

NORTHBROOK PUBLIC LIBRARY

January & February 2019

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Notes from the Director



I am a member of the Northbrook Rotary Club. Rotary's motto is "Service above Self," and I try every day to make that motto a reality. At the library, we are focused on service. We are here

to help you, and we work diligently to provide you with services that meet your needs. I am humbled that I get to work at an institution that is dedicated to making people's lives more fulfilling.

I am also humbled by the value this community places on service. I see it in the many service organizations, clubs, commissions, and organizations that work together to make Northbrook such a vibrant, giving community.

Since 1994, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day has been observed nationally as a day of service, and there are many service opportunities throughout the area to mark the day. Turn to page 13 to learn about the services projects we have happening at the Library.

As January 21 approaches, I encourage you to reflect on the service you already provide, here or elsewhere. Northbrook truly is a community of giving, and I look forward to seeing how that giving spreads on MLK Day.

Kate Hall
Executive Director

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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

NEW YEAR, NEW YOU



The new year is a time to reflect on the past and make changes for the future. No matter what your resolutions are, we have something to help get the year off to a great start. Grab your library card and visit www.northbrook.info/new-year to find links to the programs and services mentioned below.

Learn more with Lynda.com software video tutorials and Mango Languages, offering basic and in-depth lessons for 70+ languages.

Exercise more with fitness videos on the Hoopla streaming service.

Create more with one of Creativebug's 1000+ online classes, or sign up for one of our many hands-on classes in the Collaboratory.

Read more by visiting www.northbrook.info/reading-lists to view the best books of 2018, or click the "Your Next Book" link to get a personal reading recommendation.

LATE OPEN FOR STAFF TRAINING

Maintaining a safe space for our staff and patrons is a top priority, which is why all of our staff members will have the opportunity to attend safety and security training classes. To make it possible for staff to attend, the library will open at 11:00am on Friday, January 11 and Friday, February 22.

FINALS CAFE: JANUARY 12-15

It's the week before finals, and once again we will open up the library to welcome all high school students studying for finals. We'll also be providing snacks and pizza for high school students in the Pollak Room. On Saturday, we'll even have therapy dogs to help students de-stress!



Please note that the library will experience more activity than usual during these times. Seating and parking may be limited.

Details and full schedule on page 10.

JOB SEARCH WORKSHOP ^{RS}

Learn how to use social media to connect with active hiring managers, get your resume through applicant tracking systems, and develop the critical interview skills you need to help you succeed. This workshop will help you take a structured approach to your job search that includes setting goals, creating or revising your resume, and navigating the interview process.

Saturday, February 9, 9:30am-3:30pm
Interactive Classroom



FEATURED EVENTS

GRAMMY-NOMINATED BLUES ARTIST

The Blues According to John Primer **RS**

Thursday, January 24, 7:00pm,
Auditorium

Legendary blues guitarist and two-time Grammy nominee, John Primer and his band will perform an up close and personal acoustic set, with special guest Steve Bell on harmonica. There will be a question-and-answer session after the set.

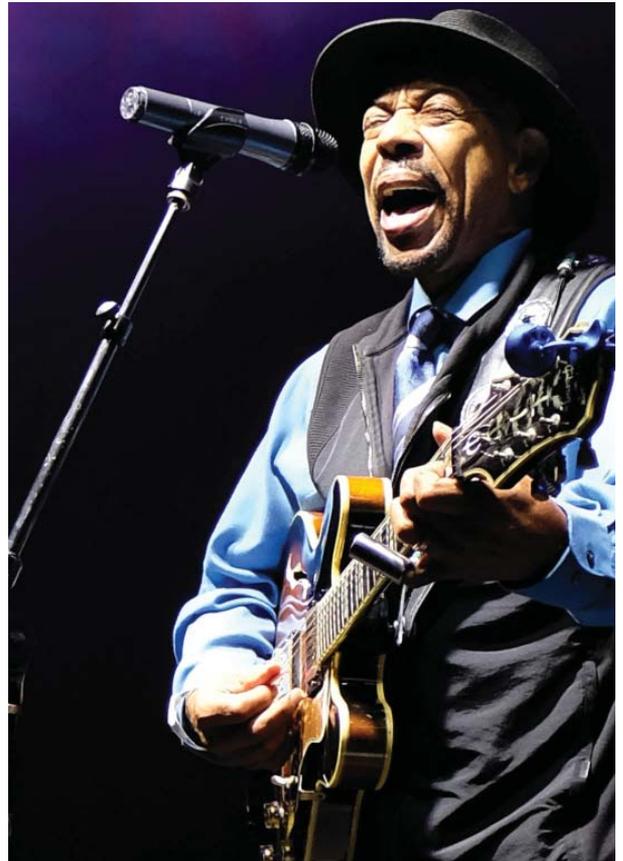
Early in his career, John played with blues originators including Sammy Lawhorn, Junior Wells, Buddy Guy, Smokey Smothers, and Lonnie Brooks.

In 1979, John joined Willie Dixon and his band, the Chicago Blues All Stars, for six months until he was recruited by Muddy Waters to play guitar. He was Muddy Waters' guitar player and band leader until Waters' death in 1983.

Later, John joined Magic Slim & the Teardrops as a bandleader and guitarist, culminating with the Teardrops being voted repeatedly the number one blues band in the world.

Over his career, John has been associated with The Rolling Stones, Pearl Jam, Derek Trucks, Gary Clark Jr., Koko Taylor, Chuck Berry, John Lee Hooker, Ray Charles, James Brown, and B.B. King.

—Biographical information excerpted from www.johnprimerblues.com



This popular event lets you give new life to craft supplies that you no longer need—yarn, fabrics, patterns, rubber stamps, etc. It's also a great way to pick up some new (or new to you) supplies.

If you have items to donate, you can drop them off on Friday and Saturday.

At Sunday's Swap, we will provide you with two paper bags to fill with supplies. Once your bags are full, you are welcome to get back in line for more.

You do not need to donate any materials to attend the Swap!

Drop-off: Friday, January 25, 1:00-5:00pm and
Saturday, January 26, 10:00am-4:00pm, Pollak Room

Swap: Sunday, January 27, 1:15-3:30pm, Pollak Room



WINTER READING

COME IN FROM THE COLD

Warm up with books, music, and movies while earning chances to win great prizes, including gift cards.

Our Winter Reading program is available for all ages through January 31.

Visit www.northbrook.info/winter-reading for more details.

ADULT PROGRAMS

See page 2 for photo policy.

FEATURED EVENTS

An Evening with the Author: Libby Fischer Hellmann **RS**

Meet best-selling and award-winning author Libby Fischer Hellmann and celebrate the release of her latest novel, *High Crimes*, the fifth installment in her *Georgia Davis Mysteries* series. Books will be available to purchase from the Book Bin.

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

A Beginner's Guide to the Golden Age of Radio **RS**

Popular radio host Steve Darnall uses sound clips and stories to highlight some of the biggest shows and stars from the early years of radio.

Thursday, January 10, 2:00-3:00pm,
Pollak Room

Introduction to Ancestry.com **RS**

Discover the best ways to search for information about your family history on Ancestry. Explore census, birth, marriage, death, military, immigration records, and more.

Thursday, January 17, 7:00-8:00pm,
Interactive Classroom

Live Podcast Recording and Performance **RS**

Local music podcast *Friskie Morris Sessions* records a special live episode at the library. The podcast will feature an interview and performance by a Chicago-area punk rock band.

Thursday, January 31, 7:00-8:30pm,
Auditorium

All About Ham Radio (All Ages)

Experts from the North Shore Radio Club will demonstrate ham radio equipment.

Saturday, February 9, 11:00am-12:30pm,
Pollak Room A

Magical Perceptions with Jeanette Andrews **RS**

Sensory illusionist Jeanette Andrews returns with a new show that will leave you amazed and enchanted. Impossible feats will happen before your very eyes as she performs her elegant, interactive magic.

Monday, February 4,
7:00-8:00pm, Auditorium



John Hughes Retrospective **RS**

Kevin Smokler, author of *Brat Pack America*, returns to the library to discuss some of John Hughes' classic 80s films, their ties to Northbrook, and how we view these movies today. A screening of Hughes' 1985 film, *The Breakfast Club*, will follow.

Thursday, February 21, 7:00-9:00pm, Auditorium

Professor Moptop: Abbey Road **RS**

Professor Moptop, who is a weekly feature on WXRT's "Breakfast with the Beatles," has thoroughly studied and researched the Beatles to become an expert on all things related to the Fab Four. The Professor will discuss "Abbey Road," which is celebrating its 50th anniversary, offer historical analysis, and provide audio samples.

Thursday, February 28,
7:00-8:30pm,
Auditorium



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 otherwise indicated. Call or visit www.northbrook.info to reserve a spot.

ADA Requests: The library welcomes patrons of all abilities. 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. For details, please visit www.northbrook.info.

HEALTH MATTERS

The Doctor Is In: Weekend Warrior Injuries

Meet doctors from the University of Chicago (NorthShore) Family Medicine Residency Program each month for a short, interactive talk on a health topic.

Monday, January 21, 2:00-3:00pm,
Pollak Room

The Hunting Ground: Documentary & Discussion **RS**

This film documents the stories of undergraduate survivors of sexual assault, the response from their schools, and the campus culture that allows assault to go unchecked. A discussion will follow the screening.

Monday, February 11, 7:00-8:30pm,
Auditorium



Sprouts & Microgreens for Good Health **RS**

Cosponsored by the Friends.

Learn how to grow microgreens all year round and discover the nutritional value of these tiny but mighty plants from Mark Lyons of *Green Thumb at Your Service*.

Tuesday, February 19, 10:00-11:00am,
Pollak Room



BOOK GROUPS & DISCUSSIONS

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

Book Discussion with Isabel Soffer

The Lost Girls of Camp Forevermore
by Kim Fu

Saturday, January 5, 10:00-11:30am
Civic Room

Illinois State Poetry Society Meeting

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

Sunday, January 6, 1:00-4:30pm,
Civic Room

Wednesdays with Benjamin Goluboff

Cosponsored by the Friends.

January 9: *Billy Lynn's Long Halftime Walk*
by Ben Fountain

February 13: *The Heather Blazing*
by Colm Toibin
10:00-11:30am, Civic Room



Tuesdays with Nancy Buehler

Cosponsored by the Friends.

January 15: *The Female Persuasion* by Meg Wolitzer

February 19: *The Immortalists* by Chloe Benjamin
10:00-11:30am, Civic Room



Great Books

January 21: *The Moral Sense of Man and the Lower Animals* by Charles Darwin

February 18: *Othello* by William Shakespeare

Mondays, 10:00-11:30am, Civic Room

Environmental Book Club **RS**

Cosponsored by Go Green Northbrook.

Join us to discuss *Zero Waste Home* by Bea Johnson. This practical guide provides easy tips to reduce household waste that even the busiest people can integrate. The author shares how simplifying her family's life brought them greater happiness and meaning. Discussion led by member of Go Green Northbrook. Books will be available at the Reference Desk six weeks before the discussion.

Tuesday, January 22, 7:00-8:00pm,
Civic Room



Books on Tap

If the Creek Don't Rise by Leah Weiss

Wednesday, January 30, 7:00-8:30pm,
Landmark Inn, 1352 Shermer Road

Evening Book Discussion with Lori Siegel

Erotic Stories for Punjabi Widows by Balli Kaur Jaswal

Tuesday, February 12, 7:00-8:00pm,
Pollak Room A

Illinois Poetry Society Haiku Chapter

Haiku poets of all levels are welcome. Come have your work critiqued, learn about English language Haiku techniques, and share resources.

Sunday, February 17, 1:00-4:30pm,
Civic Room



Stranger than Fiction **RS NEW!**

Read and discuss true stories that are as compelling as fiction. This month we'll discuss the true crime thriller, *I'll Be Gone in the Dark* by Michelle McNamara. Pick up your copy at the Reference Desk six weeks before the discussion.

Wednesday, February 20, 7:00-8:00pm,
Civic Room

ADULT PROGRAMS

CONCERTS

Svetlana Belsky Performs Chopin **RS**

Pianist Svetlana Belsky returns to perform a selection of Chopin's music. Belsky is the coordinator of piano studies at the University of Chicago. Sunday, January 6, 3:00-4:00pm, Auditorium

JAZZ/BLUES SALON

The Blues According to John Primer **RS**

Grammy-nominated blues guitarist. Feature on page 3. Thursday, January 24, 7:00pm, Auditorium

Joe Policastro Trio **RS**

Led by bassist Joe Policastro featuring guitarist Dave Miller and drummer Mikel Avery, this Chicago-based jazz group brings rock, old-school funk, soul, Brazilian, and free improvisation to the surface while still keeping the aesthetic of an acoustic jazz trio intact. Thursday, February 7, 7:00pm, Auditorium

FRIDAY NIGHT SALON

Balance Light Trio **RS**

Dr. Zanolini's Balance Light Trio launches from jazz into the beyond, exploring the relationship between sound, consciousness, and the fundamental principles of existence. Friday, February 1, 7:00pm, Auditorium

WINTER ENSEMBLES

Small group ensembles to brighten cold days. Sundays, 3:00pm, Auditorium

Avanti Guitar Trio **RS**

The Avanti Guitar Trio is known for their world-class quality and wide repertoire. February 3

Rachel Pederson, vocalist and Mark Stredler, piano **RS**

Mark Stredler and Rachel Pederson will perform cabaret music. February 10

Kate Carter, violin, and Louise Chan, piano **RS**

Kate Carter and Louise Chan explore the extensive repertoire available for piano and violin. February 17

ONGOING ADULT PROGRAMS

Chair Yoga

Cosponsored by the Friends. Fridays, 9:30-10:30am* OR 11:00am-12:00pm, Pollak Room

* No 9:30am class on January 11 & February 22.



Chess Club (All levels)

Wednesdays, January 2-February 27, 7:00-8:45pm, Pollak Room B

Current Events Roundtable

Thursdays, January 10, 17, & 24; February 7 & 21, 10:00-11:30am, Pollak Room

LECTURE SERIES

Lyric Opera Lecture Series **RS**

Experience a prelude to your opera experience with composer information, insights, history, and more presented by former lecturers from the Lyric Opera Lecture Corps of Chicago. Tuesdays, 7:00pm, Civic Room

Elektra by Strauss

Lecture by Jean Joslyn January 29

La Traviata by Verdi

Lecture by Carla Thorpe February 12

Ariodante by Handel

Lecture by Karen Jared February 26

Great Ideas: Israeli History

Cosponsored by the Friends. Thursdays, January 3 & 31; February 14 & 28, 10:00-11:30am, Pollak Room



AARP Driver Safety Program **RS**

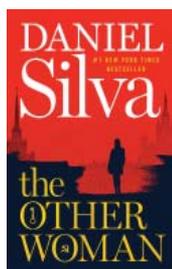
Saturdays, January 26 & February 2, 9:30-1:30pm, Interactive Classroom

Essential Tremor Support Group

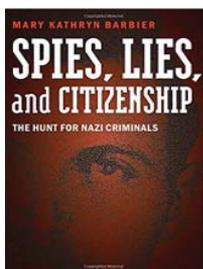
Saturday, February 9 10:00-11:30am, Civic Room

WHAT NORTHBROOK WAS CHECKING OUT IN 2018

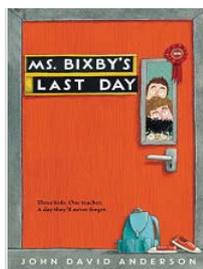
Here are the library's most checked-out books, movies, and music of 2018.



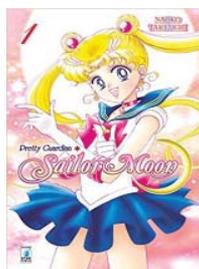
Adult Fiction



Adult Nonfiction



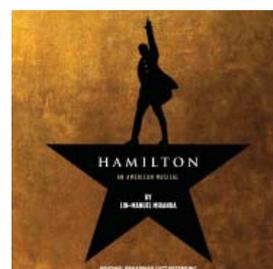
Children's Book



YA Book



Movie



Music

WEDNESDAY FILM SERIES

Films screened 1:00pm & 7:00pm

Open captioning available upon request. Call 847-272-7044 to request captioning or other accommodations.

January Robert Redford, Actor RS

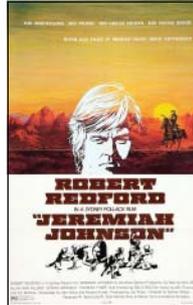
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January 2
The Old Man and the Gun
Rated PG-13



January 9
Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid
Rated PG



January 16
Jeremiah Johnson
Rated PG

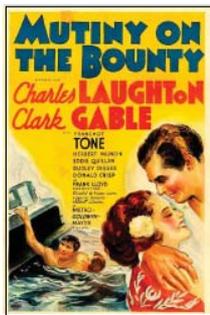


January 23
All the President's Men
Rated PG

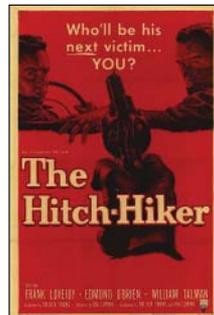


January 30
The Natural
Rated PG

February Women Behind Hollywood RS



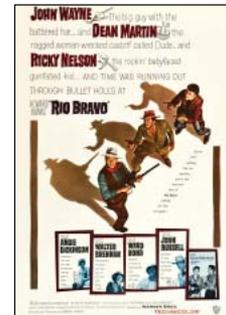
February 6
Mutiny on the Bounty



February 13
The Hitch-Hiker



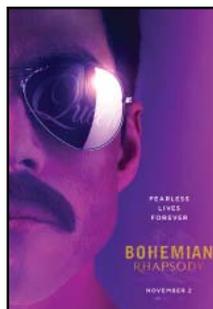
February 20
Sabrina



February 27
Rio Bravo

FIRST-RUN FILMS RS

Films screened Saturdays,
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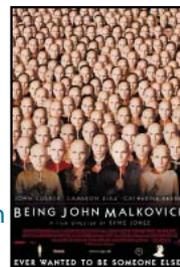


February 9
Bohemian Rhapsody*
Rated PG

FILM DISCUSSIONS

Sci-Fi/Fantasy
Movie Night RS

Being John Malkovich
Thursday, January 17,
Auditorium
Film: 7:00-9:00pm
Discussion: 9:00-9:45pm
Rated R



CinemaSpeak

Watch @ Home. Talk @ Library. Join us for a lively discussion of *Tully* (2018).
Thursday, January 31,
7:00-8:00pm,
Civic Room

SENSORY MOVIE SN RS

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

Smallfoot

Friday, January 18,
10:30am, Auditorium
Rated PG



*Not confirmed at press time

All films presented in theatrical DCP or 35mm prints, unless otherwise noted on our website.

KEY: RS Reserve a Spot SN Special Needs Program CR NPL Card Required

TECH BASICS

Excel Basics **RS**

Create, modify, save, and print spreadsheets and format cells and borders.

Tuesday, January 8, 6:30-8:00pm,
Interactive Classroom

Basic iPad 1 **RS**

Download and manage apps, connect to Wi-fi, and more. Apple ID and password required.

Thursday, January 17, 2:00-3:00pm,
Interactive Classroom

Flyer Design **RS**

Learn to design a flyer for your next event using the free online tool, Pixlr.

Thursday, January 24, 7:00-8:00pm,
Interactive Classroom

PowerPoint Crash Course **RS**

Explore transitions, animations, graphics, and media to create powerful slideshow presentations.

Tuesday, February 5, 7:00-8:30pm,
Interactive Classroom

Word Basics **RS**

Create, open, save, and print text-based documents using Microsoft Word.

Tuesday, February 12, 7:00-8:30pm,
Interactive Classroom

Word Formatting **RS**

Format and align text, apply bullets or numbers, and adjust spacing using Microsoft Word.

Tuesday, February 19, 7:00-8:30pm,
Interactive Classroom

Basic iPad 2 **RS**

Learn to use the iPad's camera functions, including taking and sharing photos, and techniques for using Safari. Apple ID and password required.

Thursday, February 21, 2:00-3:00pm,
Interactive Classroom

EXCEL DEEP DIVE

Excel Formatting **RS**

Format data and cells to make clear, clean, useful spreadsheets and tools for displaying data.

Tuesday, January 22, 6:30-8:00pm,
Interactive Classroom

Excel Formulas & Functions **RS**

Learn how to use formulas and functions, apply absolute references, and explore conditional formatting.

Tuesday, January 29, 6:30-8:00pm,
Interactive Classroom

Excel Pivot Tables **RS**

Pivot tables allow you to reorganize and summarize selected columns and rows of data in a spreadsheet or database table to create a more effective report.

Thursday, February 14, 6:30-8:00pm,
Interactive Classroom

Excel VLookups **RS**

VLOOKUP is an Excel function that allows you to compare two lists. Demystify VLOOKUP by working through examples.

Thursday, February 21, 6:30-8:00pm,
Interactive Classroom

Excel Charts & Graphs **RS**

Add visual interest and tell stories by displaying numbers and data sets in chart or graph format.

Thursday, February 28, 6:30-8:00pm,
Interactive Classroom

BUYING & SELLING

Introduction to Craigslist **RS**

Learn to use the popular Craigslist website to post classified ads for free and buy items from other sellers.

Basic computer, Internet, and email skills are required.

Thursday, January 24, 2:00-3:00pm,
Interactive Classroom

Getting Started with eBay **RS**

Discover the basics of an eBay account, how to bid on products, set up a PayPal account and purchase items.

Thursday, February 7, 2:00-3:30pm
Interactive Classroom

Selling on eBay **RS**

Delve deeper into eBay and discover how to list your items for sale.

Thursday, February 14, 2:00-3:30pm,
Interactive Classroom

COMPUTERS & COFFEE

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

Streaming Music **RS**

Get an overview of ways to stream music using services like Spotify, Apple Music and Bandcamp.

Wednesday, January 9,
11:00am-12:00pm, Pollak Room A

Cloud Storage Systems **RS**

Get an overview on how to share, send, receive files and photos, and access them from any device with Microsoft OneDrive and Google Drive.

Wednesday, February 6,
11:00am-12:00pm, Civic Room



MAKER PROGRAMS

TEEN/ADULT MAKER (AGES 13-ADULT)

Monogram Embroidery **RS**

Create and embroider a monogram for a towel. All supplies provided.

Saturday, January 19, 10:00am-12:00pm, Interactive Classroom

Polymer Clay Leaf Pendants **RS**

Make a polymer clay leaf pendant and add a little shimmer with powders and a crystal. All materials provided.

Tuesday, January 22, 7:00-8:00pm, Pollak Room A

Intro to 3D Printing **RS**

For beginners. Meet the printer and get started with basic design software.

Wednesday, January 23, 6-7:30pm, Collaboratory

Jewelry Making: Earrings **RS**

Learn the basics of how to make earrings. Supplies provided.

Thursday, January 24, 10:00-11:30am, Collaboratory

Sewing Machine Basics **RS**

Hands-on instruction using the library's sewing machines.

Saturday, February 2, 11:00am-12:30pm, Pollak Room A

Cricut How-To: Flowers **RS**

Use the Cricut to cut out and create paper flowers. Supplies provided.

Tuesday, February 5, 10:00-11:30am, Collaboratory

Intro to Laser Cutting **RS**

Use Gravit software to design for the laser cutter.

Tuesday, February 12, 6:30-7:30pm, Collaboratory

Podcasting Basics **RS**

Use Audacity audio recording and editing software to create a podcast and share it with the world. Requires intermediate computer skills.

Saturday, February 16, 2:00-3:00pm, Interactive Classroom

Intro to Raspberry Pi **RS**

Check out our Raspberry Pi projects and get inspired to make your own computer-controlled creations.

Tuesday, February 19, 6:00-7:00pm, Collaboratory

Bookbinding **RS**

Cut, fold, and stitch your own book together from raw materials. All supplies provided.

Saturday, February 23, 2:00-4:00pm, Interactive Classroom

Carvey for Adults **RS**

Use Easel software to design for our CNC machine, the Carvey.

Tuesday, February 26, 6:00-7:00pm, Collaboratory

YOUTH MAKER

Laser Cutting for Kids

(Grades 4-8) **RS**

Learn how to use Gravit software to design for the laser cutter.

Thursday, January 17, 4:30-5:30pm, Collaboratory

Intro to CAD (Grades 3-5) **RS**

Use Tinkercad to learn basic computer aided design to design 3D objects. No previous experience necessary.

Thursdays, January 24 & February 21, 4:00-5:00pm, Interactive Classroom

Carvey for Kids (Grades 4-8) **RS**

Learn how to use Easel software to design for our Carvey CNC machine.

Friday, January 25, 4:00-5:00pm, Collaboratory

Cricut for Kids: Decals

(Grades 4-8) **RS**

Use the Cricut to design and create a vinyl decal. All supplies provided.

Tuesday, January 29, 4:30-5:30pm, Pollak Room A

Sewing Machine Basics for Kids

(Grades 4-8) **RS**

Learn sewing machine basics in this hands-on class.

Thursday, January 31, 4:30-5:45pm, Collaboratory

String Theory: Yarn Dyeing and Spinning (Grades 4-12) **RS**

(Three week class.) Dye fiber and spin it into yarn that can be used for knitting or crochet. Participants will be enrolled for all three classes. All materials provided.

Tuesdays, February 5, 12 & 19
4:00-5:00pm, Collaboratory

Music Recording and Editing with Garageband (Grades 4-8) **RS**

Make music with piano, drum samples, and other instruments using Garageband. Equipment provided.

Thursday, February 28, 5:30-7:00pm, Collaboratory

CREATE A VALENTINE'S DAY GIFT

Valentine's Day Laser Cut Boxes **RS**

Design and laser cut decorative boxes for Valentine's Day gifts.

Tuesday, January 29, 6:30-8:00pm, Collaboratory

Basic Punch Needle Embroidery

for Valentine's Day **RS**

Create a simple Punch Needle Embroidery. All supplies provided.

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



Valentine's Day Cookie Decorating **RS**

Cosponsored by the Friends.

Learn skills, tips, and tricks with cookie and cupcake baker, Patrice Aguirre.

Tuesday, February 5, 7:00-8:30pm, Pollak Room



YOUTH SERVICES

See page 2 for photo policy.

FINALS CAFE (GRADES 9-12)

Are you in need of a space for some serious group studying? Students are encouraged to study throughout the library, and we'll provide snacks (while they last) and pizza (at set times) in the Pollak Room for all high school students studying for final exams.

Students are welcome to bring their own snacks, within reason—nothing messy or excessively smelly.

On Saturday, students can de-stress with registered therapy dogs at lunchtime!

Finals Cafe Schedule

Saturday, January 12, 9:00am-4:30pm,
Pollak Room *Pizza: 3:00pm*

Registered Therapy Dogs 
11:30am-12:30pm, YS Activity Room

Sunday, January 13, 1:00-4:30pm,
Pollak Room *Pizza: 3:00pm*

Monday, January 14, 3:00-8:30pm,
Pollak Room *Pizza: 3:00pm*

Tuesday, January 15, 3:00-8:30pm,
Pollak Room *Pizza: 3:00pm*



TEEN PROGRAMS

Bad Art (Grades 4-12) **RS**

Freedom from the tyranny of perfectionism! Come and make some art that you won't hang on the fridge. Try something new, make a mess, and be proud of your truly horrendous art.
Wednesday, January 2, 4:00-5:00pm,
YS Activity Room

Teen Volunteering (Grades 9-12) **RS**

Every Thursday in January and February, we're offering volunteer hours for high school students in need of a few more service hours. Register for one of the three spots.
Thursdays, January 3-February 28, 6:00-8:00pm, YS Department

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

Enjoy some snacks, meet with other writers, and hone your skills through different creativity exercises and writing prompts each month.
Mondays, January 21 and February 18,
4:00-5:30pm, YS Activity Room

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

Enjoy your choice of drink and discuss the book at the library. The first seven registered teens to check in at the Youth Services desk will get a free copy of the book.

***Name of the Star* by Maureen Johnson**

This book is recommended for Grades 7 and up.

Friday, January 18, 5:00-6:00pm,
Civic Room

***The Hate U Give* by Angie Thomas**

This book is recommended for Grades 8 and up.

Friday, February 22, 5:00-6:00pm,
Civic Room

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

Want to earn service hours, make friends, and eat pizza? Join the Teen Advisory Board. Help us plan teen programming, decorate the loft, and complete service projects. Attendance at every meeting is not required, but we hope you come to as many as you can.
Tuesday, February 12, 5:00-6:00pm,
Pollak Room

Mug Cakes (Grades 6-12) **RS**

Make some easy sweet treats with us! Try new recipes and take home a mug. **Note:** Please alert us about any allergies or dietary restrictions at sign-up.
Wednesday, February 13, 5:00-6:00pm,
YS Activity Room

VR Free Play (Grades 4-12) **RS**

Come play the library's HTC Vive and PS4 virtual reality games, and watch others play on the big screen. Register ahead of time to guarantee a time slot.
Monday, February 25, 4:00-6:00pm,
Pollak Room

More programs for teens & tweens

Tabletop Gaming (Grades 4-12) **RS**
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Create Club (Grades 4-8) **RS**
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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 otherwise indicated. Call or visit www.northbrook.info to reserve a spot.



WINTER READING

COME IN FROM THE COLD

Through January 31

(Birth-Grade 12)

Kids are invited to play our fun bingo game to earn great prizes for participating in family literacy activities, like reading books, playing board games, and more.

Pick up a log at the Youth Services desk or sign up and track your child's reading online at www.northbrook.info/winter-reading.



SPECIAL EVENTS

Messy Play Morning for Babies and Toddlers (Birth-2 years, with caregiver)

Drop in for a safe, sensory exploration of various textures (baby-safe finger paint, cloud dough, water play, etc.) that help your baby's brain get used to experiencing different sensations.

Dress for a mess!

Wednesday, January 2, 10:00am-12:00pm, YS Activity Room

Messy Play Morning for Preschoolers (Ages 3-5 years, with caregiver)

Drop in for super messy fun with shaving cream, kinetic sand, finger-paint, water, and more. Dress for a mess!

Thursday, January 3, 10:00-12:00pm, YS Activity Room

Old Town School of Folk Music Family Concert: Sam & Nathan (All Ages) **RS**

Cosponsored by the Friends. Fun, dynamic, and often unexpected arrangements of traditional and modern tunes will keep both kids and adults moving and singing along.

Saturday, January 19, 11:00-11:45am, Auditorium



Jodi Koplin's Jigglejam Family Concert **RS**

Cosponsored by the Friends. Jodi Koplin's interactive show keeps families engaged through music, puppets, and bubbles! Her original tunes and a few familiar favorites that will keep the kids jigging and giggling.

Saturday, February 16, 11:00-11:45am, Pollak Room



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

Join staff from Banner Day Camp as they present a special yoga class for preschool aged children. Kids will learn basic poses in a fun, easy-to-follow class. No yoga experience is necessary.

Fridays, January 25 & February 8, 10:00-10:30am, YS Activity Room

Little Explorers (Ages 2-5, with caregiver)

Come with an adult and learn basic science, math, and engineering concepts through hands-on activities, stories, and music. *Space is limited; please check in at the Youth Services Desk.*

Tuesday, February 26, 10:00-10:45am & 11-11:45am, YS Activity Room



Early Childhood Extravaganza (For Parents/Caregivers)

Meet professionals from local preschools and enrichment providers to learn about the summer and fall programs they offer.

Sunday, January 20, 2:00-3:30pm, Pollak Room & Lobby

FAMILY SENSORY FILM **SN RS***

This sensory-friendly screening is designed for children with special needs. We turn the volume down and the lights up, and all are welcome to move around, talk, and sing during the movie.

Hotel Transylvania 3

Thursday, January 3, 1:00pm, Auditorium

Rated PG



FAMILY FILM **RS**

The Grinch*

Saturday, February 23, 2:00pm & 7:00pm,

Auditorium

Rated PG



*Not confirmed at press time

KEY: **RS** Reserve a Spot **SN** Special Needs Program **CR** NPL Card Required

* Caregivers do not need to reserve a spot

YOUTH SERVICES

SCHOOL-AGE PROGRAMS

Family S.T.E.M. Explorers (All Ages)

Children and caregivers explore fun science, technology, engineering, and math while building real-world skills.

Saturdays, January 5 & February 2,
10:30-12:00pm, YS Activity Room

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 and learn something, too!

Magnets

Monday, January 7, 4:00-4:45pm,
YS Activity Room

Body Systems

Monday, February 4, 4:00-4:45pm,
YS Activity Room

K-9 Reading Buddies (Grades K-5) **RS**

Independent readers can practice their skills and build confidence by reading to a friendly dog from K-9 Reading Buddies! Space is limited, so please register in person or by phone for a 15-minute time slot.

Tuesdays, January 15 & February 19,
6:30-7:30pm, YS Activity Room

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

Have fun exploring the world through books, games, crafts, and maps. Each session we visit a different country.

Sundays, January 27 & February 24,
2:00-3:00pm, YS Activity Room

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

Sequin Journals

Learn how to make your own reversible sequin journal with a personalized hidden design.

Wednesday, February 6, 4:00-5:00pm,
YS Activity Room

A-Z Mindfulness for Kids (Grades K-5) **RS**

Miss Lani with Banner Day Camp will teach kids powerful, fun and engaging mindfulness techniques by paying attention to the body, breath and mind. Mindfulness is the practice of being aware and focusing on the present moment.

Wednesdays, January 9 & February 13,
4:00-4:30pm, Pollak Room

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

Explore a great book with activities, a fun discussion, and a snack. *The book does not have to be read before the program.*

Come Back, Amelia Bedelia by
Peggy Parish

Thursday, January 10, 4:00-4:45 pm,
YS Activity Room

Frog and Toad are Friends by Arnold Lobel

Thursday, February 14, 4:00-4:45 pm,
YS Activity Room

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

Read a book that is first in a series and have fun with activities and discussion while snacking on pizza.

Smile by Raina Telgemeier

Wednesday, January 23, 4:00-5:00pm
YS Activity Room

Space Case by Stuart Gibbs

Wednesday, February 20, 4:00-5:00pm,
YS Activity Room

Y-Art (Families)

Start your Saturday with art! Brought to you by the North Suburban YMCA Art Academy.

Saturdays, January 26 & February 9,
10:00-11:00am, YS Activity Room

Try & Fail Challenge (Grades 3-5) **RS**

Take on a design challenge and use experimental and design thinking to create a robot/machine/contraption. Epic fails encouraged.

Monday, January 28 & Thursday,
February 28, 4:00-5:00pm,
YS Activity Room

Tabletop Gaming (Grades 4-12) **RS**

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

Board Game Night

Friday, January 25, 4:00-5:30 pm,
YS Activity Room

Dungeons & Dragons

Friday, February 15, 4:00-5:30pm,
YS Activity Room

Curiosity Club (Grades 2-3) **RS**

Satisfy your curiosity on the topic of the month through books and hands-on activities.

My Weird School Series

Thursday, February 7, 4:00-5:00 pm,
YS Activity Room

More school-age programs

Bad Art (Grades 4-12) **RS**

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VR Free Play (Grades 4-12) **RS**

[Details on page 10](#)

YOUTH SERVICES

STORYTIMES & EARLY CHILDHOOD

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, January 4 & 18, February 1 & 15, 10:30am-11:00am, YS Activity Room

Monday Movers (Toddlers, with caregiver)

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

Mondays, January 7-February 18, 10:30-11:00am, Story Corner

Preschool Storytime (Ages 3-5)

Stories and activities for preschoolers.

Mondays, January 7-February 18, 2:00-2:30pm, YS Activity Room

Tuesdays, January 8-February 19, 10:30-11:00am, YS Activity Room

Toddler Storytime (Toddlers, with caregiver)

Stories, songs, rhymes, and activities for toddlers.

Tuesdays, January 8-February 19, 10:30-11:00am, Story Corner

Wednesdays, January 9-February 20, 10:30-11:00am, Story Corner

Baby Play (Birth-12 months, with caregiver)

This program focuses on babies 12 months and younger with their caregiver. We'll introduce music, rhymes, and books for this special age in a friendly, cozy setting.

Wednesdays, January 9-February 20, 9:15-10:00am, YS Activity Room

Wee Play (Birth-24 months, with caregiver)

Music, rhymes, giggles, and books for caregiver and baby. Check in at the Youth Services desk. Space is limited.

Thursdays, January 10-February 21, 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, January 10-February 21, 10:00-10:40am, Story Corner

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

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

Fridays, January 11, February 8, 4:15pm-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, January 29 & February 26, 6:30-7:00pm, Story Corner



WINTER BREAK ACTIVITIES

Bad Art (Grades 4-12) **RS**

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Family Sensory Movie **SN RS***

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Messy Play Morning for Babies & Toddlers (Ages Birth-2)

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Messy Play Morning for Preschoolers (Ages 3-5)

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Family S.T.E.M. Explorers (All Ages)

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Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service: Caring, Community and Connection

Help celebrate Dr. King's contribution to our country and carry on his legacy of community service.

Volunteer in Youth Services (Grades 6-Adult) **RS**

Register for a two hour time slot to help clean bookshelves and assist in the inventory of our collection in the Youth Services Department.

Monday, January 21, All Day, Youth Services Department

Caring, Community, Connection Storytime (Ages 4+)

This special storytime will explore the life of Dr. King and the caring and connection we can create in our own community today.

Monday, January 21, 2:00-3:00pm, Youth Services Department



Craft in Honor of Dr. King

Youth Services will have a special craft in honor of Dr. King.

Monday, January 21, All Day, Youth Services Department

COMMUNITY FOCUS

Giving Back: Northbrook Volunteers Make a Difference in the Community and Beyond

Northbrook is a generous community. We see it in many ways, including the outpouring of donations during our annual food drive to benefit the Northfield Township Food Pantry, and in the many people who volunteer their time with us and throughout the area.

We recently spoke with some Northbrook residents about their experience with volunteering, and the surprising benefits they got in return.

Karen Zmrhal didn't expect to see a packed crowd for her "Volunteering 101" presentation at the library last October.

"We've never had 48 people. *It's astounding!*" Karen said. "It's such a pleasant surprise to see how people today are giving up their time to serve others."

As a volunteer for *HandsOn Suburban Chicago*, Karen helps bring awareness about volunteering opportunities in the northwest suburbs.

In class, Karen asked attendees questions about their passions, skills, and what they hoped to get out of volunteering.

Northbrook resident Janet Isaacman was looking for a way to give back through volunteering, but was having difficulty finding an opportunity that aligned with her skills as a retired educator.

It wasn't until Janet contacted *HandsOn Suburban Chicago* that she was able to find a good match for her background and experience.

Through their volunteer referral service she was placed at the Tarkington Elementary School in Wheeling, where she provides one-on-one-help to students who are struggling with the curriculum.

"I went through a formal interview to make sure that we were a good fit for each other and we shared expectations for the role," Janet said.

Beyond academic guidance, Janet mentors students, a perfect use for her 10 years of experience as an educator. "It's almost like a relationship of grandmother and grandchild," said Janet, about her connection with the students.

Janet said she feels fortunate to have such a meaningful role at the school. And as much as she puts in the time, energy, and teaching skills, she gains "structure, self-worth, and social networking" in return.

Jordan Friedman, Executive Director of *HandsOn Suburban Chicago*, said the group's "Volunteer101" classes dispel myths about volunteering and gives people a broader understanding of what being a volunteer can look like and all the different opportunities that they might not have considered.

He emphasizes that volunteering is for everyone, from retirees, to children, to those who are in between jobs or looking to make a career move.

"It shows they're proactive," he said. "You're able to say: 'I've been looking and volunteering, bringing my skills to the table and here's the outcome.'"

"Sometimes people think volunteers just stuff envelopes and sit in a corner, but there are so many more options than people are aware of."

Jordan Friedman, Executive Director, HandsOnSuburban Chicago

There are also generational preferences and different motivations, Jordan said. "Older people may seek something that's set at the same time on a weekly basis or fits a certain skill set. Younger people tend to be interested in cause-based volunteering or shorter term volunteer projects."

Volunteer opportunities are everywhere! Adults interested in volunteering at the library can visit www.northbrook.info/volunteer or contact Christophe Andersen, Fiction and Media Outreach Librarian at candersen@northbrook.info. Teens in grades 9-12 can visit www.northbrook.info/teen-volunteers or email youthservices@northbrook.info for more information.

To learn more about volunteer opportunities through HandsOn Suburban Chicago, visit www.handsonsuburbanchicago.org or call 847-228-1320.



Northbrook resident and one-on-one teaching volunteer, Janet Isaacman.

Sammy Bellman, a Northbrook teen and member of the library's Teen Advisory Board (TAB), began volunteering at the library in summer 2016.

Sammy helps facilitate various children's programs at the library, including craft groups and garden activities.

"By helping out, I've really learned to be a part of my community making a difference," Sammy said. "I've also gained closer relationships with many of the librarians and it always brightens my day when they remember who I am and we catch up."

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

From the Board President

January is the time of year when many of us will be making resolutions to improve our health and well-being. We all know a controlled diet, regular exercise, and engaging in mind-expanding activities, such as reading, writing, and puzzle-solving help to maintain the health of body and mind.

But a social aspect must be considered as well. Another worthwhile and rewarding activity is service to others. Volunteering fosters enhanced self-esteem as well as being of value to recipients, and retirement is an ideal time to consider maintaining a social responsible activity with all of its associated rewards.

The entire Friends organization is made up of volunteers, most of whom are retired. Our volunteer activities include Board membership and Bookshop participation. The Friends' Bookshop is a place for book lovers, both buyers and sellers.

Our Bookshop volunteers serve at least one two-hour shift a week, helping to sort, shelve, and sell books. However, the most important function of the volunteer is interacting with the public. Visitors like our selection and pricing; volunteers like the pressure-free environment; the library likes our support. Everyone wins. Do yourself a favor; realize the rewards of volunteering, either with us, or elsewhere.

If you are interested in finding out more about the Friends, drop into the Bookshop, call us at 847-272-6224 ext. 175, or leave a note at the Circulation Desk.

Sincerely,

Bill Schildgen

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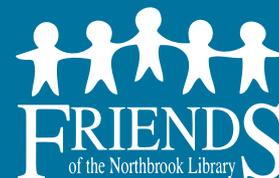
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Friends' Used Bookshop Hours:
Monday-Saturday,
10:00am-4:00pm &
Sunday, 2:00-4:00pm

Next Friends of the Library Board Meeting:
Tuesday, January 8, 2019
10:00am, Civic Room
All are welcome to attend

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ART EXHIBITS

In partnership with the Northbrook Arts Commission, we are proud to display the work of local artists for the Northbrook Artists in Residence program from January 15–February 28.

The exhibits start on the first floor and continue throughout the building.



A Delicious Way to Support the Library Foundation!

The Grill House is donating 20% of its proceeds to the Northbrook Public Library Foundation on:

Tuesday, January 29
11:00am–9:00pm
(eat in or order out)

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3061 Dundee Road, Northbrook
www.eatgrillhouse.com



Learn more about the Northbrook Public Library Foundation at www.northbrook.info/foundation