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11th annual *How-To Festival* returns to the Main Library Saturday, May 11, 10 a.m.–3 p.m.

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (April 25, 2024) – As Louisville gears up for 150th running of the Kentucky Derby, the Louisville Free Public Library is busy laying the finishing touches on the 11th annual *How-To Festival*. Taking place on the second Saturday in May, the Library’s *How-To Festival* has become an annual tradition for thousands of Louisvillians looking for something entertaining, interactive, and educational to do after Derby is over. The *How-To Festival* offers attendees the chance to learn how-to-do more than 50 different things in five hours, all for free!

Want to learn how to grow bananas? Make delicious gluten-free cookies? Keep bees in your backyard? Play the violin? These are just a sampling of the free, interactive learning experiences offered by local experts and small businesses at the *How-To Festival*. “How-to” sessions last approximately 45 minutes and cover a range of activities—from business to fitness to gardening.

This year’s festival is a mix of past favorites—how to practice self-defense, grow delicious tomatoes, or do basic car maintenance—along with new lessons, such as how to weave a rug, create cheesecake in a jar, and break up with your smart phone. Kid-friendly activities include how to paint with diamonds, make shadow puppets, or create a friendship bracelet. And thanks to the ongoing partnership with the Louisville Urban Agriculture Coalition, *How-To* will feature twenty gardening sessions presented by Urban Ag member groups, including how to raise urban livestock, identify poisonous plants, grow mushrooms, and more.

The *How-To Festival* takes place on **Saturday, May 11, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Main Library**, 301 York Street. Sessions will be located in more than twenty areas throughout the building and surrounding grounds, transforming the entire library into a giant classroom. Food trucks will be available.

For more information, including the tentative schedule of how-to sessions, visit [LFPPL.org/how-to](https://www.lfppl.org/how-to).