

HOLDREGE AREA PUBLIC LIBRARY  
**BEYOND THE SHELVES**  
ADULT PROGRAM • NEWSLETTER

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## VIRTUAL AUTHOR TALKS

LIBRARY SPEAKERS CONSORTIUM

Courage, Choice, and What Comes Next with  
Dystopian Icon Veronica Roth

**Thursday, October 1st 2026 at 6:00 PM CDT**

Art in Flight: Reinventing Postmodernism with  
Smithsonian Curator Carolyn Russo

**Thursday, October 8th 2026 at 1:00 PM CDT**

The Power of Limits: How Constraints Drive  
Genius with David Epstein

**Tuesday, October 13th 2026 at 1:00 PM CDT**



**Scan to register for upcoming  
talks or watch past talks**

## Adult Silent Book Club

Take a break from the busy week and enjoy a relaxing evening of reading! Adult Silent Book Club is a low-pressure gathering with no assigned book—just bring whatever you're currently reading and settle in for some quiet reading time alongside fellow book lovers.

Bring your book, find a cozy spot, and enjoy the simple pleasure of reading together.

**Thursday, October 29<sup>th</sup> | 6:00–7:45 PM**

## SPECIAL EDITION

### Literary Pumpkin Decorating Contest

All ages are invited to participate! **Pick up a pumpkin at the Library beginning October 1st, while supplies last,** and decorate it at home with a literary theme inspired by your favorite book, character, scene, or quote.

**Bring your completed pumpkin to the Library by October 16th** for display and community voting. **A winner will be chosen October 30th!**

Please note: Pumpkins may not be carved, cut, or pierced. Paint, markers, yarn, paper, fabric, and other craft supplies may be used.

**\*REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED\***

**FOR ALL PROGRAMS**

*Exceptions Marked as \*\**

### Pop-up Pumpkins



Get into the fall spirit with a fun and easy pumpkin craft! Create your own wooden pumpkin decorations using your creativity. No crafting experience needed—just come ready to relax, create, and enjoy a little fall fun at the library!

**Tuesday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> | 6:00 PM**

### Cider & Stories

**Stop by the library each Saturday, October 24–November 21, 10am–Noon** for some cider or coffee, discover a good book, and enter to win! Each Saturday will feature a book giveaway, with a big grand-prize giveaway to finish it off.

