# LIBRARY LIVE

MARION COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM PROGRAM GUIDE



# WINTER CRAFTING WITH CREATIVEBUG!



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Get ready to sprinkle some creative magic into your holiday season! Whether you're crafting personalized gifts for friends or decking the halls with your homemade touch, Creativebug has you covered with a bunch of awesome classes to keep you inspired.

Now, what's Creativebug, you might wonder? Well, it's like an enchanting online craft wonderland, and guess what? It's brought to you by JoAnn Fabrics. Here's the best part: you've got an all-access, backstage pass to over 1,000 classes, and it won't cost you a thing, thanks to your library card. No matter your age or your crafting skill level, you can dive into these classes, led by some pretty fantastic instructors.

So, if you're itching to explore your creative side and add a personal touch to your holiday celebrations, head on over to mcpls.org/education, and let the crafting adventure begin!

# FAIRMONT EVENTS

### Friends of the Library Book Sale

Saturday, December 16 | 10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

The Friends of the Marion County Public Library (Fairmont) will be taking walk-ins to browse the book sale room.

### CodeCombat (Ages 9+)

Thursday, December 7 & 21 | 1:00 p.m.—2:00 p.m. Wednesday, December 13 | 6:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.

This educational video game offers an interactive way for individuals of all ages to learn software programming concepts and languages. With CodeCombat, learners aged 9 to 99 can engage in hands-on coding activities, fostering creativity, logical thinking, and problem-solving skills. Registration is required for this event.

### Teen Hangout: After Hours (Teen)

Wednesday, December 6 & 20 | 5:45 p.m.—8:00 p.m. Come to the Fairmont location for an after-hours hangout! We have lots to do like watching anime, playing games and more! Bring your friends, socialize, and maybe find a new favorite game or show! Registration is required for this event.

### Crafty Connections (Adult)

Monday, December 4 & 18 | 3:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m.

Passionate about crafting? Join us at the library for a creative and social gathering. Bring your current project and crafting materials for an enjoyable crafting and conversation session. While we may have some supplies on hand, they'll be limited, so be sure to bring what you need. For inquiries, contact the library at 304-366-1210 and ask for Liz.

### Craftastic (Adult)

Thursday, December 7 | 4:00 p.m.—5:00p.m.

Come join Liz and fellow crafters for a fantastic hands-on session creating handmade bath bombs! These delightful creations are not only perfect for gifting but also ideal for unwinding after a hectic day of holiday shopping. All the necessary supplies will be provided. Registration is required for this event.

# Discover Sewing (Teen/Adult) Monday, December 11 | 4:30p.m.—5:30 p.m.

Thursday, December 14 | 4:30 p.m.—5:30 p.m.

Prepare to adorn your holiday table with a beautifully crafted table runner guided by Liz! For this session, remember to bring along your preferred seasonal fabric: 1/3 yard of one cotton fabric and 1/2 yard of another cotton fabric in a coordinating pattern. Don't fret about the sewing machines and other supplies; we'll provide them! Let's gather together and unleash our creativity for an incredibly festive winter crafting experience! Registration is required for this event.

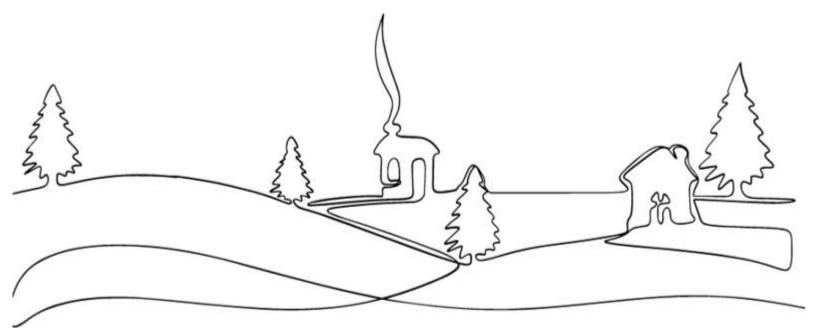
### Comfy Covers Book Club (Adult)

Tuesday, December 12 | 5:30 p.m.—6:30p.m. Join Maria for a warm cup of hot cocoa and a friendly discussion centered around this month's cozy mystery, "Best in Snow" by David Rosenfelt. In this festive-themed mystery, lawyer Andy Carpenter and his trusty golden retriever, Tara, find themselves embroiled in a case when a body surfaces in the snow, making a journalist the primary suspect. Despite the bleak holiday outlook, Andy agrees to take on the case, but things aren't looking merry. With evidence accumulating faster than the snowfall, "Best in Snow" presents the next Christmas mystery in David Rosenfelt's bestselling Andy Carpenter series. We kindly request registration for this event. Join us for a cozy discussion filled with intrigue and holiday cheer! Registration is required for this event.

### Tabletop Game Group (Teen/Adult) Wednesdays | 5:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m.

Alternative, advanced and imaginative games will be featured. Browse our collection of over 150 games, or bring your own! This event is open to adults and mature teens.

Refreshments will be provided! Contact Dan Ward at 304-366-1210 extension 128 for more information.







## FAIRVIEW EVENTS

### Friends of the Library Book Sale

Stop in daily during regular business hours to shop our book sale. Books and DVDs are available for all ages. Buy one item or fill a whole bag for only \$3.00! New donations coming in all the time. Stop in for some great reads and fantastic movies!

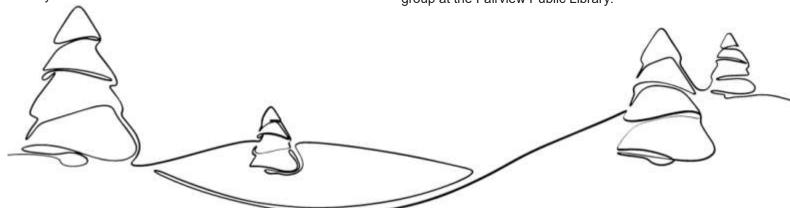
Winter Wonderland Holiday Party (All Ages)

Saturday, December 9 | 10:30 a.m.—12:00 p.m. Get ready for a magical journey to the North Pole with the Fairview Public Library staff! Gingerbread houses, snowmen, reindeer, and elves abound for games, snacks, and crafts. Relax and enjoy the heartwarming movie "Trolls: Holiday in Harmony," and don't miss the chance to decorate your very own gingerbread cookie! This event welcomes all families for a joyous and festive holiday celebration at the library.

### ALL BRANCHES CLOSED DECEMBER 23-26, JANUARY 1

### Speaking of Books (Adult)

Tuesday, December 5 | 4:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m. Join our group at the Fairview Public Library to discuss "Nora Bonesteel's Christmas Past" by Sharyn McCrumb. When the old Honeycutt house is purchased by new occupants, Nora Bonesteel is pleased to witness life breathed back into the historic mansion, even if it's by seasonal residents. However, as these newcomers opt to remain through Christmas, they uncover more than just memories lingering within the walls. On Christmas Eve, Sheriff Spencer Arrowood and Deputy Joe LeDonne find themselves responding to an unexpected call to arrest an elderly man for a minor infraction. Balancing their duty with compassion for a neighbor, it seems they might all spend Christmas away from home. This Goodreads-recommended novel promises a tale full of intrigue and the complexities of doing what's right, making it a perfect discussion piece for our group at the Fairview Public Library.



# MANNINGTON EVENTS

### Holiday Whobalation (All Ages)

Saturday, December 2 | 11:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

Discover if the Grinch's heart has changed this holiday season! Join us at Mannington Public Library for a festive celebration, Grinch style! Bring the entire family for a day filled with delightful activities, treats, and surprise guests that will surely bring joy to even the littlest Whos!

### Crafty Kids' Club (Children)

Tuesday, December 12 | 3:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

This month, let's dive into the holiday spirit with a thrilling snow globe project! Get ready to unleash your creativity and construct something truly unique! All materials will be provided by the Mannington Public Library. Registration is required for this event.

### The Inklings Book Club (Teen/Tween) Monday, December 18 | 3:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

This month's book club discussion at the Mannington Public Library will revolve around "White Bird" by R.J. Palacio. Originally published as a graphic novel and adapted into a major motion picture featuring Helen Mirren and Gillian Anderson, R.J. Palacio's poignant narrative underscores the transformative power of kindness, illustrating how it can mend hearts, foster connections, and even safeguard lives in the

bleakest of times. Registration is required for this event.

### Artastic (Teen/Tween)

Monday, December 18 | 4:30 p.m.—5:45 p.m.

This month's session celebrates the holiday season and winter vibes with a lesson on painting a charming snowman! All materials will be provided by the library. Registration is required for this event.

### **Crafty Creations (Adult)**

Monday, December 11 | 4:30 p.m.-6:00 p.m.

In the spirit of the holiday season, we're getting creative with Holiday Swags this month! All the necessary supplies will be provided by the library. However, if you're inclined, feel free to bring your own ribbon, ornaments, or pine cones to add an extra personal touch to your design! Registration is required for this event.

### Cover2Cover Book Club (Adult)

Thursday, December 21 | 1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m.

Delve into the fascinating world of Emily Brontë in Denise Giardina's compelling novel, "Emily's Ghost: A Novel of the Brontë Sisters." Enigmatic, intelligent, and fiercely independent, Emily challenges societal norms, holding freedom in higher regard than the conventions of marriage. Yet, her life takes an unexpected turn with the arrival of William Weightman, an idealistic clergyman. This poignant tale unravels a heart-wrenching love story, exploring themes of faith, longing, and romantic solitude.

# Color Code:

Mannington Fairview Fairmont

# DECEMBER 2023

MONDAY	27	3:00pm initings: Tween and Teen Book Club; Mannington 4:30pm Artastic: Teen Painting Class: Mannington	5:30pm Beyond the Book Club: "Run, Rose, Run" by Dolly Parton and James Patterson; Fairmont	4	3:30pm Craffy Connections; Fairmont		п	4.30pm Crafty Creations: Holiday Swags: Mannington 4.30pm Discover Sewing: Festive Table Runner; Fairmont	18	3:00pm The initings Teen Book Club: "White Berd" by R.J. Paladio: Mannington	3-30pm Crafty Connections; Fairmont 4-30pm Artastud Teen Painting Class: Snowmen Painting; Manning.	25 12:00am All branches CLOSED
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Check out our online calendar to register for events and get the most up-to-date