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PRESENTATIONS & WORKSHOPS
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COME VISIT US

**NATIONAL
LIBRARY
WEEK**

APRIL 7–13

Stop by during the week—
we're planning some
delightful surprises!





ON CLIMATE CHANGE*

Monday, April 8 at 7 pm

HOTEL SALVATION (MUKTI BHAWAY)

Monday, April 1 at 6:30 pm

Petty Auditorium

Drama—Released 2016—100 minutes—Not Rated— In Hindi with English subtitles.

An ominous dream convinces 77-year-old Daya Kumar that his end could be near. Knowing he wants to spend his last days in the holy city of Varanasi, he asks his son Rajiv to accompany him. Daya and Rajiv check into the Mukti Bhawan (Hotel Salvation), a guesthouse devoted to people wanting to die. Yet as the days pass, Rajiv struggles to balance his homelife while Daya seems to bloom. Discussion follows in the Radmacher Meeting Room immediately after the screening. Light refreshments will be served.

SOCIAL SECURITY 101: PLANNING FOR RETIREMENT*

Tuesday, April 2 at 6:30 pm

Business Center

Are you thinking about retiring and want to know more about filing for Social Security benefits? Learn the facts about qualifying for Social Security. A Social Security Administration representative will address the best times to file for and receive Social Security benefits, how benefits are calculated, how your age affects benefit amounts, information about spousal and survivor benefits, and basic facts about Medicare.

FIND MY I-CASH

Wednesday, April 3 at 5 pm

West Entrance

Ask the Illinois Treasurer's I-Cash team to search for potential unclaimed funds and property. One in eight Illinois residents has an asset to be claimed in I-Cash. Assets can include cash refunds, stocks, CDs, safe deposit boxes, and valuables. Drop in to see if you have any money coming to you. First come, first served.

CAREER ACTION GROUP

Thursdays, April 4 and 18 at 3 pm

Business Center

HOW TO STOP BEING BROKE*

Thursday, April 4 at 6:30 pm

Business Center

Learn how to assess your daily or weekly spending habits, avoid debt, and get a clearer sense of your financial "big picture." Are you trying to figure out good budgeting, saving, and investment habits? Struggling with student or credit card debt, or living paycheck to paycheck? Get solid advice on how to manage these and other money concerns from professionals at North Shore Community Bank. Presented as part of Money Smart Week 2019.

LET'S GET TOGETHER BOOK CLUB

Thursdays, April 4, 11, and 25 at 6:30 pm

Writer's Nook

Adults with disabilities are invited to join our Let's Get Together Book Club. The group meets every other week to read and discuss a book selected by group members.

*REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Register online at calendar.skokiellibrary.info or call 847-673-7774.

OPEN SEW

Friday, April 5 at 5:30 pm

BOOMbox

GREEN BOOK

Friday, April 5 at 1:30 pm

Petty Auditorium

Drama—Released 2018—130 minutes—Rated PG-13 for thematic content, language including racial epithets, smoking, some violence and suggestive material

Tony Lip, a bouncer from the Bronx, is hired to drive Dr. Don Shirley, a world-class Black pianist, on a concert tour from Manhattan to the Deep South, using a book to guide them to safe spaces. Stay after the film for a discussion.

A STAR IS BORN

Friday, April 5 at 6:30 pm

Petty Auditorium

Romantic Drama—Released 2018—136 minutes—Rated R for language throughout, some sexuality/nudity, and substance abuse

During the downward spiral of his own music career, Jackson Maine helps a young singer and actress find fame and a bad romance.

YOUNG STEINWAY CONCERT: SIDNEY LEE, VIOLIN, AND MYROSLAV MYKHAILENKO, PIANO

Sunday, April 7 at 3 pm

Petty Auditorium

Each Young Steinway concert showcases young people with extraordinary talent and the drive to make great use of that talent. Sidney Lee is a freshman at Buffalo Grove High School. She studies violin with I-Hao Lee at the Music Institute of Chicago and won Best Korean Music Interpretation in the 2018 Sejong Music Competition. Myroslav Mykhailenko is a freshman at Fenton High School in Bensenville. After starting his musical studies in Ukraine, he now studies with Lyudmila Lakisova and is a member of the Wood Dale Jazz Band.

MEDITATION

Monday, April 8 at 7 pm

Book Discussion Room

ON CLIMATE CHANGE*

Monday, April 8 at 7 pm

Radmacher Meeting Room

Learn the differences between climate and weather. Get a closer look at evidence showing the changes in average global temperature. Local educator Lauren Grodnicki will discuss the latest research on climate change. She will also address the facts and fictions surrounding global warming.

SUSTAINABILITY IS KEY: SOLAR, WIND, AND GEOTHERMAL ENERGY IN YOUR HOME *

Tuesday, April 9 at 7 pm

Business Center

Skokie residents, you have more options than ever for using renewable energy in your home. Hear about the latest trends and get tips on alternative energies. Cosponsored by the Skokie Telecommunications and Technology Advisory Commission and Sustainable Environmental Advisory Commission.

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We strive to make events welcoming for people of all abilities. To request accommodations, call the library at 847-673-7774.

Does This Hospital Gown Come With Sequins?

and Other Questions
I Asked During My
218-Day
Hospital Stay

Written By
Lisa Goodman-Helfand



**LOCAL AUTHOR SHOWCASE:
LISA GOODMAN-HELFAND***
Thursday, April 18 at 7 pm

HIDDEN MOVIE GEMS*

Wednesday, April 10 at 7 pm

Book Discussion Room

Staff experts Sharon and Cecilia uncover the library's hidden movie gems. They will reveal indie darlings, underrated oldies, and under-the-radar auteurs. Be ready to talk about movies you consider hidden gems.

LITLOUNGE: ESSEX SERPENT*

Wednesday, April 10 at 7:30 pm

Village Inn, 8050 Lincoln Ave

Grab a drink and discuss this novel by Sarah Perry. Recently widowed Cora travels to an English town in search of the legendary sea monster, the *Essex Serpent*, putting her at odds with the local vicar. Sign up and get a copy of the book at the Readers Services Desk. In partnership with the Morton Grove Public Library.

INTRODUCTION TO YOGA*

Thursday, April 11 at 1:30 pm

Radmacher Meeting Room

THE SLOW STITCH MOVEMENT*

Thursday, April 11 at 6:30 pm

Radmacher Meeting Room

What do sashiko, boro, kantha, and patchwork embroidery have in common? Join the slow stitch movement with fiber artist Cathy Wycliff, and create a unique piece of your own. Slow down and enjoy the process. Explore ways to repair and reuse fabric, and create new works of art with traditional stitches from Japan, India, and the United States. There will also be a brief discussion of the costs of fast fashion and its socioeconomic effects. Limited to 12 participants.

BOHEMIAN RHAPSODY

Friday, April 12 at 1:30 pm

Petty Auditorium

Biographical Drama—Released 2018—134 minutes—Rated PG-13 for thematic elements, suggestive material, drug content, and language

This film celebrates the rock band Queen and their music. Queen's extraordinary lead singer, Freddie Mercury, defied stereotypes and convention to become a beloved entertainer. Following Queen's meteoric rise, their revolutionary sound, and Freddie's solo career, the film also chronicles the band's reunion and one of the greatest performances in rock history. Starring Rami Malek and Lucy Boynton.

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TREATMENTS FOR AGE-RELATED MACULAR DEGENERATION*

Saturday, April 13 at 2 pm

Petty Auditorium

Learn about current therapies and medications for macular degeneration, the leading cause of vision loss. Jack Cohen, MD, a recognized expert on the treatment of the disease, will speak about the latest research.

AFRICAN-AMERICAN WOMEN COMPOSERS: LOOKING BACK AND LOOKING FORWARD

Sunday, April 14 at 3 pm

Petty Auditorium

Crossing Borders Music shares the unique perspectives and beautiful music of female African-American composers in a concert for string quartet and piano.

Florence Price was a trailblazing composer who lived on Chicago's South Side. *Her Five Folksongs in Counterpoint* draws on traditional spirituals and her musical training from the New England Conservatory. She had to overcome a ban on African-American admissions to attend that school.

Undine Smith-Moore graduated from Juilliard and was the granddaughter of slaves. Her *Afro-American Suite* also draws on spirituals and her formal music training to create unique settings of popular melodies. Three contemporary composers—Brittany White, Elizabeth Baker, and Jordyn Davis—round out a captivating program.

ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION: THE GIRL WHO SMILED BEADS*

Tuesday, April 16 at 7 pm

Book Discussion Room

A six-year-old and her teenage sister escape the Rwandan genocide. This book by Clementine Wamariya tells of their search for safety and their hard times in the United States after gaining asylum. Sign up and get a copy of the book at the Readers Services Desk.

GREAT DECISIONS DISCUSSION GROUP: THE RISE OF POPULISM IN EUROPE

Wednesday, April 17 at 7 pm

Radmacher Meeting Room

This group meets monthly to discuss a topic of current affairs. In April, we focus on the rise of populism in Europe. Mass migration, and the problems associated with it, have directly abetted the rise of populist parties in Europe. Opposition to immigration was the prime driver of support for Brexit, brought a far-right party to the German Bundestag for the first time since the 1950s, and propelled Marine Le Pen to win a third of the vote in the French presidential election. In addition to calling for stronger borders, however, these parties are invariably illiberal, anti-American, anti-NATO, and pro-Kremlin, making their rise a matter of serious concern for the national security interests of the United States.

HOW TO USE HOOPLA*

Wednesday, April 17 at 7 pm

Book Discussion Room

In this introduction to Hoopla, we'll review how library cardholders can stream movies and music, check out books and audiobooks, and more. Bring your own device to work on. Limited to 15 participants.

LOCAL AUTHOR SHOWCASE: LISA GOODMAN-HELFAND*

Thursday, April 18 at 7 pm

Book Discussion Room

Lisa Goodman-Helfand has lived in Skokie for most of her life and is currently a teacher. Join us for an inspiring evening as Lisa discusses the writing of her book. Learn about Lisa's battle with a rare disfiguring disease, paralysis, and 218 days in the hospital. She will read excerpts from *Does This Hospital Gown Come with Sequins?* The memoir illustrates the warmth and acceptance she's received through her lifelong ties to Skokie. Lisa Goodman-Helfand is a writer, national speaker, and educator. Her work has been featured in *Cosmopolitan*, *Good Housekeeping*, *Woman's Day*, *The Huffington Post*, and *Chicago Parent*. Her blog, *Comfortable in My Thick Skin*, explores motherhood, marriage, body image, beauty, and overcoming obstacles. Limited to 30 participants.



CERQUA RIVERA DANCE THEATRE

Sunday, April 28 at 3 pm

BEN IS BACK

Friday, April 19 at 1:30 pm

Petty Auditorium

Drama—Released 2018—103 minutes—Rated R for language throughout and some drug use

Ben Burns, a teenager who is addicted to drugs, surprises his family on Christmas Eve. His wary mother welcomes him but finds out he's in danger and that she must do everything she can to help.

TALKING BOOKS DISCUSSION GROUP—THE WOMAN IN THE CASTLE

Wednesday, April 24 at 1:30 pm

Book Discussion Room

Join us for our monthly book discussion for patrons with visual impairments. This month's selection is *The Woman in the Castle* by Jessica Shattuck. Set in the aftermath of World War II in Europe, this novel follows three German widows of men who attempted to resist Hitler. As they come together for survival, the choices they made during and after the war affect their relationships with one another. Audiobooks are available through the Talking Book and Braille Service of the Illinois State Library. For more information on how to enroll in this service, please call the Senior Services line at 847-972-5651. Patrons of all abilities are welcome to participate in the discussion and to read the book in whatever format is best for them.

GRAFFITI LITERACY*

Wednesday, April 24 at 7 pm

Radmacher Meeting Room

Hear artist Stef Skills talk about graffiti-style writing and the process of turning a tag into a full mural. The history of modern American street art and graffiti will be discussed. Enjoy the chance to participate in an interactive tagging project. Limited to 30 participants.

TAKE A STAND AGAINST RACISM*

Thursday, April 25 at 10:20 am

Along Oakton Street

Show the world that Skokie is helping to end racism. Let's line Oakton Street and show that we can no longer ignore or tolerate racism. Make a sign if you'd like, and be heard. After the stand, discuss the negative impacts of institutional and structural racism in our communities. This is part of the national Stand Against Racism, a movement of the YWCA.

SAVVY SKOKIE SENIORS: TED TALK DISCUSSION—COLONIZING MARS

Thursday, April 25 at 11 am

Book Discussion Room

Watch Stephen Petranek's short TED talk, *Your Kids Might Live on Mars*. Stay for a discussion on the history of space exploration and the potential for Mars colonization. Drop-in event. Coffee, tea, and treats will be provided.

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MATHER LIFEWAYS LUNCHEON

Friday, April 26 at 11:30 am

Radmacher Meeting Room

This free lunch for ages 60 and older is followed by a brief performance by Jerry Rite, who plays well-known rock, pop, and country hits from the 1950s, '60s, and '70s.

THE FRONT RUNNER

Friday, April 26 at 1:30 pm

Petty Auditorium

Biographical Drama—Released 2018—113 minutes—Rated R for language including some sexual references

This film is based on the true story of Gary Hart, a former Colorado senator who quickly rose to the top as a contender for the 1987 Democratic presidential primary. Allegations of an extramarital affair force Hart to reconsider both his campaign and his personal life. Starring Hugh Jackman, Vera Farmiga, and J.K. Simmons.

CERQUA RIVERA DANCE THEATRE

Sunday, April 28 at 3 pm

Petty Auditorium

Cerqua Rivera Dance Theatre uses dance and live music to nourish the mind and the soul, uniting artists and audiences to explore themes that shape our community. Performances are theatrical and thoughtful, vivacious and exuberant. Featuring pieces from the company's multicultural repertoire, this show highlights where different forms of contemporary American dance and music come from, and the stories they tell.

WRITE ON! A SKOKIE WRITERS GROUP

Monday, April 29 at 7 pm

Book Discussion Room

Perfect your writing skills in a supportive, facilitated environment. Local aspiring and published authors are invited to gather and workshop their writing. Adult or teen, novice or experienced, all writers are welcome. Drop-in event.



ONGOING DROP-IN WORKSHOPS

KNIT AND CROCHET ALL THE WAY

Tuesdays, 4–6 pm

Writers' Nook

Whether you're new to knitting and crochet or have lots of experience, we welcome all skill levels. We also welcome yarn donations for charity projects. We have donated more than 300 scarves to Operation Gratitude and 130 newborn hats for the American Heart Association's Heart Awareness campaign. Bring your own project and yarn or participate in a group effort.

ESL CAFÉ

Wednesdays, 12:30–2 pm

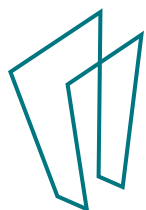
Radmacher Meeting Room

Tutors from the Niles Township Schools' ELL Parent Center will be on hand to help with conversations and answer questions.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 Hotel Salvation (Mukti Bhawan) 6:30 pm	2 Knit and Crochet 4 pm Social Security 101: Planning for Retirement 6:30 pm	3 ESL Café 12:30 pm Find My I-Cash 5 pm	4 Career Action Group, 3 pm How to Stop Being Broke 6:30 pm Let's Get Together 6:30 pm	5 Open Sew 5:30 pm Green Book 1:30 pm A Star Is Born 6:30 pm	6
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