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# PREFACE



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# NEWSLETTER

AUGUST/SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2022 EDITION

## The 23rd Annual ComiCon! Wednesday, October 19, 6:30 - 8:30 pm



Stop by for our 23rd Annual ComiCon! Enjoy an evening full of comic and pop culture entertainment, From our featured creators and vendors to our cosplay contest, swag room, and fabulous door prizes, there is something for all ages! No registration required.

30 Lucky winners will find a **Golden Ticket** in their Swag Bag and can choose from a large selection of prizes.

## ¡La 23ª ComicCon anual! Miércoles, 19 de octubre, 6:30 - 8:30 pm

¡Pase por nuestra 23ª ComiCon anual! Disfrute de una noche llena de entretenimiento cómico y de la cultura pop. Desde nuestros creadores y vendedores destacados hasta nuestro concurso de cosplay, la sala de regalos y los fabulosos premios de entrada, ¡hay algo para todas las edades! No es necesario registrarse. 30 afortunados ganadores encontrarán un **boleto dorado** en su Swag Bag y podrán elegir entre una gran selección de premios.



### ComiCon Art Contest!

July 18 - September 30, 2022  
(More details on Page 4)

### ¡Concurso de arte ComicCon!

18 de julio - 30 de septiembre de 2022  
(Más detalles en la página 4)

[www.mchenrylibrary.org](http://www.mchenrylibrary.org)

# Children

## About Our Programs

### In the Library

Held in one of our Meeting Rooms or outdoors.

### On YouTube

Pre-recorded programs. Available on our YouTube channel ("The MPLD") on the dates listed.

### Live on Zoom

These programs are hosted virtually on Zoom by Youth Services staff. Register to receive the Zoom link.

### In-Person OR on Zoom

This is a hybrid program. Make sure you register your child for the correct one depending on how they'll be attending.

**(R) means registration is required.**

Visit our online Events Calendar to see more details and to register.

Registration for programs begins Monday, July 18 at 9 am

Register online: (mchenry.librarycalendar.com) or call 815-385-0036.

### Kindergarten Readiness (R) Wednesday, August 10, 10 - 11 am

Explore different stations to help your child become ready for Kindergarten! Stations will include activities that focus on scissor skills, writing, counting and reading!  
(For Kindergarten students)

### Back to School Storytime Watch on YouTube Tuesday, August 16

Get ready for back to school with Miss Skye. Songs and stories to get you ready for a new school year! (For young children)

### Baby Storytime (R) September 8, 22, October 20, 9:30 - 10 am

Join Miss Skye in this interactive lap-sit story time, perfect for newborns to 18 months! (For children up to 18 months)



### Grandparent's Day Storytime Watch on YouTube Sunday, September 11

Sing along with Miss Skye and celebrate Grandparent's Day with a fun, online storytime.  
(For young children)

### Hispanic Heritage Month Storytime Watch on YouTube Monday, October 3,

Celebrate Hispanic Heritage month with a fun, online storytime.

### Halloween Bash! (R) Tuesday, October 25, 10 - 11 am

Come in costume for a Halloween Storytime with Miss Steffanie and Miss Skye! Join us afterwards for a costume parade through the library!  
(For ages up to 6)

### Storytime for Little Ones! (R) 9:30 - 10 am

August 29, 30,  
September 12, 13, 26, 27,  
October 10, 11,

### Virtual Storytimes Watch on YouTube September 6, 20, October 4, 18,

Join us this week for fun stories, songs, and rhymes for babies and toddlers! We have a new theme each week!  
(For ages up to 3)

### Bedtime Readiness!

#### Watch on YouTube

Wednesday, August 31,  
Wednesday, September 14,  
Wednesday, September 28,  
Wednesday, October 12,

Wind down with Miss Skye! Stories, Songs, and a lullaby to get ready for bedtime. (For infants and toddlers)

### Preschool Storytime (R) 10 - 10:30 am

August 24,  
September 1, 7, 15, 21, 29,  
October 5, 13, 19,

Preschoolers who love stories will enjoy Preschool Storytime! We read new and classic picture books, use flannel board stories and fingerplays to support early literacy, and dance to music!  
(For ages 3 - 6)

### Read Fur Fun (R) Saturdays 10 am - 12 pm

September 13, 10,  
October 8,

Come to the library to read to a licensed therapy dog. Dog owners will be present. **Sign up for a slot by stopping by or calling the library.**  
(For young children)



### Mini Masterpieces (R) Watch on YouTube

Friday, August 12 - Watermelon  
Friday, September 9 - Caramel Apples  
Friday, October 7 - Witch House

Make art, make crafts, and make friends at this program for creative kids.  
(For ages 3 - 6)

### Little Explorers (R) 1:30 - 2 pm

Friday, August 26 - Catapults  
Friday, September 23 - DIY Balance  
Friday, October 21 - Marshmallow Shooters

Let's learn about the world around us through crafts, science experiments, games and movies. (For ages 3 - 6)

### Imagination Station (R) Wednesdays from 5 - 5:45 pm

August 24 - Apple Glitter Jars  
Calm your back to school nerves with an apple glitter jar! (For grades K - 3)

October 26 - Spooky Clay Pots  
Make a spooktacular clay pot candy dishes.  
(For grades K - 3)

### DIY Diya Lamp (R) Watch on YouTube Wednesday, October 5

Let's learn about Diwali, the Hindu Festival of Lights and make our own diya, or small lamps. (For grades K - 3)



### Take-Home Crafts

August 7 - 13 - Apple Popsicle Stick Craft  
Make a fun fall apple popsicle craft.

September 11 - 17 - Gnome Craft  
Make a gnome craft out of leaves.

October 23 - 29 - Spider Craft  
Make a spider web out of a paper plate.

Available while supplies last.

### STEM Me a Story (R) Wednesdays from 5 - 5:45 pm

#### August 10 - Cars

Let's read *Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus* by Mo Willems and then make our own cars that maybe Pigeon can drive.  
(For grades K - 3)

#### September 21 - Tornadoes

Learn about tornadoes after reading the book, *Tornadoes* by Gail Gibbons.  
(For grades K - 3)

#### October 12 - Architecture

Let's read *Creepy Carrots* by Aaron Reynolds and then we are going to design our own fences to keep the carrots where they belong: in the garden!  
(For grades K - 3)

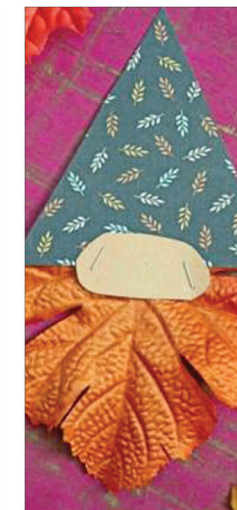
### Art Lab - Mexican Tin Art (R) Wednesday, September 7, 5 - 5:45 pm



Calling all artists! This month is Hispanic Heritage Month and we will be learning about Diego Rivera and be making our own Mexican Tin Art! (For grades K - 3)

### RoboPets with Snapology (R) Monday, October 10, 11 am - 12:30 pm

In Snapology's RoboPets, your animal lover will create their own animal inspired robotic models.  
(For grades K - 3)



# English/Polish bilingual programs

## Programy dwujęzyczne angielsko-polskie

**Praca Plastyczna - Fryderyk Chopin**  
Watch on YouTube  
Saturday, August 27

Dziś dowiemy się o Fryderyka Chopina i zrobimy dzieło sztuki! Dostępna będzie ograniczona liczba zestawów do odbioru zaczynając od 8/27

Today we'll learn about Fryderyk Chopin and make a craft! A limited supply of kits will be available for pickup beginning 8/27 (All Ages)

**Polish Storytime**  
Watch on YouTube  
Monday, September 26

Posłuchajcie bajek, zaśpiewajcie piosenki i bawcie się dobrze!


Listen to stories, sing songs, and have fun! (All Ages)

**Praca Plastyczna - Tańce Narodowe**  
Watch on YouTube  
Saturday, October 29

Dziś będziemy obchodzić Miesiąc Dziedzictwa Polsko-Amerykańskiego i dowiemy się o Polskie tańce narodowe i zrobimy dzieło sztuki! Dostępna będzie ograniczona liczba zestawów do odbioru zaczynając od 10/29

Today we'll celebrate Polish-American Heritage month by learning about Polish national dances and make a craft! A limited supply of kits will be available for pickup beginning 10/29. (All Ages)

# Teens and Tweens



**CONTINUE READING  
ONLINE**

## PROGRAMS JUST FOR YOU!



**TWEEN EVENTS  
CALENDAR**

**Registration for programs begins  
Monday, July 18 at 9 am**

**Register online:  
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or call 815-385-0036.**

**Tween Book Club (R)**  
6:30 - 7:30 pm

Welcome to our Tween Book Club! Read and discuss a new book each month. (For grades 4 - 8)

**August 11 - *The Boy at the Back of the Class* by Onjali Q. Raúf**

**September 15 - *Shinji Takahashi And The Mark Of The Coat* by Julie Kagawa**

**October 13 - *Scratch Scratch* by Lindsay Currie.**

**Study Smart, Not Hard:  
Tips and Tricks for  
Successful Studying (R)**  
Thursday, August 11,  
11 am - 12 pm



Join C2 Education as they go over tips and tricks for successful studying to help you succeed in school. This session is perfect for those entering middle or high school. (For grades 6 - 12)

**College Admissions:  
Decoding the Process (R)**  
Friday, August 12,  
11 am - 12 pm



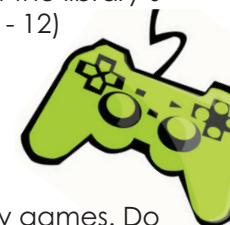
Wondering what colleges look for when you apply? Struggling on where to begin? Join C2 Education as they go over tips and tricks for successfully decoding the college admission process. (For grades 9 and up)

**Write On! (R)**  
Thursday, August 18,  
6:30 - 7:30 pm



Join our writing club, where you can work on your personal stories and hang out with your friends! Feel free to bring your own device or use one of the library's computers. (For grades 6 - 12)

**Game On! (R)**  
Thursday, September 22,  
6:30 - 7:30 pm



Come hang out and play games. Do you like board games? Consoles? The library has a variety of options for you to try out and have fun! (For grades 6 - 12)

**MegaMachines with Snapology (R)**  
Monday, October 10,  
1 - 2:30 pm

In Snapology's Mega Machine Robotics class, your child will create some of their favorite motorized vehicles. (For grades 4 - 8)

**Anime Club (R)**  
Thursday, October 20,  
6:30 - 7:30 pm

Come join us as we talk about our favorite manga and watch anime! (For grades 6 - 12)

**Dungeons and Dragons (R)**  
Tuesday, August 9,  
Tuesday, September 13,  
Tuesday, October 11,  
5:30 - 8:30 pm

Join us at the library and make (or take) a character with an experienced Dungeon Master as we play the 5th edition of this fantasy role-playing game. (For ages 11 - 20)

**LGBTaQ**  
Monday, August 22,  
Monday, October 24,  
6 - 7 pm

Hang out with your rainbow fam and tell us what you've been reading or watching, and whatever else might be on your mind in an open and accepting environment. No registration required. (For Teens)

**ComiCon Art Contest**  
Theme: *Take a Break*  
Voting open from October 16 - 22

Have you ever wondered what your favorite character does on their days off? Maybe they go to the beach or get their nails painted? Draw your favorite character taking some "me time" and share it with us!

**Entries accepted in person or by email from July 18 - September 30, 2022** in three age categories: Tweens (grades 4-8), Teens (grades 9-12) and Adults (18+).

The link to vote will be posted on our website for the duration of ComiCon Week. Prizes will be awarded to the winners in each category. Stop by the Questions Desk for more information and guidelines. Your vote will determine the winners so make sure to check out all the artwork that is submitted!



# Adults

## Join an Adult Book Discussion Group! 7 - 8:30 pm

**August 4,** Mystery - *Death at Greenway* by Lori Rader-Day.

**August 8,** Science Fiction & Fantasy - *Oryx and Crake* by Margaret Atwood.

**August 11,** Contemporary - *Dear Edward* by Ann Napolitano.

**August 15,** Classic - *It Can't Happen Here* by Sinclair Lewis.

**September 1,** Mystery - *The Last Detective* by Peter Lovesey

**September 8,** Contemporary - *Mexican Gothic* by Silvia Moreno-Garcia

**September 12,** Science Fiction & Fantasy - *Wee Free Men* by Terry Pratchett

**September 19,** Classic - *The Big Sleep* by Raymond Chandler

**October 6,** Mystery - *A Rising Man* by Abir Mukherjee

**October 10,** Science Fiction & Fantasy - *The Martian Chronicles* by Ray Bradbury

**October 13,** Contemporary - *The Southern Book Club's Guide to Slaying Vampires* by Grady Hendrix

**October 17,** Classic: - *Lovecraft: Tales, The Dunwich Horror & The Call of Cthulhu* by H. P. Lovecraft

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**Coffee with the Chief**  
Tuesday, August 2,  
Tuesday, October 5  
6:30 - 8:30 pm

Residents will get a chance to ask questions or state concerns to the Chief

**Craft: Cloth Trivet (R)**  
Saturday, August 20,  
1 - 3 pm

You'll learn how to create a trivet out of cloth. Basic crocheting skills will help in completing the project.

**Finding the Shipwreck of the W. C. Kimball (R)**  
Tuesday, August 23,  
7 - 8 pm

Join us on Zoom for Ross's exciting story of diving on and identifying the shipwreck.

**Introduction to Google Drive (R)**  
Saturday, August 27,  
2 - 4 pm



Melisa helps you learn how to store files in the cloud, synchronize files across devices, and share files on Google Drive.

**Basic Microsoft Word 2021 (R)**  
Sunday, August 28,  
1 - 3 pm



Learn how to create, edit, save and print a document.

**A Brief History of Taiwan (R)**  
Tuesday, August 30,  
7 - 8 pm

Yvonne Wolf will explain the country's economic, historical, and cultural background.

**A Traditional Chinese Tea Demonstration (R)**  
Tuesday, September 6,  
7 - 8:30 pm



Engage in the ritual of tea handling, teaware function and identification, and proper tea steeping. Yvonne will demonstrate two types of tea.

**Basic Excel (R)**  
Sunday, September 11,  
1 - 3 pm



Excel is a spreadsheet program that allows you to store, organize, and analyze information.

**How Genocide Begins: Understanding Genocide Communications (R)**  
Live on Zoom  
Tuesday, September 13,  
7 - 8 pm

This lecture is an important look into the past and a reminder that ethnic cleansing and purges persist even today.

**Illinois Libraries Present: An Evening with Marlee Matlin (R)**  
Live on Zoom  
Wednesday, September 14,  
7 - 8 pm



Academy-Award-winning actress, author, and activist Marlee Matlin joins the ILP call. Sponsored by the Friends of the McHenry Public Library.

**Intermediate Excel (R)**  
Saturday, September 17,  
2 - 4 pm



Ready to move beyond the basics in Excel? Melissa Mayberry will help you expand your skills.

**Introduction to iPad and iPhone (R)**  
Sunday, September 18,  
1 - 3 pm



Have an iPhone or iPad and don't know how to use it? Bring your device(s) to this free course to get started.

**Painting Prickly Pears (R)**  
Saturday, September 17,  
1 - 2 pm



Welcome to a painting class in person. You'll create a prickly pear masterpiece.

**Great Decisions - The Quad Alliance (R)**  
Tuesday, September 27,  
7 - 8:30 pm

Gary Midkiff, a college history professor, and author leads the discussions.

**Dropsy, Quinsy, or Consumption: Just exactly what did my ancestor have? (R)**  
Thursday, September 29,  
7 - 8:30 pm

This lecture discusses several commonly used terms for medical ailments. Presented by professional genealogist Dr. Kimberly Nagy.

**Medigap Insurance: How to get the best rate for the policy you need. (R)**  
Thursday, October 6,  
10 - 11 am

Tom Kilkenny from Weiss Rating will help you to understand the policy options and how to make sure you are not overpaying for yours.

**If The Broom Fits... Halloween & The History of Witches (R)**  
Live on Zoom  
Tuesday, October 11,  
7 - 8 pm

Ehris Urban, and Velya Jancz-Urban authors of *Dare to be a Green Witch*, present this virtual program.

**Stamping with Mallory (R)**  
Saturday, October 15,  
10 am - 12 pm

Join Mallory as she guides us in making four unique stamping projects.

**Craft: ComiCon Coasters (R)**  
Saturday, October 15,  
1 - 2 pm

You'll make coasters out of comics.

**Leonard Nimoy: A Tribute (R)**  
Live on Zoom  
Monday, October 17,  
7 - 8:30 pm

This engaging presentation details Nimoy's early years, his acting and directing career, his efforts to alert others to the dangers of smoking and COPD, and the effect of his iconic Star Trek role as Spock. Special thanks to Leonard Nimoy's family for permission and resources.

**Great Decisions - Industrial Policy (R)**  
Tuesday, October 25,  
7 - 8:30 pm

Gary Midkiff, a college history professor, and author leads the discussions on industrial policy in the United States. Briefing Books are available at the Questions Desk for a one-week checkout.

### Free Movie Showings:

**King Richard (2021) - 1 - 3:15 pm**  
Saturday, August 27,  
Sunday, August 28,

**West Side Story (2021) - 1 - 3:45 pm**  
Saturday, September 24,  
Sunday, September 25,

**Ghostbusters: Afterlife (2021) - 1 - 3 pm**  
Saturday, October 22,  
Sunday, October 23,

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# En español y bilingüe

Para Adultos

**Computación Excel (R)**  
6:30 - 8:30 pm

1 - jueves, 25 de agosto  
2 - jueves, 1 de septiembre  
3 - jueves, 22 de septiembre

Una serie de clases sobre Microsoft Excel. En la última clase de la serie, recibirán un certificado después de terminar.

**Cómo usar su iPhone (R)**  
miércoles, 26 de octubre,  
6:30 - 8:30 pm

¿Tienes preguntas en cómo usar tu iPhone? En la clase aprenderán sobre la aplicación de fotografía, cómo descargar aplicaciones, el internet y redes sociales. Favor de traer sus teléfonos iPhone.

**Manualidad: Salvamanteles de Tela (R)**  
sábado, 20 de agosto,  
1 - 3 pm

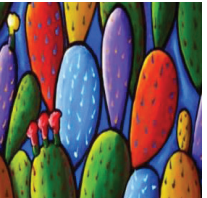
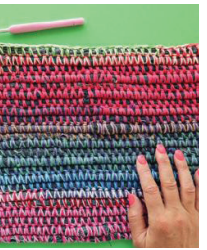
Aprenderán como crear un salvamanteles usando tela e hilo.

**Pintando Nopales (R)**  
sábado, 17 de septiembre,  
1 - 2 pm

La obra de arte será nopales.

**Manualidad: Portavaso de ComiCon (R)**  
sábado, 15 de octubre,  
1 - 2 pm

Harán un portavaso usando cómics.



**Concurso de arte ComicCon**  
Tema: Tómate un descanso  
Votaciones abiertas del 16 al 22 de octubre

¿Alguna vez te has preguntado qué hace tu personaje favorito en sus días libres? ¿Quizás van a la playa o se pintan las uñas? ¡Dibuja tu personaje favorito tomándote un tiempo para ti y compártelo con nosotros!

Se aceptan inscripciones en persona o por correo electrónico del 18 de julio al 30 de septiembre de 2022 en tres categorías de edad: Preadolescentes (grados 4-8), Adolescentes (grados 9-12) y Adultos (18+).

El enlace para votar se publicará en nuestro sitio web durante la semana de la ComiCon. Se entregarán premios a los ganadores de cada categoría. Pase por el mostrador de preguntas para obtener más información y pautas. ¡Tu voto determinará los ganadores, así que asegúrate de ver todas las obras de arte que se envían!

**Hora de Cuentos Verlo en YouTube**  
lunes, 29 de agosto  
lunes, 12 y 26 de septiembre  
lunes, 10 y 24 de octubre

¡Haremos cuentos bilingües, rimas, música, baile y más para niños que quieran escuchar los dos idiomas! Para niños de 2-6 años y sus padres o proveedores de cuidado.

Bilingual stories, rhymes, music, dance and more for children interested in hearing both English and Spanish! Children ages 2-6 and their parents or caregiver.

(R) significa que se requiere registro. Visite nuestro Calendario de eventos en línea para ver más detalles y registrarse.

En Youtube: Programas pregrabados. Disponible en nuestro canal de YouTube ("El MPLD") en las fechas indicadas.

La inscripción para los programas comienza el lunes 18 de julio a las 9 am

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#### HOURS

M-TH — 9 am - 9 pm  
FRI-SAT — 9 am - 5 pm  
SUN — 12 - 4 pm

#### LIBRARY CLOSINGS/ CIERRES DE LA BIBLIOTECA

Friday, August 19, All Day  
Monday, September 5, All Day  
Friday, October 28, 1 - 5 pm

Viernes, 19 de agosto, Todo el día  
Lunes, 5 de septiembre, Todo el día  
Viernes, 28 de octubre, 1 - 5 pm

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#### BOARD MEETINGS

Board meetings are generally held the third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. The public is welcome to attend. Information about attending can be found on our website.

Lesley Jakacki, Executive Director  
Adrian Mesino, Editor

**Library & Program Accessibility**  
The library makes every effort to ensure our services and programs can be enjoyed by all. If you have any concerns about accessibility or need to request specific accommodations, please contact the library.

**Accesibilidad de bibliotecas y programas**  
La biblioteca hace lo mejor posible para asegurar que todos puedan acceder a los eventos. Si tiene alguna preocupación en cuestión de accesibilidad o requiere ciertas acomodaciones no dude en contactarnos.



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The Friends of the  
McHenry Library Fall Used  
Book Sale will feature  
hundreds of hardcover  
and paperback books,  
movies, music, and more  
at bargain prices.

**Fall Book Sale**  
Saturday, October 15,  
9 am - 5 pm  
Sunday, October 16,  
12 - 4 pm  
**Member Preview Night**  
Thursday, October 13,  
6 - 8 pm

**NATIONAL FRIENDS OF  
LIBRARIES WEEK**  
October 16 - 22, 2022

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