



Fox River Valley Libraries

Dundee Library • Randall Oaks Library

NEWS & PROGRAMS

Providing equal opportunity for all to learn, explore, imagine, create, and connect in a welcoming environment.

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MEMORIAL DAY



Northern Illinois Lego Train Club Expo

Saturday, April 1, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dundee Library

Sunday, April 2, 1 to 4 p.m. Dundee Library

The NILTC has created a whimsical world built out of LEGO

for all to enjoy and will share it at this special expo at the

Dundee Library. Experience buildings, castles, spaceships,

farms, famous cartoon characters, and LEGO Minifigures

getting into all sorts of mischief. Custom running LEGO trains connect all the different

areas into a cohesive train display with characters from one often bleeding into other

areas in a humorous manner. NILTC also excels at little vignettes throughout the layout

that often get lots of attention and big laughs from the adoring crowd. Whether you're

young, old, or somewhere in between, there's something for everyone to enjoy. The

event is free, and no registration is required.



Recycle

March 12 – April 8 Dundee Library

Donate your extra LEGO and we will send them to LEGO Replay, who sends them to organizations such as Boys & Girls Clubs so that other kids can play.

Accepted items are LEGO System, DUPLO, and Technic Bricks and Elements from single or multiple sets, LEGO minifigures and Mini-dolls (no need to disassemble) and LEGO Baseplate. Take apart built sets to the best of your ability.



Donate

March 12 – April 8 Dundee Library

The mission of Bricks of Hope is to create play and inspire imagination in sick children by delivering LEGO® to them during their hospital stays. FRVPLD patrons can help by donating new LEGO sets that will then be distributed to Chicago area hospitals. Drop your off donation at the Dundee Library.



**EVENTS
CALENDAR**

SCAN HERE
TO VIEW OUR
UPCOMING
EVENTS!

CELEBRATE NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

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On behalf of our staff at the Fox River Valley Public Library District, and the American Library Association, I encourage all community members to visit the library during National Library Week, April 23-29, to explore all we have to offer.

Most people know about the wealth of stories available at the library, from picture books and large print to audiobooks and eBooks. But there's so much more to the story of libraries.

Libraries are welcoming spaces that bring communities together for entertainment, education, and connection through book clubs (pages 6 and 7) and reading challenges (pages 3 and 7), storytimes (page 4), technology support (page 11), crafting classes (pages 5, 6, and 8), special free events (page 1 and 12), and more. FRVPLD offers a wide array of programs, classes, and resources, many of which you will find on the following pages, and most definitely within our physical spaces at the Dundee Library and Randall Oaks Library and our digital branch at www.frvpld.info.

There is also more to the story of our diverse community in our library district. Our most important mission is to ensure that the materials, programs, and services reach out and include everyone. We work to fulfill the interests and needs of more than 71,000 residents who reside in more than six different villages.

For example, this spring, we will honor and celebrate gender diversity with our first-ever **Beyond the Binary Reading Challenge** and newly formed **Queer Book Club** (page 7). Our librarians have compiled wonderful reading lists that include books from transgender, genderqueer, and non-binary authors, covering a wide range of subjects. As with all our reading programs, we aim to promote literacy and introduce readers to a variety of new and interesting books.

We're keeping the supportive Black History Month dialog we started in February going in March by offering free access to an outstanding film called "**Invisible Warriors**," about the 600,000 Black women who worked in factories and government offices during WWII (page 9).

We will host the YWCA Elgin's **English as a Second Language** classes at the Dundee Library and make sure to connect with students about the valuable resources the library can provide in their journey.

If you haven't checked us out lately, you're missing the full story. Stop by for a visit to celebrate with us during National Library Week, April 23-29.



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Monday, April 24
State of America's Libraries
Report released

Tuesday, April 25
National Library
Workers Day

Wednesday, April 26
National Library
Outreach Day

Thursday, April 27
Take Action for
Libraries Day

Because Summer Will Be Here Before We Know It

Free Summer Lunches at the Dundee Library

The Dundee Library will host free weekday summer lunches for all kids 18 years and under. Meals are paid for by the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP), a federally funded program managed by the USDA and operated by the Illinois State Board of Education in conjunction with the Northern Illinois Food Bank. Start date, times, and method of distribution will be announced soon. Keep watch for more information on the library's social media accounts and weekly eNewsletter.



Save the Dates!

Summer Reading Challenge

Early Registration May 1
Program Starts June 1

Kick-Off Party

Dundee Library Front Lawn
Thursday, June 1

CELEBRATE EARTH

Beanstack Challenge

Starts April 1. Sign up at frvpld.beanstack.org!

Become an Earth activist and find out how to grow, cook, recycle, and live life while taking care of our most precious resource – our planet! Earthlings of all ages will find activities and bookish challenges that are fun to earn together or on their own.

This challenge will be an example of sustainability in that it will only be available on Beanstack and all the badges will be comprised of links to eResources, materials to be checked out, or relevant programs offered this Spring.

To complete the challenge, you must earn all four Celebrate Earth badges: Eat Green for the Planet, Happy Earth Day!, Keep Growing, and Recycling is Cool. There will be no age categories. Most activities can be completed by any age, which provides an opportunity for families or other groups to enjoy the challenge together and create teachable moments.

The first 100 finishers will earn an FRVPLD Reusable Lunch Bag!



Recycling Drop Off

Sat., April 15, 9 a.m. to noon *Dundee Library*

Just in time for spring cleaning! Drive up and drop off recyclable items including home electronics and small appliances, clothes and textiles, paper (mixed or shredded), books and periodicals, cardboard, scrap metal, aerosol items, and small propane tanks. Most everything is free to drop off with the exception of TVs and computer monitors (\$25-\$35 depending on screen size), \$1 per aerosol item, and \$3 per propane tank (<16oz only). Fees can be paid onsite with cash or card. Visit our online calendar event for a complete list of accepted items and fees.



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SEED LIBRARY

Welcome to the Fox River Valley Public Library District Seed Library! The place you go for gardening books is now the same place you go for seeds to plant. The FRVPLD Seed Library offers patrons free heirloom and open-pollinated seeds to grow at home. Patrons can also donate harvested seeds to the library to replenish inventory. The Seed Library is located at the Dundee Library on the main level. We have repurposed a vintage card catalog whose many drawers are perfect for its new purpose.

Seed packets will contain enough seeds to produce about three plants. You can choose from herbs, vegetables, fruits, native prairie flowers, and decorative flowers. The collection will grow and change depending on what seeds are acquired and donated, so check in often. Each packet of seeds is labeled and includes growing instructions.

New! Gardening Tool Kits available. Just getting started? Check out a gardening tool kit, which contains a seed planting trowel, weed puller, bypass pruning shears, hand shovel, hand rake, and hand spade.

To celebrate this new collection, come to our special gardening programs this spring!

Seed Starting and Garden Planning (R)

Sat., March 11, 11 a.m. to noon *Dundee*

Get your garden started with seeds from our new Seed Library. You will learn about starting seeds and garden planning, followed by a hands-on activity where you will be able to start some pepper, tomato, kale and lettuce seeds to take home. Ages 14 and up.

Plant a Salsa Garden (R)

Mon., March 20, 6:30 to 7 p.m. *Dundee*

Kids can celebrate the new Seed Library by growing their own ingredients for homemade salsa. All ages.

DIY Recycled Garden Planter (R)

Tues., April 4, 3:45 to 4:45 p.m. *Dundee*

Repurpose an old tin can into a garden planter. Plant a succulent to celebrate Earth Day! Grades 3-6.

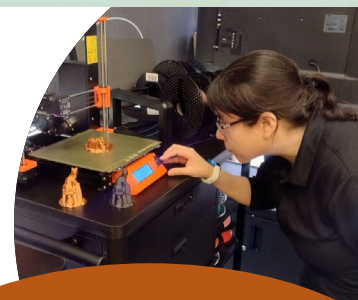
Growing and Using Herbs (R)

Thurs., April 20, 11 a.m. to noon *Dundee*

Herbs are a healthy way to introduce new flavors into your diet, new fragrances into your home and add texture to your garden. This class will discuss growing, collecting and preserving techniques for all kinds of herbs and offer suggestions for using herbs in cooking. Presented by the Kane County Master Gardeners. Ages 14 and up.

Have you met our chainsaw fox?

Standing sentry at the southwest corner of the Dundee Library is a pair of friendly foxes hoping to catch your eye and welcome you in. The sculpture was created by chainsaw artists Chris and Brianne Hubbart of Hubbart Wood in Hillsboro, IL. The tree stump they used was a nearly 50-year-old cottonwood tree cut down after a lightning strike over the summer. The sculpture was a parting gift from the Friends of the Library who disbanded last year after many years of dedicated service to the library.



Erica Acevedo, bilingual adult and teen services specialist, created a 3D mini fox sculpture using the library's Prusa MK3S+ 3D printer.

Spring Storytimes

Session 1: Feb. 20 – Mar. 24

Session 2: Apr. 3 – May 5

No registration necessary. Just drop in!

All-Ages All-Stars Storytime at RO

Mondays, 10 to 10:30 a.m. Randall Oaks

Enjoy family storytime as we read stories, do finger plays, listen to music and move around. All ages but best for 2-6.

Tuesday Tales

Tuesdays, 10 to 10:30 a.m. Dundee

Drop in for stories, songs, rhymes and more. All ages welcome.

Rise & Shine

Wednesdays, 9:30 to 10 a.m. Dundee

Start your morning in a wonderful way as we bounce, sing, read and rhyme together. Our storytime for babies and one-year-olds will keep your little one giggling as they gain early literacy skills.

Storytime Stars at RO

Thursdays, 10 to 10:30 a.m. Randall Oaks

Have fun and build literacy skills in our preschool aged storytime. Children will engage with books, stories, and songs. Ages 3-6.

Learn a New Language

Bilingual Storytime

Wednesdays, 10:15 to 10:45 a.m. Dundee

Welcome friends! Read stories, sing and have fun in English and Spanish. All ages but best for 2-6.

Signing, Snacks and Stories (R)

Thursdays, 4 to 4:30, Dundee

Learning a new language can be fun! Come to the library to learn basic sign language, enjoy a yummy snack, and hear fun stories. Learn new signs each week to build your ASL vocabulary. Grades K-3.



Baby, Toddler & Preschool

Baby Scientist Take Home Lab

Available on the first of the month

Take home some STEAM fun! Includes activities based on Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math that are best for ages 1-3. Available while supplies last at the Dundee and Randall Oaks Libraries.

Good Vibes Yoga (NR)

Fri., March 3, 10 to 10:30 a.m. Dundee

Fri., April 7, 10 to 10:30 a.m. Dundee

Fri., May 5, 10 to 10:30 a.m. Dundee

Move, groove, wiggle & stretch! We will read a story and practice yoga poses. Don't forget to wear comfy clothes. Please bring your yoga mat or towel. Ages 3-6.

Little Artists (R)

Dot Marker Hot Air Balloons

Fri., March 10, 10 to 10:30 a.m. Dundee

Puffy Paint Farm Animals

Fri., April 14, 10 to 10:30 a.m. Dundee

Mother's Day Flower Pot

Fri., May 5, 11 to 11:30 a.m. Dundee

You don't have to be a big kid to be an artist. Dress for a mess and create your own art project! Ages 1-3.

Sensory Storytime (R)

Fri., March 17, 10 to 10:30 a.m. Dundee

Fri., April 21, 10 to 10:30 a.m. Dundee

Fri., May 19, 10 to 10:30 a.m. Dundee

Join us for a fun, interactive storytime designed for preschool age children with autism and/or sensory challenges. Ages 2-6.

Teddy Bear Sleepover (R)

Mon., May 8, 6 to 6:45 p.m. Dundee

Bring your favorite teddy bear, or other stuffed animal, to a special pajama party and leave them at the library overnight for a sleepover. Ages 3-6.

Tape Town: City at RO (R)

Thurs., May 11, 10 to 10:45 a.m. Randall Oaks

Read a book about the city, then create your own personal city map using road tape, materials, a truck or plane, and your imagination. Ages 2-6.

Community Pals

In My Neighborhood (R)

**City Hall with
IL State Representative
Suzanne Ness**

Fri., March 3

4 to 4:30 p.m. Dundee

Recycling with Groot

Fri., April 7

4 to 4:30 p.m. Dundee

Animal Rescue with Hoof Woof & Meow

Fri., May 5

4 to 4:30 p.m. Dundee

Explore your neighborhood through stories and activities with a very special visit from a community helper at this monthly storytime. Grades K-3.

Meet our Adoptable Pets

with Hoof, Woof, and Meow (NR)

Sat., May 20, 2 to 4 p.m. Dundee

Meet wonderful dogs and cats from Hoof, Woof & Meow and possibly find a new addition to your family! All Ages.



Party Time!

Family Night at RO (NR)

Wed., March 1, 5 to 7 p.m. Randall Oaks

Wed., May 10, 5 to 7 p.m. Randall Oaks

Family Nights feature a different experience, like art projects, Great Big Games, or a STEM challenge. All ages.

Leprechaun Mayhem at RO (R)

Wed., March 15, 6 to 7 p.m. Randall Oaks

Catch a Leprechaun, play a fun Irish game, and make a Leprechaun trap. All ages.

Easter Egg Hunt (NR)

Sat., April 8

9 to 10:30 a.m. Dundee

Bring the whole family in for our Easter Egg Hunt! Bags for the hunt will be provided. All ages.



STEM

Homeschool Hangout (R)

MakerDen: Virtual Gaming Hangout
Tues., March 14, 1 to 3 p.m. *Dundee*

STEM Collaboratory: Butterfly Garden

Tues., April 25, 1 to 3 p.m. *Dundee*

Imaginarium: Macrame

Tues., May 9, 1 to 3 p.m. *Dundee*

Learn, discover and meet new friends! Join fellow life-long learner and homeschool alumni Amanda for a rotating theme of student-lead activities which explore an artistic medium within our Imaginarium, challenge your skills within our STEM Collaboratory, and introduce tinker technologies within MakerDen with assistance from our Makerspace Specialist Erica! Library resources will be available for checkout after the program. Parents and caregivers are welcome to connect in the stacks during the program. Grades 4-6.

Peep and Jelly Bean

Science at RO (R)

Wed., April 12, 6 to 7 p.m. *Randall Oaks*

Experiment with peeps as we see how they dissolve and float! Then, let's do some experiments with jelly beans. Grades K-6.

Severe Weather (R)

Tues., April 25, 5 to 6 p.m. *Dundee*

Learn about local climatology, past tornadic events, storm chasing and watch cool weather videos with special guests from Severe Weather Information LLC. Grades 1-6.

Let's Make Something

Cloud Wall Hanging (R)

Wed., March 8, 3:45 to 4:45 p.m. *Dundee*
Create a decorative wall hanging using pom poms. Grades 4-6.

TruTween Textiles (R)

Beginner's Embroidery Kit
Fri., March 10, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. *Dundee*

No-Sew Bunny & Caterpillar

Fri., March 17, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. *Dundee*
Relax, enjoy some good tunes and zone out with a fabric craft. Grades 4-6.

Foodie Kids (R)

Wednesdays, 3:30 to 4 p.m. *Dundee*

March 15: Dr. Seuss Cupcakes

April 19: Green Alien Toast

May 17: Lilo's Tropical Fruit Cones

Kids take over the kitchen in this hands-on snack-making workshop. Grades K-3.

Pixel Art: Kids Edition (R)

Wednesdays, 3:45 to 4:45 p.m. *Dundee*

March 29: Animals

April 26: Earth Day

May 31: Disney

The teens' favorite program is now available for younger kids. Use perler beads to turn pixel art into keychains. Grades 1-6.

DIY Mini Squishmallow at RO (R)

Tues., April 11, 5 to 7 p.m. *Randall Oaks*
Whether you're experienced with hand sewing or this is your first attempt, you can make your own mini Squishmallow. Design your own or recreate a favorite. Grades 4-8.

Funky Brush at the Library (R)

Tue., May 2, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. *Dundee*
Bring out your inner artist at a step-by-step painting program with special guest Ruth Mancilla from the Funky Brush and Palette. Grades 4-6.

Mother's Day Card and Flower Making at RO (NR)

Tues., May 9, 5 to 7 p.m. *Randall Oaks*
Drop in at the Randall Oaks Library to make a Mother's Day card and a homemade flower.

Pom Pom Mirror (R)

Tues., May 30, 3 to 4 p.m. *Dundee*
Make your own groovy mirrors using fluffy pom poms and hot glue guns. Grades 3-6.



SPRING BREAK SPACE WEEK

Spring Break Space Adventure Challenge (NR)

Mon., March 27 - Fri., March 31
All Day *Dundee*

Adventure awaits! Can you complete all of the activities in our Spring Break Space Adventure Challenge? Pick up your astronaut logbook and kit at the Dundee Library Youth Services Desk and spend your Spring Break traveling to Mars as you uncover inspiring facts, create celestial crafts and tackle science experiments. Grades K-6.

Space STEM at RO (R)

Mon., March 27, 3 to 4 p.m. *Randall Oaks*
Galaxies, stars, and planets all in one program. Grades K-6.

Spring Break Drive-In: Blippi (R)

Tues., March 28, 10 to 10:45 a.m. *Dundee*
Make your own rocket ship out of a cardboard box and watch an episode of Blippi. Ages 3-6.

Nebula Night at RO (R)

Tues., March 28, 6 to 6:45 p.m. *Randall Oaks*
Create your own nebula in a jar and unique nebula art using paint. Grades K-6.

Intergalactic Foodies: Space Treats at RO (R)

Wed., March 29, 6 to 6:45 p.m. *Randall Oaks*

We try different snacks each time we meet – this time it's astronaut food or space snacks. Grades 4-8.

Space Party at RO (R)

Thurs., March 30, 10 to 10:45 a.m. *Randall Oaks*

Party it up as an astronaut, read a book, and do a spacecraft! Ages 3-6.

Anime Club (R)

Wednesdays: March 1, April 5, May 3
6:30 to 8 p.m. Dundee

Anime Club is more than just anime! Talk about your favorite anime and manga, make cool pixel art projects and buttons, share memes, and show off your drawings and sketches.

Minecraft Realm Spring 2023 (R)

Sat., March 4, 2 to 3 p.m. Virtual

Get to know fellow gamers via voice chat while building a realm together. Participants must have their own Java (PC) account for Minecraft. The realm will be up and running for 3 months.

Polymer Clay (R)

Wed., March 15, 6:30 to 8 p.m. Dundee

Mon., April 17, 6:30 to 8 p.m. Dundee

Wed., May 17, 6:30 to 8 p.m. Dundee

Mix, shape, mold and bake! Use colorful polymer clay to create durable charms, beads, bookmarks, or mini-figures. Finish with acrylic paint or a glossy finish.

Sew Easy! Plastic Canvas (R)

Animals

Tues., March 28, 2 to 3:30 p.m. Dundee

Butterflies

Wed., May 10, 6:30 to 8 p.m. Dundee

Learn basic needlework skills and sew colorful creations using plastic canvas. Then turn your cute creation into a magnet or decorative ornament.

Pixel Art (R)

Thursdays: March 30, April 13, May 25
6 to 8 p.m. Dundee

Use perler beads to turn pixel art into keychains, charms, magnets, or mini figures.

Snack Lab (R)

Thurs., April 6, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Dundee

Learn how to make garlic pretzels and hummus. These delicious, easy-to-make snacks will be a hit with you and your friends, and garlic pretzels also make great gifts. Samples will be provided.

Anime Fans Cosplay (R)

Sat., April 29, 2 to 4 p.m. Dundee

We're celebrating National Anime Day! Cosplay as your favorite character and enter our amazing contest where you can show off your craftsmanship and perform a 1-2 minute skit. Judges will grade inventiveness and character fidelity. Win prizes and have fun!

VR Gaming Drop-In (NR)

Thursday, March 30, 2 to 4 p.m. Dundee

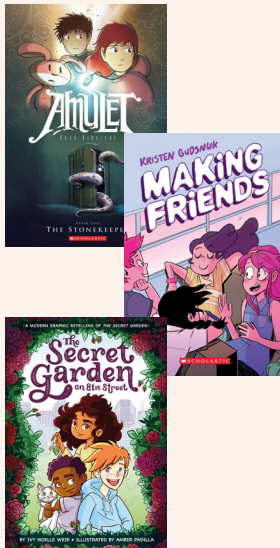
Friday, March 31, 2 to 4 p.m. Dundee

Drop by to try your hand at VR games! Choose from the Oculus Rift or the PlayStation VR or just hang out with other gamers on the Nintendo Switch or Xbox One S.



Between The Panels (R)

Are you ready to dive into the panels of your next great read? Join us monthly as we discuss a popular graphic novel, enjoy a snack and create a craft together! Grades 4-6.



Thurs., March 2

6 to 7 p.m. Dundee

Amulet: The Stonekeeper
 by Kazu Kibuishi

Thurs., April 6

6 to 7 p.m. Dundee

Making Friends
 by Kristen Gudsnuk

Thurs., May 4

6 to 7 p.m. Dundee

The Secret Garden
On 81st Street
 by Ivy Noelle Weir

NEW! Your Favorite Book Club at RO (R)

Tues., March 21, 6 to 7 p.m. Randall Oaks

Tues., April 18, 6 to 7 p.m. Randall Oaks

Tues., May 16, 6 to 7 p.m. Randall Oaks



Come discuss your favorite book, a book you're reading, or just to get reading recommendations while enjoying a sweet treat and doing a book-related craft or activity with other kids who love books. Grades 4-8.

NEW! Happily Ever After Book Club (R)

Craving a book club that lingers on the lighter side? "Happily Ever After" is a virtual, multi-library book club focusing on romance and relationship fiction. Whether it's contemporary, historical or adventure, these books take you on a wild ride of plot twists and emotional highs and lows, but with a happy ending guaranteed.



Mon., March 20

7 to 8 p.m. Zoom

A Curious Beginning
 by Deanna Raybourn

Mon., April 17

7 to 8 p.m. Zoom

Isn't it Bromantic?
 by Lissa Kay Adams

Mon., May 15

7 to 8 p.m. Zoom

Bridgerton:
The Duke & I
 by Julia Quinn

Adult Activities Center Library Book Club (NR)

Discussions are held in-person at the Dundee Township Park District's Rakow Adult Activity Center, located at 665 Barrington Ave. in Carpentersville.



Wed., March 1
10 to 11 a.m.

Fuzz: When Nature Breaks the Law
by Mary Roach



Wed., April 5
10 to 11 a.m.

The Revisioners
by Margaret Wilkerson
Sexton



Wed., May 3
10 to 11 a.m.

The Lost Apothecary
by Sarah Penner

The Queer Book Club (NR)

Saturdays, 2:30 to 4 p.m. Dundee

If you love books, identify as LGBTQIA+ or are an ally, then this is the place for you. Come and discuss queer-themed books spanning numerous genres.



March 25

I Wish You All the Best
by Mason Deaver
Genres: Realistic fiction,
romance, mental health,
young adult.



April 29

Lavender House
by Lev A.C. Rosen
Genres: Historical fiction,
mystery, thriller.

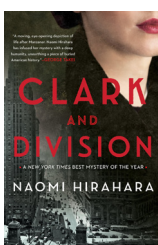


May 27

Under the Whispering Door
by T.J. Klune
Genres: Fantasy,
paranormal, romance.

Dundee Library Book Club (NR)

Wednesdays, 1:30 to 3 p.m. and 7 to 8:30 p.m. Dundee



March 29

Clark and Division
by Naomi Hirahara

A woman's search for the truth about her sister's death and the struggles of a Japanese American family released from Manzanar during World War II.



April 26

Dominicana
by Angie Cruz

A young woman learns to get out of the restraints of her family's expectations and gain independence in a brand-new unfamiliar world.



May 31

Take My Hand
by Dolen Perkins-Valdez

A searing and compassionate novel about a Black nurse in post-segregation Alabama who calls out the terrible injustice done to her patients.

Beyond the Binary Reading Challenge

March 1-31

Celebrate literary representations of gender diversity by participating in our Beyond the Binary Reading Challenge. We've curated reading lists of fiction and non-fiction books that are informed by genderqueer, non-binary, and other transgender identities. This is an exciting opportunity to discover a great read and learn more about the diversity of gender experiences. You may select a book from one of our reading lists or read a book of your own choosing that is informed by gender diversity. One book is all it takes to complete the challenge. Sign-up and finisher prizes add to the fun and commemorate your experience.

Sign Up at frvpld.beanstack.org

The Beyond the Binary Reading Challenge is available through the Beanstack app (App Store or Google Play) or website. Once you log in, you'll be able to join the new challenge. Click on any badge for reading recommendations or choose a book on your own. Once you've finished reading your book, simply enter the title into the relevant badge and you're a winner! You can also register in person at the library.

Prizes

All who sign up for the challenge will receive a commemorative button and bookmark. Those who complete the challenge will receive a copy of *Beyond the Gender Binary* by Alok Vaid-Menon, while supplies last.



ILLINOIS LIBRARIES PRESENT

These special author events are made possible by Illinois Libraries Present, a statewide collaboration between public libraries offering high-quality events.

The Weird and Wonderful World with Mary Roach (R)

Wed., March 1, 7 to 8 p.m. *Virtual*

Danny Trejo Talks Tacos, Hollywood, and Redemption (R)

Tues., April 4, 7 to 8 p.m. *Virtual*

Secrets of The Puzzle Master: A Conversation with Will Shortz (R)

Tues., April 25, 7 to 8 p.m. *Virtual*

Drawing with Jarrett Krosoczka (R)

Sat., May 6, 10 to 11 a.m. *Virtual*

On Being Fabulous: Jonathan Van Ness and Kristi Yamaguchi (R)

Wed., May 17, 7 to 8 p.m. *Virtual*

Bread Shaping: Bunny (R)

Wed., March 8, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. *Dundee*
Creating buns in the shape of a bunny just in time for spring.

Home Buyer's Workshop (R)

Tues., March 14, 6:30 to 8 p.m. *Dundee*
First time home buyers will learn how to get the most out of a realtor and an FHA loan. Presented by First American Bank.

Board Game Bonanza:

Ticket to Ride (NR)

Sat., March 18, 1 to 4 p.m. *Dundee*
All Aboard! Stop by for an afternoon of luck, skill and building train routes as we ride the rails on this award-winning board game. We will have gameboards set up for all of you engineers. If you would like to bring in your own edition to share, you are welcome to do so. Whether you are new to the game, interested in learning how to play, or a seasoned rider, there will be lots of opportunities to compete and have fun.

Overdose Prevention: Narcan Training by Live4Lali (R)

Thurs., March 23, 6 to 8 p.m. *Dundee*
Learn how to easily, safely, and legally save the life of someone who is experiencing an opioid overdose.

Yummy Tofu (R)

Mon., April 3, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. *Dundee*
Grossed out by the texture? Give it a chance! We'll make three different delicious marinades sure to change your mind.

Crochet Basics 2: Double Crochet and Working in the Round (R)

Tues., April 4, 6:30 to 8 p.m. *Dundee*
If you can already make a starting chain and complete single crochet stitches, take it to the next level with double and triple crochet stitches, working in the round, and granny squares. Participants will receive printed crochet instructions, yarn and a crochet hook to keep.



Elgin Community College Job Fair (NR)

Tues., April 11, noon to 5 p.m. *Dundee*
ECC isn't just a great place to learn – it's also a great place to work. Their HR team will be onsite to discuss open positions on campus and assist with applying on the spot. Spanish and English translator will be available.



Seed Packet Flowerpots (R)

Thurs., March 9, 7 to 8 p.m. *Dundee*
Decoupage clay pots with seed packet labels to make lovely planters for your kitchen or patio.

Alcohol Ink Coasters (R)

Thurs., April 13, 7 to 8 p.m. *Dundee*
Make a colorful and unique pair of coasters using alcohol inks.

Jute Jars (R)

Thurs., May 11, 7 to 8 p.m. *Dundee*
Upcycle old jars and bottles to make charming jute-wrapped vases.

Pastries and Poetry from Around the World (R)

Wed., April 19, 7 to 8:30 p.m. Dundee
Indulge in sweet treats and learn about different cultures through poetry! Sample pastries from four countries, read and discuss poems by international poets, and write a poem of your own. Led by Stavroula Harissis, a multilingual poet and librarian.

Escape Room: Squid Game (R)

Sat., May 20, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Dundee
You've seen the show, now experience it as an escape room! Play Red Light/Green Light, Tug of War, a stepping stone game and more.

Heavy Metal Guitar (R)

Mon., May 22, 5 to 6 p.m. Dundee
Learn to play heavy metal riffs from "Fear of the Dark" by Iron Maiden and "Enter Sandman" by Metallica. All skill levels and guitars welcome. Bring a small amp if you bring an electric guitar.

Pub Trivia at Black & Gray Brewing Co.

Tues., May 23, 6:30 to 8 p.m.
311 Barrington Ave., East Dundee
Test your brain and hang out with friends (and Gene and Cari of course!) at Black & Gray Brewing.

Caregiver Support Group (R)

Thurs., March 30, 7 to 8 p.m. Dundee
Thurs., April 27, 7 to 8 p.m. Dundee
Thurs., May 25, 7 to 8 p.m. Dundee
Fox Valley Caregiver Support Group is a support group for family caregivers. We are not an illness specific group, the group is free to attend, and all are welcome. Come join us and get encouragement, support, along with tips and tools to help make your caregiving experience more positive and meaningful. You are not on the caregiver journey alone.

Beginner's Watercolor:

Spring Landscape (R)

Thurs., April 20, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Dundee

No previous experience or knowledge of watercolors is needed. Supplies will be provided.



Invisible Warriors

Virtual Multi-Library Program

"Invisible Warriors" is a film that shares the individual experiences of a small group who represent the 600,000 Black women who fled lives as domestics and sharecroppers to work in factories and U.S. government offices during World War II. These patriotic pioneers share their wartime memories, recounting their battles against racism at home, Nazism abroad, and sexism everywhere.

This is a multi-library offering that includes the following opportunities to fully experience the film, hosted by the film's producer Gregory S. Cooke. Cooke is the Founder and President of the Basil and Becky Educational Foundation, dedicated to relocating African Americans from the margins to the main pages of American and global history.

Invisible Warriors: An Introduction to the Film with Gregory S. Cooke

Sunday, March 5, 2 to 3 p.m. Virtual

Virtual Screening: Invisible Warriors

Sun., March 5 - Wed., March 15 Virtual

Receive a link to stream this powerful film when you register to attend the live introduction or closing Q&A session.

An Evening with Documentary Historian Gregory S. Cooke

Wed., March 15, 7 to 8 pm Virtual

Producer Gregory S. Cooke hosts an insightful conversation and a Q&A session.





domingo, 16 de abril, 2 a 4 p.m. Dundee

¡Ven a celebrar la vida de Selena Quintanilla-Perez! Selena Fest contará con una presentación en vivo de la cantante Alejandra Salgado, quien rendirá un homenaje a la reina del Tex-Mex. ¡Disfrázate como Selena y participa en nuestro concurso de disfraces, aprende a bailar "La Carcacha" y vota por tu fanart favorito de Selena! Se proporcionarán bocadillos y bebidas mexicanas hasta agotar existencias. Todas las edades son bienvenidas.

Mantenimiento De Sus Dispositivos (R)

lunes, 13 de marzo, 6:30 a 8:30 p.m. Dundee

Aprenda cómo mantener su dispositivo móvil funcionando eficientemente para mejorar la longevidad.

Moldear Pan: Conejitos (R)

miércoles, 22 de marzo

6:30 a 7:30 p.m. Dundee

Acompañenos para una tarde moldeando pan. Estaremos creando unos panes en la forma de conejos para celebrar el principio de la primavera.

Tofu Delicioso (R)

martes, 11 de abril

6:30 a 7:30 p.m. Dundee

Si usted ha querido aprender cómo usar el tofu y no sabe dónde empezar o le dio asco la textura y no pudo probarlo, entonces esta clase es para usted. Estaré enseñándoles cómo hacer tres diferentes y deliciosos marinados de tofu. ¡Ojalá al final de la clase encuentre uno que le guste!

Mentes Creativas:

Hagamos un Terrario (R)

lunes, 8 de mayo

6 a 7 p.m. Dundee

Ven a crear un terrario con pequeñas plantas y piedras decorativas. Tendrás la oportunidad de diseñar tu propio mini jardín dentro de un vaso. Disfruta de esta actividad fácil y divertida en un ambiente relajado.

Música de los

Tríos con tu Guitarra (R)

lunes, 22 de mayo

6:30 a 7:30 p.m. Dundee

¡Trae tu guitarra y aprende una canción de la hermosa época dorada de los Tríos! Aprenderemos a tocar un bolero romántico para las serenatas. Todos los niveles son bienvenidos al igual que todo tipo de guitarras (acústicas y eléctricas). Si traes una guitarra eléctrica, favor de traer un amplificador pequeño.

Ninos

Bilingual Storytime

20 de febrero a 24 de marzo y

3 de abril a 5 de mayo

miércoles, 10:15 a 10:45 a.m. Dundee

¡Bienvenidos amigos! Vengan a leer cuentos, canta y diviértete en inglés y español. Todas las edades pero mejor para 2-6.

Artesanía para el

Día de Las Madres (R)

martes, 9 de mayo

5:30 a 6:30 p.m. Dundee

Acompañenos y hagamos una artesanía y una tarjeta para esa persona especial para el día de las madres. Grades K-6.

ESL vienen a la biblioteca Dundee

Clases de Inglés como segundo idioma (ESL) vienen a la biblioteca Dundee. En colaboración con YWCA de Elgin, clases de ESL gratuitas para adultos se llevarán a cabo cada mañana los lunes, martes y miércoles. Para registrarse favor de contactar a Alejandrina en el YWCA, (847) 742-7930.

English as a Second Language (ESL) classes are coming to the Dundee Library. In collaboration with YWCA Elgin, free ESL classes for adults will be held weekday mornings, Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. To register, contact Alejandrina at the YWCA, (847) 742-7930.

COMPUTER CLASSES

Taller de Ciudadanía /

Citizenship Workshops (R)

sábado, 22 de abril, 9 a.m. a 2 p.m. Dundee

Profesionales, reconocidos por el Departamento de Justicia (Department of Justice), de Alianza Hispanoamericana ofrecerán talleres de ciudadanía en la Biblioteca de Dundee. Los registrados recibirán los siguientes servicios:

- Evaluación de su elegibilidad para naturalizarse
- Preparación de la solicitud de ciudadanía y organización de documentación, si es elegible.
- Revisión de su solicitud por un representante legal calificado
- Acceso a recursos comunitarios

Sat., April 22, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Dundee

DOJ accredited professionals from Alianza Hispanoamericana will offer U.S. Citizenship workshops at the Dundee Library. Registered attendees will receive the following services:

- Assessment of your eligibility to naturalize
- Application preparation & documentation packaging, if eligible
- Application review by a qualified legal representative
- Access to community resources

Asistencia de Inmigración / Immigration Help (NR)

jueves, 9 de marzo, 1 a 4 p.m. Dundee

jueves, 13 de abril, 1 a 4 p.m. Dundee

jueves, 11 de mayo, 1 a 4 p.m. Dundee

¿Tiene preguntas sobre los beneficios de inmigración y el camino a la ciudadanía? Profesionales reconocidos por DOJ de Alianza Hispanoamericana ofrecerán consultas personales gratuitas en la Biblioteca Dundee. No necesita cita; consultas serán disponibles para discusiones privadas por orden de llegada.

Thurs., March 9, 1 to 4 p.m. Dundee

Thurs., April 13, 1 to 4 p.m. Dundee

Thurs., May 11, 1 to 4 p.m. Dundee

Do you have questions about immigration benefits and the path to citizenship? DOJ accredited professionals from Alianza Hispanoamericana will offer free, personal consultations at the Dundee Library. No appointment is required; consultants will be available for private discussion on a first come, first served basis.



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Microsoft Office classes are hands-on instruction using FRVPLD computers.

Microsoft Excel 2019

Part 3: Tables, Named Ranges, PivotTables (R)

Tues., March 14, 7 to 8:30 p.m. Dundee

Summarize and analyze large sets of data using pivot tables and named ranges.

Part 4: Intro to Formulas & Functions (R)

Tues., March 21, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Dundee

Learn to use formulas and functions and how to incorporate them into your Excel spreadsheet.

Part 5: Vlookup, Index Match (R)

Tues., March 28, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Dundee

Expand on the knowledge of formulas gained in Part 4. Learn how Vlookup, Index, and Match can enhance your spreadsheet.

Part 1: Basic Budgeting (R)

Tues., May 16, 7 to 8:30 p.m. Dundee

Create a basic budget using some of the most important tools in Excel.

Part 2: Charts and Graphs (R)

Tues., May 30, 7 to 8:30 p.m. Dundee

Create charts and graphs and link data from multiple spreadsheets.

Microsoft Word 2019

Part 1: The Basics (R)

Tues., April 4, 7 to 8:30 p.m. Dundee

Intended for beginners, this hands-on class will introduce the Ribbon menu and teach you how to create and edit text by building a basic resume from scratch.

Part 2: Images, Tables and Text Boxes (R)

Tues., April 11, 7 to 8:30 p.m. Dundee

Learn to insert and manipulate images, text boxes, and tables as well as take screenshots and use screen clippings. We will also cover creating, sorting and formatting tables.

Microsoft PowerPoint 2019

Basic Slideshow (R)

Tues., April 25, 7 to 8:30 p.m. Dundee

Learn to make creative slide presentations for home and work.

Intermediate Skills (R)

Tues., May 2, 7 to 8:30 p.m. Dundee

Take your PowerPoint presentations to the next level by mastering slide views and inserting notes, shapes, WordArt, hyperlinks and charts.



Free tech help!

Book a free, one-hour appointment with an Adult & Teen Services staff member to get help with common technology issues. Appointments are offered in person, via Zoom, or over the phone. To make an appointment:

CALL (224) 802-8000

EMAIL 1on1@frvpld.info, or

VISIT frvpld.info to fill out a "Request a Tech Appointment" under the services tab.



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East Dundee, IL 60118
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Monday – Thursday:
9 a.m. – 9 p.m.

Friday & Saturday
9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Sunday
1 – 5 p.m.

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500 N. Randall Road
West Dundee, IL 60118
*The Randall Oaks Library is accessible
via Pace Route 550.*

Monday – Thursday
9 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Friday & Saturday
9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Sunday
1 – 5 p.m.

24-HOUR DROP BOXES

Dundee Library Driveway
Randall Oaks Library Driveway
Gilberts Village Hall

PHONE

(847) 428-3661

Phone access to your account:

(847) 590-8706

BOARD MEETINGS

The Board of Trustees will meet on March 21, April 18 & May 16 at 7 p.m. at the Dundee Library. The Board is elected by the taxpayers to serve in a volunteer capacity. Meetings are open to the public.

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Selena Fest (R)

Sun., April 16, 2 to 4 p.m. Dundee

Come celebrate the life of Selena Quintanilla-Perez! Selena Fest will feature a live music performance, an hour-long homage to the Queen of Tex-Mex. Enter our Selena costume contest, learn to dance "La Carcacha," and vote for your favorite Selena fan art! Mexican snacks and drinks will be provided while supplies last.

Selena Fan Art Contest

Artwork accepted March 1 - April 1

Selena's legacy continues to inspire creativity in fans of all ages around the world. Submit your original Selena-inspired artwork created in any hangable medium like watercolor, pen and ink, acrylic, oil, crayon, digital, etc. Entries will be displayed in the Ruth M. Wendt Gallery at the Dundee Library and shared on our social media channels and website. Visitors to the library will be invited to cast their votes in person for their favorite piece. Prizes for first, second, and third place will be awarded at the Dundee Library's Selena Fest on April 16.

Selena The Movie (R)

Wed., April 5, 6 to 8 p.m. Dundee

Join us for the 1997 biopic of Selena Quintanilla-Perez starring Jennifer Lopez, Edward James Olmos, and directed by the amazing Gregory Nava. Come see how a young woman became a legend! (PG, 2h 7m)

Selena Trivia (R)

Mon., April 24, 6:30 to 8 p.m. Virtual

Join us for a trivia event based on the iconic life and musical career of Selena.