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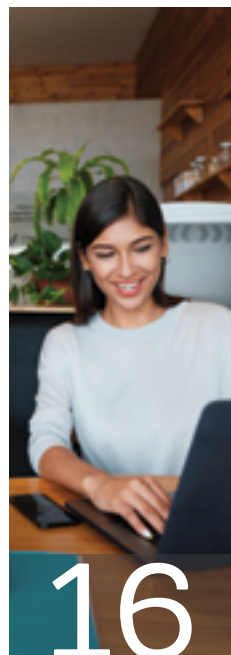
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New! Media Match Jr.

Over the winter, we debuted Media Match, Elmhurst Public Library's new and modern way to provide a classic Library service of reading recommendations. Until now, this service was only for middle school, high school teens, and adults. It has proved popular and we are building upon its momentum.

We're happy to announce Media Match Jr., a similar service for the youngest members of our community!

Both services start with online questionnaires that begin the custom suggestions process. Based on your likes and dislikes—and for children, their reading levels—we pair you with one of our expert selectors to find your next item to read, watch, or listen to. We look forward to sharing our staff's knowledge base and our tremendous collection in a novel way (pun intended).

elmlib.org/mediamatch



Something for Everyone

Get the inside scoop on your Library with EPL's bi-weekly email.

elmlib.org/email

ADA Accommodations are available.
For details, call (630) 279-8696 or email reference@elmlib.org.

Photo Policy

Visitors may be photographed. These photos are for Library use and may be published in Library publicity materials. Notify staff if you do not wish to be photographed.

How Do You Attend Online Programs?

For more information, view the program calendar at elmlib.org/athome.

- **YouTube:** No registration required, just visit elmlib.org/youtube to watch the video.
- **Zoom:** Register at elmlib.org/athome or call us to receive an email and link to the live video.
Note: Not online? Call us to learn how you can listen to Zoom programs via phone.
- **Minecraft, Discord, or Challenge:** Register at elmlib.org/athome to receive the information to join.

YOUR LIBRARY ACCOUNT

NEW! Get a Library Card Online

Elmhurst residents can sign up for a temporary digital-only account. Once you pick up your physical card from the Library, it is good for as long as you live at the same address.

elmlib.org/card

Auto-Renewals

Eligible items checked out on your account renew automatically up to two times. Items requested by another person cannot be renewed.

elmlib.org/loanrules

Set Up Your PIN

Access your Library account, use databases, and check out eMaterials. Never used your PIN before? The default is the last four digits of your phone number.

elmlib.org/pin

Text Alerts

Get notices for hold pickup and due dates on your mobile device. Text SIGNUP to (833) 201-7760 or visit elmlib.org/textalerts

Turn On Your Reading History

Track all the items you check out with your Library card. Just log in to your account through the Library catalog and "opt in." Your reading history begins at that moment. *Note: Does not include digital titles.*

elmlib.org/readinghistory

Freeze Holds

Keep your spot in the queue and don't miss your book pick-up while you're on vacation!

elmlib.org/freeze

Pay Fines

Pay online with a credit/debit card. \$2 minimum.

elmlib.org/fines

Suggest a Purchase

See an item you want? Simply complete an online form. We make every effort to obtain the item for you, and will contact you when your item arrives.

elmlib.org/suggest

You're busy. Save time. Visit us online.

Access your Library account at elmlib.org/account



LIBRARY OF EXTRAORDINARY THINGS



CD + CASSETTE BOOMBOX

Play your classic mix tapes or CDs.

elmlib.org/tunes



LAUNCHPAD

Try a Launchpad pre-loaded with educational games for all ages.

elmlib.org/launchpad



GOPRO

Capture your memories on video and film with a compact and waterproof GoPro camera.

elmlib.org/gopro



VHS-TO-DIGITAL CONVERTER

Convert VHS tapes directly to digital files that can be viewed on your computer, tablet, and smartphone.

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PROJECTOR

Convert your home into a movie theater with a screen as big as your wall.

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SONY BLU-RAY + DVD PLAYER

Watch some old favorites with these new machines.

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TURNTABLE

Break out your vintage records or borrow ours.

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Don't lose your cool (or your heat). Test for air leaks around your home.

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COMMUNITY CONNECTION



March Book Madness

March 1-31 • All Ages

Fill out your bracket and then cast your vote each week for the best items the Library has to offer.

New this year: Divisional categories! Competing for the top five spots are:

■ Kids' Picture Books ■ Middle + High School ■ Adult Titles ■ Kids' Graphic Novels ■ Library of Extraordinary Things

No registration required. Cast your vote online at elmlib.org/tournament.



Kids' Virtual Art Show

Accepting Entries Now! • Grades K-8

Grand opening: Monday, May 3 • All Ages

Be part of the Kids' Library's art show by submitting an image of your original art. Images will be shared on our website throughout the month of May. Enter at elmlib.org/kidsartshow.

Growing a Better World

PoeTree Project

Entries accepted April 1-16 • All Ages

Share a piece of original poetry on the theme "Growing a Better World" for display in the Library and online. We encourage poems from all ages of kids and adults. We'll share the full forest of poems in late April. Submit your poem at elmlib.org/tree.

Tree Giveaway

Saturday, April 17 • 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Wednesday, April 21 • 5:30-7 p.m.

Celebrate Earth Day and add some more green to your world with a free sapling. Trees are provided in partnership with the Chicago Region Trees Initiative. Limit 1 per family. No registration required. More info at elmlib.org/community.



Spring Family Bingo

Mondays, April 5-26

Get bingo to earn a spring surprise! Send us a picture of your completed bingo card or drop it off at EPL to be entered into the weekly prize drawing. Download a new card each Monday. No registration required. More info at elmlib.org/bingo.

Get Ready for St. Patrick's Day*

Available starting Thursday, March 11
Families

Get ready for your own family-sized parade with this kit full o' fun! @Home Kits are available for pickup at the Drive-up starting March 11, while supplies last.
No registration required.

Tiny Musicians

Families (best for 1-5)

Learn about musical instruments, how they work, how they sound, and make your own music too! **No registration required:**
View at elmlib.org/youtube.

■ Piano

Available starting Friday, March 19

■ Strings

Available starting Friday, April 16

■ Winds

Available starting Friday, May 14

Explore Volunteering!

Tuesday, March 16 • 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Live on Zoom • Families

Volunteering provides many benefits to both mental and physical health. Volunteering helps counteract the effects of stress, anger, and anxiety. Join us for a presentation by Giving DuPage explaining the benefits, as well as how to find the perfect fit for your volunteering spirit. **Live on Zoom:**
Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Outdoor Explore*

Share cool activities, rhymes, and books about science and nature, perfect for your preschool naturalist at home. @Home Kits are available for pickup at the Drive-up starting on the dates below, while supplies last. **No registration required:**
View at elmlib.org/youtube.

■ Light and Shadow

Available starting Thursday, March 18

■ Flower Power

Available starting Thursday, May 20

Holi: Hindu Festival of Colors

Available starting Friday, March 26

Families

Learn about the Hindu festival of Holi and enjoy a dance celebration by local dance group Meher Dance Troupe.

No registration required:

View at elmlib.org/youtube.

Bunny Hop Family

Dance Party*

Saturday, April 3 • 10-10:30 a.m.

Live on Zoom • Families

Come dance with us! We spin some of our favorite tunes while you and your family dance along. @Home Kits are available for pickup at the Drive-up starting April 1, while supplies last.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Kids Travel & Create: Ghana*

Available starting Thursday, April 15
Families

Learn about this fascinating country in Africa, and create a craft to remember your "travels." @Home Kits are available for pickup at the Drive-up starting on April 15, while supplies last. **No registration required:**
View at elmlib.org/youtube.

Family Minecraft: Super Contest Night

Tuesday, May 18 • 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Live on Minecraft and Discord • Families

Meet on the EPL Minecraft server and Discord voice chat for a night of exciting Minecraft speed contests. **Live on Minecraft and Discord: Register at elmlib.org/athome.**

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Adventure + discovery await at elmlib.org/adventure



Created as part of an Eagle Scout service project, Adventure Backpacks offer guidance and tools to explore the outdoors. These materials provide people of all ages a jumping-off point to spark curiosity about nature.

Themes to explore include:



Animals



Aquatics



Elmhurst History



Geocaching



Rocks + Minerals



Plants

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Four-Leaf Clover Boutonnieres



Fairy Gardens with Littles



The Wilton Method: Three Ways to Ice a Cake



Sew a Bow Tie

The Technical / Vocational Education Pathway to a Great Career

Wednesday, March 3 • 7-8 p.m.

Live on Zoom • Grades 9-12 and Parents

Are you looking for a great-paying job that doesn't require a four-year degree? Want to get into a fast-growing industry? A technical or vocational pathway may be the right fit for you. Learn more about these in-demand careers and the education/training needed to enter those fields. Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

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Live on Zoom • High School Parents

Students that go off to college no longer have the accountability, structure, or outright help that they once had. This is especially true for students with ADHD. Learn how to help prepare your child for success in college. Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Parenting Book Discussion

When the World Feels Like a Scary Place:

Essential Conversations for Anxious Parents and Worried Kids
by Abigail Gewirtz

Thursday, April 8 • 7:30-8:30 p.m. • Live on Zoom • Parents

Learn how to use the most basic tool at your disposal—conversation—to give children real help in dealing with worries, stress, and other negative emotions caused by problems in the world, from COVID-19 to active shooter drills to climate change. But it's not just *how* to talk to your kids, it's also *what* to say. Included in the book are age-appropriate conversation scripts, talking points, prompts, and insightful asides centered around issues.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Plan Your College Visits

Monday, April 12 • 7-8 p.m.

Live on Zoom • Grades 9-12 and Parents

Visiting a college campus is an integral part of the college application process. Get tips on how to get the most out of your online or in-person college visit while also helping to increase your college admissions chances. Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Dealing with Change and Uncertainty for Parents and Teens

Monday, May 10 • 7:30-8:30 p.m.

Live on Zoom • Adults + Grades 9-12

Parents are faced with helping their children and teens manage all the changes, challenges, and losses brought on by this unique time. Learn how parents can take care of themselves while offering stability and support to their kids. Presented with Zen Parenting and the Elmhurst Commission on Youth.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Little Wiggles Storytime

Every Tuesday • 9:30-9:50 a.m.

Live on Zoom • Families (best for 1-5)

Our stories, nursery rhymes, and music keep little ones gleefully engaged.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Fun for 3s, 4s, and 5s

Every Thursday • 9:30-9:50 a.m.

Live on Zoom • Ages 3-5

Pick up pre-reading skills at this storytime. Enjoy tales packed with rhyme and vocabulary, storytelling, and lively musical activities.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Songs and Stories

Every Saturday • 11:15-11:35 a.m.

Live on Zoom • Families (best for 1-5)

Enjoy music, movement, songs, and stories just right for little ones. See friends, sing, and clap along.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Bilingual Storytime

Families (best for 1-5)

Enjoy presenters from Language Labs as they introduce a new language with stories and songs.

No registration required:

View at elmlib.org/anytime.

■ **Mandarin & English**

Available starting Friday, April 2

■ **Polish & English**

Available starting Friday, May 7

Zoom in Your Jammies Storytime

Thursday, May 13 • 6:15-6:45 p.m.

Live on Zoom • Families (best for 1-5)

Enjoy a round of stories and songs with your Library friends before bedtime.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.



ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Common Connection: Kids' Virtual Art Show Accepting Entries Now! Grand opening: Monday, May 3 Grades K-8

Be part of the Kids' Library's art show by submitting an image of your original art. Images will be shared on our website throughout the month of May. Enter at elmlib.org/kidsartshow.

Meet Author/Illustrator Don Tate Monday, March 8 • 6:30-7:15 p.m. Live on Zoom • Grades K-8

Swish! Whoosh! Don Tate is the illustrator behind these two awesome books and more. Illustrator of more than 80 children's books and author of many award-winning picture books, Don Tate is a lively and engaging presenter. Meet him online, hear about his life and work, and ask him your questions!

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Basic Keyboarding Skills Wednesday, March 10 • 4:30-5 p.m. Live on Zoom • Grades 2-5

Learn the basics of keyboarding using TypingClub's online software. Register at elmlib.org/athome and get the link to a video class. Watch it first, then attend the live Zoom session for Q&A.

Kids' Online Chess Sundays, March 21, April 18, and May 16 3-4 p.m. • Live on Zoom • Grades K-8

Chessmaster Jeff DiOrio teaches winning strategies to improve your game. Players must know all of the basic rules to join.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Online LEGO Club Tuesday, March 30 and Friday, April 23 4-4:30 p.m. • Live on Zoom • K-Grade 3

Pour out your LEGO bin at home, and join us on Zoom for some exciting LEGO building challenges. See your friends, accept the challenge, and share what you create at home with your own LEGOs.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Celebrate Día! YouTube Reviews for Diverse Books Available starting Friday, April 30 and May 28 Grades 1-5

Kick off a year of Día (Diversity in Action) by reading more books featuring kids from many backgrounds. On the day of the program, we share suggestions for new titles to read. Choose your favorites, then get started on making your own book review!

No registration required.

■ See the latest Día suggestions and reviews at elmlib.org/youtube.

Science Makers: Sprout House* Available starting Thursday, May 6 Grades K-8

Watch things grow with this STEM activity! @Home Kits are available for pickup at the Drive-up starting May 6, while supplies last.

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Coming Attractions

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Minecraft Mondays

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Live on Minecraft + Discord • Grades 6-12

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Live on Minecraft and Discord:

Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Middle School Challenge: From Goop to Bouncy Ball*

**Available starting Thursday, March 4
Grades 6-8**

Learn how to make your own bouncy ball. @Home Kits are available for pickup at the Drive-up starting March 4, while supplies last. **No registration required:**

View at elmlib.org/youtube.

Drawing Comics with Gene Ha

Saturday, March 13 • 1-2:30 p.m.

Live on Zoom • Grades 6-12

Award-winning comics illustrator and graphic novelist Gene Ha is back for another popular drawing program! He is an artist for *Alan Moore's Top 10*, its prequel *The Forty-Niners*, and other comics for both DC and Marvel. This four-time Eisner Award winner and creator of the graphic novel series *Mae* shows you how to draw comics and graphic novels.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Teen Job & Volunteer Fair

Tuesday March 16 • 3:30-6 p.m.

Live online • Grades 6-12

Learn about both volunteer and paid work opportunities from local organizations. **No registration required. Get connected to the Fair at elmlib.org/athome.**

Comic Chat and Snack

Friday, March 26 • 3:30-6 p.m.

Live on Zoom • Grades 6-8

Read the graphic novel *Beedle and the Hollowbones* by Aliza Layne beforehand and then join us for a discussion while we eat our favorite snacks. Magic-themed recipes will be shared by email prior to the class.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Race to the Finish

Starts Friday, April 9 • Grades 6-8

Brainstorm your way through a series of STEM-related puzzles as fast as you can to be the first to finish the race and earn a prize. You have up to one week to solve all the clues. **Register at elmlib.org/athome.**

Middle School Challenge: Painting with Slime*

**Available starting Thursday, April 29
Grades 6-8**

Learn how to make slime and paint with it. @Home Kits are available for pickup at the Drive-up starting April 29, while supplies last.

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Catapult Creation*

**Available starting Thursday, May 13
Grades 6-8**

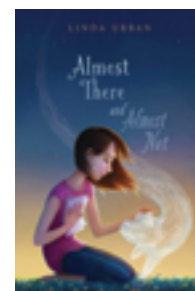
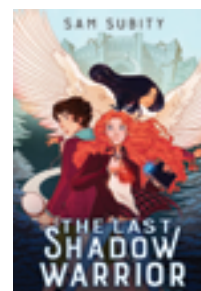
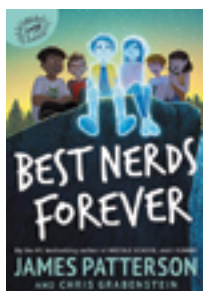
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Take and Make Crafts*

Grades 9-12

Let your creativity run wild and come up with something fun! **No registration required:** View at elmlib.org/youtube.

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Available starting Monday, March 1

■ **Mason Jar Vase**

Available starting Monday, April 5

■ **Star Wars**

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Teen Advisors

Every Wednesday • 6:30-7 p.m.

Live on Discord • Grades 8-12

Help plan programs for teens at the Library, voice your opinion, and make new friends.

Live on Discord:

Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Smash Bros. Tournament

Every Wednesday • 7-8:30 p.m.

Live on Challonge and Discord • Grades 9-12

Join us for an evening of fun competing in a Smash Bros. tournament against other teens via Switch. Spectators welcome!

Live on Challonge and Discord:

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Cram for Exams Virtually

May 2021 • Grades 9-12

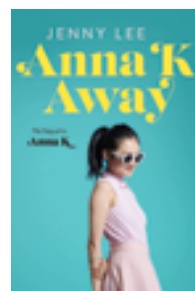
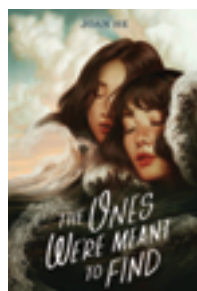
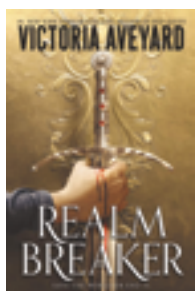
It's time to crack open the books with EPL! Virtual Meeting Rooms are available for you and your classmates to review the semester's work so you can ace those finals. Why book one of our rooms? You can meet with several people for up to four hours during regular Library hours. **Book your Virtual Meeting Room up to one month ahead at elmlib.org/virtual.**

Also check out: Career programs, including resume writing and interview tips, on page 16.



Coming Attractions

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New Skill Saturdays

Every Other Saturday • All Ages

Learning to master a basic skill might launch you in a new and exciting direction. Plus, it'll impress your friends and family.

View the playlist at elmlib.org/nss.

How to Use Canva to Create an Invitation

**Available starting Saturday, March 6
Adults + Grades 9-12**

Canva is an online design tool which can be used to create invitations, posters, social media posts, documents, and so much more! Learn how to use templates to create an invitation for your next event!

No registration required:

View at elmlib.org/youtube.

Building a Resume

Monday, March 22 • 10-11 a.m.

Live on Zoom • Adults + Grades 9-12

Get a start on your resume. Learn formatting and other techniques using Word to create a sleek, attractive resume.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Cricut Design Space

Wednesday, March 24 • 6:30-8 p.m.

Live on Zoom • Adults + Grades 9-12

Cricut Design Space is the place to design and create projects for the Cricut cutting machine. Design t-shirts, paper crafts, mugs, and more. Live on Zoom:

Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Create a Budget with Excel

Friday, March 26 • 2-3 p.m.

Live on Zoom • Adults + Grades 9-12

Learn to use Excel formulas and functions to create a budget that works for you.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

GarageBand for Mac

Friday, April 9 • 2-3:30 p.m.

Live on Zoom • Adults + Grades 9-12

Get started using GarageBand. GarageBand is a creative application used for recording and creating audio projects with vocals, instruments, and loops.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Procreate for iPad

Wednesday, April 21 • 6:30-8 p.m.

Live on Zoom • Adults + Grades 9-12

Learn to use Procreate, a graphics and design creative application available for iPad.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Gardening Tech & Apps

Available starting Monday, April 26

Adults + Grades 9-12

Learn about technology and applications that can transform your current gardening techniques and experiences. **No registration required:** View at elmlib.org/youtube.

Applying for Jobs Online

Monday, April 26 • 10-11:30 a.m.

Live on Zoom • Adults + Grades 9-12

Learn how to upload resumes and cover letters, properly create personal accounts, and fill out applications.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

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Word Formatting

Wednesday, May 12 • 2-3 p.m.

Live on Zoom • Adults + Grades 9-12

Learn about different formatting options in Microsoft Word.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

iOS for iPhone & iPad

Friday, May 14 • 2-3 p.m.

Live on Zoom • Adults + Grades 9-12

Learn about the latest features included in iOS and iPadOS.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

3D Printing

Friday, May 28 • 10-11:30 a.m.

Live on Zoom • Adults + Grades 9-12

Learn about 3D Printing and options to design projects that can be submitted and printed using the Library's Makery.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

3D Printing Available

■ Details

8-hour print limit
Assorted colors

■ Cost

10¢ per gram,
with a \$1 minimum

■ Inspiration

Get design ideas
at elmlib.org/3D

■ Ready to Print?

Submit your
design at
elmlib.org/3D





Featured Event:

Craft Club

Tuesdays, March 9, April 13, and May 11
2-3:30 p.m. • Live on Zoom • Adults

Join us each month for friendly conversation as you work on the craft of your choice. All types of crafters are welcome, whether you're a needleworker, paper crafter, beader, painter, or you just want to color.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Tangling

Available starting Friday, March 12
Adults + Grades 9-12

Tangling is a popular form of doodling that's fun, relaxing, and produces creative results. No experience necessary!

No registration required:

View at elmlib.org/youtube.

Needle Felted Peeps*

Available starting Monday, March 22
Adults + Grades 9-12

Turn loose wool roving into an adorable sugar-free Easter icon. @Home Kits are available for pickup at the Drive-up starting March 22, while supplies last. **No registration required:** View at elmlib.org/kits.

Chic Yarn Feathers*

Available starting Monday, March 29
Adults + Grades 9-12

With minimal supplies, learn how to create a beautiful piece that could be used in many ways. @Home Kits are available for pickup at the Drive-up starting March 29, while supplies last. **No registration required:** View at elmlib.org/youtube.

Beaded Mask Chain*

Available starting Monday, April 12
Adults + Grades 9-12

Learn how to make a colorful beaded mask lanyard, to keep your mask out of your pocket or in your hands. @Home Kits are available for pickup at the Drive-up starting April 12, while supplies last. **No registration required:** View at elmlib.org/youtube.

Seed Paper Tags*

Available starting Monday, April 19
Adults + Grades 9-12

Use simple materials to produce an eco-craft just in time for Earth Day. @Home Kits are available for pickup at the Drive-up starting April 19, while supplies last. **No registration required:** View at elmlib.org/youtube.

Acrylic Painting with Karen Exiner*

Available starting Monday, May 3 • Adults

Learn to paint with acrylics like Monet, in the Impressionist style. Use acrylic techniques like color mixing, blending, layering, and paint strokes. *Note: If you already own acrylic paint, simply download the worksheets at elmlib.org/athome.* @Home Kits are available for pickup at the Drive-up starting May 3, while supplies last. **No registration required:** View at elmlib.org/youtube.

Craft Night from the Makery*

Available starting Monday, May 10 • Adults

Spend an evening crafting, courtesy of Makery staff. @Home Kits are available for pickup at the Drive-up starting May 10, while supplies last. **No registration required:**

View at elmlib.org/youtube.

Tissue Paper Tie-Dye*

Available starting Monday, May 17
Adults + Grades 9-12

The easy art of tie-dye crafting with less mess! @Home Kits are available for pickup at the Drive-up starting May 17, while supplies last. **No registration required:**

View at elmlib.org/youtube.

Nail Art

Friday, May 21 • 7:30-8:30 p.m.
Live on Zoom • Adults

Learn how to make stunning and unique designs on your nails! Discover how to use professional tools, then replicate those techniques using things around your house for easy DIY nail painting hacks.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Sticker by Number*

Available starting Monday, May 24

Create a beautiful mosaic-style work of art using stickers. @Home Kits are available for pickup at the Drive-up starting May 24, while supplies last. **No registration required.**

* @Home Kits

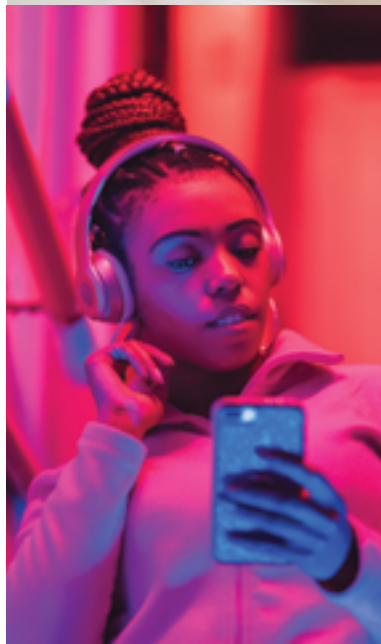
Enhance your program experience with @Home Kits which contain creative and educational materials. All Kits are available at the Drive-up, while supplies last. One kit per Library card.

More details at elmlib.org/kits

Note: Kits are not required to participate in these programs.

20 + 30 SOMETHINGS

Programs marked **20s/30s Adults** are limited to ages 18-40.



Connect • Engage • Thrive

Connect with others in the community, especially when changing jobs, moving to new cities, starting or ending relationships, and navigating all the challenges that come with adulthood.

Check out all your events at elmlib.org/20s30s.

I Love the 90s Party

Friday, March 5 • 7:30-9 p.m. • Live on Zoom • 20s/30s Adults

Let's party like it's 1999! Take a break from adulthood and relive your childhood. Join us for a craft, music challenge, trivia, and general nostalgia, all from the 90s! Download your party pack starting Feb. 26. **Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.**

Book Discussion

7-8:15 p.m. • Live on Zoom • 20s/30s Adults

Pick a book to read, then meet with the group to swap titles and share your favorites. Get title suggestions at elmlib.org/2030reads.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

■ Read a Classic! • Tuesday, March 9

Have you been putting off reading a particular classic book? Do you want to explore our literary heritage? Now's your chance!

■ Read a Mystery! • Friday, May 7

Do you like to solve puzzles and experience a bit of suspense while visiting interesting places? Can you guess whodunit?

Bad Art Night

Friday, March 19 • 7:30-8:30 p.m. • Live on Zoom • 20s/30s Adults

Let your creativity run wild and compete to make the worst art possible in this timed challenge. Pick up a bag of mystery supplies at the Drive-up starting March 15 or clean out the odds and ends of your craft closet. **Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.**

Art Therapy Night: @Home Edition

Friday, April 16 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Live on Zoom • 20s/30s Adults

Grab your adult coloring books, paintbrushes, or cross-stitch and spend some time unwinding with friendly conversation and your craft of choice. **Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.**

I Love the 00s Party!

Friday, May 14 • 7:30-9 p.m. • Live on Zoom • 20s/30s Adults

Embrace the nostalgia of the early 21st century with a craft, music challenge, and trivia. Download your party pack starting May 7. **Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.**

Nail Art

Friday, May 21 • 7:30-8:30 p.m. • Live on Zoom • Adults

Learn how to make stunning and unique designs on your nails! Discover how to use professional tools, then replicate those techniques using things around your house for easy DIY nail painting hacks. **Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.**



Writing a Resume and the Applicant Tracking System

Wednesday, March 3 • 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Live on Zoom • Adults + Grades 9-12

Are you starting a new job search because of layoffs or rejoining the workforce? Get tips on how to write a resume to best highlight your skills and accomplishments and learn about the applicant tracking system. Presented with Goodwill Workforce.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Yes You Can!

Negotiating the Job Offer

Monday, March 8 • 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Live on Zoom • Adults

Job seekers: get tips to negotiate the best wages and benefits based on your experience and learn about timing when receiving a job offer. Presented with People's Resource Center.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Business Librarian Cheryl Fortman can answer your job search and business-related questions or help with one-on-one research.

Contact her at (630) 279-8696 or Cheryl.Fortman@elmlib.org

Building a Resume

Monday, March 22 • 10-11 a.m.

Live on Zoom • Adults + Grades 9-12

Learn formatting and other techniques using Microsoft Word to create a sleek and attractive resume.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Why Am I Not Landing the Job Offer?

Wednesday, April 7 • 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Live on Zoom • Adults + Grades 9-12

Are you landing the interview but not the offer? Not sure what is meant by "good fit"? Many people are unaware of the blunders they are making in the job interview. Learn more about what recruiters are thinking about in the interview and how to better answer their questions. Presented with Goodwill Workforce. **Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.**

Resume vs the Robots: Beat the Applicant Tracking System

Monday, April 19 • 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Live on Zoom • Adults

When you submit an online job application, computers determine if you are a qualified candidate. Get tips on how to get your resume past the bots and into the hands of a human being. Presented with People's Resource Center.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Applying for Jobs Online

Monday, April 26 • 10-11:30 a.m.

Live on Zoom • Adults + Grades 9-12

Learn how to upload resumes and cover letters, properly create personal accounts, and fill out applications.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Selling Your Transferable Skills

Wednesday, May 5 • 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Live on Zoom • Adults + Grades 9-12

Transferable skills are the skills we acquire and transfer into each employment setting. The most commonly used transferable skills are communication, organizational, interpersonal, and leadership skills. This workshop is helpful for those trying to switch job industries, out of the workforce for several months, or someone with no employment history. Presented with Goodwill Workforce. **Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.**

Master the Phone and Video Interview

Monday, May 17 • 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Live on Zoom • Adults

Does the idea of a phone or video interview have you on edge? Identify an employer's main objective and learn what questions are commonly asked by potential employers. Develop preparation strategies to help you nail your next remote interview. Presented with People's Resource Center.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.



COMMON CONNECTION: EXPLORE

The Common Connection is a series of programs using lectures, discussion, and critical thinking to identify topics that influence the world today – no matter who we are. Coming together with the Library to learn and discuss these complex issues is the first step towards forging a deeper understanding of the world around us and the unique individuals who comprise our community.

This issue's topic is **Explore**.

The Library is the ultimate hub of new knowledge for an inquisitive mind. Ask questions and discover what it means to embrace new possibilities. Exploration opens doors. Let your curiosity guide you!

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GreenMan Theatre Presents:

Explore the World Through Stories

Available starting Tuesday, March 2 • Adults + Grades 6-12

Hear a collection of tales from around the world performed by the GreenMan Theatre storytellers.

No registration required: View at elmlib.org/youtube.

Latin & South American Cuisine

Tuesday, March 2 • 7:30-8:30 p.m. • Live on Zoom • Adults

Explore the wonderful regions of Latin and South America—without the jet lag! Chef Michael Maddox features a few of the countries and their individual cuisine through ingredients, culture, and cooking methods. He also illustrates some great tricks to make your dining experience at home a success.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Girl Led: Juliette Gordon Low and the Creation of the Girl Scouts

Wednesday, March 10 • 7-8 p.m.

Live on Zoom • Adults + Grades 9-12

An ardent believer in the potential of girls and the importance of fostering their individual growth, character, and self-sufficiency, Juliette Gordon Low established a global movement with the Girl Scouts. Learn about the socialite-turned-leader through a historical portrayal by Betsey Means. Presented with Elmhurst AAUW.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Culture Club: Mysterious Myanmar

Thursday, March 11 • 10:30-11:30 a.m. • Live on Zoom • Adults

Brian Michalski had no idea where Myanmar (formerly Burma) was before leaving on his 22-month solo backpacking journey around the world, but it ended up a surprise favorite. Learn about the country's natural beauty, history, creative cuisine, and generous locals, as well as regional safety and travel obstacles. Gain insider access to a country that has only recently opened its borders in this photo-rich adventure of a Southeast Asian gem.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Ciao Italia! Culture and Conversation

Mondays, March 15, April 19, and May 17

7-8 p.m. • Live on Zoom • Adults

Interested in the language and customs of Italy? Improve your Italian language skills (all skill levels welcome) while exploring a different Italian city each month.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Great Decisions

1:30-2:30 p.m. • Live on Zoom • Adults

Learn about critical issues facing America with professor Gary Midkiff. **Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.**

■ **Persian Gulf Security Issues • Tuesday, March 23**

■ **Brexit and the European Union • Tuesday, April 27**

■ **Struggles Over the Melting Arctic • Tuesday, May 25**

Girls & Women Changing the World in STEAM Films

Tuesday, March 23 • 7-8:30 p.m.

Live on Zoom • Adults + Grades 6-12

Film can be more than entertainment; it can serve as inspiration. Watch clips featuring real-life women who changed the world and the fictional characters who helped show them it was possible to pursue studies in Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics (STEAM). From Lt. Uhura to Rey to the Black calculators at NASA, learn how representation in film has improved and what effect it could have on the women of tomorrow.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Bessie Coleman: First to Fly

Tuesday, March 30 • 7:30-8:30 p.m.

Live on Zoom • Adults + Grades 6-12

Bessie Coleman's determination to never give up led her to become the first African-American woman pilot and the first American to hold an international pilot license. After applying to three U.S. aviation schools which refused to teach her, this naturally-gifted woman studied in France, the only Black person in the classroom. Dressed in an authentic bomber's jacket, boots, and scarf, Dr. Daisy Century as Bessie Coleman is an exciting portrayal of a determined woman who knew what she wanted and made it happen.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Culture Club:

Canada's Eastern Shores

Thursday, April 8 • 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Live on Zoom • Adults

Roam along the shores of the St. Lawrence River, through Montreal to the coasts of New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and Nova Scotia. Hear about Acadian and Gaelic culture, *Anne of Green Gables*, and the geology that formed this rugged, scenic shoreline.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

The Amazing World's Fairs of Chicago

Tuesday, April 27 • 7-8 p.m.

Live on Zoom • Adults

Explore the two World's Fairs that put Chicago on the map. The Columbian Exposition of 1893 was built against incredible odds and with a diabolical killer just outside the gates! The 1933 Century of Progress could not go ahead without first getting rid of Al Capone. Learn about both fairs and their tragedies and triumphs.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Before the Mother Road: Route 66, IL 4, & the Pontiac Trail

Tuesday, May 11 • 7-8 p.m.

Live on Zoom • Adults

Route 66 was created in 1926, connecting Chicago to L.A. through eight states, but this path was used long before the U.S. Highway System. From bison trails followed by Native Americans to the railroads, learn about the early history and changes of the 20th century that led the way to the Mother Road, the Main Street of America, in the state where the road begins.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Culture Club:

Destination Midwest History

Thursday, May 13 • 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Live on Zoom • Adults

Tour destinations and events across the Greater Midwest that reveal how a region famed for supplying food actually supplied so much more, including iconic images, legendary people, and inventions that would change the world.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Native American History

Wednesday, May 19 • 7-8:30 p.m.

Live on Zoom • Adults + Grades 6-12

Long before Elmhurst existed as a city, the area was home to five different Native American tribes. Award-winning author and IL Humanities Road Scholar Kim Sigafus shares the history and culture both past and present of her tribe and other Native American people in the Midwest.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Kiddieland Remembered

Thursday, May 27 • 7-8:30 p.m.

Live on Zoom • Adults + Grades 9-12

From 1929 to 2009, Kiddieland in Melrose Park was one of Chicago's favorite amusement parks. Relive the past with Cheryl Brown as she revisits the history of the park with vintage photos. Re-experience the park through videos on a busy summer day and learn about the final auction of the rides, why the park had to close, and where the rides are today.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

EPL Reading Adventure

Expand Your World, One Book at a Time

Read a book that is set in a location you've never visited. **More info: page 21.**



Social Issues Learning Group

Meet with other community members to discuss social issues, both locally and nationally. Learn more about issues of race, gender, education, poverty, and other topics by reading books and articles, listening to podcasts, or watching films, then discussing together in a respectful manner.

Gender Pay Inequality

Thursday, March 4 • 7-9 p.m. • Live on Zoom

Read a selection of online articles focused on gender pay inequality. Discuss the difference in pay rates between genders and between women of different races, as well as the "pink tax," a tactic used by many companies to charge women more than men for the same product.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Autistic Spectrum

Thursday, April 1 • 7-9 p.m. • Live on Zoom

Discuss issues of neurodiversity and the challenges faced by those in the Autistic community. Read *The Journal of Best Practices* by David Finch. Copies available for pickup at the Drive-up starting March 4, while supplies last.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

The Talk: Race in America

Wednesday, May 5 • 7-9 p.m. • Live on Zoom

Watch the PBS documentary *The Talk: Race in America* before the program, then discuss issues of violence against Black people in the U.S. and why they feel it necessary to have "the talk" with their young children. You can watch it for free with your Library card on Kanopy at elmlib.org/kanopy.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

YOUR HEALTH: MIND AND MONEY

Staying Mentally Fit

Tuesdays, March 2, April 6, and May 4 • 1:30-2:30 p.m.
Live on Zoom • Seniors

Join us for fun mental enrichment. Programs vary each month and may include games, puzzles, and other activities that boost memory, reasoning, and cognitive abilities.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Yoga and Self Care to Help You Stay Calm in Chaos

Thursday, March 11 • 7-8 p.m. • Live on Zoom • Adults

Learn yoga stretches, meditation, a breathing exercise, and other simple self care practices to help bring balance to your day. Author and yoga instructor Julie M. Gentile will share well-being techniques from her award-winning book, *108 Yoga and Self-Care Practices for Busy Mamas* and her latest book, *Stay Calm in Chaos: An Everyday Self-Care Guide*. **Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.**

Life Goals Audit

Monday, March 22 • 7-8 p.m. • Live on Zoom • Adults + Grades 9-12

Learn how to better align your goals with your values to bring you closer to what makes you happy. Learn more about the psychology and productivity behind values-based living and goal creation. Rachel Reinwald of Progress Organizing helps you evaluate your goals and plan for them realistically to help you check more items off your list. **Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.**

Create a Budget with Excel

Friday, March 26 • 2-3 p.m. • Live on Zoom • Adults + Grades 9-12

Learn to use Excel formulas and functions to create a budget that works for you. **Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.**

Home Energy Savings Workshop

Monday, March 29 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Live on Zoom • Adults

Learn from the Citizen's Utility Board how to better understand your utility bills and find out about the free programs available to help cut your monthly costs, in addition to tips that can make your home more energy-efficient right now.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Virtual Utility Bill Clinic

Tuesday, April 13 • 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. or 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Live on Zoom • Adults

Sign up for a one-on-one, private, and secure video consultation with a Citizens Utility Board representative ready to give advice on reducing your electric, gas, and landline and cell phone bills. Select a time slot for your meeting with a CUB representative. Current copies of gas, electric, and phone bills must be submitted for CUB to review prior to your scheduled appointment.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Preventing Fraud from a Banker's Perspective

Wednesday, April 14 • 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. • Live on Zoom • Seniors

Protect yourself from identity theft, elder abuse, and internet fraud. Listen to real life stories of fraud attempts and learn how to react in that situation, as well as what to do if the fraud attempt is successful. **Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.**

Wills, Trusts, and Estate Planning Basics

Saturday, April 17 • 1-2:30 p.m. • Live on Zoom • Adults

Learn about wills, trusts, power of attorney, probate, and guardianship. Take the first step to create or update a plan that is appropriate for you and your personal circumstances.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

The Positive Effects of Meditation

Tuesday, May 4 • 7-8 p.m. • Live on Zoom • Adults

Research has proven meditation is a simple and effective way to balance your physical, emotional, and mental state. We all experience stress in different ways and meditation is a tool to alleviate the negative effects by releasing stress from our bodies and allowing us to experience a deeper level of relaxation, which in turn will offer us more inner peace.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.



Investing Databases

Access investing resources with your EPL card. Includes:

- MorningStar ■ ValueLine
- Weiss Financial Ratings

elmlib.org/investing

What We're Enjoying Wednesdays

Every Other Wednesday • All Ages

Our staff shares what they've been reading, watching, listening to, and playing that they recommend. [View at elmlib.org/www](http://elmlib.org/www).

New Skill Saturdays

Every Other Saturday • All Ages

Learning to master a basic skill might launch you in a new and exciting direction. Plus, it'll impress your friends and family.

[View the playlist at elmlib.org/nss](http://elmlib.org/nss).

Celebrate Women's History

Friday, March 12 • 10-11 a.m.

Live on Zoom • Adults + Grades 9-12

In honor of Women's History Month, join us for a discussion about the critically acclaimed documentary *She's Beautiful When She's Angry*. The film, which explores second wave feminism in the 1960s through to present day, is available to stream through Elmhurst Public Library's online service, Kanopy.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Genealogy Club:

Dig Into Your Research

Tuesday, April 6 • 7-8 p.m.

Live on Zoom • Adults + Grades 9-12

Join other genealogy enthusiasts for a virtual meeting. Bring your questions and share your knowledge. Staff is available to talk about online Library genealogy resources.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.



Research Local History at EPL

Get information about:

- Elmhurst school yearbooks
- Newspapers dating back to 1918
- Genealogy
- Local resources for further study
- and more!

elmlib.org/localhistory



Social Services

A Social Services phone line is available Monday through Friday from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Voicemail picks up calls outside of these hours. All calls are returned as soon as possible.

Phone: (331) 642-0814

Email: Tracey.Orick@elmlib.org

The Shakespeare Project of Chicago

Live on Zoom • Adults + Grades 6-12

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

■ *By Help of Devils*

Thursday, April 15 • 7-8 p.m.

Artistic director Peter Garino presents his new film, *By Help of Devils*, which looks at a collection of Shakespeare's villains and their motivations for doing terrible things. Includes performances from *Macbeth*, *Hamlet*, *King Lear*, *Richard III*, and *The Rape of Lucrece*.

■ *Reimagining Shakespeare*

Thursday, May 6 • 7-8 p.m.

Michelle Shupe and Corliss Preston explore Shakespeare's relevance for today's audiences. How do we open up his works to see and hear them through a fresher lens, allowing the resilience of these works to resonate in our rapidly changing world?

Dos and Don'ts of Interior Design

Tuesday, April 20 • 7-8 p.m.

Live on Zoom • Adults

An interior designer lets you in on design secrets that can make or break the overall effect of your home, without compromising your style. Learn how to improve the look of your space, regardless of the budget, by following these design rules.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

NAMI Family and Friends

Thursday, April 22 • 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

Live on Zoom • Adults + Grades 9-12

Join representatives from the National Alliance on Mental Health (NAMI) to understand diagnoses, treatment and recovery options, effective communication, the importance of self-care, crisis preparation, and community resources. Trained representatives will share their own experiences of supporting a family member with a mental health condition.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Bulbs for Summer

Thursday, April 29 • 7-8:30 p.m.

Live on Zoom • Adults

Bulbs aren't just for spring! We often forget that there are a number of bulbs to plant that provide beauty in summer. Learn about using and caring for bulbs such as calla lilies, dahlias, elephant ears, and caladiums.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Star Wars Trivia

Monday, May 3 • 7-8 p.m.

Live on YouTube • All Ages

Test your knowledge and compete for prizes online. For the best experience, use a laptop to access the YouTube Live presentation while using a smartphone to submit your answers. **Live on YouTube:**

Register at elmlib.org/athome.

LIBRARY INSIDERS



We welcome all Elmhurst patrons to take part in Library activities, regardless of physical or mental ability. Library Insiders are programs specially designed for adults with intellectual disabilities.

Next Chapter Book Club

Wednesdays, March 3, 17, 31,

April 14, 28, May 12, and 26

6:30-7:30 p.m. • Live on Zoom

The Next Chapter Book Club (NCBC) is a literacy program for adults with intellectual disabilities. The goal of this book club is to read an entire novel by taking turns reading aloud. Anyone can join NCBC, regardless of reading ability. **Live on Zoom:**

Register at elmlib.org/athome.

BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Books available at the Library for EPL cardholders. Find digital books at elmlib.org/ebooks and elmlib.org/audiobooks



Expand Your World, One Book at a Time

To get on board, read a book that is: Set in a location you've never visited.

Need help selecting a title? Get suggestions at elmlib.org/readingadventure

After you read your book: Tell us about your voyage at elmlib.org/voyage

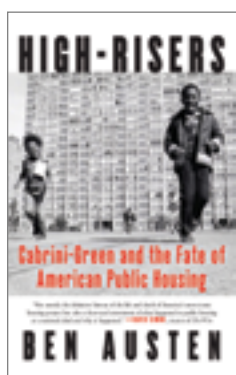
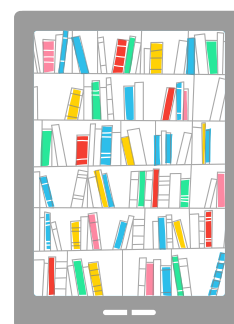


Bright and Dangerous Objects by Anneliese Mackintosh

■ **Thursday, March 18 • 1-2:15 p.m. • Live on Zoom • Adults**

■ **Thursday, March 18 • 7-8:15 p.m. • Live on Zoom • Adults**

Solvig, a British commercial deep sea diver, applies for a spot as one of the first humans to colonize Mars. This commitment would not allow her to return to Earth. Should she tell her partner, James, who wants to start a family with her? Should she instead drop out of the Mars project and continue her life on Earth? Is there a way that she can manage to have a baby and go to Mars, and if so, does she really want to do that? **Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.**



Elmhurst Art Museum Book Discussion

High-Risers: Cabrini-Green and the Fate of American Public Housing by Ben Austen

■ **Wednesday, April 7 • 6:30-7:45 p.m. • Live on Zoom • Adults**

Built in the 1940s on Chicago's Near North Side, the Cabrini-Green housing project was home to thousands of residents, and became notorious for its crime and dilapidated buildings. *High-Risers* is an accessible, well-researched narrative nonfiction book that explores the complex and chronicles the lives of its residents and activists, along with a focus on federal policy and local politics. EPL and EAM partner for this discussion connected to the museum's exhibitions *Depth of Field* and *There is Black Housing in the Future: Equitable Public Housing as Memorial*. **Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.**



Earth Day Book Discussion

American Wolf: A True Story of Survival and Obsession in the West by Nate Blakeslee

■ **Thursday, April 22 • 1-2:15 p.m. • Live on Zoom • Adults**

■ **Thursday, April 22 • 7-8:15 p.m. • Live on Zoom • Adults**

After near extinction, wolves began to repopulate the Rockies, igniting a controversy among hunters, ranchers, politicians, and conservationists. Meet O-six, an alpha female wolf who became a social media star with worldwide followers. Read about her intelligence and the challenges her pack and others faced in the beautiful Lamar Valley. **Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.**

Trading Titles

■ **Thursday, May 20 • 1-2:15 p.m. or 7-8:15 p.m.**

■ **Live on Zoom • Adults**

Love books? Love to talk about books? Love to hear about new books? This is the group for you! How it works: Read whatever you want, then attend the online event to share your thoughts about it.

Live on Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/athome.

Additional Spring Book Discussions:

Parenting Book Discussion

When the World Feels Like a Scary Place:

Essential Conversations for Anxious

Parents and Worried Kids

by Abigail Gewirtz

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20s/30s Book Discussion

■ **Read a Classic!** and

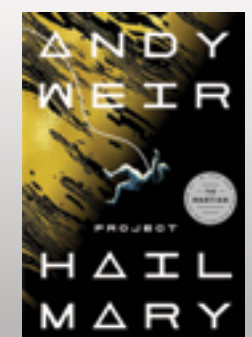
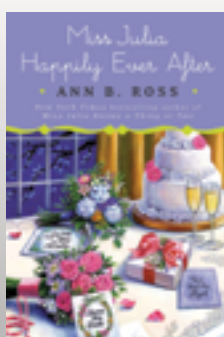
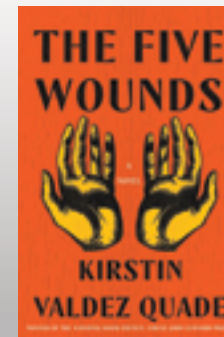
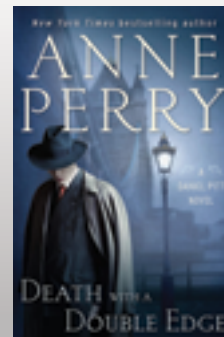
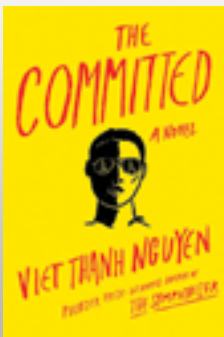
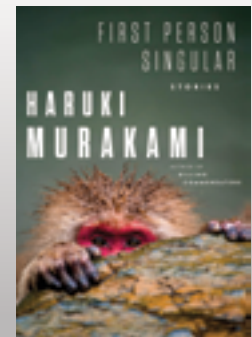
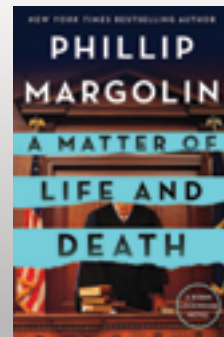
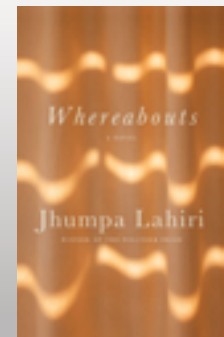
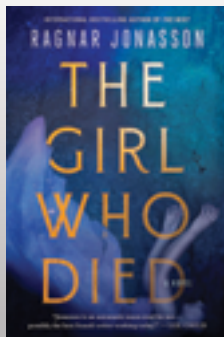
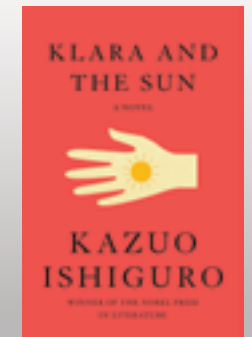
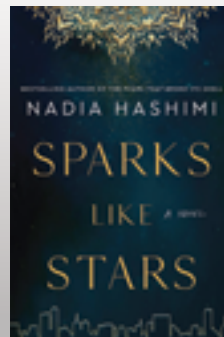
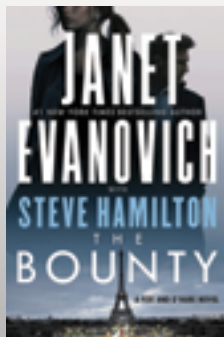
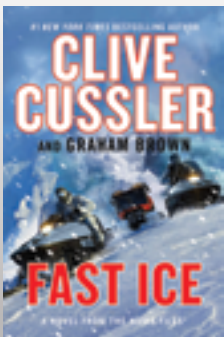
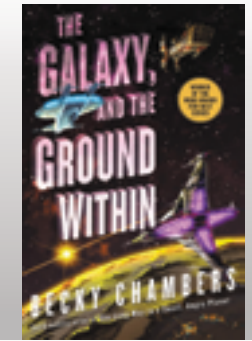
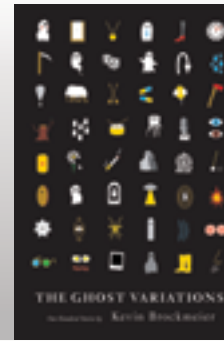
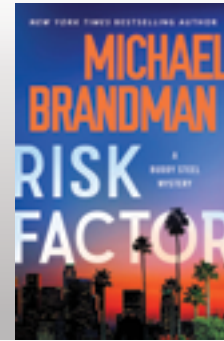
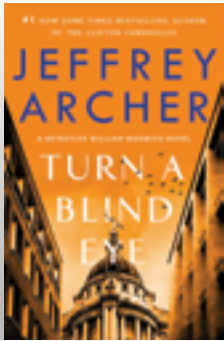
■ **Read a Mystery!**

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A total of 5,608 U.S. public libraries were rated nationwide and only 262 qualified as 3-, 4-, and 5-star libraries. In Illinois, 16 libraries received star ratings, but only seven earned the distinction of receiving a five-star rating: Naperville, Schaumburg, Northbrook, Wilmette, Oak Park, Elmhurst, and Elmhurst.

"This recognition ends 2020 on a positive note," says Mary Beth Harper, director. "The Elmhurst community's continued use and enthusiasm for the Library, especially in this past year, is what enables us to be a leader in our field. We strive to provide the resources people need and want, and we are incredibly fortunate our community supports us as we try new things. We are delighted to be nationally recognized as a five-star library for the fourth year in a row."

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