# Alamance County Public Library News Releases for October 2021. All library programs are free and open to the public.

May Memorial Library. Digital Skills for School Success! Join us for an 8-week program designed to help you learn the digital skills you need to help your children succeed with online learning. Families will meet weekly at May Memorial Library to learn new digital skills and then practice them at home. Participants must have access to a device (PC or laptop). WiFi hotpots are available if you need internet access at home to complete the program. Kids are welcome and snacks will be provided. Classes will be held on Wednesdays beginning October 6, 2021. For more information call (336) 229-3588 and ask for the Reference Desk.

# October 1

Fairchild Park, 827 S. Graham-Hopedale Road., Burlington. Mobile Library Grand Opening! 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. Join us for a ribbon-cutting at 4:00 p.m. and check out the wonderful resources available on our new Mobile Library! We also will have activities, giveaways, and storytimes for all ages. Visit alamancelibraries.org or call us at (336) 513-9331 for more information about our Grand Opening and our Mobile Library schedule of stops!

# **October 3 – 16**

May Memorial Library. Scavenger Hunt. For ages 2-12. Drop by during library hours for a self-led scavenger hunt! Participants will earn a small prize for each completed scavenger hunt, and the scavenger hunt challenges will change every other week. For more information, call (336) 229-3588.

# October 4 - 31

Mebane Public Library. Preschool Scavenger Hunt. For ages 2-5 and their caregivers. Drop by during library hours for self-led scavenger hunts designed to promote learning through observation, exploration, and play. Participants will earn a small prize for each completed scavenger hunt, and the scavenger hunt challenges will change weekly. For more information, call (919) 563-6431.

## Week of October 4

Alamance County Public Libraries. Adult Craft Kits. For adults. Drop by the library to pick up a Halloween-themed craft that can be easily made at home. Share pictures of your spooky creations on our social media channels. Kits will be available at all library locations while supplies last. For more information, call (336) 229-3588.

May Memorial Library. Teen Take and Make Craft Kits! For 6th – 12th graders. Looking for a fun project to do at home? Check out our new monthly Take and Make Craft Kits for teens and tweens! This month we're making Spooky Jars! Kits are limited. For more information, call (336) 229-3588.

Mebane Public Library. Elementary Take and Makes! For K – 5th graders. Looking for something fun to do at home? Check out our Take and Make Packets! Each packet contains supplies for a craft or activity designed to promote creativity and hands-on learning. This packet's theme is "Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month!" Packets are available on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information, call (919) 563-6431.

Mebane Public Library. Preschool Take and Makes. For ages 2-5 and their caregivers. Pick up these preschool craft kits designed to encourage self-expression, build fine motor skills, and promote active play! Kits are available on a first-come, first-served basis while supplies last. For more information, call (919) 563-6431.

North Park Library. Take and Makes. Come in for a sprinkle of the activities going on throughout the month with a Take and Make packet. It will be full of fall fun with an owl craft, candy trivia, some slimy concoctions, and more. To get your packet, come into the library starting on the 4th while supplies last. For more information call (336) 226-7185.

## October 5

North Park Library. Preschool Craft. 5:00 p.m. For children age 3 - 5. Whoo the Owl will come out for a small craft and story about owls. We will also play a fun game to learn more about these nighttime creatures! Registration required, limit 10. For more information please call (336) 226-7185.

May Memorial Library. Rejuvenating You. 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. For adults. Join Health and Wellness Coach Kendra Babbey for an 8-week journey to improve your mental, physical, and emotional health. During the program participants will connect with a community to build motivation and accountability, share simple food recipes, learn to develop a healthy mindset around food, implement mental and physical exercise routines, and set SMART Goals. Take the journey to a more positive, peaceful, and productive lifestyle. For more information, call (336) 229-3588.

# October 6

Persnickety Books, 347 S Main Street, Burlington. Mayor's Book Club. 12:00 p.m. Join Mayor Ian Baltutis for a monthly book club. This month's selection is *Stamped: racism, antiracism, and you* by Jason Reynolds and Ibram Kendi. Copies are available for pickup at May Memorial Library. This month's title is also Elon University's 2021-22 Common Reading Selection. We look forward to welcoming Elon community members to our discussion. For more information, email agramley@alamancelibraries.org or call (336) 229-3588.

Mayco Bigelow Community Center, 849 Sharpe Road, Burlington. Mayor's Book Club. 6:00 p.m. Join Mayor Ian Baltutis for a monthly book club. This month's selection is *Stamped: racism, antiracism, and you* by Jason Reynolds and Ibram Kendi. Copies are available for pickup at May Memorial Library. This month's title is also Elon University's 2021-22 Common Reading Selection. We look forward to welcoming Elon community members to our discussion. For more information, email agramley@alamancelibraries.org or call (336) 229-3588.

# October 9

May Memorial Library. Make & Takes! All Day. Ages 5 –12. Looking for a fun activity? Check out our Make and Takes! Drop by during library hours to make a craft, then take it home and show it off! We'll be making Autumn Leaf Wreaths. Contact May Memorial Library at 336-229-3588 for more details.

Alamance County Public Libraries – Zoom. Mayor's Book Club. 10:00 a.m. Join Mayor Ian Baltutis for a monthly book club. This month's selection is *Stamped: racism, antiracism, and you* by Jason Reynolds and Ibram Kendi. Copies are available for pickup at May Memorial Library. This month's title is also Elon University's 2021-22 Common Reading Selection. We look forward to welcoming Elon community members to our discussion. For more information, email agramley@alamancelibraries.org or call (336) 229-3588.

# Week of October 11

Mebane Public Library. Teen Take and Make Craft Kits. For  $6^{th} - 12^{th}$  graders. Looking for a fun project to do at home? Check out our monthly Take and Make Craft Kits for teens and tweens! With this month's kit, you'll have everything you need to make glow-in-the-dark parachute cord bracelets and fairy lanterns to light up your nights! For more information, call (919) 563-6431.

Graham Public Library. Yarn Monsters - Elementary Take & Make. Grades K-5th. Pick up a kit to make a wacky, wild-eyed, and not-so-scary yarn monster of your own! Kits will be available for pick up beginning Monday, October 11th - while supplies last. For more information, call (336) 570-6730.

Graham Public Library. Book Pumpkins – Adult Take & Make. For adults age 16 and up. Available beginning Monday, October 11 – one per person, while supplies last. Stop by the circulation desk and ask for your kit to create an easy and fun autumn decoration for your home! For more information, call (336) 570-6730.

## October 11

Alamance County Public Libraries – Zoom. Coding Crew! 4:00 p.m. For children ages 8 – 12. Learn the basics of computer science by animating stories with code! We'll customize characters, create backgrounds, write programs, and bring it all to life! For more information, email eweber@alamancelibraries.org or call (336) 229-3588.

Graham Public Library: Dragon Readers Book Group. 4:00 p.m. Grades K-2nd. Students in Kindergarten through 2nd grade are invited to join the new Dragon Readers Book Group, formed in honor of Graham's newest citizen, Erasmus the Dragon. This month will feature monster tales! Registration is required. To register or for more information, call (336) 570-6730.

North Park Library. Teen Scavenger Candy Hunt. 5:00 p.m. For tweens and teens. Drop by the library for a candy scavenger hunt and test your knowledge with candy trivia for a sweet reward! Space is limited so please call to register. For more information call (336) 226-7185.

Holt Street Park, 411 Holt Street, Mebane, 27302. Teen Advisory Group (T.A.G.) Meeting. 5:00 p.m. For 6th – 12th graders. At this special T.A.G. meeting, make glow-in-the-dark parachute cord bracelets and fairy lanterns to light up your nights! We will also create new panels for the library's preschool scavenger hunt. All who attend will earn an hour of volunteer time. This program is in partnership with the Mebane Recreation and Parks Department. Registration is required and space is limited. To register or for more information, email <a href="mailto:treese@alamancelibraries.org">treese@alamancelibraries.org</a> or call (919) 563-6431.

# October 12

Alamance County Public Libraries - Zoom. LEGO® Buddies. 4:00-6:00 pm. For K -5th graders. Love LEGO®? Love stories? Become a LEGO® Buddy by joining this interactive book & building club for elementary schoolers! Ms. Samantha will share a surprise story and a building challenge over Zoom, then participants will have time to build their LEGO® creations off-screen. In a second Zoom meeting, participants can share their creations with the group! To register for the program or for more information, email <a href="mailto:shunter@alamancelibraries.org">shunter@alamancelibraries.org</a>.

# October 13

May Memorial Library. Library Genealogy Club. 2:30 p.m. For adults. All are welcome. The local history librarian will talk about the travels of frontiersman Daniel Boone, the Lyman Draper manuscripts regarding the life of Boone, and the Draper Manuscripts as a genealogical source. For more information call (336) 229-3588 ext. 16130.

Holt Street Park, 411 Holt Street, Mebane, 27302. Crafternoon at Holt St. Park! 4:30 p.m. For K – 5<sup>th</sup> graders. Gather with us at Holt St. Park in Mebane for not-too-spooky crafting fun! This program is in partnership with the Mebane Recreation and Parks Department. Registration is required, and space is limited. In the event of rain, participants can pick up a Crafternoon Take and Make packet at Mebane Public Library. To register for the program or for more information, email treese@alamancelibraries.org or call (919) 563-6431.

# October 14

May Memorial Library. Farmers' Market Pop-up. 10:00 - 12:00 p.m. Learn more about our local farmers' markets. Representatives from the markets will be in the library's vestibule to answer questions and provide yummy samples. For more information, call (336) 229-3588.

Alamance County Public Libraries - Zoom. Hispanic Heritage Month Virtual Storytime. 6:00 p.m. For children ages 2 – 5 and their caregivers. Join Ms. Amy over Zoom for a fun interactive storytime celebrating Hispanic heritage! For more information email asegposyan@alamancelibraries.org or call (919) 563-6431.

# October 17 – 30

May Memorial Library: Scavenger Hunt. For ages 2 - 12. Drop by during library hours for a self-led scavenger hunt! Participants will earn a small prize for each completed scavenger hunt, and the scavenger hunt challenges will change every other week. For more information, call (336) 229-3588.

#### Week of October 18

Mebane Public Library. Preschool Take and Makes. For ages 2-5 and their caregivers. Pick up these preschool craft kits designed to encourage self-expression, build fine motor skills, and promote active play! Kits are available on a first-come, first-served basis while supplies last. For more information, call (919) 563-6431.

Graham Public Library. Monster Wreath - Teen Take & Make. Grades 6 - 12. Make a spooky monster wreath to decorate your room or your front door for Halloween! Pick up a kit with everything you'll need to create this monster of a wreath beginning Monday, October 18<sup>th</sup> while supplies last. For more information, call (336) 570-6730.

## October 18

May Memorial Library: Microsoft Excel Basics. 2:30 p.m. For adults. This class is intended for new users of Microsoft Excel. You will learn the different parts of a spreadsheet, how to insert text in cells, how to insert and format columns and rows, sort data, and basic math functions. For more information and to register, call (336) 229-3588.

North Park Library. Music Monday. 5:00 p.m. For children ages 5 – 10. In partnership with Magnolia Melodies Music Therapy and Mayco Bigelow Community Center, we proudly offer a music program that provides an opportunity for individuals to experience creativity in active music-making and effectively provide a way to decrease stress. This month's theme is "International Drum Month." For more information or to register for the program please call (336) 226-7185.

Mebane Public Library. Outdoor Yoga Storytime. 5:30 p.m. For families with children ages 4 and up. Join us as we breathe and bend together with stories, rhymes, and songs on the library's front lawn. Please bring a towel or mat with you and wear comfortable clothing for the program. Registration is required and space is limited. In the event of rain, registrants can pick up a Rainy-Day Yoga kit at Mebane Public Library. To register for the program or for more information, email asegposyan@alamancelibraries.org or call (919) 563-6431.

## October 19

Alamance County Public Libraries - Zoom. Virtual Storytime. 10:30 a.m. For children ages 2-5 and their caregivers. Twice a month we offer a fun, interactive storytime on Zoom. We will share

great stories, songs, and early literacy activities you can do at home. This week's theme is "Bears!" Registration is required. For more information, please call (336) 570-6730.

Graham Public Library. Stories vs. STEM. 4:00 p.m. Grades 3-5. All stories have problems that need to be solved. Can STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) solve them all? This month we'll be reading the book *Frank Was A Monster Who Wanted to Dance* by Keith Graves and making monster eyeballs! Registration is required. To register or for more information, call (336) 570-6730.

# October 20

Alamance County Public Libraries - Zoom. Awesome Readers. 4:30 p.m. For 3rd – 5th graders. Calling all 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders! This is a virtual book club just for you! Each month we will meet over Zoom to talk about a selected book and do activities based on the title. This month's book selection is *Esperanza Rising* by Pam Muñoz Ryan. To register for the program or for more information, email <a href="mailto:asegposyan@alamancelibraries.org">asegposyan@alamancelibraries.org</a> or call (919) 563-6431.

Persnickety Books, 347 S Main Street, Burlington. PRISM Book Club. 6:30 p.m. For adults. Everyone is welcome to join our new PRISM (People Reading Inclusive Stories Meeting) Book Club! This month's selection is *Cemetery Boys* by Aiden Thomas. Copies of the book are available for pickup at May Memorial Library. For more information, email kmoore@alamancelibraries.org or call (336) 229-3588.

## October 21

May Memorial Library. Marbled Pumpkins. Noon. For adults. Learn how to create colorful pumpkins in this fun and easy Halloween craft. This class will show you how to marble a pumpkin using nail polish and water. Registration is required. For more information, or to register, call (336) 229-3588.

North Park Library. Spooky Science! 4:00 p.m. Grades 2-6. Join us for a fun afternoon filled with spooky science activities you can make with simple materials! Registration is required and space is limited. For more information or to register, please call (336) 226-7185.

May Memorial Library: The Page Turners Book Club! 4:00 p.m. For K – 2nd graders. Calling all Kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd graders! This is a book club just for you! Each month we will read a book together and then do activities based on that book. This month's selection is *The Little Old Lady Who Was Not Afraid of Anything* by Linda Williams. To register for the program or for more information, call (336) 229-3588, or email ashoop@alamancelibraries.org.

## October 22

May Memorial Library: Monster Mash Scavenger Hunt. 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Join us for some fun as part of downtown Burlington's Halloween celebration kickoff! Come in costume or dressed as yourself. For more information call (336) 229-3588.

## October 23

May Memorial Libraries: Make & Takes! All Day. Ages 5–12. Looking for a fun activity? Check out our Make and Takes! Drop by during library hours to make a craft. Then take it home and show it off! We'll be making Coffee Filter Bats! Contact May Memorial Library at 336-229-3588 for more details.

## October 25 – 31

Mebane Public Library. Spooktacular Scavenger Hunt! During library hours. For K- 6th graders. Monsters and mayhem have taking over the library! Help save your library by completing a spooky scavenger hunt, and earn a Halloween treat bag when you're done. For more information, call (919) 563-6431.

# Week of October 25

Alamance County Public Libraries. At-Home Spooky Science! For Grades 2-5. Celebrate the spooky season with a fun packet of thrilling science experiments you can do at home. Registration is required and supplies are limited. For more information or to register, please email <a href="eweislak@alamancelibraries.org">eweislak@alamancelibraries.org</a>.

Graham Public Library. Free Comic Book Pack. All ages. Do you love comic books? Drop by the circulation desk beginning Monday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, and pick up a FREE pack of comic books – one per person – while supplies last. For more information, call (336) 570-6730.

## October 25

Alamance County Public Libraries - Zoom. Coding Crew! 4:00 p.m. For children ages 8-12. Learn the basics of computer science by animating stories with code! We'll customize characters, create backgrounds, write programs, and bring it all to life! For more information, email eweber@alamancelibraries.org or call (336) 229-3588.

Alamance County Public Libraries - Zoom. Among Us & Anime Meetup. 5:00 p.m. For 6th – 12th graders. During this month's hybrid meetup, we will play a few private *Among Us* matches and watch anime together via Zoom. All interested teens and tweens are welcome! To register for the program or for more information, email <u>treese@alamancelibraries.org</u> or call (919) 563-6431.

## October 26

Alamance County Public Libraries - Zoom: Virtual Tour of Pine Hill Cemetery. 2:00 p.m. For adults. In partnership with Alamance Community College, the library's Local History Librarian will be sharing information about the more notable inhabitants of Pine Hill Cemetery. For more information, call (336) 229-3588.

# October 28

North Park Library. 10:30 AM. Storytime in the Park! For ages 2-5. Join us for a fun outdoor storytime all about fall! We will share stories, sing songs, and do other fun activities! Registration is required and space is limited. For more information, email avivian@alamancelibraries.org or call 336-226-7185.

Alamance County Public Libraries - Zoom. Virtual Storytime. 7:00 p.m. For children ages 2-5 and their caregivers. Twice a month we offer a fun, interactive storytime on Zoom. We will share great stories, songs, and early literacy activities you can do at home. This week's theme is "Slightly Spooky Stories!" Registration is required. For more information, please email <a href="eweislak@alamancelibraries.org">eweislak@alamancelibraries.org</a> or call (336) 229-3588.