



Preview

Summer Reading Programs begin June 1!
Outdoor programs at RecPlex.
Flashback with Sound Opinions.

Stay Connected



We welcome you to the library!
Stay connected and informed with any changes to our library operations. We post updates on our website, online calendar, and social media.

Program Registration

We offer in-person and virtual events, plus activities outdoors at area parks. Registration is required using the online calendar or by contacting the library. Program format and location will be indicated within the online calendar when registering.

Our programs may change at any time, including format and location. Check online and your email for any updates in library operations and guidance.

Please watch our social media channels for pop-up events.



Guests of all ages enjoyed the library's rendition of the Candy Land® game during Winter Reading. Starting June 1, we launch new discoveries for Summer Reading — your adventure awaits!



e-Newsletter Sign Up

Be in the know! Sign up for our e-newsletter for up-to-date programs, readers' advisory ideas, program videos, resources, and more.

Follow Us!

Our social media channels continue to bring more news to you, plus programming updates and videos.

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JUNE 1 - AUGUST 15



SUMMER READING

Embark on a journey with summer reading

and let your curiosity bring you beyond the beaten path. Visit the Main Library, South Branch or use Beanstack online to sign up and get started, then track your reading and check in for prizes. Your adventure awaits! Visit www.mppl.org/SummerReading for more information.



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South Branch Events

1711 W. Algonquin Road, Mount Prospect, IL 60056
847-590-4090

Most of our programs at South Branch are presented in English and Spanish. | La mayoría de nuestros programas en la Extensión del Sur se presentarán en inglés y español.

Homemade Body Scrubs |

Exfoliantes caseros para el cuerpo

• FOR ADULTS

Wednesday, June 15, 5 p.m.

Join us to make a homemade body scrub using simple ingredients. The library will supply all materials and recipes to take home.

Play & Learn | Jugar y Aprender

• FOR CHILDREN AGES 2-5 WITH AN ADULT

Tuesdays in May and June
11:30 a.m.

Join us for a bilingual English/Spanish storytime, music, crafts, and play-based learning.

Teen Volunteering

• FOR TEENS ENTERING GRADES 6-12

Mondays, May 9

and June 13, 5 p.m.

Spring Bingo | Bingo de primavera

• FOR ALL AGES

Wednesday, May 25, 6 p.m.

Outdoor at RecPlex



These outdoor programs will be held at the RecPlex, 420 Dempster, near the West entrance. *Thank you to the Mount Prospect Park District for the use of their space.*

Make a Carp Streamer |

Haz una bandera de pez carpa

• FOR CHILDREN ENTERING GRADES K-3

Thursday, May 5, 5:30 p.m.

Celebrate Japanese Children's Day by making a Koinobori, a decorative carp-shaped streamer.

Dig for Fossils | Excavar fósiles

• FOR CHILDREN ENTERING GRADES 2-5

Saturday, May 14, 12 p.m.

Become a paleontologist by digging, finding, and identifying real fossils!

Animal Adaptations |

Adaptaciones de animales

• FOR FAMILIES

Thursday, June 9, 5 p.m.

Learn fascinating facts about the animals that live around us! An expert from the River Trail Nature Center will show how local animals use their fur, feathers, or shells to survive the wilderness of Illinois.

Build Your Own Bingo |

Haz tu propio bingo

• FOR FAMILIES

Wednesday, June 29, 5 p.m.

Make your own bingo boards to take home.



• FOR FAMILIES

Enjoy a movie night at the library!

Paddington (PG)

Friday, May 20, 5 p.m.

Clifford the Big Red Dog (PG)

Friday, June 24, 5 p.m.

Teen Events • FOR GRADES 6-12 •

Exam Cram Study Lounge

Monday, May 23-Thursday,
May 26, 3-9 p.m.

Find a place to study and prep for finals. Pick up an exam cram kit with de-stressing activities and study supplies at the Fiction/AV/Teen services desk, while supplies last.



Craft Programs

Infinity Fidget Cubes

Wednesday, May 11, 4:30 p.m.

Washi Tape Frames

Wednesday, June 8, 4 p.m.

Pride Bracelets

Tuesday, June 14, 3 p.m.

Teen Book Café



Fridays, May 13 and June 10,
4:30 p.m.

Join us as we share new books and recommend our favorites. Plus, participants can take home a free book!

Coffee House Recipes

Thursday, June 23, 6 p.m.

Love stopping by coffee spots for specialty drinks? Learn to make delicious treats yourself!

Graphic Novel Book Club

Monday, June 27, 2 p.m.

Snack Science: S'mores Oven

Wednesday, June 29, 3 p.m.

Think Tank

Teen

Wednesdays, 5 p.m.

- May 25
- June 22

Teen Volunteering

Main Library

- Fridays, May 20 and June 17, 5 p.m.

South Branch

- Mondays, May 9 and June 13, 5 p.m.



Thursday, May 19, 7 p.m.

Meet Comic Artists Hannah Templer and The Kao

Interested in writing and drawing for webcomics and print comic books?

Meet comics artists and writers Hannah Templer and The Kao (Vincent Kao), as they talk about writing and drawing for webcomics and print and learn about their road to publication.

FOR TEENS
AND ADULTS

Registration required. Program format or location may change, visit mppl.org for updates.

Youth Events



SUMMER READING KICKOFF

CircEsteem

Come one, come all, to a spectacular start of the Summer Reading Program! Join us for a performance from CircEsteem, Chicago's social circus. The performers will dazzle and delight with acts including juggling, clowning, and other amazing feats. Prepare to be amazed! *This program will be held at the Lions Park Bandshell.*

Saturday, June 4, 11 a.m.

Star Wars Day

- FOR GRADES 5-6

Wednesday, May 4, 4:30 p.m.
Celebrate all things Star Wars in your own galaxy! Join us for games and activities. And remember, as Yoda says, "Do. Or do not. There is no try."

Stuffed Animal Sleepover Pajama Storytime

- FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES AND FAMILIES

Thursday, June 2, 6:30 p.m.
What better way to get ready for bed than with your favorite stuffed animal and wonderful

books and rhymes? At the end of the night, you can leave your toy with us so it can have an adventure, sleeping over at the library!

Who Would Win?

- FOR CHILDREN ENTERING GRADES K-2

Tuesday, June 7, 4:30 p.m.
Do you love animals, facts, and ultimate showdowns? Join us to play fun games and activities all about the series *Who Would Win?* by Jerry Pallotta.

STEAM in the Library: Hands-on Building

- FOR CHILDREN ENTERING GRADES 3-5

Wednesday, June 15, 4:30 p.m.

- FOR CHILDREN ENTERING GRADES K-2

Wednesday, June 22, 4:30 p.m.

Learn about construction and building and then engineer your own creation. We will have a building challenge with household items to see what we can create!

Pride Family Celebration

- FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES AND FAMILIES

Saturday, June 18, 11 a.m.

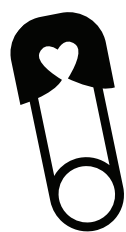
Get decked out in rainbow colors for a celebration of LGBTQ+ Pride. Participate in crafts, fun activities, and dancing as we celebrate love, acceptance, and being who you are. All welcome.

Naturally Curious

- FOR CHILDREN ENTERING GRADES 3-5

Tuesday, June 21, 4 p.m.

Calling all artists! Come join us as we read about nature and make an art project with materials found in nature.



Oh Mama!

Meet other new and expecting parents with doula Tia Wenté as you prepare for your growing family.

Your Postpartum Plan

Thursday, May 12, 6:30 p.m.

Breastfeeding 101

Thursday, June 9, 6:30 p.m.



New Dial-a-Story Selections

847-232-8600

Monday, May 2

Monday, June 6

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Find Comics Plus at mppl.org/e-library. Let us know your favorites at communications@mppl.org.

Pocket Park Activities

Sensory Storytime

- FOR AGES 7 AND YOUNGER WITH FAMILIES

Saturday, May 7, 11 a.m.

Join us for interactive stories, music, and engaging activities designed for children of all abilities with Loren Goodman of Prospect Music Therapy.

Science Storytime

- FOR AGES 3 AND UP WITH FAMILIES

Wednesday, May 11, 10 a.m.

Get caught up in the breeze at the Pocket Park! We will read stories, do action rhymes, and learn about the science behind wind.

Dig for Fossils

- FOR GRADES 2-5

Wednesday, May 11, 4:30 p.m.

Become a paleontologist by digging, finding, and identifying real fossils!

Family Storytime

- FOR AGES 6 AND YOUNGER WITH FAMILIES

Tuesdays in June, 10:30 a.m.

Together With Baby Storytime

- FOR CHILDREN 0-23 MONTHS WITH AN ADULT

Wednesday, June 8, 15, 22, 29,
9:30 a.m.

Evening Storytime

- FOR ALL AGES AND THEIR FAMILIES

Thursday, June 23, 7 p.m.

Storytimes

Family Storytime

- FOR AGES 6 AND YOUNGER WITH FAMILIES

Mondays in June,
10:30 a.m.

Mini Movers Storytime

- FOR TODDLERS, PRESCHOOLERS, AND FAMILIES (VIRTUAL)

Tuesdays, May 3, 10, 17,
and June 14, 21, 28,
6 p.m.

Together with Baby Storytime

- FOR CHILDREN 0-23 MONTHS WITH AN ADULT

Friday, June 10,
17, and 24,
11 a.m.



Adult Events

Tenant Rights Legal Update

Monday, May 9, 6 p.m.

Hear from the North Suburban Legal Aid Clinic about tenant rights, the eviction process, and available rental assistance programs.

A Tale of Two Zip Codes

Wednesday, May 11, 7 p.m.

Did you know that when it comes to health, your zip code matters more than your genetic code? In Chicago, where you live determines opportunities and access for good health and quality of life. Co-founder and CEO-Finance Laurell Sims of Urban Growers Collective will discuss how a Black- and women-led farm and educational non-profit addresses the inequities and structural racism that exist in food systems and communities of color.

Not Quite: Asian Americans and the “Other” in the Era of the Pandemic and the Uprising

Thursday, May 12, 7 p.m.

Dr. Ada Cheng, a professor-turned storyteller, brings her performance to the library to explore the meanings of home(land), racial profiling and the image of the perpetual foreigner, and anti-Asian racism during the pandemic.

Lighthouses of Michigan

Tuesday, May 17, 7 p.m.

When you think of lighthouses, do you mostly think of the East or West Coasts? Did you know that Michigan has the most lighthouses? This illustrated lecture focuses on the history and stories of Michigan lighthouses that have guided ships to safe harbors for more than a century.

The Underground Railroad in Northeastern Illinois

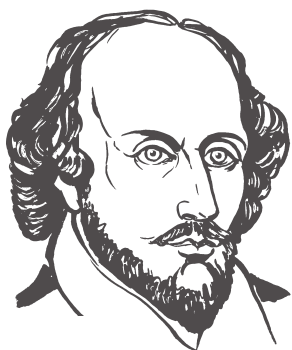
Monday, May 23, 7 p.m.

In the decades before the American Civil War, freedom seekers fleeing slavery moved to Illinois and the Chicago region using the networks of the Underground Railroad. This program tells the stories of these freedom seekers and the range of their encounters with white and Black abolitionists during their journey.

The Magic of Thrifting

Thursday, June 2, 7 p.m.

Patricia Smolin is a lifelong thrifter, encouraging others to explore treasures at local thrift stores, consignment shops, estate and garage sales, and reputable online forums. Learn tips of the trade to save money and score unique and vintage finds or add spice to your wardrobe and furnishings.



50-Minute Outdoor Hamlet

Monday, June 27, 7 p.m.

Pack a picnic as The Shakespeare Project of Chicago presents “50-Minute Hamlet” on the Centennial Green in front of Village Hall. With just two actors – one who plays Hamlet and another who plays every other character in the play – “50-Minute Hamlet” contains many of The Bard’s most famous lines and speeches while retaining the play’s pathos and passion. ***This outdoor program will be held on the Centennial Green.***



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Movies @ MPPL

West Side Story

(2021; PG-13)

Thursday, May 12, 2 p.m.

Death on the Nile

(2022; PG-13)

Thursday, June 9,
2 p.m.

Spring Fabric Wreath Craft

Monday, May 2, 7 p.m.

Career Coach at the Library

• AVAILABLE IN ENGLISH AND SPANISH

Tuesdays, May 3, 17 and

Thursday, May 26,

7 p.m. OR 7:30 p.m.

SCORE Mentoring

Wednesdays, May 4, 18 and

June 1, 15, 4-7 p.m.

Night Off? Game On!

Mondays, May 16 and June 20,

7 p.m.

Learning Online at mppl.org

Tuesday, May 24, 2 p.m.

Lawyers at the Library: Your Legal Help Desk

Wednesdays, May 25 and June

29, 6:30-7 p.m. OR 7-7:30 p.m.

OR 7:30-8 p.m.

Celebrate Comics

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Scavenger Hunt:

All Things Comics

Free Comic Book Day

Saturday, May 7

What's Spinning on Hoopla

Nostalgic for a time when you listened to an entire music album instead of streaming a single track? Hoopla Digital has more than 300,000 full albums available for free with your library card. Hoopla's New Music Friday makes it easy to explore the latest artists and albums, and the best part: You can access Hoopla from anywhere! Check out up to 10 albums a month and stream hours of music to your computer or mobile device.

For more information on Hoopla, visit mppl.org/e-library.

Music Scene

Technology Programs

Free and Useful Programs on the Internet

Monday, May 16, 10 a.m.

Cutting the Cord: Getting the Most Out of Streaming Services

Thursday, May 19, 6 p.m.

Buying a 3-D Printer

Tuesday, May 24, 6 p.m.

iCloud® Basics

Tuesday, June 7, 10 a.m.

Windows 11 Clinic

Thursday, June 16, 10 a.m.

Computer Buying Basics

Tuesday, June 21, 10 a.m.

Open Tech Lab

Tuesday, May 31, 2-4 p.m.

Tuesday, June 28, 2-4 p.m.

Book Discussions

Let's Talk Books!

Tuesdays, May 10, 24 and
June 28, 7 p.m.

Let's Talk: Favorite Pride Reads

Tuesday, June 14, 7 p.m.

Book Chat

Monday, May 9, 7 p.m.

The Holdout by Graham Moore

Monday, June 13, 7 p.m.

Stay with Me

by Ayò bámi Adébáyò

Books with Friends

Wednesday, May 18, 7:30 p.m.

Rules for Visiting

by Jessica Francis Kane

Wednesday, June 15, 7:30 p.m.

The Four Winds

by Kristin Hannah

Completely Booked at Pocket Park

• for readers in their 20s and 30s

Tuesday, June 21, 6 p.m.

One Last Stop

by Casey McQuiston



Illinois Libraries Present



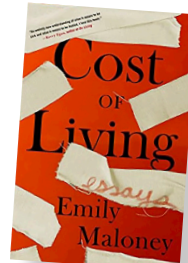
An Evening with Michelle Zauner *Crying in H Mart*

Wednesday, May 18, 7 p.m.



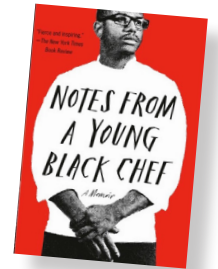
An Evening with Jessamine Chan and Emily Maloney *The School for Good Mothers* *Cost of Living*

Wednesday, May 25, 7 p.m.



An Evening with Chef Kwame Onwuachi *Notes From a Young Black Chef*

Wednesday,
June 22, 7 p.m.



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Spotlight On...



Library Holds

Getting ready for summer? Whether planning a road trip or a staycation at home, add this quick reminder to your to-do list: library holds.

Excited about a new book or a blockbuster movie? Be in the know and get in the queue. Use "My Account" online or the MPPL app to place a hold so you receive it when it returns to the library. This is one of the most popular ways patrons get in line to receive materials as soon as they are available.

However, this is not the only way to use the holds feature.

You can also suspend holds, so you do not "lose" your requested item or your place in line when out of town or when unable to visit the library for an extended period. You can also decide to cancel a hold request altogether.

View holds and your place in the queue anytime with the MPPL app or by accessing your account online.

Questions? Library staff are happy to help you place hold requests in-person, by phone, or help with the app.

Tips for the Lazy Gardener

Monday, June 6, 7 p.m.

Cindy Tyley, owner of Carriage House Garden Design, will share useful ways to save time, energy, and money while gardening throughout the year. This program is cosponsored with The Garden Club of Mount Prospect.

Name Change 101

Wednesday, June 8, 7 p.m.

Join the Transformative Justice Law Project of Illinois and learn the criteria and procedures for making a legal name change in Illinois. We will go over how to prepare for a legal name change, what to expect with the process, and an overview of updating identity documents, including gender markers.

Soaring With the Birds

Thursday, June 9, 7 p.m.

We will identify popular backyard birds, their unique behaviors, and their calls. Presented by Alyse from The Wildbird Shack in Mount Prospect.

From Uptown Girls to Downton Abbey: How American Gilded Age Heiresses Invaded the British Aristocracy

Tuesday, June 21, 6:30 p.m.

Join Anglophile and former

U.K. resident Claire Evans as she recounts the tales of some of the famously loaded young Americans who infused bank accounts of many stately homes, including close relatives of Winston Churchill and Princess Diana.

Student Loans: Big Changes Ahead

Wednesday, June 22, 6:30 p.m.

Hear from financial educator Karen Chan on what to expect and how to prepare for the suspension of payments for federal student loans.

Mount Prospect Stories: Rolling Out the Red Carpet at Randhurst

Wednesday, June 22, 2 p.m.

From Chicago-based stars like Oprah to national icons like RFK, Randhurst Shopping Center has hosted plenty of celebrities over its 60-year history. Join Mount

Prospect Historical Society Director Emily Dattilo as she looks back on some of these famous visitors.



Sound Opinions: It Was 50 Years Ago Today

Thursday, June 23, 7 p.m.

Renowned Sound Opinions music critics Jim DeRogatis and Greg Kot will examine enduring masterpiece albums from 1972 and follow their threads into the present. This program is presented in collaboration with multiple Illinois area libraries.



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