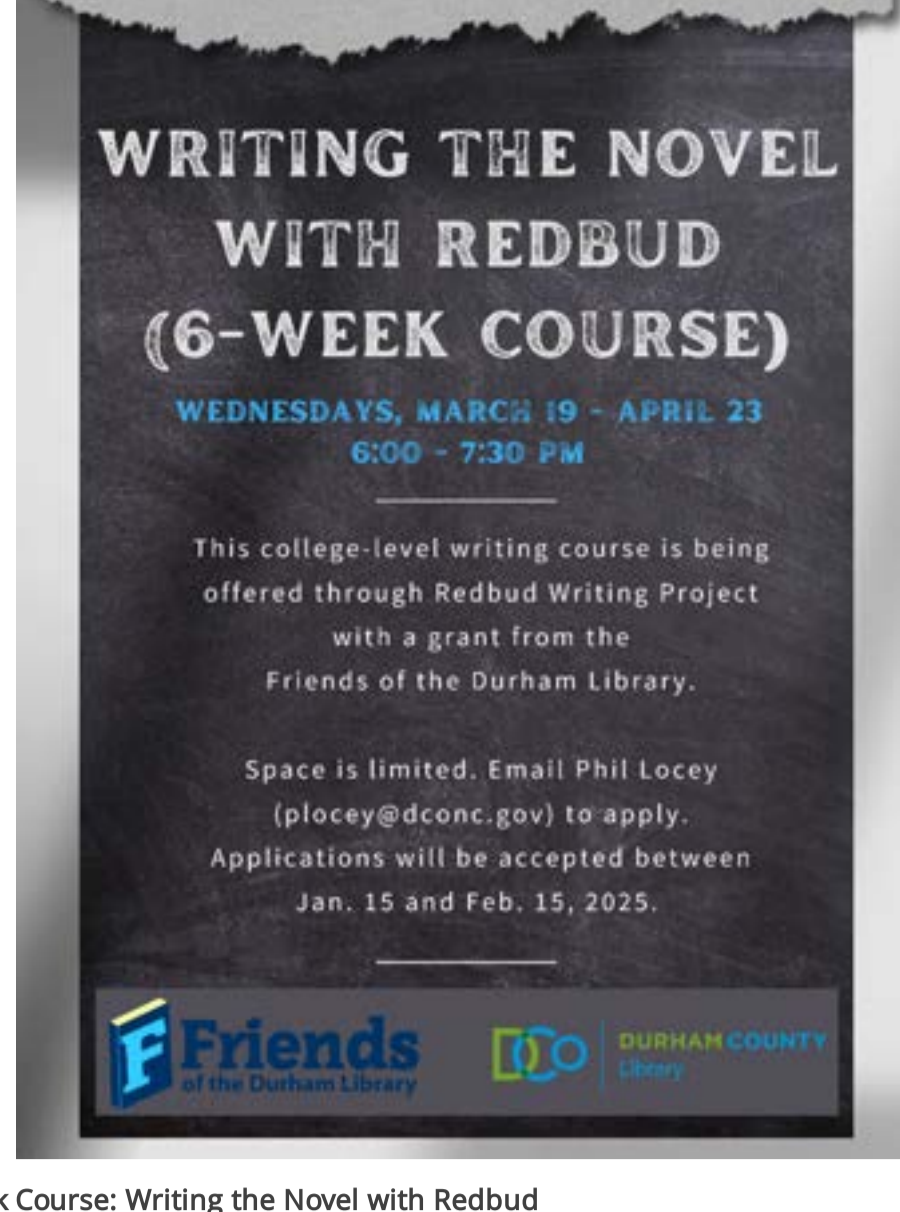




Below is just a selection of our adult programs. For our full listing of programs, please view our events calendar.

#### FEATURED PROGRAM

### Six-Week Course: Writing the Novel with Redbud



Six-Week Course: Writing the Novel with Redbud  
Accepting Applications: January 15 - February 14  
Wednesday, March 19 - April 24

[East Regional Library](#)  
[Application Required](#)

Durham County Library is hosting a 6-week college-level course on writing a novel, taught by Redbud Writing Project. In-person instruction will take place on Wednesday evenings for six weeks, though there will be additional coursework to be completed on your own time (readings and writing exercises). Space is strictly limited, so those interested will need to apply for a spot.

Applications should include a one-page fiction writing sample (excerpts from previously written stories are fine) and an acknowledgement that you are able to attend all six meetings and complete additional coursework as assigned by the instructor. If you have scheduling conflicts, please leave spots open for others who are interested. Applications will be accepted between Wednesday, January 15 and Friday, February 14, 2025. Students will receive notification of their acceptance by end of day on Tuesday, February 18.

Please send submissions (with writing sample attached) via email to [plocey@dcconc.gov](mailto:plocey@dcconc.gov), with the subject heading "Novel Writing Course Application."

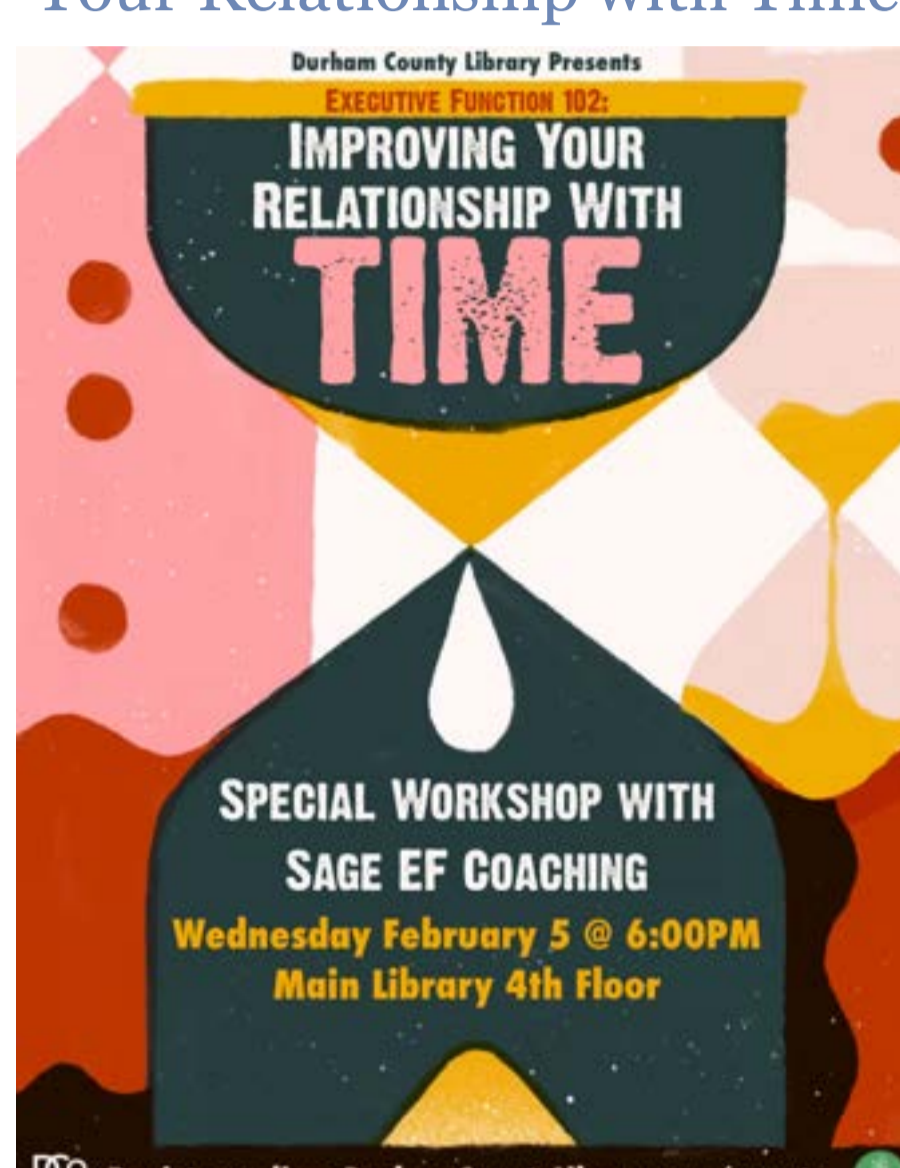
This course offering is made possible by a generous grant from the [Friends of the Durham Library](#).

Contact: Phil Locey, [plocey@dcconc.gov](mailto:plocey@dcconc.gov)

[Further Information on Redbud Writing Course](#)

#### FEATURED PROGRAM

### Executive Function 102: Improving Your Relationship with Time



Executive Function 102: Improving Your Relationship with Time  
Wednesday, February 5, 6 - 7:30 p.m.

[Main Library](#)  
[Registration Required](#)

Join Kate Behrenshausen, Executive Function Coach and owner of Sage EF Coaching, for the next session in our series on executive function!

In this session, we'll work to improve your relationship with time. Kate will give a quick review of executive function, then get into time management and procrastination. What is the neuroscience behind it? What are complicating factors? We'll talk about these types of struggles in daily life, and how to employ mindset shifts, strategies, self-coaching methods, resources to move past them.

Join us for our biweekly Adult Study Hall, also led by Kate, and use some executive function tricks to increase your productivity!

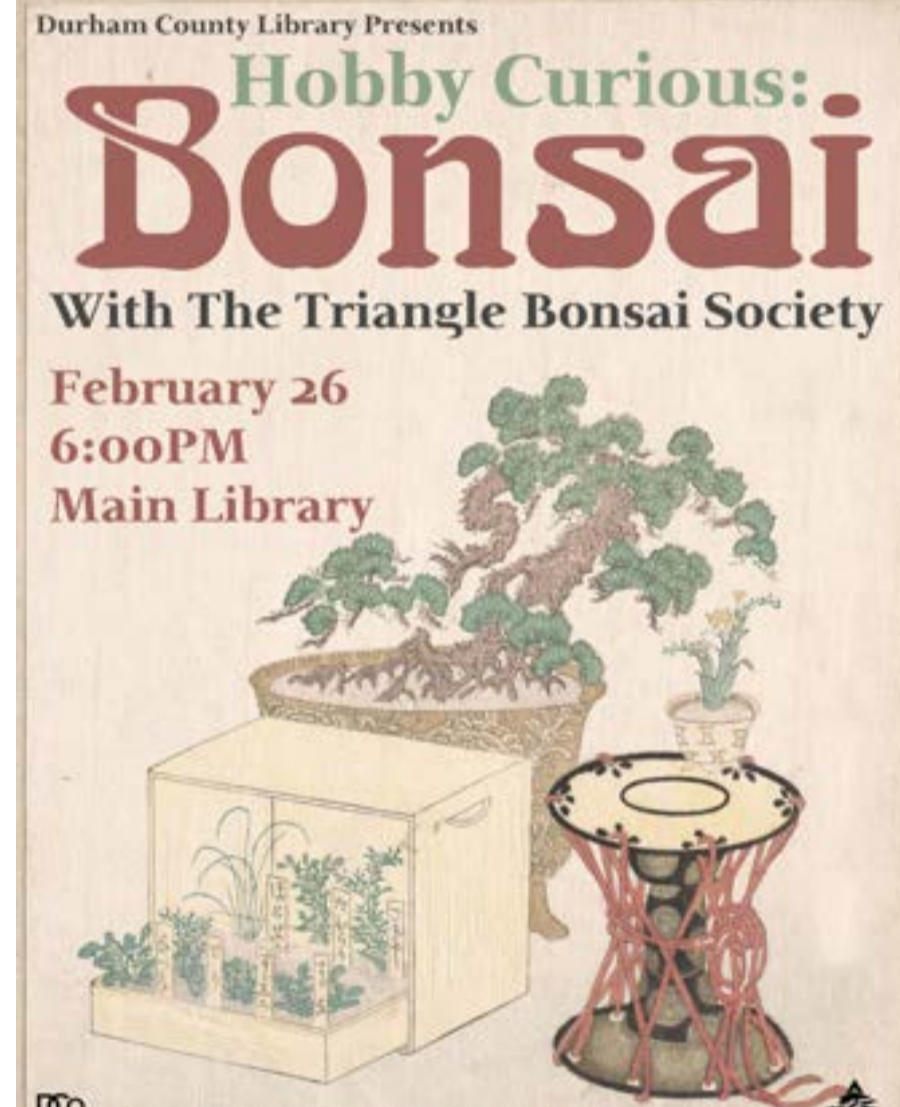
Many thanks to the Durham Library Foundation for their support of this series.

Contact: Jana Bradley, [jbradley@dcconc.gov](mailto:jbradley@dcconc.gov)

[Register for Executive Function 102](#)

#### FEATURED PROGRAM

### Hobby Curious: Bonsai



Hobby Curious: Bonsai  
Wednesday, February 26, 6 - 7 p.m.

[Main Library](#)  
[Registration Required](#)

Hobby Curious is a new series from Durham County Library showcasing different hobbies and how to get started in them. If you're in search of a hobby but don't know where to begin, you can learn the basics, what you need to get started, and how to get plugged in with fellow local hobbyists.

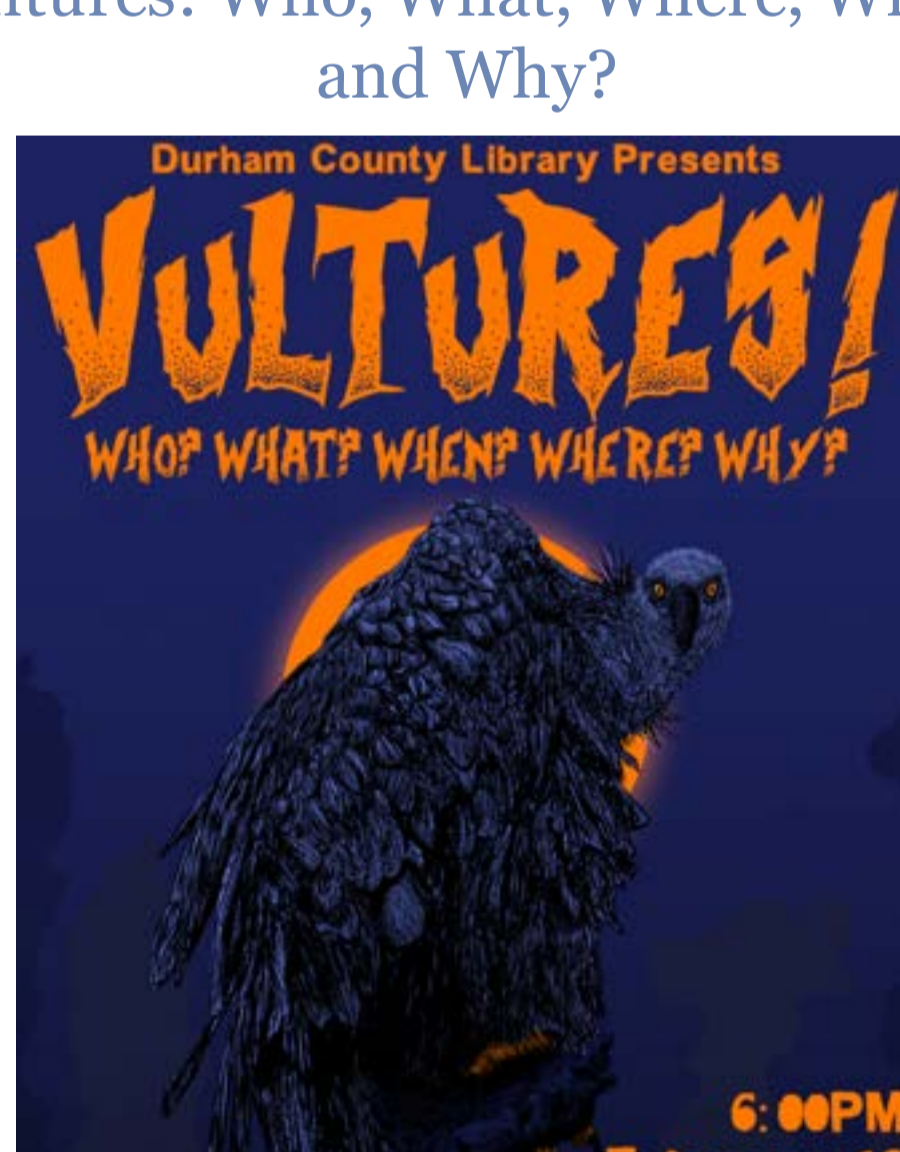
This month we will be joined by Steven Zeisel, president of the Triangle Bonsai Society who will explain the history and practice of the art of bonsai and what you need to begin your own bonsai journey. A selection of bonsai will be on hand for demonstration and appreciation.

Contact: Larkin Coffey, [lcoffey@dcconc.gov](mailto:lcoffey@dcconc.gov)

[Register for Hobby Curious: Bonsai](#)

#### FEATURED PROGRAM

### Vultures: Who, What, Where, When, and Why?



Vultures: Who, What, Where, When, and Why?  
Wednesday, February 12, 6 - 7 p.m.

[Main Library](#)  
[Registration Required](#)

Why do vultures have bare heads? What do the terms kettle, committee, and wake mean when referring to groups of vultures? Do vultures feed exclusively on carrion? When can you see vultures? Who uses vultures to locate natural gas pipeline leaks? What was the 1918 United States law protecting vultures?

Join Kyra Thurow Bartow, President of the Environmental Educators of North Carolina, to learn more about these backyard buzzards!

Contact: Megan Koslowsky, [mkoslowsky@dcconc.gov](mailto:mkoslowsky@dcconc.gov)

[Register for Vultures](#)

#### FEATURED PROGRAM

### Let's Learn Together: How to Play the Ukelele



Let's Learn Together: How to Play the Ukulele  
Wednesday, February 26 - March 26, 6 - 7:30 p.m.

[North Regional Library](#)  
[Registration Required](#)

Join us for a five-part series as we learn to use Great Courses by following along with the How to Play the Ukulele class. We will learn how to access Great Courses and sign up for the lesson so that participants may rewatch a lesson from home, if they want to.

On Feb 26, we will watch lessons 1 through 4, to learn about the ukulele, several new chords, and some strumming techniques.

Contact: Desiree Peterson, [djpeterson@dcconc.gov](mailto:djpeterson@dcconc.gov)

[Register for Ukelele Course](#)

#### Check out these other events for adults!

Click the links below to for more info.

[Small Business Assistance Office Hours](#)  
Tuesdays through March, Noon - 4 p.m.  
Main Library

[Adult Study Hall](#)  
Tuesday, February 4 & 18, 10 - 11:30 a.m.  
Main Library

[Black Barbie: A Documentary](#)  
Wednesday, February 12, 6 - 7:45 p.m.  
South Regional Library

[Hummingbird Gardens](#)  
Saturday, February 15, 10 - 11 a.m.  
Main Library

[Home Fundamentals](#)  
Monday, February 24, 6 - 7:30 p.m.  
Main Library

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