

# H HINSDALE PUBLIC LIBRARY beyondbooks

WINTER 2021-22



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### Later Hours

The Library is open until 9 PM  
Monday through Thursday.  
Our holiday closings are listed  
on page 2.

### Storytime

We are in-person in 2022!  
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session on page 6.

### Winter Reading Challenge

Register to pick up a kit with  
the supplies needed for this  
family-friendly competition.  
Learn more on page 6.

# library news

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## Hours

M-TH	9 AM – 9 PM
FRI	9 AM – 6 PM
SAT	9 AM – 5 PM
SUN	1 PM – 5 PM

## Holiday Closings

Wednesday, November 24 at 5 PM  
Thursday, November 25  
Friday, December 24  
Saturday, December 25  
Friday, December 31 at 1 PM  
Saturday, January 1

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## Board

The Board meets on the fourth Tuesday of most months at 7:00 p.m. The public is welcome to attend.

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## Our Mission

We celebrate lifelong learning and foster community connections through innovative educational and cultural experiences.

## Library Services Update

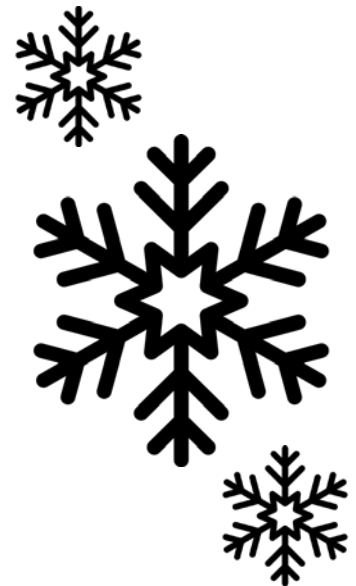
We are excited to safely continue increasing services, hours, and in-person offerings. The Library extended its evening hours to 9 PM Monday through Thursday. This gives our patrons an after-dinner place to visit and allows us to host our evening programs onsite. Programs where a larger audience is expected will be offered virtually or as a hybrid event with both online and in-person options available. Guidelines for in-person program attendees include wearing masks and being pre-registered.

More frequently asked questions on available services, hours, and safety are answered at [hinsdalelibrary.info/faq](https://hinsdalelibrary.info/faq).



## Program Guidelines

- Library programs may be modified based on changes to IDPH guidelines.
- Masks must be worn at all times during indoor programs, even for vaccinated participants.
- Participants must remain in designated spaces for the duration of the program and be pre-registered, when required.
- Register for programs at the Library, over the phone, or online.
- Virtual and hybrid programs will be recorded and available online. Attendees will be notified before the recording begins. Comments, questions, or images shared will be part of the archived version.



## Around Town

Friday, December 3

Come find us at Hinsdale's Annual Christmas Walk! We'll be spinning the prize wheel for giveaways.

## HPL Strategic Plan

The Board of Trustees is developing the Library's next three-year strategic plan. As always, we will be checking in with our residents to see how the past few years have changed what's going on in their lives and how the library can grow to meet those emerging needs. So, if you get a call or postcard or email from us, please say yes and tell us how we're doing and what you'd like to see next.

## Illinois Libraries Present

January 2022

The Library has joined a statewide cooperative program to bring high-quality online events to our patrons. By working with multiple libraries and organizations across the state, we gain access to nationally-recognized speakers and authors. Through the pandemic's challenges, we have found opportunities like this to add even more robust programs to our calendar. The calendar of events will be available at [hinsdalelibrary.info](https://hinsdalelibrary.info).

## Holiday Closings

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Holiday closings for the year are listed at [hinsdalelibrary.info/about](https://hinsdalelibrary.info/about).

## Tech Programs for Adults

Registration required for these in-person programs.

### Online Shopping Hacks

Thursday, December 2, 7:00 p.m.–8:15 p.m.

Looking for ways to save a little money this holiday season? Learn a variety of techniques you can use to beat the system and find discounts on everything from snacks to eBooks.

### It's About Time: Using Online Calendars

Tuesday, January 11, 7:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m.

Calendar apps make managing work, home, and family schedules a snap. We'll explore the pros and cons of some of the most versatile and popular calendar applications for a fresh start to the new year.

### Wellness Tech

Thursday, February 24, 7:00 p.m.–8:15 p.m.

If the pandemic is taking a toll on your mental health, you are not alone. We will discuss practical ways in which technology can help to relieve stress, improve sleep, and clear your mind.



## Next Chapter Book Club

Thursdays, December 2 and 16, January 6 and 20, February 3 and 17  
6:30 p.m.–7:30 p.m.

This program is designed for anyone 16 and up with intellectual or developmental disabilities regardless of ability. We will complete an entire book while taking turns reading aloud. Limit 10/session.

## Circulating Technology

Take tech on the go with our circulating technology collection. All of these items are available to Hinsdale cardholders and can be checked out on an adult card for three weeks. Learn more about these devices at [hinsdalelibrary.info/devices-for-checkout](https://hinsdalelibrary.info/devices-for-checkout).

**Hotspots** offer unlimited data within the contiguous US for up to 10 devices.

**Microphone** for recording music or creating a podcast.

**Projector and Screen** for backyard movies, the big game, or presentations.

**Portable DVD and CD Players** with built-in speakers and long charge times for your movies and music.

**Roku sticks** come pre-loaded with tons of movies and streaming services from Netflix to Disney+ and ESPN.

**Laptops** with Windows and Office 2019.

**iPad** for FaceTiming, streaming books & movies with our Library apps, and remote work.

**Kindle Oasis** is ultra-lightweight and loaded with bestsellers.

**Coming soon ...**

**Paint scanner** to tell you the name of the paint color on any wall!

**Charging kits** have all the cords you need to keep everything charged, including international adapters!



# adult programs

Register for programs at the Library, over the phone, or online. Program guidelines are on page two. Include an email address when registering and an online meeting invitation will be sent before virtual sessions.

## VIRTUAL Programs

### Christmas at Marshall Fields with Leslie Goddard

Thursday, December 7, 7:00 p.m.–8:30 p.m.

For many Chicagoans, no Christmas season was complete without a visit to Marshall Fields. Enjoy this fun and fascinating look at one of Chicago's most beloved holiday traditions.

### Keep This, Toss That: Get Organized This Year!

Saturday, January 15, 2:30 p.m.–3:30 p.m.

Get de-cluttering tips as organizing humorist and bestselling author Jamie Novak shares her lighthearted approach for what to do with all your stuff—without getting overwhelmed.

## TAKE HOME Activities

### HPL Book Box

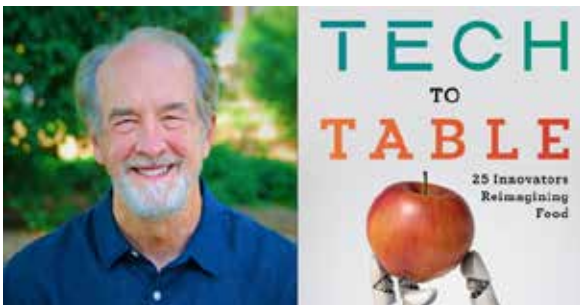
Pick up at the Library: Mondays, December 20, January 17, February 21

Subscribe to the Library's fun-to-open book subscription box. Enjoy a curated book and bookish swag each month. Select your preferred genre when you register. Return your box, including the book, each month for a new selection. Register once to receive a box in December, January, and February.

### Blind Date with a Book

February 1–15

Don't judge a book by its cover, take a blind date with a book! Books will be wrapped in plain paper with only a brief description of the book written on the cover. Drop in to choose a book from the display for a fun surprise!



Local author Dick Munson's new book profiles twenty-five entrepreneurs redefining what it means to farm, and even the nature of food. Learn more about their innovations on January 13.

## IN-LIBRARY Programs

### Kitchen Tech: Knives Out

Thursday, December 9, 7:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m.

Feel like a chef at home after learning about the most important tool in your kitchen—knives. We'll cover using the most common knives, offer buying tips, and share tips on caring for your knives.

### "Tech to Table: 25 Innovators Reimagining Food"

Thursday, January 13, 7:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m.

Hinsdale author Dick Munson joins us to discuss his new book *Tech to Table: 25 Innovators Reimagining Food*. This program will be available virtually, as well.

### The Art of Henna

Tuesday, January 18, 7:00 p.m.–8:30 p.m.

Asma Bohra of Amatullah Innovation will cover the historical and cultural importance of henna and show us how to use it to create lovely designs. Participants will be able to practice applying henna.

### Voyager's Travel Discussion Club: Santa Fe

Thursday, January 20, 3:00 p.m.–4:15 p.m.

D.H. Lawrence said, "I think New Mexico was the greatest experience from the outside world that I have ever had." Join us for a discussion of Santa Fe, a picturesque cultural jewel in the desert Southwest.

### Crafternoon: Playful Pets

Thursday, January 27, 3:00 p.m.–4:30 p.m. **OR**

Saturday, January 29, 10:00 a.m.–11:30 a.m.

Participants will make a No Sew Heart Toy for the furry love of your life and a second toy to share with our friends at the Hinsdale Humane Society. Limit 8 per session. Age 18+.

### Intro to Aromatherapy Blending: Make & Take

Tuesday, February 1, 7:00 p.m.–8:30 p.m.

Explore the art and science of creating harmonious essential oil blends—with a Valentine's Day twist! Each participant takes home the roller they make in class.

### Pre-Civil War Quilts: Secret Codes to Freedom on the Underground Railroad

Tuesday, February 8, 7:00 p.m.–8:30 p.m.

Historian Connie Martin discusses how fugitive slaves and abolitionists used patterns and stitches in quilts to signify escape routes to the North on the Underground Railroad.

### Podcasts For All

Thursday, February 10, 7:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m.

Join us to learn about our some of our favorite podcasts, from news to pop culture to storytelling and everything in between. We'll touch on where to find them and how to listen in.

Teen programs are open to students in Grades 6–12.

## TAKE HOME Activities

Register for the program to receive pick-up instructions.

### Teen Book Box

Fridays, December 17, January 21, and February 18

Enjoy a pre-selected Young Adult book and other fun bookish treats each month. Choose your preferred genre when you subscribe. Register once to receive a box in December, January, and February.

### Teen 3-D Paper Snowflake Take Home Kit

Friday, January 14

Bring the beauty of winter inside when you create your own 3-D paper snowflakes.



## VIRTUAL Programs

Include an email address when registering and an online meeting invitation will be sent before the program.

### HPL Teen Book Club

Tuesdays, December 14, January 18, and February 15, 4:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.

Are you an avid reader? Join the club as we discuss new and riveting YA books. Copies of each month's title are available to be checked out from our Book Club Holds shelf on the first floor.

### Discover Gap Years

Thursday, January 27, 7:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m.

Curious about whether a Gap Year is right for you? Katherine Stievater will cover how to plan a transformational and purposeful Gap Year on any budget and the many benefits of these experiences.

## DROP-IN Programs

Register for the program at the Library, over the phone, or online. Program guidelines are on page 2.

### Teen Switch Up Saturdays

Saturdays, January 8 and February 5, 1:00 p.m.–4:00 p.m.

Drop in to play some of your favorite Switch games at the Library!

## IN-LIBRARY Programs

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### Teen DIY Soap Making

Wednesday, December 8, 4:30 p.m.–5:30 p.m.

Make homemade soap for yourself or to give as a gift. Limit 15.

### Teen Heart String Art

Thursday, February 10, 4:30 p.m.–5:30 p.m.

Show some heart with this string art program. Limit 10.

### Practice Exams: ACT & SAT

Saturday, February 12, 9:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

Maximize your test day scores by taking a practice ACT or SAT proctored by Nurturing Wisdom. You will receive detailed results to help you prep for the official exam. Limited to high school students. Limit 22.

## Join the Junior Advisory Board

We are looking for high school students interested in learning more about the Library, helping to plan programs, assisting with summer reading, and more. This is a great opportunity to meet like-minded students, give back to your community, and build leadership skills.

Apply by December 15 at [tinyurl.com/hpljab](https://tinyurl.com/hpljab) or scan the QR code.



Applicants will be notified by December 23. The inaugural group will begin meeting in January.

# kids connection

## Winter Storytime Sessions

January 11–February 17 (Registration begins December 28)

Toddler Time	2- to young 3-year olds with caregiver	T, W, TH	9:30 AM–10:00 AM
Preschool Book Break	3- to 5-year-olds with caregiver	Tuesday	10:30 AM–11:00 AM
VIRTUAL Storytime	Birth to 5-year-olds	Thursday	10:00 AM–10:30 AM

## 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten

Pick up a log at the Library or print online at [hinsdalelibrary.info/1000-books](http://hinsdalelibrary.info/1000-books).

Read books (your choice) aloud to your baby, toddler, or preschooler. The goal is to reach 1,000 books (yes, you can repeat books) before your child starts kindergarten. At 500 books, your child gets a free book. At 1,000 books, the caregiver gets a gift card.

## DROP-IN Programs

### School's Out Scavenger Hunts

**Winter Break:** December 20–December 31

**Martin Luther King Jr. Day:** Monday, January 17

**Presidents' Day:** Monday, February 21

Visit the Library for themed scavenger hunts on these days off.

### Toy Takeover

Saturdays, December 4, January 29, and February 26, 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.

All Ages

The toys are taking over! Stop by the Youth Services Department and play with some of your favorites from the collection.

### Hinsdale in LEGOs

December 22–23, 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

All Ages

Attention junior architects and future city planners! Help us rebuild the Village of Hinsdale (in LEGOs) on a to-scale city map.

### Afternoon Family Lego

Sundays, January 23 and February 20, 2:00 p.m.–4:00 p.m.

All Ages

Stop in and create your LEGO masterpiece to be displayed in the Youth Services Department.

## TAKE HOME Activities

Register for the program to receive pick-up instructions.

### Busy Bags

Friday, December 3

All Ages

Keep the kids busy during December! Bags include fun activities and a special treat.

### Family Gingerbread Houses

Wednesday, December 15

All Ages

Register for a kit to build your very own “dream” gingerbread house. Limit one kit per Hinsdale family.

### Winter Reading Challenge

December 17–January 7

K–Grade 8

The weather might be cold, but the competition is heating up! Fill out your reading bingo card to win various prizes. Register online to pick up a bag with bingo cards, prizes, and everything you'll need to complete the challenge at home.

### HPL Book Box Jr.

Fridays, December 17, January 21, and February 18

Grades 4 and 5

Subscribe to the Library's Book Box Jr. and enjoy a pre-selected middle grade chapter book and fun surprises each month. Choose your preferred genre when you register. Register once to receive a box in December, January, and February.

### Take-Home Toddler Art Kits

Fridays, December 10, January 14, February 11

2- to 3- year-olds and caregivers

Sign up to receive a pre-packaged craft kit for toddlers and preschoolers. Kits will be available for in-library pick up on the second Friday of the month. Limit 40.

Register for programs online at [hinsdalelibrary.info](http://hinsdalelibrary.info).

Include an email address when registering to be sent an online meeting invitation or pick-up instructions, if applicable.

Online registration opens 3 days early.

December programs	November 15 (online: November 12)
January programs	December 20 (online: December 17)
February programs	January 17 (online: January 14)

## IN-LIBRARY Programs

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### READ to the Dogs

Saturdays, December 11, January 8, and February 5, 10:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m.  
Grades K-4

Practice reading aloud to a trained therapy pet for a 15-minute session. The dogs and their handlers have undergone training in reading education in addition to extensive animal-assisted therapy training. Presented with Hinsdale Humane Society.

### Monarch 2022 Read Aloud

Thursdays, December 16, January 20, February 17, 4:00 p.m.–4:30 p.m.  
Preschool-Grade 3

Listen to librarians read from Monarch nominees at the Library OR on Zoom. Read along by reserving a print copy at the Library. See website for each month's titles. In-person limit is 10.

### Pinecone Snowy Owls

Saturday, January 15th, 1:00 p.m.–2:00 p.m. and 2:30 p.m.–3:30 p.m.  
Grades K-5

Turn a pinecone into an adorable snowy owl. Limit 10 per session (register for one session only, please).

### Snowy Winter Town

Monday, January 17, 11:00 a.m.–11:45 a.m.  
Grades K-2

Come create your own snowy winter town at the library! Registration required. Limit 10.

### Royal Storytime

Sunday, February 6, 2:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m.  
Preschool-Grade 2 with caregiver

Hear ye! Hear ye! You are invited to a royal storytime at the Library. Join us for tales of princesses and princes and complete a regal craft. Limit 10.

### Magic Watercolor Art

Monday, February 21, 1:00 p.m.–1:45 p.m.  
Grades K-2

Watch your magical art piece turn from invisible to visible with watercolors—just like magic! Limit 10.

### Preschool Picassos

Tuesday, February 22, 10:00 a.m.–10:30 a.m.  
Ages 3-5 with caregivers

Preschoolers work with their caregivers to create an inspired masterpiece. Limit 20.

## IN-LIBRARY Programs for All Ages

Register for the program at the Library, over the phone, or online. Program guidelines are on page 2.

### S.T.E.A.M. Saturdays

Saturdays, January 22 and February 19 10:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m.  
All Ages

Families explore Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math through fun and creative activities. **January:** Math **February:** Art Limit 10.

### Family BINGO Boogie

Wednesday January 26 4:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.  
All ages

Join us at the Library as we play a few rounds of BINGO and dance to some of our favorite tunes! Limit 20.

### Celebrate Chinese New Year

Sunday, January 30, 2:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m.  
All Ages

Celebrate the Year of the Tiger with stories, games, and crafts.



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## coming attractions

A sampling of what's to come. Call 630.986.1982 or place your own reserves at [hinsdalelibrary.info](http://hinsdalelibrary.info).

### December 2021

Kelly, Julia	Last Dance of the Debutante
Patterson, James	The Paris Detective
Steel, Danielle	Flying Angels
Woods, Stuart	Criminal Mischief

### January 2022

Allende, Isabel	Violeta
Benedict, Marie	Her Hidden Genius
Davis, Fiona	Magnolia Palace
Gardner, Lisa	One Step Too Far
George, Elizabeth	Something to Hide
Hawkins, Rachel	Reckless Girls
Koontz, Dean	Quicksilver
Steel, Danielle	Invisible
Taylor, Brad	End of Days

### February 2022

Foley, Lucy	The Paris Apartment
Kellerman, Jonathan	City of the Dead
King, Stephen	Gwendy's Final Task
Morrison, Toni	Recitatif
Patterson, James	Steal
Preston, Douglas	Diablo Mesa

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## what the staff is reading

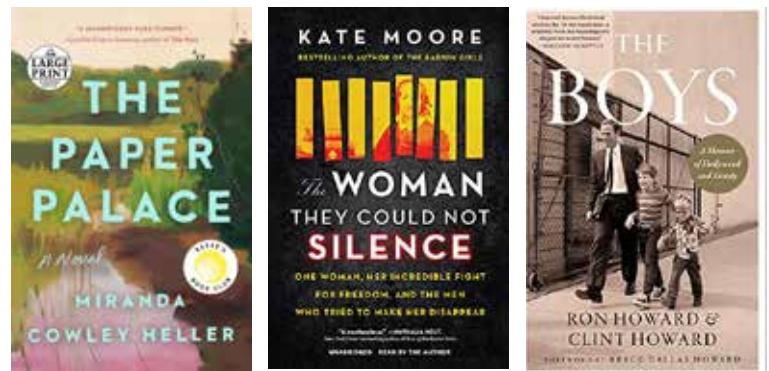


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Programs often get added after the newsletter is printed. Please check our website and online calendar for up-to-date programming information.

We welcome persons with disabilities to our programs. Contact us to discuss accommodations at least 5 days prior to a scheduled program.