



**Stanislaus County Library**

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### **Modesto Library to offer a Jane Austen themed escape room**

*Teens and adults can try their hands at “Escaping Jane” this month*

The Modesto Library, in partnership with the Becoming Jane Austen Book Club and Modesto JaneCon, will host a special Jane Austen themed escape room on Thursday, Nov. 14 at 5 and 6:30 p.m. The event will be the first in a series of upcoming programs at the library designed to help build excitement for the Jane Austen themed convention (JaneCon) taking place in downtown Modesto on Jan. 11 and 12, 2020.

There will be two escape room sessions; the 5 p.m. session is designed exclusively for ages 13 to 18, while the 6:30 p.m. session is intended for ages 18 and up. In each session, participants will be given the same escape room scenario: to test the security of a Jane Austen exhibit by escaping from the “museum” before getting caught by security.

“An escape room is a great way to enjoy the world of Jane Austen because it’s fun for Austen fans and novices alike,” said Laura Ferrell, Marketing and Outreach Coordinator for the Stanislaus County Library. “Regardless of your familiarity with Austen’s history and stories, the puzzles themselves can be solved by anyone and may inspire participants to read her works and learn more about her life.”

There are still spots available for the 5 p.m. session. Registration is required, as space is limited. The event will be held downstairs in Modesto Library conference room, located at 1500 I St. Free parking is available in the parking lot behind the library and on surrounding streets. For more information about the Jane Austen escape room, please contact the library’s Children’s and Teen Services Department at 209-558-7810.

Information about regularly occurring programs can be found at [www.stanislauslibrary.org](http://www.stanislauslibrary.org), under the “Events and Classes” tab.

#### **About the Stanislaus County Library**

The Stanislaus County Library engages all members of the community and offers access to information, knowledge, and the tools for innovation and personal development. With 13 locations throughout the county, the Library offers free access to a diverse collection of materials, computer access and Wi-Fi, Story Times, programming for all ages, and more. To learn more about the Library’s wide array of programs and services, visit [www.stanislauslibrary.org](http://www.stanislauslibrary.org).

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