



Muskingum County Library System

October 2025 - November 2025



Check out our
renovation update
and great
fall reads inside!

Library News You Can Use

Fall is here! It's one of my favorite times of year, with crisp air in the mornings and evenings spent around a fire with friends, family, or a good book.

Everywhere I go, people stop and ask how the remodel is going and when we will be fully reopened at John McIntire. So, I'd like to provide an update on the John McIntire Library remodel.

Major milestones in the last few months include:

- Receiving the steel beams to open up the lobby
- Framing new spaces, including meeting rooms, a teen area, and the new children's space, to better serve visitors of all ages
- Demolition of the lobby staircase, making the entrance brighter and more welcoming

We are currently on track to be fully reopened by June 1, 2026.

Paul Construction Company, Inc. and APG Architects have been great partners for the library on this project.

Part of the challenge has been working with two connected buildings, one from 1908 and the other from 1989. Our team has been great at identifying issues and addressing them as the project has progressed. Thank you to our generous local foundations and community members for coming together to support the project and helping us to create an even more vibrant library for the community.

I hope you enjoy these photos of the transformation thus far.

Stacey Russell
Executive Director



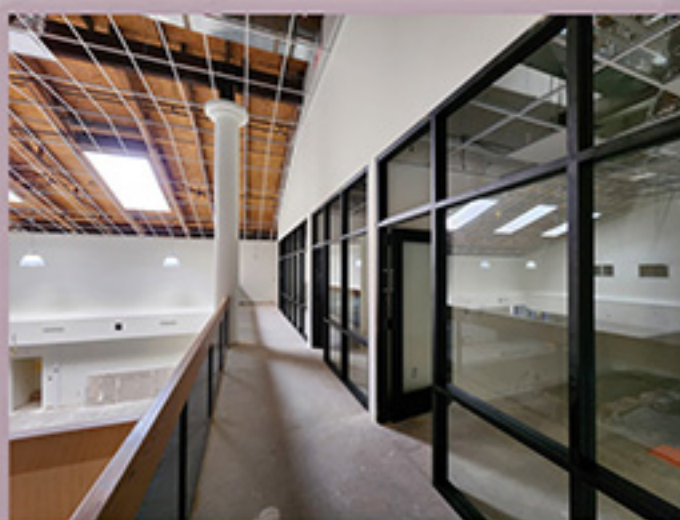
Lobby



Lower Level



Children's Area



Meeting Rooms

John McIntire Library

Monday - Thursday 10 AM - 7 PM, Friday 10 AM - 6 PM,
& Saturday 10 AM - 4 PM



John McIntire Library

220 North Fifth Street, Zanesville, OH 43701
740.453.0391

Branch Libraries

Monday - Thursday 11 AM - 7 PM, Friday 11 AM - 6 PM,
& Saturday 10 AM - 2 PM



Dresden Branch Library

816 Main Street, Dresden, OH 43821
740.754.1003



Duncan Falls/Philo Branch Library

222 Main Street, Duncan Falls, OH 43734
740.674.7100



New Concord Branch Library

77 West Main Street, New Concord, OH 43762
740.826.4184



Roseville Branch Library

41 North Main Street, Roseville, OH 43777
740.697.0237



South Branch Library

2530 Maysville Pike, Zanesville, OH 43701
740.454.1511

All MCLS locations will be closed

Friday, October 10 and Thursday, November 27

Book Discussions




SCAN ME


Please visit our online events calendar for full event listings, descriptions, and registration at events.muskingumlibrary.org.





An Unfinished Love Story by Doris K. Goodwin
Friday, October 3 at 4 PM | Dresden Branch Library | Ages 18+

 ***Supernatural: How Life Thrives in Impossible Places*** by Alex Riley (Naturalist's Book Club)
Saturday, October 4 at 11 AM | Dillon State Park, Nature Center | Ages 18+

Anna O by Matthew Blake
Wednesday, October 8 at 5:30 PM | New Concord Branch Library | Ages 18+

 ***The Frozen River*** by Ariel Lawson
Monday, October 13 at 4:30 PM | Duncan Falls/ Philo Branch Library | Ages 18+

 ***People We Meet on Vacation*** by Emily Henry
Thursday, October 30 at 2 PM | South Branch Library | Ages 18+

 ***We All Live Here*** by Jojo Moyes
Monday, November 10 at 4 PM | Duncan Falls/ Philo Branch Library | Ages 18+

Hank and Jim by Scott Eyman
Wednesday, November 12 at 5:30 PM | New Concord Branch Library | Ages 18+

Hillbilly Elegy by J.D. Vance
Monday, November 17 at 5:30 PM | Roseville Branch Library | Ages 18+

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OUTREACH STOPS

Colony Square Mall

Thursday, October 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30
from 11 AM - 6PM | Colony Square Mall Food Court

Mills Bulk Food & Deli

Monday, October 6 & 20 from 3 - 4 PM
| 5790 Dresden Adamsville Road, Adamsville

Frank Cook Senior Housing

Tuesday, October 7 & 21 from 12 - 1 PM
| 450 Baker Street, Zanesville

Seton Square

Wednesday, October 8 from 1 - 2 PM
| 516 Sheridan Street, Zanesville

James Singer Activity Center

Monday, October 13 & 27 from 3:30 - 4:30 PM
| 831 Matthews Street, Zanesville

Eagle View Apartments

Tuesday, October 14 & 28 from 3:45 - 4:30 PM
| 92 Eagle View Drive, Zanesville

Reading Challenges

Banned Books Reading Challenge

Throughout October | Virtual | Ages 12+

Hallow-Read 2025 Reading Challenge

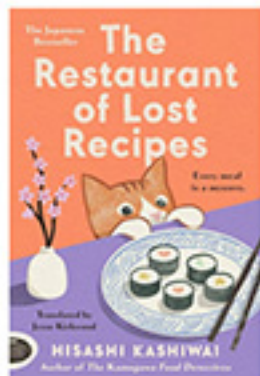
Throughout October | Virtual | All Ages

Indigenous American Heritage Month Reading Challenge

Throughout November | Virtual | All Ages

Staff Picks

What great books are our staff currently enjoying? Check them out for yourself. There something for everyone at your Muskingum County Library System. Enjoy!



The Restaurant of Lost Recipes by Hisashi Kashiwai



Heather Adult Services Manager

"Delightful book. Short and sweet, with food descriptions that will make you extremely hungry. Heartwarming read when you need a little pick-me-up."

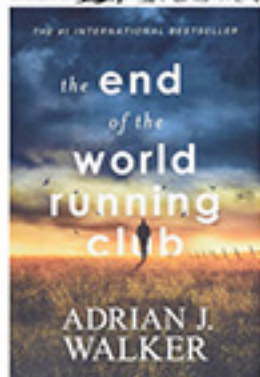


Vagabond by Takehiko Inoue



Nick Youth Literacy Specialist

"A fictional account of historical figure Musashi Miyamoto. This manga explores the human journey of self-discovery and perfecting of one's art. Beautiful illustrations and dramatic battles."

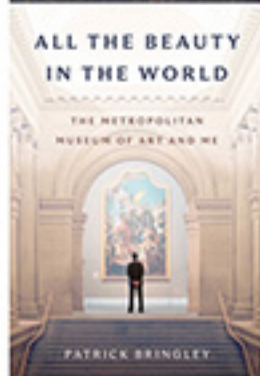


The End of the World Running Club by Adrian Walker



Monica Adult Literacy Specialist

"A disturbingly realistic post-apocalyptic tale with truly relatable characters."

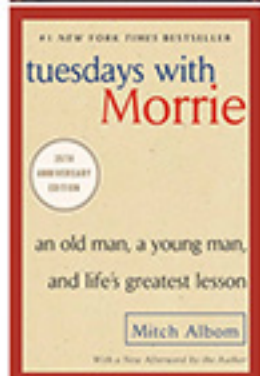


All the Beauty in the World by Patrick Bringley



Hailey Adult Services Assistant Librarian

"Poignant true story of a man who finds comfort in and a new appreciation for art following his brother's death. A Met guard, he illustrates art's power to evoke emotion and bring people together."



Tuesdays with Morrie by Mitch Albom



Lynnea Marketing Assistant

"A book that will truly make you think and evaluate/reevaluate your life and purpose. It gives you a new perspective or reinforces the one you already have. Most likely to make you cry."



When the Moon Hits Your Eye by John Scalzi



Ro Adult Services Librarian

"This clever book follows a different person each day (chapter) as the world comes to grip with the fact that the moon has suddenly turned into genuine, actual cheese."



Lone Women by Victor LaValle



Toni Customer Service Assistant

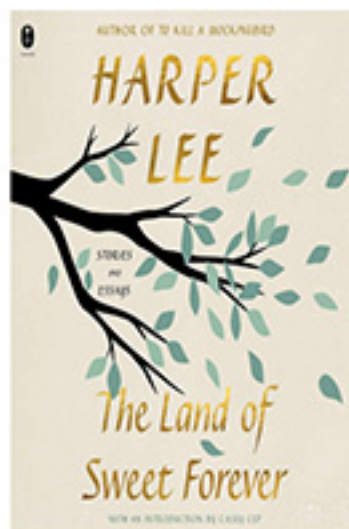
"Blue skies, empty land - and enough wide-open space to hide a horrifying secret. A woman with a past, a mysterious trunk, a town at the edge of nowhere, and a new vision of the American West."



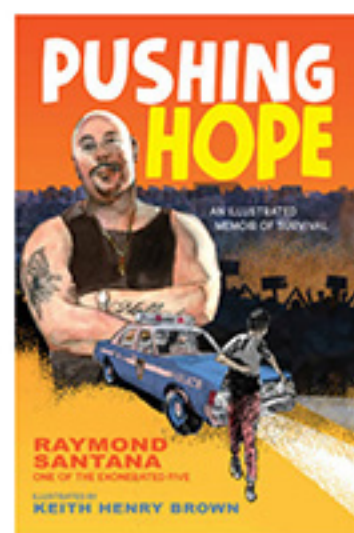
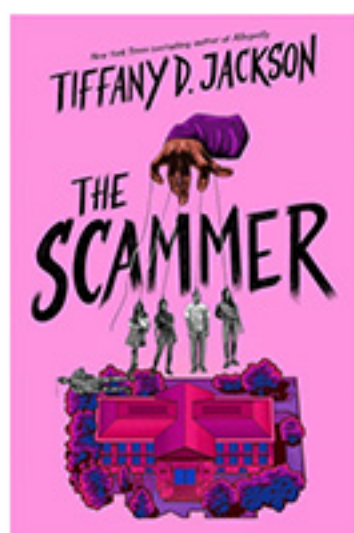
HOT New Titles

Look for these HOT new titles coming out in October and November. Place your holds today to be first in line to enjoy these great books once they become available.

New Adult Titles



New Teen/Tween Titles



New Children's Titles



Download the MCLS App or visit our website to find these titles and more.
muskingumlibrary.org



OCTOBER 2025 LIBRARY EVENTS

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Events with the sign-up  icon require online registration.

Early Literacy at Home | Ages 18+

October 2 at 11 AM | South Branch Library

October 9 at 11 AM | Dresden Branch Library

October 23 at 11 AM | DF/Philo Branch Library

October 30 at 11:30 AM | NC Branch Library

Introduction to Crochet - A Four Part Series

Thursday, October 2, 9, 16, & 23 at 11 AM

| Dresden Branch Library | Ages 18+

Fall Lattes & Literature with Kate Hoefler

Friday, October 3 from 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM | New

Concord Branch Library | Ages 12+

Pancakes & Paperbacks

Saturday, October 4 from 7 to 11 AM | Norwich

Lodge Hall | All Ages

Fall Craft Bazaar

Saturday, October 4 from 10 AM to 2 PM | Roseville

Branch Library | All Ages

Bites & Books -

A Hispanic Heritage Book Tasting

Saturday, October 4 from 12 AM to 2 PM | Duncan

Falls/Philo Branch Library | Ages 12+

Author Visit with Colt Gross

Monday, October 6 from 2 to 6 PM | South Branch

Library | Ages 12+

Crafted in Culture -

Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration

Monday, October 6 at 4 PM | New Concord Branch

Library | Ages 0-11

Budget Friendly Kitchen with the OSU Extension Office

Monday, October 6 at 5:30 PM | South Branch

Library | Ages 12+

The Colorful World of Pirates & Mermaids

Monday, October 6 at 5:30 PM | Roseville, W.H.

Barker Community Center | All Ages

A-Mazing - The McDonald's Corn Maze

Tuesday, October 7 & 21 from 2 to 5 PM

| McDonald's Greenhouse & Corn Maze | All Ages

Genealogy Workshop - Family Search

Tuesday, October 7 at 4 PM | Ohio University

Zanesville, Herrold Hall | Ages 18+

Medicare 101

Thursday, October 9 at 10:30 AM and 1 PM | Ohio

University Zanesville, 171 Elson Hall | Ages 18+

STORYTIMES

Baby Storytime

Wednesday, October 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29 at 10:30 AM

| Muskingum County Welcome Center | Ages 0-2

Toddler Storytime

Tuesday, October 7, 14, 21, & 28 at 10:30 AM

| Muskingum County Welcome Center | Ages 2-3.5

Preschool Storytime

Thursday, October 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30 at 10:30 AM

| Muskingum County Welcome Center | Ages 3.5-5

Family Storytime

Thursday, October 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30 at 10:30 AM

| New Concord Branch Library | Ages 2-7

Monday, October 6 & 20 at 10:30 AM

| Duncan Falls/Philo Branch Library | Ages 2-7

Wednesday, October 8 at 10:30 AM

| Roseville Branch Library | Ages 2-7

Monday, October 13 & 27 at 10:30 AM

| Dresden Branch Library | Ages 2-7

Tech Help Open Hours

Thursday, October 9 & 23 from 12 to 2 PM

| Muskingum County Center for Seniors | Ages 18+

Redemption Through the Lens

Thursday, October 9 at 6 PM | Ohio University

Zanesville, Herrold Hall | Ages 18+

Digital Basics Series - Your Digital Footprint

Monday, October 13 at 2 PM | South Branch Library

| Ages 12+

InvestiGATORS & the Agents of S.U.I.T.

Monday, October 13 at 5:30 PM | South Branch

Library | Ages 6-11

Sign Language for Real Life

Monday, October 13, 20, & 27 at 5:30 PM | Ohio

University Zanesville, 189 Elson Hall | Ages 18+

Homeschoolers Explore/Social Hour | Ages 6-18

October 15 at 1 PM | DF/Philo Branch Library

October 20 at 1 PM | Dresden Branch Library

STEAM Popsicle Challenge | Ages 0-18

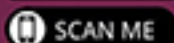
October 15 at 4 PM | New Concord Branch Library

October 22 at 4 PM | DF/Philo Branch Library



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The Brick Squad - LEGO Club

Wednesday, October 15 at 4 PM | Dresden Branch Library | Ages 6-18

Home Repair and Care - Drywall Repair

Thursday, October 16 at 11 AM | Dresden Branch Library | Ages 18+

Lunch & Learn - Barn Story with Robert Kroeger

Thursday, October 16 at 11:30 AM | Roseville Branch Library | Ages 18+

Home Repair and Care - Roofing & Gutters

Thursday, October 16 at 5 PM | Roseville, W.H. Barker Community Center | Ages 18+

Tour of Woodlawn Cemetery with Muskingum 250

Sunday, October 19 at 1 PM and 3 PM | Woodlawn Cemetery, 500 Pershing Road | Ages 18+

Family Movie Night - *Bewitched*

Monday, October 20 at 5 PM | Roseville Branch Library | Ages 6+

Online Grocery Shopping

Tuesday, October 21 at 12 PM | Muskingum County Center for Seniors | Ages 12+

These Are the Droids You Are Looking For! Droid Design, 3D Modeling, and Painting

Tuesday, October 21 from 4 to 5:30 PM | Dresden Branch Library | Ages 12+

Skillet Meal Series - Hearty Tuscan Skillet

Tuesday, October 21 at 5 PM | New Concord Branch Library | Ages 6+

Ohio University Small Business Class - Hiring Without Headaches

Tuesday, October 21 at 5 PM | Ohio University Zanesville, 189 Elson Hall | Ages 18+

Ohio Cryptids - Creatures of Legend and Reality

Wednesday, October 22 from 6 to 7:30 PM | Ohio University Zanesville, Elson Hall | Ages 6+

Teentober Temporary Tattoos

Thursday, October 23 at 4 PM | Colony Square Mall, Food Court | Ages 12-18

Recycled Natural Mulch with the Muskingum County Master Gardeners

Thursday, October 23 at 6 PM | Zanesville, Mission Oaks Gardens | Ages 18+

The Adventures of Ichabod and Mr. Toad

A Movie Screening with Muskingum 250

Friday, October 24 at 6:30 PM | Ohio University Zanesville, Elson Hall Auditorium | Ages 6+

Lunch & Learn -

A Trekking Odyssey with Brandon Weis

Saturday, October 25 at 11 AM | New Concord Branch Library | Ages 12+

Evalyn Walsh McLean & the Curse of the Hope Diamond - A Road Scholar Online Lecture

Monday, October 27 at 1 PM | Duncan Falls/Philo Branch Library | Ages 18+

Digital Basics Series - Spotting Fake News

Monday, October 27 at 2 PM | South Branch Library | Ages 12+

Frightfully Fun Teentober | Ages 12-18

October 28 at 3:30 PM | Dresden Branch Library

October 29 at 3:30 PM | Roseville Branch Library

Everything I Need to Know I Learned in the Twilight Zone with the Largely Literary Theater Company

Wednesday, October 29 at 5:30 PM | Ohio University Zanesville, Elson Hall Auditorium | Ages 18+

FALL FESTIVALS

Fall Festival

Thursday, October 9 at 5:30 PM | South Branch Library | All Ages

An Enchanted Harvest -

Renaissance Inspired Festival

Saturday, October 18 from 12 to 2 PM | New Concord Branch Library | All Ages

Candy Corn Carnival

Saturday, October 25 from 11 AM to 1 PM | Dresden Branch Library | All Ages

Fall Party Featuring the Magic Nate Show

Wednesday, October 29 at 5:30 PM | Duncan Falls/Philo Branch Library | All Ages

Family Fun Fall Harvest Party


Monday, November 3 at 5 PM | Roseville Branch Library | All Ages



NOVEMBER 2025 LIBRARY EVENTS

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Indigenous American Heritage Month Reading Challenge

Throughout November | Virtual | All Ages

Dinovember

Throughout November | South Branch Library | Ages 0-11

Win a Cozy Basket Reading Program

November 1 through 22 | Roseville Branch Library | Ages 18+

Thank You Notes for Veterans

Saturday, November 1, All Day | Duncan Falls/Philo Branch Library | All Ages

Writing Group

Saturday, November 1 from 10 AM to 12 PM | John McIntire Library, Board Room | Ages 18+

Paper Chain American Flag Community Craft

Monday, November 3, All Day | South Branch Library | All Day

Family Fun Fall Harvest Party

Monday, November 3 at 5 PM | Roseville Branch Library | Ages 0-11

Sign Language for Real Life

Monday, November 3 & 10 at 5:30 PM | Ohio University Zanesville, 189 Elson Hall | Ages 18+

Baby & Me

Tuesday, November 4 at 11:30 AM | Duncan Falls/Philo Branch Library | Ages 0-5

Lunch & Learn - Newark Earthworks

Tuesday, November 4 at 11:30 AM | New Concord Branch Library | Ages 18+

Senior Fitness - Strength & Balance

Tuesday, November 4, 11, 18, & 25 at 4 PM | Roseville Branch Library | Ages 18+

These Are the Droids You Are Looking For! Droid Design, 3D Modeling, and Painting

Tuesday, November 4 from 4 to 5:30 PM | Dresden Branch Library | Ages 12+

Open Art Studio - DIY Botanical Prints

Tuesday, November 4 from 4:30 to 6:30 PM | New Concord Branch Library | Ages 6+

Family Movie Night - A Minecraft Movie

Tuesday, November 4 at 5 PM | South Branch Library | All Ages

Genealogy with Debbie Deal

Tuesday, November 4 at 5:30 PM | Duncan Falls/Philo Branch Library | Ages 18+

YA Book Club for Adults

Wednesday, November 5 & 19 from 4:30 to 6 PM | Ohio University Zanesville, Herrold Hall | Ages 18+

Winter Seed Sowing

Thursday, November 6 at 11 AM | Dresden Branch Library | Ages 12+

Tech Help Open Hours

Thursday, November 6 & 20 from 12 to 2 PM | Muskingum County Center for Seniors | Ages 18+

Digital Basics Series - Online Applications

Monday, November 10 at 2 PM | South Branch Library | Ages 12+

Crash, Boom, Bang! | Ages 0-11

November 10 at 4 PM | NC Branch Library
November 12 at 4 PM | Dresden Branch Library
November 19 at 4 PM | South Branch Library

STORYTIMES

Baby Storytime

Wednesday, November 5, 12, & 19 at 10:30 AM | Muskingum County Welcome Center | Ages 0-2

Toddler Storytime

Tuesday, November 4, 11, & 18 at 10:30 AM | Muskingum County Welcome Center | Ages 2-3.5

Preschool Storytime

Thursday, November 6, 13, & 20 at 10:30 AM | Muskingum County Welcome Center | Ages 3.5-5

Family Storytime

Monday, November 3 & 17 at 10:30 AM | Duncan Falls/Philo Branch Library | Ages 2-7

Wednesday, November 5 at 10:30 AM | Roseville Branch Library | Ages 2-7

Thursday, November 6, 13, & 20 at 10:30 AM | New Concord Branch Library | Ages 2-7

Monday, November 10 at 10:30 AM | Dresden Branch Library | Ages 2-7

Thursday, November 13 at 5:30 PM | South Branch Library | Ages 0-11



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Crafternoon

Monday, November 10 from 1 to 3 PM | Dresden Branch Library | Ages 12+

Family Movie Night - *The Fall Guy*

Monday, November 10 at 5 PM | Roseville Branch Library | Ages 6+

Baby & Me

Tuesday, November 11 at 10:30 AM | New Concord Branch Library | Ages 0-5

How to Make Strawberry Freezer Jam with the OSU Extension Office

Tuesday, November 11 at 4 PM | Duncan Falls/Philo Branch Library | Ages 6+

Healthy Eating and Brain Health

Wednesday, November 12 from 1 to 2:30 PM | Dresden Branch Library | Ages 18+

Homeschoolers Explore - Building a Small Business

Wednesday, November 12 at 1 PM | Duncan Falls/Philo Branch Library | Ages 6-18

Outreach Stop - Seton Square

Wednesday, November 12 at 1 PM | Seton Square, 516 Sheridan Street, Zanesville | All Ages

Veterans Reception with Richard and Cindy Day

Wednesday, November 12 at 5 PM | Roseville Branch Library | Ages 6+

Early Literacy at Home

Thursday, November 13 at 11 AM | Roseville Branch Library | Ages 0-5, 18+

Come Write In

Thursday, November 13 at 4 PM | Colony Square Mall, Food Court | Ages 12-18

The British People and American Troops in WWII - A Road Scholar Online Lecture

Monday, November 17 at 1 PM | South Branch Library | Ages 18+

Homeschoolers Explore - Building a Small Business

Monday, November 17 at 1 PM | Dresden Branch Library | Ages 6-18

The Budget-Friendly Kitchen with the OSU Extension Office

Monday, November 17 at 5:30 PM | Duncan Falls/Philo Branch Library | Ages 12+

Online Grocery Shopping

Tuesday, November 18 at 12 PM | Muskingum County Center for Seniors | Ages 12+

Let's Play! After School Gaming

Tuesday, November 18 from 3 to 5:30 PM | Duncan Falls/Philo Branch Library | Ages 6-18

These Are the Droids You Are Looking For! Droid Design, 3D Modeling, and Painting

Tuesday, November 18 from 4 to 5:30 PM | Dresden Branch Library | Ages 12+

Skillet Meal Series - Thanksgiving Skillet

Tuesday, November 18 at 5 PM | New Concord Branch Library | Ages 6+

Ohio University Small Business Class - Financial Basics for Entrepreneurs

Tuesday, November 18 at 5 PM | Ohio University Zanesville, 189 Elson Hall | Ages 18+

The Brick Squad - LEGO Club

Wednesday, November 19 at 4 PM | Dresden Branch Library | Ages 6-18

Genealogy Event with Muskingum 250 - The Migration of New Englanders in the Ohio Territory

Wednesday, November 19 at 5:30 PM | The Stone Academy, 115 Jefferson Street, Zanesville | Ages 18+

Early Literacy at Home

Thursday, November 20 at 11:30 AM | Muskingum County Welcome Center | Ages 0-5, 18+

Library Adventurer's Guild - D&D at the Library

Thursday, November 20 at 4 PM | Colony Square Mall, Adventure Gaming | Ages 6-18

Digital Basics Series - Email & Digital Pen Pals

Monday, November 24 at 2 PM | South Branch Library | Ages 12+

Colors of Tradition -

Celebrating Native American Stained Glass Art

Tuesday, November 25 at 10:30 AM | New Concord Branch Library | Ages 0-18

Salt Dough Ornament Craft

Tuesday, November 25 at 4 PM | Dresden Branch Library | Ages 12-18

Salt Dough Ornament Craft

Wednesday, November 26 at 4 PM | Roseville Branch Library | Ages 12-18