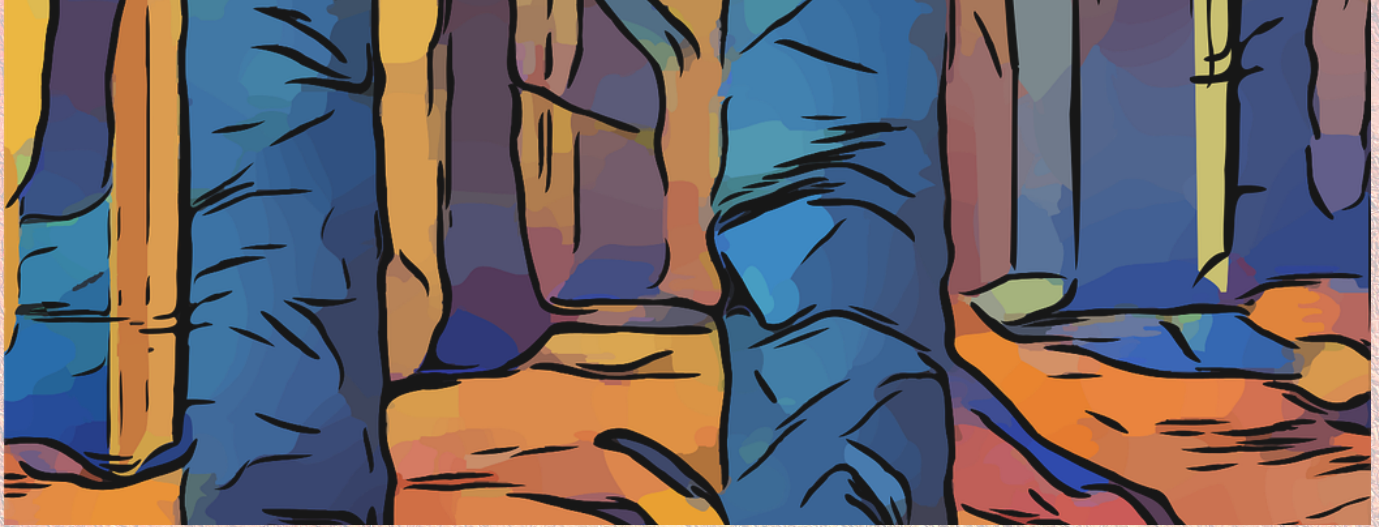


# BPL CONNECTION

*Bossier Parish Libraries' Quarterly Newsletter*



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## SEASONS ARE CHANGING AND SO ARE WE!



We're excited to announce that we will be changing our online catalog. Turn to page 02 to find out some of the awesome new features you can look forward to in November.

# Learn About Our New Look

## What's Changing?

### TLC to Koha

The Library Company (TLC) is the Integrated Library System, or ILS, that Bossier Parish Libraries has used for the last 20 years but they have stopped offering updates to our system, so we started researching other options!

What is an ILS? An ILS is a collection of software programs, such as cataloging and circulation, that handle the daily running of a library.

## Meet Koha

### What is Koha?

Koha will be our new ILS and OPAC, which is the Online Public Access Catalog, or the part of our library systems that our patrons use to search for items in our catalog, place holds, and access their accounts.

Fun fact: this used to be the card catalogs that you had to flip through to look up books before libraries switched to online catalogs!

## FAQ

#### • When will the system switch happen?

The switch from TLC to Koha is scheduled to occur on November 1, 2021.

#### • Will my library card number change?

No! Your library card number and other account information will not change after we move to Koha. However, PIN numbers will need to be reset for security purposes, so we'll keep you updated on how to handle that.

#### • Why Koha?

- 99.9% guaranteed uptime (less interrupted access)
- upgrades, twice annually
- patrons can set language options of their choice
- mobile friendly

- patrons can borrow eBooks directly through the catalog instead of having to switch to OverDrive, Libby, or Hoopla when they find the title in a catalog search.
- patrons can create a variety of wishlists for titles they're interested in -- maybe make one for an upcoming vacation? Plan for a bit of holiday reading? Or assigned reading for school?

# Before they start school



## WHAT IS IT?

A reading program designed for infants through preschoolers to promote early literacy and kick start early education and set them up for success once they begin school. The goal is to read 1000 books before beginning kindergarten.

## HOW DOES IT WORK?

- Keep track of what your child reads each day.
  - This can be done on paper log sheets or through our online program, READsquared.
- Books can be counted multiple times per title.
- Once your child reaches 100 books be sure and visit us so your child can receive a reward.
- Once your child reaches 1000 books they will receive a reward and a certificate!



## HOW DO I GET MY CHILD INVOLVED?



- You can register your child 1 of 2 ways:
  - You can visit <https://bossierlibrary.readsquared.com> and register your child for our 1000 Books Before Kindergarten program online.
  - OR
  - You can stop by any of our branch locations and speak to a staff member about signing your child up for our 1000 Books Before Kindergarten program.



## A QUICK GUIDE FOR EVALUATING INFORMATION ONLINE

BOSSIER PARISH LIBRARIES



### WHO WROTE IT?

- Authors can be individuals or organizations.
- On websites, look for an "about" section, usually in the header or footer of the page.

### WHAT ARE THE AUTHOR'S QUALIFICATIONS?

- Does the author have experience working with the topic?
- Does the author have a degree, or other credentials, relevant to the topic?



Does the author have a financial interest?



What do other sources say about the author?



Could the author have a hidden agenda?



Does the author rely on emotion or fact?

## Now that they're in school

### OTHER CONSIDERATIONS



When was the information originally published or posted?



Can you verify statistics, or other data from a trusted source?

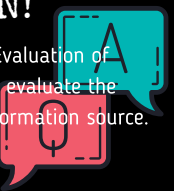
### ASK A LIBRARIAN!

Librarians are trained information professionals. Evaluation of information is what we do! We're here to help you evaluate the validity of information and the reliability of the information source.



### CONTACT US

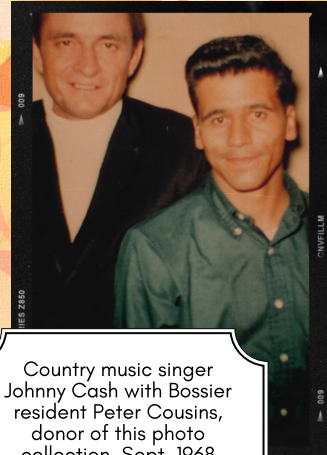
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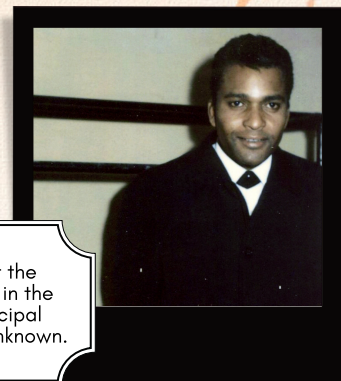
# History Center Broadcast

Northwest Louisiana has had an embarrassment of riches for locally-produced musical talent. A well-known showcase of this talent was the Louisiana Hayride. The Hayride began in Shreveport in 1948 and had a long run of weekly live radio shows spotlighting country and western musical talent until 1960. It was broadcast throughout much of the country from Shreveport's KWKH radio station and ultimately over the CBS Radio network. After 1960 the program was broadcast only sporadically, but in 1974 the Hayride started a thirteen-year run as a syndicated radio program under Shreveport businessman David Kent.

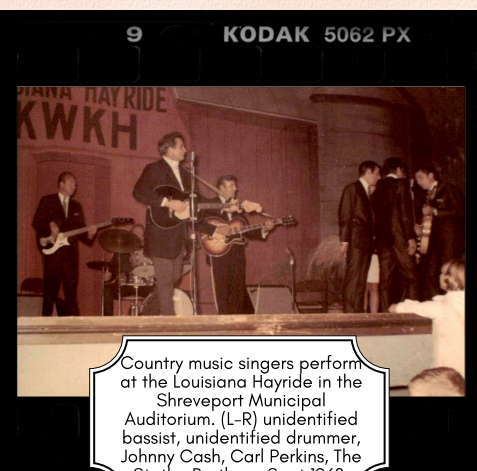
The Louisiana Hayride and its original home stage, Shreveport's Municipal Auditorium, became known as a "Cradle of the Stars" because of the musicians who proved their star power at the Hayride. Chief among those is Elvis Presley, as well as performers such as Hank Williams and Johnny Cash.



Country music singer Johnny Cash with Bossier resident Peter Cousins, donor of this photo collection. Sept. 1968

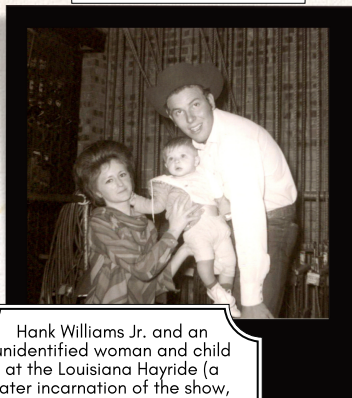


Charley Pride at the Louisiana Hayride in the Shreveport Municipal Auditorium. Date unknown.



Country music singers perform at the Louisiana Hayride in the Shreveport Municipal Auditorium. (L-R) unidentified bassist, unidentified drummer, Johnny Cash, Carl Perkins, The Statler Brothers. Sept 1968.

Rock and Roll erupted onto U.S. stages and airwaves during the 1950s and intensified in popularity; it is often cited as the reason the Louisiana Hayride began to fizzle out. However, Frank Page, former producer of the Hayride, believed, "one of the things that helped kill Louisiana Hayride was the lack of supportive facilities," unlike all the resources available in a place like Nashville, TN, home of the Grand Ole Opry.



Hank Williams Jr. and an unidentified woman and child at the Louisiana Hayride in the Shreveport Municipal Auditorium. Date unknown. Can you help us identify them?

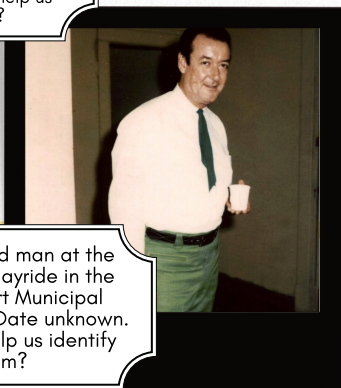


Country singer Johnny Cash outside the Shreveport Municipal Auditorium, location of the Louisiana Hayride. September, 1968

Married country music singers Johnny Cash and June Carter Cash at the Shreveport Municipal Auditorium for their performance at the Louisiana Hayride. Sept 1968.

Please enjoy these photos of some of country music's brightest stars who performed at the Louisiana Hayride. The photos were taken by music fan and Bossier City resident Peter Cousins, who recently donated the images to the History Center. If you recognize any of the unidentified people in the photos, please let us know!

Like Mr. Cousins, do you have, or know someone who has, photographs of northwest Louisiana history that can be shared with the Bossier Parish Libraries History Center? If so, we accept donations or scan photos or documents to add the copies to our historical collection.



Unidentified man at the Louisiana Hayride in the Shreveport Municipal Auditorium. Date unknown. Can you help us identify him?

You can view our digitized photo collection from home in our online collections database or see what we post on Facebook @BPLHistoryCenter.



# Reading with Friends

Book clubs for all ages, both virtual and in-person!

Please register to save your spot.

## A Novel Idea (18+)

Tooke @ 10:30am

*The Four Winds*  
by Kristin Hannah

September 20

.....  
*The Midnight Library*  
by Matt Haig

October 18

.....  
*The Chance*  
by Karen Kingsbury

November 15

## Books & Brews (18+)

PJ's Coffee House @ 6:30pm

Join this offsite book club and enjoy PJ's excellent menu while taking part in book discussions based on the genre selection of the month.

September 3  
.....  
October 1  
.....  
November 5

## Tween Book Club (9-12)

Benton @ 4pm

Contact branch for title selections!

September 21  
.....  
October 14

## Read with Pride Book Club (18+)

East 80 @ 3pm

Contact branch for title selections!

September 4  
.....  
October 2  
.....  
November 6

## Good Books Book Club (18+)

Haughton @ 10am

*The Extraordinary Life of Sam Hell*  
by Robert Dugoni

September 16

.....  
*The Mother-in-Law*  
by Sally Hepworth

October 21

.....  
*Giver of Stars*  
by Jojo Moyes

November 18

## Books on Bellevue (18+)

East 80 @ 5:30pm

For adventurous readers, this book club will read various genres based on random drawings! Contact the branch for more information.

September 22  
.....  
October 27  
.....  
November 24

## Little Bookworms (6-8)

Tooke @ 4:30pm

*Cam Jansen and the Millionaire Mystery*  
by David Adler

September 23

.....  
*The Haunted Library*  
by Dori Hillestead

October 28

## Hooked on Books (9-12)

Tooke @ 4:30pm

*Zita the Spacegirl*  
by Ben Hatke

September 10

.....  
*The Witches*  
by Roald Dahl

October 8

.....  
*The Explorers: Door in the Alley*  
by Adrienne Kress

November 12

## As the Page Turns (18+)

Plain Dealing @ 5pm

Contact branch for title selections!

September 20  
.....  
October 18  
.....  
November 15

## Study Help

### Free ACT Prep (grades 9-12)

Plain Dealing | October 12 | 11am

\*library card required, register in advance

East 80 | Monday - Friday  
during regular branch hours

\*appointments scheduled 24-hours prior to requested time

### Homeschool Connections (5-18)

Benton @ 11:30am

Open to homeschool kids,  
grades K to 12. Come enjoy  
games, crafts, STEAM  
challenges, and more!

September 7 & 21

October 5 & 19

November 2 & 16

### Spanish with Senora Montgomery

Benton @ 4pm

Practice your Spanish or English with Senora Montgomery!

Elementary School | October 6 | November 3

ESL (all ages) | October 13 | November 10

Middle & High School | October 20 | November 17

Adult (18+) | October 27 | November 24

### Beginner Computer Class (18+)

Tooke @ 10:30am

Learn the basics of navigating  
computers and the internet! Perfect  
for those with little experience with  
computers who are interested in  
becoming more familiar with their  
use. Seating is limited to 5, please  
register in advance.

September 3 & 17

October 1 & 15

November 5 & 19

## Storytime Fun

Preschool Storytime (0-5) | Tuesdays | 10am  
Aulds | Sept | Oct | Nov

\*no storytime November 23

Family Storytime (0-5) | Wednesdays | 10:30am  
East 80 | Sept | Oct | Nov

Preschool Storytime (0-5) | Wednesdays | 11am  
Haughton | Sept | Oct | Nov

Baby Laptime (0-2) | Fridays | 10am  
Benton | Sept | Oct | Nov

\*on Facebook in September, in person starting in October

Reading Time with | Sept. 8 |  
Therapy Dogs (2-10) | Oct. 13 | 4pm  
Aulds | Nov. 10

## Games & Activities

### Dungeons & Dragons

Character building, adventuring, your fate is decided  
with just a roll of the dice -- what could be more fun?

Tooke (13-17) | September 16 | 4pm  
October 21  
November 18

\*in person/Zoom by request

Central (13+) | Tuesdays | 4pm  
starting September 14

\*virtual, contact branch for platform

### Chicken Foot Dominoes (18+)

Tooke @ 10:30am

Enjoy refreshments | September 13  
while you mingle and | October 4  
play dominoes! | November 1

### LEGO Club (6-10)

Aulds @ 4:15pm

Join in on the fun and | September 1 & 15  
challenges building with | October 6 & 20  
LEGOs! | November 3 & 17

### Anime Club (13-18)

Benton @ 2pm

Join us to watch new and | September 4  
favorite anime shows! | October 2  
November 6

### Trivia (18+)

Haughton @ 11am

Test your knowledge. | September 17  
Contact branch for | October 22  
themes! | November 19

### Tween Tuesdays (9-12)

East 80 @ 4pm

Enjoy a variety of STEAM | September 21  
activities and a book club | October 19  
later in the year. | November 16

### Jackbox Games (8+)

Haughton @ 3:30pm

Join in person or online, all | Wednesdays  
you need is a smart phone | Sept | Oct | Nov  
or tablet!

### Bingo (18+)

Aulds @ 11am | Sept. 23 | Oct. 28

East 80 @ 11:30am | Sept. 14 | Oct. 12 | Nov. 9

Tooke @ 10am | Sept. 7 | Oct. 26 | Nov. 23

Reading Bingo (all ages) | Monthly

Central

\*stop by to pick up your card!

What's Happening at Your Library...

Please register to save your spot.

## Art & DIY

### Design with a Librarian (18+)

Plain Dealing

Fall Centerpiece	October 19	11am
Thanksgiving Tablescape*	November 16	

\*program will be recorded and posted on Facebook

### Craftastic (6 - 12)

Tooke @ 4pm

Book Page Origami	September 9
Build-A-Monster	October 14

### DIY & More (18+)

Aulds @ 11am

Enjoy DIY crafts, activities, and more!	September 9
	October 14

### Grab & Go Crafts (all ages)

Central

Stop by to pick up your craft kit!	September - November
	*crafts changed periodically

### Crochet Corner

Central (13+)	September 9 & 23	4pm
	October 7 & 21	
*Facebook event	November 4 & 18	

Haughton (18+)	September 3	10am
	October 1	
*in person event	November 5	

### Painting with Friends (18+)

Benton @ 2pm

Enjoy good company while learning new painting techniques.	September 14
	October 12
	November 9

### Teen Tuesday (13-17)

Haughton @ 4:30pm

Learn how to design your own zine!	September 20
	October 19
	November 16

### Tween Tuesdays (9-12)

East 80 @ 4pm

Enjoy a variety of STEAM activities with a book club coming later in the year.	September 21
	October 19
	November 16

## Health and Wellness

### Chair Exercise Class/Sit & Fit (18+)

Low-impact, seated exercise class. Seating is limited, please register prior to class.

Aulds	September 2 & 16	11am
	October 7 & 21	
	November 4 & 18	
East 80	September 16	11am
	October 21	
	November 18	

## Special Events

### Fall Candle Making (18+)

Plain Dealing

For this fun and easy craft, patrons can make their own set of mini candles for the fall using upcycled baby food jars and essential oils.

September 28 | 11am

\*limit: 10 seats

### Fall Festival (all ages)

Tooke

Enjoy food, games, and face painting! Come dressed in your best Halloween costume to be entered into a drawing for a special prize!

October 9 | 12pm

### Fall Festival (0-12)

Haughton

Step through the wardrobe with us at this Narnia-themed event! Come in costume and enjoy games, candy, and prizes!

October 29 | 4pm

### Unsung America, Episode 6: Robert Simpson

### Neighbors *The Lone Star* (18+)

Facebook Event, Plain Dealing

On the 206th birthday of this stalwart Indian agent, we detail the exploits of one Robert Simpson Neighbors, a Virginian settler turned Texas state legislator who defended the rights of displaced Native Americans within the Lone Star state – often putting his life on the line for their well-being.

November 3 | 2pm

### Game Day Extravaganza (9+)

Plain Dealing

Celebrate International Games Day with us! Bond over cards, dominoes, board games, and more!

November 8 | 3pm

# Book Clubs (more!)

## Teen Book Club (13-17)

Tooke @ 4:30pm

*The False Prince*  
by Jennifer Nielsen September 2

.....  
*Eventide*  
by Sarah Goodman October 7

.....  
*Found*  
by Margaret Peterson November 4

## Tween Book Club (9-12)

Haughton @ 4pm

*The Green Ember*  
by S.D. Smith September 17

.....  
*Creature of Pines*  
by Adam Gidwitz October 15

.....  
*Bob*  
by Nicholas Gannon November 19

## Evening Book Club (18+)

Haughton @ 6pm

*Unbroken*  
by Laura Hillenbrand September 13

.....  
*Dinner with Edward*  
by Isabel Vincent October 11

.....  
*The Help*  
by Kathryn Stockett November 8

## Graphic Novel Book Club (13+)

Facebook Event, Benton @ 4pm

Contact branch for title  
selections!

September 28  
.....  
October 26  
.....  
November 30

## New & Notable (18+)

Facebook Event, Benton

See what new items are  
coming to library shelves  
near you!

September 27  
.....  
October 25  
.....  
November 29

Use the QR Code to check out our full calendar:



## Find Your Home Branch:

### Aulds Branch

3950 Wayne Avenue  
Bossier City | 71112  
318.742.2337

### East 80 Branch

1050 Bellevue Road  
Haughton | 71037  
318.949.2665

### Plain Dealing Branch

208 East Mary Lee Avenue  
Plain Dealing | 71064  
318.326.4233

### Benton Branch

115 Courthouse Drive  
Benton | 71006  
318.965.2751

### Haughton Branch

116 West McKinley  
Haughton | 71037  
318.949.0196

### Tooke Branch

451 Fairview Point Road  
Elm Grove | 71051  
318.987.3915

### Central Library

2206 Beckett Street  
Bossier City | 71111  
318.746.1693

### History Center

2206 Beckett Street  
Bossier City | 71111  
318.746.7717

### Online

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