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## Community Connection

Participate and help create something great with your community!



## Reader Central

Find books to read and discuss in our refurbished Reader Central area.



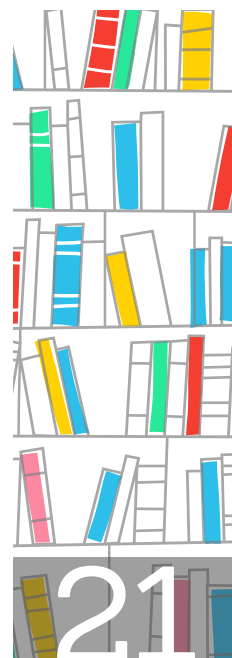
## Common Connection: Stargazing

This series of programs examines the mysteries and stories that fascinate us about the nighttime sky.



## Author Visits

Mark your calendars to see best-selling authors Madeline Miller, Jenny Lawson, and Kiley Reid.



## Book Discussions

Get fresh perspectives by talking about books with members of your community.



## Media Match

Our expert selectors can help you find your next item to read, watch, or listen to.

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## Come Together

The Library has a variety of gathering spaces available for use by individuals and community groups. The rooms are also available for businesses to use, for a fee.

### Options:

Meeting Rooms are available for larger groups and accommodate up to 45 people. Reservations are available online up to three months in advance through our website.

[elmlib.org/meetings](http://elmlib.org/meetings)

The Computer Lab accommodates up to 16 people at individual computers. Reservations are available online up to three months in advance through our website.

[elmlib.org/meetings](http://elmlib.org/meetings)

Study Rooms on the 2nd Floor accommodate smaller groups up to eight people. The rooms are reservable up to a week in advance online.

[elmlib.org/studyrooms](http://elmlib.org/studyrooms)

Virtual Meeting Rooms are available through the Library if you can't find time to meet in person. Our convenient online breakout rooms are reservable up to one month in advance.

[elmlib.org/virtual](http://elmlib.org/virtual)



[elmlib.org/bookaroom](http://elmlib.org/bookaroom)

## Attending Programs

### Event Key:

In-person Virtual Hybrid

■ **Hybrid:** These events are offered both in-person at the Library and online. Register at [elmlib.org/events](http://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.*

■ **YouTube:** No registration required. Just visit [elmlib.org/youtube](http://elmlib.org/youtube) to watch.

■ **Zoom:** Register at [elmlib.org/events](http://elmlib.org/events) or call us to receive an email and link to the live stream. *Note: Not online? Call us to learn how you can listen to Zoom programs via phone.*

■ **Discord or Roll20:** Register at [elmlib.org/events](http://elmlib.org/events) to receive information to join.

## ADA Accommodations

Available for programs and Library visits. Call (630) 279-8696 or email [reference@elmlib.org](mailto: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.



## New! Virtual Displays

The Library makes a point of always having timely displays around the building that showcase our extensive collection. Now we're bringing those displays to our website! Take a moment to explore our online book display portal.

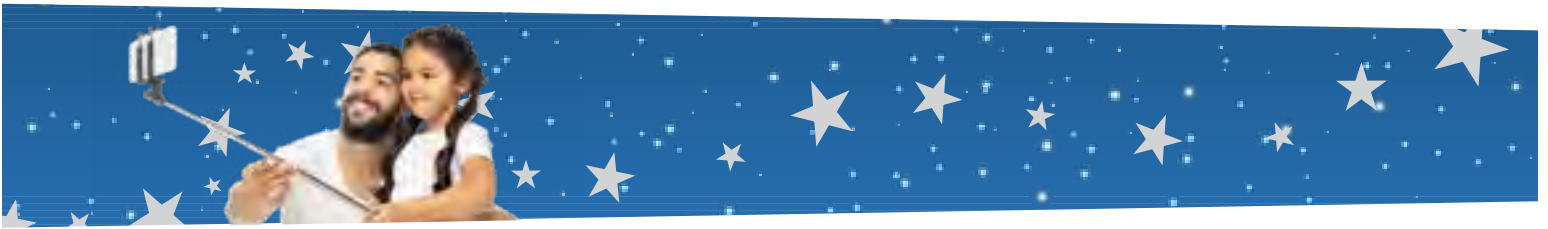
[elmlib.org/bookdisplays](http://elmlib.org/bookdisplays)

# COMMUNITY CONNECTION

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Follow @AskElmhurst on Instagram to keep up with your library community.  
Find more info at [elmlib.org/community](https://elmlib.org/community).



## Selfie Station

**Begins March 1 • All Ages • Lobby**

Playing off our spring Common Connection theme of Stargazing, the Library invites the community to snap a pic in front of our stellar selfie station, and share using #ElmhurstPublicLibrary.



## Magnetic Poetry

**Begins April 1 • All Ages**

Celebrate Poetry Month at the Library by creating magnetic poems in the Lobby.  
Make your own, build on other people's, and see the word magic happen.



## #BookstagramEPL

**Begins May 1 • All Ages**

Go ahead and judge a book by its cover. We'd love to see your favorite book art. Snap a photo of the book you're currently reading or one of your favorites and use #BookstagramEPL.



# FAMILY + PARENTS

Register for programs at [elmlib.org/events](http://elmlib.org/events) unless otherwise noted.

## 📍 Irish Fairy Houses

**Thursday, March 10 • 6:15-7:15 p.m.**

**Kids' Program Room • Families**

Discover the legend of fairy houses, learn about Ireland, and build your own fairy house as a family.

## 📍 Glow-in-the-Dark

**Storytime**

**Wednesday, March 16 • 6:15-7 p.m.**

**Kossmann Room • Families (best for 1-5)**

Enjoy stories, songs, and glowing fun in this storytime featuring nighttime lights.

## 📺 Pixar Trivia

**Monday, March 21 • 7-8 p.m.**

**Live on Youtube • All Ages**

Test your knowledge of Pixar films and compete for prizes online.

## 📍 Rhyme with the Rhyming

**Dust Bunnies**

**Mondays, April 4-25 • All Ages**

Each Monday in April, pick up a worksheet for some poetry fun.

No registration required.

## 📍 Celebrate Ramadan

**Saturday, April 9 • 2-2:45 p.m.**

**Kids' Program Room • All Ages**

Learn about the holiday of Ramadan and make a craft to celebrate!

## 📍 Family Moon Gazing

**Tuesday, April 12 • 7-8 p.m.**

**Kids' Program Room • Families**

Learn about the moon and the night sky with astronomer Allan Fenske. If the skies are clear, we'll head outside with a telescope to view the moon. Dress for the weather and, if you have one, bring your own telescope.

## 📍 Spring Family STEM for Tots

**Saturday, April 23 • 2-2:45 p.m.**

**Kids' Program Room**

**Families (best for 1-5)**

Discover the wonders of spring with hands-on STEM activities for preschoolers and their grown-ups. Dress for a mess.

## 📍 Spring Maypole Celebration

**Wednesday, April 27 • 10:30-11:15 a.m.**

**Kids' Program Room**

**Families (best for 1-5)**

Get ready to spring into May! Enjoy a story and make a mini maypole to take home.

## 📍 Homeschool Meetup

**Thursday, April 28 • 1-3 p.m.**

**Kids' Program Room • Families**

Homeschool families: join us for an afternoon of educational fun! There will be activities for learning and play using some of our favorite STREAM kits, and we'll discuss goals for homeschool programming at the Library.

## 📍 See the Show! Be a Pro! with Jason Kollum

**Saturday, May 7 • 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.**

**Large Meeting Room • Families**

Jason Kollum's hilarious and interactive juggling show lets you try your hand at being a star.

## 📍 LEGO Around the World

**Week of May 16-20 • 10 a.m.-4 p.m.**

**All Ages**

Drop in to learn about a new place each day, and use our LEGO blocks to build famous structures from different countries.

No registration required.

## 📍 Stories 'n Stones

**Sunday, May 22 • 2-2:45 p.m.**

**Large Meeting Room • Families**

Hear traditional Native American stories and see demonstrations of tools from the tales. This program is presented in partnership with Elmhurst History Museum.



# KIDS' BINGE BOXES



Family-friendly Binge Boxes are now available for checkout! There is something for every taste, so settle in and enjoy themes like Dino-mite, Not Your Average Fairy Tale, True Sports Stories, and Disney Comes to Life. Available in the Kids' Library.

Storytime registration begins approximately 2 weeks before each monthly session.



## Little Wiggles

Join us for stories, nursery rhymes, and music to keep little ones gleefully engaged.

### Virtual

**Every Tuesday • 9:30-10 a.m.**

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

Register at [elmlib.org/storytime](http://elmlib.org/storytime).

### In-Person

**10:15-10:45 a.m. • Kids' Program Room**

**Families (best for 1-5)**

Register for one of the series below at [elmlib.org/storytime](http://elmlib.org/storytime).

■ **Tuesdays, March 1-22**

■ **Tuesdays, April 5-26**

## Wonderful Ones and Twos

**9:30-10 a.m. • Kids' Program Room**

**Ages 1-2 w/ adult**

Join in rhymes, books, and musical activities to engage emerging language skills for ones and twos.

Register for one of the series below at [elmlib.org/storytime](http://elmlib.org/storytime).

■ **Wednesdays, March 2-23**

■ **Wednesdays, April 6-27**

## Fun for 3s, 4s, and 5s

**9:30-10 a.m. • Kids' Program Room**

**Ages 3-5 w/ adult**

Tales packed with rhyme and vocabulary, storytelling, and lively musical activities make it an exciting morning.

Register for one of the series below at [elmlib.org/storytime](http://elmlib.org/storytime).

■ **Thursdays, March 3-24**

■ **Thursdays, April 7-27**

## Free to Be Three

**9:30-10 a.m. • Kids' Program Room**

**Age 3 w/ adult**

Stories, songs, active rhymes, and more are just right for your three-year-old's emerging literacy skills!

Register for one of the series below at [elmlib.org/storytime](http://elmlib.org/storytime).

■ **Fridays, March 4-25**

■ **Fridays, April 8-29**

## Songs and Stories

**Every Saturday • 9:30-10 a.m.**

**Kids' Program Room • Ages 1-2 w/ adult**

Come for stories, rhymes, and music that keep toddlers and their grownups moving and smiling.

Register for each month at [elmlib.org/storytime](http://elmlib.org/storytime).

## Saturday Stories

**Every Saturday (No session April 16)**

**10:30-11 a.m. • Kids' Program Room**

**Families**

Join us for stories, music, and movement, just right for families to share together.

Register for each month at [elmlib.org/storytime](http://elmlib.org/storytime).

## Mother Goose and Me

**Mondays, March 7-April 25**

**(No session March 28)**

**9:30-10 a.m. • Kids' Program Room**

**Newborn to 11 months w/ adult**

Enjoy meeting other parents of newborns to share rhymes, activities, and resources.

Register for each month at [elmlib.org/storytime](http://elmlib.org/storytime).

## Spanish/English Storytime

**Thursday, April 14 • 10:15-10:45 a.m.**

**Kids' Program Room • Families (best for 1-5)**

Join us for stories, songs, and rhymes that teach basic concepts, such as numbers and letters, en Español.

Register at [elmlib.org/storytime](http://elmlib.org/storytime).

## Bunny Hop Storytime

**Saturday, April 16 • 10:30-11 a.m.**

**Kids' Program Room • Families**

Enjoy bunny stories, music, and hopping!

Register at [elmlib.org/storytime](http://elmlib.org/storytime).

## Coming Attractions

Reserve your copy online:

[elmlib.org/kidsnewbooks](http://elmlib.org/kidsnewbooks)



# ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Register for programs at [elmlib.org/events](http://elmlib.org/events) unless otherwise noted.

## 📍 Bug Club

**Thursday, March 3 • 4-4:45 p.m.**  
**Kids' Program Room • Grades K-2**

Calling all insect lovers! Learn about bugs, how they live, and what makes them so amazing through activities and a craft.

## 📍 Pug Party!

**Monday, March 7 • 4-4:45 p.m.**  
**Kids' Program Room • Grades K-2**

Celebrate pugs and the release of the newest *Diary of a Pug* book by Kyla May! We'll read part of Bub the Pug's diary, then you can create your own journal and enjoy more pug-themed activities.

## 📍 Read to the Dogs

**Saturdays, March 12 and May 14**  
**2-3:30 p.m. • Kids' Program Room**  
**Grades K-8**

Bring a book or choose one of ours and read aloud to one of our visiting therapy dogs.

## 📍 Play Switch!

**Monday, March 14 • 4-5 p.m.**  
**Kids' Program Room • Grades 2-8**

Join us for some fun playing *Smash Bros.* on the big TV in the Kids' Program Room. You don't need to bring controllers, or even have to know how to play!

## 📍 Rube Goldberg

**Contraptions**  
**Wednesday, April 6 • 4-5 p.m.**  
**Large Meeting Room • Grades 3-5**

Rube Goldberg was a cartoonist and inventor best known for hilariously overcomplicated machines created to complete simple tasks. Create your own unique Rube Goldberg machine. We supply the parts, you supply the inventive genius!

## 📍 Celebrate Ramadan

**Saturday, April 9 • 2-2:45 p.m.**  
**Kids' Program Room • All Ages**

Learn about the holiday of Ramadan and make a craft to celebrate!

## 📍 Upcycled Rainbow Crayons

**Friday, April 22 • 4-5 p.m.**  
**Kids' Program Room • Grades 3-5**

Recycle old crayon pieces to make super-sized rainbow crayons! Learn how to recycle crayons and bring some home. Bring your old crayons or use our supply.

## 📍 Jedi Academy

**Wednesday, May 4 • 4-5 p.m.**  
**Large Meeting Room • Grades 3-5**

Padawans, it's time to use the Force. Test your skills at our Jedi Academy. If successful you are, a Jedi you will become.

## Kids' Library Drop-in Programs

### 📍 March Book Madness

**Begins March 1 • All Ages**

Visit the Kids' Library each week to vote for your favorite books!  
**No registration required.**

### 📍 Spring Break: Ready, Set, Fun!

**Week of March 28-April 1**

**10 a.m.-2 p.m. Kids' Library • All Ages**

Stop in to the Kids' Library for a different activity each day during spring break.  
**No registration required.**

### 📍 Rhyme with the Rhyming Dust Bunnies

**Mondays, April 4-25 • All Ages**

Each Monday in April, pick up a worksheet for some poetry fun.  
**No registration required.**

### 📍 May There Always Be Sunshine

**Begins May 1 • All Ages**

"May there always be sunshine" is the start of Jim Gill's book about wishes for the world. Throughout May, pick up a coloring page and add your wishes.  
**No registration required.**

### 📍 LEGO Around the World

**Week of May 16-20 • 10 a.m.-4 p.m.**  
**All Ages**

Drop in to learn about a new place each day, and use our LEGO blocks to build famous structures from different countries.  
**No registration required.**

### 📍 Tech Toy Playground

**Monday, May 9 • 4-5 p.m.**  
**Kids' Program Room • Grades K-2**

Learn how to make a Code-a-Pillar follow a path, and help Robot Mouse get the cheese!

### 📍 Stories 'n Stones

**Sunday, May 22 • 2-2:45 p.m.**  
**Large Meeting Room • Families**

Hear traditional Native American stories and see demonstrations of tools from the tales. This program is presented in partnership with Elmhurst History Museum.





# MIDDLE SCHOOL

See page 2 for info:  In-person event  Virtual event  Hybrid event



## Name That Tune!

**Friday, March 18 • 6-7 p.m.**

**Kids' Program Room • Grades 6-8**

How well do you know your music? Join us for a game that challenges you to guess by listening to the first few seconds of a song.

## Screen Printing 101

**Monday, April 11 • 4-5 p.m.**

**The Makery • Grades 6-8**

Learn the messy ins and outs of DIY screen printing, and take home a personalized t-shirt.

## Laser Logic

**Friday, May 6 • 7-8 p.m.**

**Large Meeting Room • Grades 6-8**

Using mirrors, geometry skills, teamwork, and a laser, work through challenging puzzles. Can you be the first to complete the challenges?

## Middle School Coming Attractions

Reserve your copy online:  
[elmlib.org/msnewbooks](http://elmlib.org/msnewbooks)





## 🎮 Video Game Tourney Night

**Every Wednesday • 7-8:30 p.m.**

Visit [elmlib.org](http://elmlib.org) for location • **Grades 9-12**

We're mixing up the *Smash Bros.* Tournament by adding alternate games and tournaments.

## 🍷 Spill!

**Every Thursday • 4-5 p.m.**

**Teen Space • Grades 9-12**

**No sessions on school holidays**

Teens have a chance to share thoughts and explore current topics with EPL's social services specialist.

**No registration required.**

## 🐉 Dungeons & Dragons

**Tuesdays, March 8, April 12, and May 10**

**6-8:45 p.m. • Live on Roll20 and Discord**

**Grades 9-12**

Join us for an original campaign led by internationally acclaimed DM Thomas Lewis. Live on Roll20 and Discord.

## 🎨 High School Crafternoon

**Fridays, March 11, April 8, and May 13**

**4-5:30 p.m. • Teen Space • Grades 9-12**

Each month we provide materials and ideas. Take home a new skill and a finished project!

## 💰 Financial Aid Award Letter Comparison

**Monday, March 14 • 7-8:30 p.m.**

**Kossmann Room • Grades 9-12 and Parents**

Bring your financial aid award letters and receive help evaluating them. Presented by the Illinois Student Assistance Commission.

## 🎓 The Technical/Vocational Education Pathway to a Great Career

**Tuesday, March 15 • 7-8 p.m.**

**Meeting Room A + Live on Zoom**

**Grades 9-12 and Parents**

Learn more about these in-demand careers and the education/training needed to enter those fields. Presented with Career Vision.

## 💰 Managing College Costs

**Monday, April 18 • 7-8 p.m.**

**Meeting Room A + Live on Zoom**

**Grades 9-12 and Parents**

Start thinking about your college budget. Get advice on financial planning and strategies for saving money, as well as increasing your financial base with scholarships and working on campus. Presented by Illinois Student Assistance Commission.

## 🎓 Plan Your College Visits

**Tuesday, April 19 • 7-8 p.m.**

**Large Meeting Room + 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.

## 🎬 May the 4th Be With You!

**Star Wars Trivia & Craft**

**Wednesday, May 4 • 4-5:30 p.m.**

**Teen Space • Grades 9-12**

It's *Star Wars* Day! Join us for a trivia contest and a craft project.

## Get Involved

### Teen Advisors

**Grades 9-12**

Plan Library programs for teens, voice your opinion, and make new friends.

Please email [eplteen@elmlib.org](mailto:eplteen@elmlib.org) for more info.

### Teen Showcase Gallery

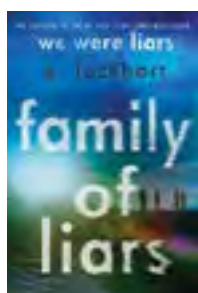
**Grades 9-12**

Submit your work for consideration. All mediums are welcome! This can include: art, industrial design, crafts, culinary creations, music recordings, performance videos, and more. [elmlib.org/entryshowcase](http://elmlib.org/entryshowcase)

See last year's creative work at [elmlib.org/showcase](http://elmlib.org/showcase).

## Teen Space

The Library's Teen Space, located on the 2nd Floor, is reserved just for high schoolers. Come by to study, attend programs, or hang out while crafting or playing games.



## High School Coming Attractions

Reserve your copy online:  
[elmlib.org/hsnewbooks](http://elmlib.org/hsnewbooks)

## Five Star Videos

Improve smartphone videos with the following devices:

- Rode Vlogger Kit
- Smartphone Gimbal Stabilizer

Request equipment at [elmlib.org/catalog](http://elmlib.org/catalog)

### Intro to Excel

**Thursday, March 3 • 6-7:30 p.m.**  
**Computer Lab • Adults + Grades 9-12**

Learn the basics of Microsoft Excel, a powerful spreadsheet application that can organize and analyze data.

### Canva Basics

**Wednesday, March 9 • 6:30-8 p.m.**  
**Computer Lab • Adults + Grades 9-12**

Get an introduction to Canva, an online graphic design tool. Canva can be used to create social media graphics, presentations, posters, and other visual content.

### iPhone iOS

**Computer Lab • Adults + Grades 9-12**  
■ **Tuesday, March 15 • 10 a.m.-11:30 a.m.**  
■ **Thursday, April 14 • 6:30-8 p.m.**  
■ **Friday, May 13 • 2-3:30 p.m.**

Discover the latest features of the iPhone and its operating system.

### Microsoft Word Basics

**Wednesday, March 23 • 2-3:30 p.m.**  
**Computer Lab • Adults + Grades 9-12**  
Review Microsoft Word, a widely used word processing program for document creation.

### Analog to Digital Conversion

**Thursday, March 24 • 6:30-8 p.m.**  
**Computer Lab • Adults + Grades 9-12**  
Get to know equipment that will convert your cassettes, records, film, and VHS tapes into a digital format.

### eBooks, eMagazines, and eAudio

**Wednesday, April 6 • 3-4 p.m.**  
**Computer Lab • Adults + Grades 9-12**  
Access the Library's collections of eBooks, eAudiobooks, and eMagazines with a knowledgeable guide.

### Android Essentials

**Tuesday, April 12 • 3-4:30 p.m.**  
**Computer Lab • Adults + Grades 9-12**  
Learn more about the Android operating system and gain some new skills.

### Excel Intermediate

**Wednesday, April 13 • 2-3:30 p.m.**  
**Computer Lab • Adults + Grades 9-12**  
Learn additional Excel functions and formulas that are often used in the program.

### Streaming Video

**Friday, April 15 • 2-3:30 p.m. • Computer Lab**  
**Adults + Grades 9-12**  
Find out about the latest technology and applications for streaming video.

### Travel Apps

**Tuesday, April 26 • 6:30-8 p.m.**  
**Computer Lab • Adults + Grades 9-12**  
Discover popular applications that can make booking your next trip easier.

### Intro to Modern Video Games & Technology

**Wednesday, April 27 • 2-3:30 p.m.**  
**Computer Lab • Adults + Grades 9-12**  
Learn to install and play video games using platforms like Steam and mobile devices.

### Windows 11 Essentials

**Monday, May 9 • 6-7:30 p.m.**  
**Computer Lab • Adults + Grades 9-12**  
Find out about the new Windows 11 features.

### Excel Advanced Topics

**Thursday, May 12 • 6-7:30 p.m.**  
**Computer Lab • Adults + Grades 9-12**  
Learn advanced features of Excel including PMT, vLookup, and more.

### Hybrid, Split, and Fully Remote Office Setup

**Monday, May 23 • 6-7:30 p.m.**  
**Live on Zoom • Adults + Grades 9-12**  
Learn to access office tools and communicate remotely, individually and as part of a team.

## Drop-in Tech Help

Find solutions to your tech questions by stopping by the 2nd Floor or remotely, through our Virtual Info Desk.

[elmlib.org/videochat](http://elmlib.org/videochat)



## Online Business and Investing Resources

Find tools to make your business run smoothly and grow with our subscription-based databases.

[elmlib.org/businessstools](http://elmlib.org/businessstools)



### H The Technical/Vocational Education Pathway to a Great Career

**Tuesday, March 15 • 7-8 p.m.**  
**Meeting Room A + Live on Zoom**  
**Adults + Grades 9-12**

Learn about in-demand careers and the education/training needed to enter those fields. Presented with Career Vision.

### E Elmhurst Business Connection

**Thursdays, March 24, April 28, and May 26**  
**8-9:30 a.m. • Live on Zoom • Adults**

Join Fox Valley SCORE mentors for a round table discussion on new topics each month. Meet with business owners in the Elmhurst community to get advice, network, and share experiences with peers.

### 📍 Negotiate the Job Offer

**Monday, March 21 • 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.**  
**Large Meeting Room • Adults**

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.

### H Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Grant Information

**Thursday, March 31 • 10-11 a.m.**  
**Meeting Room A + Live on Zoom**  
**Adults**

Learn how to take advantage of grants for trainings and certifications in areas such as digital marketing, nursing aides, CDL licensing, project management, and so much more at no cost to you. Learn who qualifies and how to apply. Presented with MicroTrain.

### 📍 Data Axle Reference Solutions for Your Small Business

**Wednesday, April 13 • 6:30-7:30 p.m.**  
**Computer Lab • Adults**

Give your small business a boost with Data Axle Reference Solutions (formerly Reference USA). This powerful resource can identify new sales prospects, create customized business and consumer marketing lists, and gather competitive business intelligence. Join us for hands-on instruction of one of EPL's most popular databases.

### 📍 Create a Focused Job Search Using Library Tools

**Monday, April 18 • 11 a.m.-12:15 p.m.**  
**Large Meeting Room • Adults**

Using library tools, develop a target list of companies to pursue, email agents for job alerts, and utilize productivity tools to track and guide job search activities. Presented with People's Resource Center.

### 📍 Job Search in the 21st Century

**Monday, May 16 • 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.**  
**Large Meeting Room • Adults**

Having a focused job search plan increases your chances of finding a job. We will identify the three parts of a job search plan, learn strategic search practices, and discuss how to track and assess your progress. Presented with People's Resource Center.




## Exam Proctoring

Proctoring is the perfect remote testing option for college students or professionals seeking certifications. This service is available to individuals who live or work in Elmhurst. A minimum of 5 days' notice is required.

[elmlib.org/proctor](http://elmlib.org/proctor)

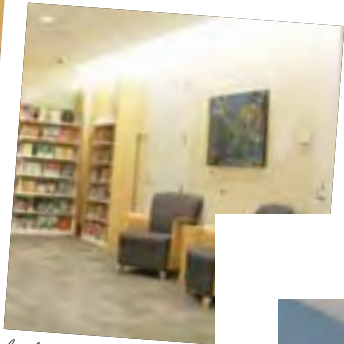


# READER CENTRAL

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Register for programs at [elmlib.org/events](http://elmlib.org/events) unless otherwise noted.

Find great books to read and discuss in our refurbished Reader Central area, located on the 2nd Floor. Be sure to check out the new readers' advisory station, which features suggested titles, handouts, discussion tools, and an interactive touch screen to help you get started!



*before*



*during*



*after*

READER Central

[elmlib.org/readercentral](http://elmlib.org/readercentral)



# 20 + 30 SOMETHINGS

Register for programs at [elmlib.org/events](http://elmlib.org/events) unless otherwise noted.

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

## 🕒 Flashback Friday: Crafts

**Friday, March 4 • 7:30-8:30 p.m.**

**Large Meeting Room • 20s/30s Adults**

Relive some of your favorite crafts from the past, including friendship bracelets, Shrinky Dinks, and Perler beads.

## 💻 Student Loan Repayment Challenges

**Monday, March 7 • 7-8 p.m.**

**Live on Zoom • Adults**

Feeling overwhelmed by your student loans? A representative from the Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Northern Illinois will walk us through options for repayment. Deferment, forbearance, loan rehabilitation, and the difference between federal and private loans will be covered.

## 🌟 Light-up Constellations

**Friday, March 18 • 7:30-8:30 p.m.**

**Kossmann Room • 20s/30s Adults**

Brighten your space with a unique wall hanging featuring your zodiac sign or other favorite constellation, complete with glowing stars and an on-off switch!

## 📖 20s/30s Book Discussions

■ ***Project Hail Mary: A Novel***  
by Andy Weir

**Wednesday, April 13 • 7-8:15 p.m.**

**Gathering Room + Live on Zoom**

Follow Ryland Grace's pulse-pounding adventure aboard a space ship on a Hail Mary mission to save the Earth with the help of an unusual sidekick.

■ ***Crying in H Mart: A Memoir***  
by Michelle Zauner

**Thursday, May 5 • 7-8:15 p.m.**

**Gathering Room + Live on Zoom**

Ms. Zauner recounts her childhood as an Asian American in Oregon, how her relationship with her Korean identity changed in her young adulthood, and how she was affected by her mother's cancer diagnosis.

■ ***In the Dream House***  
by Carmen Maria Machado

**Thursday, June 2 • 7-8:15 p.m.**

**Gathering Room + Live on Zoom**

Follow Carmen Maria Machado's account of a relationship gone bad and a bold dissection of the mechanisms and cultural representations of psychological abuse.



## Connect • Engage • Thrive

Connect with others in the community, while navigating all the challenges that come with adulthood.

## 🔮 Astrology 101

**Monday, March 28 • 7-8:30 p.m.**

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

Learn about sun signs, moon signs, and rising signs, as well as planets and houses. Read your natal chart to avoid problems, learn your strengths, and embrace your best self.

## 🎲 Board Game Night

**Friday, April 1 • 7-8:30 p.m.**

**Large Meeting Room • 20s/30s 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.

## 📔 Bullet Journaling for Beginners

**Friday, April 8 • 7-8:15 p.m.**

**Large Meeting Room • 20s/30s Adults**

Learn the basics of bullet journaling, including sample layouts and artful organization.

## 🔮 Intermediate Astrology

**Monday, April 25 • 7-8:30 p.m.**

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

Learn about campanus and whole-sign house systems, planetary rulerships, and axes to better understand your natal chart and yourself.

## 🎨 Art Therapy Night

**Friday, April 29 • 7-8:30 p.m.**

**Large Meeting Room • 20s/30s Adults**

Come unwind with adult coloring books and other forms of art therapy. Bring your own materials or use ours.

## 🎲 Giant Board Games

**Friday, May 20 • 7-8:30 p.m.**

**Large Meeting Room • 20s/30s Adults**

Play the classic games you love—bigger and better than ever.

# Common Connection: *stargazing*



The Common Connection is a series of programs using lectures, discussion, and critical thinking to identify topics that influence the world today. This issue's topic is **Stargazing**.

Stargazing is the stuff of wonder. It's hard to resist the timeless embrace of the vast nighttime sky—the flecks of light against the darkness invite us to construct dreams for our future made from fragments of ancient stardust.

All spring, the Library has programs for you to explore. Stargaze with us—you'll be delighted and amazed by the mysteries of the cosmos.

[elmlib.org/common](http://elmlib.org/common)

## H Apollo 11: One Giant Leap and a Series of Firsts

Wednesday, March 9 • 7-8 p.m.

Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom

Adults + Grades 6-12

On July 20, 1969, humans first landed on the moon. Hear Terry Lynch, as astronaut Neil Armstrong, recount the lead up to the first moon landing. Learn about other firsts associated with that historic mission, including the first color TV transmission and the first time a customs report was filled out in space!

## H GreenMan Theatre Presents: Space Stories

Wednesday, March 23 • 7-8:30 p.m.

Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom

Adults + Grades 6-12

Storytellers from GreenMan Theatre Troupe regale us with spoken word performances related to space and the zodiac.

## H Astrology 101

Monday, March 28 • 7-8:30 p.m.

Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom

Adults + Grades 9-12

Learn about sun signs, moon signs, and rising signs, as well as planets and houses. Read your natal chart to avoid problems, learn your strengths, and embrace your best self.

## H Women in Space Exploration

Monday, April 4 • 7-8 p.m.

Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom

Adults + Grades 6-12

Women have been traveling to space for decades and involved in getting people to space (and back) for just as long. Learn more about several of these trailblazers with astronomer Michelle Nichols.

## H Intermediate Astrology

Monday, April 25 • 7-8:30 p.m.

Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom

Adults + Grades 9-12

Learn about campanus and whole-sign house systems, planetary rulerships, and axes to better understand your natal chart and yourself.

## H Armchair Tour of the Solar System

Tuesday, April 26 • 7-8 p.m.

Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom

Adults + Grades 9-12

Explore our solar system without stepping foot outside! We will showcase some of the latest NASA spacecraft images of our solar system, touching on our stunning sun, planets, asteroids, comets, and everything in between.

## H Paranormal Illinois: Tales of Ghosts, UFOs, and Mysterious Creatures

Tuesday, May 3 • 7-8:30 p.m.

Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom

Adults + Grades 9-12

Investigate the unknown with Chad Lewis and learn the stranger side of our state's history. From alien abductions to crop circles, discover the weird, haunted, and unusual.

## H Hidden Star Wars

Wednesday, May 4 • 7-8:30 p.m.

Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom

All Ages

Experience *Star Wars* like never before with this thrilling insider's look at one of the most treasured film series in the galaxy! Hear inside jokes, secret references, and dozens more exciting moments in this fantastic collection of film clips. This is a hybrid program with a virtual presenter.

## H Armchair Tour of the Universe

Tuesday, May 10 • 7-8 p.m.

Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom

Adults + Grades 6-12

Go on a trip around the universe without going outside! This presentation takes you on a whirlwind visit through our universe's most amazing objects using images from the world's most advanced telescopes.

## 📍 Mason Jar Luminaries

Meeting Room A • Adults

■ Wednesday, May 18 • 2-3 p.m.

■ Wednesday, May 18 • 7-8 p.m.

Create a beautiful luminary out of a mason jar to bring some starry magic to your table or outdoor space. All materials provided.

## Explore Space Poster Exhibit

April 1-May 31 • Lobby

This Spring, the Library hosts a poster exhibit from STAR Net, a hands-on learning network for libraries, led by the Space Science Institute's National Center for Interactive Learning. The posters cover everything from comets and asteroids to gas giants and exoplanets.

## Severe Weather Preparedness

**Tuesday, March 1 • 7-8 p.m.**  
**Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom**  
**Adults + Grades 6-12**

Illinois experiences extreme weather year-round, including wind storms, tornadoes, and devastating snow and ice storms. Professor Paul Sirvatka discusses the nature and climatology of these threats and advises how to best prepare to keep your family safe. Then, learn about the science behind recent significant weather events.

## Student Loan Repayment Challenges

**Monday, March 7 • 7-8 p.m.**  
**Live on Zoom • Adults**

Feeling overwhelmed by your student loans? A representative from the Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Northern Illinois will walk us through options for repayment. Deferment, forbearance, loan rehabilitation, and the difference between federal and private loans will be covered.

## Stateville Calling: Documentary and Q&A

**Tuesday, March 8 • 6:30-8:30 p.m.**  
**Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom**  
**Adults + Grades 9-12**

Is rehabilitation a right? *Stateville Calling* is an Emmy-nominated documentary exploring parole reform and the struggle of aging inmates in Illinois. Renaldo Hudson, one of the individuals featured in the documentary, became the Director of Education at the Illinois Prison Project (IPP) following his release in 2020. In a panel discussion following the screening, Renaldo and a team of formerly incarcerated people engaged in transforming the criminal legal system in Illinois share their experiences with incarceration and the modern realities and challenges of criminal legal reform in Illinois. Presented with Elmhurst University and the Illinois Prison Project. This is a hybrid program with a virtual presenter.

## Culture Club: Madrid

**Thursday, March 10 • 10:30-11:30 a.m.**  
**Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom**  
**Adults**

Join traveler Eugene Flynn for a visit to Madrid, Toledo, and Segovia. Discover Spain's modern elements and its history of Roman rule, Islam and Jewish influences, and reminders of the Spanish Golden Age.

## Nellie Bly: Daredevil Reporter

**Monday, March 14 • 7-8 p.m.**  
**Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom**  
**Adults + Grades 6-12**

Portrayed by Lynn Rymarz, hear stories from Bly's life, such as how she got herself committed to an insane asylum, was arrested, danced as a chorus girl, rode an elephant, and raced around the world in record-breaking time.

## Genealogy Club: Bare-Bones Basics

**Thursday, March 17 • 10:30-11:30 a.m.**  
**Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom**  
**Adults**

Start researching your family history with the "bare-bones basics" of genealogy. Find out how to start your search, fill out classic forms, use desktop software, and flesh out dates with historical stories. This is a hybrid program with a virtual presenter.

## Pixar Trivia

**Monday, March 21 • 7-8 p.m.**  
**Live on YouTube • All Ages**

Test your knowledge of Pixar films and compete for prizes online. For the best experience, use a computer to access the YouTube Live presentation while using a smartphone to submit your answers.

## Reimagining Your Relationship with Anxiety and Worry

**Tuesday, March 22 • 6:30-8 p.m.**  
**Kossmann Room + Live on Zoom**  
**Adults + Grades 9-12**

Anxiety disorders are the most common mental illness, with around 18% of Americans being affected. Join us to learn about the function and neurobiology of anxiety, as well as helpful coping skills. Presented with Green Door Therapy, LLC.

## Ladies of Laughter: Great Comediennes

**Tuesday, March 29 • 7-8 p.m.**  
**Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom**  
**Adults**

Join film historian Dr. Annette Bochenek as she presents the funny women of radio, film, and television, including Gracie Allen, Lucille Ball, Eve Arden, and more.

## Wills, Trusts, and Estate Planning Basics

**Thursday, March 31 • 7-8 p.m.**  
**Large Meeting Room + 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.

## Lift Every Voice: Why African-American Poetry Matters

**Tuesday, April 5 • 7-8:30 p.m.**  
**Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom**  
**Adults + Grades 6-12**

For centuries, African-American poets have captured the song and struggle of their experiences. They have used the vastness of poetry to infuse the vernacular, musical, lyrical, formal, and experimental into their work. Join Academy of American Poets Laureate Fellow Chasity Gunn as she walks you through poetry from the last 250 years.

## Gertrude Stein: Picasso, Picasso, and Paris

**Wednesday, April 6 • 7-8 p.m.**  
**Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom**  
**Adults + Grades 9-12**

Experience Betsey Means as Gertrude Stein, American author and poet best known for her modernist writings, extensive art collection, and literary salon in 1920s Paris. For some 40 years, the Stein home at 27 rue de Fleurus on the Left Bank of Paris was a renowned Saturday gathering place for avant-garde artists and writers, most notably Pablo Picasso and Ernest Hemingway. Presented with AAUW.

## Culture Club: Greenland

**Thursday, April 14 • 10:30-11:30 a.m.**  
**Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom**  
**Adults**

Explore northwestern Greenland's colorful villages and ice-filled fjords above the Arctic Circle, where a subsistence lifestyle continues today, and most transportation is provided by sled dogs and boats. This small ship expedition reveals a newly popular travel destination.



## H Medicare 101

**Wednesday, April 20 • 2-3 p.m.**

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

Medicare can be confusing. Learn what Medicare covers, what it doesn't, and your potential out-of-pocket expenses, including Supplement and Advantage Plans, Part D Prescription Coverage, and cost-saving strategies.

## H How to Kill Your Tree: A Guide of What NOT to Do

**Wednesday, April 20 • 7-8 p.m.**

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

Sometimes a tree's biggest pest is the homeowner. Join Master Gardener Pat Kosmach to discuss common mistakes homeowners make when planting and maintaining their most valuable landscape investment: trees.

## H Genealogy Club: Censuses and City Directories

**Thursday, April 21 • 10:30 a.m.-11:45 p.m.**

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

Take advantage of the release of the 1950 census records and learn to use censuses and city directories together to keep your genealogy research on the correct path.

## 🕒 A Celebration of Mother's Days Past

**Thursday, May 5 • 10:30-11:30 a.m.**

**Large Meeting Room • Seniors**

Celebrate Mother's Day by reminiscing with Larry Bergnach over songs and stories that honor our mothers.

## H Spring Salads and Sides

**Monday, May 9 • 7-8 p.m.**

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

Spring is in the air, which allows for great vegetables and lettuces in home gardens and farmers markets. These fresh ingredients bring delicious sides and salads to your patio or deck table. Chef Susan Maddox returns with some fun and exciting recipes for your gatherings with family and friends.

## H Culture Club: Morocco

**Thursday, May 12 • 10:30-11:30 a.m.**

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

Explore the palaces, mosques, and museums of Casablanca, Fez, Marrakesh, and Rabat. Then, admire the mountain ranges and discover the beauty of the Sahara Desert with experienced traveler Nancy McCully.

## March 12: Genealogy Day

Explore your family roots with our subscriptions to Ancestry, Fold3, Heritage Quest, and Newspapers.com.

[elmlib.org/genealogy](http://elmlib.org/genealogy)



## Self-Defense Workshop

**Saturday, May 14 • 1:30-3:30 p.m.**

**Large Meeting Room • Adults**

Focus on three key areas of self-defense: mindset, skill set, and planning. Other topics to be covered include situational awareness, bystander intervention, consent/healthy relationships, simple yet effective strikes, maintaining control when feeling vulnerable, and basic falling techniques. Presented with Strictly Self Defense.

## Vibrant, Resilient, Still Here: Contemporary Native Americans in Illinois

**Monday, May 16 • 7-8:30 p.m.**

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

Menominee Indian Tribe member and Oneida descendant Pamala Silas discusses how the public views modern Native Americans and disputes many misconceptions. Learn about the tribes currently living in Illinois, their culture and values, and the issues they face.

## Be an Informed Voter

**Tuesday, May 17 • 7-8:30 p.m.**

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

Looking to learn how to vote, decide among candidates for the June 28, 2022 primary election, or just become a more engaged American? This is the program for you to learn about various strategies and resources to help you do your civic duty.

## Skills for Bridging the Divide Workshop

**Wednesday, May 18 • 7-9 p.m.**

**Live on Zoom • Adults + Grades 9-12**

In a safe environment to practice, this workshop teaches how to have respectful conversations that clarify differences, search for common ground, and affirm the importance of relationships. Presented with Braver Angels.

## Genealogy Club: Tracing Your Veteran Ancestors

**Thursday, May 19 • 10:30-11:30 a.m.**

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

Genealogist Tina Beaird explains the significance behind using original records when tracing your ancestor's military service. Learn how to use documents from federal, state, and local archives spanning from the American Revolution to WWII to today's modern records.

## The Fifty-Fifth Anniversary of The Beatles' *Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band*

**Tuesday, May 24 • 7-8 p.m.**

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

With use of interview and performance clips, we discuss The Beatles' most well-known album: *Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band*, including the music, concept, packaging, and overwhelming worldwide reaction. As John Lennon sang on the album, "a splendid time is guaranteed for all."

## The Shakespeare Project of Chicago: *Measure for Measure*

**Thursday, May 26 • 6:15-9 p.m.**

**Large Meeting Room • Adults**

Celebrate the return of the Shakespeare Project of Chicago with the classic play *Measure for Measure*. Directed by J.R. Sullivan.

## Chicago: An Illustrated Timeline

**Tuesday, May 31 • 7-8 p.m.**

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

Chicago's story is one of meeting challenges over and over again. The city developed as a trading location, a transportation hub for the emerging United States of America, and a magnet for immigrants seeking jobs and a new lifestyle. It rose from the ashes of the Great Chicago Fire, spotlighted its own success at the 1893 Columbian Exposition, and created the skyscraper. Join author and Chicago tour guide Ellen Shubart on this visual journey through one of America's most iconic cities.



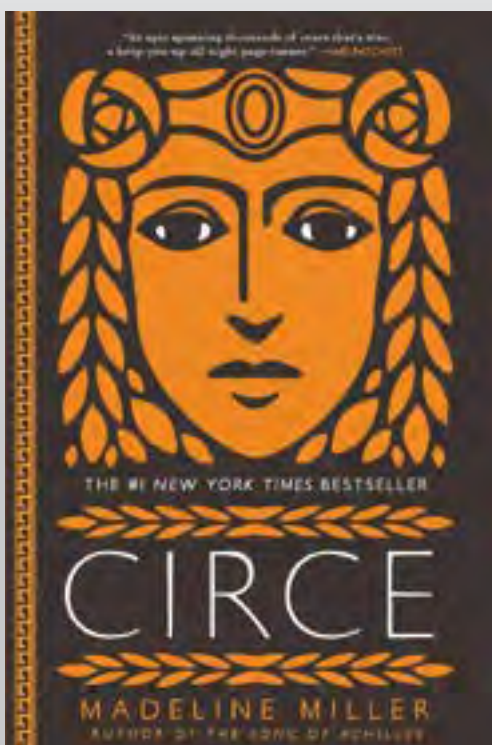
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## SPRING

## AUTHOR VISITS

MADELINE  
MILLER

MARCH 3

Presented with area libraries

🕒 7-8:30 p.m.

Large Meeting Room + Live on Zoom  
Adults

Join us for an evening with Madeline Miller, award-winning author of *Song of Achilles* and the *New York Times* best selling novel, *Circe*. Ms. Miller will discuss her processes for writing and research and her interest in adapting classic texts into modern novels.

JENNY  
LAWSON

MARCH 30

Presented with area libraries

🕒 7-8 p.m. • Live on Zoom

Adults

Settle in for an evening with award-winning humorist Jenny Lawson as she discusses her most recent bestseller, *Broken (in the Best Possible Way)*, and her brilliantly funny body of work.



KILEY REID



APRIL 7

Presented with Elmhurst University

🕒 7-9 p.m.

Off-site: Hammerschmidt Chapel  
(190 S. Prospect Ave)  
Adults + Grades 9-12

Spend an engaging evening with Kiley Reid, *New York Times* best-selling author of *Such a Fun Age*. Ms. Reid speaks about her writing process and the inspiration for her stories. Discussion and Q&A to follow.

View event details at [elmlib.org/author](http://elmlib.org/author).



## Online Ordering Available

Have your Brewpoint beverage ready for pick up at the Library's Lexicon Cafe just in time for your visit!

[brewpointordering.com](http://brewpointordering.com)



### Staying Mentally Fit

**Tuesdays, March 1, April 5, and May 3**  
**1:30-2:30 p.m. • Meeting Room B • Seniors**

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

### Bridge & Pinochle Club

**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: Open Play

**Every Wednesday • 10 a.m.-1 p.m.**  
**Meeting Room B • Adults**

Gather every Wednesday for American Mah Jongg, a game of skill, strategy, calculation, and a certain amount of luck.

**No registration required.**

### Friday Features

**Every Friday • 2-4:30 p.m.**  
**Large Meeting Room • Adults**

Enjoy an afternoon at the movies. Find each week's featured film at [elmlib.org/friday](http://elmlib.org/friday).

**No registration required.**

### Scrabble Club

**Mondays, March 7, April 4, and May 2**  
**10 a.m.-2 p.m. • Meeting Room B • Adults**

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

**No registration required.**

### Ciao Italia!

**Mondays, March 21, April 18, and May 16**  
**7-8 p.m. • Gathering Room • Live on Zoom**  
**Adults**

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

### Great Decisions

**1:30-3 p.m.**  
**Large Meeting Room • Live on Zoom**  
**Adults**

Learn about critical issues facing America with professor Gary Midkiff.

- **Climate Change**  
**Tuesday, March 22**
- **Russia and the United States**  
**Tuesday, April 26**
- **Myanmar and ASEAN**  
**Tuesday, May 24**

### Chair Yoga

**Fridays, March 25, April 22, and May 27**  
**11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. • Large Meeting Room**  
**Seniors**

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.

### French Discussion Group

**Thursdays, April 28 and May 26**  
**7-8:30 p.m. • Live on Zoom**

This group for beginners to intermediate learners provides a relaxed atmosphere for improving your French language skills.

## Library Insiders

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

### Next Chapter Book Club

**Wednesdays, March 2, 16, 30, April 13, May 11, and 25 • 6:30-7:30 p.m.**  
**Large Meeting Room**

The Next Chapter Book Club 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, regardless of reading ability.

### Make a Custom Button

**Monday, March 28 • 6:30-7:30 p.m.**  
**The Makery**

### Trivia Night

**Wednesday, April 27 • 6:30-7:30 p.m.**  
**Meeting Room A**

### Craft Night

**Monday, May 16 • 6:30-7:30 p.m.**  
**The Makery**

## 📍 Wood Serving Tray

**Wednesday, March 2 • 6:30-8 p.m.**  
**The Makery • Adults + Grades 9-12**

Create a simple wooden tray—the perfect addition to your home decor. All materials provided.

## 📍 In Stitches Needleworkers

**Tuesdays, March 8, April 12, and May 10**  
**12-2 p.m. • Gathering Room • Adults**

Knitters, crocheters, and needleworkers of all skill levels: Bring a project to work on, share knowledge with others, and have fun! No registration required.

## 📍 Coloring for Mindfulness

**Tuesdays, March 15, April 19, and May 17**  
**2-3 p.m. • Gathering Room • Adults**

Choose from beautiful designs and become absorbed in the joy of coloring. No registration required.

## 📍 Watercolor Gardens with Karen Exiner

Use watercolor paints to create a beautiful garden with local artist Karen Exiner. All materials provided.

### 📍 In-Person

**Wednesday, March 16 • 2-3:30 p.m.**

**Kossmann Room • Seniors**

Register at [elmlib.org/events](http://elmlib.org/events).

### 📍 Virtual

**Starting Thursday, March 17**

@Home Kits are available at the Drive-up while supplies last. No registration required. View at [elmlib.org/youtube](http://elmlib.org/youtube).

## 📍 Diffuser Necklace for Essential Oils

Create your own diffuser necklace and learn how to use it with essential oils.

### 📍 In-Person

**Monday, April 18 • 6:30-8 p.m.**

**The Makery • Adults + Grades 9-12**

Register at [elmlib.org/events](http://elmlib.org/events).

### 📍 Virtual

**Starting Monday, April 18**

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## 📍 Mason Jar Luminaries

**Meeting Room A • Adults**

■ **Wednesday, May 18 • 2-3 p.m.**

■ **Wednesday, May 18 • 7-8 p.m.**

Bring some starry magic to your table or outdoor space. All materials provided.

# 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. Contact [makery@elmlib.org](mailto:makery@elmlib.org) or (630) 279-8696 to book your session.

## 📍 Acrylic Pouring

**Tuesday, March 8-31 • The Makery**  
**Adults + Grades 6-12**

Create free-flowing abstract art with this technique of pouring acrylic paint onto a canvas. Dress for a mess! Make your reservation starting Monday, March 7.

## 📍 Decorative Spring Garland

**Tuesday, April 5-30 • The Makery**  
**Adults + Grades 6-12**

This DIY decoration can brighten any room with a pop of color and a personal touch. Make your reservation starting Monday, April 4.

## 📍 Laser Cross-Stitch Constellations

**Tuesday, May 10-28 • The Makery**  
**Adults + Grades 6-12**

Practice using the laser cutter by cutting out a pattern, then stitch in a constellation using basic cross-stitch. Make your reservation starting Monday, May 9.

# BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Books available at the Library for EPL cardholders. Find digital books at [elmlib.org/ebooks](http://elmlib.org/ebooks).

Register for programs at [elmlib.org/events](http://elmlib.org/events) unless otherwise noted.



## Expand Your World, One Book at a Time

**To get on board, read a book that is:** Science fiction written by an author of color.

**Need help selecting a title?** Get suggestions at [elmlib.org/readingadventure](http://elmlib.org/readingadventure).

**After you read your book:** Tell us about your voyage at [elmlib.org/voyage](http://elmlib.org/voyage).



**H** *Such a Fun Age: A Novel* by Kiley Reid

Gathering Room + Live on Zoom • Adults

■ Thursday, March 24 • 1-2:15 p.m.

■ Thursday, March 24 • 7-8:15 p.m.

Twenty-five-year-old Emira still babysits instead of following the career path that her family and friends envision for her, but her employers' three-year-old, Briar, is Emira's "favorite little human." When Alix, Briar's mother, asks Emira to take Briar to an upscale Philadelphia grocery store, security personnel harass Emira, accusing her of kidnapping the child. Alix is determined to fix things, but circumstances are about to become quite complicated and awkward in the author's debut novel, longlisted for the Booker Prize.

■ See page 18 for author visit information



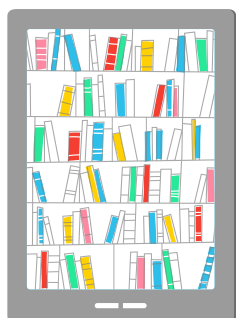
**H** *The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy* by Douglas Adams

Gathering Room + Live on Zoom • Adults

■ Thursday, April 21 • 1-2:15 p.m.

■ Thursday, April 21 • 7-8:15 p.m.

Englishman Arthur Dent is busy trying to prevent a bulldozer from carving a path through his house to make way for a bypass when his friend Ford Prefect rescues him from their soon to be demolished Planet Earth. The duo—always armed with a towel, an electronic book, and a little yellow fish—zips through space, meeting unusual fellow travelers. A humorous sci-fi classic that will take you on a ride through the absurd.



**H** Trading Titles

Gathering Room + Live on Zoom • Adults

■ Thursday, May 19 • 1-2:15 p.m.

■ Thursday, May 19 • 7-8:15 p.m.

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 event to share your thoughts about it.

**H** Learn & Grow Book

Discussions

■ *Ask a Manager: How to Navigate Clueless Colleagues, Lunch-Stealing Bosses, and the Rest of Your Life at Work* by Alison Green

Thursday, March 10 • 7-8:15 p.m.

Gathering Room + Live on Zoom • Adults

Green condensed advice from her famous *Ask a Manager* blog into this handbook, covering over 200 difficult work conversations. Whether you're new to your career, a seasoned professional, or retired, you are sure to walk away with actionable advice or at least an outrageous work anecdote or two.

■ *Laziness Does Not Exist: A Defense of the Exhausted, Exploited, and Overworked* by Devon Price

Thursday, April 14 • 7-8:15 p.m.

Gathering Room + Live on Zoom • Adults

Feeling overwhelmed and guilty from the constant pressure to do more? Devon Price encourages a sane, sustainable alternative to our nonstop culture by tracing the laziness lie through history and documenting the ways that overwork leads to burnout.

■ *Astrophysics for People in a Hurry* by Neil deGrasse Tyson

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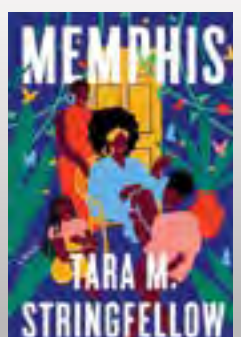
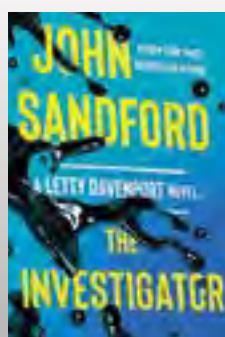
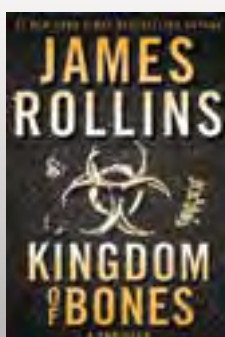
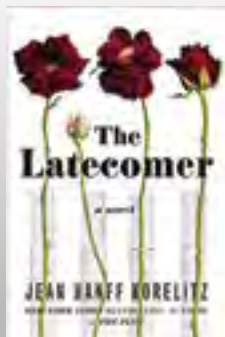
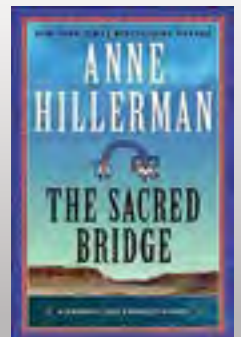
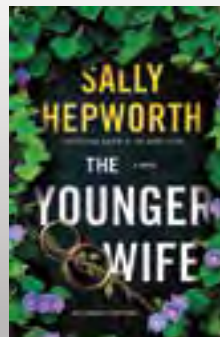
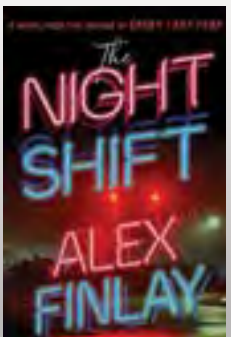
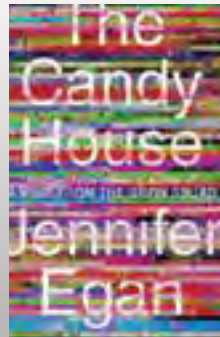
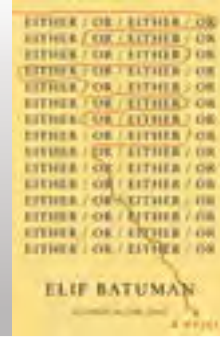
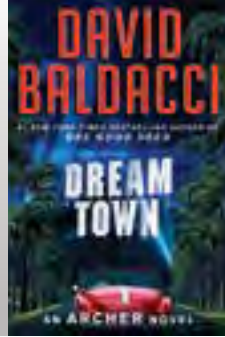
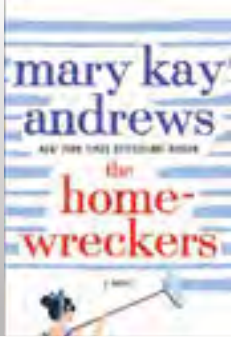
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