



October 2026

Youth Services Programming Calendar

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 Scan to Register!		* Registration is required online or by phone.			1 2 10am - 6pm Craft on the Go 10:30am Reading Time	3 9am - 5pm Drop-in Spooky Bat Craft
4	5 10am - 12pm Code-a-pillar Play	6 11am Preschool Story Time*	7 10:30am Baby Explorers* 7pm Teen Crochet Club	8 	9 10am - 6pm Craft on the Go 10:30am Reading Time	10 9am - 5pm Drop-in Paper Strip Pumpkin Craft
11 12pm - 5pm Drop-in Halloween Tic-Tac-Toe 	12 10am - 12pm Stacking Rock Stacking	13 4:30pm Lego Club*	14 10:30am Toddler Playtime* 4:30pm After-School Journaling	15 10am - 9pm Craft on the Go	16 Library Closed MAPL Staff Day	17 9am - 5pm Drop-in Pom Pom Spider Craft
18 	19 10am - 12pm Magna-Tile Madness	20 10:30am Baby Story Time* 	21 6pm - 8pm Teen Volunteer Night	22 10:30am Story Tales* 4:30pm Kids Passport Club*	23 10am - 6pm Craft on the Go 10:30am Reading Time	24 9am - 5pm Drop-in Halloween Sticker People 10am and 12pm Pumpkin Painting*
25 12pm - 5pm Drop-in Whimsical Witch's Hat Craft	26 10am - 12pm Potato Head Family Fun	27 	28 4:30pm Wacky Wednesday* 7pm Teen Spooky Scary Trivia*	29 4:30pm Tween Decoupage Pumpkins*	30 10am - 6pm Craft on the Go 10am - 12pm Trick-or-Treat in the Library	31 9am - 5pm Drop-in Halloween Scavenger Hunt

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Our Weekly Programs

All ages welcome. No registration required.

Monday Morning Fun- Every Monday, 10am - 12pm
Make new friends while playing with some fun toys!

Reading Time- Every Friday @ 10:30am
Listen to great stories and sing some fun songs!

Craft on the Go- Every Friday, 10am - 6pm
Pick up a craft to make at home over the weekend!

Program Ages

For more information, see the event calendar at mapl.org.

- Baby Story Time & Baby Explorers: ages 6 - 18 months
- Story Tales: ages 18 - 36 months
- Preschool Story Time: ages 3 - 5
- Toddler Playtime: ages 18 months - 5 years
- Kids Passport Club: Kindergarten - 5th grade
- Teen programs: 6th - 12th grade



Pumpkin Painting

Saturday, October 24th, 10am and 12pm

Join us for a Halloween story and some painting fun. Show off your artistic abilities while you create your beautiful painted pumpkin. Will you make your pumpkin spooky or sweet? We can't wait to find out! Open to children of all ages. **Registration is required. Please register for one session only!**



Teen Volunteer Night

Wednesday, October 21st, 6pm - 8pm

Calling all teens! Need volunteer hours? Help us get ready for our Halloween children's programs. We will work together to make the library spooky and festive. Open to patrons in grades 7-12. For more information and to sign up, please email Miss Erica at edeb@mapl.org.

Teen Spooky Scary Trivia

Wednesday, October 28th @ 7pm

Trivia, prizes, and snacks, oh my! Teens are invited to join us for a frightful night of Trivia. We will test our spooky smarts for a chance to win some creepy prizes. Open to patrons in grades 6-12.

Registration is required.



Tween Decoupage Pumpkins

Thursday, October 29th @ 4:30pm

What's prettier than a pumpkin in the fall? How about a decoupage pumpkin? Come to the library and add your artistic flair to a pumpkin that will look totally fall-tastic! We will listen to some cool tunes and enjoy some fall snacks while we create our masterpieces. Open to children in grades 4-7. **Registration is required.**

Trick-or-Treat in the Library

Friday, October 30th, 10am-12pm

Grab your costumes! We invite our tiniest patrons to drop by from 10am-12 pm to trick or treat at the stations set up all around the building. Can you find them all and fill up your treat bucket? This is a drop in event open to children of all ages and their caregivers.

No registration required.