HOLIDAY CRAFTING WITH CREATIVEBUG

The holiday season is the perfect time to share your creativity with friends and family. Whether knitting a gift for a friend or making something to decorate your home, Creativebug has classes that will instruct and inspire you throughout the season.

Creativebug is an online craft class database created by JoAnn Fabrics. Patrons have an all-access, no-boundaries pass to explore 1000+ classes. People of all skill levels and ages can work alongside instructors to learn craft techniques, FREE with your library card!

Head to mcpls.org/education to get started!
**December New Releases**

Find more new releases, complete with links, at www.mcpls.org/new

**DVDs**
- Cry Macho
- The Last Duel
- Mitchells vs the Machines
- Venom Let There Be Carnage
- Paw Patrol Pups Save the Alien
- Werewolves Within
- Creepshow Season 2
- Call the Midwife Season 10
- The Waltons Homecoming (2021)
- The Mary Saints of Newark

**BOCD**
- Two Sisters Detective Agency
  by James Patterson
- Better Off Dead
  by Lee Child
- The Judge’s List
  by John Grisham
- Game On
  by Janet Evanovich
- Mercy
  by David Baldacci
- The Party Crasher
  by Sophie Kinsella
- Dear Santa
  by Debbie Macomber
- Crossroads
  by Jonathan Franzen
- The Butler
  by Danille Steel
- The Dark Hours
  by Michael Connelly
- The Last Shadow
  by Orson Scott Card
- Foul Play
  by Stuart Woods
- Love for Beginners
  by Jill Shalvis
- The Madness of Crowds
  by Louise Penny
- The Vicar of Wakefield
  by Oliver Goldsmith
- The Wish
  by Nicholas Sparks
- An Irish Country Yuletide
  by Patrick Taylor

**Video Games**
- Nintendo Switch:
  - Taxi Chaos
  - Phoenix Wright Ace Attorney 123
  - Neo: The World Ends with You
  - Battle Axe
  - Sonic Mania
- PS4:
  - Olympic Games Tokyo 2020
  - Far Cry 6
- Xbox One
  - Guardians of the Galaxy
  - Bio Mutant
  - Kaze and the Wild Masks

**Bestsellers**
- Someone Perfect
  by Mary Balogh
- A Man of Honor
  by Barbara Taylor Bradford
- Criminal Mischief
  by Stuart Woods
- Curse of Salem
  by Kay Hooper
- The Paris Detective
  by James Patterson
- The Sorority Murder
  by Allison Brennan
- Annihilation Road
  by Christine Feehan
- Sharpe’s Assassin
  by Bernard Cornwell
- W.E.B. Griffin Rogue Assets
  by Andrews & Wilson

**Inspirational**
- The Amish Quilting Bee
  by Amy Clinston
- Precarious Summer
  by Lyn Core
- Proposing Mischief
  by Regina Jennings
- Shadows of Swanford Abbey
  by Julie Klassen
- Waiting for Love
  by Tracie Peterson
- A Season for Change
  by Beth Wiseman
- Right Here Waiting
  by Susan May Warren

**Misc. Fiction**
- My Darling Husband
  by Kimberly Belle
- Sea Hawke
  by Ted Bell
- The Sunshine Club
  by Carolyn Brown
- The Replacement Wife
  by Darby Kane
- Smile and Look Pretty
  by Amanda Pellegrino
- Twenty Years Later
  by Charles Donlea
- Watching Over You
  by Lori Foster
- Silent Parade
  by Keigo Higashino
- Absence of Mallets
  by Kate Carlisle
- Bright Burning Things
  by Lisa Harding
- Bryant & May: London Bridge is Falling Down
  by Christopher Fowler
- The Cat Who Saved Books
  by Sosuke Natsukawa
- From a Dark Horizon
  by Luke McCallin

**Large Print**
- The Midnight Lock
  by Jeffrey Deaver
- Tom Clancy Chain of Command
  by Marc Cameron
- Sharpe’s Assassin
  by Bernard Cornwell
- Flying Angels
  by Danielle Steel
- Wish You Were Here
  by Jodi Picoult

**Non-Fiction**
- The Defense Lawyer: The Barry Slotnick Story
  by James Patterson
- Fix It with Food: Every Meal Easy
  by Michael Symon
- The Myth of Closure
  by Pauline Boss
- Skinnytaste Air Fryer Dinners
  by Gina Homolka
- The Bright Ages: A New History of Medieval Europe
  by Matthew Gabriele
- Garbo
  by Robert Gottlieb
- Out of Office
  by Charlie Warzel
- Silenced No More
  by Sarah Ransome
- Atlas of the Heart
  by Bren Brown
- From Staircase to Stage
  by Raekwon
- Knitted Gifts for All Season
  by Wendy Bernard

**Graphic Novels**
- The Rescue
  by Erin Hunter
- Amethyst: Princess of Gemworld
  by Shannon Hale
- Batman and Robin and Howard
  by Jeffrey Hale
- Star Wars: The High Republic Adventures Vol. 1
  by Daniel José Older
- Mob Psycho 100 Vol. 3
  by ONE
- +Anima Vol. 1
  by Natsumi Mukai
- Lore Olympus Vol. 1
  by Rachel Smythe
- The Legend of Zelda Twilight Princess Vol. 9
  by Akira Himekawa
- Superman: The One Who Fell
  by Phillip Kennedy Johnson
- Guardians of the Galaxy Here We Make Our Stand Vol. 2
  by Al Ewing
- Zombies vs. Turtles the S.Q.U.I.D. Squad 2
  by Megan Miller
- The Way of the Househusband Vol. 6
  by Kousuke Oono

**Young Adult**
- Here’s to You
  by Becky Albertalli
- Star Wars Vol. 3 War of the Bounty Hunters
  by Charles Soule
- Marvelverse Thor
  by Chris Samnee
- Wonder Woman Vol. 1 Afterwords
  by Becky Cloonan
- The Excalibur Curse
  by Kiersten White
- Girls of Fate and Fury
  by Natasha Ngan
- Spin Me Right Round
  by David Valdes
Heartless Prince by Leigh Dragoon
Red Wolf by Rachel Vincent
Aurora’s End by Amie Kaufman
Our Violent Ends by Chloe Gong
Rebel Rose by Emma Theriault
Iron Widow by Xiran Jay Zhao
Nocturna by Maya Motayne
Dreams Lie Beneath by Rebecca Ross

Children
1,2,3 Pull by Emily Arnold McCully
Bad Kitty Gets a Phone by Nick Bruel
Big as a Giant Snail by Jess Keating
Karen’s School Picture by Ann M. Martin
Otto: a Palindrama by Jon Agee
Purrmaids: A Grr-Eat New Friendship by Sudpta Bardhan-Quallen
Stacy’s Extraordinary Words by Stacey Abrams
Storm on Snowbelle Mountain by Rebecca Elliot
We Shall Overcome by Bryan Collier
What is Love by Mac Barnett
Love Berenstain Bears Gifts of the Spirit by Mike Berenstain
The Very Hungry Caterpillar’s First Winter by Eric Carle
Kat Loves Dog by James Patterson
Bake, Make and Learn to Cook by David Atherton

Readalongs
Our Little Kitchen by Jillian Tamaki
Peace Train by Cat Stevens
Sharice’s Big Voice: A Native Kid Becomes a Congresswoman by Sharice Davids
Max Einstein: Rebels with a Cause by Chris Grabenstein
Bear Came Along by Richard T. Morris
The House of Grass and Sky by Mary Lyn Ray
Family Reunion by Chad Richardson
Maybe by Kobi Yamada
What Do You Do with a Chance? by Kobi Yamada
El Perro con Sombrero: A Bilingual Doggy Tale by Derek Taylor Kent
Red Pandas by Kaitlyn Duling
My Weird School: Class Pet Mess by Dan Gutman
This is MY Fort! by Drew Daywalt

Audiobooks
Fear No Evil by James Patterson
Wish You Were Here by Jodi Picoult
A Man of Honor by Barbara Taylor Bradford
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Holiday Classics on hoopla
Tap into Discovery. Instantly Read, Listen, and Watch with Your Library Card.

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Fairmont Friends of the Library Book Sale
The Book Cave is Open! The Friends of the Marion County Public Library (Fairmont) will be taking walk-ins to browse the book sale room. The book sale room is open every Tuesday and Friday from 10 a.m.—2 p.m.

T(w)een Crafternoon: Gingerbread House Ornaments
Join us to make a tiny gingerbread house ornament. Paint it however you'd like and even add beads and other decorations on Monday, December 6 at 4:00 p.m.

Please register early to reserve your seat for this fun craft. Sign up at mcpls.org/events.

Teen Anime Club
Come hang out for an after-hours anime viewing! Each week we will watch an anime or animated show. Bring your friends, socialize, and maybe find a new favorite series! The first and the third Wednesday of the month (the 1st and the 15th) at 5:45 p.m.

Holiday Hijinxs! Puppet Show
It's time again for another festive puppet show at the library! 'Grandma Got Ran Over by a Reindeer', 'I want a Hippopotamus for Christmas', Santa Claus and other holiday favorites will appear for this multiple show day. Be sure to join us for this musical fun filled day as part of your Feast of the Seven Fishes celebration!

Show Times are 2:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 11.

Featured WV Authors: Geoffrey C. Fuller & S. James McLaughlin
Join the authors of the new book, The WVU Coed Murders, for a Q&A and book signing on Saturday, December 11 at 12:00 p.m.

Some said the killer couldn’t be a local. Others claimed he was the wealthy son of a prominent Morgantown family. Whispers spread that Mared and Karen were sacrificed by a satanic cult or the victims of a madman. Then the handwritten letters began to arrive: “You will locate the bodies of the girls covered over with brush—look carefully. The animals are now on the move.”

Investigators didn’t find too few suspects—they had far too many. There was the campus janitor with a fur fetish, the “harmless” deliveryman who beat a woman nearly to death, the nursing home orderly with the bloody broomstick and the bouncer with the “girlish” laugh who threatened to cut off objects in the weeks following this program.

Registration is required and limited to 12 people. Sign up at mcpls.org/events.

Discover 3D Printing: Gingerbread Cookie Cutters
Join us to make your very own holiday cookie cutter on Thursday, December 9 at 4:30 p.m.

This program is designed for 4th grade children and up. Participants will be contacted to pick up their 3D printed objects in the weeks following this program.

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people’s heads. Local authors Geoffrey C. Fuller and S. James McLaughlin tell the complete story of the murders for the first time.

Geoffrey C. Fuller has written for literary and commercial magazines and contributed to twenty-five fiction and nonfiction books. He is the author of the novel Full Bone Moon and the true crime books Pretty Little Killers and The Savage Murder of Skylar Neese (a New York Times bestseller).

S. James McLaughlin is a podcast producer of Appalachian Mysteria. Written and produced in West Virginia, the series covers unresolved cases in Appalachia. McLaughlin studied journalism at West Virginia University and graduated with a degree in graphics technology from Fairmont State University.

**Adult Craft Class: Beaded Tree Ornament (Adult)**

Join us to create a cute felt tree on Monday, December 13 at 4:00 p.m. You can decorate it with various beads and other ornaments. The library will provide the supplies needed to create this craft, but feel free to bring any additional supplies that you might like to use.

Please be sure to register for this event in advance! Sign up at mcpls.org/events.

**Tabletop Game Group (Teens & Adults)**

Wednesday Night Games is back—**IN PERSON!**

**December 1, 8, 15, 22, 29: 5:00 p.m.**

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

Contact Dan Ward at 304-366-1210 extension 128 for more information.

Tell us your favorite books and movies so we can suggest them to others!

**Favorite book/movie**

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**Author**

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**Why you love it**

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Your first name

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Please return this form to the front desk or email your picks to mmartin@mcpls.net by December 30, 2021.
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Fairview 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!

The Teen Alley
Teens take over our meeting room on Wednesday December 1 and December 8 at 1:00 p.m. Play games, discuss books, or just hang out! We will offer different programs each week for teens aged 13-17.

Space is limited, so sign up at mcpls.org/events.

The Polar Palooza!
Join us at the Fairview Public Library as we take a trip on the Polar Express on Saturday, December 18 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Play games, make crafts, eat tasty snacks and lounge in your PJs while watching a screening of The Polar Express! LEGO builders can stop and make reindeer, wreaths and Christmas trees from 12:00-12:30. Come early and remain for the craft show and parade in downtown Fairview, then play games and visit with Santa at the Fairview Volunteer Fire Department! It will be a fun-filled day in Fairview!

Speaking of Books: The Round House (Adult)
This month, we will be discussing The Round House by Louise Erdrich on Tuesday, December 7 at 4:00 p.m. The book is available to borrow from any Marion County Public Library branch or digitally through our various online platforms.

Synopsis: One Sunday in the spring of 1988, a woman living on a reservation in North Dakota is attacked. The details of the crime are slow to surface because Geraldine Coutts is traumatized and reluctant to relive or reveal what happened, either to the police or to her husband, Bazil, and thirteen-year-old son, Joe. In one day, Joe’s life is irrevocably transformed. He tries to heal his mother, but she will not leave her bed and slips into an abyss of solitude. Increasingly alone, Joe finds himself thrust prematurely into an adult world for which he is ill prepared.-Amazon.

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Holiday Whoobalation with the Grinch
Join us as we celebrate the holidays with none other than the GRINCH in your best holiday pajamas on Saturday, December 4 at 11:00 a.m.

With fun and crafting, the morning is sure to be one to delight!! Just keep your eye on that sneaky Grinch. You never know when he might try to steal our gifts and goodies again!

Registration is required, and try to arrive on time to catch all the activities. Fun for all ages. Sign up at mcpls.org/events.

Crafty Kids’ Club
For children ages 8 and up. Come after school to create different crafts with Carol on Tuesday, December 14 at 3:00 p.m. For the month of December, you can make a flowerpot snowman, which would make a great Christmas gift for a loved one.

All supplies provided by the Mannington Public Library. Sign up at mcpls.org/events.

My Hero Bibliotheca! Anime Club (Teen)
Come relax after school and watch anime movies and shows on Thursday, December 9 at 3:00 p.m. We’ll hang out, talk about what we’re watching, and what to watch next. Bring your friends, socialize, and maybe find a new favorite series!

Sign up at mcpls.org/events.

Novel Ideas: Teen Group
For the holiday season, we would like to remember those not as fortunate as ourselves. Those in nursing homes, veterans, and soldiers overseas alone during the holiday. Gather with us to make heartfelt notes, cards, and letters of caring to send to those without their families on Thursday, December 16 at 3:00 p.m.

Sign up at mcpls.org/events.

Carol’s Crafty Creations: Wine Bottle Snowman (Adult)
Jazz up your winter decor with this adorable upcycled wine bottle snowman on Monday, December 13 at 4:30 p.m. All needed supplies will be provided by the library.

Register early. Space is limited. Sign up at mcpls.org/events.

Cover2Cover Book Club: Four Friends (Adult)
Gerri can’t decide what’s more devastating: learning her rock-solid marriage has big cracks, or the anger she feels as she tries to repair them. Always the anchor for friends and her children, she realizes it’s time to look carefully at herself. The journey is more than revealing—it’s transforming.

Pick up a copy of Four Friends by Robyn Carr and register to join us to discuss the book on Thursday, December 16 at 1:30 p.m. Participants must register to attend.

Sign up at mcpls.org/events.
For more information on our homebound and outreach services or bookmobiles, contact MCPLS Outreach Services Manager Abby Haught at 304-366-1210, extension 129, or at ahaught@mcpls.org.

The Bookmobiles will not run the last two weeks of the year (Monday December 20th - Friday December 31st) due to the holiday season. Items checked out during the two weeks prior to this break will have their due dates automatically extended to the next stop at each location, which will resume beginning the week of Monday, January 3rd.

The Arbors  
*Tuesday 2:30 – 3:30 PM*  
December 14

Barrackville Dollar General  
*Wednesday 12:00 – 1:00 PM*  
December 8

Carolina  
*Tuesday 12:00 – 1:00 PM*  
December 7

Colfax Community Center  
*Friday 2:30 – 3:30 PM*  
December 10

Dairy Creme Corner  
*Friday 4:00-5:00 PM*  
December 10

Disability Action Center  
*Tuesday 2:30 – 3:30 PM*  
December 7

Eastview Unity Apts.  
*Friday 11:30 – 12:30 PM*  
December 10

Farmington (next to VFD)  
*Wednesday 2:30 – 3:30 PM*  
December 1, 15

I-79 Tech Park/NASA Blvd.  
*Thursday 12:00 – 1:00 PM*  
December 2, 16

Miller School Apartments  
*Friday 12:00 – 1:00 PM*  
December 3, 17

Monongah Family Dollar  
*Tuesday 10:30 – 11:30 AM*  
December 7

PACE / Big Lots Parking Lot  
*Wednesday 12:30 – 1:30 PM*  
December 1, 15

Rock Lake Community Ctr.  
*Wednesday 2:30 – 3:30 PM*  
December 8

Teleperformance  
*Tuesday 12:00 – 1:00 PM*  
December 14

Unity Terrace  
*Thursday 2:30 – 3:30 PM*  
December 9

Woodlands Assisted Living  
*Friday 10:00 – 11:00 AM*  
December 3, 17
Here are just a few recommendations by MCPLS staff members!
For more recommendations, feel free to ask staff what they suggest.

Also available on Hoopla or Libby as e-book and/or e-audiobook, as well as our physical collection.
HOLIDAY CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Across
2. THE RED-NOSED REINDEER
5. SONGS SUNG AT CHRISTMAS
7. RED AND WHITE STRIPED CHRISTMAS CANDY
8. POPULAR SONG: _______ BELLS
10. WHERE SANTA LIVES
11. PLACED UNDER THE CHRISTMAS TREE
12. Stole Christmas

Down
1. FROSTY THE ________
3. HUNG ON A CHRISTMAS TREE
4. THEY WORK IN SANTA'S WORKSHOP
9. REINDEER PULL SANTA'S ________
6. HUNG OVER THE CHIMNEY

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Check out our online calendar to register for events and get the most up-to-date information! Follow the QR code, or visit: http://bit.ly/2uydBHl