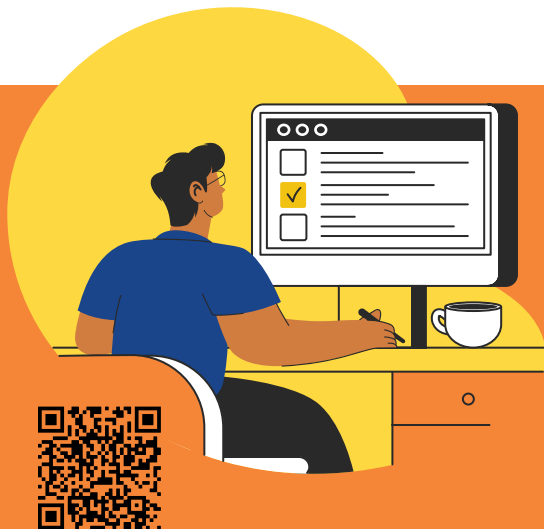


Online Resources

As the days grow shorter (and colder!), you can stay cozy and warm at home while still using your library card for fun and learning. While you're likely familiar with downloadable book platforms like Libby and Hoopla, we have many more online tools to brighten your day when the weather isn't cooperating. Please note that many have paid versions that you might reach if you search for them directly. As a Skokie Public Library cardholder, you can use them for free. Start at the library's website and use your library card number. See page 3 for more favorites.



Gale Courses

Using an online lesson platform offered by many community colleges, Gale Courses offers a diverse range of free, instructor-led classes in subjects as varied as American Sign Language, accounting, medical coding, grant writing, investing, and music. Learn at your own pace while still being able to interact with real instructors and fellow students.



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NAHM Native American Heritage Month events

Monday to Friday, 9 am to 9 pm
 Saturday, 9 am to 6 pm
 Sunday, noon to 6 pm
Closed November 28, December 24–25
Closing 5 pm on December 31

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 Skokie, IL 60077
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www.skokielibrary.info



Ofrenda for El Día de Los Muertos (Day of the Dead)

Contribute to an ofrenda, or altar, to honor the passage of loved ones. We are participating in this November 1–2 holiday this year to connect with our personal and collective grief in the wake of the pandemic. To contribute to the altar, bring copies of photos or other items that are not precious to you to the East Desk October 25–31.



Did you know? The Skokie Heritage Museum maintains the extensive collection of the Skokie Historical Society, a portion of which the library has digitized and made available in our online collections, including the original photographs in the July–August newsletter.

Learn more: skokieparks.org/skokie-heritage-museum

More Online Resources

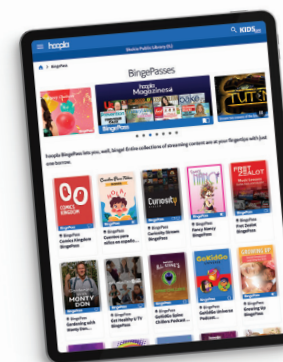


Consumer Reports

Make more-informed buying decisions for holiday shopping and beyond with this trusted resource. Save time and money by reviewing unbiased buying guides on everything from the latest gadgets to household essentials, and compare products on price and reliability. Plus, stay on top of important updates on consumer safety and recalls.

Mango Languages

Say adieu to annoying advertisements and enjoy free online language learning with Mango. This platform offers interactive lessons, useful conversation practice, and in-depth grammar and culture notes for more than 60 languages, including Cherokee and Potawatomi. Download the Mango app and take your language learning on the go.



BingePass from Hoopla

Tackle crosswords with Puzzle Palace, learn to play guitar with Fret Zealot, edify your mind through The Great Courses, send your kids on a story adventure with Hellosaurus, and follow along with cooking classes from Craftsy. With BingePass, you can access entire collections of premium content with a single Hoopla checkout.

HeritageHub

Explore your roots and bring the past to life through this easy-to-use database featuring death notices and U.S. newspaper obituaries dating back to the 1700s. Search by name or keyword and then limit your search by date and source, or set up an alert that emails you when there are new obits or notices that fit any criteria that you've specified.

Creativebug

Ignite your creativity with a vast array of craft and DIY tutorials from Creativebug. Featuring expert-led videos and printable instructions and patterns on everything from sewing and jewelry making to painting and cake decorating, you'll find step-by-step guidance for crafters of all skill levels.



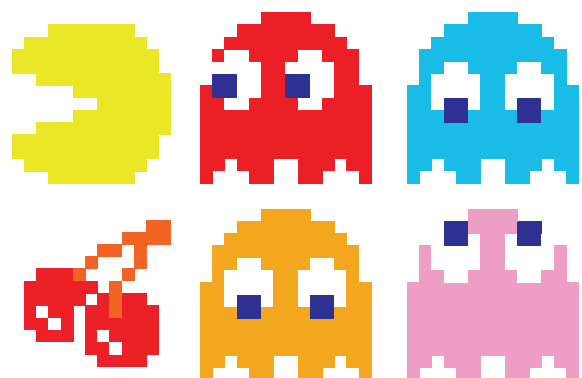
FOR ADULTS



Check for event details and sign up at events.skokiellibrary.info. Registration opens November 1 except for events during the first week of November, which are already open.

Election Information Drop-in

Friday, November 1, 3–5 pm



Gaming for Grown-Ups: Retro Game Night

Friday, November 1, 7–8:30 pm

ESL Café

Wednesdays, November 6–December 18 (except November 27), 12:30–2 pm

Medicare Part D Sign-up Assistance

By appointment only

Wednesdays–Fridays
November 6–8 and 13–15

Urdu available on
November 6 and 13

The Soothing Experience of Tea

Herbal Exploration

Part discussion, part demonstration, and part taste test

Thursday, November 7, 5:30–7 pm

Japan and Matcha

Sunday, December 8, 1:30–3 pm

Overcoming Imposter Syndrome

Thursday, November 7, 7–8 pm (online)

Planning for Long-Term Care

Thursday, November 7, 7–8:30 pm

Low Vision Support Group

Tuesdays, November 12, December 10, 1:30–2:30 pm

Carnivorous Plants in Illinois and Beyond

Tuesday, November 12, 6:30–7:30 pm

Understanding Property Taxes and Appeals

Wednesday, November 13, 6–7:30 pm

Introduction to Yoga

Fridays, November 15, December 20, 1–2 pm

Exploring DNA Test Kits

Friday, November 15, 3:30–4:30 pm

Yoga and Pilates for Back Care and Scoliosis

Thursday, November 21, noon–1:30 pm



Volunteer Palooza

Sunday, November 24, 2–4 pm

Improvational Quilting

Tuesday, December 3, 6:30–8:30 pm



Adult Craft: Mini Book Making

Wednesday, December 4, 6:30–7:30 pm

Finding Consumer Information with Library Resources

Thursday, December 5, 3:30–4:30 pm

Let's Discuss Food

Tuesday, December 10, 1:30–2:30 pm

Reading Newspapers and Magazines Online

Monday, December 16, 3–4:30 pm

Podcasts: News and Entertainment on Demand

Thursday, December 19, 5:30–7 pm

Movies (drop in)

NAHM First Nations Film and Video Festival
Thursday, November 7, 6:30–8:30 pm

Friday Film

Fridays at 1:30 pm and 6:30 pm

The Fall Guy
November 8

My Sailor, My Love
November 22

Ordinary Angels
December 13

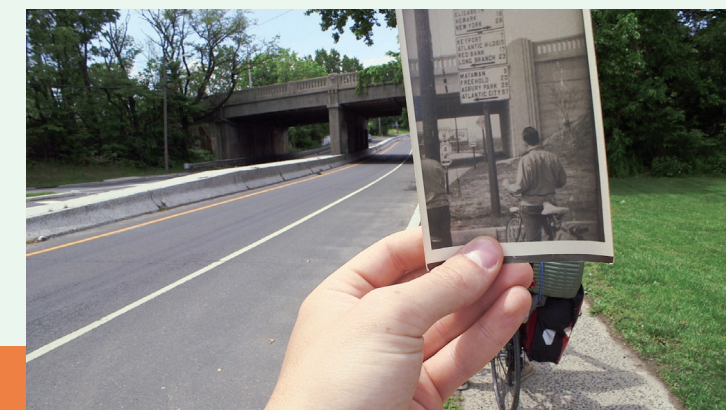
Yentl
December 27

Morning Movie

Wednesdays at 10 am

42: The Jackie Robinson Story
November 13

Wonka
December 18



Film and Discussion: Cycle of Memory

Explore the importance of intergenerational connection. The director will join a Zoom discussion after the movie.

Tuesday, November 19 6:30–8:30 pm

Movie Night

Wednesdays at 6:30 pm

The Monk and the Gun
November 20

Housekeeping for Beginners
December 18

Little Women Theater Screening

Friday–Sunday, December 20–22
(watch this theatrical production online anytime)



Holiday Tips and Tricks with Chef Art Smith

Bring some culinary inspiration to your holiday season

Wednesday, November 20
7–8 pm (online)

Performances



Young Steinway Alumni Concert

Piano Trio with Rachel Barton Pine
Friday, November 29, 7:30 pm

Young Steinway Concert

Neena Agrawal, Viola, and Oliver Mah, Cello
Sunday, December 1, 3 pm

Brazilian Jazz: Luciano Antonio Trio

Sunday,
December 8
3 pm



Preparing for an Improved Petty Auditorium



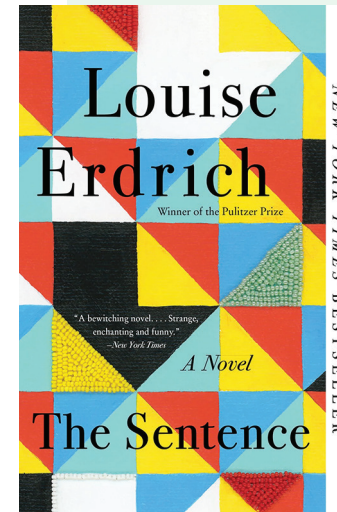
Crews have been busy working in the auditorium, updating it for many years to come of live performances, movies, and large presentations.

Lights and sound will be the most noticeable improvements. Lighting for the audience area used to be a bit dim, and when bulbs burned out, they were challenging to change. We are looking forward to the ability to have the space be bright! The stage lighting used truly ancient instruments that provided very little flexibility, so they are being replaced by modern instruments that will offer much greater capacity for all types of events.

The sound system is also being updated. In addition, hearing loop technology is being added in the floor to improve the experience of audience members with hearing impairments.

Several other improvements are also being made, including enlarging the accessible seating area, replacing the stage curtains, replacing the carpet, and refinishing the stage floor.

Book Discussions and Book Talks



LitLounge
Wednesdays, 7:30–9 pm

NAHM **The Sentence**
November 13

Litera-Cheers
December 11

Talking Books Discussion Group
Wednesdays, 1:30–2:30 pm

A Town Called Solace
November 20

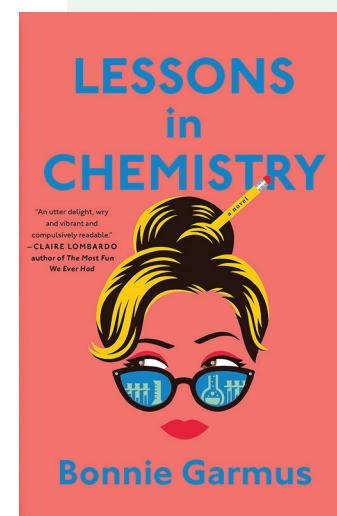
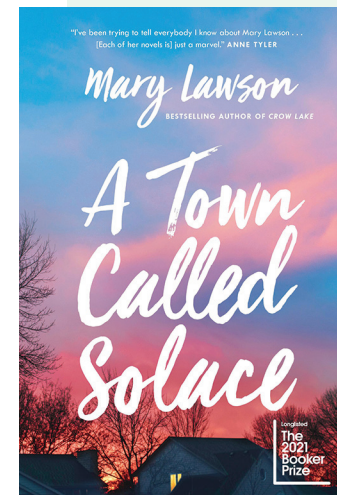
Lessons in Chemistry
December 18

Genres on My Mind
Manga

Thursday, November 21
3–3:30 pm (online)

Best of 2024
Thursday, December 19
2:30–3 pm (online)

Pages through History
Muddy Ground
Wednesday, December 4
7–8:30 pm



Technology

Getting Started with Gmail
Saturday, November 2, 10:30–11:30 am

One-on-One Tech Help
Mondays and Wednesdays, 2–4 pm
(except November 27, December 23 and 25)

How to Use Transit Apps to Get Around
Wednesday, November 6, 3:30–5 pm

Intro to Strong Passwords and Password Manager Applications
Friday, November 8, 11 am–12:30 pm

Computer Basics: File Types and How to Use Them
Sunday, November 10, 1–2:30 pm

Exploring AI Tools: Microsoft Copilot
Thursday, November 14, 5:30–7 pm

Use Google Sheets for a Holiday Gift Budget
Monday, November 18, 3–4:30 pm

Privacy, Security, and Parental Controls for Social Media Apps
Thursday, November 21, 5:30–7 pm

Google Docs for Beginners
Saturday, December 7, 10:30–11:30 am

Edit, Share, and Organize Your Photos
Tuesday, December 10, 1–2:30 pm

Start Using Google Drive and Cloud Storage
Friday, December 13, 1:30–3 pm

 **Understanding and Using Facebook Marketplace**
Wednesday, December 18
4–5:30 pm

KIDS & FAMILIES

Check the online calendar for added events, and sign up at events.skokiellibrary.info. Capacity for individual events is limited.

Snack Attack: Sweet Memories

Age 8–12

Friday, November 1
5:30–6:30 pm



Small Hands Crafts

Age 2–6

Mondays through December 16, 10–11 am

Fun Time for Littles

Age 0–5

Mondays, 1:30–2:30 pm

Kids Open Gaming

Age 5–12

Tuesdays, November 5 and 19, 4–6 pm

Together Time

Age 0–23 months

Wednesdays, 10–11:30 am
(except December 25)

Puppet Playtime

Age 2–8

Wednesdays, November 6,
December 4, 10:30–11 am (online)



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Indigenous STEAM: Learn about Food Processing and Preserving

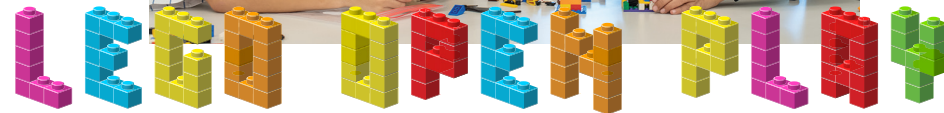
Age 5–12

Wednesday, November 6, 5:30–6:30 pm

Make It Yourself

Age PreK+

Fridays, November 8, December 6, 4:30–5:30 pm



Mondays, November 11, December 9, 4:30–5:30 pm

Pokémon Club

Age 7–12

Tuesdays, November 12, December 10, 4:30–5:30 pm

Graphic Novel Hangout

Age 5–12

Thursdays, November 14, December 12, 4–5:30 pm

Let's Take a Walk

Age 3–5

Fridays, November 15, December 13, 10:30–11:15 am



Tween Advisory Group

Age 8–12

Fridays, November 15, December 13, 5:30–6:30 pm

S'mores Party

Friday, November 15, 6:30–7:15 pm

Climate Change STEAM Projects for Families

Saturday, November 16, 2–3 pm

Early Entry to the Kids Room

Children and Teens with Disabilities

Sundays, November 17, December 15, 11 am–noon



Storytimes

Melody and Motion

Age 0–5

Fridays in November, 10–10:30 am

Saturday Family Storytime

Saturdays, 10–10:30 am

Preschool Storytime

Age 3–6

Tuesdays in November, 10–10:30 am

Book Babies

Babies 0–11 months who are not yet walking

Wednesdays, November 6–20
9:30–9:50 am

Wonderful Ones

Age 1

Wednesdays, November 6–20
10–10:20 am

Babies and Tots Storytime Outdoors

Age 0–23 months

Wednesdays, November 6–20
10:30–10:50 am

Family Fun Storytime

Wednesdays in November, 6:30–7 pm

Terrific Twos

Age 2

Thursdays in November, 10–10:30 or 11–11:30 am
(except November 28)

Melody and Motion Sensory Storytime

Age 8 or younger

Sundays, November 17, December 15, 12:15–12:45 pm

Bilingual Hebrew Storytime and Craft

Age 1–5

Sunday, December 1, 2–2:30 pm

Cuentos Bilingües: Bilingual Spanish-English Storytime

Age 0–6

Tuesday, December 17, 10–10:30 am



Let's Take a Walk: For Families

Sunday, November 17, 1-1:45 pm

Learning at the Library: Hello, Homeschoolers

Tuesday, November 19, 10-11 am or 1-2 pm

Be the Scientist: What Is Spherification?

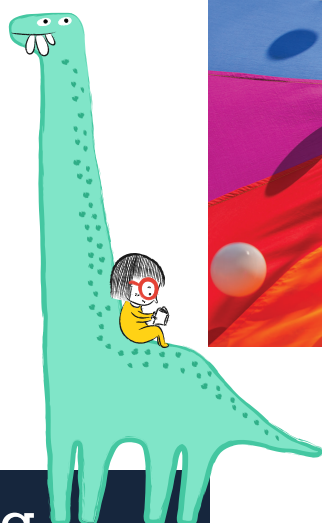
Age 5-10
Tuesday, November 19
4:30-5:15 pm

Talking Tech: Parenting and the Internet

Adults
Wednesday, November 20
5:30-7 pm

Read to a Dinosaur

Age 5-8
Thursdays, November 21
December 19, 4:30-5:15 pm



Tween Felting Hour

Age 8-12
Monday, November 25, 4:30-5:30 pm

Design a Thank You Card

Age 4-13
Tuesday, November 26, 6-8 pm
Wednesday, November 27, 3-5 pm



Parachute Fun for Babies

Age 0-11 months
Tuesday, December 3
10-10:30 am

Parachute Games for Toddlers

Age 1-3
Tuesday, December 3
11-11:30 am

Adventure Club: Greenland

Age 5-10
Tuesday, December 3, 4:30-5:15 pm

Dino Dance Bop

Age 5 and younger
Thursday, December 5, 10-10:30 am

Family Reading Night: Fort Building

Enjoy fort building, books, crafts, and snacks
Thursday, November 21, 6-8 pm



Kerfuffle Theatre Company Presents Bookworms

Age 3-6
Saturday, December 7
11-11:45 am or 1-1:45 pm



Create Dinosaur Fossils and Eggs

Age 5-8
Friday, December 20, 5:30-6:30 pm

Family Winter Word Games

Monday, December 23
4-5 pm or 6:30-7:30 pm

Family Movie: Inside Out 2

Thursday, December 26, 6:30-8 pm

Wings of Fire Trivia

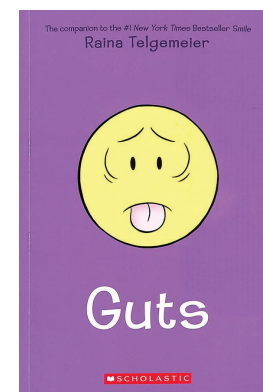
Age 8-12
Friday, December 27, 2-3 pm

Rainbow Loom Bonanza

Age 6-12
Friday, December 27, 4-5 pm

Percy Jackson Book 1 Trivia

Age 8-12
Monday, December 30, 3-4 pm



Raina Telgemeier Viewing Party and Make a Comic

For fans of *The Baby-Sitter's Club*, *Guts*, *Drama*, and other award-winning graphic novels
Age 8+
Tuesday, December 10, 6:30-8 pm

Preschool Snowflake Ball

Age 3-6
Friday, December 13, 1:30-2:30 pm

Discover the Sydney Taylor Book Awards

Sunday, December 15, 2-3 pm

Pokémon Trivia

Age 8-12
Tuesday, December 17, 4:30-5:30 pm

Friendship Bracelets for Tweens

Age 8-12
Thursday, December 19, 4:30-5:30 pm

Bubble Dance Party

Age 1-5
Friday, December 20, 10-10:30 am



Magical New Year

Ring in the New Year with music, dancing, and a noon-year countdown

Tuesday, December 31
11:30 am-1 pm



Winter Reading

December 16-January 31

RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMER

Teens

Check the online calendar for ongoing and late-breaking teen events and events that can include teens, along with other ages. Sign up at events.skokielinearly.org.

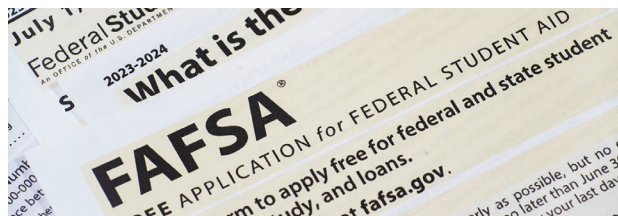
NAHM **Reservation Dogs:
Indigenous Representation in the Media**

Sunday, November 3, 1–3 pm

Financial Aid and Scholarships for College

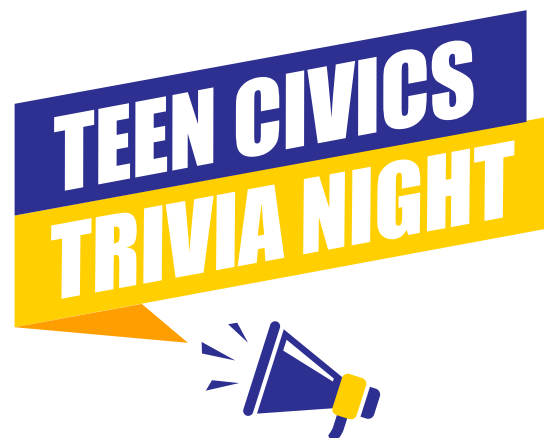
For high school juniors, seniors, and families

Thursday, November 7, 6–7 pm (online)



Climate Café

Tuesdays, November 12 and December 10
6–7 pm



Level up your civic knowledge, win prizes, eat snacks

Wednesday, November 13, 5:30–6:30 pm

Creative Writing Workshop for Teens

Monday, November 18, 5:30–6:30 pm

Polymer Clay for Teens

Wednesday, December 4, 4:30–5:30 pm