

This Week @ Your Library

Dec 19-25, 2020

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Festive Light Bulb Upcycling DIY

Throughout December

Want to try a fun and easy upcycling craft? Turn your burned-out light bulbs – smaller bulbs work best, ideally nightlight-sized



[C7] or small, vintage candle-type [C9, C11, or CA5] – into festive holiday decorations! When you register, you supply the bulb, and the kit will have everything else. To participate, send an email with the subject line 'Light Bulb DIY' to share@catawbacountync.gov, including your name and the library location where you'd like to pick up your kit.

2020 Memories

Throughout December

The past year has been dramatically different than any other in our memories. We've all been literally living through history that has yet to be written. The library would like to play a part in preserving your experiences of this time for posterity. We present for you two options – do either or both:



• Haiku 2020

Translate your experience of the past year and the pandemic into the form of a haiku poem (a total of 17 syllables, divided into three lines, respectively, with five, seven, and five syllables). Poems

will be displayed in a gallery on Facebook and in an exhibit in the Newton Library. Submit your poem electronically or in person, with a signed waiver.

• Your 2020 Story

Share your memories long-form by letting the library create a private, one-on-one Zoom recording of your recollections to be preserved in our Local History collection. We'll get you started by asking a few questions: 1) What is your most striking memory from this past year? 2) How was your life different this year? 3) Did you have to cope with aloneness? 4) If you were to give some advice to your children/grandchildren/the future, based on what you learned this year, what would it be?

The waiver is located on the 'Arts @ the Library' page of our website. Send poems, waivers, and requests for a recording session to share@catawbacountync.gov or turn in poems to any library location. The Facebook gallery and Newton exhibit will be presented in January.

Your Art with Us: mini-abstractions

Throughout December

From an exploration of Matisse's "Goldfish" to the interpretation of 6 mini artworks inspired by Warhol, Keith Haring, Picasso, Mondrian, Stella, and Van Gogh, see how Maiden Middle School's 7th-grade art class reinterpreted famous works of art from diverse styles, including expressionism, pop art, abstract art, and more. On display at the Main Library in Newton.



Virtual STRONG Fitness with Honey & Jossiah

Saturday, December 19 at 9 am

Get in shape with this class's high-intensity interval training, which relies on body weight, muscle conditioning,

and cardio and plyometric moves. Every squat, lunge, and burpee is driven by original music to help you burn calories while toning arms, legs, abs, and glutes! Access the session with this Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/723012922?pwd=Umh5bTdaSkdWekwXMVV4N1ZBQVRsQT09>. Then enter this meeting ID: **723 012 922** and follow it with this passcode: **STRONG**. [Please note that this word is case-sensitive. Enter it exactly as shown.] You can also visit www.facebook.com/ZumbaWithHmongSibs/. Meets every Saturday.



Virtual Zumba with Honey & Jossiah

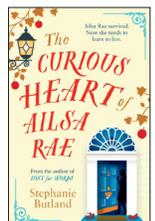
Monday, December 21 at 6 pm

This fun dance workout is appropriate for every skill and ability level and open to anyone 14+ (parental signature required for teens under 18). Access the session with this Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87120563944?pwd=S09kaEVkd0Ydm1VYW14WnVUZG9sUT09>. Then enter the meeting ID: **871 2056 3944** and follow it with the passcode: **Dance**. [Please note that this word is case-sensitive. Enter it exactly as shown.] You can also visit www.facebook.com/ZumbaWithHmongSibs/. Meets every Monday.

Upcoming! Hearts & Minds OLBC

Thursday, February 18 at 5:30 pm

This OnLine BookClub has a focus on health and wellness. We'll meet on Zoom to discuss Stephanie Butland's *The Curious Heart of Ailsa Rae*. Make yourself a cup of tea or coffee and settle in with the rest of us to talk about this novel and its themes of life, loss, love, and living. Send an email to share@catawbacountync.gov to receive the Zoom invitation.



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In-Person, Outdoor Tai Chi

Saturday, December 19 at 9:30 am
Join Dr. George Place, director of the Cooperative Extension, for tai chi at Bakers Mountain Park (6680 Bakers Mountain Road, Hickory), where you'll learn to improve your well-being and balance. Class will be followed by an hour-long hike for those who are interested. To participate, please call 828.465.8247.



Virtual Tai Chi

Wednesday, December 23 at 12 noon
Join our lunchtime tai chi class, led by Cooperative Extension director Dr. George Place.

This short virtual session is designed to help people relax in their offices or home environments during a quick 30 minutes. It also helps promote balance and alleviate the effects of arthritis. To get the Zoom code, check www.facebook.com/catawbacountylibrarysystem the day of the class.



Santa Letters and Kindness Bingo

Through December 31
Head to downtown Newton to create a joyful holiday season! Outside Refuge Designs (24A E 1st St) you'll find a box with Santa Letter templates and a Kindness Bingo sheet. If you complete 10 or more acts of kindness, bring your sheet by the Newton Library or share it with the Downtown Newton Development Association on Facebook for a chance to win Downtown Dollars. We'll draw a winner the first week of January! This project is in partnership with the Downtown Newton Development Association.



SUFFRAGE: Hickory Museum of Art

Through January 24, 2021
This exhibit celebrates the 100th anniversary of the ratification of the 19th Amendment. Six regional artists display artwork that responds to themes associated with the women's suffrage movement, and a special series

of panels created by CVCC graphic design students traces the movement's milestones. Also shown is an installation called *The Feminist To Do List* by fiber artist Susan Lenz. Its 42 vintage quilt blocks feature civic-minded call-to-action phrases. Collaborators include the Historical Association of Catawba County, the Catawba County Library System, the League of Women Voters, and the United Arts Council of Catawba County.



PROGRAM REGISTRATION

By scanning this QR Code with the camera app of your smartphone, you'll open an Internet browser and will be directed to our online events calendar. Then, simply click on any program name to find a link that will allow you to register online!



HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

All library branches will be closed from Thursday, December 24 through Monday, December 28 for the Christmas holiday. Branches will also close at 5 pm Thursday, December 31 and remain closed on Friday, January 1 for the New Year's holiday.

