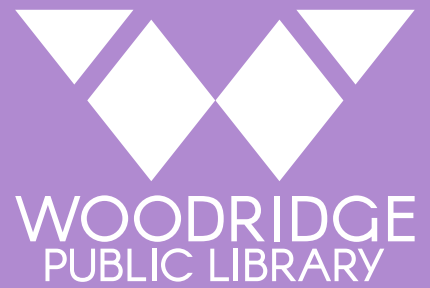


Spring 2025 Programs & Events



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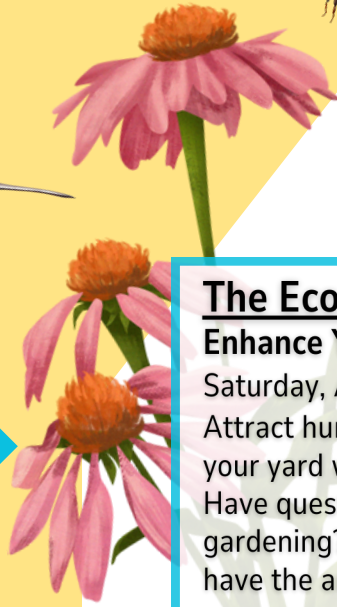
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Programs for all ages
Registration required



SPOTLIGHT



Registration is required for all programs and events unless noted as drop-in.

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Library Hours

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| Monday-Friday | 9 a.m.-9 p.m. |
| Saturday | 9 a.m.-5 p.m. |
| Sunday | 1 p.m.-5 p.m. |

Late Opening 1 p.m.

Friday, April 25

Holiday Closures

Sunday, April 20
Monday, May 26

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The Eco-Friendly Sanctuary: Enhance Your Home with Native Plants

Saturday, April 5, noon

Attract hummingbirds, bees and butterflies to your yard with the ideal native plants for our area. Have questions about composting or sustainable gardening? Come chat with professionals who have the answers. **Adult program**



Attend the program for a chance to win a rain barrel!



Forest Preserve District
of DuPage County



Virtual Events

Apocalypse Now: The Disappearance of Insects with John Cebula

Wednesday, Apr. 30, 7 p.m. on Zoom
Explore the rapid global decline of insects, the critical role of species like the monarch butterfly and potential solutions to reverse this concerning trend. **Adult Program**

The Art of Foraging with Alexis Nikole Nelson

Thursday, Apr. 10, 7 p.m. on Zoom
Explore edible plants, learn African American and Indigenous food traditions, and be empowered by self-sufficiency. Hosted by Illinois Libraries Present. **Adult Program**



Earth Day Seed Bombs

Monday, April 21, 6 p.m.
Celebrate Earth Day by making your very own seed bomb to plant at home. **Family program**



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at woodridgelibrary.org/events

FAMILY

Family Storytime & Craft

Bunnies Tuesday, March 18, 6 p.m.

Rain Tuesday, April 15, 6 p.m.

Bugs Tuesday, May 20, 6 p.m.

Each month will feature a new theme, stories, songs and a craft.

Ages 0-5 with caregiver

Stories in the Park

On the Farm Friday, April 11, 10 a.m.
Castaldo Park on 71st St.

Things That Go Friday, May 9, 10 a.m.
83rd St. Park

Bring a blanket or lawn chair and meet the Woodridge Public Library at the park for stories, songs and lots of fun! Our friends from the Woodridge Park District are bringing a craft for us to make.

Ages 0-5 with caregiver

Wonderland Tea with Alice

Saturday, May 3, 10 a.m.

Treat Mom (*Aunt, Grandma, or Dad!*) to a tea party in Wonderland, **with special guest Alice!** Celebrate Mother's Day with yummy treats and fun crafts. Dress up fancy (*optional*) and take a wonderful photo together.



Shamrock Slime

Friday, March 14, 4:30 p.m.
Create your own lucky slime just in time for St. Patrick's Day.

Trinity Irish Dancers

Saturday, March 15, 10 a.m.
See jigs & reels—wear your green!
Children in the audience may join the dancers to learn the jig at the end of the program. Photo ops and fun for all.

No School Movie Matinee

Wednesday, April 2, 1 p.m.
Free family fun: come to the library on this day off school for a movie and snack on us.

Family Art: Spring Flowers

Thursday, April 17, 3 p.m.
Spring is sure to be in bloom as we paint hyacinths and roses.

Squishmallow Dance Party

Friday, May 9, 5 p.m. **OR** 6 p.m.
Bring your favorite squishmallow or plush animal and join us for a night *stuffed* with family fun.

DOG MAN LOST IN THE LIBRARY

Saturday, May 31, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Squirrel! Oh no, Dog Man keeps getting distracted... search for him around the library and find tasty treats, games, crafts and more at this **Summer Reading Kick-off event.**



SUMMER READING Registration Begins in May



PARTY WITH MY PEEPS

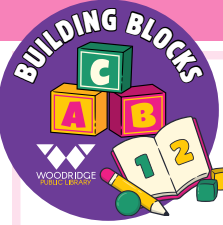


Saturday, April 12, 11 a.m.

Which springtime animal is your favorite: bunny or chick? Vote for and enjoy your favorite PEEPS® candy, craft, and **meet real animals at our mini petting zoo** (*bunnies, chickens, goats, sheep and a cow!*) right outside the library doors.

CHILDREN

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We've made it easy—and fun—to prepare your child for school at home

Each Building Blocks packet is filled with materials that will enhance Kindergarten readiness skills for children ages 3-5.

Pick up a new packet at the Lobby desk every Monday while supplies last.

Preschool Play & Learn

Me & My World Friday, March 7, 1:30 p.m.

Artastic! Friday, April 4, 1:30 p.m.
Play, learn and bond while having fun and meeting other families.

Ages 3-5 with caregiver

Littlest Musicians: Movin' & Groovin'

Friday, March 21, 10 a.m.

Put on your dancing shoes and get ready to boogie down with your little one.

Ages 0-2 with caregiver

Baby Activity Kits

Start dates listed, pick up at the Lobby desk while supplies last. **Ages 0-2**



Wrist Bells
Monday, March 17



Egg Shakers
Monday, April 28



Scarves
Tuesday, May 27

Wacky Stamps

Monday, March 24, 5 p.m.

Design your own personalized stamp using odds and ends—and your wacky imagination.

Grades K-3



Let's Build!

Ages 3-5 Friday, March 28, 11 a.m.

Grades K-3 Friday, March 28, 4:30 p.m.

Budding engineer or architect? Don't miss your chance to build and construct with a variety of wooden ramps and rollers as seen at the DuPage Children's Museum.



Littlest Artist: Fluffy Chicken

Friday, April 18, 10 a.m.

Create fluffy chicks using cotton balls, glue, feathers and paint.

Ages 0-2 with caregiver

Playdough Palooza

Friday, May 2, 11 a.m.

Spend a creative and fun morning play(dough)ing at the library.

Preschool-Grade 2



Take & Make Craft Kits

Start dates listed, pick up at the Lobby desk while supplies last. **PreK-Grade 3**

St. Patrick's Pets

Monday, March 10

Rainbow Ray Sun

Monday, March 24

Tractor Frame

Monday, April 7

Handprint Chick

Monday, April 21

Long-stemmed Rose

Monday, May 5

Crinkle Ladybug

Monday, May 19



Messy Playtime

Friday, May 23, 10 a.m.

Explore, learn and grow at this playtime filled with centers to engage the senses. Dress for a mess.

Ages 0-2 with caregiver

CHICKS COMING SOON!

Spring Storytimes

March 3-27 & April 7-May 1

Baby Lapsit

Ages 0-24 mo. with caregiver
Wednesdays 9:30 a.m.
Thursdays 9:30 a.m.



Toddler Time

Ages 2-3 with caregiver
Mondays 10:15 a.m.
Tuesdays 10:15 a.m.
Wednesdays 10:15 a.m.



Preschool

Ages 3-5
Mondays 9:30 a.m.
Tuesdays 1:30 p.m.



TWEENS

Drop-in: Scavenger Hunts

Find hidden pictures in the Children's Department and win a sticker.

Glorious Green March 9-15

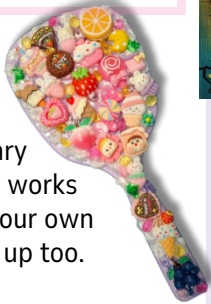
Chick, Chick, Hooray! April 6-12

Legendary Creatures May 18-24

Charm it Up

Friday, March 21, 6 p.m.
Use charms to turn ordinary objects into extraordinary works of art! Feel free to bring your own item from home to charm up too.

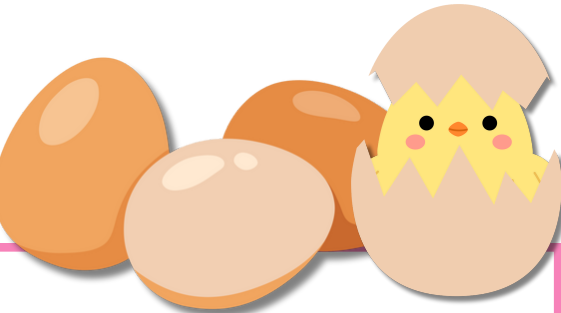
Grades K-6



LEGO Slingshot Car

Tuesday, April 1, 4:30 p.m.
Build a zooming LEGO car contraption using bricks and rubber bands.

Grades K-6

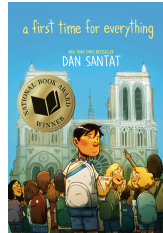


Egg-citing news...we'll be hatching chicks at the library this spring!

Stayed tuned to our website and social media for details.

Virtual: Art & Adventures with Dan Santat

Saturday, May 3
2 p.m. on Zoom



Join us live online with author and illustrator of over a hundred books for young people, including *The Adventures of Beekle*, *Are We There Yet?* and *A First Time for Everything*. Hosted by Illinois Libraries Present.

Paper Chain Contest

Thursday, April 3, 11 a.m.
This creative problem-solving program will have you competing for bragging rights. Can you make the longest paper chain?

Grades K-6

Kids BINGO: Minecraft

Friday, April 4, 5:30 p.m. **OR** 7 p.m.
Celebrate all things Minecraft as we play picture BINGO and win prizes.

Grades K-6

Cool Custom Keychains

Friday, April 18, 2 p.m.
Add some creative flair to your keyring or backpack and make your own custom keychains.

Grades K-6



Tween Takeover

Saturday, March 8, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
We're keeping the Library open after hours, just for tweens! Hang out with your friends to craft, play human foosball, eat pizza and more.

Grades 4-6

March Madness Basketball Laucher

Tuesday, March 11, 4:30 p.m.
Basketball obsessed? Make your own mini hoop and catapult creation and get ready to launch.

Grades 4-6



Tween Craft Kits

Start dates listed, pick up at the Lobby desk while supplies last. **Grades 4-6**



Animal Fold-it Bookmarks

Monday, March 3



Silly Putty

Monday, April 14



Color Your Own Tote Bag

Monday, May 12



Mini Clay Gourmet

Friday, May 2, 1:30 p.m.
Artist? Chef? Why not be both! Create adorable tiny food items with air dry clay and show off your skills.

Grades 4-6



Registration opens Feb. 15 for spring storytime dates

Sensory Storytime & Play

Ages 0-10 w/ caregiver

Saturday, March 29, 10 a.m.

Saturday, April 19, 10 a.m.

Saturday, May 17, 10 a.m.

Welcome to a friendly and inclusive environment filled with stories, songs, sensory play and socialization intended for families with disabilities, on the autism spectrum and/or sensory processing disorders.

TEEN



Drop-in: Life-size SORRY!
Monday, March 31-Friday, April 4
Go retro and play a life-size version of the board game with your friends in the Teen Dept.



Visit the Teen Volunteer page regularly for up-to-date volunteer opportunities.

woodridgelibrary.org/teen-volunteers



Snack & Chat

Junk Phone Case Monday, March 31, 1 p.m.

ASMR Slime Wednesday, April 2, 1 p.m.

We've got snacks and crafts...bring a friend, chat and enjoy spring break week.

Grades 7-12



Saturday, March 1, noon-1:30 p.m.

Earn service credit and enjoy pizza.

Teen & Adult Craft Kits

Start dates listed, pick up at the Lobby desk while supplies last.



Origami Bookmark
Monday, March 10

Bunny Craft
Monday, April 14

Sun Catcher
Monday, May 12

Adult Computer Classes

Introduction to Word

Wednesday, March 12, 6:30 p.m.
Learn to create, format, save and print a document, and insert pictures.

Introduction to Excel

Wednesday, March 19, 6:30 p.m.
Make, edit and format a spreadsheet, and learn basic formulas.

3D Design with Tinkercad

Saturday, March 29, 10 a.m.
Create a personalized fridge magnet using a free 3D design app.
Tinkercad.com account required.

Excel Charts

Wednesday, April 9, 6:30 p.m.
Create and format sparklines and charts to visualize your data effectively.
Previous experience required.

Excel PivotTables

Wednesday, April 23, 6:30 p.m.
Use basic pivot tables and slicers to help you summarize and analyze data.
Previous experience required.

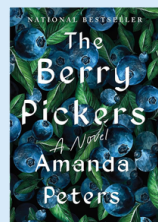
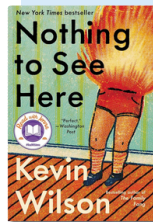
Introduction to Google Drive

Wednesday, April 30, 6:30 p.m.
Learn to organize files and folders, upload to your Drive, and share files.
Gmail account required.

Introduction to Google Docs

Wednesday, May 7, 6:30 p.m.
Create and format a document, share it, and download as a PDF or Word document.
Gmail account required.

Adult Book Discussions



Nothing to See Here by Kevin Wilson
Monday, March 24, 7 p.m.

The Berry Pickers by Amanda Peters
Monday, April 28, 7 p.m.

Good Riddance by Elinor Lipman
Monday, May 19, 7 p.m.

In the Art Gallery

March 18-31
Kurt Paulson
Digital Prints, Acrylic and Pencil

April 1-30
District 99 Student Art Show
Mixed Media

May 1-31
Isabella Oberg
Acrylic/Acrylic Pour

Adult Creativity Events

Spring Mason Jar Candle

Wednesday, April 2, 6:30 p.m.
Celebrate the arrival of spring by crafting a festive candle infused with lemon, lime and refreshing essential oils.



Craft & Sip:

Paint a Garden Sign

Thursday, May 15, 7 p.m.
Paint a sign to decorate your yard or garden this spring, all while enjoying a seasonal beverage.

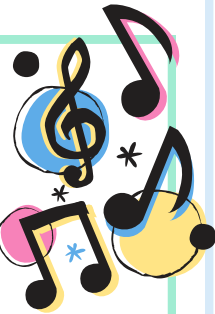
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ADULT

Retirement: More than Money

Tuesday, March 25, 6 p.m.
Financial expert Greg Kurinec will explain behavioral and emotional factors essential for planning a successful retirement.

LIVE MUSIC



Ultimate Oldies with Lucus Levon

Sunday, March 9, 2 p.m.
Enjoy a nostalgic performance celebrating the unforgettable hits that topped the music charts during the 50s and 60s.

What Were You Doing in '62 with Jeff Winter and Janis Fine

Sunday, April 6, 2 p.m.
Relive the magic of timeless classics from the legendary artists of 1962.

Sock Hop Classics with The Saddle Shoe Sisters

Sunday, May 4, 2 p.m.
Take a musical journey back to the days of sock hops and poodle skirts with upbeat hits from the 40s-60s.

Adult Spring BINGO

Thursday, April 3, 7 p.m.
Play BINGO. Win small prizes.
Free to play, fun guaranteed.

Adult Puzzle Packs

Lucky Edition
March 12-18

Spring Edition
April 9-15

Flower Edition
May 14-20



Virtual Events

Hosted by Illinois Libraries Present

Exploring Space with Coralie Adam

Tuesday, March 4, 7 p.m. on Zoom
Get an insider's look at the space industry with the Peoria Riverfront Museum's planetarium director.

9to5: The Story of a Movement

Stream March 21-23
Experience the award-winning documentary that chronicles the fight for workplace equity and inspired the iconic film *9 to 5*.

Poverty: A Discussion with Matthew Desmond

Thursday, May 13, 7 p.m. on Zoom
Join the author for a discussion about why American poverty persists and how everyone can fight it.

Intro to Tarot Cards

Thursday, April 17, 6:30 p.m.

Come learn about tarot cards and their uses. Explore personal readings to discover how tarot can enhance mindfulness, self-reflection and journaling. Bring your own deck or borrow one of ours! *For entertainment purposes only.*

Demystifying AI

Wednesday, May 21, 7 p.m.
Curious or confused about Artificial Intelligence? Learn what it is, how it works, real-world applications and how AI is shaping the future.

Wellness Events



Better Sleep Now

Wednesday, March 5, 7p.m.
Struggling to sleep or waking up tired? A trained expert in Cognitive Behavioral Therapy for Insomnia offers strategies to help you enjoy restful nights again.

Meditation Group

Tuesday, April 8, 6:30 p.m.
Experience a beginner-friendly, guided meditation practice in a small group setting.

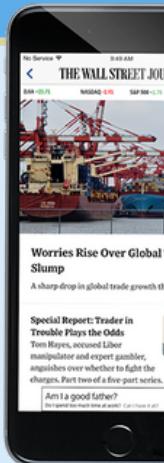
Sound Meditation

Sunday, May 18, 2 p.m.
Feel the stresses of life melt away as you immerse yourself in a transformative sound bath of crystal bowls, chimes and flute.

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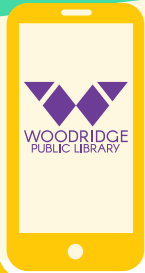
Hop into spring with earth-friendly programs to help you go green! Experts from The Conservation Foundation, U of I Master Gardeners, and the DuPage Forest Preserve will help you plan an **Eco-Friendly Sanctuary** on April 5, with a chance to win a rain barrel (pg. 2). Kids and families **Party with My Peeps**—and real spring animals—during the April 12 petting zoo (pg. 3).

Shamrock Slime (Families, pg. 3) and **Irish dancers** (All Ages, pg. 3) will have you going green in March. **Stories in the Park** (pg. 3) returns for little readers and a lineup of **Wellness Events** will rejuvenate you (Adults, pg. 7).

DIY your **Spring Home Décor** with a garden sign on May 15 (Adults, pg. 6) or an adorable **Fluffy Chicken** (Children, pg. 4). We are not **SORRY!** about the **Snack & Chat** spring break fun for Teens (pg. 6). Explore the program guide for more spring merriment and register today.

--Patti Naisbitt

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