



Thank you to the Friends of the Addison Public Library for their generous contribution to this year's winter lights and decorations on and in our building!



Care Con

Sat., Feb. 10 10:00-2:00 Addison Public Library

Join community partners and friends to support your physical and mental health! Practice self-care with activities and crafts and learn about community resources for when you need extra support. **All ages welcome!**

- DuPage Children’s Museum pop-up
- ICNA health screenings for adults
- WIC mobile clinic
- Therapy dogs
- ...and more!

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WINTER READING 2024

Adults and Teens

Starting Mon., Jan. 8, stop by the library, get a book recommendation from a staff member, and pick up a Winter Reading kit filled with some cozy goodies.

Birth-Grade 5

Starting Mon., Jan. 8, pick up your Winter Reading Log and goodie bag. Complete your log by Weds., Jan. 31 and you’ll receive a prize!



LIBRARY NEWS & SPECIAL EVENTS

From the Blog...



We joined SWAN! Here's six things you need to know:

We have officially joined SWAN — a group of 100 libraries that share resources to give you access to more books, media, downloads, and research databases. And we're the 101st library to join!

1. **PINs have been reset** — On Tues., Nov. 14, all PINs were reset to the last 4 digits of the phone number that we had in your account. Once logged in, you can change your PIN to whatever you'd like, or a staff member is happy to help!
2. **Make sure you know your PIN** — Easily access your online account with your PIN, and quickly use our self-checkout machines at the library (which now require your PIN).
3. **Bookmark our catalog** — Visit add.swanlibraries.net to start browsing our new online catalog, called Aspen.
4. **Start requesting items** — You can begin placing holds on items from any of the other 100 SWAN libraries through our online catalog!
5. **Want a different pickup location?** Your items can be picked up here at the library, or you may select any other SWAN library.
6. **Sign up for text notifications** — Log into your account, click on your name, and then select Text Message Settings from the dropdown menu. You'll be able to customize which notifications you receive via text.

New things can be confusing! We're here to help with any questions you might have about joining SWAN, requesting materials, accessing your account, and more.

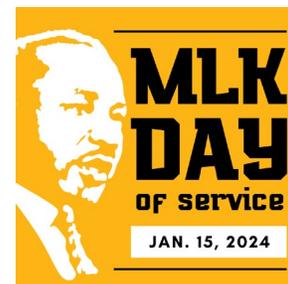
Call the library at 630.543.3617, visit us in-person, or reach out on our website at addisonlibrary.org/contact.



Read more library news on our blog at addisonlibrary.org/blog.

MLK Day of Service

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Mon., Jan. 15 12:00-3:00 Large Meeting Room



Hygiene Kit Collection Drive

Tues., Jan. 2 - Sun., Jan. 14, 2024

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- Shampoo and conditioner
- Deodorant
- Hand sanitizer
- Travel size tissue packs
- Wet Wipes
- Breath mints
- Combs
- Menstrual products (pads/tampons)

Subscribe To Our Email Newsletters



When you sign up for our email newsletters, you'll receive library news about upcoming events, new services, book recommendations, and more!

To sign up for email newsletters, visit addisonlibrary.org/email-newsletters

Visit Us in the Community!

Pop-Up Library Visits

Look for us at the Park District! You can sign up for a library card, renew a library card, check out items, or return items.

Mon., Jan. 8 and Feb. 12
9:00-10:00 Club Fitness

Tues., Jan. 16 and Feb. 20
11:00-12:00 Community Rec





2023 HIGHLIGHTS



In March, we baked blueberry orange scones with nationally acclaimed pastry chef, restaurateur, cookbook author, television personality, teacher, and entrepreneur, Chef Gale Gand!



In August, we hosted the Back to School Resource Fair — a day of smiles, free school supplies, and invaluable local connections. A special thanks to all of the dedicated local organizations who volunteered their time and resources, making a positive impact on our community.



April's National Library Week theme was "There's More to the Story", which highlighted that library collections include much more than books!



For September's Library Card Sign Up Month, teens were excited to show off our "We Love Our Library" yard signs and show their support for their local public library. The photo was selected as the Illinois Library Association's Member Photo of the Month!



We celebrated Summer Reading 2023 in June with a kick-off party! Participants received their free summer reading books and goodie bags, visited a fire truck from the Addison Fire Protection District, and cooled off with some sweet Kona Ice.



In October, we earned our Earth Flag recertification from SCARCE! SCARCE is a local environmental organization that works to educate the public about sustainable practices through trainings, programs, and more.



Our Community Engagement team loved visiting you around town this summer at Rock N' Wheels, our community parks, and other Addison events. Thank you to our Friends of the Library for providing free books on our book bike!



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Movement & Meditation

Ageless Grace® Timeless Fitness for the Body and Brain

Join Sherie Shapiro from Ageless Grace® for a session that activates all 5 functions of the brain and simultaneously addresses all 21 physical skills needed for lifelong optimal function. Music and laughter guaranteed!

Thurs., Jan. 18 and Thurs. Feb. 15

10:00-11:00 Large Meeting Room

Chair Yoga

Certified yoga instructor Marti Lahood will guide you through one of the gentlest forms of yoga.

Thurs., Jan. 11 and 25, Feb. 8 and 22

10:00-11:00 Large Meeting Room

Essentrics: Dynamic Stretching

Essentrics® is a low-impact, full-body workout that is safe for all ages and fitness levels and helps you improve flexibility. Wear comfortable clothes. We workout in bare feet or non-slip socks.

Weds., Jan. 17 and Feb. 14 1:00-2:00 Large Meeting Room

Monthly Meditation at the Library

Join friends old and new in-person to discover the life changing effects of meditation. No experience required.

Thurs., Jan. 4, Feb. 1 and 29

10:00-11:00 Large Meeting Room

Zumba!

Instructor and performer Erika Ochoa leads this fun, fast paced, musical exercise practice! No previous experience required. Instruction is bilingual, English/Spanish.

Mon., Feb. 19 7:00-8:00 Large Meeting Room

Let's Play!

Free Time Fridays

Join us for crafts, games, light refreshments, conversation and fun with friends old and new! We'll do something different each time we meet and it will always be a fun treat!

Fri., Jan. 19 — Bird feeders

Fri., Feb. 16 — Room fresheners

11:00-12:00 Adult Program Room

Trivia

Join our monthly online trivia game! Trivia will run on a continuous loop, so jump in whenever and you will get to answer all the questions. We will share the leaderboard on social media after trivia ends.

Winter Break Edition!

Mon., Jan. 1 — Fri., Jan. 5

crowd.live/CZATK

Mon., Jan. 15 — Fri., Jan. 19

crowd.live/CG8NP

Mon., Feb. 12 — Fri., Feb. 16

crowd.live/XWXS6

Winter Break



Jan. Trivia



Feb. Trivia



Literacy Special Events

Learn Spanish with the Language Labs

Join The Language Labs for an introduction to the basics of the Spanish language! Experienced and beginning adult speakers welcome.

Mon., Jan. 8, 15, 22, and 29

6:00-7:00 Adult Program Room



Read and Write in Spanish

Do you know a Spanish-speaking adult who wants to learn basic reading and writing in Spanish? This three-month literacy course teaches Spanish-speaking adults how to read and write in Spanish. This class is for native Spanish speakers.

Tues. and Thurs., Jan. 30-May 9

6:30-8:30 Adult Program Room



Registration is required for library programs unless listed as "Drop-In". Register online at addisonlibrary.org/events, by phone at 630.458.3320, or ask staff for help.

Featured Events



Winter Birds with Chicago Audubon

'Tis the season for the delights of winter birding! Even though there are fewer birds this time of year, they are often easier to see, making winter a great time to get to know them. What a better

place to start than your own feeder? We'll offer some tips on feeding and an introduction to winter resident birds, with a look ahead to returning migrants.

Mon., Jan. 22 7:00 Large Meeting Room

Cozy Creatives

Join us for a series of low-stress crafting nights with snacks and fellow crafters. Bring your own project or join in with ours — we'll have supplies to share!

Mon., Jan. 29 7:00 Large Meeting Room

Cookie Decorating with Chef Violeta

Join Violeta, a culinary arts instructor, for a fun Valentine's cookie decorating workshop! She'll show you how to decorate sugar cookies and share helpful tips. Each participant will get a cookie kit with pre-baked cookies, colored icing, and sprinkles to practice their decorating skills.

Mon., Feb. 5 7:00 Large Meeting Room



Coffee Tasting and Talk with KRIBI Coffee

Join us for an invigorating and insightful coffee forum, featuring Jacques Shalo and Jeremiah Shalo, co-founders of Kribi Coffee - Air Roastery. This event will be a blend of a coffee tasting experience and

an engaging discussion. Explore the fascinating journey of coffee from the farms of Cameroon to cups in the U.S., emphasizing the pivotal role of sustainable practices and partnerships with farming collectives.

Tues., Feb. 13 5:00 Large Meeting Room

Bridging Literary Worlds:

A Journey from Baldwin to Bowers

Get ready for inspiration as we explore the profound literary influence of James Baldwin and its impact on a generation of writers and thinkers. Join author Tony Bowers for a personal exploration of this powerful influence, sharing excerpts from his short story collection 'On the Nine,' and the timeless Baldwin classic 'Sonny's Blues.' After the reading, we'll engage in an informal and thought-provoking discussion.

Mon., Feb. 26 7:00 Large Meeting Room

Social Services

Resource Café

Stop by the library to enjoy a cup of coffee with our Social Services Specialist and intern and learn about local resources. Our staff will be available to answer questions about mental health, housing, health care, immigration, domestic violence, benefits/public aid, food pantries, legal aid, and more.

Thurs., Jan. 25 11:00-5:00 Adult Program Room

Books & Mental Wellness

Join our new group where we provide a safe space to discuss topics of mental health through bibliotherapy. We will identify, discuss, and reflect on different books that cover mental health topics and hold an open discussion afterwards. Learn how to effectively cope and take care of yourself as you manage the difficulties of life.

Thurs., Jan. 11 7:15-8:15 Adult Program Room

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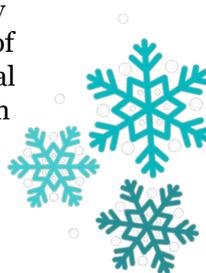


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- Breath mints
- Combs
- Menstrual products (pads/tampons)



Winter Reading starts January 8!

Winter reading is all about cozying up with a book! Stop in the library and get a book recommendation from a staff member and then pick up a Winter Reading kit, which has all you will need to relax and enjoy your customized pick. Limit one winter reading kit per person.

CREATIVE STUDIO & TECHNOLOGY



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Upcoming Workshops

TinkerCAD Basics: Keychains

Learn the basics of TinkerCad, an online 3D designing software. During this class, you will learn how to add your name to a 3D keychain.

Weds., Jan. 10 6:30-8:30 Adult Program Room

Silhouette Studio Basics

Learn the basics of Silhouette Studio, the design software used with the Silhouette Cameo cutting machine. The Silhouette can create vinyl, iron-on, and stencil decals to decorate cups, shirts, wood signs, and more!

Weds., Jan. 17 6:30-8:00 Adult Program Room

Teen Maker Monday

Drop in to make a craft using the Creative Studio equipment. First-come, first-served, while supplies last.

Mon., Jan. 22, Feb. 12 and 26 3:30-4:30 Creative Studio

Photo Editing Basics

Learn the basics of editing and repairing photos! Patrons will learn how to use Photopea, a free online editor.

Weds., Jan. 24 6:30-8:00 Adult Program Room

Sublimation Printing: Photo Mug

Create a custom mug with your photo on it! During this class, you will learn how to use the Creative Studio's Sawgrass sublimation printer and Cricut Mug Press to make custom mugs. Supplies will be provided for the class. Please bring a photo saved on a USB flash drive.

Fri., Jan. 26 10:00-11:30 Creative Studio

Weds., Jan. 31 6:30-8:00 Creative Studio

Weds. Feb. 28 6:30-8:00 Creative Studio

Cricut Maker: Card Making

During this program, we will make cards using the Foil Transfer Tool on the Cricut Maker.

Weds., Feb. 7 6:30-8:00 Adult Program Room

Fri., Feb. 9 10:00-11:30 Adult Program Room

Cricut Design Space Basics

Learn the basics of Cricut Design Space, the design software used with the Cricut Maker cutting machine. The Cricut can create vinyl, iron-on, and stencil decals to decorate cups, shirts, wood signs, and more!

Weds., Feb. 21 6:30-8:00 Adult Program Room



Preserving Family Memories at the Library

Digital Converting: Family Photos

Learn how to preserve your home photos by digitizing them with Sound Studio equipment. During this class, you'll get a demo on photo, 35mm film negative, and 35mm slide negative scanning.

Fri., Jan. 19 10:00-11:00 Creative Studio

Digital Converting: Home Videos

Learn how to preserve your home videos by digitizing them with Sound Studio equipment. During this class, you'll get a demo on 8mm film reels, VHS, VHS-C, Video 8, and Hi-8 tape converting.

Fri., Feb. 23 10:00-11:00 Adult Program Room

Technology Made Simple

Share Photos Online

Learn everything you need to know about Apple Photos, Google Photos, Flickr, and more of the top websites that make it easy for you to share all of your favorite photos with friends and family. *Presented by Very Smart People*

Thurs., Jan. 25 6:30-7:30 Large Meeting Room

Microsoft Word Basics

In this three-part series, participants will learn how to create and format documents using Microsoft Word, as well as how to complete simple actions like saving, opening, and printing documents. By the end of the series, participants will be able to compose documents for a professional setting.

Tues., Feb. 13, 20, and 27 6:30-7:30 Adult Program Room





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= Zoom program

Events For Job Seekers

Interview Basics

Anxious for the interview? Find out how to get ready, speak with confidence, and impress people when you're trying to get a job. This workshop will help you succeed in your next interview and showcase your best traits to employers!

Fri., Jan. 12 10:00-11:00 Adult Program Room

Personal Career Consultations

Meet one-on-one with a career search professional who will help you create a plan and determine the best steps to secure the most suitable position for you. Sessions will be on a first-come, first-served basis.

Weds., Jan. 24 and Feb. 28 10:00-12:00 Second Floor Desk

Negotiate the Job Offer

Negotiating in your career can be stressful. Learn how to leverage your skills and determine the best timing to increase your chances of a successful negotiation conversation.

Thurs., Jan. 25 10:00-11:00 Zoom

Crafting Your Unique Brand to Elevate Your Job Search

Having a unique personal brand can elevate your job search! In this workshop, find out how to integrate your brand into your resume, LinkedIn profile, and in your networking strategies. You will leave with the tools to make a lasting impression.

Weds., Jan. 31 6:00-7:00 Zoom

Unlocking Success:

Discovering Your Job Search Motivators

Join us for an interactive workshop where you will discover your unique motivators and learn how to harness them effectively to boost your success in finding the perfect job. Gain valuable insights and strategies to elevate your job search!

Weds., Feb. 7 6:00-7:00 Zoom



Are you 'LinkedIn'?

Learn how to use the social platform LinkedIn as a job search tool. We'll show you how recruiters are using LinkedIn to fill positions and a few tricks of the trade that will make your profile stand out.

Tues., Feb. 20 10:00-11:00 Zoom



Professional Headshots

Get your free professional headshot taken at the library! High-quality headshots can help you enhance your job search, business promotional materials, LinkedIn account, or they can just be for fun. Headshots will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.

Tues., Jan. 16 10:00-12:00 Second Floor Desk

Weds., Jan. 17 6:00-8:00 Second Floor Desk

Events For Businesses

PR Secrets from a Media Insider

Are you looking to enhance your storytelling and public relations skills to effectively promote your business or nonprofit? In this interactive workshop, you will learn how to craft a compelling news release, establish your expertise, and harness the power of social media.

Tues., Feb. 6 7:00-8:00 Adult Program Room

Reference Solutions for Small Business

Calling all small business owners and entrepreneurs! Did you know the library has a free resource that can provide insights about your community's businesses and residents? Ryan Atkins from Data Axle will give a demo on Reference Solutions, a tool that can give you the information you need to start, run, and grow your business.

Thurs., Feb. 15 12:00-1:00 Zoom



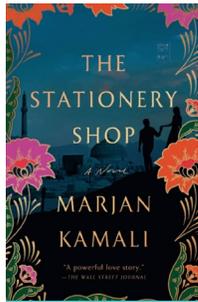
Are you a small business owner looking to connect with the small business community? Join entrepreneurs, small business owners, startup founders, influencers, non-profits, and many more for this new networking series. We will provide coffee and donuts as you make connections, share ideas, and get inspired by other businesses! This is a drop-in event.

Fri., Feb. 9 9:00-10:30 Large Meeting Room

CHECK IT OUT: BOOKS & MORE

Upcoming Book Discussions

Books are available for check out at the library or digitally.

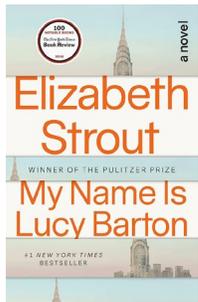


The Stationery Shop by Marjan Kamali

From the award-winning author of *Together Tea* comes a powerful love story set against the political upheaval of 1953 Tehran. Roya, a dreamy and idealistic teenager, finds a literary oasis in the stationery shop where she meets Bahman, whose burning passion for justice and

love of poetry mirror her own. She falls in love at once. But on the eve of their marriage, when they are to meet at the town square, violence suddenly erupts, and in the chaos, Bahman never shows. Roya tries desperately to contact him, but her efforts are fruitless, and she resigns herself to never seeing him again. Until, more than sixty years later, a quirk of fate leads her back to Bahman and offers her a chance to ask him the questions that have haunted her for more than half a century.

Tues., Jan. 9 7:00-8:00 Adult Program Room



My Name is Lucy Barton by Elizabeth Strout

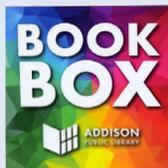
Lucy Barton is recovering slowly from what should have been a simple operation. Her mother, to whom she hasn't spoken for many years, comes to see her. Gentle gossip about people from Lucy's childhood in Amgash, Illinois seems to reconnect them, but just below

the surface lie the tension and longing that have informed every aspect of Lucy's life: her escape from her troubled family, her desire to become a writer, her marriage, her love for her two daughters. Knitting this powerful narrative together is the brilliant storytelling voice of Lucy herself: keenly observant, deeply human, and truly unforgettable.

Tues., Feb. 13 7:00-8:00 Large Meeting Room

Sign Up for a Book Box!

The April Book Box theme is "**Every Day is Earth Day**". Registration begins February 1 and ends March 4. Book Boxes will be available for pickup April 1-30.



Sign up at addisonlibrary.org/book-box. Open to all Addison Public Library cardholders. Space is limited.

Try Something New This Winter with Our Library of Things

Whether you are looking to explore a new hobby or play a board game together this winter, you can borrow something from our Library of Things collection. Stay active with fitness equipment, pick up knitting, or build with LEGOs!



- Balance board
- Fitness kit



- Knitting loom kit
- Folding task lamp



- Clue board game
- LEGO architecture: Taj Mahal



- Sound machine
- Hands-free LED magnifier

Browse the entire Library of Things collection on the 2nd floor near the Adult Services desk or visit us online to see what's available at addisonlibrary.org/LibraryOfThings.

Check Out a Local Attraction with Your Addison Library Card

We're excited to offer Explore More Illinois and the Museum Adventure Pass, two great ways to explore local attractions such as museums, park districts, and more! Use your Addison Public Library card to receive free admission or a special discount at participating Chicago area cultural destinations!

Check out these featured passes and offers! For more details on these programs, visit addisonlibrary.org/explore.

Explore More Illinois



Museum of Contemporary Art Chicago

Offer: Free family admission

Printed pass required



Chicago Maritime Museum

Offer: 4 for 1 — \$20 admission for 4 visitors

Mobile or printed pass accepted



Chicago Children's Museum

Offer: One free admission

Printed pass required

Museum Adventure Pass

Free passes are available on a first-come, first-served basis:

- American Writers Museum (4)
- Illinois Holocaust Museum and Education Center (4)
- Naper Settlement (4)

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After School

Rush Hour

During our busiest time at the library, teens can expect a free snack, a fun place to hang out, and daily activities to spark their creativity. It could be painting, badminton, card games, riddles, a science experiment, or multiple options throughout the library. Drop by and check it out!

School days 2:45-4:00

Teen LEGO

Join us after school and let's build LEGOs!

Tues., Jan. 9 and 23, Feb. 13 and 27 4:00-5:00



Drawing with Mark Anderson

Professional illustrator and cartoonist Mark Anderson brings your drawings to life and helps everyone from newbies to experts improve their skills.

Thurs., Jan. 18 and Tues., Feb. 6
3:15-4:15 Large Meeting Room



Night Programs

Thunder Mursday

Join other amateur detectives and crime fans to solve a (fictional) murder mystery.

Thursdays, starting Jan. 11
6:00-7:30 Teen Program Room

New Young Adult Programs

NEW! Nostalgia Days

Let's get back to basics and hang out at the library. We'll have snacks and some of your favorite activities while you catch up. Drop-in!

Tues., Jan. 2-Fri., Jan. 5 2:45-4:00 Teen Program Room

NEW! Mindful Moments

Take a mindful moment, a small portion of your month dedicated to self-care and intentionality, by joining us in learning strategies and making tools to help start the year in the right direction.

Tues., Jan. 9 — Vision Boards

Tues., Jan. 30 — Meditation Jars

6:30-8:00 Adult Program Room

NEW! Cozy Creatives

Join us for a series of low-stress crafting nights with snacks and fellow crafters. Bring your own project or join in with ours — we'll have supplies to share!

Mon., Jan. 29 7:00 Large Meeting Room



NEW! Fiero Code

The library now offers a new learn-to-code software — for free! Kids ages 8-18 can learn computer programming skills through a series of tutorials and projects. Work towards building websites, video games, phone apps, animations and more! Get started at:

addisonlibrary.org/code

Winter Reading starts January 8!

Winter reading is all about cozying up with a book! Stop in the library and get a book recommendation from a staff member and then pick up a Winter Reading kit, which has all you will need to relax and enjoy your customized pick. Limit one winter reading kit per person.



Storytimes & Early Learning Programs

Join us for storytimes and early learning programs! All ages and registration required unless otherwise noted.

NEW! Discovery Babies & Toddlers

Join us for stories, songs, and action rhymes, and discover friends and fun! Geared toward ages birth-2 years old but all ages welcome. Please register for each session separately.

Mon., Jan. 22 and 29, Feb. 5, 12, and 26 10:00-10:30

Birth to 3 Jamboree

Stories, songs, and more! Geared toward ages birth-3, but all ages welcome. Please register for each session separately. Please make sure to sign up for just one time slot as the material will be the same in both.

Thurs., Jan. 25 and Feb. 1-22 10:00-10:30 and 11:15-11:45



Let's Move!

Join us for songs, stories, and fun in this movement-oriented storytime! Limit 15 participants.

Fri., Jan. 12 and Feb. 16 10:00-10:30

Large Meeting Room

Music & Motion

This fun program is focused on music and singing and includes plenty of movement too! Geared for ages 3-5, but all ages welcome. Please note the Saturday sessions will include the same material as Tuesdays.

Tues., Jan. 9 and Feb. 6 2:00-2:30

Sat., Jan. 20 and Feb. 17 2:00-2:30

Toddler Time

Stimulate your child's senses at our sensory table, get them moving with our active toys, and spark their creativity by making simple crafts or artwork. Geared for toddlers, but all ages welcome

Thurs., Jan. 18 and Feb. 29 10:00-10:45



Nature Storytime with The Morton Arboretum

Join us for an interactive nature storytime with an early childhood educator from The Morton Arboretum. We'll explore how weather, trees, and animals change with the season!

Weds., Jan. 17 10:00-10:30

Bilingual Stories & Crafts

Enjoy drop-in stories and crafts, and learn some new words in Spanish!

Mon., Jan. 29 6:00-6:30

Lunar New Year Storytime

Lunar New Year is coming soon! Join us for stories and songs to say goodbye to the Year of the Rabbit and ring in the Year of the Dragon.

Weds., Jan. 31 10:00-10:30

Football Storytime

Come celebrate the fun sport of football with stories and songs!

Weds., Feb. 7 10:00-10:30

Valentine's Day Storytime

Valentine's Day is a day of love for friends and family. Celebrate this great day with stories and songs.

Weds., Feb. 14 10:00-10:30



Winter Reading for Birth-Grade 5

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1,000 Books Before Kindergarten

Register your child for 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten! When you register, you'll receive a tote bag, a free book to keep, and materials about the initiative. For every 100 books you read with your child, they'll receive a prize.

Celebrate Black History Month

Join us to celebrate Black History Month in February with a special book cover scavenger hunt featuring Black authors and characters!



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Programas en español

Manualidades de invierno

Ven y acompáñanos a hacer manualidades con tema de invierno.

Lun., el 22 de ene. 6:00-6:45

Cuentos y manualidades bilingües

¡Únete a nosotros para cuentos bilingües y manualidades, y aprende algunas palabras nuevas en español!

Lun., el 29 de ene. 6:00-6:30

Haz una cobija (manta) sin coser

Ven y acompáñanos para aprender cómo hacer una cobija sin coser. No se requieren habilidades de costura.

Lun., el 12 de feb. 6:00-7:00

For Grades K-5 *In-person; registration required*

STEM Fun: Planes & Helicopters

Join us to create paper airplanes and helicopters and we'll test which designs work best! All supplies provided. Grades K and up.

Thurs., Jan. 18 4:00-4:45

DIY Snow Globes

Join us to make your own snow globe! All supplies provided. Grades K and up.

Thurs., Jan. 25 4:00-4:45

Watercolor Painting with Brigit

Join local artist Brigit Goudie to create a watercolor masterpiece! Grades K-5.

Thurs. Feb. 8 4:00-4:45

No-Sew Blankets

Join us to create a no sew blanket, no sewing skills required. Grades K-5.

Mon., Feb. 12 6:00-7:00

LEGO Challenge: Save the Minifigures!

Rescue LEGO minifigures trapped in ice! We'll brainstorm different ways to save the minifigures and create LEGO builds once they are rescued. All supplies provided. Grades K-5.

Thurs., Feb. 15 4:00-4:45

Robot Club

Have you ever wanted your own robot? Come check out our Coji bots and learn how they work. Grades 1-5.

Thurs., Feb. 22 4:00-4:45

Special Events

Valentine's Day Craft with Krystyna

Join Krystyna Jaroc to create a Polish-inspired Valentine's Day craft! Limit 20 participants; all participants who want to make a craft must register. All children under 6 must be accompanied by a caregiver.

Tues., Feb. 6 6:30-7:30



Registered Craft Kit

Valentine's Day Perler Bead Craft Kit

Create a Valentine's Day Perler Bead masterpiece! Make sure to register to reserve your kit, which will be available starting Feb. 1.

Thurs., Feb. 1

For the Whole Family *All ages; drop-in!*

Play & Create

Join us on a day off for a morning of play and crafts! We'll have LEGOs, crafts, and fun movement activities available.

Mon., Jan. 8 10:00-12:00

Mon., Feb. 19 10:00-12:00

Artsy Craftsy

Join us at the library for crafts and art projects on an early dismissal day.

Thurs., Feb. 29 1:00-1:45

Winter Crafts

Join us to make winter crafts!

Mon., Jan. 22 6:00-6:45

Looking for one-on-one help?

Children's Services staff are available for reading, math, homework help, computer skills, early literacy appointments, and help with practicing English (**new for 2024**)! We'll build skills and confidence with conversation and activities. To get started with all Children's Services appointments, go to addisonlibrary.org/appointments.



BEST OF 2023 | FOR ADULTS

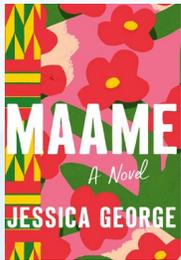
What books did we love in 2023? Check out our recommended reads for a variety of ages and interests.

Fiction



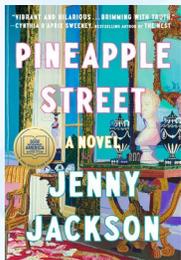
Birnam Wood by Eleanor Catton

An engrossing novel about a group of ecological activists fighting against climate change and capitalism.



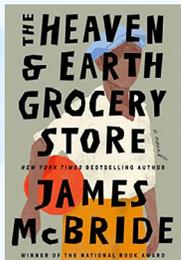
Maame by Jessica George

A moving coming-of-age novel from a British-Ghanaian perspective. Maddie is the primary caretaker for her father. When her mother returns home Maddie takes the opportunity to start living her own life.



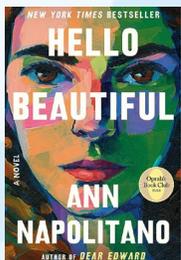
Pineapple Street by Jenny Jackson

A funny, sharp novel of family, wealth, love, and tennis. This debut follows three women of Brooklyn Heights: one who was born with money, one who married into it, and one who wants to give it all away.



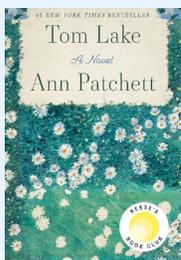
The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store by James McBride

In 1972 Chicken Hill, Pennsylvania, a discovered skeleton reveals hidden truths, about the close-knit community — secrets involving the town's white establishment.



Hello Beautiful by Ann Napolitano

A young man escaping a troubled past befriends a spirited young woman who welcomes him into her loving, loud, chaotic household.



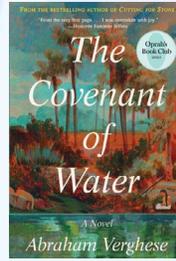
Tom Lake by Ann Patchett

In the spring of 2020, Lara's daughters return to the family orchard, prompting her to recount a past romance. The daughters reevaluate their lives, and the complexities of love, family, and personal histories.



The Fraud by Zadie Smith

A kaleidoscopic work of historical fiction set against the legal trial that divided Victorian England, about who gets to tell their story—and who gets to be believed.



The Covenant of Water by Abraham Verghese

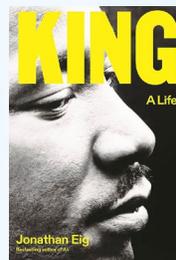
Spanning the years 1900 to 1977 on South India's Malabar Coast, this novel follows three generations of a family that suffers a peculiar affliction: in every generation, at least one person dies by drowning.

Nonfiction



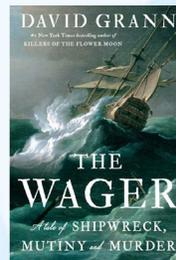
Spare by Prince Harry

A landmark publication full of insight, revelation, self-examination, and hard-won wisdom about the eternal power of love over grief.



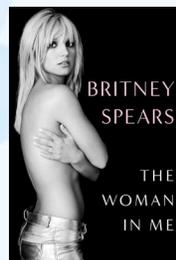
King: A Life by Jonathan Eig

The first full biography in decades, *King* mixes revelatory and exhaustive new research with brisk and accessible storytelling to forge the definitive life for our times.



The Wager by David Grann

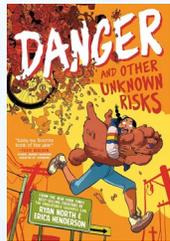
A tale of shipwreck, survival and savagery, the author of *Killers of the Flower Moon* recounts the events on a British vessel that left England in 1740 on a secret mission that revealed a shocking truth.



The Woman in Me by Britney Spears

The noted pop star offers a moving story about freedom, fame, motherhood, survival, faith, and hope.

Teens



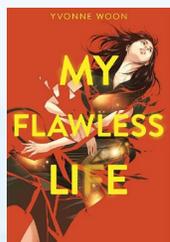
Danger and Other Unknown Risks by Ryan North and Erica Henderson

This graphic novel about a girl, her talking dog, and their attempt to save the world is equal parts action-packed adventure, hilarious romp, and heartbreaking drama.



Rez Ball by Byron Graves

All Tre wants to do is play basketball. But now it's not just about winning. Getting to state means representing the reservation, impressing his father, and living up to the memory of his brother.



My Flawless Life by Yvonne Woon

Hana is a fixer for the elite students at her private school, saving their reputations and keeping their secrets hidden. She can handle any problem...except maybe her own.



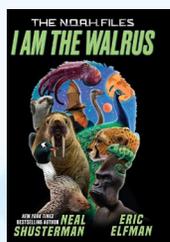
Their Vicious Games by Joelle Wellington

Adina thinks she's entering a competition about etiquette and manners, but it quickly becomes a bloody game of survival.



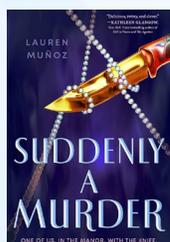
Dear Mothman by Robin Gow

What if the only person who really knew you was a monster? Noah's poems and sincere attempt to connect with anyone, even the Mothman, after the death of his best friend will make your heart ache.



I Am the Walrus by Neal Shusterman and Eric Elfman

A messy, funny, surreal, and action-packed science fiction with a loveably flawed hero at its center.



Suddenly a Murder by Lauren Muñoz

Everyone celebrating the end of high school at Ashwood Manor is a suspect when one of the guests at the exclusive 1920's-themed weekend turns up dead.

Kids



Remember Written by Joy Harjo Illustrations by Michalea Goade

This beautifully illustrated book invites us to notice the world around us and how we are all connected. *Recommended for ages 3-5.*



Can You Hug a Forest? Written by Frances Gilbert Illustrations by Amy Hevron

Sounds and actions for a virtual or real walk in a forest. An action-packed story that kids will love. *Recommended for ages 3-5.*



Mother of Sharks / Madres de los tiburones by Melissa Cristina Marquez

After meeting a talking crab that takes her on an amazing adventure, Meli is inspired to follow her dream to become a scientist. *Recommended for ages 5-8.*



Burt the Beetle Lives Here! by Ashley Spires

Burt the Beetle visits all sorts of insect homes on a quest to find the best one. A humorous and informative early reader. *Recommended for ages 6-9.*



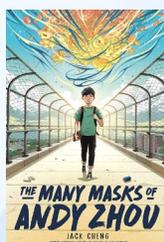
Over the Rainbow by Rachel Davis and Wenjia Tang

Everything about rainbows worldwide with colorful illustrations. A beautiful book that is scientific, historical, and inclusive. *Recommended for ages 7-9.*



Mexikid Written and Illustrated by Pedro Martín

Pedro, born in the U.S. to an immigrant family, struggles to be both Mexican and American. A family road trip to Mexico may be what Pedro needs to help find his cultural roots. *Recommended for ages 9-14.*



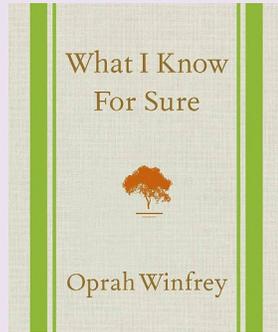
The Many Masks of Andy Zhou Written and Illustrated by Jack Cheng

Sixth grader Andy is dealing with bullies and his best friend is finding new friends. An authentic story full of anime and pop culture references. *Recommended for ages 8-12.*

ELL Books & Bites

Are you an English learner that enjoys reading? Join us in reading *What I Know For Sure* by Oprah Winfrey. You will be able to pick up a copy of the book once you register. The book will be yours to keep! We will read the book individually and as a group. We will discuss the book as we enjoy dinner and offer you a fun and safe environment to practice your English reading and comprehension skills! Registration is required.

Thurs., Jan. 11, 18, 25, and Feb. 1
6:00-7:00 Adult Program Room



College of DuPage Classes

English Classes

Free English language classes offered by College of DuPage. Testing date is Jan. 22 & 24 at 9:30; first day of class is January 29. Contact COD for other locations and times at 630.942.3697.

Citizenship Classes

Free citizenship class to prepare adults for U.S. Citizenship tests, including the application process and passing the interview. Testing date Jan. 27 at 9:30; first day of class is Feb. 3. Register through College of DuPage at 630.942.3697.

Literacy To-Go Kits

Pick up a bi-monthly kit with exercises and activities to help you improve your English. Stop by the second floor Adult Services desk or email Ana Beltran at

abeltran@addisonlibrary.org for a digital copy!

English Reading Circle

Build your vocabulary and reading skills in a small group setting.

Tuesdays 11:00 Adult Program Room (Drop-in)

English Conversation Groups

Have fun and make new friends as you improve your English-speaking skills!

Mondays 2:00 Zoom (Register for Zoom link) 

Wednesdays 7:00 Large Meeting Room (Drop-in)

EN ESPAÑOL

Recursos y Café

Ven a la biblioteca y disfruta de un café con nuestra especialista en servicios sociales y la estudiante en práctica mientras aprendes sobre los recursos locales. Estaremos disponibles para contestar cualquier pregunta sobre recursos para la salud mental, vivienda, asistencia médica, inmigración, violencia doméstica, beneficios/ayuda pública, distribución de alimentos, asistencia legal, y más.

Juev., 25 de ene. 11:00-5:00 Adult Program Room



MLK Día de Servicios

Para el Día de Martin Luther King Jr., la biblioteca organizara un Día de Servicio para ayudar a nuestra comunidad. Habrá lugares asignados para crear artículos para organizaciones locales, tales como kits de higiene, mantas para bebés, tarjetas, ¡y mucho más! Todas las edades son bienvenidas. No es necesario tener experiencia en manualidades. Los voluntarios recibirán un refrigerio.

Lun., 15 de ene. 12:00-3:00 Large Meeting Room



Libros y el Bienestar Mental

Únete a nuestro nuevo grupo donde ofrecemos un espacio seguro para hablar sobre temas de la salud mental utilizando biblioterapia. Vamos a identificar, discutir y reflexionar sobre diferentes libros que hablan de la salud mental y tendremos una conversación al final. Aprenda como practicar y sobrellevar con eficacia el autocuidado mientras maneja las dificultades de la vida.

Juev., 22 de feb.

7:15-8:15 Adult Program Room

Colección de Herramientas Higiénicas

Mar., el 02 de ene.-14 de ene., 2024

Comenzando el 2 de enero, estaremos recolectando productos de cuidado personal en el primer piso. Estos productos se usaran para armar kits de higiene durante nuestro Día de Servicio. Buscamos los siguientes productos en tamaño de viaje o mini:

- Tamaño de viaje champú y acondicionador
- Tamaño de viaje desodorante
- Tamaño de viaje desinfectante de manos
- Tamaño de viaje pañuelos
- Paquete de toallas
- Mentas para alimento
- Peine
- Productos menstruales

Eventos para adultos

Zumba

La instructora y artista Erika Ochoa presenta esta clase dinámica y entretenida de ejercicio musical. No se requiere experiencia previa. La instrucción se realiza en inglés y español.

Lun., 4 de feb. 7:00-8:00 Large Meeting Room

Colegio de DuPage

Clases de inglés

Clases gratuitas de inglés ofrecidas por el Colegio de DuPage. Las evaluaciones se llevarán a cabo el 22 & 24 de enero. El primer día de clases es el 29 de enero. Para otros horarios llame al Colegio de DuPage 630.942.3697.

Spanish GED Class

El GED es una certificación de equivalencia de la escuela preparatoria estadounidense. El examen de ubicación se realiza el 27 de enero; la clase se inicia el 3 de febrero.

Eventos para niños

Manualidades de invierno

Ven y acompáñanos a hacer manualidades con tema de invierno.

Lun., el 22 de ene. 6:00-6:45

Cuentos y manualidades bilingües

¡Únete a nosotros para cuentos bilingües y manualidades, y aprende algunas palabras nuevas en español!

Lun., el 29 de ene. 6:00-6:30

Haz una cobija (manta) sin coser

Ven y acompáñanos para aprender cómo hacer una cobija sin coser. No se requieren habilidades de costura.

Lun., el 12 de feb. 6:00-7:00

Tecnología, ¡simplificada!

Conceptos básicos de internet

Aprenda sobre los exploradores web y los motores de búsqueda, desarrollarán habilidades para navegar por Internet y descubrirán consejos y trucos para hacer búsquedas básicas y avanzadas en línea.

Dom., 21 de ene. 2:00-3:00 Adult Program Room

Introducción a Microsoft Word (Serie de tres sesiones)

En esta serie de tres partes, los participantes aprenderán a crear y dar formato a documentos con Microsoft Word, así como a realizar acciones sencillas como guardar, abrir e imprimir documentos. Al final de la serie, los participantes serán capaces de redactar documentos para un entorno profesional.

Lun., 5, 12 and 19 de feb. 6:00-7:00 Adult Program Room

Leer y escribir en español

¿Conoce a un adulto hispanohablante que quiere aprender a leer y escribir en español? Este curso de alfabetización de tres meses les enseñará a los adultos hispanos a leer y escribir en español. Esta clase es sólo para los hablantes nativos de español.

Martes y jueves, 30 de ene.-9 de may.

6:30-8:30 Adult Program Room

Aprenda inglés

Inglés para llevar: Literacy-to-Go Kits

¡Pase a retirar una carpeta de ejercicios y actividades para ayudarlo a practicar su inglés! Tenemos una carpeta con nuevas actividades cada otro mes. ¡Visite el segundo piso de la biblioteca para obtener su carpeta o mande un correo electrónico a Ana Beltran abeltran@addisonlibrary.org para recibir una copia digital!

Colegio de DuPage

¿Está buscando clases de inglés o ciudadanía? El próximo semestre de clases comenzará en enero! Le mantendremos al tanto de las fechas de prueba y comienzo.

Grupo de conversación

Diviértase mientras practica sus habilidades de conversación en inglés!

Cada lunes 2:00 Zoom 

Regístrese para recibir el enlace de Zoom

Cada miércoles 7:00 Large Meeting Room

No se requiere registración

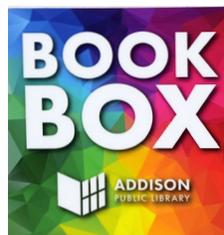
Círculo de lectura

Desarrolle su vocabulario y habilidades de lectura en inglés participando en un grupo pequeño.

Cada martes 11:00 Adult Program Room

No se requiere registración

Regístrate para La Caja de Libros!



El tema para el Book Box de febrero será "Todos los días son el día de la tierra". Registración comienza el 1 de febrero y termina el 4 de marzo. Las cajas estarán disponibles durante el mes de abril.

Los cupos se agotan rápidamente, así que ¡regístrate pronto! Regístrate en addisonlibrary.org/book-box.

Esto se ofrece a las personas con las tarjetas de la Biblioteca de Addison y de todas edades. El espacio es limitado.



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- Mon., Jan. 1**
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- Fri., Feb. 23**
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We welcome patrons of all abilities. To request accommodations, please call us at 630.543.3617.

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SHARING OUR STORY | BY THE NUMBERS

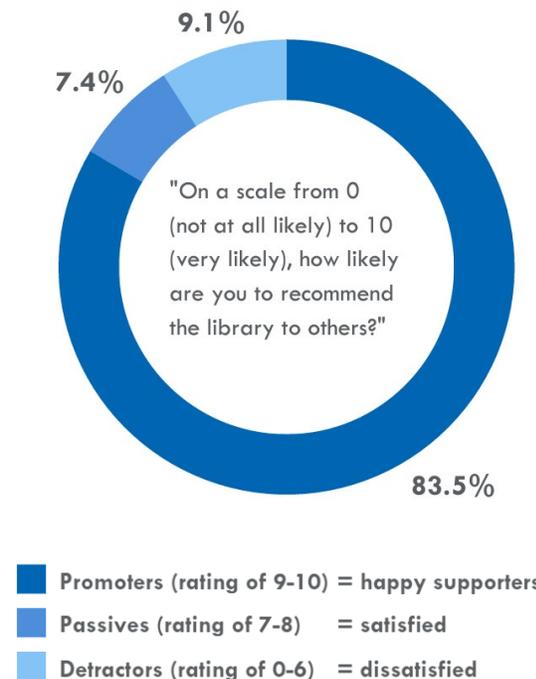
As part of our Strategic Plan, one of our priorities is to share our story. To see how well we're doing and how we're helping our community, we collect and study data and numbers that show our impact.

We update a monthly report of these statistics at addisonlibrary.org/Sharing-Our-Impact.

Let's take a closer look at one of the charts from that report:

Community Satisfaction

More than 8 out of 10 active library cardholders surveyed were **very likely to recommend the Addison Public Library to others.**



What is it?

This chart shows answers to the question: "How likely are you to recommend the library to others, on a scale from 0 (not at all likely) to 10 (very likely)?"

Patrons can also share why they gave that score, but those responses are in a different section, highlighted separately.

Why is it important?

We use this question as a tool to assess the strength of our relationships with cardholders and understand how the library is meeting their needs. We appreciate any and all feedback!

Where does this data come from?

Each week, we send out an email survey to a random sample of 10% of our cardholders with their email address on file. The data you see on the left comes from the second question in this survey.

How can I give feedback?

If you receive a survey from us in your email, please share your opinions! You can also fill out a comment card at the library, or leave feedback online at addisonlibrary.org/feedback.