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Notes from the Executive Director



Summer is a time when I think about being outside and reading... often at the same time. The theme of our Summer Reading Challenge, “*Read. Renew. Repeat*” describes a perfect way to combine nature and literature.

I’m an avid reader, but I also love listening to audiobooks. I also love exploring the numerous forest preserves in our area with my husband. We often designate our walks as “talking” or “listening” strolls, and during the latter, we immerse ourselves in our own audiobooks while soaking up the beauty of nature. I tend to listen to non-fiction, fantasy, and mystery while he gravitates toward history and fact-based books. We often end up walking much further than we plan because we lose track of time while immersed in our stories.

I hope you’ll join me in signing up for our Summer Reading Challenge and embrace the opportunity to explore nature and listen (or read) to what books excite you this summer.

I look forward to seeing you this summer and if you have any great audiobook suggestions, send them my way!

Kate Hall
Executive Director

Library Information

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Sat: 9am-5pm, Sun: 1-5pm

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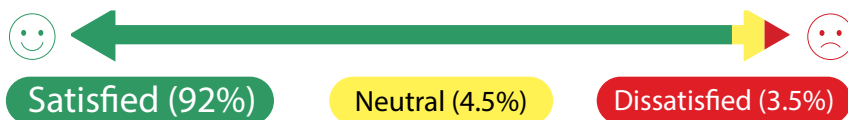
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NEWS & UPDATES

WE ASKED, YOU ANSWERED

We’re excited to be entering the final phase of developing our Strategic Plan, which will help guide our efforts for the next three years. We look forward with sharing it with you soon. Here are some of the insights we’ve gathered from the community-wide survey.

How satisfied is the community with the library?



What the community likes best

- Customer service
- Convenience of getting items
- Variety of programs

What the community would like to see

- Improvements to the youth spaces
- Increased technology help for seniors
- More materials of varying types

SUPPORT THE LIBRARY WHILE YOU DINE AT CULVER’S ON JUNE 27



Culver’s Northbrook (4105 Dundee Rd.) will donate 25% of your purchase when you mention the **Northbrook Library Foundation Fundraiser** on Thursday, June 27, when you order (dine-in, drive-through, or carryout).

BE A HERO BY DONATING BLOOD

Consider making an appointment to donate blood at the library on Thursday, July 18 from 1:00-5:00pm. You can schedule an appointment online at northbrook.info. Drop-ins are also welcome.

USED BOOK SALE (JULY 19 & 20)

The Friends of the Library Used Book Sale returns Friday, July 19 and Saturday, July 20 from 10:00am-4:00pm in the library’s Civic Room.

JOIN US AT THE FARMERS MARKET

Stop by our table at the Northbrook Farmers Market at Cherry Rd. & Meadow Ln. on Wednesday, August 14 from 7:00am-1:00pm. We’ll have some goodies and books for you to browse.

KEY

- On-Demand Virtual Program
- Live Virtual Program
- In-Person Program
- Earth Friendly Program
- Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Program
- Supported Program
- Library Card Required

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

READ • RENEW • REPEAT

ALL AGES • JUNE 1 – AUGUST 11

Sign up • Read books • Earn great prizes!



ADULTS

Log your reading to be entered into our weekly gift card drawing, and after you log four books, you'll:

- Earn a thermal grocery bag and a coupon for the Friends' Bookshop.
- Have a chance to win a one-year household membership to the Chicago Botanic Garden in our Grand Prize Drawing.

Adults can also complete an optional nature wellness activity for a chance to win a fitness tracker.

TEENS & KIDS

Log your reading to earn coupons and prizes (like a free book)!

After completing the program, you can also complete bonus activities to earn more prizes.

BABIES

Read to your child and earn a free book for completing the program.

PLAY OUR SUMMER READING SCAVENGER HUNT (JUNE 1-7)

We're kicking off our Summer Reading Challenge with a week long all-ages scavenger hunt around the library. Find our hidden clue cards for a chance to be entered to win a special prize! (Turn the page for our scavenger hunt form.)

Sign up for Summer Reading at the library or online at northbrook.info starting **June 1**.

Summer Reading is co-sponsored by the Friends of the Northbrook Public Library



Summer Reading Scavenger Hunt

JUNE 1 - 7 (ALL AGES)

How to Play: Search for all 6 clue cards hidden around the library and collect a letter of the alphabet from each card. Write each letter below the photo on this page to learn the mystery word. (Scavenger hunt forms will also be available at service desks on the 2nd and 3rd floors starting June 1.)

To enter the prize drawing: Write the mystery word, your name, and your email address at the bottom of this page and drop your completed form into one of the scavenger hunt boxes at any of our service desks. We'll only use your email address to contact you if you win a prize. One entry per person, please.

Hint: Ask at any of our service desks for help finding the hidden clue cards around the library.

Look for me on the clue cards hidden around the library!



Clue Card Locations

Use the clues below to find the location of the hidden clue cards. Look for the location where you can find:

1. A game for the Nintendo Switch video game console
2. Adult non-fiction books with call numbers starting at 100 (*we're celebrating the 100th anniversary of Northbrook Days with this clue!*)
3. A collection of Monarch-nominated books (the Monarch award is given to outstanding books for children in grades K-3)
4. Holiday picture books
5. A nature backpack or a soil meter you can check out
6. A place to recycle your glasses, cell phones, or batteries



Write the letter you find on the clue card under each photo.

Found them all? Fill out and drop off this form in one of our scavenger hunt boxes at any service desk for a chance to win a \$50 gift card to a local business!

Write the Mystery Word: _ _ _ _ _

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Email Address (print): _____


ADULT PROGRAMS

ADA Requests: We welcome patrons of all abilities. To request an accommodation, including captioning or American Sign Language services, please indicate the accommodation when you register online or call 847-272-6224 at least 72 hours before the event.

FEATURED PROGRAMS


Registration is now open for all Adult programs on pages 5-10

Indian Classical Dance **EDI**

Learn more about India, its culture, and its folk dances with an Indian Dance school. The presentation will be followed by a Q&A session. 


Saturday, June 1, 2:00-3:00pm
Auditorium

Move On Up: Chicago Soul Music and Black Cultural Power **EDI**

Drawing on interviews and a music critic's passion for Chicago soul, author Aaron Cohen explains how soul music became the voice of inspiration and change for a city in turmoil. 

Monday, June 3, 7:00-8:00pm
Auditorium


This Strange Cicada Life

Explore the mysteries of cicadas with a Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum entomologist, including their long underground life, strategies for survival, why they're so noisy, and how they interact with the environment. 

Monday, June 10, 7:00-8:00pm
Pollak Room




Backyard Composting

Home composting helps to reduce landfill waste and build healthy soil. Learn composting techniques and get your questions answered by horticulturist Sharon Yiesla. 


Wednesday, June 26, 7:00-8:00pm
Pollak Room

Electric Vehicles 101

An electric car expert will explain how EVs work and what to expect in vehicles, infrastructure, and tax credits. After the presentation, local EV owners will showcase their cars and answer your questions. 

Sunday, July 14, 2:00-3:30pm
Pollak Room

Ecology Walk in Somme Prairie Grove


Join us for an interpretive walk where we'll look at rare plants and other wildlife accompanied by stewards of Northbrook's restored prairie, savanna, and woodland. 

Friday, August 9, 9:00-11:00am




The Secret Life of Pigeons

Gentle, intelligent, and often misunderstood, pigeons face many challenges in our urban environment. Great Lakes

Pigeon Rescue will discuss society's complex relationship with pigeons and why they make surprisingly lovable pets. 

Monday, August 12, 7:00-8:00pm
Pollak Room


Sing Out! Protest Songs of the 20th Century

Chicago musician and historian Clarence Goodman will perform a musical journey of causes, songs, and stories from the 1930s to the 1980s. Aided by a slideshow, Clarence reveals the stories and inspiration before performing each song. 

Thursday, August 22, 2:00-3:00pm
Pollak Room


Take an armchair adventure with us

River Odyssey: Paddling from Chicago to New Orleans

Local adventurer Annie Aggens will share her experience of paddling from the North Shore Channel to the Mississippi River in a 17-foot canoe. Expect a little history, geology, culture, and a whole lot of adventure! 

Thursday, June 13, 2:00-3:00pm, Pollak Room


Circling Lake Michigan

Summer is the perfect time for a classic road trip around Lake Michigan. Learn tips for planning a trip or just enjoy travel enthusiast Nancy McCully's photos and stories of exploring Lake Michigan's stunning beaches, sand dunes, lighthouses, and historic sites. 

Monday, July 15, 7:00-8:00pm, Pollak Room

NORTHBROOK WRITES


Like Life: From Memory to Fiction

In this writing workshop, writer and instructor Christina Drill explains how to memory to inspire your fiction. 

In partnership with StoryStudio Chicago.
Monday, June 17, 7:00-8:30pm Online



Understanding Gender and Pronouns: A Community Conversation **EDI**

Join us for an insightful discussion on the importance of pronoun etiquette, how younger generations are reshaping the way we understand gender, and methods to help ensure everyone feels acknowledged, listened to, and understood. 

Wednesday, June 19, 7:00-8:00pm, Pollak Room

ADULT PROGRAMS

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Meet the Author Fair: Call for Submissions

Calling all authors: We are inviting all published authors in the Chicagoland area to apply to participate in Our Meet the Author Fair on October 19.

This event is a great opportunity to showcase your work and connect with other book lovers. Submit your application online by July 12.



Saturday, October 19, 10:00am-2:00pm

Online applications accepted from June 1 - July 12

Learn more or submit an application at northbrook.info/author-fair



BOOK GROUPS & DISCUSSIONS

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



Evening Book Discussion with Lori Siegel

Tuesdays, June 11 & August 6
7:00-8:00pm, Civic Room 🧑

June 11: *Small Mercies*
by Dennis Lehane

August 13: *The Matchmaker's Gift*
by Lynda Cohen Loigman



Environmental Book Discussion 🌱

Join us to discuss *The Arbornaut: A Life Discovering the Eighth Continent in the Trees Above Us* by Meg Lowman,* an engaging, uplifting story about Lowman's life and work in treetop science on five continents. 🧑

In partnership with Go Green Northbrook
Wednesday, July 10, 7:00-8:00pm, Civic Room

* Copies available at the Reference desk starting June 12

Ben Goluboff Book Discussion

Wednesdays, 10:00-11:30am, Online 🗣️

June 12: *The Guest* by Emma Cline



Graphic Novel Discussion **NEW!**

Join us on Zoom to discuss *Batman: The Dark Knight Returns* by Frank Miller.

Tuesday, July 23, 7:00-8:00pm, Online 🗣️

Classic Great Books with Robert Waterbury

Mondays, 10:00-11:30am, Civic Room 🧑

June 17: *On the Nature of Things (Book 1 & 2)*
by Lucretius

July 15: *Walden* by Henry David Thoreau

August 19: *Death in Venice* by Thomas Mann

Nancy Buehler Book Discussion

Tuesdays, 10:00-11:30am, Online 🗣️

June 18: *The One Hundred Years of Lenni and Margot*
by Marianne Cronin

July 16: *Weyward* by Emilia Hart

August 20: *Tom Lake* by Ann Patchett



ONGOING ADULT PROGRAMS

Chair Yoga with Olga Rudiak 🧑

Fridays, June 7 & 21,
July 5 & 19, August 16 & 30
10:00-11:00am
Pollak Room



Private Session With a Financial Planner

Schedule a private 50-minute session with a financial planner from Dickholtz Wealth Management. 🧑

Thursdays, June 13,
July 11 & August 8
9:30am-12:30pm, Study Room 12 (2nd Floor)

Oakton English Literacy Class 🧑

Mondays & Wednesdays
July 8-August 28
12:30-3:30pm
Interactive Classroom

AARP Driver Safety 🧑

Monday, August 26 &
Tuesday, August 27
12:00-4:00pm
Pollak Room

CONCERTS

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KLEZMER CONCERTS

Chicago Klezmer Ensemble **EDI**

Experience an earthy and emotional musical journey that will uplift your spirits and touch your soul. Led by clarinetist Kurt Bjorling, this ensemble features a rich blend of instruments, including fiddle (violin), talfiddle (Jewish-style hammered dulcimer), double bass, accordion, and harp.

Sunday, June 9, 3:00-4:15pm, Auditorium

In partnership with YIVO Chicago

Maxwell Street Klezmer Quintet **EDI**


Merging traditional klezmer dance music with classical finesse and a healthy dose of quirky humor, this quintet has been sharing the Joy of Klez in its performances with audiences since 1983.

Sunday, August 11, 3:00-4:15pm, Auditorium

In partnership with YIVO Chicago

BLUEGRASS & FOLK/AMERICANA


The Sullivan Sisters

Hailing from North Carolina, this acclaimed vocal duo will dazzle you with their unique blend of sister harmonies and fast bluegrass picking. They have performed at venues such as Park West, the Square Roots Festival, the Chicago Bluegrass Legends concert series, and the Banjo After Dark series. 

Monday, June 24, 7:00-8:00pm, Auditorium




Max & Otto Allard

Enjoy a mix of original tunes and bluegrass/newgrass, jazz/swing, and video game covers from brothers Max and Otto Allard. They have entertained audiences at the Old Town School of Folk Music, the Oberlin Folk Festival, the White Oak Folk Festival, and the Square Roots Festival in Lincoln Square. 

Monday, July 1, 7:00-8:00pm, Auditorium



Twangtown Paramours


The Nashville-based husband-and-wife duo of Mike T. Lewis and MaryBeth Zamer defy boundaries with their award-winning catalog of Americana, folk, and blues anthems. With a slew of accolades for their three full-length albums, they'll keep you entertained with their blend of instrumental and vocal chops and witty stage banter. 

Monday, August 26, 7:00-8:00pm, Auditorium



Classical Family Concert

Peter and the Wolf & The Sorcerer's Apprentice (Families)


Concertgoers of all ages are invited to join Andrea Swan and friends for a classical concert featuring Prokofiev's *Peter and the Wolf* and Dukas' *Sorcerer's Apprentice* performed by piano 4-hands with narration. 

Tuesday, July 30, 4:00-5:30pm, Auditorium



MUSIC LECTURES

Appreciating Classical Music

Join librarian Madison Vienna on Zoom to explore a different classical music topic each month. 

Tuesdays, 7:00-8:30pm, Online

June 18: Era, Genre, Style

July 16: Instruments of the Orchestra


August 13: Water Music

MOVIES

Register now for all movies

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SATURDAY FIRST-RUN FILMS

Presented in the Auditorium on the second Saturday of each month at 2:00pm, followed by a discussion led by film professor Zbigniew Banas. 



June 8
Perfect Days*
2023
(124 minutes)
Rated PG





July 13
The Taste of Things
2023
(135 minutes)
Rated PG-13



August 10
One Life*
2023
(110 minutes)
Rated PG

SATURDAY FAMILY FILMS

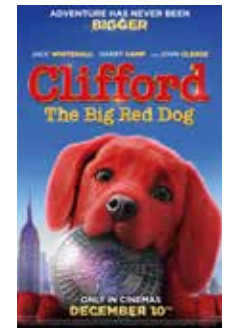
Presented in the Auditorium on the last Saturday of each month at 2:00pm.  



June 29
Ruby Gillman: Teenage Kraken
2023
(91 minutes)
Rated PG



July 27
Migration
2023
(83 minutes)
Rated PG




August 31
Clifford the Big Red Dog
2021
(96 minutes)
Rated PG



* Not confirmed at press time

SPECIAL MOVIE SCREENINGS





Italian Film Screening:
Grazie Ragazzi (Thanks Guys)
An unemployed actor's passion for theater is rekindled after teaching inmates in a penitentiary.
2023 (117 min.) *In Italian with English subtitles. Contains Strong Language.* 
Wednesday, June 5, 7:00-9:00pm
Auditorium



Coffee and a Movie: 
(500) Days of Summer
Come join us to celebrate the first day of summer! We'll enjoy coffee and light refreshments in the Pollak Room and then watch the movie in the Auditorium.
2009 (95 minutes) **Rated PG-13** 
Wednesday, June 19, 1:00-4:00pm*
Pollak Room & Auditorium
* The movie starts at 2:00pm



Pride Month Film Screening & Discussion: Swan Song 
A retired hairdresser, once revered as a shining light of Sandusky, Ohio's gay community, embarks on a journey to style a former client's hair for her funeral. Starring Udo Kier, Jennifer Coolidge, and Linda Evans.
2021 (105 minutes) **Rated R** 
Wednesday, June 12, 2:00-4:30pm Auditorium

 **A short discussion will follow the film.**




MOVIES

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JULY Film Remakes Series

Enjoy these movie remakes in the Auditorium each Wednesday in July at 2:00pm & 7:00pm 



July 3
In the Good Old Summertime
1949
(102 minutes)
Not Rated



July 10
Casino Royale
2006
(144 minutes)
Rated PG-13



July 17
Father of the Bride
1991
(105 minutes)
Rated PG





July 24
True Grit
2010
(110 minutes)
Rated PG-13





July 31
Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde
1941
(113 minutes)
Not Rated

DOCUMENTARY SCREENINGS





Ver Vet Blaybn? (Who Will Remain?) 
To better understand her grandfather, an acclaimed Yiddish poet, a woman travels to Lithuania and uses his diary to trace his early life in Vilna and his survival of the Holocaust.
2021 (60 minutes) **Not Rated.** 
Thursday, July 11, 7:00-8:15pm
Auditorium
In partnership with YIVO Chicago





Cycle of Memory
In 1945, Mel Schwartz took a bicycle trip he would remember for the rest of his life ... until he lost his memory to Alzheimer's. Seventy-five years later, his grandsons try to recreate the journey to honor his memory. **2022** (72 minutes) **Not Rated.** 
Sunday, August 18, 2:00-4:00pm
Auditorium
 **A virtual Q&A with the film's director will follow the screening.**



Film Discussions Use your library card to stream the film and the join us on Zoom to discuss it.

Film Discussions with Margo
Past Lives (2023) | Rated PG-13
Available to stream on Hoopla & Kanopy. 
Thursday, June 6, 7:00-8:00pm, Online
Scrapper (2023) | Not Rated
Available to stream on Kanopy. 
Thursday, August 8, 7:00-8:00pm, Online

Films Discussion with Aaron
Road to Perdition (2002) | Rated R
Available to borrow on DVD. 
Monday, June 24, 2:00-3:00pm, Online
The Whale (2022) | Rated R
Available to stream on Hoopla & Kanopy. 
Monday, August 19, 2:00-3:00pm, Online

TECH & BUSINESS PROGRAMS

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SOFTWARE CLASSES

Register now for all Adult programs on pages 5-10

Advance registration is required for all programs unless noted otherwise.

MICROSOFT

PowerPoint Crash Course

Create presentations with transitions, animations, graphics, and media. 🧑

Tuesday, June 4, 7:00-8:30pm

Interactive Classroom

Excel Pivot Tables

Reorganize and summarize data in a new spreadsheet or database table to create a desired report. 🧑

Tuesday, June 11, 6:30-8:00pm

Interactive Classroom

Excel VLookups

Use the VLookup function to compare two lists. 🧑

Tuesday, June 18, 6:30-8:00pm

Interactive Classroom

Excel Charts & Graphs

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

Tuesday, June 25, 6:30-8:00pm

Interactive Classroom

GOOGLE

Gmail & Google Drive Basics

Send email and organize, store, and share documents and files effectively. 🧑

Friday, June 14, 10:00-11:30am

Interactive Classroom

Google Docs Basics

Create, share and collaborate on documents. 🧑

Friday, July 26, 10:00-11:30am

Interactive Classroom

Google Sheets & Forms Basics

Create and manage spreadsheets and forms. 🧑

Friday, August 23, 10:00-11:30am

Interactive Classroom

TECH TALK

Appy Hour: Travel Apps

Join us to discover a variety of apps to help you plan, navigate, and enjoy your trips like never before. 🧑

Monday, June 17, 5:00-6:00pm

Civic Room

Getting to Know Your iPhone

Gain confidence with your iPhone, whether you've switched from a different smartphone or are completely new to mobile devices. 🧑

Monday, July 22, 5:00-6:00pm

Civic Room

Managing Digital Photos

Learn how to organize, edit, and store your digital image collection efficiently. 🧑

Monday, August 19, 5:00-6:00pm

Civic Room

BUSINESS & CAREER HELP

Job Seekers Help (Drop-In)

From navigating popular job search sites to crafting a polished resume using templates, our librarians are here to help. Registration is not required. 🧑

Tuesdays, June 13, July 11 & August 8

2:00-4:00pm, Reference desk

Job Search AI (Virtual)

Erica Reckamp of *Job Search Like a Pro* will explain how Artificial Intelligence is changing job searching and how to use tools to accelerate your search. Hosted by the Vernon Area Public Library 🗣️

Tuesday, June 4, 7:00-8:30pm, Online

Looking for more? Explore both live and on-demand career workshops at careercollab.org/workshops.

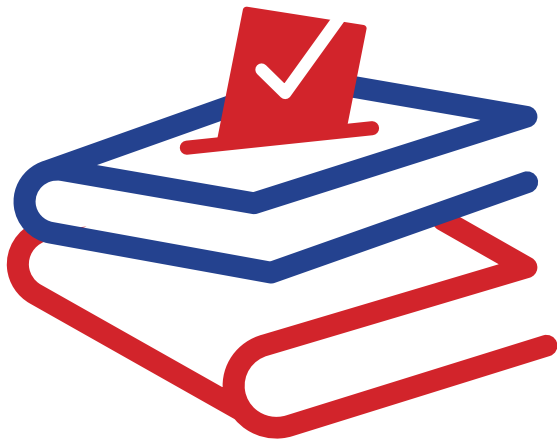
TECH TUESDAYS

Drop by on Tuesdays in June and August for help with your tech questions, like accessing eBooks, streaming media, email, social media, and more. Please bring your device and any passwords. Registration is not required for this drop-in program. **Note: Tech Tuesdays will not be held in July.** 🧑

Tuesdays in June & August, 3:00-5:00pm, Reference desk

SCORE Mentoring Sessions

Schedule a 1:1 session to help your small business grow and operate efficiently. Sign up to schedule a virtual session at northbrook.info/score.



READER. VOTER. READY.

ALA American Library Association

Freedom is found through the portals of our nation's libraries. — David McCullough, historian, author

Your vote counts! Although the vast majority of Americans agree that voting is important, fewer than two-thirds of eligible voters consistently turn out in national elections, and participation rates in state or local elections are often even lower. In Northfield Township, we had a 58% voter turnout in the 2022 election.

Libraries are known as a cornerstone for civic engagement, which is why we're encouraging you and every eligible voter to register and make a pledge to vote in every election. From our elected library board to our sanitation districts to the President of the United States, your vote matters and helps shape the community we live in and the country we call home.

Get Ready to Vote this November

Take two minutes today to make sure you're ready to vote in the General Election on Tuesday, November 5.

Step 1: Register to Vote

Make sure you are registered and ready to vote. If you have moved or changed your name since you last registered, you may need to re-register. Visit elections.il.gov to look up your voter registration status.

Here are three ways you can register to vote.

In person. The deadline to register to vote in person is Tuesday, November 5.

By mail. Your voter registration form must be postmarked by Tuesday, October 8.

Online. The deadline to submit an online voter registration form is Sunday, October 20.

▶ Visit cookcountyclerk.il.gov/elections/voter-registration to learn how to register to vote in person, by mail, or online.



Step 2: Share this with someone else

If you have two more minutes, ask your friends and relatives if they are registered, and encourage them to check their registration status.

▶ Share elections.il.gov with others to register online or look up your voter registration status.



Check your voter registration status

Step 3: Pledge to Vote

Make a pledge to vote in the upcoming General Election, and then continue to form your voting habit and pledge to vote in every election.



Learn how to register in person, by mail, or online

Need help? Have questions on whether you're registered to vote or need help finding what you need? Call 847-272-4873, email reference@northbrook.info, or visit our Reference Desk on the 2nd floor.



You can do **THAT** in the Collaboratory?

Head to up to our 2nd floor to unleash your creativity in our library's makerspace, the Collaboratory, which encourages you to explore, create, design, and build using a variety of tools.



Here are just some of the creative things you can do in the Collaboratory ▼



Transfer a colorful design onto a t-shirt or mug with our sublimation printer **NEW!**

Our new sublimation printer and heat presses let you transfer a colorful design onto sublimation-ready blanks like mugs, metal tumblers, and t-shirts. If you'd like to create your design at home, you can use the free online Canva design software.



Cut intricate designs with our laser cutter

Make intricate designs and cool shapes on materials like solid wood, acrylic, glass, and painted or powder-coated water bottles with our laser cutter. It's great for crafting a personalized gift or adding flair to an item. If you'd like to create your design at home, you can use the free online Canva design software.

Carve detailed designs with our CNC machine

Carve detailed designs and shapes into wood or plastic with our CNC machine. If you'd like to create your design at home, you can use the free online Easel by Inventables design software.

Create a prototype, toy, or replacement part with our 3D printer

Create toys, prototypes, and even replacement parts for a broken item with our 3D printers. If you'd like to create your design at home, you can use the free online Tinkercad software or find designs online at thingiverse.com.

Personalize fabrics with our embroidery machine

Stitch colorful designs onto fabric to make your clothes, bags, and blankets look unique with our embroidery machine.

Use a sewing machine to sew or repair clothing

Make and repair clothes, accessories, and home decor items with our sewing machines.

Build and repair with our soldering kits

Join metal parts to build and repair with our soldering kits.

Create or personalize items with our Cricut

Create stickers, personalize a T-shirt, and make intricate crafts by cutting out designs from materials like paper and vinyl with our Cricut. If you'd like to create your design at home, you can use the free online Cricut Design Space software. It also offers many examples to help you get started.

Get started in the Collaboratory ▼

Our Maker classes will resume in September, but you can walk in and get help with your projects this summer during any of the Collaboratory's open hours:

Tuesday-Thursday: 10:00am-8:00pm*

Friday: 10:00am-5:00pm

Saturday: 10:00am-4:00pm



Please note: no projects are run 30 minutes before closing.

* The Collaboratory is closed from 1:30-2:30pm on the first Tuesday of the month.



Learn more about using the Collaboratory
at northbrook.info/collaboratory



Laser cutter



3D printer



Embroidery machine



Cricut

YOUTH SERVICES

Registration for Youth programs begins on the first day of the month before the program date.

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TEEN PROGRAMS



Teen Movie Night (Grades 7-12)

We're trying to make fetch happen! Join us to watch *Mean Girls* (2024) on the big screen! After the movie, we'll enjoy pizza, soda, and treats.

2024 (112 minutes) Rated PG-13 👤

Thursday, June 20

6:00-8:30pm, Auditorium



Board Game Group (Grades 4-12)

Enjoy classic board and card games, or learn new ones! Each month we'll feature a different board game for you to try, as well as offering old favorites for you to play. 👤

Thursdays, June 13 & July 11

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

June 13: Planet. Build biomes to create a planet and attract the most wildlife.

July 11: Renature. Compete to restore a polluted valley with plants and animals.



Books & Bites (Grades 6-12)

Join us for a book discussion and enjoy some snacks.

The first 8 registered teens will receive a **free copy of the book.** 👤

***The Princess and the Grilled Cheese Sandwich* by Deya Muniz** EDI

(Recommended for grades 7 & up)

Thursday, June 27, 5:00-6:00pm, Civic Room

***An Ember in the Ashes* by Sabaa Tahir** EDI

(Recommended for grades 8 & up)

Thursday, July 25, 5:00-6:00pm, Civic Room



YOUTH SERVICES

Registration for Youth programs begins on the first day of the month before the program date.

ADVANCE REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED FOR ALL PROGRAMS unless noted otherwise. Register at northbrook.info/events. For registration questions, please call 847-272-6224 or email feedback@northbrook.info.

SPECIAL EVENTS

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

Calling all creators, artists, builders, and out-of-the-box thinkers: drop by to try a new activity each week! 🧑

Tuesdays, June 11-July 30*

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

* No Make Outside the Box on July 2



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| June 11: Egg Drop Challenge | July 9: Nintendo Switch |
| June 18: Air Dry Clay Mosaic | July 16: Watercolor Spray Art |
| June 25: Cicada Sketches | July 23: Collage Art |
| | July 30: Legos & Duplos |



Dan Gogh's Magical Adventure (Families)

Get ready to be amazed and inspired by artist-magician Dan Gogh, who will keep you entertained with his use of comedy, magic, and art to unravel the mystery of creativity through his magical drawings. 🧑

Saturday, June 15, 10:30am-11:30am, Auditorium



LGBT Tea Party (All Ages, Drop-In) EDI

Drop by to meet other members and allies of the LGBTQIA+ community as we sip on delightful teas (or lemonade), nibble on tasty treats, and craft Pride buttons. Spark joy, find community, and have fun! 🧑

Friday, June 28, 2:30-3:30pm
YS Activity Room



Sensory Friendly Stroll (Grades K-8, with Caregiver) EDI SP

Meet us for an adapted walk at River Trail Nature Center (3120 Milwaukee Ave, Northbrook). We'll provide magnifying glasses and fidget devices for kids to use during the walk. This is a Supported Program for families with disabilities. Please register each member of your group who will be attending. 🧑

Monday, July 8, 10:00-10:30am, River Trail Nature Center

Mammals & More (Families)

Kids will have the chance to meet some live animals from the Flying Fox Conservation Fund as they learn about some of the most unique creatures from around the world. 🧑

Saturday, July 20, 10:30-11:30am OR 12:00-1:00pm, Pollak Room



Unicorn & Narwhal Storyfest (All Ages)

Come celebrate all creatures, magical and horned, with stories, crafts, and fun. Register for a spot, and then come in any time after 3:30pm. The sit-down storytime starts at 4:30pm.

Costumes encouraged! 🧑
Friday, July 26, 3:30-5:00pm
Youth Services Department



Stuffed Animal Sleepover

Stuffed Animal Sleepover (All Ages)

Your stuffed animal is invited to a sleepover at the library! Drop off your stuffed pal at the library for a night, and then join us in the Auditorium the following week to watch a video of all the fun they had! Only one stuffed animal per person. 🧑

Drop Off: Monday, July 29, 3:30-5:30pm, YS Activity Room

Pick Up: Tuesday, July 30, 9:00am-9:00pm Youth Services desk

Sleepover Video Screening: Friday, August 9, 4:00-4:30pm, Auditorium

All patrons are welcome to attend the screening.



SUMMER READING

JUNE 1 - August 11

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ADA Requests: We welcome patrons of all abilities. To request an accommodation, including captioning or American Sign Language services, please indicate the accommodation when you register online or call 847-272-6224 at least 72 hours before the event.

SCHOOL-AGE PROGRAMS

Chess Club (Grades K-6)

Learn new moves, strategy, and checkmates at our monthly club. Materials and instruction will be provided. 🧑

Mondays, June 3, July 8, August 5
6:00-7:00pm, YS Activity Room



Checkmates Drop-In Chess (Grades K-12) **NEW!**

Stop by anytime after 3:30 to play some chess! Bring your chess friends or meet some new players. Independent play for kids and teens. *No chess instruction will be provided.* 🧑

Fridays, June 7, 14 & 21, July 12 & 19
3:30-5:00pm, YS Activity Room



Create Club (Grades 4-8)

Get creative and try something new! All supplies provided—just bring your ingenuity. 🧑

Tuesdays, June 4 & July 2
4:00pm-5:00pm, YS Activity Room

June 4: Junk Journals. Use found objects to decorate a journal.

July 2: Seed Bombs. Use native plant seeds to make plantable seed bombs.

News Club (Grades 3-5)

Gather the facts and help us solve a confounding mystery using clues, critical thinking skills, and interviewing witnesses and authorities. 🧑

Monday, June 10, 4:00-5:00pm
YS Activity Room

Read to a Teen **NEW!** (Grades K-5, Drop-In)

Practice your reading skills (and avoid the summer slump) by reading to a teen volunteer. Reading sessions are approximately 10 minutes. 🧑

Wednesdays, June 12-26 & July 10-31
2:00-3:00pm, YS Activity Room

Board Game Group (Grades 4-12)

Enjoy classic board and card games, or learn new ones! Each month we'll feature a different board game for you to try, as well as offering old favorites for you to play. 🧑

Thursdays, June 13 & July 11
4:00-5:30pm, YS Activity Room

June 13: Planet
July 11: Renature



Andertoons Drawing Workshops (Grades K-6)

Join us on Zoom for these fun online drawing workshops led by a professional cartoonist featuring a different theme each month. 🗣️

Tuesdays, June 18, July 16 & August 20
4:00-5:00pm, Online



Citizen Summer Science 🌱 (Grades 3-5)

Join us as we explore activities that will help the professional science community, our local wildlife, and natural habitats. 🧑

Thursdays, June 20 & July 18
4:00-5:00pm, YS Activity Room

June 20: Help our Local Pollinators
July 18: Help our Ponds, Rivers, and Lakes

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Get artistic

Please dress to make a mess for these fun art programs!

Squeegee Painting (Grades 2-5)

Explore color and create your own abstract masterpieces using this fun painting method. 🧑

Monday, June 17

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

Art in the Afternoon (Grades K-5)

We'll meet in the Pollak Room and then walk to Tower Rink behind Village Hall to create outdoor art!* 🧑

Wednesdays, June 26 & July 31

4:00-5:00pm

* Rain location: Pollak Room

Watercolor Painting (Grades 5-8)

Explore working with watercolor in this introductory class. 🧑

Monday, July 22

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



SATURDAY FAMILY FILMS

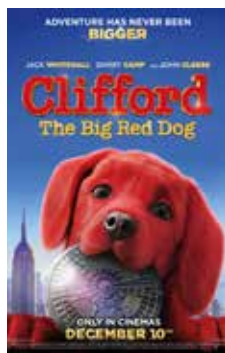
Enjoy family films in the Auditorium on the last Saturday of each month at 2:00pm. 🧑👤👤👤👤 FRIENDS of the Northbrook Library



June 29
**Ruby Gillman:
Teenage Kraken**
2023
(91 minutes)
Rated PG



July 27
Migration
2023
(83 minutes)
Rated PG



August 31
**Clifford the Big
Red Dog**
2021
(96 minutes)
Rated PG

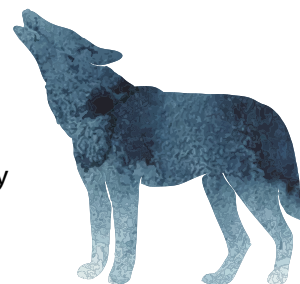
Classical Family Concert



Peter and the Wolf & The Sorcerer's Apprentice (Families)

Concertgoers of all ages are invited to join Andrea Swan and friends for a classical concert featuring Prokofiev's *Peter and the Wolf* and Dukas' *Sorcerer's Apprentice* performed by piano 4-hands with narration. 🧑

Tuesday, July 30, 4:00-5:30pm
Auditorium



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STORYTIMES & EARLY CHILDHOOD

A parent or caregiver is required to attend Storytime and early childhood programs unless noted otherwise.

My First Yoga (Ages 3-5, with Caregiver)

Preschoolers will have fun learning basic yoga poses.

Please register each child individually. 


Mondays, June 17, July 15 & August 19

11:00-11:30am, Pollak Room



Music & Me with Teacher Dan

(All Ages, with Caregiver, Drop-In)


Kids will have a blast singing and dancing to songs performed on a variety of instruments. 

Wednesdays, August 7, 14 & 21, 10:30-11:00am, YS Story Corner



STORYTIMES


Saturday Storytime (All Ages, Drop-In)

Join us on the first Saturday of the month. 

Saturdays, June 1, July 6 & August 3

10:00-10:30am, YS Story Corner


Storytime at the Library (All Ages, Drop-In)

Featuring a new theme each week. 

Tuesdays, June 11-July 30,* 10:00-10:30am

YS Story Corner *No Storytime on July 2

Babytime (Birth-24 months)


Songs and simple stories to nurture your baby's curiosity while providing caregivers a chance to socialize. Please check in at the Youth Services desk. Space is limited. 

Wednesdays, June 12-July 31,* 10:00-10:45am

YS Activity Room *No Storytime on July 3

Summer Sing with Miss Katie! **NEW!**


(All Ages, Drop-In)

Join us for 30 minutes of songs and movement. 

Thursdays, June 20 & 27, and July 18 & 25

10:00-10:30am, YS Story Corner

Preschool Storytime (Ages 3-5, Drop-In)

Stories and activities for preschoolers. 

Thursdays, June 13-August 1,* 2:00-2:30pm


YS Activity Room *No Storytime on July 4 (Library closed)

BILINGUAL STORYTIMES

Our bilingual storytimes are great for both native language speakers and anyone interested in the language and culture.

Hebrew Language Storytime

(Ages 2-6, Drop-In, with Caregiver) EDI


Drop by to learn about the Hebrew language and culture through stories, songs, and sensory activities. 

Mondays, June 3, July 1 & August 5

10:00-10:30am, YS Activity Room



Korean Language Storytime (All Ages) EDI

Learn and practice speaking Korean with stories, songs, and rhymes. 


Fridays, June 14, July 12 & August 16

10:30-11:00am, YS Activity Room



Spanish Language Storytime with Señora Kus

(All Ages, Drop-In) EDI


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

Thursdays, June 13, July 11 & August 1, 10:00-10:30am

YS Story Corner



STORYTIME IN THE PARK (All Ages, Drop-In with Caregiver)

Meet us outside for stories, rhymes, and songs. Please bring chairs or a blanket to sit on. 

Fridays, June 21 & 28, July 19, & August 9, 10:00-10:30am

June 21: North Suburban YMCA (2705 Techny Rd.)

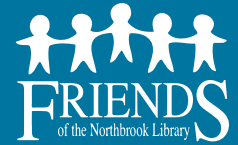
June 28: Village Green (1810 Walters Ave. – near the gazebo)

July 19: Wood Oaks Green Park (1198 Sanders Rd. – near the playground)

August 9: Techny Park (1750 Techny Rd. – near the playground)



FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY



From the Board President

Dear Friends,

Can you help us grow to 1,000 Friends?

Whether you are new to Northbrook, thinking about the Friends for the first time, or a former Friend who hasn't resumed all your pre-pandemic activities, we want you to become a member!

If you enjoy the library's first-run films, summer and winter reading programs, book discussions or the variety of youth programs, show your appreciation by becoming a Friend.

Use the form on this page, scan this QR code or visit northbrook.info/friends.



Sincerely,

Merrill Medansky
Friends Board President

If you're not sure we have your email address, send an email to friends@northbrook.info and we'll add you to our email list.

New & Returning Members *as of April 14, 2024*

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July 19 & 20, 10am-4pm
Civic Room

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attend the meeting

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Alisa Singer
June

Celebrating 100 Years of
Northbrook Days
July

Northbrook Originals Art Show
July-August



What is your favorite Northbrook Days Memory?

Help celebrate 100 years of Northbrook Days by sharing your memories with us.

Whether your memories of Northbrook Days are from 1953 or 2023, we'd like to record them to add to Northbrook Voices, an oral history project created by the Northbrook Historical Society and Northbrook Public Library to preserve the stories of our community.

Brought to life each year by Northbrook Civic Foundation volunteers, Northbrook Days provides five days of music, food, and fun, while helping to raise funds for need-based scholarships for local students and grants for community organizations.

If you don't have any memories to share yet, you can start a new summer tradition by attending Northbrook Days in downtown Northbrook from Wednesday, July 31, through Sunday, August 4. Learn more at northbrookdays.com.



Share your Northbrook Days memories with us

To schedule your interview, please email or call us at:
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Or, visit northbrookvoices.org/share



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