

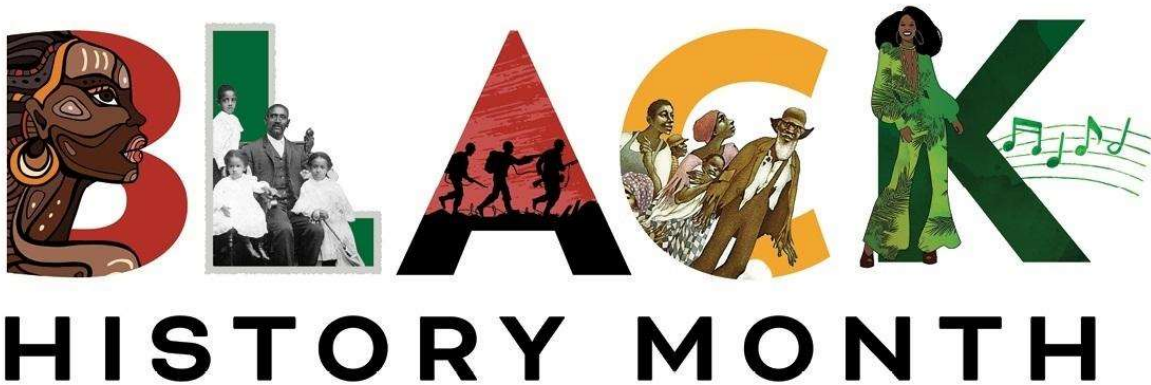
LIBRARY NEWS

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“Creating a City of Lifelong Learners”

Celebrating Black History Month at NCPL



Don't miss these great events!

Black History Month is right around the corner, and we here at North Chicago Public Library are proud to bring you several quality programs and events celebrating African American history, art, and achievement. Our biggest event of the month will be a celebration of Soul and Motown music on Saturday, February 25th, at 1:00PM. William Hutchison and his Band of Brothers will play a two hour live set for your enjoyment. Pizza will be served on a first come, first serve basis. There is no charge to attend.

The following Monday on the 27th at 7:00PM, we will have a very special presentation from Connie Martin about the Underground Railroad, safe routes, and the stories of how “quilt codes,” their meanings, and knowledge of key abolitionists have been passed down to her,

a sixth-generation descendant of captured African slaves. There is no charge to attend, but registration is appreciated.

Additionally, we will be having movie matinees on Saturdays in February showcasing films by Black creators such as Spike Lee, Gina Prince-Bythewood, and more. Light refreshments will be served for all who attend. Registration is appreciated.

Finally, for February's book club, we will be reading “Assata,” the autobiography of Assata Shakur which follows her journey from becoming a Black liberation fighter, to being imprisoned on flimsy evidence, and her eventual escape. To register for the book club and get your copy of “Assata” please see the Reference Librarian.

Library Events

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

Children/Teens

Gaming Days

Monday and Wednesdays, 3:00PM to 4:30PM

For grades 6-12, come to the library and checkout our new VR headset or enjoy 4 player party games on the Nintendo Switch! A school ID is required.

Storytime for Kids

every Tuesday* and Thursday at 10:30AM

Join the Children's Librarian for an enriched thematic storytime with craft, art, and/or songs.

*Note: on days the Kohl's Children's Museum is presenting a children's learning lab, there will not be a storytime.

Valentine's Day Craft

Wednesday, February 8th, 2:30PM-4:30PM

Bring your child to the library after school where we will be making Valentine's Day cards and crafts!

Kohl's Museum Mobile Learning Lab

Tuesday, February 14th, 9:30AM-11:30AM

Tuesday, March 21st, 9:30AM-11:30AM

Join the Kohl's Museum Mobile Learning Lab and learn about various STEM themes for preschoolers.

Kid's Board Game Night

Thursday, February 16th, 5:00PM-7:00PM

For grades 6-8. Come to the library where we'll be playing

Adults

English Conversation Practice

Every Wednesday, 5:00PM to 6:30PM

Want to practice your English in a comfortable, relaxed setting? Look no further! Come exercise your conversational skills with native and non-native English speakers! All are welcome.

Saturday Movie Matinee

Saturday, February 4th, 11th, and 18th, 2:00PM

Come to the library on Saturday afternoons where we'll be showcasing critically acclaimed films by Black creators such as Spike Lee's "Do the Right Thing" and Gina Prince-Bythewood's "The Woman King."

Adults (continued)

Job Center on the Move

Monday, February 6th, 11:00AM-1:00PM

Monday, February 27th, 11:00AM-1:00PM

Monday, March 6th, 11:00AM-1:00PM

Monday, March 20th, 11:00AM-1:00PM

Meet with a Job Center representative one-on-one to work on the next steps in your career. Choose from a menu of custom services when you register:

- Discuss your career transition
- Develop or customize your resume
- Connect with funding or training
- Explore paid work experience (internship) options
- Learn about growing businesses in your area

Loteria: Mexican Bingo en Español

Saturday, February 11th, 11:00AM-1:00PM

Come to the library and play loteria, a Mexican style bingo game. Note: all games will be conducted in Spanish. To register, see Leah in circulation.

Adult Book Club

Saturday, February 18th, 10:00AM-11:00AM

For Black History Month, we will be reading Assata Shakur's autobiography "Assata" which follows her journey from becoming a Black liberation fighter, to being imprisoned on flimsy evidence, and her eventual escape. To register for the book club and get your copy of "Assata" please see the Reference Librarian.

Blood Drive

Monday, February 20th, 1:00PM to 6:00PM

We'll be having a blood drive the third Monday of the month. All presenting donors will receive a coupon for a free Papa John's one topping pizza. Before donating be sure to eat well, hydrate, and bring your ID. Walk-ins are welcome but appointments are recommended. To make an appointment, call 877-258-4825.

Live Soul Music and Pizza

Saturday, February 25th, 12:30PM-3:00PM

In celebration of Black History Month, the library will host William Hutchison and his Band of Brothers who will play a two-hour Soul and Motown themed set from 1:00PM to 3:00PM. Pizza will be served in the community room starting at 12:30PM on a first come first serve basis and continue to be served while supplies last.