

Summer 2023 • June, July & August

# LIBRARY LINES

## NEWSLETTER



Chicago Ridge  
Public Library



# Summer Reading 2023



# Library News

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### Summer Reading Program

*June 12 - August 12*

Visit our library website to sign up for summer reading and record your books. For help, please visit or call the library. If you used Beanstack for our previous reading programs, there is no need to make an account - just sign back in with your credentials and start logging!

#### For Adult Readers

Read 5 books to receive our summer reading t-shirt (while supplies last) and 5 raffle tickets. Read 10 books to receive 5 additional raffle tickets. To enter our raffle and receive a prize, stop by the library to see us in Adult Services.

#### For Kids and Teen readers

For kids ages baby through grade 5, read 30 books and receive a prize for every 5 books that you read. For teens in 6th -12th grade, read 6 books this summer and receive a prize for every one book that you read. Receive guess forms and drawing tickets for books read. Age-appropriate prizes are available for children under 3 years.

## EVENT REGISTRATION INFO - PLEASE READ!

We are offering programming both in-person and online. Registration for programs which require it will open on **Thursday, June 1 at 9am**. The type of program is indicated using these letters:

**D** - Drop-in - in-person only, no registration

**R** - Register - in-person only, registration required

**H** - Hybrid - both in-person and online, registration required

**Z** - Zoom - online only, registration required

Please contact us if you have any questions!

## Reading Rocks SUMMER READING 2023

### Say Hello To Our New Book Bike!

Our book bike is finally here! Look for us around town on Wednesdays. We'll have books for checkout, freebies, crafts, and more.



# Library News

## Reading Rocks Outdoor Party • D

Saturday, June 17 • 2pm

Join us for a party to kick off our summer reading program! Listen to local rock band Red Adrenaline while enjoying a frozen treat! Adopt a plastic dinosaur and play with them in our Library Swamp! You will get to keep the toy dinosaur. *This program is rain or shine and will be moved indoors if it rains.*



## Ice Cream Social • D

Monday, August 7 • 6pm

Join us for our biggest event of the year, an evening of fun for all ages with great entertainment. Hugo Colin will perform some of Elvis's greatest hits. Ice cream will be served at 6pm. Hugo Colin will perform at 7pm.

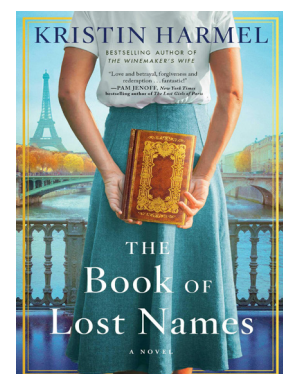
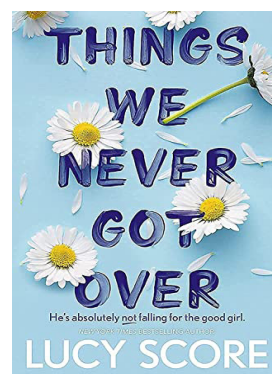
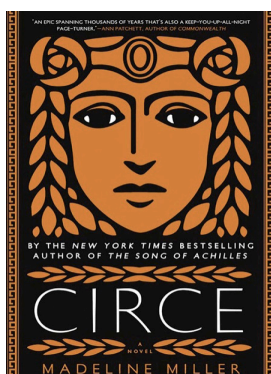
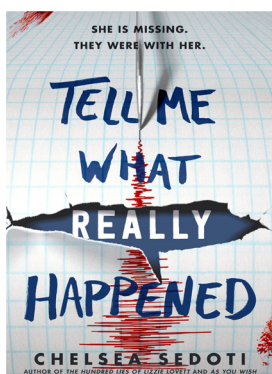
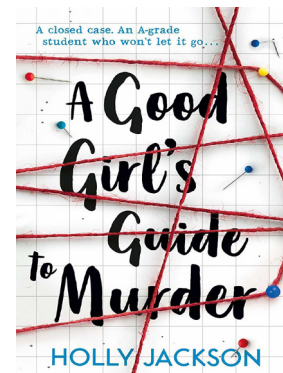
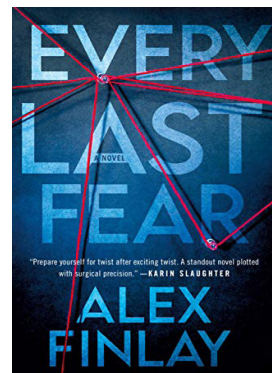
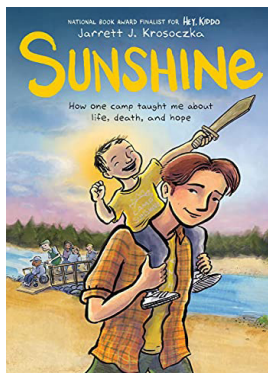
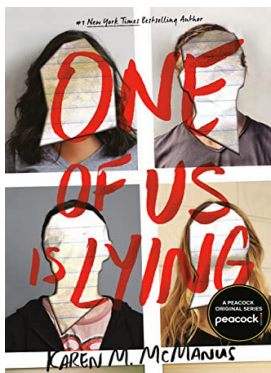


## Technology Rocks MakerSpace Fridays • D

Fridays, June 16 - August 11 • 9:30am - 4:30pm (except June 23)

The library's Makerspace, located in the library meeting room, will open its doors beginning Friday June 16. The Makerspace is open for ages 3 to Adults. There will be a variety of technology available for use. Technologies available include a green screen, Makey Makey, Kano Computers, Ozobots, Sewing Machines, Legos, Robots, Cricut, Code-a-Pillar, Color Chameleon, Screen Printing, Little Bits, a digitization lab, and more! Drop in for a little while or stay for the day!

# Staff Picks





# Adult Programs

## Adult Summer Reading Program: Reading Rocks

June 12 - August 12

Read 5 books to receive our summer reading t-shirt (while supplies last) and 5 raffle tickets. Read 10 books to receive 5 additional raffle tickets. To enter our raffle and receive your prizes, stop in the library to see us!



## Monday Movie

Mondays • 10am

Join us every Monday morning for a feature film screening! Must be 18+ to attend. • D

## Gentle Flow Yoga

Tuesdays • 2pm

The focus will be on simple movements designed to stretch and strengthen the whole body. This class can be completed while sitting in a chair! **Sessions will be held online and in person.** • H

## Ageless Grace

Wednesday, June 7 & 21 • 10am  
Wednesday, July 5 & 19 • 10am  
Wednesday, August 2 & 16 • 10am

Ageless Grace® is a cutting-edge brain fitness program based on neuroplasticity that activates all five functions of the brain. Join us to work out your brain as well as your body in this fun, creative and playful chair exercise program. • R

## Color Therapy

Wednesday, June 14 • 10am  
Wednesday, July 12 • 10am  
Wednesday, August 9 • 10am

Come color for fun and enjoy the benefits of creative coloring. We provide the pages, colored pencils, markers and a good time! • R

## Soap Making 101

Thursday, June 15 • 7pm

Brittany Hogan will be demonstrating the time-honored technique of combining oils and lye to produce soap using the cold process method. Topics covered include molds, base oils, additives, coloring, making, curing, storing and lye safety. You will walk away with complete instructions on how to make soap at home. Plus, four lucky winners will receive a full-size bar of artisan soap. • R

## Pre-Civil War Quilts: Secret Codes to Freedom on the Underground Railroad

Monday, June 19 • 7pm

In commemoration of Juneteenth, join Connie Martin for a one hour performance and presentation, including slides, storytelling and a display of hand-crafted quilts representing patterns and special stitching used over 300 years ago by abolitionists and fugitives from slavery to signify escape routes to the North. • R

## Blissful Sound Journey

Monday, July 17 • 6pm

Preston Klik's "Blissful Sounds Meditation" is a gentle, often quiet, but at times powerful experience. Preston plays a 36-inch Heart Gong, as well as crystal & Himalayan bowls, Native flute, monochord, ocean & frame drums, handpan, chimes, and more to provide a dynamic auditory experience. This live performance is a richly cinematic musical odyssey-meditation as beautiful to the eye as it is to the ear, heart, body, mind and spirit. • R

## The History of Simon and Garfunkel

Monday, July 31 • 7pm

If you took the rich harmonies of the Everly Brothers and matched it with the lyricism of Bob Dylan the result might be Simon & Garfunkel. Often considered the thinking person's rock 'n' rollers, they were also one of the most successful musical acts of the 1960's. Using audio and visual content Gary Wenstrup will trace the arc of Simon & Garfunkel's career from their surprise teenybopper hit "Hey Schoolgirl"...to the folk-rock classic "Sound of Silence"...to the ever popular "Mrs. Robinson"...to the majesty of "Bridge Over Troubled Water." • R



# Adult Programs

## Ice Cream Social • D

Monday, August 7 • 6pm

Join us for our annual Ice Cream Social followed by a performance by Hugo Collins as Elvis Presley.

## Elvis Tribute Artist • D

Monday, August 7 • 7pm

Keep Elvis's music alive! Enjoy an evening dedicated to the King of Rock 'n' Roll while Chicago's most charismatic Elvis tribute artist, Hugo Colin, performs. Elvis attire welcome!

## Memory Lab

We now have equipment that will allow you to convert obsolete formats into new formats: VHS to DVD, cassette to MP3 file, and 35 mm film and film slides into jpeg formats. Call the Adult Services desk to learn more.

The Memory Lab was made possible with a grant from Age Options.

## Book A Librarian

Our team of Adult Services librarians is here to help you reach your goals! Make a one-on-one appointment with us for help with things like using the Aspen catalog; downloading ebooks and audiobooks, creating a resume and applying for jobs online; genealogy (using Ancestry for Libraries); navigating government websites; using programs like Google Docs and Microsoft Word. Please call the library, visit us in person or email us at [refdesk@chicagoridgelibrary.org](mailto:refdesk@chicagoridgelibrary.org) to book your appointment.

# Book Discussions

## Books and Bagels • R

Wednesday, June 28 • 10am

Wednesday, July 26 • 10am

This summer, B&Bs will be BYOB. Come prepared to share a title you've recently read and loved. There will be no meeting in August.



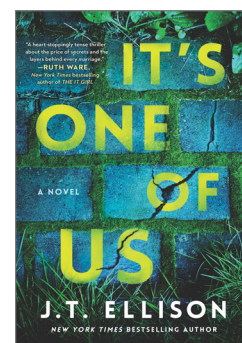
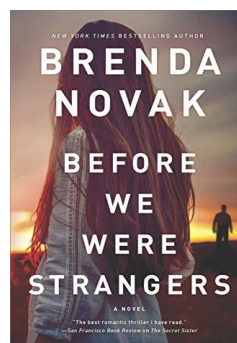
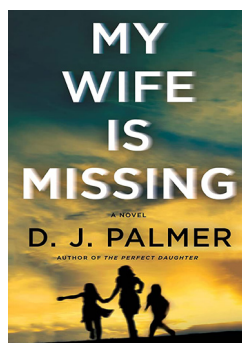
## Killer Thrillers • R

Monday, June 12 • 6pm

Monday, July 10 • 6pm

Monday, August 14 • 6pm

Are you good at catching a killer? Do you enjoy a good thriller? Then join our Killer Thriller book club hosted by Lori.



# 24hr Library

## eMediaLibrary

### (OverDrive--The Libby App)

OverDrive provides access to eMediaLibrary, our collection of ebooks, digital audiobooks and digital magazines.

## Kanopy

Kanopy features a wide range of films to be streamed on any internet-enabled device.

## eReadIllinois (Axis360)

eReadIllinois features ebooks and digital audiobooks provided by the Illinois State Library.



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The library offers a variety of downloadable and streaming media.  
All you need is your Chicago Ridge Public Library card!

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# Senior Connections

## Selfie Masterclass

Thursday, June 22 • 10am

Want to learn how to take the perfect selfie? Join Lori and Alicia for this fun class on taking selfies. We'll end the session by playing a quick few rounds of Bingo for \$10 gift cards. • R

## Tarot Cards 101

Thursday, July 20 • 10am

Psychic Entertainer Barbara G. Meyer will come to discuss how to read tarot cards. You will learn the basic principles of tarot readings and how to do it yourself. We will practice on each other. Amaze your friends with your new skill! A free handout of Tarot card meanings will be given to each participant. • R

## Estate Planning

Thursday, August 24 • 10am • R

Which critical documents should all adults have in place to maintain control of healthcare and financial decision making if incapacitated, and for their estate after death? Join the discussion with Tiffany Clements, Staff Attorney, from the Center for Disability and Elder Law. • R

Thank you Age Options, the Area Agency of Aging of suburban Cook County for the funds! This grant helps fund programming for older adults.



# Illinois Library Presents

## Navigate Your Stars: A Conversation with Jesmyn Ward • R

Tuesday, June 6 • 7pm

Join us for an evening with two-time National Book Award winner Jesmyn Ward. Hailed as "the new Toni Morrison" by the American Booksellers Association, Jesmyn will discuss her life, her literary vision and her unique perspectives on love and loss. Tracie D. Hall, Executive Director of American Library Association, will join her in conversation.

## Braiding Sweetgrass: A Conversation with Robin Wall Kimmerer • R

Wednesday, June 21 • 7pm

Join us for a special evening with Robin Wall Kimmerer, the award-winning author of Braiding Sweetgrass: Indigenous Wisdom, Scientific Knowledge, and the Teachings of Plants. In this insightful and inspiring talk, Robin will share her unique perspective on the interconnectedness of humans and nature and the importance of recognizing and respecting the gifts of the earth.

These events are made possible by Illinois Libraries Present, a statewide collaboration among public libraries offering premier events.





# Craft Programs

## Stampin Up • D

Saturday, June 3 • 10am

Saturday, July 1 • 10am

Saturday, August 5 • 10am

Make professional-looking hand-made cards and other creative projects with rubber stamping techniques! \$15 fee for supplies, pay at time of class.

## Calligraphy Class • R

Thursday, July 13 • 7pm

Learn how to use calligraphy to turn your documents into beautiful works of art! We will cover how to use materials, different lettering styles and techniques used by professionals.

## Cricut 101 • R

Saturday, July 15 • 10am

Want to learn how to use the Cricut but you don't know where to start? In this class, you will learn about Cricut Design Space and the basics of using a Cricut to get you started. This class will help you for our Maker Space Fridays! Cricut machines will be available to use.

## Fruit Slice Coasters • R

Monday, June 5 • 7pm

Tuesday, June 6 • 10am

We will be making watermelon, lime, and lemon fruit coasters. This craft is perfect for summer!



## Beginner Quilting Class • R

Saturday, June 24 • 10am

Saturday, July 8 • 10am

Saturday, August 12 • 10am

Come discover the fun and creative hobby of quilting. See how simple it can be to get started creating heirlooms that your family and friends will cherish for years to come! In this three-part class, you will learn all of the steps of making your first quilt from cutting to piecing to machine quilting to binding. Eileen Uchima, our in-house quilting teacher, will give you tips on supplies, fabric, and SEW much more! With some home sewing you will complete this quilt and be prepared to take on your next project. NOTE: Students should know how to use their sewing machine. If you don't have your own machine, the library has machines available to use in-house or take home.



## Foam Lighthouse • R

Monday, July 24 • 7pm

Tuesday, July 25 • 10am

Making your own lighthouse craft has never been so easy with just some foam cones and mini jars!



## Charm Bracelet • R

Monday, August 28 • 7pm

Tuesday, August 29 • 10am

Join us in making a bracelet using green glass beads and a butterfly charm.





# Youth Programs

## Do You Have a Library Card?

Sign up for a library card either at Chicago Ridge or the library in the town that you live in. It doesn't matter where your library card is from, it is just important to have one!

We accept library cards from all of the surrounding areas. Show us your library card when you sign-up for Summer Reading and you will receive an extra special present!

## Bee A Reader!

Buzz into the library all you busy little bees, we have a reading program that is perfect for ages newborn, one, two and three! Listen to stories read to you each day and receive some great presents and activities along the way! Ask for more information at the Youth Services desk.

## Summer Reading ID

When you sign up for Summer Reading you will receive your Summer Reading name tag to decorate. Earn reading badges all summer! How many will you collect?

## Keep an Eye out for these Dinosaurs!

You never know when you'll meet a dinosaur at the library!



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## Summer Reading Prizes for Children Under 3



Level 1



Level 2



Level 3



Level 4



Level 5

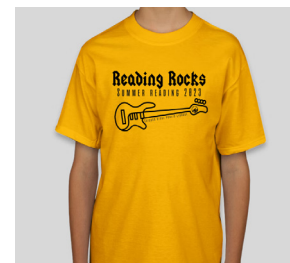


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## Summer Reading Prizes for Children and Teens



Level 1



Level 2



Level 3



Level 4



Level 5



Level 6



# Youth Programs

## Video Gaming Club • D

*Mondays • 6pm*

Beginning June 12 participants in grades 3-12 can stop by for some gaming! Video games and board games will be available to play! Last session will be held on July 31 • D

## Family Movie Night and Craft

*Tuesdays • 6pm*

Beginning June 20 children, teens, and their families can watch a movie on the big screen and then make a fun craft! Movies will be announced one week in advance. Last session will be held on August 8 • D

## Bingo

*Wednesdays • 6pm*

Every Wednesday starting June 14 stop by the library for a fun game of Bingo and win some great prizes! Bingo is perfect for kids in preschool through 12th grade! Last session will be held on August 16 • D



## Technology Rocks Makerspace Fridays • D

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The library's Makerspace, located in the library meeting room, will open its doors beginning Friday June 16. The Makerspace is open for ages 3 to Adults. There will be a variety of technology available for use. Technologies available include a green screen, Makey Makey, Kano Computers, Ozobots, Sewing Machines, Legos, Robots, Cricut, Code-a-Pillar, Color Chameleon, Screen Printing, Little Bits, a digitization lab, and more! Drop in for a little while or stay for the day!

## Happy Fathers Day Craft and Snack

*Tuesday, June 13 • 6pm*

Make a craft and enjoy some treats to celebrate the father figure in your life! • D



# Teen Programs

## Teen Thursdays

*Thursdays • 3pm • D*

Every Thursday beginning June 15 teens in 6-12 grade can join us at the library for a surprise activity! Last session will be held on August 10

## Teen Improv

*Thursdays • 4pm • D*

Every Thursday beginning June 15, teens in 6-12 grade can learn all about the art of improv while playing a variety of teen improv games. Last session will be held on August 10.

## Volunteers

Teens in 6-12 grade can sign up for a two hour time slot twice a week. Volunteering will begin on June 12 and end August 11. Fridays during the library's open Makerspace hours would be a great time to volunteer! Applications will be available starting June 1.

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# Youth Programs

## Daily Hider!

Your library is stocked with the new books that you want to read! The books are on-shelf and waiting for you to visit. While you are on your book hunt be sure to be on the lookout for the hidden dinosaur. Each day a new dinosaur will be hidden and whoever finds it will win a pet dinosaur!

## Reading Rocks Scavenger Hunt

Can you find all of the hidden items at the library this summer? Each month pick-up the scavenger hunt list from the Youth Services desk, and see if you can find all of the hidden items!



## Crafts to Go

Each Monday a new craft will be available for pickup to take home and complete. • D

## Summer Crafts at the Library

Visit the library throughout the week on the following dates anytime that we are open to make a craft. If supplies run out, a different craft will be offered. Ages 3 - Grade 12 • D



June 12-17  
Summer Fuzzy  
Color Poster Craft



June 19-24  
Snake Wind  
Mobile Craft



June 26-July 1  
3D Baseball  
Craft



July 3-8  
Popsicle  
Craft



July 10-15  
Sandcastle  
Craft



July 17-22  
Scratch Art Frozen  
Treat Craft



July 24-29  
3D Animal  
Craft



July 31-August 4  
Dinosaur Slap  
Bracelet Craft



August 7-12  
Color a Mini  
Dinosaur Craft



# Storytimes

## Bubbles and Stories • 📖

Tuesdays • 10am  
Thursdays • 6pm

Every Tuesday and Thursday this summer visit the library for music, bubbles, stories, and games! Thursday evenings last session will be held on August 10.



## Science Storytime • 📖

Wednesdays • 2:30pm

Every Wednesday beginning June 14 visit the library to learn about the science activity of the day! Depending on the weather, many of the science storytimes will take place outside! Last session will be held on August 9.



## Ready to Read Club • 📖

Thursdays • 10am

Every Thursday beginning June 15 join us as we work on those beginning reading skills by playing a variety of games and activities. This program is perfect for emerging readers ages 3 and up. Last session will be held on August 10.



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p><b>Summer Crafts at the Library! All Week!</b></p> <p><b>Gaming Club 6pm</b></p>	<p><b>Bubbles &amp; Stories 10am</b></p> <p><b>Family Movie and Craft! 6pm</b></p>	<p><b>Science Storytime 2:30pm</b></p> <p><b>Bingo for Kids and Teens 6pm</b></p>	<p><b>Ready to Read Club 10am</b></p> <p><b>Teen Thursdays! 3pm</b></p> <p><b>Teen Improv! 4pm</b></p> <p><b>Bubbles and Stories 6pm</b></p>	<p><b>Makerspace Play! ALL DAY!</b> <i>(no makerspace June 23rd)</i></p>



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### Library Hours

Monday - Thursday: **9am-9pm**  
Friday - Saturday: **9am-5pm**  
Sunday: **Closed**

### Board of Trustees

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*The Board of Trustees meets on the second Monday of the month at 7pm.*

### Library Director

**Dana Wishnick**

### Program Statement

Register for programs at the library by phone, or on the library's website. Program fees must be paid at time of registration. Programs with low registration may be canceled 48 hours before the event, at which time registered patrons will be notified by phone and refunded.

### Photo Statement

On occasion the library will take pictures of program participants to be used in library publicity. Please notify library staff if you do not wish to be photographed. Parents who do not wish their child to be photographed must also notify staff.

### Patrons with Disabilities

The library is subject to the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Any individuals who require certain accommodations which would enable them to participate in library functions are requested to call the library at 708-423-7753 at least 5 working days prior to the function.

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## A Look Back on Spring



**LIBRARY CLOSINGS**  
Tuesday, July 4, 2023