FALL 2024

Library Link

Events for Adults, Children & Teens at the Upper Arlington Public Library

Decorate a spooky or sweet pumpkin at Miller Park.

Lane Road Branch Closing for Improvements on November 18

Our top priority is always the safety, flexibility and efficiency of our buildings. Thanks to the passage of the 2022 operating levy, we now have the funds to address our major maintenance and building needs.

Our next project will be at the Lane Road Branch, and therefore that location will close on Monday, November 18 for approximately six months to undergo major improvements to the entire building.

Lane Road staff will be relocated to our other branches during the closure. Patrons who choose Lane Road as the pickup location for their held items should instead go to the Tremont Road Branch.

About the Lane Road Project

The main priorities and the bulk of the cost for the Lane Road Improvement Project include replacing the entire HVAC system and the ceilings on both floors with new lighting equipped with occupancy sensors, and adding more floor power receptacles, new fixtures, and sound baffling.

Additional renovations are needed to our almost 50-year-old building. The branch will undergo a reorganization of floor plan and materials, addition of a new meeting room and study room on the first floor, more tables and chairs for individual and group work, and all new shelving.

How You Can Help Us Do Even More

After a thorough inspection of the building, additional required work was noted that increases the original cost and timeline of the project, extending closure and raising the cost by 15%. With this increase in the cost of repairs, our resources are limited for what we are able to do with our beloved youth area on the lower level.

The space is in need of new shelving for picture and chapter books, as well as new study tables and chairs. We envision attractive and comfortable seating, and flexible shelving suited for a modern library.

The community was so supportive of the creation of Lane Road's Early Learning Play Area that we are coming to you again to help us raise funds for our youth area. We estimate it will take $150,000 to make the full vision come to life. The Friends of the Library have donated a significant amount, and we're asking you to help us fill the gap. For more info, visit, **https://uapl.me/GiveForLane50**.

The reopening of Lane Road in Spring 2025 will coincide with the branch's 50th anniversary. Your donation toward the improvement of the youth area would be a much-appreciated birthday gift!

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Registration: Please register through our online program calendar at ualibrary.org.

Photography: Video and photos may be taken of library activities for use in future online and print promotions. If you prefer that you or your child not be photographed, please notify the photographer.

More info: Find more information from the Library in the bimonthly *UA Insight* publication.

On the cover: Decorate a mini pumpkin at our Miller Park Branch on October 29. See page 14.

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Get to Know Your Government

Tue., September 3 at 2 p.m. – Ohio Dept. of Agriculture

Tue., October 1 at 2 p.m. – UA Community Development Dept.

Wed., October 30 at 2 p.m. – Franklin County Treasurer
Meeting Room B; 60 min.
Registration now open

Join us for an engaging series featuring speakers from local and state government agencies. Explore the inner workings of governance, understand public services, and connect with people shaping your community. Sessions include Q&A.

Loud in the Library

Mon., September 2 from 2-5 p.m.
Atrium
No registration

During the Labor Day Arts Festival, our Atrium will become The Reading Garden Stage. We'll showcase bands from Listen Columbus, our streaming collection of local music. didi performs at 2 p.m.; The Devil Doves at 3 p.m.; and Largemouth Brass Band at 4 p.m.

The Author's Guide to Libraries

Wed., September 4 at 6:30 p.m.
Friends Theater; 60 min.
Registration now open

Calling all authors! Boost your community presence with librarian and author **Cari Dubiel**. Discover how to pitch your book to libraries and shine at author events.

Mini Passport Fair

Tue., September 10 from 5-7 p.m.
Atrium; 2 hrs.
No registration

Need a new passport? We'll have walk-in appointments so you're ready for late fall and winter travel. Bring your completed application, citizenship and ID documents, and be prepared to pay with a check or money order. Full details at https://travel.state.gov/

Cookbook Club

Tue., September 10 at 6:30 p.m.
Tue., October 8 at 6:30 p.m.
Tue., November 12 at 6:30 p.m.
Meeting Room A; 60 min.
Registration now open

Each month we pick a cookbook, and everyone brings a recipe they made from the book to the club. To kick off the club in September, bring one of the yummy recipes from *Snacking Bakes* by Yossy Arefi. We'll choose future themes as we go. Participants will be asked to sign a waiver.

English Conversation Class

Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. from September 10- November 26
Friends Theater; 60 min.
Registration now open

Learn pronunciation skills, vocabulary and grammar from a TESOL-certified teacher, then practice conversation in small groups. Attendees should be adults who are learning English, and able to converse at a high beginners level or above.

History of Photography

Presenter Claire Wiedman is an Adjunct at Columbus College of Art and Design.

Photography in the American Civil War

Fri., September 6 at 4:30 p.m.
Friends Theater; 60 min.
Registration now open

The Civil War marked one of the first widespread uses of photography to capture conflict. Although the images can be hard to view, they serve as a record of our troubled history and an important step in the birth of photojournalism.

The Birth and Rise of Digital Photography

Fri., October 4 at 4:30 p.m.
Friends Theater; 60 min.
Registration now open

Digital technology is older than we think and full of fascinating moments. Take a journey through early practitioners and applications of digital technology, from its use in collage and compositing to its applications in aging children's photos for "Have You Seen Me?" pictures on milk cartons.

History of Pinhole Photography

Fri., November 8 at 4:30 p.m.
Friends Theater; 60 min.
Registration now open

Pinhole cameras are so simple to create and use that you can make your own with items you already have at home. Historically, they have been used by astronomy enthusiasts and scientists to track the path of celestial bodies, to witness events too slow for most cameras to record, and for artistic purposes. How can something so easy to create perform such amazing feats?

Book Circle

Wed., September 11 at 1 p.m.
Wed., October 9 at 1 p.m.
Wed., November 13 at 1 p.m.
Meeting Room B; 60 min.
No registration

Join us for an informal discussion of *The Bee Sting* by Paul Murray in September, *An Unfinished Love Story* by Doris Kearns Goodwin in October, and *The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store* by James McBride in November.

Behind the Music Book Club

Wed., September 11 at 6:30 p.m.
Wed., October 9 at 6:30 p.m.

Wed., November 13 at 6:30 p.m.
Meeting Room A; 60 min.
Registration now open

A book club for music fans! We read band memoirs, histories of music scenes , biographies and more!

POP Art: The Realism of Mass Consumer Culture

Thur., September 12 at 4:30 p.m.
Friends Theater; 60 min.
Registration now open

The style of art we call "POP" (short for "Popular") was a reaction against the non-objective painting of the 1960s. We will discuss the artists and mediums of this style. Artists like Andy Warhol, Roy Lichtenstein, Claes Oldenburg, and George Segal chose items from consumer culture such as comic books, grocery store merchandise, celebrity photographs, and current events as the new realism of our modern commercial society.

Adult Crafternoon

Fri., September 13 at 2 p.m.
Fri., October 11 at 2 p.m.
Fri., November 15 at 2 p.m.
Meeting Room B; 60 min.
Registration now open

Children shouldn't have all the crafting fun! In September, we'll do unweaving. In October, it's embroidered photographs. We'll wrap up the season in November with Yayoi Kusama-style tote bags.

Throwback Book Fair: Chasing that School Book Fair Feeling

Fri., September 27 at 7 p.m.
Atrium; 2 hrs.
Registration now open

Join us for an adults-only, after-hours event that captures the nostalgia of a school book fair! Revisit your favorite childhood books, find adult read-alikes, and meet local authors.

Medicare Check-Up

Tue., September 17 at 1:30 p.m.
Friends Theater; 60 min.
Register at https://tinyurl.com/MedicareCheckup20224

The UA Commission on Aging presents this look at how the Oct . 15 – Dec. 7 Medicare Open Enrollment Period can work for you.

How to Find Medicare Supplement Insurance

Wed., September 18 at 2 p.m.
Meeting Room B; 60 min.
No registration

Choosing the right Medicare Supplement Insurance plan can be frustrating, confusing, and expensive if you choose the wrong plan. Learn how to save money and find the coverage you need with **Tom Kilkenny** of Weiss Financial Ratings.

Sustainable Fashion: Mending

Wed., September 18 at 5:30 p.m.
Meeting Room B; 60 min.
No registration

Jackie Farbeann, Textile Conservator with OSU, will demonstrate "invisible" and visible mends on different types of clothing using hand stitching. After the demo, it's your turn to try them out!

Capoeira

Sat., September 21 at 11 a.m.
The Commons; 60 min.
No registration

Capoeira is an Afro-Brazilian art form that combines music, martial arts, and much more. Experience an introductory class open to all ages, including children.

Escape Room: A Game that Builds Resilience to Misinformation

Sat., September 21 at 3 p.m.
Wed., October 2 at 6:30 p.m.
Friends Theater; 90 min.
Registration now open

This escape room program will immerse players in a world of manipulated media, social media bots, deepfakes and other forms of deception. Can you and your friends find the truth before time runs out? Put together a team of 2 to 6 friends and register your group. Great for teens and adults.

Let's Get Ready to Vote

Tue., September 24 at 2 p.m.
Friends Theater; 60 min.
Registration now open

Join a representative of the **Franklin County Board of Elections** as they cover voter registration, the election process, vote counting, and election security measures. Q & A included.

UA Commission on Aging Help Desk

Wed., September 25 at 12 p.m.
Wed., October 23 at 12 p.m.
Wed., November 20 at 12 p.m.
Meeting Room A; 60 min.
No registration

Have questions about resources for aging in Upper Arlington? Stop by the Help Desk and a staff member from the Upper Arlington Commission on Aging will help you find answers.

UA Commission on Aging Caregiving Support Group

Wed., September 25 at 1 p.m.
Wed., October 23 at 1 p.m.
Wed., November 20 at 1 p.m.
Meeting Room B; 60 min.
No registration

This group is led by a clinician with years of experience in supporting caregivers. Please call (614) 583-5326 if you're attending the group for the first time or if you need respite services for your loved ones.

OSU's Rare Books and Manuscripts Library: Highlights from the Cookbook Collections

Thur., September 26 at 6:30 p.m.
Friends Theater; 60 min.
Registration now open

Curator **Jolie Braun** shares highlights from the Rare Books & Manuscripts Library's cookbook collection, which contains nearly 10,000 volumes. See what historical cookbooks can tell us about food and cooking trends, and ideas about taste, nutrition, and health.

Please bring your library card for check-in.

Fall Gardening

Tisa Watts from the Columbus Gardening School returns with great tips for suburban gardeners.

Gardening with Hungry Deer

Thur., September 19 at 6:30 p.m
Friends Theater; 2 hrs.
Registration now open

Has your landscaping become a buffet for hungry deer? Join us for this fun, fast-paced class on effective strategies to keep whitetail deer from destroying your suburban yard. Learn about plant choices, deer repellants, barriers, camouflage, and how the annual deer life cycle can affect your garden.

Prairies in Suburbia

Thur., October 24 at 6:30 p.m.
Friends Theater; 2 hrs.
Registration now open

The traditional lawn is a biodiversity wasteland! Learn tools and techniques to transform turfgrass into a thriving prairie/meadow using native grasses and perennial wildflowers. Topics include soil prep, plant selection, and managing expectations. The benefits are enormous: wildlife habitat restoration, soil building and retention, deep water percolation, herbal resources, and great beauty.

Winter/Milk Jug Sowing

Thur., November 14 at 6:30 p.m.
Friends Theater; 2 hrs.
Registration now open

Yes, you can germinate seeds without a fancy greenhouse or special lights! Tisa will demonstrate the steps and supplies needed to successfully start your plants using milk jug. The outdoor method of using recycled milk jugs is preferable for many plant species that require a period of "cold stratification".

ADULT PROGRAMS

Finding Your Elusive Female Ancestors

Sat., September 28 at 10:30 a.m.
Meeting Room B; 60 min.
Registration now open

Finding and tracking female ancestors can be a challenge, since in the past women were mostly defined by their male relatives. This program will show various sources and provide strategies to help you find your elusive female ancestor. Presented by Local History and Genealogy Librarian **Julie Callahan**.

Speculative Fiction Writer's Group

Sat., September 28 at 2 p.m.
Sat., October 26 at 2 p.m.
Sat., November 23 at 2 p.m.
Meeting Room A; 60 min.
Registration now open

Find inspiration, accountability, and an opportunity to develop your creative writing skills at this monthly fantasy & science fiction writers' group.

Identity Theft: Prevention, Detection and Recovery

Tue., October 8 at 2 p.m.
Friends Theater; 60 min.
No registration

Join **Judy Dollison**, president of BBB of Central Ohio, as she provides everyday habits to safeguard your identity, tips on how to detect if you are a victim, and what to do if your identity is stolen.

Famous Forgeries and Art Theft

Thur., October 10 at 4:30 p.m.
Friends Theater; 60 min.
Registration now open

Who doesn't like a good art heist or forgery story? We'll discuss topics like the famous art forger Han van Meegeren, the theft of the Mona Lisa, and the still unsolved art thefts from the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum in Boston.

Murder Mystery After Dark: Midnight at the Masquerade

Sat., October 19 from 6-9:30 p.m.
Atrium
Registration opens October 1

The Murder Mystery Company returns with another after-hours mystery for adults! Attend the Billionaires' Club Annual Masquerade Ball and help get this soirée back on track by trading clues with your guests, gathering information, and solving the crime before the masked menace gets away! Costumes highly recommended! Evening wear, ball gowns, Venetian masks, suits, and tuxes are what to wear to this high class night of masks and murder. The Daily Growler returns to provide adult beverages, and refreshments will also be served. Doors open at 5:45 p.m. Please arrive by 6:30 p.m., as actors will be selecting participants to play suspects in the mystery. Note we cannot let anyone in after the mystery begins at 7 p.m.

Get the Grant

These virtual classes are brought to you in partnership with Candid, a nonprofit that helps other nonprofits serve their communities.

Introduction to Foundation Directory

Tue., September 17 at 2 p.m.
Online via Zoom; 90 min.
Register at https://uapl.me/3LID5fP

Looking for grants for your nonprofit? Learn how to use Foundation Directory, the most comprehensive prospect research tool for fundraisers.

Introduction to Finding Grants

Tue., October 22 at 2 p.m.
Online via Zoom; 90 min.
Register at https://uapl.me/4cFkKX3

New to grantseeking? Learn how to find possible funding for your nonprofit using the Foundation Directory database.

Introduction to Grant Proposal Writing

Tue., November 12 at 2 p.m.
Online via Zoom; 90 min.
Register at https://uapl.me/4bLZRrZ

Get an overview of how to write a standard project proposal to a foundation, including the basic elements of a proposal, do's and don'ts of writing and submitting a proposal, and how to follow up.

Louis-Benoit Zamor: An Untold Revolutionary Tale

Tue., October 1 at 6 p.m.
Friends Theater; 60 min.
Registration now open

Join author **Patti Flinn** and **Dr. Elizabeth Bond** as they chat about *The Last Favorite's Page* trilogy inspired by the life of Louis-Benoit Zamor (1762-1820). You'll hear facts and myths about the first French Revolution, and why Flinn chose this man and his story to write about. There will also be an author Q & A and book signing.

Using Historical Censuses to Find Your Ancestors

Sat., October 26 at 10:30 a.m.
Meeting Room B; 60 min.
Registration now open

The Federal Census is one of the most used sources in genealogy.
It can put your ancestor in a particular place and time. Hear about the history of the census, where to find them, and what to look for. Presented by Local History and Genealogy Librarian **Julie Callahan**.

Puzzle Swap

Sat., October 27 at 2 p.m.
Atrium; 60 min.
No registration

Trade puzzles with other enthusiasts! This program is intended for adults with gently used puzzles, 300+ pieces.

Senior Safari with the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium

Tue., October 29 at 1:30 p.m.
Friends Theater; 60 min.
Registration now open

Senior citizens are invited to join us for an opportunity to see some of the Columbus Zoo animal ambassadors up close and personal, and learn some fun facts about these animals.

Ghost Stories

Wed., October 30 at 6:30 p.m.
Friends Theater; 60 min.
No registration

Storyteller **Betty Altfater** will channel the gloom and terror of a midnight campfire in the wilderness. Bring a hot drink — wait — what's that sound?? Did you hear that?? Who's there??

Live in the Library: Big Fat Head

Wed., November 7 at 6:30 p.m.
Friends Theater; 60 min.
No registration

Out of Athens with some UA roots, Big Fat Head is getting creative to bring us an acoustic-style version of their post-post-post punk, Ohio-core, mutant-pop scuzz rock.

Shop Smart: Know Your Rights

Thur., November 14 at 1 p.m.
Friends Theater; 60 min.
Registration now open

Keep yourself safe when making major purchases this shopping season by learning about Ohio's consumer laws and how they can help you protect yourself from fraud. Presented by **Danielle Murphy**, a Consumer Educator for Ohio Attorney General Dave Yost's Consumer Protection Section.

Discover Your Digital Library

Thur., November 14 at 4:30 p.m.
Meeting Room B; 60 min.
Registration now open

Has streaming gotten too expensive? Digital subscriptions eating too much of your budget? Want news without the doomscrolling? Your library card is the answer! Get an overview of all the ways you can access digital content with your library card. We'll cover the basics of Libby, Hoopla, Kanopy, our digital newspapers, streaming music collections and more. You're welcome to bring your own device in order to explore along with the presenter, but it's not necessary.

Preserving Your Family Photos

Sat., November 16 at 10:30 a.m.
Friends Theater; 60 min.
Registration now open

Many of us have photos and family documents sitting around in boxes or on our phones, but what do we do with them? Learn how to decide which are the most important items, possible ways to organize them, preserve them both physically and digitally, and what material you need to store them so they're available for future generations. Presented by Local History and Genealogy Librarian **Julie Callahan**.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Lane Road Branch | 1945 Lane Road (614) 459-0273

Fall Craft Night: Woven Yarn Coasters

Thur., September 5 at 6 p.m.
Lane Road Meeting Room; 90 min.
Registration now open

Express your creativity with an evening of crafting. We'll make woven yarn coasters, the perfect accessory for all your cozy fall drinks! All supplies are provided. Open to teens and adults.

Birding is for Everybody

Sat., September 7 at 8:30 a.m.
Outdoors; 90 min.
Registration now open

This bird walk is designed to be inclusive of all people regardless of developmental, neurodiverse, or physical differences, because birding is for everybody and every body! Led by **Sheila M. Fagan** from Birdability.

Escape Room: A Game that Builds Resilience to Misinformation

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Book Chats

Tue., September 10 at 4 p.m.
Tue., October 8 at 4 p.m.
Tue., November 12 at 4 p.m.
Lane Road Meeting Room; 60 min.
No registration

No assignments, no obligations. Just a group of book lovers at Lane Road talking about their latest reads and discovering their next ones.

Book Circle

Thur., September 12 at 6:30 p.m.
Thur., October 10 at 6:30 p.m.
Thur., November 14 at 6:30 p.m.
Lane Road Meeting Room; 60 min.
No registration

Join us for an informal discussion of *The Bee Sting* by Paul Murray in September, *An Unfinished Love Story* by Doris Kearns Goodwin in October, and *The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store* by James McBride in November.

Yoga for Older Adults

Mon., September 16 at 12 p.m.
Mon., October 21 at 12 p.m.
Mon., November 11 at 12 p.m.
Lane Road Meeting Room; 60 min.
Registration now open

Classes will be led by an instructor from **Zen Yoga** and are designed to meet the needs of older adults and adults with mobility challenges. Please bring a yoga mat or towel.

English Conversation Practice

Tuesdays at 1 p.m.
Wednesdays at 1 p.m.
from September 17-November 27
Lane Road Meeting Room; 90 min.
Registration now open

Practice English conversation in a small group led by an experienced volunteer teacher. This weekly program is for adults who are learning English as a second language (ESL). In this class, you will learn a little vocabulary and grammar to support the conversation practice, but you need to know at least some English before you start.

The Lane Road Branch will be closed beginning Nov. 18 for several months for facility improvements. See page 2.

Please visit our other branches for programs and materials.

Astronomy Night: with OSU

Tue., September 24 at 7:30 p.m.
Meeting Room and outdoors; 90 min.
Registration now open

Join us for an after-hours program presented by the **OSU Department of Astronomy**. An indoor presentation will be followed by an outdoor stargazing activity.

Writers' Group

Thur., September 19 at 6 p.m.
Thur., October 17 at 6 p.m.
Thur., November 21 at 6 p.m.
Lane Road Meeting Room; 90 min.
No registration

Find inspiration, accountability, and an opportunity to develop your creative writing skills at this monthly writers' group. If you want more information about the group or would like to join, please email the Lane Road Programmer at vschrock@ualibrary.org.

Ghost Hunting

Thur., October 3 at 6 p.m.
Lane Road Meeting Room; 90 min.
Registration now open

Join the **Tri-C Ghost Hunters Columbus Team** for an evening of paranormal discussion and an equipment presentation.

Mindfulness Art Therapy

Thur., October 24 at 6 p.m.
Thur., November 7 at 6 p.m.
Lane Road Meeting Room; 90 min.
Registration now open

Art therapy can promote mental health and overall wellness, relieve stress, and increase a sense of playful enjoyment. This group session, guided by certified art therapist **Maggi Colwell**, will provide a great evening of self-care and self-discovery.

Wool Spinning

Sat., November 2 at 2 p.m.
Lane Road Meeting Room; 60 min.
Registration now open

Ever wonder how raw materials like wool are turned into the clothing we wear? Learn about the history of textiles and experience a live demonstration showing how sheep's wool is washed, combed and spun into yarn and thread. Presented by **Bring the Farm to You**.

Cozy Corner Café

Sun., November 3 from 1-4:30 p.m.
Lane Road Meeting Room
No registration

Enjoy a peaceful Sunday afternoon at the Cozy Corner Café. Hot drinks are provided along with puzzles, board games, and coloring supplies for all ages.

Introduction to Crochet: Granny Squares

Mon., November 11 at 2 p.m.
Lane Road Meeting Room; 60 min.
Registration now open

Learn the basics of crochet and how to make a granny square, an essential building block for lots of fun crochet projects! Beginners are welcome. All supplies are provided.

Please bring your library card for check-in.

Miller Park Branch | 1901 Arlington Avenue (614) 488-5710

English Conversation Practice

Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.
Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m.
Saturdays at 2 p.m.
2 hrs.
Registration opens September 1

Adults can meet weekly in a small group with a library volunteer to practice and improve conversational English. Registration is limited.

Book Chats

Tue., September 3 at 2 p.m.
Tue., October 1 at 2 p.m.
Tue., November 5 at 2 p.m.
60 min.
No registration

Come to Miller Park to exchange titles and share reading recommendations with other book lovers in this one-hour social literary group.

Take and Make Greeting Card

Sat., October 26; all day
No registration

Adults of all crafting abilities can get in the fall spirit with a homemade greeting card. Stop by Miller Park any time today and grab a take-home kit of provided pieces and parts while supplies last.

Watercolor Class

Sun., November 17 at 2:30 p.m.
60 min.
Registration opens November 3

Led by a local artist, teens and adults will learn to paint a sunflower using wet or dry techniques. All supplies provided and participants will take home their art after this one-hour intro class.

YOUTH PROGRAMS

Tremont Road Branch | 2800 Tremont Road (614) 486-9621

Scavenger Hunts
September, October and November
Youth Department
All ages
No registration

Visit the Youth Department for a new scavenger hunt each month.

Drop-In Make It and Take It Tuesdays
Tuesdays; all day
Youth Department
Kids
No registration

Come to the library to complete an art activity! Make it here and take it home when you're done. All ages, while supplies last.

Ready, Set, Kindergarten!
Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.
Thursdays at 2 p.m.
Meeting Room B; 30 min.
Ages 3-5
No registration

Prepare your child to enter kindergarten with their best foot forward! Children will practice early literacy skills and classroom behavior in a school-like setting.

Tummy Time for Infants and Caregivers
Fridays at 10:15 a.m. through Nov. 22
Youth Department; 45 min.
No registration

Meet other caregivers of infants and engage with baby in a relaxing way to promote tummy time. Led by an International Board Certified Lactation Consultant and Physical Therapist.

Make Your Own Dino Fossils
Tue., September 3 at 3:30 p.m.
Youth Department; 90 min.
Ages 3-8
No registration

Ever wanted to create a fossil of your favorite dinosaur? Come make your own fossils at the library! All materials provided.

Sunday at the Movies
Sun., September 8 at 2 p.m.
Sun., October 6 at 2 p.m.
Sun., November 3 at 2 p.m.
Friends Theater; 2 hrs.
Ages 3-8
No registration

See a family-friendly free movie on our big screen! In September, we'll watch *Trolls Band Together*. In October, it's *The Little Mermaid.* We wrap up in November with *Migration*.

Art Cart
Sundays from 1-4:30 p.m. beginning September 8
Youth Department
Kids
No registration

Come to the Youth Department each Sunday for an opportunity to create a craft with supplies from Art Cart. Children and caregivers can use their imaginations and fine motor skills to create art to take home.

Baby Playtime
Mondays at 11 a.m. beginning September 9
Youth Department
Ages 0-2
No registration

Hang out in Youth Department after Baby Storytime for playtime! Together, infants and caregivers can socialize and explore toys that aid in child development and contribute to early literacy.

Decorate a Tote
Wed., September 11 at 3:30 p.m.
Youth Department; 90 min.
School-age kids
No registration

School-age children are invited to decorate their own tote bag! Spend a fun, artsy afternoon at the library and leave with a new tote to carry all your library materials. While supplies last.

Reading to Rover
Thur., September 12 at 6 p.m.
Thur., October 10 at 6 p.m.
Thur., November 14 at 6 p.m.
Youth Department; 60 min.
Grades K-5
No registration

Meet therapy dogs from **Therapy Dogs International** and improve your reading skills by sharing stories with them. Drop in anytime from 6-7 p.m.

Motherly Bonds
Mondays at 6:30 p.m. beginning September 16
Meeting Room B; 60 min.
Moms and kids ages 0-5
No registration

Bring yourself and your kiddos aged 0-5, and chat with other moms while your child plays and engage with other peers in a safe space.

DIY Boondoggle Keychain
Mon., September 16 at 3:30 p.m.
Youth Department; 90 min.
Ages 8-11
No registration

Create fun and nostalgic keychains with the library! All levels of creativity and experience are welcome. Materials provided.

Perler Beads
Wed., September 18 at 3:30 p.m.
Youth Department; 90 min.
Ages 6+
No registration

What creations will you make with Perler beads?All supplies provided.

Book BINGO
Fri., September 20 at 3:30 p.m.
Youth Department; 90 min.
Ages 6-11
No registration

Play BINGO, the game for all ages, at the library – with a literary theme! Players will have the opportunity to win prizes and have fun with family and friends.

Dairy Delicacies
Mon., September 23 at 4 p.m.
Friends Theater; 60 min.
Ages 6-11
Registration now open

See how some of our most basic and favorite foods are made! Participants will work together to create butter and ice cream using science.

Build-It Day
Sun., September 29 at 2 p.m.
Sun., October 27 at 2 p.m.
Sun., November 24 at 2 p.m.
Youth Department; 2 hrs.
Ages 3-12
No registration

Calling all budding engineers and LEGO fans! Join us at the Tremont Road Branch for a day of building activities with a variety of materials including Magna-tiles, Keva Planks, cups, and more.

Halloween Costume Swap
Mon., October 7 at 3 p.m.
Meeting Room B; 2 hrs.
Kids
No registration

Donate your costumes from Halloweens past and find a new costume for this year's trick-or-treat!

Children's Renaissance Fair
Sat., October 12; 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Youth Department; 2 hrs.
Kids
No registration

It's medieval times at the library! Become a knight, compete in a hobby horse race, make a craft, get your face painted, and more.

Donations can be dropped off in the Youth Department starting October 1.

Rabbit Rearing
Mon., October 14 at 4 p.m.
Youth Department; 60 min.
Ages 6-11
No registration

Learn all about rabbits during this presentation from **Bring the Farm to You** as we prepare for our rabbit caretaking experience. The rabbit will be available to see October 15-26.

Dot Day Party
Wed., October 16 at 3:30 p.m.
Youth Department; 90 min.
Ages 6-11
No registration

Celebrate art with all things dots! Be ready to get messy with this fun afternoon of dot-themed crafts.

Pumpkin Parade
Sat., October 26 at 10:30 a.m.
Atrium; 60 min.
Ages 0-5
No registration

Come dressed in costume for a silly storytime, then join our parade around the library! Storytime starts at 10:30 a.m., and the parade starts at 11 a.m.

Write Ghost Stories with Thurber House
Wed., October 30 at 3:30 p.m.
Youth Department; 60 min.
School-age kids
Registration opens October 16

It's almost Halloween – the perfect time to write a scary story! Spend the afternoon with fellow writers and instructors from Thurber House and learn how to craft a spine-tingling tale.

Campfire Tales with Storyteller Betty Altfater
Wed., October 30 at 4:30 p.m.
Youth Department; 60 min.
Up to age 12
No registration

Join local storyteller **Betty Altfater** for an afternoon of ghost stories, perfect for the spooky season!

Moana Party
Sat., November 2 at 10:30 a.m.
Atrium; 90 min.
Ages 3-8
No registration

Celebrate the upcoming release of *Moana 2* by playing ocean games, crafts based on the character, and meet and greet with everyone's favorite Island Princess!

YOUTH PROGRAMS

Pony Bead Keychains
Wed., November 6 at 3:30 p.m.
Youth Department; 90 min.
Ages 6-11
No registration

Join us for an afternoon of pony bead crafts! Materials will be provided to make keychains and other fun projects.

Young Writers' Club
Sat., November 9 at 2 p.m.
Meeting Room A; 90 min.
Ages 8+
No registration

Celebrate National Novel Writing Month alongside fellow young writers. Put pencil to paper and develop characters, chart plotlines, and exercise your imagination.

Color Party
Wed., November 13 at 3:30 p.m.
Youth Department; 2 hrs.
Kids
No registration

Explore your creative side with colors! Crafts will be provided, along with fun decorations. Perfect for ages 7 and under, but all are welcome.

Traditional Santa Visit
Sun., November 24 at 1 p.m., 1:30 p.m., 2 p.m. or 2:30 p.m.
Friends Theater
Kids
Registration opens November 10

Meet **Santa Claus** and tell him your holiday wishes! Be sure to register for your timeslot.

Sensory Friendly Santa Visit
Sun., November 24 at 11 a.m., 11:30 a.m., or 12 p.m.
Friends Theater
Kids
Registration opens November 10

These time slots are reserved for families that would like to meet **Santa Claus**, but require small crowds and low sensory environments.

Lane Road Branch | 1945 Lane Road (614) 459-0273

Scavenger Hunts
September, October and November
Lane Road Youth Department
All ages
No registration

Visit our Youth Department for a new scavenger hunt each month.

Family Storytime
Mondays, September 9-November 25 at 5:30 p.m.
Lane Road Meeting Room; 45 min.
Kids
No registration

Enjoy a night of stories, music, dancing, and bubbles. Perfect for families with toddlers, preschoolers, and young children.

Baby Playtime
Thursdays at 11 a.m. beginning September 12
Lane Road Meeting Room; 30 min.
Kids
No registration

Babies and caregivers are invited to our playtime! Come socialize and explore toys that aid in child development and contribute to early literacy directly following our storytime.

The Bug Box!
Thur., September 5 at 4 p.m.
Thur., September 12 at 5 p.m.
Lane Road Meeting Room; 60 min.
Kids
Registration opens two weeks prior

Learn all about our insect friends from the experts at the **OSU Department of Entomology**. We will observe live insects including stick bugs, beetles and tarantulas, and even touch them!

Trashion Fashion
Wed., September 11 at 4 p.m.
Lane Road Meeting Room; 2 hrs.
Kids and Teens
Registration opens August 28

Kids will learn about sustainability as they create their own unique fashions from found, recycled and discarded materials. Each child should bring one piece of clothing that they intend to upcycle.

Thompson Park Explorers
Sun., September 15 at 2 p.m.
Lane Road Meeting Room; 60 min.
All ages
Registration opens September 1

Did you know there is a beautiful hiking trail right outside the library's doors? Join us as we walk with UA Parks and Forestry Superintendent **Samantha Simmons** and learn about wetlands animals!

Bad Art
Wed., September 18 at 4 p.m.
Lane Road Meeting Room; 60 min.
Ages 8+
Registration opens September 4

Get creative and make wonderfully ugly art — on purpose! Vote for who made the best "bad" art, then take your art home or leave it at the library for us to put on display.

Reading to Rover
Mon., September 23 at 4 p.m.
Mon., October 28 at 4 p.m.
Mon., November 11 at 4 p.m.
Lane Road Meeting Room; 60 min.
Grades K-5
No registration

Practicing readers in grades K-5 will improve reading skills by sharing stories and socializing with trained therapy dogs from **Therapy Dogs International**. Drop in anytime between 4-5 p.m.

Meet Ohio's Wildlife

Tue., October 8 at 4 p.m.
Lane Road Meeting Room; 60 min.
Kids
Registration opens September 24

Meet animal ambassadors and learn about Ohio's history of natural wildlife and how we can coexist with our furry neighbors. Reptiles, mammals and birds, oh my! Presented by the **Ohio Wildlife Center**.

LEGO Challenge

Wed., September 25 at 4:30 p.m.
Wed., October 23 at 4:30 p.m.
Wed., November 13 at 4:30 p.m.
Lane Road Meeting Room; 90 min.
Kids
No registration

Calling all LEGO lovers! Kids will develop STEM and teamwork skills as they master fun LEGO challenges. This will be a recurring monthly drop-in program.

Junior Homecoming

Sat., September 28 at 2 p.m.
Lane Road Meeting Room; 90 min.
Kids
No registration

Children can come dressed in their best (or cutest!) outfits and enjoy dancing, light refreshments, games, and more at their very own HoCo. Photos encouraged!

Little Librarians

Sun., September 29 at 2 p.m.
Sun., October 27 at 2 p.m.
Fri., November 8 at 3:30 p.m.
Lane Road Meeting Room; 60 min.
Ages 6-11
No registration

Hey kids, we need you! Help decorate the library with your art, share your ideas for next month's scavenger hunt theme, make book displays, and more.

Falling for Crafts

Sat., October 12 from 2-4 p.m.
Lane Road Meeting Room; 2 hrs.
Ages 4+
No registration

Fall is here! Celebrate the beauty of the season by creating crafts using natural materials. Drop in anytime between 2-4 p.m.

Glow in the Dark STEAM Party

Mon., October 14 at 3 p.m.
Lane Road Meeting Room; 90 min.
Ages 5+
No registration

Kids can enjoy glow in the dark arts and crafts, try glow in the dark science experiments, test their engineering skills in the dark, and more!

Glow Slime

Tue., October 15 at 4 p.m.
Lane Road Meeting Room; 60 min.
Kids
Registration opens October 1

What could be more fun than ooey-gooey glow-in-the-dark slime? Little scientists will make their own batch of slime using household ingredients.

International Snack Taste Test and Trivia

Tue., October 22 at 4:30 p.m.
Lane Road Meeting Room; 60 min.
Ages 8+.
Registration opens October 8

Try snacks from around the world and test your knowledge at the same time!

Halloween Stories & Parade

Wed., October 30 at 4 p.m.
Lane Road Meeting Room; 60 min.
Kids
No registration

Children and their families can join us to decorate trick or treat bags, dance to silly music and enjoy a story, make a cute craft, and then show off their costumes in a parade through the library.

Herps Alive!: An Interactive Reptile and Amphibian Adventure

Thur., November 14 at 4 p.m.
Lane Road Meeting Room; 60 min.
Kids
No registration

Meet turtles, tortoises, bearded dragons, skinks, ball pythons, boa constrictors, and other animals and learn all about these amazing creatures and why they are so important to our ecosystem!

Drop-In (Red) Panda Party

Fri., November 15 from 2:30-4:30 p.m.
Lane Road Meeting Room; 2 hr.s
Kids
No registration

Celebrate two of the cutest critters in the world - giant pandas and red pandas! Children can play games, make art, check out super cute books, learn about how to help our fluffy friends, and more.

The Lane Road Branch will be closing on Nov. 18 for facility improvements. See page 2.

Please visit our other branches for programs and materials.

YOUTH PROGRAMS

Miller Park Branch | 1901 Arlington Avenue (614) 488-5710

Scavenger Hunts
September, October and November
All ages
No registration

Look for a new theme each month.

Erica Carlson and Friends
Fri., September 6 at 10:30 a.m.
Fri., October 4 at 10:30 a.m.
Fri., November 1 at 10:30 a.m.
40 min.
Kids
Registration opens 2 weeks prior

Young animal lovers will be entertained with magical stories and interactive fun from presenter **Erica Carlson**. Live animal appearances may include Sedgie the Hedgie and/or Picasso the Turtle. **Mark Reinhart** joins on Oct. 4. We'll be outdoors if the weather cooperates, but please register in case we need to move inside and limit attendance

Reading to Rover
Tue., September 10; 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Tue., October 8; 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Tue., November 12; 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Grades K-5
No registration

Practicing readers will improve reading skills by sharing stories and socializing with trained therapy dogs from **Therapy Dogs International**. Drop in to the Miller Park Branch anytime between 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Kid Concert: Greatest Hits with Mister E!
Fri., September 13 at 10:30 a.m.
45 min.
Ages 2-7
Registration opens August 30

Join musician **Eric Nassau** for an interactive program of familiar songs and original tunes, featuring the guitar, ukulele, harmonica, kazoo, and more. Come jump, dance, and sing!

A Visit From the Farm
Sat., September 14; 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
Outdoors
Ages 2+
No registration

Young farm animal enthusiasts can see and interact with chickens, ducks, rabbits, turkeys, sheep, goats, and more from **Bring the Farm to You** in this fun and educational outdoor experience.

Crafty Kids Club
Fri., September 20; 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
Fri., October 18; 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
Fri., November 15; 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
Kids
No registration
Young artists with their caregivers can drop in for a themed process craft to inspire creative exploration and build artistic skills. Themes are turtles in September, giraffes in October, and octopuses in November.

Book Buddies: Little Buddies
Tue., September 24 at 6:30 p.m.
Tue., October 22 at 6:30 p.m.
Tue., November 26 at 6:30 p.m.
60 min.
Grades 1-4
Registration opens 4 or 5 weeks prior

Elementary students will practice reading and play games with a local teen. Build literacy skills in a fun, low-pressure environment.

Play and Learn
Fri., September 27; 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
Fri., October 25; 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
Fri., November 22; 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
Ages 2-5
No registration

Enjoy fun play stations designed for toddlers and preschoolers. These skill-building activities may include games, play dough, cars, blocks, and more.

Pajama Storytime
Thur., October 10 at 6:30 p.m.
30 min.
Kids
No registration

Wear your favorite pj's to a special pajama storytime designed for families. Through books and music, participants will have fun while building important early literacy skills at this evening event.

Fire Truck Visit
Fri., October 11 at 10 a.m.
Sat., October 19 at 10 a.m.
Outdoors; 30 min.
Kids
No registration

Fire truck fans will have the chance to see a fire truck up close when the **Upper Arlington Fire Division** visits the library to teach about fire safety.

Pint-Size Pumpkin Decorating
Tue., October 29; 10 a.m.-7:30 p.m.
Kids
No registration

Creative kids and teens can decorate and keep one small pumpkin with various fun materials. Supplies are limited and available first come, first served.

Trick or Treat at the Library

Thur., October 31 from 6-8 p.m.
Kids
No registration

During the City of Upper Arlington's Beggars Night, festive participants can make a quick stop in to trick or treat at the Miller Park Branch. Candy available while supplies last.

Storybook Adventures with Columbus Children's Theatre for the Very Young

Fri., November 8 at 10:30 a.m.
45 min.
Kids
Registration opens October 25

Families can join actors and teaching artists from **Columbus Children's Theatre** for theatrical performances of classic books and interactive drama activities.

CHA Animal Shelter Visit

Sat., November 16; 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
All ages
No registration

Dog and cat lovers can make crafts and chat with representatives from **CHA Animal Shelter** to learn about animal adoption and the local shelter. Adoptable animals may be on-site based on availability.

TEEN PROGRAMS

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Tremont Road Branch

Dungeons and Dragons

Every other Thursday at 5 p.m. beginning September 5
Meeting Room A; 2 hrs.
Ages 12-18
No registration

Join your friends at the library as we learn and play the beloved game Dungeons and Dragons. No experience required.

DIY Ghostly Glow

Wed., October 9 at 4 p.m.
Meeting Room B; 60 min.
Teens
No registration

Halloween is almost here! Tweens and teens can make a tiny ghost using clay and a tea light to give your space a spooky glow.

Teen Advisory Board

Mon., October 14 at 3:45 p.m.
Mon., November 11 at 3:45 p.m.
Meeting Room A; 60 min.
Teens
No registration

Want to be active in your library? Join our Teen Advisory Board! Teens will help the library with decisions and other tasks. Great for service hours.

Lane Road Branch

Teen Service Club

Mon., September 9 at 3:45 p.m.
Mon., October 7 at 3:45 p.m.
Mon., November 4 at 3:45 p.m.
Lane Road Meeting Room; 60 min.
Grades 6-12
Registration opens 2 weeks prior

Teen volunteers will help with projects and earn service credit.

Glow in the Dark Mushroom Painting

Thur., October 17 at 4 p.m.
Lane Road Meeting Room; 60 min.
Ages 12+
Registration opens October 3

Create a cool glow in the dark mushroom painting. We'll have the lights off...and the black lights on!

Cozy Needlepoint and Cocoa Party

Sat., November 9 at 2 p.m.
Lane Road Meeting Room; 90 min.
Teens
No registration

We will get cozy as we learn to needlepoint and make a coaster! We will celebrate our new skill by sipping hot cocoa and nibbling on cookies.

Miller Park Branch

Teen Service Club

Wed., September 18 at 2:30 p.m.
Mon., October 14 at 2:30 p.m.
Tue., November 5 at 10:30 a.m.
60 min.
Grades 6-12
Registration opens 2 weeks prior

Teen volunteers will help with library projects and earn an hour of service credit.

Book Buddies: Big Buddies

Tue., September 24 at 6 p.m.
Tue., October 22 at 6 p.m.
Tue., November 26 at 6 p.m.
90 min.
Grades 6-12
Registration opens 4 or 5 weeks prior

Teens will earn service credit by coaching an elementary school "buddy" in reading and playing games.

Spooky Terrariums

Sat., October 26 at 2:30 p.m.
Lane Road Meeting Room; 60 min.
Ages 12+
Registration now open

Make a mini terrarium to take home in honor of spooky season.

FALL

Storytimes

TREMONT ROAD BRANCH
Sept 3-Nov 30

Babytime
(0-24 months)
Mon @ 10:30

Twos & Threes
(2-3 years)
Tue @ 10:30
Wed @ 10:30
Thur @ 10:30

Preschool
(3-5 years)
Mon @ 2:00

Stories & More
(all ages)
Sat @ 10:30

LANE ROAD BRANCH
Sept 3-Nov 14

Babytime
(0-24 months)
Thur @ 10:30

Twos & Threes
(2-3 years)
Tue @ 10:30

Family Storytime
(all ages)
Mon @ 5:30

MILLER PARK BRANCH
Sept 4-Nov 27

Babytime
(0-24 months)
Wed @ 10:15

Twos & Threes
(2-3 years)
Mon @ 10:15