Children's & Family Programs

Columbia County/Evans Library

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Storytime for 0-2 year olds
Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday • 10:15 am
Learn some rhymes and discover the best board books to read to your baby! First come, first serve tickets available at the Children's Desk 30 minutes before program begins. Patrons must be present to receive tickets.

Storytime for 3-5 year olds
Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday • 11 am
Learn new and exciting ways to engage in early literacy activities with your preschooler! First come, first serve tickets available at the Children's Desk 30 minutes before program begins. Patrons must be present to receive tickets.

STEAM to Go
October 11 - 15
Pick up a STEAM project for your child to do at home! Reserve kits beginning Monday, the week of the event. Pick up is Tuesday-Thursday. Unclaimed kits will be released on a first come, first serve basis on that Friday. Watch our Facebook page for the reservation link!

Chalk the Walk
Monday, October 11 • 10:30 am • Memorial Fountain
Drop by to chalk the sidewalk! We'll meet at the front of the library at 10:30 am, and then move to the back of the library for chalk and other activities. Weather permitting.

Arts & Crafts Buffet
Monday, October 11 • 3:30 pm
Drop in for a creative afternoon of arts/crafts. Use your imagination and create to your heart's content.

Trick or Treat So Others Can Eat
Thursday, October 28 • 6 - 9 pm • Evans Towne Center Park
Trick-or-Treat! Join us at Evans Towne Center Park for a fun and safe trick-or-treat experience for children of all ages!
Admission: one canned good per person. All cans will be donated to Columbia County families in need.

Reed Creek Halloween Festival
Saturday, October 30 • 6:30 -8:30 pm • Reed Creek
Join us for a spooktacular evening! Walk the boardwalk to see some not-so-scary scenes, play games and win prizes in the field and join our dance party. Costumes are encouraged but not necessary.
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Ages 15+ FREE.

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Scarecrow Craft
Monday, October 4 • 5 pm
Celebrate the fall season by making a cute and easy scarecrow! Ages 5-11. Please register for this event by calling the library at 706-868-3401.

Wigglers and Jigglers Baby Storytime
Tuesday, October 5, 12, 19 & 26 • 10:30 am
Children two years old and under, bring your adult and join us for a morning of singing, dancing, stories, and lots of interaction between mom and baby! Meets in the program room on the second floor of the library.

Book Buddies Storytime
Wednesday, October 6, 13, 20 & 27 • 10:30 am
Stories, songs, dancing, and more for children ages 3 and up! Storytime meets in the program room on the second floor.

Minecraft Club
Saturday, October 9 • 11 am
Play Minecraft with other gamers! Bring your own device or laptop with Minecraft already loaded.

Family Movie Night
Monday, October 18 • 5:30 pm
Come watch a movie for free! This showing will be in English and is open to all ages. This month's movie is *Hotel Transylvania*. Light refreshments will be provided.

Trick or Treat at Gateway Park
Thursday, October 21 • 6 - 9 pm • Gateway Park
Trick-or-Treat! Join us at Gateway Park for a fun and safe trick-or-treat experience for children of all ages!

Películas de familia en español
Monday, October 25 • 5:30 pm
¡Vengan a ver una película! Es gratis, será en español y todos son bienvenidos. Este mes, vamos a ver *Hotel Transylvania*. Bocadillos serán proveídos.

Board Game Club
Friday, October 29 • 1:30 - 3:30 pm
Game On! Come join us in learning and playing chess, Monopoly, and other board games. For all ages!

Harlem Library

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Oliver Hardy Festival
Saturday, October 2
The library will be closed, but come visit our tent at the festival!

Grab & Go Crafts
Saturday, October 9, 16, 23 & 30 • 10 am
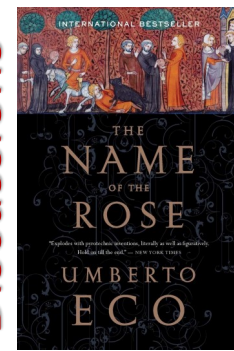Stop by the library to pick up a craft to go! While supplies last.

Storytime
Tuesday, October 12, 19 & 26• 10:30 am
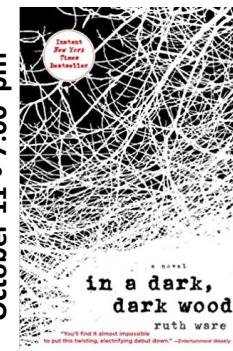Join us for a fun hour of stories, songs, and crafts!

Trick or Treat on Main Street
Thursday, October 28 • 6 - 7pm
The Harlem Merchants Association invites you and your little pumpkins to dress up early and come trick or treat with our spooky storefront owners!
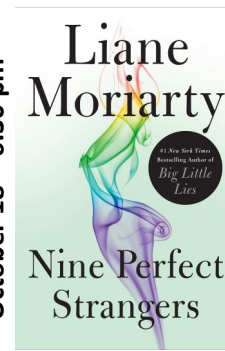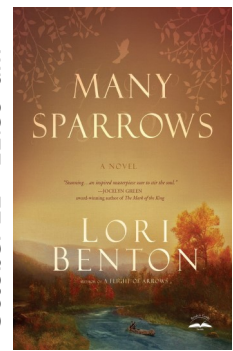
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Columbia County Public Libraries

Book Discussions

Pub Fiction @ Pizza Central
October 11 • 7:00 pm
THE NAME OF THE ROSE — UMBERTO ECO

in a dark, dark wood — ruth ware

Monday Night Book Discussion
October 18 • 6:30 pm
Liane Moriarty — Nine Perfect Strangers

Brown Bag Book Discussion
October 21 • 11:30 am
MANY SPARROWS — LORI BENTON

Harlem Book Club
October 21 • 4:00 pm
THE BOOK OF V. — ANNA SOLOMON
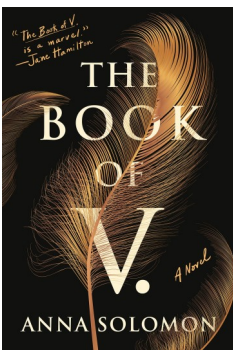
On the Same Page Book Club @ Grovetown
October 28 • 10:30 AM

DISCOVER YOUR LIBRARY

Open House

October 19, 2021
5:30 - 7:30 pm
All 3 Columbia County Libraries

JOIN US!!

We will be showing off different programs and items that your libraries have to offer.

Find more programs, resources, and information online at GCHRL.org.
All programs are subject to change. Please contact your local branch for details.

Calendar of Events

Check out what's going on in October at your Libraries!

All programs are drop-in except where noted as "Registration Required." For drop-in programs, space is limited to a first-come, first-served basis.

Adult Programs

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Doodle Hour
Monday, October 4 • 6:30 - 7:30 pm
Coloring books are perfect for stressed out adults. You've seen the trend, now try it!

English as a Second Language (ESL)
Tuesday, October 5, 12, 19 & 26 • 10:30 am - 12 pm
Classes are free and open to adults whose first language is not English.

Adult Guitar Club
Tuesday, October 5 & 19 • 5:30 - 7:30 pm • Hardin Auditorium
Experienced adult players, this is a chance to get together with other adult guitar players to swap tips and songs.
Call 706-447-7667 for more info.

Craft Club with Jillian & Elizabeth
Thursday, October 7 • 5:30 - 6:30 pm • Meeting Room
Join us for an hour of craftiness! Bring a project you have been working on and sit with us to craft and chat!

CCO Genealogy Club
Monday, October 11• 10 am • Classrooms B&C
Whether you're a genealogical expert or just learning about your roots, this is the group for you.

Pub Fiction Book Club
Monday, October 11 • 7:00 pm • Pizza Central, Evans
Join us at Pizza Central in Evans for this month's book selection, *The Name of the Rose* by Umberto Eco.

Travel Adventure Club
Tuesday, October 12 • 1:30 - 3:30 pm • Classrooms B&C
Where have you traveled? Where would you like to go? Come share and learn about places and travel tips from state parks to Disney during out monthly topics. Let's discover new possibilities in travel!

Chess Club
Tuesday, October 12 • 4:30 - 6:30 pm • Classrooms B&C
Would you like to learn chess or improve your playing skills? The chess club offers an opportunity to practice, learn techniques, or just enjoy the game!

Lunch and Learn with Alex
Wednesday, October 13 • 12 - 1 pm • Classrooms B&C
Bring your lunch and join Alex to learn about all the resources the library has that give you access to free eBooks and eAudiobooks.

Monday Night Book Discussion
Monday, October 18 • 6:30 pm • Classroom A
This month's book selection is *In a Dark, Dark Wood* by Ruth Ware.

Discover Your Library Open House
Tuesday, October 19 • 5:30 - 7:30 pm
Come see everything your library has to offer, remember "Books are just the beginning!" We will be showing off different programs and items. Complete our Library Map to receive a prize and have a final chance to complete and turn in your Discover Your Library Scavenger Hunt for a $5 fine forgiveness card.

Brown Bag Book Discussion
Thursday, October 21 • 11:30 am • Classroom A
This lunchtime book club meets on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 11:30 am in the upstairs classroom. This month's selection is *Nine Perfect Strangers* by Liane Moriarty.

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On the Same Page Book Club
Thursday, October 28 • 10:30 am
A book club for adults discussing a variety of book genres. Meets the 4th Thursday of every month at Grovetown Library. This month's book selection is *The Book of V* by Anna Solomon.

Board Game Club
Friday, October 29• 1:30 - 3:30 pm
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Open Sewing
Tuesday, October 12 • 2:30 pm
Bring your projects and use our machines to finish them! Registration required.

Crochet Class
Thursday, October 14 & 28 • 2 pm
Join us for a fun afternoon of crocheting! Registration required.

Bingo for Books!
Friday, October 15 • 10 am
Join us for Bingo, prizes, and refreshments! Registration required.

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Crafternoon
Wednesday, October 20 • 1 pm
Join us for a fun afternoon of crafting! Registration required.

Harlem Book Club
Thursday, October 21 • 4 pm
Come join us for Book Club! We will be discussing *Many Sparrows* by Lori Benton.

Trick or Treat on Main Street
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The city of Harlem invites you and your little pumpkins to dress up early and come trick or treat with our spooky storefront owners!

Teen Programs

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Young Makers
Monday, October 4 • 4 - 5:30 pm • Classroom D
This Makerspace program is geared especially for children ages 8-12. Kids will learn about science, engineering, and design with hands-on experiences.

Teen Advisory Board
Thursday, October 7 • 4 - 5 pm • Classroom D
Help us decide what programs to offer this year while getting volunteer credit.

Spooky Movie Monday
Monday, October 11 • 3 - 5 pm • Classroom D
Join us for a free Halloween-themed movie screening in the Hardin Auditorium! The movie will be chosen from the October Movie Poll, so be sure to vote before October 8. You can vote on the teen library Instagram @cocoteenlibrary OR at the ballot box in the Teen Fiction Room.

Teen Drawing Club
Thursday, October 14 • 4 - 5 pm • Meeting Room
Grab your sketchbook or drawing gadgets for an afternoon of creativity. Feel free to work on your own projects or participate in group activities while meeting other artists in the area.

Teen Crafternoon: Halloween Paintings
Thursday, October 21 • 4 - 5 pm • Meeting Room
Take a break and join us for a crafty afternoon. This month we will be making a spooky Halloween painting. Call 706-863-1946 ext. 4 to register.

What'chYA Reading
Monday, October 25 • 4 - 5 pm • Google Meets
Meet other avid readers and discuss what you've been reading. Meets virtually on Google Meet. Call 706-863-1946 ext. 4 to register.

Makerspace
Thursday, October 28 • 4 - 5:30 pm • Classroom D
Drop by the library and create something with our maker technology collection. We have a 3D printer, graphics tablets, recording equipment, sewing machines, laptops, and more! Ages 13+.

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Teen Halloween Crafting
Tuesday, October 5 • 4 pm
Cast a light on the spookiest time of year with a Halloween Lantern!

Minecraft Club
Saturday, October 9 • 11 am
Play Minecraft with other gamers! Bring your own device or laptop with Minecraft already loaded.

5G Graphic Novel Group
Tuesday, October 12 • 4:30 pm
Grovetown Graphic Novel Gab and Graphite Group will be discussing *Locke and Key v. 1*, "Welcome to Lovecraft", and the Netflix show, and crafting with … keys! Bring any scary graphic novel recommendations you'd like to share.

Scratch Coding: Halloween Game
Friday, October 15 • 2 pm • All ages welcome
Learn the basics of coding in this beginner-friendly class. We will make a fun Halloween spooky ghost click game!

KPop Stan Club
Saturday, October 16 • 2 pm • All ages welcome
Meet fellow fans, chat about your favorite groups, and listen to KPop while making fun merch! We'll be making photo card phone cases and keychains. If you would like to participate, please bring a clear phone case and your favorite photo cards! All other supplies will be provided along with snacks.

CreateSpace for Teens & Tweens
Saturday, October 23 • 2 pm
Join us for an afternoon of all things creative! Bring your own projects or work on ones we provide. This month our project will be making jewelry with Shrinky Dinks! Supplies provided, ideas welcomed.