Hello!  
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With special guest, Brandi Rozelle of Waterloo!
Beg... For Help & Donations!
- Build partnerships! (#1 tip)
- Solicit volunteers and donations

BORROW...Supplies!
- Borrow tools or other non-consumable products from friends, family, and patrons
- Borrow from local businesses and then promote them

STEAL...Great Ideas!
- EVERYTHING IS AVAILABLE ON THE INTERNET!!!
- Network with member libraries
- Follow libraries on social media
Be careful what you wish for!

Huge donation to Waterloo from a patron!
Tips & Tricks

- Determine your target audience
- Get to know your community
- Poll your patrons
- You don’t have to be an expert!
- Build partnerships: [Programming Librarian Article](#)
- Use available resources
- Ask for donations for projects
- Passive programming at the desk
- Apply for a grant
- Get board approval
- [Adult Engagement Calendars from DEMCO](#)
Ideas That Work

- Genealogy Club
- Craft Club
- Knitting Group
- Tech Time
- Computer Classes
- Book Club
- Adulting 101
- Visit a nursing home
- Cooking Classes
- Gaming Tournaments
- Cell Phone Photography
- Fitness Classes
- Job Help
- Movie Showings
- Gardening or Plant Swap
- Writing Club
- Paint & Sip
- Social Media How-To
- Trivia Night or Jeopardy
- Spelling Bee
- Intergenerational Programs
- Speed Dating

& SO MUCH MORE!

It's about what makes your community special, use your strengths!
More Suggestions

- Book Folding/Book Origami
- Mahjong
- Read It! Watch It!
- Classic Movie Series
- Blackout Poetry
- Greeting Card Class
- Ornament Class
- Cake/Cookie Decorating
- Puzzle Club
- Paleo Diet or special diet resources
- Fluid Art
- Hand Lettering
More Suggestions

- Library Karaoke/Idol
- Music Recording Sessions
- Library Concert or Listening Parties
- Makey Makey Music
- Music Book Club
- Personalized Music Picks
- Music & Art Journaling
- Music Swap
- Musical Instrument Petting Zoo
- Music Trivia Night
- Local Music History Program
Print/Multimedia Resources

- 5-Star Programming and Services for 55+ A20510968994
- A Year of Programs for Millennials A20519404353
- Adult Learners Welcome Here A20513797716
- Adult Programs in the Library A20516718892
- Adults Just Wanna Have Fun A20518815365
- iPads in the Library A20516718973
- Librarians as Community Partners A20515278441 or A20516718779
- Make It Here A20518546437
- Partnering with Purpose A20512158579
- Programming for Adults A20512156852
- Serving Seniors A20512917761
- Successful Community Outreach A20517342424
- The Reading America Toolkit A20513798673
- Adult Crafting Program Box A20519404468
- Felting Program Box A20519091150
- Knitting/Crochet Program Box A20519091613
- Book Club Kits
Online Resources

Programming Ideas
- [www.5minlib.com/2016/08/50-popular-programming-for-adults.html](http://www.5minlib.com/2016/08/50-popular-programming-for-adults.html)
- [www.ala.org/advocacy/advleg/publicawareness/campaign@yourlibrary/prtools/sampleprogramming](http://www.ala.org/advocacy/advleg/publicawareness/campaign@yourlibrary/prtools/sampleprogramming)
- [www.ala.org/ascla/resources/101ideasserving](http://www.ala.org/ascla/resources/101ideasserving)
- [https://communitygarden.org/resources/](https://communitygarden.org/resources/)
- [https://goo.gl/cQPvzZ](https://goo.gl/cQPvzZ)
- [http://ideas.demco.com/tag/adult-programming/](http://ideas.demco.com/tag/adult-programming/)
- [http://programminglibrarian.org/](http://programminglibrarian.org/) → Click on Browse Ideas and make your selections!
- [http://publiclibrariesonline.org/tag/senior-programming/](http://publiclibrariesonline.org/tag/senior-programming/)

Webinars
- [https://arsl.info/](https://arsl.info/) → Click on Conference, then Previous Conferences, to see slides and handouts!
Table Talks

Table 1: Book Origami or Origami Book Marks
Table 2: Adult Coloring or Zentangle
Table 3: Paint Sample Crafts

Rules:
- 3-4 people per table
- 20 minutes at each station
- Discuss your adult programming ideas
- Try to make it to all stations
- Have fun!

Visit www.pinterest.com/flls/adult-crafting/ for more crafting ideas!
Your Ideas...

- Lock-In or Escape Rooms (Talk to Ovid!)
- Monarch Butterfly Release (Talk to NEVA!)
- Planting milkweed for Butterflies
- Bonsai Gardening (see Ovid’s Instagram)
Thanks!

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