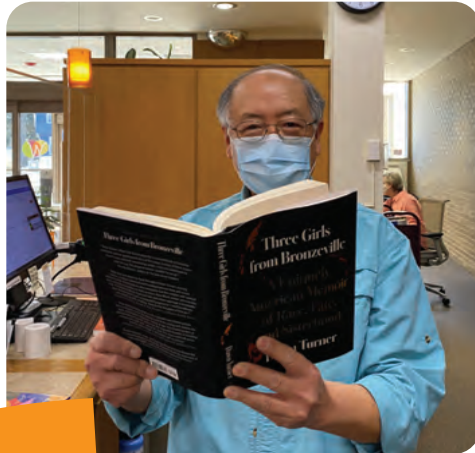




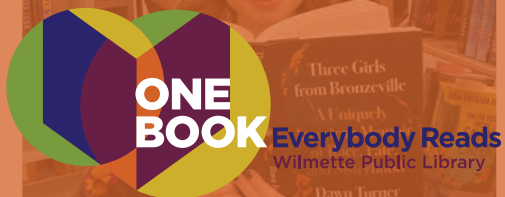
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Welcome Assistant Director Leah White!

In February, Leah White joined the library staff in the new position of assistant director. A graduate of Dominican University's School of Library and Information Science, Leah brings more than a decade of experience as a librarian and library administrator. She comes to Wilmette from Skokie Public Library, where she served as the learning and development manager, and previous roles at Ela Area, Northbrook, and Morton Grove Public Libraries. She has co-authored two professional book titles and was recognized as a 2012 *Library Journal* Mover & Shaker for community building.



In her role at Wilmette, Leah will be overseeing our public service departments and providing support to our director and management team. When she's not at the library, Leah enjoys spending time outdoors with her family and collects vintage pinball machines! If you see Leah around the building, make sure to stop her and say hello!

Celebrating Wilmette's Sesquicentennial

We're excited to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the founding of the Village of Wilmette! Throughout 2022, the Library will be hosting and participating in Village-wide activities and events to commemorate this anniversary. Events at the library in support of the celebration are tagged with the Wilmette150 logo.

To learn more about the year-long celebration, visit the village's sesquicentennial website: wilmette150.org



Visit Books Down Under

Books Down Under is the used book store run by the Friends of the Wilmette Public Library, located on the library's lower level. BDU stocks used books for all ages and interests, and all proceeds support library programs. Find current BDU hours and information about joining the Friends at: wilmettelibrary.info/friends



Events for Adults

The library offers in-person and virtual programs for adults. Visit our online calendar for more details.

Latin Hip Hop as a New Poetry **Tuesday, April 5, 7–8:30pm, Virtual**

Celebrate National Poetry Month with an exploration of Latin hip hop, Latinos in the U.S. and the Americas, and ways that Latin hip hop artists are advancing poetic traditions. Presented by Dr. Catalina Maria Johnson.

Recording Oral Histories: Documenting Stories from Our Community

Wednesday, April 6, 6:30–8pm, Virtual

Learn about taking part in Voices of Wilmette: An Oral History Project, a collaborative project with the Wilmette Historical Museum to collect stories from the Wilmette community during the village's sesquicentennial.



Virtual Tour of the Bahá'í House of Worship **Tuesday, April 26, 7–8pm, Virtual**

Celebrate Wilmette's sesquicentennial by learning about the history of Wilmette's Bahá'í Temple with a behind-the-scenes tour of the building, gardens, Bahá'í faith and history. Presented by temple coordinator Ellen Price.



All-Season Gardening with Native Plants

Thursday, May 12, 2–3pm, Auditorium

Join author, native plant lobbyist, and Wilmette resident Charlotte Adelman in a presentation on all-season gardening with native plants.



Mapping Your Migrating Ancestors **Saturday, May 14, 1–2:30pm, Auditorium**

Learn how to trace the movements of your ancestors from librarian and genealogist Tina Beaird. Co-hosted by the North Suburban Genealogical Society.

Sakura Tales: Stories from Japan **Tuesday, May 17, 2–3pm, Virtual**

Celebrate Asian-Pacific heritage month with a program of Japanese stories with storyteller Anne Shimojima.

John Erickson Trio Jazz Concert **Friday, May 20, 7–8pm, Auditorium**

The John Erickson Trio has been delighting audiences for more than 10 years with original compositions and unique arrangements of familiar pop and jazz classics.

Spotlight On: Personal Finance

The Essentials of Your Financial Plan **Wednesday, April 13, 7–8pm, Virtual**

Learn to develop the essentials of your financial plan, including financial goal setting, investments, estate, tax planning, and steps to achieve financial independence.

Crypto 101 **Tuesday, April 19, 7–8pm, Virtual**

Learn about the basics of cryptocurrencies, blockchain, and meme coins, beyond the hype and the headlines.

The above programs are presented by Ed Gjertsen II, CFP.

10 Tips for Maximizing your Retirement Savings **Thursday, April 21, 7–8:30pm, Virtual**

Discover tools that can help you manage income taxes, streamline (or even avoid) distributions, and simplify your life. Learn more with personal finance expert Karen Chan.

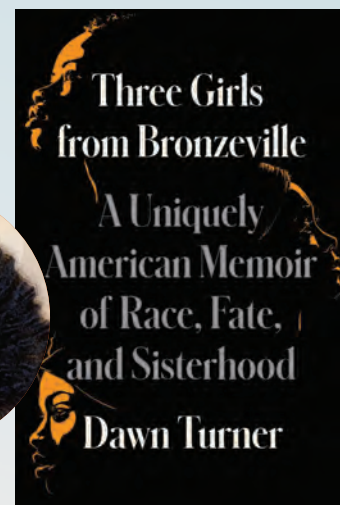
Supercharge Your Website with SEO **Thursday, April 28, 6:30–7:30pm, Virtual**

Search engine optimization (SEO) is more important than ever. Learn how you can leverage it to increase your company's visibility. Presented in partnership with SCORE and area libraries.



One Book, Everyone Reads

Join the conversation this spring as we read, discuss, and explore *Three Girls from Bronzeville* by Dawn Turner. Find more resources, reviews, and programs: wilmettelibrary.info/onebook



Meet the Author: Dawn Turner in Conversation with Alex Kotlowitz **Wednesday, May 11, 7–8pm, Virtual**

Join us as we welcome author Dawn Turner to the library for our One Book, Everyone Reads signature event. She will be discussing this year's One Book selection, her moving memoir *Three Girls from Bronzeville*, with journalist and best-selling author Alex Kotlowitz. A Q & A will follow the conversation, and members of the Zoom audience will be invited to submit written questions during the program.

Virtual Bronzeville Walking Tour **Tuesday, April 5, 2–3pm, Virtual**

Join Bernard C. Turner, executive director of the Black Metropolis National Heritage Area Commission, on a virtual tour of Bronzeville's landmarks and history.

For Kids! Exquisite: The Poetry and Life of Gwendolyn Brooks

Monday, April 11, 7–8pm, Virtual, Kids Ages 5+

Author Suzanne Slade and Caldecott Honor illustrator Cozbi A. Cabrera will discuss the creation of their picture book *Exquisite: The Poetry and Life of Gwendolyn Brooks*.

An Afternoon with Ida B. Wells **Tuesday, April 19, 2–3pm, Virtual**

Enjoy a dramatic portrayal of African-American educator and suffragist Ida B. Wells by Sherrie Tolliver of Women in History.

The Great Migration and the Great War **Tuesday, May 3, 7–8pm, Virtual**

Join musician and historian Clarence Goodman in a program about the Great Migration, the Great War, and how they permanently changed the American landscape.

Chicago's Harlem: Bronzeville, the Literary Mecca of the Midwest **Wednesday, May 4, 7pm–8pm, Virtual**

Explore the important role the Bronzeville neighborhood played in the development of the Chicago Black Renaissance literary movement.

Three Girls From Bronzeville Book Discussions

Discussions are led by a librarian and open to all.

Novels @ Night **Wednesday, April 20, 7–8pm, Virtual**

LWV of Wilmette and WPL Book Group **Wednesday, April 27, 11–12pm, Virtual**

Classics & Contemporary Book Discussion **Tuesday, May 10, 10:30–11:30am, Virtual**



One Book, Everyone Reads is funded by the Friends of the Wilmette Public Library

Book Discussions

Visit our online calendar to learn more, reserve a copy, and register for a discussion. All book discussions are virtual and hosted on Zoom. See page 4 for our April book discussions exploring our One Book, Everyone Reads selection.

Classics & Contemporary Book Discussion

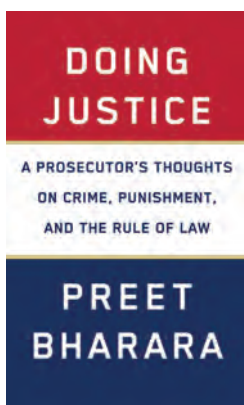
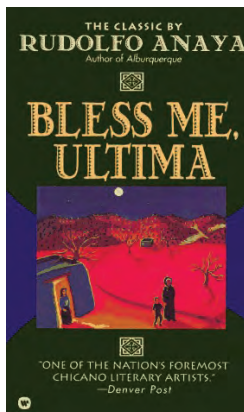
***Bless Me, Ultima* by Rudolfo Anaya**

Tuesday, April 12, 10:30–11:30am, Virtual

League of Women Voters of Wilmette & WPL Book Group

***Doing Justice* by Preet Bharara**

Wednesday, May 25, 11–12pm, Virtual



Armchair Travels

Join us for these on-site and virtual travel lectures, presented by the Rutherford Trust.

**Armchair Travels Presents:
The Great British Baking Tour
Monday, May 23, 6:30–7:30pm, Virtual**

Join UK travel and relocation consultant and former UK resident Claire Evans for a delightful culinary tour of the UK inspired by The Great British Baking Show television series.

**Armchair Travels
Thursdays, 1–2:30pm, Auditorium
April 7: Lyon, The Cultural Heart of France**

Travel pro Eugene Flynn will present a travelogue of Lyon, France.

April 21: On the Beach: North Carolina

Join expert traveler Nancy McCully in an exploration of beautiful North Carolina.

May 5: Footloose in Wales

Take a virtual tour of scenic and historic Wales with John Lynn.

May 19: Cultural Diversity from Around the World

Join author, story-teller, and motivational speaker Jeanne Roppolo in a program about cultural diversity.

Film Screenings

International Film Screenings

Under the Same Moon

Thursday, April 21, 9:30–11:30am, Auditorium

Presented in Spanish with English subtitles.

God of the Piano

Thursday, May 19, 9:30–11:30pm, Auditorium

Presented in Hebrew with English subtitles.

At Home Film Discussion

View the film on Kanopy, a streaming service you can access with your library card, then join us for a discussion on Zoom.

***Body Heat* Tuesday, April 12, 7–8pm, Virtual**

Starring William Hurt and Kathleen Turner.

***1985* Tuesday, May 10, 7–8pm, Virtual**

Starring former Wilmette resident Virginia Madsen.



April/May Calendar of Events

Virtual Programs

All programs hosted on Zoom. Registration required.

Tuesday, April 5

Bronzeville Tour 2pm, Adults

Pajama Storytime 6:30pm, Family

Latin Hip Hop as a New Poetry
7pm, Adults

Wednesday, April 6

Recording Oral Histories 6:30pm,
Adults

Thursday, April 7

Google Calendar 5pm, Adults

Saturday, April 9

**Mandarin-English Bilingual
Storytime** 10:30am, Family

Monday, April 11

**Exquisite: The Poetry and Life of
Gwendolyn Brooks** 7pm, Kids &
Adults

Tuesday, April 12

Classics & Contemporary
10:30am, Adults

Chinese for Families 7pm,
Grades 1-6

At Home Film Series: Body Heat
7pm, Adults

Wednesday, April 13

**The Essentials of Your Financial
Plan** 7pm, Adults

Thursday, April 14

Cyber Security 5pm, Adults
**2nd and 3rd Grade Book
Discussion** 7pm, Grades 2-3

Tuesday, April 19

An Afternoon with Ida B. Wells
2pm, Adults

Chinese for Families 7pm,
Grades 1-6

Crypto 101 7pm, Adults

Wednesday, April 20

Novels @ Night Book Discussion
7pm, Adults

Thursday, April 21

Google Search Operators 5pm,
Adults

**10 Tips for Maximizing Retirement
Savings** 7pm, Adults

Friday, April 22

Dungeons & Dragons 4:30pm,
Teens

Tuesday, April 26

**Tour of the Bahá'í House of
Worship** 7pm, Adults

Chinese for Families 7pm,
Grades 1-6

Wednesday, April 27

**LWV of Wilmette and WPL Book
Group** 11am, Adults

**Find Your Origin: Spoken Word
Workshop** 7pm, Teens

Thursday, April 28

**Supercharge Your Website with
SEO** 6:30pm, Adults

Tuesday, May 3

**The Great Migration and the Great
War** 7pm, Adults

Chinese for Families 7pm,
Grades 1-6

Wednesday, May 4

Bronzeville: Chicago's Harlem
7pm, Adults

Thursday, May 5

Google Calendar 5pm, Adults

Weekly Events

Virtual Storytimes April 5-28

Family Storytime

Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 10:30am,
For the whole family

Babytime

Thursdays, 9:30am, Ages 0-24 mo.

Big Kid Storytime

Tuesdays, 4pm, Ages 4-7

Outdoor Storytimes May 3-26

Family Storytime

Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 10am & 10:30am,
For the whole family

Babytime

Thursdays, 9:30am, Ages 0-24 mo.

Big Kid Storytime

Tuesdays, 4pm, Ages 4-7

Onsite Programs

(R) Registration (D) Drop-in. See event listings for registration dates.

Tuesday, May 10

Classics & Contemporary

10:30am, Adults

At Home Film Series: 1985 7pm, Adults

Chinese for Families 7pm, Grades 1-6

Wednesday, May 11

Meet the Author: Dawn Turner 7pm, Adults

Thursday, May 12

Cyber Security 5pm, Adults

2nd and 3rd Grade Book Discussion 7pm, Grades 2-3

Friday, May 13

Dungeons & Dragons 4:30pm, Teens

Saturday, May 14

Mandarin-English Bilingual Storytime 10:30am, Family

Tuesday, May 17

Sakura Tales: Stories from Japan 2pm, Adults

Pajama Storytime 6:30pm, Family

Wednesday, May 18

Google Search Operators 5pm, Adults

Thursday, May 19

From Space Gladiators to Magical Boys 7pm, Teens

Monday, May 23

The Great British Baking Tour 6:30pm, Adults

Wednesday, May 25

LWV of Wilmette and WPL Book Group 11am, Adults

Thursday, April 7

Armchair Travels: France 1pm, Adults (D)

K-9 Reading Buddies of the North Shore 6pm, Grades 1-5 (R)

Saturday, April 9

Dungeons & Dragons 1pm, Teens (R)

Wednesday, April 13

STEAM Lab: Fractals 4pm, Grades K-2 (R)

Monday, April 18

Math Adventures 4:30pm, Grades 3-6 (R)

Wednesday, April 20

Graphic Novel Book Club 7pm, Grades 4-6 (R)

Thursday, April 21

International Film Screening: Under the Same Moon 9:30am, Adults (D)

Armchair Travels: North Carolina 1pm, Adults (D)

Friday, April 22

The Art of the Spider 4pm, Kids Grades K-2 (R)

Saturday, April 23

RPG Miniature Painting Workshop 1pm, Teens (R)

Monday, April 25

Math Adventures 4:30pm, Grades 3-6 (R)

Monday, May 2

Math Adventures 4:30pm, Grades 3-6 (R)

Tuesday, May 3

May Flowers 4pm, Grades 3-8 (R)

Wednesday, May 4

Family Maker Project: Terrariums 6:30pm, Grades 1-4 (R)

Thursday, May 5

Armchair Travels: Wales 1pm, Adults (D)

K-9 Reading Buddies of the North Shore 6pm, Grades 1-5 (R)

Thursday, May 12

All Season Gardening with Native Plants 2pm, Adults (D)

Saturday, May 14

Mapping Your Migrating Ancestors 1pm, Adults (D)

Wednesday, May 18

Light-up Flower 4pm, Grades 4-6 (R)

Graphic Novel Book Club 7pm, Grades 4-6 (R)

Thursday, May 19

International Film Screening: God of the Piano 9:30am, Adults (D)

Armchair Travels: Cultural Diversity from Around the World 1pm, Adults (D)

Friday, May 20

John Erickson Trio 7pm, Adults (D)

Saturday, May 21

Dungeons & Dragons 1pm, Teens (R)

Thursday, May 26

K-Pop Teen Appreciation Party 7pm, Teens (R)

Kids & Families

This spring, we are offering on-site and virtual programs for kids. If you are attending an on-site program, make sure to visit our website to check for current safety guidelines.

Find full program details on our online calendar. Programs requiring registration are marked with an R, followed by the date registration opens when applicable. Questions? Contact Youth Services at 847-256-6945 or youthdesk@wilmettelibrary.info.

Chinese for Families

Tuesdays, April 12, 19 & 26 and May 3 & 10, 7-8pm, Virtual, Grades 1-6

May is Asian American month! Join us on a fascinating journey to learn Mandarin and Chinese culture with native speakers at NeuLingo. **R**

Math Adventures with Amy Alznauer

Mondays, April 18 & 25 and May 2, 4:30-5:30pm, Auditorium, Grades 3-6

Award-winning author and mathematician Amy Alznauer will reveal the deep mysteries of math and lead participants in number games and activities. Register for one, two, or all three programs in this series. **R 4/4**

STEAM Lab: Fractals

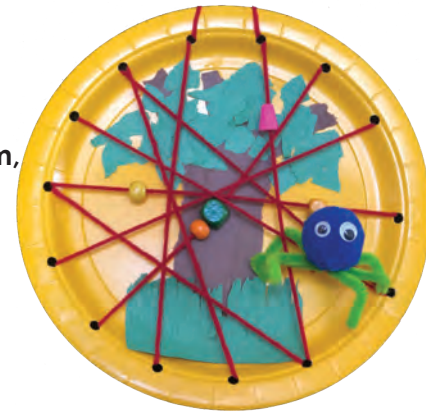
Wednesday, April 13, 4-4:45 pm, Auditorium, Grades K-2

Explore the never-ending patterns of fractals using straws! **R 3/30**

The Art of the Spider

Friday, April 22, 4-4:45pm, Auditorium, Grades K-2

Spiders are nature's artists. Spin an original web using everyday materials and simple tools. **R 4/8**



May Flowers

Tuesday, May 3, 4-5pm, Grades 3-8, Library Lawn

Join us in making a bouquet of easy-to-construct paper flowers, including roses, chrysanthemums, and mums. **R 4/19**

Family Maker Project: Terrariums

Wednesday, May 4, 6:30-7:30pm, Auditorium, Grades 1-4

Children can bring up to two family members to create a glass terrarium together with small plants and decorative extras. **R 4/20**

Light Up Flower

Wednesday, May 18, 4-4:45pm, Auditorium, Grades 4-6

Let's make flowers light up by creating paper circuits with batteries and lights. **R 5/4**

K-9 Reading Buddies of the North Shore

Thursdays, April 7 and May 5, 6-7pm, Auditorium, Grades 1-5

Read some of your favorite stories to a trained therapy dog. Register for a 15-minute slot at the Youth Desk or by phone at 847-256-6945 starting March 24. Wilmette and Kenilworth residents only.





Enter the Kids' Bookmark Design Contest!

Our annual bookmark design contest is back! Entry forms will be available from the library starting March 21. Children in grades K-8 are invited to submit their designs by April 24. All entries will be displayed in the Youth Services department starting May 2 in honor of Children's Book Week. Winning entries will be printed and distributed at the library.

Pajama Storytime

Tuesdays, April 5 and May 17, 6:30-7pm, Virtual, For the whole family

Get cozy in your PJs and bring your favorite lovie to enjoy stories, songs, and rhymes before bedtime. **R**

Mandarin-English Bilingual Storytime

Saturdays, April 9 and May 14, 10:30-11am, Virtual, For the whole family

Join us for stories, songs, and fun in Mandarin and English! Presented by local educator Ling Liu. **R**



2nd and 3rd Grade Book Discussion

Thursdays, 7-7:45pm, Virtual, Grades 2-3

Chat with your friends about this month's book and make a craft together.

April 14: *The Fabled Fourth Graders of Aesop Elementary* by Candace Fleming **R 3/24**

May 12: Check our calendar for this month's selection. **R 4/21**

Graphic Novel Book Club

Wednesdays, 7-7:45pm, Auditorium, Grades 4-6

Love graphic novels? Discuss each month's selection, and make your own comic book art!

April 20: *Mighty Jack* by Ben Hatke **R 3/30**

May 18: *Manu!!* by Kelly Fernandez **R 4/27**

Library Storytimes

This spring, we'll be hosting storytimes virtually in April via Zoom. As the weather warms up in May, we'll be moving our storytimes in-person on the Library Lawn! Find full details, including registration information and inclement weather plans, at: wilmettelibrary.info/storytimes

Virtual Storytimes April 5-28

Family Storytime

Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 10:30am, For the whole family

Babytime

Thursdays, 9:30am, Ages 0-24 mo.

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Outdoor Storytimes May 3-26

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Events for Teens

RPG Miniature Painting Workshop

Saturday, April 23, 1–4pm, Auditorium

Learn to assemble and paint miniature figures for tabletop and role-playing games in this workshop with local store Heroines & Heroes. We'll provide figures, paint, brushes, and instruction! Gr. 7-12.

Find Your Origin: Spoken Word Workshop

Wednesday, April 27, 7–8pm, Virtual



Explore fake origin stories, what they are, and how they work in this spoken word workshop with Young Chicago Authors. Laugh at some, question others, and eventually write your own. This virtual workshop will be run by spoken word poet and Young Chicago Author teaching artist, C. Lofty Bolling. *Hosted by the Wilmette, Wheaton, Gail Borden, La Grange Park, and Forest Park Public Libraries.*

From Space Gladiators to Magical Boys:

Meet Comics Artists Hannah Templer and The Kao

Thursday, May 19, 7–8pm, Virtual

Interested in writing and drawing for webcomics and print comic books? Meet comics artists/writers Hannah Templer and Vince Kao, discuss their books, and learn about their road to publication. *Hosted by the Wilmette, Skokie, Mount Prospect, Wheaton, Gail Borden, and Forest Park Public Libraries.*



K-Pop Won't Stop

K-Pop Teen Appreciation Party

Thursday, May 26, 7–8pm, Auditorium

Are you a fan of BTS, NCT, Blackpink, or other K-pop groups? Come share your favorite songs and K-dramas and decorate "pilcos," photo cards of your favorites! Supplies provided or bring your own.

Dungeons & Dragons

Welcoming experienced and new players alike, we will be playing Dungeons and Dragons 5E! Go on adventures with an intrepid crew of heroes. Open to grades 7-12.

In-Person Dungeons & Dragons

Saturdays, April 9 & May 21, 1–4pm, Auditorium

Space may be limited according to the number of dungeon masters available to run games, but interested spectators are welcome!

Virtual Dungeons & Dragons

Friday, April 22 & May 13, 4:30–6:30pm, Virtual

Games are scheduled through the Wilmette Public Library RPG League Discord server.



Tech & Maker



Google Calendar Thursdays, April 7 & May 5, 5-6pm, Virtual

Learn how to plan and manage your time with Google Calendar.

Cyber Security Thursday, April 14 & May 12, 5-6pm, Virtual

Learn how to protect yourself from scams while navigating the internet, using email, and moving money.

Google Search Operators Thursdays, April 21 & May 18, 5-6pm, Virtual

Learn skills to master the Google search engine to get the search results you need.

Sign Up for a Maker Appointment

Make stickers, design 3D prints, metal stamp jewelry, and more! Book a private appointment with the library's Maker equipment. Appointments are available for up to four people, or small family groups, for one hour at a time. Bring your own projects, or try out one of our tutorials. Basic supplies will be available at no cost, and a staff member will be on hand to help you get started using the equipment. For more details about equipment and supplies, and to make an appointment, visit: wilmettelibrary.info/makers

Available Equipment:

- Vinyl cutter
- Button maker
- Design for 3D printing
- Sewing machine
- Jewelry making and metal stamping
- Lego WeDo

Adult & Teen Take & Makes

Teens: Volunteer Cheer

Registration opens Friday, March 18

Kit pickup begins Friday, April 8

Cheer up someone's day! Make cards for hospitalized kids and bookmarks for homebound library users with our craft kit in honor of National Volunteer Month. After making, bring back to the library and we will distribute them. Grades 9-12.

Teens: Chigiri-e

Registration opens Friday, April 15

Kit pickup begins Friday, May 6

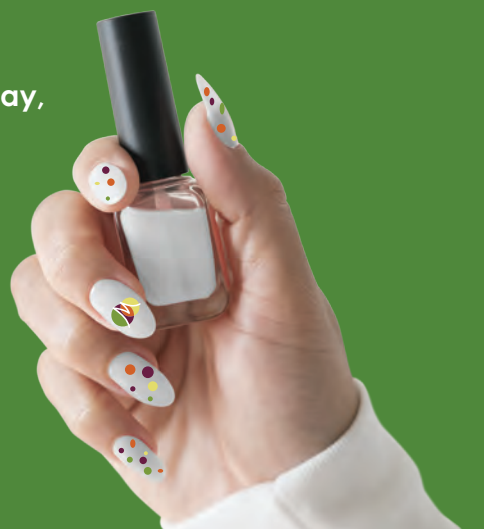
Use torn paper and glue to create a beautiful watercolor-like collage with the Japanese paper craft of chigiri-e. Materials, instructions, and history of this traditional artform included. Gr. 9-12.

Adults: Nail Art

Registration opens Wednesday, May 4, 9am

Kit pickup begins Monday, May 9

Register for your kit, then follow along with a video tutorial to make stunning and unique designs on your fingernails!



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Explore Three Girls from Bronzeville

After you've read this year's One Book, Everyone Reads selection, keep your reading journey going! Our librarians have put together this list of fiction and non-fiction books that will help you deepen your understanding of the book. See page 4 for this year's One Book events schedule.

The Care and Feeding of Ravenously Hungry Girls by Anissa Gray

Everywhere You Don't Belong by Gabriel Bump

Lot by Bryan Washington

The Turner House by Angela Fourney

The Mothers by Brit Bennett

An American Marriage by Tayari Jones

Native Son by Richard Wright

No One is Coming to Save Us by Stephanie Powell Watts

An American Summer: Love and Death in Chicago by Alex Kotlowitz

Chicago Renaissance: Literature and Art in the Midwest Metropolis by Liesl Olsen

Selected Poems by Gwendolyn Brooks

Sacred Ground: The Chicago Streets of Timuel Black by Timuel Black Jr

Bronzeville Nights: On the Town in Chicago's Black Metropolis by Steven C. Dubin

Memorial Drive: A Daughter's Memoir by Natasha D. Trethewey