



**BARRINGTON  
AREA LIBRARY**

**PROGRAM GUIDE**

Aug – Sept 2023

# HARVEST FESTIVAL

**Saturday, Sept 30, 10 AM - 3 PM**

You really autumn know about our fall fest! Enjoy storytelling and light refreshments, paint a pumpkin, and join in seasonal crafts and activities for all ages.



## BRING THE FAMILY

### **Sing-Along Movie**

**All ages w/caregiver**

**Tuesday, Aug 8**

**10 AM**

Drawers! Floors!

Bring the entire familia to enjoy popcorn and a

sing-along to *Encanto*

led by a special guest visiting us straight from her magical casita. Meeting Room.



### **Family Concert:**

**Jodi Koplin's Jigglejam**

**All ages w/caregiver**

**Friday, Aug 18, 10 AM**

Wiggle, JIGGLE, giggle, dance, and sing! Jodi's engaging style and catchy tunes spark imagination and promote self-esteem and silliness. Please bring your own blanket. BALibrary lawn, east of the upper parking lot. Rainy weather, we'll move indoors!

### **A note on registration:**

Programs are drop-in except where noted. Registration for Aug/Sept Youth Services programs opens Monday, July 31. To register, visit the online calendar at [balibrary.org](https://www.balibrary.org) or call (847) 382-1300.

### **Family BINGO Night**

**All ages**

**Friday, Aug 18, 6:30 – 7:30 PM**

Gather your family and friends and join us for a fun night of B-I-N-G-O and prizes! [Register](#). Meeting Room

### **Mr. Kipley's Fairy Tale Forest**

**All ages w/caregiver**

**Friday, Sept 15, 10 AM**

This spellbinding blend of puppetry and magic with tons of audience participation and surprises will have kids and parents laughing and completely engrossed! Meeting Room.



**Through August 20**

Track your summer reading, write book reviews, and complete fun activities to earn real and digital badges and prizes. [Visit balibrary.org/summer](https://www.balibrary.org/summer) to get started!

## LET'S GET OUTSIDE!

### **Fairy Story Time**

**All ages w/caregiver**

**Wednesday, Aug 16, 10 AM**

Celebrate your favorite tiny magical beings with fairy-themed stories, songs, and rhymes. BALibrary Lawn.

### **Story Time Nature Walk at Crabtree Nature Center**

**All ages w/caregiver**

**Thursday, Aug 24, 10 AM**

Enjoy stories, a nature walk, and playtime at Crabtree Nature Center, 3 Stover Road, Barrington Hills. Weather permitting.

### **Family Explorers: Bugs**

**PreK – Grade 2 w/caregiver**

**Saturday, Aug 26, 10 AM**

Join us in exploring all things bugs! We will read *Hustle Bustle Bugs* by Catherine Bailey, and then we will make a bug hotel for the bugs to enjoy! [Register](#). BALibrary Lawn.

### **Fall Into Autumn Story Time**

**All ages w/caregiver**

**Friday, Sept 22, 10 AM**

Get ready for autumn with songs, stories, and dancing. BALibrary Lawn.



# WEEKLY STORY TIMES

## Story Time in the Sun

All ages w/caregiver

**Mondays, Aug & Sept\***

**10 AM OR 10:30 AM**

Meet us outside to enjoy books, songs, rhymes, and movement activities while building language and literacy skills! BALibrary lawn, east of the upper parking lot. \*Please note: the Library will be closed on Sept 4.

## Baby Time: Lapsit

Ages 0 – 12 months w/caregiver

**Tuesdays, Aug & Sept, 3:30 PM**

Bond with your baby as we share rhymes and songs to build early language skills. Story Room.

## Baby Time: Wobbly Ones

Ages 12 – 24 months w/caregiver

**Tuesdays, Aug\* & Sept**

**10 AM OR 10:30 AM**

Enjoy songs, rhymes and stories that support early language and motor skills. Story Room. \*Please note: no Wobbly Ones on Aug 8.

## Toddler Time

Ages 2 – 3 years w/caregiver

**Wednesdays, Sept**

**10 AM OR 10:30 AM**

Enjoy stories, songs, and rhymes in this energetic story time for toddlers. Story Room.

## Preschool Story Time

Ages 3 – 5 w/caregiver

**Thursdays, Sept**

**10 AM OR 10:30 AM**

Time to dance, sing, and enjoy stories especially for preschoolers. Story Room.

## FOR AGES 0 – 6

### Let's Move! Story Time

Ages 3 – 6 w/caregiver

**Wednesday, Aug 9, 10 AM**

Get your body moving with stories, rhymes, and activities that focus on movement. Meeting Room.

### Ukulele Sing-Along Story Time

Ages 2 – 6 w/caregiver

**Wednesday, Aug 23, 4 PM**

Experience the joys of song and dance in this interactive, sing-along story time. Program Room.

### Meditation Story Time

Ages 2 – 5 w/caregiver

**Wednesday, Aug 30, 10 AM**

Take a few mindful moments with us as we read stories and participate in activities that introduce basic mindfulness skills. [Register](#). Program Room.

### Little Kids, Big Feelings

Ages 3 – 6 w/caregiver

**Thursday, Aug 31, 10 AM**

Mister Rogers often said that anything mentionable is manageable. Let's create a space to talk about all feelings, big and small, through books, songs, and mindfulness exercises. Program Room.

### Ukulele Baby Rhyme Time

Ages 0 – 18 months w/caregiver

**Friday, Sept 22, 4 PM**

Join our Librarians and their ukuleles in this interactive musical rhyme time, and learn the many benefits of bathing your baby in song! Program Room.

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## FOR ALL AGES

### Polish Story Time

All ages w/caregiver

**Friday, Aug 11, 10 AM**

The Language Labs will provide a Polish language story time, including some basic Polish instruction and a craft. [Register](#). Program Room.

### Goodnight Story Time

All ages w/caregiver

**Fridays, Aug 11 & Sept 15, 6 PM**

Shake your sillies out, get cozy, and listen to bedtime stories in this calming evening story time designed to help kids get a good night's sleep. Program Room.

### Open Play, Build Away

All ages w/caregiver

**Thursday, Aug 17, 10 – 11 AM**

Build with a variety of blocks and building materials. Explore, create, and recreate! Program Room.

### Happy Birthday Story Time

All ages w/caregiver

**Wednesday, Aug 23, 10 AM**

**Friday, Sept 29, 10 AM**

Join us for a special story time during your birthday month and we'll celebrate YOU with stories, songs, and a craft! Register with the birthday child's name. Program Room.





### Sensory Playtime

All ages w/caregiver

Friday, Aug 25, 10 – 11:30 AM

A special play time with activities specifically designed to engage the senses. Meeting Room.

### Story Time Dance Party

All ages w/caregiver

Friday, Sept 1, 10 AM

Bop to the beat and share some stories! Meeting Room.

### Spanish Story Time

All ages w/caregiver

Friday, Sept 8, 10 AM

The Language Labs will present a Spanish language story time, including some basic Spanish instruction and a craft. [Register](#). Program Room.

### Grandparents Day Story Time

All ages w/caregiver

Saturday, Sept 9, 10 AM

Let's celebrate National Grandparents Day! Enjoy stories and rhymes with grandparents and the whole family! Meeting Room.

## VIRTUAL PROGRAMS ON YOUTUBE

Tune into our YouTube Channel for on-demand Story Time, rhymes, songs, and puppet shows! Search "[Barrington Area Library Youth Services](#)" to find us on YouTube.

### All Ages Story Time

Enjoy stories, songs, and rhymes! Watch and sing along to help your child develop important early literacy skills.

### Story Time Shorts

Quick rhymes, songs, and movement activities that you can follow along with at home.

# LEARN - PLAY - CREATE

## Summer Reading Button Making

All ages w/caregiver

Tuesdays, Aug 1 – 22, 6 – 6:30 PM

Wednesdays, Aug 2 – 23, 12:30 – 1 PM

KA-CHUNK! You can pick up ready-made badges when you complete Summer Reading activities, or make your own at this daily button-making program. Program Room.

## Tech Open Lab

All ages w/ caregiver

Thursday, Aug 3, 2 PM – 3:30 PM

Friday, Sept 8, 3:30 PM – 5 PM

Families explore a variety of technology such as robots, circuits, iPads, and more. Program Room.

## Lego Club

All ages w/caregiver

Wednesdays, Aug 9 & Sept 27

3:30 – 4:30 PM

Make LEGO robots, create stories, and build amazing creations. Program Room.

## Tie Dye

Wednesday, Aug 16

Grades 3 – 5, 1:30 PM

Try out tie-dye techniques! We provide one white T-shirt and one white bandana; feel free to bring other items from home to tie-dye. Dress for a mess. Weather permitting. [Register](#). BALibrary Lawn.

## Code Together

PreK – Grade 2 w/caregiver

Wednesday, Aug 16, 6 – 7 PM

Kids team up with their adults to explore early coding concepts using Sphero Indi cars and LEGO WeDo Robots. [Register](#). Program Room.

## Back To School Button Making

Grades 3 – 5

Thursday, Aug 17, 2 PM

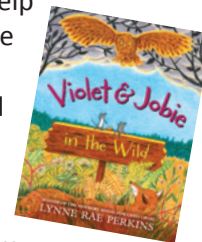
Make a hoop ring to hold the buttons you've earned this summer! Make special buttons, too! Program Room.

## Violet & Jobie Escape Room

Grades 3 – 6

Friday, Aug 18 at 2, 2:30, or 3 PM

Play our own version of the infamous "Cheese Game" and help Violet and Jobie escape into the wild! Work as a team, find clues, and solve puzzles to see if you can escape from the shoebox prison. Register. Program Room.



## Star Wars Fan Club

Grades 3 – 6

Wednesday, Aug 30, 4 PM

Celebrate the classic sci-fi/fantasy stories with crafts and games. [Register](#). Program Room.

## Kindergarten Keepsakes

Kindergarteners w/caregiver

Monday, Sept 11

4:30 PM OR 5:30 PM

Create a keepsake for your child as they start their school journey! Personalize a t-shirt to fill with handprints - one for each school year through 2036! Register. Program Room.

## STEAM: Bookmark Booklight

Grades 4 – 8

Wednesday, Sept 20, 4 PM

Learn about electrical circuits while making a light-up bookmark using conductive thread. [Register](#). Program Room.

## Dot Day Sept 15

Celebrate International Dot Day, a global celebration of creativity, courage and collaboration, inspired by Peter Reynolds' book *The Dot*! Make your own dot to add to our wall. Dots will be available at the Youth Services desk all week.

# FOR MIDDLE SCHOOLERS



## Tie Dye

**Grades 6 – 8**

**Wednesday, Aug 16, 2:30 PM**

Try out tie-dye techniques. We provide one white T-shirt and one white bandana; please feel free to bring other items from home to tie-dye. Dress for a mess. Weather permitting. [Register](#). BALibrary Lawn.

## Anime Club

**Grades 6 – 8**

**Friday, Aug 25, 6 PM**

Come and geek out over your favorite anime and manga! [Register](#). Meeting Room.

## Middle School Chat and Chill

**Grades 6 – 8**

**Wednesday, Sept 13, 4 – 5 PM**

Unwind, relax, enjoy crafts and activities, or just chill. Bring a friend, meet new friends! [Register](#). Zimmerman Room.

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# ELGIN SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

## Sounds of Fall: String Quartet Concert Sunday, Sept 24, 2 PM

For music lovers of all ages! [Register](#) each attendee in your party. Walk-ins admitted as space allows. Meeting Room.

## ESO Listeners Club

**Tuesday, Oct 3, 1 PM**

Delve deep into the concert experience with a personal guided tour by ESO musicians. Hear them perform live and share personal insights about each concert program. [Register](#). Meeting Room.



# SECOND FRIDAYS

## Saddle Shoe Sisters Trio

**Friday, Aug 11, 7 PM**

Head back to a sweeter, purer time in music and celebrate the best vocal groups of all time, from the Andrews Sisters to The Supremes and everything in between. [Register](#). Meeting Room.



## Wandering Boys

**Friday, Sept 8, 7 PM**

Enjoy an evening of hard-driving traditional bluegrass featuring rapid picking, clever arrangements, and crisp harmony. For casual listeners and die-hard bluegrass aficionados alike. [Register](#). Meeting Room.

# WELLNESS

## Tai Chi

**Tuesday, Aug 22, 7 PM**

Take a deep breath and enjoy a relaxing virtual Tai Chi class with instructor Allison Deputy. [Register](#). Virtual.

## Little Jar of Big Ideas

**Wednesday, Sept 13, 2 PM OR 6 PM**

Work with Kat from Digital Services to create labels for a “little jar of big ideas” to inspire and encourage you every day. One registration per BALibrary card holder. Register. Conference Room/MakerLab Room.

## Reiki Sound Healing

**Thursday, Sept 14, 7 PM**

Christy Guyer from Sana Wellness walks us through the technique of Reiki, a form of stress reduction and relaxation through sound vibration. [Register](#). Meeting Room.

## Yoga

**Monday, Sept 18, 1 PM**

Roll out your yoga mat and enjoy an hour of “you time” with instructor Karen Fotopoulos. [Register](#). Meeting Room.

# CRAFTS

## Fairy Beach House

**Monday, Aug 7**

**3 PM OR 6 PM**

Do your fairies want a beach house like the one in our Teaching Garden? Liz and Kat help you create a decorated fairy house using the laser cutter, paint, and cute extras. Ages 14+. BALibrary card required. Register. Meeting Room.

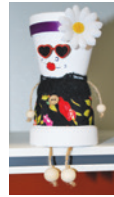


## Flower Pot People

**Monday, Aug 28**

**2 PM OR 6 PM**

Use mini flower pots and fun extras to create cute, plantable flower pot friends. Adults. Register. Meeting Room.



## Bring Your Own Craft

**Wednesdays, Aug 23 & Sept 27**

**1 – 3 PM**

Bring a project to work on while you enjoy the company of friends and neighbors. Knitting, sketching, embroidery, or any portable craft - all are welcome. Meets on the fourth Wednesday of each month. Drop in or register for a reminder. Zimmerman Room.

# NON-PROFIT KNOW-HOW

## Focus Groups

**Monday, Aug 7, 1 PM**

NIU's Assistant Director of the Center for Governmental Studies, Dr. Mindy Schneiderman, discusses tools and tips to run effective focus groups. Q & A to follow. [Register](#). Virtual.

## COLLEGE ADMISSIONS: FROM START TO FINISH

**Tuesday, Sept 12, 7 PM**

The college application process has changed dramatically in recent years. Where and when does a student begin? Don't forget about financial aid and scholarships! Thomas J. Jaworski of Quest College Consulting helps families navigate and understand the admission process. For parents and students. [Register](#). Meeting Room.



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## Library Closings:

Monday, Sept 4

Labor Day



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# EXPLORE THE WORLD

## Herons, Cranes, And Egrets Of Lake County

**Thursday, Aug 3, 11 AM**

*In collaboration with Bacoa*

From a distance, can you tell one tall, wading bird from another? Explore different species of herons, cranes, and egrets you spot locally and learn about their unique adaptations and habitats. [Register](#). Meeting Room.

## Trivia: Nature Edition

**Tuesday, Aug 15, 7 PM**

Test your knowledge on nature topics and see if you have what it takes to be a champion. [Register](#) as a team of up to six or individually; participants who register as individuals will be placed on a team. Meeting Room.

## Native Seed Harvesting

**Thursday, Aug 24, 7 PM**

*In partnership with Chicago Living Corridors*

Citizens For Conservation's Luke Dahlberg explains the basics of harvesting and storing native seed. Virtual. [Register](#).

## Forest Bathing at Crabtree

**Friday, Sept 15, 10 AM**

**Rain Date: Friday, Sept 22, 10 AM**

Horticultural Therapist, Forest Therapy Guide, and Yoga Instructor Navraaz Basati leads us on an immersive, therapeutic walk. Dress comfortably. Priority [registration](#) for BALibrary cardholders. Crabtree Nature Center, 3 Stover Road, Barrington.

## Literary Gardens

**Wednesday, Sept 27, 7 PM**

From Agatha Christie to Brother Cadfael to Michael Pollan, many gardens shape the books we love to read. Master gardener Cindy Crosby will help you see your garden with new eyes and discover wonderful books to enjoy! [Register](#). Meeting Room.

## Teaching Garden Workshops

**Tuesdays, 9:30 – 11 AM**

Get hands-on instruction in seasonal gardening tasks. August/September: thin and divide perennials, deadhead, weed, begin the seed harvest. Meets weekly, weather permitting. [Registration](#) suggested.

## Donate your seeds!

Did you collect more seeds than you can use next year?

The Library is restocking our Seed Library for 2024, and we'd love your extras. Drop seeds off at the Customer Service desk. Please include the name of the seed and your contact information on the envelope. All seeds are welcome, but tomato and pepper seeds are especially needed.



## FINANCIAL FITNESS

Virtual series

Register online beginning Sept 1

## Investing Made Simple

**Tuesday, Oct 3, 7 PM**

Financial educator Karen Chan makes stocks, bonds, and mutual funds crystal clear. Learn about index funds and target date retirement funds, and how they can simplify your investing.

## Retirement Income Strategies For Today's Markets

**Wednesday, Oct 11, 7 PM**

Ed Gjertsen II, CFP, guides you through the strategies and challenges of successfully navigating the important financial aspects of your retirement years.

## Terry Savage Talks Money

**Wednesday, Oct 18, 7 PM**

Nationally recognized expert Terry Savage provides a reality check on the volatile economy, financial markets, and personal finance topics, and then answers your questions.



## Singing Bird and Native American Women in Illinois History

**Wednesday, Aug 23, 7 PM**

Dressed in native regalia, Kim Sigafus presents a history of the natives in Illinois with a focus on women such as Singing Bird and Hononegah. Explore these women's daily lives, and how their activities and relationships affected the history of Illinois. Sigafus is a Road Scholar and an award-winning Ojibwa author and presenter. [Register](#). Meeting Room.

## Bicycling for Work and Play

**Wednesday, Sept 6, 7 PM**

*In collaboration with Go Green Barrington*

Learn best practices for keeping your bike and yourself in shape—whether it's for work, errands, or leisure riding. Learn from bicycling advocate Patrick Smith and the Barrington Village Cycle team. Bring your bike for hands-on maintenance tips. Ages 14+ please. [Register](#). Meeting Room.

## Dual Citizenship By Descent

**Thursday, Sept 14, 6:30 PM**

Curious about gaining dual citizenship through your ancestors? Professional genealogist Rhonda R. McClure discusses the rules and processes of gaining Irish, Italian, and German dual citizenship. Learn about necessary documents and costs. [Register](#). Virtual.

## ILLINOIS LIBRARIES PRESENTS:

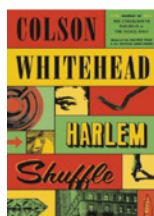
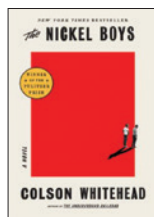
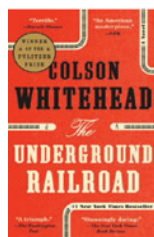
### The Power of Story with Colson Whitehead Wednesday, Sept 6, 7 PM

We are thrilled to welcome two-time Pulitzer Prize winning author Colson Whitehead to our Illinois libraries. *The New York Times* bestselling author of *The Underground Railroad*, *The Nickel Boys*, and many others, Whitehead is only the fourth writer to win two Pulitzers in the Fiction category (for *Underground Railroad* in 2018 and *The Nickel Boys* in 2020).

His reviews, essays, and fiction have appeared in the *New York Times*, *The New Yorker*, *Harper's*, and more. Whitehead has received a MacArthur Fellowship, Guggenheim Fellowship, the Library of Congress Prize for American Fiction, among many others. He has taught at Columbia University, Princeton University, Wesleyan University, and several others, and has been Writer-in-Residence at Vassar College, the University of Richmond, and University of Wyoming.

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## FOR BOOK LOVERS

### YA Reads: *I Must Betray You*

Thursday, Aug 17, 6 PM

A summer book club just for young adults! Read *I Must Betray You* by Ruta Sepetys - a historical thriller about communist Romania and the citizen spy network that devastated a nation. Pick up a free copy at an Adult Services desk prior to Aug 17. [Register](#). Zimmerman Room.

### LIT

Join Adult Services librarians to discuss popular titles in a social book club for adults. [Register](#). Meeting Room.

### The Reading List

by Sara Nisha Adams

Monday, Aug 14, 7 PM

### The Hospital by Brian Alexander

Monday, Sept 11, 7 PM

### Big Fall Books

Monday, Aug 21, 6 PM

Join Adult Services Librarian Liz Kirchhoff to hear about some of the most anticipated fall releases. You might even go home with a free book! [Register](#). Meeting Room.



Cooks with Books:

Julia Child

Tuesday, Aug 29, 7 PM

Immerse yourself in the life of Julia Child and her passion for French cooking with this interactive portrayal by Lynn Rymarz. [Register](#). Meeting Room.

### Cooks with Books Book Club: Cookies

Tuesday, Sept 26, 7 PM

When it comes to cookies, what do you buy, what do you make? Come prepared to chat and sample a few tasty treats! One registration per BAlibrary card holder. [Register](#). Meeting Room.

## JUST FOR SENIORS

### Game-O-Rama

Tuesdays, Aug 8 & Sept 12

2 – 4 PM

Bring your friends for an afternoon of card and dice games. Dave Tuszynski leads us through simple and fun games for 2-4 players. For those 65 and older. Drop in or register for a reminder. Meeting Room.

### Living with Less

Wednesdays, Aug 16 & Aug 30, 1 PM

*In collaboration with Bacoa*

Learn how to access benefits and really thrive on a lower income. Session one focuses on medical costs and housing. Session two focuses on food and transportation benefits and other insights. [Register](#). In person.

### “When I’m 64 . . .”

Monday, Sept 18, 25 & Oct 2

7 – 8:30 PM

*In collaboration with Bacoa*

A three-part educational workshop on Medicare. Various organizations present a different topic each week. [Register](#). Meeting Room.

9/18: Medicare 101

9/25: Medicare Supplements

and Part D

10/2: Medicare Advantage/Part C





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## TECH & MAKER TOPICS

### Customized Tote

Monday, Aug 21, 6 PM or  
Tuesday, Aug 22, 2 PM

Get Farmer's Market ready with a cotton tote customized with heat transfer vinyl cut on the Silhouette. Register. Conference Room.

### Zoom How-To

Monday, Aug 28, 4 PM

Learn how to use Zoom. Laptops provided so you can follow along. Register. Conference Room.

### 3D-Printed Pet Tag

Friday, Sept 8, 3 PM

Customize a 3D file to create a decorative plastic tag with your pet's name. Register. Conference Room.

### Silhouette Sunflower Card

Monday, Sept 18, 6 PM or  
Tuesday, Sept 19, 3 PM

Send a little sunshine with a sunflower card made on the Silhouette. Register. Conference Room.

### Fall Leaf Wall Hanging

Tuesday, Sept 26, 3 PM

Paint and decorate a wall hanging made with the laser cutter. Customize with words cut on the Silhouette. Register. Conference Room.



## NEW TRUSTEES

New Library Trustees Jackie McGrath, Kristin Cunningham, and Lindsay Prigge were sworn in at the Board's regular meeting on June 12, 2023. Trustee Jan Miller has moved into the role of Vice President, and Trustee Anne Ordway has moved into the role of Board Secretary.

The Library Board meets on the second Monday of each month and the public is invited to attend. See [balibrary.org/board-of-trustees](http://balibrary.org/board-of-trustees) for more information.