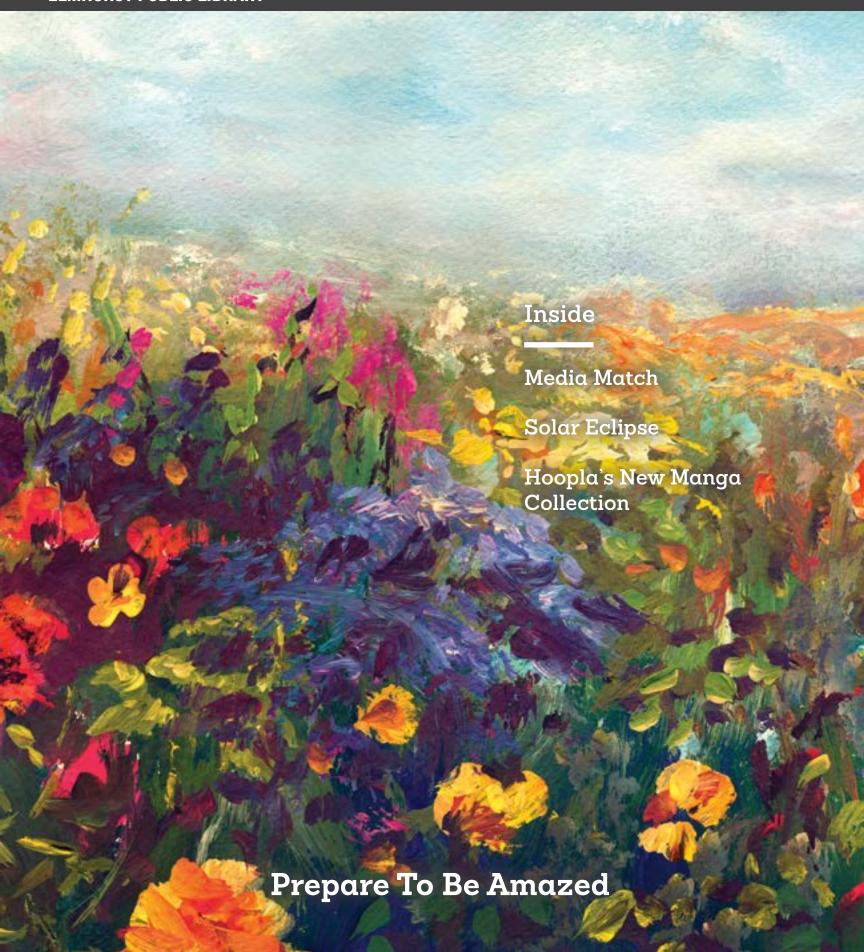
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Tax Resources
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on Library
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As We Age Know what to expect, and how to prepare for what lies ahead. Hoopla Manga Collection

This expanding collection on the Hoopla app will help you find new series in an exciting format.

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We go beyond the usual library fare to offer you these unconventional treasures.

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### Behind the Checkout Desk: Circulation

Circulation is the Library's largest department. It acts as the heartbeat of EPL, consisting of material handlers, desk clerks, and interlibrary loan clerks working hands-on with the many items going in and out of our building.

Here's a behind-the-scenes peek at just some of the many things that go on:



Between 200-300 people sign up for library cards per month.



Fun fact: we have dog treats at the Drive-up!



When bookmarks, letters, or cards are accidentally left in books, Circulation often connects them with their owners.



Once, a pet hedgehog was mistakenly returned inside a Library bag! (No worries—pet and owner were safely reunited.)



Lobby or Drive-up? Circulation staff sort through hold requests and prepare items for pickup.



Last June was our busiest month: 106,164 items checked out!

### **Attending Programs**

Registration is required for programs unless otherwise noted.

### Event Key:

(1) Hybrid

- Hybrid: These events are offered both in-person at the Library and online. Register at elmlib.org/events for the format of your choice to reserve your seat or receive the link to join from home. Note: if a presenter is virtual, it will be included in the event description.
- Zoom: Register at elmlib.org/events or call us to receive an email and link to the live stream. Not online? Call us to learn how you can listen to Zoom programs via phone.

# ADA Accommodations

Available for programs and Library visits. 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.



Our Material Handlers find interesting things on the shelves. A few years ago, several troll dolls were found over the course of a few weeks on different shelves throughout the Library.



Libraries all around the U.S. lend items to us and other libraries. We lend between 700-800 items a month to other libraries. The furthest a hold has traveled is Alaska!



One of our friendly staff is stationed at our Drive-up Window where patrons can pick up requested items without leaving the car.



When empty cases for AV materials are accidentally returned, Circulation tracks down and matches up missing parts. They also clean and resurface damaged items to extend their shelf life.



















Handpicked for you: dive into our treasure trove of thoughtprovoking documentaries, from science and history to social issues and cultural phenomena. Get holiday movie and music recommendations that are tailored for you year-round, so you can get into the festive spirit whenever the mood strikes.

Our collection of movies, classics, and world language films is vast—both on DVD and streaming platforms. Let our experts guide you toward something new-to-you that will suit your tastes.



Media Match is the Library's personalized service to help match you with your next favorite—that includes more than books!

Based on your tastes, one of our expert selectors can help you discover something from our DVD or streaming options. Whether you want learn about something new, be entertained, or inspired, we look forward to helping you find something new to love!



Fill out the form at elmlib.org.com/MediaMatch.



### **Ticketed Programs**

# O Baby Play Date Saturdays, March 2, April 6, and May 4 11-11:30 a.m. ⋅ Kids' Program Room Newborn-11 months w/ adult

Meet other parents and caregivers of newborns as we share rhymes, read a story, and play together.

# O Saturday STEM Saturdays, March 16 and May 18 11-11:45 a.m. ⋅ Kids' Program Room Ages 3-5 w/ adult

Join us for a story and rhymes just right for families. Stay to explore simple STEM activities to share together.

# O Spanish/English Bilingual Storytime Wednesdays, March 20 and May 8 10:30-11 a.m. ⋅ Kids' Program Room

Join us for a bilingual storytime. Share stories, rhymes, and songs in English and Spanish.

### • Growing in the Garden Special Storytime Friday, April 12 • 9:30-10 a.m. Large Meeting Room Families (best for ages 1-5)

Enjoy stories and music about all the glorious growing in spring, then join in a STEM activity about growing plants.

### Polish/English Bilingual Storytime

Wednesday, April 24 • 10:30-11 a.m. Kids' Program Room • Families

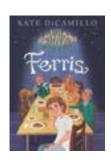
Share stories, rhymes, and songs in English and Polish.

### O Teddy Bear Picnic Wednesday, May 1 • 11-11:30 a.m. Kids' Program Room • Families

It's time for a Teddy Bear Picnic! Join us for stories, songs, and activities celebrating our furry friends. Bring a blanket to sit on and some snacks for a picnic in our Program Room after the program. Please bring nutfree products only.

### **Coming Attractions**

Reserve your copy online: elmlib.org/KidsNewBooks













### March Picture **Book Madness**

#### Month of March • Kids' Library • Families

Each week, vote for your favorite picture book. At the end of March, the champion will be announced. Every vote counts!

No registration required.

### • Get Ready for the Eclipse! Tuesday, March 5 • 7-7:45 p.m. Kids' Program Room • Families

Learn about the upcoming solar eclipse and why it is so special. Make your own eclipse viewer and get a pair of eclipse glasses for the big day! Parents are welcome to attend with their child.

### MiniMakers: Making Stickers

### Wednesdays, March 6 or 13 · 6:15-7 p.m. The Makery • Ages 3-5 w/ adult

Learn how to use the Xyron Creative Station to make your very own stickers! This is a one-on-one class for grownup and child. Additional children cannot be accommodated.

Register for one session only.

### 1 Planning Your Walt Disney World Vacation

### Wednesday, March 20 · 7-8:30 p.m. Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom

Get time and money-saving tips that will help you plan your dream vacation. Learn about the best times to visit, where to stay, dining, Genie+, and more, to make lasting memories.

### O Spring Break Wind Tube Fun

### March 23-28 · Kids' Library · Families

Experiment with a wind tube from the DuPage Children's Museum in the Kids' Library during Spring Break week.

No registration required.

### O Tot Auto Shop and Drive-in Thursday, March 28 · 1-2 p.m.

### Kids' Program Room • Ages 3-5 w/ adult

We love things that go! Use one of our boxes to make a car you can sit in, then watch some movie shorts at our Tot Drive-in.

### Open LEGO Building Saturdays, March 30, April 27, and May 18

2-3:30 p.m. • Kids' Program Room • Families Build something awesome with our many LEGO bricks.

No registration required.

### • Eclipse Viewing Party Monday, April 8 • 1-2:30 p.m. Wilder Park · All Ages

Join us in the park as we watch the solar eclipse. Observe the sky as the sun is slowly blocked from view, learn about what eclipses are and why they happen, and take advantage of fun activities, games, and snacks. Eclipse glasses will be available for attendees.

### • The Great Elmhurst Bake Off: Tinu Tot Edition

### Saturday, April 20 • 11-11:45 a.m. Kids' Program Room • Families

Get ready for World Baking Day with a fun food-themed challenge using Play-Doh to make a pretend cupcake.

### O Picture Book Paradel

### Tuesday, April 23 • 10-10:30 a.m.

### Kids' Library • Families

Dress up as a book character or bring your favorite book to our Picture Book Parade! Meet in the Kids' Library and join in the fun! Enjoy a craft after the parade.

No registration required.

### Spring Family Scavenger Hunt

#### Month of May • Families

Pick up a Scavenger Hunt sheet in the Kids' Library. When you've completed the sheet, bring it to the Kids' Help Desk for a prize. No registration required.

### O Getting Started with T-Trak Model Trains

### Saturday, May 11 • 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Kids' Library • Families

See model trains built with T-Trak, and learn how to get started with members of the Elmhurst T-Trak Club.

No registration required.



### **EARLY ELEMENTARY (GRADES K-2)**

Virtual event

Hybrid event

### For All Grades

### O Bookmark Contest Month of March Preschool + Grades K-8

Design a bookmark for our Summer Reading Program! Create an original bookmark design with the theme Read, Renew, Repeat. Winning bookmark designs will be printed to give away during Summer Reading. Pick up a bookmark contest form at the Kids' Help Desk or print out a form at

elmlib.org/contest. No registration required.

### • Read to the Dogs Saturdays, March 2 and April 13 2-3:30 p.m. • Kids' Program Room **Grades K-8**

Bring a book or choose one of ours, and read aloud to a visiting therapy dog. Register with your EPL card to reserve a 15-minute time slot.

### Kids' Chess Club Sundays, March 10, April 14, and May 19 • 1:30-2:30 p.m. Kids' Program Room • Grades K-5

Learn the basics of chess with an instructor and use your skills with other players. Beginners welcome.

Registration required.

### Homeschool Explorers Tuesdays, March 12, April 9, and May 14 • 1-2:30 p.m. • Grades K-5

Join us for a variety of hands-on activities each month. For more information, visit elmlib.org/HomeschoolEvents

### O Art Club

### Wednesdays, March 13, April 10, and May 8 · 4-5 p.m. · Kids' Program Room Grades K-5

Create your own art masterpiece after school with friends.

No registration required.

### Super Spring Break Movies

#### Kids' Program Room • Grades K-8

Enjoy a movie on our big screen. Bring a blanket to sit on if you like.

No registration required.

- The Incredibles (Rated PG) Monday, March 25 · 2-4 p.m.
- **■** DC Superhero Girls: Hero of the Year (Rated PG)

Tuesday, March 26 • 2-3:30 p.m.

■ Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse (Rated PG) Wednesday, March 27 · 2-3:30 p.m.

### O Disgusting Critters Thursday, March 7 · 4-4:45 p.m. Kids' Program Room • Grades K-2

Toads, slugs, flies-oh my! Elise Gravel's series, Disgusting Critters, highlights some of the creepiest (and often misunderstood) creatures of the world. We'll celebrate these critters with trivia, games, and more!

### • Be a Book Illustrator! Monday, March 18 • 4-4:45 p.m. Kids' Program Room • Grades K-2

Learn about illustrators and the many ways they make their art. You'll design your own illustrated picture book to take home.

### • Messy Rainbow Science Thursday, April 4 · 4-4:45 p.m. Kids' Program Room • Grades K-2

Let your colors shine as we learn about the science and beauty of rainbows and have some messy fun!

### O Learn to Code Friday, April 12 · 4-5 p.m.

Kids' Program Room • Grades K-2

Discover what you can do with some coding basics. We'll make some games, control robotics, and more!

#### • Make With Me:

### Laser-Cut Creatures Wednesdays, April 17 or April 24

### 6:15-7:15 p.m. • The Makery Grades K-2 w/ adult

Learn to use the Makery's Laser Cutter to create a simple animal shape to keep or share, then decorate it together. This is a one-onone class for grownup and child. Additional children cannot be accommodated.

Register for one session only.

### • The Great Elmhurst Bake Off: Cake Creations Edition Friday, April 19 · 4-5 p.m.

### Kids' Program Room • Grades K-2

Get ready for World Baking Day with a fun food-themed challenge using non-edible ingredients. Use modelling clay to make spectacular-looking cakes.

### Relax With Yoqa Tuesday, May 7 • 4-4:45 p.m. Kids' Program Room • Grades K-2

Learn some yoga poses and how to relax after a busy school day. Bala Yoga instructor Melissa Hansen leads this class for kids who are new to yoga and those who already practice it.



watch the solar eclipse. Observe the sky as the sun is slowly blocked from view, learn about what an eclipse is and why they happen, and take advantage of fun activities, games, and snacks. Eclipse glasses will be provided to attendees. Presented with Elmhurst Park District. No registration required.

### **OLDER ELEMENTARY (GRADES 3-5)**

Register for programs at elmlib.org/events unless otherwise noted.

# © Explore Paper Airplanes Monday, March 4 • 4-4:45 p.m. Large Meeting Room • Grades 3-5

To celebrate the Wright Brothers' first flight, we'll create, fly, and test paper airplanes of all sorts.

# • Fiero Coding Club Mondays, March 11 and April 8 • 4-5 p.m. Kids' Computer Lab • Grades 3-5

Gain coding skills to build video games, animations, apps, and more. Each month we'll try a different project. Beginners welcome.

### O Graphic Novel Club

Kids' Program Room • Grades 4-5

Join us each month to discuss the chosen graphic novel and enjoy activities.

- Wizkit: An Adventure Overdue by Tanya J. Scott
- Thursday, March 21 · 4-5 p.m.

   Strikers by Kiel Phegley
  Thursday, April 18 · 4-5 p.m.

### • Can You Survive the Titanic?

### Wednesday, April 3 · 4-5 p.m. Kids' Program Room · Grades 3-5

You know the fate of the *RMS Titanic*. Learn details about this ship, its passengers and crew, and see if you could survive this disaster at sea.

### • Maker Kids: Melted Crayon Wearables

Register for one session only.

Mondays, April 15 or 22 · 4-5:15 p.m. The Makery · Grades 3-5

Create your own wearable art by melting and blending crayons. Add some decorative accents to make it your own!

### • Red Cross Preparedness Pillowcase Project

Thursday, April 18 • 5:30-6:30 p.m. Large Meeting Room • Grades 3-5

Create your own emergency supply kit and learn coping skills to practice with friends and family. You will be provided a pillowcase to decorate and a workbook with activities that can be done at home with your family.

### • The Great Elmhurst Bake Off: Chopped Edition

Thursday, April 25 · 4-5 p.m. Kids' Program Room · Grades 3-5

Get ready for World Baking Day with a fun food-themed challenge using non-edible ingredients. Use recycled products to create your own masterpiece.

### • Make Your Own Posters With Canva

Friday, May 3 · 4-4:45 p.m. Kids' Program Room · Grades 3-5

Learn how to create a poster using Canva design tools and take your poster home.

### **②** 3D Printing

Wednesday, May 15 · 5-6 p.m. The Makery · Grades 3-5

Learn the basics of 3D printing and create your own design. Items will be printed after the program and picked up at a later date.





### • Middle School Library Influencers

# Mondays, March 4, April 1, and May 6 6-7 p.m. • Middle School Hangout Grades 6-8

Middle School Library Influencers is a club for middle school students to become more involved in the Library. Take the opportunity to plan programs, help with storytimes, decorate the Middle School Hangout, discuss books, and hang out. Each meeting will consist of an icebreaker, a discussion, and an activity.

# O Homeschool Explorers Tuesdays, March 12, April 9, and May 14 1-2:30 p.m. ⋅ Grades 6-8

Join us for a variety of hands-on activities each month. For topics and locations, visit <a href="mailto:elmlib.org/HomeschoolEvents">elmlib.org/HomeschoolEvents</a>

### ② Giant Twister Game Night Friday, March 15 · 6:30-7:15 p.m. Kids' Program Room · Grades 6-8

Play with friends on a giant Twister board and enjoy other ginormously fun games.

# • Full Moon Party with Tacos and Telescopes Tuesday, April 23 • 7-8 p.m.

Middle School Hangout • Grades 6-8

Join us for the opportunity to use the Library's telescopes to view April's pink full moon. Tacos and beverages will be provided.

# • The Great Elmhurst Bake Off: Nailed It! Edition Monday, April 29 · 6-7 p.m. Kids' Program Room • Grades 6-8

Join in on this fun food-themed challenge using non-edible ingredients. Try to recreate a masterpiece for this version of *Nailed It!* 



Learn the basics of handslettering to create beautiful custom cards, signs, and gifts.

# Middle SchoolVolunteer ProgramSummer session: May 18-July 31

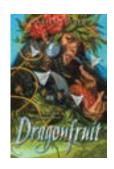
Assist with programs, crafts, and organizing the Kids' Library. Applications accepted April 1-May 1 at <a href="mailto:elmlib.org/volunteer">elmlib.org/volunteer</a>.

# Middle School Coming Attractions

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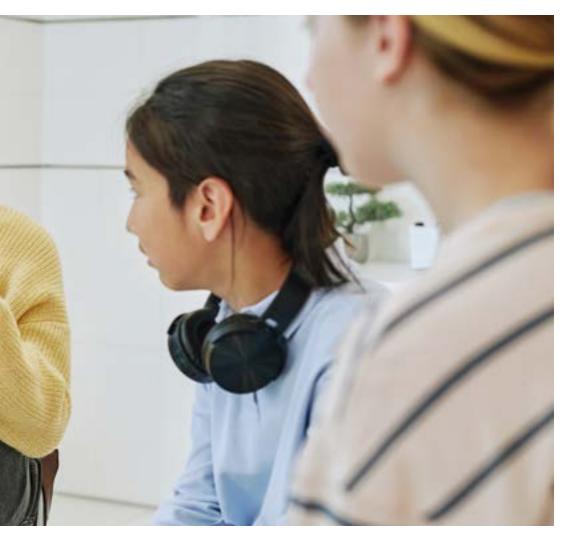








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### Teen Volunteer Program

The Teen Volunteer Program is designed to establish connections with High School teens in the community to learn real-world skills that can be applied in the future. Teens will also receive service hour credits for school or other extracurricular activities. For more information visit <a href="mailto:elmlib.org/volunteer">elmlib.org/volunteer</a>.

### Teen Mental Wellness Month of March ⋅ Teen Space ⋅ Grades 9-12

Stop by the Teen Space during the month of March to participate in self-care and mental wellness activities.

No registration required.

### • Teen Take & Make Teen Space • Grades 9-12

Pick up a craft kit in the Teen Space each month. While supplies last.

No registration required.

- March: Sticker by Number
- April: Beaded Lizard Keychain
- **■** May: Diamond Painting Coaster

#### O Teen Book Talk

Thursdays, March 7, April 4, and May 2
4-5 p.m. • Gathering Room • Grades 9-12
Discover great books while sharing your favorites with others.

No registration required.

# Homeschool Explorers Tuesdays, March 12, April 9, and May 14 · 1-2:30 p.m. · Grades 9-12 Join us for a variety of hands-on activities

Join us for a variety of hands-on activities each month. For topics ad locations, visit elmlib.org/HomeschoolEvents.

### • Teen Crafternoon

### Teen Space • Grades 9-12

We provide materials and ideas, you take home a new skill and a finished project!

No registration required.

- Perler Bead Coaster

  Monday, March 25 4-5 p.m.
- Magnetic Poetry
  Monday, April 29 4-5 p.m.
- String Bracelets
  Monday, May 20 4-5 p.m.

### • Film Screening: Cycle of Memory

#### Saturday, April 6 · 2-4:15 p.m.

### Large Meeting Room • Adults + Grades 9-12

Follow filmmaker Alex Leff and his brother as they retrace a 100-mile bike ride taken by their grandfather in 1945. Searching for his past before it is lost to Alzheimer's disease, they confront their own fraught history along the way. This documentary provides an uplifting perspective on generational connection, healing painful pasts, and leaving a meaningful time capsule for the future. There will be a virtual Q&A following the presentation.

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### Kossmann Room • Grades 6-12

Make dog toys and blankets for a local shelter. Service hours will be awarded.

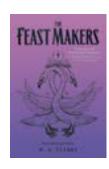
### • Exam Anti-Stress Kits May 6-19 • Teen Space • Grades 9-12

Pick up an anti-stress kit in the Teen Space while supplies last. Note: kits contain food that may contain allergens.

No registration required.











# High School Coming Attractions

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Virtual event

Hybrid event

- Streaming Video Monday, March 25 • 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Computer Lab • Adults + Grades 9-12
- Organizing Digital Files Tuesday, April 16 • 10:30-11:30 a.m. Computer Lab • Adults + Grades 9-12
- © Excel Intermediate Thursday, April 18 • 5:30-7 p.m. Computer Lab • Adults + Grades 9-12

Makery Computer Basics Monday, April 29 • 10:30-11:30 a.m. The Makery • Adults Registration starts April 15.

- o iPhone iOS Monday, May 6 • 10-11 a.m. Computer Lab • Adults + Grades 9-12
- (1) How to Sell Your Stuff Online Tuesday, May 7 • 7-8:30 p.m. Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom **Adults**

② Excel Advanced Wednesday, May 8 · 6-7:30 p.m. Computer Lab • Adults + Grades 9-12

Analog to Digital Conversion Thursday, May 23 • 3-4:30 p.m. Computer Lab • Adults + Grades 9-12



### **BUSINESS AND CAREER**

Crushing Interview Jitters: Practical Techniques for a Stress-Free Experience Tuesday, March 5 · 6-7 p.m. Live on Zoom · Adults

Learn to manage anxiety before, during, and after your interview. Presented with People's Resource Center.

1 What Ted Lasso Can Teach You About Your Career Thursday, April 11 • 7-8:30 p.m.

Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom **Adults** 

Ted Lasso is more than just a popular streaming show-its lessons can improve your career. Ted and his colleagues provide a blueprint for career success. Learn how in this presentation by Brian Watkins, a management, learning, and development consultant with over 20 years of experience. • Expect the Unexpected: Mastering Interview **Ouestions** 

Monday, April 15 · 7-8 p.m. Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom Adults

Decode common questions, craft impactful responses, engage in mock interviews, and learn post-interview etiquette.

Understanding the Applicant Tracking System

Tuesday, May 14 • 7-8 p.m. Meeting Room A + Live on Zoom • Adults

Learn to write your resume to be accepted by the applicant tracking system, the dos and don'ts, behind-the-scenes information, and more!

### **SOLAR ECLIPSE**

Register for programs at elmlib.org/events unless otherwise noted.





Get ready for the solar eclipse on April 8 by securing a pair of eclipse glasses! There are two ways to get free eclipse glasses from the Library:

- 1. Attend an eclipse event at the Library.
- 2. Enter our drawing at <a href="mailto:elipse-elip

### © Get Ready for the Eclipse! Tuesday, March 5 • 7-7:45 p.m. Kids' Program Room • Families

Learn about the upcoming solar eclipse and why it is so special. Make your own eclipse viewer and get a pair of eclipse glasses for the big day! Parents are welcome to attend with their child.

# The Great North American Eclipse Monday, March 18 • 7-8 p.m. Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom Adults • Grades 6-12

Did you see the solar eclipse in 2017? Get ready to do it all over again! Learn what eclipses are, where to see them, when to look, and how to view solar eclipses safely with astronomer Michelle Nichols. In-person attendees will receive a pair of eclipse glasses to take home.

# © Eclipse Viewing Party Monday, April 8 · 1-2:30 p.m. · Wilder Park All Ages

Join us in the park as we watch the solar eclipse. Observe the sky as the sun is slowly blocked from view, learn about what eclipses are and why they happen, and take advantage of fun activities, games, and snacks. Eclipse glasses will be available for attendees.

No registration required.

### O Plug In & Play Friday, March 1 • 7-8:30 p.m. Large Meeting Room · Adults

Join us for a night of video games, old and new. Bring your favorite to share or play one of ours.

### • Seed Starting: Giving Your Garden a Head Start Monday, March 4 · 7-8 p.m. Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom

Adults + Grades 9-12

Jump start the spring growing season. A master gardener explains the equipment and methods used for starting seeds indoors.

### Singing Bird and the Importance of Native American Women in Illinois History

Wednesday, March 6 · 7-8:15 p.m. Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom Adults + Grades 6-12

Dressed in native regalia, Kim Sigafus delves into the day-to-day lives of Native American women to learn about courting, marriage, and child-rearing practices, and how they affected the history of Illinois. Presented with AAUW.

### GreenMan Theatre Presents Irish Tales

Tuesday, March 12 • 7-8:30 p.m. Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom Adults + Grades 9-12

Get ready for St. Patrick's Day with Irish stories and songs performed by the GreenMan Theatre storytellers.

### Culture Club

Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom **Adults** 

Explore the world without leaving your chair.

- Conquering the Camino
  - Thursday, March 14 10:30-11:30 a.m.
- A Tour of Five National Parks Thursday, April 11 • 10:30-11:30 a.m.
- All Around the Aegean Sea Thursday, May 9 • 10:30-11:30 a.m.

#### Ciao Italia!

Mondays, March 18, April 15, and May 20 7-8:30 p.m.

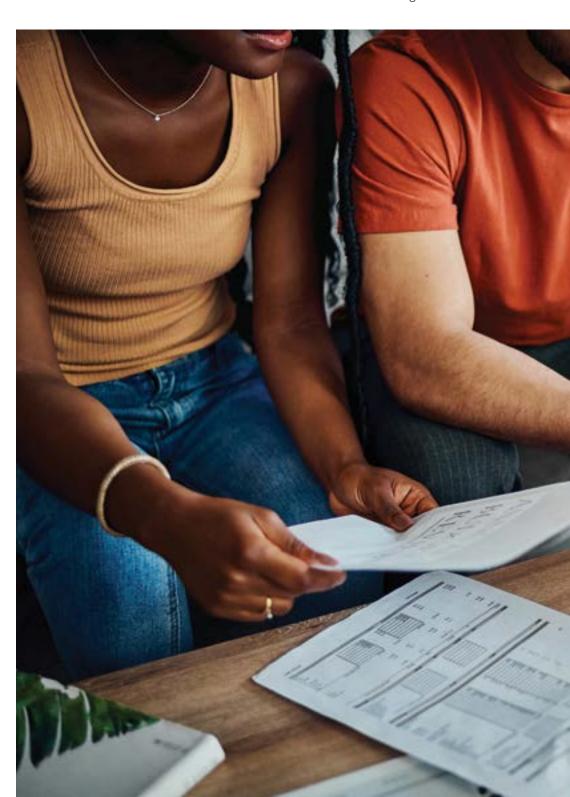
### Kossmann Room + Live on Zoom Adults + Grades 9-12

Interested in the language and customs of Italy? Improve your Italian language skills while exploring a different aspect of Italian culture each month.

### • Planning Your Walt Disney World Vacation

### Wednesday, March 20 · 7-8:30 p.m. Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom **Adults**

Planning a trip to Disney World can be expensive and confusing. Valerie Gugala is a Disney expert who has visited the park over 25 times in the last 15 years. She shares time and money-saving tips that will help you plan your dream vacation. Learn about the best times to visit, where to stay, dining, Genie+, and more to make lasting memories.



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### Genealogy

### Meeting Room A + Live on Zoom

Join us each month for a new genealogy topic and discussion to help you fill out your family tree.

- Family History Research for Beginners Thursday, March 21 • 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.
- Midwest Archives and Repositories
  Thursday, April 18 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.
- Family History Beyond the Internet Thursday, May 16 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

### • Fake News, Real News, and How to Tell the Difference

## Monday, March 25 • 7-8:30 p.m. Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom Adults + Grades 9-12

Whether you call it propaganda, urban legend, misinformation, or alternative facts, fake news is nothing new. Learn some of the history of fake news, how to identify fake news and pictures, and evaluate the biases of the real news you're consuming.

#### O Great Decisions

#### Large Meeting Room · Adults

Learn about critical issues facing America with professor Gary Midkiff and other community members.

- Chapter 2: Climate Technology and Competition
  - Tuesday, March 26 1:30-3 p.m.
- Chapter 3: Science Across Borders Tuesday, April 23 • 1:30-3 p.m.
- Chapter 4: U.S.-China Trade Rivalry Tuesday, May 28 1:30-3 p.m.

### • Biomimicry: Looking to Nature to Solve

### Today's Problems

# Thursday, March 28 • 7-8:30 p.m. Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom Adults + Grades 9-12

How has a gecko helped astronauts? How are hedgehogs helping to reduce the chances of a concussion? With the help of live animals, naturalist Kim White covers these and many more ways the natural world has helped inspire change and new technologies.

### Reducing AnxietyThrough Meditation

### Tuesday, April 2 • 7-8 p.m. • Live on Zoom Adults • Grades 9-12

People are anxious about their health, finances, relationships, safety, and future. Through meditation we can better deal with the stresses of life, and replace anxiety with joy and peace.

### • What Your Library Can Do for You

Monday, April 8 · 6:30-8:30 p.m.

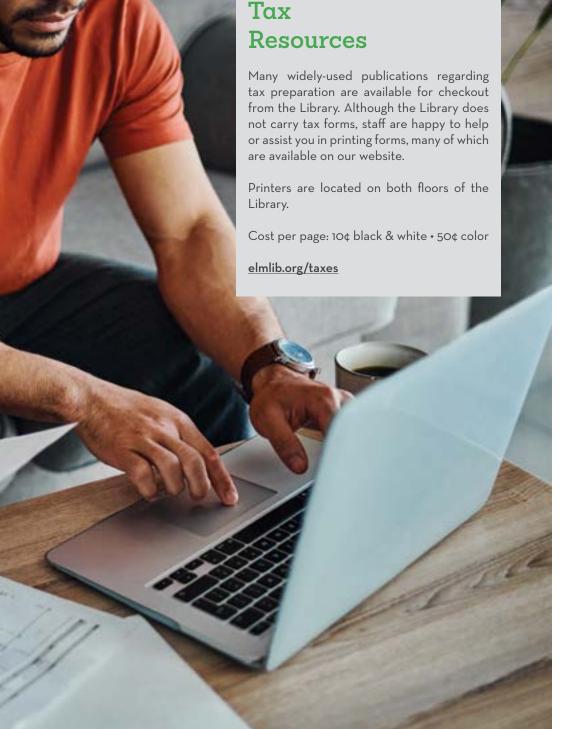
#### Large Meeting Room • Adults + Grades 6-12

Get the super user's guide to the Library. Discover how to save money and enrich your life, plus learn about new services and get an exclusive behind-the-scenes tour.

### • Rain Barrels, Rain Gardens, and Water Issues

## Wednesday, April 17 • 7-8 p.m. Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom Adults + Grades 9-12

Conservation Foundation representative Jim Kleinwachter explains how to conserve water and what we can do to keep water local and clean. Then, learn about rain gardens, butterfly gardens, and how to use native plants to solve common yard problems and create a more eco-friendly yard.



### Through the Decades: 1900s, 1910s, & 1920s

### O Discovering the Silent Cinema

Tuesday, March 26 • 7-8:30 p.m. **Large Meeting Room** Adults + Grades 9-12

Before the giant blockbuster films of today, there was the silent cinema. Learn about the early history of films, then watch a silent comedy with live musical accompaniment from a theatre organ!

### True Chicago Stories of the 1920s

Monday, April 1 • 7-8 p.m. Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom Adults + Grades 9-12

Flora, a fun and funny flapper from the 1920s, tells us how fashion, crime, and prohibition mixed with explosive creativity shaped the decade of the century. Travel back in time for a front row seat to stories saturated with surprise, sequins, and murder in this historical portrayal!

### • Black Sox, Billy Goats, and Monsters of the Midwau

Wednesday, April 3 · 7-8 p.m. Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom Adults + Grades 9-12

Join historian Clarence Goodman as he takes you on a journey through Chicago sports history: not just cruising by the ballparks, but the why, when, and how of Chicago team sports.

### (1) Iroquois Theatre:

Chicago's Deadliest Fire Tuesday, April 9 · 7-8:30 p.m. Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom Adults + Grades 9-12

On December 30, 1903, flames raced through the packed auditorium of the Iroquois Theatre in Chicago, causing the loss of over 600 lives and numerous injuries. Hear the stories of the victims, survivors, and responders and learn about the impact it would have on public safety over the following 120 years.

### • Flappers and Fedoras! Songs of the Roaring 20s Sunday, April 14 · 2-3 p.m.

**Large Meeting Room** Adults + Grades 9-12

Be transported back at this live concert! Tap your toes to songs from the era, and hear fascinating stories about Prohibition, Al Capone, Scott and Zelda Fitzgerald, Louis Armstrong, and Chicago in the 20s.

### 1 The Eastland Disaster Tuesday, April 16 • 7-8 p.m. Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom Adults + Grades 9-12

On July 24, 1915, thousands gathered along the Chicago River for Western Electric's fifth annual employee picnic. More than 7,000 tickets had been purchased for the festivities, but the day quickly turned tragic, resulting in Chicago's greatest loss-of-life disaster. Learn what happened from the Eastland Disaster Historical Society, featuring two granddaughters of a survivor.

### From Fedoras to Fascinators

Wednesday, May 1 · 7-8:15 p.m. Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom **Adults** 

For centuries, people have adorned their heads and framed their faces. Get ready for the Kentucky Derby with a trip through history and Ellie Carlson's substantial hat collection.

### The Crash of '29: An Economy in Free Fall Thursday, May 23 · 7-8 p.m. Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom Adults + Grades 9-12

Travel back to 1929 with actor Terry Lynch to hear the details of what led to the collapse of the New York Stock Exchange. More than simply one event, discover the perfect storm that led to that week and the economic. societal. and political effects that were felt not only domestically, but globally.

### • Wills, Trusts, and Estate Planning Basics

Monday, April 22 · 7-8 p.m. Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom **Adults** 

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

### • Boundaries & People-Pleasing: When to Sau "Yes" & How to Say "No" Tuesday, April 23 · 7-8 p.m.

Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom Adults + Grades 9-12

Many assume that always saying "yes" leads to being loved, accepted, and appreciated. However, our people-pleasing tendencies can threaten healthy emotional and physical boundaries, leaving us feeling alone and undervalued. Grace & Gratitude Counseling will help participants identify their own unhealthy emotional boundaries and peoplepleasing tendencies. Additionally, attendees will walk away with new skills to increase assertiveness, become more confident, and make healthy changes in relationships, school, and work environments.

### 1 Parenting in the Screen Age Thursday, April 25 • 7:30-8:30 p.m. Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom **Adults**

Dr. Celia Zanayed gives advice on using social media in a positive way with your kids, avoiding pitfalls of social media, and management techniques for guiding use of screen time.

### O Board Game Night Friday, April 26 • 7-8:30 p.m. Large Meeting Room · Adults

Join us for a night of open gaming with other board game fans. Bring your own game to share or play one of ours.

### Charcuterie Cook-Along Tuesday, April 30 • 7-8:30 p.m. Live on Zoom • Adults + Grades 9-12

Follow along at home in this interactive cookalong as Chef Kristyn Slick demonstrates two versions of charcuterie boards: one classic savory and one sweet dessert board.

### 1 Introduction to Radio-Controlled Airplanes Monday, May 6 • 7-8 p.m.

Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom Adults + Grades 6-12

Join Bob Sulla. President of the Academy of Model Aeronautics, for an introduction to the world of radio-controlled model airplanes. Learn how to get started with the hobby, what is needed to fly, and where you can fly legally.

### (1) How to Sell Your Stuff Online

Tuesday, May 7 • 7-8:30 p.m. Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom

There are lots of great options for unloading your old possessions, from favorites like eBay to newer options like Facebook Marketplace. Learn how to sell online safely.

### (1) Garden to Plate

Monday, May 13 • 7-8 p.m. Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom Adults + Grades 9-12

Spring gardens and local Farmers Markets are bountiful with early spring vegetables and fruits waiting to be explored. Chef Susan Maddox will provide some recipes using these ingredients.

### 1 Jack Benny:

An Illinois Original

Wednesday, May 15 · 2-3 p.m. Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom Adults

Jack Benny is regarded as one of the top comedians in American history, shining in vaudeville, radio, television, and film while making a huge impact on the sitcom genre. Join film historian Dr. Annette Bochenek for a special "Hometowns to Hollywood" tribute to Jack Benny, as she discusses his career, legacy, and early years in Waukegan, IL.

### O Democracy Diagnostic

Monday, May 20 • 7-8:30 p.m.

Meeting Room B · Adults + Grades 9-12

Learn about the state of our democracy and discover what makes a democracy healthy.

### On Stage With Carol Channing

Tuesday, May 21 • 7-8:30 p.m. Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom **Adults** 

Step back in time with storyteller Lynn Rymarz as she brings to life the legendary Carol Channing. Hear of Channing's childhood dream to become a singer and dancer and the road that led her to Hollywood and Broadway. Discover the behind-the-scenes stories of her long-running Tony Awardwinning performance in Hello, Dolly and much more through photographs, Playbills, and books in this lively portrayal.

### Practicing Mindfulness Tuesday, May 28 · 7-8 p.m.

Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom Adults + Grades 9-12

Learn mindfulness skills with a therapist from Patchwork Therapy to help reduce stress and improve relationships.

### Mocktail Mix-Along Wednesday, May 29 · 7-8 p.m. Live on Zoom • Adults + Grades 9-12

Follow along at home in this interactive presentation as Chef Kristyn Slick mixes up delicious mocktail recipes. All the fun of a cocktail without the alcohol!

### LIBRARY INSIDERS



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

### • Next Chapter Book Club Wednesdays, March 13, 27, April 10, 24, and May 8, 22 · 6:30-7:30 p.m. Large Meeting Room · Adults

The goal of this book club is to read an entire novel by taking turns reading aloud. Anyone can join, regardless of reading ability.

### Beginner Yoga Thursday, March 21 · 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Large Meeting Room · Adults

Join us for an introduction to yoga and a 30-minute practice session to help connect our minds and bodies. Dress for exercise in comfortable clothing.

### Mini LEGO Mosaic Wednesday, April 3 · 6:30-7:30 p.m.

The Makery · Adults

Join us in The Makery to use your creative skills. The goal will be to make your very own mosaic made out of LEGO DOTS adhesive patches.

### O Trivia Night

Monday, April 29 · 6:30-7:30 p.m. Large Meeting Room · Adults

Join us for a casual game of trivia and put your knowledge to the test.

### O Stroll With a Pup in the Park

Tuesday, May 28 · 6:30-7:30 p.m. Meet in the Lobby • Adults

Have you walked a dog before? Or do you love dogs? Join us on a dog walk in Wilder Park with pups Elsa and Regal. Their owners will teach you how to walk a pup with confidence and get better acquainted with the animals and nature around you.



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### Improving Home Accessibility

#### Wednesday, March 6 • 2:30-3:30 p.m. Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom **Adults**

Meet a healthcare professional who informs about making homes accessible for those with low mobility and high needs. This is a presentation for someone who wants to know more about aging in their home or a caregiver who would like to keep their loved one at home.

### (1) Who Is an Ombudsman? Tuesday, March 19 · 3-4 p.m. Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom

Familiarize yourself with the service that an ombudsman can provide to help facilitate communication for residents in a healthcare facility. Join this program and meet a regional ombudsman for DuPage County.

### • Film Screening: Cycle of Memory

Saturday, April 6 · 2-4:15 p.m. Large Meeting Room • Adults + Grades 9-12

Follow filmmaker Alex Leff and his brother as they retrace a 100-mile bike ride taken by their grandfather in 1945. Searching for his past before it is lost to Alzheimer's disease, they confront their own fraught history along the way. This documentary provides an uplifting perspective on generational connection, healing painful pasts, and leaving a meaningful time capsule

for the future. There will be a virtual Q&A following the presentation. Understanding Social Security: A Look at the

Bigger Picture Tuesday, April 16 · 2-3 p.m.

### Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom

Are you or someone you know ready to receive Social Security? Learn about taxes, spousal benefits, and how to maximize your

### • Fall Prevention: A Multifactor Approach Monday, May 13 • 3-4 p.m.

Large Meeting Room · Adults

Meet with a physical therapist to learn ways to prevent dangerous falls and improve balance, and leave with tips for improving your quality of life.

### Talking About Hospice Wednesday, May 29 · 2:30-3:30 p.m. Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom

How much do you know about hospice care? Many in the healthcare professions argue this type of care is misunderstood and should be better utilized for individuals who qualify. An expert on the subject will walk us through the ins and outs of hospice.



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### ② Bridge & Pinochle Every Tuesday • 1-3 p.m. Kossmann Room • Adults

Enjoy an afternoon of card games every week. Prior experience is required.

No registration required.

# • American Mah Jongg Every Wednesday • 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Kossmann Room • Adults

Gather for this game of skill, strategy, calculation, and a certain amount of chance. Prior experience is required.

No registration required.

# ● Friday FeaturesEvery Friday • 2-4 p.m.Large Meeting Room • Adults

Enjoy an afternoon at the movies. Find each week's featured film at <u>elmlib.org/friday</u>.

No registration required.

### **O** Canasta

#### Every Saturday • 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Kossmann Room • Adults

Join us for a friendly game of Canasta every week. Prior experience is required.

No registration required.

### O Scrabble

Mondays, March 4, 18, April 1, 15, and May 6, 20 • 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Kossmann Room • Adults

Play a friendly game of Scrabble. All skill levels welcome.

No registration required.

# O Staying Mentally Fit Tuesdays, March 5, April 2, and May 7 1:30-2:30 p.m. · Meeting Room B · Adults Join us for fun mental enrichment includin

Join us for fun mental enrichment including games, puzzles, and activities that boost memory, reasoning, and cognitive abilities.

# ○ Ukulele CircleThursdays, March 7 and April 47-8 p.m. · Kossmann Room

Adults + Grades 6-12

It takes less than a minute to learn a few chords on the ukulele, and you're ready to tell your story through song! Jam along or listen to music ranging from folk to rock.

### O Chair Yoga

# Fridays, March 8, 22, April 12, 26, and May 10, 24 • 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Large Meeting Room • Adults

Join a certified yoga instructor for a series of simple movements to strengthen and stretch your whole body while comfortably seated in a chair. No prior yoga experience required.

# ● In Stitches Needleworkers Tuesdays, March 12, April 9, and May 14 12-2 p.m. • Gathering Room • Adults

Knitters, crocheters, and needleworkers of all skill levels: bring a project on which to work, share knowledge with others, and have fun!

No registration required.

### O Bingo

### Tuesdays, March 12 and April 9 • 2-3 p.m Large Meeting Room • Adults

Join us for a few rounds of Bingo and compete for prizes!

#### O Chamber Concert

Fridays, March 15 and April 5 · 7-8:45 p.m.

Large Meeting Room · Adults + Grades 6-12

Hear live music performed by talented

Hear live music performed by talented musicians from the Performing Arts Department at York High School.

### © Coloring for Mindfulness Tuesdays, March 19, April 16, and May 21 2-3 p.m. • Gathering Room

Adults + Grades 9-12

Choose from beautiful designs and become absorbed in the joy of coloring.

No registration required.

# **HOOPLA MANGA COLLECTION**

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H Hybrid event

Discover everything manga has to offer for free with your Library card! Read popular manga series—like Attack on Titan, Battle Angel Alita, and Berserk-online or download them to your mobile device with the Hoopla digital app. This constantly growing collection means both seasoned manga readers and those new to the format can always find something fresh and exciting to read.

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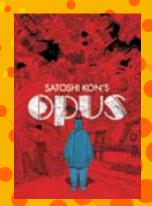














### O Sew a Tote

#### The Makery • Adults

Learn the basics of the Makery sewing machines as we sew a simple tote bag together. All experience levels welcome.

■ Monday, March 4 · 6-8 p.m.

Registration starts Feb. 19.

■ Tuesday, April 2 • 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Registration starts March 19.

■ Wednesday, May 15 · 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Registration starts May 1.

### • Macramé Feather Key Fob The Makery • Adults • Grades 9-12

Learn basic macramé knots and use your newfound skills to create a fob.

Registration starts Feb. 26. Register for one session only.

- Monday, March 11 4:30-6 p.m.
- Monday, March 11 · 6:30-8 p.m.

### ODIY Crop Day

### Saturdays, March 16, April 20, and May 18 9:30 a.m.-12 p.m. • The Makery Adults • Grades 9-12

Join us for scrapbooking, cardmaking, and more. Bring supplies and spread out. The Makery's paper craft equipment is available. No registration required.

### • Acrylic Painting With Karen Exiner

### Wednesday, March 20 · 2-3:30 p.m. Large Meeting Room · Adults

Join local artist Karen Exiner in painting a basket of flowers.

Registration starts March 6.

# O Laser Engrave a Glass Friday, March 22 · 10-11:30 a.m. The Makery · Adults

Learn the basics of the laser cutter and rotary attachment, including how to prepare your design as we engrave a glass together. Registration starts March 8.

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**The Makery • Adults**Create a custom coaster by painting a galactic view.

Registration starts March 8.

### • Polymer Clay Mug Wednesday, March 27 • 5:30-7 p.m.

The Makery · Adults

Design a mug using polymer clay elements. **Registration starts March 13.** 

### O Creative Cardmaking

#### The Makery • Adults

Join us for step-by-step instruction to create a unique card.

Registration starts March 18. Register for one session only.

- Monday, April 1 10:30-11:30 a.m.
- Monday, April 1 1-2 p.m.

### Spring Watercolors

### The Makery • Adults + Grades 9-12

Celebrate spring by painting botanicals and learning watercolor painting techniques.

Registration starts March 27.

- Wednesday, April 10 5:30-6:30 p.m
- Wednesday, April 10 7-8 p.m

### Pocket Pals

Friday, April 12 • 7-8:30 p.m.

The Makery • Adults + Grades 6-12

Learn basic stitches to sew your own pocketsized felt animal.

Registration starts March 29.

### O Cricut for Clothing

### Monday, April 15 · 6-7:30 p.m. The Makery · Adults

Learn the basics of the Makery Cricut machines as we create and cut a simple iron-on design for you to take home.

Registration starts April 1.

# O Creative Upcycling Monday, April 22 · 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Large Meeting Room · Adults

Transform common recyclables with beautiful washi tape to create art, office supplies, and more. No registration required.

### • Needle Felted Blue Bird The Makery • Adults + Grades 9-12

Use needle felting techniques to create a beautiful blue bird.

Registration starts April 15. Register for one session only.

- Monday, April 29 · 5:30-6:30 p.m.
- Monday, April 29 7-8 p.m.

### • Art Therapy

### Large Meeting Room • Adults + Grades 6-12 Unwind with coloring books and other

forms of art therapy while enjoying friendly conversation and soothing music. Bring your own materials or use ours.

- Wednesday, April 17 2-3 p.m.
- Friday, May 17 7-8:30 p.m.

# Makery Crafts

Book a reservation during Makery hours to learn a new skill. One reservation per Library card, one kit per reservation, while supplies last. Book your session online at <a href="mailto:elmlib.org/MakeryCraft">elmlib.org/MakeryCraft</a>.

### **O** Sew a Lunch Bag

March 12-31 • The Makery

Adults + Grades 6-12

Sew a fun and simple lunch bag. Registration starts March 11.

### © Cricut Paper Flowers

April 9-30 • The Makery

Adults + Grades 6-12

Create delightful paper flowers.
Registration starts April 8.

### • Acrylic Suncatcher

May 14-31 • The Makery

Adults + Grades 6-12

Use the Makery's laser cutter to create an acrylic suncatcher.

Registration starts May 13.



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Learn techniques for painting on glass to create a faux stained glass masterpiece. Registration starts May 6. Register for one session only.

- Monday, May 20 1:30-2:30 p.m
- Monday, May 20 7-8 p.m.

# Laser Engrave a Coaster Wednesday, May 22 · 6-7:30 p.m. The Makery · Adults

Learn the basics of the laser cutter and engrave your own custom coaster. Registration starts May 8.

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Create a hand-bound book with the simple yet elegant chain stitch.

Registration starts May 15. Register for one session only.

- Wednesday, May 29 5:15-6:45 p.m.
- Wednesday, May 29 7-8:30 p.m.

### **BOOK DISCUSSIONS**

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

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### Expand Your World, One Book at a Time

**To get on board,** register for the EPL Reading Adventure in Beanstack at <u>elmlib.org/beanstack</u> and read a poetry book about nature.

**Find book title suggestions** in the Beanstack challenge. After you read your book, you can tell us about your voyage by writing a review.

**By completing the challenge,** you will be entered into a drawing for a \$25 Elmhurst City Centre gift card.



### ♠ Abyss by Pilar Quintana Gathering Room + Live on Zoom • Adults

Eight-year-old Claudia tries to understand the world by observing disturbing events between her father and mother in their apartment in Cali, Colombia. When Claudia's aunt brings a new person into their circle, trouble follows, causing Claudia to worry that she will be abandoned.

- Thursday, March 7 1-2:15 p.m.
- Thursday, March 7 7-8:15 p.m.



# Sci-Fi Book Discussion: All Systems Red by Martha Wells Thursday, April 4 • 7-8:15 p.m.

### Gathering Room + Live on Zoom • Adults

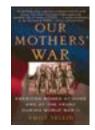
SecUnit, a sarcastic security droid that calls itself Murderbot, overrides its governor module and just wants to binge-watch TV instead of protecting its team of scientists on a planetary mission. But when something goes wrong on the mission at the other side of the planet, they all need to come together to survive.



# Learn & Grow Book Discussion: Verified: How to Think Straight, Get Duped Less, and Make Better Decisions About What to Believe Online by Mike Caulfield and Sam Wineburg Thursday, May 2 • 7-8:15 p.m.

Gathering Room + Live on Zoom • Adults
Digital literacy experts make sense of the

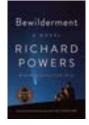
endless information, misinformation, and disinformation we encounter online.



• Historical Book Discussion: Our Mothers' War: American Women at Home and at the Front During World War II by Emily Yellin

Tuesday, March 19 • 7-8:30 p.m.
Off-site: Elmhurst History Museum
(120 E Park Ave) • Adults

Examine how World War II changed American women's lives. This discussion is connected to the Elmhurst History Museum's *Victory at Home: 1941-1945* exhibit. Program includes after-hours access to exhibits.



# Bewilderment: A Novel by Richard Powers

#### Meeting Room A + Live on Zoom • Adults

This novel tells the story of Theo, an astrobiologist raising Robin, a friendly, kind third grader, who suddenly fractures his friend's cheekbone at school. As his son becomes more troubled, Theo decides to try an experimental treatment to help Robin control his emotions, using his late mother's recorded brain patterns.

- Thursday, April 18 1-2:15 p.m
- Thursday, April 18 7-8:15 p.m.



### Trading Titles

### Gathering Room + Live on Zoom • Adults

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

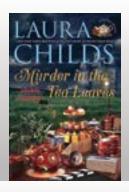
- Thursday, May 16 1-2:15 p.m.
- Thursday, May 16 7-8:15 p.m

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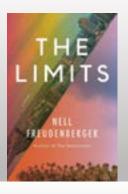


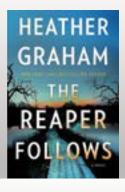


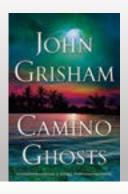


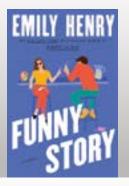


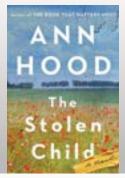




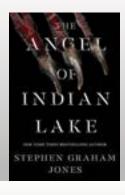


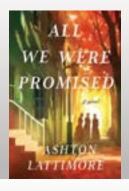


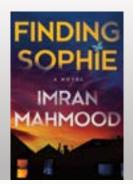


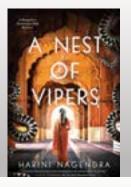


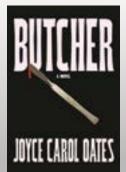




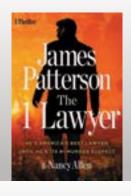


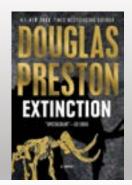


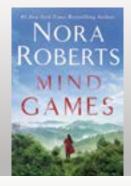






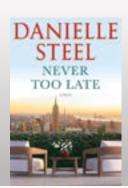


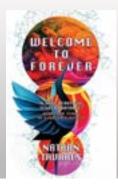


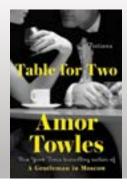


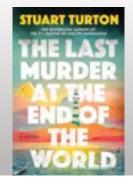






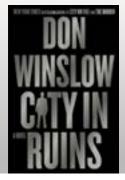












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### LIBRARY BOARD MEETINGS

Third Tuesday of each month 7 p.m. at the Library

### **ADMINISTRATION**

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### LIBRARY CLOSED

Sunday, March 31 • Easter Monday, May 27 • Memorial Day

#### **HOURS**

M-F: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sat: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sun: 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

