

Virtual Programs

April 2021 Calendar



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**All Henrico READS**

WE ARE PLEASED TO WELCOME

Robin Sloan**AUTHOR OF *SOURDOUGH***

Apr 1, Thu. 7:00 PM After being unable to join us last year, Robin Sloan joins us virtually for our 2021 All Henrico Reads

to discuss his novel *Sourdough*. Set in San Francisco, *Sourdough* follows Lois, a programmer who is thrust into a delightful and complex foodie culture after being gifted a sourdough starter. The book inspires many questions about food, what makes life fulfilling, and the role of technology in our lives. For more about *Sourdough*, Sloan, and All Henrico Reads, visit henricolibrary.org/ahr. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Webex ID: **126 457 8861**. 90 min.

ESL Conversation Cafe

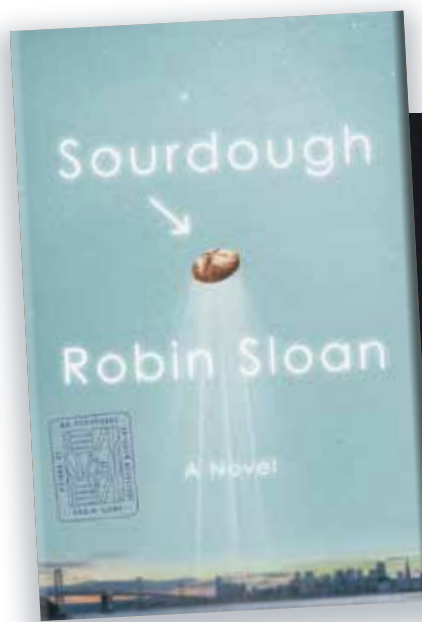
Apr 6, Tue. 10:00 AM Webex ID: **182 935 6180**

Apr 15, Thu. 6:00 PM Webex ID: **182 617 1577**

Apr 20, Tue. 10:00 AM Webex ID: **182 306 3604**

Apr 29, Thu. 6:00 PM Webex ID: **182 729 6504**

Practice speaking English in an informal setting. Registration is not required but you must be 16 or older and be able to speak some English. 45 min.



Libbie Mill LGBTQIA+ Book Discussion

Apr 7, Wed. 7:00 PM *Song of Achilles* by Madeline Miller. The love between Patroclus and Achilles moves from the margins to the core of the story in this retelling of The Iliad. Webex ID: **126 340 0984**. 60 min.

Tuckahoe Evening Fiction Book Discussion

Apr 8, Thu. 7:30 PM *A Spool of Blue Thread* by Anne Tyler. Abby Whitshank and her family gather on the porch of their Baltimore home to look back and reminisce over the complexities and challenges of their tangled lives. Webex ID: **126 697 6461**. 60 min.

Fairfield Let's Get Graphic Book Discussion

Apr 12, Mon. 1:00 PM *Trashed* by Derf Backderf. Ages 18+. Graphic novels aren't just for kids. Cartoonist Derf chronicles his brief time spent working on a garbage truck. Webex ID: **126 457 8861**. 60 min.

Henrico Community Authors Showcase Online

Apr 12, Mon. 7:00 PM Author TBA

Apr 26, Mon. 7:00 PM Author TBA

Read, discuss, and connect with other writers and readers in our community. Local authors sign up and share their books. Visit henricolibrary.org/authors for latest listngs. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library. 60 min.

Trivia Night: DC and Marvel Edition

Apr 12, Mon. 6:30 PM See Teen & Tween listing. 60 min.

Gayton Book Discussion

Apr 12, Mon. 7:30 PM *Lincoln's Last Trial: The Murder Case That Propelled Him to the Presidency* by Dan Abrams. At the end of the summer of 1859, Abraham Lincoln was hired to defend Peachy Quinn Harrison in what was to be his last great case as a lawyer. Webex ID: **126 403 0401**. 60 min.

Varina Afternoon Book Discussion

Apr 13, Tue. 3:00 PM *Varina* by Charles Frazier. This month we read about the tragic life of Varina Howell Davis before, during, and after the Civil War. Webex ID: **126 911 0249**. 60 min.

Having Seen: A Film Discussion Group

Apr 13, Tue. 7:00 PM *Jiro Dreams of Sushi*. David Gelb directs this 2012 documentary about 85-year-old Jiro Ono, considered by many to be the world's greatest sushi chef. He is the proprietor of Sukiyabashi Jiro, a 10-seat, sushi-only restaurant inauspiciously located in a Tokyo subway station. See the film online using your HCPL library card at hoopladigital.com. Webex ID: **182 666 5082**. 60 min.

Savvy Sandston Book Discussion

Apr 14, Wed. 7:00 PM *American Fire: Love, Arson, and Life in a Vanishing Land* by Monica Hesse. In this true crime story set in Accomack County, Virginia, 67 fires were set in five months, terrorizing residents and stretching law enforcement to its limit. Webex ID: **126 918 4843**. 60 min.

Discusión de Libros Latinoamericanos

Apr 19, Mon. 6:00 PM *The Real Life of Alejandro Mayta* by Mario Vargas Llosa. Historia de Mayta por Mario Vargas Llosa es un retrato psicológico astuto de un revolucionario moderno y una búsqueda de la lucha de un viejo amigo por comprenderlo. La novela investiga la larga y a cuadros historia de la política radical en América Latina. / An astute psychological portrait of a modern revolutionary and a searching account of an old friend's struggle to understand him. The novel probes the long and checkered history of radical politics in Latin America. Webex ID: **126 770 8296**. 60 min.

Varina Evening Book Discussion

Apr 19, Mon. 7:00 PM *Station Eleven* by Emily St. John Mandel. A traveling group of survivors tries to make sense of the world before and after a pandemic in this post-apocalyptic novel. Webex ID: **126 759 5339**. 60 min.

Libbie Mill Afternoon Book Discussion

Apr 20, Tue. 1:00 PM *The Library Book* by Susan Orlean. The history of the 1986 Los Angeles Public Library fire gives way to a much broader, compulsively readable tale of the roles libraries can play in our lives. Webex ID: **126 078 6494**. 60 min.

Fairfield Black Authors Book Discussion

Apr 20, Tue. 6:00 PM *Black Girls Must Die Exhausted* by Jayne Allen. “Black girls must die exhausted” is a phrase 33-year-old Tabitha Walker has heard her grandmother say before. Of course, her grandmother (who happens to be

white) was referring to the 1950's and what she observed in the nascent times of civil rights. With a coveted position as a local news reporter, "paper-perfect" boyfriend Marc, and a standing Saturday morning appointment with a reliable hairstylist, Tabitha never imagined how this phrase could apply to her as a black girl in contemporary times—until everything changed. Webex ID: **126 559 7735**. 45 min.

Tuckahoe Real Stories Book Discussion

Apr 20, Tue. 7:00 PM *Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City* by Matthew Desmond. Princeton sociologist Matthew Desmond has written a first-rate ethnography of a surprisingly understudied phenomenon. Desmond follows the lives of eight families in Milwaukee, Wisconsin facing eviction. The book is a thorough examination of poverty and the harsh struggle of trying to prevent homelessness. Webex ID: **126 316 1124**. 75 min.

Investment Basics

Apr 21, Wed. 6:30 PM April is Financial Literacy month, the perfect time to learn the fundamentals of investing. This seminar will cover basic principles of investing for people at any stage in life and answer the "what, why, how, and where" of investing. Led by Thomas McGehee Perry of River Hills Wealth Management. Webex ID: **182 849 5138**. 60 min.

Fairfield Film Discussion Group 🎬

Apr 26, Mon. 6:00 PM The Academy of Motion Pictures Arts and Sciences will hold their annual awards ceremony on April 25th. Join the Fairfield Film Discussion Group the next day to discuss who won, who you think should have won, and other Oscar happenings. Webex ID: **126 509 4950**. 60 min.

Twin Hickory Evening Book Discussion 📖

Apr 26, Mon. 6:00 PM *Halsey Street* by Naima Coster. Artist Penelope Grand must leave her career behind to return to her home neighborhood in Bedford-Stuyvesant to care for her father. She finds the neighborhood completely changed. With her mother having returned to the Dominican Republic, Penelope must find a new meaning for “home” and new ways to define “family.” Webex ID: **126 275 5055**. 60 min.

Not Just For Kids Book Discussion 📖

Apr 27, Tue. 7:30 PM *Amal Unbound* by Aisha Saeed. Instead of attending the school she loves, 12-year-old Amal is forced to become an indentured servant for the ruling family in her Pakistani village. Webex ID: **126 805 9261**. 60 min.

Some Future Book Discussions

- *Never Caught: The Washingtons' Relentless Pursuit of Their Runaway Slave, Ona Judge* by Erica Armstrong Dunbar
- *Patsy* by Nicole Dennis-Benn
- *Educated* by Tara Westover
- *The Best We Could Do: an Illustrated Memoir* by Thi Bui
- *The Great Alone* by Kristin Hannah
- *The Dakota Winters* by Tom Barbash
- *The Last Ballad* by Wiley Cash
- *Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine* by Gail Honeyman
- *Like Water for Chocolate* by Laura Esquivel
- *Sing, Unburied, Sing* by Jesmyn Ward
- *Bluebird, Bluebird* by Attica Locke

Visit henricolibrary.org/discussions for more.

Teen & Tween programs

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Minecraft Club

No Minecraft Club Thursday, April 1.

Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays 3:00 PM Play Minecraft with friends and explore our virtual libraries. Our server is open from 3 - 5 PM and library staff will be on hand to monitor gameplay and answer any questions. To participate, make sure you are running Java Minecraft version 1.16.4, and direct connect to server IP address: **158.69.24.129:25609**. For more details about Minecraft Club, visit henricolibrary.org/minecraft. 120 min.

Comic Makers Club

Apr 5, Mon. 7:30 PM For Tweens and Teens. Every first Monday of the month is Comic Makers Club! Bring paper and pencils or pens to our virtual meetup for young artists and authors who love comics. We will make comic strips, share projects we're working on, and talk about the comics we enjoy. All artistic skill levels and styles are welcome. Webex ID: **126 464 4217**. 60 min.

Anime Club

Apr 7, Wed. 7:00 PM With Libbie Mill teen staff.

Webex ID: **126 942 8315**.

Apr 10, Sat. 2:00 PM With Twin Hickory teen staff.

Webex ID: **126 421 8069**.

Apr 22, Thu. 6:00 PM With Varina teen staff.

Webex ID: **182 789 6881**.

Teens meet up online for a spirited discussion of all things anime and manga. Follow us **@hcpl_teenscene** on Instagram to find out what we'll discuss each week. 60 min.

Improv! for Grades 5 - 8

Apr 8, Thu. 6:30 PM Play improv games used in professional theaters, while being coached by a bona fide improv comedian. We will work together to make each other laugh, listen, think, and act in all kinds of ways. Improv is great for exercising your creative mind as well as developing your storytelling skills. Come ready to have fun! Webex ID: **126 841 9894**. 90 min.

Sock Puppets & Fun

Apr 10, Sat. 2:00 PM Take a break with us and have some fun making a sock puppet. Use your creativity and things around your home to make a fun friend! Once we have completed our puppet, we will bring them along for a reverse scavenger hunt. Webex ID: **182 934 2649**. 60 min.

Trivia Night: DC and Marvel Edition

Apr 12, Mon. 6:30 PM It's time to prove that your DC and Marvel trivia knowledge runs deep! All ages, groups and individuals are invited to join us online as we compete to uncover the true trivia champions of Henrico County! Webex ID: **182 234 8666**. 60 min.

Percy Jackson Discussion: *The Titan's Curse*

Apr 21, Wed. 6:30 PM Let's talk about one of the greatest adventure series of all time. Join us for an epic discussion of *The Titan's Curse* by Rick Riordan, the third book in the Greek mythology-inspired Percy Jackson and the Olympians series. Be prepared to celebrate the rest of Rick Riordan's works, including favorite books and characters in his mythology worlds. Webex ID: **182 446 2363**. 60 min.

Poetry Jam

Apr 22, Thu. 6:00 PM Drop in and write or workshop your poetry with other teens in our collaborative online space. There will be time for reading, so feel free to bring a completed poem or one of your favorites by another writer. Webex ID: **182 184 6688**. 60 min.

Audio Club

Apr 27, Tue. 7:00 PM For teens interested in the production side of audio, from music to podcasting to sound design. Learn techniques and get advice from each other and from library staff. We will feature a different lesson or activity at each meeting. Webex ID: **126 100 8148**. 60 min.

Let's Create: Springtime Crafts

Apr 29, Thu. 7:00 PM Draw or use other methods to create spring themed art with us, along with your favorite springtime beverage and snack of choice. Feel free to ask for tips with any creative outlet or show off works in progress. Webex ID: **182 368 4205**. 60 min.

Kids & Family programs

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Weekly Virtual Storytimes

No storytime Thursday, April 1.

Mondays 10:30 AM Family Storytime

Tuesdays 6:30 PM Pajama Storytime

Wednesdays 10:30 AM Family Storytime

Thursdays 10:30 AM Family Storytime

Saturdays 10:30 AM Family Storytime

Enjoy stories and songs with your favorite HCPL librarians! Live on Facebook at [facebook.com/henricolibrary](https://www.facebook.com/henricolibrary). 30 min.

Minecraft Club

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Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays 3:00 PM See Teen & Tween listing. 120 min.

Crafting a Garden

Apr 6, Tue. 2:00 PM Ages 3+ with an adult. We will read books, sing songs, and get crafty making a garden full of flowers! For the craft, have the following items: Construction paper (green, blue, and white), cupcake liners, crayons/markers, glue/tape, scissors. Webex ID: **182 744 8487**.
60 min.

DIY Band

Apr 6, Tue. 3:30 PM Best for ages 4+ with adult. Listening to music is cool, but playing it is even better! Create your own Do It Yourself (DIY) musical instruments with us. We're making maracas, a harmonica, drums, and a kazoo using common household items. Suggested supplies (feel free to make substitutes: plastic spoons (2), plastic egg, wash tape or any other tape, craft sticks (used for more than one instrument), rubber bands (used for more than one instrument), assorted paper, toothpicks, clean and empty plastic container, plastic bag, scissors, glue, toilet paper roll, wax paper, markers, crayons, and any other assorted decorating materials. Webex ID: **182 182 0864**. 60 min.

K-2 Bookworms

Apr 8, Thu. 3:30 PM Grades K-2 only. Check out our virtual book discussion group for readers in Kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd grades! Get ready for an interactive look at books and find out just how fun reading can be. We will read a book together during the program and do a related activity. Webex ID: **126 002 4934**. 60 min.

National Unicorn Day Celebration

Apr 9, Fri. 10:30 AM Get your glitter on and celebrate a unicornucopia of fun! We will share two clever craft demos with things around the house, a mini puppet show, uni-corny jokes, prancing, and dancing. Everybody is invited, it won't be truly magical without YOU! Webex ID: **182 024 9950**. 30 min.

Preschool Craft: Gnome and Fairy Houses

Apr 12, Mon. 3:30 PM Ages 3 - 5 with an adult. It's spring time and the gnomes and fairies need your help. Gather nuts, twigs, and flowers and join us to create a house for the magical creatures in your yard. In addition to the outdoor bits and pieces, bring a cardboard base and craft glue to set your house. Webex ID: **126 618 3694**. 60 min.

Giggle & Gather: New Parent Meet-up

Apr 13, Tue. 10:30 AM Newborns to 24 months. A meet-up storytime for parents and their babies or toddlers. Learn new songs, listen to a short story, and make new friends. Encourage your child's love of reading while bonding and meeting other new parents! Webex ID: **182 954 3285**. 60 min.

Pokémon Trivia

Apr 14, Wed. 5:30 PM Do you know how many Pokémon were in the first generation? Or what Squirtle evolves into? We are celebrating Pokémon's 25th anniversary with a few rounds of trivia! Test your Poke-knowledge against other players! Books about Pokémon will be recommended during the event. Webex ID: **182 209 0483**. 60 min.

Elementary Explorers: Weather

Apr 16, Fri. 3:00 PM Explore some exciting weather-related experiments. During this session we will be making a rain cloud in a jar, a tornado in a bottle, and a simple kite to fly on a windy day. To do these experiments with us, have ready: a clean cup or jar, shaving cream, water, food coloring, a water or soda bottle, dish soap, white vinegar, paper, string. Webex ID: **182 584 9263**. 60 min.

Family Dance Party

Apr 20, Tue. 11:00 AM Grab your dancing shoes and get ready to move! We will start with a story followed by some high energy dance action songs. Bring your shakers and scarves, or something similar, for even more fun! Webex ID: **182 918 3086**. 30 min.

Family Bingo

Apr 20, Tue. 4:00 PM Foster literacy skills the fun way by playing Bingo as a family! Register online to receive a Bingo card. Webex ID: **126 167 8083**. 60 min.

Move and Groove Storytime

Apr 23, Fri. 11:00 AM Enjoy dance, music, and stretching activities in this playful, interactive storytime. Webex ID: **182 394 3594**. 30 min.

Virtual Lego Challenge for Kids

Apr 28, Wed. 3:30 PM Grab your LEGO bricks and have some fun with us. Kids in grades K-5 are invited to test their LEGO building skills as we dish out fun challenges! We will view each other's creations and take a look at some exciting LEGO books. Webex ID: **126 417 9676**. 60 min.

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