




# SPRING PROGRAMS FOR KIDS & TEENS

JANUARY-APRIL 2026

## HEARTY ARTY VALENTINE PARTY

Have a heart-happy Valentine afternoon with a storytime and puppet show, along with fun crafts, games, and activities!

Sat, Feb 7 • 2-3:30 pm

Storytime & Puppet Show • 2-2:30 pm  
IN THE City Council Chamber

Crafts & Activities • 2:30-3:30 pm  
IN THE Youth Services Area & Storytime Room



FUN FOR ALL AGES!

## THE PHYSICS OF AERODYNAMICS

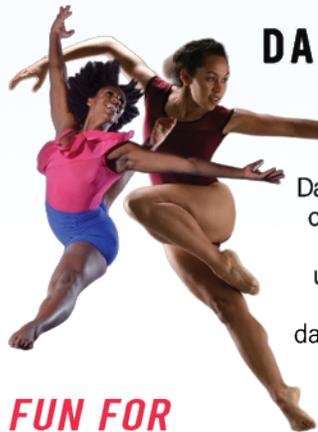
presented by the  
**FRONTIERS OF FLIGHT MUSEUM**



Learn about the four forces of flight from the experts, then apply your newly gained knowledge by building, testing, and refitting your own aircraft designs.

Sat, Mar 7 • 2:30-3:30 pm

IN THE City Council Chamber FOR Ages 8-12



## DALLAS BLACK DANCE THEATRE

RELENTLESS EXCELLENCE

Dallas Black Dance Theatre uses forces of movement and expression to create captivating dance performances. Join us for demonstrations of some of their techniques, an overview of what a dance rehearsal looks like, and a dance performance that highlights elements from the lecture.

Sat, Feb 21 • 3-4 pm

IN THE City Council Chamber

FUN FOR ALL AGES!

## Super Smart Art Special!

Admire the art of contemporary Black artists and try something new at this special edition of Smart Art! Dive into the work of artists like Faith Ringgold, Aaron Douglas, and Amy Sberald, and create your own masterpieces based on their work. Enjoy interactive art displays and photo ops for everyone. Crafts available while supplies last.

Sat, Feb 28 • 3-4:30 pm

IN THE Storytime Room FOR Ages 7-18



# POKÉMON

## GYM BADGE CHALLENGE

FOR TRAINERS  
AGED 3-18!

Catch 'em all with Pokémon-inspired tasks and receive a special Pokémon button upon completion!

FEBRUARY 1-28  
YOUTH SERVICES AREA

Buttons awarded once per child all month.  
Repeat participation is not allowed.

# CHILDREN'S STORYTIMES

Baby Booksit, Baby Steps, and Wiggle Worms are open to **Richardson residents only**. Residents must have a valid RPL library card to register. Required registration begins Monday, January 12. Call 972-744-4358 or visit the Youth Services Help Desk to register.

\*\*\* January 26–March 6 \*\*\*

Enjoy wonderful books, songs, rhymes, and engaging activities that promote early literacy. Attending children must be accompanied by at least one adult.

*Please choose one of the following times:*

## Baby Booksit

Pre-walking children • 6 weeks–12 months

Wednesday • 9:30–9:50 am

Registered children must be 6 weeks old by January 1.

## Baby Steps

Beginning walkers • 12–24 months

Tuesday • 10–10:20 am OR 10:40–11 am

Friday • 10:10–10:30 am OR 10:40–11 am

Registered children must be 12 months old by January 1.

## Wiggle Worms

Toddlers • 2–3 years

Monday • 10–10:20 am OR 10:40–11 am

Thursday • 10–10:20 am OR 10:40–11 am

Registered children must be 2 years old by January 1.

## ALL STORYTIMES ARE HELD IN THE LIBRARY STORYTIME ROOM



## SATURDAY MORNING KIDS

Start your weekend with the family at RPL enjoying fantastic books, music, and early literacy activities.

**Saturdays, 10:30–11 am**

**January 3–March 21**

IN THE City Council Chamber FOR Ages 3–6 & Family

**NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED!**



### Stuffie Storytime & Slumber Party

Bring your favorite stuffed animal or toy to our super special stuffie storytime, then hug your friend goodbye before

they spend the night at the Library — and don't forget to check RPL's Facebook and Instagram pages to see all the fun they're having!

**Fri, Jan 16 • 4:30–5:15 pm**

IN THE Storytime Room FOR Ages 3+

Limit 1 toy per child. Toys must be picked up Sat, Jan 17.



### Tales for Tails with the Heart of Texas Therapy Dogs

Work on reading skills and meet lots of friendly canine companions when you read to live therapy dogs! Kids attend independently for 10-minute sessions with a dog.

✳ ALL AGES ARE WELCOME TO MEET THE DOGS AROUND 3:50 PM ✳

**Sundays, 3–4 pm**

**Jan 25 • Feb 22 • Mar 22**

IN THE Storytime Room FOR Grades K–4

FREE ticket required. Tickets available at the Storytime Room door starting at 2:45 pm the day of each program.



### Nite Nite! Bedtime Stories

Wear your favorite comfy pajamas and bring a stuffed animal along to wind down with songs, books, flannels, and other bedtime activities.

**Mondays, 7–7:30 pm**

**Jan 26 • Feb 23**

IN THE Storytime Room FOR Ages 3–7



### Story Stroll

Grab your strollers and stretch your legs! Join us for a storytime at the park pavilion, then enjoy a walk through the park as we connect to nature with movement, rhymes, and fun.

**Mondays, 3–3:30 pm FOR Ages 3 and under**

**Mar 9 AT Cottonwood Park • Apr 20 AT Breckinridge Park**

Children must be accompanied by at least one adult. Subject to cancellation due to inclement weather.



# WEDNESDAYS @11



THANK YOU TO THE FRIENDS OF THE RICHARDSON LIBRARY FOR SPONSORING THESE EVENTS!



## Building Buddies

Build social and motor skills through play! Explore a variety of building toys each month, including Duplo bricks, Magna-Tiles, Kaleido Gears, and more!

**Wednesdays, 11-11:45 am**

**Jan 7 • Feb 4 • Mar 4**

IN THE *Storytime Room* FOR **Ages 2-5**

To avoid mix-ups, please do not bring personal building toys with you.

## Music & Movement

Sing, dance, and learn! Work on gross and fine motor movement, language, and rhythm — all through the magic of music!

**Wednesdays, 11-11:30 am**

**Jan 14 • Feb 11 • Mar 11**

IN THE *Storytime Room* FOR **Ages 2+**



## Fine Motor Fun

Help little hands grow stronger and more confident with fun, hands-on activities that boost dexterity, hand-eye coordination, and overall fine motor skills.

**Wednesdays, 11-11:45 am**

**Jan 21 • Feb 18 • Mar 18**

IN THE *Storytime Room* FOR **Ages 3-5**

Children must be accompanied by an adult. Some activities may contain choking hazards for children under 3.

## Math Counts Too!

Discover the fun of math concepts like measurement, number sense, pattern recognition, sorting, and more in play-based settings like a construction site, bake shoppe, and recycling center.

**Wednesdays, 11-11:45 am**

**Jan 28 • Feb 25 • Mar 25**

IN THE *Storytime Room* FOR **Ages 3-5**

Children must be accompanied by an adult. Some activities may contain choking hazards for children under 3.



# FRIDAYS, 4-5 PM

EXPERIMENT • EXPLORE • ENGAGE

## STEAM STARTERS

**STORYTIME ROOM • AGES 6-8**

### Jan 9 • Save Fred!

Uh-oh! Poor Fred needs saving from an island. Use your brain power to figure out the tools to get the job done!

### Feb 6 • The Great Penny Boat Challenge

How many pennies does it take to sink or keep your tin foil boat afloat?

### Mar 6 • Terrarium in a Bottle

Learn the art of terrarium making! You'll leave with a new pet plant to grow in your creation.

Required registration begins two weeks prior to each program. Call 972-744-4358 or visit the Youth Services Help Desk to register.

## C-TECH KIDS CLUB

**STORYTIME ROOM • AGES 9-12**

### Pickle Forensics • Jan 23

Using forensic science, see if you can solve the mystery of what happened to some very unfortunate pickles!

### Pixel Pictures • Feb 20

Break down the science behind digital photos and how data is transferred using patterns, then create your own pixelated picture.

### Magnetic Slime • Mar 20

Learn the science behind magnetism, what makes neodymium magnets special, and create magnetic slime!

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# TWEENS & TEENS

## In bETWEEN Book Club



Read the best of the best books for tweens from curated book lists to award winners! Readers select a book each month and join the roundtable discussion. Lists are explored through book trailers, blurbs, and first chapters.

**Wednesdays, 7-7:45 pm** IN THE *Storytime Room* FOR *Ages 9-12*  
**Jan 14 • Feb 11 • Mar 11**

Registration required once per session. Call 972-744-4358 or visit the Youth Services Help Desk to register.

## Smart Art!

Get creative, learn something new, and explore art at the library! Each month, join us for a lesson on an artist, art movement, or art technique, followed by the opportunity to make your own piece.

**Tuesdays, 6:30-7:30 pm**

IN THE *Storytime Room* FOR *Ages 9-12*

**Jan 20 • Feb 17 • Mar 17**

Required registration begins **two weeks** prior to each program. Call 972-744-4358 or visit the Youth Services Help Desk to register. Please wear clothes that can get messy.



# SPRING BREAK

## K-POP! Fandom Mode

Obsessed with K-Pop? Get into your fandom mode and join us for a K-Pop afternoon! Make your own custom beaded keychains, learn how to make norigae knots, create buttons featuring your favorite artist, and sample popular Korean snacks and drinks. While supplies last!

**Sat, Mar 14 • 3-4 pm**

IN THE *City Council Chamber* FOR *Ages 9-18*



## Read, Explore, Create!

Let's explore our world through books! Engage in a fun maker activity to explore concepts from the book we'll share.

**Thu, Mar 19 • 4-5 pm**

IN THE *Storytime Room* FOR *Ages 4-5*

FREE ticket required. Tickets available at the Youth Services Help Desk starting at 3:45 pm the day of.



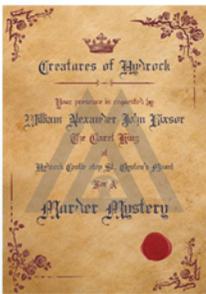
## C-TECH LEARN. CREATE. CONNECT.

Experience technology the fun way during this come-and-go C-TECH afternoon featuring Colby the Coding Mouse, digital handheld microscopes, Ozobots, Sphero robots, and more!

**Sat, Mar 21 • 3-4:30 pm**

IN THE *Storytime Room & Youth Services Area*

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## Lord of the Throne A FANTASY MURDER MYSTERY

The king has summoned you to attend a roundtable at Hydrock Castle to discuss matters of state, but upon your arrival, something is amiss — the famed and fleetfooted centauress, Lefqwen of Abinark, usually first to arrive, has failed to show. In Hydrock, unexpected events usually mean only one thing ... murder!

**Sat, Jan 17 • 3-4 pm** IN THE *City Council Chamber* FOR *Ages 13-18*

Registration only required for character roles.

## Adulting 101: Credit Cards & Loans

Presented by Paul Falcon from Texans Credit Union

Credit cards, loans, and interest rates can be confusing! Our special guests from the Texans Credit Union will break it all down so you can take charge of your financial future.

**Sat, Feb 14 • 3-4 pm**

IN THE *Storytime Room* FOR *Ages 13-18*



### LIBRARY HOURS

**Mon-Thu** 9 am-9 pm  
**Fri-Sat** 10 am-6 pm  
**Sun** 2 pm-6 pm



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LIBRARY



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**972-744-4350** **www.richardsonpubliclibrary.com**

### LIBRARY CLOSURES

**New Year's Day** January 1  
**MLK Jr. Day** January 19  
**Easter** April 5

Accommodations for Persons with Disabilities, call 972-744-4168 or email ADACoordinator@cor.gov at least 48 hours in advance.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE LIBRARY?

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