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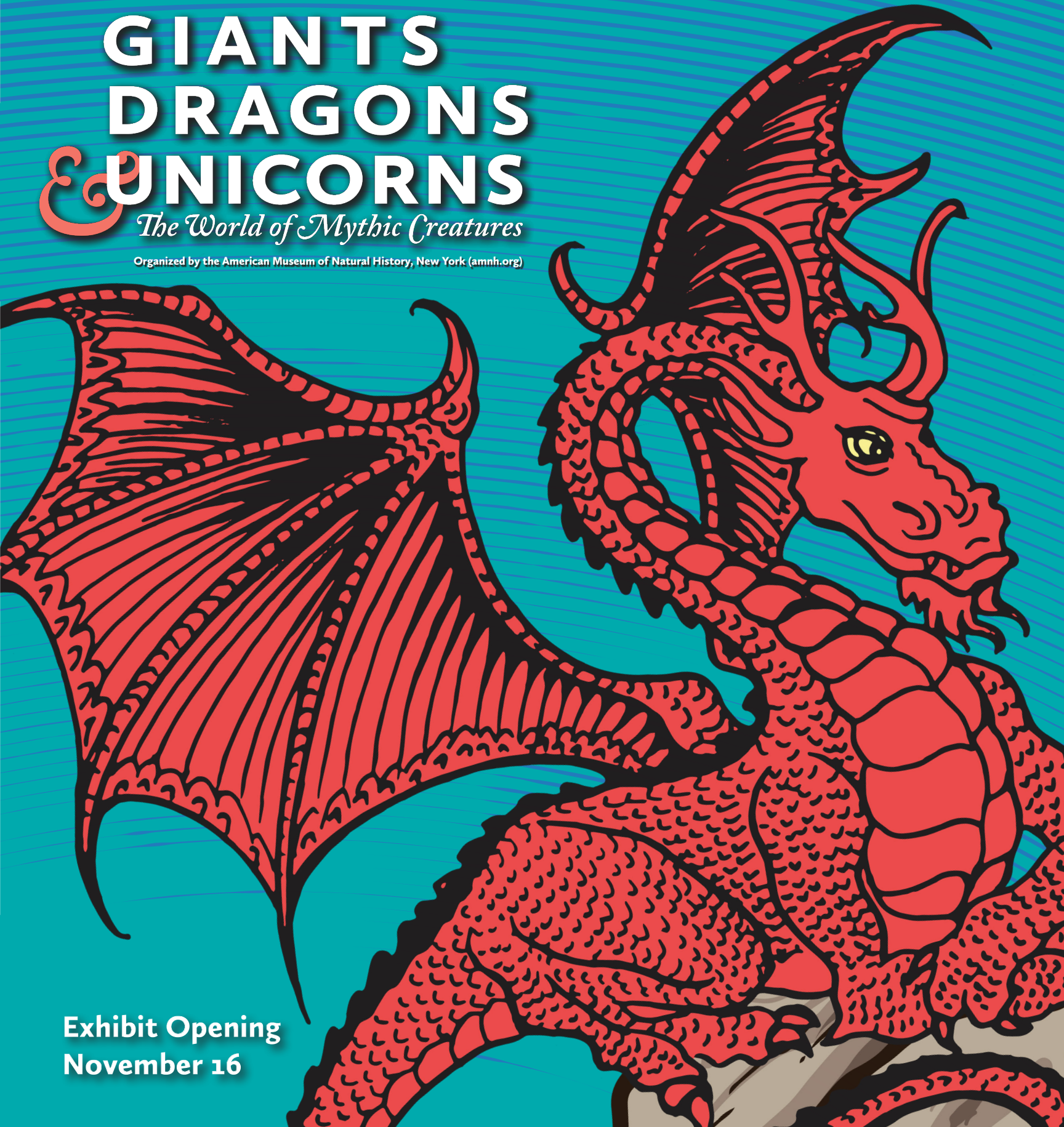
September – November 2024

GIANTS DRAGONS & UNICORNS

The World of Mythic Creatures

Organized by the American Museum of Natural History, New York (amnh.org)

Exhibit Opening
November 16





From the Director's Desk, Erica Christianson

Libraries are full of stories of magical creatures and fantastic beings. This fall, we explore the inspiration for many of these mythic creatures through the exhibition, **“Giants, Dragons and Unicorns: The World of Mythic Creatures,”** on loan from the American Museum of Natural History, NY, NY.

Opening on November 16 and running through February 2, the exhibit combines unique cultural objects, dramatic models, and multimedia to tell the stories behind the legends of our favorite mythical creatures.

Make room on your calendar to join us for the exhibit's opening festivities (see pages 4-5).

We are incredibly excited to bring this unique interactive exhibit to our community. We look forward to sharing this experience with you.



Library Receives Award for Excellence in Financial Reporting

We are extremely pleased to announce that the Library is a recipient of the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for FY2023. This is the second consecutive year EAPL was awarded this honor.

The Certificate of Achievement is given to local governmental bodies that go beyond the minimum requirements of generally accepted accounting principles to prepare detailed and transparent financial reports. Our annual comprehensive financial report was judged to meet the high standards of the program, which includes demonstrating a “constructive spirit of full disclosure to clearly communicate its financial story.” This award illustrates our commitment to being an outstanding stewardship of taxpayers' dollars.



Vote Early @ the Library

The Library is an early voting location. Any eligible voter resident of Lake County may vote early at EAPL.

Dates and times for early voting are set by Lake County and are as follows:

Early Voting – Meeting Room A

- **Week of Monday, October 21 Mon. – Fri. 9am-5pm; Sat. 9am-2pm; Sun. 10am-4pm**
- **Week of Monday, October 28 Mon. – Fri. 9am-7pm; Sat. 9am-4pm; Sun. 9am-4pm**
- **Monday, November 4, Day Before Election: 9am-7pm**

Election Day – Meeting Rooms A & B (If the Library is your polling place.)

- **Tuesday, November 5, 6am-7pm**

Voting Resources:

Lake County Voter Services: <https://www.lakecountyl.gov/332/Voter-Services>

Voter Power for Registered Voters: <https://www.lakecountyl.gov/351/Voter-Power-for-Registered-Voters>



2023-24 SNAPSHOT

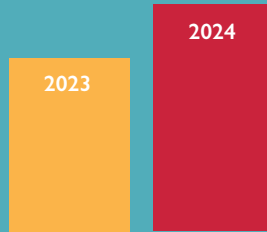


PEOPLE THROUGH OUR DOORS

2024 204,851

2023 179,064

↑ **14% Increase**



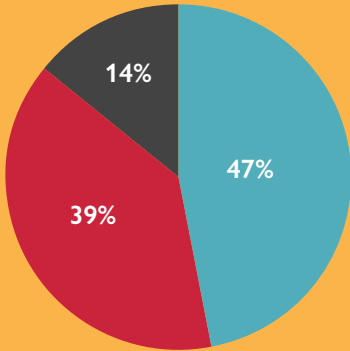
DRIVE UP VISITS

4,553



DAYS OPEN

354



1,046,444

TOTAL ITEMS BORROWED

Books – 489,818

A/V – 107,905

eContent – 412,185



16,203

TOTAL ACTIVE CARDHOLDERS

New Library Cards Issued - 2,246



529



PATRONS CHECKED OUT
EXPLORE MORE ILLINOIS &
MUSEUM ADVENTURE PASSES



4,860

DOCUMENTS
NOTARIZED



27,536

PATRONS RECEIVED
TECHNOLOGY ASSISTANCE



1,409

3D PRINTS
IN FORGE



44,627

REFERENCE QUESTIONS
ANSWERED



11,926

ONLINE DATABASE SESSIONS
(Help with Stock Investments, Market
Research, Archived News and More)



2,381

PASSPORT
APPLICATIONS
PROCESSED

87,404

PARTICIPATED IN ACTIVITIES
OFFERED BY THE LIBRARY

Adult & Teen – 14,403

Youth – 54,633

Forge – 18,368



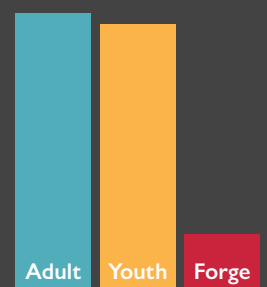
1546

TOTAL NUMBER
OF PROGRAMS

Adult & Teen – 711

Youth – 682

Forge – 153



GIANTS DRAGONS & UNICORNS

The World of Mythic Creatures

November 16 – February 2

About the Exhibit

For thousands of years, humans around the world have brought mythic creatures to life in stories, music, and works of art. Some of these creatures symbolize danger – others promise to bring luck or joy. Uncover the origins and significance of legendary creatures of the air, land, and water such as sea monsters, mermaids, unicorns, griffins, dragons, and more to see how they give shape to humankind's greatest hopes and fears, and most passionate dreams.

Organized by the American Museum of Natural History, New York (amnh.org)



OPENING



Mystic Medallions

Collect the set of coins (6) by attending various special events throughout the exhibit. These will be noted in publicity.



 *Indicates Exhibit Program, Pages 12-15*

SAT., NOV. 16

- **CRAFTS: Mythical Maker Lab: All Day, Mythic Creature Headbands: 9am-4pm**



Windy City Mermaids: 9AM-12PM; Pirate Captain: 10AM-1PM; Costumed Characters: 2-4PM

Meet three mermaids from the cool waters of Lake Michigan and its surrounding rivers. See magical characters from near and far roam the exhibit.



Stories of Mythical Creatures: 1PM



Join award-winning storyteller and musician Kelly Campos for captivating stories featuring mythical creatures from folk tales, fairy tales, and myths re-told. Using the power of music, Kelly twists the Disney default in fun and interesting ways.

- **Airbrush Tattoos: 2-4PM**



G FESTIVITIES

SUN., NOV. 17

- **CRAFTS: Mythical Maker Lab: All Day, Mythic Creature Headbands: 12-4pm**



Mythical Music: The Hurdy Gurdy: 1PM



Mary Vanhoozer brings live hurdy gurdy music to the exhibit space. Enjoy the enchanting sound of this rare instrument with roots from the 12th century.



- **Birds of Prey presented by Wings and Talons: 2PM (R)**

Learn about fascinating aspects of raptors like their characteristics, ecology and environmental impact. Meet live birds of prey up close. All ages.



Harp and Wolfgang Twins

WED., NOV. 20



Lincoln Land Kettle Corn: 6-7:30PM

Before the Harp Twins performance, stop by for some fresh popped popcorn right out of the kettle. Free, while supplies last.



The Harp Twins ft. Wolfgang Twins: 7PM (R)

Don't miss this one-of-a-kind electric harp concert that is dazzling, comedic, and loved by audiences of all ages!! From rockin' covers to Nordic-fantasy originals to ancient Celtic tunes, the internationally-known Harp Twins' show is electrifying one moment and haunting the next. Plus, don't miss the powerful finale as the Harp Twins are joined by the Wolfgang Twins on double Viking Drums for some eclectic Nordic-inspired music. Families welcome.



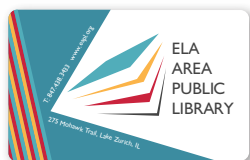
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- In-person programs are held at the Library.



SEPTEMBER IS LIBRARY CARD SIGN UP MONTH



Show Your Card and Save September 1-30

We've partnered with local businesses this month to offer savings and discounts to Ela Library Cardholders. It's easy ... just show your card and save! Visit eapl.org for a list of participating businesses in the community and the offers.

Let's Celebrate! Free Churros

September is Library Card Sign Up Month. Let's celebrate with a FREE churro from Churros Y Chocolate when you present a library card. Restrictions apply. While supplies last.
3:30-5:30pm Thurs., Sep. 19

Alzheimer's Support Group

For further information, please contact Lisa Gaggiano at Ela Township 55+ (847) 438-9160.
7-8pm Tuesdays, Sep. 3, Oct. 1, Nov. 12 (NR)

The Internationals: Ukrainian Music & Dance

Join us for an evening of Ukrainian songs, dances and tunes. Narration includes translation of lyrics and overview of Ukrainian culture.
6pm Wed., Sep. 4 (R) (Held in Meeting Rooms A&B)

Chair Yoga and Meditation (Zoom)

A gentle seated yoga and meditation session, perfect for seniors and those with limited mobility.
6-7pm Thursdays, Sep. 5, Oct. 3, Nov. 7 (R)

Decoding the Mysteries of Cats (Zoom)

Embark on a journey to unravel the secrets behind common cat mysteries that will deepen your understanding of your furry companion.
7pm Thurs., Sep. 5 (R)

Social Worker in the Library

Stop by to chat or find wellness, medical or emergency resources for a family member or yourself.
3-5pm Mondays, Sep. 9, Oct. 14, Nov. 4 (NR)

The Last Comiskey



Travel back to the 1990 final season of the White Sox classic ballpark with *Last Comiskey* author and photographer Ken Smoller. Smoller's presentation gives us a glimpse of the joyful and bittersweet season within this historic park. The discussion includes a series of "what if" questions about the park's demolition and historic preservation.
7pm Mon., Sep. 9 (R)

1906-1910 Cubs Dynasty: Rowdy Times and Rugged Men in Cutthroat Chicago

Author Gary Santella takes us back to the early 20th century Cubs who were tough and brawling, yet an established baseball dynasty, winning four National League pennants and two world championships in five years. The Cubs' toughness and bawling - yet success - mirrored that of real-life, early 20th century Chicago, a place where thugs roamed the streets carrying billy clubs, black jacks and pistols.
7pm Wed., Sep. 11 (R)

Warm Up Lake Zurich

Share and learn about yarn crafting from crocheting to knitting. Open to all levels. Held in Forge.
4-6pm Thursdays, Sep. 12, Oct. 17, Nov. 7 (R)

Ela Library Quilt Talks

Share and learn about fabrics and quilt making. All skill levels are welcome. Held in Forge.
6:30-8:30pm Thursdays, Sep. 12, Oct. 17, Nov. 7 (R)

Ela Library Quilt Talks' Fabric Workshop Days

Use our spacious meeting room to work on your quilting projects! Sewing machines, cutting mats, iron and sewing notions are available for use.
9:30am-4:30pm Saturdays, Sep. 14 and Nov. 23 (NR)

Cookbook Swap

Have some cookbooks that just don't thrill you anymore? Bring them to the library and swap cookbooks with other cooks. Books must be in good condition. Held in Meeting Room B.
10am-8pm Mon., Sep. 16

Mental Health Is Health

Learn about the causes, symptoms, warning signs, and treatment options for mental health conditions such as anxiety, depression, and bipolar disorder. Hear from a presenter from the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI). Held in Meeting Room A.
7pm Mon., Sep. 16 (R)

Memory Café

Memory Café is designed to provide social connections for those with memory issues and their care partners. Questions? Contact Pam Pellizzari at Barrington Area Council on Aging (BACOA) (847) 381-5030.

10-11:30am Tuesdays, Sep. 17, Oct. 15, Nov. 19 (R)



BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Registration is required with a valid email address.

Senior Book Discussion (Zoom and In Person)

10-11am Mondays (R) 2nd Floor Conference Room

Sep. 9 *Of Women and Salt* by Gabriela Garcia

Oct. 14 *Lab Girl* by Hope Jahren

Nov. 11 *The Thursday Murder Club* by Richard Osman

NEW! Queer Book Club

Discover, read, and discuss LGBTQIA+ themed books and unleash your artistic side with personalized crafts in a safe space. Let's celebrate diversity, creativity, and the power of storytelling together! Pick up book at the Information Desk.

6pm Wednesday, Ages 18+ (R)

Sep. 11 *The Z Word* by Lindsay King-Miller

Books & Brews (In Person)

Join us at Consume: 569 W. State Rte. 22, Lake Zurich.

7-8:30pm Tuesdays (R)

Sep. 17 *James* by Percival Everett

Nov. 19 *Someone You Can Build a Nest In*
by John Wiswell

NEW! Dewey Dining Book Club

Are you a fan of exploring cookbooks and experimenting with new recipes? Before our discussion, make sure to pick up a copy of *Delicious Gatherings* by Tara Bench at the Information Desk. Feel free to bring a recipe to share as we chat about the cookbook together. These books can be borrowed from the library or accessed through Hoopla, depending on availability. Select a recipe and send it to Renée, rstein@eapl.org or call 847-438-3433 ext. 217 a week prior to the discussion. Please note that the library cannot take responsibility for any food allergies.

1:30pm Thurs., Oct. 3 (R)

Tea & True Love

Steamy beverages and steamy romance novels! Join us in person in the 2nd Floor Conference Room.

6-7pm Tuesday (R)

Oct. 22 *Legends and Lattes* by Travis Baldree

Nonfiction Book Club

Join us quarterly to discuss a wide range of nonfiction books in the 2nd Floor Conference Room.

7-8:30pm Thursday

Oct. 24 *The Comfort of Crows: A Backyard Year*
by Margaret Renkl



12+TRY Annual Reading Program

Allow us to treat you to 12 different genres and topics to stretch your reading horizons in 2024.

Visit <https://www.eapl.org/events/reading-challenges> for further details and registration instructions.

Through December 31, 2024 (R) Prize pickup will run through Fri., Jan. 5, 2025

GENEALOGY & LOCAL HISTORY



DAR Genealogy Workshop

Learn about the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR), how to find out if you have a Revolutionary war veteran in your family tree and how to apply to the DAR for membership.

6-8:30pm Wed., Sep. 18 (R)

Genealogy Crash Course

Learn how to research your family history from the ground up with this special four-week course. Each week will focus on a different record type ranging from home sources to census schedules to vital records and culminates in a hands-on research session.

3-4:30pm Wed., Oct. 2, Oct. 9, Oct. 16, Oct. 23 (R)

Chicago-Lake Geneva: A 100-Year Road Trip

Join historian Wilber Stroeve on a photographic road trip from Chicago to Lake Geneva and learn how early motorists navigated without road atlases, highway numbers or GPS devices. Presented in partnership with the Ela Historical Society and Museum.

10-11:30am Sat., Oct. 12 (R)

Genealogy Interest Group: Ancestry Search Tips

Learn how to navigate and search one of the most popular genealogy websites and enjoy some personal research time with guided instruction.

2-4pm Wed., Nov. 6 (R)

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE/ESL

Free English classes for adults are available at the Library.

Registration: Tues., Aug. 27 9:15am-12pm or 5:30-8:30pm

Classes: 9:15am-12pm or 5:30-8:30pm Tuesday/ Thursdays

Inglés como Segundo Idioma

Clases de Inglés gratuitas para adultos en la biblioteca.

Inscripción: martes 27 de agosto, de 9:15am-12pm y de 5:30-8:30pm

Clases: 9:15am-12pm y 5:30-8:30pm Martes y Jueves

For more information and a full list of area classes, call (847) 949-2200 x1403. *Para obtener más información y una lista completa de las clases del área, llame al (847) 949-2200 x1403.*

BUSINESS

LinkedIn Headshots

Come to the library for a professional headshot by local photographer Donald Frazier for your LinkedIn profile or other business needs.

6-8pm Wed., Sep. 25 (R)

Intro to QuickBooks Online

Presented by Rich Kraybill, a QuickBooks Online Certified ProAdvisor through Intuit. This intro course will give you a basic foundation to get you started with confidence.

6:45-8pm Wed., Oct. 9 (R)

Motivation Meetup

Achieving your goals can be difficult, especially when life is hectic. Join other goal-oriented folks as we discuss the tips, tricks, books and ideas that inspire us in an environment dedicated to positivity and support.

7pm Wed., Sep. 18, Oct. 23 (R)

adult programs

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- Registration begins Sep. 1 (unless noted).
- Zoom links are sent to your email the day of the event.
- In-person programs are held at the Library.



Great Decisions

Great Decisions is a discussion program on world affairs. Visit fpa.org for topics. Contact Librarian Renée Stein at rstein@eapl.org for more details.
1-2:30pm Tuesdays, Sep. 17, Oct. 15, Nov. 19 (R)

20/30 If you're in your 20s & 30s, it's time to find a babysitter, petsitter, or plant sitter and enjoy yourself at programs catered specifically for you! Meet people your age and make some new friends while trying new things. For ages 20-39.

Tarot Explorers

See what's in the cards in this two-hour tarot class, led by professional tarot reader Anna Jollymore, of Mortal Path Alliance. You'll learn about the history of tarot and the Major and Minor Arcana, create card spreads, and practice intuitive skills with provided tarot decks. No prior experience is needed; just come ready to learn and have fun. Held in Meeting Room A.

6:30-8:30 Tues., Sep. 10 (R)



Cozy Gamer Meetup

Chill out with fellow gamers for a night of game discussions and relaxation! Share your gaming experiences, recommendations, and strategies while enjoying a cozy atmosphere and good vibes.

6:30-8pm Wed., Nov. 6 (R)

In Focus: Photography and Video from the Museum of Latin-American Art (MOLAA) Permanent Collection (Zoom)

During this live virtual tour, see critical art selections from MOLAA's permanent collection featuring artists who are still living and working. Artists featured include Sandra Boulanger, Amalia Caputo, Daniela Edburg, Ingrid Hernandez, Natalia Iguíñiz, Veronica Riedel, Cinthya Soto, Miguel Alvear, Carlos Garaicoa Manso, Nereo López-Meza, among others.

7pm Thurs., Sep. 19 (R)

Nobody's Fool: Why We Get Taken In & What We Can Do About It (Zoom)

We are all susceptible to misinformation. Learn how deception works, recognize the signs, and empower ourselves. Presented by professor Dan Simons, co-author of *Nobody's Fool: Why We Get Taken In and What We Can Do About It*, in partnership with the League of Women Voters of Illinois Mis/Disinformation Task Force.

7pm Thurs., Sep. 19 (R)

Understanding Wills and Estate Planning

Learn about wills, trusts, powers of attorney, probate, and guardianship. This program will discuss how to select the correct person to make healthcare and financial decisions on your behalf when you cannot. The importance of updating existing documents to reflect changes in the law and personal circumstances will also be reviewed.

7pm Thurs., Sep. 19 (R)

Senior Coloring Club

Join us for socializing and artistic expression. Supplies and refreshments are provided.

10-11am Wed., Sep. 25 (R)

Financial Steps for Home Buying

Discover what the process "feels" like today and what you can do to prepare for your future home purchase. Credit, how banks view income and downpayment and grant options will be discussed. Presented by Wintrust Mortgage.

7pm Wed., Sep. 25 (R)

Chef Maddox's Favorite Fall Recipes

Chef Susan Maddox returns to share her favorite cozy dishes for crisp fall days. Samples served.

7pm Mon., Sep. 30 (R) Space is limited.

Lawyer in the Library, Estate Planning

Attorney Bonnie Weis from Buckley Fine Law will answer questions about estate planning. One-on-one appointments are 15 minutes. Appointments are limited. Registration is required. No drop-ins. Held in the 2nd Floor Conference Room.

5-7pm Mon., Sep. 30 (R)

North Central O Gaugers Halloween Model Train Show

See haunted houses, spooky characters and lots of scary trains during this 12' x 20' three-track modular train run. See Thomas the Train in a smaller layout for younger train enthusiasts. Held in Meeting Rooms A&B.

9:30am-3pm Sat., Oct. 5 (NR)



HONORING OUR VETERANS



Veterans' Tree

Honor a veteran and place their photo on the Veterans' Tree Stop by Forge to decorate the image. All supplies included. Co-sponsored with Salute, INC.

SALUTE, INC. is dedicated to meeting the financial, physical and emotional needs of injured military service members, veterans and their families. Since SALUTE, INC.'s inception, over 24,000 veterans, military service personnel and their family members have been assisted, over \$8.0M in emergency financial assistance has been provided, and countless lives have changed for the better.

November 1-Dec. 2

Christmas on the Frontlines

Hear stories of the men and women who stood on the front lines of World War II during December 1944 in Europe and the Pacific. Ron Eckberg—the son of one of those soldiers—intertwines the history, the individual stories of heroism and tragedy, as well as the music of the day to give his listeners a closer look and better understanding of what war during the holiday season is really like. Bring a photo of a veteran to place on the Veterans' Tree.

7pm Mon., Nov. 18 (R)

Brick by Brick: A History of Naval Station Great Lakes

Explore the history of Naval Station Great Lakes, from its founding in 1911 through two world wars, the development of modern warfare technology and its current role as the home of Recruit Training Command, the U.S. Navy's only boot camp. Bring a photo of a veteran to place on the Veterans' Tree.

7pm Mon., Nov. 25 (R)

ELECTION 2024

National Voter Registration Day

Stop by the Library and pick up a National Voter Registration sticker. Enter to win some voter swag. **Tues., Sep. 17**

2024 Election Preview (Zoom)

In this fascinating, non-partisan multimedia presentation, presidential and congressional historian Barry Bradford presents a state-by-state analysis of the upcoming election. He'll look at the presidential election as an overview with a deeper dive into the key states, explain Senate races and tell us what to look for on election night.

7pm Thurs., Oct. 17 (R)

Understanding the Election (Zoom)

As one of the most exciting and unprecedented American elections comes to a close, presidential and congressional historian Barry Bradford returns to explain the results. We will go beneath the surface to see how key voting patterns emerged.

7pm Wed., Nov. 13 (R)

AUTHOR EVENTS



Being Imperfect with Erika Sanchez (Zoom)

Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month with Erika Sánchez, award-winning author of *I Am Not Your Perfect Mexican Daughter*. She will be joined in conversation by Cythia Pelayo. Erika L. Sánchez is the daughter of Mexican immigrants. Recognized by *Time* as one of the best YA novels of all time, *I Am Not Your Perfect Mexican Daughter* has also been adapted for the stage at Steppenwolf Theater in Chicago and is being made into a film directed by America Ferrera.

7pm Wed., Oct. 9 (R)



Raise Your Voice with Jason Reynolds (Zoom)

Welcome Jason Reynolds, #1 *New York Times* bestselling author, advocate, mentor, and 2020-2022 National Ambassador for Young People's Literature. The recipient of a Newbery Honor, a Printz Honor, a Carnegie Medal, an NAACP Image Award, and multiple Coretta Scott King honors, Reynolds' beloved and award-winning titles include *Stamped* (with Ibram X. Kendi), *Stuntboy*, *the Track series* (Ghost, Patina, Sunny, and Lu), *Miles Morales*, *All American Boys* (with Brendan Kiely), *When I Was the Greatest*, *The Boy in the Black Suit*, *Look Both Ways*, *Ain't Burned All the Bright*, and *Long Way Down*.


7pm Tues., Oct. 22 (R)



Holiday Tips and Tricks with Chef Art Smith (Zoom)

Join Chef Art Smith to learn about his culinary journey and bring some culinary inspiration into your holiday season. A two-time James Beard Foundation award winner, Smith believes that "the art of cooking, the act of feeding people, is the most engaging, most memorable way to connect with people."

7pm Wed., Nov. 20 (R)

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- Zoom links are sent to your email the day of the event.
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NEW! Neurodiverse Meetup Group (Hybrid)

Join Amy, an EAPL librarian with Autism Level 1, for this new neurodiverse meetup group. Adults who are 18+ with Autism level 1 diagnosis, ADHD, or otherwise identify as neurodiverse are welcome. Come to share common experiences, play some games and connect with each other. Zoom option available. Located in the 2nd Floor Conference Room.
2-3pm Sundays, Oct. 6 & Nov. 3 (R)

Senior Scrabble Club

Senior adults of all skill levels are welcome. Refreshments and supplies are provided.
10am-12:30pm Mondays, Oct. 7, Nov. 4, Dec. 2 (R)

Galettes With Bill the Baker

Bill the Baker demonstrates how to make a delicious galette, a free-form open pie where the crust is wrapped around whatever fruit or filling you choose. Samples served.

6:30pm Mon., Oct. 7 (R)

Gilmore Girls Trivia Night

Test your knowledge of all things Gilmore Girls. A fun evening of quirky questions, snacks, and pop culture references. Register individually or with friends. Play will be team-based, and individual registrants will be added to a team. Teams will be capped at 6 people.

7-8:30pm Tues., Oct. 15 (R)

Crafting Gifts with Herbs

Learn steps to craft various gifts with fresh and dried herbs and other plant materials. Learn to use culinary blends, vinegars, baking mixes, simple potpourri, cocktail ingredients, and special scented items for fragrance or bath. Create your own take home recipe using bath salts, tea swags, or similar seasonal items.

6:30pm Wed., Oct. 16 (R)

Winter/Holiday Watercolor Painting (Zoom)

Ela cardholders only, 18 and older. Pick up supplies beginning Tues., Oct. 29 at the Information Desk. Space is limited. Registration begins October 1.

7pm Mon., Nov. 4 (R)

Medicare 101 (Zoom)

Whether you are under 65, new to Medicare or already on Medicare this presentation will help you gain a better understanding and alert you to upcoming changes. Medicare Basics, Medicare Supplements, Medicare Advantage, Medicare Part D and enrollment periods will all be discussed.

7pm Thurs., Nov. 7 (R)

teen programs

Registration begins Sep 1. All programs are for teens in grades 6-12, unless otherwise noted. If you have any questions, please contact Reader's Services at readers@eapl.org.



Monday Night Movie Nights

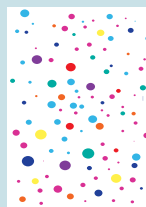
Stop by the Teen Lounge on select Monday nights and catch a flick!

6pm Mondays, Sep. 9, 16; Oct. 21, 28; Nov., 4, 18 (NR)

Homework Hangout

For teens in grades 6-12, work on your homework in a relaxed environment and study with friends. Snacks for brain fuel are provided. There will be no tutors at this event, but the teen librarian can direct teens to library resources.

6-7pm Thursdays, Sep. 12, Oct. 3 (R)



Tween Craft and Chill

Tweens in 6-8 grades are invited to relax, create and socialize. Unwind and unleash your artistic talents while making new friends. Join us for a memorable experience and take home your own unique creations!

6-7pm Tues., Sep. 17 – Dot Art (R)

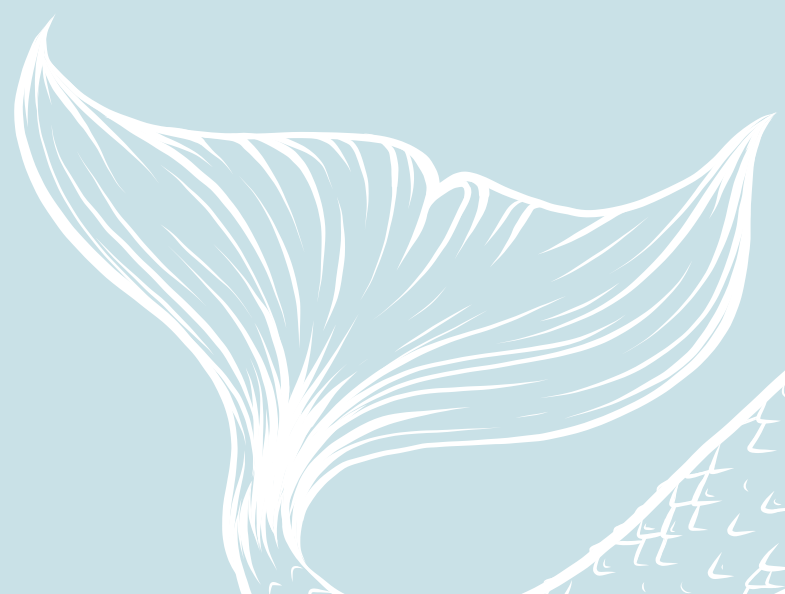
6-7pm Wed., Oct. 30 – Spiderweb Wreath (R)



Moss Mirrors

Enjoy a mystical evening where imagination meets nature! Craft fantasy-inspired mirrors adorned with lush moss, creating stunning pieces of whimsy.

6-7:30pm Thurs., Oct. 24 (R)



computer programs

Due to the popularity of computer classes, please do not register for classes you have already taken within the last year.

Registration (R) is required for all programs, unless noted (NR).

- Registration begins Sep. 1 (unless noted).
- All classes are located in the Computer Lab unless otherwise noted.

OFFICE/GOOGLE APPLICATIONS



For computer programs we do not offer in person, we recommend using LinkedIn Learning, which you can access with your library card. Scan the QR code for more information. Here is a list of suggested classes:

Word Essential Training (Microsoft 365)
PowerPoint Essential Training (Microsoft 365)
Photoshop 2024 Essential Training

Excel Basics

Prerequisite: Word Basics or related experience
Learn how Microsoft Excel's cells, worksheets, and workbooks easily allow users to manipulate, calculate, and format numbers and other types of data.
1-2:30pm Tues., Sep. 24 (R)

Excel: Charts & Graphs

Prerequisite: Excel Basics or related experience
Add visual interest and tell stories by displaying numbers and data sets in chart or graph format.
1-2:30pm Tues., Oct. 1 (R)

Excel: Formulas & Functions

Prerequisite: Excel Basics, Charts & Graphs or related experience
Learn how to use formulas to automatically calculate and manipulate totals, percentages, averages and ranges.
1-2:30pm Tues., Oct. 8 (R)

Excel: Working with Tables

Prerequisite: Excel Basics, Charts & Graphs, Formulas & Functions or related experience
Learn how to create tables and pivot tables, sort and filter data, and work with large spreadsheets.
1-2:30pm Tues., Oct. 22 (R)

Excel: Advanced Topics

Prerequisite: Excel Basics, Charts & Graphs, Formulas & Functions, Working with Tables or related experience
Learn how to highlight important numbers using conditional formatting, work with multiple sheets, calculate percentages, and use the PMT and VLOOKUP functions.
1-2:30pm Tues., Oct. 29 (R)

Google Sheets

Prerequisite: Comfortable with computer & mouse; Google account required for this class
Learn how to create and manage spreadsheet data using the basic features of Google Sheets.
1-2:30pm Tues., Nov. 5 (R)



ADVANCED TOPICS

Windows 11 Basics

This workshop is for those who are new to using a PC or want to build more confidence using Windows 11. Participants will learn how to navigate Windows 11, manage applications using the task manager, find and manage files/folders, and save/delete files.
1-2:30pm Tues., Sep. 10 (R)

Share Photos Online (Zoom)

Learn everything you need to know about Apple Photos, Google Photos, Flickr and other top websites that make it easy for you to share all of your favorite photos.
6:30-8pm Wed., Sep. 18 (R)

Save it to the Cloud (Zoom)

Learn how to back up your documents, music and photos to online cloud solutions, many of which are cheap or free. We'll also show the basics of onsite backup and the 3-2-1 backup strategy.
6:30-8pm Wed., Oct. 2 (R)

Scan Your Photos – Fast! (Zoom)

Learn to organize your scanned photos and to make basic edits using the Library's Epson FastFoto scanner.
10-11:30am Tues., Oct. 15 (R)

Save Money Online (Zoom)

Find all of the best options for discount shopping online, from coupons to price alerts to cost comparison sites.
6:30-8pm Wed., Oct. 23 (R)

Convert Video to Digital Format

Easily convert your VHS or DVD into a digital format on your flashdrive using one of the digital converters in the Digital Media Lab.
10-11:30am Thurs., Nov. 7 (R)

Canva Basics

Prerequisite: Comfortable with computer & mouse, Canva account required for this class
Learn to make marketing materials such as fliers, brochures, social media posts, menus and invitations.
1-2:30pm Thurs., Nov. 14 (R)

forge programs

Registration (R) is required for all programs, unless noted (NR).

- Registration begins Sep. 1 (unless noted).
- Zoom links are sent to your email the day of the event.
- In-person programs are held in Forge at the Library.

Take Home Crafty A Kits



Kits include supplies, directions and video instruction. Available for pick up in the Forge starting on the date specified. Kits available while supplies last. Ages 18+.



Dragon Mini Painting

Celebrate our *Giants, Dragons, and Unicorns* exhibit with this take-home craft kit. Make your own mini dragon painting with a 3D-printed dragon!

Pick up: 9am Mon., Nov. 18 (NR)



Gift-Giving Season is Around the Corner!

Get ready for the gift-giving season in Forge! It's the perfect place to DIY special gifts. To ensure you get the help you need, please book an appointment with our staff before

the big rush. Our heat presses and laser engraver require appointments, while equipment like Cricut makers, sewing machines, and our laminator are available on a drop-in basis when the Forge is open to the public. Whatever your project or gift idea, we're here to help!

Sewing Basics

Learn to use a sewing machine and create a simple project. All materials and equipment are provided. Due to high interest, registration is limited to one class per person, per season.

6-8pm Mondays Sep. 16 or Oct. 21 Ages 14+ (R)

Anxiety-Free Color Theory for Quilters

Join this four-hour workshop to learn the benefits of color theory, types of contrast, and no-fail color relationships.

Simplify color selection and build confidence with our approachable methods! Held in Meeting Room A.

10am-2pm Sat., Sep. 21, ages 18+ (R)

Creative Cinema

Lights! Canvas! Action! Come watch a blockbuster hit and paint a themed work of art! Ages 14+

5-7pm Mondays

Sep. 23: Selena (PG)

Oct. 28: Ghostbusters Frozen Empire (PG 13)

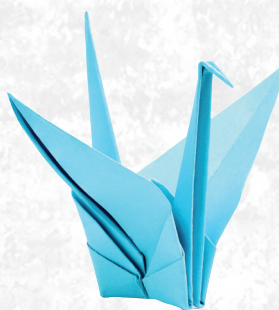
Nov. 18: Dungeons & Dragons (PG 13) 



Watercolor Bookmarks

Join us for a relaxing time painting Watercolor Bookmarks! Paint illustrative fall theme forest animals.

6pm Tues., Sep. 24, ages 18+ (R)



Origami Basics

Dive into the exciting world of Origami and learn hands on how to make traditional Origami patterns such as a crane, flower or dog.

6pm Thurs., Sep. 26, ages 6+ (R)

Perler Monsters of the World

Create small Perler bead patterns inspired by various monsters from around the world, learn their legends and take home a piece of the monster madness.

Thurs., Oct. 10, ages 14+ (R)

Cultural Threads: Hand Embroidery Bookmark

Join Jean Ogilvie, Chicago resident and embroidery artist (Sew Choice), in this hands-on bilingual stitching workshop. Learn about traditional Latin American embroidery motifs as well as the basics of hand embroidery while creating your very own felt bookmark. All materials provided and you will take home your own working hoop for future projects.

2-4pm Sat., Oct. 12, ages 14+ (R)

Hilos Culturales: Marcapáginas de Bordado a mano

Regístrese para este taller bilingüe de bordado a mano con Jean Ogilvie, residente de Chicago y artista de puntadas (emprendedora de Sew). Aprenda sobre los motivos tradicionales del bordado latinoamericano, y aprende los conceptos básicos del bordado a mano mientras crea su propio marcapáginas de fieltro. Todos los materiales están incluidos y se llevará a casa su propio bastidor para bordar tus futuros proyectos.

2-4 pm Sáb., 12 de oct. Edades 14+ (R)

'Family' Puzzle Sign

Join us to create a sign using wooden puzzle pieces.

6pm Tues., Oct. 15, ages 18+

Costura-para-Principiantes

Descubre los fundamentos del uso de la máquina de coser de la biblioteca y crea tu propio pequeño proyecto para llevártelo a casa. Esta clase se enseñará en español.

10am-12pm sáb., 26 de octubre, mayores de 14 años (R)

Alebrije Painting

Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month! Learn about the Mexican folk-art history of Alebrijes and paint your own!

6pm Wed., Oct. 30, ages 6+



Veteran Tree Ornament

Stop by Forge during the month of November to decorate a star ornament in honor of Veterans Day then place it on the Veterans Tree located outside of Forge.

Knitted Wire Wall Art

Create cute wall art using corded yarn and bending wire.

6pm Tues., Nov. 5, ages 18+

Mythical Maker Lab

During our *Giants, Dragons, and Unicorns* exhibit, drop in at Forge to create your own mythical creature using a variety of craft supplies provided. What will your imagination bring to life?

Sat., Nov. 16 and Sun., Nov. 17, ages 6+ (NR)

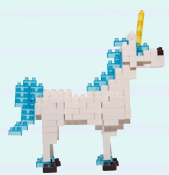
kids programs

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September registration begins Sep. 1 at 12pm.

October registration begins Oct. 1 at 9am.

November registration begins Nov. 1 at 9am.



Lego Club

Create your own designs or try one of our challenges. Work on your own or as a team. However you like to build, we'll supply the bricks, and you supply the imagination!

4:30pm Wed., Sep 4 and 11am Tues., Nov. 26, unaccompanied kids in grades 1-5 (NR)

Squishy Lab

Kids and their adults will get into a mess of fun! We provide a recipe and ingredients to make something squishy during this hands-on workshop. Dress for a mess.

4:30pm Wed., Sep. 11 and 4:30pm Wed., Oct. 2, ages 3-10 with an adult (R)



PAWsome Reading Buddies

Reserve a time to read aloud to a therapy dog! Practice your reading skills while making a new furry friend.

4pm or 5pm Thurs., Sep. 12, unaccompanied kids in grades 1-4 (R)

Skills for School

Preschoolers can practice important development skills in this drop-in workshop made just for them!

9:30-10:30am Tuesdays, Sep. 24 and Nov. 19, ages 3-5 with an adult (NR)

North Central O Gaugers Halloween Model Train Show

See page 8 for details.

9:30am-3pm Sat., Oct. 5

Science Explorers

Explore the wide world of science! We will share fun, hands-on activities and experiments. Dress for a mess.

10am Mondays, Oct. 7 and Nov. 4, ages 3-5 with an adult (R)

Dinosaur Dimensions

Come face-to-face with dinosaurs! This stage-style show has realistic dinosaur puppets—from a baby Triceratops to a life-size Raptor—and amazing dinosaur facts with a meet-and-greet photo opportunity at the end of the performance. Register to reserve your tickets, then pick up your tickets at the Children's Desk the morning of the event.

10:30am Mon., Oct. 14, all ages with an adult (R)

Monster Bash

Get those costumes ready for an afternoon of Halloween fun featuring music, games, crafts and snacks. We'll wrap up the party with a costume parade through the library.

1pm Mon., Oct. 28, ages 2-5 with an adult (R)

BOOK CLUBS



Legends of Lotus Island

Travel to a boarding school where kids train to transform into magical creatures to protect the natural world while experiencing high-stakes trials and new friendships. We will design our own magical Guardians as we discuss *Legends of Lotus Island: The Guardian Test* by Christina

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Soontornvat. Snacks will be provided. Registrants can pick up their own copy of the book at the Children's Desk starting Sep. 1.

4:30pm Thurs., Sep. 26, unaccompanied kids in grades 3-5 (R)



Midnight at the Barclay Hotel

Five strangers (with secrets!), a murder mystery, and ghost hunting! Let's discuss *Midnight at the Barclay Hotel* by Fleur Bradley and make a mystery craft. Snacks will be provided. Registrants can pick up their own copy of the book at the Children's Desk starting Oct. 1.

4:30pm Wed., Oct. 30, unaccompanied kids in grades 3-5 (R)

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Kiddie Crafternoon

Enjoy an afternoon of crafting and create your own one-of-a-kind project!

Unaccompanied kids in grades K-2 (R)

- 4pm Wed., Sep. 25 – leaf bugs & butterflies
- 4pm Tues., Nov. 19 – troll pals



ARTS & CRAFTS



Drop-In Crafts

Stop by the Children's Department to design a unique craft project with the provided materials.

All ages with an adult (NR)

- **Splendid Sunflowers**
1-4pm Sun., Sep. 29 and 4-7pm Mon., Sep. 30
- **Hatching Dino Eggs**
1-4pm Sun., Oct. 13 and 9am-7pm Mon., Oct. 14
- **Pumpkin Paper Lanterns**
10am-7pm Tues., Nov. 5
- **Mythic Creature Headbands** 
9am-4pm Sat., Nov. 16 and 12-4pm Sun., Nov. 17



Cartooning with Mark Anderson

Join Mark for these lively, interactive cartooning classes. For in-person classes, the library will provide your supplies. For the Zoom class, you'll need paper and a pencil at home, and the Zoom link will be sent to your email the day of the program.



Boom! Pow! Smash!

Holy cartooning class! Learn to draw awesome superheroes and terrible villains and then decide what happens next! Will Beltman

use his scowl of justice? Will Ms. Quito bite him? Will they decide to put their squabbles aside and play Monopoly? Stay tuned!

4:30pm Mon., Sep. 16 in the library, unaccompanied kids in grades K-5 (R)



Cartoon Monsters (Zoom)

Kids will draw tons of crazy, unbelievable monsters. Weird blobby monsters! Scary pointy monsters! Funny hat-wearing monsters! And

at the end, we get to see their monsters come alive on the big screen and sneak up on poor unsuspecting Fuzzy Bunny!

7pm Wed., Oct. 23 on Zoom, kids in grades K-5 (R)



Dragons, Krakens, and Unicorns, Oh My!

Join us for an extra-special cartooning session as we celebrate the opening week of the mythological creatures exhibit! Arrive early to explore the displays and get some inspiration...

4:30pm Wed., Nov. 20 in the library, unaccompanied kids in grades K-5 (R)





STORYTIMES

Bilingual Storytime

Join us for bilingual English/Spanish storytimes featuring stories, songs and crafts! You do not need to know how to speak Spanish as we will learn simple vocabulary words together.

10:30am Tuesdays, Sep. 3 and Oct. 1, ages 2-5 with an adult (NR)

¡hora del cuento bilingüe!

¡Únase a nosotros para una hora de cuentos bilingüe inglés/español con cuentos, canciones y manualidades! No es necesario registrarse.

Los martes 3 de septiembre y 1 de octubre a las 10:30 de la mañana. Para niños de 2 a 5 años con un adulto.

Toddler Storytime – Fall Class Session

There's no sitting still in this lively storytime! Together we'll enjoy stories, songs and rhymes all selected to engage your active toddler! Register once to save your child's spot for all four weeks of this fall session.

9:30am Mondays, Sep. 9, 16, 23, 30 or 9:30am Thursdays, Sep. 12, 19, 26, Oct. 3, ages 18-36 months with an adult (R)

Drop-In Storytimes

Stop by for a casual storytime experience.

10:30am Mondays, Sep. 9, 16, 23, 30, all ages with an adult (NR)

Preschool Storytime – Fall Class Session

Young children will explore the world through stories, songs and crafts specifically selected for their developmental stage. Register once to save your child's spot for all four weeks of this fall session.

10:30am Thursdays, Sep. 12, 19, 26, Oct. 3, ages 3-5 with an adult (R)

Pajama Family Storytime

Gather the whole family for fun and cozy stories, songs and a collaborative craft. Pajamas are encouraged!

10am Sat., Sep. 14 and 6:30pm Mon., Nov. 25, ages 2-6 with an adult (NR)

Storytime in the Park

Meet the librarians at Paulus Park (weather permitting) for fall stories, songs, rhymes and a special craft! Follow the signs as you enter the park. Location may change depending on weather; check the library website for updates.

10am Tues., Oct. 15, all ages with an adult (NR)

Not-So-Spooky Storytime

Let's get in the Halloween spirit with songs, rhymes and some not-so-spooky stories! Come in costume for this fun Halloween-themed storytime for little ones.

6:30pm Mon., Oct. 28; 9:30am or 1:30pm Tues., Oct. 29, all ages with an adult (NR)



Dragon Storytime

Swoop in for stories about these fantastic fire-breathing creatures!

9:30am Mon., Nov. 18 or Thurs., Nov. 21, all ages with an adult (NR)

FOR BABIES

Baby Storytime – Fall Class Session

So much more than stories! Join us for lots of movement and smiles as we share songs and rhymes chosen specifically for this age group. You'll go home with new tools to sing your way through diaper changes, mealtime, and anytime, making your day easier and enriching your child's language and literacy skills! Stay after storytime to chat with other caregivers as your little ones play. Register once to save your baby's spot for all four weeks of this fall session.

9:30am or 11:00am Fridays, Sep. 6, 13, 27, Oct. 4, ages 0-18 months with an adult (R) No class Sep. 20.

Sign with Katy

Join instructor Katy Roth as she teaches basic American Sign Language vocabulary to you and your little one. Learning ASL is a great way for babies to communicate their wants and needs with caregivers before developing the ability to speak. ASL also unlocks language capabilities for babies to build valuable skills that help with language and literacy abilities later in life. Each presentation is different.

10am Saturdays, Oct. 12 and Nov. 2, caregivers and their children ages 0-3 (R)

Baby Buddies

Stop in for a special baby playtime! You and your baby can play and explore sensory bins while visiting with other families. Dress for a mess to create a keepsake art project, while supplies last.

10am-12pm Fri., Nov. 1, ages 0-18 months with an adult (NR)

Drop-In Baby Storytime

Meet new friends and enjoy cuddly, bouncy fun with your little one! We'll share some of our favorite rhymes, stories and songs.

10am Fri., Nov. 22, ages 0-18 months with an adult (NR)



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Art Gallery and Display

The Library has a dimensional art display in addition to the Art Gallery. Works of emerging and established local artists are displayed. For information about the art featured, visit the Information Desk.



The Giant and His Castle
 by Mark Pelnar

Art Gallery (Second Floor)

September-October	Hans Klemmer	Photography
November-December	Mark Pelnar	Mixed Media

Display Case (Children's Department)

September	Wyatt & Ethan Sazian	Rocks, Gems, Crystals and RMS Titanic Truths
October/November	Morgan Pierce	Ceramics



Outreach Assistant Colleen Koebel prepares a delivery.

Home Delivery

Any person who is temporarily or permanently unable to come to the Library because of illness, disability or other factors and who lives within the Library's district is eligible for home delivery service.

When is it available?

Home delivery service is available year-round or seasonally. Specific titles can be requested online, by email or over the phone. Outreach staff can also select items on your behalf. Individuals receiving home delivery services are also eligible to receive quarterly FOX (Forge-Outreach Express) craft kits.

How do I apply?

If you, or someone you know would like to use this service, please contact the Ela Area Public Library at outreach@eapl.org or phone 847.438.3433 x140.



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Library Hours

Monday – Thursday	9am – 9pm
Friday	9am – 6pm
Saturday	9am – 5pm
Sunday	12 – 5pm

Currently Scheduled Library Closings

Mon., Sep. 2	Labor Day
Fri., Sep. 20	Staff Training
Wed., Nov. 27	Closes at 5pm
Thurs., Nov. 28	Thanksgiving Day

Phone

(847) 438-3433

Program Registration

Register online at www.eapl.org or call (847) 438-3433, (847) 438-3840 Children's Dept.

If you need an accommodation for a visual, hearing, or other disability, please let us know at least two weeks before the program you plan to attend.

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