



# BLACK HISTORY MONTH

During February each year, we remember the important contributions and achievements of African Americans throughout our country's history. See inside for events designed specifically for this month, and enjoy the exhibit of quilts curated by Tracy Vaughn-Manley, Assistant Professor of African American Studies and Director of Undergraduate Studies, Department of African American Studies at Northwestern University.

## RENOVATION 2020

On pages 8–9, see what's happening on the second floor, starting now!



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Monday to Friday, 9 am to 9 pm  
Saturday, 9 am to 6 pm  
Sunday, noon to 6 pm  
**Closed January 1**

# FOR ADULTS

## World Film and Discussion

### Frantz

Monday, January 6, 6:30 pm, drop-in event

### Honeyland

Monday, February 3, 6:30 pm, drop-in event

## Inside Look: *How a Boy Falls*

Drop-in event. Join Northlight Theatre artists in a discussion about the making of their latest world premiere production. *How a Boy Falls* is an original thriller by playwright Steven Dietz. A newly hired au pair is thrust into a murder mystery when the loss of a young boy casts suspicion on her and the boy's wealthy parents.

Tuesday, January 14, 7–8 pm



## Chicago's Lost Restaurants

Registration required. Author Greg Borzo dishes out course after course about Chicago's beloved bygone restaurants, from steakhouses to tiki bars, diners to delis, Trader Vic's to the Blackhawk.

Thursday, January 16, 7–8 pm

## The Best of Podcasting

Registration required. Podcasts are popular forms of media. In this presentation, learn about the best podcasts being released and what applications you can use to tune in.

Wednesday, January 22, 7–8 pm

## The Language of Flowers

Registration required.

During the Victorian era, flowers were used to send private messages.

Join floral expert

Marcy Lautanen-Raleigh for a lively presentation on the language of flowers.

Coded messages, or floriography, could communicate love, appreciation, and even hatred.

Thursday, January 23, 7–8:30 pm

## History of Vintage Baseball Cards and Sports Memorabilia

Registration required. In this presentation, certified sports appraiser Michael Osacky shares why baseball cards were first created and why autograph authentication is so important. Through quick lessons, you will also learn to self-appraise your own sports collectibles. Following the presentation, there will be limited opportunities to get a free verbal appraisal of vintage collectibles you bring (limit 3 items per participant).

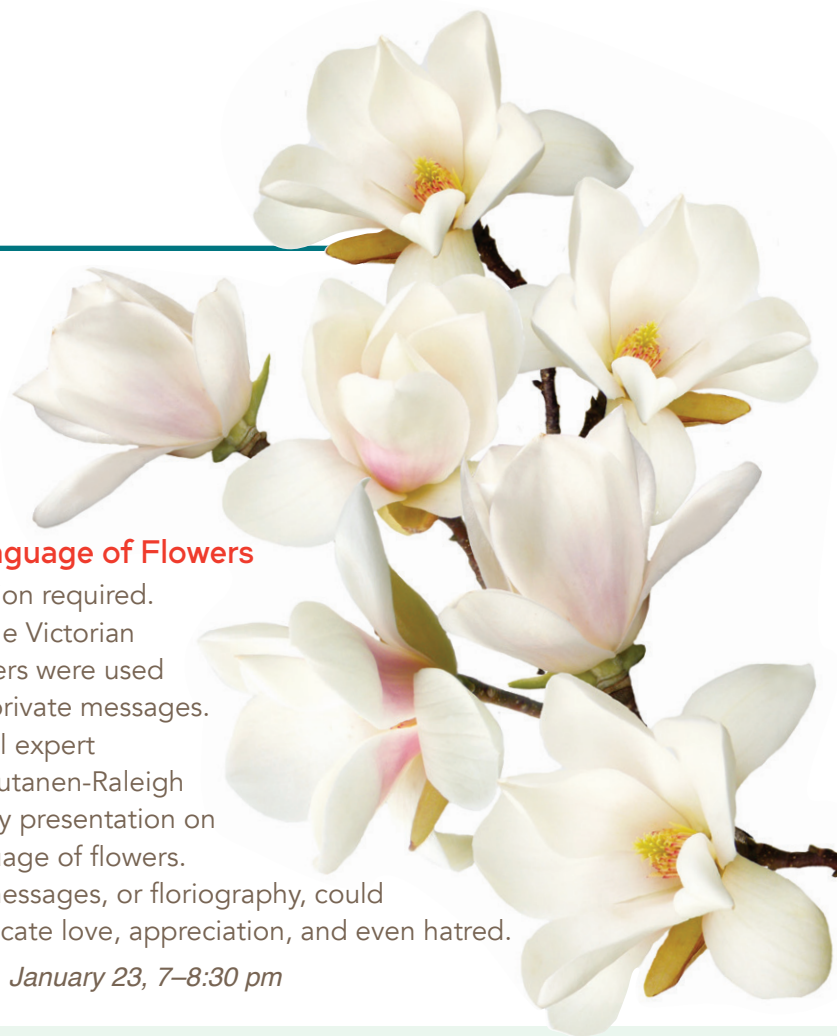
Monday, January 27, 7–8:30 pm



## Lifting up Early Childhood: No Small Matter

Registration required. Join the community's Early Childhood Alliance for a partial screening of the film *No Small Matter*, followed by discussion and opportunity to take action locally. Finger food and child care provided. Note: Partial screening of the film is 45 minutes.

Tuesday, January 28, 6–7:30 pm





## WHO'S GONNA GET THE OSCAR?

Registration required. Join librarians Sharon and Cecilia as they discuss this year's Academy Award nominees: the most-likely-to-succeed, the snubbed, and the dark horses. They will also reveal their Oscar predictions.

*Wednesday, January 29, 7–8:30 pm*

## URLife Storytelling with Lily Be At Lincolnwood Public Library

Registration required. Join renowned local storyteller Lily Be for a two-part workshop that combines games and stories. Participants will explore, discuss, and develop their origin stories in a casual, fun environment. Register on Lincolnwood's website or by calling 847-677-5277. Part of Coming Together.

*Mondays, February 3 and 10,  
6:30–8:30 pm*

## How to Tame March Madness

Registration required. Sports analyst Rob Arthur shares his thoughts on the annual basketball frenzy we call March Madness. In addition to being one of the biggest television events of the year, March Madness is really hard to predict. Learn how statisticians are using data from past years to predict the outcome of March Madness and talk about similar efforts in baseball, football, and the NBA, each with varying degrees of success.

*Wednesday, February 12, 7–8:30 pm*

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## Text in Textiles: Quilting in the Black Aesthetic Tradition

Registration required. Join Northwestern Professor Tracy Vaughn-Manley as she discusses her current research on how 20th-century Black women's literature and narrative quilting engages with tradition after the Civil Rights era. Learn how the black quilting tradition uses repurposing and improvisation to create original works. She will also discuss how quilting is represented in literature.

*Tuesday, February 4, 7–8 pm*

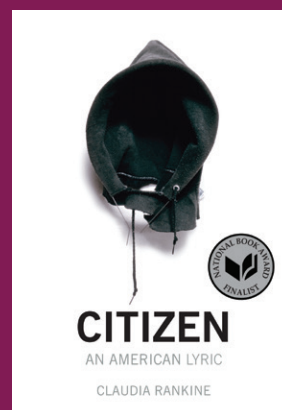


## All the Selves We Bring

Registration required. When we enter a room, we bring with us the self that people see—and the self that people project onto us. Using an excerpt from Claudia Rankine's celebrated prose poem *Citizen*, we'll focus on the ways Rankine illustrates and questions how one can be in a society that denies the basic humanity of black people.

Poet Nicole Bond will facilitate this discussion, with library staff. Sign up and get a copy of the excerpt at the Readers Services Desk.

*Thursday, February 27, 7–8:30 pm*



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### **Career Action Group**

*Thursdays at 3 pm,  
January 2 and 16 and  
February 6 and 20*

### **Open Sew \***

*Fridays at 5:30 pm,  
January 3 and February 7*

### **Meditation**

*Mondays at 7 pm,  
January 6 and February 3*

### **Knit and Crochet All the Way**

*Tuesdays at 4 pm*

### **ESL Café**

*Wednesdays at 12:30 pm  
except January 1*

### **Introduction to Yoga \***

*Thursdays at 2:30 pm,  
January 9 and February 13*

### **Low Vision Support Group \***

*Tuesdays at 1:30 pm,  
January 14 and February 11*

### **Great Decisions Discussion Group**

*Wednesdays at 7 pm,  
January 15 and February 19*

### **Savvy Skokie Seniors**

*Wednesdays at 11 am,  
January 22 and February 19*

### **Write On! A Skokie Writers Group**

*Mondays at 7 pm,  
January 27 and February 24*



### **Tarot and the Journey to Triumph**

Registration required. Learn about the history and applications of the tarot with professional tarot reader Rebecca Schoenecker. Created during the Renaissance, the tarot embodied the blending of classical ideals, mysticism, and Christianity. Following the presentation, you will get a chance to explore a tarot card reading together.

*Tuesday, February 18, 7–8:30 pm*

## **CHANGING THE ODDS: PAINTING A BRIGHTER FUTURE FOR ALL OF US**

Registration required. Nationally, 76% of people released from prison are back behind bars within five years. Learn how Hustle 2.0 slashes that number to less than 10% and why that matters for all of us. Staff member Christie Robinson has spent 12 long days over the past year volunteering in maximum-security prisons. How can a prison gym feel like the safest place in the world? Learn how this program transforms the lives of people with criminal histories, both before and after their release from prison, as well as the lives of those who volunteer.

*Thursday, February 20, 7–8:30 pm*



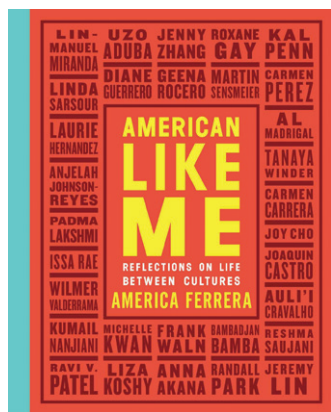
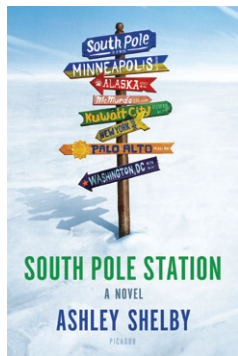
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### **What Is Cyberpunk?**

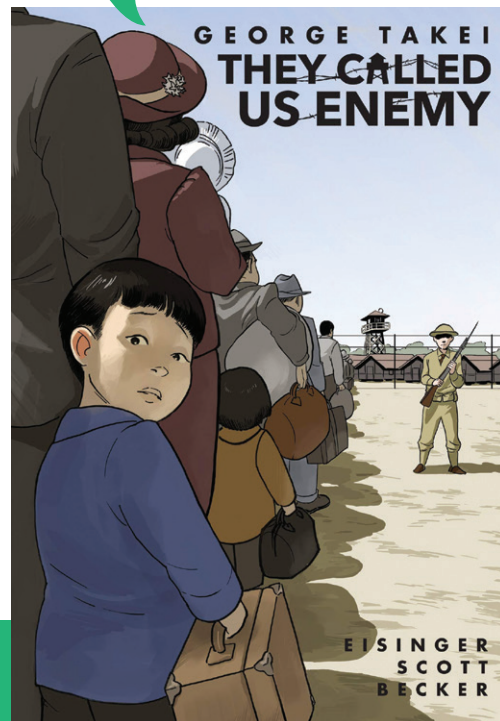
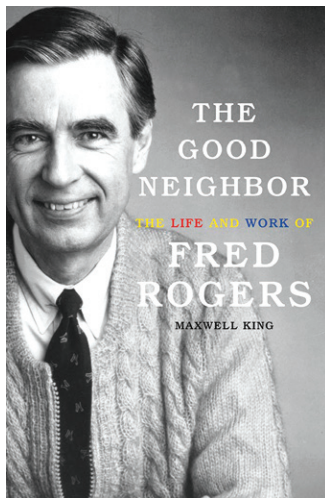
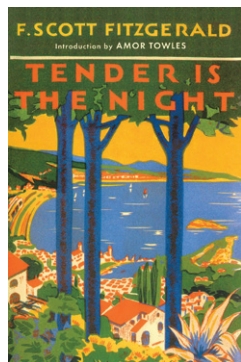
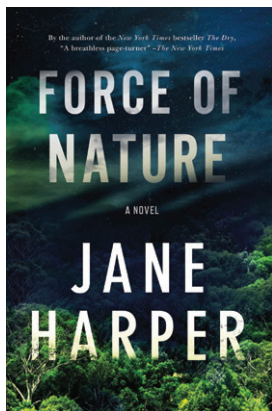
Registration required. How does cyberpunk influence pop culture and media? In this presentation, learn about this countercultural movement and how it continues to be a presence in our daily lives. Cyberpunk archetypes like the hacker feature in TV, films, books, video games, and music.

*Saturday, February 22, 2–3 pm*





# BOOK DISCUSSIONS



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## LitLounge

Held at Village Inn,  
8050 Lincoln Avenue

### South Pole Station

by Ashley Shelby

Wednesday, January 8, 7:30 pm \*

### They Called Us Enemy

by George Takei

Wednesday, February 12, 7:30 pm \*

## Adult Book Discussion

### Tender Is the Night

by F. Scott Fitzgerald

Tuesday, January 21, 7 pm \*

### American Like Me

by America Ferrara

Tuesday, February 18, 7 pm \*

## Talking Books

### Discussion Group

### Force of Nature

by Jane Harper

Wednesday, January 29, 1:30 pm \*

### The Good Neighbor:

The Life and Work of Fred Rogers

by Maxwell King

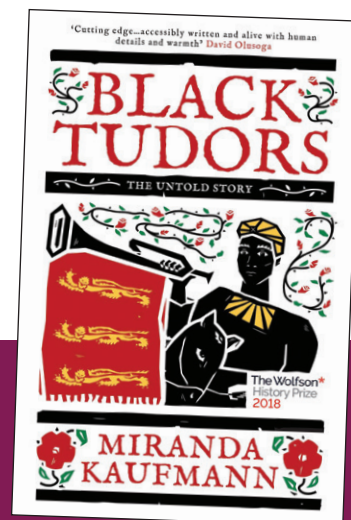
Wednesday, February 26, 1:30 pm \*

## Pages through History

Black Tudors: The Untold Story

by Miranda Kaufmann

Wednesday, February 26, 7 pm \*



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# LIVE PERFORMANCES

## YOUNG STEINWAY CONCERT SERIES

### Claire Metcalf, Violin, and Brandon Zhang, Piano

Drop-in event. A sophomore at James B. Conant High School in Hoffman Estates, Claire Metcalf studies violin with Betty Haag-Kuhnke. Pianist Brandon Zhang is a junior at Naperville Central High School. He studies piano with Sueanne Metz.

*Sunday, January 5, 3–4:15 pm*

### Alexis Boe, Piano, and Anika Veda, Flute

Drop-in event. Pianist Alexis Boe is a junior at New Trier Township High School. She is a merit scholar at the Music Institute of Chicago. Anika Veda, a sophomore at William Fremd High School in Palatine, studies flute with Amano Hideko.

*Sunday, February 2, 3–4:15 pm*



## ALLOY HORN QUARTET

Drop-in event. This concert features accessible classical and modern classical music of Scandinavia, France, Hungary, and Chicago-area composers. If you've never heard a horn quartet, you are in for a treat! Members of ALLOY are Liz Deitemyer, Anna Jacobson, Kelly Langenberg, and Dana Sherman.

*Sunday, January 12, 3–4:15 pm*



### Armenian Music of Remembrance: The 150th Anniversary of Komitas

Drop-in event. Crossing Borders Music celebrates the legacy of the renowned musician Komitas. He was sent to a prison camp during the Armenian Genocide by the Ottoman government. He is widely seen as a martyr of the genocide. This performance will include arrangements of his vocal music for string quartet. In addition, Armenian composer and pianist Tatev Amiryan will perform works by Komitas and works in his honor by other Armenian composers.

*Sunday, January 26, 3–4:15 pm*



### Evanston Dance Ensemble Preview: The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe

Drop-in event. The dancers invite you to the magical world of Narnia! Due to our very limited backstage space this winter, this informal preview will show a bit more of the magic in the making than usual. This original dance production of the C.S. Lewis classic has become a mainstay of the ensemble's repertoire, enchanting audiences since 2006.

*Saturday, February 8, 3–4 pm*



### GUITARIST ANDREAS KAPSALIS

Drop-in event. Acoustic guitar innovator and composer Andreas Kapsalis astonishes audiences across the globe with his "10-finger-style" approach to the guitar. Andreas is now on tour promoting his third solo release, *Tributes*, which features his arrangements of songs by Queen, Pink Floyd, The Rolling Stones, Santana, The Beatles, Bob Marley, Ennio Morricone, and many more.

*Sunday, February 9, 3–4:15 pm*

### Eric Hochberg Quartet: WDCB Jazz—Jammin' in the Stacks

Drop-in event. On the Chicago music scene for 40 years, Eric Hochberg plays upright and electric bass across the realms of jazz, folk, rock, and blues. He has performed or recorded with Pharoah Sanders, Bobby McFerrin, Barbra Streisand, Von Freeman, Terry Callier, Howard Levy, Kurt Elling, Patricia Barber, and many others. Cosponsored by WDCB Radio 90.9 FM

*Sunday, February 16, 3–4 pm*



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### CELEBRATING CUBAN-AMERICAN COMPOSERS

*Featuring  
Paquito D'Rivera*

Drop-in event. This concert by Crossing Borders Music highlights Grammy Award-winning composer Paquito D'Rivera. D'Rivera composed *Ladies in White* as a tribute to the wives of imprisoned Cuban opposition leaders who call on Cuba to release imprisoned political dissidents. The concert also features Grammy-nominated composer Tania Leon's *Del Caribe, Soy!*

*Sunday, February 23, 3–4:15 pm*

*Free tickets distributed 30 minutes before each performance.*



# PHASE ONE: **The Second Floor**



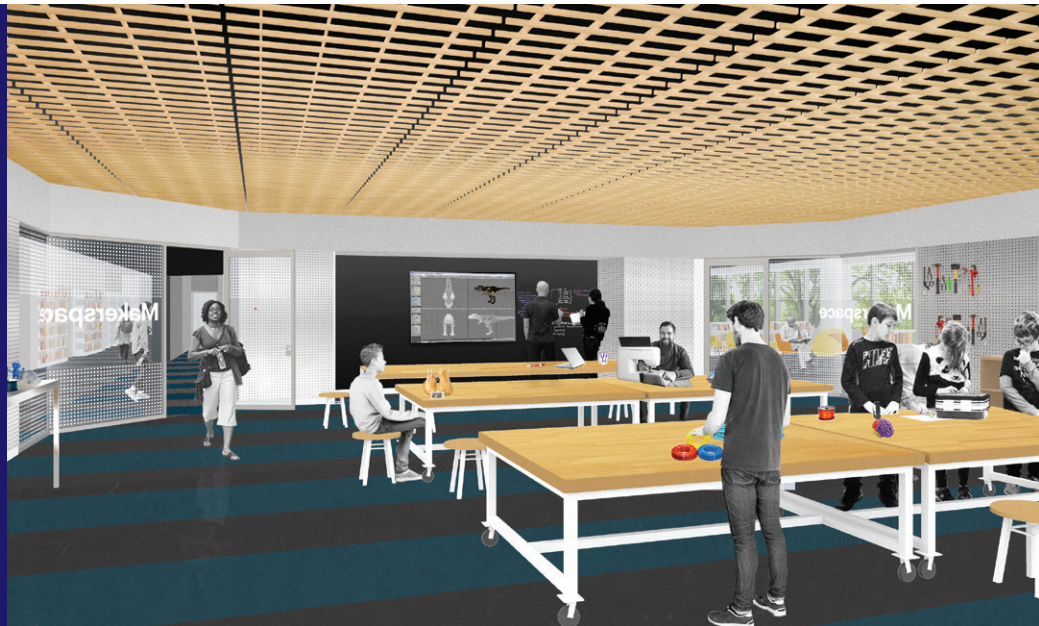


# RENOVATION 2020

We're launching our major interior renovation project with the second floor. These images provide just a hint of what the second floor will offer when it reopens this summer.

While the second floor is closed:

- Computers are available in the Radmacher Meeting Room.
- Information Desk staff will help you in the Radmacher Gallery.
- Some nonfiction books are available on the first floor. See staff for assistance locating what you need.
- Magazines can be found where the used books were.
- We are unable to accept donations of used materials.



SPOTLIGHT:

## THE STUDIO

**TRY THINGS!  
LEARN SOMETHING NEW!  
BE CREATIVE!**

In this brand-new space, adults will be able to explore and experiment with hands-on projects in these areas:

**Art**—painting, drawing, and paper crafts

**Textiles**—machine and hand sewing and embroidery, and yarn projects

**Fabrication**—2D and 3D design and printing

**Digital Production**—three smaller studios featuring iMacs and related equipment

**For updates and more details, go to  
[skokielibrary.info/renovation](http://skokielibrary.info/renovation)**

# KIDS & FAMILIES

## STEAM Engines Club

Registration required. Science, technology, engineering, arts, and math can unravel the mysteries and wonders of how the world works. Explore STEAM in a hands-on, fun way. For grades K–2.

*Thursdays, January 2 and February 6,  
4:30–5:15 pm*

## Learn and Play

Drop-in event. Play is the work of childhood. So said beloved children's advocate and television star Fred Rogers of *Mister Rogers' Neighborhood*. Take advantage of the library's great collection of toys to help kids learn through open-ended play. For ages 4–7 with an adult.

## Dinosaurs

*Monday, January 6, 10:30–11 am*

*Thursday, February 27, 1:30–2 pm*

## Trains

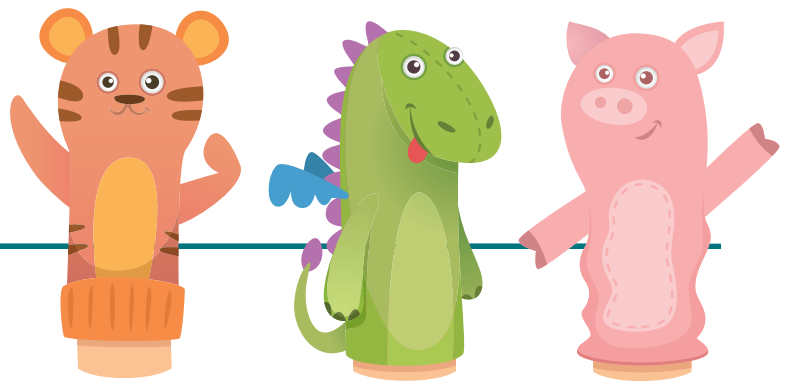
*Thursday, January 9, 1:30–2 pm*

## Bilingual Storytime: Spanish

Drop-in event. Read books, sing songs, and have fun in English and Spanish during this special bilingual storytime. For ages 2–5.

*Tuesday, January 7,  
10:30–11 am or 5:30–6 pm*

# ESPAÑOL



## PUPPET SHOW

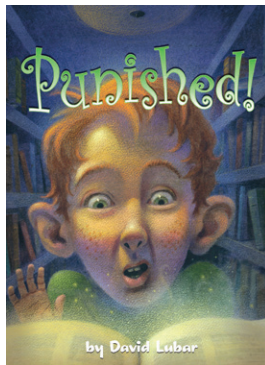
Drop-in event. Come watch our librarians perform stories with puppets. Shows include music, drama, and art.

For ages 5 and up. Free tickets available starting at 3 pm.

*Tuesday, January 7, 3:30–4:15 pm*

## Family Book Club

In this book discussion for second and third graders and an accompanying grown-up, we'll discuss the book and play a book-related game or create a craft together. Sign up for the discussion, then pick up a copy of the book at the Youth Services Desk. Please register the child attending only, although an adult must attend as well.



## Punished!

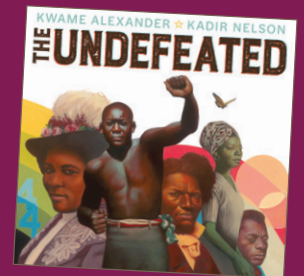
Registration required. In *Punished!* by David Lubar, Logan and his friend Benedict are playing tag in the library. Logan gets caught when he runs into a mysterious man. When Logan doesn't apologize sincerely, the mysterious gentleman punishes him by causing him to speak in puns. How can he get back to normal?

*Thursday, January 9, 6:30–7:15 pm*

## The Undeclared

Registration required. Written as a poem by Kwame Alexander, *The Undeclared* is a love letter to black life in the United States. It highlights the unspeakable trauma of slavery, the faith and fire of the civil rights movement, and the grit, passion, and perseverance of some of the world's greatest heroes.

*Thursday, February 13, 6:30–7:15 pm*



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## Puppetpalooza

Drop-in event. Join our librarians for a short puppet show followed by music and fun with the library's puppets. For all ages. Limited to 40, tickets available starting at 10 am.

Friday, January 10,  
10:30 am–11:15 am



# Storytimes

January 13–February 21

## MONDAYS

Wonderful Ones 12–23 months 10:30–11 am  
Rise & Shine Storytime 2–5 years 10:30–11 am

## TUESDAYS

Toddler Time for Twos 2 years 10:30–11 am  
Preschool Storytime 3–5 years 10:30–11 am

## WEDNESDAYS

- Book Babies Storytime 0–11 months 9:30–10 am  
• Together Time 0–23 months 9:30–11:30 am  
except January 1  
Wonderful Ones 12–23 months 10:15–10:45 am  
Wonderful Ones 12–23 months 11–11:30 am  
• Family Fun Storytime 2–6 years 6:30–7 pm  
except January 1 and February 19

## THURSDAYS

Preschool Storytime 3–5 years 1:30–2 pm

## FRIDAYS

Toddler Time for Twos 2 years 10:30–11 am  
Toddler Time for Twos 2 years 11:30 am–noon

## SATURDAYS

- Weekend Storytime 2–6 years 10:30–11 am

- Meets every week

## The Magical World of Numbers At Old Orchard Shopping Center

Drop-in event. Join us for a magical storytime with elements of numeracy. For kids of all ages.

Fridays, January 10 and February 14, 2–2:30 pm

## Family Movie

### Dora and the Lost City of Gold

Drop-in event. Dora, a teenage explorer, leads her friends on an adventure to save her parents and solve the mystery behind a lost city of gold.

Released 2019—102 minutes—Rated PG for mild thematic elements—Adventure

Friday, January 10, 7–9 pm

### The Lion King

Drop-in event. Simba idolizes his father, King Mufasa, and takes to heart his own royal destiny. But not everyone in the kingdom celebrates the new cub's arrival. Scar, Mufasa's brother, has plans of his own

Released 2019—118 minutes—Rated PG for sequences of violence, peril, and some thematic elements—Drama

Friday, February 14, 7–9 pm



## Open Chess

Drop-in event. Play chess or watch one of many games in progress. For kids of all ages.

Saturdays, January 11 and  
February 1 and Sundays,  
January 12 and February 2, 2–4 pm

## Winter Wonders

Drop-in event. It may be cold outside, and you don't have to stay inside! Let's explore ways to have fun in the outdoors. Dress accordingly. For ages 8–11. We will end the hour with hot chocolate.

Mondays, January 13 and 20,  
4–5 pm



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### Gentle Play

Drop-in event. This sensory-friendly play group is designed for children who need a small, nurturing environment. Therapists from Steinberg Behavior Solutions will facilitate play skills and social interaction using toys and positive reinforcement. For ages 2–5 with an adult caregiver. Limited to 20 people.

*Thursdays, January 16 and  
February 20, 9:30–10:30 am*



### Community Storytime

Drop-in event. Educators from local schools will read their favorite stories. For grades K–5.

#### Elizabeth Meyer School

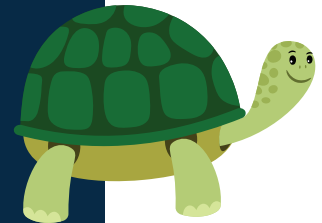
*Thursday, January 16, 6:30–7:30 pm*

#### Hillel Torah School

*Monday, February 10, 6:30–7:30 pm*

#### Jane Stenson School

*Thursday, February 20, 6:30–7:30 pm*



### Be the Scientist

Build your understanding of scientific concepts with monthly experiments and activities. Limited to 16 participants in grades 3–5.

#### Designing Sailboats

Registration required. This month, we're exploring the concept of basic sailboat design. Learn about the architecture and physics of how these boats work with the wind by completing a hands-on project.



*Thursday, January 16,  
4:30–5:30 pm*

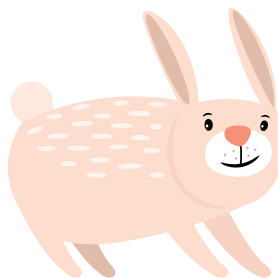
#### What Is in the DNA of Fruit?

Registration required. This month, we are learning how to extract DNA from fruit and exploring genetic modifications in the food supply.

*Thursday, February 20,  
4:30–5:30 pm*



## THE TORTOISE AND THE HARE: AN IMPROV PLAYHOUSE PRODUCTION



Drop-in event. How did the Tortoise beat the Hare? In this new take on the classic story, Hare and Tortoise each tell their side of the story of getting to the finish line. For families and kids ages 4 and up. Free tickets available at 3 pm.

*Saturday, January 18, 3:30–4:30 pm*

### Rainbow Therapy Time

Registration required. Children with disabilities are invited to enjoy the benefits of interacting with trained therapy dogs. Limited to 10 participants ages 7–12. Rainbow dog handlers will work with the children to strengthen motor skills, learn social skills, and improve language use. Children attend independently with the assistance of volunteer aides.

*Sunday, January 19 and February 16, 11 am–noon*

### Family Scrapbooking

Drop-in event. Build scrapbooks of your favorite family memories. Please bring your own photos. Scrapbooking supplies provided. For kids ages 6 and up with an accompanying adult.

*Monday, January 20, 2–3:30 pm*



### WRITE Stuff Writing Club

Registration required. Aspiring writers, bring a notebook and we'll get your creative juices flowing with some writing exercises and games. Limited to 15 participants in grades 4–5.

*Tuesdays, January 21 and February 18, 7–8 pm*



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## Black History Trivia

Registration required. Test your knowledge of black history with this fun trivia game designed for ages 8 and up. Limited to 25 kids. Please register for only one session. Stop by the Youth Desk starting on February 1 for an information packet to help you prepare.

*Monday, February 17,  
2–3 pm or 3–4 pm*



## Little Presidents: Remixed

Drop-in event. Join our staff artist for a limited recreation of our presidential portraits program examining the artistic styling of Kehinde Wiley, who painted Barack Obama's presidential portrait. Opportunities to take your own presidential portrait and see the photos from last year will be available. For all ages. The 2019 event was an Urban Library Council's 2019 honorable mention award winner for innovation in birth–teen education.

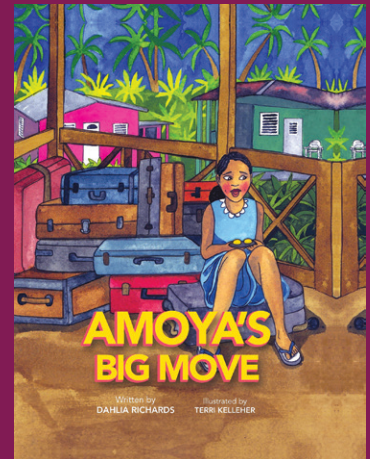
*Monday, February 17, 4–5 pm*

## MEET THE AUTHOR: DAHLIA RICHARDS

Drop-in event. Hear selected readings by author Dahlia Richards. Stay around after to try tasty samples from a local Jamaican restaurant and get your book signed. For kids of all ages. *Amoya's Big Move* tells the story

of a young girl on the day she and her family give away the last of their belongings and prepare to leave their home country of Jamaica for Chicago. The little things, such as her favorite ice cream, pop up in her memory as she realizes that this treat might not be available where she is going. This is the perfect story for families who have left their home countries and those who want to learn more about this experience.

*Wednesday, February 19, 5:30–6:30 pm*



## Family Art Party: African-American Quilting Traditions

Registration required. Join our staff artist as we explore African-American quilting in this hands-on workshop in honor of Black History Month. For all ages. Limited to 40 participants. Caregivers must accompany children under the age of 8.

*Saturday,  
February 22,  
3–4 pm*



# BOOMBOX



## BIG & SMALL

Starting January 6, we're bringing back one of our first rotation themes: Big & Small! Each week we'll have featured hands-on activities designed for exploring the macrocosms and microcosms of our world. We're combining some of our favorite science tools like microscopes, telescopes, and mini computers with art resources for a multifaceted STEAM experience.

### DROP-IN TIMES

**Ages 6 and up**

Monday–Thursday, 3:30–8:45 pm

Saturday–Sunday, noon–5:45 pm

**Families welcome.**

**Children younger than 8 must be accompanied by an adult.**

### Family Art Party

Drop-in event. Bring the whole family to dive into a hands-on project using all manner of artistic tools and techniques. For families with kids of all ages.

*Saturday, January 25, 3–4 pm*

### FAMILY YOGA

Registration required. Try beginning yoga for kids ages 4–8 with an accompanying adult. Limited to 15. Please register the child attending only, although an adult must attend as well.

*Sunday, January 26, 2–2:30 pm*

### Yoga for Kids

Registration required. This beginning yoga class for kids ages 9–11 is led by North Branch Yoga. Caregivers are welcome but not obligated to attend. Limited to 18.

Register the child who is attending. Any accompanying caregivers must be registered as guests.

*Sunday, January 26, 2:45–3:30 pm*



### BE THE ARTIST

Drop-in event. Get creative and develop your art-making skills with our staff artist.

For grades 3–5.

*Mondays, January 27 and February 24, 6–7 pm*

### Adventure Club: Algeria

Registration required. Learn about Algeria's culture, traditions, foods, and fun! Limited to 25 participants in grades K–4.

*Friday, February 7, 4:30–5:30 pm*



### Science Club Jr.

Drop-in event. Preschoolers, learn about science with fun and interesting hands-on experiments. Bring your best tool for exploring how the world works: curiosity! For ages 3–5 with an adult. Dress to mess.

*Tuesday, February 25, 10:30–11 am or 5:30–6 pm*

### Leap into Games from Different Cultures At East Prairie School

Registration required. Enjoy exploring and playing games from different lands and cultures. All youth ages are welcome.

This event is a part of Coming Together and is a collaboration of East Prairie School District 73 and Skokie Public Library.

*Saturday, February 29, 10–11:30 am*



# JANUARY YOUTH & FAMILY CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			<sup>1</sup> Library Closed	<sup>2</sup> STEAM Engines Club 4:30 pm	<sup>3</sup> Open Sew 5:30 pm	<sup>4</sup> Weekend Storytime 10:30 am
<sup>5</sup>	<sup>6</sup> Learn and Play: Dinosaurs 10:30 am	<sup>7</sup> Bilingual Storytime: Spanish 10:30 am & 5:30 pm Puppet Show 3:30 pm Knit and Crochet 4 pm	<sup>8</sup> Together Time 9:30 am Family Fun Storytime 6:30 pm	<sup>9</sup> Learn and Play: Trains 1:30 pm Family Book Club: <i>Punished!</i> 6:30 pm	<sup>10</sup> Puppetpalooza 10:30 am The Magical World of Numbers 2 pm Family Movie: Dora and the Lost City of Gold 7 pm	<sup>11</sup> Weekend Storytime 10:30 am Open Chess 2 pm
<sup>12</sup> Open Chess 2 pm	<sup>13</sup> Rise & Shine Storytime 10:30 am Wonderful Ones Storytime 10:30 am Winter Wonders 4 pm	<sup>14</sup> Preschool Storytime 10:30 am Toddler Time for Twos 10:30 am Knit and Crochet 4 pm	<sup>15</sup> Book Babies Storytime 9:30 am Together Time 9:30 am Wonderful Ones Storytime 10:15 & 11 am Family Fun Storytime 6:30 pm	<sup>16</sup> Gentle Play 9:30 am Preschool Storytime 1:30 pm Be the Scientist 4:30 pm Meyer Storytime 6:30 pm	<sup>17</sup> Toddler Time for Twos 10:30 & 11:30 am	<sup>18</sup> Weekend Storytime 10:30 am The Tortoise and the Hare 3:30 pm
<sup>19</sup> Rainbow Therapy Time 11 am	<sup>20</sup> Rise & Shine Storytime 10:30 am Wonderful Ones Storytime 10:30 am Family Scrap-booking 2 pm Winter Wonders 4 pm	<sup>21</sup> Preschool Storytime 10:30 am Toddler Time for Twos 10:30 am Knit and Crochet 4 pm WRITE Stuff 7 pm	<sup>22</sup> Book Babies Storytime 9:30 am Together Time 9:30 am Wonderful Ones Storytime 10:15 & 11 am Family Fun Storytime 6:30 pm	<sup>23</sup> Preschool Storytime 1:30 pm	<sup>24</sup> Toddler Time for Twos 10:30 & 11:30 am	<sup>25</sup> Weekend Storytime 10:30 am Family Art Party 3 pm
<sup>26</sup> Family Yoga 2 pm Yoga for Kids 2:45 pm	<sup>27</sup> Rise & Shine Storytime 10:30 am Wonderful Ones Storytime 10:30 am Be the Artist 6 pm	<sup>28</sup> Preschool Storytime 10:30 am Toddler Time for Twos 10:30 am Knit and Crochet 4 pm Early Childhood: No Small Matter 6 pm	<sup>29</sup> Book Babies Storytime 9:30 am Together Time 9:30 am Wonderful Ones Storytime 10:15 & 11 am Family Fun Storytime 6:30 pm	<sup>30</sup> Preschool Storytime 1:30 pm	<sup>31</sup> Toddler Time for Twos 10:30 & 11:30 am	

# FEBRUARY YOUTH & FAMILY CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						<b>1</b> <b>Weekend Storytime</b> 10:30 am <b>Open Chess</b> 2 pm
<b>2</b> <b>Open Chess</b> 2 pm	<b>3</b> <b>Rise &amp; Shine Storytime</b> 10:30 am <b>Wonderful Ones Storytime</b> 10:30 am	<b>4</b> <b>Preschool Storytime</b> 10:30 am <b>Toddler Time for Twos</b> 10:30 am <b>Knit and Crochet</b> 4 pm	<b>5</b> <b>Book Babies Storytime</b> 9:30 am <b>Together Time</b> 9:30 am <b>Wonderful Ones Storytime</b> 10:15 & 11 am <b>Family Fun Storytime</b> 6:30 pm	<b>6</b> <b>Preschool Storytime</b> 1:30 pm <b>STEAM Engines Club</b> 4:30 pm	<b>7</b> <b>Toddler Time for Twos</b> 10:30 & 11:30 am <b>Adventure Club: Algeria</b> 4:30 pm <b>Open Sew</b> 5:30 pm	<b>8</b> <b>Weekend Storytime</b> 10:30 am <b>ede: The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe</b> 3 pm
<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> <b>Rise &amp; Shine Storytime</b> 10:30 am <b>Wonderful Ones Storytime</b> 10:30 am <b>Hillel Torah Community Storytime</b> 6:30 pm	<b>11</b> <b>Preschool Storytime</b> 10:30 am <b>Toddler Time for Twos</b> 10:30 am <b>Knit and Crochet</b> 4 pm	<b>12</b> <b>Book Babies Storytime</b> 9:30 am <b>Together Time</b> 9:30 am <b>Wonderful Ones Storytime</b> 10:15 & 11 am <b>Family Fun Storytime</b> 6:30 pm	<b>13</b> <b>Preschool Storytime</b> 1:30 pm <b>Family Book Club: The Undeafed</b> 6:30 pm	<b>14</b> <b>Toddler Time for Twos</b> 10:30 & 11:30 am <b>The Magical World of Numbers</b> 2 pm <b>Family Movie: The Lion King</b> 7 pm	<b>15</b> <b>Weekend Storytime</b> 10:30 am
<b>16</b> <b>Rainbow Therapy Time</b> 11 am	<b>17</b> <b>Rise &amp; Shine Storytime</b> 10:30 am <b>Wonderful Ones Storytime</b> 10:30 am <b>Black History Trivia</b> 2 and 3 pm <b>Little Presidents: Remixed</b> 4 pm	<b>18</b> <b>Preschool Storytime</b> 10:30 am <b>Toddler Time for Twos</b> 10:30 am <b>Knit and Crochet</b> 4 pm <b>WRITE Stuff</b> 7 pm	<b>19</b> <b>Book Babies Storytime</b> 9:30 am <b>Together Time</b> 9:30 am <b>Wonderful Ones Storytime</b> 10:15 & 11 am <b>Meet the Author: Dahlia Richards</b> 5:30 pm	<b>20</b> <b>Gentle Play</b> 9:30 am <b>Preschool Storytime</b> 1:30 pm <b>Be the Scientist</b> 4:30 pm <b>Jane Stenson Storytime</b> 6:30 pm	<b>21</b> <b>Toddler Time for Twos</b> 10:30 & 11:30 am	<b>22</b> <b>Weekend Storytime</b> 10:30 am <b>Family Art Party: African-American Quilting Traditions</b> 3 pm
<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> <b>Be the Artist</b> 6 pm	<b>25</b> <b>Science Club Jr.</b> 10:30 am <b>Knit and Crochet</b> 4 pm <b>Science Club Jr.</b> 5:30 pm	<b>26</b> <b>Together Time</b> 9:30 am <b>Family Fun Storytime</b> 6:30 pm	<b>27</b> <b>Learn and Play: Dinosaurs</b> 1:30 pm	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> <b>Leap into Games from Different Cultures</b> 10 am <b>Weekend Storytime</b> 10:30 am



# TEEN



## Downtime

Drop-in event. Slow down and recharge your batteries with mindfulness activities and discussions.

*Wednesdays, January 8 and 22 and February 19, 4–5 pm*



## Spill Your Tea: Talking Circle

Drop-in event. Get to know yourself and others in this facilitated dialogue circle. Spill tea, sip tea, and enjoy conversation ranging from lighthearted to deep and meaningful. Light refreshments will be served.

*Grades 9–12: Mondays, January 13 and February 10, 4:30–5:30 pm*

*Grades 6–8: Mondays, January 27 and February 24, 4–5 pm*

## Graphical Fanatical: A Graphic Novel Book Club

Drop-in event. Come talk about the graphic novels you've been reading, get suggestions for what to read next, and learn about titles that will be released soon. For grades 6–8.

*Thursdays, January 16 and February 13, 4–5 pm*

## 2020 Vision: Goal-Setting for the Best Year Ever

Registration required. In this workshop, learn strategies for tackling your goals and get creative with a vision-board activity that will help you keep your eyes on the prize all year long. Come with some goals or resolutions in mind. We'll provide all the materials. Limited to 15 participants in grades 6–12.

*Saturday, January 18, 2–4 pm*



## You Do You: Teen Theater Workshop

Registration required.

In this workshop with Chicago actors Jessie Fisher and Erica Elam, participate in theater exercises and games designed to build points of view, nurture self-awareness, and defend opinions. Limited to 12 participants in grades 8–12.

*Saturday, January 25, 2–4 pm*

## DIY Valentine's Day Cards

Drop-in event. Get crafty and share some love by making some Valentine's Day cards. For grades 6–12.

*Saturday and Sunday, February 8 and 9, 1–2 pm*

## Spring Teen Theater Production

Registration required. Teens are invited to join our spring teen theater production. This ensemble-driven show, title to be determined, will be presented in the library in April 2020. Rehearsals will take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Limited to 15 participants in grades 7–12.

*Tuesday, February 11, 5–7:30 pm*

## LIBRARY SERVICE COUNCIL

Registration required. Give input on library services and events, participate in volunteer projects, and eat pizza. Limited to 15 participants in grades 6–12.

*Thursdays, January 23 and February 20, 4:30–5:30 pm*

►►► For a full list of events, visit the website at [www.skokilibrary.info](http://www.skokilibrary.info)

# BUSINESS & TECHNOLOGY



## Prezi

### Appealing Your Property Taxes Online

Registration required. Join staff from the office of Cook County Commissioner Larry Suffredin to learn how to appeal your property taxes online. Basic mouse and keyboard skills are required. Limited to 12 participants.

*Tuesday, January 7, 10–10:45 am or 11–11:45 am*

### Open for Business: A Fresh Take on Facebook Marketing

Registration required. A new year offers small businesses opportunities to develop a more meaningful presence on Facebook. In this presentation, learn about better promoting your business using this platform. Rebecca Hoffman, a communications and brand strategist, explores ways to make the most of Facebook's ever-evolving platform. Enter the library on the west side only. Limited to 25 participants.

*Wednesday, January 8, 8:15 am–9:30 am*

## Library 2018–19 Financial Report

### Revenues

\$12,200,675	Property Taxes
322,989	Corporate Replacement Taxes
84,205	Per Capita and Other Grants
199,083	Fines and Other Receipts
112,291	Interest Earned

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**\$12,919,243 Total**

### Expenditures

\$8,162,702	Salaries and Benefits
508,284	Maintenance
434,512	Technology
1,436,265	Materials for the Collection
81,635	Programming
121,997	Continuing Education and Memberships
612,480	Capital Projects
314,504	Other Expenses

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11,672,379	Annual Expenses
684,892	Change in Fund Balance
561,972	Transfer to Reserve Fund for Sites and Buildings

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**\$12,919,243 Total**

### Create Powerful Presentations with Prezi

Registration required. Prezi gives you a dynamic way to convey your ideas. In this workshop, get an overview of Prezi's various functions and templates as well as tips for creating a memorable pitch. Using your Facebook or Google account, you will create a Prezi account. Familiarity with Microsoft PowerPoint 2016 strongly recommended. Limited to 10 participants.

*Saturday, January 18, 10–11 am*

### Google Docs for Beginners

Registration required. This hands-on class introduces Google Docs. Learn to create documents, share, save, download, upload, print, and more. Basic mouse skills and a Gmail account are required. Limited to 10 participants.

*Saturday, January 25, 10:30–11:30 am*

### Using Microsoft Word 2016

Registration required. This hands-on class introduces the essentials of Microsoft Word 2016: tabs, saving and printing, downloading templates, clip art, bullets, and more. Basic mouse and keyboard skills are needed. Limited to 10 participants.

*Wednesday, January 29, 1–2 pm*

## DESIGN WITH PUBLISHER

Registration required. Learn how to create postcards, flyers, invitations, brochures, and more using online templates in this workshop. We will also review how to start a document using a blank template and how to save drafts for print or web publication. Limited to five participants.

*Thursday, February 6, 1:30–2:30 pm*

## Create Your Own YouTube Channel



Registration required. Learn to be a creator on YouTube in this two-part workshop. The first session discusses the broad range of popular content on YouTube. We'll strategize optimal times for uploading videos and brainstorm ideas for new channels. The second session focuses on the mechanics of how to upload a video, set custom thumbnails, and customize your experience. Familiarity with YouTube and strong keyboard and mouse skills are required. Participants should plan to attend both sessions. Limited to 10 participants.

*Saturdays, February 8 and 15,  
10–11:30 am*

### Get Started with Microsoft Excel 2016

Registration required. This hands-on class is an introduction to the essentials of Microsoft Excel 2016: tabs, rows, columns, functions, formulas, and more. Basic mouse and keyboarding skills are needed. Limited to 10 participants.

*Friday, February 14, 1:30–2:30 pm*

## VOTER REGISTRATION

*Saturdays and Sundays, 1-5 pm,  
January 25–February 16*

To complement ongoing voter registration weekdays at Village Hall, we're offering weekend hours so you can get registered to vote before the deadline for the 2020 primary election. Thanks to Niles Township and League of Women Voters for joining us.

## CENSUS 2020

IT'S COMING—  
MAKE SURE YOU  
GET COUNTED!

*Registration opens January 2 at  
[calendar.skokielibrary.info](http://calendar.skokielibrary.info) or 847-673-7774.*

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## RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMER



### Coming Together 2020 Journeys to Niles Township

Everyone in Niles Township has a story of how they or their family got here. Some are stories of recent immigration, others of being transported to these lands against their will. Still others are stories of fleeing oppression or relocating to seek greater prosperity. Our origin stories are as central to who we are as the cultures we are a part of and celebrate. For the past decade, Coming Together has explored some of the cultures present in our community. This year, we explore something we all have in common—the stories of our journeys to Niles Township.

### OPENING CEREMONY

Drop-in event. Community members will share how they decided to settle here through performances, videos, art, and light refreshments.

*Sunday, January 26, 1 pm at Niles West High School*

For complete information on Coming Together 2020,  
go to [www.comingtogether.in](http://www.comingtogether.in)

