# Denton Public Library Proposed 2024 Fall Classes & Events

😺 - Denton Halloween

🛄 - Author Event

🏂 -Cultural Observance or Holiday Theme

🔁 – Literacy and Writing

# Grab and Go Kits

### Children's Kits

Best for ages 6-10. Each theme has 48 kits available on the first of the month. North Branch

- 🏂 September: Aztec Sun Stone Craft
- November: Leaf Rubbing Art Kit

South Branch

- 🐼 October: Bat Craft
- December: Snow Slime

### Teen Kits

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Best for ages 11-17. Each theme has 36 kits available on the first of the month. Emily Fowler Central Library

• November: Art Journal Library Submission (Dawn and Sarah are doing this for ages 11+) South Branch

- October: Glowstick Ghost Cups
- December: DIY Magnets

### Adult Kits

Ages 18+. Each theme has 36 kits available on the first of the month. North Branch

October: Mini Haunted Houses

Emily Fowler Central Library

- 🗧 October: NaNoWriMo Prep Kit
- 🗧 November: Art Journal Library Submission

South Branch

• September: Library loteria sheet -- Explore our collection of Spanish materials using this card! Come to the South Branch to claim a bag of Latin candy once you have marked at least 8 spaces.

# DPL2Go



Visit our StoryWalk® on the Square and StoryWalk® at Fred Moore Park this fall! Thanks to partnerships with local businesses on Denton Square and the Parks and Recreation Department, these stories are available for families to read, walk, and visit the outdoors. For more information, visit library.cityofdenton.com/screens/dpl\_storywalk

### **DPL2Go - Technology**

#### How To: Technology

Can't remember your email password or how to save that document to a flash drive? Join us for technology assistance for seniors to learn these skills and more. Space is limited; email Yvonne.Kendricks@cityofdenton.com to register. Ages 50+.

### Fri 9/6, 11/1 American Legion Hall Senior Center 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

### **DPL2Go - Book Clubs**

### Books on Tap

We're bringing book discussions to local bars & breweries. Join us to rant and rave about our favorite books or least favorite tropes. Check our staff booklist for recommendations, come with your own, or listen to what others' are reading! No required book or booklist. Ages 21+. Ages 21+.

Off the TBR

### Tues 9/24 Bramblitt's Yellow Dog Art Bar & Gallery 6:30-8 p.m.

😺 Haunting Stories

Mon 10/21 Miss Angeline's 6:30-8 p.m.

**P** Indigenous Identities

Mon 11/18 DCBC 6:30-8 p.m.

*Year Recap* Mon 12/16 Harvest House 6:30-8 p.m.

# **Programs for All Ages**

### **Winter Reading Challenge**

Cozy up and immerse yourself in the magic of reading this winter! Our Winter Reading program is back and perfect for all ages. Read at least three books between December 1-January 31, and you'll earn a virtual badge, plus gain an entry for a chance to win a reading prize bag stuffed with books and reading swag. Embrace the winter spirit by attending a library event or participating in your favorite winter activities to earn additional badges.

### E Jane Austen Series

Explore the connections between Jane Austen's life and her stories, focusing on family, finances, and social events.

South Branch 7-8:30 p.m. Wed 9/4-Life & Literature Wed 9/11—Northanger Abbey Wed 9/18—Sense & Sensibility Wed 9/25—Pride & Prejudice

### Trivial Evening\*

Test your trivia knowledge. The top 3 winners will win prizes. Participants may form teams, but each winning team is guaranteed only one prize.

#### Thurs 9/5 South Branch 6:30-8:15 p.m.

#### Instrument Petting Zoo

Exploring different instruments firsthand can really help you find the one that resonates with you the most. There's a world of possibilities waiting for you! The UNT Band presents the Instrument Petting Zoo so you can experiment with the instruments you're most curious to try.

### Sat 9/14 North Branch 2-4:30 p.m.

### North Branch Teen Room Open House

Parents, curious about what your teens are up to during their library afternoons? Now's your chance to join the fun! At our open house, you'll get to experience the activities your teens enjoy regularly, from video game tournaments to arts and crafts and more. Stop by for a snack and spend some time in the teen room with us!

### Tues 9/24 North Branch 5-7:30 p.m.

# Hispanic & Latino Heritage Month Art Pop-Up\*

Join us to celebrate Hispanic & Latin Heritage Month with a come-and-go cultural art event! We will be making buttons, munecas quitapenas, and air-dry clay Nichos. All materials provided. Registration is required.

#### Sat 9/28 South Branch 12-3 p.m.

#### All About Autumn Activities

Join us at the library for a celebration of autumn. There will be Fall themed activities and refreshments.

### Fri 10/4 South Branch 3:30-5:30 p.m.

### All Things Halloween Trivia\*

Prepare yourself for more October fun. Movies, lore, literature, history, culture – if it is kind of spooky or related to Halloween, there may be a question about it. Of course, Halloween trivia wouldn't be complete without some trick questions....

### Thurs 10/17 South Branch 6:30-8 p.m.

### Pumpkin Patch Bookmarks

Step into our pumpkin patch bookmark station and let your creativity soar! It's a self-guided craft waiting for you at the library. Decorate pumpkin shapes with colorful markers, crayons, and stickers. Join us during open hours to make your bookmark! North Branch NOTE: Will be set up near Front Desk.

### Sun 10/20 North Branch 1-5 p.m.

### E <u>NaNoWriMo Write-In</u>

Come celebrate National Novel Writing Month at the library! Writers of all levels and specialities are welcome to attend this casual, self-led, come-and-go writing event. Prompts, charging outlets, and good company provided! Ages 11+.

### Fri 11/22 South Branch 12-5 p.m.

🛄 <u>Plant Talk + Plant Swap</u>

Join us at the North Branch with guest speaker Charlotte Canion, author and Texas Superstar Advanced Master Gardener. Her lecture on native plants and container gardening will be followed by our fall plant swap! Bring your cuttings, plants, and seeds to swap with other gardening enthusiasts. We will also have free seeds and free books with plenty of tips and tricks for newbies!

### Sat 11/30 North Branch 2-4:30 p.m.

### E Cozy Day: Cocoa & Cookies

"It's the most wonderful time of the year!" Tis the season for cookies, cocoa, and coziness. On December 20, the library is hosting a Cozy Winter Reading Day! Time to break out pajamas, blankets, fuzzy socks, you name it! Cozy up with a good book and join us to celebrate the Winter Reading Challenge. Cocoa & cookies will be served as supplies last.

### Fri 12/20 Emily Fowler 1-3 p.m.

Fri 12/20 North Branch 1-3 p.m.

### Fri 12/20 South Branch 1-3 p.m.

Programs for All Ages - Arts and Crafts

Make and Take: Ghost Paintings

Drop in the library and paint ghostly images onto ordinary scenes to make your own haunted paintings.

### Fri 10/25 - Mon 10/28 North Branch

### Tissue-Dyed Scarves\*

Join Mary Cresson as she teaches participants to dye silk scarves using a special kind of tissue paper. Attendees will make two scarves. All supplies provided. Ages 18+.

### Sat 11/16 South Branch 2-4 p.m.

# **Children's Programs**

### Scavenger Hunts

Searching is half the fun! Look for different themed decals around North and South Branch. Turn in a completed scavenger hunt to get a fun sticker.

### Library Card Sign-Up Month

We're celebrating National Library Card Sign-up Month during the month of September by inviting our youngest readers to open a new library account. Bring your children (ages 0-11) to open an account or activate their Denton ISD account and let them choose a special prize from our prize box!

### 1, 2, 3, Grow With Me\*

Join us for a special 5-week class designed for parents and caregivers with young children. Enjoy quality time together while exploring engaging play activities, creative art projects, and the chance to meet new friends. Learn from community resource specialists who will share valuable insights on child development, speech and hearing, nutrition, and the importance of play and movement. Ages 1-3.

### Tues 9/3, 9/10, 9/17, 9/24, 10/1 North Branch 11 a.m.

Fall into Fall with Tea and Sandwiches\*

Children will have the opportunity to learn about tea and sandwiches in this fall themed program! Designed for children 6-10 and their caregivers. Register child and caregiver.

### Fri 9/6 South Branch 4:30 p.m.

### Dance into Hispanic Heritage Month with Lin Manuel Miranda Music & Choreography Day

Kids can learn and practice their dance moves at this fun Lin Manuel Miranda Music & Choreography event! Designed for kids 6-10

### Thurs 9/12 South Branch 4:30 p.m.

Little Yogis

Join us for Little Yogis, a fun and engaging yoga class designed specifically for children ages 4-8! This beginner-friendly session introduces young ones to the wonderful world of yoga, helping them learn basic poses, breathing techniques, and mindfulness in a playful and supportive environment. Should we note 10/12 time change? Ages 4-8.

### Sat 9/14, 11/23, 12/7 Emily Fowler 10 a.m.

### Sat 10/12 Emily Fowler 2 p.m.

# Stories, Seeds, and the Heart of the Choctaw Tribe

Meet Stacy Wells, an Indigenous author and member of the Choctaw Nation. Her stories embody the Choctaw saying: "They will know we are Choctaws by our heart." Join us to hear about her new early chapter book series for children, TANA COOKS, learn how to harvest strawberry seeds, and the importance of gardening for us and the earth. Ages 6-10.

### Sat 9/14 North Branch 11 a.m.

### Fun With Recycling

Join us to explore what happens to materials in Denton: are they trashed, reused, or recycled? We're embarking on an exciting journey into the world of recycling! Through interactive games and activities, children will discover their role in taking care of the planet. Get ready to have fun while learning about recycling together! This program is hosted by Sustainable Denton. Ages 4-12.

### Wed 9/18 North Branch 4 p.m.

# E Read to Rover

Give your child an opportunity to practice reading one-on-one with a trained, certified therapy dog. This program is made possible by a partnership with the Therapy Pals of Golden Triangle. Space is limited, first-come, first-served. Ages 6-10.

Sat 9/21, 10/19, 11/16, 12/21 South Branch 10:30 a.m.

### Sat 9/21, 10/19, 11/16, 12/21 North Branch 2 p.m.

Creepy Colors: Celebrate Halloween with everything Orange, Black, and Purple.

Kids can celebrate the joy of October in a program designed around 3 key colors: orange, black, and purple! Designed for ages 6-10.

### Thurs 10/10 South Branch 4:30 p.m.

Spooktacular Friendship Bracelets

Tweens are invited to join us for a fun afternoon of making Halloween-themed friendship bracelets. Using spooky charms and colorful beads, create a unique bracelet to share or keep. Enjoy crafts, laughter, and new friends at this bewitching event! Ages 9-12.

### Sat 10/19 North Branch 4 p.m.

### Indigenous ACE (Arts, Culture, Education)

Join us as we invite Indigenous ACE to the library! They will provide cultural education regarding North American indigenous social song and dance. Through interactive demonstration, Indigenous ACE strives to provide an authentic visual and audio exhibition of North American indigenous culture. Ages 6-10.

#### Tues 11/12 North Branch 4 p.m.

#### Let's Make Music Day!

Kids will have the opportunities to sing, play instruments, and make music at this fun afternoon program! Designed for ages 6-10

### Thurs 11/14 South Branch 4:30 p.m.

### Moon Years Eve

Join us at the library to ring in the New Year at noon! Our Noon Year's Eve celebration is packed with exciting games, creative art projects, balloons, delicious refreshments, and plenty of laughter. It's a fantastic event that promises fun for the entire family! Don't miss out on the excitement!

#### Tues 12/31 North Branch 11 a.m.

# **Children's Programs - Weekly Programs**

#### Toddler Time

Participate with your toddler in these special classes that promote literacy and social interaction through stories, songs, and toddler-appropriate activities. Ages 1-3 and their caregiver.

| Tues 9/3, 9/10, 9/17, 9/24, 10/1, 10/8, 10/15, 10/22, 10/29, 11/5, 11/1    | 2 South<br>Branch | 10 a.m.      |
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| Tues 9/3, 9/10, 9/17, 9/24, 10/1, 10/8, 10/15, 10/22, 10/29, 11/5, 11/1    | 2 South<br>Branch | 11 a.m.      |
| Wed 9/4, 9/11, 9/18, 9/25, 10/2, 10/9, 10/16, 10/23, 10/30, 11/6, 11/1     | 3 Emily Fowler    | 9:30<br>a.m. |
| Thurs 9/5, 9/12, 9/19, 9/26, 10/3, 10/10, 10/17, 10/24, 10/31, 11/7, 11/14 | North<br>Branch   | 9:30<br>a.m. |

### Story Time

Join us for interactive preschool classes that use stories, songs, and puppets to build early literacy skills and prepare children to learn to read. For children ages 1-5 and their caregivers.

Wed 9/4, 9/11, 9/18, 9/25, 10/2, 10/9, 10/16, 10/23, 10/30, 11/6, 11/13 Emily Fowler 11 a.m. Thurs 9/5, 9/12, 9/19, 9/26, 10/10, 10/17, 10/24, 10/31, 11/7, 11/14 South Branch 11 a.m. Fri 9/6, 9/13, 9/20, 9/27, 10/4, 10/11, 10/18, 10/25, 11/1, 11/8, 11/15 North Branch 11 a.m. Baby Story Time

Bring your baby to these classes promoting infant and caregiver bonding through stories, songs, and activities. For infants as old as 18 months and their caregivers.

| Thurs 9/5, 9/12, 9/19, 9/26, 10/3, 10/10, 10/17, 10/24, 10/31, 11/7, 11/14 | South<br>Branch | 9:30<br>a.m. |
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| Fri 9/6, 9/13, 9/20, 9/27, 10/4, 10/11, 10/18, 10/25, 11/1, 11/8, 11/15    | North<br>Branch | 9:30<br>a.m. |

#### Family Story Time

Join us for interactive preschool classes that use stories, songs, and puppets to build early literacy skills and prepare children to learn to read. For children ages 1-5 and their caregivers.

Sat 9/7, 9/14, 9/21, 9/28, 10/5, 10/12, 10/19, 10/26, 11/2, 11/9, 11/16 South Branch 10 a.m.

### **Children's Programs - Story Times**

#### Family Night Story Time

Bring the family out to this evening Story Time to enjoy songs, books, and rhymes with your little ones. Designed for children ages 1-5 and their caregiver, but children of all ages welcome.

### Wed 9/4, 10/2, 11/6 North Branch 6:30 p.m.

#### **Bilingual Story Time**

Join us at the library for Bilingual Story Time/Hora de Cuentos Bilingues. Once a month, we will have bilingual stories and songs! Venga a la biblioteca por Hora de Cuentos Bilingues/Bilingual Story Time. Una vez por mes, tenemos cuentos y canciones!

### Fri 9/6, 10/4, 11/1, 12/6 South Branch 10 a.m.

Bilingual Story Time/Hora de Cuentos Bilingües

Join UNT-Dallas professor Victor Lozada for interactive classes that use stories, songs, and puppets in Spanish and English to prepare children to learn to read! Conecta con el Profesor de UNT-Dallas Victor Lozada para clases interactivas que utilizan cuentos, canciones, y marionetas en español e inglés para preparar a los niños a aprender a leer. Ages 1-5.

### Wed 9/18, 10/16, 11/20 North Branch 10 a.m.

#### Fire Fighter Story Time

Join us for a special Story Time where our local firefighters will teach all about fire safety!

### Wed 10/2 Emily Fowler 11 a.m.

### Thurs 10/3 South Branch 11 a.m.

### Fri 10/4 North Branch 11 a.m.

### Spooky Story Time

Join us for this not too spooky Story Time! Come have a spooktacular good time at this Halloween-themed Story Time. Bring your little ghosts and goblins in costume and take part in a library trick-or-treat parade.

### Fri 10/18 South Branch 10 a.m.

### Wed 10/23 North Branch 6:30 p.m.

### Sat 10/26 Emily Fowler 10 a.m.

#### Dino Stomp Toddler Time

Participate with your toddler in this special dinosaur-themed class that promotes literacy and social interaction through stories, songs, and dinosaur crafts and activities. Ages 1-3 and their caregivers.

#### Wed 11/6 Emily Fowler 9:30 a.m.

#### Dino Stomp Story Time

A special Story Time for all the dinosaur enthusiasts. Dino-themed stories, songs, and dances will be followed by a visit from Rex, the library's big (but friendly!) Tyrannosaurus Rex. Ages 1-5.

### Wed 11/13 Emily Fowler 11 a.m.

### Santa Story Time

'Tis the season for holiday cheer! Join us for a festive holiday Story Time featuring stories, songs, and a short visit from Santa. Make a festive ornament after Story Time to take home for the holidays!

### Thurs 12/5 North Branch 11 a.m.

Fri 12/6 South Branch 5 p.m.

### Tues 12/10 Emily Fowler 6:30 p.m.

Special Story Time: Hot Chocolate and Pajama Story Time

Join us for a special story time! There will be fun songs, books, and hot chocolate. Pajamas are encouraged! Designed for ages 2-7

Fri 12/13 South Branch 5 p.m.

# **Children's Programs - STEM**

### LEGO® Club

Attention young builders! Join the excitement at our LEGO® Club, where learning, problemsolving, and endless creativity come together for a fun-filled experience. All the LEGO® bricks you need will be waiting for you at the library—come let your imagination soar and turn your ideas into awesome creations! Ages 6-10.

### Thurs 9/19, 10/17 North Branch 4 p.m.

# Spooky Slime Lab

Get ready for a spine-tingling adventure at our Spooky Slime Lab! Join us as we dive into the mysterious world of slime-making, where you'll mix potions, craft glow-in-the-dark goo, and sculpt your own slimy creatures. Ages 6-10.

### Tues 10/8 North Branch 4 p.m.

### LEGO® Club's Monster Mash-Up

Join us for an exciting adventure where you'll become a master monster-maker using LEGO bricks. Mix and match pieces to bring your wildest imaginations to life, crafting creatures with wild features and endless possibilities. From spooky to silly, it's all up to you! Ages 6-10.

### Thurs 10/17 North Branch 4 p.m.

#### Pollinator Pals

Pollinators like bees, butterflies, and bats are responsible for 1 in every 3 bites of food we eat. Let's discover their incredible traits and create DIY bee baths to support them as they prepare for the cooler fall months. This class is hosted by Sustainable Denton. Ages 6-10.

#### Thurs 10/24 North Branch 4 p.m.

Astronomy for Little Astronauts

Sit back, relax, and take a tour of the night sky with students from UNT's Department of Physics! Explore the constellations we can see here in Denton, and put your thinking caps on for some interactive space-themed activities. Ages 6-10.

#### Thurs 11/7 North Branch 4 p.m.

## **Teen Programs**

### Teen Advisory Board

Join our Teen Advisory Board at the public library and make your voice heard! Help shape library programs, recommend books, and plan exciting events for fellow teens in our community. It's your chance to have fun, meet new friends, and make a difference. Join us and be a part of something awesome at your local library! Ages 11-17.

### Tues 9/3, 10/1, 11/5, 12/3 North Branch 4:30 p.m.

### Wed 9/4, 10/2, 11/6, 12/4 South Branch 6 p.m.

### The Dragon's Den: After-School Adventures

Sleeping Dragon Productions presents The Dragon's Den: After-school Adventures: A TTRPG educational group designed to introduce young adults to collaborative storytelling games and gameplay. In this group we will explore game systems designed to facilitate cooperative world building and group narrative creation. We will provide the tools necessary to begin learning to play games such as Dungeons and Dragons and others like it. Ages 11-17.

### Tues 9/3, 9/17, 10/1, 10/15, 11/5, 11/19, 12/3, 12/17 North Branch 5-8:30 p.m.

### Dungeon Master Class: Engaging NPCs

Learn how to make your NPCs fun, memorable, and a true part of the story! This class is great for beginners and veterans alike! Ages 11-17.

### Sat 9/7 South Branch 3 p.m.

### Teen Volunteer Orientation

Do you need community service hours or want to start gaining job experience? Come volunteer with us at the library! Attend one of our orientation sessions to learn more. Ages 11-17.

### Wed 9/18, 11/20 South Branch 7 p.m.

### Tues 10/15 North Branch 7 p.m.

### Puzzle Mania

It's early release day! Enjoy your extra free time relaxing with friends and solving puzzles. This event is come and go, so feel free to drop in any time during program! Ages 11-17.

### Fri 9/20 North Branch 12:45-2:45 p.m.

### Teen Craft Day: Vampire Fangs

Learn how to make your own vampire fangs for that extra special touch on your Halloween costume! Ages 11-17.

### Wed 10/9 South Branch 6:30-8 p.m.

### Nailed It! - Spooky Season Edition\*

Use the medium of cookies to create a work of art perfect for Halloween! Supplies and materials will be provided but space is limited! Ages 11-17.

### Sat 10/12 South Branch 3-5 p.m.



On this, the night of the full moon, can you save your fellow villagers from the dreaded werewolf? Costumes are encouraged and snacks will be provided alongside this fun, interactive game night! Ages 11-17.

#### Wed 10/16 South Branch 7-8:30 p.m.

#### Teen Murder Mystery Party\*

Step into the shoes of a detective and unravel the secrets of a thrilling murder mystery! Join us for an unforgettable evening of suspense, strategy, and intrigue tailored just for teens. Solve the case, uncover hidden clues, and enjoy an evening of mystery and suspense with friends. Are you ready to crack the case? Ages 11-17.

#### Tues 10/29 North Branch 6:30-8 p.m.

#### Hunger Games Trivia

It's early release day! Grab a few friends and put your Hunger Games knowledge to the test. There will be prizes for the top 2 teams! Ages 11-17.

#### Fri 11/1 North Branch 1:15-2:45 p.m.

#### Murder Among The Mateys\*

Come to the library for a swashbuckling pirate mystery! Can you find the murderer and make the seven seas safe for scallywags and scofflaws everywhere? Ages 11-17.

#### Wed 11/13 South Branch 6-8 p.m.

#### **Resume Building**

Whether you're looking for a job or a scholarship, a well-built resume can make all the difference! Learn the do's and don'ts of making your own resume! Ages 11-17.

#### Sat 12/7 South Branch 3 p.m.

#### Teen Game Day

Celebrate the end of the fall semester with games and snacks! We'll have board games and video games for you to enjoy! Ages 11-17.

### Thurs 12/19 South Branch 2-4 p.m.

#### Lego Challenges

It's early release day! Enjoy your extra free time relaxing with friends and building amazing Lego creations. This event is come and go, so feel free to drop in any time during program! Ages 11-17.

#### Fri 12/20 North Branch 12:45-2:45 p.m.

### **Teen Programs - Weekly Programs**

### Teen Homeschool Hour

Homeschooled teens can come together to socialize and take part in various engaging activities in this enjoyable weekly program. Ages 11-17.

Chess Club

Wed 9/4, 10/2, 11/6, 12/4 North Branch 11 a.m.

Creation Club

Wed 9/11, 10/9, 11/13, 12/11 North Branch 11 a.m.

🗧 Book Club

#### Wed 9/25, 10/23 North Branch 11 a.m.

Board Game Club

#### Wed 10/16, 11/20, 12/18 North Branch 11 a.m.

#### Manic Mondays

Mondays can be tough! Each week, we'll feature a different after-school activity to shake off those Monday blues! Ages 11-17.

Creation Club

#### Mon 9/9, 10/14, 12/9 North Branch 4-5:30 p.m.

Board Game Club

### Mon 9/16, 10/21, 11/18, 12/16 North Branch 4-5:30 p.m.

🔁 Manga Club

Mon 9/23, 10/28 North Branch 4-5:30 p.m.

Chess Club

Mon 10/7, 11/4, 12/2 North Branch 4-5:30 p.m.

# **Teen Programs - Arts and Crafts**

### Cosplay Café

Come learn new techniques and tips for making your own cosplay! Perfect for beginners and enthusiasts. Materials and supplies will be provided! Ages 11-17.

### Sat 9/14, 11/23 South Branch 3:30-5 p.m.

### <u>Craft & Relax\*</u>

Come create a fun project with us! Materials and tools are provided! Ages 11-17. *Custom D20s* 

### Wed 9/25 South Branch 5 p.m.

Origami

### Wed 10/23 South Branch 5 p.m.

Boffer Swords

### Wed 11/20 South Branch 5 p.m.

Snowglobes

Wed 12/18 South Branch 5 p.m.

### Halloween Bad Art- Teen Edition

Don't let Halloween spook you away from creating art! Embrace your creativity and dive into crafting some Halloween-themed masterpieces. All skill levels welcome. This event is come and go, so feel free to drop in any time during program! Ages 11-17.

### Fri 10/11 North Branch 12:45-2 p.m.

### **Teen Programs - STEM**

### STEM Robotics Lab

Come and join us for an enjoyable and immersive experience delving into the world of robotics! \*\*\* Presented by the Dr. Amir Jafari, a professor in the UNT Biomedical Department. Dr. Jafari

oversees the Advanced Robotics Manipulators Lab at UNT. This event is come and go, so feel free to drop in any time during program! Ages 11-17.

### Thurs 12/19 North Branch 12:45-2:45 p.m.

# Adult Programs

### Adults with Disabilities Advisory Board

Clients from LifeWorks visit the library every month to discuss programming ideas for adults with disabilities.

### Wed 9/4, 10/2, 11/6, 12/4 South Branch 10 a.m.

The A, B, C, and D of Medicare with Wes Carter

Medicare is not easy to understand and can be frustrating. What is the best coverage for me? Do I need an Advantage plan? Join Wes Carter, Medicare benefits advisor, as he explains the do's and don'ts of Medicare. There are no sales or obligations. Ages 50+ Ages 50+.

### Thurs 9/5, 10/3, 11/7, 12/5 South Branch 12-1:30 p.m.

### Exploring Western Philosophy\*

Explore the foundations of Western thought from its beginnings in an interactive class with Dr. Eva H. Cadwallader Ph.D., Emerita, in philosophy. To register, email Randy.Simmans@cityofdenton.com.

# Thurs 9/5, 9/12, 9/19, 9/26, 10/3, 10/10, 10/17, 10/24, 10/31, 11/7, 11/14, Zoom 2-3:30 p.m.

### Fall Local Ecology

Join the Petal Project for tips on how to get started enjoying nature around you this autumn. Learn about local hiking areas and trails with helpful preparation tips. Includes beginner information on identifying different plants, birds, and animals you may encounter and apps to learn more about nature while you explore.

### Wed 9/11 North Branch 6:30 p.m.

### Retirement & Income Planning with Wes Carter

You've earned it. Discover the latest strategies to reduce taxes in retirement and achieve financial success in a market that is determined to draw out every dime. Join us to explore essential tips on Tax Reduction, Social Security, Long Term Care, and more. This informative session is sales-free and obligation-free. Perfect for those aged 50 and up. Ages 50+.

### Sat 9/14, 10/12, 11/9, 12/7 South Branch 9-10:30 a.m.

### The Six Factors of Successful Veggie Gardening\*

In this highly interactive workshop, participants will be introduced to six enabling factors to successfully grow their own veggies. Attendees will receive planting schedules for spring and autumn gardens. Led by George Pavelek of New Purpose Urban Farms.

### Tues 9/17 Emily Fowler 6:30 p.m.

### Gardening Tools and Supplies\*

This interactive workshop will focus on garden tools for various sizes of gardening projects. Information will include sources for seeds and transplants and participants will receive a job aid featuring spring and autumn planting schedules for the North Texas area. Led by George Pavelek of New Purpose Urban Farms.

### Sat 9/21 Emily Fowler 2 p.m.

Small Business Connections

Make connections, share experiences, and exchange ideas with other local entrepreneurs and small business owners. Ages 18+.

### Tues 9/24 North Branch 4:30-6 p.m.

### Spooky Acrylic Earrings/Keychains\*

Get ready for Halloween! Come pick a design and use our Glowforge laser cutters to make a pair of spooky earrings or a creepy keychain in fun acrylic colors.

### Mon 9/30 The Forge at North Branch 6-7:30 p.m.

### Bats: An Often Overlooked Pollinator

Texas is considered the battiest state in the country, housing 32 of the 47 species of bats found in the United States. While these flying mammals may frighten some, they provide several important ecological services. Join Sustainable Denton staff to learn all about these amazing animals!

#### Tues 10/1 Emily Fowler 6 p.m.

### Everyday Essential Oils for Health\*

Essential oils are enjoyable, versatile, and natural products with a multitude of uses beyond their scents alone. Discover the basics of how essential oils support health and learn how to build your own essential oil kit. Presented by Natural Grocers.

### Thurs 10/3 Emily Fowler 2:30 p.m.

#### High Seas Hazard Escape Room\*

Someone has stolen Davy Jones doubloons! Can you solve the riddles and puzzle your way through this adventure to restore peace on the high seas? (As much peace as a pirate can stand, arrr.) Provided by Quandary Escape Adventures. Ages 18+.

### Sun 10/6 North Branch 2-4 p.m.

### Metaphysical Classes for the Curious

Are you curious about the metaphysical? Join us for these introductory classes taught by experts from local shop Bewitched Denton. We'll cover the history and 'what's it all about' of each topic, with resources given for further exploration. Ages 15+.

Astrology 101

### Tues 10/8 North Branch 7 p.m.

Tarot 101

### Tues 10/29 North Branch 7 p.m.

Numerology 101

### Tues 11/5 North Branch 7 p.m.

### Unveiling Secrets: A Journey with Marcela Fuentes and Her Debut Novel Malas

Join Marcela Fuentes as she introduces her captivating debut novel Malas. This powerful story delves into the lives of two "bad" women on the Texas-Mexico border, unraveling long-held family secrets and a generational curse that binds them. Marcela will share insights into her writing process, the inspiration behind the novel, and read excerpts from Malas. Ages 18+.

### Wed 10/9 North Branch 6:30-8 p.m.

### Safe Riders Child Seat Distribution & Education\*

Safe Riders aims to reduce the number of motor vehicle crash injuries and fatalities to children in Texas. This program distributes and educates on proper child safety seat use. Families who meet

eligibility criteria and attend the course will receive a car seat. This program is in partnership with Women, Infants, and Children (WIC).

### Sat 10/12 North Branch 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Distribución y Educación de Asientos Infantiles de Safe Riders\*

Safe Riders tiene como objetivo reducir la cantidad de heridas y muertes de niños por accidentes automovilísticos en Texas. Este programa distribuye y educa sobre el uso adecuado de asientos de seguridad para niños. Las familias que cumplan con los criterios de elegibilidad y asistan al curso recibirán un asiento para el automóvil.

### Sat 10/12 North Branch 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

### Adulting 101

Transitioning into adulthood can be intimidating and confusing, and there is endless advice to sift through on the internet. Join us to hear real-life, streamlined advice on budgeting, housing, employment, and wellness. Ages 18-25.

### Fri 10/18 South Branch 4-6 p.m.

### Whispers in the Stacks: A Ghostly Murder Mystery\*

Love a good mystery? Join us to help solve a supernatural murder mystery and also test your knowledge of Haunted Denton in a game of trivia. Costumes encouraged. Snacks and prizes included. Ages 18+.

### Tues 10/22 Emily Fowler 6-8 p.m.

### Growing Your Business with Reference Solutions\*

Building your business? Learn how to use Reference Solutions (formerly Reference USA) to explore new business opportunities, conduct market research, find industry news, and more. The number one source of business information for small business owners, marketing professionals, researchers, and job seekers. Ages 18+.

### Wed 10/23 North Branch 4:30 p.m.

### Dr. Reid Ferring Lecture on Homo Erectus in the Republic of Georgia

Noted archeologist Dr. Reid Ferring has been a member of the Dmanisi research team for over 25 years. This site in the Republic of Georgia has yielded the oldest and best preserved human fossils outside of Africa, dating to 1.8 million years ago. In addition to fossils of Homo Erectus, extinct animal bones and stone artifacts have been recovered, providing evidence of the Dmanisi people.

### Thurs 10/24 Emily Fowler 7 p.m.

### Maintaining Muscle Mass\*

Learn how to maintain muscle mass now, and well into the future, with key foods and supplements all recommended by science-based research. Presented by Natural Grocers.

### Thurs 11/7 Emily Fowler 2:30 p.m.

### Gardening with Kitchen Scraps

Many fruits and vegetables used in your kitchen can be regrown from parts that are usually thrown out! From avocados to celery to lettuce to potatoes, you can create your own indoor garden from the scraps of food you eat every day. Presented by Sustainable Denton.

### Sat 11/9 Emily Fowler 2:30 p.m.

Creative Writing Workshop

Join in the National Novel Writing Month fun! Get writing tips and tricks from an expert. Learn ways to get from the beginning to the end without bloat and how to keep on keeping on when you don't feel the urge to write. Ages 18+.

### Wed 11/13 North Branch 6:30-8 p.m.

#### Denton's Wildlife Habitat Program

Want to learn more about how to support local wildlife? This class will cover the basics of our Wildlife Stewards Program and some different ways you can start your home habitat. We'll also learn about best practices for maintaining your habitat through the seasons. Ages 18+.

#### Wed 11/13 North Branch 6:30-8 p.m.

#### Fall Fun Party

Adult individuals with disabilities and their caregivers are invited to this fun fall social hosted by the Adults with Disabilities Advisory Group, members of Life Works Community. There will be refreshments and games! Join the fun!

#### Thurs 11/14 North Branch 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

#### Adult LEGO® Night

All grown up but still love to build with LEGO® bricks? Join fellow brick-building enthusiasts and let your imagination run wild. Library supplies the LEGOs, you bring the creativity. Ages 18+.

### Mon 12/2 North Branch 6:30-8 p.m.

### E Read to Rover: College Edition

Relax and hangout with therapy dogs as you get ready for finals week. Spending time with a therapy dog has been shown to reduce stress, lower blood pressure, and increase a sense of happiness and well-being. And the dogs love the attention. Ages 18+.

Fri 12/6 North Branch 1:30 p.m.

# **Adult Programs - Arts and Crafts**

#### Crafter's Corner

Bring your current crafting project to work on and meet others in the local crafting community. Share ideas, get tips and inspiration, and learn something new at this come and-go program.

| Thurs 9/5, 9/12, 9/19, 9/26, 10/3, 10/10, 10/17, 10/24, 10/31, 11/7,     | Emily  | 9:30-11:30 |
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| 11/14, 11/21, 12/5, 12/12, 12/19, 12/26                                  | Fowler | a.m.       |
| Fri 9/6, 9/13, 9/20, 9/27, 10/4, 10/11, 10/18, 10/25, 11/1, 11/8, 11/15, | North  | 9-11:30    |
| 11/22, 12/6, 12/13, 12/20, 12/27   | Branch | a.m.       |

#### Needle Tatting Basics\*

Learn how to handcraft lace with a needle instead of shuttle. Tatting can be used for lace edgings, earrings, and other lacy decorations. If you love knitting, needle tatting may be just the thing for you! Supplies provided by the library. Ages 18+.

### Wed 9/18 North Branch 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

#### Wire Bonsai Tree Class\*

Learn to make a bonsai tree out of beads and wire. All supplies will be provided. Registration is required Ages 18+.

### Wed 9/18 South Branch 2:30-5 p.m.



Calling experienced crocheters! Join local artisan Mary Cresson to crochet ghosts for the upcoming spooky season. Supplies will be provided, but feel free to bring your own supplies as well.

### Fri 9/27 Emily Fowler 2-4 p.m.

#### Chainmaille Bracelets\*

Learn how to create your own multicolored, Byzantine-style chainmaille bracelets! All materials provided. Registration is required. Ages 18+.

### Sat 10/5 South Branch 4:30-6 p.m.

#### Bad Art Night\*

No artistic skills? None needed for this art program! Come make the strangest, silliest piece of art you possibly can. Materials provided; judgment and worry left at the door.

### Mon 10/7, 12/9 North Branch 6-7:30 p.m.

### Sweet & Spooky Felted Pumpkins\*

Learn how to create 3D felted pumpkins and jack-o-lanterns to decorate for Halloween or the fall season. MON 10/21 North Branch 6:30-8:30 p.m. Ages 18+.

### Thurs 10/17 North Branch 2:30-4:30 p.m.

### Mon 10/21 North Branch 6:30-8:30 p.m.

### <u>Yarn Gnome Christmas Ornaments\*</u>

Make your own pom-pom yarn gnome ornaments to decorate your home for the winter holidays. Supplies provided by the library. Ages 18+.

### Wed 10/23 North Branch 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

### Acrylic Painting\*

Join us as we learn the basics of acrylic painting. No experience necessary and all attendees will create the same painting. All supplies provided. Ages 18+.

### Tues 10/29, 12/17 Emily Fowler 6:30-8:30 p.m.

#### Beeswax Wraps\*

Join us to make your own beeswax wraps! This is a great, natural alternative to plastic storage and waste. All materials provided. Registration is required. Ages 18+.

### Wed 11/13 South Branch 12-2 p.m.

#### Wire Bonsai Tree\*

Want a bonsai tree that never needs watering or pruning? Learn to make your own bonsai tree out of beads and wire. All supplies are provided. Ages 18+.

### Thurs 11/14 North Branch 2:30-5 p.m.

# Felted Gnomes\*

Learn the basics of needle felting by creating an adorable felted gnome! These cute little gnomes make the perfect holiday decoration. All supplies provided. Ages 18+.

### Tues 11/19 North Branch 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Japanese Kumihimo Braiding\*

Learn the fun and relaxing art of kumihimo with local craftswoman Mary Cresson! This traditional Japanese braiding technique is used to create cords that can be the base for jewelry, key chains, hair accessories, and more. All supplies provided. Ages 18+.

### Sat 12/14 South Branch 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

2025 Vision Boards\*

Unleash your creativity and manifest your dreams! Join us for an inspiring session where you'll craft your own personalized vision board, setting powerful intentions for the future in a fun and casual atmosphere. Ages 18+.

### Tues 12/31 South Branch 4-6 p.m.

# **Adult Programs - STEM**

### All About Astronomy

Have you ever looked up at the night sky and wondered what's out there? Take a deep dive into some of today's most talked-about topics in astronomy, like black holes, dark matter, and our ever-expanding universe. Join students from UNT's Department of Physics for an evening of stellar fun! Ages 18+.

Wed 11/20 North Branch 6:30-8 p.m.

# **Adult Programs - Technology**

### Intro to The Forge Makerspace\*

Want to know what the makerspace is all about? Find out about what you can make and do in The Forge. Ages 18+.

Mon 9/9, 11/4 The Forge at North Branch 6:30-8:30 p.m.

### Thurs 10/3 The Forge at North Branch 10-11:30 a.m.

Fall into Cricut Design\*

Join Heidee Vincent and learn ways to use the Cricuit Maker 3 to personalize your own fall-themed decorative sign. Supplies provided by the library. Advanced Beginner Class. Ages 18+.

### Thurs 9/12 The Forge at North Branch 10-11:30 a.m.

Mon 9/16 The Forge at North Branch 6-8:30 p.m.

Haunted Halloween Tote Bags\*

Learn how to use the Library's Cricut Maker 3 and Venture to personalize your own Halloweenthemed canvas tote bag. Ages 18+.

Thurs 10/10 The Forge at North Branch 9:30-11:30 a.m.

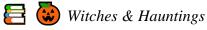
Mon 10/14 The Forge at North Branch 6:30 p.m.

# **Adult Programs - Book Clubs**

### Rise and Shine Book Club

Join us to discuss the selected fiction genre of the month. If it isn't your cup of tea, just choose something different to talk about at this casual book club. Refreshments provided. Ages 16+. *Dual Narratives/Multiple Perspectives* 

### Sat 9/7 North Branch 10 a.m.



#### Sat 10/5 North Branch 10 a.m.

Maximalist Book Covers

#### Sat 11/2 North Branch 10 a.m.

Novels with a Strong Sense of Place/Book Exchange

Sat 11/30 North Branch 10 a.m.

### Friday Fiction Book Club

Join a librarian and fellow fiction lovers to discuss any book of your choice within the chosen subgenre of the month! Refreshments provided. Ages 18+.

Fri 9/13-Romance Fri 10/11-Mystery Fri 11/8—Historical Fri 12/13-Any fiction! South Branch 4:30-6 p.m.

### E Silent Reading Party

Bring your own book and read silently for an hour. Feel free to chat with others about your books after the first hour of reading. Coffee and treats provided. Ages 18+.

### Mon 12/16 North Branch 6:30-8 p.m.

# **Genealogy and Denton History**

### Haunted Places [Exhibit]

Stop by the library to view a photographic exhibit featuring a few of Denton's reportedly haunted places and discover the legends behind the haunting.

October 1-31 Emily Fowler Library

Denton County Genealogical Society

Meet fellow genealogists, share tips, & learn new information. Visitors are welcome. Find a Grave and Other Cemetery Records and How They Can Help You Further Your Research presented by Stacie Briggs

Thurs 9/12 Emily Fowler 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Courthouse Records: One Stop Shopping for Family Secrets presented by Patti Gillespie

#### Thurs 10/10 Emily Fowler 6:30-8:30 p.m.

TBD probably Military Records

Thurs 11/14 Emily Fowler 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Connections a Genealogy Discussion Group\*\*

Join us to discuss genealogical research methods and historical context using articles published in STIRPES, the Journal of TxSGS as starting point. Registrants will be sent the focus article and list of questions for each meeting.

Basic Search Techniques by Susan E. Ball, Stirpes, September 2023 pages 19-23

#### Fri 9/27 Emily Fowler 11 a.m.

16,000+ Friends: Using Facebook for Genealogy by Nancy Gilbride Casey, Stirpes, September 2023 pages 35-40

Fri 10/25 Emily Fowler 11 a.m.

# Hunting Your House's History

Have you ever wondered about the history of your house or location of your business? Are you preparing a narrative history for a local historical marker? Do you love Denton history? Learn what resources are available and how to use them to find out about your house's "secret history".

### Sat 9/28 Emily Fowler 10-11:30 a.m.

### Explore "Haunted Denton" with author Teal Gray [Author]

Teal takes you through the dimly lit comers of Denton's eerie past through the pages of her book Haunted Denton from The History Press' Arcadia Press. Follow a trail of Denton ghost stories from nineteenth-century pioneers and outlaws to modern-day businessmen who don't intend to clock out. The haunted heritage of the fascinating Texas town is captured in its pages.

### Tues 10/15 Emily Fowler 7 p.m.

The Tom Cook Blacksmith Shop: History & Archeology of an African American Blacksmith Learn about the archeological and historical investigations at the Tom Cook Blacksmith Shop, located in Bolivar. The story of the Tom and Lethia Cook and their descendants is an important addition to the story of black heritage in our County. Presented by archeologist Douglas Boyd and oral history professor Maria Franklin, Ph.D.

### Thurs 10/17 Emily Fowler 6:30-9 p.m.

### Annual Genealogy Lock-In\*

We are partnering with other libraries and genealogy societies across Texas to host the Annual Genealogy Lock-In You can "come and go", stay for the full day or view the programs virtually. Eight presentations, recorded specifically for this event, will be streamed throughout the day. One-on-one help, and tours of Special Collections will be available. Information will be available at web address beginning 09/15/2024.

U.S. Naturalization: The Records, The Laws and the Impact presented by Irene B. Walters, Librarian Houston Public Library's Family History Research Center

### Fri 10/18 Emily Fowler 9 a.m.

Genealogy Resources at the Texas General Land Office presented by Kevin Klaus, Texas General Land Office Research Room Team Leader and Information Specialist

### Fri 10/18 Emily Fowler 10 a.m.

So You Discovered You Have a Colonial Ancestor. Now What? presented by Craig R. Scott, MA, CG, FUGA, President and CEO of Heritage Books, Inc.

### Fri 10/18 Emily Fowler 11 a.m.

Getting Started with Your Genealogy presented by Laura Douglas, Head of Special Collections, Denton Public Library

### Fri 10/18 Emily Fowler 12:45-2:15 p.m.

Introducing the Retro Tech Lab: Digitally Preserving Family History presented by Mark Dellenbaugh, MA, MLIS, Genealogy and Local History Librarian at the Arlington Public Library

### Fri 10/18 Emily Fowler 2:30 p.m.

I've Found My Irish Immigrant Ancestor. Now What? presented by....

Fri 10/18 Emily Fowler 3:30 p.m.

Emily Coffman Richardson, Genealogist with KinSearchers, Director-at-Large, TxSGS

#### Fri 10/18 Emily Fowler 4:30 p.m.

Proven Methods for Breaking Down Genealogical Brick Walls presented by Leslie Tomlinson, MFA, CG

### Fri 10/18 Emily Fowler 5:30 p.m.

### Paranormal Investigation of Emily Fowler (draft)\*

You are invited to investigate Emily Fowler Haunted Library with Teal Gray's Para Hunters Team. Get ready for a unique experience with the North Texas Ghostbusters on hand to keep ghosts in order and photo ops with their Ecto1 car. Investigations outside and inside the building will use tools like dowsing rods, EMF detectors, and more. For adults; minors ages 13+ may investigate with a parent or guardian; a screen outside will project the investigation for those under 13 and their families.

#### Sun 10/20 Emily Fowler 6-9 p.m.

### Oakwood Cemetery Tour

Join us for a free guided tour of historic Oakwood Cemetery where we'll learn about Denton founders, local legends, and our diverse community. Meet at the main gate at 747 East Prairie St in Denton. Wear close-toed shoes and dress appropriately for the weather.

#### Tues 10/22 Oakwood Cemetery 5:30 p.m.