



FALL Program Guide

Plainfield Area **Public Library**



Fall 2023

LIBRARY CLOSINGS

Monday, September 4
Labor Day

Friday, November 10
Staff Training
Open at 1:00 PM

Wednesday, November 22
Thanksgiving Eve
Close at 5:00 PM


Thursday, November 23
Thanksgiving

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. Please note: children under 9 years must be accompanied by an adult.

Music & Movement

Ages 2 to 5 with caregiver

Friday, September 1

Registration begins Friday, August 18

Friday, October 6

Registration begins Friday, September 22

Thursday, October 26

Registration begins Thursday, 12

Thursday, November 2

Registration begins Thursday, October 19

10:00 to 10:45 AM

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!

Drop-in Play-Doh® Playdate

All ages

Tuesday, September 5

6:00 to 7:00 PM

Saturday, October 7

10:00 to 11:00 AM

Tuesday, November 7

6:00 to 7:00 PM

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



Pokémon® Club

Grades 1 to 5

Thursday, September 7

Registration begins Thursday, August 24

Thursday, October 5

Registration begins Thursday, September 21

Thursday, November 2

Registration begins Thursday, October 19

6:30 to 7:30 PM

Celebrate all things Pokémon together at this monthly club. Gotta catch 'em all!

ABC Games

Ages 3 to 5 with caregiver

Friday, September 8

Registration begins Saturday, August 26

10:30 to 11:15 AM

Have fun playing at alphabet themed activity stations.



Autumn Painted Trees

Ages 3 to 6 with caregiver

Tuesday, September 12

Registration begins Tuesday, August 29

6:30 to 7:00 PM

Use household materials to make a beautiful autumn tree painting.

LEGO® Challenge Club

Grades 1 to 5

Thursday, September 14

Registration begins Thursday, August 31

Thursday, October 12

Registration begins Thursday, September 28

Thursday, November 9

Registration begins Thursday, October 26

6:30 to 7:30 PM

Welcome brick builders! Stretch out your creative thinking skills as we work on challenges and fun projects at each club meeting. LEGOS® are provided at each session to use while at the Library (please leave your own bricks at home).

Magic of Gary Kantor

All ages

Saturday, September 16

Registration begins

Saturday, September 2

2:00 to 2:45 PM

Be prepared to be amazed and astounded (and to laugh your socks off) with Gary Kantor and his one-of-a-kind magic tricks.



Photo courtesy of Gary Kantor

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Drop-in Storytimes

Storytimes will run from Monday, September 11 to Thursday, December 14 with a two-week break from Monday, October 23 until Monday, November 6.

Storytime helps nurture a lifelong love of reading and helps develop language skills, motor skills and helps prepare children for school. All storytimes feature developmentally appropriate stories, music and movement.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
9:30 to 10:00 AM	Family Storytime All ages	Baby Storytime Ages 0 to 23 months	Baby Storytime Ages 0 to 23 months	Family Storytime All ages
10:30 to 11:00 AM	Preschool Storytime Ages 3 to 5 without caregiver	Toddler Storytime Ages 2 to 3 years	Toddler Storytime Ages 2 to 3 years	

The Amazing Library Road Race

Families, recommended for ages 8 and up

Monday, September 18

Registration begins Tuesday, September 5

10:30 AM to 12:30 PM

The Library grounds are the setting for this great American road race. Compete against other family teams as you earn points building, solving, creating, finding, stomping, hopping and a lot more fun.

Talk Like a Pirate Day Party

Ages 6 to 10

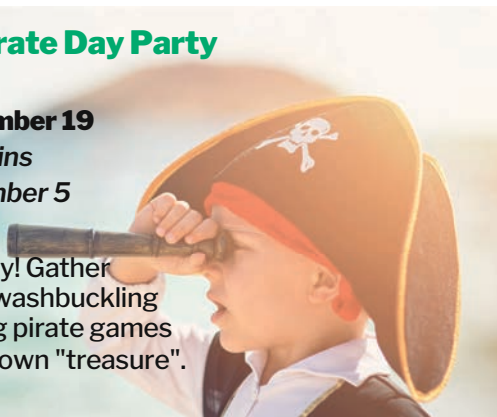
Tuesday, September 19

Registration begins

Tuesday, September 5

6:30 to 7:15 PM

AAAARGH, matey! Gather your crew for a swashbuckling good time playing pirate games and making your own "treasure".



Crafty Kids Crew

Ages 6 to 11

Thursday, September 21

Registration begins Thursday, September 7

Tuesday, November 14

Registration begins Tuesday, October 31

6:30 to 7:15 PM

Let your creativity show. We supply the materials and you supply the artistic touch.

Girls Who Code Book Club

Grades 3 to 5

Wednesday, September 27

Wednesday, October 25

Wednesday, November 29

Registration begins Wednesday, September 13

4:30 to 5:15 PM

Make friends and learn the basics of coding in this club sponsored by the national organization Girls Who Code. Open to all genders. Registration is for the entire series.

Pinecone Bats

Ages 3 to 6 with caregiver

Friday, September 29

Registration begins Friday, September 15

11:00 to 11:30 AM

Turn a pinecone into a lovable bat friend.

Lil Kids Craft

Ages 3 to 5

Tuesday, October 3

Registration begins Tuesday, September 19

6:30 to 7:00 PM

A fun time for the little ones to explore their creative side.

Fire Safety Storytime

All ages

Monday, October 9

Registration begins Monday, September 25

10:00 to 11:00 AM

Learn about fire safety through stories, songs and activities and meet a real firefighter from the Plainfield Fire Department.



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Spooky Graham Cracker House Contest

All ages

Monday, October 16 to Saturday, October 21

Pick up a graham cracker kit to decorate your own spooky house at home. Bring your creation back to the Library to be displayed and entered into the contest. All entries receive an award ribbon and one fan favorite per age category is selected to win a gift card. Kits can be picked up beginning Monday, October 2 and are limited to first come, first served, while supplies last. Drop off completed houses at the Youth Services Desk from October 2 to 14.

Wendy & DB

All ages

Monday, October 16

Registration begins Monday, October 2

10:30 to 11:30 AM

Sing, dance and jump along with GRAMMY-nominated musical duo Wendy & DB.



*Photo courtesy of
Wendy & DB*

Haunted Library Escape Room

Ages 8 to 10

Tuesday, October 17

Registration begins Tuesday, October 3

6:00 to 6:30 PM or 7:00 to 7:30 PM

Will you make it out of the Haunted Library? Work together to solve clues and riddles.

Animal Explorers League

Grades 1 to 5

Thursday, October 19

Registration begins Thursday, October 5

6:30 to 7:30 PM

The animal kingdom has many amazing animals. Give a hoot to learn about owls! No owls will be in attendance.

Pumpkin Painting

Ages 3 to 6 with caregiver

Friday, October 20

Registration begins Friday, October 6

11:00 to 11:45 AM

Paint a pumpkin however you wish; it could be creepy, cute or funny.

Spooky Evening Storytime

All ages

Tuesday, October 24

Registration begins Tuesday, October 10

6:30 to 7:00 PM

Join us for some scary, but not too scary, stories. Costumes encouraged!

Halloween Walk @ Spooktacular

All ages

Saturday, October 28

11:00 AM to 1:30 PM

The Library's Halloween Walk is once again part of the Plainfield Shorewood Area Chamber of Commerce's Halloween Spooktacular. Enjoy spooky activities and other outdoor fun in the Library's yard, weather permitting.

Drop-in Trick-or-Treat After Hours

All ages

Tuesday, October 31

7:00 to 8:30 PM

Didn't get enough trick-or-treating? Stop by for a scary scavenger hunt.

Dinosaur Hunt: Find Violet

All ages

All November

Each day throughout the month, Violet the Velociraptor hides in a different place in Youth Services. Find her and get a dino-tastic prize.

Scarecrow and Candy Corn Crafts

Ages 3 to 6 with caregiver

Thursday, November 2

Registration begins Thursday, October 19

1:00 to 1:30 PM

Make a scarecrow friend to bring home and a cool candy corn craft too.



CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

90s Dad Shirt DIY

Grades 3 to 5

Friday, November 3

Registration begins Friday, October 20

1:00 to 2:00 PM

Use transfer paper and old magazines to craft the 90s throwback t-shirt of your wildest dreams.



Preschool Information Fair

All ages

Saturday, November 11

10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Are you searching for a preschool that is the “right fit” for your child? Drop in to meet representatives from area preschools. The first 30 families take home a free tote bag.

Family Reading Night

All ages

Thursday, November 16

Registration begins Thursday, November 2

6:30 to 7:15 PM

It's a night to celebrate reading together as a family with stories and activities.

Carpool Karaoke

Ages 3 to 10

Monday, November 20

Registration begins Monday, November 6

10:30 to 11:30 AM

Decorate your own cardboard box car and sing along with your favorite songs.

Crafting the Night Sky

Ages 6 to 8

Tuesday, November 21

Registration begins Tuesday, November 7

6:30 to 7:00 PM

Using paper, paint, chalk and other crafting supplies, create various parts of the night sky.

Drop-in Board Game Break

All ages

Wednesday, November 22

1:00 to 4:00 PM

Stop by to play some of our favorite board and card games. Bring your friends and family or engage in a friendly battle with a librarian. A word of warning: we tend to get competitive.

STEMgineering

Ages 6 to 8

Tuesday, November 28

Registration begins Tuesday, November 14

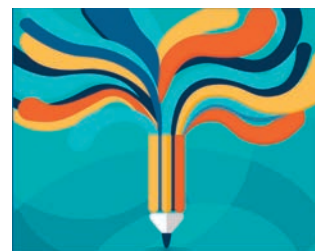
6:00 to 7:00 PM

Simple and fun STEM activities can give you the building blocks you need to become an engineer.

Short Story Contest

Grades 4 to 6

Information for the 2024 contest is available in November. Visit the Library's website or the Youth & Teen Services Desk for details.



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.



Friday, September 1: Planet Nightlights

Friday, September 15: Fall Windsock

Monday, October 2: Spooky Graham Cracker House

Monday, October 16: K-Cup® Ghost String Light

Wednesday, November 1: Wreath of Thanks

Wednesday, November 15: Turkey Bookmarks

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.

Teen Cooking Club

Grades 6 to 12

Tuesday, September 5

Registration begins Tuesday, August 22

Tuesday, October 3

Registration begins Tuesday, September 19

Tuesday, November 7

Registration begins Tuesday, October 24

4:00 to 4:45 PM

In this monthly club we test different, simple recipes and learn new cooking techniques that will level up your snack game.

Fandom Fight

Grades 6 to 12

Wednesday, September 6

Registration begins Wednesday, August 23

6:30 to 8:30 PM

Pit your favorite characters against each other and argue for who comes out on top.

Tinker Thursdays

Grades 3 to 8

Thursdays beginning September 7

Registration begins 2 weeks prior

4:00 to 4:45 PM

We provide the artistic supplies and the technology and you provide the creativity in this weekly open crafting and exploration session.

D&D 5e

Grades 6 to 12

Wednesday, September 13

Registration begins Wednesday, August 30

Wednesday, October 11

Registration begins Wednesday, September 27

Wednesday, November 8

Registration begins Wednesday, October 25

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.



Practice SAT

Grades 9 to 12

Saturday, September 16

Registration begins Saturday, September 2

Saturday, October 21

Registration begins Saturday, October 7

Saturday, November 18

Registration begins Saturday, November 4

1:00 to 4:30 PM

Join Sylvan Learning of Plainfield for a practice SAT in a simulated testing environment. Registration also qualifies you for a free consultation. Bring two pencils and a calculator. Snacks are allowed during breaks.

Girls Who Code @ PAPL

Grades 6 to 12

Wednesdays beginning September 20

Registration begins Wednesday, September 6

3:30 to 4:15 PM

Girls Who Code is a national organization on a mission to close the gender gap in computer science. In the first half of this 12 week session, learn the basics of computer science and coding and in the second half, focus on a larger project. No class the week of Thanksgiving. Teens of all genders are welcome to join Girls Who Code!



Anime Club

Grades 6 to 12

Monday, September 25

Registration begins Monday, September 11

Monday, October 23

Registration begins Monday, October 9

Monday, November 27

Registration begins Monday, November 13

6:30 to 8:30 PM

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

Virtual How to Begin Your College Search

Teens & Adults

Monday, October 2

Registration begins Friday, September 1

7:00 to 8:30 PM

Thomas J. Jaworski of Quest College Consulting shares his knowledge and gives tips and tricks to help you make informed decisions about picking the best college for you or your child. The link for the live streamed presentation will be sent one week prior.

Practice ACT

Grades 9 to 12

Saturday, October 7

Registration begins Saturday, September 23

1:00 to 4:30 PM

Join Sylvan of Plainfield for a practice ACT in a simulated testing environment. Registration also qualifies you for a free consultation. Bring two pencils and a calculator. Snacks are allowed during breaks.

Plainfield C.A.T.S. (Council of Advisory Teens)

Grades 6 to 12

Monday, October 9

Registration begins Monday, September 25

Monday, November 13

Registration begins Monday, October 30

6:00 to 6:45 PM

Meow is the time to have your voice heard at the library! We meet once a month to discuss your ideas for programs, books and service projects. Earn volunteer hours while expressing your opinions about the Library's teen services.



Halloween Makeup with SDK Artistry

Grades 6 to 12

Monday, October 16

Registration begins Monday, October 2

7:00 to 8:30 PM

Learn makeup artist tricks for creating realistic effects that take Halloween costumes to the next level.



Swifties Eras Costume Party

Grades 6 to 12

Monday, October 30

Registration begins Monday, October 16

7:00 to 8:30 PM

Are you ready for it? Celebrate Taylor Swift and Halloween by arriving in style in an outfit inspired by your favorite TS era. Put on your favorite cardigan or best bejeweled dress and enjoy an enchanting night of Taylor's music, Eras-inspired drinks and snacks and friendship bracelet exchanges. Don't blame me if you miss it.

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Hot Glue Geode

Grades 6 to 12

Wednesday, October 18

Registration begins Wednesday, October 4

6:30 to 8:30 PM

Carve out your own faux geode from hot glue.

90s DIY Dad Shirt

Grades 6 to 12

Friday, November 3

Registration begins

Friday, October 20

2:00 to 3:30 PM

Use transfer paper and old magazines to craft the 90s throwback t-shirt of your wildest dreams.



Teen Art Studio: Marbling Paper

Grades 6 to 12

Monday, November 6

Registration begins Monday, October 23

7:00 to 8:00 PM

Learn the art of marbling paper using specialized inks in this hands-on workshop. Each piece of paper becomes a unique piece of art that you can use in many different ways. All supplies provided.

Taskmaster Teen Game Show

Grades 6 to 12

Monday, November 20

Registration begins Monday, November 6

6:30 to 8:00 PM

Inspired by the British game show, play a few rounds of Taskmaster. You will be given a series of ridiculous tasks. Use your imagination, intellect, creativity, deviousness to complete them as quickly and completely as possible. Earn points towards the winner's trophy.



Survive! Sci-Fi

Grades 6 to 12

Saturday, November 25

Registration begins Saturday, November 11

1:00 to 3:00 PM

Are you a fan of science fiction novels, aliens, time travel and future tech? Do you think you would survive a sci-fi adventure? Test your knowledge and skill in surviving these popular YA settings.

Teen Take & Make Kits

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STEM Exploration

Friday, September 1: Voltaic Pile

Monday, October 2: Spooky Graham Cracker Houses

Wednesday, November 1: Paleontology Practice

Crafts

Friday, September 15: Retro Beaded Keychain

Monday, October 16: Witch's Finger Clip

Wednesday, November 15: DIY Beeswax Wrap

MEET YOUR NEW BEST FRIEND!



RESCUE RALLY & STORYWALK® GRAND OPENING

Saturday, September 9 | 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Clow Stephens Park | 16650 S. Lily Cache Rd., Plainfield

Come out and celebrate the Grand Opening of the new StoryWalk® with a paw-some day full of pet friendly activities. For more information visit papl.info/rescuerally

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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.

Consumers & Finance

Medicare 101

Friday, September 15, 10:00 AM

Kathy and Mike from Foszcz Benefits Solutions explain how to enroll in Medicare and what Medicare covers. Learn about Medicare Advantage Part D, prescription drug coverage and Medicare supplement insurance.

Weiss Financial Ratings Medigap Tool

Wednesday, October 4, 11:30 AM

Choosing the right Medicare Supplement Insurance plan can be frustrating, confusing and expensive if you choose the wrong plan. Tom Kilkenny from Weiss Financial Ratings gives the helpful guidance you need to navigate your Medicare Supplement options.

Fisher-Price® Toys Remembered

Thursday, October 5, 7:00 PM

VIRTUAL

Discover the history of Fisher-Price®, which began in 1931 and is still one of the top toy companies. See how the business evolved to stay successful and learn how to tell the age, rarity and current value of Fisher-Price® toys in your attic.

So You Want to Buy an Electric Car

Tuesday, October 17, 5:30 PM

VIRTUAL

Chaya Milchtein is an automotive educator, journalist, speaker and founder of Mechanic Shop Femme. Join her as she lays out the pros and cons of purchasing, buying and maintaining an electric car.

Crafts

Stitching in the Stacks

Second Thursdays, 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM

September 14

October 12

November 9

Meet with fellow crochet and knitting enthusiasts and create beautiful items for charity. Participants should bring their own materials (suitable yarn and hooks or needles) to each meeting. Easy patterns for the current charity project will be provided. All ability levels are welcome.



Craft with Colette: Book Page Hedgehog

Thursday, September 28, 7:00 PM

Create your very own book page pet! Using a simple folding technique, create an adorable hedgehog using a recycled book. All materials are supplied.



Needle Felting Pumpkin

Thursday, October 26, 7:00 PM

Learn how to needle felt a pumpkin with Benzie Design. All supplies are provided.

Adult Take & Makes



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

September 2: Paint a Fall Gnome

October 7: Sun Prints

November 4: Beaded Bookmark

Gardening

VIRTUAL

Native Seed Harvesting

Tuesday, September 12, 7:00 PM

Fall is peak season for native seed collection. Learn how seeds are harvested from native plants, cleaned, stored and propagated at Midewin National Tallgrass Prairie. Discover how to source and grow native plants from seed for your own garden.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Health & Wellness

Breathe and Relax with Qi Gong

Monday, September 11, 11:30 AM

VIRTUAL

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 and balance and decrease anxiety to lead a more relaxing life.

Death Cafe

Tuesday, October 10, 5:30 PM

Gather to discuss and destigmatize conversation around death and dying.

Shift Your Mindset to Still Make 2023

Impactful!

Saturday, October 14, 12:00 PM

It's October and you might think the year is over. There are some things you can implement today to help finish the year strong. Whether it's business, career or life goals, don't close the book on 2023 just yet. Dr. Peter A. James discusses proven strategies to help shift your mindset and take action.

Gentle Yoga

Friday, November 3, 10:00 AM

Join Sam Rich for a gentle yoga class including breathing exercises, light asana (postural) work and meditation. All levels are welcome. Please bring a mat or towel.

History

Dead People of Illinois

Tuesday, September 26, 6:30 PM

Searching for dead people in all the right places, this "underground" presentation explores hundreds of Illinois cemeteries to find interesting graves and headstones, intriguing lives and deaths and lots and plots of funny names.

New Skills

ASL for Beginners

Second Wednesdays

September 13, 6:00 PM

October 11, 3:30 PM

November 8, 6:00 PM

Learn basic conversational phrases and the importance of American Sign Language in our community.



Self Defense Basics for Families

Wednesday, October 4, 6:00 PM

Learn the basics of self defense for the whole family with Lindsey Daehnke of Strictly Self Defense.

Ghost Hunting with Other Side Investigations

Tuesday, October 10, 6:30 PM

Calling all ghost hunting enthusiasts! Other Side Investigations, a Will County ghost hunters society, presents their findings from an investigation of our Library property. Learn best practices for ghost hunting and hear about other ghost tales.

Self Defense Basics for Adults

Wednesday, October 25, 6:30 PM

Learn the basics of self defense with Lindsey Daehnke of Strictly Self Defense.

Tarot Card Reading for Beginners

Wednesday, November 1, 7:00 PM

A short lecture about the history and theory of tarot cards is followed by hands-on card reading practice. Attendees will receive a handout explaining tarot card meanings and simple spreads.



Learning, Leveraging and Listening with Restorative Practices

Wednesday, November 29, 7:00 PM

In both professional and personal settings it can be difficult to navigate conflict. Attorneys Tauya and Richard Forst explain how to use restorative practices to overcome such challenges by using empathy and respect to improve communication, build a positive community and repair relationships. Learn how to use these skills at home and any workplace.

Read Like a Celebrity

Library Card ★★ Sign-Up Month

This September, we're giving out gift cards to 3 lucky people who sign up for new Plainfield Area Public Library cards! Dodge the paparazzi and visit the Check Out Desk to get your new card.

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ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS

English Club

Thursdays, 10:00 AM

Learn and practice English in an informal setting. Read books together, discuss current news or explore other topics. Open to all.

Everyday English

Mondays, 9:30 AM

Build confidence speaking English and ask questions about everyday life in the U.S. Practice conversations you would use at a school, store, doctor's appointment and with neighbors. Learn how to use the Library and use the internet. Level testing is required to participate.

VIRTUAL



Learn To
Speak English

Mango Languages provides over 20 English courses — taught in your native language! Create a free account with your library card to use on the Mango Languages website and app: bit.ly/MangoPAPL

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.

September 20: Five Secrets to Gaining the Most from LinkedIn

Sue Gresham, LinkedIn Coach, Consultant and Trainer

Maximize everything LinkedIn offers with must-have tactics to help land your next job.

October 18: What is Branding?

Nikki Ryberg, Career Coach

The most important asset you have to offer an employer is yourself! Find out how to build your personal brand so you'll stand out when job hunting and networking.

November 15: Creating Your Own Personal Value Proposition

Becky Brillon, Certified Professional Resume Writer

Why should an employer hire you? Your Personal Value Proposition helps you answer this question. Learn how to construct your own with the help of AI (artificial intelligence) platforms.

GENEALOGY

Organizing Genealogy: Less Piles, Better Files

Monday, September 25, 7:00 PM

Genealogist Jacquie Schattner's goal is to help us save time and get organized! She shares ideas for organizing paper and computer files, including color coding and naming conventions. She also covers organizing heirlooms, photos, USB drives and presentation handouts.

VIRTUAL



CSI: Cemetery Search and Investigation

Monday, October 23, 7:00 PM

Curious about what those symbols mean on your great-grandfather's headstone? Did you have ancestors whose bodies were transported for burial? Librarian Tina offers tips and suggestions for finding your ancestor's burial place and explains the types of information that may be found.

Preserving Family Heirlooms

Monday, November 27, 7:00 PM

Learn how to preserve valuable family documents, photos, fabrics and glass for future generations through proper storage and simple preservation techniques. Test-drive products and hear tips for historic and modern scrapbooks.

FOR READERS AND WRITERS

Illinois Libraries Present

Illinois Libraries Present (ILP) is a statewide collaboration among public libraries offering premier events funded in part by a Illinois State Library grant. Register through our events calendar at plainfieldpubliclibrary.librarymarket.com to Zoom with favorite authors, including:

Colson Whitehead

Wednesday, September 6, 7:00 PM



Stephen Graham Jones

Wednesday, October 4, 7:00 PM



Grace Lin

Tuesday, October 17, 7:00 PM



Maya-Camille Broussard

Wednesday, November 8, 7:00 PM



Love and Industry: A Talk with Sonya Huber

Saturday, September 23, 2:30 PM

Sonya Huber grew up in New Lenox and is now an English professor at Fairfield University. She has published 8 books and has had her work featured in *The New York Times*, *The Atlantic* and others. Join her as she discusses the art of writing a memoir and her new book, *Love and Industry*.

Author and Writer Summit

Saturday, November 4

All Day

Kick off National Novel Writing Month by spending the day writing, learning and improving your craft with other authors and writers. Check out our Events Calendar at plainfieldpubliclibrary.librarymarket.com for a full schedule of events.



Writer's Group

Third Thursdays, 7:00 PM

Calling all local authors and writers! Please join us at the Library to hone your craft and reach your goals. Please register, as space is limited.

A Novel Idea Book Discussion Group

Registration required. For virtual groups, you will receive instructions on how to participate once registered. Copies are available at the Adult Services Desk or to download.

**Virtual: Second Thursdays
7:00 PM**

**In-person: Third Wednesdays
2:00 PM**



September 14 or 20

Our Missing Hearts
by Celeste Ng



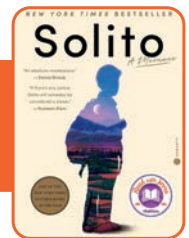
October 12 or 18

Daisy Darker
by Alice Feeney



November 9 or 15

Solito
by Javier Zamora



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

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TECHNOLOGY TRAINING

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



Software Classes

Intro to WordPress

Saturday, September 9, 10:00 AM

WordPress is a free platform for building websites. Learn how to navigate the options and set up your own website.

Intro to Excel® Part 1

Monday, September 11, 7:00 PM

Wednesday, October 25, 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

Wednesday, September 27, 7:00 PM

Monday, November 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® Part 1

Wednesday, October 4, 7:00 PM

Wednesday, November 29, 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.

Intermediate Excel® Part 2

Thursday, October 12, 7:00 PM

Thursday, November 30, 7:00 PM

This class is for experienced Excel® users who have a firm grasp of the basics and covers data validation, index/match and more.

Maker Classes

3D Design with Blender®

Saturday, October 14, 10:00 AM

Blender® is a free, powerful program for 3D modeling and animation. Learn how to use the interface and start 3D modeling. Participants get one free print from our 3D printer.

Etched Pint Glasses

Saturday, November 11, 10:00 AM

Etch your own design into a pint glass! Design and make a vinyl stencil with our Cricut® Maker 3. Then use the stencil to apply etching cream to a provided pint glass.

Cricut® Card Making

Tuesday, November 14, 7:00 PM

Learn how to use Cricut Design Space® and become familiar with the workflow of assembling cards. Materials are provided for one card per participant.

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.



September 13: Android™ Devices

Explore how to use Android™ phones and tablets.

October 11: iPhones® and iPads®

Discover tips and tricks for using iPhones® and iPads®.

November 8: Managing Files

Learn about strategies and techniques for managing files.

LICENSE PLATE RENEWAL

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HOLIDAY MARKET

AT THE PLAINFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY
Saturday, November 25 | 5 to 8 PM

**Shop a variety of handmade items from local
crafters during the Christmas festivities in
Downtown Plainfield.**