



LIBRARY NEWS

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“Creating a City of Lifelong Learners”

Checkout the New NCPL Podcast!



We are pleased to announce that North Chicago Public Library now has its very own podcast! Hear the latest news about upcoming library events, learn about newly added library services, and find out what’s happening in the North Chicago community! Each episode will also feature NCPL director Lou Carlile interview someone within the North Chicago community. For the most recent episode, Director Lou Carlile will interview the North Chicago Community Information Coordinator Hombre Darby about upcoming city initiatives. Last month’s episode saw the Director give an overview of the life and accomplishments of the late Lake County Commissioner and former North Chicago resident, Audrey Nixon.

The North Chicago Public Library podcast is currently available on Spotify, Apple Podcasts, and Amazon. Please consider subscribing!

Celebrating Black History Month



It’s Black History Month, and we here at North Chicago Public Library will be celebrating by screening some of our favorite documentaries. The first documentary we’ll be showing is the Black Power Mixtape, chronicling the Black power movement from 1967 to 1975. The film includes rare footage and interviews shot during the 60’s and 70’s of Angela Davis, Stokely Carmichael, Black Panther Party founders Huey P. Newton and Bobby Seale, and many other influential Black activists. We will screen the documentary in the library on Saturday, February 17th, at 1:00PM.

The second documentary we will show is I Am Not Your Negro, the academy award nominated film directed by Raoul Peck and narrated by Samuel L Jackson. The documentary envisions James Baldwin’s unfinished book Remember This House and utilizes Baldwin’s original words alongside a flood of rich archival material. The result is a radical examination of race in America from the civil rights movement to Black Lives Matter. The film will be shown on Saturday, February 24th, at 1:00PM.

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

Library Events

Children

Family Board Game Night

Thursday, February 15th, 5:00PM-7:00PM

Bring your family to the library on Thursday where we'll be providing a wide array of board games as well as snacks!

Children's Storytime and Craft

February 20th and 27th 10:30AM-11:00AM

March 5th, 19th, 26th, 10:30AM-11:00AM

Bring your kids to the library for storytime with Mrs. Battley!

Explore Play with Sensory Activities

Friday, March 1st, 10:30AM to 11:30AM

Come to the library on the first of the month where we'll have sensory activities for your baby/toddler to enjoy!

Dr. Seuss Birthday Party

Saturday, March 2nd, 1:00PM-3:00PM

On Saturday, come to our Dr. Seuss birthday party where we'll have games, prizes, cupcakes, and more!

Kohl's Children's Museum

Tuesday, March 12th, 9:30AM-11:30AM

The popup Kohl's Children's Museum will be at the library the second Tuesday of the month with a fun and educational activity for your child!

Children's Easter Craft

Wednesday, March 27th, 1:00PM-5:00PM

Bring your kids to the library on Wednesday where we'll be designing eggs for Easter!

Teens

Gaming Days

Every Monday and Wednesday from 4:00PM-5:30PM

For grades 6-12, come to the library in the afternoon to play multiplayer videogames with your friends!

3D Printing: Adinkra Symbols

Thursday, February 15th, 3:00PM-4:00PM

After school, come to the library where we'll be designing and printing Adinkra symbols for Black History Month!

Adinkra are symbols from Ghana that represent concepts or aphorisms. For grades 6-12.

Teens (ctd.)

Bead Design for Teens

Thursday, February 22nd, 3:00PM-4:00PM

After school, come to the library where we'll be making bead designs! Grades 6-12.

Women's History Month Documentary

Saturday, March 9th, 1:00PM-3:00PM

We'll be showing an educational documentary for Women's History Month on Saturday afternoon!

Design a Popsocket in the STEM Lab

Saturday, March 23rd, 12:00PM-3:00PM

Come to the STEM lab on Saturday where you can design a popsocket for the 3D-printer for your phone!

Adult Events

Documentary: The Black Power Mixtape

Saturday, February 17th, 1:00PM-3:00PM

On Saturday we'll be showing The Black Power Mixtape, which chronicles the Black Power movement from 1967 to 1975.

Loteria

Saturday, February 24th, 11:30AM-1:00PM

Come to the library on Saturday morning to play Loteria and win free prizes! Registration is appreciated.

Documentary: I Am Not Your Negro

Saturday, February 24th, 1:00PM-3:00PM

On Saturday we'll be showing I Am Not Your Negro, a film analyzing Black history through the words and eyes of James Baldwin.

Bingo

Saturday, March 9th, 10:00AM-11:00AM

Come to the library on Saturday morning to win free Walmart gift cards! Registration is required.

Adult Book Club: Assata

Thursday, March 28th, 6:00PM-7:00PM

For Women's History Month we will be reading Assata, the autobiography of Assata Shakur. To register and get a copy of the book, please see the Reference Librarian.