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Monday – Thursday: 9am – 9pm  
Friday – Saturday: 9am – 5pm  
Sunday: 1pm – 5pm

## Northfield Library

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(847) 446-5990 • [northfieldlibrary@wnpld.org](mailto:northfieldlibrary@wnpld.org)

*Updated Hours Starting 9/1:*

Monday – Thursday: 8am – 8pm  
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## Library Closings

**September 3 & 4:** Labor Day  
**October 13:** Late opening at 1pm  
**November 22:** District closes at 5pm  
**November 23 & 24:** Thanksgiving

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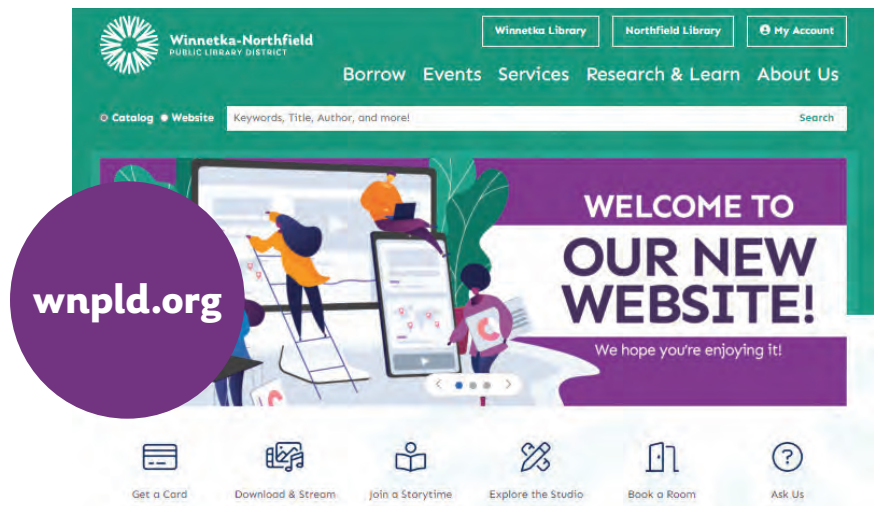
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# News



## Discover Something New on Our Website!

We've been working behind the scenes to make our website more accessible and easier to use. We're excited to share the finished product! We've added new book recommendations, quick links for easier navigation, a new Youth Services page, a new calendar tool for our ever-popular events, and much more.

## September is Library Card Sign-Up Month

### Get a library card or swap your card for the new design.

Each new library card applicant and existing patrons who swap cards will receive a tote bag while supplies last.

### Use your library card in September for a chance to win!

WNPLD invites our new and existing patrons to enter our weekly drawing for an opportunity to win a gift card to a local restaurant. Every time you check something out, you will be automatically entered into our weekly drawing. A new drawing will be held each week.

## Interested in Volunteering at WNPLD?

Check the volunteers page on the website or email [volunteers@wnpld.org](mailto:volunteers@wnpld.org) for more information.



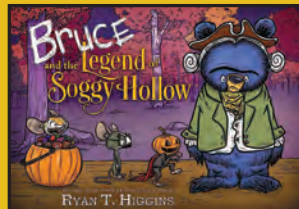
# Spooky Reads

We asked our adult and youth librarians which must-read library books they'd recommend for Halloween. Enjoy these spooky reads!



## Board Book

*Happy Halloweenie*  
by Katie Vernon



## Picture Book

*Bruce and the Legend of Soggy Hollow*  
by Ryan T. Higgins



## Youth Graphic Novel

*Eerie Tales from the School of Screams*  
by Graham Annable



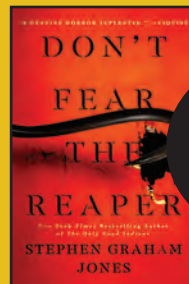
## Middle Grade

*The Bellwoods Game*  
by Celia Krampien



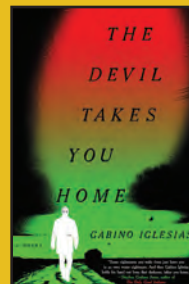
## Adult Fiction

*Vampires of El Norte*  
by Isabel Canas



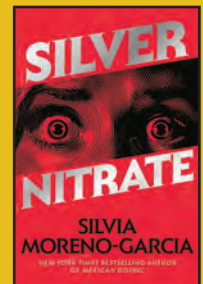
## Adult Fiction

*Don't Fear the Reaper*  
by Stephen Graham Jones



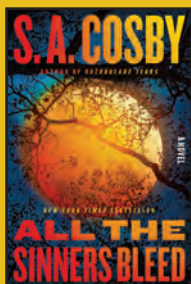
## Adult Fiction

*The Devil Takes You Home*  
by Gabino Iglesias



## Adult Fiction

*Silver Nitrate*  
by Silvia Moreno-Garcia



## Adult Fiction

*All the Sinners Bleed*  
by S.A. Cosby



## Adult Fiction

*Dead Silence*  
by S.A. Barnes



## Adult Fiction

*The Only One Left*  
by Riley Sager



## Adult Fiction

*What Moves the Dead*  
by T. Kingfisher

# Kids

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## Babies, Toddlers, & Preschoolers

### Miss Dawn Marie's Toddler Jam

Sing, dance, laugh, and jam with fun-loving musician and educator Miss Dawn Marie. Tickets will be available the morning of the event on a first come, first served basis.

**Northfield Library:** Thursdays, September 7, October 5, November 2, 10am • Ages 0–5 with Adult

### Sensory Shenanigans

Join us for an hour of interactive free play. Activities in this event will foster fine and gross motor skills, and concepts through play. This program is sure to be a little messy (and fun!) so wear clothes you don't mind getting dirty.

**September:** Apples

**October:** Pumpkins

**November:** Dinosaurs

**Winnetka Library:** Fridays, September 8, October 6, November 17, 10am • Ages 0–4 with Adult

**Northfield Library:** Wednesdays, September 20, October 18, November 29, 10am • Ages 0–4 with Adult

### Read with a Princess



Join actor Jessica McClure as she transforms into some of your child's favorite characters from the big screen. At the end, your child can take a picture with the character. Tickets will be available the morning of the event on a first come, first served basis.

**September 14:** Tinker Bell

**October 12:** Sleeping Beauty

**November 9:** The Little Mermaid

**Northfield Library:** 10am  
Ages 0–5 with Adult



### Music and Movement with Teacher Dan

Listen, dance, sing and share in the music. Teacher Dan from Top Note Music Academy will share music through a variety of popular songs, fingerplays, bodywork and movement activities. Each class will include live music and a variety of instruments.

**Winnetka Library:** Saturdays, September 23, October 21, November 18, 10:30am • Ages 0–5 with Adult **(R)**





## 1000 Books Before Kindergarten Party

Whether you are about to start our 1000 Books Before Kindergarten program, are already reading, or have finished 1000 books, join us to celebrate our reading journeys with a party! For new readers, we will provide information about the program and can help you register.

Winnetka Library: Tuesday, September 26, 4pm  
Ages 0–5 with Adult

## Winnetka Weeders and Readers

The Winnetka Weeders Garden Club presents a nature-based storytime and craft celebrating monarchs. This event will be held outdoors, weather permitting.

Winnetka Library: Saturday, September 30, 10am  
Ages 3+ with Adult (R)

## Music and Movement Family Jam

With Marsha's Music®, you and your child will play under the guidance of a music teacher. Each class offers songs and rhythmic chants, including small and large movement activities, and instrument play.

Northfield Library: Mondays, October 30 & November 6, 10am  
Ages 0–5 with Adult (R)

Winnetka Library: Thursdays, November 2 & 9, 10am  
Ages 0–5 with Adult (R)

## Rock 'n' Roll Storytime

Rock 'n' Kids® involves music, movement, and imaginative play to create a one-of-a-kind musical experience.

Winnetka Library: Tuesdays, October 31 & November 7, 10am & Wednesdays, November 1 & 8, 10:15am • Ages 0–5 with Adult (R)

## Bluey Party

Head down under with our favorite heelers participating in “for real life” scenarios from favorite episodes. Play “restaurant,” “zoo,” “hairdressers,” and “hospital” and a giant game of “keepy uppy.”

Northfield Library: Friday, November 3, 10am • Ages 0–5 with Adult

## Pete the Cat Party

Join our friend Pete the Cat for fun activities! We will have Pete coloring pages, door hangers, pretend pizza making and a memory game. Each participant can take home a groovy button and a Pete sneaker.

Northfield Library: Friday, November 10, 10am • Ages 0–5 with Adult

## Stuffedie Sleepover

Ever wonder what happens when the library is closed? Drop off your stuffed animal on Thursday and return Friday to pick up your friend and watch a slideshow of their late-night shenanigans.

Northfield Library: Thursday, November 16, 5pm  
Ages 0–5 with Adult (R)



# Storytime Schedule

Space is limited. Storytimes are drop-in events. Tickets will be available the morning of the event on a first come, first served basis.

### Mondays

Northfield Library

#### Family Storytime

Ages 0–5 with Adult  
10am

### Tuesdays

Winnetka Library

#### Family Storytime

Ages 0–5 with Adult  
9:30am

#### Move & Play

Ages 0–5 with Adult  
10am

### Wednesdays

Winnetka Library

#### Baby Storytime

Ages 0–18 months  
with Adult  
9:30am

#### Baby Play & Wiggles

Ages 0–18 months  
with Adult  
10am

### Thursdays

Winnetka Library

#### Family Storytime

Ages 0–5 with Adult  
9:30am

#### Move & Groove

Ages 0–5 with Adult  
10am

### Fridays

Northfield Library

#### Family Storytime

Ages 0–5 with Adult  
10am

We are on storytime break  
October 30 – November 10.

# School-Age

## Kindergarten Readiness

Help your child prepare for kindergarten. Stop by and practice skills like identifying colors, letter awareness, and more. For Pre-K and kindergarteners.

Winnetka Library: Friday, September 1, 2pm • Ages 5+ with Adult

## Sensational STEAM

Join us for an exciting hour of hands-on STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math) activities.

**September 6:** Painted Leaves

**October 4:** Bone Bridges

**November 15:** Clothespin Dinosaurs

Winnetka Library: 4pm • Ages 7+

## Art Explorers

Come make a beautiful piece of art! We have a variety of supplies to let your creative side shine.

**September:** Decorate a Pencil Case

**October:** Leaf Art

**November:** Pipe Cleaner Animals

Winnetka Library: Wednesdays, September 13, October 11, November 8, 4pm

Ages 5+ with Adult (R)

Northfield Library: Wednesdays, September 20, October 18, November 15, 4pm

Ages 5+ with Adult (R)

## Take & Tinker

Do you love to make, create, and explore? Take home a cool, hands-on STEAM activity.

**September 23:** Paper Plate Apple

**October 21:** Spider Web Weaving

**November 18:** 3D Autumn Tree

Winnetka Library: All Day • Ages 3+

## Crafternoon

No school today? Join us for an afternoon of crafting fun. Stay the whole time or drop in when you'd like.

Winnetka Library: Monday, September 25, Friday, October 13, Wednesday, November 1 & Tuesday, November 21, 2pm  
Ages 5+ with Adult

## Tutu Workshop

Sparkly, twirly, precious fun! Join us to make a tutu out of tulle and ribbon.

Winnetka Library: Monday, October 9, 4pm  
Ages 3–10 with Adult (R)

## Pokémon Party

Come trade cards and make some crafts.

Winnetka Library: Tuesday, October 10, 4pm • Ages 7+ with Adult (R)

## Makity Make: Ceramics



Join us for these ceramic events. After the program, we will take your creations to the shop for glazing and firing, and they will be ready for pickup approximately one week later.

**October 13:** Día de los Muertos Skulls

**November 1:** Pumpkins

Winnetka Library: 2pm • Ages 7+ (R)

## Illinois Storm Chasers

Learn about severe weather, the local climate, tornados, and storm chasing. Photos and videos will be shared, and a Q&A session will be held at the end.

Northfield Library: Sunday, November 5, 2pm • Ages 6+ with Adult (R)

## Animal Amalgams

It's an Andertoons cartooning class. We'll ask for two animals and show you how to draw them combined. Lion lizard? Sure. Turtle monkey? Ok! Octopus platypus?! That's a maybe.

Winnetka Library: Wednesday, November 22, 4pm • Ages 7+ (R)

# Dinovember

## Dinosaur Bones Craft

Dinovember is here!

We'll use Q-Tips to make dinosaur bones.

Winnetka Library: Saturday, November 11, 10am  
Ages 7+

## Dinosaur Dig

Let's talk about dinosaurs! Together we'll learn about fossils and excavate to find dinosaurs.

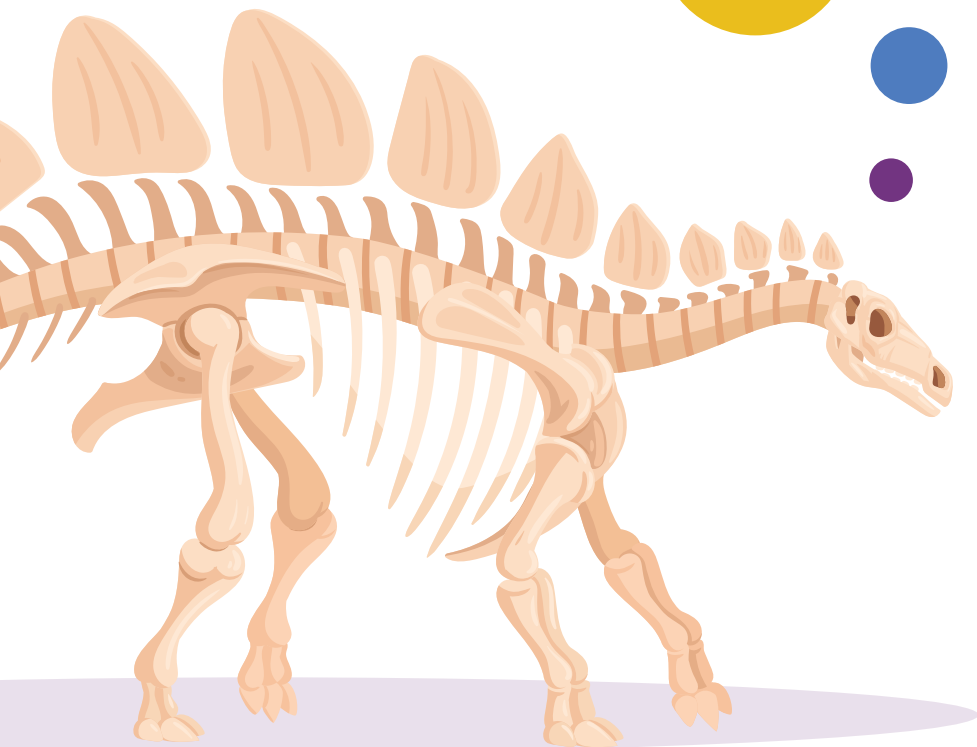
Winnetka Library: Monday, November 13, 4pm  
Ages 5+ with Adult (R)

## Dinovember Bingo

Play dino bingo! You might learn a little something about dinosaurs, too.

Northfield Library: Saturday, November 18, 10am  
Winnetka Library: Saturday, November 18, 12:30pm  
Ages 7+ with Adult

ROAR!



# Family Fun

## Art Play

Join us to explore art and its processes with self-directed stations for little ones!

**September 6:** Make Butterflies

**October 4:** Paint the Trash

**November 1:** Fruit and Veggie Prints

Northfield Library: 10am • Ages 0–4 with Adult

## Family Science

Have fun while experimenting! Participate in fun STEAM activities that will leave a lasting impression.

**September 13:** Magic Pepper and Soap Experiment

**October 11:** DIY Lava Lamps

**November 8:** Thanksgiving Salt Painting

Northfield Library: 4pm (R)

## Messy Mondays

Drop in for a messy craft and leave the cleanup to us!

**September 18:** Sensory Apple Tree Painting/Collage

**October 23:** Spiderweb Painting

**November 20:** Pinecone Painting

Winnetka Library: 4pm

## Learn How to Play Lotería

Lotería (Spanish word meaning “lottery”) is similar to bingo but uses images on a deck of cards instead of numbered ping pong balls.

Northfield Library: Saturday, September 30, 10am • Ages 7+

Winnetka Library: Saturday, September 30, 12:30pm • Ages 7+

## Flying Fox Presents Mammals and More



Learn about unique creatures from around the world with our friends from Flying Fox Conservation Fund. This event will include live animals.

Northfield Library: Sunday, October 8, 2pm (R)

## Robin's Dog Stars



Join Robin Bengtson, Cedar the Border Collie, and Gracie the Black Lab for a pawsome time watching them jump through hoops, perform magic tricks, and more.

Winnetka Library: Thursday, October 12, 2pm (R)

## Food, Family, and Folktales: A Conversation with Grace Lin



Join *New York Times* bestselling author Grace Lin for an engaging conversation about her journey to become an award-winning author and illustrator.

Learn about her latest middle grade book, *Chinese Menu: The History, Myths, and Legends Behind Your Favorite Foods*, a beautifully written full-color book that explores the whimsical myths and stories behind your favorite American Chinese food, and learn how you can draw your own stories.

Virtual: Tuesday, October 17, 7pm (R)

## Family Reading Night

Build a fort and read together as a family. Cohosted by The Alliance for Early Childhood.

Winnetka Library & Northfield Library: Thursday, November 16, 5pm



# Monsters & Mayhem

## Take and Make Spooky Crafts

Get in the spooky spirit with our take and make crafts, while supplies last.

**October 9:** Terrifying Tree

**October 16:** Amazing Monsters

**October 23:** Creepy Cottage

Winnetka Library: All Day • Families

## Decorate Mini Pumpkins

Use stickers, gems, and other craft materials to decorate mini pumpkins.

Winnetka Library: Saturday,

October 21, 11am & 12pm

Ages 0–4 with Adult (R)

Northfield Library: Saturday, October

21, 2pm & 3pm • Ages 0–4 with

Adult (R)

## Edible Haunted Houses

Build a haunted house using cereal treats, frosting and candy. We provide the materials; you bring the creativity!

Northfield Library: Wednesday, October 25, 4pm • Families (R)

## Not So Spooky Halloween Sensory Happenings

Pumpkin hopscotch, creepy boxes to put your hand in, and more! Please join us for a fun (and not too frightening) time!

Winnetka Library: Saturday, October 28 & Sunday, October 29, All Day  
Ages 5+ with Adult

## Halloween Magic Show



Magician and children's entertainer Morris Taylor has performed all over the world. Join us for a spooktacular show sure to leave you howling with laughter!

Winnetka Library: Monday, October 30, 4pm (R)

## Paint a Pumpkin like Your Favorite Character!

Do you have an extra uncarved pumpkin now that Halloween is over? Paint it like your favorite character and bring it to either library to display in November. Paint a pal at home, bring it in and join the fun!





# Tweens & Teens

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## Dungeons & Dragons

The Fae Wild is in danger! Grab your gear and your spells and prepare to save fairy land.

Winnetka Library: Saturdays, September 9, October 14, November 4, 10am • Ages 13+ (R)

## UV Resin Tiny Food Charms

Come make a cute little UV Resin charm.

Winnetka Library: Tuesday, September 12, 4pm • Ages 13+ (R)

## Cat Adventures

**Will you protect the humans in your care? Take down terrifying monsters? The choice is yours.**

In this tabletop role playing game, you will live as a cat who solves mysteries with your cat friends.

**Winnetka Library:  
Tuesday, November 7, 4pm  
Ages 10+ (R)**

## Mario Kart Tournament

Pick your racer and battle your way to the top.

Northfield Library: Tuesday, September 19, 4pm • Ages 9+ (R)

## Comic Book Workshop

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Do you love graphic novels and comics? Join artist Jerry Moffitt of Do Art Productions® as you learn to create a six-panel story.

Winnetka Library: Monday, September 25, 2pm • Ages 9+ (R)

## Young Adult Book Club

Talk about the book, manga, or graphic novel you're reading and have a light snack.

Northfield Library: Tuesdays, October 17, November 28, 4pm  
Ages 10+ (R)

## Halloween Dungeons & Dragons

Join us for a scary game of Dungeons & Dragons.

Winnetka Library: Tuesday, October 31, 4pm • Ages 13+ (R)

## Super Smash Bros. Tournament

Pick your favorite character and battle your way to the top.

Winnetka Library: Tuesday, November 14, 4pm • Ages 9+ (R)





# Adults

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## Mysteries, Murders, and More

### Horror Trivia

Join us for a fun evening of virtual horror trivia! Play individually or as a team with friends and family, and test your knowledge of popular horror topics, including famous horror stories, movies, characters, and more.

Virtual: Friday, October 27, 6:30pm (R)

### Paranormal Investigation

Learn the basics of paranormal investigating from Quantum Paranormal Investigators. Learn about the equipment, the dos and don'ts, and how to run an appropriate investigation. Hear about haunted locations in the Chicago area and Illinois, and view evidence from some of those locations.

Winnetka Library: Thursday, October 12, 6:30pm (R)

### There's Something Weird in Your Neighborhood

Join author Troy Taylor for an evening of history and hauntings from around the region. Look beyond the legends and lore to reveal the real stories behind famous and little-known haunts.

Virtual: Tuesday, October 17, 7pm (R)

### Alfred Hitchcock: Master of Suspense

Film Historian Zbigniew Banas will provide an overview of the legendary British filmmaker Alfred Hitchcock's career. This event will focus on Hitchcock's innovative approach to cinema, his ability to generate tension within the story, and his use of violence to explore the psychology of characters.

Virtual: Sunday, October 22, 2pm (R)

### Northern Chicago and the North Shore's Creepy Sites and Stories



Explore mysterious, creepy, and ghostly sites and the tales behind them. Topics will include the ghosts of Sheridan Road, the Schweppe Mansion, Lincoln Park, and haunted Lake County.

Virtual: Thursday, October 26, 7pm (R)

### Happy Haunting: The History of Halloween

Join historian Jo Ann Tufo to explore the fun side of Halloween, from its early roots to current celebrations. Learn how it changed from a one-night observance to a month of haunted houses, corn mazes, and more.

Virtual: Monday, October 30, 7pm (R)

### Mysteries and Mayhem on the North Shore

The Winnetka Historical Society will entertain with stories of mysteries and mayhem on the North Shore. Delve into illegal bootleg operations, an unsolved missing person mystery, a series of murders in the late 1800s that gave Winnetka the name “Murder Town,” and much more.

Virtual: Thursday, November 16, 7pm (R)

### Goode Rebeka, A Story of The Salem Witch Trials with Jessica Michna

In 1692, Salem, Massachusetts was a new world town with Puritan settlers from England. Innocent people were tried, and many executed, in this infamous chapter of American history. Learn about Rebeka Nurse (portrayed by actress Jessica Michna) who was one of those unlucky residents.

Northfield Library: Saturday, September 30, 3pm (R)

### Those CSI Shows: Fact or Fiction?

This event will investigate the protocols, procedures, and laboratory world of crime investigation in the real world and on TV, with references to notable cases.

Virtual: Monday, October 2, 6:30pm (R)

**Register for these fall series events  
at [wnpld.org](http://wnpld.org).**

## Horror Film Series

Register to receive a pre-recorded introduction and critique by our resident film expert Scott Siegel, along with a link to watch the film at home through our Kanopy streaming service. Virtual: Fridays (R)



**September 22**

*Let the Right One In*

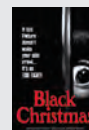
One of the best modern vampire movies is from... Sweden?



**October 27**

*Night of the Living Dead*

The original zombie movie, in glorious black and white.



**November 17**

*Black Christmas*

Get ready for the holidays with this wintry seventies favorite.



Find Scott's previous movie reviews at: [wnpld.org/film-series](http://wnpld.org/film-series).



## Live Music

### All Request Piano Show by Kaleen Dolan

Back by popular demand! Join us for an engaging all request show performed by dueling piano player and musical director of the Redhead Piano Bar, Kaleen Dolan. Bring your song requests for a lively show.

Winnetka Library: Sunday, September 17, 2pm (R)

### Broadway Swings - Live Concert with Petra the Jazz Singer

Listen to live music with jazz vocalist Petra van Nuis. Enjoy classics from the musical theatre stage in a jazz setting.

Northfield Library: Saturday, October 7, 2pm (R)

## Arts & Crafts

### The Surreal World of Salvador Dali with Jeff Mishur



Learn about Surrealist artist Salvador Dali from art historian Jeff Mishur who will discuss masterpieces such as “The Persistence of Memory” and “Apparition of a Face and Fruit Dish on a Beach.” Mishur will also look at the relationship between dream imagery and the artist’s best-known works.

Virtual: Tuesday, September 12, 7pm (R)

### Fall Cookie Decorating

Pastry chef and culinary instructor Kelly Dull will demonstrate tips and techniques for decorating cookies, perfect for fall!

Northfield Library: Sunday, September 17, 3pm (R)

### Relaxing Watercolors

Learn to slow down and relax with simple watercolor techniques with Audrey Ra of Audrey Ra Design. All materials will be provided.

Northfield Library: Thursday, November 30, 5pm (R)

## Exercise

### Chair Yoga

Join instructor Isabel Raci, C-IAYT, for a session of gentle chair yoga and guided meditation. Tune in to stretch, breathe, gain flexibility, and strengthen the body in an accessible way with seated poses. Perfect for beginners, students will leave class feeling relaxed and grounded.

Virtual: Fridays, September 1 & 15, October 6 & 20, November 3 & 17, 10am (R)

## Health & Medical

### Introductory Holistic Workshop for Navigating Menopause

Join us for this very special “Fiercely Female” introductory workshop, curated and hosted by Marla of INDIGO Holistic Wellness Coaching, designed to help women cultivate their best lives — for the rest of their lives.

Winnetka Library: Wednesday, September 20, 6:30pm (R)

### Medicare 101

Medicare Solutions Network will present a free educational seminar to get you up to speed on what Medicare covers, what it doesn’t, and your potential out of pocket exposure. We’ll discuss Supplements, Advantage Plans, Part D Prescription coverage and cost saving strategies for the years ahead. Whether you are currently enrolled in Medicare, will be enrolling in the future, or are helping a loved one, this seminar is for you.

Northfield Library: Sunday, October 1, 3pm (R)

## Home & Garden

### The Life-Changing Magic of Organizing

Organizing creates a positive mood, reduces some stress, and helps you feel relaxed when you come home. Irene Lo will share how to make the magic of organizing happen.

Winnetka Library: Saturday, September 9, 3pm (R)

### Fair Housing 101

Learn about your fair housing rights and ways to take action when housing discrimination occurs. Presented by Open Communities in partnership with the Wilmette Public Library.



Wilmette Library (1242 Wilmette Ave., Wilmette): Wednesday, September 27, 7pm (R)

### Community Garden Seed Swap

Bring seeds from your own garden to swap with others. Share gardening tips and ideas with your neighbors.

Winnetka Library: Wednesday, November 1, 10am • Adult & Teen (R)





# Book Discussions

## Food for Thought: Cookbook Book Club

Do you love browsing through cookbooks and trying new recipes? Check out one of the spotlighted cookbooks, try some recipes and bring a dish to share. The books are available for checkout at the library and through Hoopla, when available.

Mondays, 7pm (R)



### October 9: Northfield Library

#### As Seen on YouTube

*Binging With Babish: 100 Recipes Recreated from Your Favorite Movies and TV Shows* by Andrew Rea

*Preppy Kitchen: Recipes for Seasonal Dishes and Simple Pleasures* by John Kanell

*You Suck at Cooking: The Absurdly Practical Guide to Sucking Slightly Less at Making Food*



### November 13: Winnetka Library

#### Let's Go Bowling!

*Build-a-Bowl: 77 Satisfying & Nutritious Combos* by Nicki Sizemore

*Bowl: Vegetarian Recipes for Ramen, Pho, Bibimbap, Dumplings, and Other One-Dish Meals* by Lukas Volger

## Clue: A Mystery Book Club

Join in person or on Zoom. Please register to receive the Zoom link on the date of the discussion.

Hybrid (Northfield Library & Virtual) Tuesdays, 7:30pm (R)



### September 12

*The Reckoning* by Yrsa Sigurdardottir

### October 10

*Slow Horses* by Mick Herron

### November 14

*Better the Blood* by Michael Bennett

## Next Chapter Book Club

Join us as we explore all that popular fiction has to offer. We'll bring books to life through colorful conversation.

Winnetka Library: Thursdays, 11:30am (R)



### September 21

*Hello Beautiful* by Ann Napolitano

### October 19

*Yellowface* by R.F. Kuang

### November 16

*Demon Copperhead* by Barbara Kingsolver

## Books at the Beach

Looking for your next great read? We'll preview the best new titles, while enjoying the beach! Hear what library staff and fellow readers are enjoying. Rain or shine, we'll meet at the upper pavilion if the weather doesn't cooperate.

Tower Road Beach (899 Sheridan Road, Winnetka): Monday, September 11, 10:30am (R)

## A Walk in the Woods

Enjoy a walk in the woods while we discuss *A Walk in the Woods* by Bill Bryson as well as other interesting fall reads. Rain or shine, we'll meet in the pavilion if the weather doesn't cooperate.

Crow Island Woods (1140 Willow Road, Winnetka): Monday, October 16, 10:30am (R)

## Short Story Discussion – Kate Chopin

Discuss the short story, *Desiree's Baby*, by Kate Chopin with Connie Garner, retired English professor and short story facilitator at Women's Exchange. Copies of *Desiree's Baby* will be emailed to registrants, or you can pick up a copy at the library prior to the discussion.

Northfield Library: Tuesday, October 17, 1pm (R)

## Book Stall Event

We are pleased to partner with The Book Stall to host this free in-store event at 811 Elm St. in Winnetka.

## Country and Midwestern: An Evening with Mark Guarino

Join us for an event with acclaimed journalist and author Mark Guarino. He will be discussing his new book, *Country and Midwestern: Chicago in the History of Country Music and the Folk Revival*, a riveting look at the untold story of Chicago's pivotal role as a country and folk music capital.

The Book Stall (811 Elm St., Winnetka): Thursday, September 21, 6:30pm (R)

# Personal Finance

## Financial Planning Appointments

Schedule a free in-person consultation with a Certified Financial Planner®. These sessions provide general financial planning guidance and are not designed as a substitute for ongoing planning advice. There is a limit of one session per person.

Winnetka Library: Thursday, September 14, Tuesday, October 10, Tuesday, November 14, 10am & 11am (R)

## Financial Fitness 2023

Financial Fitness 2023 is a collaborative series of virtual events presented by BIG (Business Information Group) and co-sponsored by 23 public libraries in the Chicago area. Registration begins September 1, 9am, for the following events:

### Investing Made Simple with Karen Chan

Financial educator Karen Chan will make stocks, bonds and mutual funds crystal clear using the story of a young company called Freddie's Finest Furniture.

Virtual: Tuesday, October 3, 7pm (R)

### Developing Retirement Income Strategies for Today's Markets with Ed Gjertsen

Join Ed Gjertsen II, CFP, as he guides you through the various strategies and challenges of successfully navigating the important financial aspects of your retirement years.

Virtual: Wednesday, October 11, 7pm (R)

### Terry Savage Talks Money

Terry Savage is a nationally recognized expert on personal finance, the economy, and the markets, with a presence in television, radio, newspapers, and yes, your local library shelves via several books. She will provide a reality check on the volatile economy, financial markets, and personal finance topics, and then answer your questions.

Virtual: Wednesday, October 18, 7pm (R)

# History

## Britain's Hidden Treasures: Unearthing the Relics of an Ancient Past

Jackpot historical finds aren't uncommon in Britain thanks to its rich history: Viking hordes, Anglo-Saxon treasure, and even King Richard III, found buried under a city parking lot. Join Anglophile and former U.K. resident Claire Evans as she tours the country's most interesting archeological finds and shares tips if you'd like to visit them yourself one day.

Virtual: Wednesday, September 13, 6:30pm (R)

## Chicago Mini Histories

Join Tommy Henry, host of the Chicago History Podcast, for two short presentations, "History of Chicago Hot Dogs" and "Connecting Winnetka to Chicago." This event will examine one of Chicago's most famous culinary inventions and how the railroad connected Chicago to Winnetka. In between the two presentations will be a spirited round of Chicago history trivia.

Virtual: Wednesday, September 27, 7pm (R)

## Beyond the Blues Brothers

Celebrate the 1980 movie *The Blues Brothers* and explore its backstories, mix of Hollywood genres, and impact on Chicago-based filmmaking.

Northfield Library: Saturday, October 14, 11am (R)

## Bombshells: Hollywood's Leading Ladies

Hollywood had its fair share of leading ladies, from icons to bombshells. Film Historian Dr. Annette Bochenek will present the history of the Hollywood bombshell and their legacies today.

Virtual: Monday, November 6, 7pm (R)



## George Harrison: The Solo Years 1970–2001

Using interview and performance clips, music historian Gary Wenstrup will trace the arc of Harrison's solo career, his popular hits, and his spiritual quest, with stops in between for The Concert for Bangladesh and The Traveling Wilburys.

Virtual: Tuesday, November 7, 7pm (R)

## Native American Storytelling

Chief White Winnebago will tell five Native American stories, mostly of HoChunk origin, for all ages.

Winnetka Library: Sunday, November 12, 2pm (R)

# Science

## Eclipses

Chicagoland will experience a partial solar eclipse on October 14, 2023, and a total solar eclipse on April 8, 2024. Solar System Ambassador, Sean Fisher-Rohde, will discuss the science and background of these celestial events.

Northfield Library: Saturday, September 23, 2pm (R)



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# Writing

## Writer's Workshop

Interested in writing a book? Then this session is for you. Author John Wendell Adams will provide guidance for any stage of the writing process, whether you're starting out, completing a first manuscript, or ready to acquire an editor and publish your work.

Virtual: Thursday, September 7, 7pm (R)

## Poetry Contest: Poems About Animals

Don't be bashful! Enter a poem—sixteen lines maximum—in the Winnetka-Northfield Library District's "Animal Poems Contest." You may be a winner!

Eligibility: Age 16 and up. More details available at [wnpld.org/animal-poetry](http://wnpld.org/animal-poetry).

Entries may be submitted October 10 through 4pm October 20.



# Live Performance

## The Queen, Her Life: A Dramatic Book Review by Barbara Rinella

In this dramatization of *The Queen: Her Life* by Andrew Morton, dramatic book reviewer Barbara Rinella salutes Queen Elizabeth II, the longest-reigning monarch in British history and the longest-reigning queen in world history. Learn about the influence she had on both Great Britain and the rest of the world for most of the last century.

Winnetka Library: Thursday, September 14, 7pm (R)

## Miep Gies: On Finding and Protecting the Diary of Anne Frank

In this dramatic portrayal, Megan Wells brings the story of Miep Gies, the Dutch woman who protected Anne Frank and her family, vividly alive.

Winnetka Library: Tuesday, September 26, 7pm (R)

## Hedy Lamarr: A Dramatic Portrayal by Lynn Rymarz

Hear the fascinating story of Hedy Lamarr, a scientist, inventor, and actress. After escaping an unhappy marriage in Austria, she found herself in Hollywood and starred in movies such as *Samson and Delilah*. In Hollywood she met Howard Hughes, who recognized Lamarr's inventive scientific mind. With his encouragement she developed a communications system that is credited as the precursor to WiFi, GPS, and Bluetooth.

Winnetka Library: Saturday, October 21, 3pm (R)

## Lilly Pulitzer: A Living History Portrayal by Leslie Goddard

In the 1960s, Lilly Pulitzer transformed fashion with her boldly patterned shift dresses. In this portrayal, historian Leslie Goddard brings to life the celebrated entrepreneur and fashion designer who created a design revolution. Learn what inspired this free-spirited socialite to launch a line of tropical dresses that became synonymous with resort living.

Virtual: Tuesday, October 24, 7pm (R)

## Pierre Salinger & the 1,000 Days of Kennedy's Camelot with Terry Lynch

Actor Terry Lynch portrays JFK's White House Press Secretary Pierre Salinger who will explore the 1,000 days of Kennedy's administration that led up to his assassination, and share a unique perspective on some of the most dangerous times in our country's recent history.

Winnetka Library: Saturday, November 11, 3pm (R)

# Wine & Whine



Representative  
Robyn Gabel



Senator  
Laura Fine

## With IL State Rep. Robyn Gabel & State Senator Laura Fine

The League of Women Voters of Winnetka-Northfield-Kenilworth invite the community for a glass of wine or grape juice and a recap of the 2022–23 IL General Assembly Session (and for a sneak preview of the 2023–24 session) from Illinois State Representative Robyn Gabel and Illinois State Senator Laura Fine. Participants 21+ need proof of ID to consume wine.

Winnetka Library: Wednesday, September 13, 5:30pm (R)

# Technology

## Finding the Best Online Events

There are now thousands of online classes, workshops, and performances available online, provided by the finest universities, museums, schools, not-for-profit organizations, and businesses. And you don't even have to leave your house!

Virtual: Wednesday, September 6, 1:30pm (R)

## How to Manage Your Online Privacy

Learn to check and update the privacy settings for your operating system, social media sites, computers, browsers, devices, and related products.

Virtual: Wednesday, September 13, 1:30pm (R)

## Social Media for Your Business

Spend an hour with the library's social media coordinator as he discusses commonly used platforms and teaches you how to grow your social media presence. This beginner event will focus on Instagram, Facebook, and Threads.

Winnetka Library: Tuesday, September 19, 2pm (R)

## Cut the Cord – Alternatives to Premium Cable Services

Are you paying hundreds of dollars a month for a thousand channels that you never watch? We will review the many alternative ways to get broadcast and premium TV, movies, etc. without paying a fortune.

Virtual: Wednesday, September 20, 1:30pm (R)

## ChatGPT 101: Unleashing the Power of Artificial Intelligence

Discover the thrilling world of ChatGPT and learn about how AI language models are revolutionizing problem-solving. This event will discuss how ChatGPT works and how to use its various features to empower creativity and solve problems. Attendees will also have a chance to share their experiences and learn how others in the community are making use of AI.

Winnetka Library: Thursday, October 19, 7pm (R)

## Holiday Shopping for a New Digital Device

Your old phone, tablet or computer just isn't cutting it anymore – it's time for an upgrade. But what to buy? This class will guide you through the pros and cons of what is out there and give you enough information to make an intelligent decision for your needs.

Virtual: Wednesday, November 15, 1:30pm (R)

## iPhone & iPad Series

These classes will help you learn to use the many functions of your iPhone and iPad. Learn more about each class in the calendar at [wnpld.org](http://wnpld.org).

**September 27:** iPhone and iPad Basics

**October 4:** Advanced Settings

**October 11:** Using the Calendar

**October 18:** Using GPS/Maps

**October 25:** Learn Email Tips and Tricks

**November 1:** Texting Tips and Tricks

**November 8:** Backing Up Your Device

**November 29:** Using Notes and Reminders

Virtual: Wednesdays, 1:30pm (R)



# The Studio

## Sewing 101: Lip Balm Holder Keychain

Join us for an intro to sewing class where we will learn sewing basics.

The Studio: Wednesdays, September 6 & 20, 10am • Adult & Teen (R)

## Laser Cut Earrings

Make dangling earrings with a fun mix of laser cut shapes and colors.

The Studio: Mondays, September 11 & 25, 4pm • Adult & Teen (R)

## Art Deco Light Switch Cover

Create a 2-color acrylic art deco-style light switch cover.

The Studio: Wednesday, September 13, 6pm All Ages (R)

## Stitch Pics

Enhance printed photos with fun hand embroidery techniques.

The Studio: Monday, September 18, 4pm Adult & Teen (R)

## Articulated Geometric Sculpture

From a selection of paperboard material, zip ties and foam, create a custom articulated geometric sculpture using CorelDraw, the laser, and hot glue.

The Studio: Wednesday, September 20, 6pm • All Ages (R)

## Engraved Planter Boxes

Personalize a planter box with a name, message, or home address.

The Studio: Tuesday, September 26 & Thursday, September 28, 10am • Adult & Teen (R)

## 3D Printed Knickknack Container

Learn the basics of 3D modeling by creating a personalized container with Thingiverse, TinkerCAD, and Cura.

The Studio: Wednesday, September 27, 6pm All Ages (R)

## Spooky Wreath



Make a spooktacular Halloween wreath to decorate your home.

The Studio: Mondays, October 2 & October 16, 3pm • Adult & Teen (R)



## Unique Patches

Learn to design and embroider a custom iron-on patch.

The Studio: Wednesday, October 4, 6pm  
All Ages (R)

## Squeegee Painting

As seen on Tik Tok, dust off your abstract art appreciation by painting with a squeegee instead of a paintbrush.

The Studio: Thursdays, October 5 & October 12, 2pm • Adult & Teen (R)

## Silk Screen: Spooky Edition

Make a fun two-color Halloween poster to hang on your wall or door.

The Studio: Monday, October 9, 4pm  
Adult & Teen (R)

## 3D Etched Press Printing

Build and print with your very own miniature printing press.

The Studio: Sunday, October 15, 1:30pm  
All Ages (R)

## Engraved Spice Jars

Engrave the lids of spice jars so that you can quickly find what you're looking for.

The Studio: Tuesday, October 17 & Thursday, October 19, 10am  
Adult & Teen (R)

## Wooden Jack-O'-Lantern

Create Halloween decor out of wood.

The Studio: Wednesday, October 18, 10am  
Adult & Teen (R)

## Cross-Section Keychain

Laser-engage the cross section of a tree branch as a key chain pendant or holiday ornament.

The Studio: Wednesday, October 25, 6pm  
All Ages (R)

## Spooky Halloween Earrings

Get ready for Halloween by using beginning jewelry making skills to create some spooky acrylic earrings.

The Studio: Thursday, October 26, 6pm  
Adult & Teen (R)

## Resin USB Drives

Craft cool USB drives out of resin.

Northfield Library:  
Wednesday, October 11,  
10am • Adult & Teen (R)

The Studio: Friday,  
October 27, 10am  
Adult & Teen (R)



## Einstein "One Stone" Puzzles

Create a puzzle using the new "Einstein" shape, which is a 13-sided shape that can completely cover a board without ever repeating.

The Studio: Wednesday, November 1, 6pm  
All Ages (R)

## Sewing 101: Quilted Potholder

Make a nice accent to your Thanksgiving table in this beginning sewing/quilting program.

The Studio: Thursday, November 2, 2pm  
Adult & Teen (R)

## ThankFALL Wreath

Make a beautiful fall wreath for your door.

The Studio: Monday, November 6, 3pm  
Adult & Teen (R)

## Stemless Wine Tumblers

Engrave a stemless wine tumbler to show off at your next gathering.

The Studio: Tuesday, November 7 & Thursday, November 9, 10am  
Adult & Teen (R)

## Art Deco Sun Catcher

Learn the basics of the laser cutter while you make an art deco sun catcher.

The Studio: Wednesday, November 8, 6pm  
All Ages (R)

## Holiday Gift Tags

Create your own laser engraved gift or luggage tag in 2-color acrylic.

The Studio: Sunday, November 12, 1:30pm  
All Ages (R)

## Silk Screen: ThankFALL Edition

Make a fun two-color "ThankFALL" poster to hang on your wall or door.

The Studio: Monday, November 13, 3pm  
Adult & Teen (R)

## Multi-Layer Winter Scene

Create a lovely winter scene with acrylic and fairy lights.

The Studio: Wednesday, November 15, 6pm  
All Ages (R)

## Heat Vinyl Transfer: Thanksgiving Banner

Brush up on your die cutting skills and create a beautiful Thanksgiving celebration banner.

The Studio: Thursday, November 16, 6pm  
Adult & Teen (R)

## Scraper Paint Place Cards

Learn how to do the scraper paint technique and make lovely place cards.

The Studio: Monday, November 20, 3pm  
Adult & Teen (R)

## Fall Ceramic Coasters

Create a set of colorful ceramic coasters with a fall theme.

The Studio: Wednesday, November 22, 2pm  
Adult & Teen (R)



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# Join Us for These Exciting Author Events



### **Political Corruption in Chicago and the U.S.: Can We Fix It?**

Public corruption seems to be endemic, especially in Chicago. Why is it such a permanent fixture? Can true reform ever happen? Presenter James L. Merriner has written five books about political corruption in Chicago, the state of Illinois, and the U.S. Congress.

**Winnetka Library: Thursday, October 5, 7pm (R)**



### **Brave the Wild River - The Women Who Mapped the Grand Canyon's Plants**

Science journalist Melissa L. Seigny tells the story of botanists Elzada Clover and Lois Jotter. It was an era when women weren't welcomed, either as scientists or river runners, but Clover and Jotter were determined to make the dangerous journey. Join us for a riveting tale of adventure, daring, science, and survival.

**Virtual: Wednesday, November 1, 7pm (R)**



### **The Power of Story with Colson Whitehead**



We are pleased to welcome two-time Pulitzer Prize winning author Colson Whitehead. He is only the fourth writer to win two Pulitzers in the Fiction category, *Underground Railroad* (2017) and *The Nickel Boys* (2020). His latest bestselling novel, *Crook Manifesto*, was published in July 2023.

**Virtual: Wednesday, September 6, 7pm (R)**



### **Chicago - Morning, Noon & Night, with Barry Butler**

You can try to catch this legendary Chicago photographer on the ground, on top of rooftops, flying high in helicopters capturing moments in the Windy City, or at the Winnetka Library! Join Barry Butler to discuss his newest photography book *Chicago - Morning, Noon & Night* which includes 100 images highlighting the prettiest city in America at all times of the day.

**Winnetka Library: Sunday, September 24, 2pm (R)**



### **Chills & Thrills with Stephen Graham Jones**



National Endowment for the Arts Fellow Stephen Graham Jones talks horror.

**Virtual: Wednesday, October 4, 7pm (R)**



### **A Taste of Love with Maya-Camille Broussard of Justice of the Pies**

Netflix's Bake Squad star and owner of the Chicago-based bakery Justice of the Pies, Maya-Camille Broussard shows us how to bake with love.

**Virtual: Wednesday, November 8, 7pm (R)**

## Stay Up to Date!

Get the latest updates about what's happening at the library!

Sign up for our weekly e-newsletter at [wnpld.org](http://wnpld.org).