



Bensenville Community Public Library

Spring Program Guide | March-May 2024



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

Closings

Sunday, March 31	Easter
Monday, May 27	Memorial Day

Location & Contact

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If you reside in DuPage County and have not yet registered to vote, you can easily do so by visiting our library during our regular business hours. Please remember to bring two forms of identification, with at least one showing your current address. Questions? Please call and ask for the Adult Services Desk.

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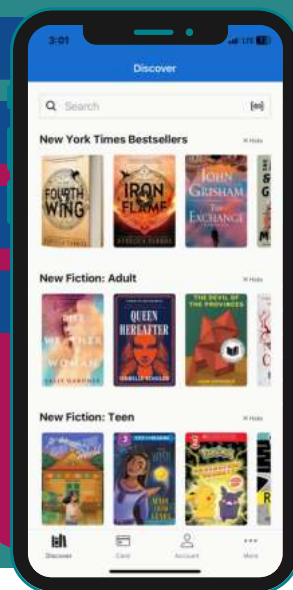
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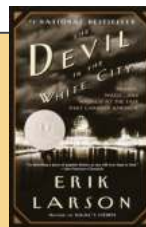
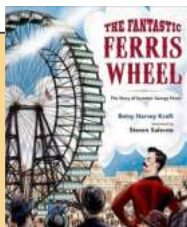


Special Events

Bensenville Reads: Chicago's 1893 World Fair

Book pickup starts April 1 | Presentation on May 1 from 7:00–8:00 p.m.

Pickup a free copy of *The Fantastic Ferris Wheel* by Betsy Harvey Kraft or *The Devil in the White City* by Erik Larson to read in April, then join us on Wednesday, May 1 from 7:00–8:00 p.m. for an exciting presentation about Chicago's 1893 World Fair, presented by historian Clarence Goodman. *Free copies are limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis.*



Free Solar Eclipse Viewing Glasses

Pickup starts on Monday, April 1 and ends on April 8
All Ages

Stop by the Youth Services Desk to pick up solar eclipse viewing glasses for the total eclipse happening on April 8. *One pair per person. Available while supplies last.*



BCPL Seed Library

Opens Monday, March 4 and closes September 15
All Ages

Want to grow your own vegetables, herbs and flowers this year? Checkout seeds from the Library's seed library. Beginning March 4th, seeds will be available at the front desk on a first-come, first-served basis. There is a 5 seed packet maximum, with 2 maximum per variety, per card.

Poem-A-Day Display

April 1 thru April 30
All Ages

Visit our National Poetry Month display all month long in April, which will feature a new daily poem to enjoy, poetry books for checkout, and a bowl of hershey kisses to add a touch of sweetness to your literary journey.



Blood Drive: Versiti Blood Center of Illinois

Wednesday, May 8
from 12:30–5:00 p.m.
For Adults
16 & 17 with parental consent

Versiti Blood Center of Illinois will be hosting a blood drive at the library. Donating blood is one of the quickest, yet most impactful ways to help your community. Walk-ins are welcome, but it is **recommended to reserve an appointment at bit.ly/Blood-Drive-5-8-24** Please bring a photo ID and expect your appointment to take 45–60 minutes.



A Community of Everyday Heroes

Saturday, April 6
from 10–11 a.m. (in English)
from 2–3 p.m. (in Spanish)

DuPage Health Coalition & HEART will teach us some valuable life-saving skills! Learn hands-only CPR and practice with a model AED. **Register at benlib.org/calendar.**



Books in Bloom: Book and Plant Sale

Saturday, May 11
from 9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.
All Ages

Calling all book and plant lovers! The library is holding it's annual book and plant sale. Browse through hundreds of books, movies, CDs and much much more. Don't forget to stop by the plant sale and checkout the limited supply of garden plants available for purchase.

Family Events



Crafting with the Easter Bunny

Tuesday, March 19
from 6:30–7:30 p.m.
Ages 0–11

Our friend the Easter Bunny is dropping in for some fun! Come by and craft this adorable version of the Easter Bunny's house. You will also have the opportunity to take a photo with him while you are here!

Bee Hotels

Thursday, March 14
from 6:30–7:30 p.m.
All Ages

Bee hotels are installed to encourage the nesting of certain species of bees. They are easy to make, fun to decorate, and they help insure the continuing survival of these very important insects. Make bee hotels for the library's garden and for your own yard.



Cookie Decorating

Wednesday, March 13
from 6:30–7:30 p.m.
All Ages

Stop by the Library to decorate a big sugar cookie however you want! Then you can take your cookie home.

Spring Break Crafts

All Day March 25 through March 29
All Ages

Looking for something to do during Spring Break? Stop by the Youth Services Desk Monday thru Friday to pick up a craft kit. You can work on the craft at the Library or take it to-go! *Supplies are limited and will be offered on a first-come, first-served basis. One craft per person per visit.*

Write Your Own Book

Wednesday, April 17
from 6:30–7:30 p.m.
All Ages

Have you ever wanted to write and illustrate your own book? We will provide blank books and supplies on a first-come, first-served basis.



Twelve-o-Five Comics Club @ BCPL

Mondays on March 11, April 8 and 22, May 6 and 20 at 5:30 p.m.
All Ages

Franco DeAstis of Twelve-O-Five Comics will drop in with new and popular comic book titles. Talk all things comics, share what you're reading, participate in a drawing challenge, and enter a monthly prize raffle. All ages welcome, bring your family!

Free Comic Book Day

Saturday, May 4
from 9:00 a.m.
to 5:00 p.m.
All Ages

Stop by the library to pick up a free comic book!



Family Events

Tape Resist Painting

Monday, March 18
from 6:30–7:30 p.m.
All Ages

Experiment by layering and blending colors with negative space to create your own unique abstract art!

Mini Canvas Painting

March 20 and May 22
from 6:30–7:30 p.m.
All Ages

Join us for a night of painting and decorate a mini canvas however you want! Please wear something you won't mind getting paint on.

Tuesdays are Family Nights!

Family Movie Night

March 5, April 2, and May 7
from 6:30–8:30 p.m.
All Ages

A night at the movies is always fun! We will be showing films that are sure to delight children and adults alike with family friendly themes and positive messages. Bring your own favorite snacks and enjoy! Movies will be announced at the Library one month prior to showing.

LEGO Night

March 12, April 9, and May 14
from 6:30–7:30 p.m.
Ages 3–11

Hang out with other LEGO lovers as you create your own one-of-a-kind builds. When building time is up, you will have the opportunity to take a photo with your awesome creation and grab a yummy snack to take home.



Bingo for Kids

April 16 and May 21
from 6:30–7:30 p.m.
Ages 3–11

Test your luck with Ms. Diane and Ms. Penny for a night of gaming fun as we play bingo at the Library! Every child that joins us will receive a fun bag of prizes at the end of play.



Family Art Night



Spring Tree Craft

April 23 at 6:30 p.m.
Ages 0–11
Celebrate Arbor Day by crafting this beautiful paper quilling spring tree.



May Flowers Paper Bouquet

May 28 at 6:30 p.m.
Ages 0–11
Create a stunning paper flower bouquet to kickstart your summer with beauty.



Mother's Day Tea Party

Saturday, May 4
from 1:00–3:00 p.m.
All Ages

Your family is invited to a very special Mother's Day Tea Party on Saturday, May 4, just a few days before the traditional Mexican Mother's Day. This is an opportunity to celebrate and honor mothers and grandmothers with traditional Mexican refreshments and entertainment. All family members are encouraged to attend. This is a dress-up or casual event, whichever you prefer. There is no charge to attend, but **registration is required at benlib.org/calendar or call the library for assistance at (630-766-4642).**

Mother's Day Card Making Party

Wednesday, May 8
from 6:30–7:30 p.m.
All Ages

Do you want to make a Mother's Day card for a special someone in your life? Join us for a night of fun card decorating with the whole family!

Early Readers

Early Learning Storytimes To-Go

Third Saturdays of the month in March, April, and May
All day pick-up
Ages 0-5

Would you like to do your own storytime at home? Check out one of our bundles that will include a library book, a craft, an activity page and a song or rhyme. Just grab-and-go to make your own special moment at home. These kits are available on a first-come, first-served basis.



Springtime Baby Animals

Pickup on Saturday, March 16 from 9-5
Share a sweet Spring story about a cuddly baby animal friend that will have you just saying "Awwww"!



Stories for a Rainy Day

Pickup on Saturday, April 20 from 9-5
Stay dry and cozy inside while you share a rainy day story and cute craft with your little one. No umbrella needed!



How Does Your Garden Grow?

Pickup on Saturday, May 18 from 9-5
Celebrate the return of trees and flowers with a story and craft straight from the garden! Plenty of blooming good fun!

Book Buddies

Every Wednesday in March, April, and May (except for March 27th) from 10:30-11:15 a.m.
Ages 0-5

You and your little ones are invited to join Ms. Diane for an engaging and themed storytime where we will read a charming selection of picture books, sing a few songs or rhymes and end each session by making a craft to take home.

Yoga Storytime

Every Thursday
March 7 thru May 30
from 11:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Ages 4 and up

Join Ms. Stephanie for a yoga story time! Practice and learn new yoga poses with your little ones, and enjoy a yoga-themed story too. Due to restricted space, this program is limited to 10 yogis- we recommend arriving a few minutes early to secure a spot.

Little Learners

Every Tuesday from 11:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
March 5 thru May 28
Ages 3-5

Come on down for a story time geared towards preschool students! Afterwards we will do a fun craft and play!



World Language Storytimes

¡Hola!

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Cuentos en Español

March 7 and 28
April 4 and 25
May 2, 16, and 30
from 6:30-7:00 p.m.
Ages 4-8

Looking to promote early literacy in Spanish? Join us Thursday evenings as we read our favorite books and create a craft - all in Spanish. It's a fantastic opportunity for language learning and fun bonding time.

Polish Storytime

First Thursdays of the month
March 7, April 4, and May 2
from 10:00 -10:30 a.m.
Ages 0-6

Join Ms. Maggie for a family storytime in Polish! We will be reading books written by American and Polish authors. After reading stories, children are invited to make fun crafts and play interactive games!



Red Cross Pillowcase Project

Thursday, March 21
from 5:30–6:30 p.m.
Ages 8–12

Learn personal and family preparedness, survival, and safety skills from Red Cross volunteers. Students will receive a sturdy pillowcase in which to build their own personal emergency supplies kit.

Registration is required at benlib.org/calendar, or call the Library at 630-766-4642.



Green Golly: Little Kids Little Songs

Tuesday, March 26
from 6:30–7:30 p.m.
All Ages

Teach your children to be a great audience and to participate joyfully. This original and highly interactive program is an introduction to live music, comedy and theatre. Award-winning actor-songwriter-storyteller Keith Torgan, and the Juilliard trained flutist and educator Barbara Siesel, will entrance audience members of all ages!

Scavenger Hunts

Stop by the Library and find all of the images hiding in the Youth Services Department to earn a prize!



St. Patrick's Day
March 10-16



Spring
April 14-20



Flowers
May 12-18

Grab & Craft for Kids

First Saturdays of the month
March 2, April 6, and May 4
Grades Preschool thru 5th

Stop by the Youth Services Department the first Saturday of each month to pick up craft kits for kids! Each kit will include materials and step-by-step instructions to create a craft. *Kits are available on a first-come, first-serve basis, while supplies last. One craft kit per child.*



Make Your Own Sock Animal

Monday, April 15
from 6:30-7:30 p.m.
All Ages

Make your own cuddly stuffed sock animal - without sewing! Choose from a bunny, octopus, caterpillar or make up your own design.



DIY Sun Print

Monday, May 13
from 6:30-7:30 p.m.
All Ages

Create a unique piece of silhouette art using light-sensitive paper and the power of the sun.



April Showers Bring May Flowers & RAINBOWS!

Thursday, April 18
from 6:30–7:30 p.m.
All Ages

April showers bring May flowers... and rainbows! This evening we will decorate rainbows to keep and take home. This fun and creative craft is open to all ages and a great way to celebrate Spring! All materials will be provided.

Teens



Terracotta Pot Painting

Wednesday, April 10
from 6:30–7:30 p.m.
All Ages, Teens and Adults
Welcome!

Have you gotten your seeds from our Seed Library? Do you need a pot for your seeds? Come on down to the library and paint your very own terracotta pot! Please be sure to wear something you won't mind getting dirty. All materials are provided but are available on a first-come, first-served basis.



Middle School Anime Club

March 14, April 4, and May 2
from 3:30–4:30 p.m.
Grades 6–8

Drop by after school and watch some anime with friends. Snacks will be provided!

Kids on Bikes: House on Poplar Court

Wednesday, April 24
from 3:30–5:00 p.m.
Grades 6–12

Kids report seeing monsters in the forest near the abandoned house on Poplar Court. None of the adults will take them seriously, so it's up to you to investigate in this supernatural mystery game!



Youth Advisory Council

Fridays from 3:30–4:30 p.m.
March 1, April 5, and May 3
Grades 6–12

Are you interested in earning volunteer service hours? Join us after school to discuss current events, give input into library services for youth, and complete a service project.

Did You Know?

The phrase "Hump Day" was used in a 1975 song called "Friday" by artist JJ Cale.

The song refers to Wednesday as hump day several times and talks about getting over the 'hump', referring to the week being half gone.



Hump Day Hangout

Wednesdays from 3–4:30 p.m.
March 6, 13, and 20
April 3, 10, and 17
May 15, 22, and 29
Grades 6–12

Gather in a laid-back space to unwind after school. Listen to chill music, grab a snack, work on homework, play a game, make a craft, or just chat.

ISAC Presentations

Welcome to High School

Wednesday, May 1
from 3:30–4:15 p.m.
Grades 8–10

Eighth graders, freshmen, and sophomores will learn the importance of high school as well as how they can prepare for college both academically and socially.

Headed to College

Wednesday, May 8
from 3:30–4:15 p.m.
Grades 9–12

As recent college graduates, ISAC members offer important perspectives to high schoolers as they prepare for a smooth transition into college. This presentation covers common college resources and important logistical information, like how to accept financial aid and manage the student billing process.



Volunteer Hours: Reviews

Year-Round Volunteer Opportunity
Grades 9-12

Earn 1 hour of volunteer service for each movie or book review you complete. Review forms are available at the Youth Desk. For more volunteer opportunities, ask for a volunteer registration form at the Youth Desk or email Parish at pturner@benlib.org to get started. Return signed registration forms to Parish. *Please note: there is a limit of 4 reviews that can be completed within a year.*



Grab & Craft for Teens

First Saturdays of the month
March 2, April 6, and May 4
Grades 6-12

Stop by the Youth Services Department the first Saturday of each month to pick up craft kits for teens! Each kit will include materials and step-by-step instructions to create a craft. *Kits are available on a first-come, first-serve basis, while supplies last. One craft kit per teen.*



Boba and Ghibli

Monday, April 1
from 3:00-5:30 p.m.
Grades 6-12

Pop in and make some delicious boba tea with us! Afterwards we will watch a popular Studio Ghibli film, *Howl's Moving Castle*.



After School Gaming

Tuesdays from 2:30-4:00 p.m.
March 5 thru May 28
(No March 26- Spring Break!)
Grades 6-8

Join us on early dismissal days for some gaming fun on the library's Nintendo Switch! Play Mario Kart, Mario Party, Kirby, and more! *Please note if District 2 calls an Emergency eLearning Day this program will be canceled for that day.*

JOIN THE CONVO ON Discord



Connect with other teens who share your interests, get access to exclusive library news and events, have a safe space to ask questions, seek advice, and more!



To join, visit bit.ly/Teen-Space or scan the QR code today!



Adults



Virtual Event

Movie Music Romance

Wednesday, March 13
from 7:00–8:00 p.m.
For Adults Only

Join us for a presentation of sensational songs and dances from the past 100 years of film history as John LeGear showcases the most creatively conceived movie scenes, love songs and dance pairings ever seen on the silver screen. Little-known insights and behind-the-scenes stories make these memorable film clips appear as if you're seeing them for the first time. **Register for this virtual Zoom event at benlib.org/calendar.**



6 R's with SCARCE

Tuesday, April 2
from 7:00–8:00 p.m.
All Ages

Learn about landfills and get excited about solutions to solve our garbage problem through a "show & tell" of recycled and reused products with a presentation from SCARCE.

Virtual Event

Mary Cassatt: 19th Century American Impressionist & Printmaker

Wednesday, March 6 from 7:00–8:00 p.m.
For Adults Only

Janet Cohen Mandel will present the work of Mary Cassatt, who painted and created prints of the private lives of women, with particular emphasis on the tender bonds between mothers and their children. **Register for this virtual Zoom event at benlib.org/calendar.**

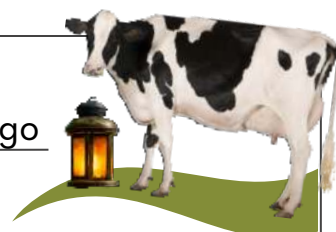


Virtual Event

Windy City: Myths, Lies, and Legends About Chicago

Wednesday, April 3 from 7:00–8:00 p.m.
For Adults

Did Mrs. O'Leary's cow start the great Chicago fire? Did a goat curse the Chicago Cubs? Is Chicago incredibly windy? This presentation will answer all of these questions and many more. This lecture is fun and sometimes funny: hauntings, curses, fun facts, and trivia. **Register for this virtual Zoom event at benlib.org/calendar.**



A Tale of Two Chicagos: The White City & The Murder Castle of Englewood

Wednesday, May 1 from 7:00–9:00 p.m.
All Ages

The World's Columbian Exposition of 1893 was the precise moment that Our Town became a world class city. But unknown to most at the time, in the shadows of Daniel Burnhams World's Fair was the nefarious activity of one H.H. Holmes. To learn more, please join musician and historian Clarence Goodman and **register at benlib.org/calendar.**

Introduction to Mindful Eating

Wednesday, May 22 from 7:00–8:00 p.m.
All Ages

Have you tried the newest diet year after year and are sick of the fluctuation "food rules" and confusing online nutrition advice? Join Registered Dietitian–Nutritionist Katie Fischer to learn what it means to eat mindfully and how this practice might look in your life. Discover the freedom of making food choices based on your body's signals and learn to cultivate a positive and mindful relationship with the food you eat. If you're ready to ditch diets and embrace a more intuitive approach to eating, then this one's for you!



Jump Start Your Genealogy: Monthly Support Group

Saturdays from 3:00–4:00 p.m.
March 16, April 13, and May 11
For Adults and High School Teens

Come and learn the basics of using Ancestry Library Edition or just come by for help on your existing genealogy project. All skill levels welcome. Please bring a USB thumb drive or external hard drive if you want to save your research work. Space is limited and **registration is required at benlib.org/calendar or call the Library at 630-766-4642.**

Baseball Myths, Misconceptions, and Trivia

Monday, April 8 from 7:00–8:00 p.m.
All Ages

Get excited about the start of baseball season and join Bensenville's very own baseball enthusiast David Zeman as he dispels some of the myths and misconceptions of the greatest game ever played.



Trivia Night at Green St. Grille

First Mondays of the month from 7:00–8:00 p.m.
March 4, April 1, and May 6
All Ages

Gather your friends and family to compete against other teams by answering questions about history, pop culture, and more. The top 3 teams with the most points win gifts cards! **Walk-ins are welcome, but we recommend calling 630-474-1201 to reserve a table at Green St. Grille.**



Virtual Event

Japonisme: Cultural Crossings That Influenced Modern Art

Wednesday, May 15 from 7:00–8:00 p.m.
For Adults

This art talk will illuminate how some of our favorite artists—Whistler, the Impressionists, Van Gogh and the other decorative arts adapted and adopted Japanese techniques and aesthetic in their painting, printmaking, interior design, furnishings, fabrics, and fashion.

Register for this virtual Zoom event at benlib.org/calendar.



Cards & Games Social Club

Thursdays from 6:00–8:00 p.m.
March 7 and 21
April 4 and 18
May 2 and 16

We will play a variety of card and board games, ranging from easy to complex. Feel free to bring your own games, and we encourage you to bring friends and family too! Whether you're a beginner or an experienced gamer, everyone is welcome. You may also bring some light snacks to share with everyone.

Virtual Event

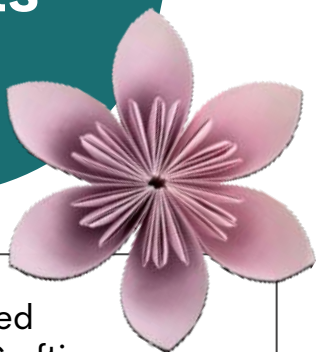
Eleanor Roosevelt: Overcoming Odds and Achieving Greatness

Thursday, April 25
from 7:00–8:00 p.m.
All Ages

Historian Jim Gibbons presents Eleanor Roosevelt's life as one of the most admired, skilled, and controversial politicians of the 20th Century. Though she never ran for public office, she wielded tremendous power by influencing those that governed. As the wife of President Franklin D. Roosevelt and the niece of President Theodore Roosevelt, her life was driven into politics. Space is limited, **register for this virtual Zoom event at benlib.org/calendar.**



Adults



DIY Mixed Media Crafting

For Adults Only

Get ready for a crafty adventure with Mary as your guide! Follow her step-by-step instructions and create these stunning crafts that will leave your friends and family in awe.

Registration is required at benlib.org/calendar and ends 1 week before each event. An email confirmation will be sent to pickup your craft supplies.



Cherry Blossom Painting

Thursday, March 14
7:00 p.m. (Limit of 20)

Use easy paint techniques to create an Impressionist style portrait of a cherry blossom's bloom.



Mini Watering Can Painting

Thursday, April 11
7:00 p.m. (Limit of 20)

Paint and decorate a small ceramic watering can. Paint & sealer are provided, but bring your own stickers, ribbon, or other decorations.



Virtual Event

Felt Rose Pin

Thursday, May 9
7:00 p.m. (Limit of 15)
on Zoom

Craft a sweet rosette pin with a few felt circles, pearls, and leaf shapes on Zoom. A hot glue gun is used to complete this craft.

Lotus Lantern Craft

Thursday, April 18 from 7:00–8:00 p.m.
All Ages

Back by popular demand! Come learn about Korean culture and make a traditional Korean lotus lantern, followed by a short documentary film. *Presented by the Korean Spirit & Culture Promotion Project.*



Anytime Crafts

For Adults Only

Get crafty on your own time with Anytime Craft Kits! Kits are available all week long beginning on the first Saturday of the month, or while supplies last. Each kit includes materials and instructions for one project. *Anytime Craft Kits are for adults only on a first-come, first-served basis. Limit one craft per adult and holds are not allowed.*



Shamrock Coasters

Pickup starting
Saturday, March 2

Using wood hearts, you will create a shamrock coaster to hold your mug of tea.



Cherry Blossom Q-Tip Painting

Pickup starting
Saturday, April 6

We will use a canvas, acrylics & Q-Tips to make this simple step-by-step cherry blossom tree painting.



Clothespin Butterflies

Pickup starting
Saturday, May 4

Celebrate spring and turn some clothespins into colorful butterflies.

Home Composting 101

Saturday, March 16
from 1:00–2:00 p.m.
For Adults and Teens

Join recycling educators from SCARCE and learn how to set up indoor composting (vermicomposting) and backyard composting. They will demonstrate and discuss various compost bin options, how to save money, conserve water and create a nutrient-rich soil amendment for your home garden.




Needle Guild

Tuesdays from 6:00–7:00 p.m.
March 5 and 19
April 2, 16, and 30
May 14 and 28
For Adults

Calling all knitting, crochet, and embroidery enthusiasts! Are you eager to expand your skills and meet fellow crafters? Look no further than The Needle Guild, your ultimate creative hub.

Lit Chicks Book Club

Teens and Adults Welcome

 Virtual Event

We read a variety of subgenres in young adult fiction. **Register online at benlib.org/calendar or call 630-766-4642.**



We Are All So Good at Smiling
by Amber McBride

March 18
from 7-8 PM
on Zoom



Artifice
by Sharon Cameron

Monday, April 15
from 7-8 PM
on Zoom



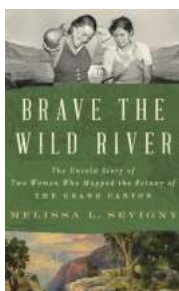
The Island
by Natasha Preston

Monday, May 20
from 7-8 PM
on Zoom

True Stories Book Club

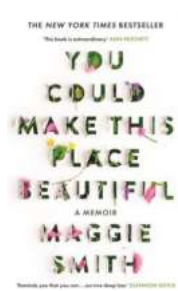
Ages 18+  Virtual Event

Join us for biographies, memoirs, and true stories. **Register online at benlib.org/calendar or call 630-766-4642.**



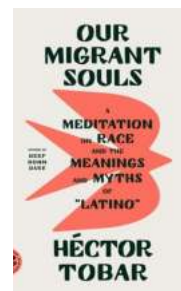
Brave the Wild River
by Melissa Sevigny

Monday, March 11
1-2 pm
on Zoom



You Could Make This Place Beautiful
by Maggie Smith

April 15
1-2 pm
on Zoom



Our Migrant Souls
by Hector Tobar

Monday, May 13
1-2 pm
on Zoom

Thursday Night Book Club

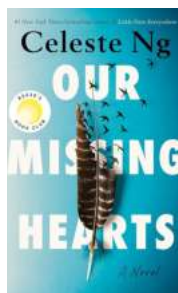
Ages 18+  Virtual Event

We read popular titles, bestsellers, and more! **Register online at benlib.org/calendar or call 630-766-4642.**



Olga Dies Dreaming
by Xochitl Gonzalez

Thursday, March 7
7-8 PM
on Zoom



Our Missing Hearts
by Celeste Ng

Thursday, April 4
7-8 PM
on Zoom



The Good Son
by Jacquelyn Mitchard

Thursday, May 2
7-8 PM
on Zoom

Book Brunch

Ages 18+

We explore a diverse selection of popular titles, bestsellers, award-winning works, and more!



Olga Dies Dreaming
by Xochitl Gonzalez

Wednesday, March 13
from 2-3 PM



Our Missing Hearts
by Celeste Ng

Wednesday, April 10
from 2-3 PM



The Good Son
by Jacquelyn Mitchard

Wednesday, May 8
from 2-3 PM

Not a Book Club-Film Talk

Ages 18+

Share your perspectives with fellow movie enthusiasts about these hand-picked titles chosen by Emily every month.



The Joneses

March 20
from 7-8 PM



The Truman Show

April 17
from 7-8 PM



Minority Report

May 15
from 7-8 PM

March

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Watch thousands of inspiring art and craft classes with</p> <p>Visit creativebug.com/lib/benlib and login with your library card number to start watching art and craft tutorials today! No pin or password required.</p> <p>creativebug FOR LIBRARIES</p>						
<p>Scavenger Hunt: St. Patrick's Day begins!</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Seed Library opens!</p> <p>Trivia Night at Green St. 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Little Learners 11:30 a.m. After School Gaming 2:30 p.m. Needle Guild 6:00 p.m. Family Movie Night 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Book Buddies 10:30 a.m. Hump Day Hangout 3:00 p.m. Mary Cassatt 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Polish Storytime 10:00 a.m. Yoga Storytime 11:30 a.m. Cards & Games Club 6:00 p.m. Cuentos en Español 6:30 p.m. Thursday Night Book Club 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Youth Advisory Council 3:30 p.m.</p> <p>1</p> <p>Grab & Craft for Kids and Teens Pickup from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Anytime Crafts Pickup from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.</p> <p>2</p>
	<p>11</p> <p>True Stories Book Club 1:00 p.m. Comics Club @ BCPL 5:30 p.m.</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Little Learners 11:30 a.m. After School Gaming 2:30 p.m. LEGO Night 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Book Buddies 10:30 a.m. Book Brunch 2:00 p.m. Hump Day Hangout 3:00 p.m. Cookie Decorating 6:30 p.m. Movie Music Romance 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Yoga Storytime 11:30 a.m. Anime Club 3:30 p.m. Bee Hotels 6:30 p.m. DIY Mixed Media: Cherry Blossom Painting 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Early Learning Storytimes Pickup from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Home Composting 101 1:00 p.m. Jumpstart Genealogy 3:00 p.m.</p> <p>16</p>	
<p>17</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Tape Resist Painting 6:30 p.m. Lit Chicks Book Club 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Little Learners 11:30 a.m. After School Gaming 2:30 p.m. Needle Guild 6:00 p.m. Crafting with Easter Bunny 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Book Buddies 10:30 a.m. Hump Day Hangout 3:00 p.m. Mini Canvas Painting 6:30 p.m. Not a Book Club: Film Talk 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Yoga Storytime 11:30 a.m. Red Cross Project 5:30 p.m. Cards & Games Club 6:00 p.m.</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p>
<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>
		<p>Spring Break Crafts available for pickup beginning on Monday, March 25 thru Friday, March 29</p>				
<p>31</p>		<p>Little Learners 11:30 a.m. Green Golly 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Yoga Storytime 11:30 a.m. Cuentos en Español 6:30 p.m.</p>			

April

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<div>Bensenville Reads Book pickup all month long in April! <i>The Fantastic Ferris Wheel</i> or <i>The Devil in the White City</i></div>	<div>1 Free Solar Glasses pickup starts today! Boba & Ghibli 3:00 p.m. Trivia Night at Green St. 7:00 p.m.</div>	<div>2 Little Learners 11:30 a.m. After School Gaming 2:30 p.m. Needle Guild 6:00 p.m. Family Movie Night 6:30 p.m. 6 R's with SCARCE 7:00 p.m.</div>	<div>3 Book Buddies 10:30 a.m. Hump Day Hangout 3:00 p.m. Windy City Myths 7:00 p.m.</div>	<div>4 Polish Storytime 10 a.m. Yoga Storytime 11:30 a.m. Anime Club 3:30 p.m. Cards & Games Club 6:00 p.m. Cuentos en Español 6:30 p.m. Thursday Night Book Club 7:00 p.m.</div>	<div>5 Youth Advisory Council 3:30 p.m. A Community of Everyday Heroes (in English) 10:00 a.m. A Community of Everyday Heroes (in Spanish) 2:00 p.m.</div>	<div>6 Grab & Craft Pickup from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Anytime Crafts Pickup from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. A Community of Everyday Heroes (in English) 10:00 a.m. A Community of Everyday Heroes (in Spanish) 2:00 p.m.</div>
<div>7 Student Art Show begins! Comics Club @ BCPL 5:30 p.m. Baseball Myths & Trivia 7:00 p.m.</div>	<div>8 Little Learners 11:30 a.m. After School Gaming 2:30 p.m. LEGO Night 6:30 p.m.</div>	<div>9 Book Buddies 10:30 a.m. Book Brunch 2:00 p.m. Hump Day Hangout 3:00 p.m. Terracotta Painting 6:30 p.m.</div>	<div>10 Yoga Storytime 11:30 a.m. DIY Mixed Media: Watering Can Painting 7:00 p.m.</div>	<div>11 Yoga Storytime 11:30 a.m. Cards & Games Club 6:00 p.m. April Flowers & Rainbows 6:30 p.m. Lotus Lantern Craft 7:00 p.m.</div>	<div>12 Jumpstart Genealogy 3:00 p.m.</div>	<div>13</div>
<div>14 Scavenger Hunt: Spring begins!</div>	<div>15 True Stories Book Club 1:00 p.m. Make a Sock Animal 6:30 p.m. Lit Chicks Book Club 7:00 p.m.</div>	<div>16 Little Learners 11:30 a.m. After School Gaming 2:30 p.m. Needle Guild 6:00 p.m. Bingo for Kids 6:30 p.m.</div>	<div>17 Book Buddies 10:30 a.m. Hump Day Hangout 3:00 p.m. Write Your Own Book 6:30 p.m. Not a Book Club: Film Talk 7:00 p.m.</div>	<div>18 Yoga Storytime 11:30 a.m. Cards & Games Club 6:00 p.m. April Flowers & Rainbows 6:30 p.m. Lotus Lantern Craft 7:00 p.m.</div>	<div>19 Last day of Student Art Show</div>	<div>20 Early Learning Storytimes Pickup from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.</div>
<div>21</div>	<div>22 Comics Club @ BCPL 5:30 p.m.</div>	<div>23 Little Learners 11:30 a.m. After School Gaming 2:30 p.m. Family Art Night 5:30 p.m.</div>	<div>24 Book Buddies 10:30 a.m. Kids on Bikes 3:30 p.m.</div>	<div>25 Yoga Storytime 11:30 a.m. Cuentos en Español 6:30 p.m. Eleanor Roosevelt 7:00 p.m.</div>	<div>26</div>	<div>27</div>
<div>28</div>	<div>29</div>	<div>30 Little Learners 11:30 a.m. After School Gaming 2:30 p.m. Needle Guild 6:00 p.m.</div>				
<div><h1>Student Art Show</h1><h2>Monday, April 8 thru Friday, April 19</h2><div><div>View the artistic creations of Bensenville students at the Library's yearly art show!</div><div><div>Sponsored by the:</div><div></div></div></div></div>						

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