Denton Public Library

Proposed 2026 Spring Classes & Events

Early Childhood (0-5) Programs - Early Learning

Music & Movement

Join us for a groovy good time full of music and fun! This joyful, interactive program supports early literacy through song, dance, and play. This program is designed for ages 3 - 5 and their caregivers. Due to limited room capacity, this is a ticketed event. Tickets will be given out at service desk 30 minutes before program starts.

Fri 1/9, 3/6 Emily Fowler 9:30 a.m.

Mon 2/9, 4/6 Emily Fowler 9:30 a.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! Ages 1-5.

Mon 1/12, 2/9, 3/9, 4/13 South Branch 9:30-11 a.m.

Small Scientists

Know a Small Scientist in need of a lab? Bring your little learner to the library for a hands-on STEAM experience designed to nurture curiosity and encourage creativity. Sometimes messy but always fun! This program is designed for children age 3 - 5 and their caregivers. STEAM = Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math

Sat 1/24, 3/7 Emily Fowler 10 a.m.

Lunar New Year Story Time

Celebrate the Year of the Horse with your family in this special story time featuring stories, songs, and rhymes about the Lunar New Year. Afterward, families are invited to stay and make a lantern craft to celebrate! Ages 1-5. Ages 1-5.

Tues 2/10 North Branch 11 a.m.

123 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. *Please register once for your family. Each registrant will be signed up for all five sessions. Registration is first-come, first-served, so sign up early to secure your spot. Ages 1-3.

Sat 2/21, 2/28, 3/7, 3/14, 3/21 North Branch 11 a.m.

Preschool Prom

It's time to celebrate at our Preschool Prom! Come dressed up for a day of dancing, fun activities, and plenty of memories to make with your little ones. Ages 1-5. Ages 1-5.

Thurs 4/23 North Branch 11 a.m.

Early Childhood (0-5) Programs - Literacy

Kindergarten Prep*

This program is designed for 4-5 year olds to spend an hour in a more independent learning environment, while still having the comfort and safety of their caregiver being in the same room. Sessions will help children learn skills that they need for kindergarten. Each session will have songs, stories, and hands-on math and literacy activities for young learners, and will help introduce social-emotional learning through sharing and cooperation with other children. Registration is required, as space is limited to provide an authentic and high quality experience. Please only count your child(ren) as attendees when registering. Ages 4-5. Ages 4-5.

Mon 1/5, 2/2, 3/2, 4/6 South Branch 11 a.m.

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. Due to limited room capacity, this is a ticketed event. Tickets will be given out at service desk 30 minutes before program starts. Books of the Week: ***Books are subject to change based on availability.

Tues 1/13, 1/20, 1/27, 2/3, 2/10, 2/17, 2/24, 3/3, 3/10, 3/17, 3/24, 3/31, 4/7, 4/14	South Branch	10 a.m.
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Thurs 1/15, 1/22, 1/29, 2/5, 2/12, 2/19, 2/26, 3/5, 3/12, 3/19, 3/26, 4/2, 4/9, 4/16	North Branch	9:30 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. Due to

limited room capacity, this is a ticketed event. Tickets will be given out at service desk 30 minutes before program starts. Books of the Week: ***Books are subject to change based on availability.

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Fri 1/16, 1/23, 1/30, 2/6, 2/13, 2/20, 2/27, 3/6, 3/13, 3/20, 3/27, 4/3, 4/10, 4/17	North Branch	11 a.m.

Baby Story Time

Bond with your baby in classes featuring stories, songs, and activities designed to strengthen your connection and foster early literacy. Due to limited room capacity, this is a ticketed event. Tickets will be given out at service desk 30 minutes before program starts. Books of the Week: ***Books are subject to change based on availability.

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Fri 1/16, 1/23, 1/30, 2/6, 2/13, 2/20, 2/27, 3/6, 3/13, 3/20, 3/27, 4/3, 4/10, 4/17	North Branch	9:30 a.m.

Hora de Cuentos

Venga a la biblioteca para una hora de cuentos muy especial. Habrá cuentos, canciones y actividades, ¡todo en español! Por edades 1 a 5 con adulto. Come to the library for a very special story time. There will be stories, songs, and activities - all in Spanish! For ages 1 - 5 with caregiver. Ages 5 and under.

Fri 1/16, 2/6, 3/6, 4/3 South Branch 10:30 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. Due to limited room capacity, this is a ticketed event. Tickets will be given out at service desk 30 minutes before program starts. Books of the Week: ***Books are subject to change based on availability.

Sat 1/17, 1/24, 1/31, 2/7, 2/14, 2/21, 2/28, 3/7, 3/14, 3/21, 3/28, 4/4, 4/11,	South	10
4/18	Branch	a.m.

Student Age (6-10) Programs - STEM

LEGO® Club

Attention young builders! Join the excitement at our LEGO® Club, where learning, problem-solving, 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.

Wed 1/7, 2/11, 3/11, 4/8 Emily Fowler 4:30 p.m.

Thurs 1/15, 2/19, 3/19, 4/16 North Branch 4 p.m.

Makers Gonna Make

Meet and make at the library! Each session will have different projects exploring aspects of STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts, and math). Ages 6-17.

Mon 1/12, 2/16, 3/16, 4/13 North Branch 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

Dream STEAM: Paper Roller Coasters

Design the roller coaster of your dreams! Join us for hands-on STEAM fun as we explore kinetic and potential energy. This program is designed for children age 6 - 10.

Wed 1/14 Emily Fowler 4:30 p.m.

STEAM Explorers

Get ready to imagine, build, experiment, and explore! STEAM Explorers is a hands-on program for curious kids who love to ask questions and try new things. Each session features a fun, new theme. With guided activities and creative challenges, elementary students will dive into the exciting world of STEAM and discover how science, technology, engineering, art, and math shape the world around us. Ages 6-10.

Winter

Tues 1/20 South Branch 4:30 p.m.

Valentine's Day

Tues 2/10 South Branch 4:30 p.m.

Spring

Tues 3/17 South Branch 4:30 p.m.

Space

Tues 4/14 South Branch 4:30 p.m.

Seedling Scouts Gardening Club

Join us for a hands-on exploration of nature, history, and science! Each month, children will dig into new topics from building safe habitats for beneficial bugs and learning the science behind pollinators, to exploring cultural practices in gardening. This program is a perfect mix of outdoor discovery, STEM activities, and appreciation for the natural world. Ages 6-10.

February: Build Bug Boxes

Thurs 2/12 North Branch 4 p.m.

March: Learn about Bees with Master Craftsman Beekeeper, Michelle Boerst

Thurs 3/12 North Branch 4 p.m.

April: Sensory Gardens

Thurs 4/9 North Branch 4 p.m.

Student Age (6-10) Programs - Literacy

Book Adventures

This fun and engaging story time is designed especially for elementary-aged students. Get inspired through stories and self-expression! Join us for a special read-aloud of a picture book that sparks creativity, followed by an open-ended art invitation based on the story. Children will have the opportunity to make real-life connections to stories that will help them develop comprehension skills and foster a love of reading. Ages 6-10.

A Hat For House

Tues 1/6 South Branch 4:30 p.m.

One

Tues 2/3 South Branch 4:30 p.m.

Spider in the Well

Thurs 3/5 South Branch 4:30 p.m.

Finn's Little Fibs

Tues 4/7 South Branch 4:30 p.m.

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 1/17, 2/21, 3/21, 4/18 South Branch 10:30 a.m.

Sat 1/17, 2/21, 3/21, 4/18 North Branch 2 p.m.

Bendy Bookworms

A yoga story time adventure for school-aged children that blends storytelling, gentle yoga poses, and mindfulness activities to help children build gratitude and body awareness. No experience needed- just bring your imagination, comfy clothes, and a grateful heart! Yoga mats are optional. For ages 6-10. Caregivers are also welcome to participate!

Tues 3/10 South Branch 4:30 p.m.

Women's History Month Story and Craft

Celebrate Women's History Month with a journey through story, music, and art. In this special story time for elementary aged students, children will explore the societal contributions of women throughout history, and the challenges that those women faced along the way. We'll learn about several influential female artists- and create our own kid-friendly versions of their art to take home. Ages 6-10.

Tues 3/24 South Branch 4:30 p.m.

Student Age (6-10) Programs - Arts Culture and History

Pokémon Club

If you love Pokémon, I Choose you... to join fellow trainers for crafts, games, and more! Ages 6 - 10.

Wed 1/21, 2/25, 3/25, 4/22 Emily Fowler 4:30 p.m.

Cardboard Creations: Candy Heart Piñatas

Join us for some sweet creativity and decorate your own conversation heart piñata! Best for ages 6 - 10 and their caregiver.

Tues 2/10 Emily Fowler 5-6:30 p.m.

Art Exploration: Black History Month

Join us as we explore and learn about different artists and art styles! Ages 6 - 10. Younger children welcome with caregiver participation. This month we'll explore the art of Rachel Jones.

Wed 2/18 Emily Fowler 4:30 p.m.

Art Exploration: Women's History Month

Join us as we explore and learn about different artists and art styles! Ages 6 - 10. Younger children welcome with caregiver participation. In honor of Women's History Month, we'll explore the art of Yayoi Kusama.

Wed 3/18 Emily Fowler 4:30 p.m.

Cardboard Creations: Earth Day

Celebrate Earth Day with sustainable art! Join us to transform cardboard boxes and household recyclables into dazzling creations. Best for ages 6 - 10.

Sat 4/18 Emily Fowler 2-4 p.m.

Young Adult (11-17) Programs - STEM

Brain Break

Chill out in the Teen Room and make art, play games, hang out, and more. Activities change daily. Ages 11-17.

Tues 1/6, 1/13, 1	1/20, 1/27, 2/3, 2/10, 2/17, 2/24, 3/3, 3/17, 3/24, 4/7,	North	4-5:30
4/14, 4/21, 4/28		Branch	p.m.
Wed 1/7, 1/14, 1	/28, 2/4, 2/11, 2/18, 2/25, 3/4, 3/18, 3/25, 4/1, 4/8,	North	4-5:30
4/15, 4/22		Branch	p.m.
Thurs 1/8, 1/15,	1/22, 1/29, 2/5, 2/12, 2/19, 2/26, 3/5, 3/19, 3/26, 4/2,	North	4-5:30
4/9, 4/16, 4/23,	4/30	Branch	p.m.
Fri 1/9, 1/16, 1/2	23, 1/30, 2/6, 2/13, 2/20, 2/27, 3/6, 3/20, 3/27, 4/3, 4/10,	North	4-5:30
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Solar System Ambassador

Learn about space objects such as galaxies, planets, and stars, plus NASA missions, from Solar System Ambassador Michael Davis. Topics change monthly. Ages 11+.

Tues 1/27, 2/10, 3/10, 4/14 North Branch 6 p.m.

Valentine's Choclatiers*

Whether you're making sweets for your sweetheart or savoring the single life, join us in making some great chocolate!

Wed 2/4 South Branch 7-8:30 p.m.

Periodic Table Day

Celebrate the periodic table and learn how and why it was created. From there we'll discover ways you can "collect" the elements for yourself!

Fri 2/6 South Branch 4:30 p.m.

Sound Engineering

Learn how engineering can help make unique sounds with the guitar. This demonstration program will introduce you to the world of pedal boards and how vital they are for the modern rock band!

Wed 3/18 South Branch 7 p.m.

Superhero Science Day

How would much force would it take for someone to be able to leap a tall building in a single bound? What could go wrong with running at the speed of sound, or faster? Find out the answer to these questions and more as we explore how superheroes might work in real life!

Wed 4/8 South Branch 7 p.m.

Young Adult (11-17) Programs - Literacy

Science Fiction Day Celebration

Celebrate the origins of science fiction and share your favorite examples of the genre! We'll be celebrating with a trivia game, writing exercise, and more!

Fri 1/2 South Branch 4:30 p.m.

Writer's Workshop: Critique Day

Do you have a great story but want some feedback to take it to the next level? Come join our workshop for constructive criticism and feedback! No experience necessary but please bring something you are working on!

Wed 1/28 South Branch 7 p.m.

How to Get Organized

Too many projects, tests, and extracurriculars clouding your calendar? In this workshop, you will learn how to organize your digital calendar to keep you on track and break down tasks for success. Ages 11-17.

Sat 1/31 North Branch 2 p.m.

Mythology Symposium

We're going to be celebrating myths from around world while looking to their modern impacts! Come join us to discover these ancient ideas!

Wed 2/25 South Branch 7 p.m.

How to Write an Essay

Tired of the same, boring essay format each time you write? Learn how to jazz up your essay skills with digital organizers and outlines. Ages 11-17.

Sat 3/28 North Branch 2 p.m.

Young Adult (11-17) Programs - Arts Culture and History

Dragon's Den: After-school Adventures

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 1/6, 1/20, 2/3, 2/17, 3/3, 3/17, 4/7, 4/21 North Branch 5-8 p.m.

Teen Advisory Board

Participate in a monthly service project benefiting the Denton community.

Wed 1/7, 2/11, 3/4, 4/1 South Branch 6 p.m.

Wed 1/21, 4/29 North Branch 4-5:30 p.m.

Tues 2/24, 3/31 North Branch 4-5:30 p.m.

Cozy Creators

Come join us in The Forge Makerspace! In this low-stimulation environment creators can bring their own project from home to work on and trade tips & tricks with other crafters; limited supplies provided. Ages 11-17.

Fri 1/9, 2/13, 3/13, 4/10 The Forge at North Branch 4-5:30 p.m.

EYEKON KLUB

Fans of KATSEYE-- as well as other K-Pop artists-- are invited to learn dances, watch/discuss performances, and create DIY K-Pop merchandise (photocards, buttons, totes, etc.) alongside other enthusiasts! Ages 11-17.

Thurs 1/22, 3/19 North Branch 4:30 p.m.

Thurs 2/19, 4/16 The Forge at North Branch 4:30 p.m.

Repair & Repurpose

Do you have a pile of thrifted clothing you keep saying you'll spruce up? Learn about sustainable fashion from The P.E.T.A.L. Project and flip your clothing to best suit your size and style. Ages 13+.

Tues 3/10 North Branch 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Perler Bead Pixel Art*

Learn how to use perler beads to make wonderful works of pixel art! No experience needed and supplies will be provided!

Wed 3/11 South Branch 6 p.m.

Intro to Improv

Discover the performing art of improv! Learn how to think on your feet and have a blast while doing it! No experience necessary!

Wed 3/25 South Branch 6:30 p.m.

Film Score Day

Ready, set, action! Learn how film scores enhance the movie experience and the history behind how music adapted to motion pictures.

Fri 4/3 South Branch 4:30 p.m.

Intro to Starfinder*

Are you wanting to adventure in the vast reaches of space? Well, you're in luck Starfinder! Come learn how to play this great game and have fun with your fellow science fiction fans!

Wed 4/15 South Branch 6-8 p.m.

Young Adult (11-17) Programs - Business Career and Financial

Teen Volunteer Orientation

Learn about teen volunteer opportunities and get your paperwork started. Attending Teen Volunteer Orientation is required for teens to volunteer at the library. Ages 11-17.

Sat 1/10 North Branch 3 p.m.

What Is Poverty?

In honor of Poverty Awareness Month, we are offering a class for teens to teach the basics of poverty. If you've ever wanted to know about this social status, what it means, what to do, who can help; this is the class for you.

Wed 1/14 South Branch 6 p.m.

Adult (18+) Programs - STEM

Gardening with Kitchen Scraps

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

Sat 1/31 Emily Fowler 10 a.m.

Recycling 101

Join us while we review what's accepted in Denton's curbside recycling, where your recycling goes, why certain items are not accepted, and what your recycling becomes. We will also discuss some sustainable alternatives to recycling such as reuse and repair. Presented by Sustainable Denton.

Thurs 2/19 Emily Fowler 6 p.m.

Turf Lawn Alternatives

Join City of Denton Sustainability staff to learn how to switch up your turf grass for beautiful, water conscious, alternatives! Leave the class with new knowledge on grass alternatives and the benefits they can have on your landscape and water bill.

Thurs 3/5 Emily Fowler 6 p.m.

Texas Birds*

Over 600 bird species have been observed in Texas. Some live here year-round; some come for the summer to raise their chicks; others come to spend a comfortable winter; still others just pass through Texas on their way to more extreme breeding or wintering grounds. Come learn which birds to expect in your backyard, how to identify them, and how to make your yard welcoming and safe for them. Denton Public Library was awarded the Flight Path programming honorarium from Spark of Science@ My Library. This program is part of the Flight Path programming series. Learn more at https://community.starnetlibraries.org/flightpathapplication/.

Sat 3/21 Emily Fowler 10 a.m.

Spring into Cricut Design*

Join Heidee Vincent and find out ways to use Cricut Design Software to personalize your own Spring-themed decorative sign. Supplies provided by the library. Ages 18+.

Mon 3/30 The Forge at North Branch 6-8 p.m.

Astronomy Beyond Our Solar System

Have you ever wondered if there might be life elsewhere in the Universe, or what kinds of planets might be lurking beyond our Solar System? Join members of UNT's Astronomy Program for a discussion of all things exoplanets: what they are, how we've found them, and what else we still have yet to discover! Ages 18+.

Mon 4/6 North Branch 6:30-8 p.m.

Intro to The Forge Makerspace*

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

Wed 4/22 The Forge at North Branch 6:30-8 p.m.

Adult (18+) Programs - Literacy

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. Ages 16+.

Something Old

Sat 1/10 North Branch 10 a.m.

Something New

Sat 2/14 North Branch 10 a.m.

Something Funny

Sat 3/21 North Branch 10 a.m.

Something Blue

Sat 4/18 North Branch 10 a.m.

Romantasy Book Club

Have you enjoyed the enchanting realms of A Court of Thorns and Roses or Fourth Wing, and find yourself yearning for more? From star-crossed lovers to epic quests, discuss tales of that ignite passion and the imagination. Connect with fellow romantasy fans and find your next spellbinding read. Ages 18+.

The Cruel Prince by Holly Black

Wed 1/14 North Branch 6:30-8 p.m.

Burn for Me by Ilona Andrews

Wed 2/11 North Branch 6:30-8 p.m.

Serpent & Dove by Shelby Mahurin

Wed 3/11 North Branch 6:30-8 p.m.

Fear the Flames by Olivia Rose Darling

Wed 4/8 North Branch 6:30-8 p.m.

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+.

Mon 1/26 Steve's Wine Bar (TBD) 6:30-8 p.m.

Mon 2/16 DCBC

6:30-8 p.m.

Mon 3/16 Miss Angeline's (TBD) 6:30-8 p.m.

Mon 4/20 Harvest House 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 4/11 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 4/11 North Branch 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Letter Writing 101

Take a break from doomscrolling and send your friends and loved ones some snail mail! In this workshop you'll learn how to write, address, and mail a letter for the low price of 78 cents. You can even take turns typing on an old-school typewriter. Ages 18+.

Sat 4/11 North Branch 4-5:30 p.m.

Adult (18+) Programs - Arts Culture and History

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. Fridays 9-11:30 a.m. at North Branch

Fri 1/2, 1/9, 1/16, 1/23, 1/30, 2/6, 2/13, 2/20, 2/27, 3/6, 3/13, 3/20, 3/27, 4/3, 4/10, 4/17, 4/24	North Branch	9:30-11:30 a.m.
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Denton County Genealogical Society Meeting

If you are a genealogy enthusiast or just curious about family history, please consider visiting the next meeting. You will meet other genealogist, share tips on how to go about the research, and learn some new information. Visitors are welcome!

Choosing Genealogy Services and Software presented by Tony Hanson

Thurs 1/8 Emily Fowler 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Avoiding Bias: Consider All the Possibilities presented by Barbara Coakley

Thurs 2/12 Emily Fowler 6:30-8:30 p.m.

The 20 Websites Every Genealogist Should Use presented by Emily Coffman Richardson Ed.D.

Thurs 3/12 Emily Fowler 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Click, Learn, Discover: Lifelong Learning for Family Historians presented by Laura Douglas

Thurs 4/9 Emily Fowler 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Denton County Health & Wellness Series*

Self-Care for the New Year - Saturday, Jan 10 Healthy eating with Family-Friendly Bento Boxes - Saturday, Feb 7th Women, Infants, and Children - Friday, Feb 13 Better Sleep Practices (For National Sleep Month!) - Saturday, Mar 21st Disease Prevention and Treatment - Saturday. Apr 4

Sat 1/10, 2/7, 3/21, 4/4 Emily Fowler 2:30 p.m.

Fri 2/13 Emily Fowler 2:30 p.m.

Connections, a Genealogy Discussion Group*

Join us for a group that explores genealogical research through discussion of articles published in the TxSGS Journal STIRPES. As a registrant, you will receive the focus article and a list of questions to guide our conversation. This group is for anyone interested in learning more about genealogical research and the historical context of their family history.

Finding and Using City Directories for Family History Research by Sandra Crowley, published September 2024, pages 25-31

Fri 1/23 Emily Fowler 11 a.m.

Researching the Slave Ancestry of my African American Cousins by Duane Helweg, published June 2018, pages 33-41

Fri 2/27 Emily Fowler 11 a.m.

Tracing Female Ancestors: A Journey Through History by Sandra Crowley, published June 2024, pages 17-23

Fri 3/27 Emily Fowler 11 a.m.

Story Triggers: Finding Inspiration for Writing Family History by Sandra Crowley, March 2025, pages 46-48

Fri 4/24 Emily Fowler 11 a.m.

Beginning Genealogy*

Are you curious about your family history, just not sure how to start? It may be easier than you think. In this session we will discuss the basic concepts and processes of genealogical research, the first steps in gathering information, how to locate and evaluate records, and how to find free or low-cost training to grow your genealogical skills.

Fri 1/30 Emily Fowler 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Needle Felted Paintings*

Learn the basics of needle felting to use wool and "paint" your own piece of felted artwork. Great for beginners, all supplies provided by the library. Ages 18+.

Tues 2/3 North Branch 2:30-4:30 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 2/9/26 North Branch 6-7:30 pm Ages 18+.

Mon 2/9 North Branch 6-7:30 p.m.

Denton County's African American schools

Join local historian Robin Cole-Jett for a program exploring the history of Denton County's African American schools and communities, specifically highlighting the Lewisville and Hickory schools.

Sat 2/21 Emily Fowler 10 a.m.

Sewing a Tomato Pin Cushion*

Learn how to make this classic, easy-to-sew tomato pin cushion, which is a must-have tool for any sewing enthusiast. Great for beginners. All supplies provided. Ages 18+.

Tues 3/10 The Forge at North Branch 2-4 p.m.

Wire Braided Bracelets*

Create a wire bracelet using a braiding technique and beads. No previous experience needed, but registration is required to attend. Ages 18+.

Fri 3/27 South Branch 2:30-4:30 p.m.

Women Airforce Service Pilots of World War II*

Join TWU professor Katherine Sharp Landdeck as she discusses the brave women who became service pilots during World War II. You can also read her book The Women with Silver Wings: The

Inspiring True Story of the Women Airforce Service Pilots of World War II, available at the Denton Public Library.

Sat 3/28 Emily Fowler 10 a.m.

Kumihimo Braiding Workshop*

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

Tues 4/14 North Branch 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Adult (18+) Programs - Business Career and Financial

Small Business Connections

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

Tues 2/10, 3/17, 4/21 North Branch 4:30 p.m.

Medicare Made Simple: A Friendly Guide*

Confused by Medicare? Join us for a relaxed, no-pressure session where we break down the basics, explain coverage options, and answer your questions. Perfect for those turning 65, caregivers, or anyone navigating Medicare. Come learn in a welcoming environment! Ages 18+.

Thurs 2/19 South Branch 5:30-8:30 p.m.

Funding Your Future: Small Business Loans and Beyond*

Join Kissena Sheets, business consultant with KLS Funding, to explore a variety of small business financing solutions, from traditional bank loans to alternative lending. Learn what each option involves and how to find the right fit for your business. Get practical tips on securing the funding you need to grow your business. Ages 18+.

Tues 3/31 North Branch 10-11:30 a.m.

First Time Homebuyers Seminar*

Buying your first home is an exciting milestone—but it can also feel overwhelming. This presentation will guide you through the essential steps of homeownership, from understanding your budget to navigating the mortgage process. We'll break down key considerations, common pitfalls, and insider tips to help you make informed decisions with confidence. Ages 18+.

Thurs 4/9 South Branch 4:30-8:30 p.m.

General (All Ages) Programs - STEM

Citizen Science: An Overview*

Learn how to become a citizen scientist and help researchers gather data on a variety of projects. Anyone can participate in meaningful scientific research with easy to access tools. Join Sustainability staff to find out more about the various citizen science platforms that are available. Ages 18+.

Sat 1/17 South Branch 12 p.m.

Bird Watching Basics

Learn the basics of bird watching including what tools to use and how your power of observation can be used to determine what type of birds you are seeing. The class will be taught by Texas Master Naturalist and bird enthusiast Scott Kiester. Just in time for the Global Bird Count held on February 13–16, 2026. All ages. Denton Public Library was awarded the Flight Path programming honorarium from Spark of Science@ My Library. This program is part of the Flight Path programming series. Learn more at https://community.starnetlibraries.org/flightpathapplication/.

Wed 2/4 North Branch 6 p.m.

Enjoying Spring Local Ecology

Join the Petal Project for tips on how to get started enjoying nature around you this spring. 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. All Ages.

Wed 3/18 North Branch 6:30 p.m.

Plant Swap

Join us at the North Branch for a spring plant swap! Bring your cuttings, plants, and seeds - plus any supplies you no longer need - to swap with other gardening enthusiasts. There will also be free seeds and free books with handouts with gardening tips and tricks.

Sat 3/28 North Branch 3:30 p.m.

Blackland Prairie Live Raptor Experience

There's no better way to learn about the birds of prey in North Texas than to meet them in person! These hawks, owls and falcons are well trained, and with the assistance of BPRC education specialists, show you what makes them an important part of our environment. You will discover their roles in the food chain and their unique adaptations to hunt in woodland, wetlands, and prairies. Denton Public Library was awarded the Flight Path programming honorarium from Spark of Science@ My Library. This program is part of the Flight Path programming series. Learn more at https://community.starnetlibraries.org/flightpathapplication/.

Tues 4/14 Emily Fowler 6:30 p.m.

Quakertown Birdwalk

Join Denton Public Library and Sustainable Denton on a leisurely walk through Quakertown Park to discover the different types of birds that live around us! No experience needed. A limited number of binoculars will be available to borrow, so please bring your own if you have them. No registration required. Denton Public Library was awarded the Flight Path programming honorarium from Spark of Science@ My Library. This program is part of the Flight Path programming series. Learn more at https://community.starnetlibraries.org/flightpathapplication/.

Sat 4/18 Emily Fowler 9:30 a.m.

General (All Ages) Programs - Literacy

Denton StoryWalks®

Visit our StoryWalk® on the Square and StoryWalk® at Fred Moore Park this summer! 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

Get Site to Site Like a Dentonite*

Learn to get where you need with confidence! In this class, explore what alternative transportation options are available, how to use them, and where they travel to in Denton. Ages 18+.

Sat 4/4 South Branch 12 p.m.

General (All Ages) Programs - Arts Culture and History

Poster Exhibit - City of Hope: Resurrection City and the 1968 Pool People's Campaign

City of Hope: Resurrection City and the 1968 Poor People's Campaign honors Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s daring vision for economic justice and opportunity for every U.S. citizen. The poster exhibition examines the Poor People's Campaign—a grassroots, multiracial movement that drew thousands of people to Washington, D.C. seeking social reforms. City of Hope: Resurrection City and the 1968 Poor People's Campaign is organized by the Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service in collaboration with the National Museum of African American History and Culture. January - February

South Branch's Birthday Party

You are cordially invited to the South Branch Library's 30th birthday party! Join us for cake, music, fun, and community as we celebrate memories and look forward to the future of the South Branch.

Fri 1/30 South Branch 2-5 p.m.

Raising Backyard Chickens*

Curious about keeping chickens right here in Denton? Join us for an engaging presentation on the joys and responsibilities of raising a small flock in your own backyard. Learn about daily care, the many benefits of keeping hens, and the local regulations you'll need to know before getting started.

Whether you're dreaming of farm-fresh eggs, teaching your kids about nature, or simply adding a little "country" to your city backyard, this family-friendly program is for you!

Sat 3/7 South Branch 3-5 p.m.

Zellige Mosaic Workshop*

Dive into the intricate world of Moroccan artistry with our immersive Zellij Mosaic Workshop. Start with an engaging overview of the rich history and vibrant traditions of Moroccan zellij, exploring its stunning impact on architecture, décor, and craftsmanship. Then, roll up your sleeves for a handson experience where you'll create your very own mosaic masterpiece to take home. Ages 18+.

Wed 4/15 South Branch 11 a.m.-1 p.m.