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TECH CLASSES

Register online at mrrl.org/events/month

BLOGGERS BELONG MONDAY, OCTOBER 4 | 6:30-7:45p.m. | Mark Twain Room Are you a blogger? Have you considered starting a blog? Would you like to connect with other bloggers? Join us for the Bloggers Belong session! The discussion will be led by Melanie A. Peters of www.intentergy.com. Registration required.

GROW WITH GOOGLE: GET YOUR LOCAL BUSINESS ON GOOGLE SEARCH AND MAPS

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5 | 9:00-10:00a.m. | Virtual

Join Bryan Caplan, speaker for Grow with Google, for an info-packed webinar dedicated to growing your business online. In this 45-minute webinar, you'll learn about Google My Business, a free tool for local businesses who want to connect with customers on Google Search and Maps. Get hands-on help creating or updating your business profile or a simple website. In this workshop, we'll discuss best practices for:

- . Create or claim your Business Profile on Google
- Manage your business info across Google Search and Maps
- Use Google My Business to connect with potential customers

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7 | 10:00-11:00a.m. | Mark Twain

Learn how to use new tips and tricks on Windows 10 from Windows Snapping, Task View, cleaning your system through settings and more. Registration required.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12 | 6:00-7:00p.m. | Mark Twain Room Google Docs is one of the most popular apps Google has to offer. In this class, we'll learn how to navigate it, with instructions on how to read Word documents in Docs, how to use formatting, and more. Registration required.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14 | 4:00-5:00p.m. | Mark Twain

Are you curious about the new wave of 3D printing? Learn how these machines work and how to use them through the library. Registration required.

PINTEREST FOR BEGINNERS MONDAY, OCTOBER 18 | 12:00-1:00p.m. | Mark Twain Room Pinterest is an app that millions of people around the world use each day. Learn how to use it effectively in this class! We will go over the basics of usage, from how to create pins to organizing your boards. Registration required.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21 | 5:00-6:00p.m. | Mark Twain Room Curious about Windows 10? Join us as we explore this popular operating system! You'll learn how to navigate the Windows 10 interface, locate and manage your files, and customize your preferences. Registration required.

LINKEDIN LEARNING

MONDAY, OCTOBER 25 | 6:00-7:15p.m. | Mark Twain Room Curious about the new LinkedIn Learning database at our library? Previously known as Lynda.com, LinkedIn Learning is an educational platform that allows you to develop your skills in business, technology, and creativity through professional-led videos. Join us as we learn to use this database effectively and make it work for you, all free with your library card. Registration required.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 26 | 5:30-7:30p.m. | Mark Twain Room Are you interested in learning more about your ancestors? Then come to our Genealogy class! We'll first go over a different database you can use to find past family members, and help with individual questions to get you making the most out of your family tree. Registration required.

BUSINESS SOLUTIONS: PROTECT YOURSELF FROM

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28 | 8:00-9:00a.m. | Offsite at the Chamber of Commerce

Want to protect yourself from scams online? Join us for this class from Grow with Google on how to recognize the signs of online scams and how to avoid them.



Per CDC guidelines, because the state of Missouri is a high transmission COVID-19 area, we request you wear a mask inside the Library regardless of your vaccination status. The library will continue to monitor the COVID-19 situation and may make changes regarding in-person programming.





FIRST FRIDAY FILM: THE COURIER

Friday, October 1

7:00-9:00p.m. | MRRL Art Gallery

In this true-life Cold War spy thriller, a British businessman, Greville Wynne, becomes entangled in one of the greatest international conflicts in history. Recruited by MI6 and a CIA operative, Wynne forms a covert alliance with a Soviet spy, and both men risk everything in a dangerous race against time to provide the intelligence needed to prevent nuclear confrontation and the Cuban Missile Crisis. The film stars Benedict Cumberbatch and Rachel Brosnahan.



KNITTING & CROCHETING

Tuesday, October 5 6:00-8:00p.m. | MRRL Park

Knitters, crocheters, and fiber artists of all types are welcome. In case of inclement weather, we will meet in the



Wednesdays, October 6, 13, 20, & 27 5:30-6:30p.m. | MRRL Art Gallery Thursdays, October 7, 14, 21, & 28 9:30-10:30a.m. | MRRL Park

Rejuvenate your mind and body. All shapes, sizes and abilities are welcome. Bring a mat (or towel) to class if you have one, but these are not required. Drop-ins welcome. No charge - library program.



VIRTUAL DIY HOMESTEADING

Monday, October 11

6:30-7:00p.m. | Virtual Program

Have you ever been interested in homesteading? Do you want to reduce the amount of chemicals in your home and food? Are you trying to go plastic free? Join us each month for a hands-on (virtual!) class where we'll learn how to DIY various items for your home. This month, we're making homemade lip balms! Please email Angie at baynea@mrrl.org for more information.

Join us at https://www.facebook.com/groups/mrrla



BOARD GAME NIGHT

Tuesday, October 12 (Ages 12+) 5:30-8:00p.m. | MRRL Art Gallery

For any and all teens and adults who love to game, this evening is for you! Bring your favorite board game or come learn one of the many games the library owns! We will focus on one board game type each month. In October, we will be learning the deck building strategy game Dominion. Come learn to play or pick one of our many other games!

DID YOU MISS A VIRTUAL PROGRAM?

No worries, you can see our virtual video archives at www.mrrl.org/virtual-programs



Libraries: The medicine chest of the soul

> -Library at Thebes, inscription over the door



VIRTUAL DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS

Thursdays, October 14 & 28 Ages 12+

6:00-8:30p.m. | Virtual Program

Are you an adventurer at heart? Play Dungeons & Dragons with us online! You might stomp your way through an army of orcs, or go on a noble quest to rescue a whole town. You decide! (This program will be virtual for the foreseeable future. Please contact Megan at mehmertm@mrrl.org for more information or to sign up.)



AUTHOR TALK: DAREN DEAN

Thursday, October 14 7:00-9:00p.m. | MRRL Art Gallery

Daren Dean will discuss The Black Harvest, his recently published novel that evokes a complex epoch of American history. It's the story of Ashby Marchbanks (or "Preacher"), who falls in with William Clarke Quantrill's deadly bushwhackers. They fight battles on their own terms without the sanction of Jefferson Davis and the impromptu Confederate government, Preacher becomes well acquainted with rebels like Frank James and his brother Jesse. They fight with many others who would become notorious in their own right under Captain Bloody Bill Anderson in the waning days of the American Civil War. Theirs is a war for survival on the border where violence between Kansas and Missouri began long before Fort

Dean is also the author of the novel Far Beyond the Pale and the short story collection I'll Be Here Long After You're Gone. He holds an MFA in creative writing from the University of North Carolina at Wilmington, and is an assistant professor of English at Lincoln University. His work has been published by national and regional publications, including The Huffington Post, Midwestern Gothic, and StorySouth, He was recently nominated for two Pushcart Prizes in short fiction.

Murder Mystery

NEW: ADULT MURDER MYSTERY Friday, October 15

6:30-9:00p.m. | MRRL Art Gallery

It's the roaring 20s and there's been a murder in the speakeasy! Join us for an evening full of mystery, murder, mayhem, and fun! Come as yourself or somebody else, show off your drama skills, or just enjoy watching the drama! Reservations are required for this event.



LOOSELY BOUND BOOK CLUB

Monday, October 18

6:00-7:30p.m. | Truman Room

Looking for your next great read? Join us at our newest book club! This month's themes are spooky and/or retellings of old tales. Feel free to interpret that however you like! We can't wait to hear what you read! Discussion and recommendations abound! Ages 18 and up.



NAIL POLISH PENDANTS WITH NECKLACE

Tuesday, October 19 7:30-8:15p.m. | Truman Room

We will use nail polish and gemstones to make bright iridescent pendants with a satin band necklace.



Friday, October 22 10:30a.m.-4:00p.m. | MRRL Art Gallery

Make a blood donation appointment at the library and give to those in

How to Find an Owl in Your Neighborhood

HOW TO FIND AN OWL IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

Thursday, October 21 6:30-8:00p.m. | MRRL Art Gallery

Do you ever see or hear an owl in your neighborhood and want to experience more of these beautiful birds? Award-winning naturalist Mark H.X. Glenshaw, aka "The Owl Man," will be here to present a special program on owl detection in your local area. Mark has studied Great Horned Owls in St. Louis's Forest Park since 2005. He gives dozens of lectures on the owls all over Missouri and Illinois and leads scores of owl prowls in Forest Park each year. In addition, he helps people find owls in their neighborhoods, whether in subdivisions, city neighborhoods, rural areas, pocket parks or large public parks. His talk will show which owls you are most likely to see or hear, where to look for them, how to look for them, what to listen for, and the importance of research and collaboration.

ELDERHOOD: A BOOK DISCUSSION

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Monday, October 25 6:30-8:30p.m. | MRRL Art Gallery

Most people alive today will spend more years in elderhood than in childhood, and many will be elders for 40 years or more. Even though humans are living longer than ever before, we've made old age into a disease, a condition to be dreaded. denigrated, neglected and denied. Harvard-trained geriatrician Louise Aronson's Pulitzer-nominated book Elderhood is the subject of a book discussion that invites participants to consider how aging and ageism affects popular culture, medical treatment, and societal attitudes. Copies of this provocative book are available from the ibrary and through Mobius. The library has received a National Institutes of Health grant that includes discussion materials and a number of books to be awarded to those who participate in the discussion program. The discussion will be coordinated by Mary Schantz, who has long experience in public policy regarding aging issues; Dr. Nancy Ellis-Ordway, a psychologist and author of Thrive at Any Weight and whose academic research focuses on body image; and Madeline Matson, the library's adult programmer.

Cosplay Creations

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Tuesday, October 26 6:00-7:00p.m. | Truman Room

Resident cosplayer will teach how to cut, curl, fashion, and tame unruly wigs so that no hairstyle will keep you from cosplaying your favorite characters! Some wigs will be provided. Bring your own wig as well! Learn the ins and outs of cosplay. You're never too young or old to enjoy costumes and creations.

LU-MRRL **LECTURE SERIES**

LU-MRRL LECTURE SERIES: THE IMPORTANCE OF LEARNING A FOREIGN LANGUAGE

Tuesday, October 26 7:00-8:00p.m. | MRRL Art Gallery

Have you ever wondered why it is easier for children to learn a foreign language than adults? How can the learning of foreign languages be advantageous for students and other adults? Some of the benefits of learning a foreign language pertain to careers, more cultural awareness, study abroad opportunities, meeting new people and improvement in learning skills. Gloria Williams, assistant professor of Spanish and French at LU. will share how she learned Spanish, French, German, Swedish, English, Japanese and Patois as she lived in Sweden, Spain, Germany, Jamaica, the USA, and the impact this has had in her life and career.

NEW ADULT BOOK EVENT

NEW ADULT BOOK EVENT: ONE POISON PIE BY LYNN CAHOON

Wednesday, October 27 Ages 18 + 6:00-8:00p.m. | Truman Room

Are you a Millennial, Zillennial, Gen X, Y, or Z? Join us for a New Adult Book Event! We are looking forward to an evening of literary discussion, snacks, and fun. This themed event will bring together several aspects of our chosen book, making book club about so much more than just talk. One Poison Pie by Lynn Cahoon is available for free on Hoopla. A few paperback copies will be available for those who need a physical copy.