

## [Halloween Fun at the Library](#)



It's October—time to get ready for Halloween and all things fall with book recommendations and events for all ages!

Do you like to be scared, but just a little bit? These [semi-scary stories](#) for younger children are mostly in picture book format. A bit older? Here are some [favorites for school-age children](#). Have a teen who likes to be spooked? Try these [YA tales guaranteed to keep you up at night!](#) Finally, these [scary stories for adults](#) contain all kinds of horror—ghosts, monsters, murderers, and even psychological horror. Turn down the lights, pull up the covers, and get your scare on! You can also find something a little more personalized with [this tailored BuzzFeed quiz](#).

## Children's and Tween Events

### [Gross and Creepy Slime](#)

Create creepy glow-in-the-dark ecto slime or wonderfully disgusting pumpkin slime (made with real pumpkin guts)! [Please register](#). Ages 7–12. Saturday, October 5, 2–3 PM, Children's Program Room, Main Library

### [Paper Circuit Spookies](#)

Create a spooky light-up jack-o-lantern or spider paper circuit decoration in this introductory circuitry program. No experience necessary. [Please register](#). Ages 7–12. Monday, October 7, 7–8 PM, Children’s Program Room, Main Library

### [Storytime Extravaganza: Halloween Fun](#)

A lively themed storytime filled with music, stories, films, and more for young children and their families. Preschool classes and other groups welcome. [Please register](#). Ages 2–6 (younger siblings welcome). Wednesday, October 23, 10–10:45 AM, Auditorium, Main Library

### [Green Screen Screams](#)

Take your Halloween costume on a test drive as you explore the fun of green screen backgrounds! Costumes strongly encouraged, but not required. Ages 7–12. Thursday, October 24, 6–7 PM, Children’s Program Room, Main Library

## Teen Events

### Drop-In DIY: Spooky Fake Stained Glass

Try your hand at this fun DIY project. Impress your friends and family with your amazing craft skills! Ages 12–19. Wednesday, October 9, 3:30–5 PM, [The Ground Floor, Main Library](#), or Tuesday, October 15, 3:30–5 PM, [Ellettsville Teen Space](#)

### [Spooky String Art](#)

Just in time for Halloween, create one-of-a-kind, spooky, glow-in-the-dark string art. Ages 12–19. Wednesday, October 23, 3:30–5 PM, Ellettsville Teen Space

### [Trash to Treasure: Frankentoys](#)

Drop in to make unique crafts from old junk in this upcycling series! Ages 12–19. Monday, October 28, 4–5 PM, Ellettsville Teen Space

### [Comics and Cookies: BYO Scary Graphic Novel](#)

Come for the cookies, stay to share your feels. This month, it’s bring your own scary graphic novel! Ages 12–19. Tuesday, October 29, 4–5 PM, The Ground Floor, Main Library

### [Tuesday Crafternoon: Pumpkins](#)

Decorate pumpkins and make cool things! Ages 12–19. Tuesday, October 29, 5:30–7:30 PM, The Ground Floor, Main Library

### [Spooky Movies and Crazy Costumes: Halloween in The Ground Floor](#)

Scary movies and a costume makeup station lead up to a costume contest at 8 PM! Ages 12–19. Thursday, October 31, 5–8:30 PM, The Ground Floor, Main Library

## Adult Events

### [Audiobook Book Club: \*Where the Crawdads Sing\*](#)

This book club is open to anyone who prefers the listening form of reading, and especially to those who are blind or have limited vision. This month’s title, *Where the Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens, is at once an exquisite ode to the natural world, a heartbreaking coming-of-age story, and a surprising tale of possible murder. If you need help obtaining the audiobook, please contact Chris Jackson at [cjackson \[at\] mcpl.info](mailto:cjackson@mcpl.info), or (812) 349-3103. [Please register](#). Age 18 and up. Friday, October 25, 2–3:30 PM, Program Room 2A, Main Library. [Learn more about audiobooks at the Library](#).

### [Festival of Ghost Stories](#)

Jack-o-lanterns and fresh cider set the stage for an evening of live storytelling beneath the stars. A Halloween-time tradition for over 30 years, the Festival of Ghost Stories features haunting tales of ghosts and horror that tingle the spine. Bring a lawn chair or blanket as seasoned storytellers spin their tales in the dark hollow of Bryan Park. Presented by members of the Bloomington Storytellers Guild. Recommended for adults and those age 10 & up. Friday, October 25, 7–8:30 PM, Bryan Park, 1001 S. Henderson Street (Rain Location: Auditorium, Main Library)

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[Dia de los Muertos/Day of the Dead](#)

The Day of the Dead is a tradition that celebrates life and death. Stop by to make Mexican decorative crafts, or to draw or print photos of loved ones who have passed. Crafts include colorful papel picado banners, marigold flowers, matchbox shrines, and painted skulls. All ages. Thursday, October 31, Noon–3 PM, Program Room 2B, Main Library

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