



# September 2021 Family Community Activity List

*We make every effort to ensure the accuracy of this information. However, you should always call ahead to confirm dates, times, location, and other information!*

## Exciting Groups

**Good Life Group via Zoom:** Come join the fun **Thursday, Aug 23, 2021 from 5:30pm-6:45pm**. The Good Life Group works on Self Advocacy skills and engaging in community activities. This group is designed to assist people to think about what they want in their life and break that down into management steps to start moving toward their vision of a Good Life. Ages 18 years or older. We will be spotlighting an Inclusive Business. If anyone is interested in attending, please Contact Bobbi Bellamy at [bobbi@abilitiesfirst.net](mailto:bobbi@abilitiesfirst.net) 417-830-9809 or Kristine Kliever at [kkliever@abilitiesfirst.net](mailto:kkliever@abilitiesfirst.net) 417-709-0057 for the link to attend.

**Art Inspired Academy:** Art Inspired Academy class schedule is now out for **FALL 2021**. All classes will be over Zoom. Please do not sign up for a class unless you are confident that you will be able to attend regularly at that time. Registration is first come, first serve. If you have a funding source and need help with registration, please call the office at 417-886-0404 ext. 4. To register or view the class list, visit: <https://aia.asapconnected.com/?org=4718>



### Springfield Greene County Parkboard

**Accessible Recreational Wednesday Afternoon Ceramics**, Join us for a fun way to create ceramic projects for anyone ages 16 and up with a disability! Classes will be held in the Northview Center Ballroom. No transportation will be offered for these programs. Sept 8<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>, 3:30-5:30 pm. <https://www.parkboard.org/DocumentCenter/View/9597/BW-Fall-Wed-PM-Ceramics-2021>

**Accessible Recreational Wednesday Morning Ceramics**, Join us for a fun way to create ceramic projects for anyone ages 16 and up with a disability! Classes will be held in the Northview Center Ballroom. No transportation will be offered for these programs. Sept 8<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>, 9 am-noon. <https://www.parkboard.org/DocumentCenter/View/9596/BW-Fall-Wed-Ceramics-2021>



**Accessible Recreational Thursday Morning Ceramics**, Join us for a fun way to create ceramic projects for anyone ages 16 and up with a disability! Classes will be held in the Northview Center Ballroom No transportation will be offered for these programs. Sept 9<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup>, 9 am-noon. <https://www.parkboard.org/DocumentCenter/View/9595/BW-Fall-Thurs-Ceramics-2021>

**Accessible Recreation Drive Thru Ceramics**, Drive-Thru Ceramics offers a safe and fun way to expand your creativity while staying safe in your own home! It's minimal interaction but maximum fun! We have ceramic projects that are ready to be your next masterpiece! There are a variety of project options - just call or email to schedule a pick-up time. Call when you arrive, and we will bring it out! Pick-up at the Northview Center \$5-\$10, Ongoing; call 837-5808 to reserve a pick-up time.

**Disc Golf – September**, Come out and see more beautiful parks while gaining a new skill with Accessible Recreation! Disc Golf Is a great way to stay active and enjoy the great outdoors! Registration required. 16 years and up with a disability. \$20, Sept 7-28, Tuesday 9:30 – 11 am.

**Jordan Valley Ice Park (Public Skate)**, Daily with times slots varying from hour and half during the week and hour sessions on the weekend. 417-866-7444 for open sessions or check out facebook. \$6 for Adults and \$5 for Seniors 55+ and students or children 3 and up + \$3 Skate rental fee. Annual passes are also available.

**Dickerson Park Zoo**, Daily 9 am-5 pm. \$15 Adults and Teens, \$12 Adults 60+, and \$10 for Children 3-12. There is a group fee for groups of 15+ and a military discount as well. Most parking is free. Info Hotline is 417-864-1800. Check out the zoo website for classes for children toddler up through middle school and volunteer opportunities as well @ <http://dickersonparkzoo.org>

**Cruse Dog Park, Daily Sunrise-Sunset (except Thursday due to mowing)** Cruse Dog Park is the first off-leash dog park in Springfield, Missouri. Officially 'unleashed' in November, 2008, the park is a 6-acre, fenced facility for dogs to go off-leash to run, play, socialize and exercise. There is a 4 1/2-acre section for large dogs and a one and a half-acre section for small dogs. Annual fee of \$35 per dog (no more than 2 per person). Daily Pass available for \$10 (per dog) limit of 2 dogs per owner + \$10 deposit. Please note you must provide a current Certificate of Vaccination for Rabies, rabies tag number and pet medical records from a licensed veterinarian documenting current vaccinations for Parvo, Distemper, and Bordetella. Dog park is located at 1069 S Wabash behind Walgreens. Hotline 417-864-1804 or phone 417-864-1332. Paperwork must be completed before entering park with your dog.

**Daily: Water Aerobics at Chesterfield**--Available at Chesterfield Family Center. A great way to get in shape with minimal impact on your muscles and joints. This program is tentative based on current COVID-19 regulations. *Chesterfield Family Center 891-1616*. Mon-Sat 8:30 am & 9:30 am; Mon, Wed & Fri 5:30 pm, Chesterfield Family Center. FREE for Members and Daily Fee for Non-members

**Daily: Water Aerobics at Doling**--Available at both Doling Family Center. A great way to get in shape with minimal impact on your muscles and joints. This program is tentative based on current COVID-19 regulations. *Doling Family Center 837-5900*. Mon-Fri 9 am, Sat 9:30 am; Tues, Thurs 5:30 & 6:30 pm. Doling Family Center. FREE for Members, Daily Fee for Non-Members

**Joints in Motion**—Less vigorous than regular aerobics classes, focusing on stretching, strength, and flexibility of tight or recovering muscles and joints. Tuesday and Thursday @ 9:30 am at Chesterfield Family Center. FREE for Members, Daily Fee for Non-Members

**Little Splashers**—A designated time for children 5 and under, accompanied by an adult in the water. Pool features are turned off, but upon request, the small spray features will be turned on for little ones to enjoy. Monday-Friday, 11:30 am – 1 pm., @ Doling and Chesterfield Family Centers. FREE for Members, Daily Fee for Non-Members.

**Lake Springfield Park and Boathouse**, Rent a boat and explore the James River Water Trail at your own pace. Choose from an assortment of boats, including solo and tandem kayaks, Old Town canoes, and stand-up paddleboards available a first-come, first-serve basis. Life preservers are provided and required. Must be 18 yrs. to rent boats. All boats must be returned the launch area by 5 p.m. Lake Springfield Park 891-1550. 3 yrs. and up (Ages 3-5 allowed in only canoes, with a guardian. Ages 6-13 must



be with a guardian. Ages 14-17 may command their own boat accompanied by an adult.) April 15-Oct. 15, Mon.- Sat., 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; Sun., 11 a.m.-4 p.m. FEE: \$10/hour solo kayaks and stand-up paddleboards; \$12/hour tandem kayaks and canoes. Rented boats must be returned each day one hour prior to boathouse closing, no rentals after 4 p.m. The facility offers 17-foot canoes, single and tandem kayaks and paddleboards. Fees are \$10/hour or \$30/four hours for single kayaks and \$12/hour or \$36/four hours for tandem kayaks and canoes and include life jackets and paddles. Enjoy fishing, picnic shelter and playground, pavilion and wildlife as well. 5324 S Kissick Ave, Spfd, MO. 417-891-1550.

**Rutledge-Wilson Farm Park**, 3825 W Farm Road 146 in Springfield. Tuesday – Sunday 9 am until 5 pm. FREE admission (some educational programs and activities have a fee)

**Accessible Bikes** -- The Springfield-Greene County Park Board's Rutledge-Wilson Farm Park is home to three accessible bicycles designed for individuals with disabilities. The bikes are available for free check-out at the Rutledge-Wilson Farm Park gift shop, for use at the park, 3825 W. Farm Road 146, and on the Wilson Creek Greenway, which runs through the park. The park is open Tuesday-Sunday, 9 a.m.- 5 p.m., closed Mondays. Cyclists must sign a waiver, and are not allowed to remove the bikes from the park or the Wilson's Creek Greenway. Helmets are required and provided. For more information about bike availability, **contact Rutledge-Wilson Farm Park at 417-837-5949.**

**Now-October: Fishing Pole Rentals**--Take the kids fishing in our one-acre stocked fishing pond. Hourly fishing pole rentals available in our gift shop include every you need: pole, bait, and tackle. Fishing is catch and release only, no keepers, and a license is not required. 9 am-3:30 pm daily @ Rutledge Farm Park. \$5/Hr with equipment rental: \$1.50/Hr with your own equipment; \$1.50 for extra bait.

**Sundays: Gray/Campbell Farmstead Open House**--Visit with volunteer docents to look inside historic buildings and learn more about life in the Ozarks in the 1860s. Open weather permitting. 1:30-4:30 FREE

## SEPTEMBER Calendar of Events

### Wednesday, September 1<sup>st</sup> –

**Stories in the Park, Offsite** Ash Grove City Park, 300 W. Parkway St., **10:30 a.m. for all ages.** Join your favorite librarians for a story time near you!

**Take a Tour Underground with David Harrison, The Library Center** auditorium, **7 p.m. for grades K-4.** David Harrison's newest book takes kids on a make-believe elevator ride down into the earth below our feet to meet the roots and creatures who live and visit there. Join him for a presentation of poems from "The Dirt Book" and learn how he came up with his ideas. Friends from Dickerson Park Zoo and Springfield Conservation Nature Center will visit, and musician Judy Domeny will perform, too!

**Springfield Park Board (Outdoor Adventure Homeschool Series),** Climbing Experience @ Zenith Climbing Center & Compass Skills, **8am – Noon @ Dan Kinney Park.** \$15 for ages 9-16. Register the Tuesday before at Outdoor Initiatives. 833-8647.

**Paper Mache Sculpture @ Creava Studio** (1506 E St Louis St, Spfd), **Wednesday, Sept 1-22 @ 6-8 pm.** This class is geared towards kids 10-15. We will discuss with students the foundations of making sculptural art, how to build an armature, building up layers of paper to create dimension and texture, and finally how to finish their works. Because of the nature of paper mache there are periods of waiting for layers to dry. To avoid dead class time students will have multiple pieces going at once. This class is 4 weeks long and all supplies are provided. The class costs \$100. [www.creavastudio.com/product/paper-mache-sculpture-wed-6-8-sept-1-22-/288](http://www.creavastudio.com/product/paper-mache-sculpture-wed-6-8-sept-1-22-/288)



**Intro to Oil Pastels @ Creava Studio** (1506 E St Louis St, Spfd), **Wednesday, Sept 1-22 @ 6-8 pm.** In this 4 week class we will learn about Oil Pastels with a focus on Color Theory and Color Blocking. This would be a good class for those interested in this medium, but also for those hoping to take an Acrylic or Oil Painting class in the future. Many of the concepts and theories behind using Oil Pastels will prepare you for painting. You do not need to have previous experience or artistic skill to participate. This class is for adults and you must be at least 15 to join in. All supplies will be provided. This class costs \$80. The new set of oil pastels you are given is yours to keep at the end of class. [www.creavastudio.com/product/intro-to-oil-pastels-wed-6-8-sept-1-22-/156](http://www.creavastudio.com/product/intro-to-oil-pastels-wed-6-8-sept-1-22-/156)

**Hold Fast Brewing Paint Night!! 7-9 pm.** We are excited to announce that we are partnering with Hold Fast Brewing for some events on site at their brewery. Come join us for a fun night of painting with friends and some good drinks. [www.rsvpaint.com/event/9-1-hold-fast-brewing-pain-night-7-9-117946](http://www.rsvpaint.com/event/9-1-hold-fast-brewing-pain-night-7-9-117946)

**Lunar Love @ Painting with a Twist** (Spfd) **7-9 pm.** Join us for a night of fun and relaxation painting this magical piece 'Lunar Love'! Fun! Plain and simple. No creative or artistic skills are needed. Painting with a Twist is all about connecting with friends over a glass of wine, your favorite snacks and a night of laughs. Oh, and you'll also learn how to paint! <https://www.paintingwithatwist.com/.../spr.../event/2829480/>

## **Thursday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> –**

**Reading Pals, Republic** community room, **4:30 p.m. for grades K-5,** Our friends from Pet Therapy of the Ozarks need your help – they love a good story but can't read. Practice your reading skills with these furry, loveable friends.

**Homeschool HorseSHOE I,** Equestrian Center, **Thursday, Sept 2<sup>nd</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> @10-11 am.** Ages 7-17. Sheriff's Horsemanship Outreach and Education (HorseSHOE) teaches children safety around horses and basic grooming, saddling and riding techniques. Horses and helmets provided. Six students/class. Horses and helmets provided. Students must complete HorseSHOE I & II before advancing into the regular lesson program. 833-3291

**Youth HorseSHOE I,** Equestrian Center, **Thursday, Sept 2<sup>nd</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> @ 4:30-5:30 pm.** Ages 7-17. Sheriff's Horsemanship Outreach and Education (HorseSHOE) teaches children safety around horses and basic grooming, saddling and riding techniques. Horses and helmets provided. Six students/class. Horses and helmets provided. Students must complete HorseSHOE I & II before advancing into the regular lesson program. 833-3291

**Youth HorseSHOE I,** Equestrian Center, **Thursday, Sept 2<sup>nd</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> @ 5:30-6:30 pm.** Ages 7-17. Sheriff's Horsemanship Outreach and Education (HorseSHOE) teaches children safety around horses and basic grooming, saddling and riding techniques. Horses and helmets provided. Six students/class. Horses and helmets provided. Students must complete HorseSHOE I & II before advancing into the regular lesson program. 833-3291

**Be Well Community Virtual Experience,** Event by Burrell Behavioral Health and OACAC. **FREE Online Event @ 6-7 pm.** Join licensed psychologist Dr. Shelly Farnan and team to experience the benefits of self-care, mindfulness, community connection, and hope. Gain mental health tips and tools, as well as emotional regulation and wellness strategies. This free experience is presented in collaboration by OACAC and the Burrell Be Well Community as part of a mental health awareness campaign. Zoom and Call-In Link: <https://burrellcenter.zoom.us/j/3288218036>  
Phone Number: 1-312-626-6799, Meeting ID: 328 821 8036

**Missouri Sunset @ Painting with a Twist,** (Spfd) **at 7-9 pm.** Join us to paint this glorious 'Missouri Sunset'! It is so much easier than you think. We'll provide the laid-back ambiance, painting supplies, and step-by-step instructions



by one of our talented artists. You just bring your friends, favorite beverages (BYOB), and must-have snacks!  
<https://www.paintingwithatwist.com/.../spr.../event/2827300/>

**Fresh Picked Pumpkins @ Painting with a Twist**, (Spfd) **at 7-9 pm**. Join us to paint this adorable pallet of 'Fresh Picked Pumpkins'! (Also available in surface options of canvas and real wood board). We'll provide the laid-back ambiance, painting supplies, and step-by-step instructions. You just bring your friends, favorite beverages (BYOB), and must-have snacks! <https://www.paintingwithatwist.com/.../spr.../event/2831065/>

## **Friday, September 3<sup>rd</sup> –**

**Storytime at Doling Park, Offsite** Doling Park, 301 E. Talmage St., **10a.m. for infants-age 6 with an adult caregiver**. Gather 'round for a story time in the park! Join your favorite children's librarians from the Library Station for a weekly, outdoor story time featuring stories, songs, and activities. Meet in the large pavilion located behind the Family Center near the playground. Provided in partnership with the Springfield-Greene County Park Board.

**First Friday Art Walk, Park Central, 6:30 p.m.-9 p.m. for adults**. Join us for First Friday Art Walk, including an art talk and the opening of a new exhibit. Alyssa Cartier, art history and museum studies major with a minor in French at Missouri State University, will present "Mariko Mori: Interpreting Spiritual Space in Art." On display: Geometric paintings by Linda Kirchner.

**Graphic Novel Book Discussion, The Library Station** Santa Fe Room, **10 a.m. for adults**. Whether you are new to graphic novels or a longtime fan, join our graphic novel book discussion for a chance to chat with others and discover a new favorite! **"The Nao of Brown"** by Glyn Dillon.

**Film Stubs, Virtual, 2 p.m. for adults**, Both novice and seasoned cinephiles are welcome to join our virtual discussion of the monthly cult-classic film selection. Films are available to watch for free with your library card on Hoopla at [thelibrary.org/digital](http://thelibrary.org/digital) or find a DVD copy at [thelibrary.org/catalog](http://thelibrary.org/catalog). Register by clicking below; a link to the virtual event will be shared with registered participants. **"Heathers,"** rated R. **Registration starts August 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**Fishing Basics**, @ Rutledge Wilson Park. An evening of family fun covering the basics of catch-and-release fishing — everything your family needs to know to hit the lake or river for a day of fishing. While designed for beginners, skill levels are welcome. Class led by Meant 2B Outdoors. Register by Sept. 1. **6-8 pm**.

**September Art Walk: Dustin Brugert + Birdhouse Auction Closing @ Obelisk Home** (214 W Phelps St, Suite 101, Spfd). **6-10 pm**. We are welcoming back Dustin Burgert as our featured artist with his collection "Decade:Rewind" for September's First Friday Art Walk. Dustin's new work reflects on his creations over the last ten years shown at Obelisk Home, and he revisits various techniques and concepts combining inspiration of new ideas with lessons learned from the past. Improved proficiency and gained experience shine through in this new body of work as a result. As always, his ultimate goal is to "create conversational pieces which not only warm a space but inspire positivity and imagination." September's FFAW will also be the closing night of our 15th Annual Birdhouse Auction benefiting Habitat for Humanity. A total of 19 hand-crafted birdhouses have been undergoing a silent auction throughout the month of August, and bidding will officially close at 10pm with 100% of the proceeds going to Habitat. As usual, there is an abundance of rotating displays of artwork by our gallery artists throughout the Inspired Commerce building as well.

**Wicked Moonlight @ Painting with a Twist** (Spfd) **at 7-9 pm**. Join us to paint this magical piece 'Wicked Moonlight'. Our studio is a great place for painting beginners, with little to no experience. Fun! Plain and simple.



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**Galactic Sunflowers @ Painting with a Twist (Spfd) at 7-9 pm.** Join us to paint this unique piece featuring a field of sunflowers beneath a twinkling, star-studded sky. We'll provide the laid-back ambiance, painting supplies, and step-by-step instructions. You just bring your besties, favorite beverages (BYOB), and must-have snacks!

<https://www.paintingwithatwist.com/.../spr.../event/2829413/>

**Molly Healey Live in the Backyard! @ Mother's Brewing Company (Spfd) at 7-9 pm.** If you've lived in Springfield for any length of time, then you've likely heard of Molly Healey. If you're new to town, then we can think of no better welcome. Equally adept on four strings or six, Molly plays fiddle, cello, and guitar, with a voice to put them all to shame. Enjoy a mix of covers and original material in the laid back comfort of Mother's Backyard. No cover!

**Machine Gun Symphony @ PaddleWheel (9 South Boardwalk, Branson) at 8 pm-Midnight.** Outside Performance with amazing food made from scratch paired with fabulous handcrafted cocktails & local beers. The Paddlewheel is Branson's largest nightclub!

## Saturday, September 4<sup>th</sup> –

**Coffee & Cars + Springfield Art Pop Up (2401 E Sunshine St, Spfd) at 10 am-1 pm.** The Springfield Art Pop Up will be joining Coffee & Cars on Saturday September 4th 10am to 1pm. Join us for a day filled with Coffee, Cars and Community! As always NO Booth fees for any of our attending artists if you would like to participate as an art vendor please send us a message or email [Escamillalesley.arte@gmail.com](mailto:Escamillalesley.arte@gmail.com)

**Ozarks Trail Painting Event @ Painting with a Twist (Spfd) at 11 am-1 pm.** Join us to learn to paint this breathtaking autumnal scenic piece 'Ozarks Trail'! Our talented artist will lead you step-by-step through this painting, so no worries if you are new to painting. We will provide all the supplies you need to create your masterpiece. Feel free to bring a friend, and any drinks or snacks along with you!

<https://www.paintingwithatwist.com/.../spr.../event/2831078/>

**Monett Monster Truck Chaos 2021 @ Monett Motor Speedway, LLC (Monett) at 1-3 pm.** For the FIRST TIME EVER! 2Xtreme Racing presents Monett Monster Truck Chaos 2021! We've got a jam-packed lineup including Big Name Monster Trucks, Blast from the Past Jet Burn Truck, Hillbilly Clown Entertainer, Kids Power Wheel Races, and tons of high-flying, ground-pounding action. Plus, ride on a Real Monster Truck! All for the most affordable, family friendly prices in the business! 2Xtreme Racing is family owned & operated for families like yours. One Child ticket is FREE with the purchase of each Adult ticket. Gates Open @ 11 am, All-Inclusive (VIP) Pit Party from 11 am-12:30 pm; General Admission Pit Party from 11:45 am – 12:30 pm with purchase of a \$5 pit party pass. Show starts @ 1 pm. [www.2xtremeracingseries.com/monett2021](http://www.2xtremeracingseries.com/monett2021)

**Apple Picking Truck @ Painting with a Twist (Spfd) 3-5 pm.** Join us to paint this adorable 'Apple Picking Truck', evoking childhood memories of autumn trips to the orchard! You are welcome to get creative, and can choose your own truck color/caption, as well as between surface options of canvas, framed canvas, and real wood board! Fun! Plain and simple. No creative or artistic skills are needed. Painting with a Twist is all about connecting with friend over a glass of wine (BYOB if desired), your favorite snacks and a night of laughs. Oh, and you'll also learn how to paint! <https://www.paintingwithatwist.com/.../spr.../event/2829424/>



**The Whippoorwills @ White River Brewing Company** (505 W Commercial St, Spfd) **6-9 pm.** Ryan Wallace and Alisha Thomas duo!

**Red Dirt Underground w/Special Guest Luke Ford @ SBC's The Cellar** (507 W Walnut St, Spfd) **7 pm.** Just announced! The Cellar is going country with Brian Lumley & Red Dirt Underground and special guest Luke Ford. Red Dirt is a country/rock music from Springfield, MO. This one is going to be a boot-tapping good time! Music around 7pm. \$5 cover. Best safety practices and masks highly encouraged.

**Enchanted Moonlight @ Painting with a Twist** (3444 S Campbell Ave, Suite G, Spfd) **7-9 pm.** Join us to paint this magical piece 'Enchanted Moonlight'! It is so much easier than you think. Our talented artist will lead you step-by-step through the painting. Our studio is a great place for those new to acrylic painting! We'll provide the laid-back ambiance, painting supplies, and artist instructions. You just bring your besties and favorite beverages (BYOB if desired)! <https://www.paintingwithatwist.com/.../spr.../event/2829405/>

### **Sunday, September 5<sup>th</sup> –**

### **Monday, September 6<sup>th</sup> –**

**Doggie Dive In @ Nixa Parks and Recreation** (701 N Taylor Way, Nixa) **3:30-5 pm.** On Labor Day, the pool will go to the dogs! To celebrate the end of the pool season, the Aquatics Center will hold its annual Doggie Dive In, sponsored by Seven Hills Veterinary Clinic. The Doggie Dive In will be September 6th, from 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm. Dogs are free and people are \$3 each.

### **Tuesday, September 7<sup>th</sup> –**

**Stories in the Park, Offsite** J.R. Martin Park, 300 E. Hines Street, Republic, **10 a.m. for infants-age 6.** Gather 'round for a story time in the park! Join your favorite children's librarians for a weekly, outdoor story time featuring stories, songs, and activities. Meet at The Amp, we'll move to the pavilion in case of rain. Provided in partnership with the Republic Parks and Rec Department. During this special session of Stories in the Park, we'll enjoy the Story Walk® featuring "Big Dance" by Aoife Greenham together! Meet at The Amp and join us for a walk through the Story Walk®. Story Walks® are a fun way for families to enjoy the outdoors while you read the pages of a book posted along a short walking path. The Story Walk® will be available at J.R. Martin Park from September 7-21.

**Stories in the Park, Offsite** Jackson Street Park, 222 W. Jackson St., Willard. **10:30 a.m. for all ages.** Join your favorite librarians for a story time near you! Meet in the large pavilion.

**Dog Swim @ Fastnight Park Pool, 1300 S Campbell. 4-7 pm.** The canine aquatics event of the year! Dogs take over Fastnight Pool before it is closed for the season (no humans allowed in the water.) Bring your furry friend for an evening of swimming, barking and scampering around the pool. All dogs must be 4 months or older, have proof of vaccination record for Rabies, Parvo, Distemper and Bordetella. Proceeds benefit Cruse Dog Park. Register by Sept. 2 at [ParkBoard.org/DogSwim](http://ParkBoard.org/DogSwim). 864-1332

**Teen Wheel Thrown Pottery @ Creava Studio** (1637 E St Louis St, Spfd) **Tuesdays, Sept 7-Oct 12) @ 3:30-5:30 pm.** Our Teen Wheel Thrown Pottery class is perfect for teens 13 - 16 who want to learn to play in the mud. This class is specifically geared towards teens with little to no experience with clay. It can be re-taken. Teen Wheel Thrown Pottery is a progressive skill class that will teach you all the skills, tips and tricks you need to successfully create with clay. Our instructor, will provide you with the individualized attention you need to create your first pieces.



This is a six week class and you will attend your registered class each week unless a federal holiday causes a gap week. The class cost \$180 and includes all material and firings. In addition to class time you will have access to the studio for the duration of your class to take advantage of Unlimited Free Open Studio time to practice.

**India Ink & Gouache Resist Painting @ Creava Studio** (1506 E St Louis St, Spfd) **Tuesdays, Sept 7-28) @ 6-8 pm.**

This technique is all about layering. Through the use of tempura paint to resist, india ink to stain and gouache (similar to watercolor and acrylic) paint to color, you will add layer upon layer to your canvas to create depth and detail. This class will meet each Tuesday from 6 to 8 for 4 weeks. During this time you will complete multiple exercises and projects. All supplies are included in the price of the class. This class costs \$100. As an adult class, participants must be at least 15 years old or be at least 12 and accompanied by an adult class member. You do not need to be able to draw or paint to take this class. Minimal artist knowledge is needed for this medium!

**Planetarium Live! What's Up This Month in Space & Astronomy?** (Online) **6-7 pm.** Join Planetarium Manager Patrick Hess LIVE on Facebook on Tuesday, September 7, for an all-NEW seasonal star tour PLUS deep-dives into recent space and astronomy news and live interactive Q&A! Our monthly Planetarium LIVE is a not-to-be-missed opportunity for space fans of all ages and knowledge levels. There's no cost to join the livestream, and no registration needed! Join the Facebook Event now to get your pre-livestream reminder!

### Wednesday, September 8<sup>th</sup> –

**Stories in the Park, Offsite** Ash Grove City Park, 300 W. Parkway St. **10:30 a.m. for all ages.** Join your favorite librarians for a story time near you!

**Book Discussion, The Library Center** meeting room B, **1 p.m.-2:30 p.m. for adults.** **"This Tender Land"** by William Kent Krueger.

**Stories in the Park, Offsite** Living Memorial Park, 4323 S. Nature Center Way, **6:30 p.m. for all ages.** Fall is the perfect time for Stories in the Park! Wind down your evening with park play, stories, music, movement, and a take-home activity. Sack suppers and snacks are welcome. Provided in partnership with the Springfield-Greene County Park Board.

**Springfield Park Board (Outdoor Adventure Homeschool Series),** Archery & Survival Skills, **8am – Noon @ Lake Springfield Park.** \$15 for ages 9-16. Register the Tuesday before at Outdoor Initiatives. 833-8647.

**Kid Camp @ Creava Studio** (1506 E Saint Louis St, Spfd) **Wednesdays (Sept 8-29) Noon-1:30 pm.** This class is geared towards home-schooled children that would like to learn the foundations of art. Each class will include a lesson that teaches them about and artist, a period of art history, and element of art, and a fun project that incorporates the subject of the lesson. Classes will explore multi mediums and may include acrylics, ceramics, collage, drawing, etc. Each session of the Kid Camp will cover different artists and subjects so it can be taken more than once without repeated lessons.

**Rainbow Starry Night @ Painting with a Twist** (3444 S Campbell Ave, Suite G, Spfd) **7-9 pm.** Join us for this colorful and whimsical take on Van Gogh's Starry Night. Fun! Plain and simple. No creative or artistic skills are needed. Painting with a Twist is all about connecting with friends over a glass of wine, your favorite snacks and a night of laughs. Oh, and you'll also learn how to paint.

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## **Thursday, September 9<sup>th</sup> –**

**An Introduction to Contract Bridge, The Library Center** meeting room A, **6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. for adults.** Exercise your brain and have fun making new friends as you learn to play Contract Bridge. Whether you're a beginner or want to update your bidding and play, this class is for you. Members of the Bridge Center will give an introductory course over four consecutive Thursday evenings. Register once for the entire series. **Registration starts August 26; call [417-883-5341](tel:417-883-5341).**

**Homeschool Horticulture Series**, Springfield Botanical Gardens, 2400 S Scenic, **10-11 am for ages 5-12.** School-age kids are invited to a variety of classes about nature. Second Thursday of the month. Registration required. **Botanical Center 891-1515.**

**Senior Night**, Northview Center, **3-4:30 pm.** Join us for Senior Night Out, the second Thursday of the month (no November program.). Bingo starts at 3 p.m., dinner is served at 4. Register a week prior to insure meals are ordered. **Ages 55+ Northview Center 837-5808, \$6 per/meal**

**Watercolor Landscapes @ Creava Studio** (1506 E St Louis St, Spfd) **Thursdays (Sept 9-30) @ 2-4 pm.** This 4 week class will teach the basic techniques and tools needed to successfully create a finished water color. We will specifically focus on the structure and skills needed to make landscape paintings. This is an adult class, however we allow accompanied minors over the age of 12. All supplies will be provided. This class is 4 weeks long and will take place on Thursdays from 2 - 4. This class costs \$100

**An Autumn Pickup @ Painting with a Twist** (3444 S Campbell Ave, Suite G, Spfd) **7-9 pm.** We will be painted this adorably rustic 'Autumn Pickup'! Feel free to get creative and choose your own pickup color and own surface of choice (canvas, framed, real wood board). We'll provide the laid-back ambiance, painting supplies, and step-by-step instructions. Our studio is perfect for beginners 😊 You just bring your friends and favorite beverages!  
<https://www.paintingwithatwist.com/.../spr.../event/2831070/>

**Custom Kawaii Cutie @ Painting with a Twist** (3444 S Campbell Ave, Suite G, Spfd) **7-9 pm.** Our talented artist will lead you step-by-step through the painting! We'll provide the laid-back ambiance, painting supplies, and step-by-step instructions. You just bring your friends and favorite beverages. First-timers/inexperienced painters are welcome! <https://www.paintingwithatwist.com/.../spr.../event/2831079/>

**Pecos & the Rooftops @ Midnight Rodeo** (1773 S Glenstone Ave, Spfd) **7 pm- Midnight.** Pecos & the Rooftops makes their Springfield, MO debut at Midnight Rodeo. Tickets are on sale Friday, May 28th at 10am! Get them: [bit.ly/3fK3BPx](https://bit.ly/3fK3BPx)

## **Friday, September 10<sup>th</sup> –**

**Storytime at Doling Park, Offsite** Doling Park, 301 E. Talmage St., **10 a.m. for infants-age 6 with an adult caregiver.** Gather 'round for a story time in the park! Join your favorite children's librarians from the Library Station for a weekly, outdoor story time featuring stories, songs, and activities. Meet in the large pavilion located behind the Family Center near the playground. Provided in partnership with the Springfield-Greene County Park Board.

**Springfield Cosplay @ the Japanese Fall Festival** (Mizumoto Japanese Stroll Garden) **Sept 10-12 @ 5-6 pm.** Join Springfield Cosplay at the annual Japanese Fall Festival hosted by Springfield Sister Cities! September 10 - 12, stop



by for a little slice of Japan, right here in Springfield, Missouri! On Saturday night, get ready to dance as SGF Cosplay brings you a whole new **Miku Concert** experience! New songs and dances, along with some of your favorite classics! Bring your own light sticks or purchase glowsticks at the Springfield Sister Cities tent! Sundays are the best days! Grab your favorite cosplay and join us for our annual **COSPLAY DAY!** Cosplayers in costume get \$3 admission into the festival! At 5:00 pm, head to the main stage to watch or participate in our **COSPLAY SHOWCASE** - applications open now! Watch local cosplayers perform dances, skits, and walk the stage, along with a performance from our special guests - Shiny Dreamers!

**Japanese Fall Festival @ Mizumoto Japanese Stroll Garden** (2400 S Scenic Ave, Spfd) **Sept 10, 5-10 pm.** The Japanese Fall Festival is a celebration of authentic Japanese culture highlighting **Springfield's 35-year-old sister city relationship with Isesaki, Japan.** In typical years, Springfield and Isesaki exchange performers to entertain and share culture at each other's festivals. These exchanges were cancelled in 2020 and 2021 due to COVID-19. Springfield Sister Cities Association donates half of the Japanese Fall Festival's admission proceeds to the maintenance and development of the Mizumoto Japanese Stroll Garden, sponsored by Simmons Bank. The remaining proceeds benefit cultural programs which further Springfield Sister Cities Association's mission of "Peace through People." For more information regarding the Japanese Fall Festival or Springfield Sister Cities Association, please visit [peacethroughpeople.org](http://peacethroughpeople.org) **Fri., Sept. 10 from 5pm-10pm, Admission: \$7/adult; \$3/kids 12 and younger**

**Tony Menown Duo @ Route 66 Food Truck Park** (1530 E St Louis St, Spfd) **6-8 pm.** Tony Menown Duo live at the park!

**The Random Strangers Duo @ White River Brewing Company** (505 W Commercial St, Spfd) **6-9 pm.** Ryan Wallace and Clinton Houseman.

**Stone Assembly @ Carrie's** (1906 E Meadowmere, Spfd) **8 pm-Midnight.** Stone Assembly is Springfield's most dynamic group of rockers, bringing you high-energy modern hits and classic rock covers with a twist ! A great night of Rock with some Rockin Drinks!!!!

## Saturday, September 11<sup>th</sup> –

**Japanese Fall Festival @ Mizumoto Japanese Stroll Garden** (2400 S Scenic Ave, Spfd) **Sept 11, 11 am-10 pm.** The Japanese Fall Festival is a celebration of authentic Japanese culture highlighting **Springfield's 35-year-old sister city relationship with Isesaki, Japan.** In typical years, Springfield and Isesaki exchange performers to entertain and share culture at each other's festivals. These exchanges were cancelled in 2020 and 2021 due to COVID-19. Springfield Sister Cities Association donates half of the Japanese Fall Festival's admission proceeds to the maintenance and development of the Mizumoto Japanese Stroll Garden, sponsored by Simmons Bank. The remaining proceeds benefit cultural programs which further Springfield Sister Cities Association's mission of "Peace through People." For more information regarding the Japanese Fall Festival or Springfield Sister Cities Association, please visit [peacethroughpeople.org](http://peacethroughpeople.org) **Sat., Sept. 11 from 11 am-10pm, Admission: \$7/adult; \$3/kids 12 and younger**

**Wickman's Annual Fall Festival @ Wickman's Garden Village** (1345 S Fort Ave, Spfd) **Sept 11-12, 9 am-4 pm.** Our annual celebration of fall held at Wickmans! We will host talented artists and crafters, local food vendors, and even pony rides at this 2 day event. Saturday, September 11th from 9:00-5:00 and Sunday, September 12th from 10:00-4:00.

**201 Natural Light Portraits @ Bedford Camera & Video.** (2550 S Campbell Ave, Spfd) **9-11 am.** Beautiful light is a key ingredient to great portraits. First, you'll learn how to see and understand the characteristics of light. Then



we'll discuss ways to position and pose your subject in relation to the light for stunning images as well as use light modifiers for enhancement. Both indoor and outdoor lighting will be discussed, demonstrated, and practiced hands-on! Key topics will include: • Review of exposure, • Characteristics of light, • Camera settings, • Shooting techniques, • Light modifiers, • Demonstrations and shooting time with models; Class Duration: One 3-hour course  
Prerequisites: Digital Photo II or a basic understanding of your camera and exposure, Class Fees: \$75 per student, Field Trip: Optional \$50

**20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Discovery of Riverbluff Cave @ Missouri Institute of Natural Science.** (2327 W Farm Rd 190, Spfd) **10 am – 4 pm.** Come join us to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the discovery of Riverbluff cave! We will have lectures, raffles, food trucks, activities for kids, and more!

**Stamp Printed Tea Towel Workshop @ Creava Studio** (1506 E St Louis St, Spfd) **Noon-3 pm.** This workshop will explore many mediums on the way to making a customized Tea Towel. We will learn a little about printmaking and a little about fabric painting. Each student will have the chance to make up to 4 flour sack towels to take home as well as getting a custom stamp that they made themselves. We will also explore printing on fabric with organic items such as cut fruit, leaves, and wood. This class includes all the supplies, though we encourage students to bring items they would like to try printing with such as citrus fruit, rocks, marbles... bring it and we will see if it works. The workshop costs \$80 and participants must be at least 13 to attend. The workshop make take more or less time depending on the students. We have blocked off the whole day.

**Adoption Event @ Kaleidoscope** (1430 E Sunshine St, Spfd) **2-5 pm.** What could make one of the coolest stores in Springfield any cooler? What if we added adoptable dogs to the mix? Kaleidoscope is opening up their parking lot on September 11 from 2-5 to feature the adoptable dogs of 4 The Love of K9s! Come out and shop the store, meet some of the adoptable pups and maybe meet your newest fur addition to your family!

**Online Baking Workshop: Japanese Cheesecake!** (Online Event) **3-4 pm.** Japanese Cheesecake is a fun dessert to eat because of how fluffy this cake looks. This height and texture is achieved by the egg whites and the very technical way the cheesecake is baked. Don't worry, I will guide you step by step how to make the batter as well as how to make this delicious dessert. You will be an expert in no time! This online workshop is 1.5 hours long and is hosted via Zoom conference. The recipe card and conference link will be sent shortly after registration. **Via Eventbrite** <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/online-baking-workshop-japanese-cheesecake-tickets-165546737749>

**Chip & Sip @ Bark Yard** (3110 E Cherry St, Spfd) **4-8 pm.** Join us Saturday, September 11th for a microchipping event. Havaheart Rescue will be on hand microchipping your pups for a \$20 donation to their organization. Shaun Munday will be performing live music on the patio!!!

**61<sup>st</sup> Annual TARGET BBQ @ E-Plex** (Ozarks Empire Fairgrounds) **4-7:30 pm.** Join us for the 61st Annual TARGET BBQ featuring a special opening message from John and Janet Ashcroft as we honor those who fell on 9/11 (Patriot Day), salute Roy Blunt and his tireless service to Greene County and Missouri, and march ahead to take back the House, Senate, and our Country in 2022! Get energized, motivated, and connected - we'll see you at our 61st Annual TARGET BBQ!

**Freistatt Truck & Tractor Pull @ Erntefest Freistatt Lions Club** (610 Main St, Freistatt) **6 pm.** Truck & Tractor Pull Time, Antique Pull Friday Sept. 10th at 6pm. Pedal Pull starts at 5pm! Admission \$10, Kids 12 and under Free! Come out and see us.

**Vic Vaughn & Souled Out @ Carrie's** (1906 E Meadowmere, Spfd) **8 pm – Midnight.** Great live music with No Cover!! Drink & Beer Specials



## Sunday, September 12<sup>th</sup> –

**Japanese Fall Festival @ Mizumoto Japanese Stroll Garden** (2400 S Scenic Ave, Spfd) **Sept 10, 5-10 pm.** The Japanese Fall Festival is a celebration of authentic Japanese culture highlighting **Springfield's 35-year-old sister city relationship with Isesaki, Japan.** In typical years, Springfield and Isesaki exchange performers to entertain and share culture at each other's festivals. These exchanges were cancelled in 2020 and 2021 due to COVID-19. Springfield Sister Cities Association donates half of the Japanese Fall Festival's admission proceeds to the maintenance and development of the Mizumoto Japanese Stroll Garden, sponsored by Simmons Bank. The remaining proceeds benefit cultural programs which further Springfield Sister Cities Association's mission of "Peace through People." For more information regarding the Japanese Fall Festival or Springfield Sister Cities Association, please visit [peacethroughpeople.org](http://peacethroughpeople.org) **Sun., Sept. 12 from 11am-6pm, Admission: \$10/adult; \$3/kids 12 and younger; \$3/person dressed in costume role play**

## Monday, September 13<sup>th</sup> –

**Glass Etching 2 Week Workshop @ Creava Studio.** (1506 E St Louis St, Spfd) **Sept 13 & 20 @ 6-8 pm.** During this class you will learn about etching onto glass. This can be done on any glass (windows, picture frames, mirrors, ornaments) using a special cream. Each of the 2 weeks you will make a project. The first will be smaller to just teach the technique and the second week you will have the chance to try your new skills on a larger piece. All supplies are provided as part of the class. Younger students are welcome however students younger than 15 must be accompanied by a participating adult. No students under 8.

**Advanced Wheel Thrown Pottery @ Creava Studio** (1506 E St Louis St, Spfd) **Mondays Sept 13 – Oct 25 @ 6-8 pm.** Advanced Wheel Thrown Potter is ideally a class for people that have completed Beginner and Intermediate Wheel Thrown Pottery. That being said, this class caters to anyone that has an understanding of how to work with clay on a pottery wheel. To a large degree that class is self directed. Our instructor, David, will be on hand to advise, demonstrate, and answer questions but students are encouraged to follow their bliss. Due to the nature of this class, you will get mostly focused, one on one direction as opposed to class wide demos. The class is 6 weeks long. It cost \$180 and all clay, tools, glazes and firings are provided. You will attend your registered class each Monday from 6 to 8. In addition to class time you will have access to the studio for the duration of your class to take advantage of Unlimited Free Open Studio time to practice.

## Tuesday, September 14<sup>th</sup> –

**Stories in the Park, Offsite** J.R. Martin Park, 300 E. Hines Street, Republic, **10 a.m. for infants-age 6.** Gather 'round for a story time in the park! Join your favorite children's librarians for a weekly, outdoor story time featuring stories, songs, and activities. Meet at The Amp, we'll move to the pavilion in case of rain. Provided in partnership with the Republic Parks and Rec Department.

**Stories in the Park, Offsite** Jackson Street Park, 222 W. Jackson St., Willard, **10:30 a.m. for all ages.** Join your favorite librarians for a story time near you! Meet in the large pavilion.



**Flying Needles, Ash Grove, 1:30 p.m. for adults.** Bring your knitting and crochet projects and join other fiber artists on the second Tuesday of every month. Work on your current projects, share patterns and ideas, and check out our knitting and crochet resources. All levels of experience are welcome.

**Mystery Book Club, Midtown Carnegie** upstairs meeting room, **1:30 p.m. for adults**

Join us to discuss all manner of mystery from current to classic, cozy to thriller, series and standalone. **"Eight Perfect Murders"** by Peter Swanson.

**Friends of the Library Fall Book Sale, Offsite** E\*Plex at the Ozark Empire Fairgrounds, 3001 N. Grant Ave., **5 p.m.-8 p.m. for all ages.** Load up on bargain-priced books, DVDs, music CDs, audiobooks, vinyl records, games, and puzzles. Adult, young adult and children's books and most audiovisuals are \$1 or less. Better books are \$2 and up. Cash or check accepted; parking is free. Proceeds benefit the Springfield-Greene County Library District. Friends Preview Night Sale. Friends, members admitted free. Non-members can pay \$5 at the door and join the Friends any time that night.

**Hand Built Pottery @ Creava Studio** (1506 E Saint Louis St, Spfd) **Tuesdays (Sept 14-19) @ Noon – 2 pm.** Our Hand Built Pottery class is perfect for all people ages 17 and up who want to learn to play in the mud. Younger students must have already attended a youth pottery class and have been approved/invited by management to attend an adult class. This class is specifically geared towards people with little to no experience with clay, and it can be re-taken by those wanting to built on skill learned. Hand Built Pottery is a progressive skill class that will teach you all the skills, tips and tricks you need to successfully create with clay using hand building techniques. Our instructor, will do weekly demonstrations on new hand building techniques however you are welcome to work on individual projects and do not have to make the demonstrated item. This is a six week class and you will attend your registered class each Tuesday from 6 - 8. The class cost \$180 and includes all material and firings (the exception to this policy is if you choose to use armature. We do not provide armature wire). In addition to class time you will have access to the studio for the duration of your class to take advantage of Unlimited Free Open Studio time to practice.

**Introduction to Drawing @ Creava Studio** (1506 E Saint Louis St, Spfd) **Tuesdays (Sept 14-Oct 5) @ 6-8 pm.** In this course we will learn the foundations of drawing. Starting with knowledge of materials and progressing on to values, light and shadow, reflections and reflective light among other aspects. This class is well suited for the beginner as well as a seasoned artist wanting to brush up on the basics. The class will be comprised of various smaller assignments leading up to and culminating with a large drawing for a final project. You cannot have dark without the light and vice versa. Once you have a solid foundation in drawing, painting will become much easier and you will have the freedom to create on the paper or canvas what is inside of your head, heart and soul. This is a 4 week class and will be held each Tuesday from 6 to 8. It is appropriate for all people age 14 and up. All supplies will be provided. The cost is \$100.

### **Wednesday, September 15<sup>th</sup> –**

**Exploring Genealogy, 10 a.m. for adults.** This event is offered in-person and virtually. Click on the link below to access the virtual event on the OGS Facebook page, facebook.com/ozarksgs. Sponsored by Ozarks Genealogical Society. Library Center auditorium, Looking for Clues in Coroners' Records. Retired St. Louis County Library Local History and Genealogy Reference Librarian Larry Franke will explain reasons for coroner investigation of a death and what types of records are generated by the investigation. **Call 417-882-0714.**

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puzzles. Adult, young adult and children's books and most audiovisuals are \$1 or less. Better books are \$2 and up. Cash or check accepted; parking is free. Proceeds benefit the Springfield-Greene County Library District.

**Stories in the Park, Offsite** Ash Grove City Park, 300 W. Parkway St., **10:30 a.m. for all ages.** Join your favorite librarians for a story time near you!

**Virtual Brown Bag Travelogue, Virtual, noon for adults**

Sit back, relax, and explore a new place from the comfort of your own home. A new video featuring a different adventure will be posted to the Library's YouTube channel, [youtube.com/SpringfieldGreene](https://youtube.com/SpringfieldGreene), on the third Wednesday of each month. Mighty 5 in Utah. Library staffer Tysha Shay will share her family's hiking adventures in all five of Utah's national parks, including their hike to Delicate Arch.

**Springfield Park Board (Outdoor Adventure Homeschool Series), Kayak Skills Float, 8am – Noon @ Lake Springfield Park.** \$15 for ages 9-16. Register the Tuesday before at Outdoor Initiatives. 833-8647.

**Youth Drawing @ Creava Studio** (1506 E Saint Louis St, Spfd) **Wednesdays (Sept 15 – Oct 6) @ 5-7 pm.** Creava is excited to offer a 4-week youth drawing class! During the course of the class students will be taught all the basis skills they will need to begin their adventures in drawing. This class is available for students ages 8 - 14. The class will be held on Wednesdays from 5 - 7. The cost of \$100 includes all materials supplied by the studio.

**Beginner Wheel Thrown Pottery @ Creava Studio** (1506 E Saint Louis St, Spfd) **Wednesdays (Sept 15-Oct 20) @ 6-8 pm.** Our Beginner Wheel Thrown Pottery class is perfect for all people ages 17 and up who want to learn to play in the mud. Younger students must have already attended a youth pottery class and have been approved/invited by management to attend an adult class. This class is specifically geared towards people with little to no experience with clay. It can be re-taken until one feels ready to move up to Intermediate Wheel Thrown Pottery. Beginner's Wheel Thrown Pottery is a progressive skill class that will teach you all the skills, tips and tricks you need to successfully create with clay. Our instructor, will provide you with the individualized attention you need to create your first pieces. This is a six week class and you will attend your registered class each Wednesday from 6 - 8. The class cost \$180 and includes all material and firings. In addition to class time you will have access to the studio for the duration of your class to take advantage of Unlimited Free Open Studio time to practice.

**Carlos Mencia @ Blue Room Comedy Club** (420 W College St, Spfd) **7 – 8:30 pm.** Mencia began his career doing stand-up on amateur night at the world renowned comedy club, Laugh Factory. He later showcased at The Comedy Store and became a regular, performing nightly. After he found success on the L.A comedy circuit, Mencia was named "International Comedy Grand Champion" from Buscando Estrellas (the Latino version of Star Search). This led to appearances on "In Living Color," "The Arsenio Hall Show," "Moesha" and "An Evening at the Improv."

**Thursday, September 16<sup>th</sup> –**

**Friends of the Library Fall Book Sale, Offsite** E\*Plex at the Ozark Empire Fairgrounds, 3001 N. Grant Ave., **10 a.m.-8 p.m. for all ages.** Load up on bargain-priced books, DVDs, music CDs, audiobooks, vinyl records, games and puzzles. Adult, young adult and children's books and most audiovisuals are \$1 or less. Better books are \$2 and up. Cash or check accepted; parking is free. Proceeds benefit the Springfield-Greene County Library District.

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course over four consecutive Thursday evenings. Register once for the entire series. **Registration starts August 26; call [417-883-5341](tel:417-883-5341).**

**48<sup>th</sup> Autumn Daze Festival @ Downtown Branson** (125 W Atlantic Street, Branson) **Sept 16-Sept 18 @ 9 am-4 pm.** FREE Downtown event - 48th Annual Autumn Daze Arts, Crafts & Music Festival Sept. 16, 17 and 18 - Thursday 9am - 6pm, Friday 9am - 6pm and Saturday 9am - 4pm. Over 100 craft vendors and direct sale vendors, live entertainment all day under entertainment tent, food trucks and downtown business' sidewalk sales!

**Intermediate Wheel Thrown Pottery @ Creava Studio** (1506 E Saint Louis St, Spfd) **Thursdays (Sept 16-Oct 21) @ 6-8 pm.** Our Intermediate Wheel Thrown Pottery class is perfect for all people ages 15 and up who want to learn to play in the mud. Ideally it is for students that have some experience throwing or have taken Beginner's Wheel Thrown Pottery. This class is specifically geared towards people with a little experience with clay and can be re-taken as many times as desired until one feels ready for the advanced class. Intermediate Wheel Thrown Pottery is a progressive skill class that will teach you all the skills, tips and tricks you need to successfully create with clay. Our instructor, will provide you with the individualized attention you need to create and build on any existing skills. This is a six week class and you will attend your registered class each Thursday from 6 - 8. The class cost \$180 and includes all material and firings. In addition to class time you will have access to the studio for the duration of your class to take advantage of Unlimited Free Open Studio time to practice.

**The Hitmen Paddle Party benefitting Dogwood Ranch @ Heritage Post** (101 North Mill Street, Rogersville) **6:30 pm.** Doors open at 6:00 pm. Paddles up at 6:30 pm! Please join us for a night of fun to benefit Dogwood Ranch! BRING YOUR QUARTERS for your chance to win prizes from 10+ local vendors. Silent auction and 50/50 raffle. Concessions available. Bring an unwrapped toy to earn a free paddle. Additional paddles for \$4 each, 4 for \$10 or 10 for \$20. Be sure and register for your FREE tickets in advance! Seating limited to 50 guests!

## **Friday, September 17<sup>th</sup> –**

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**Haunted History Walking/Bus Tours** (154 Park Central Sq, Spfd) **Fridays and Saturdays, Sept 17 – Oct 30 @ 5:30 pm.** They're back! The History Museum's wildly popular Haunted Walking Tours plus one weekend of Bus Tours! Let the History Museum on the Square help you get into the Fall/Halloween Spirit by getting to know some of Springfield's history and some of the spooky stories connected to it. The tours balance telling historical stories in the places they occurred and some of the more prevalent ghost sightings and creepy stories in downtown Springfield.

**David J Hinson Live! @ 4 By 4 Brewing, Galloway** (2811 E Galloway St, Suite A, Spfd) **6 pm.** David returns to 4 By 4 Brewing for your listening pleasure! Your acoustic faves, local covers, and of course – your requests!

**Stone Assembly @ Route 66 Food Truck Park** (1530 E St Louis Street, Spfd) **6-8 pm.** Stone Assembly rocks the park!



**Artists Against Trafficking – A Gallery Honoring Survivors @ Lightbox** (600 E Commercial St, Spfd) **7-9 pm**. This gallery will have art from our past events on the main level along with information about local nonprofits. We'll display pieces on the second level created by survivors of sex trafficking. We are honored to be able to collaborate with these artists and share their personal stories with you. This gallery will be unique from our others; you won't want to miss it! For more information about Artists Against Trafficking, visit our website: <https://www.awarenessthroughart.com/>

**Nelly with Special Guests Juvenile, Baby Bash, & DJ Trife @ Black Oak Amphitheater** (Music Concerts Online for FREE) **7 -11:45 pm**. Savvy rapper with a crossover appeal Nelly has proved to be a hitmaker since 2000 when he debuted "Country Grammar." His decades long career boasts six consecutive Top Ten albums, platinum singles, and warmly received collaborations including a remake of the hit "Cruise" with Florida Georgia Line. Renowned rappers Juvenile, Baby Bash, and DJ Trife join Nelly onstage on Friday, Sept. 17. [www.nelly.net](http://www.nelly.net)

**Fall Classics: The Princess Bride @ Gillioz Theatre** (325 Park Central East, Spfd) **7:30 pm**. Regular tickets ar \$10/VIP is \$15; VIP ticket includes: Early entry (5:45 pm), 10 raffle tickets, movie ticket. Doors open @ 6 pm and Show @ 7:30 pm. Buy tickets: <https://bit.ly/3bhbxX0>

## **Saturday, September 18<sup>th</sup> –**

**Downtown Walk & Talks, Offsite** Ward Downtown YMCA, 417 S. Jefferson Ave. **9 a.m. for adults**. Exercise your body and your brain while experiencing downtown Springfield! Join the Library, the Ward Downtown YMCA and the History Museum on the Square on a walking tour of downtown while discussing a new topic each session. Each walk is limited to 20 participants. Meet at the Y entrance to begin the tour. "Marking Springfield's History". **Registration starts September 4; call [417-831-1342](tel:417-831-1342).**

**Friends of the Library Fall Book Sale, Offsite** E\*Plex at the Ozark Empire Fairgrounds, 3001 N. Grant Ave., **10 a.m.-5 p.m. for all ages**. Load up on bargain-priced books, DVDs, music CDs, audiobooks, vinyl records, games and puzzles. Adult, young adult and children's books and most audiovisuals are \$1 or less. Better books are \$2 and up. Cash or check accepted; parking is free. Proceeds benefit the Springfield-Greene County Library District. Half-Price Day.

**Movie Night in the Heirloom Seed Garden: "Kiss the Ground", Offsite** Heirloom Seed Garden, 1471 N. Benton Ave. **8 p.m.-10 p.m. for adults**. "Kiss the Ground," a full-length documentary narrated by Woody Harrelson, unveils a game-changer to our climate crisis: Earth's own soil. We can reverse global warming. The solution is "Regenerative Agriculture" and this film presents the research, practice and hope we need to move forward. Space is limited and attendees should bring a chair or blanket to sit on. In case of inclement weather, the program will be relocated to The Fairbanks, 1126 N. Broadway Ave. Provided in partnership with Springfield Community Gardens. **Registration starts September 7; call [417-862-0135](tel:417-862-0135).**

**Fall Kickoff! @ Farmers Market of the Ozarks** (2144 E Republic Road, Spfd) **8 am – 1 pm**. Another season has come and gone...It's time to welcome cooler weather, autumn leaves, and all things pumpkin spice! Join us for our Fall Kickoff. Shop with our new and returning vendors for all your fall necessities!

**2021 Show-Me Regional Car Show & Cruise @ Thompson Sales Company** (1555 E Independence St, Spfd) **9 am – 3 pm**. 2021 Show-Me Regional Car Show & Cruise. The following car brands are exclusively invited to display at our show: Pontiac, Oakland, GMC, Buick, Oldsmobile and Cadillac. Car Show Saturday, September 18th, Cruise on Sunday the 19th. Car Show: Non-judged show. Entry fee of \$20.00 includes a t-shirt, dash plaque, one raffle ticket, goodie bag and lunch (pizza will be provided). There will be door prizes, 50/50 pot and additional raffle tickets for sale. We typically have 3 or 4 premium items for the raffle. A portion of the proceeds will go to Honor Flight of the





Ozarks. If you plan to attend, message us and let us know how many spaces you need and the year make and model of the vehicle you will be showing! Cruise: Stops for lunch, picture opportunities and dessert. More details to come. Family friendly event and open to the public. Click on the picture in the header to see the show flyer. For questions about this event, just message us on this page or our Facebook page. You can also email us at [go.poci54@gmail.com](mailto:go.poci54@gmail.com) or [jbharper@totalhighspeed.com](mailto:jbharper@totalhighspeed.com). Visit our website at [www.gopoci.org](http://www.gopoci.org).

**Online Baking Workshop: Spiced Apple Pie From Scratch!** (Online - \$45) **10-11 am.** We will be making my famous all butter crust that is impossibly flaky, the apple filling and learn how to decorate your pie beautifully! This is a 1 hour live online baking workshop. Participants will be able to bake along with me and ask as many questions as they want. A recording will also be provided after the workshop. Participants will be provided with the recipe card and the link to the Zoom conference line 5 days before the workshop. See you online!  
<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/online-baking-workshop-spiced-apple-pie-from-scratch-tickets-16554772845>

**7<sup>th</sup> Annual MO Food Truck Fest @ Ozark Empire Fair.** (3001 N Grant Ave, Spfd) **11 am-7 pm.** Visit [www.mofoodtruckfest.com](http://www.mofoodtruckfest.com) for all the event details. Food trucks and foodies will gather this September in Springfield, Missouri for the 7th Annual Missouri Food Truck Festival & Competition. This is a one day event featuring the best gourmet food trucks, carts and trailers from around the state of Missouri and beyond. Featuring the brightest and most inspired street chefs bringing everything from Burgers, Cajun, BBQ, Tacos, Italian, Asian, Jamaican, Seafood, and sweet treats, plus live entertainment on the Creative Audio stage, and vendors galore. Making this a one-of-a-kind day of great family fun in downtown Springfield, MO.....so come hungry and stay all day!

**Finley River Boys @ Cider Days** (900 E Walnut St, Spfd) **11:30 am – 12:30 pm.**  
<https://www.itsalldowntown.com/cider-days-walnut/>

**Dog Yoga + Adoption Event @ White River Brewing Company** (505 W Commercial Street, Spfd) **Noon – 5 pm.** We are so excited to announce that White River Brewing Company and 4 The Love of K9s is bringing to you... DOG YOGA + Adoption Event! Join us Saturday, September 18 from 12-1 for Dog Yoga and 1-5 for a fun adoption event! Dog Yoga will be \$15 each for all those in attendance. After yoga is over, all those interested that attended will get a free beer from White River Brewing Company.

**Watercolor Batik Workshop @ Creava Studio** (1506 E St Louis Street, Spfd) **1-5 pm.** "Watercolor batik" is an amazing technique that combines melted wax and watercolors on rice paper to create an exciting and unique paintings. We will be creating multiple pieces during the class to give each student the chance to improve their skills over the course of the class. No artistic skill is needed to take this class. The workshop will be 4 hours long and will cost \$80. The price includes all the supplies that will be needed. Participants under 16 must be accompanied by an adult. [www.creavastudio.com/product/watercolor-batik-workshop-sept-18-/61](http://www.creavastudio.com/product/watercolor-batik-workshop-sept-18-/61)

**Neighborhood Block Party @ Zagonyi Park** (720 South Street, Spfd) **2-5 pm.** Neighborhood Block Party hosted by Scenic Church. Join us for free food, games, jump houses, live music from 2-5 pm. Worship and devotional at 4:30 pm. All activities are free. We will also have special guest such as the Diaper Bank of the Ozarks and Breast Cancer Foundation of the Ozarks. Please let us know if you are coming and share with friends.

## Sunday, September 19<sup>th</sup> –

**Friends of the Library Fall Book Sale, Offsite** E\*Plex at the Ozark Empire Fairgrounds, 3001 N. Grant Ave. **1 p.m.-5 p.m. for all ages.** Load up on bargain-priced books, DVDs, music CDs, audiobooks, vinyl records, games and puzzles. Adult, young adult and children's books and most audiovisuals are \$1 or less. Better books are \$2 and up.



Cash or check accepted; parking is free. Proceeds benefit the Springfield-Greene County Library District. Bag Day. Everything you can jam in a sack is only \$1, or \$5 from the Better Books side.

**Online Baking Workshop: Swedish Cardamom Buns!** (Online Event - \$45) **9 am-11 am.** Learn how to bake this delicious traditional Swedish pastry at home! Kardamumbullar (Cardamom Buns) is a slightly sweet braided cardamom bread traditionally topped with almonds and pearl sugar. It's very simple to make at home and will surely be the star of your brunch table! Join me in this online workshop and we'll make the dough together from scratch, I'll show you how to braid and bake your cardamom buns. Register now and the recipe card, Zoom link, and other details will be sent to you via email 5 days before the workshop and a recording of the workshop will also be shared with participants 24 hours after the event. See you online! <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/online-baking-workshop-swedish-cardamom-buns-tickets-165552208111>

### **Monday, September 20<sup>th</sup> –**

### **Tuesday, September 21<sup>st</sup> –**

**Stories in the Park, Offsite** J.R. Martin Park, 300 E. Hines Street, Republic, **10 a.m. for infants-age 6.** Gather 'round for a story time in the park! Join your favorite children's librarians for a weekly, outdoor story time featuring stories, songs, and activities. Meet at The Amp, we'll move to the pavilion in case of rain. Provided in partnership with the Republic Parks and Rec Department.

**Stories in the Park, Offsite** Jackson Street Park, 222 W. Jackson St., Willard. 10:30 a.m. for all ages. Join your favorite librarians for a story time near you! Meet in the large pavilion.

**Ash Grove Bibliophiles, Ash Grove** community room, **1:30 p.m. for adults.** **"The Martian Chronicles"** by Ray Bradbury.

### **Wednesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> –**

**Stories in the Park, Offsite** Ash Grove City Park, 300 W. Parkway St., **10:30 a.m. for all ages.** Join your favorite librarians for a story time near you!

**Stories in the Park, Offsite** Living Memorial Park, 4323 S. Nature Center Way, **6:30 p.m. for all ages.** Fall is the perfect time for Stories in the Park! Wind down your evening with park play, stories, music, movement, and a take-home activity. Sack suppers and snacks are welcome. Provided in partnership with the Springfield-Greene County Park Board.

**Springfield Park Board (Outdoor Adventure Homeschool Series),** Hiking and Leave No Trace, **8am – Noon @ Valley Water Mill Park.** \$15 for ages 9-16. Register the Tuesday before at Outdoor Initiatives. 833-8647.

**India Ink & Gouache Resist Painting @ Creava Studio** (1506 E St Louis Street, Spfd) **Wednesdays, Sept 22-Oct 13 @ Noon-2 pm.** This technique is all about layering. Through the use of tempura paint to resist, india ink to stain and gouache (similar to watercolor and acrylic) paint to color, you will add layer upon layer to your canvas to create depth and detail. This class will meet for 4 weeks. During this time you will complete multiple exercises and projects. All supplies are included in the price of the class. This class costs \$100. As an adult class, participants must be at least 15 years old or be at least 12 and accompanied by an adult class member. You do not need to be able to draw or paint to take this class. Minimal artist knowledge is needed for this medium!



**The Allman Betts Band @ The Gillioz Theatre** (325 Park Central East, Spfd) **7:30 pm.** The Allman Betts Band with special guest Marc Ford and the River Kittens, Tickets start at \$29.50 and are on sale Friday, June 11th at 10AM, Doors: 6:00PM, Show: 7:30PM, BUY TICKETS: <https://bit.ly/3wFoi5M> When The Allman Betts Band released Down to the River in June of 2019, the debut album represented not only the first time the group had recorded together, but, in fact, the first time the seven-piece ensemble had ever played together. If Down to the River was the sound of the band's combustible sparks igniting, then Bless Your Heart is their bonfire, built for the summer of 2020 and beyond; a double-album follow-up fueled by road-forged camaraderie and telepathic musical intensity, vibrantly reflecting the individual and collective experiences of these seven, all drawing inspiration from the band's symbolic hometown- a place Devon Allman calls "the United States of Americana."

## **Thursday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> –**

**Afternoon Book Discussion, The Library Station** Santa Fe Room, **1:30 p.m. for adults.** **"Better Luck Next Time"** by Julia Claiborne Johnson.

**An Introduction to Contract Bridge, The Library Center** meeting room A, **6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. for adults.** Exercise your brain and have fun making new friends as you learn to play Contract Bridge. Whether you're a beginner or want to update your bidding and play, this class is for you. Members of the Bridge Center will give an introductory course over four consecutive Thursday evenings. Register once for the entire series. **Registration starts August 26; call [417-883-5341](tel:417-883-5341).**

**Black History of Springfield, The Library Center** auditorium, **7 p.m.-8:30 p.m. for adults.** The stories of Black lives are woven throughout the tapestry of Springfield's history. Join H. Wes Pratt, Missouri State University's Chief Diversity Officer and Assistant to the President, as he highlights the rich and complex history of Springfield's Black community. Pratt will touch on slavery and emancipation, education, Route 66, Black-owned business, civil rights and the annual traditions and celebrations that have been born out of the Black experience in Springfield.

**PupCrawl & Mutt Mile on C-Street** (320 E Commercial Street, Spfd) **5-8 pm.** Bring your pups out for a stroll on Commercial Street in Springfield. Enjoy dinner, drinks, and fun at the many patios and outdoor seating areas along the way. MANY of the shops are even pet-friendly too! (Just look for the sign!) The PupCrawl area extends from the east end of C-Street at Ruthies, continues west to That Lebanese Place, Van Gogh's, the C-Street Market, Pizza House, Cafe Basilico, Cafe Cusco, Big Momma's, Lindberg's, -- all the way to White River Brewing. Many of the restaurants, bars, and businesses have fun stuff along the route. Another fun part of PupCrawl is the Official Mutt Mile, hosted by TAME Pet Magazine. The Mutt Mile is a full one-mile trek (along the sidewalks) taking you and your fur-friends from one end of PupCrawl to the other (and back). The Mutt Mile begins outside of Ruthies (504 West Commercial) starting at 5:00pm. The 1/2 way point is White River Brewing. **\*\*All official Mutt Mile participants must complete the walk and return to Ruthies by 8:00 pm.\*\*** Save your receipts! Turn in 3 or more receipts from C-Street businesses by 7:45pm to be entered to win a GREAT prize basket! Winner will be drawn at 8pm at Ruthies. (You can enter your receipts at either end of the Mutt Mile -Ruthies or White River Brewery. Do NOT need to be present to win.) For more information email, [connie@tamepetmag.com](mailto:connie@tamepetmag.com)

**"Pumpkin Patch" Virtual Paint Party @ Julie's Paint Party** (Online Event) **6-8 pm.** The classroom, via ZOOM, will be available at 6:55pm EST for entry so we can say hi and settle in before we start the party at 7:00pm EST sharp! [juliespaintparty@gmail.com](mailto:juliespaintparty@gmail.com) SUPPLY LIST: Canvas: I am using a 10x20 Canvas but Feel Free to use any size canvas or mixed media paper for this painting! Acrylic Paints: White, Brown, Yellow & Green; Brushes: 3/4" Nylon Flat Brush, 1/2" Nylon Flat Brush, a Liner Brush; When you purchase a ticket, you will receive a link to our private ZOOM meeting!! Make sure to bookmark or save the link so it is easy to access at the time of the party. This party will be recorded, so if you miss the live event, you can download and paint on your own time later!



**One More Dollar @ Millsap Farms.** (6593 N Emu Lane, Spfd) **6-8:30 pm.** Join us for the pizza club fun! We're here to bring the culture of the Ozarks, One More Dollar will have you basking in sound with an evening of fiddle, banjo, cello, bass, and guitar for what can only be described as Ozarkana!

**Watercolor for Beginners @ Creava Studio.** (1506 E Saint Louis Street, Spfd) **Thursdays, Sept 23 – Oct 14, 6:30 – 8:30 pm.** This 4 week class will teach the basic techniques and tools needed to successfully create a finished water color. Students will complete a piece each class. This is an adult class, however we allow accompanied minors over the age of 12.

### **Friday, September 24<sup>th</sup> –**

**Storytime at Doling Park, Offsite** Doling Park, 301 E. Talmage St. **10 a.m. for infants-age 6 with an adult caregiver.** Gather 'round for a story time in the park! Join your favorite children's librarians from the Library Station for a weekly, outdoor story time featuring stories, songs, and activities. Meet in the large pavilion located behind the Family Center near the playground. Provided in partnership with the Springfield-Greene County Park Board.

**Kicking Jacksie @ White River Brewing Company** (505 W Commercial Street, Spfd) **6-9 pm.** Kicking Jacksie is back with their Roots Rock Folkabilly Honky Tonk Country Blues!

**Pam Tillis & Lorrie Morgan: Grits & Glamour Tour @ The Gillioz Theatre** (325 Park Central East, Spfd) **8-11 pm.** Pam Tillis and Lorrie Morgan are currently delighting old and new fans across North America on their highly successful Grits and Glamour Tour. From the road to the red carpet, on center stage in the theater or under the spotlight in a honkytonk, these two women are comfortable in their high heels. Veteran recording artists and performers, they grace the country format with style, flair, and undeniable talent that is captivating and timeless. Doors: 6:30 pm, Show: 8:00 pm. Tickets \$45 <https://bitly/2v27MmA>

**Shaun Munday @ Q Enoteca** (308 W Commercial Street, Spfd) **8 pm.** Shaun Munday is a one-of-a kind talent and blends soul-drenched vocals with show-stopping bass guitar technique. <https://shaunmunday.com/>

### **Saturday, September 25<sup>th</sup> –**

**Downtown Walk & Talks, Offsite** Ward Downtown YMCA, 417 S. Jefferson Ave. **9 a.m. for adults.** Exercise your body and your brain while experiencing downtown Springfield! Join the Library, the Ward Downtown YMCA and the History Museum on the Square on a walking tour of downtown while discussing a new topic each session. Each walk is limited to 20 participants. Meet at the Y entrance to begin the tour. "The Civil War in Springfield". **Registration starts September 11; call 417-831-1342.**

**Houseplants How-To Midtown Carnegie** upstairs meeting room, **1 p.m. for adults.** Learn how to harvest, propagate, and display your houseplant cuttings. How to Propagate. Hickory Lane Plants will discuss caring for plant cuttings and propagations, and guidelines to ethically harvest your own plant pups.

**Harry Potter Wreath Making, The Library Station** Santa Fe Room, **2 p.m. for adults.** Calling all witches and wizards! Create magical fall decor for your humble or not-so-humble abode. Materials will be provided. **Registration starts September 11; call 417-616-0683 or email [laural@thelibrary.org](mailto:laural@thelibrary.org).**

**Fall Hike: CCC History Hike @ Big Spring** Chubb Hollow Pavilion by Ozark National Scenic Riverways. **10 am.** Big Spring is located 4 miles south of Van Buren on Highway 103. For more information, contact the Park Ranger Shaun Heise at (573) 323-4806, visit the park's Facebook page, or website at [www.nps.gov/ozar](http://www.nps.gov/ozar)



**The Collective Fall Vendor Village @ The Collective – Eclectic Eatery, Nixa** (1528 N Main, Nixa) **10 am-3 pm.** Join our staff as we host many local businesses on our terrace for a Fall Vendor Village. Come shop art, clothing, homemade goods, jewelry, décor & personalized gifts made by people right here in your backyard.

**101. Camera Essentials @ Bedford Camera & Video.** (2550 S Campbell Avenue, Spfd) **10 am-Noon.** First time digital camera owners learn what it takes to become comfortable exploring their new cameras in this class. We discuss basic camera functions, equipment care, shooting tips, and printing options. "Camera Essentials" is designed for people who are brand new to the digital photography world. [www.bedfords.com/bsi101-sfd](http://www.bedfords.com/bsi101-sfd)

**Native Plant Sale @ Springfield Botanical Gardens at Nathanael Greene/Close Memorial Park** (2400 S Scenic Ave, Spfd) **10 am-2 pm.** Fall is the perfect time to plant! Join our vendors on the Botanical Center roof and shop a variety of trees, shrubs, and perennials. Hang around for monarch butterfly tagging afterwards!

**Date Night Creating @ Creative Escape Glass LLC** (1700 S Campbell Ave, Suite H, Spfd) **6:30 – 9:30 pm.** Join us with your special someone for an evening of creating (creativity not required). Make a beautiful fused glass project that will be a wonderful reminder of how fun it was to create together! Depending on the project you pick, you may even want, or need, to use one of our special "power tools". No glass experience is necessary. Your glass piece(s) will be ready to pick up within a week.

**Dirt Road Addiction @ Southbound Bar & Grill** (Spfd) **8 pm** Dirt Road Addiction is BACK at Springfield's favorite live music venue! Make your plans now to come enjoy some of your favorite country music by Missouri's favorite band! [#SupportLiveMusic](#) [#SupportLocal](#)

## Sunday, September 26<sup>th</sup> –

**Pinecone Bouquet Class @ Freakin' Antiquin' Vintage Market** (2259 E Bennett Street, Spfd) **1:30 pm.**  
[www.feakinantiquin.com/shopping/pinecone-bouquet-class](http://www.feakinantiquin.com/shopping/pinecone-bouquet-class)

**Ruby @ Nathan P Murphy's** (218 S Campbell, Spfd) **6:30 - 9 pm.** This entire evening of arts and entertainment! The night begins at 6:30 with a poetry slam, run by the "Show Me Poetry" organization. A poetry slam is a competition comprised of three rounds, during which poets have three minutes to perform their original work. The poet with the highest score at the end of the night takes home fifty dollars. Though the competition provides an exciting and engaging structure to the evening, the Show Me Poetry group creates a laid-back and inviting atmosphere where what truly drives the event is community camaraderie, as well as enthusiastic respect for artistic expression. There is a \$7 entrance fee for all attendees. Following the poetry slam, I'll be bringing Mountain Soul Music back to Nathan P. Murphy's once again! with the show beginning at 9:00!

## Monday, September 27<sup>th</sup> –

**The Great Plant Exchange 2021 @ C-Street Farmer's Market** (321 E Commercial Street, Spfd) **4:30 – 8 pm.** We will have special guests: @lawsonplantco, @chaffitzelsflowers, @theplantroomsgf, and @papercreter. All these businesses will have plants for sale, and trades! We also encourage you to bring boxes and folding tables for your swaps! So get your plant swaps ready!

**Botswana Basket 2 Week Workshop @ Creava Studio** (1506 E St Louis Street, Spfd) **6-8 pm. Mondays (Sept 27 & Oct 4)** This two week workshop will teach you all about making baskets using the Botswana basket technique. Not only is this technique extremely relaxing and a good intro to basket making, it also produces lovely, colorful finished pieces. It is a two hour class held once a week on Mondays from 6 to 8. This class will cost \$100. This is an



adult class, however teenagers as young as 12 that would like to take the class with an adult are welcome. All supplies will be provided as part of the class.

## **Tuesday, September 28<sup>th</sup> –**

**Stories in the Park, Offsite** J.R. Martin Park, 300 E. Hines Street, Republic, **10 a.m. for infants-age 6.** Gather 'round for a story time in the park! Join your favorite children's librarians for a weekly, outdoor story time featuring stories, songs, and activities. Meet at The Amp, we'll move to the pavilion in case of rain. Provided in partnership with the Republic Parks and Rec Department.

**Stories in the Park, Offsite** Jackson Street Park, 222 W. Jackson St., Willard, **10:30 a.m. for all ages.** Join your favorite librarians for a story time near you!

**Silhouettes by Erik Johnson is coming to Haute Tot** (1975 E Independence Street, Spfd) **10 am.** Third generation silhouette artist, Erik Johnson is coming to Haute Tot. He creates hand cut original silhouettes simply by looking at a person's profile and cutting with surgical scissors on black craft paper. These treasured keepsakes make wonderful gifts. They only take a few minutes to create and last a lifetime! Original silhouettes are \$30, duplicate copies are \$15, and framing is available. Cash/credit cards/checks accepted.

**Hand Built Pottery @ Creava Studio** (1506 E Sait Louis Street, Spfd) **Tuesday's (Sept 28-Oct 2) @ 6-8 pm.** Our Hand Built Pottery class is perfect for all people ages 17 and up who want to learn to play in the mud. Younger students must have already attended a youth pottery class and have been approved/invited by management to attend an adult class. This class is specifically geared towards people with little to no experience with clay, and it can be re-taken by those wanting to built on skill learned.

## **Wednesday, September 29<sup>th</sup> –**

**Stories in the Park, Offsite** Ash Grove City Park, 300 W. Parkway St. **10:30 a.m. for all ages.** Join your favorite librarians for a story time near you!

**Springfield Park Board (Outdoor Adventure Homeschool Series),** Caving Experience and Bat Program, **8am – Noon @ Doling Park.** \$15 for ages 9-16. Register the Tuesday before at Outdoor Initiatives. 833-8647.

**Kids'n'Clay @ Creava Studio** (1506 E Saint Louis Street, Spfd) **Wednesdays @ 4:30-6 pm. (Sept 29-Oct 20)** Kids'n'Clay is an interactive classes geared towards introducing children to the joys of ceramics. We have chosen projects for this run of the class that are Spring themed but will still teach participants the vital skills need to hand build pottery.

## **Thursday, September 30<sup>th</sup> –**

**SCORE E3 Business Book Club, Virtual, noon for adults.** E3 stands for Empowering and Educating Entrepreneurs. Join Southwest Missouri SCORE and The Library for a book club to inspire and motivate your work life, whatever it looks like. Discussion happens all month at [facebook.com/groups/scoree3bookclub](https://www.facebook.com/groups/scoree3bookclub), with a live virtual discussion via Zoom near the end of the month. Register for the live discussion by clicking below; a link to the virtual event will be shared with registered participants. **"Subtract: The Untapped Science of Less"** by Leidy Klotz. **Registration starts August 26.**



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