

Check It Out

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TREE TIME



Amanda Love's art installations are currently at all LCL locations!

This art project is aimed at promoting **COMMUNITY** over isolation, **AWARENESS** of the realities of climate change and **DEDICATION** to nurturing positive relationships globally in order to create collaborative efforts toward the planet's **CONSERVATION**.

LCL

**LICKING
COUNTY
LIBRARY**

Adventure at Every Turn!

The Board of Trustees and staff at Licking County Library are thrilled to announce that we are getting a new vehicle, set to arrive in mid-2023. We know our community has greatly missed our bookmobile since its retirement in 2020 and we are excited to continue our long history of serving our community beyond our physical walls.

Following the trend amongst libraries, we are calling it a “Mobile Library” because it is so much more than books. It features all formats and genres of materials but it can also be used as a mobile wi-fi hotspot. We can even use this vehicle at community events and offer exciting programming. Essentially, anything you can get at a branch, you’ll be able to access via the Mobile Library...including our informative staff.

We eagerly look forward to meeting our community where you are—on rural roads, at busy schools, lively daycares, and in neighborhoods that are both emerging and underserved. We will continue to provide updates as our new Mobile Library “rolls” in, and we look forward to sharing more information with you in the coming months.



BUCKEYE LAKE

Scrapbook Snowflakes

JANUARY 21 | 11AM
Create unique 3D snowflakes with beautiful scrapbook paper. All skill levels are welcome; supplies provided.

AARP Tax Prep

THURSDAYS IN FEBRUARY | 10AM - 4PM
AARP professionally trained volunteers prepare federal, state and local tax returns for low and middle-income taxpayers, with special attention to those sixty and older, by appointment only. Schedule an appointment by calling 740.641.2387, 8:30am - 4pm, Monday through Friday.

DOWNTOWN NEWARK

BOOK CLUBS Next Chapter Book Club

JANUARY 3, 17, FEBRUARY 7, 21 | 1PM
A community-based book club for people with Down's syndrome, autism, cerebral palsy and other intellectual and developmental disabilities.
Title: *Harry Potter* series by J.K. Rowling

Infant Massage Series

OPTION 1: WEDNESDAYS, 1/11, 1/18, 1/25, 2/1, 2/8 | 5:30PM
OPTION 2: FRIDAYS, 1/13, 1/20, 1/27, 2/3, 2/10 | 1PM

Lisa Sheer, Certified Educator of Infant Massage (CEIM), guides caregivers and infants through relaxing infant massage techniques in this 5-week series. These engaging sessions promote nurturing touch, bonding and positive experiences

between caregiver and infant. Bring a clean yoga mat or bath towel to each session. Attendees must attend the series from the beginning as each course builds on techniques from the previous week.

BOOK CLUBS Booked to Death

JANUARY 25, FEBRUARY 22 | 5:30PM
Calling all sleuths! Find copies at the location or download through Ohio Digital Library.
January: *All That Remains* by Patricia Cornwell
February: *Keeping Watch* by Laurie King

VITA Tax Preparation

JANUARY 30, FEBRUARY 6, 13, 20, 27 | 10:15AM - 5PM
Free preparation and e-file for federal, state and school district returns. Most taxpayers with an Adjusted Gross Income of \$58,000 or less are eligible. Schedule an appointment by calling the Licking County Coalition for Housing at 740.345.1970, ext. 200.

LEGENDARY HISTORY Daniel Merritt Guy

FEBRUARY 2 | 1PM
Daniel Merritt Guy (1851-1942) was an accomplished teacher, preacher and civil servant in Newark, Ohio. He was also the first black man to be nominated for public office in Licking County.

Overground Railroad Book Group

FEBRUARY 11 | 1PM
In support of the Candacy Taylor community author event, Licking County Library offers a discussion of her book, *Overground Railroad: The Green Book and the Roots of Black Travel in America*

LEGENDARY HISTORY Gertrude Dorsey Brown

FEBRUARY 23 | 1PM
A talented author of short fiction, Gertrude Dorsey Brown's insightful works were largely forgotten in the city and county she called home. Discover how a local book club and two determined young reporters brought the life and works of Gertrude back to our community's awareness.

HEBRON

Understanding Alzheimer's and Dementia

JANUARY 23 | 10AM
What are the warning signs of Alzheimer's disease and dementias and what does the diagnosis mean? Get the tools and resources to help you plan for the future. Answers to these and other questions that arise in early stages are covered. Hear from the local Alzheimer's organization that deals with this daily.

Healthy Living For Our Brain and Body

FEBRUARY 27 | 10AM
For centuries, we've known that the health of the brain and the body are connected. But now, science is able to provide insights into how lifestyle choices may help you keep your brain and body healthy as you age. Learn about research in the areas of diet and nutrition, exercise, cognitive activity and social engagement from local experts.

JOHNSTOWN (MARY E. BABCOCK)

BOOK CLUBS Babcock Book Club

JANUARY 12, FEBRUARY 9 | 5:30PM
Find copies at the location or download from Ohio Digital Library.
January: *Gone With the Wind* by Margaret Mitchell
February: *The Last Bookshop in London* by Madeline Martin

Craft and Chat Club

JANUARY 25, FEBRUARY 22 | 6PM
Bring your current project to work on while chatting with fellow crafty folks. Ask questions, give advice—all projects are welcome: knitting, cross stitch, paper crafts, sewing, et al.

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WEST NEWARK (EMERSON R. MILLER)

BOOK CLUBS Brit Lit Book Club

JANUARY 18, FEBRUARY 15 | 5:30PM
British-themed reads that can't be Thamed! Find copies at the location or download a copy from the Ohio Digital Library.
January: *The Hidden Child* by Louise Fein
February: *The Other Windsor Girl* by Georgie Blalock

Historical Drama Group

JANUARY 25, FEBRUARY 22 | 5:30PM
A little history...the big screen. Find copies at the location.
January: *Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil* (1997)
February: *The Impossible* (2012)

BOOK CLUBS LGBTQIA+ Book Group

JANUARY 26, FEBRUARY 23 | 6PM
Everyone is welcome to engage in fun, respectful dialogue. Find copies at the location or download from the Ohio Digital Library.
January: *The Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo* by Taylor Jenkins Reid
February: *To the Stars* by George Takei

Papermaking

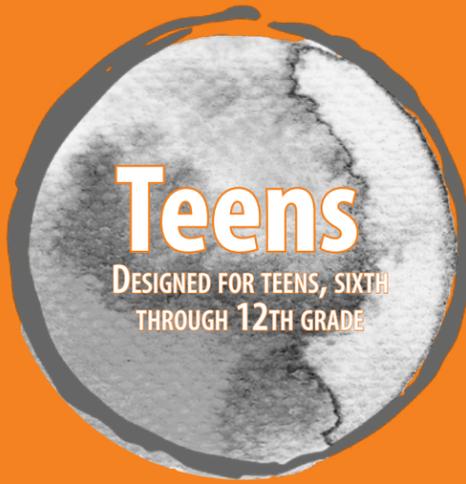
JANUARY 31 | 5:30PM
Learn the art of papermaking.

Valentine's Day Quilling Cards

FEBRUARY 6 | 5:30PM
Learn the basics of paper quilling to make a heart-shaped Valentine's Day card. We show you how to combine shapes and techniques to create beautiful cards.

Tiny Art Show

JANUARY 1-31 | OPEN HOURS
Drop in and enjoy an original collection of tiny art masterpieces completed by adults and teens from our community.



DOWNTOWN NEWARK

Teen Anime Club: Just Hangin'

JANUARY 3, FEBRUARY 6 | 5PM

January: Discuss manga and Anime premiering in 2023! Snacks provided. February: Construct a closet cosplay of your favorite anime character using provided supplies.

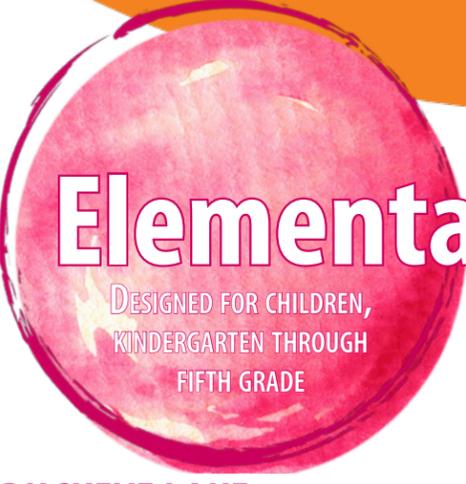
Library Lab Open Hours

JANUARY 14, FEBRUARY 25 | 1 - 3PM

Tinker with design, develop an idea, and explore STEM at this self-guided workshop. Chromebooks and makerspace activities are provided. Note: 3D prints and Cricut vinyl have a material cost.

 **Let's Talk About Manga!** 
JANUARY 16, FEBRUARY 20 | 5:30PM

Meet as a small group to discuss the manga and anime series. Bring your "hot takes" and unpopular opinions! Copies



Build your STEM skills and scientific knowledge and save room for leftovers.

 **Choose Your Own Adventure Book Club** 
JANUARY 17, FEBRUARY 21 | 4:30PM

A club that unites on epic adventures, themed activities and discussion. Find copies at the Youth Services desk. January: *Mystery of the Maya* by R.A. Montgomery February: *The Secret of the Ninja* by Jay Leibold

Tunes & Tales

JANUARY 21, FEBRUARY 18 | 10:30AM

Join members of the Newark-Granville Symphony Orchestra and listen to musical renditions of timeless tales.

Pokémon Club

JANUARY 23 | 5PM

Show off your Poké-deck in this awesome club!

are available at the Youth Services desk. January: *Chainsaw Man* by Tatsuki Fujimoto February: *One Piece* by Eiichiro Oda

Interactive Movie: Twilight

FEBRUARY 11 | 11AM

Watch the lion fall in love with the lamb as we do, say and eat things that bring the movie experience to life!

HEBRON

Bubble Tea Workshop

JANUARY 10 | 6PM

Learn how to make your own Bubble Tea during this lively, hands-on lesson led by local business, Damn Good Popcorn. 

Dream Pillows

JANUARY 26 | 4:30PM

Use dyes and fabric paints to create and personalize a unique pillowcase to cradle your head and neck while you dream.

Rose Bears

FEBRUARY 9 | 4:30PM

Cover a styrofoam bear in artificial roses and other flowers to keep or to give to someone you love this Valentine's Day. 

Pokémon Club: Favorite Pokémon

FEBRUARY 13 | 5PM

Make a presentation, show a GIF, or a list to prove why your favorite Pokémon is the best one!

Avo-ca-DUH

FEBRUARY 16 | 1:30PM

Learn how to harvest, plant, and grow your own avocado tree from the seed!

George and Martha Party

FEBRUARY 16 | 4:30PM

Celebrate the friendship of George and Martha, the hippos (and Easy Reader superstars) in the beloved series by James Marshall.

UTICA

Valentine's Day Blackout Poetry

FEBRUARY 14 | 3:30PM

Express yourself through blackout poetry and kiss all the roses-are-red sappy valentine poems goodbye.

WEST NEWARK (EMERSON R. MILLER)

Tattoo Art for Cabin Fever

FEBRUARY 9 | 5:30PM

Beat the boredom of mid-winter and doodle on each other. Use washable temporary tattoo markers and end up with an arm full of art drawn by others in attendance.

JOHNSTOWN (MARY E. BABCOCK)

Crafternoon: Hot Cocoa

JANUARY 26 | 4PM

Warm up with a cup of hot cocoa while creating a cocoa craft. 

Builder's Delight

FEBRUARY 16 | 4PM

Complete construction challenges as you explore a variety of building materials. 

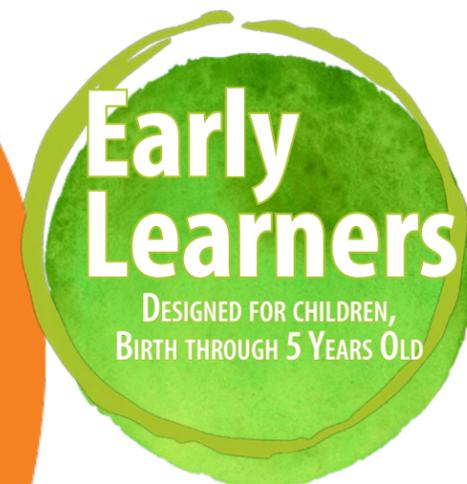
UTICA

Mad Hatter Party

FEBRUARY 21 | 1PM

Drop in unexpected and uninvited to our Mad Hatter Party. We will not play croquet, nor drink tea, nor pin the grin on the Cheshire Cat.

Story Time days and times are located on the back page!



DOWNTOWN NEWARK

Baby Doll Circle Time

JANUARY 6, FEBRUARY 3 | 10:30AM

Baby Doll Circle Time™ promotes the development of healthy self-regulation and social skills through gentle play that mimics nurturing interactions between baby and caregiver. Baby dolls provided. 

PreK Art Play

JANUARY 24, 31, FEBRUARY 28 | 10:30AM

Explore different mediums and create art in this messy, hands-on encounter where process over product is emphasized. 

Storytime and Stretches

JANUARY 25, FEBRUARY 22 | 10:30AM

Kids combine simple stretches, poses, and breaths as they explore stories and songs in this movement-filled experience. Comfortable clothing is encouraged. This program is designed for ages 2 - 5.

Playdate at the Library

JANUARY 27, FEBRUARY 17 | 10:30AM

Babies and toddlers interact with each other and explore their world in a safe and fun way—sitting with a board book, sensory play or exploring the ball pit!

HEBRON

Walk Your Dog Pretend and Play

FEBRUARY 22 | 10:30AM

Bring your favorite stuffed doggie for a walk in our Dog Park! Pretend and play features stories and guided play using props and scene setting to build vocabulary, cooperative skills and imagination. Experience remains up through Feb. 24.

JOHNSTOWN (MARY E. BABCOCK)

Preschool Play Date

JANUARY 19, FEBRUARY 10 | 10:30AM

You and your little ones have an opportunity to hang out, play with others and explore with a variety of activities.

UTICA

Snowman Challenge

JANUARY 18 | 10:30AM

Use your imagination and create as many unique snow beings as you like using a variety of materials and examples.

Preschool Craft Time

JANUARY 23, FEBRUARY 20 | 10:30AM

Create a simple craft and enhance your child's creativity and self-expression.

WEST NEWARK (EMERSON R. MILLER)

Little Listeners: Unlikely Friendships

JANUARY 26 | 10:30AM

Stories and activities about animals who, with nothing else in common, bond in the most unexpected ways.

Little Listeners: CHOMP!

FEBRUARY 23 | 10:30AM

Brush up with stories and activities that are all about teeth in celebration of National Children's Dental Health Month.

BUCKEYE LAKE

Snowflake Saturday

JANUARY 28 | 10AM - 2PM

Use your creativity to make a flurry of unique snowflakes during the annual Buckeye Lake Winterfest.

DOWNTOWN NEWARK

Junk'n Plants

JANUARY 12 | 1:30PM

Bring your leftover containers and propagate a pothos plant reusing containers as pots.

Kitchen Science

JANUARY 12 | 4:30PM

Try a handful of experiments that you can repeat in the kitchen at home.



EMPOWERED MINDS

Licking County Library



 Registration for Empowered Minds classes is easy to do online at lickingcountylibrary.org. We also welcome in-person, mailed or phone registrations by calling 740.349.5520. Empowered Minds is supported by a sustaining gift from Robert Trimble Jr., a lifelong learner and in part by the Licking County Senior Levy.

In-Person Classes: Downtown Newark

Exploring Your iPad • January 12 • 2 - 3pm

Did you receive a new iPad for the holidays, or do you just want to learn how to get more out of your current one? Learn all about the latest operating system, settings and other tips and tricks. This class is taught by our Techsperts, supported in part by the Institute of Museum and Library Services and the State Library of Ohio.

Buckeye Book Club •

January 17 & February 21 • 3 - 4pm

In partnership with the Ohioana Library, the Buckeye Book Club explores books by some of the best Ohio-based authors. Copies are available at the Downtown Newark location or download from the Ohio Digital Library. January: *The Sparrow* by Mary Doria Russell / February: *Gone Tomorrow* by P. F. Kluge.

Local History Research 102—Ancestry Library Edition • January 18 • 1 - 2:30pm

Do you want to explore your family's history but don't know where to start? Let the Library guide you down the path of local genealogical research with this Ancestry's Library Edition hands-on workshop. This class is designed for those beginning research into family histories and interested in learning more about Ancestry.com and other online tools that the Library provides. Participants are welcome to bring their own device.

Exploring Your Android Tablet • January 19 • 2 - 3pm

Did you receive a new Android tablet for the holidays, or do you just want to learn how to get more out of your current one? Learn all about the latest operating system, settings and other tips and tricks. This class is taught by our Techsperts, supported in part by the Institute of Museum and Library Services and the State Library of Ohio.

History of The Ohio State University • January 24 • 1 - 2:30pm

The Ohio State University holds a beloved place in the hearts of many Buckeyes, not only around Ohio, but the entire nation. Join Van Young to learn about the beginnings of this great university, its history, and some of the memories associated with it. Ohio State is indeed more than a "football factory," yet OSU football holds much significance. Learn about the history of the "shoe" and the evolution of its football program.

Silent Film Comedy • February 3 • 11am - 1pm

A distinct brand of comedy was created during the silent film era. Dr. Lisa Stein Haven, Professor of English, delves into the lives and careers of six of the most popular silent film comedians: Max Linder, Roscoe "Fatty" Arbuckle, Mabel Normand, Charlie Chaplin, Harold Lloyd and Buster Keaton.

Writing from Fairy Tale and Myth • February 7 • 1 - 3pm

Author and professor, Bonnie Proudfoot leads a writing workshop inspired by fairy tales and myths. Even though Homer tells the story of the siege of Troy in the *Iliad*, and the return of Odysseus in the *Odyssey*, he continually refers to myth and legend in his poetry, using myth to enhance his characterizations. We use myth and fairy tales every day, even when we call something 'a real Cinderella story.' Through poetry, we can rely upon archetypal characters from myth or fairy tales, or even reinvent characters, enhance their attributes, or defy the stereotypes they evoke. This workshop looks at examples of writing from poets like Auden, Ann Sexton, Sara Moore Wagner, Joy Harjo and others, and explores ways to bring themes from myth and fairy tales into our own writing.

Watergate: 50 Years Later • February 14 • 1 - 3pm

Fifty years ago, police arrested five burglars in the Democratic National Committee headquarters located in the Watergate Office Building. They were associated with the campaign to reelect President Richard Nixon. What followed was a political, legal and constitutional crisis. What have we learned about the Watergate Scandal in the past five decades? Why did Nixon choose to resign and what were the lasting consequences?

Exploring Your iPhone • February 15 • 2 - 3pm

Did you receive a new iPhone for the holidays, or do you just want to learn how to get more out of your current one? Learn all about the latest news on the iPhone operating system, settings and other tips and tricks. This class is taught by our Techsperts, supported in part by the Institute of Museum and Library Services and the State Library of Ohio.

History of Childhood • February 17 • 1 - 2:30pm

What is childhood? Does childhood have a history? Dr. Elizabeth Dillenburg explores these questions and more. A focus on children and young people brings a unique perspective to history and can challenge traditional assumptions about what counts as "history" and about who "makes history." Using a variety of sources, including art and literature, we examine changing representations and conceptions of childhood and also consider how historical perspectives about childhood can provide new insights into contemporary debates and understandings about children.

Healthy Sleep Habits • February 21 • 11am - 12pm

Quality sleep is important for good health. Dr. Donald Fairbanks discusses healthy sleep habits and answers questions.

Exploring Your Android Phone • February 22 • 2 - 3pm

Did you receive a new Android phone for the holidays, or do you just want to learn how to get more out of your current one? Learn all about the latest news on the Android operating system, settings and other tips and tricks. This class is taught by our Techsperts, supported in part by the Institute of Museum and Library Services and the State Library of Ohio.

In-Person Classes: Johnstown

Ohio Bobcat Ecology and Conservation • February 28 • 1 - 2:30pm

The bobcat (*Lynx rufus*) is believed to be increasing in numbers and expanding its distribution in Ohio. Join Dr. Shauna Weyrauch, a Senior Lecturer at The Ohio State University, as she discusses her bobcat research conducted in Coshocton County in 2015 during a long-term camera-trapping study. Shauna Weyrauch is a Senior Lecturer in Evolution Ecology and Organismal Biology at The Ohio State University, where she earned her Ph.D. in EEO Biology.

Virtual Learning

Starry Night: The Art and Tragic Life of Vincent van Gogh • January 11 • 1 - 2:30pm

The life of the Dutch artist Vincent van Gogh has been the subject of countless biographies and films. His highly expressive art reveals the joy that painting held for him but also the mental torment that tortured him for the last two years of his incredibly productive life. Sean Crum discusses every stage of his artistic development and the life of this troubled genius.

Techsperts offer expert guidance and answers to common technology questions—judgement free! To schedule a free appointment at any of our locations email techspert@lickingcountylibrary.org or call 740.349.5509. Zoom appointments are also available.

Buckeye Lake

JANUARY 9 & FEBRUARY 13 | 12 - 5PM

Utica

JANUARY 3 | 12 - 5PM & FEBRUARY 6 | 10AM - 3PM

West Newark (Emerson R. Miller)

JANUARY 16 & FEBRUARY 20 | 10AM - 3PM

Hebron

JANUARY 23 & FEBRUARY 27 | 10AM - 3PM

Johnstown (Mary E. Babcock)

JANUARY 23 & FEBRUARY 27 | 10AM - 3PM

Downtown Newark

DURING OPEN HOURS OR CALL FOR AN APPOINTMENT





Mondays • 10:30am	Birth - 5	Utica
Tuesdays • 10:30am	Birth - 5	Johnstown
Tuesdays • 10:30am	3 - 5	Downtown Newark
Wednesdays • 10:30am	Birth - 2	Downtown Newark
Wednesdays • 10:30am	Birth - 5	Hebron
Thursdays • 10:30am	Birth - 5	West Newark
Fridays • 10:30am	Birth - 5	Buckeye Lake



LCL LOCATIONS

Visit our website for location hours: lickingcountylibrary.org
* Includes a drive-up window for your convenience

Downtown Newark*

101 West Main Street, Newark | 740.349.5500

Buckeye Lake

4455 Walnut Road, Buckeye Lake | 740.928.0472

Hebron

934 West Main Street, Hebron | 740.928.3923

Johnstown (Mary E. Babcock)

320 North Main Street, Johnstown | 740.967.2982

West Newark (Emerson R. Miller)*

990 West Main Street, Newark | 740.344.2155

Utica*

115 South Main Street, Utica | 740.892.2400

24-Hour Kiosk • COTC Pataskala Campus

8660 West Broad Street, Reynoldsburg

24-Hour Kiosk • Legacy Park Hanover

2018 West High Street, Newark



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PROGRAM INFORMATION

All programs at Licking County Library are free! Programs are designed with the indicated age group in mind. There are three ways to register:

Program Calendar: lickingcountylibrary.org

In-person/Phone: 740.349.5500

email: info@lickingcountylibrary.org



Registration Required



Dress For A Mess

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