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ONLINE RESERVATION

Log onto www.wnpld.org and under "events," you will find the events calendar. Locate the program of interest and register.

PHONE/EMAIL REGISTRATION

You may call (847) 446-7220 or email eref@wnpld.org.

CANCELLATION

If your plans change after registering, please let us know 24 hours in advance so we can invite another guest to take your spot.

Do You Have a Library Card?

HOW TO GET ONE

Residents, property owners, and renters in the Winnetka-Northfield Public Library District are eligible for Library cards. Simply stop in the Library with a valid government-issued ID and proof of address to register! Cards are good for three years and will be auto-renewed for those still residing in the District. Learn more at: wnpld.org/library-card.

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The Library reserves the right to take photographs and video program participants. Photos and videos are for Library use and may be used in Library publicity materials. Patrons who do not wish to be part of photographs or videos should notify Library staff. Any individual who plans to attend any program at the Library and requires a special accommodation may phone the Winnetka Library at (847) 446-7220 or the Northfield Branch Library at (847) 446-5990.



Discover Something New

Whether you visit the library at the Winnetka location, the Northfield location or engage online, WNPLD is a friendly resource that stirs your imagination, quenches curiosity, and connects people and ideas.

**Our new brand is coming.
Discover something new next issue.**





FOOD FOR THOUGHT: COOKBOOK BOOK CLUB

MONDAYS, 7PM • ADULTS • REGISTER • LED BY STEPHANIE GIRARDI

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.

MARCH 13 • WINNETKA LIBRARY

Half Baked Harvest

Half Baked Harvest Super Simple, by Tieghan Gerard
Half Baked Harvest Every Day, by Tieghan Gerard

APRIL 10 • WINNETKA LIBRARY

Iconic American Food

America, The Cookbook, by Gabrielle Langholtz
BraveTart: Iconic American Desserts, by Stella Parks

MAY 8 • WINNETKA LIBRARY

Above Board

Boards: Stylish Spreads for Casual Gatherings, by Elle Simone Scott
The Art of the Board, by Olivia Carney

CLUE: A MYSTERY BOOK CLUB

TUESDAYS, 7:30PM • ADULTS • REGISTER • LED BY MELISSA MORGAN

MARCH 14 • NORTHFIELD LIBRARY

Ghost Month, by Ed Lin

APRIL 11 • NORTHFIELD LIBRARY

A Heart Full of Headstones, by Ian Rankin

MAY 9 • NORTHFIELD LIBRARY

The Seven Moons of Maali Almeida, by Shehan Karunatilaka

NEXT CHAPTER BOOK CLUB

THURSDAYS, 11:30AM • ADULTS • REGISTER • LED BY BETSY GRIEBENOW & KATHRYN FREEMOND

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

MARCH 16 • WINNETKA LIBRARY

Small Things Like These, by Claire Keegan

APRIL 20 • WINNETKA LIBRARY

Remarkably Bright Creatures, by Shelby Van Pelt

MAY 18 • WINNETKA LIBRARY

Empty Theatre, by Jac Jemc

GREAT DECISIONS DISCUSSION SERIES

MONDAYS, FEBRUARY 6–MARCH 27, 12:30PM • ADULTS • WINNETKA LIBRARY • REGISTER

Broaden your perspective on international issues, from the economy to climate change, by participating in any or all of the eight weekly Great Decisions discussions. A briefing book published by the non-partisan Foreign Policy Association provides a short informative article on each topic and is available at the Library or for purchase from Joan Fragen, Great Decisions chair LWV-WNK. Email joanfragen@gmail.com or call 847-446-0184 for more information.

The Great Decisions series is sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Winnetka-Northfield-Kenilworth.

SHORT STORY DISCUSSION: JAMES JOYCE'S EVELINE

THURSDAY, MARCH 16, 7PM • ADULTS • WINNETKA LIBRARY • REGISTER

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day one day early by learning about James Joyce's life and discussing the short story, *Eveline*, with Connie Garner, retired English professor and short story facilitator at Women's Exchange. Copies of *Eveline* will be emailed to registrants, or you can pick up a copy at the Library prior to the discussion.

SCI-FI FILM SERIES

FRIDAYS • ADULTS • VIRTUAL • REGISTER

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 Hoopla or Kanopy streaming services.



March 24 *Donnie Darko*

Jake Gyllenhaal had his first big lead in this wild head-scratcher of a cult movie.



April 28 *Phase IV*

The ants are taking over in this chilly dystopian parable.



May 19 *Metropolis*

The original silent sci-fi epic by master director Fritz Lang, restored to its full length.

Find Scott's previous movie reviews at:
wnpld.org/film-series



AUTHOR EVENTS

The Weird & Wonderful World with Mary Roach



WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1, 7PM
ADULTS • VIRTUAL • REGISTER

Experience an entertaining and hilarious evening with *New York Times* best-selling science author, Mary Roach. Roach will discuss her frank approach to science, the importance of humor, and explore the weird, wonderful world in which we live.

This event is made possible by Illinois Libraries Present, a statewide collaboration among public libraries offering premier events.

Meet Local Author John Wendell Adams

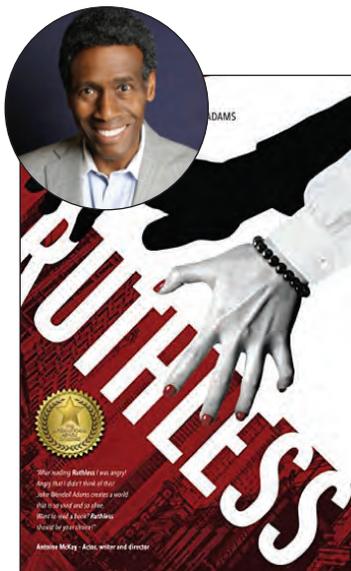
MONDAY, MARCH 27, 6:30PM
ADULTS • WINNETKA LIBRARY
REGISTER

Local author John Wendell Adams will talk about his latest and most compelling novel, *Ruthless*, an exciting and suspenseful story set in Chicago.

Why You Need to Stay Curious by Local Author Elisa Schmitz

WEDNESDAY, MAY 24, 7PM
ADULTS • VIRTUAL • REGISTER

What drives fulfillment and success in career and life? Join Elisa Schmitz, author of the new book *Become the Fire: Transform Life's Chaos into Business and Personal Success*, for an insightful talk about why you need to stay curious to fuel your resilience and accomplish your goals.



EXERCISE

Chair Yoga

FRIDAYS, MARCH 3 & 17, APRIL 7 & 21, MAY 5 & 19, 10AM • ADULTS
VIRTUAL • REGISTER

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.

Body Aware: Rediscover Your Mind-Body Connection

THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 7PM
ADULTS • WINNETKA LIBRARY
REGISTER

When we talk about movement, most of us think exercise, but the way we move our bodies is about so much more than physical fitness. Licensed clinical professional counselor and board-certified dance and movement therapist Erica Hornthal will talk about her book, *Body Aware*, and demonstrate how mindful movement practices can impact how and what we feel.

FOOD & DRINK

In Cod We Trust: A History of Fish and Chips

MONDAY, MARCH 20, 6:30PM
ADULTS • VIRTUAL • REGISTER

First introduced to the United Kingdom by persecuted immigrant populations, fish and chips are now synonymous with the UK. Anglophile and former UK resident Claire Evans looks at what lies beneath a nostalgic national dish's contentious international history: secret fishing grounds, Cod Wars, overfishing, WW2 code, and the difficulty of selling fish in today's political landscape.



GAMES

Family and Friends Trivia Night

WEDNESDAY, MAY 31, 7PM • ALL AGES • VIRTUAL • REGISTER

Join us for a fun evening of virtual trivia for all ages! Test your knowledge of topics including movies, pop culture, science, history, literature, and more! Grab your friends or family or participate individually. Three lucky winners will receive a prize. This event will use the Kahoot! trivia app.

HISTORY & ARTS

Behind the Movie Magic: Iconic Moments in Classic Film

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8, 7PM
ADULTS • VIRTUAL • REGISTER

Classic Hollywood produced a wide variety of iconic scenes that take one's breath away. Movie characters have parted the Red Sea, dodged crop dusters, scaled skyscrapers, and more, leaving audiences wondering, "How'd they do that?" Join Film Historian Annette Bochenek for a multimedia presentation about how some of classic Hollywood's most memorable movie scenes were developed and accomplished.

2023 Oscars Preview

SATURDAY, MARCH 11, 2PM
ADULTS • VIRTUAL • REGISTER

Kickstart Academy Awards weekend with Loyola University film and language

Watercolor

Fundamentals of Color and Brush

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22, 6PM • ADULTS
WINNETKA LIBRARY • REGISTER

Join artist Fran Vail and learn basic watercolor techniques and the fundamentals of color and brush.

Still Life

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19, 6PM • ADULTS
WINNETKA LIBRARY • REGISTER

Join artist Fran Vail and learn basic watercolor techniques while painting still life.

Landscape

WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 6PM • ADULTS
WINNETKA LIBRARY • REGISTER

Join artist Fran Vail and learn basic watercolor techniques and the fundamentals of painting landscapes.

professor, Zbigniew Banas, who will focus on the most significant movies and filmmakers nominated for this year's 95th Academy Awards. He will also examine the changing landscape of today's cinema and make last-minute predictions of the winners in major categories.

Artemisia Gentileschi and the Italian Baroque with Jeff Mishur

**TUESDAY, MARCH 14, 7PM
ADULTS • VIRTUAL • REGISTER**
Artemisia Gentileschi achieved great success during her

career in the 17th century, especially with her portraits of strong Biblical women including Susanna and Judith. Learn about her life and art along with her relationship to the Italian Baroque movement in this illustrated lecture by art historian Jeff Mishur.

Colleen Moore's Fairy Castle

**TUESDAY, MARCH 28, 7PM
ADULTS • VIRTUAL • REGISTER**
Join freelance curator Margaret Schlesinger as she takes you on a tiny tour of Colleen Moore's enchanted Fairy Castle, currently featured

in an exhibit at the Museum of Science and Industry.

Unsinkable Molly Brown: Heroine of the Titanic

**SATURDAY, APRIL 15, 3PM
ADULTS • NORTHFIELD LIBRARY
REGISTER**

Actress and historian Lynn Rymarz tells the story of the adventurous and daring Molly Brown. After the sinking of the Titanic in April of 1912, Molly was asked how she survived, and she responded, "Typical Brown luck. We're unsinkable." Discover her fighting spirit in helping other survivors who

lost everything when the Titanic sank.

Stories and Structures: Winnetka's Architectural Treasures

**TUESDAY, APRIL 18, 7PM • ADULTS
VIRTUAL • REGISTER**

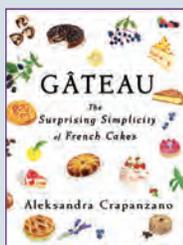
Interested in learning about some of Winnetka's architectural treasures and hearing stories about the people who lived and worked in them? Join the Winnetka Historical Society for a virtual tour through several of Winnetka's most unique structures.

FRENCH CONNECTIONS

Gâteau: The Surprising Simplicity of French Cakes

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29, 7PM • ADULTS
VIRTUAL • REGISTER**

When we think of French sweets, we tend to think elaborate confections at a pâtisserie, maybe a mille-feuille or a fragile macaron, but there's another side to French baking that is altogether easier and still fabulously delicious.



James Beard-winning author Aleksandra Crapanzano will let you in on the secret of the effortless, beloved cakes that are a staple in French homes in a talk about her new book, *Gâteau: The Surprising Simplicity of French Cakes*.

Julia Child: A Living History Portrayal by Leslie Goddard

**TUESDAY, APRIL 4, 7PM • ADULTS • VIRTUAL
REGISTER**

In the 1960s, thousands tuned in every week to watch Julia Child demonstrate the art of French cooking on television. Actress and scholar Leslie Goddard, Ph.D., brings the iconic French chef to life in this portrayal, where Julia discusses everything from her relationship with her husband Paul Child to the mishaps of cooking on television. Bon Appetit!

Tenacious Tour du Mont Blanc

**THURSDAY, MAY 11, 7PM • ADULTS
WINNETKA LIBRARY • REGISTER**

Trek 105 miles through the Alps with Brian Michalski as your guide to Europe's world-famous Tour du Mont Blanc. Learn about practical planning tips, challenges along the trail, cultural tidbits, accommodation logistics, and more, all seen through the lens of Michalski's gorgeous original photography and entertainingly adventurous retellings.

Meet Marie Antoinette: A Dramatic Portrayal by Martina Mathisen

**TUESDAY, MAY 16, 7PM • ADULTS • WINNETKA
LIBRARY • REGISTER**

The Queen of France visits to talk about her life, loves, and intrigues. Dramatist Martina Mathisen will reveal the truth behind this very much misunderstood queen, from a teen bride enveloped in pure opulence to the most hated woman in France.

D-Day: Invasion of Normandy

**SATURDAY, MAY 20, 3PM • ADULTS
NORTHFIELD LIBRARY • REGISTER**

Historian Jim Gibbons will present the story of D-Day. In June 1944, the Western Allies were finally prepared to deliver their greatest blow of World War II, the long-delayed, cross-channel invasion of northern France. This talk will describe what led up to this invasion and the tremendous pressure

that rested on the shoulders of General Eisenhower, who knew he would take full responsibility if it failed.

Crème Brûlée and Beignets Bake-Along

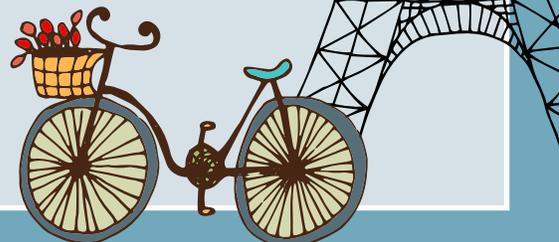
**TUESDAY, MAY 23, 7PM • ADULTS • VIRTUAL
REGISTER**

Bake along with this cooking demonstration and learn how to make two beloved French pastries: crème brûlée and beignets. An ingredients list will be sent out before the event. Participants should have a thermometer and baking dishes on hand.

The Chanel Sisters with Barbara Rinella

**TUESDAY, JUNE 13, 7PM • ADULTS
WINNETKA LIBRARY • REGISTER**

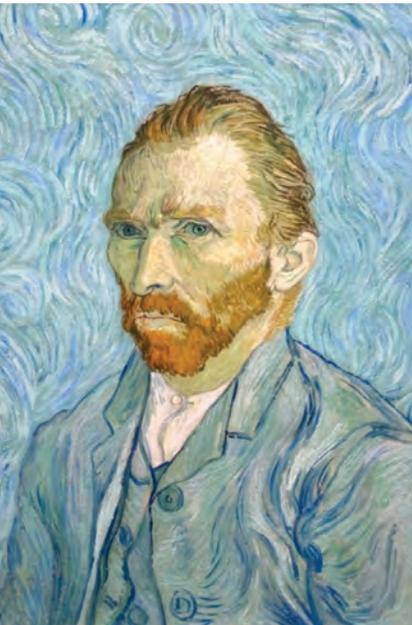
Dramatic book reviewer Barbara Rinella will entertain attendees with a dramatization of *The Chanel Sisters* by Judithe Little, new historical novel about Coco Chanel, her family, and their many struggles.



Vincent Van Gogh: His Life and Works

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19, 7PM
ADULTS • VIRTUAL • REGISTER

Follow the life of Vincent Van Gogh by visiting the places he lived and exploring his famous and not-so-famous artwork. Attendees will travel (virtually) to some picturesque sights in Holland and France and discover how they influenced Van Gogh's paintings. Presented by art historian Olga Cardamone.



John Hughes and Chicago's North Shore

WEDNESDAY, MAY 3, 7PM
ADULTS • VIRTUAL • REGISTER

Take a journey through the career highlights of storied filmmaker John Hughes. This discussion will look at his role as director and his cinematic presence in Chicago's North Shore, including houses and neighborhoods featured in iconic scenes.

HOUSE AND HOME

Be Green When You Garden

THURSDAY, APRIL 6, 7PM
ADULTS • VIRTUAL • REGISTER

When was the last time you

evaluated your gardening practices to see how environmentally friendly they really are? Learn simple ways to garden while conserving water and using fewer chemicals. We'll look at environmentally friendly gardening practices, including proper plant selection, water conservation, and composting.

LIVE PERFORMANCE

Open Mic: Free the Stories!

SUNDAY, MARCH 19, 2PM
ADULTS • WINNETKA LIBRARY
REGISTER

Writers and storytellers are invited to an open microphone, to let their stories free into the world. All are welcome, beginning and advanced artists alike.

Piano Performance by Kaleen Dolan: All Request Show

SUNDAY, APRIL 2, 2PM • ADULTS
WINNETKA LIBRARY • REGISTER

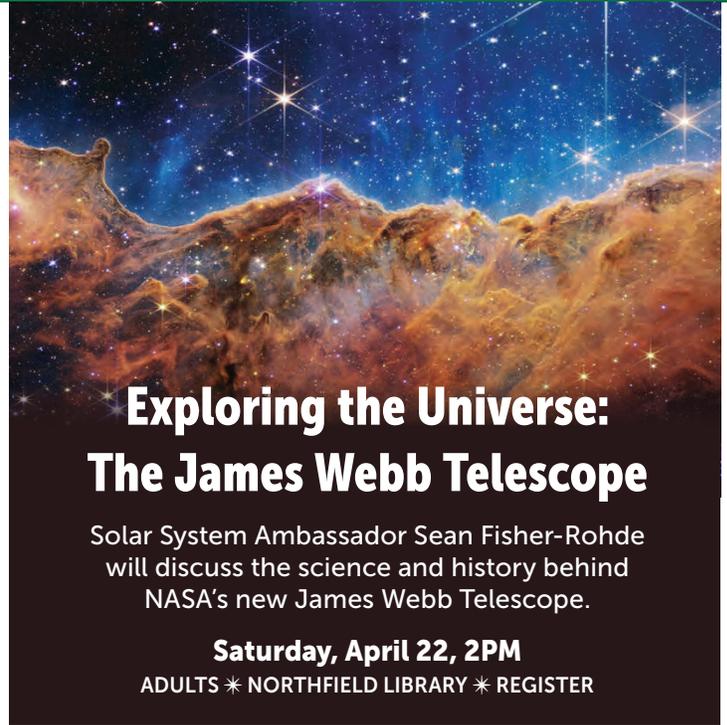
Join us for an all-request show performed by piano player and Musical Director of the Redhead Piano Bar, Kaleen Dolan. Bring your song requests for an engaging show.

PERSONAL FINANCE

Financial Planning Appointment

TUESDAYS, MARCH 14, APRIL 11 & MAY 9, 10AM & 11AM • ADULTS
WINNETKA LIBRARY • REGISTER

Do you have questions about how to invest, budget, or safeguard your finances? Schedule a free, one-hour in-person consultation with a Certified Financial Planner®. Preference given to Winnetka-Northfield Public Library District card holders.



Exploring the Universe: The James Webb Telescope

Solar System Ambassador Sean Fisher-Rohde will discuss the science and history behind NASA's new James Webb Telescope.

Saturday, April 22, 2PM

ADULTS * NORTHFIELD LIBRARY * REGISTER

Small Business Mentoring with SCORE

WEDNESDAYS, MARCH 15, APRIL 19, MAY 17, 7PM • ADULTS
WINNETKA LIBRARY • REGISTER

SCORE North Cook & Lake counties provides mentoring to local small-business owners and entrepreneurs. Current and potential entrepreneurs can benefit from the experience of retired volunteer executives to develop business plans and grow businesses.

Register for a one-hour appointment at the Winnetka Library by contacting our SCORE volunteer Rick Rubenstein at rick.rubenstein@scorevolunteer.org.

Charitable Giving: A Financial Planning Perspective

THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 7PM
ADULTS • VIRTUAL • REGISTER

Learn strategies to stretch your charitable donation, save on taxes, and bring more hope and joy to those you support. Ed Gjertsen II, CFP®, past National President of the Financial

Planning Association, will provide valuable insights and strategies to help you create your personal philanthropic plan.

This program is presented in partnership with the Glenview and Wilmette Public Libraries.

TRAVEL

Cuisine Quest: South and Central America

THURSDAY, MARCH 2, 7PM
ADULTS • WINNETKA LIBRARY
REGISTER

Join Brian Michalski on his search for the most delectable dishes that Peru, Argentina, Brazil, Nicaragua, and other countries have to offer. Gain insight into local agriculture, overlapping stylistic influences, and how climate change is impacting food security. Michalski also shares recipes and endorsements of top-notch restaurants, so that you can take your appetite on many satiating adventures to come.



Connecting Apple Devices to Your TV

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1, 1:30PM • ADULTS VIRTUAL • REGISTER

This class will help you find quick and easy ways to connect your iPhone or iPad to your TV. Enjoy streaming movies on your big screen, and display family photos from your iPhone so that everyone can see them. Both wired and wireless solutions will be demonstrated.

Using Apple's iCloud

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8, 1:30PM
ADULTS • VIRTUAL • REGISTER

Apple's iCloud service can store your photos, videos, documents, apps, and more. Learn how to quickly and safely access what you want, when you want it.

Choosing a Cell Phone Plan

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15, 1:30PM • ADULTS VIRTUAL • REGISTER

There are dozens of cellular providers, each with a variety of plans. Learn how to evaluate which plan will work best for you at the right price.

Mobile Payment Apps

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22, 1:30PM • ADULTS VIRTUAL • REGISTER

Do you owe someone for dinner, or a shared purchase? Payment apps make paying back friends and family members as easy as sending a tweet. This class will discuss the features, benefits, and security considerations of the best smartphone payment systems.

What Is a VPN and Do You Need One?

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29, 1:30PM • ADULTS VIRTUAL • REGISTER

If you use a VPN (Virtual Private Network) service, you can substantially improve your privacy and internet security. This class will explore how VPNs work and which services to consider.

Finding the Best Online Events

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5, 1:30PM • ADULTS VIRTUAL • REGISTER

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

When to Upgrade Your Computer, Phone or Tablet

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12, 1:30PM • ADULTS VIRTUAL • REGISTER

How do you know when it's time to buy a new device, and when it's worth trying to fix your existing device? This class will review the options and the questions you should ask.

Digitizing and Archiving Family Photos

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19, 1:30PM • ADULTS VIRTUAL • REGISTER

Do you have tubs of old family pictures sitting in your basement, or slides that mom and dad took to document your childhood? Learn how to easily digitize photos and slides and share them with your family.

Traveling with Digital Devices

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26, 1:30PM • ADULTS VIRTUAL • REGISTER

This class will review the benefits and potential pitfalls of traveling with your mobile device and other expensive technology.

How to Manage Your Online Privacy

WEDNESDAY, MAY 3, 1:30PM • ADULTS VIRTUAL • REGISTER

Learn how to check and update the privacy settings for your operating system, social media sites, computers, browsers, devices, and related products. This class will explain the options and what settings you should care about.

Protecting Yourself Against Ransomware

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10, 1:30PM • ADULTS VIRTUAL • REGISTER

Ransomware is a type of malware that infects computers and encrypts computer files until a ransom is paid - you may have heard of cities, hospitals, businesses, and individuals that have been successfully attacked. Learn to minimize your exposure to ransomware and other types of malicious malware.

Find Your Favorite Podcast

WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 1:30PM • ADULTS VIRTUAL • REGISTER

Podcasts are free shows that are similar to radio or TV episodes. They cover many genres, from news and politics, to sports, comedy, celebrity culture, and entertainment. Learn about the podcast landscape and how to enjoy them.

Cut the Cord – Alternatives to Premium Cable Services

WEDNESDAY, MAY 24, 1:30PM • ADULTS VIRTUAL • REGISTER

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

What Is the Cloud and How Can You Use It?

WEDNESDAY, MAY 31, 1:30 PM • ADULTS VIRTUAL • REGISTER

What and where is "the cloud?" Why should you use (or not use) the cloud? You might be surprised how much of your computer data is already there. This class will teach you about what the cloud is and how you can use it for efficiency and security.

EARLY CHILDHOOD (AGES 0–5)

Sensory Shenanigans

FRIDAYS, MARCH 3, APRIL 7 & MAY 5, 10AM • AGES 0–4 WITH PARENT/CAREGIVER • WINNETKA LIBRARY • DROP-IN

WEDNESDAYS, MARCH 22, APRIL 19 & MAY 17, 10AM • AGES 0–4 WITH PARENT/CAREGIVER • NORTHFIELD LIBRARY • DROP-IN

Join us for an hour of interactive free play. Activities in this program 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.

Be Our Guest: Read with a Princess!

FRIDAYS, MARCH 3, APRIL 7, MAY 5 & 26, 10AM • AGES 2+ WITH PARENT/CAREGIVER • NORTHFIELD LIBRARY • REGISTER

Join actor Jessica McClure as she transforms into some of your child's favorite movie characters from the big screen. At the end, your child will be able to meet and take photos with the character.

Music and Movement with Teacher Dan

FRIDAYS, MARCH 17 & 31, APRIL 14 & MAY 12, 10:30AM • AGES 0–4 WITH PARENT/CAREGIVER • NORTHFIELD LIBRARY • REGISTER

FRIDAYS, MARCH 24, APRIL 21 & MAY 19, 10:30 AM • AGES 0–4 WITH PARENT/CAREGIVER • WINNETKA LIBRARY • REGISTER

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.

Move and Play

TUESDAYS, MARCH 21–APRIL 25, 10AM • AGES 0–5 WITH PARENT/CAREGIVER • WINNETKA LIBRARY • DROP-IN

Join us for 20 minutes of music, movement, and a story for kids five and under with their caregivers. Optional stay and play until 11 after we get our wiggles out!

Baby Storytime

WEDNESDAYS, MARCH 22–APRIL 26, 10AM • AGES 0–18 MONTHS WITH PARENT/CAREGIVER • WINNETKA LIBRARY • DROP-IN

Join us for a storytime focused on early literacy, complete with stories, songs, baby bouncing and movement exercises for you and your new baby. Tickets for storytime will be available the morning of the program on a first come, first served basis.

Toddler Storytime

THURSDAYS, MARCH 23–APRIL 27, 10AM • AGES 18 MONTHS–3 YEARS WITH PARENT/CAREGIVER • WINNETKA LIBRARY • DROP-IN

Join us for singing, dancing, and stories for your toddler. Tickets for storytime will be available the morning of the program on a first come, first served basis.

YOUTH (AGES 3–8)

Ocean Animal Dig

MONDAY, MARCH 6, 4PM • AGES 5–8 WITH PARENT/CAREGIVER • NORTHFIELD LIBRARY • REGISTER

Discover ocean animals and shells using your excavation skills.

Sensational STEAM

WEDNESDAYS, MARCH 8, APRIL 5 & MAY 3, 4PM • AGES 7+ • WINNETKA LIBRARY • REGISTER

Join us for an exciting hour of hands-on STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art and math) activities.

KidzCraft

FRIDAYS, 9:30AM • AGES 5+ • NORTHFIELD LIBRARY • DROP-IN

Join us at for a fun craft.

March 10: Paper Plate Umbrella

March 24: Easy Rain Craft

April 14: Mess Free Earth Painting

April 28: Tissue Paper Earth Day Craft

May 12: Tissue Paper Flowers

May 26: Flower Cupcake Liner Craft

Take & Tinker

SATURDAYS, ALL DAY • AGES 3+ • WINNETKA LIBRARY • DROP-IN

Do you love to make, create, and explore? Take home a cool, hands-on STEAM activity! A limited quantity of kits will be available beginning at 9AM.

March 11: Leprechaun Trap

April 8: DIY Shaker Eggs

May 6: Blooming Paper Flowers

Accessible Playtime

MONDAYS, MARCH 20, APRIL 17 & MAY 22, 4PM • AGES 4+ WITH PARENT/CAREGIVER • WINNETKA LIBRARY • REGISTER

Children with disabilities are invited to the Library for sensory activities and play. Activities include STEAM activities, crafts, and more.

French Storytime: L'Heure du Conte Français

FRIDAYS, MARCH 10, APRIL 28 & MAY 12, 10AM • AGES 3–8 WITH PARENT/CAREGIVER • WINNETKA LIBRARY • REGISTER

Introduce your family to French through simple stories, music and hands-on activities with French educator Perrine Collette.

Mandarin Bilingual Storytime 中英雙語故事會

SATURDAYS, MARCH 11, APRIL 8 & MAY 13, 2PM • AGES 3–10 WITH PARENT/CAREGIVER • WINNETKA LIBRARY • REGISTER

歡迎小朋友們和家人一起參加中英雙語故事會。Introduce your family to Mandarin through simple stories, music, and hands-on activities with local educator Emma Forquer.

Polish Storytime: Polskie Bajki

FRIDAYS, MARCH 17, APRIL 14 & MAY 12, 4PM • ALL AGES WITH PARENT/CAREGIVER • NORTHFIELD LIBRARY • DROP-IN

Postuchajcie bajek, zaśpiewajcie piosenki i bawcie się dobrze! Dzisiejszy program będzie w języku polskim i angielskim. Listen to stories, sing songs, and have fun! This bilingual storytime will be in Polish and English.

My Mushy, Squishy Passover

SUNDAY, MARCH 26, 2PM • ALL AGES WITH PARENT/CAREGIVER • NORTHFIELD LIBRARY • REGISTER

Join local children's book author Arianna Brooks to learn and explore Passover. Join for crafts and activities that celebrate this important Jewish holiday.

Mamá y yo (Mom and I) Spanish Bilingual Storytime

SATURDAY, MAY 13, 9:30AM • AGES 3–8 WITH PARENT/CAREGIVER • NORTHFIELD LIBRARY • REGISTER

Come celebrate Mother's Day! Participants will be introduced to Spanish through simple stories, music, and hands-on activities with dual language educator Cecilia Hagist.



Art Explorers

WEDNESDAYS, MARCH 22, APRIL 19 & MAY 24, 4PM • AGES 5+ WINNETKA LIBRARY • REGISTER

WEDNESDAYS, MARCH 29, APRIL 26 & MAY 31, 4PM • AGES 5+ NORTHFIELD LIBRARY • REGISTER

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

LEGO Mania

MONDAYS, MARCH 27, APRIL 24 & MAY 15, 4PM • AGES 5+ WINNETKA LIBRARY • DROP-IN

Love to build with LEGOs? Join us for LEGO Mania. We'll build cool contraptions with friends.

DIY Bookmarks

TUESDAY, MARCH 28, 4PM AGES 7+ • WINNETKA LIBRARY DROP-IN

Design your own bookmark. We'll have many kinds of bookmarks to paint, color, and craft.

Crafternoon!

FRIDAYS, MARCH 31, APRIL 7 & MAY 26, 2PM • AGES 5+ WINNETKA LIBRARY • DROP-IN

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

Tutu Workshop

MONDAY, APRIL 3, 4PM • AGES 3-10 WITH PARENT/CAREGIVER WINNETKA LIBRARY • REGISTER

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

TWEENS & TEENS (AGES 9+)

Dungeons & Dragons

TUESDAYS, MARCH 7 & 21, APRIL 4 & 18, MAY 2 & 16, 4PM • AGES 13+ • WINNETKA LIBRARY REGISTER

A darkness spreads through Ravenloft causing its people to suffer. Join other brave adventurers to fight back evil and complete quests. Rise through the Guild ranks to obtain great power and treasure.



Super Smash Bros. Tournament

THURSDAY, MARCH 2, 4PM • AGES 9+ WINNETKA LIBRARY • REGISTER

Pick your favorite champion and fight your way to victory.

Manga Book Club

TUESDAYS, MARCH 14, APRIL 11 & MAY 9, 4PM AGES 10+ • NORTHFIELD LIBRARY • REGISTER

Come chat about your favorite manga and anime series while we do a fun craft.

Mario Kart Tournament

THURSDAY, APRIL 6, 4PM • AGES 9+ WINNETKA LIBRARY • REGISTER

Pick your favorite Mario character and race your way to victory.

It's a bird...it's a plane...it's YOU! Train like Spider-Man, Ghostbusters, the Princess in Black, PJ Masks, and some of our other favorite heroes and find out if you have what it takes to be the next great superhero!

SUPERHERO ACADEMY

Thursday, March 30, 2PM

AGES 3+ WITH PARENT/CAREGIVER NORTHFIELD LIBRARY • DROP-IN



Ice Excavation

MONDAY, MAY 1, 4PM • AGES 3-8 WITH PARENT/CAREGIVER NORTHFIELD LIBRARY • DROP-IN

Help rescue animals and characters from ice.

Pokémon Party

THURSDAY, MAY 4, 4PM • AGES 6+ WINNETKA LIBRARY • REGISTER

Trade your Pokémon cards with other trainers and do some Pokémon themed crafts.

FAMILIES

Family Storytime

MONDAYS, MARCH 20 – APRIL 24, 10AM • AGES 0-5 WITH PARENT/CAREGIVER • NORTHFIELD LIBRARY • DROP-IN

TUESDAYS-THURSDAYS, MARCH 21-APRIL 27, 9:30AM • AGES 0-5 WITH PARENT/CAREGIVER WINNETKA LIBRARY • DROP-IN

Singing, dancing, stories, and bubbles! Tickets for storytime will be available the morning of the program on a first come, first served basis.

Messy Mondays

MONDAYS, MARCH 13, APRIL 10 & MAY 8, 4PM • FAMILIES WINNETKA LIBRARY • DROP-IN

Drop in for a messier craft and leave the clean-up to us.

March 13: Circle Painting

April 10: Chalk Pastels

May 8: Treasure Collage

Family Science

WEDNESDAYS, MARCH 15, APRIL 12 & MAY 17, 4PM • FAMILIES NORTHFIELD LIBRARY • REGISTER

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

March 15: The floor is lava

April 12: Who can build the tallest tower?

May 17: Who can build an unsinkable boat?

Morning Movie Matinee

THURSDAYS, MAY 4, 11, 18 & 25, 10AM • FAMILIES • WINNETKA LIBRARY • DROP-IN

Join us for a morning at the movies.

May 4: Paw Patrol

May 11: Fancy Nancy

May 18: Mickey Mouse

May 25: Curious George

Upcycled Paint

TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 4PM • AGES 9+ WINNETKA LIBRARY • REGISTER

Bring an old eyeshadow pallet and we'll turn the powders into watercolor paint!

Upcycled Glove Buddy

TUESDAY, MAY 23, 4PM • AGES 9+ • WINNETKA LIBRARY • REGISTER

Create a new friend from a glove and sew them a cute outfit.

The Studio

Create, learn, innovate.

The Studio is a lively makerspace located in the basement of the Winnetka Library. Join a class, drop in, or schedule a one-hour in-person appointment with our knowledgeable Digital Services staff who will be there to help guide you through each step of your project's creation. All experience levels are welcome.

Available equipment:

- Laser cutter
- Embroidery machine
- Sewing machine
- Vinyl cutter

Questions?

If you have any questions or need help prior to your appointment please contact our Digital Services Staff at studio@wnpld.org or by giving us a call at 847-446-7220.



POP-UP EVENTS AT THE NORTHFIELD LIBRARY

Decorate a One-Season Birdhouse

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29, 11AM
ALL AGES • NORTHFIELD LIBRARY
REGISTER

Decoupage, paint, or put vinyl decals on a chipboard birdhouse that we created using our laser.



Pollinator Seed Bombs

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19, 12PM • ALL AGES • NORTHFIELD LIBRARY
REGISTER

Make pollinator-friendly 'seed bombs' to help spread beneficial wildflowers.

Custom Cup Wraps

WEDNESDAY, MAY 3, 11AM • ALL AGES • NORTHFIELD LIBRARY
REGISTER

Use our vinyl cutter to make a special wrap-around design for a beverage tumbler.

Quarterly Garden Share Program

FRIDAY, MAY 19, 1PM • ALL AGES • NORTHFIELD LIBRARY • REGISTER

In our quarterly Garden Share series, celebrate the promise of spring by swapping your extra seedlings with your fellow gardeners.

THE STUDIO FOR KIDS AT THE WINNETKA LIBRARY

Stickers

THURSDAY, MARCH 16, 4PM • AGES 9+ • THE STUDIO • REGISTER

Using the Silhouette Cameo machine, we'll make custom stickers to decorate your own bookmark or keychain.

Embroidered Bag

THURSDAY, APRIL 13, 4PM • AGES 9+ • THE STUDIO • REGISTER

Customize a small bag with the embroidery machine. Great for D&D dice!

Backpack Tag

THURSDAY, MAY 18, 4PM • AGES 9+ • THE STUDIO • REGISTER

Laser engrave a custom design on a backpack tag or keychain.



DIY Planter Box

TUESDAY, MARCH 28, 10:30AM
ALL AGES • THE STUDIO
REGISTER

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

ALL AGES

AT THE WINNETKA LIBRARY

DIY Photo Album

SATURDAY, MARCH 4, 10AM • ALL AGES • THE STUDIO • REGISTER
Customize a small felt photo album using our vinyl cutter to create a commemorative keepsake for yourself or to use as a special gift.

DIY Wireless Phone Charger

THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 2PM • ALL AGES
THE STUDIO • REGISTER

Laser engrave an image or saying on a wooden wireless phone charger. For Qi enabled phones that support wireless charging.



DIY Embroidered Apron

SATURDAY, MARCH 18, 10AM • ALL AGES • THE STUDIO • REGISTER
Create a unique apron for your favorite chef! Embroider their name or a fun message on an apron that they will wear with pride.

DIY Dish Towels

SATURDAY, APRIL 1, 10AM • ALL AGES • THE STUDIO • REGISTER
Embroider your name, monogram, or even zip code on some small towels to make them as special as they are useful.

DIY Cookie Stamp

TUESDAY, APRIL 4, 10:30AM • ALL AGES • THE STUDIO • REGISTER
Engrave a decorative stamp for cookies.

DIY Street Number Plaque

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12, 6PM • ALL AGES • THE STUDIO • REGISTER
Laser engrave your address onto a plaque to spruce up your doorstep.

DIY Cooking Utensils

SATURDAY, APRIL 15, 10AM • ALL AGES • THE STUDIO • REGISTER
Engrave wooden utensils so they can stand out in your kitchen or serve as a gift for your favorite home chef.

DIY Leather Catch-All Tray

SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 10AM • ALL AGES • THE STUDIO • REGISTER
Engrave a design on a universal leather tray that holds keys, sunglasses, and other everyday items.

DIY Embroidered Book Markers

WEDNESDAY, MAY 3, 6PM • ALL AGES • THE STUDIO • REGISTER
Embroider a bookmark to use as a keepsake or creative gift.

DIY Silicone Wristbands

THURSDAY, MAY 11, 3PM • ALL AGES
THE STUDIO • REGISTER

Use our laser to engrave a name or motto on a silicone wristband.



DIY Luggage Tags

SATURDAY, MAY 13, 10AM • ALL AGES • THE STUDIO • REGISTER
Engrave a luggage tag to make your bags easy to see in a crowded airport or train station.

DIY Embroidered Greeting Cards

WEDNESDAY, MAY 24, 6PM • ALL AGES • THE STUDIO • REGISTER
Use our embroidery machine and laser engraver to create thoughtful cards that your recipient will marvel at.

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Library Closings

April 9Easter Sunday
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Library Updates

For the latest news and updates,
please visit wnpld.org.

District Hours

Winnetka Library

Monday – Thursday.....9am – 9pm
Friday – Saturday9am – 5pm
Sunday1pm – 5pm

Northfield Library

Monday – Thursday.....9am – 7pm
Friday – Saturday9am – 5pm
Sunday1pm – 5pm

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Preserving Local History

The Winnetka-Northfield Public Library District and the Winnetka Historical Society are thrilled to announce that they have entered into a joint project to digitize past issues of the *Winnetka Talk* and provide access to them through the Library.



The project will take approximately 12 months to complete, and information about how to access the collection will be shared at that time. The *Winnetka Talk* was published in physical form from 1913 through the present, and contained local news and advertisements for Winnetka, Northfield, Kenilworth, and surrounding North Shore communities.

Finals Week Study Space May 30–June 6 at the Winnetka Library

High school students, need a quiet place to study for finals?
Drop in and use our study and meeting room spaces.
We will be open early on Sunday, June 4 starting at 9am.