



*Read more about our community mural on page 4.*

## **FREE EARLY DISMISSAL LUNCH** **ALMUERZO GRATUITO DE** **SALIDA TEMPRANA**

School's out early and we're hosting a free lunch at the library to children 18 and under. Meals are provided by the Northern Illinois Food Bank. They are nut-free and usually include a sandwich, fruit, and milk.

Tendremos almuerzo gratis en la biblioteca para todos los niños menores de 18 años. Proporcionado por el Banco de Comida Northern Illinois.

**Thurs., Mar. 2 11:30-12:30**

## **MAKEHERSPACE SERIES** **STARTS MARCH 1**

Join us in March for our MakeHERspace event! Throughout the month, we will have a variety of programs including a Meet the MakeHER video series, International Women's Day inspired crafts, presenters from local trade schools, and more! This is a gender-inclusive series of programs that anyone and everyone is welcome to participate. Find more information on page 3.

## **APRIL IS NATIONAL POETRY** **WRITING MONTH**

Turn to page 2 to check out the activities we have planned for you!

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## Celebrate National Library Week with Us!

**For this year's National Library Week (Apr. 23-29), we want to hear from you!**

Everyone knows they can visit the library to find a story, but did you know we offer so much more?

Tell us about the last time you were delighted by an item you checked out, a program you attended, a service you used, or a staff member you connected with.

Share your side of the story in person or online at [addisonlibrary.org/because-APL](http://addisonlibrary.org/because-APL). Each submission will count as an entry to win a free gift!



### Don't have a library card?

To register yourself or your child for a library card, you need a photo ID with your current address. If your photo ID doesn't have your current address, please bring in an item from the proof of address list on our website at [addisonlibrary.org/get-a-card](http://addisonlibrary.org/get-a-card).

Any student in grades 6-12 under the age of 18 who lives in Addison can sign up for a Teen Limited Access card without a parent or guardian. A Teen Limited Access card allows you to borrow a charging cable and a combination of up to three library materials at a time: books, video games, DVDs/Blu-rays, CDs, audiobooks, and items from the Library of Things collection. Indian Trails students can sign up by showing us your school ID and filling out a library card application. Addison Trail students and private school students can sign up by showing a school document with proof of address, such as a report card, schedule, or transcript.

### Pop-Up Library Visits

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

**Mon., Mar. 13 & Apr. 10** 9:00-11:00

**Club Fitness** 1776 W. Centennial Place

**Tues., Mar. 21 & Apr. 18** 11:00-1:00

**Community Rec Center** 120 E. Oak Street

# NaPoWriMo

## NATIONAL POETRY WRITING MONTH

### For Children

Our Spring Learning challenge will inspire young readers and writers with a variety of fun poetry activities. Logs will be available starting April 1. Complete your log by April 30 and receive a goodie bag with poetry-themed prizes!



### For Adults & Teens

#### NaPoWriMo

Join poets across the country and write 30 poems in 30 days. It could be rap, a novel in verse, blackout poetry, or whatever inspires you. We'll help you track your progress, set milestones, get feedback and connect with a community of writers. Write 30 poems and get an exclusive tshirt!

Sign up and get a starter kit with a branded tote, some goodies to get you motivated, and a poetry challenge. Stop by the second floor of the library throughout the month to pick up button badges for your writing achievements like completing 10 poems, using a simile, or performing your poem. We'll also have daily activities like magnet poetry or rhyming challenges to spark your creativity and get your writing.

Or join us for one of these events:

#### Poetry Circles

We'll provide the snacks and inspiration, but the poetry is up to you. Get feedback from other writers or dive deep into your own writing.

**For Teens: Apr. 5, 10, 20, & 25** 6:00-7:00 Teen Program Room

**For Adults: Mon., Apr. 3** 7:00-8:00 Adult Program Room

#### Poetry Slam

Share your poem, rap, song, or just listen and support your friends. Published poet and Poetry Slam master, Vann Harris, will MC.

**Thurs., Apr. 27** 7:00-8:30 Large Meeting Room

# MAKEHERSPACE

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 = Zoom program

## Meet the MakeHER

The Creative Studio invites you to our Meet the MakeHER series, a series of interviews showcasing women in maker or STEAM careers. A new video will release every Friday on the Addison Public Library YouTube Channel. Visit [youtube.com/AddisonLibrary](http://youtube.com/AddisonLibrary) to watch them all!

## Explore the Space

### Creative Studio Tours

Get an hour-long tour of the Creative & Sound Studios! The Studios are a creative space in the library designed for all types of making: 3D printing, sewing, photo edits, recording, and more. Staff will explain what projects you can do on each machine. Each tour will begin in the Creative Studio and end with a Q&A to help you plan your next project.

**Thurs., Mar. 9 6:00 Creative Studio**

**Thurs., Mar. 9 7:00 Creative Studio**

**Fri., Mar. 17 10:00 Creative Studio**

**Fri., Mar. 17 11:00 Creative Studio**

## Creative Studio Take Home Kits

*Kits are available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Limit of one per person.*

### Stitch-a-Long

Join us for a 3-week International Women's Day themed stitch-a-Long. A stitch-a-long is a cross stitch pattern of which parts of the pattern are released one at a time. Register to receive an email of the pattern or stop by the Creative Studio for a print copy.

**Week 1 Pattern: Mar. 8 9:00**

**Week 2 Pattern: Mar. 15 9:00**

**Week 3 Pattern: Mar. 22 9:00**

*Registering for the program does not guarantee supplies. A limited number of kits with supplies for the cross-stitch pattern will be available on March 8 at 9:00 in the Creative Studio.*

### "Empowered Women Empower Women" Sign

Pick up a take home kit from the Creative Studio! The kit includes a blank wood panel, paint, brushes, and pre-cut stencil vinyl made using our electronic cutters. The stencil will say "Empowered Women Empower Women" in celebration of Women's History Month.

*The kits and video will be available starting Monday, March 13.*

## Start a Career Making

### Symbol Training: How to get CNC Trained

Curious about a career as a CNC operator? Come meet Symbol Training, a CNC trade school here in Addison! During this session, Symbol Training will talk about their training program, explain what CNC machines and operators do, and financial aid resources available to those seeking careers in CNC.

**Tues., Mar. 7 7:00 Adult Program Room**

*Can't make it in person? Watch the Our Friends in Addison: Symbol Training video at home anytime on YouTube!*

### Project Hire-Ed: Join in an Apprenticeship Program

Come learn about College of DuPage's apprenticeship program! This presentation will talk about how you can Start Your Career Now by earning a full time salary, benefit and have the training paid for. Available in-person and on Zoom.

**Tues., Mar. 14 7:00 Large Meeting Room**

## Events For Adults

### The Why's and When's of Car Maintenance

This class covers the foundational maintenance items, what they do in their specific systems, why they should be changed in addition to things like the owner's manual, and what preventive maintenance even means. This class is presented by Mechanic Shop Femme on Zoom.

**Wed., Mar. 15 7:00 Zoom**

### 3D Printing Basics

Learn the basics of 3D printing! This class will teach patrons how to find free 3D designs, suggestions for free 3D designing programs, and how to submit 3D requests for the Creative Studio's 3D printer.

**Fri., Mar. 24 10:00 Adult Program Room**

## Events For Children

### Up & Away!: Women in Space Story Time

Join us for a thrilling story time celebrating women in space! We'll learn about pioneering astronaut Mae Jemison and do a fun space craft activity.

**Weds., Mar. 29 10:00-10:30 Children's Program Room**

## Spotlight On: Friends of the Addison Public Library

Through their fundraising efforts, the Friends support the mission of the library by donating funds and volunteer hours. Their next major fundraising effort is the Magazine Sale on March 6th! If you prefer books, you can always stop by the Book Sale shelf in the lobby. All items are a dollar or less, and are in new or like-new condition.

These fundraising efforts have supported a variety of projects during the last year. Last summer, the Friends funded our Book Bike Intern, who rode around town and attended events like Rock N' Wheels to bring books into the community. They made it possible for us to pass out board books at the Medinah Shriners Parade.

This past fall, they funded our very first Artist in Residence, Antonia Ruppert! Antonia held a series of events to explore what makes Addison so special and designed a mural for us. We invite everyone to see *Addison: Growth & Friendship for Life* on display in Children's Services. Thank you to our Friends of the Library!

### Interested in becoming a Friend?

Visit [addisonlibrary.org/join-friends](http://addisonlibrary.org/join-friends) to learn more.

A graphic for a magazine sale. The background is a collage of various magazine covers, including titles like 'RESTAURANTS', 'AMERICA', 'How to Survive', 'CLEAN IN', 'REALSIS', and 'How to'. Overlaid on this is the text 'MAGAZINE SALE' in large, bold, white letters with a black outline. Below that, '\$1.00/BUNDLE' is written in a similar style. At the bottom, 'STARTS MARCH 6' is written in white on a dark blue background. Underneath that, in smaller white text, it says 'Sale continues through Mar. 14 or while supplies last. Proceeds benefit the Friends of the Addison Public Library.'

## Local Author Highlight

### Addison Writer's New Chapbook Blends Poetry & Prose to Create a Powerful Portrait of Life with Chronic Illness

Addison resident Laura McPherson has been writing professionally for over a decade, balancing her writing skills between both fiction and nonfiction. By day, McPherson writes in a more corporate style; by night, she unleashes her creativity and focuses on personal projects.

Her latest project, an experimental chapbook called *inVISIBLE*, was published in 2022 and is now available to borrow at the Addison Public Library.

"I'm so grateful to the library for deciding to add my book. It's very validating as an author," said McPherson.

McPherson aspired to become a professional writer as early as second grade, when she began reading longer books and finding herself absorbed by their stories.

"Even before I was writing professionally, I was writing in



my spare time," said McPherson. "When I began writing professionally, I worked in an office setting, which gave me the chance to hone my skills by learning to adopt other voices than my own. If I have to point to something that developed me as a writer, it would be that experience."

McPherson's latest work, *inVISIBLE*, is a testament to her ability to write in a wide variety of styles. The experimental chapbook blends poetry, prose, and a few surprises like QR codes to weave a tapestry of her experience navigating chronic illness.

"I was going through a tough time where I needed surgery during the pandemic, and accessing care was extremely difficult. The surgery kept getting canceled, and every time it got canceled, it became a different surgery because meanwhile my issue was getting worse," said McPherson. "So every morning, when I had to take care of myself, I was on my phone writing memos: self care memos, or sometimes just venting into my phone. After a while, I looked back at the memos and realized there was potential to be something more."

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## Collection Updates



### Our World Language collection is expanding!

With an increase in demand for titles, we've recently added a Ukrainian language book collection! We also have books available in Gujarati, Urdu, Spanish, and Polish. In the children's area, you can find books in Spanish, Polish, Ukrainian, Italian, German, French, Arabic, and Chinese! Visit [addisonlibrary.org/world-languages](http://addisonlibrary.org/world-languages) to get started.

### New Spanish Manga collection!

We now have a Spanish manga collection! Manga is a Japanese-style comic book that can be for adults or children. Our new collection is for adults. The series we've added so far include *One-Punch Man*, *Black Butler*, *Chainsaw Man*, and *My Hero Academia*. Find them on the second floor!

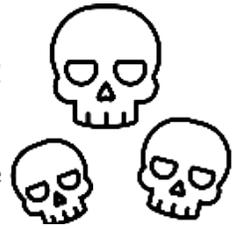


### What's easier to listen to than a book on CD? A Playaway!

Check out our Playaway collection to find the newest audiobooks! Playaways are small, portable devices that you can listen to with headphones or use the provided cable to connect to your car. Each small Playaway contains an entire book. You just need a AAA battery to listen.

### The adult horror collection is now easier to browse!

We've pulled out the adult horror collection so it's easier for horror fans to find—and easier for the rest of us to avoid! Previously the books had been interfiled with the adult fiction collection and had a sticker to mark them as horror. Now these creepy, spooky books have their own call number and space on the shelves. Find them on the second floor.... if you dare.



### Interested in a little romance?

The young adult romance books have been pulled into their own category. This popular genre focuses on a love story. The book may be set in a dystopian future, a historical time period, a Midwestern high school, or possibly in all three of those! If you need help finding a book that's just right for you, please ask staff. We love helping people find their perfect book match.



## Database Highlight

### Financial Ratings Series Online

The Financial Ratings Series online database offers independent, unbiased financial strength ratings of banks, credit unions, insurance companies, and investment ratings.

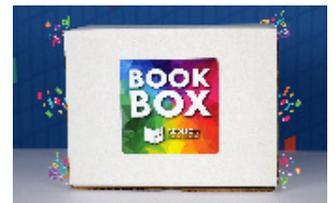
You'll also find free financial planning ebooks in their financial literacy section.



Want to learn more? Visit page 7 for details on our upcoming information session.

## Sign Up for a Book Box!

The June Book Box theme is "Delicious". Registration begins Apr. 1 and ends May 7. Book Boxes will be available for pickup June 1-30.



Sign up at [addisonlibrary.org/book-box](http://addisonlibrary.org/book-box). Open to Addison Public Library cardholders of all ages. Space is limited.



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## Upcoming Workshops

### The Why's and When's of Car Maintenance

This class covers the foundational maintenance items, what they do in their specific systems, why they should be changed in addition to things like the owner's manual, and what preventive maintenance even means. This class is presented by Mechanic Shop Femme on Zoom.

**Wed., Mar. 15 7:00 Zoom**

### 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.

**Thurs., Mar. 23 6:30 Creative Studio**

**Thurs., Apr. 27 6:30 Creative Studio**

### 3D Printing Basics

Learn the basics of 3D printing! This class will teach patrons how to find free 3D designs, suggestions for free 3D designing programs, and how to submit 3D requests for the Creative Studio's 3D printer.

**Fri., Mar. 24 10:00 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!

**Fri., Apr. 7 10:00 Adult Program Room**

### Maker Mondays

Drop in to make a craft using the Creative Studio equipment. Explore our creative studio and make something special: 3D printed keychains, custom mugs, decorated tote bags, and more. We'll provide all the materials so drop in and take your creation home.

**Mon., Apr. 10 & 24 4:00-5:00 Creative Studio**

### Digital Converting: 8mm Film to MP4

Learn how to use the Creative Studio's digitization equipment to convert 8mm film reels to MP4. This class will provide a demo of the converting process. Note: The Wolverine converter works with 8mm and Super8 film reels, but does not work with 8mm or Hi8 video tapes.

**Fri., Apr. 14 1:00 Adult Program Room**

### Sew a Produce Bag

Celebrate Earth Day by sewing a produce bag in the Creative Studio! Materials are provided for this craft. Register for a time slot at [addisonlibrary.org/ProduceBag](http://addisonlibrary.org/ProduceBag).

**Fri., Apr. 21 Creative Studio**

### 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!

**Fri., Apr. 28 10:00 Adult Program Room**

## Technology Made Simple

### Gmail Basics

Learn to create a free Google Gmail email account and use its features to send, receive, and organize email messages in this class. Computers will be provided.

**Tues., Mar. 28 6:00-7:00 Adult Program Room**

### Microsoft Word Basics

Learn how to create text-based documents using Microsoft Word, as well as how to complete simple actions like saving, opening, and printing documents in this class. Computers will be provided.

**Tues., Apr. 4 6:00-7:00 Adult Program Room**

## Make at home!



We have so many unique items to keep your creativity going at home! We have a STEM totes collection that includes fun learning kits like Snap Circuits so you can experiment with electricity. Or you could try a new hobby like knitting by hand, knitting by machine, or origami!

Scan the QR code to explore all the kits!





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## Events For Job Seekers

### Job Search Help (Drop-In)

Need help with your job search and not sure where to start? Come to the library to learn about how our staff and our network of community partners can help you land your dream job! 1-on-1 consultations will be provided based on a first come, first served basis.

**Wed., Mar. 8** 1:00-2:00 Adult Program Room

**Thurs., Apr. 6** 7:00-8:00 Adult Program Room

### Communicating in a Diverse Workplace

The U.S. workforce is more generationally and culturally diverse than ever before. Communicating and working with different generations and cultures requires patience and understanding. Learn from the People's Resource Center how to value new ideas, and embrace the change that each individual brings.

**Tues., Mar. 14** 10:00-11:00 Zoom

### Your Remote Workspace

Lauren Milligan from ResuMAYDAY will show participants how to source and set up the necessities for a home office, especially on a budget. Learn about finding remote work, conducting Zoom interviews, how to ask if a job will be temporarily or permanently remote and working effectively without the benefits of in-person coworkers.

**Thurs., Mar. 23** 7:00-8:30 Zoom

## Pick Up a New Job Toolkit!

New Job Toolkits are free folders of helpful information for job seekers that you can pick up from the library any time we're open!



We worked with our community partners to build a comprehensive toolkit to guide you through every part of the job search process, from using job search websites and updating your resume to interviewing and negotiating your salary.

You'll also find a flash drive that you can use to store your cover letter and resume documents, as well as information about online resources and equipment you can use with your Addison Public Library card!

## Business Workshops

### 16 Steps to Starting a Business While

#### Working Full Time (Part 2)

Do you want to create your own business, but need the security of your full-time job? Developing a company while still employed is not only possible but actually offers several benefits. At this highly interactive discussion, we will share how you can develop your own business while working full time.

**Mon., Mar. 27** 6:30-8:00 Zoom

### Protect your Piggy Bank

Join Tom Kilkenny from Weiss Financial Ratings for a demonstration of Financial Ratings Series online database which offers independent, unbiased financial strength ratings of banks, credit unions and insurance companies and investment ratings. This presentation will show the functionality and teach us how to create an account, set up a watchlist for your bank, insurance company, stocks and mutual funds, how to create research tools (screeners) and run a Medigap report.

**Tues., Apr. 4** 2:00-3:00 Adult Program Room

### Conflict Management

Conflict in the workplace is inevitable, and if left unresolved can strain employee relationships. In this workshop from the People's Resource Center, you'll learn about the various types of conflict, what causes them, and how to resolve them in order to successfully navigate stressful situations for positive outcomes.

**Tues., Apr. 11** 10:00-11:00 Zoom

### Financial Essentials for a Startup Business

Are you thinking of starting your own business and don't know where to start financially? Join SCORE Master Mentor John Galati for a workshop on everything you need to know about the financial side of a startup business from start to finish.

**Mon., Apr. 17** 6:30-8:00 Zoom

### Green up Your Business

Learn eco-friendly tips that will save you money and save the environment! SCARCE will cover green audits and other simple, attainable changes you can make to your business.

**Tues., Apr. 25** 7:00-8:00 Adult Program Room

## Featured Events

### Bullet Journaling for Everyone

Join us for an introduction to Bullet Journaling! We'll have supplies to get you started or bring your own to share with others while creating a meaningful way to organize and document your life.

**Mon., Mar. 13** 7:00-8:00

Large Meeting Room



### Food Network Chef Gale Gand Teaches: The Best Blueberry Orange Scones

Chef Gale Gand, nationally acclaimed pastry chef, restaurateur, cookbook author, television personality, teacher, and entrepreneur, demonstrates how to prepare the best blueberry orange scones. Tastes will be provided!

**Mon., Mar. 20** 7:00-8:00

Large Meeting Room



### April Showers! Rain Barrels, Rain Gardens and Native Plants

Come learn how rain barrels, rain gardens and native plants work together to foster healthy ecosystems in your yard. You can also sign up for a free consultation for your property and grab free handouts from Jim Kleinwachter of The Conservation Foundation.

**Mon., Apr. 17** 7:00-8:00

Large Meeting Room



### Ask a Firefighter!

Have you ever wondered what a day in the life of a firefighter looks like? Do you want to know how many smoke detectors your home needs? Now is your chance to meet the Addison Fire Protection District's fire educator Randy Ahlgrim and ask him all your burning questions. All ages welcome!

**Fri., Mar. 10** 11:00-12:00 Large Meeting Room

**Thurs., Apr. 13** 7:00-8:00 Large Meeting Room



## History Comes Alive

### Martina Mathiesen: Women in History

Join us to take a fascinating look at dynamic women in history that have impacted our lives. History comes alive as Martina Mathisen introduces herself as several significant women with entertaining storytelling to share their life experiences. Co-sponsored by Addison Historical Society.

**Thurs., Mar. 16** 7:00-8:00 Large Meeting Room

### Lewis & Clark: The Louisiana Purchase

Have you ever wondered how the land of the Louisiana Purchase was explored and what the explorers were hoping to find? Terry Lynch joins us to answer these questions and more as he portrays Meriwether Lewis and shares stories of the Corps of Discovery Expedition travels west from St. Louis to the Pacific. Co-sponsored by Addison Historical Society.

**Thurs., Apr. 20** 7:00-8:00 Large Meeting Room

### Diana, Princess of Wales

In this engaging historical enactment, national award-winning storyteller Megan Wells brings to life the charismatic and complex Diana Spencer. In Megan's portrayal, Diana talks in warm conversation, conveying and sometimes confessing her unique experiences.

**Mon., Apr. 24** 7:00-8:00 Large Meeting Room

## National Poetry Writing Month

Look to page 2 for ways to participate in the NaPoWriMo challenge.

## Plan Your Future

### Medicare for Veterans

Did you know that Military Healthcare benefits can be combined with Medicare benefits to provide better overall healthcare at a lower cost to Veterans? Rich George from Advocate Health Advisors' Veterans Initiative Program joins us to educate Veterans and their spouses about their options to improve their healthcare.

**Thurs., Mar. 9** 7:00-8:00 Adult Program Room

### Can You Afford to Retire?

Learn how to determine your financial readiness for retirement with several self-evaluation exercises. From the nuances of applying for Social Security to understanding the Ten Critical Questions of Retirement, this session is designed to empower you!

**Tues., Apr. 11** 7:00-8:00 Large Meeting Room



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## Meet Your Neighbors

### Talking Politics

Get out of your echo chamber! Discuss and debate political issues with your neighbors in this safe space.

**Weds., Mar. 1 & Apr. 5** 7:00-8:30 Large Meeting Room

### Hot Topics Round Table

We'll be discussing three hot topics that can range from legal issues, politics, foreign policy, business, education, and more. Let your voice be heard during this discussion!

**Weds., Mar. 22 & Apr. 26** 7:00-8:30 Large Meeting Room

## Movement & Meditation

### Chair Yoga

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

**Thurs., Mar. 9 & 23 and Apr. 13 & 27** 10:00-11:00

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., Mar 16 & Apr. 20** 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., Mar. 22 & Apr. 12** 1:00-2:00 Large Meeting Room

### Tai Chi

Tai Chi is a mind-body exercise comprised of low impact, slow form moving meditation. Local instructor, Sawat will guide participants in this practice. Beginners welcome!

**Thurs., Mar. 30 & Apr. 6** 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., Mar. 27 & Apr. 10** 7:00-8:00 Large Meeting Room

## 1-on-1 Appointments

We can help you do more with your phone, learn how to use our research tools, and more! To get started, visit [addisonlibrary.org/appointments](http://addisonlibrary.org/appointments) or contact us.

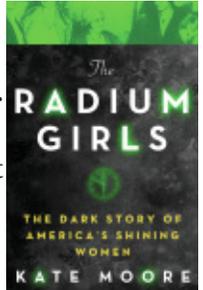
## Book Discussions

*Books are available at the library.*

### **The Radium Girls: The Dark Story of America's Shining Women by Kate Moore**

The Curies' newly discovered element of radium makes gleaming headlines across the nation as the fresh face of beauty and wonder drug of the medical community. Meanwhile, hundreds of girls toil amidst the glowing dust of the radium-dial factories. The glittering chemical covers their bodies from head to toe; they light up the night like industrious fireflies. With such a coveted job, these "shining girls" are the luckiest alive—until they begin to fall mysteriously ill.

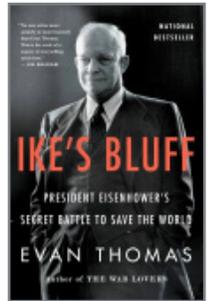
**Tues., Mar. 14** 7:00-8:00 Adult Program Room



### **Ike's Bluff: President Eisenhower's Secret Battle to Save the World by Evan Thomas**

In 1953, Dwight Eisenhower made good on his campaign promise to end the Korean War. To end the hostilities, Eisenhower would take a colossal risk by bluffing that he might use nuclear weapons against the Communist Chinese, while at the same time restraining his generals and advisors who favored the strikes. Ike's gamble was of such magnitude that there could be but two outcomes: thousands of lives saved, or millions of lives lost.

**Tues., Apr. 18** 7:00-8:00 Adult Program 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., Mar. 17 & Apr. 14** 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.



**Mon.-Fri., Mar. 13-Mar. 17**

[crowd.live/RZBWY](https://crowd.live/RZBWY)



**Mon.-Fri., Apr. 17-Apr. 21**

[crowd.live/CS8JS](https://crowd.live/CS8JS)

## Resources for Civic Engagement

### Register to Vote

The Consolidated General Election is on **April 4, 2023**. You can register online at [ova.elections.il.gov](http://ova.elections.il.gov), but you can also register to vote at the library!

Staff can register any qualified DuPage County resident who can provide two forms of ID (at least one should contain a current address). Contact the Adult Services Department at 630.458.3320 for more information.



### Looking for information about the upcoming election?

Go to [addisonlibrary.org/voter-information](http://addisonlibrary.org/voter-information) to check voter registration deadlines, find your closest voting location, and find non-partisan sources that you can use to be an informed voter.

### Do elections and taxes stress you out? You're not alone!

Join us for some fun, de-stressing activities like meditation, chair yoga, tai chi, and bullet journaling. See pages 8-9 for more ways to de-stress at the library.

If group activities aren't for you, try searching "stress relief" in our catalog ([discover.addisonlibrary.org](http://discover.addisonlibrary.org)) to find the perfect stress relief activity for you.

McPherson workshopped her chapbook in an online writing class, where her classmates did more than provide valuable feedback; they shared their emotional experiences with her chapbook as well.

"There were a couple other people in my class that also have invisible illnesses that I didn't know about until they started sharing their feedback with me," said McPherson. "People told me they felt seen reading my writing and I realized that if people were responding to my work, I definitely wanted to push it further and get it published."

When her chapbook was complete, McPherson began reaching out to publishers and connected with Alien Buddha Press to see if they would consider publishing her work.

"I was feeling unsure about the chapbook. It's short and it fills a weird niche: it's not quite poetry, it's not quite nonfiction, so I wasn't expecting much when I started reaching out," said McPherson. "But when I got the email from my publisher that they wanted to go forward with my chapbook, that was so huge to me."

McPherson said that while her chapbook deals with serious themes surrounding life with chronic conditions, it is also about hope: finding ways to take care of yourself and find something around the corner to look forward to, even when

### Need help with your tax preparation?

With the holidays over, tax season is officially here! The deadline for filing your federal tax return this year is **April 18, 2023**.

Although we can't do your taxes for you, we have some tools to help!

- Computers for printing important tax documents; such as 1040, 1099, W-2, and W-4.
- Send files to print from home at [addisonlibrary.org/print](http://addisonlibrary.org/print)
- Scan and email documents for free.
- *Fax documents for \$1/page.*

You didn't think we'd make a list and not mention books, did you? We have tax preparation, guide, and advice books on topics like income tax, taxes for landlords, small business taxes, and tax deductions.

For more information, contact the Adult Services Department at 630.458.3320 or visit us on the 2nd floor.



times are tough.

"I think everyone knows someone who has some kind of chronic condition. But even so, there's universality in the kinds of struggles I have, whether you have an invisible illness or not," said McPherson. "When you're dealing with invisible illnesses, or even visible illnesses, we often feel compelled to hide how we're feeling because there's social pressure to do so. *inVISIBLE* is a glimpse behind the curtain. I just hope the people who need to find it will find it."

As for aspiring authors, McPherson says the key to success is to write, write, write...but to write for yourself before anything else.

"People respond to honesty. Whether I'm writing creative nonfiction, horror, literary fiction, and everything in between, the heart of it all is honesty. And if you're being honest, your audience will find you," said McPherson. "Embrace your weird. There's a huge market out there for people being weird and honest. I say, go for it."

Local authors who want to submit their book to the library's collection or want to learn how to self-publish their book can learn more and get started at [addisonlibrary.org/LocalAuthors](http://addisonlibrary.org/LocalAuthors).

# FOR TEENS AND YOUNG ADULTS



Most Teen Services programs are "Drop-In" and do not require registration.

## Free Early Dismissal Lunch

School's out early and we're hosting a free lunch at the library to children 18 and under. Meals are provided by the Northern Illinois Food Bank. They are nut-free and usually include a sandwich, fruit, and milk.

**Thurs., Mar. 2 11:30-12:30 Large Meeting Room**

## After School Activities for Teens

### Maker Mondays

Drop in to make a craft using the Creative Studio equipment. Explore our Creative Studio and make something special: 3D printed keychains, custom mugs, decorated tote bags, and more. We'll provide all the materials so drop in and take your creation home.

**Mon., Apr. 10 & 24 4:00-5:00 Creative Studio**

### Hive Studio

We'll turn the library into an artist's studio. Learn how to make amazing Cosplay accessories in March and make a mini air dry clay monster in April. All materials are provided.

**Mon.-Thurs., Mar. 20-24 3:00-4:00 Large Meeting Room**

**Mon.-Thurs., Apr. 3-6 3:00-4:00 Large Meeting Room**

### Hive Lab

We'll turn the library into a science lab! Use LittleBits to make a mini-machine in March and create your own bouquet of chromatography flowers in April. All materials provided.

**Mon.-Thurs., Mar. 13-17 3:00-4:00 Large Meeting Room**

**Mon.-Thurs., Apr. 17-20 3:00-4:00 Large Meeting Room**

### 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., Mar. 16 & Apr. 13 3:15-4:15**

## Homework Help at the Library

### Get Help with Homework

Meet with a librarian or volunteer from local colleges in our Children's Services area for assistance with homework or skill building. For grades K-8 on a first come, first served basis.

**Tuesdays 4:00-5:30 Children's Services**

### 1-on-1 Appointments

You can book a 1-on-1 appointment with library staff to get help with a quick homework problem or learn how to use the library's online resources to work on school projects. Start at [addisonlibrary.org/appointments](http://addisonlibrary.org/appointments).

# NaPoWriMo

## NATIONAL POETRY WRITING MONTH

Join poets across the country and write 30 poems in 30 days. It could be rap, a novel in verse, blackout poetry, or whatever inspires you. We'll help you track your progress, set milestones, get feedback and connect with a community of writers. Write 30 poems and get an exclusive tshirt!

Sign up and get a starter kit with a branded tote, some goodies to get you motivated, and a poetry challenge. Stop by the second floor of the library throughout the month to pick up button badges for your writing achievements like completing 10 poems, using a simile, or performing your poem. We'll also have daily activities like magnet poetry or rhyming challenges to spark your creativity and get your writing.

Or join us for one of the poetry events listed below!

### Poetry Circles

We'll provide the snacks and inspiration, but the poetry is up to you. Get feedback from other writers or dive deep into your own writing.

**Apr. 5, 10, 20, & 25 6:00-7:00 Teen Program Room**

### Poetry Slam

Share your poem, rap, song, or just listen and support your friends. Published poet and Poetry Slam master, Vann Harris, will MC.

**Thurs., Apr. 27 7:00-8:30 Large Meeting Room**

## Events for Young Adults

### Ask a Firefighter!

Have you ever wondered what a day in the life of a firefighter looks like? Do you want to know how many smoke detectors your home needs? Now is your chance to meet the Addison Fire Protection District's fire educator Randy Ahlgrim and ask him all your burning questions. All ages welcome!

**Fri., Mar. 10 11:00-12:00 Large Meeting Room**

**Thurs., Apr. 13 7:00-8:00 Large Meeting Room**

### Young Adult Night (Drop-In)

Come and relax! Watch anime, hang out, play games, or get crafty. Each night is a little bit different, so come with something to share, or use the library's collection of supplies and games.

**Mons., Mar. 20, 27, & Apr. 17 7:00-8:00 Teen Program Room**

### New Calendar Feature!

There's a new Young Adult tag on the events calendar! Filter to see programming for people 18-25ish.

## Story Times & Early Learning Programs

Join us for story times in the building! All ages and registration required unless otherwise noted.

### Movement Stations (Drop-In)

At this program for littles, we'll have some special toys in the Children's Services area for you to try. Practice yoga moves, walk the balance beam, or move across some stepping stones.

**Fri., Mar. 3 and Mar. 31** 10:00-12:00

### Discovery Story Time

Join us for stories, songs, and action rhymes! Geared toward ages 2-5, but all ages welcome.

**Mon., Feb. 27-Mar. 20** 10:00-10:30

**Mon., Apr. 3-Apr. 24** 10:00-10:30

### Music & Motion

Did you know singing helps your child develop their language skills and learn new words? Join us for this fun program with a heavy focus on music, singing, and plenty of movement too! Geared toward ages 2-5, but all ages welcome.

**Tues., Mar. 7 and Apr. 4** 2:00-2:30

### Birth to 3 Jamboree

Stories, songs, & more! Geared toward ages birth-3 but all ages welcome. We now offer two different start times for this program; the story time will be the same during each time slot.

**Thurs., Mar. 2-Mar. 23** 10:00-10:30 and 11:15-11:45

**Thurs., Apr. 6-Apr. 27** 10:00-10:30 and 11:15-11:45

### Nature Story Time with The Morton Arboretum

You're invited to an interactive nature storytime with an early childhood educator from The Morton Arboretum as we explore how weather, trees, and animals change with the season!

**Weds., Mar. 8,** 10:00-10:30

### It's a Rainbow Story Time

Join us for some colorful stories about the best part of a rainy day!

**Weds., Mar. 15** 10:00-10:30

### Let's Move!

Enjoy songs, stories, and fun in this movement-oriented story time! Limit 15 participants.

**Fri., Mar. 17 and Apr. 7** 10:00-10:30

### STEAM Story Time

Join us for this special story time focusing on STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math) especially for preschoolers! Geared toward ages 3-5.

**Tues., Mar. 21** 10:00-10:30

**Tues., Apr. 25** 10:00-10:30 *Registration opens Apr. 1.*



*Claudia Orozco of Healing Pups introduces participants to her therapy dog Marlie, Jan. 2023*

### Up & Away!: Women in Space Story Time

Join us for a thrilling story time celebrating women in space! We'll learn about pioneering astronaut Mae Jemison and do a fun space craft activity.

**Weds., Mar. 29** 10:00-10:30

### April Fool's Day Story Time

Come share a good laugh at all the funny things that happen on April Fool's Day.

**Weds., Apr. 5** 10:00-10:30

### Spring Evening Story Time (Drop-In)

Join us for an evening of stories and crafts all about spring! All ages welcome.

**Tues., Apr. 18** 6:30-7:00

### All About Baseball Story Time

Baseball season has started! Join us for stories about this great game.

**Weds., Apr. 19** 10:00-10:30

### Baby & Toddler Playtime

Join us for an informal play time and meet new people, or see your friends from story time. Listen to some music, play with our special toys for babies and tots, and socialize!

**Thurs., Apr. 27** 10:00-10:45 *Registration opens Apr. 1.*

## 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.

1,000 books may sound like a lot, but if you read just one book per night with your child, they'll reach the finish line in under 3 years!





**Registration is required for library programs unless listed as "Drop-In."** Registration for most children's events opens on or before **Mar. 1**. Register online at [addisonlibrary.org/events](http://addisonlibrary.org/events), by phone at 630.458.3338, or ask staff for help.

## Spring Learning Challenge: Celebrate Poetry

Our Spring Learning Challenge will inspire young readers and writers with a variety of fun poetry activities. Logs will be available starting April 1. Complete your log by April 30 and receive a goodie bag with poetry-themed prizes!



## Special Events

### Spring Fling Dance Party

Join Innovation Arts Connection to discover the magic of imaginative play with singing, exploration, and learning new dance skills! We'll explore multiple styles of dance and read a spring story together. Please wear comfortable clothing and dance shoes if you have them. Limit 12 participants; please make sure to register.

**Fri., Mar. 10 10:00-10:30**

### Pisanki

Join Krystyna & Julia Jaroc to create a Polish-inspired Valentine's Day Craft! Limit 25 participants; all participants who want to make a craft must register. All children under 5 must be accompanied by a caregiver.

**Tues., Mar. 28 6:00-7:00**

### Celebrate Ramadan

Celebrate Ramadan with a special read aloud by Shirin Shamsi, author of *Zahra's Blessing* and a craft activity! All ages; registration encouraged but not required.

**Sat., Mar. 25 2:00-2:30**

### Día de los niños Story Time with The Language Labs

Join us to celebrate Día de los niños/Día de los libros with The Language Labs! We'll read stories and do an activity celebrating children and their families, and all participants will receive a free book to take home.

**Sat., Apr. 22 2:00-2:30**

### Ask a Firefighter!

Have you ever wondered what a day in the life of a firefighter looks like? Do you want to know how many smoke detectors your home needs? Now is your chance to meet the Addison Fire Protection District's fire educator Randy Ahlgrim and ask him all your burning questions. All ages welcome!

**Fri., Mar. 10 11:00-12:00 Large Meeting Room**

**Thurs., Apr. 13 7:00-8:00 Large Meeting Room**

## For the Whole Family

### Drop-In LEGOs

Join us for LEGO fun and create your own masterpiece!

**Sat., Mar. 11 2:00-2:45**



*Patrons pose with their completed masterpieces at the Valentine's Day Craft with Krystyna program, Feb. 2022*

## For Grades 1-5

### DIY Cardboard Castle

Travel back to medieval times by creating a fortress out of cardboard. All supplies will be provided for making your own castle creation to take home.

**Thurs., Mar. 9 4:00-4:45**

### DIY Digital Art

Join us to make digital art! We'll learn about different digital tools (such as Canva) you can use to create your own masterpiece.

**Thurs., Mar. 16 4:00-4:45**

### Robot Club

Have you ever wanted your own robot? Come check out our Coji bots and learn how they work. Limit 6 participants.

**Thurs., Apr. 13 4:00-4:45**

### Earth Day Art Painting

Celebrate Earth Day through art! Join local artist Brigit Goudie to create an Earth Day painting masterpiece. Limit 8 participants. Registration opens Apr. 1.

**Thurs., Apr. 20 4:00-4:45 Registration opens Apr. 1.**

## 1-on-1 Appointments

Children's Services staff are available for reading, math, homework help, and early literacy appointments. To get started, go to [addisonlibrary.org/appointments](http://addisonlibrary.org/appointments).

## Comparta su historia

### ¡Se celebra la Semana Nacional de las Bibliotecas del 23 a 29 de abril!

Todos saben que pueden encontrar cuentos, novelas e historias en la biblioteca, ¿pero sabía que ofrecemos mucho más?

Cuéntenos sobre la última vez que quedo encantado con algún artículo que se llevó a casa, un programa en el que participé, un servicio que utilicé o un empleado que me ayudó.

Comparta su versión de la historia en persona o en la página [addisonlibrary.org/because-APL](https://addisonlibrary.org/because-APL). Cada respuesta le dará una entrada en el sorteo.



### ¿No tiene tarjeta de la biblioteca?

Para obtener una tarjeta para usted o su hijo, necesita un ID (identificación) con fotografía y la dirección actual. Si su identificación con fotografía no tiene la dirección actual, favor de traer un documento de la lista de comprobantes de domicilio en la página [addisonlibrary.org/tarjeta](https://addisonlibrary.org/tarjeta).

Los estudiantes en los grados 6-12 que son menores de edad pueden obtener una tarjeta de Acceso Limitado para Adolescentes sin la presencia de un padre/tutor. Una tarjeta de Acceso Limitado para Adolescentes le permite pedir prestado un cable de carga y una combinación de hasta tres materiales a la vez: libros, videojuegos, DVDs/Blu-rays, CDs, audiolibros, materiales descargables y artículos de la colección Library of Things.

## Libros y mas

### ¡Tenemos manga en español!

Manga es una novela gráfica de estilo japonés que son populares con los adultos y adolescentes. Las series que hemos agregado hasta ahora incluyen One-Punch Man, Black Butler, Chainsaw Man y My Hero Academia. ¡Encuéntrelos en el segundo piso!

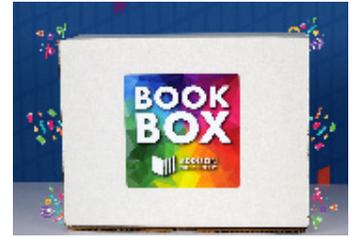
### Libros nuevos para adultos

¿Sabía que agregamos libros nuevos cada mes? Tenemos una variedad de libros para todos los gustos e intereses. Puede sacar libros, películas y otros materiales prestados sin costo alguno con su tarjeta de la biblioteca. Si vive en Addison y no tiene tarjeta, visítenos en el departamento de Guest Services.

## ¡Regístrate para el Book Box!

El tema para el Book Box de junio será "Delicioso". Registración comienza el 1 de abril y termina el 7 de mayo. Las cajas estarán disponibles durante el mes de junio. Los cupos se agotan rápidamente, así que ¡regístrate pronto!

Esto se ofrece a las personas con la tarjeta de la Biblioteca de Addison y de todas edades. Regístrate en [addisonlibrary.org/book-box](https://addisonlibrary.org/book-box).



## Recursos para la participación cívica

### Regístrese para votar

Las elecciones generales consolidadas son el **4 de abril** de 2023. ¿Está registrado para votar? Puede registrarse en línea en [ova.elections.il.gov](https://ova.elections.il.gov), ¡pero también puede registrarse para votar en la biblioteca!

El personal puede registrar a cualquier residente calificado del condado de DuPage que pueda proporcionar dos formas de identificación (al menos una debe contener su dirección actual). Para más información, llame al 630.458.3320.



### ¿Necesita ayuda con la preparación de la declaración de impuestos?

¡Ya llegó la temporada de los impuestos! La fecha límite para presentar su declaración personal de impuestos es el **15 de abril, 2023**.

No le podemos llenar su declaración de impuestos, ¡pero si tenemos herramientas para ayudarlo!

- Computadoras para imprimir los documentos necesarios; como los formularios 1040, 1099, W-2, y W-4.
- Envíe sus documentos a imprimir desde casa usando la página [addisonlibrary.org/print](https://addisonlibrary.org/print).
- Escanear y enviar documentos por correo electrónico sin costo.
- Enviar documentos por fax (\$1/página).

Para más información, comuníquese con el departamento de Servicios para Adultos al 630.458.3320 o visítenos en el segundo piso.





Se requiere registro para los programas de la biblioteca, a menos que se indique “Drop-In” (no es necesario registrarse). También puede registrarse en línea en [addisonlibrary.org/events](http://addisonlibrary.org/events), por teléfono al 630.458.3320 o pida ayuda al personal.

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## Eventos para niños

### Hora de cuentos de Día de los niños con The Language Labs

¡Acompáñanos para celebrar el Día de los niños/Día de los libros con The Language Labs! Vamos a leer cuentos y hacer una actividad para celebrar a los niños y sus familias, y todos los participantes recibirán un libro gratis para llevar a casa.

**Sáb., 22 de abr. 2:00-2:30**

## Eventos para adultos

### Zumba

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

**Lun., 27 de mar. y 10 de abr. 7:00-8:00 Large Meeting Room**

## Tecnología, ¡simplificada!

### Conceptos básicos de las computadoras

Si quiere aprender cómo usar una computadora Windows, ¡este es la clase para usted! Enseñaremos cómo navegar la computadora, organizar sus archivos, usar el teclado y mucho más.

**Dom., 19 de mar. 2:00-3:30 Adult Program Room**

### Introducción a Microsoft Word

¿Necesita escribir una carta, ensayo u otro documento? En esta clase, aprenderá cómo hacerlo usando Microsoft Word. También aprenderá cómo formatear el texto con Word y usar otras funciones del programa.

**Dom., 16 de abr. 2:00-3:30 Adult Program Room**

### Haga una cita

¿Necesita ayuda con consultas o tecnología?  
¿Desea desarrollar su negocio? ¡Nuestro personal le puede ayudar! Ofrecemos citas virtuales y en persona:  
[addisonlibrary.org/citas](http://addisonlibrary.org/citas)

## Aprenda inglés

### Inglés para llevar: Literacy-to-Go Kits

¡Pase a retirar una carpeta mensual de ejercicios y actividades para ayudarlo a practicar inglés! Inscríbese aquí para recibir su kit e informarse de lo que ofrecemos: [addisonlibrary.org/ESL](http://addisonlibrary.org/ESL)

### Grupo de conversación

Diviértase mientras practica sus habilidades de conversación en inglés!

**Cada lunes 2:00 Zoom**

**Cada miércoles 7:00 Adult Program Room**

### Círculo de lectura

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

**Cada martes 11:00 Adult Program Room**

## Clases de College of DuPage

Las siguientes clases ya están en sesión. Para información sobre las clases en el semestre del verano, comuníquese con el College of DuPage al 630.942.3697.

- **Clases de inglés: 30 de ene.-15 de mayo**
- **Ciudadanía: 4 de feb.-13 de mayo**
- **GED en español: 4 de feb.-13 de mayo**

## PO POLSKU

Zadzwoń pod numer 630.458.3418 aby uzyskać więcej informacji.

### Pisanki

Pisanki są tradycyjnie wykonywane w Polsce w czasie Wielkanocy. Każdy jest mile widziany w uczestnictwie w tej wschodnio-europejskiej tradycji. Każdy kto chce malować pisanki musi się zarejestrować; materiały będą dawane tylko tym którzy się zarejestrują. Ograniczenie jest do 30 uczestników.

**Wtorek, 28 Marca 6:00-7:00**



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## 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** Adult Program Room

No registration required

## English Reading Circle

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

**Tuesdays 11:00** Adult Program Room



Wednesday night's English Conversation Group ringing in the new year, Dec. 2022

## Literacy-to-Go Kits



Pick up a kit with exercises and activities to help you improve your English.

Stop by the library or sign up at [addisonlibrary.org/English](https://addisonlibrary.org/English).

## College of DuPage Classes

Current classes in session:

- English Classes: **Jan. 30-May 15**
- Citizenship: **Feb. 4-May 13**
- GED Prep in Spanish: **Feb. 4-May 13**

For more information, please contact College of DuPage at 630.942.3697 or [ela@cod.edu](mailto:ela@cod.edu).