



SUMMER

Program Guide

Plainfield Area **Public Library**

Golf the Walk 2022



Summer 2023

LIBRARY CLOSINGS

Monday, July 3 at 5:00 PM

Tuesday, July 4

Independence Day

Friday, August 25

Staff Training

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday through Thursday

9:00 AM to 9:00 PM


Friday and Saturday

9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Plainfield Area Public Library

 815.436.6639

 papl.info

 15025 S. Illinois St.,
Plainfield, IL 60544

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

A Plainfield Library card is required for all registered programs. Space is limited. Please notify the Library if you are unable to attend. Visit papl.info or call the Youth & Teen Services Desk at 815.439.2877 to register.

Let's Take a Closer Look!

Registration is required for each child and adult attending.

VIP Birdwatching at Lake Renwick

Ages 4 to 7 with caregiver

Lake Renwick Heron Rookery

23202 W. Renwick Rd., Plainfield

Thursday, June 8

Registration begins

Thursday, May 25

9:30 to 10:15 AM

Join us for a storytime and the opportunity to watch herons nesting at the Lake Renwick Heron Rookery. We will be entering at the southern entrance off Renwick Rd.



Storytime with Horses

Ages 4 to 6 with caregiver

Normantown Trails Equestrian Center

12151 Normantown Rd., Plainfield

Thursday, June 15

Registration begins Monday, June 5

9:30 to 10:15 AM

Tour the Normantown Trails Equestrian Center (NTEC) stables and see some horses after an outside storytime. An NTEC release form must be completed to participate.



All About the Bees

All ages

Saturday, June 24

Registration begins

Saturday, June 10

10:00 to 11:00 AM

It's buzzing at the Library! Learn about the importance of bees, then take a peek at the special equipment beekeepers use.

How Does It Work?

What Happens When I Dial 9-1-1?

Ages 3 to 6 with caregiver

Western Will County Communications Center

24600 Presidential Ave., Plainfield

Thursday, June 29

Registration begins Thursday, June 15

10:00 to 11:00 AM

Meet the dispatchers of Western Will County Communications Center (WESCOM). They are the voices who answer 911 calls to help people in emergencies. Tour the facility and get answers to the question, "When should I dial 9-1-1?"



What Happens After We Flush?

Ages 4 to 6 with caregiver

Village of Plainfield Wastewater Treatment Plant

14701 Wood Farm Rd., Plainfield

Monday, July 10

Registration begins Monday, June 26

10:00 to 10:45 AM

What happens after we flush? Well, wonder no more as we explore the Village of Plainfield Wastewater Treatment Plant. Children will have an opportunity to view microscopic organisms within water samples and to understand the cycle of the water we use every day.

What is Water Pressure?

Ages 4 to 6 with caregiver

Village of Plainfield Water Pumping Station

23201 W. 127th St., Plainfield

Thursday, July 20

Registration begins Thursday, July 6

10:00 to 10:45 AM

Every time we turn on a faucet, water comes out. Find out about the process of water pressure as we visit the Water Pumping Station. Our tour culminates in the uncapping of a fire hydrant. Be prepared to get wet!



CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Drop-in Play-Doh® Playdate

All ages

Saturday, June 3

10:00 to 11:00 AM

Thursday, July 6

6:00 to 7:00 PM

Saturday, August 5

10:00 to 11:00 AM

It's time for some Play-Doh® fun! We have the Play-Doh® and tools; all you need to bring is your imagination.

Drop-in Family Summer Concert Series

All ages

Settler's Park Amphitheater

24401 W. Lockport St., Plainfield

Nanny Nikki & the Dapper Dudes

Friday, June 9

10:30 to 11:15 AM

Istvan & His Imaginary Band

Monday, June 19

10:30 to 11:30 AM

Justin Roberts

Monday, July 17

10:30 to 11:30 AM

Bring your blankets, chairs and dancing shoes for some family fun with award-winning musicians this summer at Settler's Park! In the event of inclement weather, the concert will be moved to the Library, with admittance on a first come, first served basis.

This concert series is made possible by a generous donation from the Kiwanis Club of Plainfield and the Friends of the Plainfield Library.



Baby Meet Up

Ages 0 to 23 months with caregiver

Monday, June 12

Registration begins

Monday, June 5

Monday, July 10

Registration begins

Monday, June 26

10:00 to 11:00 AM

Meet other parents, caregivers and babies. Sing songs, practice our favorite lap bounces and play with toys over coffee, tea and juice boxes.



Drop-in Family Storytime at the Village Green

All ages

Village Green

24121 W. Chicago St., Plainfield

Tuesday, June 13, 20 & 27

Tuesday, July 11, 18 & 25

10:00 to 10:30 AM

Join us under the pavilion for a sunny summer storytime.

Animal Quest

All ages

Tuesday, June 13

Registration begins Monday, June 5

10:30 to 11:15 AM

Meet and learn about awesome animals with the expert Animal Quest team. Live animals will be presented. Register each adult and child attending.



Drop-in Bubble Bash

All ages

Wednesday, June 14

Saturday, July 1

Wednesday, August 2

10:00 to 10:45 AM

Dress for mess and join us outside for big bubbles, little bubbles, bubbles galore.

Storytime at Hazel Marie's

Ages 2 to 5 with caregiver

Hazel Marie's

24030 Lockport St., Plainfield

Wednesday, June 14 & 28

Wednesday, July 12 & 26

Wednesday August 9 & 23

Registration for each date begins two weeks prior

1:30 to 2:00 PM

Listen to stories and enjoy a free ice cream treat at Hazel Marie's. Please register each child attending.



Mystery in a Box

Ages 6 to 10

Thursday, June 15

Registration begins Monday, June 5

11:00 AM to 12:00 PM

A mystery and a box all in one: open it up and have some summertime fun.

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Rainbow Painting

Ages 3 to 6 with caregiver

Friday, June 16

Registration begins Monday, June 5

11:00 to 11:30 AM

Using various painting techniques, make some rainbow masterpieces.



Music & Movement

Ages 1 to 5 with caregiver

Wednesday, June 21

Registration begins

Wednesday, June 7

Wednesday, July 5

Registration begins

Wednesday, June 21

Wednesday, July 19

Registration begins

Wednesday, July 5

10:00 to 10:45 AM

Get ready to clap, tap, dance, sing and stomp in this high-energy program built to get the wiggles out. Explore music, movement, instruments, interactive stories and more!

BINGO!

All ages

Thursday, June 22

Registration begins Thursday, June 8

10:30 to 11:30 AM

Monday, June 26

Registration begins Monday, June 12

2:00 to 3:00 PM

Friday, July 7

Registration begins Friday, June 23

10:30 to 11:30 AM

Thursday, July 20

Registration begins Thursday, July 6

2:00 to 3:00 PM

Wednesday, July 26

Registration begins Wednesday, July 12

3:00 to 4:00 PM

Let's play Bingo! Fun for the whole family.



Plant People

Ages 6 to 10

Thursday, June 22

Registration begins Thursday, June 8

6:30 to 7:15 PM

Make and grow your own family of plants.

Foam Party

All ages

Friday, June 23

Registration begins Friday, June 9

11:00 to 11:45 AM

Play at the Library like you have never played before. Don't miss our first ever foam party! Come jump in the suds to some of your favorite songs.

Bilingual Storytime/Cuentos Bilingües

All ages/Todas las edades

Monday, June 26/Lunes, Junio 26

Registration begins Monday, June 12/El registro empieza Lunes, Junio 12

Monday, July 24/Lunes, Julio 24

Registration begins Monday, July 10/El registro empieza Lunes, Julio 10

11:30 AM to/a 12:00 PM

A family storytime with books and songs in Spanish and English! ¡Un tiempo de cuentos con libros y canciones en español y inglés para toda la familia!

Storytime at the Township Community Garden

All ages

**Plainfield Township Community Garden
22525 W. Lockport St., Plainfield**

Wednesday, June 28

Registration begins Wednesday, June 14

Monday, August 7

Registration begins Monday, July 24

10:00 to 10:30 AM

Join us near our plots at the Plainfield Township Community Garden for a storytime all about gardens.



CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Summer Camp Escape Room

Ages 8 to 10

Wednesday, June 28

Registration begins Wednesday, June 14

11:00 to 11:30 AM or

12:00 to 12:30 PM

Can you escape before time runs out? Solve puzzles and work together to get out before it is too late!



The Amazing Library Race

**Families, recommended
for ages 8 and up**

Thursday, June 29

Registration begins Thursday, June 15

10:30 AM to 12:00 PM

The Library Grounds will be the setting for this great American race. Compete against other family teams as you earn points.

Sponge Painted Ice Cream

Ages 3 to 6 with caregiver

Thursday, July 6

Registration begins Thursday, June 22

2:00 to 2:30 PM

Use sponges to create fun ice cream pictures.

Bluey™ Party!

All ages

Friday, July 7

Registration begins Friday, June 23

10:00 to 11:00 AM

Celebrate everyone's favorite Heeler family with games and activities inspired by the hit show.

BINGO—Just for Me!

Ages 4 to 6

Wednesday, July 12

Registration begins Wednesday, June 28

2:00 to 2:45 PM

A special game of BINGO fun for the kiddos to play on their own.

Poetween: Poetry for Tweens

Ages 8 to 12

Thursday, July 13

Registration begins Thursday, June 29

12:00 to 12:45 PM

Learn some basic poetry forms and write a few of your own.



Tenzi: A Dice Game for Kids

Tuesday, July 18

Registration begins Wednesday, July 5

Ages 6 to 8

1:30 to 2:30 PM

Ages 8 to 11

3:00 to 4:00 PM

Who can roll all of the dice the quickest in this fast-paced game?

DIY Sensory Bins and Playdate

Ages 3 to 6 with caregiver

Thursday, July 20

Registration begins Thursday, July 6

10:30 to 11:30 AM

Make your own sensory bin to take home while your children enjoy a sensory storytime and playdate.



Hula Workshop with Hula Chicago

Ages 5 to 11

Tuesday, July 25

Registration begins

Tuesday, July 11

2:00 to 2:45 PM

E komo mai keiki! (Welcome kids!) Learn the Hawaiian storytelling art of Hula with Shasta Puanani Hud from Hula Chicago.

Animal Explorers

Ages 7 to 11

Thursday, July 27

Registration begins Thursday, July 13

6:30 to 7:30 PM

The animal kingdom has many amazing animals. We are going to "travel" to Australia to discover some of them.

Drop-in Imagine That: Village of Playfield

All ages

Friday, July 28

10:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Come visit the Library's own miniature city: Playfield. For one day only, the Lower Level will be transformed into an interactive city.

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Kids Handmade Market

Ages 6 to 11

Tuesday, August 1

1:00 to 3:00 PM

Calling all kid crafters and makers! If you have a passion for creating all the things, sign up to be a vendor at our first ever Kids Handmade Market. Applications will be available from Thursday, June 1 to Saturday, July 1 (spaces are limited). Everyone is welcome to come shop on Market Day, Tuesday, August 1. Visit papl.info/kids-handmade-market for more details.

Evening Storytime

All ages

Tuesday, August 8

Registration begins Tuesday, July 25

6:30 to 7:00 PM

Storytime fun, just in the evening!

Kids Take & Make Kits

Kits are available starting at 9:00 AM at the Youth & Teen Services Desk. Kits are first-come, first-served and cannot be reserved ahead of time. The Library Events Calendar will be updated once all the kits have been taken.



Thursday, June 1: Bugs on a Branch

Thursday, June 15: Frog Cup and Ball Game

Saturday, July 1: 4th of July Rockets

Saturday, July 15: Dancing Animals

Tuesday, August 1: Sharks and Rainbows

Tuesday, August 15: Pop Up Animals

Family Accessibility Support Kits



Developed for families of all abilities, kits can be checked out and used at home. Accessibility items provide support for children in speech-language, sensory processing, neurodevelopment, visual processing, motor and orthopedic development and emotional development. From a storytime cube to a talking pen to a balance board, there is something for everyone! This collection was built with the help of Girl Scout Troop 75442.

Travel Kits

Ages 0 to 11

Getting away this summer? Let us pack you a bag filled with books, music and movies to entertain your child. Every effort will be made to fill requests, but some items may not be available. Travel Kits check out for the duration of your trip. Please allow seven days to prepare the bag for your family.



➡ Request one here: papl.info/resources/parents-place/grab-bag-form

TEEN PROGRAMS

Registration is required for all programs. Space is limited. Please notify the Library if you are not able to attend a program. Visit papl.info or call the Youth & Teen Services Desk at 815.439.2877 to register.

Survive! Fantasy

Grades 6 to 12

Saturday, June 3

Registration begins Saturday, May 20

1:00 to 3:00 PM

Are you a fan of fantasy novels, swords, sorcery and dragons? Do you think you would survive a fantasy adventure? Test your knowledge and skill in surviving popular young adult settings.

Teen Theater Camp

Grades 6 to 12

Monday, June 12 to Friday, June 16

Registration begins Monday, June 5

2:00 to 3:30 PM

Develop your theater skills at this weeklong camp, where you will play theater games, practice audition techniques, work on acting skills and learn about all aspects of theater production while preparing and putting on an original show at the end of the week. All experience and interest levels are welcome.

D&D 5e

Grades 6 to 12

Wednesday, June 14

Registration begins Wednesday, May 31

Wednesday, July 12

Registration begins Wednesday, June 28

Wednesday, August 9

Registration begins Wednesday, July 26

6:30 to 8:30 PM

Join our merry band on a 5th Edition Dungeons & Dragons adventure! No experience is required and pre-made characters are available.



Library Chopped

Grades 6 to 12

Monday, June 19

Registration begins Monday, June 5

7:00 to 8:30 PM

Three rounds. Three mystery baskets full of food or crafts. Who will come up with the greatest creations in each round? Who will be chopped?

Poker

Grades 6 to 12

Tuesday, June 20

Registration begins Tuesday, June 6

2:00 to 3:30 PM

Learn how to play variations on the classic card game of poker.



Anime Club

Grades 6 to 12

Monday, June 26

Registration begins Monday, June 12

Monday, July 24

Registration begins Monday, July 10

Monday, August 21

Registration begins Monday, August 7

6:30 to 8:30 PM

Watch a selection of anime recommended by fellow attendees while enjoying Japanese snacks.

Summer Camp Escape Room

Grades 6 to 12

Wednesday, June 28

Registration begins Wednesday, June 14

1:00 to 1:30 PM or

2:00 to 2:30 PM

Can you escape before time runs out? Solve puzzles and work together to get out before it is too late!

Water Balloon Painting

Grades 6 to 12

Monday, July 10

Registration begins Monday, June 26

3:00 to 4:00 PM

Join us to hurl paint and make a unique piece of abstract art. Paint splatter is guaranteed, so dress for mess.



Mario Kart™ Tournament

Grades 6 to 12

Tuesday, July 11

Registration begins Tuesday, June 27

2:00 to 3:30 PM

Let's get racing! Pick your racer and compete in this tournament to find out who will be champion. Watch out for those Koopa shells!

TEEN PROGRAMS

Coding Music 101

Grades 6 to 12

Thursday, July 13

Registration begins Thursday, June 29

2:00 to 3:30 PM

Compose your own original music with multiple instruments using TunePad and the Python® programming language. No musical or coding experience is required.

Nailed It! Challenge

Grades 6 to 12

Monday, July 17

Registration begins Monday, July 3

7:00 to 8:30 PM

Enter an exciting competition that combines elements of some of your favorite cooking competition shows as you attempt to recreate elaborate culinary creations with not-so-fancy supplies.

Karaoke Café

Grades 6 to 12

Monday, July 24

Registration begins Monday, July 10

2:00 to 3:00 PM

Pick your favorite songs and let your voice be heard while enjoying some snacks. You can perform solo or in a group with your friends. This is all about having a fun time and encouraging each other, so all skill levels are welcome!



Taste Test Challenge

Grades 6 to 12

Thursday, July 27

Registration begins Thursday, July 13

2:00 to 3:00 PM

Can you tell the difference between Coke® and Pepsi®? Name brand and generic? Put your taste buds to the test.



Back to School Looks with SDK Artistry

Grades 6 to 12

Monday, August 14

Registration begins

Monday, July 31

7:00 to 8:30 PM

Do you want to switch up your look for the new school year? Summer Kornfeind of SDK Artistry will be here to teach you makeup and skincare tips and tricks that will have you ready to slay the hallway.

Hot Ones™ Challenge

Grades 6 to 12

Saturday, August 26

Registration begins Saturday, August 12

1:00 to 2:00 PM

Have you ever wondered if you could complete the Hot Ones™ challenge? Now's your chance for hot questions and even hotter wings.



HorrorProps DIY

Grades 6 to 12

Monday, August 28

Registration begins

Monday, August 14

7:00 to 8:30 PM

They went viral on TikTok for making Max from *Stranger Things* float above their driveway, and now Dave and Aubrey Appel of @HorrorProps are going to teach you how to create your own DIY magic so you will be ready for spooky season.



Teen Take & Make Kits

Kits are available starting at 9:00 AM at the Youth & Teen Services Desk. Kits are first-come, first-served and cannot be reserved ahead of time. The Library Events Calendar will be updated once all the kits have been taken.



STEM Exploration

Thursday, June 1: DIY Clay Seed Bombs

Saturday, July 1: Edible Stained Glass

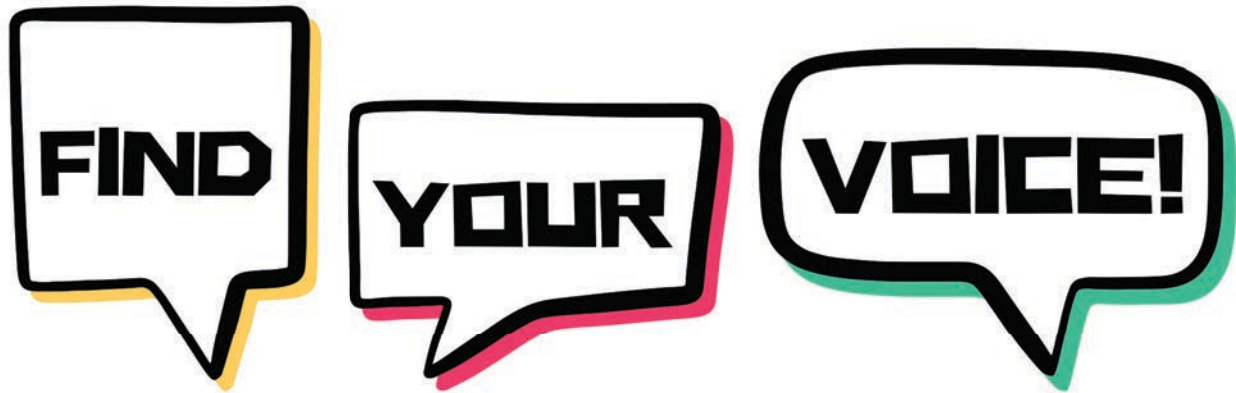
Tuesday, August 1: Crystal Trees

Crafts

Thursday, June 15: Wild Tic Tac Toe

Saturday, July 15: Collage Art

Tuesday, August 15: Crochet Bumblebees



All Ages Summer Reading Program Monday, June 5 to Saturday, July 29

Are you ready to find your voice this summer? The *Find Your Voice!* Summer Reading Program has something for everyone and encourages you to express yourself through words, music, art, movement and more. Register and log your reading to earn badges and prizes, while supplies last. All reading and learning moments must be logged online or turned in by **5:00 PM on Saturday, July 29.**

→ Register at: plainfieldpubliclibrary.beanstack.org



WEE READERS

Birth to Age 2. Complete 16 learning moments to earn a fun prize.



TEENS

Grades 6 to 12. Read for 30 days to receive a prize pack including a gift card to a local business.



KIDS

Age 3 to Grade 5. Earn a prize from the Prize Booth for every 8 days of reading. For more details, and to pick up a paper log, visit the Youth & Teen Services Desk.



ADULTS

Ages 18+. Read 400 pages to receive a free book of your choosing. Read 600 pages to receive a canvas work apron. Keep going and read 800 pages for a chance to win a \$100 gift card.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Traveling StoryWalk®

Second Wednesdays, 6:00 to 8:00 PM

StoryWalk® is hitting the road this summer! Stop by for a story, crafts, ice cream and more. *This program is a community partnership with the Plainfield Park District and the Plainfield Police Department.*



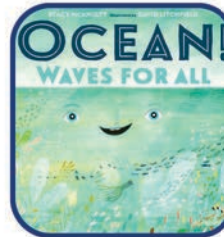
June 7

Village Green Park
24121 Chicago St., Plainfield
The Underpants by Tammi Sauer



July 12

Bott Park
24550 W. Renwick Rd., Plainfield
Ocean! Waves for All by Stacy McAnulty



August 9

Tamarack Settlement Park
West 127th St., Plainfield
I Am Picky: Confessions of a Fussy Eater by Kristen Tracy



GEOCACHING THE HUNT IS ON!

**Monday, June 5 to
Saturday, August 7**



Visit multilibrarygeocache.weebly.com to get started!

ADULT PROGRAMS

Register online through the Events Calendar at plainfieldpubliclibrary.librarymarket.com or by calling 815-327-2515. For virtual events, you'll receive instructions on how to participate once registered.

Cooking



The Secrets for a Life Full of Energy

Tuesday, June 13, 7:00 PM

Learn nutritional tips that yield the most energy so you can enjoy the things that matter most.

Keep it Simple: Take Small Steps for a Monumental Change

Wednesday, June 14, 11:00 AM

Explore effective strategies to change unhealthy habits into healthy ones and make the transition more bearable.

Werk Force Brewing Tasting

Werk Force Brewing

14903 S. Center St. Ste 101, Plainfield

Thursday, June 15, 7:00 PM

Celebrate Werk Force Brewing's anniversary with us! Enjoy a tasting and learn about different beers at Werk Force Brewing. Must be 21 years or older to register. Please bring a photo ID.



Crafts

Adult Take & Makes

Kits are available for pick up starting on the first Saturday of the month for you to complete at home. Kits are first-come, first-serve, limited to one kit per adult and no reservations. You must be present to pick up a kit.



June 3: Mosquito Prevention Garden

June 3: Pride Heart Felt Garland

July 1: Crochet Your Own Drink Coasters

August 5: Make Your Own Bird Feeder

Pride Buttons

Thursday, June 1, 6:00 PM

Whether you're a member of the LGBTQIA+ community or an ally, celebrate Pride Month by making your own buttons, from pronouns to pride flags and everything in between.

Paper Craft: Cards and Gift Card Holders

Tuesday, June 20, 6:30 PM

Create beautiful handmade paper crafts led by instructor Vikki Irizarry. Graduation-themed cards and gift card holders are the focus for this class.

Sewing: The Basics

Wednesday, June 28, 7:00 PM

Educator Elise Cochran helps us learn the basics of sewing and repair. Each registrant will receive an on-the-go sewing kit.



Artwork by Dottie Muller

Sketch Your Pet

Wednesday, July 12, 5:30 PM

Sketch your pet with professional artistic guidance from Dottie Muller of Dottie's Art Studio in Plainfield.

Construye Su Propio Jardín Terrario

Martes, 15 de Agosto, 6:30 PM

Construye su propio jardín miniatura de suculentas y cactus en un frasco de cristal. Todo los materiales serán proporcionados. Inscripción requerida.

ESPAÑOL

Stitching in the Stacks

Second Thursdays, 1:00 PM

Meet with fellow crochet and knitting enthusiasts and create beautiful items for charity. This group is open to the public and all ability levels. Participants should bring their own materials (suitable yarn and hooks or needles) to each meeting. Easy patterns for the current charity project are provided.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Finance

How to Spot Phishing and Scamming

Friday, July 21, 11:00 AM

Learn to identify and avoid phishing and scamming online. Presented by the Office of the Attorney General.

Managing Money: A Caregiver's Guide to Managing Finances

Saturday, July 29, 10:00 AM

Jim Sullivan, community educator for the Alzheimer's Association and Advisor for Fairhaven Wealth Management, presents how to manage finances as a caregiver.

Estate Planning 101

Wednesday, August 23, 6:30 PM

Estate planning basics presented by Attorney Brandon Ayers of Legacy & Life Law Firm, LLC. Can't attend in-person? A pre-recorded version will be available for one week starting Wednesday, August 30.

Garden

Herbs for Mixologists

Monday, June 12, 7:00 PM

VIRTUAL

Learn to grow herbs at home from seed or a starter plant, then use your homegrown herbs while putting your mixologist skills to work. Each registered patron can pick up a kit of seeds that go with the herbs discussed during the presentation.



History & Law

LGBTQIA+ Law

Thursday, June 8, 5:00 PM

Discover the changing legal landscape of the LGBTQIA+ community, how to deal with discrimination and the amendment to Illinois Vital Records Act.

Amazing Castles Around the World

Thursday, July 27, 7:00 PM

VIRTUAL

Explore some of the world's most extraordinary castles by revealing their intriguing histories and must-see treasures.

Music



Ukrainian Music Concert with the Chicago Cossacks

Thursday, August 24, 6:00 PM

Celebrate Ukrainian Independence Day with cultural music performed by the Chicago Cossacks. Fun for all ages!

Self

Breathe and Relax with Qi Gong

Monday, July 3, 11:30 AM

VIRTUAL

Monday, August 7, 11:30 AM

With guidance from Erica Bough of Breathe Life Tai Chi, use the ancient arts of Tai Chi and Qi Gong to optimize your breathing to enhance your ability to stretch, balance and decrease anxiety to lead a more relaxing life.

Confidence and Public Speaking

Monday, July 10, 6:00 PM

VIRTUAL

Find your voice by building confidence in your public speaking skills.

Beginners Improv

Saturday, July 15, 1:00 PM

Enhance your improv skills with Michael Bradt of The Bit Theater.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS

These virtual groups meet via Zoom. Once you register, you'll receive instructions on how to participate in the event.



Reading Club

Mondays, 10:00 AM

VIRTUAL

Learn new words, practice your pronunciation and become more fluent in English in a relaxed group. Improve your English vocabulary by reading and discussing information from newspapers, magazines and books.

Conversation Club

Thursdays, 10:00 AM

VIRTUAL

Practice while connecting with friends. Share ideas and culture and discuss current events, family life and anything relevant to you.

FOR READERS AND WRITERS

VIRTUAL

Navigate Your Stars: A Conversation with Jesmyn Ward

Tuesday, June 6, 7:00 PM

Spend an evening with two-time National Book Award winner Jesmyn Ward as she discusses life, her literary vision and her unique perspective on life, love and loss. *Presented by Illinois Libraries Presents.*



Photo by Beowulf Sheehan

Braiding Sweetgrass: A Conversation with Robin Wall Kimmerer

Wednesday, June 21, 7:00 PM

Robin shares her unique perspective on the interconnectedness of humans and nature and the importance of recognizing and respecting the gifts of the earth. She delves into her own experiences as a botanist, Indigenous science professor and environmental advocate, and offers insights into her journey of learning to listen to the voice of the natural world. *Presented by Illinois Libraries Presents.*

VIRTUAL



Photo by Dale Kakkak

Writers Group

Third Thursdays, 7:00 PM

Calling all writers! Join other local authors to hone your craft and reach your goals. Please register, as space is limited.

Meetings feature:

- Writing prompts
- Discussions of current works in progress
- Suggestions for overcoming writer's block
- Exploration of different writing styles and writer's tools



Book and Movie Subscription Boxes

Sign up to receive monthly selections and goodies that are curated just for you! Visit the links below to tell us about your reading or watching interests and subscribe. Then, starting the first Monday of each month, pick up your personalized box at the Adult Services Desk. *Boxes are held for five days; limited availability.*

- ➡ Perfect Match Book Box: bit.ly/perfectmatchpapl
- ➡ Let's Go to the Movies: bit.ly/moviesubpapl

A Novel Idea Book Discussion Group

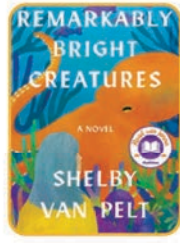
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Virtual: Second Thursdays 7:00 PM

In-person: Third Wednesdays 2:00 PM

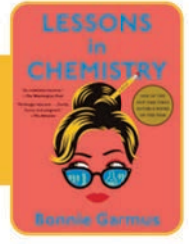


June 8 or 21
The Four Winds
by Kristin Hannah



July 13 or 19
Remarkably Bright Creatures
by Shelby Van Pelt

August 10 or 16
Lessons in Chemistry
by Bonnie Garmus



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FOR JOB SEEKERS

Job Club

VIRTUAL

Third Wednesdays, 12:00 PM

Share and learn from guest speakers in a friendly and helpful atmosphere. There will be time for networking.

June 21: Make Every Conversation Count

Catherine Johns, Entrepreneurial & Executive Coach, Radio & Talk Show Host

Every conversation is an opportunity when you're job hunting. Discover how to make the most of these vital exchanges during this interactive presentation.

July 19: Effective Follow-Up Strategies with Employers

Steve Rosenblum, Talent Acquisition Manager and HR Professional

Learn about the 3x3 Follow-Up System and other effective methods to organize and reinvigorate your job search.

August 16: Embody Your Future Self

Susan Eckstein, Certified Clear Beliefs Coach

Taking action is just one step in meeting your professional goals. Learn to clarify what you want, align your current thoughts with your aspirations and create new habits to become your future self now.

Resume Formatting Workshop

Monday, June 5, 7:00 PM

Bring your own resume information and learn how to use free online templates from JobNow to create a professional-looking resume. You will need a current Plainfield Area Public Library card to access these resources and a USB drive to save your work; please bring both with you.



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LinkedIn is a great tool to build your network, and now you can find the Library there too! Join our Career and Business Group on LinkedIn to connect with local job seekers and discover helpful career resources: bitly/linkedinpapl.

GENEALOGY



Grandma Nellie's Scrapbook: Interpreting and Identifying Historic Photos

Monday, June 26, 7:00 PM

Many people become heirs to a box of unidentified family photos and have no clue what to do with them. Find solutions for identifying these lost family members by using genealogy sources in conjunction with observational techniques.

Back to School: Making the Most of School Records in Your Family Tree

Monday, July 24, 7:00 PM

Access cool details about your ancestors by using school records like yearbooks, school schedules, teacher's registers, school newspapers, alumni directories and much more. This is one class you won't want to ditch.

Crossing the Pond: Successful Strategies for Researching Eastern European Ancestors

Monday, August 21, 7:00 PM

VIRTUAL

In the late 19th and early 20th centuries, many Eastern European immigrants came to America. International speaker Lisa Alzo joins us virtually to discuss how to use traditional methods and online resources to overcome common barriers to learning more about our Eastern European ancestors.

TECHNOLOGY TRAINING

Register online through the Events Calendar at plainfieldpubliclibrary.librarymarket.com or by calling 815-327-2515.



Book-A-Librarian

Book a one hour session with a librarian during regular Library hours and get your tech questions answered! To schedule, call 815.327.2515 or email info@papl.info.

Core Classes

Intro to Excel® Part 1

Thursday, June 29, 7:00 PM

Excel® is a great program to help you organize numbers and information. This class helps you find the important parts of the software, shows you how to make simple formulas and illustrates how it can help you in your life and work.

Intro to Excel® Part 2

Thursday, July 6, 7:00 PM

We build on topics from Intro to Excel® Part 1 and cover formulas, formatting and charts in greater depth.

Intermediate Excel®

Thursday, July 13, 7:00 PM

This class is for experienced Excel® users who have a firm grasp of the basics. It covers intermediate level functions: importing data, pivot tables, Vlookup and an introduction to macros. If you use Excel® regularly for work or school, this class takes you to the next level.



Access dozens of records, classes, periodicals and so much more for free with your library card. Find a full list of online resources and get started at papl.info/resources-online.

Maker Classes

3D Printed Desktop Planters

Wednesday, July 26, 7:00 PM

Design your own desktop planter using Tinkercad®, a free, browser-based program. Participants get one free print from our 3D Printer.

Cricut® Card Making

Wednesday, August 2, 7:00 PM

Use Cricut Design Space® to become familiar with the workflow of assembling cards. Participants will make one card. Materials are provided.

Computer Club



Second Wednesdays, 2:00 PM

Tired of asking family and friends technology questions? Computer Club is a safe and friendly place to learn basic computer skills! Every month we cover a subject and leave ample time for practice.

June 14: Microsoft® Word

Learn how to navigate, edit and format Word documents.

July 12: Using Windows®

Get the basics down and learn some more advanced tips.

August 9: Passwords

Discover best practices for secure passwords and find out multiple ways to keep track of them.



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