Elmwood Park Public Library

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Library Hours:
Mon. - Thurs. 9:00 AM - 9:00 PM
Fri. & Sat. 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Sun. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Library Closing Dates:
Mon. May 27, Memorial Day
Fri. May 31, Staff Day

Library Board of Trustees Meeting:
Mon. May 8, 7:30 - 8:30 PM
Monthly meeting of the Library Board of Trustees.
**Movie Matinees**
*Registration not required.*
Check online and the monthly schedule at the Adult Services desk to see what’s playing for both Wednesday and Friday! Fresh popcorn will be served!

**Wednesday Hits Matinees**
Wed. May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 1:30 - 4:00 PM

**Friday Classic Matinees**
Fri. May. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 1:30 - 4:00 PM

**Art Exploration**
Writer’s Circle
Fri. May 10, 3:00 - 4:00 PM
Drop in and sit in with us and get feedback, advice, and support! Each week, we’ll focus on a different subject or discussion. Open to all experience levels and interests, ages 16 or older. No registration required.

**Paint and Sip**
Mon. May, 6, 6:30 - 8:00 PM
Embrace your creative side with a night of themed experiences and knowledge.

**Otherworlds Book Club**
Thurs. May 9, 7:00 - 8:00 PM
Escape to new worlds in this book club focused on fantasy and science fiction books and series! Discuss your favorite books, read new things and more! May - House of the Scorpion by Nancy Farmer.

**Thriftsook’s Book Club**
Thurs. May 16, 7:00 - 8:00 PM
Fans of murder, mystery and mayhem, your new favorite book club is here! Join us each month as we devour heart-racing thrillers, adventure, and horror.

**NEW! Poetry Club**
Wed. May 29, 7:00 - 8:00 PM
“Poetry is the rhetorical creation of beauty in words.” E. A. Poe. Come join us in exploring great famous poets from around the world. You may also bring your own poems to share with the group.

**Toons Read: Dungeons & Drama**
by Kristy Boyce
Wed. May 22, 4:30-5:30 PM (Virtual Only)
Pick up a copy of the book one month prior, read it and discuss it online with others who read it too! Ages 12-18. Registration required.

**Teen T&M: Cross Stitch Pendant**
May 19 - 25, Ages 12-18 years old. All kits require registration and are available for pickup for one week.

**NEW! Science Explorers: BUBBLES!**
Thurs. May 23, 4:30 - 5:30 PM
BUBBLES! Enough said. Ages 6-12 years old with a caregiver. Registration required.

**NEW! Tabletop Role-Playing Games**
Mon. May 20, 6:00 - 8:30 PM
Are you ready to game? Drop in to game with others in various gaming systems and games! For ages 12-18 years old. No registration required.

**Tales with Teddy (Dog)**
Tues. May 14, 4:30 - 5:30 PM
Practice your reading skills with Teddy, a Certified Therapy Dog. For ages 4-12 years old. Registration required.
Preschool Hour (NEW Name!)  
Fri. May 3, 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM  
Drop in for some fun themed activities designed to help your preschooler practice their social-emotional skills, gross motor skills, along with language and conversational skills. Ages 3-5 years old with a caregiver. No registration required! Just drop by anytime within the hour.

Storytimes  
Registration is required for all.

Saturday Storytime  
Sat. May 18, 10:30 AM  
Ages 2-5 years old with a caregiver.

Once Upon a Storytime  
Wed. May 8 - June 12, 10:30 AM  
Ages 0-5 with caregiver.

Preschool Pals Storytime  
Tues. & Thurs. May 7 - June 13, 11:30 AM  
Ages 3-5 years old with a caregiver.

Hello Baby! Storytime  
Tues. & Thurs. May 7 - June 13, 10:30 AM  
Ages 0-12 months with a caregiver.

Cuentos en Español/Spanish Storytime  
Wed. May 8 & 22, 6:30 PM  
iHola! Come join us for Spanish story time! Listen to stories, make a craft, and learn about Hispanic Culture! Ages 2-6 years old with a caregiver.

¡Acompañamos para la hora del cuento en español! ¡Escucha historias, haga una manualidad y aprenda sobre la cultura hispana! Edades de 2 a 6 años con un cuidador.

NEW! American Girl Doll Book Club  
Wed. May 29, 4:30 - 5:30 PM  
Do you like dolls, history, and American Girl? Then join our first ever American Girl Doll Book Club here at the library! You can choose to read “Growing Up with Aloha A Nanea Classic” (fiction) or “Real Stories From My Time Pearl Harbor - Nanea” (nonfiction). Come to the club to discuss the Nanea books, enjoy a snack, beverage, and create a craft, all from Nanea’s time period - 1941! You can bring your doll or plushie, but it’s not required! However, Registration is required. Ages 8+ (American Girl recommended reading age begins at 8).

NEW! Doll Tea Party!  
Sat. May 18, 12:00 - 1:00 PM  
You’re Invited! Bring your doll (any doll!), wear your fanciest outfit, and bring your manners to this fun doll tea party at the library! Ages 4-12 years old. Registration required.

Kids Read: Mindy Kim and the Yummy Seaweed Business By: Lydia Loe  
Wed. May 8, 4:30 - 5:30 PM  
Join us for games, activities, and crafts based around a beginner chapter book. A librarian will read the first chapter aloud, and then kids can check out a copy of the book to finish reading at home. For ages 5-8 years old with a caregiver. Registration required.

Kid T&M: Puppets  
May 5 - 11, Ages 5 - 8 years old.  
All kits require registration, and are available for pickup for one week.

Adult  
Health & Wellness  
Registration required for all unless specified.

Gentle Hybrid Mat Yoga  
Mon. May 6, 20 1:00 - 2:00 PM  
Join Rhonda for gentle yoga with some standing, sitting, and lying down poses. Sponsored by Age Options.

Gentle Hybrid Chair Yoga  
Mon. May 13, 1:00 - 2:00 PM  
Join Rhonda as she guides you in a session of gentle exercise, which is great for those with limited mobility. Sponsored by Age Options.

Sound Bath Meditation Yoga  
Sat. May 25, 1:00 - 2:00 PM  
Take this class to deepen into sounds and vibrations from crystal singing bowls, Tingsha bells and Tibetan singing bowls. You will be able to create a sense of calm, peace, and relaxation. Sponsored by Age Options.

Medicare 101  
Thurs. May 30, 6:00 - 7:30 PM  
Join Jeffrey Ashton to learn about Medicare rules, your rights, options, and enrollment opportunities.

How Can Your Insurance Policies Work Best for You?  
Sat. May 11, 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM  
Come and learn what the terms and definitions of your Personal Insurance Policies are as well as the coverages and limits you are insured with.

Estate Planning and Probate  
Wed. May 8, 4:30 - 5:30 PM  
Attorney Julia Smolka will explain why a little planning avoids court delays at a difficult time.

Dungeons & Dragons Club  
Sat. May. 25, 12:00 - 4:00 PM, Ages 16+ only  
Whether you are new to Dungeons & Dragons or a seasoned D&D campaigner, come join us for a dungeon crawl and adventure! We will provide the dice, D&D manuals, DM screens, and player development support. No registration required.

Technology  
Registration required for all unless specified.

Mobile Device Basics (Android)  
Mon. May 13, 2:00 - 3:30 PM  
Learn the basic features of your Android phone or tablet, including touch gestures and common apps.

Intermediate Excel  
Tues. May 21, 7:00 - 8:30 PM  
In-person only. Registration required. This class is for those who are already comfortable with the basics of Excel. Learn about sorting data, calculating sums, averages, and 3D sums.

Genealogy Club  
Mon. May 20, 7:00 - 8:00 PM, Ages 16+ only  
Bring your current projects and searches to work on and troubleshoot with other patrons! No Registration Required.

NEW! 'Throwback Thursday' Elmwood Park History Club  
Thurs. May 23, 2:00 - 3:00 PM  
If you are interested in learning about Elmwood Park’s past, join us to discuss the village’s history through personal narratives, town artifacts, and historical photographs and documents. You don’t have to be a long-time resident to join the discussion. Bring your own items, personal stories, and a curious mind to bring the history of Elmwood Park alive with your neighbors!

Trivia Night  
Tues. May 28, 7:00 - 8:30 PM, Ages 16+ only  
Bring your friends and form a team of up to 5 people, or meet new people and team up. Winners receive prizes! No registration required.

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NEW! Cinco de Mayo
Sun. May 5, 2:00 - 4:00 PM
Holy guacamole, it’s Cinco de Mayo! Let’s celebrate this holiday with games, music, crafts and some guacamole! Learn more about Cinco de Mayo and its importance in Mexico and the United States! Youth Services, Second Floor. For all families, no registration required.

NEW! Illinois Libraries Present: The Many Lives of Kal Penn
Tues. May 7, 7:00 - 8:30 PM
Kal Penn is an actor, writer, producer, and former Associate Director of the White House Office of Public Engagement. He is known for his starring roles in Designated Survivor, House, Mira Nair’s The Namesake, the Harold & Kumar franchise, and the Christmas comedy The Santa Clauses for Disney+.

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Register via ZOOM for this interesting webinar on our website!

NEW! Latino Family Night
Mon. May 15, 6:30 - 7:30 PM
Looking for a fun way to spend quality family time together? Come join us at the library each month where we will feature activities, games, crafts, music, and movies! No registration required.

¿Estás buscando una manera divertida de pasar tiempo de calidad juntos? Acompañanos en la biblioteca cada mes, donde presentaremos actividades, juegos, manualidades, música y películas. No es necesario registrarse.

PNG Open Lab
May 2, 4:00 - 5:00 PM
Want to learn about 3D printing, Photoshop, laser cutting, movie making, or any of the other cool technology in the PNG room? Looking to take your project to the next level? Drop by to hang out with us, learn a new skill, and make something! No registration required. For grades sixth grade and up.

PNG Music Making in Mixcraft
Tues. May 7 & 14, AND Thurs. May 9 & 16, 4:30 - 5:30 PM
Learn how to use the digital audio workstation software Mixcraft and make your own song! For grades 6th through 12th Grade. Registration required.

Funding for this grant project was awarded from the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services to the Secretary of State/Illinois State Library under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act.

Book Box Subscriptions
Subscribe to get your Spring Book Boxes! Tell us a bit about yourself, and we will hand select books just for you. Subscribers will pick up a box each month with 1-2 books and some fun treats. When you’re done, return the book and box, but keep the treats and enjoy!

Pstt...Pssst....
Do you love miniatures and collecting? Then join our secret club for trinket trading called Crow Club! There is a new passcode each month (this month’s is ‘Flower Thrasher’). Then come to the Youth Services Desk and say the secret passcode to trade tiny items! Crow-Caw! For children only.

Fun Fact:
Thrashers are accomplished songsters that may sing more than 1,100 different song types and include imitations of other birds.

Star Wars Day: May The 4th Be With You
Sat. May 4, 1:00 - 4:00 PM
In a galaxy far, far away or at The Elmwood Park Public Library come celebrate Star Wars Day! Youth Services will have crafts, snacks, trivia, and prizes! Don’t forget to wear your Star Wars apparel or costumes! This is a drop-in program. All Ages/Family.

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