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CONNECTIONS

DECEMBER 2023 - JANUARY 2024

WINTER READ



*Special
Holograph
Sticker!*



KIDS & TEENS:

Each week of Winter Read (December 1 - January 12), complete a reading challenge to earn a sticker. Finish all six weekly challenges to earn a special holographic sticker!

ADULTS:

Read and log two books between December 1 and January 12 to receive an LLD scarf!

Kick-Off Party

Friday, December 8 @ 5-7PM

Join us as we celebrate the season and kick off the LLD's annual Winter Read program! Patrons of all ages are welcome to enjoy cupcakes from the Courageous Bakery food truck (while supplies last!), see live ice sculpting, listen to live music from the Lisle High School Jazz Combo, make a winter suncatcher craft, and don't miss a special wintry Storytime at 6PM! Adults will also have the opportunity to register for the Winter Read program, while kids and teens can sign-up for PageTurners!

Registration is required.
Register using the Event Calendar at lislelibrary.org or by calling 630-971-1675



LITTLE MOVERS AND SHAKERS
WALKING-2 YEARS
MEETING ROOM A/B

Mondays @ 9:30AM **Wednesdays @ 10:30AM**
Dec. 4, 11, 18 Dec. 6, 13, 20
Jan. 8, 15, 22 Jan. 10, 17, 24



BITTY BABIES
AGES: 6 WEEKS-1 YEAR
MEETING ROOM A

Tuesdays @ 9:30AM
Dec. 5, 12, 19
Jan. 9, 16, 23

STORIES AND SONGS AGES: 2+
MEETING ROOM A

Wednesdays @ 9:30AM **Thursdays @ 9:30AM**
Dec. 6, 13, 20 Dec. 7, 14, 21
Jan. 10, 17, 24 Jan. 11, 18, 25

VIRTUAL STORYTIME
AGES: 2+

Tuesdays @ 6PM
Dec. 5, 12, 19
Jan. 9, 16, 23



MUSIC AND MOVEMENT AGES: 3+
MEETING ROOM A/B

Tuesdays @ 10:30AM
Dec. 5, 12, 19
Jan. 9, 16, 23



Family Craft Kit

Take-Home Kits for all Ages!

PICKUP
DEC
26-30

DIY 2024 CALENDAR

Let's ring in the New Year!
Pick up this kit and make
your own fun 2024 calendar.

JAN
29 - **FEB**
3

SEWING SNOWFLAKES

Pick up this kit and improve
your basic sewing skills while
making snowy decorations.

LITTLE MOVERS AND SHAKERS (TAKE-HOME KITS)
WALKING-2 YEARS

DEC
26-30

EGG SHAKERS

Slither into this singing
storytime all about snakes!

JAN
29 - **FEB**
3

SENSORY SNOWBALLS

Play with snowballs from
the warmth of your home in
this interactive storytime!

Books & Banter

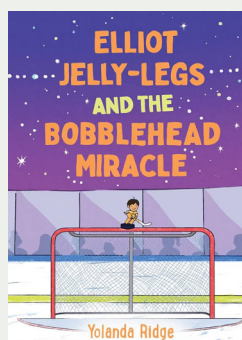
GRADES 4-8 10AM MEETING ROOM B

Join other 4th-8th graders on the fourth
Saturday of every month as we discuss a
different title. Register for the club, and we'll put
the monthly title on hold for you. Registration
opens 5 weeks before the book club meeting.



DEC. 13 & 27 / JAN. 10 & 24
4PM (MEETING ROOM A/B)
AGES 5-12

Join us, trainers, for Pokémon fun!
We will play Pokémon-themed
games, create Pokémon-themed
crafts, and share our love of all
things Pokémon.



Dec. 23

*Elliot Jelly-Legs and
the Bobblehead Miracle*
by Yolanda Ridge



Jan. 27

A Place at the Table
by Saadia Faruqi &
Laura Shovan

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ARTSTRAVAGANZA

AGES 2-6 | 10AM | MEETING ROOM A/B

Don't make a mess at home; come to the Library! Each week we will have a different craft or sensory experience. Stay for a few minutes or for the whole hour of fun!

Dec. 8: Crayon Rubbings

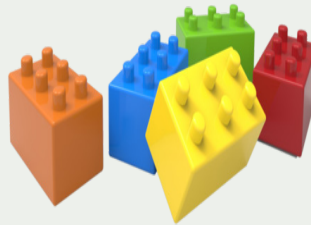
Dec. 15 & 16: Marker Spinners

Dec. 22: Model Magic

Jan. 12: Crazy Paintbrushes

Jan. 19 & 20: Chalk

Jan. 26: Pipe Cleaner Sculptures



NOON YEAR'S EVE PARTY

AGES 2-6

DEC. 30 @ 11:30AM

MEETING ROOM A/B

Ring in the New Year early! Join us for stories, activities, and a dance party as we countdown to noon!

COOKIES AND CRAYONS

PRE-K - GRADE 3

DEC. 2 & JAN. 6 @ 10AM

Come have a snack and make some fabulous art on Saturday morning.

Completed works of art will be posted in the Youth Services department for everyone to admire, with artist permission of course!



MARIO KART TOURNAMENT

GRADES 2-5

DEC. 9 & JAN. 13

10AM MEETING ROOM A/B

Think you've got what it takes to be Lisle's best Mario Kart Racer? Enter and compete for the title. Ending times for this event may vary by up to 15 minutes.

MONDAY FUNDAY

GRADES K-3 | 4PM | MEETING ROOM B

DEC. 4: WOVEN SNOWFLAKES

Create snowflake decorations to hang up in your home all winter long.

DEC. 11: SNOWFLAKE SLIME

Glitter, confetti, and slime...need we say more?

DEC. 18 @ 4 & 5PM: LEGO WEDO

Build and program LEGO creations.

JAN. 8: ENGINEERING IGLOOS

It's time to put your building knowledge to the test with this fun igloo challenge.

JAN. 15: STAINED GLASS WINDOW CLINGS

Create a stained glass-style work of art to hang in your window.

JAN. 22: YETI ESCAPE

Create a "yeti" out of basic materials and a Sphero for a race to see whose is the fastest.

CREATIVE CONNECTIONS

GRADES 4-8 | 4PM | MEETING ROOM B

DEC. 5: SNOWFLAKE PINHOLE LANTERN

Illuminate cold winter nights with a snowflake lantern.

DEC. 12: SPHERO PAINTING

Abstract painting gets robotic! Direct a rolling robot to paint for you.

DEC. 19: FANDOM ORNAMENTS

Make fandom ornaments with us, and then ornament your life with them.

JAN. 9: PARACORD SURVIVAL BRACELET

Make a paracord bracelet that will prepare you for any situation!

JAN. 16: BUBBLE WRAP ART

Create fun and fantastic art using bubble wrap and paint!

JAN. 23: DROPLET WATERCOLORS

Make watercolor artwork, one droplet at a time!



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TEENS



DEC 7
THURSDAY

TEEN CRAFT: BRAIN BREAK ART
GRADES 9-12 6PM MEETING ROOM B
Give your brain a break with doodling and watercolor art that doesn't require attention to detail.



JAN 11
THURSDAY

TEEN CRAFT: BRICK BOOKENDS
GRADES 9-12
6PM MEETING ROOM A
Customize bookends for your home library using bricks! Sturdy and stylish!



DEC 28
THURSDAY

THURSDAY CRAFTERNOON
GRADES 6-12 2PM TEEN ROOM
Join us for a chill afternoon of crafting and a movie! Craft supplies and snacks provided, movie choice made day-of (Barbie? Godzilla? You decide!).



JAN 24
THURSDAY

TEEN MOVIE AND HOT CHOCOLATE AFTERNOON
GRADES 6-12 6PM TEEN ROOM
Vote for a movie to watch in the Teen Room while enjoying a hot chocolate bar.

Adults

FOOD FOR THOUGHT: POTLUCK MEETING



DEC 2
SATURDAY

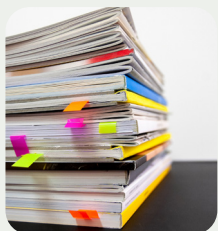
3PM MEETING ROOM B
Join us for this special Food For Thought Culinary Discussion Group. We will discuss and share our favorite Potluck or Shareable recipes. Come prepared to share, eat, and mingle while we talk about the cookbook, recipe, and experience of creating our dishes.



DEC 9
SATURDAY

PEARL HARBOR: A DAY OF INFAMY

2PM MEETING ROOM B
Battlefield expert Robert Mueller reviews the why and how the Japanese almost wiped out the American Pacific Fleet in one fell swoop. Using individual stories of the men who responded to the attack, Mueller presents the tactics and the consequences of the most treacherous assault ever launched upon American soil.



DEC 5
TUESDAY

ESTATE PLANNING EXPLAINED

7PM MEETING ROOM A/B
Learn what is necessary to begin the estate planning process with Jigar Doshi, CRPC, of Bentron Financial Group. Probate, Wills vs. Trusts, Power of Attorney for Healthcare and Financial matters, and Guardianship Appointment will be discussed.



SENIOR SOCIAL HOUR

THURSDAYS @ 11AM

DEC 14 **JAN 11**
MEETING ROOM B MEETING ROOM A

Beat the winter blues with Senior Social Hour! Join us for conversation, snacks, puzzles, and a chance to learn more about Library resources for seniors.

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ADULT CRAFT: PAINTED WINTER SCENE

7PM MEETING ROOM A/B

Layer paints in shades of blues and white to create your own winter scene on canvas.

DEC 15

FRIDAY



EXPERIENCE THE NUTCRACKER AT HOME

DEC 16 & 17

Get in the spirit of the season with a recorded virtual performance of Tchaikovsky's The Nutcracker performed by the United Kingdom's internationally renowned Royal Ballet. Registrants will receive an email with a special link to the performance to be viewed any time between Saturday, December 16 and Sunday, December 17.



CRAFT & COFFEE

10AM MEETING ROOM A

Come craft with us! Whether you're working on knitting, crochet, jewelry making, or paper crafting, bring your current craft project to the LLD. Attendees will enjoy conversation and snacks while working on the craft of their choice. Drinks and snacks will be provided. Patrons must bring their own craft supplies.

DEC 16

JAN 27

SATURDAYS



DEC 21

THURSDAY

'TIS THE SEASON: HOLIDAY TRADITIONS FROM RADIO'S GOLDEN AGE

7PM MEETING ROOM A

From Jack Benny's annual shopping trips to Lionel Barrymore's portrayal of Ebenezer Scrooge, Steve Darnall, host of WDCB's Those Were the Days, revisits classic seasonal sounds from radio's past.



JAN 4

THURSDAY

FOOD FOR THOUGHT: A CULINARY DISCUSSION GROUP

7PM MEETING ROOM B

Home chefs, join us for a culinary discussion group meeting! Pick one cookbook that fits the month's theme: **Comfort Food**. Choose one recipe from the book to create before we meet, and come prepared to discuss. (Pictures of your creation are welcome too!)



JAN 20

SATURDAY

CAREER HEADSHOTS

2PM MEETING ROOM B

New Year, New Headshot! Signup for a timeslot to get a headshot! Photos are delivered via email three days later.



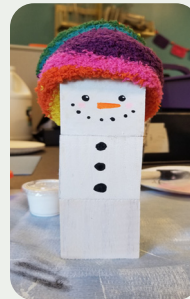
JAN 23

TUESDAY

TAXES ARE EVERYONE'S BUSINESS

6:30PM VIA ZOOM

With the new IRS Commissioner and the promise of both a more efficient and "customer focused" IRS, there is a lot to learn. Join Judi Strauss, E.A., of Strauss Tax Service, as she helps individuals navigate the myriad of taxes for 2023.



JAN 26

FRIDAY

ADULT CRAFT: WOODEN BLOCK SNOWMAN

7PM MEETING ROOM A/B

Create your own decorative snowman out of unfinished wooden blocks, paint, and decorative items.



JAN 30

TUESDAY

NEW YEAR: FRESH START THROUGH MEDITATION

6PM MEETING ROOM A

The New Year is a time to create a clean slate. Join Umesh Bhatia for this powerful workshop to bring joy, peace, positivity, and relaxation in your daily life. Bhatia will then lead the group through a practice meditation session.

ADULT CRAFT KITS December & January

Once a month LLD offers a limited supply of adult take & make kits! Sign up on Monday for the week's take & make



kit and pickup throughout the week in Adult Services. Kits contain all the supplies and instructions you will need to create your own work of art! Visit the LLD Events Calendar to learn more or to register.

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TECHNOLOGY CLASSES

MORNINGSTAR INVESTMENT CENTER

TUESDAY, DEC. 12

7PM | MEETING ROOM B



Morningstar has a new look! Register to attend our Morningstar Investment Center overview to learn about the new, modern layout and improved search capabilities for gathering financial information about stocks, mutual funds, and ETFs (exchange traded funds).

CHICAGO TRIBUNE AND WALL STREET JOURNAL ONLINE

MONDAY, DEC. 18

7PM | MEETING ROOM B



Learn how to access and navigate the Chicago Tribune and Wall Street Journal online. Search both papers for current and historical coverage. Access the Chicago Tribune going back to 1985 and the Wall Street Journal back to 1984.



TECH TUTORS

SATURDAY, JAN. 13

10AM - 12PM | MEETING ROOM A

Sign up for a one-on-one 30-minute Tech Tutor session to get help with your device, navigate new-to-you software, and more. Visit our Events Calendar to sign up for a time slot and choose the topic you would like to cover. All topics and appointments will be confirmed before your session.

INTRODUCTION TO TIKTOK

TUESDAY, JAN. 9

7PM | MEETING ROOM B



Interested in learning about TikTok but need help figuring out where to start? Join us for an introduction to TikTok. We will cover signing up, browsing TikTok, how to follow other users, and posting simple videos and photos.



Gallery 777 presents Jeffrey Zawada Follow the Lines, I am an Artist



Gallery 777 is proud to present the work of Jeffrey Zawada. The exhibit will be displayed through February, but don't miss the opening night reception on Friday, January 12 at 7PM. Meet the artist and enjoy light refreshments in the newly renovated Gallery 777!

For more info on Gallery 777, email Xavier Duran: duranx@lislelibrary.org



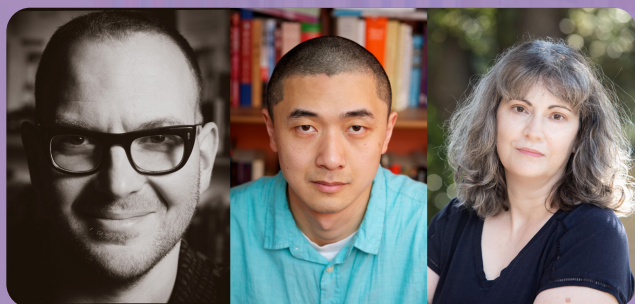
DECEMBER & JANUARY AUTHOR DISCUSSIONS



SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS WITH LORI GOTTLIEB

DEC. 6 @ 7PM VIA ZOOM

Lori Gottlieb, New York Times bestselling author of "Maybe You Should Talk to Someone" and co-host of the "Dear Therapists" podcast, joins us for a thought-provoking conversation about mental health in anticipation of the winter holiday season. Gottlieb will share tools to help in everyday life and especially as you prepare for the holidays.



SPECULATING ABOUT OUR AI FUTURE WITH CORY DOCTOROW, KEN LIU, AND MARTHA WELLS

JAN. 11 @ 7PM VIA ZOOM

Join us for a panel discussion featuring three best-selling science fiction writers, Cory Doctorow, Ken Liu, and Martha Wells. They will discuss the promise, perils, and possible impacts that AI will have on our future, as well as AI in contemporary and future science fiction writing.

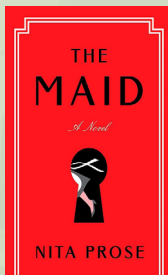
BOOK GROUPS

The LLD's book groups are offered in person during Dec. / Jan. Visit the Events Calendar for more information.

BOOKED FOR THE DAY

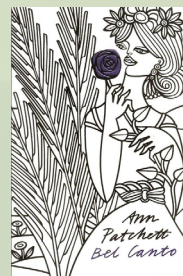
DEC. 4 @ 11AM

THE MAID
by Nita Prose



JAN. 8 @ 11AM

BEL CANTO
by Ann Patchett



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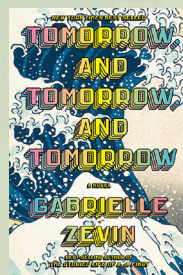
DEC. 14 @ 7PM

THE VILLA
by Rachel Hawkins



JAN. 11 @ 7PM

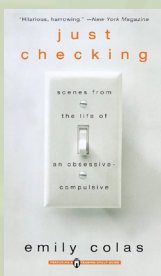
**TOMORROW, AND TOMORROW,
AND TOMORROW**
by Gabrielle Zevin



JUST THE FACTS (NONFICTION)

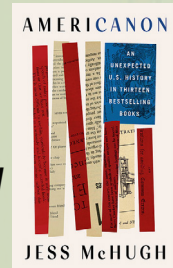
DEC. 20 @ 7PM

**JUST CHECKING:
SCENES FROM THE LIFE OF AN
OBSESSIVE-COMPULSIVE**
by Emily Colas



JAN. 17 @ 7PM

**AMERICANON:
AN UNEXPECTED U.S. HISTORY IN
THIRTEEN BESTSELLING BOOKS**
by Jess McHugh



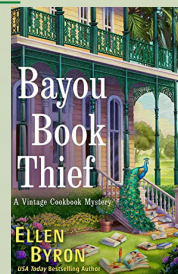
MURDER AMONG FRIENDS

DEC. 21 @ 7PM

STRONG POISON
by Dorothy L. Sayers



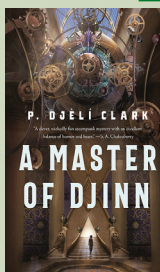
JAN. 18 @ 7PM
BAYOU BOOK THIEF
by Ellen Byron



SCIENCE FICTION / FANTASY

DEC. 27 @ 7PM

A MASTER OF DJINN
by P. Djeli Clark



JAN. 31 @ 7PM

BLITZ
by Daniel O'Malley





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Closure Dates

Dec. 24-25: Christmas Holiday

Dec. 31-Jan. 1: New Year Holiday

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ESL for You!

SATURDAYS @10AM OAK STUDY ROOM

DECEMBER 9 & 23 JANUARY 6 & 20

If you, or someone you know, needs help speaking, reading, listening, writing, or communicating in English, join the ESL for You! classes. Registration is required at lislelibrary.org, or email Jean Demas, Literacy Librarian at literacy@lislelibrary.org or call 630-971-1675 x1002.