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Rock Island, IL: The Rock Island Library is offering a number of free events to keep children, teens and even adults occupied during the Rock Island/Milan schools intersession break in October.

Parents or caregivers can sign their children up for several free workshops from Oct. 10 to 17:

Art with Gloria Pop-up Book Workshop: **Wednesday, October 10**, **1:00 pm to 3:30 pm**, Rock Island Main Library, 401 19th Street. Participants will make a pop-up book in this workshop for children in 3rd
through 8th
grades. This workshop is sponsored by a donation from Artists Unlimited, and is taught by art instructor Gloria Burlingame.

Tech Tools: Animoto Workshop: **Thursday, Oct. 11**. Children in 3rd grades and up may sign up for either the **3:30 to**
5:00 pm
or the
6:00 pm to 7:30 pm
workshop in the Rock Island Main Library Community Room, 401 19th Street. Participants will create professional videos using their own pictures, video clips and music. Images, music and video should be brought in on a portable flash drive.

Magic Workshops with Rick Eugene. Participants have a choice of two dates and locations: **Tu esday, Oct. 16**
at
6:30 pm
, in the Rock Island Main Library Community Room, 401 19th Street or
Wednesday, Oct. 17
at
6:30 pm
, in the Rock Island Southwest Branch Community Room, 9010 Ridgewood Road. Children from second grades on up will learn how to do magic tricks with professional magician Rick Eugene
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To register for any of the above events, call the Rock Island Library Children's Department at 309-732-7360
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In other events during intersession, the Children's Department will offer day and evening storytimes, a free Friday movie, a weekday Lego time and a Saturday Lego time and science "STEMtiviity" event:

- **Evening Storytimes:** 6:00 pm, Oct. 8 at the Rock Island 30/31 Branch, 3059 30th Street, and Oct. 15 at the Southwest Branch;

- **Morning Storytimes:** 10:30 am, Oct. 9 at 30/31 Branch; Friday, Oct. 12 at the Main Library;
- **Friday Fest Family Movie**, 1:00 pm, Friday, Oct. 12, Main Library;
- **Wednesday Lego Time**: 4:00 pm, Oct. 17 at the 30/31 Branch;
- **Saturday Lego Time**: 10:30 am, Southwest Branch
- **Saturday "STEMtivity:"** 11:30 am, Southwest Branch. Why do things float? Explore this topic with a fun, hands-on project around concepts in STEM (science, technology, engineering or math.)

In events for other ages, the library's Young Adult Department will offer **Teen Trivia** from 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm on
Oct. 9
at the Rock Island Southwest Branch. On Oct. 18, the library will celebrate the Teen Read Week theme of "It came from the library!" with a free
murder mystery party
for ages 12 to 18. The murder mystery party is from 5:30 to 7:00 pm at the Rock Island Main Library, and features chances to play a murder mystery game, enjoy snacks, and win prizes. Teen Read Week dares teens to "read for the fun of it," from Oct. 14-20, 2012.

And in events for adults during the first part of October, the library will host the **Knit for Peace** group at 6:00 pm on Oct. 9 at the Main Library, offer a
demo on downloading free eBooks
from OverDrive at 6:00 pm on Oct. 10 at the Southwest Branch, hold a "
Technology Basics"
product showcase with tips on what to look for when buying tablets, eReaders, and cell phones at 1:30 pm on Tuesday, Oct. 16 at the Main Library, and present a
computer genealogy
workshop at 6:00 pm on Wednesday, Oct. 17, also at the Main Library. No registration is

required for any of these free events for adults.

For more information on the 35 events offered for all ages at the Rock Island Library in October, visit the library calendar at www.rockislandlandlibrary , call 309-732-7323 (READ), sign up for an email newsletter, or follow the library on Facebook and Twitter.

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