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NOVEMBER
Adult Engagement Calendar

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

It's **Annual Family Reunion Planning Month**, a great time to shine some light on your genealogy resources and local history collections.

Set up a station for **National Novel Writing Month**. Provide an ever-changing selection of NaNoWriMo links, prompts and resources to inspire burgeoning authors.

1

The first **Library of Congress** building opened to the public on this day in 1897. How can you celebrate public information today?

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Invite a local tribe to create an exhibit or give a presentation to honor **National American Indian Heritage Month**.

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SOS was officially adopted as the worldwide standard distress call in 1906 at the International Radiotelegraphic Convention. Host a cryptography program to teach Morse code and other useful **cipher skills**.

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King Tutankhamen's tomb was discovered on this day in 1922. Build a display of archeology resources, Egyptian travel guides and Middle Eastern history.

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On this first Monday after the daylight saving time clock shift, double-check that all the library's clocks show the proper time (especially the ones in the lesser-used rooms!).

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Book release: *Nine Perfect Strangers* by Liane Moriarty

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On this day in 1929, the **Museum of Modern Art** opened in New York City. Grab the chance to display a few of your flashy, oversized art tomes in a high-traffic display.

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National Parents as Teachers Day
Parents are a child's first educators—give them a hand by highlighting your early literacy programs and parenting resources.

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East Germany opened its borders on this day in 1989. Commemorate the **fall of the Berlin Wall** with a display on German travel, history and culture.

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The wreck of the *SS Edmund Fitzgerald* happened on this day in 1975 in Lake Superior, later made legend in a **Gordon Lightfoot song**. Pull a display of books on boats and the Great Lakes.

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This is one of the dates celebrated as James Bond's birthday (the other is November 16). Celebrate Ian Fleming's most enduring character with a display of **super spy flicks and books**.

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Grace Kelly was born on this day in 1929. Host a film screening of one of her Hitchcock classics.

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The iconic Jeep was born in November of 1940 when Willys-Overland presented its prototype to the US Army. Create a **booklist** for those who love to hop in their Jeeps for a road trip.

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On **National Pickle Day**, host a brined-food tasting program with sweet, sour, spicy and strange flavors of pickled vegetables. Offer tasting scorecards to encourage discussion, and judge favorites.

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America Recycles Day
Partner with public works and local businesses to feature your community's recycling efforts. Host an electronics recycling event.

16

"The Father of the Blues" **W.C. Handy** was born on this day in 1873. Highlight your blues collection of music and biographies, along with a travel guide for Memphis.

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In 1997, hockey legend Mario Lemieux was inducted into the NHL Hall of Fame. Create a display featuring **hockey fiction and nonfiction**.

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On this date in 1872, a group of women, including Susan B. Anthony, was arrested for illegally voting in the US presidential election. Use your social media to highlight **women's suffrage pioneers**.

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The Edsel was **discontinued by Ford** on this day in 1959. Invite a local auto enthusiast group to give a history presentation.

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For **International Transgender Day of Remembrance**, create a display and handout on diversity, inclusiveness and support resources in honor of lives lost to violence.

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Make a point to greet ten people today for **World Hello Day**, and encourage others to do so, too, in the spirit of world peace and improved communications. Set up a make-and-take station for "hello" buttons.

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In the spirit of sharing gratitude, put out Post-its and pens near a bulletin board asking, "What's your favorite thing about our community?"

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Schedule a recipe-sharing program to spotlight favorite, sharable holiday cookie options.

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On **Small Business Saturday**, partner with your local chamber of commerce to provide a list or map of local small businesses, and feature information on entrepreneurship.

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Andrew Carnegie was born on this day in 1835. Share a little **Carnegie Library history** today, and hopefully inspire future philanthropists!

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Set up a "snowflake station" with paper, scissors and a trash can to encourage spontaneous kirigami.

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It's **Giving Tuesday**. Use the library's social media today to highlight donations and volunteer programs as part of this global movement for local sharing.

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Author **Rita Mae Brown** was born on this day in 1944. Draw attention to her murder-mysteries with a shelf talker near her books.

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The **Warren Commission** was established on this day in 1963 to investigate the assassination of President Kennedy. Host a conspiracy theorist's meet-up to discuss this and other topics.

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National Mason Jar Day
Coordinate a special **craft program** featuring these ubiquitous storage vessels.