Brighten your View with a special Summer Reading Program
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From the Director

In 2020, DPL had the opportunity to introduce some new services. Curbside service was one of the best things that came from 2020! In a very short time, we had over 10,000 items checked out and picked up using this brand new service. Our resourceful staff continue to provide this service, alternating with when the building is open for browsing. If you haven’t experienced curbside, you can find more information at deerfieldlibrary.org/curbside-pickup.

Staff also learned that with modern technology, we can work with patrons remotely to complete simple tasks such as renewing library cards or even issuing new cards. Once a patron completes the online form, a Patron Services staff member will call to set up a virtual appointment. After the process is complete, we can provide the card number for immediate use of our electronic resources, and the physical card is sent out via the mail. Find details and the application form at deerfieldlibrary.org/patron-registration.

The pandemic left many people feeling isolated and disconnected, and many senior citizens and persons with disabilities lost critical social and educational lifelines. With that in mind, soon after closing in 2020, we began offering the Library Lifeline service for free one-on-ones and check-ins. These are provided via phone, email, or a virtual platform. We average about 20-25 monthly appointments, and plan to continue this popular service. Read more about the Library Lifeline at deerfieldlibrary.org/accessibility.

Finally, we saw a huge increase in program attendance. We always knew that the community loved our programs and this past year has affirmed that. Our staff learned quickly how to offer virtual programs for patrons of all ages. In 2020, nearly 100,000 people attended a program either live online or watched a pre-recorded program.

We continue to move forward and look forward to continuing to serve our community.

Amy Falasz-Peterson, Library Director

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Reading Colors Your World: Explore Art and the Beauty in Diversity

The broad motif of “colors” provides a context for community members of all ages to be creative, try new things, explore art, and find beauty in diversity. Presented with support from the Friends of the Deerfield Public Library.

Children’s Summer Reading Program

**June 5 - July 31 • Birth through Grade 5**

Add color to your summer by participating in our “Reading Colors Your World” Summer Reading Program! Track your reading and complete fun activities to finish the program and receive an e-gift card to The Book Stall. All children who complete the program will be entered into drawings for your choice of one of three grand prizes!

NEW! All participants will vote to choose an endangered animal to sponsor from the Brookfield Zoo! Any children who finish the Summer Reading Program after it officially ends on July 31 will receive a gift card while supplies last.

**Grand Prize Drawing Options:**

- **Birth-PreK:** Gift certificate to the Deerfield Park District or the Kohl’s Children’s Museum.
- **Grades K-5:** Gift certificate to the Deerfield Park District, the Art Center Highland Park, or an iPad.

Teen Summer Reading Program

**June 5 – July 31 • Teens entering Grades 6-12**

Show off how ‘Reading Colors Your World’ with awesome activities, prizes, and programs. Whether it’s reading a book, watching a movie, listening to music, or painting a masterpiece, it all counts! Participants will be entered into drawings for a variety of prizes, and **one grand prize winner** will have the choice between a gift certificate to the Art Center Highland Park, an iPad, or a VISA e-gift card. All teens who complete the program will receive a gift card to The Book Stall.

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Adult Summer Reading Program

**June 5 - August 31 • Ages 18+**

Discover all that your library has to offer this summer with Summer Reading Bingo: “The Library Colors Your World.” You’ll not only find new reads, but you’ll explore our Library of Things, MakerSpace, programs, media, and more. Bingo cards will be available beginning June 5, and participants have until August 31 to complete. Each completed bingo earns you an entry in our prize drawing (limit 12), so the more bingos you complete, the more chances you have to win!

How to sign up for the Adult Summer Reading Program?

Bingo cards can be downloaded from the DPL website, or you can pick one up at the Adult Services desk on the lower level.

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Kindness Rock Garden

Celebrate the beginning of this year’s summer reading program by decorating a rock and adding it to our Kindness Garden, located outside the Library building. Rock Painting Kits will be available (while supplies last):

- **Youth & Teen**, beginning Saturday, June 5
- **Adult**, beginning Monday, June 21

Rock Painting Kits will be available for pickup from the green Creation Station box outside the front door of the Library.

How to sign up for Children’s and Teen Summer Reading Program? Register online any time on or after June 5.

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Adult Programs

For program descriptions, visit the DPL events calendar at deerfieldlibrary.org, click on “Programs”.

= Please register in advance. Registration opens Wednesday, May 19. Registration will be online only at deerfieldlibrary.org, click on “Programs”. If you need assistance, call 847-945-3311.

NOTE: Unless noted otherwise on the Events Calendar, all programs listed will be presented on an online platform.

Make It!

**Collaged Pear**
*Thursday, June 10, 6:30-8:00pm*
Join artist Anni Schwabe for a virtual class as we create a beautiful Collaged Pear, combining a colorful background using cut magazine pieces, with an isolated pear shape.

**Rainbow Forest Painting**
*Friday, August 13, 12:00-1:30pm*
Celebrate how the Library Colors Your World and create fun, colorful rainbow forests in two different styles with art teacher Christine Thornton.

Queer Poem-a-Day is a special daily podcast series for Pride Month, featuring a recording of a poem written and read by a contemporary LGBTQIA+ poet for each day of June 2021. This unique, limited-run series will be released on the Deerfield Public Library Podcast feed (deerfieldlibrary.org/podcast), which hosts interviews with authors of all genres and other notable people from Chicagoland and around the world. Subscribe to our podcast to get daily poems from some of the leading poets today and celebrate queer poetry!

Find out more about participating poets and read and hear their poems at deerfieldlibrary.org/queerpoemaday.

Queer Poem-a-Day is directed by poet and educator Lisa Hiton, and Dylan Zavagno, Adult Services Coordinator at DPL. Presented with support from the Friends of the Deerfield Public Library.

**Related programs**

**Poetry Discussion: Selected Poems by Elizabeth Bishop**
*Thursday, May 27, 7:00pm*

**The Lyric Self: Discovering Queer Traditions in Poetry**
*Wednesday, June 30, 7:00pm*
Poet Lisa Hiton explores the rules of eros in poets as ancient as Sappho and as recent as those featured in Queer Poem-a-Day.

See page 6 for Teen program, “Poetry is Who I Am.”

**An Introduction to East Asian Gardens**
*Thursday, June 3, 6:30-7:30pm*
Learn the cultural history of the East Asian Garden and its carefully composed scenes of mountains, ponds, bonsai, forests, moon doors, and pavilions with Yvonne Wolf.

**Adult Storytime**
*Wednesday, June 9, 12:30-1:30pm*
You’re never too old to have someone read to you! Join us, sit back, and forget your troubles for an hour.

**Vintage Cocktail Parties**
*Wednesday, June 9, 7:00-8:00pm*
Enjoy a delicious time travel back to past decades to enjoy learning about what drinks and foods were popular at vintage cocktail parties. Recipes provided!

**Adult D&D**
*Mondays, 6:30-8:30pm*
June 14, July 12, August 9
Join us on an adventure through the roleplaying game Dungeons & Dragons. Join the Roll20 campaign to play.

**Flower Pressing**
*Wednesday, June 16, 5:00-5:45pm*
Have fun with flower pressing and create something to hang in your space! Kits are included and must be picked up one week before class.

**The 1970s: Bell-bottoms, Disco and Nixon**
*Saturday, June 19, 2:00-3:30pm*
Has it been 50 years already? From disco dancing to disco ducking, the 1970s will always be remembered as a time in history that shaped a different world for the future!

**PLACE Programs**
*Saturdays, 6:30-7:30pm*
June 19, July 31, August 28
PLACE (Public Library Access and Community for Everyone) programs welcome adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities as well as their parents and caregivers.
Book Discussions
Copies available at the Adult Services desk a month prior, unless noted otherwise

**Deacon King Kong**
by James McBride
Thursday, June 10, 1:00-2:00pm
Join Dr. Elizabeth Bach, Ecosystem Restoration Scientist, to learn about soil carbon and how conserving and restoring land in Illinois can be part of global climate solutions.

**From Miniskirt to Hijab**
by Jacqueline Saper
Thursday, July 8, 1:00-2:00pm
Jacqueline Saper shares personal stories about how a comfortable childhood and adolescence ended at eighteen with the 1979 Iranian Revolution.

**Romance Book Discussion**
**Love Lettering** by Kate Clayborn
Monday, July 12, 7:30-8:30pm
Combine beer tastings and beer basics with Chicago history in a fun, interactive way, with Bruce White, founder of Chicago Beer Experience.

**Classics Book Discussion**
**Selected Poems** by Elizabeth Bishop
Thursday, May 27, 7:00pm
Register to receive a PDF by email, or pick up a copy at the Library (lower level)

**True Crime Book Discussion**
**American Predator: The Hunt for the Most Meticulous Serial Killer of the 21st Century** by Maureen Callahan
Monday, August 16, 7:00-8:00pm

**Chair Yoga and Meditation**
Tuesdays, 6:30-7:30pm
Join instructor Isabel Raci (C-IAYT, E-RYT 500, CMT, CLYL) for a guided gentle yoga and meditation.

**Staying Positive Today**
Wednesday, June 23, 6:30-7:30pm
Wellness coach Tom Kens will share ten practices to help you navigate through difficult times with a positive attitude.

**An Evening With Megan Miranda: Such A Quiet Place**
Thursday, August 12, 7:00pm
Bestselling author Megan Miranda discusses her new book, *Such A Quiet Place*. Described as the perfect summer beach read, Miranda’s latest novel is set in a seemingly idyllic neighborhood, but scratch the surface, and find deceit festering inside the households of this community. With blockbuster novels such as *All The Missing Girls* and *The Perfect Stranger*, Miranda has established herself as a master of the suspense genre.

**Illinois Humanities Programs**
These programs are presented courtesy of grants through Illinois Humanities

**Family Detention on the Ground**
Thursday, August 5, 7:00-8:00pm
Megan R. Klein, Associate Professor of Anthropology, discusses her experience as a Proyecto Dilley volunteer at the largest detention facility for migrant women and children in the US.

**Latin Hip Hop as a New Poetry**
Wednesday, August 25, 7:00-8:00pm
Join Catalina Maria Johnson, Ph.D. to discover how Latin hip hop artists are advancing poetic traditions of their countries in unique ways.
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K = Program supply kits available for registrants.

We offer adaptive programs for children with disabilities, and will make reasonable accommodations for every program for all abilities. For more information, contact Cristina Bueno, cbueno@deerfieldlibrary.org.

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**STORYTIMES**

**Picnic Stories**

*Thursdays, 12:00-12:30pm*

*June 10, 17, 24; July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29*

*All Ages*

Grab your lunch or a snack and listen to each week’s storytime from the comfort of your own home.

**Campfire Stories**

*Fridays, 7:00-7:30pm*

*June 15; July 6, 27; August 10* • *All Ages*

Dress in your pajamas, and cuddle your favorite stuffed animal as you listen to tonight’s virtual campfire story.

**Rainbow Families LGBTQ+ Storytime**

*Wednesday, June 9*

*Anytime Program on DPL YouTube channel* • *All Ages*

Celebrate Pride Month with this special storytime featuring gender expansive characters and LGBTQ+ positivity.

**Pirate Storytime & Visit**

*Thursday, June 24, 10:00-10:30am*

*On Facebook Live* • *All Ages*

Join Captain Anne Bonny for sea shanties, engaging stories, and swashbucklin’ games.

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**YOUTH PROGRAMS**

**Cooks & Books: Frederico & the Wolf** by Rebecca J. Gomez

*Monday, June 7, 4:30-5:45 pm* • *Ages 8+*

Listen to the story read by our guest chef and learn how to make yummy Mexican food. Recipes include Mexican Tortilla Churro French Toast and Fruit Salad Salsa.

**Conductor Cody’s Trip to Summer Camp**

*Tuesday, June 8, Anytime Program*

*Families, Ages 3-8*

All aboard on Conductor Cody’s magical railway adventures! Travel to summer camp in Cody’s magical train journey of discovery.

**Book Buddies**

*Tuesdays, 4:45-5:30pm*

*June 22, 29; July 13, 20*

Youth entering Grades 1-3 in Fall 2021

Book Buddies is back via Zoom! Volunteers entering grades 7-12 will be matched with young readers to meet once a week for four weeks to read aloud, play games, and have fun! Space is very limited. To participate, parents must fill out and return an application within three days of registration. Application available online and in Library.

**KinderPlay**

*Wednesdays, 10:00-10:45am* • *Ages 4-6*

*June 16: Little Kids, Big Emotions*

*June 30: Making Friends*

*July 7: Pretend School*

Get ready for Kindergarten with this play-based program. We will practice social emotional skills through stories and games.

**Comics & Cookies**

*Wednesdays, 5:00-6:00pm* • *Ages 8-11*

*June 16: Fantasy*

*July 21: Non-Fiction*

Calling all graphic novel readers (and cookie lovers)! Instead of reading the same titles, there will be a chosen theme with suggested titles. The list will be emailed in advance. Cookies will be available for pick-up.

**Awesome Art**

*Thursdays, 4:00-4:45pm*

*June 17, July 15* • *Ages 3-5*

Each child will get a kit of materials to create their own unique piece of art and get a chance to share it with the group.

**Book Discussion: When Stars are Scattered by Victoria Jamieson**

*Monday, June 21, 4:30-5:30pm* • *Ages 8-11*

Let’s discuss this riveting true story about Omar Mohamed and his brother and their life in a refugee camp.
A Different Way of Thinking
Wednesday, June 23, Anytime Program
Ages 8+
Join Cody as he combines magic, comedy, and storytelling to share what living with autism is like, and a different way of thinking about the world and living with it.

Virtual Treehouse
Fridays, 4:00-5:00pm • Ages 7+
June 25: Arts & Crafts
July 16: Among Us
August 13: Theatre Games
Each month we’ll focus on different activities and spend time having fun and making friends.

Snacks & Stories: The Story of Frida Kahlo by Susan B. Katz
Monday, June 28, 4:00-5:00pm
Ages 6-9
Get inspired by the life and creativity of artist Frida Kahlo, a young girl from a small Mexican town who became one of the most well-known painters in history.

Globetrotters’ Adventure Club
Wednesdays, 4:00-4:45pm
July 7, 14, 21, 28 • Ages 6-10
Have fun on this adventurous, artistic tour around the world!

Let’s Make: Wet Felted Sunflowers
Thursday, July 8, 5:00-6:00pm
Ages 7-11
Create a sunflower out of hand-dyed wool using a wet felting technique. All supplies provided. Class led by fiber artist Natasha Lewis.

Create Your Own: Solar-Powered Vibrobug
Friday, July 9, 4:00-5:00pm • Ages 6-9
Harness the power of the sun to make these hand painted (by you!) wooden bugs dance around. Kits will be available for pickup.

Cooking & Books: Bilal Cooks Daal by Aisha Saeed
Thursday, July 22, 4:30-5:45pm • Ages 8+
Listen to the story read by our guest chef and learn how to make simple and delicious Indian dishes.

Book Discussion: Efrén Divided by Ernest Cisneros
Friday, July 23, 1:30-2:30pm • Ages 8-11
When his undocumented mother is deported and his father is working two jobs, Efrén must take care of his five-year-old siblings. A stunning portrait of what it means to be an immigrant in the US.

Family Art Night
Monday, July 26, Anytime Program
All Ages
Join us for a virtual family storytime and art project on your time! Each family will receive one collaborative art kit and pre-recorded video.

Snacks & Stories: Jasmine Toguchi, Flamingo Keeper by Debbi Michiko Florence
Tuesday, July 27, 3:00-4:00pm • Ages 6-9
Will Jasmine be able to convince her parents she’s responsible enough for a pet flamingo of her very own?

Friends Around the World
Friday, July 30, 4:00-5:00pm • Ages 8-11
Register on your own or with your BFF to celebrate International Friendship Day through crafts, stories, and fun!

Author/Illustrator Visit with Dan Santat
Wednesday, August 4, 6:00-7:00pm
All Ages
Award-winning author/illustrator of over 100 books, Dan Santat will talk about his books, share an interactive art activity, and end with a brief Q&A.

Family KiDLS: Science Colors Your World
Thursday, August 5, 6:30-7:30pm
Families, Ages 6-10
Explore the colorful world around us through experiments, crafts and books.

Back-to-School Scavenger Hunt
Thursday, August 26, 4:30-5:00pm
Ages 8-11
Race against your friends AND the clock in this back-to-school scavenger hunt! Two winners will receive e-gift cards!
If “staycation” travel looks to be your focus for summer 2021, let the Deerfield Public Library serve as your travel guide. The Library-curated tours, which cover Deerfield from its founding days to the present, can all be accessed on the Library’s website at deerfieldlibrary.org/localtours. Guide maps and tour information also available at the Library (lower level).

**Deerfield Public Art Audio and Virtual Tours**

Our guided walking tour explores the sculptures and paintings publicly on display in Deerfield. You can download the guide map, and using along with the audio tour, take your own self-guided tour. Allow approximately 35 minutes to complete the tour. Another tour option is the 360 video tour, which includes a condensed version of the audio tour, original interviews, and historic photos. *Note: The art tour was created in 2017. Updates coming soon.*

**Deerfield Cemetery Tour**

The Library, in cooperation with the Deerfield Cemetery Commission created two historical “inside the gates” self-guided audio tours. The Cemetery is the resting place of some of the first residents of Deerfield, and is an engaging way to learn about the history of Deerfield. The Veterans Tour includes those from every war from the War of 1812 to Vietnam. The majority of our veterans are from the Civil War, and all fought for the Union. Additional support for these tours was provided by the American Legion Post 738 and the Deerfield Area Historical Society. *Please enter and exit through the front gate on Waukegan Rd.*

**Deerfield Train Station Tour**

The historic Deerfield Road Train Station is the only building in Deerfield on the National Register of Historic Places. But that only came about through the vigorous advocacy of the Deerfield Area Historical Society. Access the tour guide on the website to find out about the building and the engaging history, including a brief appearance in the movie, *Risky Business.*

**Friends of the Deerfield Public Library**

The Friends of the Deerfield Public Library would like to thank our members for their continued support during the pandemic. Memberships have been renewed on a regular basis.

Now that the library is open, our book store is stocked and ready for you to donate to the Friends. When you “buy” books from our corner, it makes it possible for us to sponsor programs for the library. Check out our website for a listing of some of the gifts we have given.

**Consider becoming a Friend:** If you love your library, one of the best ways to show your love is to become a member of the Friends of the Deerfield Public Library. The easiest way to make that happen is to join online on our website. If you prefer, you can print out an application form and mail it in.

Visit our website for more information: deerfieldlibrary.org/friends-of-the-library

The Friends can be contacted at 847-945-3311 x8895 or at friends@deerfieldlibrary.org

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Holiday Closings
The Library Will Be Closed All Day
Monday, May 31

DPL MakerSpace: Virtual and In-Person Creative Place

Less than four months after the vibrant grand opening of the Library’s new MakerSpace in November 2019, the state-of-the-art facility was silenced due to COVID. It wasn’t long before MakerSpace staff started reimagining the space and how it could still be a vital resource for the community.

We recently re-opened the MakerSpace for limited, by appointment only, in-person sessions. But prior to this, and continuing, the staff has been working with patrons through virtual means on a variety of projects.

Full details about the MakerSpace equipment and use, and access to the online appointment forms are available at deerfieldlibrary.org/makerspace. Learn more about:

• **MakerSpace Remote Services:** Submit projects for select equipment using an online form. Our staff will then work with you to coordinate dropping off or purchasing materials, remote virtual sessions, and project pickup. Virtual sessions include one-on-one virtual appointments, design assistance, and watching your project run.

• **MakerSpace In-person Services:** Limited, single user sessions by appointment only, limited to 90 minutes. Masks are required with additional safety protocols in place.

• **Maker Video Tutorials:** Pick up a new skill with software tutorials created by DPL staff.

Where to start? A good place would be to sign up for the Virtual MakerSpace Tour, Wednesday, June 2, 1:00-2:00 p.m. Bring your questions for a live Q&A. Registration is required. Visit the DPL Event Calendar to register: https://deerfield.libnet.info/events.

Check the Adult and Youth Programs in this issue for details on more upcoming MakerSpace-centered programs. No experience needed! All programs will be virtual.

• **June 16** (Adult): Flower Pressing

• **July 9** (Youth): Create Your Own: Solar-Powered Vibrobug

• **July 14** (Teen): Create Your Own: Custom LED Lit Acrylic Lamp