



# NORTHWEST REGIONAL LIBRARY SYSTEM

## December 2021 Event Guide Virtual Library Programming

Virtual Library programs will be released on a specific date/time through our library Facebook pages or on the Northwest Regional Library System FL YouTube channel. Zoom programs require pre-registration.

### Children's Virtual Programming

#### Holiday Craft: Kwanzaa Paper Beads (Ages 6+)

Monday, December 6th at 2 p.m. CT / 3 p.m. ET  
Just in time for the holidays, turn junk mail into jewelry with an African Paper Bead tutorial. Take and Make Kits will be available while supplies last at the Bay County Public Library Youth Services department starting on December 6th.

#### NWRLS Storytime (3-5 years)

Thursday, December 9th at 10 a.m. CT / 11 a.m. ET  
*Bear Stays Up for Christmas* by Karma Wilson, read with permission from Simon & Schuster.

#### Chocolate Chip Cookie Challenge (Ages 6+)

Thursday, December 16th at 2 p.m. CT / 3 p.m. ET  
Excavate like an archeologist and take on the Chocolate Chip Cookie Challenge in this Virtual STE(A)M Program for all ages.

### Family Virtual Programming (All Ages)

#### NASA's James Webb Space Telescope: An Introduction and Science Sampler (Zoom)

Tuesday, December 7th at 3:30 p.m. CT / 4:30 p.m. ET  
NASA's newest telescope, the James Webb Space Telescope, is its largest yet and will see deeper and more clearly into space than has ever been possible before. The Webb Telescope will work primarily in the infrared, which will give it an unprecedented window into conditions in distant galaxies, star formation, and exoplanet atmospheres. Program presented by Dr. Derek Buzasi, Whitaker Eminent Scholar in Science at Florida Gulf Coast University. Email [sburris@nwrls.com](mailto:sburris@nwrls.com) for Zoom registration link or register through the QR code.



All Northwest Regional Library System locations  
will be CLOSED on the following dates:

#### Christmas Holidays

Thursday, December 23rd through  
Saturday, December 25th  
Locations will close at 5 p.m.  
on December 22nd



#### New Years

Friday and Saturday,  
December 31 and January 1st



### Teen Virtual Programming

#### Upcycled Origami with Kat: Holiday Ornaments

Wednesday, December 1st at 2 p.m. CT / 3 p.m. ET  
Christmas is coming! Learn how to fold a 5-pointed star from a 5-sided sheet of paper and a folded wreath ornament made with 8 paper squares. These can make great ornaments for your tree or to decorate a gift package!

### Adult Virtual Programming

#### Beach Book Club (Zoom)

Wednesday, December 1st at 10:30 a.m. CT / 11:30 a.m. ET  
*Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine* by Gail Honeyman  
Email [jmcduffie@nwrls.com](mailto:jmcduffie@nwrls.com) for Zoom invitation.

#### Tech Tips: Word 2019

Tuesday, December 7th at 2 p.m. CT / 3 p.m. ET  
Learn how to sort text, add a signature, and more about features like Read Aloud and AutoRecover by watching our Word 2019 video!

#### BCPL Book Club (Zoom)

Thursday, December 9th at 11:30 a.m. CT / 12:30 p.m. ET  
*To the Bright Edge of the World* by Eowyn Ivey  
Email [rfillingame@nwrls.com](mailto:rfillingame@nwrls.com) for Zoom invitation.

#### Recycled Book Club: Tiny Book Necklace

Tuesday, December 28th at 2 p.m. CT / 3 p.m. ET  
Learn how to create your very own tiny book for a necklace!

## At Your Library

### Bay County Public Library

#### Children's Programs

##### Ugly Holiday Sweater Art Contest

Design your own ugly holiday sweater using the print out available in Youth Services. The ugliest sweater will receive a prize. Contest winner will be announced on December 30th.

##### Holiday Craft: Kwanzaa Paper Beads Kits

Starting on Monday, December 6th

Just in time for the holidays, turn junk mail into jewelry with an African Paper Bead tutorial. Take and Make Kits will be available while supplies last in Youth Services.

##### Winter Take Home Craft Kit: Watercolor Snowflake

Starting on Wednesday, December 8th

Make a watercolor snowflake using markers and a coffee filter! Take and make craft kits will be available in Youth Services while supplies last. The tutorial video will be available on our YouTube channel.

##### Winter Take Home Craft Kit: Paper Cup Bell

Starting on Wednesday, December 22nd

Make a Christmas bell out of a paper cup! Craft kits will be available in Youth Services while supplies last. The tutorial video will be available on our YouTube channel.

#### Teen Programs

##### Teen Advisory Board (14 - 18 years)

Tuesday, December 7th at 4 p.m. CT

Want to have a say at your library? All while earning volunteer hours, making crafts, playing games and eating snacks? Join the Teen Advisory Board! **Registration is required.** Please stop by or call Youth Services at 850-522-2118. Masks are encouraged.

##### Holiday Party (11 - 18 years)

Monday, December 13th at 4 p.m. CT

Teens will learn about each other's winter holiday traditions, make a craft, and receive take home snacks! In person.

**Registration is required.** To register call Youth Services at 850-522-2118. Masks are encouraged.

#### Family Programs

##### December Holiday Scavenger Hunt

Try out this fun scavenger hunt featuring various winter holidays! It will be set up in Youth Services throughout the month. There will be a prize for those who complete it!

#### Adult Programs

##### Michael Lister Holiday Program

Tuesday, December 14th at 5:30 p.m.

Bestselling author, Michael Lister, will present his newest titles! Books will be available for purchase and signing. Social distancing and masks are encouraged.

## Panama City Beach Public Library

#### Children's Programs

##### Holiday Fun at the Panama City Beach Library

Help us find the Elf on the Shelf in our Children's Section and you will receive a small candy cane!

##### December Take and Make Kits (Ages 3 - 4)

Starting on December 1st

Stop in for our December Take and Make Craft Kits while supplies last. We thank the Panama City Beach Library Foundation for sponsoring these kits.

#### Adult Programs

##### Sea Needles

Fridays from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Bring your yarn and let's knit! Group size is limited to 7 for social distancing.

First come, first served.

Masks are encouraged.



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#### Facebook Pages:

- Bay County Public Library
- Panama City Beach Public Library
- Corinne Costin Gibson Memorial Public Library in Port St. Joe
- Charles Whitehead Public Library in Wewahitchka
- Liberty County Public Libraries
- Jimmy Weaver Memorial Library

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## At Your Library

### Corinne Costin Gibson Memorial Public Library in Port St. Joe

#### Children's Programs

##### STEAMroom Challenge Kits

December's STEAM Challenge for school age children is make a Spinning Toy available while supplies last! Sponsored by the Friends of the Gulf County Libraries.

##### Holiday Makes and Take Craft Kits

Weekly Make and Take Craft activities for kids available in the children's area. Sponsored by the Friends.

#### Adult Programs

##### Justice on the Block Legal Services Workshop

Wednesday, December 1st from 10:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. ET Please join us for free legal services consultations provided by the Legal Services of North Florida. Get assistance with title clearing, contractor disputes, insurance coverage disputes, denial of repair assistance claims, probate, family law, victims rights and more! First come, first served. Bring required documentation.

##### Seaside Stitchers

Saturdays from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. ET Bring whatever project you are working on and enjoy a relaxed social gathering in our Florida room with others who share your love for knitting, felting, crochet and other needle arts. Masks are encouraged. **Seating is limited.** First come, first served.

##### Friends of the Library Meeting

Monday, December 13th at 10:30 a.m. ET The Friends of the Gulf County Public Libraries is a 501(c)3 organization founded to support libraries in Gulf County. **Seating is limited.** First come, first served.

##### Happily Ever After Book Club

Monday, December 20th at 10:30 a.m. ET *A Child's Christmas in Wales* by Dylan Thomas Coffee and breakfast sweets provided! Masks are encouraged. **Seating is limited.** First come, first served.



## Charles Whitehead Public Library in Wewahitchka

#### Children's Programs

##### December Take and Make Kits

Stop in for our weekly Take and Make Craft Kits and our monthly STEAM Challenge Kits. Kits available while supplies last. Sponsored by the Friends of the Gulf County Public Libraries.

##### Elf on the Shelf

Help us find the Elf on the Shelf in our Children's Section and you will receive a small candy cane!

##### Decorate a Gingerbread Man Contest

Come in anytime during the month to pick up a gingerbread man and then decorate like your favorite book character. One winner will be chosen on December 30th to receive a Gift Bundle prize!

##### Christmas Storytime

Friday, December 17th at 2:00 p.m. CT A Christmas themed storytime will be held outside of the library near the gazebo. Santa will visit from the North Pole! A take home craft will be provided by the Friends.

#### Adult Programs

##### Winter Craft

Friday, December 3rd from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. CT Create a button Christmas tree along with a holiday coaster. **Pre-registration required.** Visit or call the library at 850-639-2419 to reserve your space.

##### Adult Book Club

Monday, December 6th at 1 p.m. CT **Pre-registration limited to 8 individuals.** Visit or call the library at 850-639-2419 to reserve your spot and find out the book of the month.

#### Family Program

##### December Christmas Tree Ornaments

Help us to decorate our Christmas Tree in the library. Create a book page ornament. All supplies will be available on a designated table throughout the month.



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**At Your Library**  
**Jimmy Weaver Memorial Library in Hosford**  
**Children's Take and Make Craft Kits**

Craft Kits will be available each month while supplies last for kids.

**Adult Make and Take Packets**

Monthly packets contain coloring pages, word searches and more!

**Book Club**

Tuesday, December 14th at 2:00 p.m. ET  
 December's book is *Swamp Santa* by Jana DeLeon. Masks recommended.  
 Group limited to 8 attendees. First come, first served or pre-register.

**Craft Day**

Thursday, December 16th at 10:00 a.m. ET  
 Learn how to make loopy yarn wreaths. Masks recommended. Group limited to 8 attendees. First come, first served or pre-register.

**At Your Library**  
**Harrell Memorial Public Library in Bristol**  
**Children's Take and Make Craft Kits**

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