

A Warm Welcome



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library



**Warm Welcome Programme -
Tuesday 27th January to Friday 28th March 2025**

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Warm Welcome spaces are a great place to enjoy a hot drink, meet new people, and try something new.

As part of our Warm Welcome Programme we are offering a range of activities across our Libraries over the winter months.

For eight weeks, there will be an activity at the same time and day at your local Library/Warm Welcome location. All sessions are free of charge. However you will be asked to complete an enrolment form on the day to be able to take part in the activity. Please come at the beginning of the session.

Please contact your local centre to book your place. You are welcome to attend as many sessions as you would like.



Art Inspired by Nature

Have you wanted to have a go at art but not sure where to start? Get creative - try a variety of different processes and techniques. No previous experience is needed. All resources will be provided.

Venue: New Parks Library

321 Aikman Avenue, LE3 9PW. Tel: 0116 454 0370

Time: 1 – 3 pm

Week	Dates	Session Title
1	Mon 27 Jan	Pebble Art Painting
2	Mon 3rd Feb	Draw & Sketch - Spring Flowers
3	Mon 10 Feb	Watercolour Painting
4	Mon 24 Feb	Still Life
5	Mon 3 Mar	Collage
6	Mon 10 Mar	Decoupage
7	Mon 17 Mar	Oil Painting
8	Mon 24 Mar	Printing



Sustainable Crafts

Create a variety of colourful and seasonal item(s) each week using recycled materials. No previous craft experience is needed. All resources are provided.

Venue: Beaumont Leys Library

Beaumont Way, Beaumont Leys, Leicester LE4 1DS. Tel: 0116 454 3270

Time: 10 am – 12 noon

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Venue: Pork Pie Library

Southfields Drive (Pork Pie Island) LE2 6QS. Tel: 0116 454 0410.

Time: 1 – 3 pm

Week	Dates	Session Title
1	Tues 28 Jan	Printed Card Making
2	Tues 4 Feb	Colourful Picture Frames
3	Tues 11 Feb	Handwarmer
4	Tues 25 Feb	Macrame Plant Holder
5	Tues 4 Mar	Bug Hotel
6	Tues 11 Mar	Spring Chicken
7	Tues 18 Mar	Wall Hanging
8	Tues 25 Mar	Stained Glass Plant Stakes

Venue: Belgrave Neighbourhood Centre

Rothley Street, LE4 6LF. Tel: 0116 222 1004

Time: 10 am – 12 noon

Week	Dates	Session Title
1	Thurs 30 Jan	Printed Card Making
2	Thurs 6 Feb	Colourful Picture Frames
3	Thurs 13 Feb	Handwarmer
4	Thurs 27 Feb	Macrame Plant Holder
5	Thurs 6 Mar	Bug Hotel
6	Thurs 13 Mar	Spring Chicken
7	Thurs 20 Mar	Wall Hanging
8	Thurs 27 Mar	Stained Glass Plant Stakes



Exploring Local History

Learn interesting things that you may not know about Leicester. Each interactive session will feature a light touch discussion of a key period of history of the city. This course is suitable for people with some interest but little knowledge, as the tutor will be covering the basics.

Venue: BRITE Centre

130 Braunstone Avenue, LE3 1LE. Tel: 0116 454 0280

Time: 12.30 pm - 2.30 pm

Week	Dates	Session Title
1	Tues 28 Jan	Creation of Leicester (Celts, Romans, Anglo-Saxons, Danes) 47 – 1065
2	Tues 4 Feb	Medieval Leicester 1066 – 1499
3	Tues 11 Feb	Tudor Leicester 1500 - 1603
4	Tues 25 Feb	Early Modern Leicester 1604 - 1829
5	Tues 4 Mar	Early Victorian Leicester 1830 - 1860
6	Tues 11 Mar	Late Victorian & Edwardian Leicester 1861 - 1910
7	Tues 18 Mar	Leicester during the Wars 1911 - 1948
8	Tues 25 Mar	Modern Leicester 1949 – 2020s



Sew to Save

Develop your sewing skills, learn how to transform recycled materials into something new using a range of different techniques. You will learn how to use a sewing machine safely.

Venue: St Barnabus Library

2 French Road LE5 4HA. 0116 454 3250

Time: 10 am – 12 noon

Week	Dates	Session Title
1	Wed 26 Feb	Make your own draft excluder
2	Wed 5 Mar	How to use a sewing machine safely
3	Wed 12 Mar	Shorten sleeves/trousers
4	Wed 19 Mar	Simple hacks to repair clothes
5	Wed 26 Mar	Exploring Japanese Boro style

Make a Draft Excluder

Time: 10 am – 12 noon

Wed 29 Jan at BRITE Centre, 130 Braunstone Ave LE3 1LE, 0116 454 02800

Wed 5 Feb at Tudor Centre, Bewcastle Grove LE4 2JW, 0116 221 177

Wed 12 Feb at Belgrave Library, 39 Cossington St LE4 6JD, 0116 454 0400

Mindfulness

Venue: Central Library

Bishop Street, LE1 6AA. Tel: 0116 454 0290

Time: 12.30 – 2.30 pm

Learn ways to improve wellbeing through using mindfulness techniques, gentle chair based exercises, stretching and meditation.

Week	Dates	Session Title
1	Thurs 30 Jan	Introduction
2	Thurs 6 Feb	Mindful breathing
3	Thurs 13 Feb	Mindful movement
4	Thurs 27 Feb	Tips for reducing stress in daily life
5	Thurs 6 Mar	Appreciating the natural world
6	Thurs 13 Mar	Mindful eating
7	Thurs 20 Mar	Gratitude
8	Thurs 27 Mar	Mindful creativity



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