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# SPOKANE COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT

# 15+ entertaining, educational library events for kids, teens, families in October

**Spokane, WA | September 19, 2024** – Spokane County Library District (SCLD) announces its October events for kids, teens, and families, which include slightly spooky fun, collaborative and educational activities, and high energy, engaging programs.

## For Early Learners & Their Adults

Along with our weekly <u>Play & Learn Storytimes</u> at nine of our libraries, families with young children can attend <u>Spooktacular Storytime</u>. Enjoy slightly spooky stories with not-so-scary crafts and activities. Plus, non-scary costumes are welcome!

During <u>Picture Book Chat</u>, parents and caregivers can discover new picture books that toddlers, preschoolers, and emergent readers will enjoy! Librarians explore what they like about these wonderful books and offer suggestions for book-inspired activities.

#### For Kids & Families

At many of our libraries, families can flex their engineering and problem-solving skills, using our abundance of LEGO bricks during **LEGO Free Play**.

Tweens can create and edit a video of LEGO characters moving, jumping, and talking to each other during our <u>LEGO Stop-Motion Animation</u> class.

After-school activities that focus on creativity and STEM take place each week at three libraries: <u>Terrific</u> <u>Tuesdays</u> at North Spokane, <u>Wonder Wednesdays</u> at Medical Lake (including <u>Create Fall Luminaries</u>), and <u>STEAM-Themed Thursdays</u> at Spokane Valley.

Demystify technology during <u>Take It Apart</u>, using basic tools, gloves, and safety goggles to take apart electronics, small appliances, and other donated devices.

Kids ages 8 and older can **Experience Virtual Reality**, including the high-energy Beat Saber rhythm game and more contemplative pursuits with breathtaking, natural beauty using Brink Traveler.

Explore engineering like a scientist—a scientist who speaks Spanish—during <u>Ciencia: Actividad de ingeniería / Science in Spanish: Engineering Activity</u>. Es necesario inscribirse.

## **For Teens**

<u>Teen Hang Out & Create</u> is a weekly session to hang out, study, and/or try out a new creative activity at Spokane Valley Library. The <u>Teen Leadership Council</u> meets monthly, and teens help plan programs and work on other projects with a team of other teens.

For those curious about 3D printing, discover how to create a frame with a sleek design or with embellishments, including text, shapes, and seasonal themes, during 3D Printing: Festive Frames.



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Stop in for <u>Maker Open Hours in The Lab</u> at North Spokane Library to ask questions, receive instruction, and work on creative projects using our equipment: Glowforge 3D laser printer, laptops with Adobe Creative Cloud software, a sewing machine, digital media transfer equipment, and other available tools.

All SCLD library events are offered free of charge. Explore these programs and more in the latest issue of *Engage* at <u>scld.org/engage</u>.

Spokane County Library District provides resources, experiences, and places that empower people to learn, explore, and succeed. The District operates 10 libraries that include Airway Heights, Argonne, Cheney, Deer Park, Fairfield, Medical Lake, Moran Prairie, North Spokane, Otis Orchards, and Spokane Valley as well as the mobile library LINC. District library cards are free to Spokane County residents.

For more information about our libraries and programs, please visit <u>scld.org</u> or call 509.893.8200.

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