



THE LIBRARY

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October 2026 Newsletter

THU **OCT 1**

10:00 AM **Petal Family Story Time**
PETAL

2:00 PM **Theatre Thursday: Supergirl (2026)**
HATTIESBURG

ABOUT THIS PROGRAM

An interstellar adventure following Kara Zor-El on a journey of vengeance and justice. Admission is free, and refreshments will be served.

THU **OCT 8**

10:00 AM **Petal Family Story Time with Forrest Health**
PETAL

2:00 PM **Theatre Thursday: Disclosure Day**
HATTIESBURG

ABOUT THIS PROGRAM

A science-fiction thriller about a cybersecurity expert who uncovers classified secrets and is forced to flee a powerful corporation. Refreshments will be included.

SAT **OCT 3**

10:00 AM **Baby Craft: Tiny Toes Pumpkin Art**
HATTIESBURG

FRI **OCT 9**

10:00 AM **Kids Movie Matinee**
HATTIESBURG

MON **OCT 5**

4:00 PM **Kids Movie Night**
HATTIESBURG

6:00 PM **How to Start Your Own Business**
HATTIESBURG

ABOUT THIS PROGRAM

Ready to start or grow a business? Representatives from the Mississippi Better Business Bureau, Downtown Hattiesburg Association, and Regions Bank will cover business plans, credit, common pitfalls, and local resources. Light refreshments will be served.

TUE **OCT 13**

5:30 PM **Banned Book Club: Carrie by Stephen King**
HATTIESBURG

ABOUT THIS PROGRAM

Get into the Halloween spirit with Stephen King's Carrie, the unforgettable story of an isolated teenager whose secret telekinetic powers erupt after a devastating act of cruelty.

TUE **OCT 6**

10:00 AM **Baby Story Time**
HATTIESBURG

WED **OCT 14**

10:00 AM **Hattiesburg Family Story Time with the Chick-fil-A Cow**
HATTIESBURG

WED **OCT 7**

10:00 AM **Hattiesburg Family Story Time**
HATTIESBURG

3:00 PM **Junk Journaling Club**
HATTIESBURG

THU **OCT 15**

10:00 AM **Petal Family Story Time**
PETAL

2:00 PM **Theatre Thursday: The Sheep Detectives**
HATTIESBURG

ABOUT THIS PROGRAM

A clever 2026 mystery about a flock of sheep attempting to solve the murder of their shepherd. Admission is free, and refreshments will be served.

MON OCT 19

3:30 PM
HATTIESBURG

Hub City Garden Club: Story and Craft

ABOUT THIS PROGRAM

The Library and the Hub City Garden Club will read a story and create fall-themed bookmarks.

6:00 PM
HATTIESBURG

Monday Night Book Club: In Cold Blood

ABOUT THIS PROGRAM

For a chilling dose of real-life horror, join us for Truman Capote's *In Cold Blood*, a groundbreaking true-crime classic about the brutal murder of a Kansas family and the unsettling events that followed.

TUE OCT 20

10:00 AM
HATTIESBURG

Baby Story Time

4:30 PM
PETAL

Petal Book Club: And Then There Were None

ABOUT THIS PROGRAM

Discuss Agatha Christie's suspenseful classic. Ten strangers arrive on an isolated island, but their mysterious host is missing - and each guest has been marked for murder.

WED OCT 21

10:00 AM
HATTIESBURG

Hattiesburg Family Story Time

THU OCT 22

10:00 AM
PETAL

Petal Family Story Time

2:00 PM
HATTIESBURG

Theatre Thursday: Beetlejuice

ABOUT THIS PROGRAM

Celebrate the spooky season with a free showing of *Beetlejuice* (1988). When a deceased couple needs help removing the unbearable new occupants of their home, they summon a mischievous spirit whose methods quickly spiral out of control. Refreshments will be served.

SAT OCT 24

10:00 AM-NOON
HATTIESBURG

Halloween at the Library

ABOUT THIS PROGRAM

Wear your favorite costume for trick-or-treating around the library! Collect candy, play games, enjoy interactive activities, and bring the whole family for a frightfully good time.

MON OCT 26

11:30 AM
HATTIESBURG

Board of Trustees Meeting

TUE OCT 27

5:00 PM
HATTIESBURG

Pokemon Club

ABOUT THIS PROGRAM

Calling all Pokemon fans! Play the card game, trade cards, complete activities, and meet other fans. Open to children and teens.

WED OCT 28

10:00 AM
HATTIESBURG

Hattiesburg Family Story Time

12:00 PM
HATTIESBURG

Noon Book Club: Cursed Daughters

ABOUT THIS PROGRAM

Discuss Oyinkan Braithwaite's sharply funny, moving novel about family history, superstition, inherited trauma, and one woman's attempt to break a generations-old curse. Copies are available at the Circulation Desk; new members are welcome, and snacks will be provided.

THU OCT 29

10:00 AM
PETAL

Petal Family Story Time

2:00 PM
HATTIESBURG

Theatre Thursday: Practical Magic

ABOUT THIS PROGRAM

Enjoy the beloved supernatural romance *Practical Magic* (1998). Two sisters raised by eccentric aunts must confront prejudice, dark magic, and a family curse threatening their chances of lasting love. Refreshments will be served.

