Wilmette Public Library

September–October 2024

Wilmette Public Library Library Card Sign-up Month



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Celebrate the Power of Your Card This September

Library Card Sign-Up Month Celebrating The Power of Your Card



Your Wilmette library card is one of the most powerful cards in your wallet. Giving you access to hundreds of thousands of items at Wilmette Public Library, our neighboring libraries, and facilities across the state, your card is a ticket to learning, discovery, and enjoyment.

You're Never Too Young to Get a Card

Did you know there is no minimum age to get a Wilmette library card? Children are invited to get their first ca d and begin a lifelong relationship with reading.

It's Never Too Late to Get a Card

Don't have a Wilmette library card? Now's the time! If you're new to the area or simply ready to access the library's deep resources and collections, stop by and sign up! We can't wait to share the world of the library with our new cardholders.

Cardholder Quick Facts

- More than 16,000 Wilmette and Kenilworth residents have Wilmette library cards
- Wilmette is a member of a consortium with 29 area libraries, giving you access to millions of items in our combined collections

Some of our favorite resources to access with a Wilmette library card include the *New York Times*, Creativebug, Mango Languages, and Ancestry

Keep an eye out for more cardholder benefits th oughout this issue!



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Monday-Friday 9am-9pm Saturday 9am-5pm Sunday 12pm-5pm

Library Closures Sunday, September 1 Monday, September 2

Book Return Sites

- Library parking lot
- Community Recreation Center
- Plaza del Lago
- Linden CTA Station

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Wilmette Public Library may take photographs and video of patrons in the building for use in library promotions. Please notify staff if you p efer not to be photographed.

Shop Books Down Under!

Buy gently used books for all ages at Wilmette's only bookstore, located on the Lower Level of the library. All proceeds from book sales and donations to the Friends support library programs, including Summer Reading Clubs and Wilmette Reads.

Find current BDU hours and information about donating to the Friends at wilmettelibrary.info/friends



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Events for Adults

All virtual programs require registration. On-site programs only require registration when noted.

In Focus: The Museum of Latin American Art Thursday, September 19, 7–8pm, Virtual R

Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month with a virtual tour of The Museum of Latin American Art, dedicated to ground-breaking exhibits of Latin-American and Latinx artists. Presented in collaboration with local area libraries.

James Bond: The History, the Thrills Friday, September 20, 2–3:30pm, Virtual R

Climb into our Aston Martin as we enjoy the history of the Bond films, examining how they eflect our changing values over the past 50 years. Presented by Steven Frenzel of Marquee MovieTalks.

Chicago: Shaping the Airline Industry Thursday, September 26, 2–3pm, Auditorium

Join Michael Haupt, author of Aviation Chicago Timeline, for a presentation uncovering the critical role Chicago played in forming the airline industry. Funded with a gift from the Rutherford Family Trust.

Building New Lives: Refugee Resettlement in Chicagoland

Wednesday, October 16, 3–4pm, Auditorium R

Refugee One's Zachary Dmyterko will share information about challenges facing refugees globally and how this local organization is working to support refugees arriving to Chicagoland.

Cleopatra: Liberated Woman

Tuesday, October 15, 6:30–8pm, Virtual R Explore the life of Cleopatra, one of history's most misunderstood women, with Dr. Bill Thierfelder. *Funded with a gift* from the Rutherford Family Trust.

Freezer Meals

Monday, October 21, 6:30–7:30pm, Virtual R

The freezer is your friend. Actually, it's the friend of future you. Check out how to prepare freezer meals and solve your meal planning woes!

Designer Hacks for Easy Fresh Flower Arranging Thursday, October 24, 7–8pm,

hursday, October 24, 7–8pm Auditorium

Join Heather Coughlin, designer-grower of Pure Bloom Flowers, for a live demonstration on how you can create gorgeous flower arrangements.

For Music Lovers

Pianists Lam Wong and Nathan Canfield Sunday Classical Concert Sunday, September 15, 2–3pm,

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Join us for an afternoon of piano duo music featuring some favorite masterpieces including works by Bach, Mozart, Dvorak, Ravel, and more.

Opera Lovers Lecture Corps: Fidelio by Beethoven Monday, September 23, 7–8pm, Virtual R

Learn about the Lyric Opera's production of Beethoven's *Fidelio*.

Petra van Nuis Jazz Trio Friday Night Jazz Concert Friday, October 18, 7–8pm, Auditorium

Join local favorite vocalist Petra van Nuis along with guitarist Andy Brown and bassist Joe Policastro for an evening of jazz. For this concert, Petra, Andy and Joe pare down for an intimate chamber version of their larger ensemble.

I AM NOT YOUR PERFECT MEXICAN DAUGHTER KA L. SANCHEZ

Being Imperfect with Erika L. Sanchez Wednesday, October 9, 7–8pm, Virtual R

Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month with ILP and Erika L. Sanchez, awardwinning author of I Am Not Your Perfect Mexican Daughter. She will be joined in conversation by Cythia Pelayo.



This event is made possible by Illinois Libraries Present, a statewide collaboration among **ILLINOIS** public libraries offering pemier

Family Action Network

The 2024-25 Family Action Network season kicks off in September, and we're excited to share a few highlights of our ongoing partnership.



September 19: Dismantling Mass Incarceration with Maria Hawilo

September 26: Hope for Cynics: The Surprising Science of Human Goodness with Jamil Zaki

September 30: Holding It Together: How Women Became America's Safety Net with Jessica Calarco

October 14: The Architecture of Urbanity: Designing for Nature, Culture, and Joy with Vishaan Chakrabarti

October 21: Author Neal Stephenson discusses Polostan

October 23: Last Human Job: The Work of Connecting in a Disconnected World by Allison Pugh

Learn more: familyactionnetwork.com

I Hate Politics: How to Explain to Kids (and Ourselves) Why Civic Engagement Matters

Friday, October 18, 4:30–5:30pm, Auditorium R

Connect and recharge at this community building conversation with local leaders and an innovative civics teacher. Presented in collaboration with D39 PTAs.

Book Discussions

Visit our online calendar to learn more about each book and reserve a copy. Registration required where noted.

The Secret Book of Flora Lea Book Discussion On-site: Wednesday, September 18, 10:30–11:30am, Auditorium R Virtual: Wednesday, September 25, 7–8pm, Virtual R

Classics & Contemporary Book Discussion

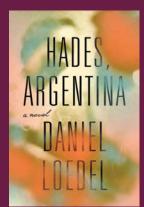
My Ántonia by Willa Cather Tuesday, September 10, 10:30–11:30am, Auditorium R

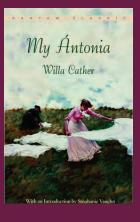
Hades, Argentina by Daniel Lodel Tuesday, October 8, 10:30–11:30am, Auditorium R

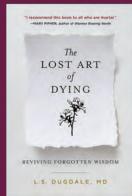
Memento Mori Book Discussion

The Lost Art of Dying by L.S. Dugdale Thursday, October 24, 10–11am, Media Room R









At Home Film Series



View the film on Kanopy, then join us on Zoom for a virtual discussion.

Doubt

Tuesday, September 17, 7–8pm, Virtual R

Starring Meryl Streep, Philip Seymour Hoffman and Amy Adams (2008)

Anatomy of a Fall

Tuesday, October 8 , 7–8pm, Virtual R

Winner of the Academy Award for Best Original Screenplay. Starring Sandra Hüller and Swann Arlaud (2023)



The Power of your Card Stream Thousands of Movies and Shows on hoopla and Kanopy

One of the great gems of your Wilmette library card is access to a vast catalog of streaming movies, TV shows, and music. Watch and listen to new releases, classic television, obscure films, and albums f om your favorite artists.

Our streaming services are available 24/7, with content for all ages and interests. Get started at **wilmettelibrary.info/streaming**

Armchair Travels

Join us for these on-site and virtual travel lectures, funded by the Rutherford Trust.

Going to Extremes: Travel Journalist's Tour of the Most Adventurous Outposts Monday, September 30, 6:30–8pm,

Monday, September 30, 6:30–8pm, Virtual R



Join award-winning travel journalist Peter Mandel in revisiting his most extreme travel experiences. He'll deliver the scoop on how travel turns to prose on today's magazine and newspaper pages.

Birding South Carolina's Lowcountry Monday, October 28, 7–8pm, Virtual R

Join travel experts Matt Sparapani and Alison Newberry as they explore many popular birding locations between Charleston and Hilton Head and share tips for birding in South Carolina's Lowcountry.

Armchair Travels

Thursday, 1–2:30pm, Auditorium

September 5: Florence, Padua, and Venice with Eugene Flynn

September 19: Antarctica: Journey to the White Continent with Judith Bock

October 3: Amazing Amsterdam with Rich Stein and Marfia Diecidu

October 17: The Paris Opera documentary screening



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Spotlight on: Life Transitions

Maximize Your Home's Value: Downsizing & Selling Strategies

Wednesday, September 4, 6–7pm, Auditorium R

Ali Wenzke, author of The Art of Happy Moving and Realtor with Compass will share tips to declutter and downsize efficiently

Dementia Caregiver Support Group

Mondays, September 16 & October 14, 7–9pm, Virtual R

A support group for caregivers of those with Alzheimer's and other dementias. Sponsored by the Alzheimer's Association.

10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's Wednesday, September 18,

7–8pm, Virtual R

Recognize common signs of Alzheimer's disease in yourself and others and learn the next steps to take. Presented by the Alzheimer's Association.

Wills, Trusts, and Estate Planning Basics

Tuesday, September 24, 7–8pm, Auditorium R

Learn about wills, trusts, powers of attorney, probate, and guardianship with attorney Jacob K. Ehrensaft.



Understanding Your Medicare Choices Tuesday, October 29, 7–8:30pm, Auditorium R

Certified Financial Planner Ka en Chan will answer your questions about Medicare.

Strictly Business Resources

Donuts & Databases

Fridays, 9–10:30am, Auditorium R

Gather with members of the Wilmette and Kenilworth business community to learn about library resources and network over light breakfast. Co-sponsored by the Wilmette-Kenilworth Chamber of Commerce.

September 13: Building Lists

Learn how Reference Source by Data Axle can help you build lists of businesses and consumers for outreach and business intelligence.

October 18: Corporate Research

Learn about using library resources, including Mergent Intellect and S&P NetAdvantage, to research companies.

Lunch & Learn: Dr. Melonie Boone Leading HEROically Tuesday, October 29, 12–1:30pm, Auditorium R

Join Dr. Melonie Boone, Wilmette-based global business psychologist, leadership expert and author of the book as she discusses her book HEROic Leadership: The Secret To Developing Stronger High-Performing Teams Using Psychological.

The Power of your Card Access Business Databases

One of the best benefits of a Wilmette library card is access to our collection of powerful databases focusing on business and investing. Your card grants you free access to:

- Barron's
- Crain's Chicago Business
- The Gale Business Suite
- LexisNexis
- Morningstar
- NetAdvantage

And many more!

Visit **wilmettelibrary.info/business** to learn more.

Hands On & Creative Tech

Fall Forest Paint by Numbers Program Monday, September 9, 1–2:30pm, Auditorium, Adults

Join us to relax and paint or color! A limited number of paint by number kits will be available on a first come, first served basis, as wel as coloring pages & pencils for those who prefer to color.

Alterations Workshop: Hemming Pants

Thursday, September 19, 6:30–7:30pm, The Studio, Adults R

Trousers too long? Join staff f om Sew on Central to learn how to hem your pants. Participants may bring one item to alter.

Metal Stamping

Monday, September 23, 6:30– 7:30pm, The Studio, Teens & Adults R

We'll show you how to stamp metal and turn your designs into a necklace or a key chain.

Paper Craft Jack-O'-Lantern

Wednesday, October 23, 5:30–6:30pm, The Studio, All Ages R

Take part in some Halloween fun and learn how to make a paper craft jack-o'-lantern with the Silhouette Cameo cutter.



Internet & Devices

Language Learning Online Resources

Wednesday, September 4, 6–7pm, Virtual, Teens & Adults R Ever wanted to learn a new

language? Explore various language learning resources, including Mango Languages.

Google Docs and Drive Monday, September 9, 5–6pm, Auditorium, Adults R

Learn how to create documents and manage your files with Google Docs and Google Drive.

Intro to Tips App for iPhone & iPad

Tuesday, September 10, 3–4:30pm, Small Meeting Room, Adults R

Discover how to access and use the free Tips app. This app keeps you up to date on your device's new features.

What is the Cloud?

Thursday, September 26, 5–6pm, Virtual, Adults R

Ground your understanding of data, the internet, and what cloud storage and cloud services really mean.

Becoming a Self-Taught Learner

Wednesday, October 2, 6:30– 7:30pm, Auditorium, Teens & Adults R Explore a variety of online resources the library offers for attaining your personal and professional goals.

Intro to Android Phones Thursday, October 3, 2–3pm, Small Meeting Room, Adults R

Bring your Android phone and we'll explore its settings and features together.

Intro to Markup on iPhone & iPad

Tuesday, October 22, 3–4:30pm, Small Meeting Room, Adults R

Discover how to use the Markup tool to add creative designs and other elements to photos on your iPhone and iPad.

Cyber Security

Friday, October 25, 5–6pm, Virtual, Adults R

Learn about potential online threats and what you can do to protect yourself and others.

Events for Teens

All teen events open to grades 7-12.

Dungeons & Dragons: Character Creation For Beginners

Saturday, September 14, 1–4pm, Small Meeting Room R

Have you wanted to play D&D before, but aren't sure how to make a character? Feel mystified by ability scores, hit points, armor class, and more? Join us to learn the basics of character creation!

Dungeons & Dragons

Saturday, October 5, 1–4pm, Small Meeting Room R

Welcoming experienced and new players alike, we will be playing a spooky Dungeons and Dragons one-shot for the Halloween season!

Teen Take & Makes

Faux Stained Glass Bookmark

Register starting Friday, August 23, Pickup begins Friday, September 6

Make faux stained glass bookmarks that elevate whatever book you're reading and doubles as a sun catcher with our painting kit.

Chubby Bat Key Cover

Register starting Friday, September 20, Pickup begins Friday, October 4

Make a key cover shaped like a hanging bat out of faux leather to hold your most important keys this Halloween.

Zombie Toys Monday, October 7, 5:30–6:30pm, The Studio R

Turn old toys into zombies! Bring one dead toy, a.k.a. a toy you're no longer using, and we'll reanimate it using sewing tools and art supplies.



Spooky Season Fandom Celebration Thursday, October 17, 7–8pm, Auditorium R

From Beetlejuice to Coraline to Five Nights at Freddy's and beyond, celebrate your favorite scary fandoms with crafts, games, treats, and giveaways. Costumes welcome!

Raise Your Voice with Jason Reynolds Tuesday, October 22, 7–8pm, Virtual R Welcome Jason Reynolds, #1



New York Times bestselling author, advocate, mentor, and 2020-2022 National Ambassador for Young People's Literature.

The recipient of a Newbery Honor, a Printz Honor, a Carnegie Medal, an NAACP Image Award, and multiple Coretta Scott King honors, Reynolds' beloved and awardwinning titles include Stamped (with Ibram X. Kendi), Stuntboy, the Track series (Ghost, Patina, Sunny, and Lu), Miles Morales, All American Boys (with Brendan Kiely), When I Was the Greatest, The Boy in the Black Suit, Look Both Ways, Ain't Burned All the Bright, and Long Way Down.

Adults, older children, teens and educators will enjoy this event.

This event is made possible by Illinois Libraries Present, a statewide collaboration among public libraries offering p emier events.

The Power of your Card Book a Study Room

Need a quiet place to work or study? The library offers a variety of workspaces to reserve or rent with your Wilmette library card. Find full details about booking our available spaces at wilmettelibrary.info/reserve

Kids & Families

Find full program details on our online calendar. Programs are hosted in the Youth Program Room unless otherwise noted. Programs requiring registration are marked with an **R**. Check our online calendar for registration open dates. Questions? Contact Youth Services at 847.256.6945 or youthdesk@wilmettelibrary.info.

Art for Big Feelings

Thursdays, September 5 & October 3, 4–4:45pm, Grades K-2 R

Organize complex feelings and relieve stress through stories and art activities.

Chess Club

Sundays, September 8 and 22 & October 13 and 27, 2:30–4:30pm, All ages

Learn chess with the guidance of an experienced chess player.

Papier Mâché Vases

Tuesday, September 10, 7–8pm, Grades 5-8 R

Create a one-of-a-kind vase with tissue paper and dried flowers

STEAM Lab: Light-Up Critters

Grades 3-5: Wednesday, September 11, 4:30–5:15pm R Grades K-2: Wednesday, October 16, 4:30–5:15pm R Design a creature that lights up during dark night.

Hungry Crafters

Thursdays, 7–7:45pm, Grades 5-8 R Bring your friends and make new ones while creating tasty treats.

September 12: Candy Sushi October 24: Monster Cookies



Minecraft Club

Thursdays, September 19 & October 17, 4:30–5:30pm, Grades 3-5 R

Join our Minecraft Club to make friends and build together.

Lego Club

Friday, September 20 & October 25, 4–4:45pm, Grades K-3 R

Your imagination is the limit as you build with our bricks.

Stuffed Animal Sleepover

Wednesday, September 25, 6:30–7:15pm, Grades K-2 R

Bring your plushie for a special storytime, and pick them up the next day!

The Wild Robot Party

Friday, September 27, 4–4:45pm, Grades 1-5 R

Celebrate the release of *The Wild Robot* movie with crafts, drawing activities, and giveaways.

K-9 Reading Buddies of the North Shore

Thursday, October 3, 6–7pm, Grades 1-5

Read some of your favorite stories to a trained therapy dog. Register in person or by phone starting Thursday, September 12.

DIY Yard Signs

Tuesday, October 22, 7–8pm, Grades 5-8 R

Have your say! Take part in democracy by making a yard sign to express your views.

Let's Talk About Books!

Caldecott Club

Thursday, September 26 & October 24, 4–4:45pm, Grades 1-5 R

Take a close look at some new picture books, make an art project inspired by what you see, and vote for your favorite book of the day!

Wings of Fire Club

Wednesday, October 16, 7–7:45pm, Grades 4-6 R Join us for dragon-themed activities and chat about this month's book, The Dragonet Prophecy: The Graphic Novel.



For the Whole Family

Imagination Playground

Tuesday, September 3, 9:30–11:30am Play and build with our big blue blocks!

Spanish-English Bilingual Storytime

Saturdays, September 21 & October 19, 2–2:30pm Join us for stories and fun activities in Spanish and English! Presented by local bilingual speechlanguage pathologist Paula Acuna of MsPaulaSLP. com.

Drop-In Crafternoon

Friday, October 4, 2–4pm

Drop in to recharge your batteries with openended crafting.

Stories in Russian

Saturday, October 5, 2–2:45pm, Ages 3+ R

Listen to stories in Russian and make a fun craft. Presented by storyteller Vlada Bernhardtz.

Building with Bits and Bobs

Sunday, October 6, 2–3:30pm

Drop in and build with us! We'll supply a random assortment of items for you to upcycle into your own amazing creations.



Dress-Up Storytime

Saturday, September 28, 10–10:45am, For the whole family

Enjoy a story and sing songs, then play dressup at this safe and affirming program for the whole family. Caregivers can explore picture book recommendations about identity and expression.

Open Books, Open Minds

Saturday, October 26, 10–10:45am, For the whole family

At this interactive story hour for the whole family, we'll engage with meaningful topics through stories, music, and art.



STEAM & Tech

Program a Flappy Bird Game in Scratch

Tuesday, September 3, 5:30–6:30pm, The Studio, Grades 3-5 R Discover the fundamentals of the Scratch programming language through project-based learning.

STEM For Kids: Bridge-ineering

Sunday, September 29, 2:30–3:30pm, Grades K-2 R

Join us for a read-aloud of *Engineers Ask Questions*, written and illustrated by New Trier High School student Calista Kim, and complete an engineering challenge.

3D Design Workshop: Charger Cord Tag

Friday, October 4, 11am–12:15pm, Small Meeting Room, Grades 5-8 R

Use Tinkercad, a free program that runs in a browser, to create a tag that attaches to your device cord. The library will 3D print your project to be picked up later.

The Power of your Card Visit a Local Museum

With your library card, you can get free and discounted tickets to area museums and attractions. The Museum Adventure Pass and Explore More Illinois give you access to zoos, botanic gardens, museums, and much more. Full details on how to book a pass at wilmettelibrary.info/museum-passes

Storytimes & Weekly Events September 9-December 13

Family Storytime and Babytime require a free ticket. Tickets will be given out on a first come, first served basis a the Youth Desk starting at 9am.

Wednesday

Family

Storytime

Monday

Tuesday

Drop-In Free Play

9:30am–11:30am Explore and play with a diffe ent selection of toys and manipulatives each week. Family Storytime 9:30am or 10am T Stories, songs, and rhymes for the whole family.

Story Explorers 4pm, Ages 4+

Join us after school for interactive stories full of adventure and humor. Children are encouraged to attend independently.



Thursday

Babytime 9:15 or 9:45am, Ages 0-24 mo. T A bonding experience with songs, cuddles, and bounces.

Friday

Little Dabblers Fridays, 9:30– 10:30am, Ages 2+ Explore art, science, and our own senses.





Early Childhood Activites

Coloring Party

Wednesday, September 4, 9:30–11:30am, For the whole family

Drop in to make your mark on giant coloring posters, big boxes, and more!

Mindfulness Storytime

Thursday, September 5, 9:30–10am and 10:30–11am T

Join us for special storytime focused on mindfulness and social/emotional health. Listen to a story about big feelings and make a related craft!

Mandarin Storytime

Saturdays, September 7 & October 5, 10–10:30am, For the whole family

Join us for stories, songs, and fun in Mandarin Chinese! Presented by local educator Ling Liu.

Pajama Storytime

Wednesdays, September 11 & October 9, 6:30–7pm, For the whole family

Get cozy in your PJs and bring your favorite lovie to enjoy stories, songs, and rhymes before bedtime.

Family Storytime: Weekend Edition Saturdays, September 14 & October 12, 10am Stories, songs, and rhymes for the whole family.

Nanny Appreciation Day

Friday, September 20, 9:30–10:30am, For the whole family Caregivers and nannies are invited to a special Little Dabblers in celebration of Nanny Appreciation Week. Enjoy coffee and t eats while kids engage in art and play.

Little Play Cafe

Saturday, October 19, 10–11am, For the whole family

Join your librarians for a short storytime, followed by free play for the little ones and coffee for the grown-ups.



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