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# From the Director



#### **Embracing Hygge and New Reads**

Lately, I've embraced the Danish concept of hygge (pronounced hooga), which is all about coziness. During the cold winter months, I love to snuggle under a blanket with a good book and a lit candle. Winter really gives me a chance to slow down.

I've noticed my reading tends to lean towards mysteries or thrillers in winter. In 2024, I enjoyed some quick, delightful reads like First Lie Wins, She's Not Sorry, and Midnight Feast. I'm excited to dive into new thrillers by some of my favorite authors, like Nita Prose and Deanna Raybourn. Also starting this New Year, I'm eager to explore genres I don't usually pick up.

That brings me to our year-long Adult Reading Program, Read for the Stars! I'm personally looking forward to trying some science fiction or discovering books by Illinois authors. New year, new choices! Read more about this program in the article below.

What are YOU reading? Let me know by sending an email to amy@deerfieldlibrary.org. I am always looking for suggestions! **Amy Falasz-Peterson**, *Library Director* 



We invite you to participate in our newly launched reading challenge for adults, "Read for the Stars!"

This year-long adventure encourages you to explore a diverse range of themes at your own pace and in your own order.

We've curated a selection of both fiction and nonfiction titles to get you started, but you're welcome to choose any book that resonates with each theme. no matter when it was published.

or fill out the paper form available on the display in the lower level of the Library. For those who successfully tackle all 12 themes, a special collectible prize awaits you! Plus, keep an eye out for additional periodic prizes throughout the challenge.

If you're looking for more book recommendations beyond our initial suggestions, don't hesitate to visit our website or stop by the library for personalized ideas tailored to your interests. Our friendly staff is eager to help you discover hidden gems and popular favorites alike.

So, gather your reading list, set your goals and let your imagination soar! Whether you're reading for fun, knowledge, or inspiration, we're here to support you every step of the way.

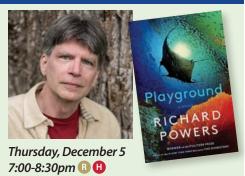
Let's reach for the stars together and celebrate the power of reading!

# Adult Programs

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

- $\mathbb{R}$  = Register in advance. click on "Programs", or call 847-945-3311.
- = In-person program
- H = Hybrid program (in-person & online)
- V = Virtual program (online only)

# Special Book Discussion: Richard Powers' *Playground*



In celebration of our recent exclusive podcast conversation with Pulitzer Prize-winning author Richard Powers, we're discussing his latest novel, *Playground*, as a pop-up discussion! Books will be available for checkout a month before the discussion.

In *Playground*, Richard Powers weaves together stories about teen intellectuals growing up in Chicagoland, oceanography, and Al, culminating in an urgent novel for our time.



Check out the interview at deerfieldlibrary.org/podcast or search for the Deerfield Public Library Podcast wherever you listen to podcasts.

# **Recurring Programs:**

Registration Opens Wednesday, November 13 at 9:00am

#### **Craft Connection**

Tuesday, December 3, January 7, February 4, 2:00-3:30pm

Connect over creativity and work on your own portable projects! *Tea and hot chocolate will be provided. DIY craft projects will be supplied on occasion.* **(B) 1** 

#### **Memory Cafe**

Wednesday, December 4 & February 5 10:30-11:45am

The Memory Cafe supports and connects those experiencing memory loss and their care partners. For more information or to register, contact Vicki Karlovsky: vkarlovsky@deerfieldlibrary.org,

847.580.8938. 🔞 🕕

# **Book Discussions**

Registration Opens Wednesday, November 13 @ 9:00am

Copies will be available one month in advance. Please provide email during registration.

#### A.M. Book Discussions:

Frozen River by Ariel Lawhon

Thursday, January 9, 10:30-11:30am 🛭 🕕

The Kennebec River freezes, entombing a man in the ice. Martha Ballard is summoned to examine the body and determine the cause of death. As the local midwife and healer, Martha is good at keeping secrets.

#### Go as a River by Shelley Read

Thursday, February 13, 10:30-11:30am 🔞 🕕

On a cool autumn day in 1948, Victoria Nash delivers late-season peaches from her family's farm set amid the wild beauty of Colorado. As she heads into her village, a disheveled stranger stops to ask her the way. How she chooses to answer will unknowingly alter the course of both their young lives.

#### **Classics Book Discussion**

**Madame Bovary** by Gustave Flaubert

Bovary by Gustave Flaubert tells the story of a woman who, inspired by books, tries to escape her life. Books available at the Adult Services Desk a month before our discussion.

#### **HEA Book Discussion:**

Chef's Choice by TJ Alexander

Monday, February 24, 7:00-8:00pm (B) V)

Luna agrees to be Jean-Pierre's girlfriend so he can inherit his family's culinary empire by satisfying his grandfather's outlandish conditions - which includes cooking the family's signature dishes together, in Paris, on TV in front of an audience of millions.

#### **Horror Book Discussion:**

Spirit Bares Its Teeth by Andrew Joseph White

Friday, January 17, 6:00-7:00pm (1) Offsite

The Veil between the living and dead has thinned. After being diagnosed with Veil sickness Silas is shipped away to Braxton's Sanitorium and Finishing School. When the ghosts of missing students start begging Silas for help, he decides to expose its rotten guts to the world - as long as the school doesn't break him first.

## **Parenting Book Discussion:**

The Anxious Generation by Jonathan Haidt

Wednesday, December 11, 6:30-7:30pm 🚯 🕕

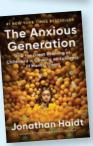
In this new book discussion, Nationally Certified School Psychologist Kate Lakowski from Education Empowerment Partners, guides us through the recently released page turner *The Anxious Generation* by Jonathan Haidt. Parents, guardians, caregivers, and fans of social psychology are all welcome!











# Adult Programs

#### **Tuesday New Movie**

Tuesday, December 10, January 14, February 11, 6:30-8:30pm

Join us every second Tuesday evening of the month to watch a new movie with your community. The movies shown will be announced 2 weeks prior to the movie night. Popcorn will be provided. R

#### **Classic Board Game Night**

Monday & Wednesday, December 4, January 6 & 22, February 3 & 26 7:00-8:30pm

Chess, checkers, & backgammon! Oh my! Reacquaint yourself with your favorite classic board game or sharpen your strategic thinking skills by playing other fans of these classic games. Bring your own set or play with one of ours. Now including Scrabble. Please note: this program is not instructional. 1

#### **Magic the Gathering Game Night**

Mondays & Wednesdays, January 15, & February 17, 6:00-8:30pm

Love to play some Magic with your friends? Curious about one of the most popular card games around? We'll have some starter decks available, or you can bring your own. All are welcome - no experience required. 

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#### **PLACE Programs**

Saturdays, December 14, January 18, February 8, 6:30-7:30pm

PLACE (Public Library Access and Community for Everyone) programs welcome adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities as well as their parents and caregivers. Join us for an evening of reading, conversation, friendship, and fun. For more information or to register, contact Vicki Karlovsky: vkarlovsky@deerfieldlibrary.org, 847.580.8938. V

# **December Programs:**

Registration Opens Wednesday, November 13 @ 9:00am

#### **Scrabble Club**

Monday, December 2, 7:00-8:30pm
Join us for the final installment of the
Scrabble Club! Make some new Library
friends while expanding your lexicon!
Scrabble will now be included in Classic
Board Game Nights!



#### **Trains**

Saturday, December 7, All Day

The North Central "0" Gaugers bring their popular Winter Wonderland model train run to the Library. This model railroad exhibit includes Thomas the Tank Engine and beautiful snow villages.

# DHS Chamber Orchestra Holiday Concert

Sunday, December 8, 3:00-4:00pm
Back by popular demand! Join us for the sound of holiday music performed by the Deerfield High School Chamber Orchestra.

#### **Geek Night**

Monday, December 9, 6:30-8:30pm
Join us for a night of fun as we delve into
D&D and Magic the Gathering here at
the library! Join a Dungeons & Dragons
one shot and collaborate to bring down
a bad guy or bring your MtG deck to play
against each other. All experience levels
are welcome! 

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#### **Moptop Presents: Holiday Music**

Thursday, December 12, 7:00-8:30pm We'll explore the origins and inspiration of holiday music in all its forms: traditional music, songs about winter, songs with famous characters, and even modern songs.

#### **Gingerbread Houses**

Friday, December 13, 2:00-3:30pm
A basic gingerbread house will already be built and ready to decorate for each attendee. All it needs is a creative touch!





#### **Exploring Croatia**

Monday, December 16, 6:30-7:30pm
For a small country, Croatia offers an amazing array of geographic, cultural, and historic treats. This one-hour presentation explores both the coastal region and Zagreb, the capital. Beyond the food and sites, the welcoming Croatian people make visits here very special. 

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## Diaspora Dinners: Hanukkah

Wednesday, December 18,

6:00-7:30pm Dylan Maysick will share his modern and regional twists on traditional Hanukkah cooking. (3) 1



# **January Programs:**

Registration Opens Wednesday, December 11 at 9:00am

#### **Local Author Showcase**

Saturday, January 11, 11:00am-3:00pm Meet & greet a variety of local authors and browse their latest works.

# Power of Attorney & Health Directive Workshop

Tuesday, January 14, 6:00-7:30pm
Learn the importance of Powers of
Attorney and Health Care Directives.
During the Workshop, attendees will
discover considerations for and map out
whom they would like to name in their
Powers of Attorney and Health Care
Directives.

# Welcome Winter - Cabaret by Heather

Wednesday, January 15, 10:30-11:30am A show for our coldest season of the year! From December to March, there's plenty of time to celebrate all the joys of the season—snow, sledding, skating, snowballs, fur coats and wonderful wintery music. 

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#### **Hand Embroidery Class**

Saturday, January 25, 1:00-4:00pm
Learn about embroidery history and the ten basic stitches you can use when doing hand work from Cathy Grafton. She will bring a collection of small samplers and examples for you to study and replicate. Whether you are creating designs, using hand stitching for clothing or adding details to quilts, this workshop will give you an understanding of each stitch.



#### Miscellany & Mirth of the Midwest

Tuesday, January 28, 6:00-7:00pm
Musician and storyteller, Dave Martin, takes us on a good-natured romp through the Midwest which explores the culture and storied history of the region, performing both traditional and original songs while infusing quixotic anecdotes about his family's place in America's heartland.

# Post Election Update with Paul Lisnek

Wednesday, January 28, 7:00-8:00pm
The League of Women Voters of the
Palatine Area and the Schaumburg Library
are proud to partner to host the Civic
Awareness Series, a program dedicated
to the continued civic education and
engagement of our patrons. To kick off
our 2025 season, WGN-TV 39's Paul Lisnek
will speak about 2024's election, the
election results and what we can expect
from the upcoming four years. (3)

# **February Programs:**

Registration Opens Wednesday, January 15 at 9:00am

#### Mary Todd Lincoln's Photographs

Wednesday, February 5, 6:30-7:30pm Mary Todd Lincoln lived a life filled with triumphs and tragedies. One piece in the complex puzzle of her life is her personal photograph album, which was compiled over many years. Hear scholar Laura Keyes share the history of Mary Lincoln's photograph album, and see for yourself what photographs Mrs. Lincoln kept (and the ones she didn't).

#### **Animals of the Chinese Zodiac**

Thursday, February 6, 3:00-4:00pm
The Year of the Dragon ends on January 28, 2025. On January 29, 2025
a large part of East
Asia will welcome the Year of the Snake ending on February 16, 2026. The Chinese use the zodiac animals to inspire and encourage

positive qualities in ourselves by learning from the natural world. The twelve zodiac signs are used to measure time and build social relationships. Come and find out why the Year of the Snake is a good sign. (1)

#### Classic Film Discussion: Walt Disney's Silly Symphonies (1929 to 1939)

Thursday, February 6 6:30-8:30pm Start the year off by joining in a discussion



about early animation! There will be a curated selection of short animated films from Walt Disney's 1930s series Silly Symphonies, which you can view ahead of time OR during the film screening from 6:30 to 7:30pm. The discussion will be hybrid, starting at 7:30. Register to get a playlist of films. (3)



#### I'm More Than You Think I Am

Tuesday, February 11, 6:00-7:30pm Enjoy a cooking demonstration with samples, featuring Chef Tony Cannon, followed by a community discussion on the African American experience. Chef Tony has an amazing gift to create exquisite flavor combinations and will be showing the group how to create a delicious 3-course meal, including an African-based dessert!

#### **Getting Started with Seeds**

Thursday, February 13, 6:30-7:30pm
This detailed presentation takes you back to the important basics but throws in a lot of "pro tips" for your seed-starting success. Even experienced vegetable and flower gardeners will learn a lot! Presented by Lake County Master Gardeners Speakers' Bureau.

#### **Book Speed Dating**

Friday, February 14, 4:00-5:00pm "Date" a new read in a rapid-fire way. Get to know their covers, read a quick synopsis, and decide; is it love or is your new favorite book up next?

#### **Heart Health**

Tuesday, February 25, 1:00-2:30pm
Tracy Williams shares how to maintain a healthy lifestyle as you age. Tracy outlines how to decrease heart disease risk by integrating social connection, smoking cessation and other stress management habits.

#### **BookArt Workshop - Birdhouse**

Wednesday, February 26, 3:00-4:30pm

Join Maryanne Kyle and Henrieta Ribeiro in making fun and interesting crafts from discarded books. Everyone, from beginners to expert crafters, will enjoy creating



their own unique work of art. All materials, patterns and supplies provided. 

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#### Trivia at the Library

Thursday, February 27, 7:00-8:30pm
Think you know it all? Prove it! We will be using Kahoot for this lively in-person game. Snacks will be provided. Please note, this Trivia Night will take place in the Library meeting rooms.

# Life Balance and the Swedish Philosophy of Lagom

Friday, February 28, 1:30-2:30pm "Not too little, Not too much, just right!" is the mantra for Lagom, a lifestyle based on harmony, moderation and self-advocacy. Jan Peterson speaks about incorporating Lagom into our lives for a happier, more productive existence while finding greater balance and joy in everything we do. 

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# Children & Teens Programs

- R = Register in advance. Registration opens Wednesday, November 13, 9:00am at deerfieldlibrary.org, click on "Programs", or call 847-580-8962.
- D = Drop-in, no registration required
- = Tickets available 20 minutes before start time

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

\*Due to high demand for this program, registrants will be chosen from a lottery of everyone who registers on the first two days.

# STORYTIMES & PLAY

# Storytime Under the Stars *Grades K-2*

Monday, December 9, January 13, February 10, 7:00-7:30pm

Storytime in the library at night? Yes! Get your jammies on and join us in the library for picture book favorites to listen to and discuss. R

#### Movin' and Groovin'

Ages 0-5 with Adult
Tuesday, January 7, 14, 21 &
February 4, 11, 18, 10:00-10:30am
Get up and dance in this fun, movement-based storytime! Just drop in. 10

#### **Wednesday Family Storytime**

Ages 0-5 with Adult
January 8, 15, 22 & February 5, 12, 19
9:30-10:00am OR 10:00-10:30am
Join us for a storytime full of stories,
songs and fingerplays for the whole
family. 1

#### **Thursday Family Storytime**

Ages 0-5 with Adult
January 9, 16, 23 & February 6, 13, 20
9:30-10:00am OR 10:00-10:30am
Join us for a storytime full of stories,
songs and fingerplays for the whole
family. 1

#### **Creative Clubhouse**

Grades K-2

Thursday, January 9, 16, 23 & February 6, 13, 20, 4:15-5:00pm
Specially designed for younger elementary students, this program features books and a fun craft project each week. Please dress for artistic mess!

#### **Baby Lapsit**

Ages 0-18 months with Adult
Friday, January 10, 17, 24 & February
7, 14, 21, 10:00-10:30am
It's never too early to read to your baby!
Join us for stories, rhymes and songs
for you and baby. Plus, some social time
after the program. 1

#### **Sensory Storytime**

Suggested for Ages 2-6 with Adult Saturday, January 18 & February 1, 10:30-11:15am

Inclusive and interactive storytime filled with stories, songs, sensory play and socialization.

#### **STEAM Playtime**

Ages 0-5 with Adult
Tuesday, January 28,10:00-10:30am
Come play with some of our cool
STEAM toys! 1



# **Grab & Go Kits**

Available every third week of the month!
Beginning Mondays: December 16,
January 20, February 17
Stop by for a kit to take home. Choose one of 3 options: PreK & K / 1st - 4th
Grade / 5th Grade +. While supplies last.

#### **Baby Book Bunch**

Birth-24 months

Pickup begins on Mondays: December 2, January 6, February 3

Are you looking for baby books but don't know where to start? Let the library surprise your baby (and you!) with five selected board books, as well as an activity or craft to keep. (3)



#### **Gingerbread Houses**

Youth All Ages - Family Friendly Monday, December 2 5:15-6:30pm

Join us for family friendly gingerbread house building and decorating!

One house guaranteed per family.

#### Let's Make Holiday Gifts - Kids\*

Grades 1-3

Thursday, December 5 4:00-5:00pm

Make holiday gifts in our Makerspace to give your loved ones this holiday season. (R)

# Let's Make Holiday Gifts - Tweens\*

Grades 4-6

Thursday, December 5 5:00-6:00pm

Tweens, it's your turn to make holiday gifts in our Makerspace to give your loved ones this holiday season. 

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# Model Train Run & Youth Activities

All Ages - Family Friendly Saturday, Dec 7

Join us for the North Central "O" Gaugers Winter Wonderland model train runs. Then stop by the Youth Department for a train themed scavenger hunt and coloring sheets!



#### **LEGO Club**

Youth All Ages, Family Friendly Tuesday, December 10, January 14, February 11, 3:45-5:15pm Stop by the Youth Program Room to design and build your next great LEGO creation!

#### **Youth Advisory Board**

Grades 2-5

Wednesday, December 11, January 8, February 12, 4:00-4:45pm

Join us to plan future events, get behind the scenes tours, socialize and share your opinions about our favorite place... DPL! R

#### **Taylor Swift Birthday Party**

Youth & Teens Thursday, December 12 4:00-6:00pm

Lights, Camera and Smile! Come celebrate Taylor Swift's birthday a day early with friendship bracelets, games and other activities. We've got a blank space (on our birthday attendee list) and we'll write your name! [3]

#### **HOW TO DRAW with Andertoons!**

Grades 1-6 • Fridays, 4:00-5:00pm

January 31: Reindeer Games
It's well known that reindeer enjoy
playing wintery games, and we'll be
drawing them all! Snowball soccer,
tundra tennis, blizzard basketball and
maybe even icicle skating! Don't worry,
there won't be any name-calling, but
there will be tons of laughs!

February 28: What Else Did the Groundhog See?

We know he looks for his shadow one day a year, but what else does he see the rest of the month?! A super silly goofy grab bag that will leave you giggling! ®

## **K9 Reading Buddies**

Grades 1-5

Monday, January 13, February 10 4:00-5:00pm

Come read a story to one of our volunteer dogs right here at the Library! Each kid gets individual time with a dog. Stop by the Youth Program Room to sign up for a time slot. Space is limited. 

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#### **KiDLS: Ages 5+ with Adult**

Ages 5+ with an adult
Saturday, January 11
10:00-11:00am
The groundhog
might have come
and gone, but we're
still here with shadow
play! Explore light and shadow
science with us. ®

## **First Chapter Friday**

Grades 4-6

Friday, January 17, February 7 4:00-5:00pm

First Chapter Friday returns! Each session we will read the first chapter(s) of a surprise book and discuss what we think will happen next. Books and snacks provided.

#### **Crafternoon: Paint Palooza**



#### My First Book Club

Grades K-1

Mondays, 4:15-5:00pm January 27, February 24

Do you love talking about books, eating snacks, and doing fun projects? Join us for a special book club just for beginning readers! Participants will get to keep the books.

#### We Love Magical Creatures!

Ages 5-7

Thursday, January 30 4:15-5:00pm

Do you love dragons? Are you a fan of fairies and unicorns? Join us for crafts, fun and games! (R)

#### **Black Scientists...in Space!**

Grades 2-4

Tuesday, February 18 4:15-5:00pm

Celebrate Black History Month by learning about Black Scientists who have made a difference in astronomy! We'll do an experiment, make a craft and read a book. 

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## Wendy & DB Family Concert

Youth All Ages - Family Friendly Saturday, February 15 11-11:45am

Dance and sing along to the catchy original songs of Grammy-nominated dynamic duo Wendy & DB! ®

# Children & Teens Programs

# THE MIDDLE

**Cupcake Wars** 

Grades 4-8 Friday, January 10 4:15-5:00pm It's cupcake vs cupcake in our first ever DPL Cupcake



Wars! Compete by decorating cupcakes and encounter some sweet surprises along the way.

#### EcoKids "Build the Change" Lego Program

Grades 3-8

Wednesday, January 22, February 19 4:00-5:00pm

Learn through play with this fun-filled LEGO designed sustainability program! R

Programs that are open and geared towards connecting upper elementary and middle school students

#### Changemakers

Grades 4-7

Tuesday, January 28, February 25 4:15-5:00pm

Do you want to make the world a better place? We'll read a book about someone who made a positive impact on their community, then explore the topic with discussion and a game or craft. R

#### **Giant Cardboard Winter** Wonderland

Grades 3-8 Wednesday, February 5th 4:15-5:00pm

Come make giant, faux winter wonderland buildings! Challenge your architectural skills using cardboard, craft supplies and your imagination. ®



#### **Love Monster Plushie**

Grades 5-9 Friday, February 14 4:00-5:00pm

Celebrate love and friendship by creating and hand-sewing a simple love monster plushie out of felt. R

# **TEEN PROGRAMS**

For Grades 6-12 unless noted otherwise.

## Finals Week @ the Library

Grades 9-12

Tuesday, December 10 - Wednesday, December 18

Don't forget to use the Library for all of your study AND study break needs. D

#### **Teen Advisory Board (TAB)**

Grades 6-12

Wednesdays, 6:00-7:00pm

December 11, January 8, February 12

Do you love the Library? Join us for pizza, socializing and the chance to contribute to our programs in the Teen Space! R



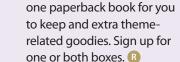
#### **Teen Book Bunch**

Grades 7-12

Pickup on Tuesdays: January 7,

February 4

Let Teen Librarian Dylan surprise you with a wonderful pair of books! Each themed box will contain one book checked out from our collection.



January's theme is 'Breaking Convention' and the paperback will be

A Little Like Waking by

Adam Rex. February's theme is 'Dark Academia' and the paperback will be The Taking of Jake Livingston by Ryan Douglass.

#### Teen D&D:

Grades 6-12 Wednesdays, 5:30-8:00pm January 15, February 19

Get together to get experience with both playing and running games! 

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#### Anime & Manga Club

Grades 6-12 Thursday, January 23 5:00-6:00pm Manga to anime

adaptations are common, but does the page always adapt well to the screen? We'll read Delicious in Dungeon Vol

1. and compare it to the first episode of the anime. Books provided! R



#### Printmaking in the MakerSpace

Grades 6-12 Thursday, January 30 4:30-6:00pm

Come make your mark! Learn about a few methods of printmaking (traditional and unconventional) and try them out for yourself. R

## Lavender Lit

Tuesday, February 11 6:00-7:30pm

A safe place to discover, read, and talk about books with LGBTOIA+ representation

with other



members of the community and allies. A copy of the anthology Being Ace: An Anthology of Queer, Trans, Femme, and Disabled Stories of Asexual Love and Connection will be provided to all registrants at the beginning of October. R

# MakerSpace Programs

Teen/Adult Programs (Age 13-Adult) All materials provided unless noted otherwise.

Register in advance. Registration opens Wednesday, November 13, 9:00am at deerfieldlibrary.org, click on "Programs," or call 847-945-3311.

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#### 3D Printed Snowflakes\*

Tuesday, January 7 & Wednesday, January 8 4:30pm - 6:00pm Learn the secrets of how to use both Inkscape as well as Tinkercad to create a custom shaped, 3D printed snowflake! ®



#### **Loom Knit Cup Cozy\***

Wednesday, January 15 & Thursday, January 16 4:30pm - 6:00pm Use a knitting loom made on our laser cutter to create a cup cozy! We'll give everyone a laser-cut loom and a ball of yarn. 🔞

#### Appliqué Embroidery\*

Thursday, January 23 4:30pm - 6:00pm Learn the basics of how to use our embroidery machine to create an appliqué design on a scarf. R

#### **Laser Engraved Lunar New Year Candles\***

Tuesday, January 28 &

Wednesday, January 29 4:30pm - 6:00pm Join us in celebrating the Lunar New Year! 2025 will be the Year of the Snake. Learn

the basics of our laser engraver and how to engrave a Lunar New Year symbol on a 

#### **Puff HTV Sweatshirts\***

Tuesday, February 4 & Wednesday, February 5 4:30pm - 6:00pm Come and learn about the wide world of heat-transfer vinyl by combining both flocked and puff HTVs to create shirt designs that truly stand out! (HTV provided, shirts not provided) ®

#### **Valentines Day Acrylic** Jewelry\*

Tuesday, February 11 & Wednesday February 12, 4:30pm - 6:00pm Join us to craft laser-cut acrylic jewelry for Valentine's Day. R

#### Sewing 101\*

Thursday, February 20 4:30pm - 6:00pm & Saturday, February 22 9:30am - 11:00am Learn the basics of using a sewing machine. You'll learn how to thread a bobbin, load the thread, pick a stitch and start sewing. You'll even leave with a fully finished tote bag!

#### **DIY Snow Globes\***

Tuesday, February 25 & Wednesday February 26, 4:30pm - 6:00pm Create a custom-made snow globe. We'll have 3D printed objects to put inside your globe.

Create a little scene for your own custom snow globe! 🔞



## **Busy Season Appointment Update**

As we gear up for the busy season, we want to keep providing great service to all our patrons. With an expected increase in demand for our resources and services, we'll be making some changes to how we schedule appointments. These updates will help us better accommodate everyone's **needs.** We appreciate your patience as we finalize these adjustments, and we'll share more details soon, including any changes to appointment scheduling and new services. Thanks for being part of our community—

we're excited to help you make the most of this busy season.

Be sure to check our website for updated information.





In our digital world, libraries are evolving to provide more than access to books. We feature a wide range of electronic resources that make learning and research easier and more accessible for everyone, no matter your age or background. Here's how you can take advantage of these valuable tools!

## What Are Electronic Resources?

Electronic resources include **e-books**, **online journals**, **databases and multimedia content**. These tools allow you to explore a vast array of topics and interests from home or anywhere with internet access.

# Why Use Electronic Resources?

#### Accessibility Anytime, Anywhere

Whether you're a student burning the midnight oil or a curious reader enjoying a quiet afternoon, electronic resources are available 24/7. You can access them from home, school, or even on the go—no need to rush to the library before closing time!

#### A Wealth of Information

Access thousands of trusted titles and articles on various subjects with our electronic resources. From academic research to popular fiction, our collection meets diverse interests. Enjoy verified information at your fingertips!

#### Cost-Free Learning

All electronic resources are available to you at no cost, thanks to your library's subscriptions. This means you can access high-quality information without spending a dime, making it easier to learn and grow.

## **User-Friendly Tools**

Many of these resources come equipped with helpful features. You can **search for specific topics, generate citations for your research and enjoy multimedia content like videos and podcasts.** These tools can enhance your learning experience and make research more efficient.

## Engagement and Community

Libraries often provide platforms for discussion and collaboration. You can join online book discussions, participate in forums, or connect with others who share your interests. This sense of community can make your library experience even more rewarding.

## **How to Get Started**

- 1 Visit the Website: Check the electronic resources section for a list of available databases, e-books, and more at: deerfieldlibrary.org/resources/online-resources/
- 2 Ask a Staff Member: Don't hesitate to reach out to Library staff for guidance. They can help you navigate the resources and find what you need.
- **Explore and Experiment:** Take time to explore different resources. You might find a new favorite e-book or a database that opens up exciting research possibilities!

Library electronic resources are powerful tools that can enhance your learning and enrich your life. With easy access to diverse information and helpful features, you'll discover that the Library is more than just a place for books—it's a gateway to endless resources. So dive in, explore and make the most of what DPL has to offer!

# **Exclusive Access for DPL Cardholders!**

# **Explore New Horizons with Online Resources**

# **Peterson's Test and Career Prep**

Whether you're a student preparing for your next exam or an adult considering a career change, Peterson's Test and Career Prep is your go-to resource. This platform offers comprehensive tools for preparing for tests like the GED, SAT, ACT, GRE, LSAT, MCAT and more. It also provides vital information on college programs, tuition assistance and various career paths. Plus, you'll find templates for crafting

eye-catching résumés, cover letters and even websites to impress potential employers. Start your journey to success today!



## **Creativebug**

As the colder months approach, it's the perfect time to embrace your creative side! With Creativebug, you can access thousands of award-winning art and craft video classes taught by expert designers and artists. Whether you want to learn a new skill or rekindle a favorite hobby, Creativebug offers unlimited access to inspiring projects and techniques. Dive into crafting this season and unleash your creativity!

Don't miss out on these valuable resources log in with your DPL card today and start exploring.





The Friends of the Deerfield Public Library would like to thank all of our members for their unwavering support of our mission to help fund exciting new Library upgrades and educational programming. We've had a great year and have been able to continue to subsidize a variety of improvements all thanks to donations from community members like you! If you're not already a member, please consider joining – all of the money we raise goes right back into the Library. For more information, please visit our website.

The holidays are fast approaching! If you're looking to pick up gifts for the book lovers in your life, consider stopping by the Friends of the Deerfield Public Library's book store, the only book store in Deerfield. Located in the front corner of the library, the book store always has a good variety of books and other media for all ages and interests, and we accept both cash and Zelle for your convenience. A special thanks to all of



our helpful and dedicated volunteers who keep the shelves stocked with new and interesting titles—we couldn't do it without you! We're always accepting book donations from community members to help maintain a good selection as well, so if you have extra books lying around that you're done reading, we'd love to help them find a new home. You can drop off for book donations in the front of the library – thank you for considering.

Congratulations to the winner of our membership raffle, David Modes (above)! **Thanks to him and all of our members for a wonderful year.** 

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• Telephone: 847-945-3311

 Library home page and catalog: www.deerfieldlibrary.org

• To ask a reference question: reference@deerfieldlibrary.org **Carrier Route Presort Deerfield Postal Patron** 



## **Upcoming Holiday Closings and Late Openings**

#### The Library Will Be Closed All Day

Thursday, November 28 Tuesday, December 24 Wednesday, December 25 Wednesday, January 1 Monday, January 20

The Library Will Close at 3pm

Wednesday, November 27 Wednesday, December 31

The Library Will Open at 10am

Tuesday, November 26 Tuesday, January 28 Wednesday, February 26

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#### **Library Hours**

Mon-Thurs: 9:00am-9:00pm Friday: 9:00am-6:00pm Saturday: 9:00am-5:00pm Sunday: 1:00pm-5:00pm

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## **Homebound Services**

Can't make it to the library? No problem! At Deerfield Public

Library, we understand that sometimes life's circumstances can make it difficult to visit us in-person. That's why we proudly offer homebound services for anyone in our service area who is unable to come to the Library due to illness or physical limitations.

Our homebound services are designed to bring the Library directly to you or to someone you know who might benefit from our offerings. We provide

a wide range of services, including delivering library materials right to your door, teaching essential technology skills and connecting patrons with valuable community resources. Whether you're looking for the latest bestsellers, need assistance with e-books or want to learn how to use digital tools, we're here to help!

At DPL, we are committed to ensuring that all of our Library materials and services are accessible to every patron, regardless of their situation. We believe that everyone should have the opportunity to engage with the Library's resources and enjoy the benefits of this amazing community.

If you or someone you know could benefit from our homebound services, don't hesitate to reach out for more information or to get signed up. You can contact Chase by phone at 847-580-8981 or email: csachs@deerfieldlibrary.org. We look forward to serving you!

