Commons at the Wag Center in Donaldsonville. *Jack's Adventure in Space* will be performed in Dutchtown. Each show highlights themes of bully prevention, character education, literature, and literacy.

Bright Star Touring Theatre is a national touring theatre company based in Asheville, North Carolina, whose mission is to challenge, engage, and delight audiences all over the world.

July 15	10:00am	Gonzales
July 15	2:00pm	Study Commons
July 16	10:00am	Dutchtown
July 16	2:00pm	Galvez

for tweens

**Pocket Bookmarks Packet Pickup**—You can never have too many bookmarks, and this one has a pocket! These easy-to-follow instructions will transform scrap paper into an artful, useful item. Fold, snip, glue, and voila! You will never lose your spot again. Stop by any library location beginning Tuesday, May 28 to snag your packet before it's gone. Available while supplies last.

May 28	All Day	All Locations
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**Cap Creations Mosaic Art**—Create a 3D work of art by repurposing plastic bottle tops into a mosaic masterpiece. Mosaics use pieces of stone, glass, or ceramic to create an image, but since we are learning about environmental awareness this summer, we are getting creative with bottle caps. Choose one of our pattern examples or design your own. Then turn your blank canvas into a colorful backdrop and glue your bottle caps into place.

May 30	2:00pm	Dutchtown
June 10	2:00pm	Donaldsonville
June 17	2:00pm	Galvez
June 21	2:00pm	Gonzales

**Solar Oven S'mores**—Learning about the power of solar ovens can be deliciously fun. If the summer sun is bakin' you crazy, then come have some cool fun at the library exploring clean energy while making tasty, melty marshmallow treats.

This event is co-sponsored by the Louisiana State Energy Office. A limited number of spots are available. Registration required. Call your local library location to reserve your seat.

June 3	10:00am	Gonzales
June 3	2:00pm	Study Commons
June 4	10:00am	Dutchtown
June 4	2:00pm	Galvez

**Groove to Green: Upcycling Fun with CDs & DVDs**—Calling all tweens with a passion for creativity and a love for the environment! Upcycle old DVDs and CDs into cool, functional, and decorative items. What's upcycling, you ask? It's the process of turning used or unwanted items into something new and useful, reducing waste, and giving old materials a new lease on life. We will guide you through step-by-step instructions on how to transform DVDs and CDs into awesome spinning tops that whirl and twirl with a flick of the wrist or hanging locker pouches, perfect for storing school supplies, candy, or any other small items. But the creativity doesn't stop there! With a little imagination and basic crafting supplies, you can experiment with other upcycling ideas, such as decorative ornaments, funky coasters, or even unique wall art pieces.

July 8	2:00pm	Galvez
July 12	2:00pm	Study Commons
July 22	2:00pm	Gonzales
July 25	2:00pm	Dutchtown

**Author Talks with Max Brallier**—Would you survive a zombie apocalypse? Join us to talk with *New York Times* bestselling author Max Brallier about *The Last Kids on Earth*, both a book series and an animated series on Netflix. Max will share how he came up with the different monsters and villains and the unique ways that Jack and his friends figure out to defeat them.

A viewing party will be held in Gonzales. Registration is required to livestream from home. Scan the QR code to register. You can submit questions for the author to answer during the livestream while registering.



July 16	1:00pm	Gonzales & Virtual
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**Crime Scene Investigation: Forensic Science**—Forensics use keen observation and scientific methods to reveal clues to solving mysteries that may be hidden from the naked eye. Explore the science behind crime scene investigations with fingerprinting, chromatography, and more.

This event is presented by Bayou State STARBASE, a Department of Defense program. DoD STARBASE Louisiana aims to empower innovators of tomorrow by igniting a passion for learning through collaborative STEM experiences. Registration required. Space is limited. Call (225) 622-3339 to sign up.

July 30	1:00pm	Galvez
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**Author Talks with Dan Santat**—Join this year's winner of the National Book Award for Young People's Literature, Dan Santat. Get inspired to tell your own stories through graphic novels and learn practical tips on the creation of graphic novels from this *New York Times* bestselling author and illustrator.

Registration is required to livestream. Scan the QR code to register. You can submit questions for the author to answer during the livestream while registering.



July 31	1:00pm	Virtual
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**Tales from Earthsea**—2006, 1h 55m, Rated PG-13

In a mythical world filled with magic and bewitchment, crops are dwindling, dragons have reappeared, and humanity is giving way to chaos. Journey with an archmage, a master wizard, and a troubled young prince on a tale of redemption and self-discovery as they search for the force behind an imbalance in the land.

This Studio Ghibli anime production is based on the classic fantasy book series by Ursula Le Guin. Pocky, ramen, and mochi will be served during the film.

June 7	2:00pm	Gonzales
June 14	2:00pm	Dutchtown
June 21	2:00pm	Donaldsonville
June 28	2:00pm	Galvez

**Me 2 Z Devise with Jimez Alexander**—Step into the spotlight and be a part of the action during this collaborative workshop that teaches ensemble building, critical thinking skills, and creativity. Use your own voice to collectively tell a story of your own creation. Learn to apply knowledge of public speaking and theater to explore emotions and storytelling in a safe-to-create environment. Channeled through introspection, empathy, and community themes to answer the question, "If the world would listen, what would I have to say?"

Jimez Alexander is a teacher, actor, and all-around entertainer. He has also done work for professional theatre, film, and community outreach companies across the country.

June 8	2:00pm	Gonzales
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**Rap It Up Workshop with Jeffery Boston Weatherford**—

Hip Hop and high tech collide as you write and record your own rap creation. Discover the skills necessary to produce Hip Hop recordings, including writing, revising, public speaking, recording, editing, and collaboration. During this four-day series of hands-on workshops, Jeffery Boston Weatherford will guide you through learning about Hip Hop history and the technology behind the beats and rhymes.

Jeffery Boston Weatherford is an artist-in-residence and award-winning illustrator. A Romare Bearden scholar from Howard University, he has lectured, performed, and led art and writing workshops in the US, West Africa, and the Middle East. This event is designed for students ages 10 and up. Registration required. Space is limited. Both sessions each day feature the same material, so please choose the more convenient time for you when registering. Attendance on all five days of the workshop is expected.

June 24–27	10:00am & 2:00pm	Donaldsonville
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**Poetry in Motion with Jeffery Boston Weatherford**—

Be in the room where it happens! Spend an evening with Artist-in-Residence Jeffery Boston Weatherford for an interactive discussion of his life and work in the art world, including illustration, studio art, spoken word poetry, and Hip Hop. Jeffery will discuss his childhood doodles, digital and fine art techniques, research methods, and Black history. He will also lead a group collaboration to create a unique Hip Hop piece using free internet tools.

This event is designed for middle and high school students, but other ages are welcome to attend. A book signing will follow the presentation.

June 25	5:00pm	Gonzales
June 26	5:00pm	Galvez
June 27	5:00pm	Dutchtown

**Rockin' Memories: Painted Rock Photo Holder**—Get ready to add a touch of creativity to your memories. Transform an ordinary rock into a personalized photo holder that proudly displays your favorite moments, snapshots, or inspirational quotes. Whether you are a beginner or a seasoned artist, this workshop is perfect for unleashing your artistic expression and adding a personal touch to your space.

July 15	2:00pm	Galvez
July 25	2:00pm	Study Commons
July 29	2:00pm	Gonzales
July 31	2:00pm	Dutchtown

**Rock the Rhythm Workshop with Lady Chops**—Calling all teens! Unleash your inner beat-maker! Get ready to rock the rhythm with Lady Chops in her electrifying drum workshop. Lady Chops will guide you through a world of percussion that will ignite your passion for music and let your creativity loose. Explore making music with various percussion instruments and everyday objects. Learn how to drum on buckets, play in a drum circle, and pick up some juggling skills along the way. Don't miss out on the chance to groove, drum, and make some noise with Lady Chops at the library!

Elizabeth Vidos, also known as Lady Chops, is a talented percussionist whose past work includes performing in the hit Off-Broadway show STOMP for 10 years and at the New Orleans Jazz Festival. Registration required. Space is limited. Call the library to reserve your spot.

July 22	11:00am	Dutchtown
July 22	3:00pm	Study Commons
July 23	11:00am	Galvez
July 23	3:00pm	Gonzales

**Author Talks with Elizabeth Acevedo**—You're invited to learn about the power of poetry with Elizabeth Acevedo! In this exciting author conversation and Q&A, Acevedo will provide a short reading from her National Book Award winning and *New York Times* bestselling novel-in-verse, *The Poet X*.

Registration is required to livestream. Scan the QR code to register. You can submit questions for the author to answer during the livestream while registering.

July 23	1:00pm	Virtual
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for adults

**How Does Your Sunflower Grow Contest**—First cultivated in North America around 3,000 BC, sunflowers found their way to Europe in the 1500s. By the early 1800s, there were more than two million acres of sunflowers in Russia. Today, there are sunflower festivals everywhere from Louisiana to Japan. Spread a little sunshine this summer by growing your own sunflower. Pick up a special seed from any library location, plant it in your garden, and chart your flower's growth. Share pictures of your progress with us on social media @myAPLibrary. Prizes will be awarded for the tallest flower and the flower with the largest surface diameter. Available while supplies last.

June 1–July 31	All Day	All Locations
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**Card Quilling Kit Packet Pickup**—Are you looking to make a greeting card for a special occasion? A handmade greeting card can be quite a special gift. It shows how much time, effort, and thought went into creating a beautiful keepsake. Paper quilling is a versatile art with a rich history dating back to the Renaissance period. Beginning Monday, June 3, pick up a card quilling kit from any library location and create an intricately designed personalized card using this therapeutic art form. Each kit will include quilling paper, a quilling tool, glue, and a card. Available while supplies last.

June 3 All Day All Locations

**Bingo Day for Adults**—This game of numbers and letters is a world-famous tradition that started in Italy around 1530. A popular game amongst the French aristocracy, it later reached England around the 1700s. Modern bingo was introduced in America at carnivals in the 1920s and later popularized by toy manufacturer Edwin S. Lowe after he patented and began mass producing the first modern bingo cards. Join in the fun at the library and play for your chance to win a prize.

June 13 & July 8	2:00pm	Donaldsonville
June 17 & July 15	6:00pm	Gonzales
June 21 & July 26	2:00pm	Dutchtown
June 22 & July 27	10:00am	Galvez

**Macramé Plant Holders**—Discover the art of macramé and add a touch of greenery to your home by creating beautiful plant holders. Learn the basics of macramé knotting techniques during this hands-on workshop for all skill levels. You will be guided through the process and provided step-by-step instructions with personalized assistance, ensuring that everyone leaves with a stunning handmade creation.

Registration required. Register online or call (225) 257-1307.

June 18 2:00pm Study Commons

**The Sportsman's Paradox: Louisiana's Coastal Crisis with Dr. Jacob Gautreaux**

—Louisiana's luscious landscape has brought attention to the region for centuries. While the allure of such abundance has been big business, it has also brought devastation to our delicate coast. First adopted as an official state slogan in 1957, Louisiana's status as a "Sportsman's Paradise" has long been at odds with conservationist efforts to protect the native flora and fauna of the Bayou Region. Dr. Jacob Gautreaux, adjunct instructor of history at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette, traces the history of this paradoxical paradise, focusing on how local knowledge unlocks resources for conservation and questioning what the future holds for our endangered ecosystem.

Registration required. Register online or call (225) 673-8699.

June 11 6:00pm Dutchtown

**Jurassic Park**—1993, 2h 2m, Rated PG-13

An adventure 65 million years in the making... Welcome to Jurassic Park! Based on the 1990 novel by Michael Crichton, Steven Spielberg's epic sci-fi adventure takes you to Isla Nublar, a remote tropical island where dinosaurs roam the Earth once again. A theme park designed with an eye for chaotic conservation loses its allure when the dinos escape their confines with the intention of biting off the hand that feeds them. Will the park's first visitors survive?

June 13 5:30pm Dutchtown

**Adult De-Stress Day**—Life can be hectic, so take time to nurture yourself. Write uplifting messages on bracelets using paint markers, create colorful stress balls, and join in guided relaxation techniques to help you find tranquility and de-stress.

Registration required. Register online or call (225) 622-3339.

June 15 10:00am Galvez

**Easy Eco eReader Covers**—Your personal library deserves a new look. Transform one book into thousands by upcycling an old hardcover title into a new cover for your favorite eReader.

Some minor sewing is required to complete this craft. Registration required. Register online or call (225) 673-8699.

June 17 10:00am Dutchtown

**Creating & Maintaining a Family Archive with Edward**

**Benoit III, PhD**—Learn how to preserve family photos, old letters and memorabilia passed down from years ago. Dr. Edward Benoit III, Associate Director and Associate Professor of the School of Information Studies at LSU, will provide tips and advice on how to preserve your family memories.

Registration required. Register online or call (225) 647-3955.

June 20 6:00pm Gonzales

**Mardi Gras Shipwreck with Karla Oesch**—Four thousand feet below the choppy seas of the Gulf of Mexico lie the remains of a 200-year-old shipwreck. The Mardi Gras Shipwreck, whose real identity remains a mystery, sank about 35 miles off the coast of Louisiana and lay forgotten at the bottom of the sea until it was discovered in 2002 by an oilfield inspection crew. Learn more about the 2007 expedition to study the site and recover artifacts from Karla Oesch, Collections Manager with the Office of Cultural Development's Louisiana Division of Archaeology.

A collection of artifacts from the shipwreck will be on exhibit at our Gonzales location throughout June during regular library hours. Registration is required to attend the informational presentation. Register online or call (225) 647-3955.

June 27 6:00pm Gonzales

**Antiques Discovery Day with Ruth Winston**—Ever wonder how much that old vase, watch, art piece, or coin collection that you inherited is worth? This is your chance to find out. Bring in your antiques, collectibles, and vintage items for free expert appraisal and discover the value of your treasure. Expert Ruth Winston will evaluate up to two of your items, giving an informal estimation of their worth.

This event is co-sponsored by Winston Fine Arts and Antiques. Please bring items that can be easily carried. Weapons of any kind will not be allowed. Registration required. Register online or call (225) 647-3955.

June 29 10:00am Gonzales

**Lavender-Scented Sachet Packet Pickup**—Known for its calming effects and refreshing scent, a lavender sachet is the perfect way to bring the joy and benefits of lavender into your life. Lavender sachets work well in drawers, shoes, closets, pillows, and cars. Beginning Monday, July 1, pick up a packet from any library location that includes everything needed to make your own lavender-scented sachets. Available while supplies last.

July 1 All Day All Locations

**Painted Plant Pots Extravaganza**—Unleash your inner artist! Join us for a delightful morning of artistic expression that combines creativity and gardening. Explore the world of painting while adding a splash of color to ordinary plant pots, turning them into vibrant, personalized works of art. Library staff will guide you through the process and offer tips and inspiration to help you create a unique masterpiece.

Registration required. Register online or call (225) 257-1307.

July 10 11:00am Study Commons

**DIY Stenciled Tote Bags**—Get ready for beach bag season by transforming a plain canvas bag into a charming, personalized tote using stencils and fabric paints. Whether you're heading to the beach or relaxing in the park, this sun-sational summer accessory will shine with just the right touch of style.

Registration required. Register online or call (225) 673-8699.

July 12 2:00pm Dutchtown

**Cooking with Liz**—Discover the stories and recipes particular to each southern state, created by chefs who feel the connection to home. Join Elizabeth Williams, president and founder of the Southern Food and Beverage Museum, for a book talk on her recent cookbook, *The Southern Food and Beverage Museum Cookbook*. Liz hosts a weekly podcast, *Tip of the Tongue*, about the food, drink, and culture of New Orleans and is the author of several books and articles about foodways in New Orleans and the South.

A simple and healthy summer version of broccoli soup will be prepared during the presentation. Tasting samples will be provided. A book signing will follow the presentation.

Registration required. Register online or call (225) 647-3955.

July 13 11:00am Gonzales

**Discover the Beauty of Still Life Art Workshops with Bekah Duplechin**—Delve into the captivating world of still-life drawing and painting. Whether you are a seasoned artist or just starting out, explore your creativity by painting your own still-life art masterpiece during this two-day workshop series led by Bekah Duplechin, owner of Art Academy in Prairieville.

During the first session, learn the fundamentals of still-life composition in pencil. The second session will focus on acrylic painting techniques. All skill levels are welcome. All supplies will be provided. Attendance at both sessions is recommended.

Registration required. Register online or call (225) 647-3955.

July 22 & 29 6:00pm Gonzales

**Popsicle Stick Hanging Planters**—If you thought popsicle sticks were just for kid's crafts, then think again. Turn popsicle sticks into a hanging planter that is perfect for herbs, cacti, and other small plants. You don't have to love the outdoors to do a little gardening of your own. Accent your home and show off your plants in style.

Registration required. Register online or call (225) 647-3955.

July 25 5:30pm Gonzales



**Summer Film Series: Classic Suspense**—Join Donald Beale, director of Online Distance Learning with LSU Online and Continuing Education, to discuss the themes and styles of selected classic suspense films during APL's Summer Film Series being held every Thursday throughout July in Gonzales. Doors open at 5:45pm. Refreshments will be provided. This film series is designed for adult audiences and is not intended for family entertainment and not suitable for general audiences. For more information, call (225) 647-3955.



July 9

**Notorious**—1946, 1h 42m, Not Rated

This American spy film noir directed and produced by Alfred Hitchcock stars Cary Grant, Ingrid Bergman, and Claude Rains. Alicia Huberman (Bergman), the daughter of a convicted German war criminal, is recruited by a U.S. government agent (Grant) to infiltrate an organization of Nazis who have escaped to Rio de Janeiro after World War II.

6:00pm

Gonzales



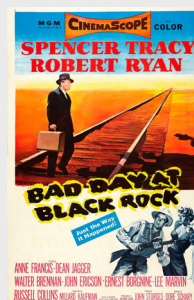
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**The Night of the Hunter**—1955, 92m, Not Rated

This American film noir thriller directed by Charles Laughton stars Robert Mitchum, Shelley Winters, and Lillian Gish. In the Deep South, a self-proclaimed preacher (Mitchum) marries a fragile widow (Winters) whose young children are reluctant to tell him where their father hid the \$10,000 he had stolen in a robbery.

6:00pm

Gonzales



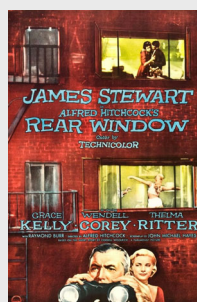
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**Bad Day at Black Rock**—1955, 81m, Not Rated

This American neo-western crime drama directed by John Sturges stars Spencer Tracy and Robert Ryan. John Macreedy (Tracy), a one-armed war veteran, travels by train to a small, isolated desert town in search of a man named Komoko. Macreedy is met with disdain by virtually every local. As his investigation deepens, hostility turns to violence—and to imminent danger for the mysterious and inquisitive stranger.

6:00pm

Gonzales



July 30

**Rear Window**—1954, 1h 52m, Rated PG

This American mystery thriller directed by Alfred Hitchcock stars James Stewart, Grace Kelly, Wendell Corey, Thelma Ritter, and Raymond Burr. A newspaper photographer (Stewart) with a broken leg passes time recuperating by observing his neighbors through his window. He sees what he believes to be a murder and decides to solve the crime himself. With the help of his socialite girlfriend (Kelly) and nurse (Ritter), he tries to catch the murderer without being killed himself.

6:00pm

Gonzales