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## Participating Libraries

### Deerfield Public Library

920 Waukegan Road  
Deerfield, IL 60015  
847-945-3311  
[www.deerfieldlibrary.org](http://www.deerfieldlibrary.org)  
Contact: Kay Palecek

### Des Plaines Public Library

1501 Ellinwood Street  
Des Plaines, IL 60016  
847-827-5551  
[www.dppl.org](http://www.dppl.org)  
Contact: Christine Posinger

### Ela Area Public Library

275 Mohawk Trail  
Lake Zurich, IL 60047  
847-438-3433  
[www.eapl.org](http://www.eapl.org)  
Contact: Terri Meyer

### Fremont Public Library District

1170 N. Midlothian Road  
Mundelein, IL 60060  
847-566-8702  
[www.fremontlibrary.org](http://www.fremontlibrary.org)  
Contact: Rachael Rezek

### Lake Villa District Library

1001 E. Grand Avenue  
Lake Villa, IL 60046  
847-356-7711  
[www.lvdl.org](http://www.lvdl.org)  
Contact: Nina Kenney

### Schaumburg Township District Library

130 S. Roselle Road  
Schaumburg, IL 60193  
847-923-3347  
[www.schaumburglibrary.org](http://www.schaumburglibrary.org)  
Contact: Susan Gibberman



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A SERIES OF FREE WORKSHOPS PRESENTED BY PARTICIPATING LIBRARIES  
IN NORTH AND NORTHWEST SUBURBAN CHICAGO

# Workshop Schedule

Registration is recommended for all workshops. Please contact the host library of the program you would like to attend for registration information.

## Bringing a Book to Market

Todd Stocke, vice president and editorial director at Sourcebooks, will discuss how to approach a publisher, what a publisher does (and does not do), and what book editors look for. He'll also discuss the opportunities and the challenges of self-publishing and how to think like an author and connect with your readers.

Des Plaines Public Library	Wednesday, April 5 · 7 – 8:30pm
Schaumburg Township District Library	Saturday, April 8 · 2 – 3:30pm
Ela Area Public Library	Saturday, May 6 · 10 – 11:30am

## Finish That Book in 2017!

Get motivated to write – and finish – a book this year in this energetic workshop. Author Amy Alessio presents tips on how to motivate your writing and what to do after the book is finished.

Schaumburg Township District Library	Saturday, April 22 · 10:30am – noon
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## Writing Your Family Story

Learn the challenges of writing your family story from author Maggie Kast. After reading and discussing examples of family stories by various authors, participants will identify a memory or story to explore. Then all will write for 15 minutes followed by optional sharing. Handouts and Q&A included.

Des Plaines Public Library	Wednesday, April 26 · 7 – 8:30pm
Schaumburg Township District Library	Saturday, April 29 · 11 – 12:30pm
Fremont Public Library	Saturday, May 13 · 2 – 3:30pm

## How to Write and Publish a Cookbook

If you've ever wanted to write a cookbook, now is your chance to learn how. Local cookbook author Chef Jill Houk will guide you through how to write recipes for publication. She'll cover the basics of creating, writing and testing recipes. You will have a chance to go through some of the steps of creating a recipe in this program.

Des Plaines Public Library	Wednesday, May 3 · 7 – 8pm
Fremont Public Library	Saturday, May 13 · 10 – 11am
Ela Area Public Library	Saturday, May 13 · 1:30 – 2:30pm

## The Fundamentals of Legacy Writing

In this fun, interactive workshop you will learn writing techniques to make your personal stories read like page-turning fiction and also respect the people you love. Author and writing coach Sara Connell will take you through writing prompts to outline a beginning, middle and end of your story, and you'll take home additional resources to keep your writing going. Open to writers of all levels.

Deerfield Library	Saturday, May 6 · 10 – noon
Lake Villa District Library	Thursday, May 25 · 7 – 9pm

## The Chunky Method

Do you find you can't seem to finish that book you've been writing? Author Allie Pleiter's innovative Chunky Method was born out of the concept that every writer has a "chunk"—an amount of quality writing— he or she can produce in one sitting before "the juice" runs out. She is the author of *The Chunky Method Handbook: Your Step-by-Step Plan to WRITE THAT BOOK Even When Life Gets in the Way*.

Lake Villa District Library	Thursday, May 11 · 7 – 8:30pm
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## Let's Make a Scene

Scenes are the building blocks of fiction and memoir, and yet while an education in playwriting or screenwriting pays huge attention to the architecture of scene, fiction workshops tend to overlook this craft. Award-winning author Rebecca Makkai will take a playwright's approach to fiction, teaching you how to build scenes with a solid arc, scenes that advance every element of the story, scenes that matter.

Ela Area Public Library	Saturday, May 13 · 10 – noon
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## What Every Writer Needs to Know About the Law

Congratulations! You've just completed your first book! Now you need to protect it. Rejean Morgan, J.D., leads this comprehensive workshop. Learn about the different forms of legal protection available for writers; using other people's work in your own writing; how to hire others to do work for you; and what to do if you believe someone is infringing on your work. Handouts and Q&A included.

Ela Area Public Library	Saturday, May 6 · 1 – 2:30pm
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## How to Write When Everything Else Goes WRONG

Multi-published author Allie Pleiter shares practical strategies for protecting your creativity and productivity when calamity threatens to strangle your muse. Currently at work on a book of the same title, she will also talk about deciding whether to speak or write about your experience.

Fremont Public Library District	Saturday, May 20 · 10 – 11am
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