



Fall Events



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Featured Events

Registration required. Registration opens the 22nd of the month prior to the event.
All materials provided. Open to adults and teens in grades 9 and above unless otherwise noted.

Monarch Butterfly Rocks

Wednesday, October 2 | 6:30

Paint a monarch butterfly on a rock using decorative painting techniques. *Please note: This is a repeat program. Please do not register if you have attended previously.*

Midnight Magic Plaque

Monday, October 7 | 6:30 OR
Wednesday, October 9 | 6:30

Paint a wood plaque depicting the shadow of cats, bats, and a moon using decorative painting techniques including floating, lining, and flecking. All levels of painting ability welcome.

Primitive Scarecrow Plaque

Monday, November 4 | 6:30 OR
Wednesday, November 6 | 6:30

Use decorative painting techniques to create a fall scarecrow plaque. The program will emphasize lining, floating, and using a scruffy brush.

Knitting for Beginners

Wednesdays, November 13 & 20 | 7:00

Get started with your first knitting project by learning how to do a knit and a purl stitch in this two-part program. *Please note: This is a repeat program. Please do not register if you have attended previously.*

Memory Wire Bracelets

Monday, November 18 | 6:00

Memory wire is a tempered stainless steel wire that remembers its shape and retains its coiled form. Using small glass, silver, or acrylic beads, gemstone chips, and charms, we will make chic bracelets. They may be either one, two, or three coiled loops with a charm attached on the ends.

Painted Gift Tags

Monday, December 2 | 1:00 OR
Wednesday, December 4 | 1:00

Participants will create wooden gift tags depicting a snowman, tree, and mitten using decorative painting techniques. The tags can be used on presents or as personalized ornaments.

Forty Winks: Herbal Sleep Pillow Workshop

Monday, December 2 | 7:00
Community Room

Herbs have powerful healing capabilities, whether you need them to:

- Relieve stress, anxiety, and nervousness
- Learn lessons from your dreams
- Keep away bad dreams
- Make your nights more snug and cozy

Join us for herbal enlightenment and hands-on (no sewing required) creation of your own customized herbal sleep pillow.

Crochet for Beginners

Wednesdays, December 4 & 11 | 7:00

Get started with your first crochet project by learning how to do a chain stitch and single crochet in this two-part program. *Please note: This is a repeat program. Please do not register if you have attended previously.*

Santa Takes Flight Plaque

Monday, December 9 | 6:30 OR
Wednesday, December 11 | 6:30

Create a whimsical Santa Takes Flight plaque by painting on a rustic stained board. Techniques covered include basecoating, floating, lining and stippling.

Basic Knitting Skills: Your First Gauge Swatch

Wednesday, December 18 | 7:00

Expand your basic knitting skills in this class that will cover casting on, knitting a gauge swatch, and binding off. Time permitting, we will also cover increasing, decreasing, and basic pattern reading. Basic knitting experience required.

Crafting Free-For-All

Thursday, December 26 | 3:00

We're getting ready for the new year by cleaning out supplies from previous programs. Join in the fun and create something completely unique! All materials provided, including supplies not frequently offered in the Collaboratory. This will be a self-led activity so be sure to bring your creativity! Registration is required to ensure enough supplies. One project per participant. All ages welcome.

Laser Cutter Holiday Cutoff: December 5

The Collaboratory will stop taking laser cut requests for the holidays on **Thursday, December 5th**. All jobs submitted after December 5th will be on hold until December 26th. Jobs will be executed in the order they are received. Batch jobs will be accepted on a case-by-case basis. We are unable to accommodate special requests to complete your job by a certain date. See Collaboratory staff for more information.

Maker Activities

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Creativebug: No-Sew T-Shirt Totes

Tuesday, October 1 | 7:00 OR
Thursday, October 3 | 3:00

Did the new plastic bag law make you realize how few reusable bags you have? Do you have a favorite shirt that you don't wear anymore, but just don't want to let go of? Make your old favorite shirt into your new favorite shopping bag! If you don't know how to sew don't worry; there is no sewing involved. Be sure to bring a shirt, but we will provide some if you don't have one.

Fall Leaf Wreaths

Tuesday, October 8 | 7:00 OR
Thursday, October 10 | 3:00

Create your own wreath from faux fall leaves to enjoy the colors of the season year after year.

Witch's Broom

Tuesday, October 15 | 7:00 OR
Thursday, October 17 | 3:00

Customize your own witch's broom for Halloween to be part of a costume, to adorn your home, or for midnight rides! *Please note: This is a repeat program. Please do not register if you have attended previously.*

Book Bats

Tuesday, October 22 | 7:00 OR
Thursday, October 24 | 3:00

Decorate your house for Halloween by creating bats out of old books.

Laser Cut Jack-O-Lanterns

Tuesday, October 29 | 7:00 OR
Thursday, October 31 | 3:00

Design your own wooden jack-o-lantern to be cut out on the laser cutter. Then we'll assemble and paint the pumpkins. Basic computer skills required. *Please note: This is a repeat program. Please do not register if you have attended previously.*

No-Sew Fleece Pillows

Tuesday, November 5 | 7:00 OR
Thursday, November 7 | 3:00

Learn a new technique for creating throw pillow covers without a sewing machine.

Vinyl Decorated Aprons

Tuesday, November 12 | 7:00 OR
Thursday, November 14 | 3:00

Customize an apron with vinyl decals, just in time for Thanksgiving! We will be using our Silhouette Cameo machine to cut out designs from vinyl, and then ironing them on to aprons. *Please note: This is a repeat program. Please do not register if you have attended previously.*

Arm Knit Infinity Scarves

Tuesday, November 19 | 7:00 OR
Thursday, November 21 | 3:00

Get ready for the winter weather by arm knitting an infinity scarf! No knitting experience needed. All materials provided, though you may bring your own bulky or super bulky yarn. *Please note: This is a repeat program. Please do not register if you have attended previously.*

Laser Cut Snowmen

Tuesday, December 3 | 7:00 OR
Thursday, December 5 | 3:00

Construct a snowman using parts cut out on our laser cutter, and then decorate them using paints and other decorations. *Please note: This is a repeat program. Please do not register if you have attended previously.*

Holiday Shadowboxes

Tuesday, December 10 | 7:00 OR
Thursday, December 12 | 3:00

Fill and decorate a shadowbox to create colorful holiday decor.

Talking TED

Join librarian Cindy Haiken to watch and discuss a popular TED talk. Registration required.

Thursday, October 10 | 7:00 | Barry Schwartz: The Paradox of Choice

Thursday, November 14 | 7:00 | Anne Lamott: 12 Truths I Learned from Light and Writing

Thursday, December 12 | 7:00 | Susan David: The Gift and Power of Emotional Courage

Etsy Artisan Holiday Bazaar

Save the date! The Etsy Artisan Holiday Bazaar will be held on **Saturday, December 14** from 10:30-3:00 in the Community Room. All vendors participated in the Etsy Craft Entrepreneurship Workshop held in the Library between 2016-2018.

Ongoing Drop-in Groups

Knit @ WPL

First and third Tuesday of the month | 6:00
Open to teens and adults

Bring your knitting or crochet project and enjoy the company of other knitters. *Please note: The group meets in the Board Room.*

Jewelry & Handwork Studio

Second Tuesday of the month | 6:30
Open to teens and adults

Do you do make jewelry, embroidery, bead work, cross stitch, crochet, create in mixed media, or do other handwork? Bring your project and share inspiration, conversation, and ideas with other handcrafters. Bring your own supplies and a portable task light if you need one. Basic tools and some supplies are available at the Library.

Open Sew

Third Wednesday of the month | 5:00-9:00
Open to teens and adults

Do you like to sew? Join other sewers to share ideas for your next project! Bring your unfinished projects to work on. The Collaboratory has machines, along with tools and supplies (or bring your own!). Stop by for 10 minutes or for the full 4 hours for a fun evening of sharing and learning!

Have Your Meeting in the Collaboratory

Both the conference table and the horseshoe booth in the Collaboratory are available for small group meetings. The conference table seats up to 14 people and the booth can accommodate up to 13 people. Reservations for the horseshoe booth also include use of the Microsoft Surface Hub. The Surface Hub is a 54" monitor that acts as a projector, whiteboard, and full computer. You may book either table for up to four 3-hour sessions up to two months in advance. We do not allow day-of reservations. Stop by the Help Desk in the Collaboratory or call (203)265-6754 to reserve a table.

Collaboratory Full-Service Hours

Monday	9:30-1:00 1:30-9:00
Tuesday	1:00-9:00
Wednesday	9:00-1:00 1:30-9:00
Thursday	9:00-1:00 1:30-9:00
Friday	1:00-5:00
Saturday (September-April)	9:30-1:00 1:30-9:00
Saturday (July & August)	9:30-1:00



Appointments Available

To access equipment in the Vault you will need to sign a waiver and undergo training on the piece of equipment you would like to use. Training appointments are 30 minutes and are one-on-one sessions. Training is available for the **Brother DreamMaker XE VE2200 Embroidery Machine** and the **Baby Lock Crown Jewel III** long arm quilting machine.

Please call us at
(203)265-6754 to set up an appointment.

During full-service hours, all equipment is open and staff are available to assist you. Self-service hours are the remaining operating hours of the Main Library.

During self-service hours, certain equipment is unavailable and there are no dedicated staff on hand.