





Bookmark Design Contest

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Winning designs will be printed and available at the library, while supplies last! Visit our website for full details and guidelines.

Happy National Library Week! Get a Free Library Sticker Pack Apr. 6-12

Stop by the library from Sun., Apr. 6-Sat., Apr. 12 to pick up a free sticker pack to show off your library pride or a colored pencil set—perfect for getting creative in our bookmark contest! While supplies last! Plus, follow us on social media for a special giveaway that week!

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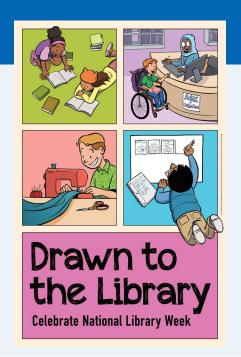
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Pregnancy to Preschool Resource Fair

Join us and APPLE (Addison Partners for Play, Learning & Education) for a FREE morning of activities and information! We will have resources about preschools, childcare, parent education, and information focused on expecting parents and parents of infants, toddlers, and preschoolers. Developmental screenings and prize drawings will also be offered. Drop-in; no need to register!

Sat., Mar. 15 10:00-12:00 Children's Services Department



NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

Sun., Apr. 6 - Sat., Apr. 12

Millions of people across the country visit their libraries every week. What's the draw? Everything.

From stopping in for play and storytime, to sketching out your next creative project in a makerspace, to seeking tech help and everything in between, libraries of all kinds help us connect the dots from one part of our journey to the next.

Chart your next literary adventure by browsing the stacks or joining a book club. Let an author color your imagination at an author talk, outline your big business idea at an entrepreneur workshop, or trace your history with your library's genealogy resources. Make your mark and get involved with your library by volunteering or spreading the word.

Whatever draws you in, the library has something for everyone.

Drawing, Creating, and Reading

Book Tasting: Graphic Novel Edition

Do you love books like *Dog Man* and *Smile*? Find your next favorite graphic novel! Did you know graphic novels are not just fun, but also great for reluctant readers and improving reading skills? We'll share a wide variety of new graphic novels for all types of readers and enjoy some snacks!

Thurs., Mar. 27 6:00-6:45 Children's Services Department

5-Minute Crafts: Bookmarks

Stop by one of our drop-in craft sessions during National Library Week to make your own bookmark! Pick one of our pre-made sublimation designs and heat it onto a polyester bookmark. Limit one per person, while supplies last.

Mon., Apr. 7 3:30-4:30 Creative Studio Tues., Apr. 8 5:30-6:30 Creative Studio Thurs., Apr. 10 10:30-11:30 Creative Studio

Portrait Workshop

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or download the Comics Plus app

OUTREACH & LIBRARY NEWS

Consolidated Election Candidate Forum

Get to know the candidates running for the Addison races in the DuPage County Consolidated Election on Tues., Apr. 1! The forum will be moderated by Missy Mouritsen, a professor of political science at the College of DuPage.

This event is open to the public and will be recorded for future viewing on ACTV.

Tues., Mar. 11 7:00-9:00 Village Hall Board Room



Your Library, Your Voice

The Addison Public Library Board of Trustees will have two open seats on the ballot in the upcoming Consolidated Election on Tues., Apr. 1, 2025. This election is a valuable

opportunity for residents to help shape the future of the library. Your vote and voice make a difference!

Thank you for supporting the library and our mission to serve the community. Have questions or need to register to vote? Contact us at 630.543.3617.

Roaming Resources: Library On-The-Go



We're taking the library on the road! Look for our pop-up services around Addison, where a library staff member will be available to assist with job searches, resumes, tech help, or accessing library services. Whether you need answers, resources, or personalized support, we're here to help!

Fri., Mar. 21 1:00-3:00 Links and Tees Golf Dome, 900 W. Lake St.

Thurs., Apr. 10 3:30-5:00 Muggs-N-Manor, 437 S. Addison Rd.

See You at the Park District!

Pop-Up Library Visits

Look for us at the Addison Park District! At our pop-up library visits you can sign up for a library card, renew a library card, check out items, or return items. We look forward to seeing you!

Mon., Mar. 10 and Apr. 14 9:00-10:30 Club Fitness Tues., Mar. 18 and Apr. 15 11:00-12:00 REC Center





Building Project Updates

Construction on our building began in January! We are currently in Phase 1 of the building project. Phase 1 continues through May 2025.

What to expect during Phase 1 at the library:

- The café and silent reading room are closed—these spaces are where our future staircase will be located!
 Check out the renderings of the new stairs on the left.
- Meeting rooms are unavailable for patron or outside organization reservations.
- Study rooms remain open, but only one room of our rooms can accommodate up to six people.
- Renovations on the third floor are underway, including staff office areas.
- Third floor staff have relocated to the Large Meeting Room, which now serves as a temporary workspace.
- You may notice some noise in the building due to construction. We apologize for the inconvenience and appreciate your understanding as we work to improve our space!

Read about the building project, including FAQs, renderings, and more at addisonlibrary.org/renovation. You can also give us a call at 630.543.3617 or ask a staff member any questions you may have!







Genealogy Club

Explore your family history at our genealogy club! Get research tips, hear expert insights, and share discoveries. No registration needed—just drop in!

Fri., Apr. 11 11:00–12:00 Teen Program Room
Enhancing Your Genealogy Research with Church Records

Guest speaker Jenny Warner will share how church records can reveal more than just baptisms, marriages, and deaths. Uncover clues to immigration, hometowns, and family connections that go back centuries!

Movement & Meditation

Ageless Grace® Timeless Fitness for the Body and Brain

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

Thurs., Mar. 20 and Apr. 17 10:00-11:00 Teen Program Room

Chair Yoga

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

Thurs., Mar. 13, 27 and Apr. 10, 24 10:00-11:00 Teen Program 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., Mar. 19 and Apr. 23 1:00-2:00 Teen Program Room

Meditation at the Library

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

Thurs., Mar. 6 10:00-11:00 Teen Program Room

Tues., Mar. 25 and Apr. 8, 22 1:00-2:00 Teen Program Room

Let's Play!

Trivia

Join our monthly online trivia game! Trivia runs on a loop, so jump in anytime and answer all the questions.

Mon., Mar. 17 – Fri., Mar. 21 www.crowd.live/EYSCL Mon., Apr. 14 – Fri., Apr. 18 www.crowd.live/ZEFH9

Dungeons & Dragons for Adults

Join Adult Services to play the fantasy adventure game Dungeons & Dragons! Enjoy dinner while we roll dice and role play. Create your own character or use one of our premade characters. No experience necessary!

Thurs., Mar. 6 5:30-8:30 Creative Studio Tues., Apr. 1 5:30-8:30 Creative Studio

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., Mar. 21 — Spring Craft 11:00-12:00 Teen Program Room

Fri., Apr. 18 — Game Day 11:00-12:00 Teen Program Room

Self Care & Creativity

For Adults & Young Adults



Bullet Journaling

Discover the art of bullet journaling! Whether you're a beginner or experienced, we'll provide supplies to get you started, or you can bring your own and share ideas with others. Together, we'll explore how to create a personalized system to organize and document your life.

Mon., Mar. 17 7:00-8:00 Teen Prgm. Rm.

Positive Psychology and Self-Care: A Guide to a Balanced Lifestyle

Discover simple strategies to enhance your well-being and lead a more balanced life. Explore ways to use your strengths, practice gratitude, incorporate mindfulness, and embrace self-compassion. Leave with tools to reduce stress, boost your mood, and build positive habits.

Sun., Apr. 6 1:30-2:30 Teen Program 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., Apr. 14 7:00-8:00 Teen Prgm. Rm.



Legal and Immigration Resources

Preparing for Incapacity: Powers of Attorney

Local attorney Lisa Knauf will explain the importance of planning ahead in case of incapacity. She will share her expertise on setting up powers of attorney to make choices about medical care and after-death decisions.

Weds., Mar. 12 7:00-8:00 Teen Program Room

Immigration Help and Appointments

Do you have questions about immigration benefits and the path to citizenship? A DOJ-accredited professional from Alianza Hispanoamericana will offer free, personal consultations at the library. Alianza Hispanoamericana is a non-profit organization that specializes in immigration help, including citizenship applications and Deferred Action Childhood Arrival (DACA) renewal applications.

Fri., Apr. 25 10:00-12:00 Teen Program Room
Drop-in, no appointment required. A consultant will be
available for discussion on a first-come, first-served basis.

Fri., Apr. 25 1:00-4:30 2nd floor desk Appointment required. Sign up for a free 30-minute slot. Registration begins on Apr. 1.

Technology Made Simple

Mouse and Keyboard Basics

If you are new to computers or just want to update your skills, join us and learn basic command keys and how to navigate the keyboard and mouse.

Weds., Mar. 26 6:30-7:30 S20

Cybersecurity Basics

Stay safe online by protecting your accounts and passwords. Explore how to spot common scams and fraud! Weds., Apr. 2 6:30-7:30 S20

More Technology Help

Digital Learn — digitallearn.org

If you are new to computers, haven't used them for a while, are a little unsure and uncomfortable, or just need a bit of a refresher, the tools available on Digital Learn are here to help you tackle technology at your own pace and gain the confidence you need to succeed.

Looking for more help? Make a one-on-one appointment by calling 630.458.3320 or visit addisonlibrary.org/appointments.

College Search 2025: Key Changes and Smart Strategies

The college admissions landscape is constantly shifting, with significant changes to the ACT/SAT, financial aid, and application processes. Learn how test-optional policies are evaluated, what's new with the FAFSA, and strategies to help your student stand out for admissions and scholarships. Join Heidi King from College Inside Track for expert tips on navigating these shifts and finding the right-fit schools. This program is perfect for parents of students in grades 9-11.

Tues., Mar. 4 7:00-8:00 Zoom



History Programs

The Women Who Measured the Stars

Galileo and Newton may be famous, but the women who measured the stars made their own groundbreaking contributions to science. Despite facing sexism and the belief that women couldn't achieve serious scientific accomplishments, these trailblazing astronomers at the Harvard College Observatory in the late 19th and early 20th centuries calculated the distances, temperatures, and composition of stars, shaping our understanding of the universe.

Thurs., Mar. 20 7:00-8:00 Addison Village Hall, Rm. 1301

Molly Brown: Hard Scrabble to High Society

Remembered as "The Unsinkable" Molly Brown, she was more than a survivor of the Titanic disaster. Gold prospector, gambler, and card shark barely scratch the surface of this brave, dynamic woman of the early 20th century. Learn about Molly's fascinating life and meet some of the interesting characters she met along the way.

Weds., Apr. 16 7:00-8:00 Addison Village Hall, Rm. 1301



Language Learning

Spanish Conversation Group

Have fun and make new friends as you practice your Spanish skills! All levels welcome.

Mon., Mar. 24 and Apr. 28 7:00-8:00

Teen Program Room

CREATIVE STUDIO



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.

Upcoming Workshops

Sublimation Printing: Photo Mug

Create a custom mug with your photo on it! 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.

Weds., Mar. 5 6:30-8:00 Creative Studio

Cricut Maker 101

Join this 2-part class to get a crash course on the Cricut Maker, an electronic cutting machine. Learn the basics of the Cricut Design Space design software and then learn how to cut your design into vinyl to decorate your own item.

Registration begins Mar. 1.

Part 1: Weds., Mar. 12 6:30-8:00 Creative Studio Part 2: Weds., Mar. 19 6:30-8:00 Creative Studio

Digital Converting: Home Videos

Learn how to preserve your home videos by digitizing them with Sound Studio equipment. You'll get a demo on 8mm film reels, VHS, VHS-C, Video 8, and Hi-8 tape converting. Fri., Mar. 14 10:00-11:30 Creative Studio

Photo Editing Basics

Learn the basics of editing and repairing photos using Photopea, a free online editor!

Mon., Mar. 17 10:00-11:30 Creative Studio

Cricut: Faux Stained Glass

Create faux-stained glass art using paint and a vinyl decal cut with the Cricut Maker. Adults and grades 9-12 welcome.

Registration begins Apr. 1.

Weds., Apr. 9 6:30-8:00 Creative Studio

Sublimation Printing: Travel Glass

Decorate a mason jar travel glass with a pre-made design. During this class, you will learn how to use the Creative Studio's Sawgrass sublimation printer and Cricut Mug Press. Supplies will be provided for the class. Adults and Grades 9-12 welcome. Registration begins Apr. 1.

Fri., Apr. 11 10:00-11:30 Creative Studio Weds., Apr. 16 6:30-8:00 Creative Studio

Portrait Workshop

Join local artist Antonia Ruppert for a beginner's art workshop. Antonia will show patrons how to trace an image onto canvas and paint a portrait. You'll learn the skills and receive supplies to create your own portrait at home. Adults and grades 9-12 welcome. Registration begins Apr. 7.

Weds., Apr. 23 6:30-8:00 Creative Studio

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., Apr. 30 6:30-8:00 Creative Studio

Grab-and-Go Kits

All grab-and-go kits are available on a first-come, first-served basis while supplies last.



Women's Day Cross Stitch

Create an International Women's Day-themed cross stitch.

Pickup starts Fri., Mar. 7 9:00 AM 2nd Floor

Paint-Dipped Wood Flowers

Create a bouquet of painted wood flowers. Each kit will include several sola wood flowers and acrylic paint.

Pickup starts Fri., Apr. 11 9:00 AM 2nd Floor

DIY Portrait Paintings

Create your portrait by using your own photo, carbon copy paper, and watercolors.

Pickup starts Fri., Apr. 25 9:00 AM 2nd Floor

Maker Challenge

Apr. 1-30 Grades 6-12 and adults

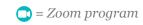
Complete four maker activities during the month of April to earn a Master Maker Certificate and a prize! Pick up a log starting Tues., Apr. 1 on the 2nd floor.

- Watch a Creativebug tutorial
- Watch a Craft & Hobby tutorial
- Submit a 3D print file
- Submit a poster print file
- Record a song in the Sound Studio
- Digitize a VHS tape, vinyl record, or 8mm film
- Attend a Creative Studio program in April
- Complete a Grab-and-Go Kit from April
- Use Creative Studio equipment for your own craft project



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Events For Job Seekers



Pathways to Success

Do you have an advanced degree from your home country? Are you ready to grow your career? Join us for a six-week program created to help you succeed.

This program includes a four-week English pronunciation class and a two-week job search workshop. Learn how to write a strong resume, do well in job interviews, and use language

and career skills to take the next step in your career.

Weds., Mar. 5, 12, 19, 26, and Apr. 9, 16 6:00-7:30 Indian Trail Jr High, Rm. R102

Interview Basics

Feel confident and ready for your next job interview! Discover how to make a great impression, showcase your best qualities, and speak with confidence. Explore strategies to stand out and practice techniques that help you succeed.

Fri., Mar. 7 10:00-12:00 Zoom and Live on Twitch

Perfect Your Elevator Pitch, Become a Networking Star!

Craft an elevator pitch that helps you stand out! Whether you're at a networking event, meeting an employer, or connecting with potential customers, a strong pitch makes a lasting impression. Learn how to create a unique and memorable pitch, explore public speaking tips, and practice your pitch with others to refine your delivery.

Thurs., Mar. 13 7:00-8:30 Zoom 🔾

Demystifying the Job Search

Job searching can feel overwhelming, but it does not need to be! Learn how to set career goals, improve your resume and cover letter, use networking to your advantage, and feel confident in interviews. You'll leave with helpful tools and tips to find your next job!

Thurs., Apr. 10 10:00-11:00 Zoom

Building a Strong LinkedIn Profile

Create a LinkedIn profile that boosts your career! Discover how to make your profile stand out and use search tools to find job openings, people, companies, and groups that can help you. You'll also learn how to use hashtags, @ symbols, and the LinkedIn mobile app.

Tues., Apr. 15 7:00-8:30 Zoom 🔿

Events For Businesses

How to Run a Successful Home-Based Business

Running a business from home can be both exciting and tricky. Learn how to balance work and home life, build trust with customers, and decide when it's time to ask for help. Gain tips and strategies to manage a successful home-based business, whether you're currently running one or thinking about starting one.

Mon., Mar. 17 6:30-8:00 Zoom Presented with SCORE Business Mentoring

Using Gale Business Plan Builder

Learn how Gale Business: Plan Builder can help with your business ideas! This tool makes it easy to create professional business plans that fit your needs. It gives you step-by-step instructions, simple templates, tools to plan your finances, and ways to work with others. Whether you're starting a new business or trying to get funding, Gale Business: Plan Builder can help you create a strong and complete business plan.

Thurs., Mar. 27 12:00-1:00 Zoom 🔾

Identifying and Addressing Business Distress Early

Did you know 1 in 4 new businesses fail in their first year, and fewer than 1 in 3 make it to 10 years? Many business owners miss the warning signs until it's too late. Learn how to spot early signs of trouble—both financially and in other areas. Focus on what's important and take action to keep your business on the path to success. Don't just survive—thrive!

Mon., Apr. 21 6:30-8:00 Zoom

Presented with SCORE Business Mentoring

Personal Finance

Libraries across Illinois are partnering to offer Financial Fitness 2025, a free virtual program series aimed at improving financial literacy. Get expert advice on budgeting, saving, debt management, and more! See page 12 for more info.

Planning for Retirement

Thurs., Apr. 3 7:00-8:30 Zoom Corjoin our viewing party in the Teen Program Room!

Navigating Student Loans: Understanding Your Options

Mon., Apr. 7 7:00-8:30 Zoom

Or join our viewing party in the Teen Program Room!

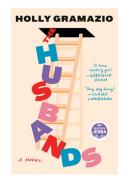
Terry Savage Talks Money

Weds., Apr. 23 7:00-8:30 Zoom 🔾

Or join our viewing party in the Teen Program Room!

Book Discussion Groups

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



The Husbands by Holly Gramazio

Lauren's single life is steady and enjoyable—great friends, a good job, and a cozy flat in south-east London. That changes when she returns home one night to find a stranger in her apartment. His name is Michael, and according to her friends and the photos on her walls, he's her husband. Before she can process this, Michael

disappears into the attic, and another man emerges, along with a slightly altered version of her life. Lauren discovers her attic can provide endless iterations of partners and realities. As she cycles through marriages, some lasting weeks, others just minutes, she questions how to recognize true happiness in a world of infinite choices.

Tues., Mar. 11 7:00-8:00 Aurelio's Pizza

1445 W Lake St. Suite C, Addison, IL 60101



This Other Eden by Paul Harding

In 1792, formerly enslaved Benjamin Honey and his Irish wife, Patience, build a life together on a secluded island. Over a century later, their descendants and a diverse group of neighbors live in poverty and isolation, shielded from the prejudice of the mainland.

In the summer of 1912, retired schoolteacher Matthew Diamond arrives, determined to educate the island's children. His well-meaning but prejudiced efforts disrupt the community's harmony and draw attention from mainland authorities. Influenced by eugenics-thinking, officials plan to evacuate the island, institutionalize its residents, and turn it into a vacation destination. Beginning with a hurricane reminiscent of Noah's Ark, the novel explores themes of survival, displacement, and the resilience of a community facing erasure.

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The Library of Things is our collection of non-traditional items that you can check out! We have things like WiFi hotspots, microphones, puzzles, Legos, tool sets, and more. Did you know that we also have sensory kits? These kits are located on the 2nd floor of the library near the Adult Services desk and can be checked out by Addison Public Library cardholders only.



Calming Sensory Kit

Includes tools to help ease anxiety, stress, restlessness, and sensory overload. Each kit offers a variety of items for relaxation, self-regulation, and keeping hands busy.



Braille Sensory Kit

Includes toys and games for people with low vision, visual impairments, or blindness. Learn Braille with Uno, LEGO, and playing cards, or play by touch with a puzzle cube and dominoes.



Low Vision Sensory Kit

Use MagniPros to make print larger, and have some fun with low vision versions of the following games: playing cards, Bananagrams, dice, tic-tac-toe, and a Rubik's cube.

FOR TEENS & YOUNG ADULTS

After School

Snacks on the Move!

With our renovation underway, our after school snacks will be in the Children's area of the library. The snacks are free to all kids 18 and under, are provided by the Northern Illinois Food Bank, and must be eaten in the Children's space.

Dungeons and Dragons and Teens

Join the Teen Services department on a D&D adventure! Create a character, roll some dice, and work together to navigate a fantasy world. No experience necessary! Weds., Mar. 5, 19 and Apr. 9, 23 4:00-6:00 Teen Prgm. Rm.

Taste the World: Chef Tony Presents Spices 101

Chef Tony of That Rub, LLC will share how he started his own spice business and how he creates his original seasoning blends, which feature spices from around the globe.

Tues., Mar. 4 4:00 Teen Program Room

Taste the World

Try snacks from around the world and learn about a new culture from these global bites.

Tues., Mar. 18, Apr., 8 and 22 4:00 Teen Program Room

Night Programs

Thurder Mursday

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

Thursdays, starting Mar. 6 6:00-7:00 Teen Program Room

For Young Adults



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Mon., Apr. 14 7:00-8:00 **Teen Program Room**

Poetry Month

Poetry Kits and Activities

Stop by the Teen desk starting Tues., Apr. 1 for a poetry goodie bag! Be sure to come by after school for activities and games to inspire your writing project.

Teen Open Mic

The mic is open to teen performers of all kinds: poetry, music, short stories, comedy, and more. It's a perfect opportunity to share



Watch Us on Twitch!

Book Buffet

Grab some grub and join us on Twitch as we discuss books and dive into the next chapter of our harrowing story! Thursdays 10:30-11:30 Live on Twitch

Let's Play: Something Relevant!

There are a lot of changes happening in the library. Join some librarians as they demonstrate a game that feels particularly in touch with what has been going on in the library due to the renovations!

Tues., Mar. 11 11:30-1:00 Live on Twitch (2)



Let's Play: Something Mischievous!

On this day of trickery and silly pranks, we will show off a game that is designed to fit right in with the spirit of the day! Tues., Apr. 1 4:30-6:00 Live on Twitch (9)



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Not on Twitch? All of our Twitch streams are uploaded to our YouTube channel after they air!

Storytimes & Early Learning Programs

Storytimes are a great way to introduce your child to stories, songs, and socialization with other little ones. Registration required unless otherwise noted. *Programs noted as "CS Dept." will be held in the Children's Services Department.*

Discovery Babies & Toddlers

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

Mondays, Mar. 3-Apr. 7 10:00-10:30 Teen Program Room



Tell Me a Cuento

Enjoy drop-in stories and crafts in the Children's Services department and learn new words in Spanish!

Mon., Mar. 3 and Apr. 14 6:00-6:30 Weds., Mar. 19 and Apr. 23 10:00-10:30

Flying High Storytime

Join us for stories and songs all about airplanes and machines that fly!

Weds., Mar. 5 10:00-10:30 CS Dept.

Birth to 3 Jamboree

Stories, songs, and more! Geared toward ages birth-3 years old and their caregivers, but all ages welcome. Please register for each session separately. Please make sure to sign up for just one as the material will be the same in both. Thursdays, Mar. 6-Apr. 10 10:00-10:30 and 11:15-11:45 CS Dept.

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., Mar. 12 10:00-10:30 CS Dept.



Let's Move!

Join us for songs, stories, and fun out in the Children's Services department in this movement-based storytime!

Fri., Mar. 21 and Apr. 25 10:00-10:30 CS Dept. Registration opens Apr. 1.

All Things Green Storytime

Celebrate spring and St. Patrick's Day at this storytime all about the color green!

Weds., Mar. 26 10:00-10:30 CS Dept.

Rainy Day Storytime

Join us for stories and songs all about the fun you can have on a rainy day!

Weds., Apr. 9 10:00-10:30 CS Dept.

Science Club for Littles

Join us in finding out how the world works with different science experiments! Ages 3 and up. Registration opens Apr. 1. Thurs., Apr. 17 4:00-4:45 Creative Studio

LEGO Build & Play Club

Join local therapist Claudia Cirrincoine for a special LEGO program for children ages 4-6. We'll focus on building, playing, and socializing together!

Weds., Apr. 2 11:00-12:00 Teen Program Room Fri., Apr. 18 11:00-12:00 Teen Program Room

Baby Time

Social interactions are important to a young child's development! This program will take advantage of the quickly developing social, intellectual, physical, and emotional skills of little ones. We'll have toys and activities to stimulate playful learning. Geared for ages birth-2 years old, but all ages welcome. Registration opens Apr. 1.

Mon., Apr. 14 and 21 10:00-10:30 Teen Program Room

Toddler Time

Stimulate your child's senses at our sensory table, get them moving with our active toys, and spark their creativity by making some simple crafts or artwork. Geared for toddlers and their adults, all ages welcome. Registration opens Apr. 1.

Thurs., Apr. 17 and 24 10:00-10:45 CS Dept.

For the Whole Family All ages; drop-in!

Piggy Bank Theater / Teatro de la Alcancía

Decorate your own robot or unicorn bank, and learn about what it takes to earn, spend, and save by participating in the Piggy Bank Theater game. This program was made possible by Thinking Money for Kids, a grant provided to the library by the American Library Association.

Sat., Mar. 8 2:00-2:45 CS Dept.

All About Butterflies

Learn about butterflies with a variety of fun activities!

Sat., Apr. 5 2:00-2:45 CS Dept.



Sensory Playtime

Join us for sensory activities and a chance for children and caregivers to socialize! All ages and abilities welcome!

Sat., Apr. 12 2:00-2:45 CS Dept.



For Grades K-5 In-person; registration required unless otherwise noted.

Mixed Media Habitats: Ponds

Join local artist Brigit Goudie to create your very own pond habitat using different types of media and artistic techniques! Thurs., Mar. 13 4:00-4:45 Creative Studio

Robot Club

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

Thurs., Mar. 20 4:00-4:45 Creative Studio



Book Tasting: Graphic Novel Edition

Do you love books like Dog Man and Smile? Find your next favorite graphic novel! Did you know graphic novels are not just fun, but also great for reluctant readers and improving reading skills? We'll share a wide variety of new graphic novels for all types of readers and enjoy some snacks!

Thurs. Mar. 27 6:00-6:45 CS Dept.

Mythological Creatures: Unicorns

Join local artist Brigit Goudie to learn all about unicorns and create your very own unicorn masterpiece!

Thurs., Apr. 3 4:00-4:45 Creative Studio



Spring Flower Wreath

Make a paper flower wreath for springtime! Grades K-5. Mon., Apr. 7 6:00-6:45 Creative Studio

Taste the World Jr.

Learn about food and culture from around the world! We'll have tasty snacks to try and do an art activity related to the culture we're discussing. Please make sure to notify us ahead of time if your child has any food allergies or sensitivities.

Grades 3 and up. Registration opens Apr. 1.

Thurs., Apr. 24 6:00-6:45 CS Dept.

Registered Craft Kits

St. Patrick's Day Craft — Mon., Mar. 10

Make a pot of gold craft for St. Patrick's Day! Available starting Mar. 10; register to reserve your kit!

Easter Craft — Mon., Apr. 7

Make a bunny craft for Easter! Available starting Apr. 7; register to reserve your kit!

Spring Learning Challenge



Join us for the Spring Learning Challenge! Pick up your challenge log at the library starting Tues., Apr. 1 and bring back the completed log by Weds., Apr. 30 for a goodie bag!



Celebrate Ramadan

Join us at the Villa Park Public Library to celebrate Ramadan with a special story and craft activity! Registration not required but encouraged. All ages. Thank you to VPPL for sponsoring this event! Sat., Mar. 1 2:00-2:45 Villa Park Public Library

Pregnancy to Preschool Resource Fair

Join the Addison Public Library and APPLE (Addison Partners for Play, Learning & Education) for a FREE morning of activities and information! We will have resources about preschools, childcare, parent education, and information focused on expecting parents and parents of infants, toddlers, and preschoolers. Developmental screenings and prize drawings will also be offered. Drop-in; no need to register!

Sat., Mar. 15 10:00-12:00 CS Dept.



Pisanki

Pisanki are decorated eggs traditionally done for Easter in Poland. Everyone is welcome to participate in this Eastern European tradition. All those who would like to decorate an egg must register; supplies will only be given to those that register. Children under 8 must be accompanied by a caregiver.

Tues., Apr. 8 6:00-6:45 Teen Program Room

Celebrate Eid al-Fitr

Join us to celebrate Eid al-Fitr with a special story and craft activity! All ages; registration is required for each individual who wishes to attend as space is limited.

Sat., Apr. 19 2:00-2:45 Teen Program Room



Día de los niños

Join us to celebrate Día de los niños (Children's Day) with a fun craft activity and bilingual book giveaway!

Sun., Apr. 27 2:00-4:00 CS Dept.

LITERACY

ELL Books & Bites Book Club

Are you an English learner that enjoys reading? Join us in reading *The Library of Borrowed Hearts* by Lucy Gilmore. Register to get your free copy of the book to keep! We'll read on our own and

together, then discuss over dinner. It's a fun and safe environment to practice your English reading and comprehension skills! Registration is required.

Thurs., Apr. 3, 10, 17, and 24 6:00-7:00 Creative Studio

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 Indian Trail Jr High, Rm. R103 (Drop-in)



College of DuPage Classes

Temporarily, there will be no College of DuPage classes at the library due to the library's renovation project. These classes include **English classes and citizenship classes**. Please contact College of DuPage at 630.942.3697 for other Addison locations and testing dates.

English Reading Circle

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

Tuesdays 11:00 Creative Studio (Drop-in)

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!



Pathways to Success

Do you have an advanced degree from your home country? Are you ready to grow your career? Join us for a six-week program created to help you succeed.

This program includes a four-week English pronunciation class and a two-week job search workshop. Learn how to write a strong resume, do well in job interviews, and use language and career skills to take the next step in your career.

Weds., Mar. 5, 12, 19, 26, and Apr. 9, 16 6:00-7:30 Indian Trail Jr High, Rm. R102

PERSONAL FINANCE PROGRAMS

Public libraries across Illinois are coming together to help residents improve their financial literacy with the launch of Financial Fitness 2025, a free virtual program series designed to empower individuals with practical financial knowledge and skills.

Presented by BIG (Business Interest Group), a coalition of business librarians from the Chicago suburbs, this initiative underscores the libraries' shared mission to provide access to reliable and practical information.

Sign up at addisonlibrary.org/events to get the Zoom link or come to the library to watch each event at our viewing party!

Planning for Retirement

Join John Daly, CFP, for this information packed session about getting ready to retire. Learn what to consider about when to retire, how much money you will need, when to take Social Security and how to invest when you are retired.

Thurs., Apr. 3 7:00-8:30 Zoom/Teen Program Room

Navigating Student Loans: Understanding Your Options

Join Barbara Ginty, CFP® CEPA®, to learn how student loans can affect your long-term finances, including saving for retirement. This program will cover ways to manage student loan payments while also saving for your future. You'll leave with tips on how to balance paying off loans and building a secure financial future.

Mon., Apr. 7 7:00-8:30 Zoom/Teen Program Room

Terry Savage Talks Money

Terry Savage is an expert on personal finance, the economy, and the markets. She is known for her work on TV, radio, in newspapers, and has written several books. Terry will talk about the current economy, financial markets, and personal finance. There will be time for questions! As an independent advisor, she doesn't work for any financial companies, so she is a trusted voice for consumers.

Weds., Apr. 23 7:00-8:30 Zoom/Teen Program Room

SPOTLIGHT ON: SOCIAL SERVICES

Connecting the Community: Meet Yesenia, Our Social Services Specialist

At Addison Public Library, we believe in supporting our community beyond books and we know that sometimes a helping hand can make all the difference.

That's where Yesenia Benavidez, our Social Services Specialist, steps in. Yesenia offers referral-based services and has a wide network of resources to assist patrons seeking social services support.

Whether someone needs help finding housing, accessing healthcare, or navigating legal aid, Yesenia is here to provide guidance and connect patrons to the right resources.



Each day in Yesenia's role looks different—some days she works closely with one patron, guiding them through applications and phone calls, while other days she helps multiple people at once. No matter the situation, her goal is always to ensure that every patron leaves feeling supported and one step closer to a solution.

"A lot of the work I do involves working through complicated systems, making calls, gathering documents, and advocating for patrons," Yesenia explains. "It's not always easy, but knowing that I can be the first step in someone's journey to getting the help they need is rewarding."

"I try and make sure that they leave happy," Yesenia says. "Even if it's just a small step, we've made progress."

Addressing Community Needs



Yesenia helps assemble kits during our MLK Day of Service.

Yesenia works closely with local organizations like the People's Resource Center, Outreach House, and the DuPage Health Department to ensure the library is a bridge to essential services.

Many patrons come in seeking financial assistance, help with food insecurity, or resources for mental health support. Building

strong relationships with these partners is key to providing support to those in need.

"It's amazing to see how word of mouth spreads. People tell their friends and family about the help they've received, and it strengthens our community connections," she says.



Since the fall of 2023, the library has partnered with Dominican University to add an intern to our team. Our current intern, Dianne, brings a background in crisis work and a passion for social work. She has been a great addition to the library and our community.

Making an Impact

For many, reaching out for help can feel overwhelming. Yesenia makes sure that appointments are private and confidential. She also provides assistance in Spanish and works to provide materials in multiple languages whenever possible.

"Many people are intimidated or don't know where to start," Yesenia explains. "Libraries are seen as safe spaces, and having a social services specialist in this setting makes these resources more approachable."

One of Yesenia's recent success stories is about a family that had just moved to the U.S. She helped them secure housing and connected them with an organization that helped furnish their home. Today, they're regular library visitors and even participate in library programs. "Seeing them thrive and stay involved in the library makes all the hard work worth it," she shares.

How to Connect with Yesenia

If you or someone you know could use assistance, Yesenia is here to help. Patrons can make an appointment by calling her directly at 630.458.3306, submitting an appointment request online at addisonlibrary.org/appointments, or stopping by the library. Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments are recommended.

EN ESPAÑOL

Eventos para niños



Dime un Story

iÚnete a nosotros para cuentos bilingües y manualidades, y aprende algunas palabras nuevas en español! No necesitas inscribirte. Lun., el 3 de mar. y el 14 de abr. 6:00-6:30 Miér., el 19 de mar. y el 23 de abr. 10:00-10:30

Teatro de la alcancia

iÚnete a nosotros en el departamento de Servicios para niños para el Teatro de la Alcancía! Decorarás tu propia alcancía de robot o de unicornio y aprenderás lo que se necesita para ganar, gastar y ahorrar participando en el juego Teatro de la Alcancía. Este programa fue posible gracias a Thinking Money for Kids, una subvención otorgada a la biblioteca por la American Library Association. Este evento se llevará a cabo en el departamento de Servicios de niños. Sáb., el 8 de mar. 2:00-3:00

Feria de Prenatal a Preescolar

iÚnete a la biblioteca pública de Addison y APPLE para disfrutar una mañana GRATIS de actividades e información! Tendremos recursos sobre escuelas preescolares, cuidado infantil, educación para padres e información enfocada en padres de bebés, niños pequeños y niños en edad preescolar. También se ofrecerán exámenes de desarrollo, examenes de desarrollo y tendremos sorteos. No necesitas inscribirte. Este evento se llevará a cabo en el departamento de Servicios de niños.

Sáb., el 15 de mar. 10:00-12:00



Todo sobre mariposas

iAprende sobre las mariposas con una variedad de actividades divertidas! Este evento se llevará a cabo en el departamento de Servicios de niños. Sáb., el 5 de abr. 2:00-2:45

Corona de flores de primavera

Ven y acompáñanos para crear una corona de flores de papel para la primavera. Por favor inscribete antes de tiempo. Grados K y para arriba.

Lun., el 7 de abr. 6:00-6:45 Creative Studio



Día de los niños

iÚnete a nosotros para celebrar Día de los niños con una manualidad divertida y un sorteo de libros bilingües! Este evento se llevará a cabo en el departamento de Servicios de niños. Dom., el 27 de abr. 2:00-4:00



Aprenda inglés

Inglés para llevar: Literacy-to-Go Kits

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

Círculo de lectura

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

Cada martes 11:00 Creative Studio

No se requiere registración

Grupo de conversación

iDiviértase mientras práctica sus habilidades de conversación en inglés!

Cada lunes 2:00 Zoom



Registrese para recibir el enlace de Zoom

Cada miércoles 7:00 Indian Trail Jr High, Salon R103 No se requiere registración

Clases de Colegio de DuPage

Temporalmente, no habrá clases de Colegio de DuPage en la biblioteca a partir del semestre de primavera debido al proyecto de renovación de la biblioteca. Estas clases incluyen clases de inglés y clases de GED en español. Por favor, póngase en contacto con COD llamado al 630-942-3697 para recibir información de otras ubicaciones en Addison y sus fechas de exámenes.

Registrate para La Caja de Libros!

El tema para el Book Box de junio será "giro inesperado". Registración comienza el 1 de abril y termina el 4 de mayo. Las cajas estarán disponibles durante el mes de junio.

Los cupos se agotan rápidamente, así que iregístrate pronto! Registrate 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.

Ayuda y citas para inmigración

¿Tiene preguntas sobre los beneficios de inmigración y el camino a la ciudadanía? Un profesional reconocido por DOJ de Alianza Hispanoamericana ofrecerán consultas personales gratuitas en la Biblioteca de Addison. No necesita cita; un consultor será disponible para discusiones por orden de llegada. Alianza Hispanoamericana es una organización sin fines de lucro que especializa en inmigración, incluyendo aplicaciones de ciudadanía y solicitudes de renovación para Acción Diferida para los Llegados en la Infancia (DACA).

Vier., 25 de abr. 10:00-12:00 Teen Program Room No se requiere una cita. El consultor estará disponible por orden de llegada.

Vier., 25 de abr. 1:00-4:30 2nd floor desk Se requiere cita. Inscribase gratuitamente para una cita de 30 minutos. La inscripción comienza el 1 de abril.

Semana Nacional de las Bibliotecas: Abril 6-12, 2025



Millones de personas en el país visitan la biblioteca cada semana. ¿Qué los atrae? ¡Todo!

Ya sean las pequeñas familias que disfrutan las horas de cuento, los estudiantes delineando su proyecto en el makerspace, o las personas mayores buscando ayuda con

tecnología, las bibliotecas nos ayudan a conectar los puntos de una parte de nuestra jornada a la siguiente.

Trace su próxima aventura literaria al caminar por los libreros o participar en un club de lectura. Deje que un autor coloree su imaginación en una charla de autor, delinea su gran idea de negocio en un taller, o retrase su historia con recursos genealógicos.

Sea cual sea el llamado, ¡la biblioteca tiene algo para todos!

Concurso de diseño de marcapáginas

En el espíritu del tema de este año de la Semana Nacional de las Bibliotecas, ilos invitamos a diseñarnos un marcapáginas!

iTodas las edades están invitadas a participar! A partir del lunes 10 de marzo, recoja una plantilla en la biblioteca o descárguelo en addisonlibrary.org/bookmark-contest. Entregué su diseño antes del 13 de abril a las 5:00 PM.

Los diseños ganadores se imprimirán y distribuirán en la biblioteca. iVisite nuestra página para ver más información y las reglas del concurso!



Caminos hacia el éxito

¿Tiene un título superior de su país de origen? ¿Está motivado para avanzar en su carrera? Si es así, le invitamos a unirse a nosotros en la serie de talleres Pathways to Success a partir de marzo. Ofreceremos una clase de pronunciación de cuatro semanas y dos sesiones sobre cómo elevar su búsqueda de empleo.

Miér., 5, 12, 19, 26 de mar. y 9, 16 de abr. 6:00-7:30 Indian Trail Jr High, Rm. R102

Eventos para adultos

Grupo de conversación en español

¡Diviértese y haga nuevos amigos mientras practica su español! Todos los niveles son bienvenidos.

Lun., 24 de mar. y 28 de abr. 7:00-8:00 Teen Program Rm.

Introducción a las Finanzas Personales

Aprenda los conceptos básicos de los presupuestos, interés compuesto e inversión inteligente durante esta sesión informativa. La sesión es perfecta para cualquier persona que desee mejorar sus conocimientos financieros.



Miér., 9 de abr. 6:30-7:30 Teen Program Room

Tecnología, ¡simplificada!

Introducción a Microsoft Excel (Serie de dos partes)

En esta serie de dos partes, aprenda como las celdas y hojas de cálculo de Microsoft Excel permiten a los usuarios manipular, calcular y dar formato fácilmente a números y otros tipos de datos.

Lun., 10 y 17 de mar. 6:00-7:00 S20

Computación básica (Serie de dos partes)

Si quiere aprender cómo usar una computadora, iesta es la clase para usted! Esta serie de dos partes hablará sobre como usar el ratón y el teclado, navegar la computadora y organizar sus archivos.

Miér., 16 y 23 de abr. 11:00-12:00 S20



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Exploring Space with Coralie Adam

Get an inside look at the space industry with Illinois' own Coralie Adam. She'll be joined in conversation by Renae Kerrigan, Curator of Science and Director of the Dome Planetarium at Peoria Riverfront Museum.

Tues., Mar. 4 7:00-8:00 Zoom 🗅



Documentary Screening: 9to5: The Story of a Movement

Watch the award winning documentary from the comfort of your home! The documentary highlights the creation of the 9to5 movement, established to fight for workplace equity and against wage discrepancy and was the basis for the feature film, *9 to 5*, starring Jane Fonda, Dolly Parton, and Lily Tomlin.

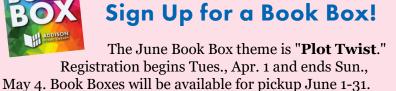
Fri., Mar. 21 1:00 PM - Sun., Mar. 23 11:59 PM Register to get the viewing link!



The Art of Foraging with Alexis Nikole Nelson

Alexis Nikole Nelson is a forager and an outdoor educator using her platforms to celebrate all the edible plants hiding in plain sight. She peels back historical layers on African American and Indigenous food traditions that have traditionally been repressed and empowers those living in food deserts with greater self-sufficiency. Alexis will be joined in conversation with Natalie Evans, a wild edible foods instructor.

Thurs., Apr. 10 7:00-8:00 Zoom 🔘



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