



OCTOBER 2024

# AT THE LIBRARY

## LEARNING LAB TECH CLASSES



📌 Register online at [mrcpl.org](http://mrcpl.org) or call 419.521.3146 to reserve your seat. All classes are held at the Main Library unless otherwise noted.

### Excel® – Beyond the Basics Wed. Oct. 2, 9:30-11 AM

Extend your knowledge with new functions, advanced formatting, filtering, sorting, and charts.

### Internet – Advanced Wed. Oct. 2, 6-7:30 PM

Join us as we take a deeper look at topics such as cloud data storage, blockchain, cryptocurrencies, and more.

### Excel® – Advanced Wed. Oct. 9, 9:30-11 AM

Learn about logical functions, conditional formatting and pivot tables.

### **NEW!** Internet Safety for Android Smartphones

#### Wed. Oct. 9, 6-7:30 PM

Learn precautions and red flags that can help keep your online information secure and help you avoid scams.

### PowerPoint® – The Basics Thu. Oct. 17, 6-7:30 PM

Understand slides and themes and learn how to manipulate images and text in our introductory class.

### Intro to 3D Modeling: Tinkercad Wed. Oct. 23, 9:30-11 AM

This class will introduce Tinkercad. We will learn all the 3D modeling processes with the ability to pair these skills with our 3D printer services to make your own original designs. A personal email account is required to use Tinkercad.

### PowerPoint® – Beyond the Basics Thu. Oct. 24, 6-7:30 PM

Build on basics skills learned in the first class, learning new tips and tricks to create eye-catching presentations.

## FAMILY FRIENDLY



### Family Trivia Night

#### Mon. Oct. 3, 6 PM Wishmaker House

Join us for family-friendly trivia night at our new location-Wishmaker House! Test your knowledge with an evening of questions. Teams of 5 or less.

### Homeschool Information Drop In Mon. Oct. 7, 2-6 PM Madison

*Grades K-3 & Grades 4-12*

Homeschooling families! Come discover what the Library has to offer! Whether you are brand new to homeschooling or veterans, join us as we take a tour of the Library and explore all the resources available to you. Afterward, we will have separate activities for children and teens.

### Abe Lincoln on Thanksgiving

#### Tue. Oct. 22, 2 PM

#### Wed. Oct. 23, 11 AM

Butler

Lucas

Community Center

#### Wed. Oct. 23, 2 PM

Bellville

President Lincoln (Kevin Wood) will be visiting several MRCPL locations to give his esteemed perspective on American Thanksgiving. You really don't want to miss this amazing rendering!

All locations are open on  
Columbus Day, Oct. 14.

[mrcpl.org](http://mrcpl.org)

## ADULT BOOK GROUPS



### Bellville Book Club

**Tue. Oct. 1, 10 AM**

*The Perfect Marriage* by Jeneva Rose

Join us for a lively discussion of a popular book. Snacks and light refreshments will be provided. The books will be available one month ahead.

### Well Read

**Tue. Oct. 1, 6:30 PM** Lexington

*Earth's the Right Place for Love*

by Elizabeth Berg

### No Alibis

**Sat. Oct. 5, 11 AM** Madison

*61 Hours* by Lee Child

Love thrillers, mysteries, and suspense? This is the book club for you! We will meet the first Sat. of each month.

### Bromfield Book Club

**Mon. Oct. 7, 6 PM** Butler

*These Thousand Acres*

by Tom Bachelder

### Bits of Books

**Wed. Oct. 9, 2:30 PM** Lexington

Join us as we share what we've been reading and leave with a great book list.

### (Not) Your Type

**Thu. Oct. 17, 1 PM** Madison

Stretch your boundaries! We'll try out different authors, themes and more! We will meet the third Thu. of each month. Oct. theme: Books that go bump in the night!

## ADULT MONTHLY PROGRAMS



### Finish It Friday

**Fri. Oct. 4 & 18**

**Fri. Oct. 11**

**Fri. Oct. 25**

**1-4 PM**

Need incentive to finish that project you're working on? Bring it to the Library!

Butler  
Lexington  
Lucas

### Euchre Night

**Thu. Oct. 10**

**Thu. Oct. 17**

**Mon. Oct. 28**

**5:30 PM**

All skill levels are welcome for this ageless strategic card game!

Lucas  
Butler  
Bellville

### Taproom Trivia at The Phoenix

**Tue. Oct. 15, 6:30 PM**

*Adults 21+*

Join us for our popular trivia night at The Phoenix Brewing Co. Teams of 5 or less.

### Yarn Creations

**Mon. Oct. 21, 3 PM** Bellville

Meet up with other yarn crafters to share, talk, knit, and crochet. Bring your own supplies and enjoy!

### Game Night @ the Library

**Thu. Oct. 24, 5:30-7:30 PM** Main

Bring a friend or make new ones as we play *Mysterium* this month. A variety of other card and board games will also be available.



Our partnership with the Greater Cleveland Food Bank to distribute free Backpack Meals to children 18 and under has **expanded** to include our Butler, Madison, Main, and Plymouth branches. Meals are available for pickup each Thu. at 4:30 PM and remain available during open hours, while supplies last.

 **Registration required. Register on our event calendar at [mrcpl.org](http://mrcpl.org) unless otherwise noted. Registration begins Sep. 16.**

# ADULT ONLY PROGRAMS



## Altered Art...Scary Edition Return scary art Sep. 30-Oct. 3 Artwork on display Oct. 4-18 All locations

If you picked up this kit in Sep., don't forget to return your favorite piece for display at the Main Library. Three winners will be announced on Fri. Oct. 18.

## ★Autumn Mystery Craft Bag Registration Begins Sep. 16 Pick Up Begins Oct. 1 All locations

Call your favorite MRCPL branch and let them know whoooooo you are to reserve your mystery craft bag! One bag per person; while supplies last.

## ★Autumn Charger Plate Centerpiece

Tue. Oct. 1, 6 PM Crestview  
Mon. Oct. 7, 2 & 6 PM Main  
Tue. Oct. 8, 2 & 6 PM Lexington  
Thu. Oct. 10, 6 PM Butler  
Mon. Oct. 14, 2 & 6 PM Bellville  
Tue. Oct. 15, 6 PM Lucas  
Thu. Oct. 17, 6 PM Plymouth  
Mon. Oct. 21, 2 PM Richland Mall  
Tue. Oct. 29, 6 PM Madison

You will definitely enjoy crafting this stunning autumn centerpiece with Kelly! All supplies included.

## ★Spot a Scam...Win Prizes! Tue. Oct. 1, 6 PM Madison

Kelly Tremaine with the Akron Better Business Bureau will play fun games while teaching you how to avoid getting caught up in scams that frequent our everyday lives. Of course, prizes will be awarded for winners!

## ★Adventures in Antarctica Mon. Oct. 7, 2 PM Bellville

Join Bellville resident and world traveler K. Anderson for a presentation about her trip to Antarctica including stunning landscapes, iceberg explorations, and amazing animal encounters.

## ★Autumn Placemat Set

Tue. Oct. 8  
Thu. Oct. 10  
Mon. Oct. 14  
Tue. Oct. 15  
Thu. Oct. 17  
Mon. Oct. 28  
Tue. Oct. 29  
6 PM

Stencil a set of beautiful fall placemats to round out your autumn tablescape! All supplies included.

Plymouth  
Crestview  
Main  
Lexington  
Madison  
Butler  
Lucas

## ★Puzzle Tournament

Sat. Oct. 12, 1-5 PM

Main

Attention puzzle lovers! Compete in our Puzzle Tournament to see who can complete a 500 piece White Mountain puzzle the fastest! The winning team gets a prize! Teams of 2 or less. Only one person per team needs to register.

Follow us on social  
media to join  
interactive groups,  
share what you're  
reading, and  
see what's new at  
MRCPL!



## Friends of the Library Annual Meeting Wed. Oct. 16, 6:30 PM Community Room, Main Library

Everyone is welcome to  
attend this event!

Experience an engaging presentation by the Ohio Air National Guard's 179th Cyberspace Wing and dive into the world of cybersecurity happening right in our own backyard. Enjoy light refreshments as you hear about the history of the Mansfield base and the work being done to protect our digital world. Don't miss this opportunity to get an insider's look at the frontline of cyber defense!

## TEEN PROGRAMS

Grades 4-12 unless otherwise noted



### **The Last of Us Clicker Mask – Program in a Bag**

**Pick Up Begins Mon. Oct. 7**

Are you a fan of the popular video game and TV series *The Last of Us*? Let the zombie fungus take over your brain and make a Clicker mask! Pick up a bag at any of these locations while supplies last: Butler, Crestview, Madison, Main, Plymouth, and Richland Mall. Teen must pick up their own bag.

### **Pumpkin Spice Cake in a Mug – Program in a Bag**

**Pick Up Begins Mon. Oct. 7**

We will provide everything you need to create the perfect fall dessert! This bag is **only available at the Lexington** branch; while supplies last. Teen must pick up their own bag.

### **Friendship Bracelets (MRCPL's Version)**

**Mon. Oct. 7, 3-5 PM**

**Thu. Oct. 10, 4-6 PM**

**Mon. Oct. 14, 1-6 PM**

**Wed. Oct. 16, 3:30 PM**

**Thu. Oct. 17, 3 PM**

**Thu. Oct. 17, 4 PM**

**Thu. Oct. 17, 4 PM**

**Wed. Oct. 30, 2:30PM**

**Crestview  
Plymouth**

**Lucas**

**Bellville**

**Butler**

**Main**

**Richland Mall**

**Madison**

...Are you ready for it? Drop everything now and meet us at the Library for an evening of bracelet making, snacks, and some of your favorite tunes! You won't be on your own, kid, as we celebrate the second U.S. leg of the Eras Tour. Don't be the foolish one who misses out on this fun evening.

### **★ Harry Potter Fun Night!**

**Mon. Oct. 28, 6 PM**

**Lexington**

Don't let the muggles get you down... join fellow Harry Potter fans at the Library to test your knowledge and play some games. May the best House win! Call 419.884.2500 to register.

## TEEN MONTHLY PROGRAMS



### **Anime Club**

**Thu. Oct. 3, 5 PM**

**Main**

*Some anime may be rated TV-14 or M for mature teen audiences.*

We will show the first 2 episodes of different themed anime with a side of free imported Japanese snacks. Oct. theme: Bookworms.

### **Teens Booked Up**

**Wed. Oct. 16, 3 PM**

**Madison**

*Grades 6-12*

We pick the theme; you pick the book. Join us as we discuss what we've read, and leave with new titles for your TBR list. Oct. theme: Read a thriller.

### **Manic Monday**

**Mon. Oct. 21, 3:30 PM**

**Main**

Life as a teenager can be hard, and that is why you can count on us for relaxing activities with **free snacks!** We will provide activities designed to help you find your chill. Find us in the 2nd-floor conference room.

### **Literature & Lattes**

**Thu. Oct. 24, 4:30 PM**

*Grades 5-12*

We pick the theme; you pick the book. Join us at Nickel & Bean as we each discuss what we've read and you'll leave with a TBR list! Oct. theme: Read a book with an orange cover.

### **Bandana-Rama**

**Fri. Oct. 25, 3 PM**

**Richland Mall**

This month, we'll turn a bandana into a pumpkin!

### **Teen Book Club**

**Thu. Oct. 31, 3 PM**

*Grades 6-12*

Join us at 3rd Cup Tea in downtown Mansfield to discuss and check out new books! Oct. theme: Scary books! thriller, mystery, horror, whatever you like. Bonus points if you show up in costume!



**FALL  
STORY TIMES**

**Sep. 16-Oct. 26**

**All locations**

Join us for a variety of wonderful stories and enjoyable library activities. Parents and caregivers are encouraged to participate with their children. Find a story time at your local branch on our event calendar.



Mansfield/Richland County  
Public Library

**FREE  
EVENT!**



# THE SPOOKY OLD HOUSE

**TEDDY BEAR CONCERT**  
**Children of all ages!**

MRCPL Main Library—Community Room 43 W. Third St.  
**October 26 at 2:30 PM**

[rentickets.org](http://rentickets.org)

**Mechanics**  
BANK

Education  
SERIES

In Partnership with  
**NATIONWIDE  
CHILDREN'S**  
*When your child needs a hospital, everything matters.™*



[mrcpl.org](http://mrcpl.org)

# CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS



**I'm BOARD – Game Day!**  
**Mon. Oct. 14, 12-5 PM Richland Mall**  
If you get bored today, stop in and play some board games!

## **Gummy Worm Slime**

**Thu. Oct. 3, 3-5 PM**

**Mon. Oct. 21, 3-5 PM**

**Mon. Oct. 28, 1-6 PM**

*Grades K-3*

Drop in to make ooey-goopy gummy worm slime! A container will be provided so you can take your creation home with you. While supplies last.

**Lexington  
Butler  
Lucas**

## **Playdough Palooza!**

**Mon. Oct. 14, 3-7 PM**

**Madison**

Join us as we roll, smooch and squish! Bring your imagination!

## **Minions Mystery**

★ **Thu. Oct. 17, 6 PM**

**Bellville**

**Mon. Oct. 21, 1-6 PM**

**Lucas**

Bee-doo, bee-do, BANANAS! Calling all minions! Report to the Library to find Bob and Stuart, the missing minions, before it's too late! Costumes are welcome; snacks may be provided. Register for the Bellville event by calling 419.886.3811.

## **Despicable Me 4 Craft Bag**

**Oct. 7-11**

**All locations**

Awaken your inner minion! Celebrate *Despicable Me 4* with us by crafting a devious minion hat and hand puppet. Additional activities will be included. One per child; while supplies last.

## **Design a Pumpkin Contest**

**Oct. 7-26, All locations**

Pick up a pumpkin coloring page at the Library and draw a design on it. Your design could be your favorite book character, a face, or a unique design of your own. Entries will be judged in three age groups: PreK, Grades K-3, and Grades 4-5.

## ★ **Fall Canvas Paint**

**Mon. Oct. 7, 1 PM & 3:30 PM Lucas**

*Children of all ages*

Come for a guided paint session to create your very own pumpkin-y scene on canvas. Please call the Lucas branch at 419.892.2576 to reserve your spot.

## ★ **Paint Night**

**Wed. Oct. 9, 6 PM**

**Main**

*Grades K-5*

Join us as we create a pumpkin-y painting together! Call the Children's Dept. at 419.521.3130 to register.

## ★ **Design-a-Scarecrow!**

**Sat. Oct. 12, 10:30 AM-3:30 PM**

*Families*

**Madison**

Turn yourself into a scarecrow! Visit the Library to create your own life-size paper scarecrow with all the necessary supplies provided. Call the Madison branch at 419.589.7050 to register.

## ★ **Scaredy-Cat Ball**

**Thu. Oct. 17, 6 PM**

**Lexington**

**Mon. Oct. 21, 6 PM**

**Plymouth**

**Thu. Oct. 24, 6 PM**

**Crestview**

**Mon. Oct. 28, 5:30 PM Richland Mall**

**Thu. Oct. 31, 5-7:30 PM Madison**

**Thu. Oct. 31, 4 PM Butler**

Happy Halloween! Celebrate by joining us for spooktacular books, songs, and activities. Feel free to show off your costumes! Snacks may be provided. Call your local branch to register.

## **MONSTER Trucks**

★ **Mon. Oct. 21, 6 PM**

**Lexington**

**Thu. Oct. 31, 10:30 AM & 3:30 PM**

*Grades K-3*

**Lucas**

Enjoy a frightfully-fun night! Learn about all kinds of monsters, play games, and compete against each other in truck races. Bringing your own monster truck is encouraged but not required. Call the branch to register.

## **Dog Day Craft**

**Wed. Oct. 23, All day**

**Main**

Do you love dogs? Join us to make fun crafts that celebrate our best friend!

★ **Registration required. For children's programs only, please call the Library location directly to register. Registration begins Sep. 16.**

## Halloween Scavenger Hunt

**Oct. 28-Nov. 2** All locations  
Join us for a Halloween Scavenger Hunt at the Library! Search for spooky pictures and earn a small prize.

## Tricks & Treats

**Tue. Oct. 29, 10 AM** Main  
Wear your costumes and join us for spooktacular stories, crafts, and songs. Be ready to parade around the Library!

## Halloween for Littles

**Tue. Oct. 29, 10:30 AM & 1:30 PM** Madison  
*Children 2-5 yrs.*  
A special, non-spooky story time for the little ones. We'll enjoy stories, games, and a craft. Costumes are encouraged.

## Snip, Glue, & Boo!

**Thu. Oct. 31, 10 AM** Main  
*Children 18 mo.-preschool*  
Drop in and make some "boo"tiful art with your little one!

## CHILDREN'S MONTHLY PROGRAMS



## Crafty Kids

**Month of October** Madison, and Richland Mall

Drop by to make a pumpkin craft!

## Mini Makers

**Tue. Oct. 1, All day** Plymouth  
**Thu. Oct. 3, All day** Crestview  
**Tue. Oct. 8, All day** Main  
**Tue. Oct. 8, 3-5 PM** Butler  
**Thu. Oct. 10, 3:30-7 PM** Bellville

Do you like crafts? Join us at the Library for a new craft each month!

## Story Time at BIM

**Wed. Oct. 2, 1 PM**  
Join our children's staff the first Wed. of each month for a fun story time at the Buckeye Imagination Museum. (Museum admission is required.)

## Kindergarten Club

**Fri. Oct. 4, 10:30 AM-1:30 PM** Madison  
*Children ages 4 & 5*  
Calling all preschoolers! Drop by the first Friday of each month for skill building activities focused on kindergarten readiness.

## Family Game Night

**Sat. Oct. 5, 10 AM-12 PM** Crestview  
**Wed. Oct. 16, 5-7 PM** Main  
Join us each month for Family Game Night at the Library! We will have new family-friendly games to play and plenty of the classics, too.

## ★Stepping Stones

**Fri. Oct. 11, 10:30 AM** Lexington  
*Children ages 4 & 5*  
Read stories, sing, and do activities that focus on numbers, counting, and other Kindergarten readiness skills.

## Brick Builders LEGO® Club

**Mon. Oct. 14, All day** Crestview  
**Tue. Oct. 15, 3-5 PM** Butler  
**Wed. Oct. 16, All day** Plymouth  
Join the Library LEGO® Club! Spend your afternoon exercising your mad LEGO®-building skills with friends.

## Story Time @ Relax

**Mon. Oct. 14, 10:30 AM**  
Join us for a fun story time at Relax, It's Just Coffee in downtown Mansfield. Relax while we entertain your little ones with fun stories, songs, and crafts!

## Move & Groove

**Sat. Oct. 19, 10 AM** Main  
Come join us as we move our bodies to a story or two and groove to some really great tunes!

## S.T.E.A.M. Night

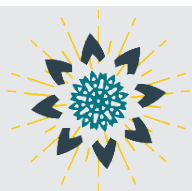
**Mon. Oct. 28, 5-7 PM** Main  
If you like science, technology, engineering, art, or math, this program is for you! Drop in for some STEAM-themed fun.

# Adult Literacy Program

We match trained volunteer tutors with learners who want to improve their basic reading ability and open the door to skills such as:

- Reading to their children
- Searching and applying for jobs
- Using email
- Obtaining a GED/High School Diploma

Call 419.521.4721 for more information.



## Kaleidoscope

Community Conversations



### Kaleidoscope Series presents Andrew Ramsammy Tue. Oct. 15, 5:30 PM, Renaissance Main Stage

Ramsammy is an executive leader with over 30 years in theater, radio, TV, digital, podcasting, and corporate communications.

With an educational background from Columbia's graduate school of journalism, Ramsammy will be able to touch on how big media scales to smaller environments like Richland County. What biases and trends do you see, where are their coverage area lapses, what types of minority reporting has impact and what is the hardest to get the reader to care about and act on.

Get your tickets at [rentickets.org](http://rentickets.org)

## LIBRARY HOURS



Main Library	419.521.3100
Mon.-Thu.	9 AM-8 PM
Fri. & Sat.	9 AM-5 PM
Sun.	1-5 PM

Richland Mall	419.529.4912
Mon., Tue., & Thu.	9 AM-7 PM
Wed., Fri., & Sat.	9 AM-5 PM
Sun.	1-5 PM

Bellville Branch	419.886.3811
Lexington Branch	419.884.2500
Madison Branch	419.589.7050
Mon., Tue., & Thu.	9 AM-8 PM
Wed., Fri., & Sat.	9 AM-5 PM

Butler Branch	419.883.2220
Crestview Branch	419.895.0010
Lucas Branch	419.892.2576
Plymouth Branch	419.687.5655
Mon., Tue., & Thu.	9 AM-8 PM
Wed. & Fri.	9 AM-5 PM
Sat.	9AM-1 PM

[mrcpl.org](http://mrcpl.org)