

April 2024

Chapters

Library News & Events



Eclipse Events

April 2 @ Youth Creativity Club

Make a solar eclipse viewer out of a cereal box

April 2 @ 6 pm: Eclipse Euphoria

With Renae Kerrigan of Peoria Riverfront Museum

April 8 @ 1-3 pm: Solar Eclipse

Watch at the library (solar viewers provided)



FREE VISION SCREENINGS

WITH ILLINOIS EYE CENTER

APRIL 13
9:30-11:30 AM



ARCOMUSICAL



LIVE AT THE LIBRARY
APRIL 6 @ 1:30 PM



NEXT UP:
BETH BOMBARA, MAY 4

The Life Cycle of Clothing

April 18 at 6 pm



Seedling Swap

April 29-May 4



YOUTH PROGRAMS | Families are welcome at all youth programs.

CHILDREN

Global Languages Storytime

Tue., Apr 2, 16, & 30 @ 11:30 am | Ages 0-5

Learn new languages with the library! In each storytime we will explore new languages from around the globe. Language learners of all levels welcome!

Music & Movement Storytime

Thursdays and Fridays @ 10 am | Ages 0-5

Explore music and movement as cornerstones of early literacy! Experiment together with songs, dances, and stories to develop foundational music, motor, literacy, and communication skills.

Lego Club

Thursdays @ 3:45 pm | Ages 4+

Bring your friends and your imagination! We'll provide the Legos. New members are always welcome.

Sign & Sing | Tue., Apr 9 & 23 @ 11:30 am | Ages 0-5

Join our friends from Communication Junction for an ASL storytime with stories, songs, movement, & bubbles!

TWEEN & TEEN

Youth Creativity Club

Tuesdays @ 3:45 pm | Ages 8+

Apr 2—Crafting: Cereal Box Solar Eclipse Viewer

Apr 9—Writing: Poetry

Apr 16—Cooking: DIY Ranch Dressing

Apr 23—Music

Apr 30—PowerPoint Party: Make a slideshow about a special interest to share with the group! Presentations can be as silly or serious as you wish, but should be appropriate for ages 8-18 and under 5 minutes.



Can't make it to crafting or cooking?

Pick up a craft kit or recipe card while supplies last.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Movies | Popcorn served; feel free to bring your own snack or sack lunch.

Mon., Apr 1 @ 12 pm

The Parent Trap (1961) G, 2hr 4m

Mon., Apr 15 @ 12 pm

Deej (2017) NR, 1hr 12m

Mon., Apr 15 @ 2:45 pm

The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy (2005) PG, 1hr 50m

Mon., Apr 29 @ 12 pm

Shakespeare in Love (1998) R, 2hr 3 m

Eclipse Euphoria

Tue., Apr 2 @ 6 pm

Prepare for an extraordinary spectacle as the United States gears up for the Total Solar Eclipse on April 8. Renae Kerrigan, Planetarium Director of the Peoria Riverfront Museum discusses how to safely observe this phenomenon, why eclipses happen, and why you should travel to the path of totality!

*What the Tech?!

Select Wednesdays at 11 am or 1 pm

Mar 27 - eLibrary: Workforce Development

Discover the library's online resources for employment, education & training, and starting a business.

Apr 3 - QR Codes

Learn what QR codes are and how to scan them using your smartphone.

Apr 17 - Microsoft Excel: Basic Budget

Learn the basics of Excel by creating a simple budget.

Spanish Conversation Café

Wednesdays @ 3:45 pm

Practice your Spanish skills in casual conversation with other learners and native speakers! Speakers of all levels are welcome.



Dr. Temple Grandin: The Hidden Gifts of Visual Thinkers

Wed., Apr 3 @ 7 pm

Register for the online event at bit.ly/ILP_TempleGrandin. Join us for a special event with one of the world's most accomplished and well-known adults with autism. Dr. Grandin has been at the forefront of research and activism for autism and neurodiversity for decades, and her research of animal behavior spearheaded a reform in the quality of life for agricultural animals worldwide.

This event is made possible by Illinois Libraries Present.

Live at the Library: Arcomusical

Sat., Apr 6 @ 1:30 pm

This unique ensemble spreads the joy of the Afro-Brazilian musical bow, known as the berimbau, through innovative and excellent music. Bringing together musical traditions from Cuba and Brazil, their magical, synergized performance will leave audiences astounded.

Made possible in part by grants from the Community Foundation of Central Illinois and the Illinois Arts Council Agency.

ADULT PROGRAMS CONTINUED

***Cooking around the World: Heritage Potluck**
Thur., Apr 11 @ 6 pm | Expand your horizons—and your palate! For this special session, you are invited to bring a dish to share (a family favorite or something from your place of heritage) and a copy of your recipe. We'll taste the dishes and hear each others' stories. Please plan for 25 small samples. Visit cpldcooking.weebly.com for recipes and photos from past programs.

***Upcycled Aluminum Can Plant Labels**
Fri., Apr 12 @ 11 am | Create charming and useful plant labels for your garden or houseplants. These won't fade or wash away! Please bring a clean aluminum can.

Free Vision Screenings | Sat., Apr 13 @ 9:30-11:30 am
Drop in for a free visual acuity screening with Illinois Eye Center, no advanced preparation required. Find out how well you see at a distance, if you would pass the DMV vision test for renewing your drivers license, and if your vision has changed to the degree that you should visit your eye doctor.

Dementia Caregiver Support Group
Tue., Apr 16 @ 5 pm | This support group, led by a volunteer trained with the Alzheimer's Association, offers a chance for caregivers to develop support, learn about dementia, and build problem-solving skills. Monthly on 3rd Tuesdays; open to caregivers and others who have loved ones with dementia. Registration requested at (800)272-3900 or bit.ly/3MtEUcp.

Books & Brew | Tue., Apr 16 @ 6:30 pm
Reading this month: *Crossings: How Road Ecology Is Shaping the Future of Our Planet*, by Ben Goldfarb. Join us to discuss books while enjoying the company of other readers and your favorite brew (we'll provide tea, coffee, and assorted adult bev's).

The Life Cycle of Clothing | Thur., Apr 18 @ 6 pm
Erika Holst, Curator of History at the Illinois State Museum, will highlight examples of garments and artifacts from the museum's collections, while exploring the life cycle of clothing in America during the 1800s: how it was created, mended, remade, washed, and ultimately recycled. We'll discuss parallels between then and now, our own experiences, and modern attitudes towards "fast fashion" and mending vs. discarding. *This event is presented as part of Illinois Humanities Road Scholars Bureau.*

Seedling Swap | Apr 29-May 4
Do you have too many seedlings for your garden space? Share them at the seedling swap! Label each of your plants clearly and drop them off at the table at the library entrance. And feel free to take a few others home!

Growing News Deserts & How to Save Local News | Tue., Apr 30 @ 6 pm
Local news sources have been disappearing at a rapid rate for two decades, and the COVID-19 pandemic only accelerated the decline. The emergence of "news deserts" in communities of all sizes has serious consequences for community engagement and democratic process. But there are numerous efforts afoot to save, or evolve, local news. Join Bradley professor Dr. Cory Barker to learn more about the threats to local news and how you can find quality local information.

LOOKING AHEAD TO MAY

Yellow Peril Past & Present: Understanding Asian American through Personal & Historical Stories | Thur., May 2 @ 6:30 pm
An interactive performance from Dr. Ada Cheng presented as part of Illinois Humanities Road Scholars Bureau.

FAMILY PROGRAMS

Solar Eclipse | Mon., Apr 8 @ 1-3 pm
Looking for a spot to view the eclipse? Join us at the library! We'll provide solar viewers (while supplies last). You can also try out a pinhole viewer, and we'll run a live stream video indoors, showing the eclipse and providing commentary. Viewing elsewhere? Stop by to pick up a viewer ahead of time. *Note: While certain parts of the country will experience a total eclipse, here in Chillicothe, we'll be able to see a partial eclipse of about 94%. Still quite impressive! The eclipse will begin at 12:47 pm, reach its maximum at 2:04 pm, and end at 3:19 pm.*

Family Storytime
Sat., Apr 13 @ 11 am
Bring the whole family to enjoy stories and songs at the library! In April we will be reading the Caldecott winning book *We Are Water Protectors* and making our own watercolor art.



*Registration Required

Scan the QR code, call 309-274-2719, or go to bit.ly/3uX9G4w, to register for the marked programs.

VISION: Read. Learn. Share. Grow.

MISSION: The library enriches lives, builds community and encourages success by bringing people, information, and ideas together.

Homeschool Co-op

Every other Tuesday at 1 pm

Join us to connect with other homeschoolers in the community and explore the resources the library has to offer to support your family's educational journey!

April 9: Earth Day Celebration

Earth Day is coming up on April 22!

To celebrate, we will read the Caldecott Award winning book *We Are Water Protectors* and discuss the importance of clean water, then create watercolor paintings inspired by the illustrations. For older students interested in celebrating National Poetry Month, we will introduce the haiku structure that students can use to write a poem to accompany their art.



April 23: Spring Sing Along Music Class

Get in the spring spirit with songs celebrating the season! Sing along to songs you know, and maybe learn some new tunes. Students will also have the chance to explore sounds and rhythms with our collection of percussion instruments.



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by calling 309-274-2719
or visit chillipld.org.

Keep up with us on social media!



National Poetry Month

Add to our Community
Poetry Board (all month)

Grab a poem for Poem in
Your Pocket Day (April 18)

Check out our Facebook for a
Poem-a-Day from some familiar faces!



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