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It's a party and
EVERYONE
is invited—
especially you!

Summer Reading Pops up June 1

EVERY
ONE

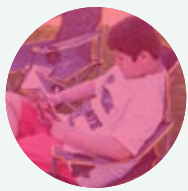

All ages! Yes, that means babies and toddlers, too, and the grown-ups who love them.

All types of readers!
EVERY
ONE




Love to read? Keep track of your reading and earn some great prizes.*

Yes, that means books, and newspapers, and audiobooks, and phones.



Don't like to read? Do some fun activities and participate your own way.



We're here to help you have an amazing time so let's chat about how to make it work for you.

*Prizes reserved for Skokie residents or those who attend a K-12 school in Skokie.
First-come, first-served while supplies last.



Beginner's Guides

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AAPI

Asian American & Pacific Islander Heritage Month events

JAHM

Jewish American Heritage Month events

PRIDE

Pride events

JUNE

Juneteenth events

IHM

Immigrant Heritage Month events

Monday to Friday, 9 am to 9 pm

Saturday, 9 am to 6 pm

Sunday, noon to 6 pm

Closed Monday, May 27

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Want an introduction to a type of book you haven't read much, or any, of before?

We're producing guides to help you find your bearings, along with suggested titles staff have enjoyed and think will spark new discoveries for you. Dive in and see what new discoveries you can make!

Audiobooks

Horror fiction

Manga

Mystery fiction

Romance

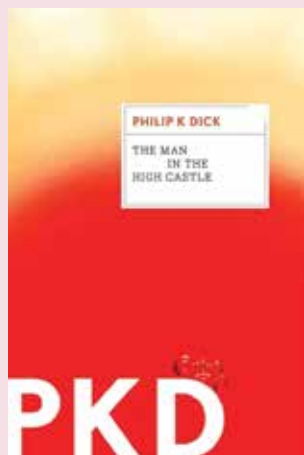
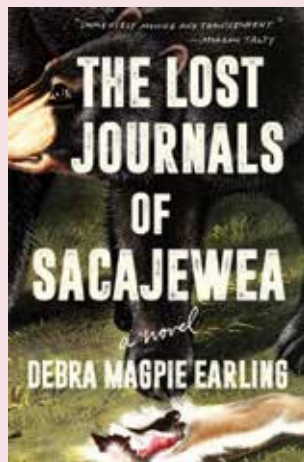
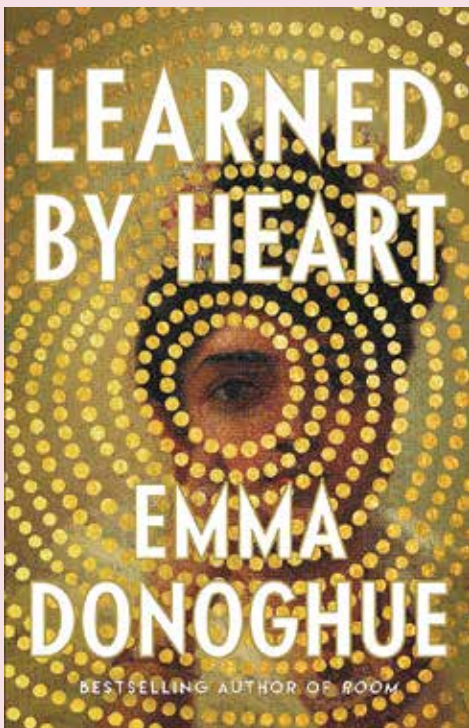
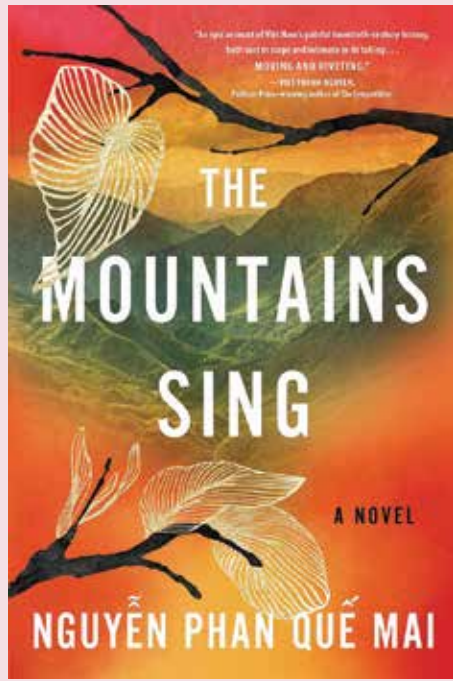
Thrillers

Young adult fiction

World cinema



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Beginner's Guide: Historical Fiction

This is our latest guide, and in it, we make an attempt at a definition and discuss the difference between “historical” and “contemporary.”

We talk about why staff members enjoy historical fiction: Michelle and Rummanah like novels that are rich in historical detail; Brenna loves seeing how generations of families interact and change over time; and Vinny says, “I feel like I can learn something about a topic or a time period I’m interested in without reading a textbook!”

Some readers of historical fiction appreciate learning about real people and lesser-known historical events, while others prefer the historical ambience. Historical fiction provides a great gateway to learning about history through a personal lens. As readers, we get a close look at what might have happened in a particular time. Enjoy the full guide online, along with suggested titles and why we picked them.

KIDS & FAMILIES

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

Together Time

Age 0–23 months

Wednesdays, 10–11:30 am

Preschool Puppet Playtime

Wednesdays, May 1, June 5
10:30–11 am (online)

STEAM Engines

Age 5–10

Thursday, May 2
4:30–5:15 pm

Tween Advisory Group

Friday, May 3
5:30–6:30 pm

Family Movie

Wish

Saturday, May 4, 1–3 pm



AAPI Adventure Club

South Korea

Grade K–3

Tuesday, May 7, 4:30–5:15 pm

AAPI Charting the Stars and Waters

Ancient Polynesian Wayfinding

Age 6–10

Thursday, May 9, 4:30–5:30 pm

Cicada-pocalypse

Friday, May 10, 4:30–5:30 pm

Saturday, May 18, 2–3 pm

Lego Party

Mondays, May 13, June 10, 4:30–5:30 pm

Pokémon Club

Age 7–12

Tuesdays, May 14, June 11, 4:30–5:30 pm

Graphic Novel Hangout

Age 7–11

Wednesday, May 15

Thursday, June 20

4–5:30 pm

Needle Felting for Tweens

Thursday, May 16

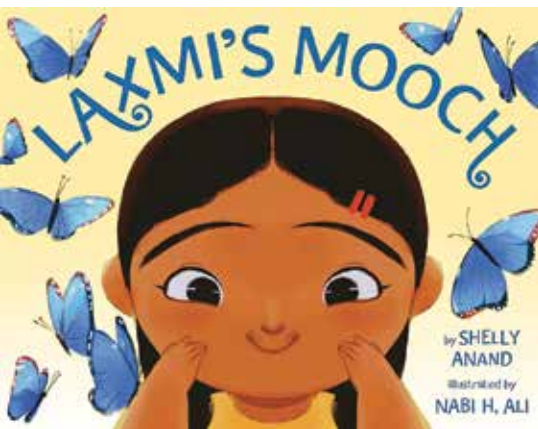
4:30–5:30 pm



Early Entry to the Kids Room
Children and Teens with Disabilities
Sundays, 11 am–noon
May 19, June 16

AAPI **Be the Scientist**
High-Rise Architecture
Grade 3–5
Tuesday, May 21, 4:30–5:15 pm

Celebrate 143 Day with Mister Rogers
Age 2–13
Thursday, May 23, 4:30–5:30 pm



AAPI **Rockin' Readers: Laxmi's Mooch**
Age 5–10
Thursday, May 23
6–7 pm

Learning at the Library: Hello, Homeschoolers
Tuesdays, May 28, 10 am–noon
June 25, 1–3 pm



IHM **Family Origin Stories**
Age 6–12
Saturday, June 1, 3–4:30 pm
Tuesday, June 4, 6:30–8 pm

Nature Play
Age 5 and younger
Mondays in June, 10–11 am

Preschool Fun
Tuesdays in June, 10–10:30 am

Astronaut Tea Party
Age 5–11
Tuesday, June 4, 4:30–5:30 pm



PRIDE **Rainbow Art and Science**
Age 6–10
Thursday, June 6
4:30–5:15 pm

Wings of Fire Trivia
Age 8–12
Fridays, 4:30–6 pm

The Dragonet Books **Jade Mountain Books**
June 7 June 21

Library Fun at the Farmer's Market
Sunday, June 9, 10:30–11 am

Your Family, Your Library
Caregiver Conversation
Thursday, June 13, 7–8 pm



Storytimes

Book Babies

Babies to 11 months
who are not yet walking

Wednesdays, 9:30–9:50 am

Wonderful Ones

Age 1

Wednesdays, 10–10:20 am

Family Fun Storytime

Wednesdays, 6:30–7 pm
(through June 5)

Terrific Twos

Age 2

Thursdays in May
10–10:30 am or 11–11:30 am

Weekend Storytime

Saturdays in May, 10:30–11 am



JAHM

Bilingual Storytime and Craft: Hebrew

Tuesday, May 14, 6:30–7:15 pm

Saturday Family Storytime

Saturdays in June, 10–10:30

Stories and Savasana

Thursdays starting June 6, 10:30–11 am

Melody and Motion Storytime

Fridays starting June 7, 10–10:30 am

PRIDE

Drag Story Hour

Saturday, June 8, 1–2 pm

PRIDE

Be You Storytime

Thursday, June 20, 6:30–7:30 pm

IHM

Our Stories: Immigrant Storytime and Craft

Age 4–10

Monday, June 24, 6:30–7:30 pm

Snack Attack: Summer Blast

Age 8–12

Friday, June 14, 5:30–6:30 pm

STEAM-splasion

Age 6–11

Saturday, June 15, 1:30–2:30 pm

JUNE

What Is Juneteenth?

Monday, June 17, 6:30–8 pm

Make and Paint with Tempera: For Tweens

Friday, June 20, 2:30–3:30 pm

Climate Change STEAM Projects for Families

Saturday, June 22, 2–3 pm

Tween Advisory Group

Friday, June 28, 5:30–6:30 pm

Cars: 'Drive-in' Movie

Age 4–8 for cardboard cars—
movie for all ages

Saturday, June 29
3–5:45 pm



GREAT BOOKS FOR KIDS

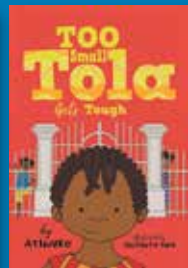
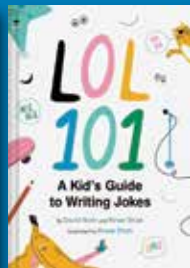
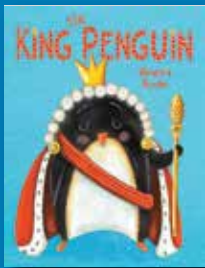
We love choosing wonderful books for kids every year. See them all at skokiellibrary.info/summer-reads



BREEZY READS



GRADES
K-2



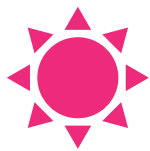
COOL READS



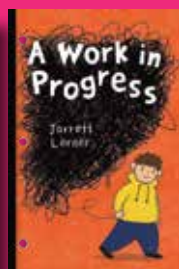
GRADES
3-5



HOT SUMMER READS



GRADES
6-8



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.skokiellibrary.info.

AAPI **AAPI Representation in Media**
Article Discussion and Service Project
Sunday, May 5, 2–3 pm

College Knowledge
Cosponsored by Oakton College
Monday, May 6, 4:30–5:15 pm (online)

Tour The Talking Farm
Saturday, May 11, 11 am–12:30 pm

Guided Meditation for Teens
Monday, May 13, 5–6 pm

Bike Maintenance with the Recyclery

Bring your own bike for maintenance advice if time permits.

Thursday, May 23
5:30–6:30 pm

JAHM **LGBTQ Jewish Heroes**
PRIDE Sunday, June 9, 1–3 pm

Bookworms:
Teen Summer Service
Fridays, June 14, 21, 28
3–4:30 pm

PRIDE **Pride Party**
Friday, June 21, 5–7 pm

IHM **International Game Night**
Friday, June 28, 5–7 pm

FOR ADULTS



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

ESL Café

Wednesdays, 12:30–2 pm

Bookmobile Plant Swap

Saturday, May 11

Hamlin Park
11 am–12:30 pm

Lawler Park
2–3:30 pm



The Story of a Painting: Whistler's Mother

Thursday
May 2
2–3 pm

Artistic Discovery Competition Celebration

Monday, May 13, 6–7:30 pm



Entrenamiento de conocimiento de salud mental de jóvenes

Part One: Monday, May 13, 6–7 pm
Part Two: Monday, May 20, 6–7 pm

The Many Lives of Kal Penn

Tuesday, May 7, 7–8 pm (online)

Design Swap and Showcase

Thursdays, 7–7:30 pm

JAHM

Designs for Jewish American Heritage Month

May 9

PRIDE

Designs for Pride

June 6

Low Vision Support Group

Tuesdays, May 14, June 11, 1:30–2:30 pm

Six Steps to a More Profitable Business

Wednesday, May 15, 7–8 pm (online)

AAPI

Let's Talk about Asian Cuisines

Thursday, May 16, 6–7 pm

Sharing Our Life Stories and Oral History: Part Two

Thursday, May 9, 7–8:30 pm

Introduction to Yoga

Fridays, May 17, June 21, 1–2 pm



Tour The Talking Farm

Saturday, May 11, 11 am–12:30 pm



Artist Reception: Priscilla Huang

Sunday, May 19, 1:30–3 pm

**So You Want to Write a Book:
From Idea to Shelf to Reader**

Tuesday, May 21, 6:30–8 pm

Youth Mental Health 101

Thursday, May 23, 7–9 pm (online)

**IHM Practice Citizenship Interviews
with HIAS**

Tuesday, June 4, 6:30–8 pm

Job Search AI

Tuesday, June 4, 7–8 pm (online)



JUNE

**Fair Housing
in Skokie:
Past and Present**

Tuesday, June 11
6–8 pm

Article Discussion: A Knife Forged in Fire

Tuesday, June 11, 7–8:30 pm

Domestic Violence 101

Wednesday, June 12, 2–3 pm

JUNE

Black Excellence

How Music Helped Us
Strive, Thrive, and Resist

Thursday, June 13, 1–2 pm

Reading Party

Thursday, June 13, 3–4 pm

Tuesday, June 18, 6:30–7:30 pm



**Juneteenth Community
Celebration 2024:
My Brother's Keeper**

Saturday, June 15, 3–7 pm

JUNE

IHM

Share Your Immigration Story

Thursday, June 20, 6–7:30 pm

JUNE

**Celebrating Juneteenth:
Music by African-American Composers**

Sunday, June 23, 4:30 pm

Versiti Blood Drive

Tuesday, June 25, 1:30–6 pm

PRIDE

Drag Bingo

Thursday, June 27, 7–8 pm

JUNE

Implicit Bias Training

Sunday, June 30, 1–2 pm

Book Discussions and Book Talks

Book Trails Walking Club

Wednesdays, 4:30–5:30 pm
May 8, June 12

LitLounge

Wednesdays, 7:30–9 pm
(online)

AAPI

Yellowface
May 8

The Confessions of
Frannie Langton
June 12

Talking Books Discussion Group

Wednesdays, 1:30–2:30 pm

JAHM

The Matchmaker's Gift
May 15

IHM

Things We Lost to the Water
June 19

Genres on My Mind

Young Adult Books

Wednesday, May 29, 2–2:30 pm (online)

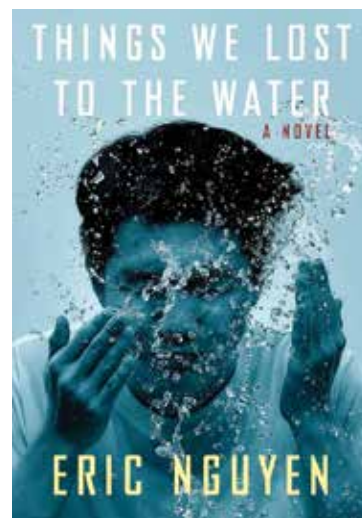
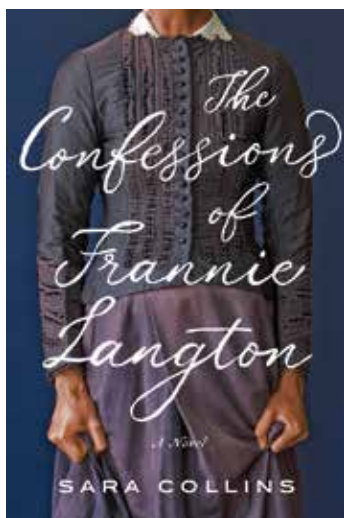
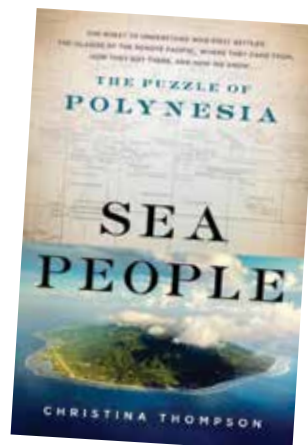
Young Adult Mysteries and Thrillers

Monday, June 24, 2–2:30 pm (online)

Pages through History

Sea People:
The Puzzle of Polynesia

Wednesday
May 29
7–9 pm



Movies (drop in)

Friday Film

Fridays at 1:30 pm and 6:30 pm

Indiana Jones and
the Dial of Destiny
May 10
(1:30 and 6 pm)

The Holdovers
June 14

What's Love Got
to Do with It?
June 28

JUNE

The Color
Purple
May 24

Morning Movie

Wednesdays at 10 am

Next Goal Wins
May 15

The Marvels
June 19



Movie Night

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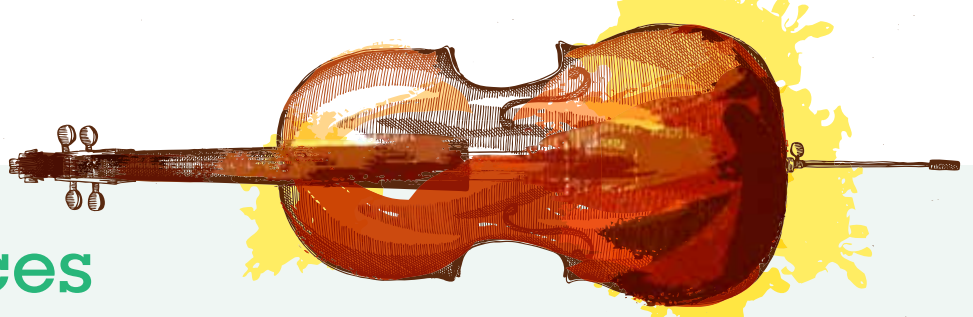
Past Lives
Tuesday, May 7, 6:30 pm
Wednesday, May 22, 6:30 pm

Loving
Thursday, June 13, 6:30 pm

PRIDE

Signature Move
Tuesday, June 18, 6:30 pm





Performances

Tickets for Sunday concerts given to those present starting at 2:30 pm

Young Steinway Concert Series

Showcasing talented young performers of classical music

Sundays at 3 pm

Clare Rong, Piano, and Ella Wimbiscus, Cello
May 5

Danielle Lam, Piano, and Jeffery Tong, Cello
May 19

Eric Wang, Piano, and Zhaust Duo
June 2

Technology Classes

One-on-One Tech Help

Mondays and Wednesdays, 2–4 pm

Introduction to Smart Speakers with Voice Assistants

Thursday, May 2
5:30–7 pm



Google Slides for Beginners

Saturday, May 4, 10:30–11:30 am

Navigating Your iPhone

Thursday, May 30, 11 am–12:30 pm

Microsoft Word 2021 for Beginners

Friday, May 31, 11 am–12:30 pm



Microsoft Excel 2021 for Beginners

Saturday, June 1, 10:30–11:30 am



Introduction to Job Search Websites

Thursday, June 6, 5:30–7 pm

Exploring Instagram

Sunday, June 9, 12:30–2 pm



Microsoft PowerPoint 2021 for Beginners

Tuesday, June 11, 3–4:30 pm

Finding Consumer Information with Library Resources

Friday, June 14, 2–3:30 pm

Computer Basics: Mouse and Keyboard Navigation

Sunday, June 16, 12:30–2 pm



Library Basics in Urdu: Website and Catalog

Wednesday, June 19, 5:30–7 pm

PhotoPea: Free Alternative to Photoshop

Monday, June 24, 3–4:30 pm

Create a Resume Using Microsoft Word

Thursday, June 27, 5:30–7 pm



One-on-One Tech Help on the Bookmobile

Saturday, May 4

Terminal Park
11 am–12:30 pm

Crain St and Terminal Ave
2–3:30 pm

Scams and Phishing: Staying Safe Online

Tuesday, May 7, 3–4:30 pm

Edit, Share, and Organize Your Photos

Thursday, May 9, 3–4:30 pm

Exploring Facebook Marketplace

Wednesday, May 15, 3–4:30 pm

Organizing Your Google Email

Wednesday, May 22, 5:30–7 pm

RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMER



Get
a jump
on your
summer reading
in this library-wide
event for all ages that
includes activities,
book talks, treats,
and giveaways.

JUMP-START YOUR SUMMER READING

Thursday, May 30, 6:30–8 pm

READING PARTY

Thursday, June 13, 3–4 pm
Tuesday, June 18, 6:30–7:30 pm

Grab
a book and
meet us in the
South Courtyard.
We'll provide snacks
and recommendations
for great summer
reads. All ages
welcome.

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