

NORTHBROOK PUBLIC LIBRARY

March & April 2020



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Notes from the Director



Northbrook Public Library has been recognized as a 5-star library by *Library Journal* after being recognized as a 4-star library for the past few years.

Of the more than 9,000 public libraries in the United States, *Library Journal* awarded 261 star ratings to those libraries whose patrons most heavily use the materials, programs, and services offered. We ranked in the top five in our budget group.

But being a star library is not really about what we offer, but more about how the community uses the library. We could have the same set of books, offer the same programs, have the same hours, and still not be a star library.

What makes us a star library is each of you coming and using the library. As you can see from the infographic on page 16, we have approximately 13 library visits per capita. That equates to each resident visiting the library once a month. This number demonstrates the value you place on the library as a community center.

I want to thank you for your dedication to the library. It is your passion for what we offer that has made us one of the top libraries in the country.

Kate Hall
Executive Director


Library Information

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Monday-Thursday	9:00am-9:00pm
Friday	9:00am-6:00pm
Saturday	9:00am-5:00pm
Sunday	1:00pm-5:00pm

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NEWS & UPDATES

FIND A NEW FAVORITE

With springtime on the way, it's a great time to freshen up your reading. Complete a brief online form and our librarians will send you a personalized list of reading suggestions for kids, teens, or adults within 3-5 business days. Learn more at www.northbrook.info/5-fresh-reads.



NEW THURSDAY SCREENINGS ADDED

We have added a new third screening for each of the films in our popular Critics' Choice series. Turn to page 7 to see the exciting lineup.

COUNT FOR A BETTER NORTHBROOK

The census helps determine funding for libraries, schools, healthcare, road repair, and more. This year, you can submit your response online, by phone, or by mail. Watch for information from the Census Bureau to arrive by mail in mid-March. For help completing your form, stop by the Reference Desk or visit 2020census.gov.



LIBRARY CLOSED FOR TRAINING

On Friday, March 6 and Friday, April 17, the library will be closed so that staff can attend mandatory safety and staff development training.

MARCH MADNESS BOOK SALE

Shop the Friends' Bookshop sale on March 20 & 21 to find gently used books at a low price. All purchases support the Friends and the library.

CONSTRUCTION SEASON AHEAD

In April, we will start the construction of new study rooms on the 2nd floor, and our building's window frames will also receive extensive repair inside and out followed by a new coat of paint. Although the lot will remain open during painting, parking may be limited at times. Please refer to www.northbrook.info for updates.

COMING SOON: GO ILLINOIS

You may already be familiar with our Museum Adventure Pass, which lets you check out a pass to many local museums. Starting in April, we are adding to our cultural pass options with the addition of a new service, Explore More Illinois. This new service will give you special offers and discounts at cultural attractions across the state. Learn more at www.northbrook.info/go-illinois.



EARTH & ARBOR DAY

Stop by and visit our table at the Village's Earth & Arbor Day Celebration in Village Green on Saturday, April 18 from 9:00am-12:00pm.

FEATURED EVENTS



Melissa Isaacson:

State: A Team, A Triumph, A Transformation **RS**

Melissa Isaacson, author, award-winning sportswriter and Northbrook resident, presents her memoir, *State: A Team, A Triumph, A Transformation*, which tells the story of an unlikely group of high school “tomboys” who pulled together despite the odds to win an Illinois state high school girls’ basketball championship just after the passage of Title IX.

Tuesday, March 17
7:00-8:30pm, Auditorium

Read an interview with Melissa Isaacson at www.northbrook.info/melissa-isaacson

Celebrating Women’s History

March is Women’s History month, and this year, we also celebrate 100 years of women voting. We invite you to attend these programs that celebrate women’s contribution to the history of our country.

Rightfully Hers Exhibit

This exhibit illustrates the expansion of the vote to millions of women, before and after the 19th amendment, and its impact today. Learn more about the exhibit at:

www.museum.archives.gov/rightfully-hers
Month of March, Second Floor

Women in History **RS**

Through the use of costumes and stories, Martina Mathisen will portray some of the women throughout history who have impacted our lives.

Tuesday, March 24, 2:00-3:00pm
Pollak Room



Truth Telling: Willard & Wells **RS**

Learn about these two important leaders in Illinois’ suffrage movement, Frances Willard and Ida B. Wells, and their contributions that shaped the suffrage movement.*

Monday, April 27, 7:00-8:00pm, Pollak Room

* Presented in partnership with the League of Women Voters Glenview/Glencoe. Visit www.northbrook.info/100-years for a list of area programs celebrating 100 years of women voting.

ADULT PROGRAMS

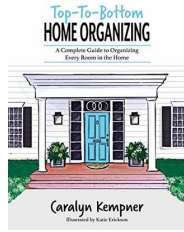
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FEATURED EVENTS

Organization & Downsizing **RS**

Learn how to de-clutter and organize your space from author and expert Caralyn Kempner.

Monday, March 9,
7:00-8:00pm,
Pollak Room



Spanish Conversation **RS**

Native speaker Cris Ruiz leads this six-week series. Some Spanish knowledge is required. Priority will be given to first-time participants.

Thursdays, April 23-May 28
7:00-8:00pm, Interactive Classroom

The Dark History of Nursery Rhymes **RS**

Many classic nursery rhymes can be traced back to dark periods in British history. Join us to discover the disturbing origin of nursery rhymes. (Definitely not for children.)

Tuesday, April 28, 7:00-8:30pm
Pollak Room

Documentary & Discussion: *Period. End of Sentence.* **RS**

Watch this Oscar-winning short documentary and stay for a panel discussion about how low-income women cope with these struggles. Panelists include representatives from the Period Collective, which serves low-income women in Cook and Lake counties.*

Sunday, March 15, 3:00-4:30pm
Auditorium

* Consider donating—we will be collecting pads and tampons at this event for Chicagoland women and girls in need.

Chinese Tea Demonstration **RS**

Participate in this aromatic experience with three different types of tea, Jasmine, Dragon Well, and Chrysanthemum.

Monday, April 6, 7:00-8:00pm
Pollak Room

Curriculum of Hope: Stories of College Behind Bars **RS**

Northwestern Distinguished Senior Lecturer H. David Smith shares stories of transformation from his experiences teaching college level courses at the Stateville maximum security prison in Crest Hill. In partnership with RAIN (Racial Awareness in the Northshore).

Wednesday, April 15
7:00-8:30pm, Pollak Room

ENVIRONMENT MATTERS

Tackling Plastic Pollution in the Great Lakes **RS**

Cosponsored by Go Green Northbrook. Gabby Petrelli from the Shedd Aquarium will share practical steps for stopping the flow of plastic into the Great Lakes.

Monday, March 23, 7:00-8:00pm
Pollak Room

Exploring America's National Parks & Monuments **RS**

Learn about some of America's most beautiful places in the U.S. and the plants and animals that make their homes there.

Thursday, March 26, 7:00-8:30pm
Pollak Room

Everyday Environmentalist **RS**

Feeling overwhelmed by what to do when it comes to "being green?" Learn practical ways to shrink your carbon footprint without sacrificing your lifestyle or wallet.

Monday, April 13, 7:00-8:00pm
Pollak Room

Pocket PrairieSM Gardens **RS**

Learn how a little slice of native grasses and flowers can enhance your garden and its pollinating habitants with six easy steps.

Monday, April 20, 7:00-8:30pm
Pollak Room

GENEALOGY

Drop-in Genealogy

Need help tracing your family history? Volunteers from the North Shore Genealogical Society are here the first Wednesday of each month to assist you with your genealogy research.

Wednesdays, March 4 & April 1
3:00-5:00pm, Reference Department

Exploring U.S. Church Records for Genealogy Research **RS**

Learn how to uncover new details, like maiden names and overseas birthplaces, from places of worship. Sponsored by the North Shore Genealogical Society.

Saturday, March 14, 1:00-3:00pm,
Pollak Room

RESERVE A SPOT

To provide a better experience for our patrons, we recommend that you reserve a spot if you plan to attend an event marked with **RS**. A spot should be reserved for each member of a family or group planning to attend, unless noted otherwise. To reserve a spot, call 847-272-6224 or visit www.northbrook.info.

Reserve a Spot **RS**

Accessibility Request: The library welcomes patrons of all abilities. Please call 847-272-7044 to request accommodations at least 72 hours before the event you wish to attend.

BOOK GROUPS & DISCUSSIONS

Books are available at the Fiction & Media desk one month before each discussion unless noted otherwise.

Environmental Book Club **RS**

Cosponsored by Go Green Northbrook *Drawdown* edited by Paul Hawken taps scientists, activists, and business leaders to gather effective solutions to help reverse climate change. Books available at the Reference Desk one month before the discussion.

Tuesday, March 31, 7:00-8:00pm
Civic Room

He Had it Coming **RS**

Writers Marianne Mather and Kori Rumore discuss their new book, *He Had It Coming*, which examines the lives of the real women of "Murderess Row" in 1920s Chicago that inspired the hit Broadway musical.

Tuesday, March 31, 7:00-8:00pm
Pollak Room

MORE DISCUSSIONS

Wednesdays with Benjamin Goluboff

10:00-11:30am, Civic Room

March 11: *Mrs. Dalloway* by Virginia Woolf

April 8: *For the Relief of Unbearable Urges* by Nathan Englander



Great Books

10:00-11:30am, Civic Room

March 16: *Wealth of Nations* by Adam Smith

April 20: *The Prince* by Machiavelli

Tuesdays with Nancy Buehler

10:00-11:30am, Civic Room

March 17: *Ask Again Yes* by Mary Beth Keane

April 21: *The Nickel Boys* by Colson Whitehead



Books on Tap

The Lager Queen of Minnesota by J. Ryan Stradal

Wednesday, March 25, 7:00-8:30pm,
Landmark Inn, 1352 Shermer Rd.

Evening Book Discussion with Lori Siegel

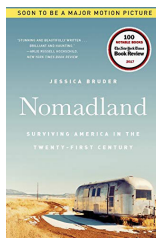
Inheritance: A Memoir of Genealogy, Paternity, and Love by Dani Shapiro

Tuesday, April 14
7:00-8:00pm, Civic Room

Stranger Than Fiction: Non-Fiction Book Discussion **RS**

Nomadland by Jessica Bruder examines the resilience of modern day nomads who travel from place to place to survive. Books will be available at the Reference Desk one month before the discussion.

Wednesday, April 29, 10:00-11:00am,
Pollak Room A



Books to Get Your Book Club Talking! **RS**

Need ideas for upcoming discussions? Librarians Lori and Mike and Ali from the Book Bin will talk about the latest titles and under-the-radar releases that will get your book club talking. *Everyone will go home with a list and a free book!*

April 30, 7:00-8:30pm, Pollak Room

MONEY SMART WEEK®



Building Wealth **RS**

Learn the factors to consider in investing and building wealth in this presentation by Zie Baron.

Saturday, April 4, 10:00am-12:00pm,
Pollak Room

Protecting Seniors from Financial Scams **RS**

The Attorney General's Office of Illinois will explain common scams and provide tips to help avoid them.

Tuesday, April 7, 10:00-11:30am,
Pollak Room

NORTHBROOK WRITES

Screenwriting with Heather Ash **RS**

Learn the basics of film structure and format with hands-on exercises and follow-up resources. Bring a pen, paper, and a list of your five favorite movies!

Saturday, April 18, 1:00-2:30pm
Pollak Room

So You Want To Publish Your Book? **RS**

Bestselling author Bret Nicholaus (30 published books, over one million copies sold) offers 18 tried-and-true tips to help you market your book to publishers and readers.

Thursday, April 23, 7:00-8:45pm,
Auditorium

Understanding Social Security **RS**

Learn how it works and how to incorporate it into your retirement planning. Presented by Elizabeth Kurowski from Lakeshore Financial Group.

Thursday, April 9, 6:00-7:30pm,
Interactive Classroom

To learn more ways to get smart about your money, stop by the Reference Desk or visit www.northbrook.info/money-smart.

ADULT PROGRAMS

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CLASSICAL SUNDAYS JAZZ/BLUES

Enjoy this stellar musical lineup that will warm up your Sunday afternoons. Cosponsored by the Northbrook Arts Commission.



Ethos Duo **RS**

Featuring the music of Beethoven performed by cello and piano.

March 8, 3:00-4:30pm, Auditorium

Svetlana Belsky and Andrew Schultze **RS**

Northbrook pianist Svetlana Belsky is joined by Andrew Schultze for an afternoon of piano and vocal music.

April 5, 3:00-4:30pm, Auditorium

Duo Soleo **RS**

Minna Han and Jiyun Lee present an afternoon of violin and piano music.

April 19, 3:00-4:30pm, Auditorium

Marina Veiler and Yury Orlov **RS**

Featuring music for piano and viola.

April 26, 3:00-4:30pm, Auditorium

Studebaker John **RS**

A longtime fixture in the Chicago blues scene, this harmonica playing slide guitarist has recorded for Blind Pig and Delmark records.

Thursday, March 12, 7:00-8:00pm, Auditorium



Blues artist, Studebaker John

Big Band Sound of Deerfield **RS**

Enjoy swing and big band jazz music from this dedicated community band, featuring a number of local musicians.

Thursday, April 2, 7:00-8:00pm, Auditorium

MUSIC LECTURES

Appreciating Classical Music **RS**

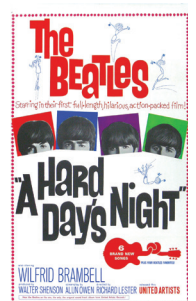
Learn what makes the masterpieces great in this seminar by our Classical Music Librarian Madison Carroll. Each month features a different classical music topic.

Tuesdays, March 10 & April 7, 7:00-8:30pm, Auditorium

A Hard Day's Night with Professor Moptop: Discussion & Film Screening **RS**

Join popular Beatles expert Professor Moptop for a discussion of *A Hard Day's Night*. Using rare audio and photographs, the Professor will dive into the film's music as well as the making of the now legendary cinematic achievement. After the discussion, stay for a screening of *A Hard Day's Night* (1964) Rated G.

Tuesday, April 14, 6:00-9:00pm Auditorium



ONGOING ADULT PROGRAMS

ESL/Literacy Conversation Club

Drop in to practice speaking English with others to improve your skills.

Mondays, 5:00-6:00pm, Study Room 2*

* No class on March 23

Oakton Literacy Class

Meet with adult literacy instructors from Oakton Community College. This class is open to both native and non-native English speakers.

Mondays & Wednesdays*
12:30-3:30pm or 6:00-8:45pm

Interactive Classroom

* No class on March 23, March 25 & April 8

Chess Club (all levels)

Wednesdays, March 4-April 28,
7:00-8:45pm, Pollak Room B

Current Events Roundtable

Thursdays, March 5 & 19; April 2 & 16, 10:00-11:30am, Pollak Room



Illinois State Poetry Society Meeting

New members welcome. Bring 10 copies of two of your poems to share.

Sunday, March 8, 1:00-4:30pm, Civic Room

Israeli Discussion Group

Join us for a discussion of the current events and history of Israel.

Thursdays, March 12 & 26; April 9 & 23,
10:00-11:30am, Pollak Room



Chair Yoga

Fridays, March 13-April 24

9:30am-10:30am or 11:00am-12:00pm
Pollak Room

There will be no chair yoga on April 17.



AARP Driver Safety Program **RS**

Saturdays, March 14 & 21

10:00am-2:00pm, Interactive Classroom

Essential Tremor Support Group

Saturdays, March 14 & April 11

10:00-11:30am, Civic Room

Illinois Poetry Society Haiku Chapter

Haiku poets of all levels are welcome. Have your work critiqued, learn about techniques, and share resources.

Sunday, April 19, 1:00-4:30pm, Civic Room

Accommodations like open captioning and wheelchair seating are available upon request. To ensure your request can be accommodated, please contact us at 847-272-6224 at least 72 hours before the event you wish to attend.

March Critics' Choice RS

To register for the films, please reserve a spot online at visit.northbrook.info/events or call **847-272-6647**

NEW NUMBER



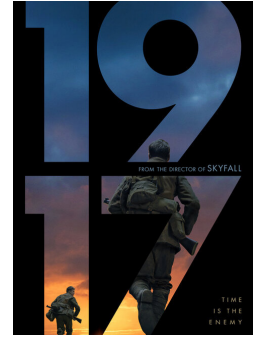
Wednesday & Thursday
March 4 2:00pm & 7:00pm
March 5 2:00pm
Ford v Ferrari
 Rated PG-13



Wednesday & Thursday
March 11 2:00pm & 7:00pm
March 12 2:00pm
Harriet
 Rated PG-13



Wednesday & Thursday
March 18 2:00pm & 7:00pm
March 19 2:00pm
Parasite*
 Rated R



Wednesday & Thursday
March 25 2:00pm & 7:00pm
March 26 2:00pm
1917
 Rated R

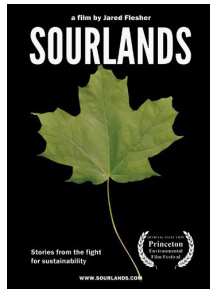
April Earth Day Films & Discussions RS

Sourlands

Residents of New Jersey's Sourland region fight to protect their forests and fields. After the film, stay for a discussion led by a local climate educator.

Saturday, April 4,
 2:00-4:00pm

Sourlands is cosponsored by Friends of the Library and Go Green Northbrook



Interstellar

Watch and discuss this sci-fi film about a group of explorers who go through a wormhole to try to find a new home for those on a dying Earth.

Wednesday, April 22,
 2:00 & 7:00pm

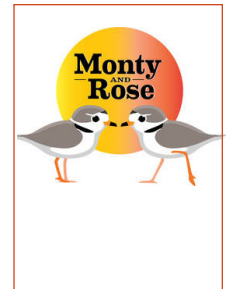
Rated PG-13



Monty & Rose

Filmmaker Bob Dolgan presents and discusses his short film about a pair of endangered piping plovers that successfully nested at Chicago's Montrose Beach.

Wednesday, April 29,
 2:00-3:30pm



FIRST-RUN FILMS RS

Presented on the second Saturday of each month at 2:00pm & 7:00pm.



March 14
Knives Out*
 Rated PG-13



April 11
Just Mercy*
 Rated PG-13

ADULT SENSORY MOVIE SN RS

Our sensory-friendly screenings are designed for adults with special needs. We turn the volume down and the lights up, and all are welcome to move around and talk.



Toy Story 4
Friday, March 20
 10:30am, Auditorium
 Rated G

FILM DISCUSSIONS

CinemaSpeak

Watch @ Home. Talk @ Library. Join us for a lively discussion of *Frantz* (2016).

Thursday, March 26, 7:00-8:00pm,
 Civic Room

**Not confirmed at press time*

TECH FOR EVERYONE

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iPAD

Basic iPad 1 **RS**

Learn the basics of your iPad including downloading and managing apps, connecting to Wi-Fi, and more. Apple ID and password required.

Thursday, March 12, 11:00am-12:00pm
Interactive Classroom

Basic iPad 2 **RS**

Explore camera functions, including taking and sharing photos, and learn techniques for using the Safari browser.

Thursday, April 2, 11:00am-12:00pm,
Interactive Classroom

WEB DESIGN

Web Design Basics

Parts 1 & 2 **RS**

This two-session class covers the building blocks of any website: HTML and CSS. Create web page content with HTML in Part 1 and design those pages with CSS in Part 2. Participants must attend both Part 1 and Part 2.

Thursday, March 12, 7:00-8:30pm
Interactive Classroom

Thursday, March 19, 7:00-8:30pm
Pollak Room A

SOCIAL MEDIA

Introduction to LinkedIn **RS**

Create a LinkedIn account to share your skills, connect with colleagues, and network with professional groups.

Thursday, April 2, 7:00-8:00pm,
Interactive Classroom

Introduction to Twitter **RS**

Find out what makes Twitter different from other social networks and create an account.

Thursday, April 16, 7:00-8:00pm,
Interactive Classroom

Introduction to Instagram **RS**

Discover the ins and outs of this photo-sharing platform.

Thursday, April 30, 2:00-3:00pm,
Interactive Classroom

PHOTO

Digital Photography for Mobile Devices **RS**

Use the Google Photos app to organize, edit, and enhance your photos. Bring your fully charged mobile device. Gmail account and password required.

Tuesday, March 24, 7:00-8:30pm,
Interactive Classroom



COMPUTERS & COFFEE

Join us for a cup of coffee as we explore technology topics and answer questions.

Ridesharing 101 **RS**

Learn the basics of catching a ride with Lyft and Uber.

Wednesday, March 4
10:00-11:00am, Civic Room

TECH TUESDAYS

Get help accessing eBooks, eAudiobooks, digital magazines, and HOOPLA with your portable device.

Bring your device and any user IDs and passwords (Apple ID/password or Amazon account information).

Tuesdays, 3:00-5:00pm
Reference area

CloudLibrary Users: Make the Switch to Overdrive/Libby for eBooks and eAudiobooks



Overdrive & Libby

One digital library with two apps

Beginning in May, to help consolidate our digital collections and provide a larger selection of titles and shorter wait times, we will no longer support the CloudLibrary platform.

If you currently use CloudLibrary, we encourage you to make the switch to Overdrive, which provides a large selection of eBooks and eAudiobooks you can read on your computer or portable device.

If you use a portable device, you can install the Libby or Overdrive apps to check out and download eBooks and eAudiobooks. We think you'll really enjoy it!

To get started, visit www.northbrook.info/download/ebooks-audio

MAKER PROGRAMS

All class materials provided unless noted otherwise.

TEEN/ADULT MAKER (AGE 13-ADULT)

St. Patrick's T-shirt **RS** **CR**

Use the Cricut and heat transfer vinyl to decorate a t-shirt.

Tuesday, March 10, 6:00-7:00pm,
Collaboratory

Quilted Brooch **RS** **CR**

Create your own wearable art.

Tuesday, March 10, 7:00-8:00pm,
Pollak Room A

Serger Basics **RS** **CR**

Learn how to use our serger.

Thursday, March 12 or Wednesday,
April 1, 10:30am-12:00pm, Collaboratory

Quilted Pillow for Adults **RS** **CR**

Sew a quilted pillow over two classes.

Basic sewing machine skills required.

Thursdays, March 12 & 19, 6:30-7:45pm,
Collaboratory

Hand Woven Basket Weaving

RS **CR**

Create a small hand woven basket using macrame cord.

Friday, March 13, 10:30am-12:30pm,
Collaboratory

Jewelry Making: Bracelet **RS** **CR**

Make a woven bead bracelet.

Tuesdays, March 17 or March 24
10:30am-12:00pm, Collaboratory

Adobe Illustrator Basics **RS** **CR**

Learn to use Illustrator Basics to create business cards.

Wednesday, March 18, 6:00-7:30pm,
Collaboratory

Glass Fusion: Jewelry **RS** **CR**

Create glass jewelry with artist

Jayne Herring. Choose one date below.

Thursday, March 19, 10:30am-12:30pm,
Wednesday, March 25, 6:00-8:00pm,
Wednesday, April 15, 6:00-8:00pm,
Tuesday, April 28, 10:30am-12:30pm,
Collaboratory

Sewing Machine Basics **RS** **CR**

Learn sewing machine basics in this

hands-on class. Choose one date below.

Thursday, March 19, 10:30-12:30pm,
Wednesday, April 8, 10:30am-12:30pm,
Interactive Classroom

Digitizing Photos, Negatives, and More

Stop in for a brief demo on how to digitize photos, negatives, documents, and more. Demo only; please do not bring any items from home to digitize.

Friday, March 20, 10:30-11:30am,
Collaboratory

Quilled Paper Monograms **RS** **CR**

Learn the art of quilling and create a monogram.

Tuesday, March 24, 6:00-7:30pm,
Collaboratory

Intermediate Sewing Machine

RS **CR**

Learn sewing machine basics and stitches in this hands-on class. Sewing machine experience required.

Saturday, March 28 or Thursday, April 16,
10:30am-12:30pm, Interactive Classroom

Jewelry Making: Necklace **RS** **CR**

Make a mandala necklace.

Tuesday, April 7 or April 21,
10:30am-12:00pm, Collaboratory

iMovie Basics **RS** **CR**

Learn the basics of making videos.

Thursday, April 16, 6:00-7:00pm,
Collaboratory

Mini Felted Floral Banners **RS** **CR**

Create a mini felted floral banner perfect for spring!

Tuesday, April 21, 6:00-7:30pm,
Collaboratory

Engraved Necklace **RS** **CR**

Use the Cricut engraving tool to make a metal necklace.

Wednesday, April 22, 10:30-11:30am,
Collaboratory

Sew A Coiled Basket **RS** **CR**

Sew a coiled basket using macrame. Basic sewing machine skills required.

Thursday, April 23, 10:30am-12:30pm,
Interactive Classroom

Infinity Scarf **RS** **CR**

Sew an infinity scarf. Basic sewing machine skills required.

Saturday, April 25, 10:30am-1:30pm,
Interactive Classroom

Digitize & Laser Etch

Handwriting **RS** **CR**

Etch a recipe or other handwritten item onto a cutting board. Bring a physical copy of the written material to digitize.

Thursday, April 30, 6:00-7:30pm,
Collaboratory

YOUTH MAKER

Engraved Necklace

(Grades 4-8) **RS** **CR**

Use the Cricut to engrave a metal necklace.

Tuesday, March 17, 4:00-5:00pm,
Collaboratory

Kids Sewing Machine Basics

(Grades 4-8) **RS** **CR**

Learn sewing machine basics in this hands-on class. Choose one date below.

Thursdays, 4:15-5:45pm
March 26: Interactive Classroom
April 23: Collaboratory

DIY Grasshopper

(Grades 4-8) **RS** **CR**

Make a vibrating grasshopper using an electrical circuit.

Tuesday, March 31, 4:30-5:30pm,
Collaboratory

String Theory: Loom Weaving

(Grades 4-8) **RS** **CR**

Learn to weave on a cardboard loom. Participants must attend both classes.

Tuesdays, April 7 & April 14,
4:00-5:00pm, Collaboratory

Spring Bunny Box

(Grades 4-8) **RS** **CR**

Use the Cricut to create a decorative bunny out of cardstock.

Thursday, April 9, 4:30-5:30pm,
Collaboratory

Intro to CircuitScribe

(Grades 4-8) **RS** **CR**

Connect electrical components using conductive ink on paper.

Tuesday, April 28, 4:30-5:30pm,
Collaboratory

TEEN PROGRAMS

See page 2 for photo policy.

CATCH Film Screening: *LIKE* **RS**

Teens and parents are invited to watch *LIKE*, a documentary about the impact social media has on our lives. Presented by Community Action Together for Children's Health (CATCH).

Thursday, March 5, 7:00-8:30pm
Auditorium

Find the Right Test for You: SAT & ACT Practice Test

Session (Grades 9-12) **RS**

Take a full-length ACT or SAT practice test proctored by C2 Educate Glenview. Return the following day for an optional session to review your scores.

Test: Saturday, March 7
12:30-4:00pm, Pollak Room

Optional Review: Sunday, March 8
1:30-2:00pm, Pollak Room

Teen Advisory Board (Grades 6-12) **RS**

Earn service hours, make friends, eat pizza, and help us plan and complete service projects.

Tuesday, March 10, 5:00-6:00pm
Pollak Room

Writers League (Grades 6-12) **RS**

Enjoy snacks, meet with other writers, and hone your skills through different creativity exercises and writing prompts.

Mondays, March 16 & April 20
4:00-5:30pm, YS Activity Room

Bento Boxes (Grades 6-12) **RS**

Make packed lunches inspired by Japanese cuisine. Please inform us of any food allergies when you sign up.

Tuesday, March 24, 5:00-6:00pm
YS Activity Room

After-Hours Laser Tag (Grades 6-12) **RS**

Eat pizza and play laser tag at the library when the building is closed!

Friday, March 27, 5:30-8:00pm
Pollak Room

Books and Bites: Teen Book Discussion (Grades 6-12) **RS**

Enjoy your choice of drink while discussing the book. The first nine registered teens to check in at the Youth Services desk will get a free copy.

Salt to the Sea by Ruta Sepetys
Friday, March 20, 5:00-6:00pm,
Pollak Room B

Hey, Kiddo by Jarrett Krosoczka
Friday, April 24, 5:00-6:00pm,
Civic Room

Heads up: These books are recommended for Grades 8 and up.



Job Readiness for Teens (Grades 9-12 and Caregivers) **RS**

A teen guide to perfecting resumes, cover letters, job applications, and interviews.

Tuesday, April 7, 7:00-8:00pm
Pollak Room

More programs for teens & tweens

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Create Club (Grades 4-8)

Dungeons & Dragons (Grades 4-12)

Coding Club (Grades 5-12)



High School Summer Volunteer Info Meeting (Grades 8-11) **RS**

Teens who would like to be summer library volunteers **must attend one of the following meetings** to learn more and pick up an application. Teens attending high school in Fall 2020 are eligible to volunteer.

Friday, April 3, 5:15-5:45pm
Saturday, April 18, 3:00-3:30pm
Thursday, April 23, 7:00-7:30pm
Thursday, April 30, 5:30-6:00pm
YS Activity Room

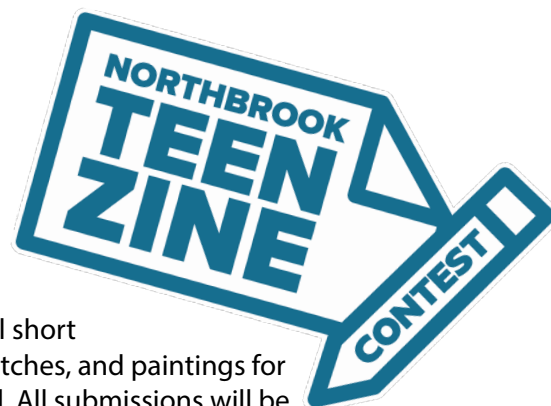
Northbrook Teen Zine Contest (Grades 6-12)

There's still time to submit your original short stories, poems, plays, photographs, sketches, and paintings for a chance to win a \$50 Amazon gift card. All submissions will be published in the *Northbrook Teen Zine*. Learn more or submit your work: www.northbrook.info/teen-zine. Submissions due by Tuesday, March 31.

Northbrook Teen Zine Release Party (Grades 6-12 & Families) **RS**

It's time to celebrate everyone who submitted content to the *Northbrook Teen Zine* contest. You and your family are invited to enjoy snacks, find out who won, and pick up a printed copy of the publication.

Sunday, April 26 2:00-2:45pm, YS Activity Room



RESERVE A SPOT

To provide a better experience for our patrons, we recommend that you reserve a spot if you plan to attend an event marked with **RS**. A spot should be reserved for each member of a family or group planning to attend, unless noted otherwise. To reserve a spot, call 847-272-6224 or visit www.northbrook.info.

Reserve a Spot **RS**

We welcome young people of all abilities to all of our programs. For accommodations, please call 847-272-6224.

YOUTH PROGRAMS

SPECIAL EVENTS

Wiggleworms Music for Kids (All Ages, with caregiver) **RS**

Join a Wiggleworms instructor from the Old Town School of Folk Music for a half hour of music, movement, and fun.
Tuesday, March 3, 10:30-11:00am
Pollak Room

Baby Wiggleworms (Birth-24 months, with caregiver) **RS**

Join a Wiggleworms instructor from the Old Town School of Folk Music for a half hour of music, movement, and fun. All children, including siblings, must be 24 months or younger and registered.
Thursday, March 5, 10:30-11:00am & 11:15-11:45am, YS Activity Room

Family LEGO Club (Drop-In, All Ages)

Each month will feature a different LEGO challenge to stretch your skills.
Saturdays, March 7 & April 4
10:30am-12:00pm, YS Activity Room

My First Yoga (Ages 3-5, with caregiver) **RS**

Join Banner Day Camp staff to learn fun, easy-to-learn poses. No yoga experience necessary. Parents or caregivers are welcome to stay and participate.
Fridays, March 13 & April 3,
10:00-10:30am, YS Activity Room

Family Concert: Little Miss Ann (Families) **RSIC**

Award-winning children's musician Ann Torralba, aka Little Miss Ann, performs upbeat and interactive music at this special concert!
Saturday, March 21, 11:00-11:45am
Auditorium



Accessibility Hour for Special Needs Families **SN**

Visit the Library one hour before we open to browse and check out materials. Have fun exploring in a sensory-friendly environment.
Sunday, April 5, 12:00-1:00pm



Madcap Puppets: Twice Upon a Time (Grades K & Up, with Caregiver) **RSIC**

In this fun puppet show, Aiden accidentally propels his reflection into the real world. Will he be able to get it back into the mirror?
Saturday, April 18, 2:00-3:00pm, Auditorium



SPRING BREAK PROGRAMS

Games Outside the Box (All Ages, Drop-In)

Calling all gamers, techies, engineers, builders, and out-of-the-box thinkers. Stop by and see what you can do!
Tuesday, March 24, 2:30-4:00pm
YS Activity Room

Family LEGO Club (Drop-In, All Ages)

Drop in and build your LEGO masterpiece during spring break!
Thursday, March 26
1:00-2:30pm, YS Activity Room

Toddler Ice Cream Truck Drive-In (Ages 2-5) **RS**

Get artistic with your toddler. We'll decorate ice cream truck boxes, enjoy a snack, and watch a short movie.
Friday, March 27, 2:00-3:00pm
Pollak Room

FAMILY FILMS **RS**

Saturdays, 10:30am and 2:00pm, Auditorium



March 28
Frozen II*
Rated PG



April 25
Spies in Disguise*
Rated PG

*Not confirmed at press time



National Poetry Month

Deeper Into Poetry in April
Rhymes here, rhythms there, rich language is everywhere.

Visit the Youth Services Department to "dig deeper" into poetry with our interactive installations throughout April, which is National Poetry Month!

YOUTH PROGRAMS

SCHOOL AGE PROGRAMS

LEGO Club (Grades 1-3) **RS**

Join us for our monthly free build to create your LEGO masterpiece.

Tuesdays, March 3 & April 7
4:00-5:00pm, YS Activity Room

Create Club (Grades 4-8) **RS**

Unleash your creativity with our monthly craft project.

Thursdays, 4:00-5:00pm, YS Activity Room

March 5: Collage Zines

Get into zine culture—create a mini magazine using your art and collages.

April 2: Wands

Let's make some magic! Design and create your own wand.

A-Z Mindfulness for Kids

(Grades K-5) **RS**

Miss Lani with Banner Day Camp teaches mindfulness, the practice of focusing on the present moment.

Wednesdays, March 11 & April 1
4:00-4:30pm, Pollak Room A

Cool Reads (Grades K-2) **RS**

Explore a great book and its characters with fun activities and a snack. The book does not need to be read ahead of time.

Thursdays, 4:00-4:45pm,
YS Activity Room

March 12: *Danny and the Dinosaur*
by Syd Hoff

April 9: *Pete the Cat: Pete's Big Lunch*
by James Dean

Y-Art (Families) **RS**

Start your Saturday with art! Brought to you by the NSYMCA Art Academy.

Saturdays, March 14 & April 11,
10:00-11:00am, YS Activity Room

Dungeons & Dragons

(Grades 4-12) **RS**

Gather your party and prepare to embark on a tabletop adventure. Character sheets will be provided, or bring your own 5th edition character.

Saturday, March 14, 2:30-4:00pm,
Civic Room

Saturday, April 4, 2:30-4:00pm
YS Activity Room

Graphic Squad (Grades 3-5) **RS**

We'll talk about favorite graphic novels while munching on a snack! Pick up a copy of the book at the Youth Services desk a month before the program.

Tuesdays, 4:00-5:00pm, YS Activity Room

March 17: *The Cardboard Kingdom*
by Chad Sell

April 14: *Bone, Volume 1: Out from Boneville*
by Jeff Smith

K-9 Reading Buddies

(Grades K-5) **RS**

Independent readers are invited to practice their skills by reading to a friendly registered therapy dog from K-9 Reading Buddies! Space is limited; please register in person or by phone for a 15-minute time slot.

Tuesdays, March 17 & April 21
6:30-7:45pm, YS Activity Room



Tabletop Gaming

(Grades 4-12) **RS**

Cards, dice, pawns, and meeple! Each month we'll play a different tabletop game each month.

Wednesdays, 4:00-5:30pm,
YS Activity Room

March 18: Board Game Night

April 22: Magic: The Gathering

Coding Club (Grades 5-12) **RS**

Try your hand at Python programming as we move from basics to drawing, then gaming and robotics with a variety of projects.

Thursdays, March 19 & 26, and April 16
& 23, 4:00-5:00pm, YS Activity Room

Globe Trotters (Grades K-3) **RS**

Explore a different country each session with books, games, crafts, and maps.

Sundays, March 22 & April 19
2:00-3:00pm, YS Activity Room

Try & Fail Challenge

(Grades 3-5) **RS**

Failure is an option. We provide a design challenge and you use experimental and design thinking to create a robot/machine/contraption to complete the challenge. Epic fails are encouraged!

Sundays, March 23 & April 27
2:00-3:00pm, YS Activity Room

Serial Readers (Grades 4-6) **RS**

Read the first book in a series and enjoy activities, discussion, and pizza! Pick up a copy of the book at the Youth Services desk a month before the event.

Wednesdays, 4:00-5:00pm,
YS Activity Room

March 25: *The Lightning Thief*
by Rick Riordan

April 29: *The Mysterious Benedict Society*
by Trenton Lee Stewart

Science Explorers

(Grades K-2) **RS**

Are you a budding scientist itching to experiment? Explore basic science concepts with hands-on activities. Get ready to get messy!

Monday, April 6 4:00-4:45pm
YS Activity Room

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YOUTH PROGRAMS

STORYTIMES & EARLY CHILDHOOD

Monday Movers

(Toddlers, with caregiver)

Join us for a fast-paced half hour of moving, singing, reading, and fun!

[Mondays, March 9–April 20](#)
10:30-11:00am, Story Corner

Preschool Storytime (Ages 3-5)

Stories and activities for preschoolers.

[Mondays, March 9–April 20, 2:00-2:30pm,](#)
[Tuesdays, March 10–April 2, 10:30-11:00am,](#)
YS Activity Room

Toddler Storytime

(Toddlers, with caregiver)

Stories, songs, rhymes, and activities.

[Tuesdays, March 10–April 21](#)
[Wednesdays, March 11–April 22](#)
10:30-11:00am, Story Corner

Baby Play (Birth-12 months, with caregiver)

This program introduces music, rhymes, and books to babies under a year old in a friendly, cozy setting.

[Wednesdays, March 11–April 22](#)
9:15-10:00am, YS Activity Room

Wee Play (Birth-24 months, with caregiver)

Music, rhymes, giggles, and books for babies and their caregivers. Check in at the Youth Services desk. Space is limited.

[Thursdays, March 12–April 23](#)
10:00-10:45am & 11:00-11:45am
YS Activity Room

Toddler Time

(Ages 2-3, with caregiver)

Join us for 20 minutes of stories and 20 minutes of creative play.

[Thursdays, March 12–April 23](#)
10:00-10:40am, Story Corner

Korean Language Storytime (Ages 4-11) **RS**

Enjoy stories and activities. For Korean-speaking families and those interested in the language.

[Fridays, March 13 & April 10](#)
4:30pm-5:00pm, YS Activity Room

Spanish Storytime with Señora Kus (All Ages, with caregiver)

Exploring the Spanish language with songs, stories, rhymes, and movement, designed to provide English speakers with a brain-building dose of Spanish.

[Friday, March 20, 10:00-10:30am](#)
Story Corner

Korean Language Storytime (Ages 3-5, with caregiver) **RS**

Enjoy stories, songs, rhymes, and activities in Korean presented by local volunteers. For Korean-speaking families and those interested in the language.

[Fridays, March 20, April 3](#)
4:30pm-5:00pm, YS Activity Room

Pajama Stories (Families)

Put on your coziest pajamas and join us for a half hour of stories and fun!

[Tuesdays, March 31 & April 28](#)
6:30-7:00pm, Story Corner

5 TIPS TO HELP BOOST EARLY LITERACY

Early literacy is what happens before a child actually learns to read. Here at the library, we boil early literacy down to Talking, Singing, Playing, Reading, and Writing. Here are some great ways to help nurture your child's early literacy.

- 1 Talk to your child.** Children learn about language by listening to you and others speak.
- 2 Sing to your child.** Singing slows down language and uses a lot of repetition so children can hear the different sounds in words.
- 3 Play with your child.** Playing is one of the best ways for children to learn language and literacy skills.
- 4 Read to your child.** Reading introduces rich language: rhymes, rhythm, and a whole world of words we don't use much in everyday speech.
- 5 Encourage your child to write.** Writing (or scribbling or mark making) helps children learn that printed letters stand for spoken words.



BACKSTAGE PASS

Learn what goes on behind the scenes to provide you a first-class movie going experience in the Auditorium.

Each film screening involves a great deal of planning, preparation, and smooth execution by staff like Fiction & Media librarian Margo Hill, Auditorium Coordinator, Arielle Valene, and Security Monitor, Syed Jaffery.

Each year, we screen approximately 60 films in the Auditorium. Some of the most highly anticipated—and widely attended—screenings take place during our annual Critics' Choice series, which features Oscar-nominated films.



Fiction & Media Librarian, Margo Hill

But securing the licensing for these films can be challenging, says librarian Margo Hill, who works with movie studios and distributors to acquire the rights to show the films.

To meet the March deadline, she has to start requesting films months ahead of time. Her “ears perk up around October” when film critic circles begin to buzz about upcoming noteworthy films.

“It’s tricky because some studios wait to release their best work toward the end of the year, so I just cross my fingers,” said Margo, who worked in film production before becoming a librarian.

“So far I’ve found the distributors we work with to be incredibly helpful.”

The library has the fortune of having a 225-seat auditorium and the proper commercial-grade system to show a wide array of films to the public.

“It’s nice when patrons walk in and say, ‘Oh, wow! That’s not what I expected from a library,’” she said.

After Margo acquires the films, there’s still more work to do to.

That’s where Auditorium Coordinator, Arielle Valene comes in. Once the film hard drive arrives, she ingests it into the Auditorium’s industry standard server and runs tests.

“Each movie has to be individually fitted to make sure the image is correctly justified,” she said.

Even if it’s off by just a centimeter, she makes all the necessary adjustments to make the film fit perfectly.



Auditorium Coordinator, Arielle Valene

This year, the first-class experience we strive to provide will get even better. We have added an additional Thursday afternoon screening for all of our Critics' Choice films to meet demand, and we are also providing a new dedicated phone line to make it easier to register by phone, as well as a more user-friendly way to reserve a spot online.

Arielle also provides smooth transitions, such as turning down the lights and releasing “coming soon” slides before the film begins, all of which help to provide an enriching patron experience.



Security Monitor, Syed Jaffery

On the day of a film screening, Security Monitor, Syed Jaffery, plays an important role in ensuring attendees have a safe and pleasant experience.

In addition to handling emergency situations, Syed provides special assistance for attendees using wheelchairs, walkers, and strollers.

At large auditorium events, he expects to assist at least 10 to 20 patrons.

“The main thing I’ve learned is that a big part my job, besides handling incidents and accidents, and assisting emergency crews, is customer service,” he said.

Liked that? Try this!

Fiction & Media Librarian Margo Hill suggests “watch-alikes” for your favorite award-nominated films. Look for them on the 3rd floor in our DVD section.

If you liked the film *Little Women*, try:

Anne of Green Gables (1985)
Sense and Sensibility (1995)



If you liked the film *Marriage Story*, try:

Kramer vs. Kramer (1979)
Modern Romance (1981)



If you liked the film *1917*, try:

Saving Private Ryan (1998)
They Shall Not Grow Old (2018)



FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

From the Board President

"Let's all go to the movies!" was a much-heard jingle when television began keeping people at home during the early 1950s. While today's streaming services make it even easier to stay at home, our library continues to offer a varied array of thoughtfully selected films. In March, award-nominated films will again be screened in the Auditorium, and the Friends are happy to be funding the entire five-film series. So..."Let's all go...!"

Mark you calendar for the Friends' Bookshop March Madness book sale on March 20-21.

The Bookshop is in constant need of volunteer help. If you would like to help in sales, please leave your name and contact information at the Shop or the Circulation desk.

Sincerely,

Bill Schildgen

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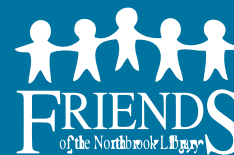
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Friends' Used Bookshop Hours:

Monday-Saturday:

10:00am-4:00pm

Sunday: 2:00-4:00pm

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Next Friends of the Library Board Meeting

Tuesday, March 10

10:00am, Civic Room

All are welcome to attend

March Madness Book Sale

March 20-21 in the lobby

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ART EXHIBITS

North Suburban YMCA Art Show

We welcome the return of the YMCA Art Show in March.

Opening Reception:
Sunday, March 8, 3:00-4:45pm, YS Activity Room

Northbrook Originals Art Show

In partnership with the Northbrook Arts Commission, we are proud to display the Northbrook Originals Art Exhibit, which showcases the talents of Northbrook residents starting April 9.

Opening Reception:
Wednesday, April 29, 7:00-8:00pm, Pollak Room



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We are pleased to announce that we have been awarded the highest rating, 5-Stars, by the *Library Journal* Index of Public Library Service for delivering a strong return on investment to the community.

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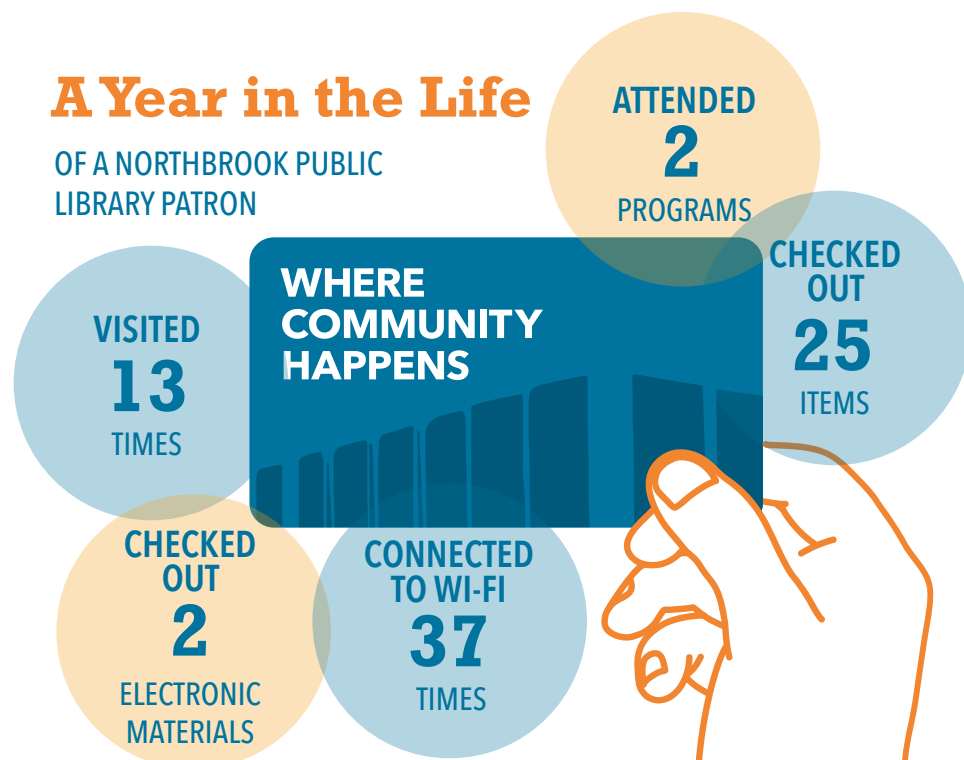
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To learn more, visit www.northbrook.info/5-star-library

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