



# Warren County Memorial Library



February 2025 News & Events

119 S. Front St. Warrenton, NC 27589  
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## All We Need Is Love Cupcake Class

**\$5 Registration Fee Required**

**February 13th @ 5:00pm**

Corie Simmons with Cake My Day will lead participants through all the steps it takes to decorate Valentine's-themed cupcakes. Decorating baked goods can be a time to bring the entire family together to create memories that are tasty as well. Space is limited, so register while seats last to make sure you don't miss out on this fun family event! Hot cocoa and light refreshments will be served.

## The Soul of Quilts: Comfort, Memories, and Stories

**February 24th - 28th - Quilt Display in Library Community Room**

**February 25th @ 12:00pm - Interactive Conversation and Official Viewing**

**February 27th @ 5:30pm - Quilts and Quilters in the African American Experience**

Quilts have always held a special place in African Americans' traditional material culture, carrying memories and stories in cloth from old clothes and household fabrics. They served many purposes, including covering beds, shielding windows and walls to keep cold air at bay, and protecting precious possessions as people moved from place to place.

Today, the Heritage Quilters strive to preserve and document Warren County's quilts and quilting traditions. From February 24th to 28th, Warren County Memorial Library will exhibit a collection of traditional and narrative quilts.

Bring a favorite quilt and join the Heritage Quilters on February 25th, from 12:00pm to 1:00pm, for a lunchtime interactive conversation, and on February 27th, at 5:30pm to 6:30pm, for a presentation on quilts and quilters in the African American experience.

## NC Reads

North Carolina Reads is a statewide book club sponsored by North Carolina Humanities. Each month, one of five total books are featured that explore issues, history, and culture centered around our state.

Participants are invited to take part in virtual book discussions, hosted by NC Humanities, that feature the authors and experts. Copies of each month's book are available at the library today!

For a full list of this year's books plus registration links for the virtual book discussions, visit

<https://nchumanities.org/programs/north-carolina-reads/>



### February's Book

### **The American Queen by Vanessa Miller**

Fiction. Meet the queen of Happy Land. Transformative and breathtakingly honest, *The American Queen* is based on actual events that occurred between 1865-1889 and shares the unsung history of a Black woman who built a kingdom in Appalachia as a refuge for the courageous people who dared to dream of a different way of life. When the honorable Reverend William finally listens to Louella's pleas and leads the formerly enslaved people out of their plantation, William and Louella become the appointed king and queen of their self-proclaimed Kingdom of the Happy Land. And though they are still surrounded by opposition, they continue to share a message of joy and goodness—and fight for the freedom and dignity of all.

### **Virtual Book Discussion**

Check NC Humanities website for more information once book discussion dates, times, and special guests have been announced!



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Children, Teen, & Adult Programs

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## Blind Date with a Book

February 3rd - 14th

Do you judge books by their covers? Try a blind date with a book! Take home one of these hidden books, knowing nothing about them. Will it be love at first sight?

## Expressions with Color

February 26th @ 11:00am

Explore your creativity with this activity where children are invited to stop by and use their imaginations and a world of available colors to make art that is uniquely them!

## A Novel Taste: Chapters & Charcuterie Club

February 18th @ 5:30pm

Are you a book lover looking to connect with other like-minded readers? Join us for an evening of engaging discussions and delightful bites at our "Books and Charcuterie" book club. Every month, we pair a thoughtfully selected book with a delectable charcuterie spread. Space is limited and registration is required.

## Movie Matinees

February 20th @ 12:30pm

The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks (NR)

1 Hour 33 Minutes Runtime

February 28th @ 12:30pm

The Forge (PG)

2 Hour 3 Minutes Runtime

## "Piece" of Mind

February 6th @ 11:00am

People of all ages are invited to relax with puzzles at the library. Collaborate with other attendees to put together puzzles or just solve a small one on your own!

## Tech Time: 1-on-1 Assistance

Wednesdays in February

@ 12:00pm - 2:00pm

Stop by the library on Wednesdays between noon and two for 1-on-1 assistance with what you would like to learn. Library staff will guide you through using library computers or your own tech so that you can accomplish your goals.

## WCML Storytimes Reading and Relaxing

Stop by for some fun as Ky'el reads some of your favorite books - new and old - during this traditional, in-person story time.

February 11th @10:30am

(Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.)

February 18th @10:30am

(Pappy's Handkerchief)

February 25th @10:30am

(Freedom in Congo Square)

## Kickin' with Ky'el

Enjoy fun, games, music, and activities for kids! Come join us for some movin' and groovin'.

February 13th @11:30am

(Sing a Song: How "Life Every Voice and Sing"  
Inspired Generations)

February 20th @11:30am

(The ABCs of Black History)

## Lego Day

Future engineers, top block designers, and all children interested in building blocks are invited to stop by to build STEM skills while playing with the library's LEGO bricks!

February 19th @10:30am

## Virtual Storytime

Watch episodes on our Facebook page!

February 8th @10:30am

(Pete the Cat: Valentine's Day)

February 15th @10:30am

(Daddy's Hugs and Snuggles)

February 22nd @10:30am

(Peekaboo Morning)

## Homebound Outreach

If you, or someone you know, is unable to visit the library in person, ask about outreach services today!

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## Teen Corner

### Anime & Manga Book Club

February 3rd

@ 3:30pm

(Mystery Draft)

February 24th

@ 3:30pm

(Anime Titles:  
Real or Fake?)

### Video Game Club

February 5th

@3:30pm

February 12th

@3:30pm

### Open Mic & Slam Poetry

February 25th

@3:30pm

### Fun with Improv

February 17th

@3:30pm