



**MORTON GROVE**  
PUBLIC LIBRARY

APRIL - MAY 2024



# MORTON MONARCHS



Morton Monarchs is a series of events dedicated to learning about butterflies and how to protect their habitats.

### **Make & Take Playgroup: Caterpillar Count**

*Ages 1-5 with a parent or caregiver*

Saturday, April 6, 10-11 am

While your child is playing with our toys, create a "busy bag." Each busy bag contains an age-appropriate activity for your toddler or preschooler to play with on the go (while supplies last).

### **Butterfly Garden vs. Butterfly Habitat**

*Adults and Teens*

Saturday, April 27, 2-3 pm

Lori from Salt Creek Butterfly Farm will discuss the best plants to support and attract butterflies and other pollinators in our area. **R**

### **Documentary: *Butterfly Blueprints***

*Adults and Teens*

Thursday, May 23, 7-8 pm

NOVA investigates the hidden secrets of butterflies and how they are inspiring cutting-edge technical innovations. (2022, NR, 53 min)

### **Tiny Science**

*Ages 3-5*

Thursday, May 30, 10-10:45 am

Discover more about the world through stories and activities. This month's topic: Butterflies. **R**

### **Butterfly Nursery at the Library**

*All Ages*

Early June

### **3D Paper Butterfly Drop-in Craft**

*Adults and Teens*

Saturday, June 8, 1-3 pm

### **Monarchs on the Move**

*Grades 1-6*

Wednesday, June 12, 4-5 pm

### **Butterfly Storytime**

*Birth to Age 5 with a parent/caregiver*

Thursday, June 27 or Saturday, June 29, 10-10:45 am

### **I Survived: The Monarch Migration**

*Grades 5-8*

Thursday, June 27, 4-5 pm

### **The History and Science behind the Monarch Craze**

*Adults and Teens*

Saturday, June 29, 10-11 am

### **StoryWalk in the Park: *A Flicker of Hope* by Cynthia Harmony**

*All Ages*

July 1-31

### **Bugs Galore: Butterflies & More**

*Family*

Wednesday, July 10, 3-4 pm

### **Crafty Saturday**

*All Ages*

Saturday, July 13, 9:30 am-4:30 pm

### **Butterfly Button Making**

*All Ages*

Tuesday, July 23, 2:30-3:30 pm

### **STEAM Stop: Butterfly Feeders**

*All Ages*

Wednesday, August 14, 2-3 pm

### **Walk-Through Butterfly Tent**

*All Ages*

Saturday, August 24, 10 am-3 pm

## **Preschool Concert**

## **Sing and Soar with Nanny Nikki**

*Family*

Monday, April 29, 10-11 am

Grammy-nominated musician Nanny Nikki will perform fun songs for preschoolers in this interactive concert.



**REGISTRATION** begins March 15 for April events and April 15 for May events unless otherwise noted.

## Monday Morning Playgroup

Birth to Age 5 with a parent/caregiver

Mondays, 9:30–11 am (no class April 29 or May 27)

Drop in for some open-ended play and meet new friends at our weekly playgroup.

## Bedtime Stories & More

Birth to Kindergarten with a parent/caregiver

Mondays, April 1 and May 6, 6:30–7 pm

Spend time winding down for bed with a few stories and songs.

## Listen Up!

Birth to Kindergarten with a parent/caregiver

Tuesdays, 10–10:45 am

Listen to stories, sing songs, and more at this all-ages storytime!

## Toddler Time

Ages 24–36 months with a parent/caregiver

Wednesdays, April 3–17 and May 1–15, 10–10:45 am

Get your little one acquainted with the Library at this two-riffic storytime. To attend, children must be between 24 and 36 months old at the time of the class.

## Preschool Storytime

Ages 3–5 with a parent/caregiver

Thursdays, April 4–18 and May 2–16, 10–10:45 am

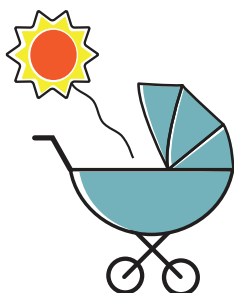
Stories, songs, activities, and more that are perfect for the school-ready child.

## Wee Read

Birth to 24 months with a parent/caregiver

Fridays, 9:30–10:15 am or 11–11:45 am (no class April 12)

Stories and songs for our littlest listeners. Please bring a tummy time mat or blanket for the baby. Older siblings welcome.



## Mathematics Circus

Ages 3–5 with a parent/caregiver

Sunday, April 14, 2–3 pm

Come one, come all to a math-tacular spectacular! We'll leap into mathematics with games, stories, and creative play that add up to a circus full of fun. **R**

## Family Storytime

Birth to Age 5 with a parent/caregiver

Saturdays, April 20 and May 4

10–10:45 am

Bring the whole family to this storytime filled with books, songs, and fun.

## Earth Day Storytime

Birth to Age 5 with a parent/caregiver

Sunday, April 21, 2–2:30 pm

Celebrate Earth Day with songs, rhymes, and stories.



## Mini Music Makers

Ages 2–5 with a parent/caregiver

Wednesdays, April 24 and May 29 10–10:45 am

Feel the rhythm, hear the rhyme; it's Mini Music Maker time! **R**

## Ready, Set, Alphabet!

Ages 2–5 with a parent/caregiver

Thursday, April 25, 10–11 am

Drop in and build your early literacy skills with alphabet activities. Be prepared to get messy!

## Cuddle Bugs Baby Massage

Birth to 24 months with a parent/caregiver

Saturday, April 27, 10–11 am

Explore the health benefits and techniques of infant massage, stretching, and aromatherapy with certified infant massage instructor, Loredana Tomasello. This class will also include information on toddler techniques and parental self-care. **R**

## World-Wide Storytime: Romania

Ages 3–7 with a parent/caregiver

Sunday, April 28, 3–4 pm

Romanian teacher Gabriela Cosma introduces your child to a bite-size helping of the Romanian language through stories, songs, and activities. **R**

## 1000 Books Before Kindergarten Storytime

Birth to Age 5 with a parent/caregiver

Wednesday, May 19, 3–3:30 pm

Read stories, share favorite books, and more at this storytime for 1000 Books Before Kindergarten participants. Learn more about 1000 Books Before Kindergarten at [mgpl.org/1000books](http://mgpl.org/1000books).

## Build-a-Reader Storytime

Ages 2–5 with a parent/caregiver

Wednesday, May 22, 10–10:45 pm

Join us for a fun storytime featuring our jungle-themed DUPLO Read & Build set. Siblings are welcome but build and craft supplies are limited to registrants. **R**

## Puppet Craft Storytime

Ages 3–5 with a parent/caregiver

Thursday, May 23, 10–10:45 am

A special puppet storytime for preschoolers. We'll each make a simple puppet craft then use them to act out our stories and songs. **R**

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## Make Your Own Bookmark

Grades 1–8

Wednesday, April 3, 4:30–6 pm

Celebrate National Library Week with us! Drop in and make a bookmark with a variety of craft materials.

## Anime Club

Grades 6–8

Thursdays, April 4 and May 2, 6–7 pm

A fun-filled hour of anime appreciation. We'll watch and talk about your favorite shows, draw, and enjoy all things anime.



All Ages

Sunday, April 7, 2–3 pm

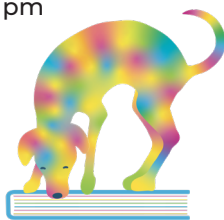
Monday, April 8 is the total solar eclipse. Let's get ready with a party! Drop in the Baxter Auditorium for science, crafts, virtual reality, and a lot of fun!

## Read to a Rainbow Dog

Grades K–5

Tuesdays, April 9 and May 14, 6:30–7:30 pm

Trained therapy dogs patiently listen to your child as they read from a book of their choice. Each reader will be given 15 minutes. To register, please sign up at the Youth Services Desk or call 847-965-4220 x2. **R**



## Jr. Puzzle Gauntlet

Grades 1–3

Thursday, April 11, 4:30–5:30 pm

## Puzzle Gauntlet

Grades 4–8

Wednesday, April 17, 4:30–5:30 pm

Do you have what it takes to beat the Puzzle Gauntlet? The Puzzle Master devised a series of devious challenges to test your STEAM skills to the max. Should you triumph, you will unlock the snack-a-licious treasure stash. **R**

## Crafty Saturday

All Ages

Saturdays, April 13 and May 11, 9:30 am–4:30 pm

Drop in the Youth Services Department to make a seasonal craft while supplies last.

Poetry

Creation

Station

Grades K–8

Sunday, April 14, 1:30–4:30 pm

Celebrate National Poetry Month! Drop in and create your own poetry with magnetic poetry kits and other supplies.

## LEGO Builders

Grades K–8

Mondays, April 15 and May 20, 6:30–7:30 pm

Build something amazing with the Library's massive LEGO collection. Start with one of our monthly challenges and then let your imagination guide you in a free build.

## Drama Club

Grades 1–8

Tuesdays, April 16 and May 21, 7–8 pm

Bring out your inner drama queen or king and get creative with acting, improv, and theater games.



## STEMonade Stand©

Stop by the STEMonade Stand located at our Lincoln Avenue entrance for project kits to do at home. Each kit is sealed inside a zip-top bag with instructions and STEM connections. For more information and updates on biweekly projects, visit [mgpl.org/stemonade](http://mgpl.org/stemonade). When life gives you lemons, make STEMonade.



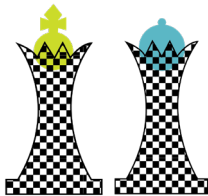


## Chess Academy

Grades 1-8

Thursdays, April 18 and May 16  
7-8 pm

Learn how to play chess with chess master Chris Christmas. All skill levels welcome.



## Karate for Beginners

Grades 2-5

Tuesday, May 7, 7-8 pm

In this one-hour workshop, kids are introduced to the basics of karate and important values such as respect, discipline, and teamwork. **R**

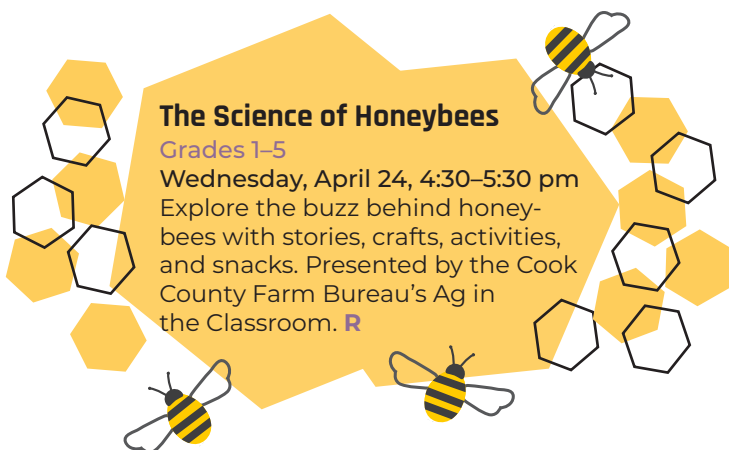


## Mini Canvas Painting

Grades 4-8

Monday, April 22, 4-5 pm

Paint your own mini canvas to decorate your room or locker! **R**



## The Science of Honeybees

Grades 1-5

Wednesday, April 24, 4:30-5:30 pm

Explore the buzz behind honeybees with stories, crafts, activities, and snacks. Presented by the Cook County Farm Bureau's Ag in the Classroom. **R**

## Mini Masterpieces

Grades K-5

Wednesday, May 15, 4:30-5:30 pm

Create like the great artists! We will look at the artwork of well-known artists and then use them as inspiration to create our own masterpieces. This session's artist: Pablo Picasso. **R**

## Henna Party

Grades K-5

Saturday, May 18, 2-3 pm

Stop by for a henna design from a local artisan (while supplies last).

## DIY Family Game Night

All Ages

Wednesday, May 22, 7-8 pm

Join us for an evening of zany homemade games; some assembly required! Games are geared toward school-aged kids and above, though younger children are welcome to participate with a grown-up. **R**

## Family Engineering Night

All Ages

Thursday, April 25, 7-8 pm

Once a month, we turn a STEM idea into an engineering project. Projects are intended for school-aged kids and above, though younger children are welcome to participate with a grown-up. This month's project is hydraulic lifts. **R**

## Goofball Science Club

Grades 5-8

Friday, April 26, 4-5 pm

Ever wish you could just do the fun parts of science experiments? Now you can! Join us for an hour of spectacular science time. This month we're making laser trombones. **R**



## LitLoot Middle School

Grades 6-8

May 1-14

LitLoot is a free literary subscription box filled with a custom selected library book and other goodies. To subscribe to May's box, register between May 1 and 14. We'll contact you when boxes are ready for pickup at the end of the month. Subscriptions are limited, so register early. **R**

LitLoot  
Middle School



## Star Wars Day with the Chicago Jedi Chapter

Saturday, May 4, 2-3:30 pm

See page 10 for more information

# KIDS

## Book Discussion Groups

Registration opens for each book club event on April 1. After you register, pick up your free copy of the book of the month at the Youth Services Desk.

### Family Reads

Grades 1-3

Wednesday, May 8, 6:30-7:15 pm

Read the book of the month aloud at home with your family. Then bring a grown-up with you to discuss and explore the story with a hands-on activity. This month's book: *The Story of Gumluck the Wizard* by Adam Rex. **R**

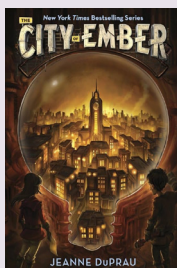


### Fearless Readers Book Club

Grades 4-6

Wednesday, May 15, 7-8 pm

Team up with your favorite grown-up for an immersive experience based on the book of the month: *The City of Ember* by Jeanne DuPrau. Be ready for discussion, snacks, activities, and surprises. **R**



Head to the Library for some outdoor family fun. The pages of a book are arranged on numbered signs around the building. Take a stroll and enjoy the story at your own pace.

April: *The Bear Ate Your Sandwich* by Julia Sarcone-Roach

May: *Boys Don't Fry* by Kimberly Lee

The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT, and developed in collaboration with the Vermont Bicycle & Pedestrian Coalition and Kellogg Hubbard Library.

# TEENS

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## LitLoot

Grades 9-12

April 1-15

LitLoot is a free literary subscription box filled with a custom selected library book and other free goodies. Subscribe to April's box at [mgpl.org/events](http://mgpl.org/events). We'll contact you when your box is ready for pickup at the end of the month. Subscriptions are limited, so register early. Library card required. **R**



## Teen Hangout

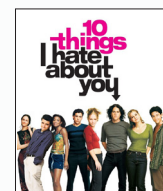
Grades 9-12

Thursdays, 7-9 pm

April 18: *10 Things I Hate About You*

May 16: *Turning Red*

Grab your coziest blanket and join us for a casual throwback movie night with games, snacks, and other activities. **R**



## DSAT Practice Test

Saturday, April 20, 10 am-2 pm

Take a Digital SAT practice test.

Students should bring their own computers and chargers, calculators, and pencils. The library will have a limited number of extra laptops for use. Email will be required upon registration for test account creation. **R**

## Earn Service Hours

### Teen Volunteer Bags

Beginning April 1, pick up a volunteer bag at the Info Desk. Complete the project, return it to the library, and earn one hour of service per bag. Items will benefit local organizations. While supplies last.

### Teen Volunteer Craft

Monday, April 15, 4-6 pm

Thursday, April 18, 4-6 pm

Drop in and help the Morton Grove Senior Center get ready for Senior Prom. Make paper corsages and boutonnieres for service hours.

## Summer Reading Program Be a Volunteer!

Opportunities include event preparation and event assistance.

Fill out an application at [mgpl.org/volunteer](http://mgpl.org/volunteer).



# ADULTS

## Senior Activity Kits

Stay busy and keep your brain active with creative activities and informational materials for seniors. Available on the first of each month at the Info Desk while supplies last.

## Adult ESL Literacy Kits

Practice English with monthly ESL Literacy Kits for adults. Each kit may contain vocabulary puzzles, idioms, suggested activities, or a short reading exercise, along with the monthly issue of *Easy English News* newspaper. Suitable for all skill levels. Available on the first of each month at the Info Desk while supplies last.

## Healthy Living

### Tai Chi (Online)

Mondays, April 1 and 15, May 6 and 20  
9:30–10:15 am

Certified Tai Chi Instructor Erica Bough demonstrates Shibashi body movements, breathing exercises, and meditation to help reduce stress, restore balance, and increase flexibility. All experience levels welcome. Wear comfortable clothes. **R**

### Chair Yoga

Fridays, April 26, May 10 and 24  
9:30–10:30 am (Online)

Led by certified yoga instructor Susan Wilkens.

Fridays, April 5 and 19, May 3 and 17  
9:30–10:30 am (In Person)

Led by certified yoga instructor Joan McGee.

Practice seated poses in one of the gentlest forms of yoga, available online or in person. All experience levels welcome. Wear comfortable clothes. Please use a steady chair without arms (if possible). **R**

### Mindfulness Matters with Chris George

Saturday, May 18, 10–11 am  
Mindfulness and compassion facilitator Chris George provides an overview of mindfulness and strategies to be more resilient. **R**



## Social Seniors

Join us for a variety of fun activities. Seating is limited, so register early to guarantee your spot. **R**

### Bingo

Wednesdays, April 3 and May 1  
10–11 am

Socialize as you play. Small prizes will be awarded to those who Bingo!

### Arts and Crafts

Wednesdays, 10–11 am

April 10: Flower Button Art

May 8: Tapered Candle Painting

Tap into your inner creativity with a fun and easy craft project.

### Brain Health

Wednesdays, 10–11 am

April 17: Head Strong: Promoting Brain Health

May 15: Hold That Thought: Understanding Memory Loss

Family Life Educator Molly Hofer will discuss the various lifestyle factors that contribute to brain health and the memory process, along with strategies for helping with everyday forgetfulness.

### Wits Workout

Wednesdays, April 24 and May 22  
10–11 am

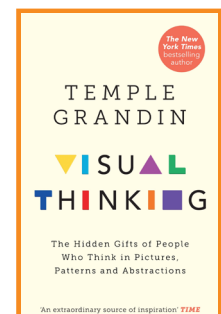
Maintain and enhance your cognitive function and memory with this interactive event.

## The Hidden Gifts of Visual Thinkers with Dr. Temple Grandin (Online)

Wednesday, April 3, 7–8 pm

Join Dr. Temple Grandin, an autistic professor of animal behavior, as she discusses being neurodivergent in today's world. **R**

This event is made possible by Illinois Libraries Present, a statewide collaboration between public libraries offering high-quality events.





## MONEY MATTERS

April is National Financial Literacy Month. Take control of your financial well-being and learn from expert speakers through this series of events.

### Property Tax 101 (Hybrid)

Thursday, April 4, 2–3 pm

Taxpayer advocate Andrea Raila explains how to lower property taxes, get tax exemptions and refunds, understand market value reassessment notices, use self-help links, and more. **R**

### Wills, Trusts & Estate Planning Basics (Hybrid)

Wednesday, April 10, 2–3 pm

Attorney Jacob K. Ehrensaft will discuss wills, trusts, powers of attorney, probate, and guardianship. **R**

### Stocks: The Nuts and Bolts (Hybrid)

Wednesday, April 17, 2–3 pm

Tim Ryder of Edward D. Jones & Co., L.P. provides basic information to help evaluate how stocks may fit into an investment strategy. Co-sponsored by the Morton Grove Chamber of Commerce. **R**

### Beginner's Guide to Investing (Hybrid)

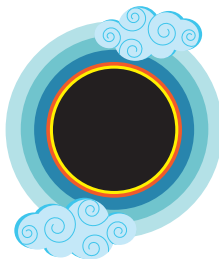
Thursday, April 18, 2–3 pm

Tom Kilkenny from Weiss Financial Ratings will discuss stocks, mutual funds, money market accounts, managing your portfolio, and more. **R**

## Eclipse Watch Party

Monday, April 8, 1:30–2:30 pm

Watch the North American Eclipse at the Library! We will provide eclipse glasses to safely view the event on the Front Lawn (while supplies last). NASA's coverage of the event will also be livestreamed in our auditorium.



## Evening Crafts for Adults and Teens

Tuesdays, 6–7 pm

April 9: Flower Button Art

May 7: Tapered Candle Painting

Tap into your inner creativity and make a fun and easy craft project. **R**

## Name That Tune (Online & Phone)

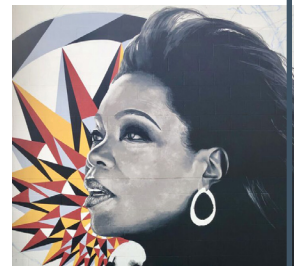
Wednesday, April 10, 10–10:30 am

In this virtual version of Name That Tune, participants listen (over the phone or via Zoom) to snippets of music then guess the name of the song. **R**

## Chicago's Newest Murals (Hybrid)

Thursday, April 11, 2–3 pm

Join presenter Beth Sair as she explores murals, the artists who created them, and their connection to Chicago's history and neighborhoods. **R**



## Crafting For Charity

Saturdays, April 13 and 27, May 11 and 25, 9:30–11:30 am

Create handmade knitted and crocheted crafts for local organizations. Please bring your needles and/or hooks and some acrylic yarn. Seating is limited, so register early. **R**

## The Opioid Crisis: Emerging Trends and Lifesaving Responses

Monday, April 15, 7–8 pm

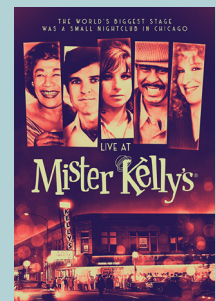
Community health educator Sophia Ottomanelli takes a deep look into the opioid crisis in Cook County and provides information on how to respond to an overdose. **R**

## FILM SCREENING

### Live at Mister Kelly's

Sunday, April 21, 2–3:30 pm

The biggest names in entertainment share how they got their start after performing at the iconic Chicago nightclub, Mr. Kelly's. Join Alison Hinderlater from the Newberry Library for Q&A session after the film. **R**



## Pastries & Poetry from Around the World

Tuesday, April 30, 7–8 pm

Enjoy reading and discussing poems from around the world, then create your own. International pastry samples will be served. **R**



## Plant Swap

Saturday, May 4  
10–11 am

Join us for our 4th annual Morton Grove Plant Swap! Bring a healthy, rooted houseplant to trade with other plant enthusiasts. Be ready to share your plant's name and its light, soil, and water preferences. This event will take place in the Baxter Auditorium.



## INDIE MOVIE NIGHT

### *The Whale*

Wednesday, April 3, 6–8 pm

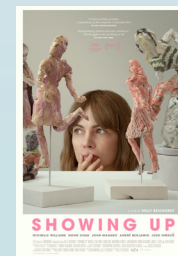
A reclusive, morbidly obese English teacher tries to reconnect with his estranged teenage daughter. (2022, R, 1 hr 57 min) **R**



### *Showing Up*

Wednesday, May 1, 6–8 pm

A sculptor preparing to open a new show tries to work amidst the daily dramas of family and friends. (2022, R, 1 hr 47 min) **R**



## TUESDAY MOVIES @ MGPL

### *The Holdovers*

Tuesday, April 2  
10 am–12:15 pm

### *A Haunting in Venice*

Tuesday, April 9  
10–11:45 am

### *The Color Purple*

Tuesday, April 16  
10 am–12:30 pm

### *Black Adam*

Tuesday, April 23  
10 am–12 pm

### *Misbehavior*

Tuesday, April 30  
10–11:45 am

### *Cat Daddies*

Tuesday, May 7  
10–11:30 am

### *Wonka*

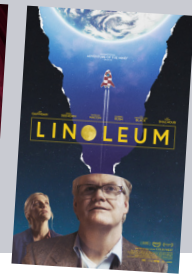
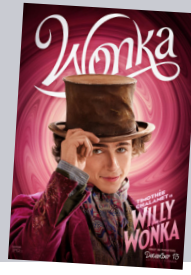
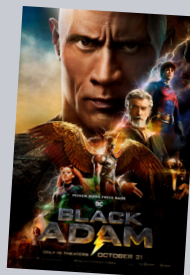
Tuesday, May 14  
10 am–12 pm

### *Linoleum*

Tuesday, May 21  
10–11:45 am

### *Something's Gotta Give*

Tuesday, May 28  
10 am–12 pm





# ADULTS

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## STAR WARS DAY MAY THE 4TH BE WITH YOU

### Star Wars Day with the Chicago Jedi Chapter

All Ages

Saturday, May 4, 2–3:30 pm

May the 4th be with you! Celebrate Star Wars Day with a lightsaber demonstration by the Chicago Jedi Chapter followed by a build-a-lightsaber workshop with MGPL staff. **R**

### Concert: The Cecilia Duo

Sunday, May 5, 2–3 pm

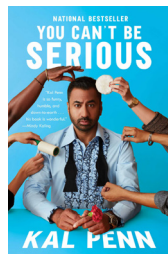
Embark on a musical journey with Pamela Kimmel and Carlyn Lloyd as they perform classical pieces and rhythmic Latin American music on flute and guitar. **R**

### The Many Lives of Kal Penn (Online)

Wednesday, May 7, 7–8 pm

Kal Penn discusses his memoir, *You Can't Be Serious*, along with his work as a producer, former White House staff member, and starring actor of *Harold and Kumar*. **R**

This event is made possible by Illinois Libraries Present, a statewide collaboration between public libraries offering high-quality events.



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## SAMASAMA PROJECT

Friday, May 10  
7–8 pm

SamaSama Project showcases a fusion of Filipino traditional folk and contemporary music. This is an AAPI Heritage Month Reading Challenge event. See the back page for more information.

## CIVIC ENGAGEMENT BOOK PICKS

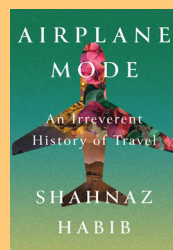
Visit [mgpl.org/civics](https://mgpl.org/civics) for staff-curated lists of resources related to a variety of topics. Not sure where to begin? We have selected a few titles to help you get started.

### Antiracism



*The Brightest Star*  
by Gail Tsukiyama

### Immigrants and Refugees

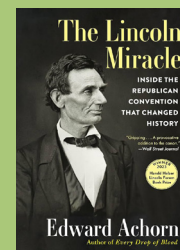


*Airplane Mode*  
by Shahnaz Habib



*Tomb Sweeping: Stories*  
by Alexandra Chang

### Voting and Elections



*The Lincoln Miracle*  
by Edward Achorn

### The Value of Trees (Hybrid)

Thursday, May 16, 2–3 pm

Colette Copic from the Chicago Region Trees Initiative and The Morton Arboretum discusses how trees enhance our environment and well-being. Co-sponsored by Go Green Morton Grove. **R**



### Exploring Spices (Online)

#### Barrier Reef Caribbean Mix Seasoning Spice

Sunday, May 19, 2–3 pm

(pickup starts May 1)

Explore spices from around the world in this flavorful bi-monthly event. Pick up the spice of the month and then discover the taste by making any dish of your choice. At the end of the month, we will meet over Zoom to share results and experiences. **R**

### Life in a Japanese American Internment Camp

Monday, May 20, 7–8:30 pm

Historian Sarah Okner, a descendant of internees, shares photos and details of daily life in an internment camp. This is an AAPI Heritage Month Reading Challenge event. See the back page for more information. **R**



## COMPUTERS & TECHNOLOGY

### Android Phones for Beginners

Wednesday, April 25, 2–3:30 pm

Learn how to manage settings, discover hidden features and more on your Android phone. Bring your device and login information. **R**

### iPhones for Beginners

Wednesday, May 2, 2–3:30 pm

Learn how to manage settings, discover hidden features, and more on your iPhone. Bring your device and login information. **R**

### Get Organized with Google Apps

Wednesday, May 15, 6:30–8 pm

Learn how you can use apps such as Google calendar, Keep, and Tasks. Please bring your Google account login information with you. **R**

### Tech Talk: New York Times Library Access (Online)

Thursday, May 23, 10–10:30 am

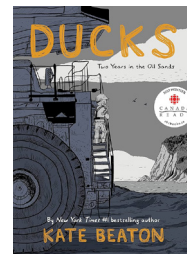
Discover how you can access NYT Games, Cooking, and the Athletic apps with your library card. **R**

## BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS

### Readpool: Adult Graphic Novel Discussion Group (Online)

#### *Ducks: Two Years in the Oil Sands* by Kate Beaton

Monday, April 29, 7–8 pm **R**



### Between the Lines

#### *We Begin at the End*

by Chris Whitaker

Thursday, April 18, 10–11 am (In Person)

Tuesday, April 23, 7–8 pm (Online)

#### *Sankofa*

by Chibundu Onuzo

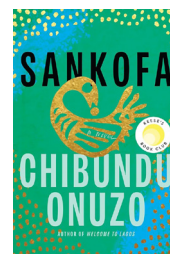
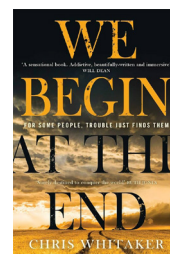
Thursday, May 16

10–11 am (In Person)

Tuesday, May 21

7–8 am (Online)

Between the Lines is held on two different days, either in person or on Zoom. New members are always welcome! **R**



### LitLounge (Online)

#### *We're Not Broken*

by Eric Garcia

Wednesday, April 10

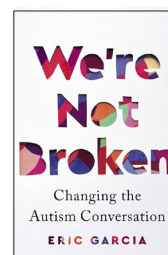
7:30–9 pm

#### *Yellowface*

by R.F. Kuang

Wednesday, May 8

7:30–9 pm



Meets monthly over Zoom. Cohosted with Skokie Public Library. **R**

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#### LIBRARY CLOSINGS

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### Asian American & Pacific Islander (AAPI) Heritage Month Reading Challenge May 1–31

Join us in celebrating Asian American & Pacific Islander (AAPI) Heritage Month by reading books written by Asian authors and attending one of our featured events. For each book you read or event you attend, you will be entered into a prize drawing. Check out our AAPI Month book lists available online or in print at the Youth Services and Info Desks for book recommendations.

### Our New Strategic Plan

Last year the Library began the process of updating our strategic plan, and throughout the summer of 2023, we explored community needs via surveys, interviews, and retreats. With that information and data, we developed a new vision and mission for the Library along with strategic directions for the next three years. We are excited to share the Library's 2024 – 2026 Strategic Plan which will guide our future services and programming. Learn more at [mgpl.org/about](http://mgpl.org/about).