November 2021 Calendar of Events for Children, Teens, & Families

With the colder weather rolling in, all of our storytime sessions will take place on Zoom this month. Other highlights in November include our NaNoWriMo Quiet Writing Time series, our Project LIT book groups (11/4 & 11/10), and a special Thanksgiving themed show from Turtle Dance Music (11/26). Find a full listing of events below with details on attending. And if you’d like to hear more from me about our programs and services for youth, be sure to sign up for What’s the Story? [here](mailto:jcarlson@whiteplainslibrary.org).

You can reach us Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. at [914-422-1400](tel:914-422-1400), by texting WPPL to [66746](https://www.twilio.com/), or by [emailing us](mailto:jcarlson@whiteplainslibrary.org) anytime.

Take care,

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To attend a virtual event, either register through the provided link or, if attendance is open, visit the link for

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information on joining on the date the event occurs. Events for parents are in orange, kids and family events are in yellow, teen events are in green, and events for assorted age groups are in blue. NOTE: To increase security in youth-focused programs, we are now requiring attendees to have a Zoom account to login to the event. Creating an account is easy and free.

Digital Library Resources
Wednesday, November 3
10:30–11:00 a.m.
Join Digital Media Specialist Austin Olney and learn about popular online library resources. Beginners are encouraged, all are welcome. For adults, parents. Register in advance here.

Poetry Slam & Open Mic

Virtual Tech Help
Wednesday, November 3
Tuesday, November 9
2:00–3:00 p.m.
Need help with a general computer issue or have questions about a particular piece of technology? Ask Digital Media Specialist Austin Olney in this virtual assistance program. Whether a beginner or advanced user, all are welcome. Register in advance for the date(s) you wish to attend: 11/3, 11/9, 11/17. Please be sure to provide your email address.

Ebooks, E-audio books and Magazines
Entertainment
kanopy
KIDS
medici.tv
Virtual Tech Help

for many of our programs. Events funded by the Foundation are noted with an ✽.
Wednesday, November 3
7:00–9:00 p.m.
Join Zork and Kristen for the First Wednesday Poetry Slam! Pre-registration is required to try and accommodate as many poets as possible. Register here to attend or perform. Please be sure to provide an active email address as we will contact you to confirm whether you will be performing or just attending.
Adults & teens welcome!

Virtual Chess Sessions
Thursday, November 4
4:00–5:00 p.m.
Want to practice playing chess? Sign up to play against a fellow library friend or even challenge Austin Olney, the library's Digital Media Specialist, to a match. Time slots will be sent following registration. From beginners to experts, all youth are welcome to join! Register in advance here.

NaNoWriMo: Quiet Writing Time
Thursday, November 4 & 18
Tuesday, November 9 & 23
4:00–5:00 p.m.
Join us for quiet writing time for grades 4 and up. If you're working on a writing goal for National Novel Writing Month, this is a perfect time to work on your project. We'll also have a different writing prompt each week for those who don't have a long-term project. Click here to register.
Quick n Easy Candle Shade
Thursday, November 4
7:00–8:00 p.m.
Nothing softens the atmosphere in a room like candlelight—especially for fall holiday meals. Join Kat and Christiane to construct an elegant paper shade to pair with a tabletop LED light or candle. Registration through our Library calendar is limited and required. Those registered will be notified when they can pick up their bag of supplies for the program. Click here to register.

Virtual Storytime for Ages 2-6
Tuesday, November 9 & 16
11:00–11:30 a.m.
Stories, songs and fun for ages 2-6 with a Trove librarian. For

Project LIT Book Club for Teens
Thursday, November 4
5:30–6:30 p.m.
Join librarians Kat and Lauren for a book discussion and a trivia game. This month’s book is a Project LIT title, The 57 Bus: A True Story of Two Teenagers and the Crime That Changed Their Lives by Dashka Slater. Teens in grades 6 through 12 are welcome to attend. Click here to register.
Zoom Tips & Tricks
Wednesday, November 10
10:30–11:00 a.m.
Participants of this session will learn tips and tricks for attending (and hosting) Zoom events. Click here to register.

Virtual Tabletop Games
Monday, November 8 & 22
4:30–6:00 p.m.
Join librarians Ashley and Erik from the Trove and the Edge to play fun virtual tabletop games! We use the platform boardgamearena.com to play the games while we have a conversation on Zoom. Kids and teens who haven’t come to the program before will need to create a free account on boardgamearena.com. For information on joining, click on the date(s) you wish to attend: 11/8, 11/22.

Library Fortnite Team
Tuesday, November 16
4:00–4:45 p.m.
Want to join Fortnite with library friends? Sign up for this program to play online together in a safe, private learning environment. In this app, which fosters an equal playing field and gender representation, players are rewarded for teamwork and planning abilities. Activities will
include a variety of creative modes and a focus on designing 3D structures for strategic advantage.

Squad up with Digital Media Specialist Austin Olney on either Windows, Android, Xbox One, Xbox Series X/S, Nintendo Switch, or PlayStation 4/5. Register in advance here.

Virtual Youth Meet-up
Thursday, November 18
4:00–4:45 p.m.

Ready for some good, clean fun? Many teens these days need a break from the day-to-day requirements placed on them. In this program, they are free to interact together in a variety of safe worlds, featuring loads of wholesome activities where they can partake in multiple fun challenges. Join Library friends Austin and Kathlyn in a virtual online space for teens using the Roblox platform. Register in advance here.

Project LIT Book Club for Kids & Tweens
Wednesday, November 10
4:30–5:45 p.m.

Join librarians Ashley and Caroline for a book discussion and trivia game for 4th to 8th graders. We will be reading A Place at the Table by Saadia Faruqi and Laura Shovan. Please register here and then place a hold on the print book using our catalog here. If you prefer the eBook, you can find it on OverDrive here.
Turtle Dance Music Show: Thankful for Thanksgiving
Friday, November 26
11 a.m.–12 p.m.
Join Turtle Dance Music for an AWESOME Music, Bubble, and Comedy Show! Each song is accompanied by hands-on, visual, and sensory experiences designed to help kids learn and have fun at the same time. For ages 2-6 and their families. For information on attending, click here.

Game Design for Youth
Wednesday, November 17
4:00–4:30 p.m.
Participants of this program will learn key game design concepts, cooperatively, in a safe, private server. Click here to register.

Create a Minecraft World
Tuesday, November 23
4:00–4:45 p.m.
Want to build your dream house? In this session, youth are invited to work together in a safe learning environment via Minecraft Realms and focus on their design skills. Activities will include digitally
planning to adequately survive in a randomly generated world and/or building things collectively with others in creative mode. All are welcome to partake in some fun with both library friends and tech specialist Austin Olney. Find system requirements and register in advance here.