



LIBRARY NEWS

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“Creating a City of Lifelong Learners”

Celebrate the Holiday Season at NCPL!



This holiday season, celebrate with us at North Chicago Public Library!

The holiday season is upon us once again, and we at North Chicago Public Library are here to help you celebrate! All throughout December and January we will be offering holiday and seasonal focused programs for you and your children to enjoy and to get you into the holiday spirit.

For children, during the month of December we will be baking Christmas cookies, making Christmas cards and ornaments, assembling winter crafts, having a Kwanzaa story time, and showing the Christmas animated classic *How the Grinch Stole Christmas*.

For adults, we will be offering several holiday themed craft events; on Tuesday, December 18th, patrons can design their own

custom gift tags to put a thoughtful and personal flourish to the presents they give this Christmas. Additionally, we will hold a wreath making program where participants can design their own holiday wreaths to decorate their homes on Wednesday, December 19th. Finally, an adult Christmas movie will be screened on Thursday, December 20th.

All programs are free of charge. Registration is appreciated in order to give us a rough idea of how many people to accommodate. To see the dates and times of all of our programs for the winter, please see page three of this newsletter.

An Author's Impressions of the Local Authors Showcase at NCPL



By Jacqueline Harris

On October 27, 2018, the Friends of the North Chicago Public Library sponsored a local author meet, greet, and book signing, and I was very proud to take part in the endeavor. My name is Jacqueline Nicole Harris; I am a North Chicago resident, an author, a performance poet, and a Friend of the North Chicago Library. The Local Author Meet and Greet event was the first of its kind at our public library, and it was a huge success.

As an author, I know that writing anything can be a solitary process. However, everyone has a story or testimony of their own, whether they choose to share it or not. At this event, 18+ writers participated in person with their books in tow. I was overjoyed to see all the authors from different takes and backgrounds who had work to share. If I garnered anything from this experience, it is that North Chicago is a city of unspoken potential and with a high caliber of talent; we should be proud. We need to have more events like the Authors Meet and Greet to boost library patronage. Not to mention, it was just so much fun.

Behind the scenes, each member of the FNCPL did their part to ensure that the Authors' event ran smoothly. After getting off to a somewhat rocky start, all the authors were in place, and many patrons came

to peruse and purchase their books. A special thanks must go to Mrs. Caroline Harrington, library trustee, for catering the event with delicious food, and another thank you must go to the staff of the North Chicago Public Library for giving their time and resources before, during, and after the event.

On a personal note, I can already see I am going to enjoy being a part of the Friends of the North Chicago Public Library. So far it has been good, and I know that this will be a way for me to actively give back to my community. I would like to send a personal thanks to Betty Fisher, Evetta Barrett, and Delores Clark for letting me join and be an active part of the FNCPL.

It may sound cliché, but if I learned anything from the October 27th Authors' event it is that our community has the ability to accomplish great things when we work together, and North Chicago is a more interesting place to live than it appears on the surface.



Like and follow us on Facebook!
We update our page several times a week with the latest news and library events, so be sure to check it out!

Notice: The North Chicago Public Library will be closed on December 24th, December 25th, and January 1st in observance of the holidays.

Library Events

Note: Registration is required to attend events. To register, call 847-689-0125 or speak to a librarian.

Children

Make Christmas Ornaments and Cards

Saturday, December 15th, 1:00PM to 2:00PM

Wednesday, December 19th, 3:00PM to 5:00PM

Bring your children to the library where we'll be making Christmas ornaments and Christmas cards! For ages 4 through 15.

Program Robots

Every Thursday from 3:00PM-5:00PM

Every Tuesday in December from 3:00PM-5:00PM

Help your children learn the basics of coding by having them program robot toys! We'll be offering Sphero balls and Ozobots for your kids to experiment with and learn from. Recommended for ages 11 and up.

Kwanzaa Story Time and Craft

Thursday, December 27th, 10:30AM-11:30AM

Bring your kids to the library where we'll be learning about Kwanzaa and having a Kwanzaa themed craft! For ages 3 through 12.

How the Grinch Stole Christmas

Thursday, December 27th, 2:00PM to 4:00PM

We'll be screening the original 1966 animated classic, How the Grinch Stole Christmas! Bring your kids down to the library and let them experience this classic bit of pop culture on our big screen projector!

Make Snow Globes

Saturday, January 5th, 1:00PM-2:00PM

Bring your kids to the library where we'll be providing them with jars and materials to make their very own snow globes! Registration is greatly appreciated in order to ensure we have enough materials on hand for everyone. For ages 3 and up.

Snow Crafts and Ice Experiment

Saturday, January 19th, 1:00PM-2:00PM

Bring your kids to our snow crafts event where we'll build a snowman, make a snowman craft, and conduct an educational ice experiment! For ages 4 and up.

Winter Crafts

Every Tuesday in January, 3:00PM-5:00PM

Bring your kids to the library on Tuesdays in January where we'll be making assorted winter themed crafts! For ages 3 and up.

Teens

Anime Club

Tuesday, January 29th, 3:45-5:45PM

Like anime? Want something to do after school? Come to the library on the last Tuesday of every month and watch anime, read manga, make anime crafts, draw your favorite characters, eat Japanese snacks, and hang out with your friends. For ages 12 through 18.

Adults

Design Custom Gift Tags

Tuesday, December 18th, 6:00PM-7:30PM

Want to add an extra bit of flair and personality to your gifts? Come to the library the week before Christmas and design your own custom gift tags to give your presents that extra bit of care!

Make Your Own Holiday Wreath

Wednesday, December 19th, 6:00PM-7:30PM

Come to the library on Wednesday night after work and learn how to assemble and design your own holiday wreath! Instructions and materials will be provided to everyone who participates. There is no charge to attend, but space is limited, so please register in advance.

Adult Christmas Movie

Thursday, December 20th, 6:00PM to 7:30PM

The Thursday before Christmas, come to the library after work where we'll be screening a classic Christmas movie! Hot chocolate will also be served.

Adult Book Club: Enemies in Love

Saturday, January 12th, 1:00PM to 2:00PM

This month the NCPL book club will be reading the nonfiction book *Enemies in Love*, which recounts the true story of the romance between a black nurse and a German POW during WW2. Those interested in participating may check out a copy of the book at the reference desk. Refreshments will be served during the meeting.

Homemade Frozen Yogurt Social

Saturday, January 26th, 11:00AM to 12:00PM

Come to the library where we'll be demonstrating how to make your own frozen yogurt! Freshly made frozen yogurt and coffee will be served while supplies last. First come, first serve.

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★ TO VOTE ★
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The North Chicago Public Library is an official voting registration site. To register, please bring state ID and proof of residence to the front desk. For more information, please call 847-689-0125 to speak to a librarian.



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STILL NEED A LIBRARY CARD??

It's easy! Bring *two* forms of identification to the Circulation Desk: one must be a photo ID (driver's license or State ID) and the second form must be a billing statement with your name and address, dated within the last two months.

Hours of Operation:

Monday-Thursday: 9:00 a.m. to 7:45 p.m.
Friday & Saturday: 9:00 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.
Sundays: CLOSED

