### From the community: Lisle Library District's Gallery 777 December Reception



Community Contributor Josh Hepler | December 18, 2018

Photographer Ritu Puppala poses with her work at the opening of her show at Lisle Library District's Gallery 777.

From the community: Friends of the Lisle Library District Honor Sister with Donation



Community Contributor Josh Hepler | December 17, 2018

During a special presentation at the Lisle Library District Board of Trustees meeting, the Friends of the Lisle Public Library District donated a new standing globe and Oxford World Atlas to the Library in memory of Sister Barbara Ann Svec. Sister Barbara Ann was a member of the Friends and a dedicated volunteer at Library book sales. This donation celebrates her love of history and exploration and will be used to extend that passion to young Library patrons for years to come.

The Friends of the Lisle Public Library District is a community organization that strives to create public support for Library events, sponsor programs that add to the cultural life of the community, and encourage gifts, endowments and memorials to the Library.

From the community: Lisle Kiwanis Donate Wheelchair to Lisle Library District



#### Community Contributor Josh Hepler | December 17, 2018

The Lisle Library District has received a donation of a new wheelchair from the Kiwanis Club of Lisle. This new wheelchair replaces the Library's older, broken model. The Library keeps a wheelchair on hand to provide emergency assistance for patrons who need it.

Kiwanis International is a community organization with more than 600,000 members in more than 80 countries, whose goal is to empower members to pursue creative ways to serve the needs of children through local service projects and fundraising. Kiwanis International hosts nearly 150,000 service projects each year.

From the community: Winter Reading Begins at Lisle Library District



#### Community Contributor Josh Hepler December 3, 2018

The Lisle Library District's annual Winter Reading Program has officially begun! The program runs through January 7th. During the program, Adults, Teens, and Kids can participate by reading their favorite books and completing reading goals. Adults and Teens can read two (or more) books to complete their challenge and earn a special soup mug for cold weather recipes. Kids can complete special Winter Reading challenges to earn a pom-pom hat and special Winter Read badges. Navigate to www.lislelibrary.org under 'Programs' or lislelibrary.readsquared.com, call at (630) 971-1675, or visit the Library for more details.

From the community: Winter Read Party at Lisle Library District



#### Community Contributor Josh Hepler November 26, 2018

Lisle Library District starting the season off right with a fun-filled party for all ages! The annual Winter Read Party will take place on Friday, December 7th, from 6:00 - 8:00 PM. There will be several events and activities throughout the evening, including a special storytime with a cotton ball snowball fight (starting at 6:00 PM), ceramic penguin and card-making crafts, and special musician Cary Kanno (starting at 6:30)! Drop by for music, crafts, and treats (while supplies last), and sign up for Winter Read!

### From the community: Learning Chess at the Lisle Library District



Community Contributor Josh Hepler | October 20, 2018

Chess expert Bennett Joseph gives advice to Lisle Library District patrons at a recent All-Ages Chess program.

From the community: NaNoWriMo at the Lisle Library District



#### Community Contributor Josh Hepler November 8, 2018

National Novel Writing Month is a goal-oriented approach to creative writing that takes place every November. Participants set writing goals (the most common is 50,000 words) and work hard to meet that goal during the month. If you're taking part in NaNoWriMo, or you have any other writing goals, feel free to use the Library as a resource or writing space, and consider joining the LLD writing group. This creative forum meets once a month, and the next meeting is November 16th at 6:30 PM. Each member of the group shares three pages of written work and gives helpful feedback. The group welcomes fiction, non-fiction, poetry, or any other written formats. Writers can join anytime without the need to commit to the forum.

From the community: The Day the Crayons Visited Lisle Library District



Community Contributor Josh Hepler | October 16, 2018

Lisle Library District patrons participate in a special storytime with Esteban the Crayon, one of the stars of the popular book "The Day the Crayons Quit" by Drew Daywalt and Oliver Jeffers.

From the community: Star Wars Reads Day at Lisle Library District



Community Contributor Josh Hepler | October 15, 2018

Two young patrons celebrate Star Wars Reads Day in style at Lisle Library District.

### From the community: Lisle Library District's Gallery 777 October Reception



Community Contributor Josh Hepler | October 11, 2018

Photographer Shiping Zong talks with Lisle Library District patrons at the opening of his show at Gallery 777.

From the community: Scarves for Veterans at the Lisle Library District



#### Community Contributor Josh Hepler | October 12, 2018

During the month of October, the Lisle Library District will collect donations for Operation Stand Down, a non-profit organization that helps homeless veterans receive new winter scarves.

The Library is working with the Lisle Woman's Club to provide a drop-off location for donations of newly purchased, hand-knitted, crocheted, or fleece scarves. Other drop-off locations include the Lisle VFW, the Lisle Savings Bank, and the Lisle Park District and Senior Center. Patrons are welcome to place donated scarves in the special container located in the main entry lobby anytime during normal Library hours. Donations will be accepted until November 4th.

From the community: Star Wars Reads at the Lisle Library District



#### Community Contributor Josh Hepler | September 24, 2018

The Lisle Library District is hosting a Star Wars Reads celebration on Saturday, October 6th from 12:00-3:00 PM. This annual event combines Star Wars-themed fun with a celebration of books and reading.

Star Wars Reads Day will feature crafts, trivia, snacks, and games, as well as a huge selection of books and movies ready for check-out. There will also be a Millennium Falcon Photobooth, an interactive Trash Compactor, face painting, pod racing, and a showing of The Clone Wars starting at 2:30 PM (rated PG). The event is designed to be drop-in friendly, so Library-goers can stay for the whole event, or just a little while. Costumes are encouraged.

### From the community: Learning Yoga at Lisle Library District



Community Contributor Josh Hepler September 21, 2018

Young Library patrons learn yoga basics during a recent program held at the Lisle Library District.

From the community: Banned Books Week the Lisle Library District



#### Community Contributor Josh Hepler | September 21, 2018

Lisle Library District is promoting censorship awareness through Banned Books Week, September 23-29. This annual event is intended to bring the community together in shared support of the freedom of expression. The books featured during Banned Books Week have been restricted or targeted with removal in libraries and schools. By focusing on efforts across the country to remove or restrict access to books, Banned Books Week draws national attention to the harms of censorship.

More information on Banned Books Week can be found at www.ala.org, and more information on Lisle Library District events can be found at www.lislelibrary.org.

From the community: The History of Illinois Women's Suffrage at Lisle Library District



#### Community Contributor Josh Hepler | September 12, 2018

Historian Kay Shelton, the president of the League of Women Voters of DeKalb County, will present "The Women's Suffrage Movement and the Good Roads Movement in Illinois" on Thursday, September 27, from 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM at the Lisle Library District. This presentation will cover the history of transportation during this unique era of Illinois history, the Good Roads movement, the advent of the automobile, and its influence on the burgeoning Women's Suffrage movement.

A voter's registrar will be on hand to facilitate voter's registration, and information on the League of Women Voters will be available. Light refreshments will be served. This special program is presented in partnership with the Lisle Heritage Society, the Lisle Woman's Club, the Lisle Library District, and the Illinois Humanities Road Scholars Speakers Bureau. Illinois Humanities is supported in part by the National Endowment for the Humanities and the Illinois General Assembly as well as by contributions from individuals, foundations and corporations.

The Lisle Library District is located at 777 Front Street, near downtown Lisle, IL. More information on events and programs at Lisle Library District can be found by calling (630) 971-1675 or visiting www.lislelibrary.org.

From the community: Lisle Library District's Gallery 777 August Reception



Community Contributor Josh Hepler August 28, 2018

Artist Ammara Alvi talks with Lisle Library District patrons and visitors at the opening reception for her show at Gallery 777.

From the community: Fall Concerts at Lisle Library District



#### Community Contributor Josh Hepler | August 28, 2018

This autumn, the Friends of the Lisle Public Library District will present a series of concerts at the Lisle Library District. All of the concerts are free-of-charge and open to the public.

Michael Peter Smith will perform in concert on Sunday, September 30, at 2:00 PM. Folk artist Michael P. Smith has been called one of the great masters of the story song. Whether creating his own compositions or artfully adapting others' tales to music, he brings unquenchable creativity to every project. He's a man of many talents who can play a folk festival, create a theatrical score, teach a songwriting workshop, or perform an original song with undeniable mastery.

Nicholas Barron will perform in concert on Sunday, October 14, 2:00 PM. Nicholas Barron is a celebrated Chicago-based singer, songwriter, and guitarist who blends blues and folk with his signature voice and mouth percussion. Nicholas Barron has performed in countless roles, from busker to bandleader, and has opened for several of his musical heroes, from Pat Benatar to James Taylor. Join us for a soulful concert from one of Chicago's finest!

The Twangtown Paramours will Sunday, November 18, at 2:00 PM. This husband 'n wife acoustic duo is known for their well-crafted and award-winning songs, top-notch lead singing, and fine harmonies. The music of the Twangtown Paramours is sophisticated Americana, a hybrid of the Nashville and Austin music scenes. With a virtuoso blend of guitar and vocals, the Twangtown Paramours are a duo worth watching (and hearing)!

More information about events and programs at Lisle Library District can be found

at www.lislelibrary.org.

### From the community: Learning Self-Defense at Lisle Library District



Community Contributor Josh Hepler August 27, 2018

Self-defense expert Peter Honigmann demonstrates practical techniques for Lisle Library District patrons.

From the community: 10th Annual 'I Love My Lisle Library Card' Partnership Begins in September

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Community Contributor Josh Hepler | August 21, 2018

The Lisle Library District will be holding its 10th Annual I Love My Lisle Library Card Business & Non-Profit Partnership Program during the month of September. More than thirty area businesses and non-profit organizations from Lisle and surrounding areas are participating. Throughout September, Lisle Library District patrons can present their LLD cards and receive discounts or promotions from the participating businesses and organizations. Look for flyers and brochures at the Library, and online information at lislelibrary.org. Use your Library card this September and discover what our community has to offer!

### From the community: Car Detailing at Lisle Library District



Community Contributor Josh Hepler July 31, 2018

Young Library patrons paint their own miniature vehicles for a Hot Wheels Car Show. This special program was one of the many incentives offered to youth participating in the Lisle Library District Summer Reading Program.

From the community: Mixing Fun and Science at Lisle Library District



Community Contributor Josh Hepler July 30, 2018

Young Library patrons learn about physics principles uncovered by the "Heroes of Science" during a special program.

From the community: Summer Reading Wrap-Up Party at Lisle Library District



#### Community Contributor Josh Hepler | July 18, 2018

The Lisle Library District is celebrating the end of their annual Summer Read program. From 11:00 AM -2:00 PM Saturday, July 28th, the Library will be holding a Wrap-Up Party to celebrate the end of summer and another successful reading season. This library-wide event will feature an inflatable obstacle course, an ice cream stand, live music, and an all-ages craft. The event is designed to be drop-in friendly, so Library-goers can stay for the whole event, or just a little while.

Bring your friends, family, or neighbors, and join the fun! Summer Reading prizes for patrons who have successfully completed the program will be available for pick up.

From the community: Learning with Bubbles at Lisle Library District



Community Contributor Josh Hepler July 16, 2018

Ben Jimenez demonstrates bubble techniques for a crowd of young patrons art the Lisle Library District.

### From the community: Theater Fun at Lisle Library District



Community Contributor Josh Hepler June 29, 2018

College of DuPage Theater presents their original Fairy Tale Detective play "Goldie's Next Big Adventure" for young Lisle Library patrons.

### From the community: Learning About Nature at Lisle Library District



Community Contributor Josh Hepler June 21, 2018

Erin Yanz of the nonprofit animal sanctuary Erin's Farm gives young Lisle Library visitors some hands-on experience with reptiles.

### From the community: Lisle Library District's Gallery 777 June Reception



Community Contributor Josh Hepler June 15, 2018

Some of the featured artists pose with their art at the Gallery 777 June reception, which showcased the People's Resource Center Summer Art Exhibition.

#### From the community: Storytime Dance Party at Lisle Library District



Community Contributor Josh Hepler May 31, 2018

Some of the youngest Lisle Library patrons listen to stories and dance to songs during a special storytime.

From the community: Charlaine Harris to Join Mystery Book Group at Lisle Library District



#### Community Contributor Josh Hepler | May 21, 2018

Best-selling writer Charlaine Harris will join the Lisle Library District mystery book group Murder Among Friends via video call on Thursday, June 21st, 7:00 - 8:30 PM to discuss her book Real Murders. Harris, perhaps best-known as the author of the Sookie Stackhouse Southern Vampire novels that inspired the hit series True Blood, will call in to discuss her work and answer questions from attendees. Charlaine Harris is a member of the Mystery Writers of America, the American Crime Writers League, Sisters in Crime, and the International Crime Writers Association. She is a past member of the boards of Sisters in Crime and MWA, and she has served as president of the MWA.

More information on the book and film groups at Lisle Library District can be found at www.lislelibrary.org

From the community: Summer Read Kick-Off Party at Lisle Library District



#### Community Contributor Josh Hepler | May 18, 2018

Lisle Library District is throwing a party to celebrate the beginning of their annual Summer Read program. From 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM, Saturday, June 2nd, the Library will be holding a Kick-off Party to welcome the popular reading season. This library-wide event will feature a gigantic sandbox room, an allages craft, live music, and a variety of other activities for all ages. A Cheesie's food truck will be on site providing grilled cheese triangles (one per patron, while supplies last). The event is designed to be dropin friendly, so Library-goers can stay for the whole event, or just a little while.

This year's theme is 'Reading Takes You Everywhere'. Over the summer, the Library is hosting special events to promote exploration of all kinds. From DIY craft programs, to gardening and travel programs, to a series of special Wednesday performances for kids, the Library can add something new to anyone's summer.

From the community: Illinois History Comes to Lisle Library District



#### Community Contributor Josh Hepler | May 7, 2018

In celebration of the Illinois Bicentennial, photographer and historian John Lynn will present Main Street Illinois on Monday, May 14, from 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM at the Lisle Library District. The program, presented in partnership with the Lisle Heritage Society and the Lisle Woman's Club, will explore the unique histories, traditions, and personalities of Illinois. John Lynn has visited and photographed over 2,400 small towns in Illinois and will share his 30-year project with attendees. This special program captures the many ways Illinois towns offer roots, homes, and a small-scale America for its inhabitants. Light refreshments will be provided.

#### From the community: Pow Wow Art and Style at Lisle Library District



Community Contributor Josh Hepler April 19, 2018

Special guest Abby Lyons displays her Fancy Shawl regalia at Tom and Lynn Anderson's Gallery 777 show "Midwest SOARRING Pow Wow Photography".

From the community: Mystery Authors to Join Lisle Library District Book Group



#### Community Contributor Josh Hepler | April 17, 2018

Mette Ivie Harrison is the first of several authors joining the Lisle Library District book group Murder Among Friends this Spring and Summer. Novelist Mette Ivie Harrison will join the group by Skype to discuss her book, The Bishop's Wife, on Thursday, April 19, 7:00 - 8:30 PM.

In *The Bishop's Wife*, a crime has occurred within a deeply Mormon community. Linda Wallheim is a devout mother and wife to a bishop, but she's increasingly troubled by her church's structure and secrecy. When a young mother named Carrie Helm disappears, her husband claims that she has abandoned the family. However, Linda is sure that there is more to the story.

Following Mette Ivie Harrison's visit in April, new authors will be joining the group via video call every month through July. Sarah Wisseman will join the group to discuss her art-based thriller Burnt Siena and answer questions on Thursday, May 17th, 7:00 - 8:30 PM.

Charlaine Harris, best-selling author of the Sookie Stackhouse Southern Vampire mysteries (on which the series True Blood was based) will join the group on Thursday, June 21st, 7:00 - 8:30 PM to discuss her book Real Murders. Cynthia Kuhn, author of academic whodunits starring professor Lila Maclean, will join the group on Thursday, July 19th, 7:00 - 8:30 PM to discuss her book The Semester of Our Discontent. More information on the various book and film groups at Lisle Library District can be found at www.lislelibrary.org!

#### From the community: A Famous Storytime Visitor at Lisle Library District



Community Contributor Josh Hepler April 13, 2018

Library patrons gather to take pictures with Curious George after a special National Library Week storytime at Lisle Library District.

## From the community: Harry Potter Day at Lisle Library District



**Community Contributor Josh Hepler March 16, 2018** 

A young patron participates in a wizard-themed scavenger hunt at the Lisle Library District.



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his St. Patrick's Day, as thousands of Chicagoans pour into the streets to dye the river green, others will paint the town blood-red.

Murder and Mayhem in Chicago, a crime fiction conference in its second year, will draw more than two hundred readers, authors, and aspiring writers to hear from three dozen authors and experts in publishing, forensic science and art, policing, and crime reporting. The one-day event (Saturday, March 17) will conclude with a conversation between bestselling thriller writers Gillian Flynn and Jeffery Deaver.

Last year, I co-founded Murder and Mayhem in Chicago with Dana Kaye. This year, I asked some of our forthcoming panelists why Chicago is the perfect location for a crime fiction conference.

"Census is a vital testament to selfless love; a psalm to commonplace miracles; and a mysterious evolving metaphor. So kind, it aches." -David Mitchell, author of Cloud Atlas

Chicago readers should be excited about MMC because it's a chance to meet authors living and working right here in Chicagoland! Who knows, maybe you'll meet an author who lives down the street or the hall from you and they'll use you as a character in their next novel.

Patricia Ruocco, librarian at Lisle Public Library

Members of Lisle Library District's mystery discussion group, Murder Among Friends, and I are thrilled to have the chance to hear and talk with the authors of books we've read-and find more to add to our future reading list.

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Marcella Raymond, WGN crime reporter

As an aspiring author, I can't wait to attend Murder and Mayhem in Chicago and connect with other writers.







The work of artist Julia Zhe Wang - in an exhibition called The Tranquil Spirit - is on display through March at Gallery 777 in Lisle Library District, 777 Front St., Lisle.

office, 421 N. County Farm Road, Wheaton, polls have been set up at the following government offices:

- Addison Township Office, 401 N. Addison Road, Addison,
- Bartlett Community Center, 700 S. Bartlett Road, Bartlett,
- Downers Grove Village Hall, 801 Burlington Ave., Downers Grove, .
- Elmhurst City Hall, 209 N. York Road., Elmhurst,
- Glen Ellyn Civic Center, 535 Duane St., Glen Ellyn, and ٠
- Naperville Municipal Center, 400 S. Eagle St., Naperville.

Voters may also cast ballots at the clubhouse of the Olive Trees Condominiums. 200 E. Bailey Road, Naperville, and the Stratford Square Mall, Fox Valley Mall and Yorktown Center.

#### Park district offers bridal fair

Prospective brides are invited to the Elmhurst Park District's Wilder Mansion Bridal Show to be held 11 a.m.-3 p.m. March 18. The show will feature wedding vendors from Chicago and suburbs. At the show, visitors will be able to taste and sip offerings from caterers, get exclusive deals and individual consultations, and sample salon stylings. From stationary to make-up artists, fine art photographers to models in designer wedding. gowns, there is something for every style and budget. Admission is free.

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#### Solo art exhibit on display at library

The work of artist Julia Zhe Wang is on display through March at Gallery 777 in Lisle Library District, 777 Front St., Lisle. The solo art exhibition is called The Tranquil Spirit. The show features paintings and drawings. The main focus is on Wang's portraiture, figurative paintings, still life paintings and drawings. The exhibition may be viewed during regular library hours.

One of the library's missions is to enhance the library experience through art and culture. Gallery 777 serves as an avenue for the presentation of artistic and imaginative talents within the community. It also provides creative recognition for local artists to display their works. For more information, contact Gail Graziani at grazianig@lislelibrary.org or 630-971-1675, ext. 1507.

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From the community: Harry Potter Day Comes to Lisle Library District



#### **Community Contributor Josh Hepler March 2, 2018**

Whether you're a full-fledged Harry Potter devotee or just a casual fan of the bespectacled wizard, Lisle Library District would like to invite you to its first-ever Harry Potter Day! This joyous celebration of all things wizardly will come to the Library on Saturday, March 10th, from 12:00-3:00 PM.

Join us for all-ages fun, games, and crafts! Attendees will be able to sort themselves into Hogwarts houses, try mystical crafts and foods, learn about and meet live owls courtesy of the Fox Valley Wildlife Center (12:00 - 1:00 PM), use our magical photobooth, explore the Library with a J.K. Rowling-themed scavenger hunt (1:00 - 3:00 PM), and watch Prisoner of Azkaban (starting at 2:00 PM). Costumes are encouraged. Whether you're an aspiring wizard, witch, or self-proclaimed muggle, we'd love to see you there!

From the community: Creating and Crafting for Teens at Lisle Library District



Community Contributor Josh Hepler February 21, 2018

Teens create do-it-yourself 'bath bombs' during a recent program at Lisle Library District. The Library offers a variety of programs for teens and young adults each month.

### **Daily Herald** LISLE Series brings authors to Lisle for talks on regional history

Lisle Park District submission February 5, 2018

On Saturdays this month, the Museums at Lisle Station Park offers the Chicago Author Series -- free, thought-provoking discussions about Chicago's regional history and culture with those who write about it. Authors from around the Chicago area will discuss their books in a fun and informal fashion.

On Feb. 10, author Jim McGuire will talk about his book "Winfield," an expansive photo collection that showcases life in early Winfield, the location of the oldest standing depot in Illinois, dating back to 1849, with a focus on many of its early residents and places as well as work and play in the town.



The program for Feb. 17 is still in the works. Updated details will be posted online at <u>LisleParkDistrict.org/museumsatlislestationpark-events</u> as they are available.

On Feb. 24, Chicago native, longtime researcher and teacher of history John Boda is joined by co-author Ray Johnson, former criminal investigator, historian and lecturer on Chicago history, to discuss their book "The Great Chicago Fire," which contains extensive research and more than 200 photos of the infamous fire that destroyed the city in 1871.

The Chicago Author Series is presented by the Museums at Lisle Station Park and the Lisle Park District with program partners the Lisle Library District, Lake Claremont Press and Arcadia Press. Programs begin at 1 p.m. Saturdays in February in the Netzley/Yender Farmhouse on the museum campus, 921 School St., Lisle. Admission is free and coffee and refreshments are served.

The discussions are generally suitable for all ages. Seating is first come, first served. Free parking is available in the lot on the museum campus in front of the Beaubien Tavern, as well as at the Lisle Village Hall and in the Lisle Metra train commuter parking lots.

From the community: Learning Engineering with Legos at Lisle Library District



Community Contributor Josh Hepler January 22, 2018

Attendees use Lego WeDo Educational Construction sets to learn engineering basics as part of Lisle Library's Funday Monday and Terrific Tuesday programs.

### From the community: Quilting History at Lisle Library District



#### Community Contributor Josh Hepler January 16, 2018

Melissa Wraalstad, Executive Director of the Wisconsin Museum of Quilts & Fiber Arts, will present Treasures from the Vault: A Quilting History on Sunday, January 21, from 2:00 - 4:30 PM at the Lisle Library District. Director Wraalstad will share highlights from the museum's permanent collection, including the stories behind quilts that are not always exhibited at the Museum. Attendees are encouraged to bring their own quilts and share the stories behind them. This program is a partnership between the Lisle Heritage Society, Lisle Woman's Club, and the Lisle Library District.

### From the community: Writers Group at Lisle Library District



#### Community Contributor Josh Hepler January 16, 2018

The Lisle Library District is calling on writers of all skill levels to join the Lisle Library District's Writers Group. This is a once-a-month creative forum that meets on the third Friday of every month at 6:30 PM. Each member of the group shares three pages of written work and gives helpful feedback. The group welcomes fiction, non-fiction, poetry, or any other written formats. Writers can join anytime without the need to commit to the forum.

About the Lisle Library District: Established in 1965, the mission of Lisle Library District is to provide the highest level of service, programming and materials that enrich, educate and empower the community. The Lisle Library District is constantly evolving to meet the dynamic needs of patrons and serves as a place to research, study, experience cultural programming, grow in knowledge and gather as a community. For more information, vis-it www.lislelibrary.org.