

Mentor Public Library takes you to Hollywood



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SC: MENTOR SENIOR CENTER

H: HEADLANDS

HB: THE HUB

M: MAIN

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All September

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M Let's Cook with LaDonna Oltmanns Saturday, Sept. 2, at 10 am

LaDonna Oltmanns of Let's Cook leads a free cooking demonstration of dishes that you can make at home. **RR**

HB Hollywood Photo Shoot Tuesday, Sept. 5, 3:30 - 7 pm

Take a red-carpet snapshot using The HUB's green-screen technology. All ages welcome. No registration required.

V 1939: The Greatest Year in Movies Tuesday, Sept. 5, at 6:30 pm

Film historian Sal St. George discusses the greatest year in American cinematic history. Revisit *Gone with the Wind*, *The Wizard of Oz*, *Mr. Smith Goes to Washington*, and other classics that premiered during Hollywood's golden year. This program will be hosted online via Zoom. **RR**

L Back to Your Roots Genealogy Group Wednesday, Sept. 6, at 6:30 pm

Interested in your family history? Share genealogy tips, exchange information, and talk shop with likeminded individuals. All experience levels are welcome. **RR**

V Life, Love, Family & Food: An Author Talk with Lidia Bastianich

Thursday, Sept. 7, at 7 pm

Enjoy an author talk with award-winning television host and writer Lidia Bastianich as she discusses her memoir, *My American Dream*. Register at libraryc.org/mentorpl. **RR**

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M Meet Us in the Garden: Rain Gardens Saturday, Sept. 9, at 10 am

A Lake County Master Gardener will explain why rain gardens are so important and offer advice on how to design them. Rain gardens protect local waterways by filtering storm water and allowing it to soak into the ground. Learn more during this free program. **RR**

M Hollywood's Golden Age Monday, Sept. 11, at 6:30 pm

Enjoy the renowned gossip mavens Hedda Hopper and Louella Parsons as they take the audience on a journey through the Golden Age of Hollywood (as only *they* know it.) Presented by the historical re-enactors from Women in History. **RR**

HB Galaxy Diamond Coasters Tuesday, Sept. 12, at 5:30 pm

Adults can make coasters with a galactic design and celestial shine. **RR**

L Castaways Knitting Group Wednesday, Sept. 13, at 10:30 am

Stitch with friends! Bring whatever knitting, crocheting, or other fiber art project you're working on.

M Leaders & Legacies of the Civil War: From Buffalo Soldiers to President James A. Garfield

Wednesday, Sept. 13, at noon

Author and historian Sharon Kennedy shares the true story of three African-American Buffalo Soldiers who constructed a 10-foot memorial to the assassinated President James A. Garfield in a remote area of Bonita Canyon in Arizona's Chiricahua Mountains. Learn about the place, these soldiers, and their monument. **RR**



M Historic Theaters of Cleveland Wednesday, Sept. 13, at 6:30 pm

Local historian and author Alan Dutka shares the remarkable histories of Cleveland's downtown movie theaters and their reemergence as community landmarks, collectively known as Playhouse Square. **RR**

M Board Game Saturdays Saturday, Sept. 16, 9 am to 4:30 pm

Board > Bored! Come to our Main Library on every third Saturday of the month for board games. Play games from our collection or bring your own.

V All Booked Up with Cailey & Meg Saturday, Sept. 16, at noon

MPL librarians Cailey and Meg discuss what they've been reading and recommend books that you'll enjoy.

H Recreate a Masterpiece Saturday, Sept. 16, at 2 pm

Adults can enjoy remaking a classic piece of art in their own style. We'll provide the paint and canvas. You supply the creativity. **RR**

L Classic Movie Night: *Philadelphia Story* Monday, Sept. 18, at 6:30 pm

Enjoy a free screening of this classic romantic comedy, starring James Stewart, Cary Grant, Katharine Hepburn, and Ruth Hussey. The film is about a socialite whose wedding plans are complicated by the simultaneous arrival of her ex-husband and a tabloid magazine journalist. **RR**

H World of Watercolor Monday, Sept. 18, at 6:30 pm

Artists of all skill levels can explore watercolor painting. Experiment with different techniques and get creative. **RR**

H Headlands Crafternoon Tuesday, Sept. 19, at 1 pm

Come to the Headlands Branch for an afternoon of crafting. Bring your current project. All skill levels and ages welcome.

M Monsters Are Universal: Silver Screams in Hollywood's Golden Age Thursday, Sept. 19, at 6:30 pm

The Largely Literary Theater Company cofounders Sara Showman and Mark Dawidziak use lighthearted sketches, props, and costume pieces to explore Hollywood's golden age of horror – with a special emphasis on the Universal films starring Bela Lugosi and Boris Karloff. **RR**

V How to Get Unstuck When It Matters Most: An Author Talk with Adam Alter

Thursday, Sept. 20, at 2 pm

Adam Alter – author of *Anatomy of a Breakthrough* – explains how to burst beyond a midlife crisis, writer's block, or a thankless job. And he shows how to undergo a friction audit to move beyond unhelpful emotions, patterns of thought, and behaviors. Sign up at libraryc.org/mentorpl. **RR**

HB Hollywood Icon Notebook Wednesday, Sept. 20 or 27, At 5:30 pm

Use The HUB's laser engraver to personalize a wooden notebook cover with your favorite Hollywood icon. **RR**

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L Hollywood Names and Stories

Thursday, Sept. 21 at 6 pm

What's in a name? Everything! In the early film industry, performers often shed their birth names to achieve stardom. Learn about well-known actors who were rechristened by their studios or themselves and find out why. **RR**

L Classic Movie Night: *Ball of Fire*

Monday, Sept. 25, at 6:30 pm

Enjoy a free screening of this screwball comedy, starring Gary Cooper and Barbara Stanwyck. See what happens when a nightclub performer contributes her unique knowledge to a group of professors laboring to write an encyclopedia. **RR**

M Color Me Calm

Tuesday, Sept. 26, at 10 a.m.

Relax while coloring and listening to soothing music. Enjoy coffee, tea, and a cookie or two.

M Medicare Basics

Tuesday, Sept. 26, at 6 p.m.

Get a basic understanding of how Medicare works and how it affects you, whether you're already using it or about to go on it. **RR**

L Tragic Hollywood

Tuesday, Sept. 26 at 6:30 pm

Beyond the glamour, discover the true stories of actors whose lives came to tragic ends. **RR**

M Golden Age of Hollywood Formal

Wednesday, Sept. 27 at 6:30 pm

Enjoy a celebration of the movies and glamour of yesteryear. Polish your cuff links and pearls and attend our formal! Play soundtrack bingo, enjoy a round a croquet, and dance to Big Band music. Light refreshments will also be available. **RR**

V On Writing Three International Best Sellers: Author Talk with Amor Towles

Wednesday, Sept. 27, at 8 pm

International bestseller Amor Towles will share stories from writing his celebrated books, *Rules of Civility*, *A Gentleman in Moscow*, and *The Lincoln Highway*. Register to attend at library.org/mentorpl. **RR**

L Holistic Wellness & Yoga

Thursday, Sept. 28 at 1 pm

Yoga instructor Darlene Kelbach will lead a relaxing yoga session and share tips on holistic therapies. Please bring a yoga mat and wear comfortable clothing. **RR**

M Haunted Hollywood featuring the Haunted Housewives

Thursday, Sept. 28 at 6:30 pm

Join Cathi Weber and Theresa Argie as they recount the many hauntings of celebrities and a few stories of haunts from their trip to Hollywood. **RR**

T E C H

SC Streaming Movies with your MPL

Card: Tech Tuesdays

Tuesday, Sept. 12, at 10 a.m.

Learn how to stream movies, documentaries, and TV shows for free with your Mentor Public Library card. To register, call the Mentor Senior Center at 440-974-5725. **RR**

L Computer Class: Basic Computers

Wednesday, Sept. 20, at 10 am

Learn the basic skills needed to use a computer. **RR**

L Computer Class: Basic Email

Wednesday, Sept. 20, at 2 pm

Learn how to send, reply to, label, and archive emails, as well as how to send attachments. **RR**

L Computer Class: Microsoft Publisher

Wednesday, Sept. 20, at 6:30 pm

Learn how to use Microsoft Publisher to create flyers, cards, and more. Basic computer skills required. **RR**

L Computer Class: Word I

Wednesday, Sept. 27, at 10 am

Learn how to use Microsoft Word to create, open, and save documents, as well as how to select text and change its formatting. **RR**

L Computer Class: Basic Internet Skills

Wednesday, Sept. 27, at 2 pm

Learn the basics of searching the web. Mouse and typing skills are required. **RR**

L Computer Class: Facebook Basics

Wednesday, Sept. 27, at 6:30 pm

Learn how to use Facebook. This free, hands-on class will demonstrate its basic features. Please come to class with your Facebook login information and password. **RR**

For more tech offerings, visit the state-of-the-art makerspace at The HUB inside of Mentor High School. It offers a Cricut Maker, large-format printer, heat press, laminator, button maker, and more. They are available for your next project with our staff's assistance.

Go to www.mentorpl.org/makerspace for information about The HUB's makerspace, including how to schedule your appointment.



Book Clubs

M It's a Mystery Book Club

Wednesday, Sept. 6, at 6:30 pm

Enjoy and discuss crime-related genres, including thrillers, true-crime, and mystery/detective novels. In September, they'll discuss C.J. Tudor's *Burning Girls*. **RR**

L Watch What You Read Book Club

Tuesday, Sept. 12, at 6:30 pm

This club celebrates great reads *and* their movie adaptations. Enjoy the book, watch the movie, and join friends to discuss both. In September, we'll discuss *A Man Called Ove* by Fredrik Backman.

M Men's Book Club

Monday, Sept. 18, at 7 pm

This month's book is *The Humans* by Matt Haig. **RR**

SC Senior Center Book Club

Wednesday, Sept. 20, at 1:30 pm

Join us at the Mentor Senior Center for our monthly book discussion. This month's book is *The Lost Roses* by Martha Hall Kelly. If you wish to join us, you can pick up a copy at our Lake Branch. **RR**

H Science Fiction Book Club

Wednesday, Sept. 20, at 6:30 pm

Our club celebrates new and classic speculative fiction! We're discussing *Circe* by Madeline Miller. **RR**

M Cookbook Club

Wednesday, Sept. 20, at 6:30 pm

Local chef LaDonna Oltmanns leads this group, which combines a book club and a potluck. Each member picks and prepares a recipe from the same cookbook to share with the group. **RR**

M Teen Book Club

Thursday, Sept. 21, at 6:30 pm

Teens (7-12th grade) can discuss a classic at the library. This month we're talking about Charlotte Bronte's *Jane Eyre*. Snacks will be provided. **RR**

M Monday Night Book Club

Monday, Sept. 25, at 6:30 pm

Join us for a discussion of bestsellers, popular reads, and books of interest. This month, we'll discuss *Then She Was Gone* by Lisa Jewell. **R**

H Drawn In To Graphic Novels Book Club

Saturday, Sept. 30, at 2 pm

Tweens and teens (12-17) can explore history with some of the best graphic novels created. In September, they'll discuss *In the Shadow of the Fallen Towers*. Book club members also receive their own journal where they can write and draw their own stories. **RR**



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TEEN

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HB Personalized Wood Journal Wednesdays, Sept. 6 or 13,

At 5:30 pm

Teens (12-17) can use The HUB's laser engraver to personalize a wood journal that they'll paint, decorate, and assemble. **RR**

L Switch Mario Kart Party Thursday, Sept. 7, at 6:30 pm

Teens and tweens can battle in our Mario Kart tournament for a special prize. Contestants can bring their own switch or use on of ours. No registration required. Snacks provided.

HB Halloween Diamond Art Earrings Tuesdays, Sept. 19 or 26, 3:30 pm

Teens (12-17) can make boo-tiful diamond art earrings that are perfect for Halloween or any other occasion. **RR**

M Teen Book Club Thursday, Sept. 21, at 6:30 pm

Teens (7-12th grade) can discuss a classic at the library. This month we're talking about Charlotte Bronte's **Jane Eyre**. Snacks will be provided. **RR**

L Teen Art Night Thursday, Sept. 28, at 6:30 pm

Teens and tweens can kick off spooky season by making a creepy craft, watching a Halloween movie, and enjoying snacks. **RR**

H Happy Birthday to You Saturday, Sept. 30, at 11:30 am

Have a birthday in July, August, or September? Celebrate with us! All ages can enjoy party games, a homemade card, special gift, and a cupcake. **RR**

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KIDS

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M Write a Letter to Thomas the Tank Engine All September

Kids can write a letter to (or draw a picture for) their favorite storybook characters at the library. We'll share our favorite letters and pictures on our social media.

H Finger Paint Fridays Fridays, from 10 am to 12 pm

Kids can explore their creativity with finger painting every Friday.

HB Handprint Garden Gift Thursdays, Aug. 31 or Sept. 7, At 4 pm

Kids (0-5) can use their handprint to create a garden-themed canvas. Perfect as a Grandparents' Day keepsake. **RR**

M LEGO at the Library Saturday, Sept. 2, at 11 am

Kids (ages 5-12) can rock the blocks on the first Saturday of every month.

HB Hollywood Photo Shoot Tuesday, Sept. 5, 3:30 - 7 pm

Take a red-carpet snapshot using The HUB's green-screen technology. All ages welcome. No registration required.

M The Fine Arts Club Tuesday, Sept. 5, at 4 pm

Using history and hands-on experience, kids (7-12) will learn about dance, theatre, poetry, painting, and other forms of art. **RR**

M Travel Club Wednesday, Sept. 6, at 4 pm

Kids (6-12) can make a craft, have a snack, and enjoy activities dedicated to a different country each month. **RR**

H Let's Cook with Kids Wednesday, Sept. 6, at 6:30 pm

LaDonna Oltmanns from Let's Cook -- a plant-based mobile cooking school -- will lead cooking classes for kids (8 and older). **RR**

M Apple Chairs
Thursday, Sept. 7, at 4 pm
 Kids (6-12) will paint a "fruit chair" to display an apple as we celebrate the autumnal harvest. Snacks to follow. **RR**

L Switch Mario Kart Party
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 Teens and tweens can battle in our Mario Kart tournament for a special prize. Contestants can bring their own Switch or use one of ours. No registration required. Snacks provided.

H Headlands Jeopardy
Saturday, Sept. 9, at noon
 Kids (8 and older) can test their trivia knowledge and learn something new during a fun afternoon of trivia challenges. **RR**

H Roblox Saturday
Saturday, Sept. 9, at 2 pm
 Join us online or in-person for a different game from ROBLOX each month. **RR**

L Grab-N-Go Seasonal Crafts
Starting Monday, Sept. 11
 Enjoy a seasonal children's craft to take and make at home. While supplies last.

L Master Builders
Wednesday, Sept. 13, at 4 pm
 Kids (5-11) will build with LEGO, magnetic tiles, magnet sticks and Brain Flakes. New themes will spur creativity each month.

H Next Level Video Game Club
Wednesday, Sept. 13, at 6:30 pm
 Kids (8 and older) can play games like on our Switch. They're also welcome to bring their own portable device. **RR**

M Red Carpet Kids
Sunday, Sept. 17, at 1 pm
 Lights! Camera! Action! Children can walk the red carpet for this fancy Hollywood gathering. Don your finest and mingle with the stars. For kids, ages 6-12. No younger siblings please.

H Curious Kids
Wednesday, Sept. 27, at 6:30 pm
 Each month, Curious Kids will exercise their creativity and learn with arts, crafts, and STEM activities in our new club. **RR**

HB Study Time Door Hanger
Thursdays, Sept. 21 or 28, at 4 pm
 Kids (6-11) can make an owl door hanger that lets everyone know when they're studying. It's a hoot! **RR**

H Happy Birthday to You
Saturday, Sept. 30, at 11:30 am
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M Family Story Time
Mondays, starting Sept. 11, 10 am
 Bring your kids and enjoy stories, songs, and activities that promote early literacy and healthy development. Geared toward ages two to six but all ages welcome.

M Tiddlywinks
Tuesdays & Wednesdays,
Starting Sept. 12, 10 am
 Kids (birth to 3) with a caregiver will love this interactive story time filled with stories, songs, and rhymes.

L Storytime Stars
Tuesdays, starting Sept. 12, 10:30 am
 Kids (0-5) can enjoy stories, music, rhymes, and a craft. Kids must be with an adult.

M Preschool Story Time
Tuesdays, starting Sept. 12, 11 am
 Kids (3-6) can enjoy stories, songs, rhymes, and a craft. Adults don't attend this story time.

M PJ Family Story Time
Wednesdays, starting Sept. 13,
6:30 pm
 Children can wear their snuggliest pajamas while they enjoy stories, songs, rhymes, a craft, and a snack. Kids must be accompanied by an adult.

L Musical Munchkins
Thursdays, starting Sept. 14, 10:30 am
 Kids (0-5) can enjoy an interactive musical story time with singing, stories, and exploration of simple musical concepts. All kids must be accompanied by an adult.

M Kindergarten Prep Story Time
Thursdays, starting Sept. 14, 11 am
 A short story time followed by pre-kindergarten activities. Open to children entering kindergarten or wanting to get a jump on necessary skills. Kids are encouraged to participate without a parent.

M Wiggle, Giggle & Shake
Fridays, starting Sept. 15, 10 am
 Kids (2-6) and caregivers will have fun clapping and moving to music together.

L Saturday Family Story Time
Saturday, Sept. 16, at 10:30 am
 All ages can enjoy stories, music, rhymes, and a craft at our monthly Saturday story time.



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Sept. 20

Oct. 18

Nov. 15

The public is welcome to attend.

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