



Direct from the Director Jennifer Drinka, Library Director

"Here comes the sun, here comes the sun, and I say it's all right." -The Beatles



Springtime, the Library and music all kindle a feeling of hope and possibility. Something inside us thaws and we renew our belief that we can make, do and be anything. After the "long, cold, lonely winter" I welcome you to witness all that is budding and blooming at your Library. From the flowers tilting to the sun for their first spring in the Library's Garden Walk, to the new books that beckon with fresh pages of possibility, to programs that inspire and delight, you are cordially invited to bloom into your best self here at the Library. This community haven is a safe place for you to stretch and grow. From learning how to create a rain or butterfly garden, to oil pastel painting for children, to a Poetry Walk in the Garden, there are so many ways to celebrate the season at the Library.

After all, Leo Tolstoy said, "spring is the time of plans and projects." As the robin returns and the redbuds blossom, there is an excitement in the air and a garden of opportunity right here at your Library. As you flip through the pages of "The Latest Chapter", look for moments of delight with a pen in hand and circle collections, services and programs that you want to explore.



Fireside FRIDAYS





Join Library Director Jennifer Drinka the first Friday of each month for coffee and breakfast pastries. Conversation topics of local interest will be provided, but we are always open to anything you'd like to talk about.

Everyone is welcome, no registration required.

MARCH 1ST | APRIL 5TH | MAY 3RD

So, Antioch, What are You Reading?



By Becky Masik, Board President

One of my favorite questions to ask people has always been, "So, what are you reading?" It doesn't matter if it's the book they have on their bedside table now, a book they've read in the past, something they've recently heard about but haven't yet read, or that book they have memorized from reading it on repeat to their child. Regardless of the answer, it is a great way to start a conversation and get to know someone with the added bonus of getting some great book recommendations! I'm excited to start 2024 off with a new installment in our newsletter - So, Antioch, What are You Reading? Every newsletter we will spotlight Library staff, board members and members of the community to share their favorites. I'll start out with one of my recent favorite book series, but be on the lookout in future newsletters for more favorites. If you'd like to let us know your favorite, please e-mail us at publicrelations@apld.info or message us on Facebook or Instagram, @Antiochpld.

I'll read about anything, but I've been on a science fiction kick recently. I've discovered a series recently that has fully captivated me (sometimes to the detriment of my sleep schedule)! One of my recent favorites is the *Wayfarers* series by Becky Chambers. The first book, *The Long Way to a Small, Angry Planet*, builds a beautiful world and characters, including new species and races that captivated me. I distinctly remember reading the book the first time and being struck by the amount of connection that I felt towards an AI and a lizard species. That feels like the mark of a great book for me - if the author can evoke such strong feelings of connection with someone or something with which I have no shared experiences, and that may not even exist in my reality. While these books may not be for those readers that like hard science and epic space battles in their science fiction, they are stellar for those enjoying character development and relationship development. There are subtle themes throughout the story supporting the importance of respect and tolerance of those different from us, and a feel-good deep camaraderie between the characters that feels important in today's world.

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The Wayfarer series is available on the Libby app, for free to Antioch Public Library District cardholders. Add this app to your device to read or listen on-the-go! Scan the QR code to download the app and start reading today!

On the Cover:
THE ANTIOCH PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT'S

Latest Chapter

In December of 2023, the Library opened up a contest asking for suggestions for a new name for our quarterly newsletter. All submissions were gathered and voted on by Library staff. "Latest Chapter", submitted by Jeanne Thomas was voted on as the staff favorite & the winner of the contest. Thank you to all who participated. Enjoy the Latest Chapter!



APLD Mission Statement

The Antioch Public Library District is a gathering place for information, collaboration, creativity and entertainment, which strengthens the community by providing high demand materials in a variety of formats for all ages, and by stimulating young children's interests and appreciation for reading and learning

The Library makes provisions that enable persons with disabilities to attend programming. Please contact the Library at 847-395-0874, if you seek accommodations.

SMALL BUSINESSES CONVECTOR WITH THE LIBRARY







Antioch Public Library District is proud to collaborate with, and support local small businesses. In addition to our business resource center, comfortable work and meeting spaces, and physical materials, we also offer free access to invaluable digital resources. We understand that starting and running a small business can be both costly and challenging. With so much to manage, having the ability to improve your skills, on your own schedule, at no further cost to you can make all the difference. With Library-sponsored subscriptions to Gale Courses and Udemy, APLD patrons can brush up on their business know-how from their own home or office, any time, without having to budget extra for course fees. From entrepreneurship to hiring and managing virtual assistants to accounting fundamentals... from employment law to creating business plans to online marketing... self-paced courses like these and so many more are accessible to patrons through our financial & business digital resource website page. Just scan the QR code to the left or browse our database offerings twenty four hours a day at "Research" on www.apld.info.



Free Small Business Week Program Legal Aspects of Starting a Small Business

Wednesday, May 1, 4:00 p.m.

The Library has partnered with Antioch's own, Merit Law Group, to provide current and aspiring Small Business Owners a special program during Small Business Week (April 28 - May 4th), answering questions on starting your own small business, the legal work needed, as well as tax questions related to small businesses. Registration is required for this program. Visit the event calendar at www.APLD.info to register.

Additional Ways That We Are Here to Assist Small Businesses & Organizations:

- · Antioch Business Owner Library Cards
- Meeting Room Reservations
- · Computer Labs and Free Wi-fi
- Shredder & Laminator*
- Notary Services (see details on website)
- Library of Things:
 - Hotspots
 - Projectors
 - Laptops
- · Research Databases:
 - Online Work-Skill Training
 - Business Research
 - Consumer Reports

- Print/Scan/Copy:
 - Wireless Printing available
 - Print with fold, hole punch, staple
 - Print to multiple paper sizes
- · Program Partnerships & more!



*New addition to the Business Center, a laminator! Laminating sheets available to purchase and use with our public laminator. Visit the Adult Services desk on the main floor for assistance Sizes available and prices include: 8.9" x 11.4" (3 mil) for \$.50 per pouch, 8.9" x 11.4" (5 mil) for \$1.00 per pouch, 11" x 17" (3 mil) for \$1.50 per pouch, and 2.32" x 3.70" (business card size) for \$.25 per pouch. To use the laminator you must use the library purchased laminating pouches.

Spring Into a New Season of Programs & Events

Don't miss these upcoming programs and events taking place at the Library this spring. Additional Children's, Teen and Adult programming is provided on pages 6-13 of this newsletter, or you can browse our programs and events calendar on our website at www.APLD.info



Jigsaw Puzzle Competition

Saturday, March 23

Morning - 9:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. | Afternoon - 1:15 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Who's APLD's fastest puzzler? Register for team or individual categories in this race to complete puzzles we provide! Registration required.



Jim Gill's Sing-a-thon of Celebrated Songs

Wednesday, March 27, 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

(All Ages) Get ready to sing, clap, dance and spin along during this visit by award-winning musician and author Jim Gill. Jim Gill's distinctive music play creates the spirit of a family room in the concert hall and is an invitation to children, parents and grandparents to sing and play together! This program was funded by a generous donation from the Antioch Library Friends.



Registration is required. To register or for more details, scan the QR code or visit the online event and program calendar at www.APLD.info.



Poetry Writing Contest

Starts April 1 | Deadline to enter April 30

April is National Poetry Month and we're celebrating with a Poetry Writing Contest! Submitted pieces must follow the theme of, "Community Matters". There will be three categories (Children, Teen, Adult). Winners will be announced May 7th and will receive a \$15 Dairy Queen giftcard and will also get their poem published in our 2024 summer newsletter.





Set READ! April 7-13

We're fired up for National Library Week! This annual celebration highlights the valuable role libraries and library workers play in transforming lives and strengthening our communities. From book groups to anime and Lego clubs to learning new skills, today's library offers something for everyone. Stop in for some roaring fun the week of April 7 - 13. We'll have giveaways, Guess How Many? Dragon Eggs, some trivia and a prize giveaway!



The 8th Annual Gwendolyn Brooks Youth Poetry Awards

Deadline to enter is May 1

The contest is open to young people currently in kindergarten through 12th grade across the state of Illinois. Visit ilhumanities.org/poetry for more information.



Free Comic Book Day & Mini Con

Saturday, May 4th at the Library

The Antioch Public Library District will again to participate in this annual event, on Saturday May the 4th, by providing a choice of free comic books to participants as well as hosting other fun, comic related activities throughout the morning and a chance to win cool prizes! This is free to the public and no registration is required. For additional information on Free Comic Book Day, visit: www.freecomicbookday.com

SCAN TO

ALL AGES IN-PERSON PROGRAMS

Monthly Scavenger Hunt at the Library

Come to the Library to complete a scavenger hunt and earn a prize. Every month will have a different theme. This event will start on the first day of the month and occur until prizes run out.

Drop-in Dance Party

Children & caregivers join us for a dance party! Monday, March 4, 10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Popcorn and a Movie

(All Ages) Enjoy free popcorn and join us to watch Super Mario Bros!

Monday, March 25, 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Drop-in Craft

Stop by the Schroeder Room to make a craft Tuesdays, 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. **April 9** | May 14

Family Storytime

(All Ages) Stories, songs, fingerplays & flannels. Fridays, 10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. April 12 | May 17

Let's Play Pretend!

(Ages birth - 5 years) Drop-in unstructured play for children and caregivers.

Mondays, 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. April 29 | May 6

Art Gallery Event

(Ages Birth - Grade 5) Come view our art collection made by children in our Artist Gallery program. Saturday, May 25, 2:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

AGES BIRTH-36 MONTHS IN-PERSON PROGRAMS

Minis Meet-Up

(Ages birth - 36 months) Unstructured play for children with their caregiver. No registration required. Tuesdays, 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

March 5, 12, & 26 April 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30 May 7, 14, 21, & 28

Wiggles and Walkers

(Ages birth - 36 months) Babies, toddlers & their caregivers, enjoy a 20 minute early literacy storytime that includes books, rhymes, dancing & bubbles! Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m. - 10:20 a.m. April 3, 10, & 24 | May 8 & 22

AGES 19-36 MONTHS IN-PERSON PROGRAMS

Fine Motor for Tots

(Ages 19-36 months) Come to the Library for your toddler to practice their fine motor skills such as grasping, peeling, threading, and more.

Fridays, 9:00 a.m. - 9:20 a.m. March 8 | April 5 & 26 | May 3

> For more programming for Children, see The Workshop on page 12 of this newsletter.

Move 'n' Groove

(Ages 19 months - 36 months) Sing, dance & enjoy toddler movement activities at the Library.

Fridays, 10:00 a.m. - 10:40 a.m. March 8 | April 5 & 26 | May 3

Tiny Tots

(Ages 19-36 months) Toddlers with their caregiver will enjoy books, music, movement, and a craft Wednesday, March 13 (St. Patrick's Day) Mondays, 10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. April 22 | May 20

Toddler Process Art

(Ages 19-36 months) Art for toddlers with their caregiver.

Monday, April 15, 10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

AGES 3-5 IN-PERSON PROGRAMS

Music and Movement Preschool Storytime (Ages 3 - 5) storytime with fingerplays, rhymes, & songs. Thursdays, 10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. March 7 & 14 | April 11 | May 2 & 16

Preschoolers Learn to Draw

(Ages 3-5) Preschoolers practice pre-writing skills, follow step by step instructions to draw, & present their artwork.

Thursdays, 11:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. March 7 & 14 | April 11 | May 2 & 16

On My Own Preschool Story and Craft

(Ages 3-5) Independent preschool storytime followed by craft. Caregivers will wait in the children's department while child attends storytime.

10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Monday, March 11 Wednesday April 17 Monday May 13

GRADES K-2 IN-PERSON PROGRAMS

Top Hats & Tales (& Tails) Magic Hour (Grades K-2) Join us for a story, a magic trick performance, and learn how to do your own magic trick! Tuesdays from 4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. April 25 | May 9

Yoga!

(Grades K - 2) Yoga mats provided, comfy clothes recommended.

Tuesday, April 30, 5:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

GRADES 3-5 IN-PERSON PROGRAMS

DIY Skincare for Tweens

(Grades 3 - 5) Make your very own DIY skincare items. 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, March 7 - Coffee Body Scrub Wednesday, April 3 - Rich Honey Hand Balm Thursday, May 8 - Rose Bath Bomb

Artists Gallery

(Grades 3 - 5) Tweens will work on themed projects which we will display quarterly in an art gallery night. Saturdays, 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

March 9 | April 13 | May 11

Mario Kart Night

(Grades 3 - 5) Come to the Library & play Mario Kart with other kids. Popcorn and water cups are provided.

5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Monday, March 11 Wednesday April 17 Wednesday May 22



Superhero Science

(Grades 3- 5) Come in to learn some awesome science and enjoy a fun experiment all relating to the wonderful world of superheroes.

Tuesdays, 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

March 12 - Earth Manipulation aka Earth Benders

April 16 - Heat Powers

May 21 - Atomic Shifting

Hero Kids! A Tabletop Adventure

(Grades 3 - 5) Hero Kids, a fantasy RPG with kid friendly content. Thursdays, 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. March 14 | April 11 | May 16

Tabletop Board Game Night!

(Grades 3 - 5) Play board games with others.

Tuesdays, 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. March 26 | April 23 | May 28

Super Smash Bros.

(Grades 3 - 5) Play Super Smash Bros. with others. Popcorn and water provided.

Wednesdays, 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. March 27 | April 24 | May 29

GRADES K-5 IN-PERSON PROGRAMS

Taste Test

(Grades K - 5) Come taste test different and exciting foods at the Library while making new friends!

Saturdays, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

March 2 - Twizzler's Candy

April 6 - Soda Pop May 4 - Cereal

Paint & Sip for Kids

(Grades K - 5) Paint & sip on something delicious!

Mondays, 4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.

March 4 | April 8 | May 6

TAKE HOME PROGRAMS

Paint Your Own

(Grade 3 - 5) Register by the dates listed below to reserve a fun take home paintable.

March 28 | April 18 | May 23

VIRTUAL PROGRAMS - ON FACEBOOK

Crafts with Ms. Nikki on Facebook

(Grades K - 5) Join Ms. Nikki on Facebook to make your own crafts. Pick up supplies at Children's Reference Desk starting the week before the program.

Fridays, 4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. March 22 | April 26 | May 31

Virtually Baking

(Grades 3 - 5) Come in and pick up your own kit for each baking session. No wet or cold ingredients will be provided so be sure to check what you need.

Mondays, 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

March 25 - White Bread

April 22 - Chocolate Chip Cookies

May 20 - Chocolate Brownies

SUBSCRIPTION KITS

Tween Genre Lit Kit

(Grades 3-5) Tween Genre Lit Kits contain a personalized book for Tweens. Fill out an online questionnaire & we'll select a book just for you. Kits also contain a few bookish surprises for you to keep. Register by the 19th of each month.

IN-PERSON CLUBS

Language Club

(Grades 3-5) Learn key words in each language & learn about the country it comes from while enjoying a snack from that country.

Tuesdays, 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

March 5 - Portuguese

April 2 - Japanese

May 7 - Polish

Book Club

(Grades 2-5) Join us at the Library for an informal monthly book discussion with themed snacks!

Thursdays, 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

March 7 - Cookies and Comics

April 4 - Mysteries and Muffins

May 30 - Science Fiction and S'mores

Lego Club

(Grades 3 - 5) Participants will help to build a new set each month that will be displayed in the children's department.

Thursdays from 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

March 28 | April 18 | May 23

Chess and Cookies

(Grades K- Adult) Join others to enjoy the game of chess and eat cookies! All skill levels are welcome.

Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.

March 12 | April 9 | May 14

PLEASE NOTE:

Program registrations start the first of each month into the first week of the following month. Registration is required for each children's program unless otherwise noted.

Children K-5 are strongly encouraged to attend independently in order to support our efforts of encouraging independence, confidence-building, peer relationship-building, and relationships with Library staff.

Parents & caregivers of children under the age of 8 must stay nearby in the Youth Services department for program's duration.

Required. Visit the online event calendar at www. apld.info for details.

IN-PERSON PROGRAMS

D&D Figures in the Workshop (R)

Create D&D Minis with this 2 part series!

Sundays, 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

March 10 - Design Your Own D&D Mini

March 24 - Paint Your Own D&D Mini

Chess and Cookies

(Grades K- Adult) Get together with others to enjoy the classic, fun game of chess and enjoy some cookies! All skill levels are welcome.

PLEASE NOTE: Programs listed with (R)=Registration

Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. March 12 | April 9 | May 14

Teen Library Advisory Board

(Grades 6-12) Get volunteer hours at the Library by helping us assemble craft kits, sharing your ideas for future programs & discussing all things Library.

Thursdays, 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. March 14 | April 11 | May 9



(Grades 6-12) Double elimination tournament. Players must register & spectators are welcome. Players arrive by 4:30 p.m. This is an after-hours program, doors lock at 5:00 p.m.

Friday, March 15, 4:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Board Games for Teens

Play some board games at the Library! Either bring your own or play one of ours!

Monday, March 25, 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

VR Adventure (R)

Spend a half hour in virtual reality! Register and we will give you a call to set up a time slot for you to play. Stop in anytime to watch other players.

Tuesday, March 26, 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Teen Mystery Game (R)

(Grades 6-12) Play different editions of Hunt-a-Killer. Thursday, 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

March 28 | May 16

Tiny Art Show

Join our Tiny Art Show! Use supplies in kit or any you have at home. To be displayed in the Teen Center.

Pick up a tiny art kit starting April 1st Return artwork by April 27th

Art work to be displayed May 1 - May 25

Safe Sitters (R)

(Grades 6-8) This nationally recognized program teaches sitters how to have fun with children & how to recognize & respond to medical emergencies. A \$30 fee is required at time of registration. Bring a sack lunch.

Saturday, April 6, 9:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Korean Skin Care (R)

Come try out some K-beauty products. Come with a clean face!

Wednesday, April 17, 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Middleverse Spring Edition (R)

(Grades 6-12) The Middleverse is a place were teens can come and hang out with friends and be themselves. We'll play themed games, video games and eat food. It's after-hours so be sure to get to the Library before 5:00!

Friday, April 19, 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Junk Journaling

Junk journaling is when you take a mix of materials and mediums to express your creativity in a journal. We will provide material to use and some notebooks, but if you already have one started you can bring that and work on your journal with us!

Tuesday, April 23, 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Got Finals

There are lots of study spaces in the Library! Need a break, come to the Teen Center where we will have some destress activities for you!

Tuesday, May 21 - Thursday, May 23

TAKE HOME

Crochet Minis - Available all month

Pick up a crochet kit, to create each month's tiny critter!

March 1 - Turtle April 1 - Rabbit

May 1 - Dog

GAMING

Simple TTRPG Day

(Grades 6-12) Stop by the Library to try out a different table-top role-playing game (TTRPG) you've never tried before.

Wednesdays 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. March 13 | April 10 | May 8

Let's Play Pokémon! Meetup

(Grades K - Adult) The team at Xtreme Games will be going over the rules of the game and getting everyone comfortable with the different steps of play. Saturdays, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

March 16 | April 20 | May 18

Dungeons and Dragons for Teens (R)

(Grades 6-12) Join fellow adventurers at the Library the third Thursday or fourth Wednesday of every month for Dungeons and Dragons. No RPG experience required!

Group 1 - Thursdays, 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. March 21 | April 18 | May 16

Group 2 - Wednesdays, 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. March 27 | April 24 | May 22

Like & Follow @AntiochpldTeens on Facebook & Instagram for updates on programs, events & more!



Minecraft Mania (R)

(Grades 3-12) Join our server and hang out with us through Zoom! We'll try something different each month. Send your Minecraft username to pmcnatt@apld.info so that you can be admitted into the server. Minecraft: Java Edition required.

Thursdays, 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. March 7 | April 4 | May 2

Try Your Hand (R)

(Grades 6-12) Teens can try their hand at fun projects. Sign-up for a project kit, then watch the how-to video on the Teen Facebook or APLD YouTube channel on specified date.

Mondays

March 18 - Beaded Bracelet April 15 - Sponge Painting May 20 - Hand Quilted Bag

SUBSCRIPTION BOXES



(R) Complete an online questionnaire & we'll select a book just for you. YA Lit Boxes contain a personalized book for you to read & a few bookish surprises for you to keep! Register by the 8th of each month

For more programming for Teens, be sure to check out

THE WORKSHOP

on page 12 of this newsletter.

Plus NEW PROGRAMS

THE STUDIO

on page 13.

CLUBS FOR TEENS



Teen Anime Club

(Grades 8-12) Every Monday, we'll discuss Manga, watch Anime & hang out. Snacks included! Mondays, 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

March 4, 11, 18, & 25 April 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29 May 6, 13, & 20



Teen Fiber Support Group

Hang out in the Teen Center & work on current fiber projects. Our resident expert can teach you one of many fiber crafts.

Saturdays, 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. March 9 | April 6 & 20 | May 4 & 18



Lego Club at the Library

(All Ages) New activities each month, show & tell, Lego discussion, guest speakers & snacks! Saturdays, 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

March 9 | April 13 | May 11



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YA SciFi/Fantasy Book Club

(Grades 6-12) Join us as we talk all things Teen Science Fiction & Fantasy. Snacks & book related pin provided.

Saturdays, 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

March 16 - The Marrow Thieves by Charlie Dimaline

April 20 - Strange the Dreamer by Laini Taylor

May 18 - Dry by Neal Shusterman



Creative Writing Club

(Grades 6-12) Bring in a work-in-progress for us to provide constructive feedback on. **Sundays**, **2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

March 17 | April 21 | May 19







Teen Manga Discussion Group

(Grades 6-12) Join other Manga fans for informal discussion about this month's featured manga. Drop-ins welcome.

Thursdays, 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

March 28 - Komi Can't Communicate by Tomohito Oda

April 25 - Witch Hat Atelier by Kamome Shirahama

May 23 - The Elusive Samurai by Yusei Matsui



PLEASE NOTE: Registration is required for each program unless otherwise noted. If you have registered for a program but can no longer attend, please contact adult services to cancel.

IN-PERSON PROGRAMS

Dungeons and Dragons for Adults

Calling adventurers to play D&D at the Library!

Saturdays, 12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

March 2, 16, & 30 | April 13 & 27 | May 11 & 25

Gentle Yoga

An afternoon of gentle yoga, deep relaxation & reflection. Sundays, 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

March 3 - Reaching towards Spring

April 7- Yoga for April Showers

May 5 - Gentle Yoga for May

Korean Lotus Lantern Workshop

Korean Spirit and Culture Promotion Project's Younhee Shin teaches how to create Korean Lotus Lanterns.

Monday, March 4, 6:00 PM - 7:15 PM

Live Writing - Antioch Writers

Creative writing exploration and discussion in person.

Tuesdays, 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. March 5 | April 2 | May 5

Game Night for Adults Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. March 5 & 19 | April 2 & 16 | May 7 & 21

Sketchbook Club

Bring your own sketchbook!

Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

March 5 | April 2 | May 7

AARP Tax Preparation - By Appointment Only

Volunteers with AARP Tax Aide will be preparing tax returns for seniors and those with low incomes.

Call the Library to schedule an appointment time.

Thursdays, March 7 through April 4

Adult Coloring Hour Thursdays, 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. March 7 | April 4 | May 2

Eleanor Roosevelt: Overcoming Odds, Achieving Greatness

Reenactor and historian Michelle Gibbons teaches about Eleanor Roosevelt's life.

Sunday, March 10, 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Let's Talk About Mental Health - with Dr. Beth

Dr. Beth Rendon of Antioch's Silver Lining Therapeutics Services is at the Library to discuss mental health topics, such as depression and anxiety.

Wednesday, March 13, 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Eagles and Ospreys of Lake County

Learn about the return of ospreys and bald eagles with environmental educator, Holly Garvey.

Thursday, March 14, 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Sign Language for Beginners Sunday, March 17, 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Mid-Day Meditation

Join the mid-day meditation practice and study group. Mondays, 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. March 18 | April 15 | May 20

Traveling the State Parks

Celeste Brown joins us at the Library to talk about her travel to 95 different state parks.

Sunday, March 24, 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Themed Trivia Nights

Test your knowledge of the monthly themes. Team registration required.

Thursdays, 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

March 28: The Office April 18: Friends May 30: Harry Potter

Blood Drive

Vitalant is hosting a blood drive at the Library. Scan the QR code to sign up.

Saturday, March 30, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m



Poetry Walk in the Garden

Take a stroll through our Garden Walk and learn how to write different forms of poetry. This is self-guided and you can stop in the Library for your own poetry journal. **Sunday, April 7, All Day**

Solar Eclipse Viewing

Register online to recieve glasses and then join us on the day to watch the last solar eclipse for the next 45 years.

Monday, April 8, 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

AARP Safe Driving Course

Come to the Library to complete a driver safety course especially designed for drivers 50 and older. Cost of the class is \$20 for AARP members, \$25 for non-members, free if you have United Health Insurance through AARP. Costs payable first day of class. This class is completed by going to both sessions. Registration Required.

Tuesday, April 9 and Wednesday, April 10 9:15 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.

Felt Embroidered Bookmarks

Learn simple embroidery and create a bookmark. Tuesday, April 9, 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Snoopy, Sparky, and the Peanuts: The Life of Charles M. Schulz

Learn about the life of Charles M. Schulz with historical presentor Jim Gibbons.

Wednesday, April 10, 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Lake County Clerk's Office Passport Event

Come to the Library for assistance getting or renewing your passport.

Saturday, April 13, 9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Cultivating Your Family Tree

Dan Junglas, aka the "Family Tree Guy" joins us at the Library to teach about family trees and geneology. Sunday, April 14, 1:30 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.

No Sew T-Shirt Bags

Bring your own t-shirt to upcycle into a bag! Monday, April 15, 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

How to Read a Sewing Pattern - A creativebug Class Join us at the Library to watch and discuss "How to Read a Sewing Pattern" by CreativeBug.

Wednesday, April 17, 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Seed Swap

Bring your seeds and swap them with fellow gardeners! Sunday, April 21, 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Unlock Your Creativity & Inner Wisdom -A Journaling Workshop

Led by Lisa Schab, licensed clinical social worker. Tuesday, April 23, 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Tote Bag Painting

Paint some tote bags at the Library. Must be registered! Thursday, May 2, 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Butterfly Gardening

The Lake County Forest Preserve teaches about butterfly gardening.

Friday, May 3, 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

iPhone and iPad Basics

Very Smart People LLC is coming to the Library to teach a quick class on the basics of iPhones and iPads.

Monday, May 6, 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Scrabble for Seniors

Thursday, May 9, 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Puzzle Exchange

This is a time to swap puzzles & isn't intended as a drop-off. Walk in anytime.

Sunday, May 12, 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Antique Appraisal

John Leonard of Leonard Auctions takes a look at the antiques you bring in.

Monday, May 13, 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

How to Choose a Houseplant - A creativebug Class Come to the Library to watch & discuss this CreativeBug class. Wednesday, May 15, 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Foraging with The Wild Dryad - Shane Alden

Learn about foraging with Shane Alden, aka The Wild Dryad. Sunday, May 19, 1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Rain Gardens 101

Lake County Forest Preserve teaches about Rain Gardens. Friay, May 24, 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

ONLINE PROGRAMS

Antioch Writers Online

Inspire and motivate each other to create our best work. Share your short story, poetry, or even a whole novel. Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. March 19 | April 16 | May 21

SUBSCRIPTION BOX

Adult Lit Box

Sign up by the 20th of each month for our personalized book subscription box for adults.

Movie Mania Subscription Box

Sign up by the 20th of each month for a Movie Mania Box that contains movies and a couple surprises for you to enjoy.

BOOK DISCUSSIONS FOR ADULTS

Book Chat - HYBRID

Mondays, 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

March 4 - White Teeth by Zadie Smith

April 8 - The Patron Saint of Liars by Ann Patchett

May 6 - Birnam Wood by Eleanor Catton

Books & Beverages - IN-PERSON, OFF-SITE

Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.

March 12 - Lessons in Chemistry by Bonnie Garmus, meeting at El Sureño - 40160 N Bluff Lake Rd.

April 9 - The House in the Cerulean Sea by T.J. Klune, meeting at Szechwan Palace- 1144 Main St...

May 14 - Fourth Wing by Rebecca Yarros, meeting at Johnny's Snack Shop - 1500 Main St.

Novel Pleasures - IN-PERSON

Tuesdays, 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

March 19- Beautiful Country by Qian Wang

April 16 - Black Cake by Charmaine Wilkerson

May 21 - Helltown by Casey Sherman

Wickedness, Villainy, & General Misdeeds - IN-PERSON

Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

March 26 - The Paris Apartment by Lucy Foley

April 23 - The Maid by Nita Prose

May 28 - None of This Is True by Lisa Jewell

The Silent Book Club - IN-PERSON

Come socialize, talk about the books you've been reading, and then settle for some quiet reading time.

Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

March 13 | April 10 | May 8

COMPUTER COACH HELP By Appointment only.

Get help with phones, tablets, laptops, apps & social media. See Library event calendar for available dates and times.

PLEASE NOTE: Registration is required for all Workshop programs unless otherwise noted. Registration begins 4-weeks prior to the start of the program, to the hour. 1 guest max.

(A)=Adult (T)=Teen (C)=Children

ALL PROGRAMS IN-PERSON IN THE WORKSHOP



Open Workshop (A)

Create something using our tools. Bring your own materials or select from our supplies (call for cost/availablity).

Saturday, March 2, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Wednesday, March 6, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Saturday, March 16, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Wednesday, March 20, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Monday, March 25, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Saturday, April 6, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Wednesday, April 10, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Monday, April 15, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday, April 24, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Wednesday, May 8, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 a.m.
Tuesday, May 14, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday, May 22, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Garden Marker Laser Engraving (T/A)

Engraved garden markers. Basic computer skills required. Both programs are the same, please register for one date. Saturdays, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. March 2 & March 30

Macrame Shamrock Keychain (T/A)

Create a St. Patrick's Day Keychain. **Tuesday, March 5, 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.**

Homeschool Art Program (C/T)

Join our Homeschooling Art Program for K-12! Waiver required.

Fridays, 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m March 8 & 22 | April 12 & 26 | May 24

Figure Drawing (T/A)

Work on proportions while drawing a live person. **Saturday, March 9, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**

Cricut Spring Cleaning Label Making (A) Create some labels with our Cricut machines. Saturday, March 9, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Crochet 201: Market Bag (T/A)

Follow-up to our Crochet 101 program. Learn how to read a pattern to create a bag to gift or use! (2 session program)

Mondays, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 pm. March 11 & 18 | May 6 & 13

Seasonal Paper Quilling (C/T/A)

Bring a 10x10 shadow box or purchase one for \$10. Each month we'll create a picture to swap out of your shadow box.

Tuesday, March 12, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. - Shamrock Monday, April 22, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. - Rainbow Umbrella Tuesday, May 21, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. - Spring Flowers

Knit and Crochet Meetup at the Library (A)

Bring your knittng or crochet project and come chat with us!

Saturdays, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. March 16 | April 20 | May 18

Knitting 101 (T/A)

Learn the basics and start knitting.

Tuesday, March 19, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 18, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Cricut 101 (A)

Learn about Cricut Design Space & basic techniques. Basic computer skills required.

Saturday, March 23, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m

Acrylic Bookmark

Sewing Machine 101 (T/A)

Bring in your own Sewing Machine or use one of ours & we'll show you how to use it. Please Email kloder@apld.info to reserve a sewing machine.

Saturday, March 23, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 4, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Beaded Dragonfly Pendant (T/A)

Create a unique dragonfly pendant with wire and beads! Sunday, March 24, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Paint N Sip (A)

Come to the Workshop & enjoy a non-alcholic drink on us. Tuesday, March 26, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. - Wagon Wheel Monday, April 29, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. - Rustic Daisies Tuesday, May 28, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. - Spring Daisies

Kids Watercolor & Oil Pastel Spring Painting (C) Kids K-5, create a spring themed painting to take home. Wednesday, March 27, 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Alcohol Ink Experiments (C/T/A)

Come create some DIY alcohol ink decorations. **Saturday, March 30, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

Crochet 101: Washcloth (A)

Learn a basic chain and get started on a simple washcloth. **Monday, April 1, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.**

THE WORKSHOP(continued)

Knitting 201: Small Bag (T/A)

Learn to knit a small bag in this 2 session class. Pattern provided. Yarn and needle requirements will be sent out week before class.

Tuesdays, April 2 & 9, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Paper Beading (C/T/A)

Craft beads using recycled materials. Saturday, April 6, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Recycled Feather Room Decoration (C/T/A)

Recycle jeans into feathers to decorate your room.

Monday, April 8, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Polymer Clay Earrings (T/A)

Make some earrings out of polymer clay to take home! Saturday, April 13, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Air Dry Clay Crafts

Make crafts out of air dry clay.

Saturday, April 13, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. - Pendants (C/T/A) **Tuesday, May 7, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. -** Fairy Doors (T/A)

Upcycled CD Suncatchers (C/T/A)

Use glass paint and paint markers to make some suncatchers.

Tuesday, April 16, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Sewing Machine 102: Tote Bag (T/A)

Bring in your own Sewing Machine or use one of ours & we'll show you how to use it to make a tote bag. Saturday, April 20, 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Rainbow Dot Tray (T/A)

Create a rainbow dot mandala serving tray. Material fee \$4.

Tuesday, April 23, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Spring Banner (A)

Must have taken Cricut 101 or have Cricut experience. Create a cute banner for your space. Saturday, April 27, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

3D Printed Mini Planters (A)

Use Tinkercad to create mini planters to 3D print. Saturday, April 27, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Saturday, May 11, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Intro to CorelDraw (T/A)

Learn how to use the CorelDraw software for our Laser Engraver. Basic computer skills needed. **Tuesday, April 30, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.**

Paper Marbling (T/A)

Create some beautiful paper.

Saturday, May 11, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Alcohol Ink Washer Windchime (T/A)

Create a windchime to decorate your garden. Monday, May 20, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

To set up an appointment to use The Workshop's equipment (3D Printer, Cricut, laser engraver), contact Krystal by calling 847-395-0874.



Take a look at these NEW! Studio programs for Adults and Teens that were created to help you learn about what our Studio has to offer.



NEW! Adult Studio Programs

Learn about what our Studio has to offer for adults!

Wednesdays, 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. March 20: Adobe Suite Overview

April 17: Video Editing - Adobe Premiere 101

May 22: Photo Editing - Photoshop 101

NEW! Teen Studio Programs

Learn about what our Studio has to offer for teens!

Wednesdays, 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

March 27 - Make Your Own Chiptune Game Music

April 24 - Create Your Own Pixelart!

May 29 - Godot Game Making Session

To set up an appointment to use The Studio's equipment (audio equipment, greenscreen, etc.) contact Sam by calling 847-395-0874.

The Antioch Library Friends



The Antioch Library Friends (ALF) is a non-profit organization founded in 1985 that supports the Antioch Public Library District through volunteer services and fundraising events. ALF funds many Library programs and projects with proceeds from our used book store located in the front of the Antioch Library, our yearly book sale, as well as our membership dues.

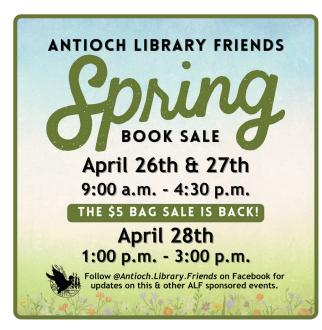
ALF 2023, Year End Review

In 2023 the Antioch Library Friends supported many Library services. This year's subscription to Freegal Music Download and Streaming service is half funded by the Friends. They contributed to making our Grand Opening Event in the Spring a great success. They purchased the gorgeous rug and toddler play area for our Schroeder Room, that the little ones enjoy every week. In all, they gave the Library over \$11,000 last year. By purchasing from their Used Book Shop, you are supporting their efforts to make the Antioch Public Library District a hub of our community. The Library Board and Staff want to express our constant appreciation for all that the Friends do for us!

Want to Hear More About the Friends & How You Can Get Involved?

Join in on one of their upcoming meetings, held in the lower level of the Library on the first Thursday of every month at 10:00 a.m.

Upcoming Meeting Dates: March 7 | April 4 | May 2



Prepare YourShelves

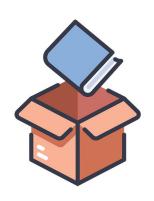
The Antioch Library Friends **HUGE** Spring Book Sale will take place **April 26th - 28th with the return of the \$5 bag sale on April 28th!**Bags provided by the Friends.

Don't miss this season's opportunity to refresh those book shelves with some great bargains. The Friends will be raffling off themed gift baskets as part of the book sale—come see what they've got and enter for a chance to win!

Are you a business or individual interested in donating a themed gift basket? Please contact Amy Blue at the Library ablue@apld.info or 847-395-0874 ext. 9059, and she will put you in touch with the Friends member who is coordinating the effort.

Donations Accepted

The Antioch Library Friends is currently accepting donations of lightly used books in resellable condition. Please bring them to the Library Circulation Desk during Library business hours. If you have more than a box, feel free to pull around to Williams Street and use the phone there to call and someone will let you in to unload. We regret that we cannot accept items in poor condition, those with an odor, coffee table books, textbooks, encyclopedias, magazines, coloring books, computer books & puzzles.





Evenings with an Author: LIVE

Illinois Libraries Present provides premier online events to participating Libraries by connecting communities and audiences across the state through shared event experiences. These events are presented online, via Zoom, so that those in attendance can watch and listen from the comfort of their own home. There is no fee to attend, however; registration is required. Visit the online event calendar to register through the Illinois Libraries Present website or call the Library for assistance in registering.



Ruth E. Carter: Interweaving Tradition and Imagination Through Costume Design Wednesday, March 20 | 7 PM

Join us for a special event with Ruth E. Carter, two-time Academy Award-winning costume designer. Carter made history as the first Black person to win an Academy Award in Best Costume Design for the film, *Black Panther*. She received a second Academy Award in the same category for *Black Panther: Wakanda Forever*.





The Hidden Gifts of Visual Thinkers with Dr. Temple Grandin Wednesday, April 3 | 7PM

Join us for a special event with Dr. Grandin, one of the world's most accomplished and well-known adults with autism. Dr. Grandin has been at the forefront of research and activism for autism and neurodiversity for decades.





The Many Lives of Kal Penn Thursday, May 7 | 7 PM

Kal Penn (kalpenn.com) is an actor, writer, producer, and former Associate Director of the White House Office of Public Engagement. He is known for his starring roles in *Designated Survivor*, *House*, Mira Nair's *The Namesake*, the *Harold & Kumar* franchise, and the Christmas comedy *The Santa Clauses* for Disney+. His first book *You Can't Be Serious* was released on November 2, 2021 from Simon and Schuster/Gallery Books. He also narrates the audiobook.



For updates on future Illinois Libraries Present virtual programs, be sure to check out the forthcoming APLD Summer Newsletter or follow us on Facebook and Instagram @AntiochPLD for program and event updates.

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BOARD MEETINGS

(Always Open to the Public) Tuesdays at 7 p.m. March 26 | April 30 | May 28

> **CLOSURES EASTER** Sunday, March 31

STAFF IN-SERVICE DAY Friday, May 10

> **MEMORIAL DAY** Sunday, May 26 Monday, May 27

ECRWSS CURRENT RESIDENTIAL AND BUSINESS CUSTOMERS









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Coming Soon! Roku & Hotspot Bundles

No more need to try and schedule getting a Roku and Hotspot at the same time. We will have four Roku Hotspot Bundles for checkout. These Rokus will come with Netflix. Hulu, Disney+, and ESPN (no child restrictions).

Hotspots can still be used for connecting other devices as well besides the Roku if you need to.