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Sat.	9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Sun.	1 p.m. – 5 p.m.

Holiday Closings

Friday, April 19 (staff training)
Monday, May 27
Thursday, July 4
Monday, September 2

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The Board meets on the 4th Tuesday of most months at 7 p.m. The public is welcome to attend.

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Our Mission

To enrich Hinsdaleans' lives with opportunities to learn, engage, discover and connect.



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Summer Reading

The Adventure Begins at Hinsdale Public Library

Jun. 1–Jul. 30

Go on an adventure this summer—and let us be your guide! Whatever your age, you can explore new places and new ideas through reading, and HPL is the perfect place to start your journey.

Kids: Update your log every time you read for a chance to spin the prize wheel at the Library! Participants who finish the program will get a book to keep (while supplies last). Don't miss our kickoff party June 3 (see below) or our storytimes at Burns Field Park this June (see pg. 6).

Adults: Fill out a ticket when you read, listen, watch, or attend any adult program this summer, then return it to be entered into a drawing for a Starved Rock Lodge gift card. You will earn a treat with each ticket submitted. We will wrap things up with a concert on our lawn later this summer for adults and families—our July newsletter will have the details!

Teens: Grab a log from the Youth Services Desk to keep track of how many books you've read and collect prizes along the way.



Kids Summer Reading Kickoff Party at Burlington Park

Monday, Jun. 3, 2–4 p.m.; drop-in
School's out for summer! Come to Burlington Park for an afternoon of fun, games, and treats and don't forget to sign up for Summer Reading starting Jun. 1.
Event rain date: Tuesday, Jun. 4.

HPL After Dark: Craft Beer Tasting with Imperial Oak Brewing

Friday, May 10, 7–8:30 p.m.; adults
Registration required; space is limited

Imperial Oak Brewing is celebrating its tenth year brewing and serving craft beer at locations in Willow Springs and Brookfield. The small brewery "puts the beer first," focusing on imperial strength and barrel-aged brews but brewing a wide variety of styles.

Join us in welcoming Imperial Oak to Hinsdale Public Library, where they will provide an overview of the industry and the craft of brewing—as well as a guided tasting of four of their many locally brewed beers.

Register quickly: This free after-hours event is sure to fill up fast. Priority will be given to HPL cardholders.



ART AT HPL

Spirit of Life InJung Oh

Exhibit June–August

InJung Oh's pieces exist as spaces where symbols and abstractions are animated with meaning. Oh creates psychological moments of reflection and balance in the face of a world filled with tensions—gendered, cultural, and spiritual—and explores complicated multiplicities, particularly those pertaining to her identity.

Raised in a traditional Korean family, she now lives with a Chinese family in a Western society. In her work, Oh reaches beyond preexisting symbols; she creates them.

One of Oh's distinctive symbols is a visual representation of the female figure as a beacon for herself.

Envisioning the female figure floating in the sky like a blooming flower, Oh started her Volossom project. The artist combines “vol-” (which means wish or will) and “blossom,” into a word that means “blossom as a manifestation of wish or will.”

The sense of balance she seeks is also dependent upon physicality. In her Sculptural Painting series, Oh cuts into the canvas and dips it in layers of media to gradually solidify the material, working with gravity to make a sculpture. In her Leaves of Life series, she blows colors across canvas; the concentration it takes Oh to control her breath is meditative, filling the moment with peace.

InJung Oh is a visual artist who received her MFA from the School of the Art Institute of Chicago in 2009 and has exhibited widely in Chicago and abroad. She is currently a resident at the Zhou B Art Center and a member of the Arts Club of Chicago. Oh was born in South Korea, immigrated to the US at age 13, and now lives in Hinsdale.

Related art programs

Spirit of Life Painting Workshop Celebrating the Zhou Brothers

Saturday, May 4, 2–3:30 p.m.
Grades 3–8; register online

Explore your creativity in our painting workshop inspired by the Zhou Brothers artwork. Class will be led by InJung Oh, Hinsdale artist, educator, and founder of OH Art Foundation.

Book Signing with The Zhou Brothers

Saturday, May 11, 1–2 p.m.; drop-in

Meet the Zhou Brothers, world-renowned Chinese painters based in Chicago, during this event focused on their children's book *Flying Paintings*. Bring your book to have it signed. You may recognize the Zhou Brothers from their Zhou B Art Center in Chicago or their painting on the Library's second floor.

Artist Reception: InJung Oh

Wednesday, Jun. 12, 6:30–7:30 p.m.
Adults; drop-in

Please join us to meet InJung Oh, view her work, and enjoy light refreshments.



1–2: Details from two of Oh's pieces, which will be displayed in HPL's Quiet Reading Room.

Innerscape x Volossom (Left);
Volossom - 2014 (Center)

3: Detail from the Zhou Brothers' painting on the Library's second floor.

ZBC - 233, Water Lily Pond of Life series (Right)

Cicadas are coming!

Prepare yourself with programs on pp. 5–6.



Catch us all around town this summer!

We'll see you at the Farmer's Market, Uniquely Thursdays, and the Fourth of July Parade.



For book lovers

Library Edition Book Club

First Wednesdays, 7–8 p.m.

Join our Library Book Club to discuss bestsellers new and old.

- **May 1:** *Little*, Edward Carey
- **Jun. 5:** *The Great Divide*, Cristina Henríquez

Next Chapter Book Club

Thursdays, May 2, 16, & 30, 6:30–7:30 p.m.

This program is for people 16 and up with intellectual or developmental disabilities, regardless of verbal or reading skill.

Readers Social Club

Monday, May 13, 3–4 p.m.

Join our librarians for a fun afternoon of socializing, snacking, and sharing the books you've been reading. Come visit with other book lovers and get suggestions for your to-read list.

New Moms Book Group

Third Tuesdays, 7:00–8:00 p.m.
at The Cube at Standard Market (Westmont)

Take some time for yourself to read a book and chat with other new moms!

- **May 21:** *Night Shift*, Alex Finlay
- **Jun. 18:** *Demon Copperhead*, Barbara Kingsolver

Off the Page: Meet & Greet with Jessica Lederhausen

Author of *Oral: The Swedish-Inspired Secret to Full-Body Health*
Saturday, May 18, 2–3 p.m.

Meet Hinsdale author Jessica Lederhausen and learn about her new book, which explores the connection between the mouth and full-body health.

HPL Book Box

Pick up Jun. 12, Jul. 17, & Aug. 14
HPL Cardholders only

This subscription box includes a curated book and bookish swag each month. Register once to get books all summer.

Summer Reading 2024

Jun. 1–Jul. 30

Join us in reading all summer long! See pg. 2 for details.

More groups & meetups

Coffee & Conversation

Tuesdays, 10–11 a.m.

Join your friends, neighbors, and fellow residents for free coffee each Tuesday morning. Discuss current events and new books, or simply relax for an hour on the Library's main floor.

Needlecraft Night

Every other Thursday
(May 2, 16, & 30; Jun. 13 & 27), 7–8 p.m.

Bring your needlecraft project to work on, and enjoy some pleasant conversation with your fellow crafting enthusiasts!

French Conversation Group

Tuesday, May 21, 7–8 p.m.

This conversation group is for anyone who wants to improve their French language skills or connect with other French speakers.

Spotlight on seniors

Seasoned Tech

Drop-in Tech Support Consultation

First Thursdays (May 2 & Jun. 6), 3–4 p.m.

Stop in to get tech help from experienced experts from Hinsdale Public Library and the Indian Prairie Computer Club.

Hinsdale Memory Café

Fourth Wednesdays (May 22 & Jun. 26), 2–3 p.m.

Socialize and connect with individuals living with dementia and their care partners using prepared activities.

NEW! Senior Lunch & Learn

Positive Aging: A Shift In Your Mindset

Wednesday, Jun. 19, 11 a.m.–1 p.m.

Learn how to enhance your mindset and outlook related to aging from Jackie Sander, CEO at The Birches. Lunch will follow the presentation, sponsored by The Birches and Independence-4-Seniors.

This series will continue this summer:

- **Wednesday, Jul. 17:** Downers Grove Township and You
- **Wednesday, Aug. 21:** Healthy Living for Brain and Body

More adult programs

How to Train for a 5K Race: Insider Training Plan & Helpful Tips

Thursday, May 2, 7–8 p.m.

Now is the time to start training for the Rotary Run and other fall races! Local coach Lora Wright will help you prepare.

Celebrate Compost Awareness Week ABC's of Composting

Monday, May 6, 7–8 p.m.

Join Kay McKeen of SCARCE to dig into the basics of composting and learn why composting is a simple and affordable way to fight climate change, reduce your garbage, and restore your soil.

Watercolor Painting: Learn to Paint Florals

Tuesday, May 7, 7–8 p.m.

Let loose with watercolor as you learn how to paint flowers with Audrey Ra of Audrey Ra Design. In this workshop you'll learn how to paint poppies and peonies in the loose style.

Learn to Meditate A Two-Part Series

Wednesdays, May 8 & 15, 6:30–7:30 p.m.

Join Zelma Chamberlain M.Ed during National Meditation Month for a two-part workshop on how to meditate. Both novice and experienced meditators will be led to more focused, profound meditations.



The Many Lives of Kal Penn

Virtual program
Tuesday, May 7, 7–8 p.m.

Kal Penn is an actor, writer, producer, and former Associate Director of the White House Office of Public Engagement. He will be joined in conversation with Bridget Petrites of Evanston Public Library.

Mastering Your Home Network Wi-Fi, Routers, & Everything in Between

Thursday, May 9, 7–8 p.m.

Unlock the secrets of your home network in this beginner-friendly guide to home networking. Learn about routers, modems, switches, and more.

What is THAT? Apps to Identify Plants, Animals, & Bugs

Saturday, May 11, 2–3 p.m.

Did you know that your phone can help you identify plants, animals, and bugs? Hinsdalean and Illinois Master Naturalist Stephanie Rens-Domiano will share different apps and how to use them.

Continuing the Conversation

Who Gets In and Why:

A Year Inside College Admissions

Monday, May 13, 7–8 p.m.

Join us to discuss Jeffrey Selingo's latest book, facilitated by Kim Anderson of Hinsdale's Spotlight on College Advising.

Intro to Quilting

with the Salt Creek Quilters Guild

Saturday, May 18, 11 a.m.–1 p.m.

We'll learn about piecing a block, making the quilt sandwich, simple machine quilting, and binding.

Cicada Symphony:

A Rare Convergence of Broods

Tuesday, May 21, 7–8 p.m.

Are you brooding over this year's cicada emergence? Learn about the rare spectacle of the two cicada broods this summer from Jamie Viebach with the University of Illinois Extension Program.

Decluttering Done Right: Strategies for Your Discards

Thursday, May 23, 7–8 p.m.

Wanting to declutter but unsure what to do with your excess stuff? Learn the best methods and locations for disposing of, donating, or selling your unwanted items.

Crafternoon: DIY Framed Flowers

Tuesday, Jun. 4, 3–4 p.m.

Design your own artistic masterpiece using pressed and dried flowers in a 5x7 floating frame. All supplies provided.

HPL Summer Spice Club

Pick up Mondays Jun. 10, July 8, & Aug. 12

Register and receive a spice selection and recipes curated for Hinsdale patrons.



Adventures in Our National Parks

Wednesday, Jun. 12, 7–8 p.m.

Take an adventure in five popular parks with award-winning author Theresa L. Goodrich. We will explore Badlands, Glacier, Joshua Tree, Yellowstone, and Zion National Parks.

Qigong in the Park

Mondays, Jun. 17, Jul. 15, & Aug. 19,
11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Join Dancing Cranes instructor Tom Wilkens to learn the practice of Qigong. We'll meet at the South Picnic Shelter at Katherine Legge Park.



Adventures in Science Anyone Can Be a Scientist

Tuesday, Jun. 18, 7–8 p.m.

Get involved in science—become a Citizen Scientist! Hinsdalean and Illinois Master Naturalist Stephanie Rens-Domiano will discuss research projects and how to get involved. No experience needed!



Adventures in Global Cuisine How the World Eats Rice

Wednesday, Jun. 19, 7–8 p.m.

From silky risotto to sizzling bibimbap, rice is the ultimate staple around the world. Join us to explore the most iconic global rice dishes. Samples will be provided.



Adventures in Illinois Mississippi River Roadtrips

Monday, Jun. 24, 7–8 p.m.

Illinois traveler John Kokoris will share insider tips to exploring the Mississippi River between Galena and St. Louis. Learn the region's history and its hidden gems—then hit the open road!



Adventures in Music Intro to Ukulele

Jun. 26, Jul. 17, & Aug. 14, 7–8 p.m.

This summer, learn to play the ukulele! Area instructors Alvin McGovern and Chris McIntosh will teach the basics during our three-part series.

Special exhibit

Rediscovering the Life & Work of Grace Bagley

Reception Tuesday, Apr. 30, 7–8 p.m.

Exhibit in Quiet Reading Room Apr. 30–May 31

Have you heard of Grace Bagley, Hinsdale's 19th-century social reformer? This exhibit focuses on her extraordinary and recently rediscovered life.

When Safina Uberoi and Lukas Ruecker purchased the Frank Lloyd Wright-designed 1894 Bagley House in 2021, they didn't realize the incredible story they were about to uncover. Soon after their purchase, they commissioned architectural historians Julia Bachrach and Jean Follett to nominate the Bagley House as a Hinsdale Landmark. The duo discovered that house's original owner, Grace Bagley, had worked closely with Jane Addams and made substantial contributions to reform efforts that impacted Chicago and the nation.

With this information in hand, Bachrach, Follett, and Uberoi set out to curate an exhibit about Bagley's extraordinary life. See it at the Library April 30–May 31.

Join us for the exhibit opening on April 30. Julia Bachrach and Jean Follett will share a bit about the exhibit, and light refreshments will be served.

Finding Grace: Uncovering Her Life & Story

Tuesday, May 14, 7–8 p.m.

Hear from historians Julia Bachrach and Jean Follett will join us to share Grace's story and the process of uncovering it: how they found out about her life and works, and what they did to put the pieces together.

Featured resource



HPL Seed Library

Behind the Main Floor Reference Desk
Limit 10 packets per HPL cardholder

It's time to plant your garden! Browse our vast selection of heirloom vegetable, herb, and flower seeds—including "kid-friendly" options—available for "checkout" for free by HPL cardholders.

Visit hinsdalelibrary.info/seedlibrary for more information.

Storytime at Burns Field

Wednesdays, Jun. 12, 19, & 26,
10–10:30 a.m.; drop-in

Join your favorite librarians at Burns Field for stories, fingerplays, and music. In the event of rain, we'll meet at the Library.

Special reading: Jun. 26, 10 a.m.

Laura Smetana will read her book, *My Love for You Is Like a Garden*, at this special storytime. We'll make a craft and eat a cookie, too.

Sponsored by The Birches.



Registration
opens:

April 15
for May programs

May 13
for June programs

Events for children of all ages

May the 4th Be with You

Friday, May 3, all day

Prepare to celebrate the Star Wars universe with games, crafts, and snacks as we take you on a galactic adventure!

Maker Club

Thursdays, May 16 & Jun. 20, 4–5:30 p.m.

We will have a different project to complete each week as well as supplies to use to get creative. *Kids under 9 must be accompanied by an adult.*

Donuts with Dad

Saturdays, May 25 & Jun. 22, 9:30–11:30 a.m.

A time for dads to enjoy donuts, coffee, and time with their kids at the Library, with different activities each month.

Make & Take Crafts

Drop in to complete fun crafts!

- **Saturday, Jun. 8, 10 a.m.–12 p.m.:** Craft Stick Bookmarks
- **Monday, Jun. 24, 10–11 a.m.:** Mini Masterpiece
- **Saturday, Jun. 29, 10–11 a.m.:** Seashell Painting

Create a Map

Thursday, Jun. 13, 3–4 p.m.
Grades K–8; please register

X marks the spot! Learn cartography basics and get creative by making a map of somewhere you know, a favorite book setting, or the pathway to treasure.

Family Fort Night

Tuesday, Jun. 18, 4–5 p.m.; please register

Bring your comfiest pillows and blankets to build the fort of your dreams. You'll be able to pretend you're reading under the stars with your family and a flashlight!

Find the Hidden 3D Object

Weekdays in June

We're hiding three 3D-printed objects! Whoever finds one can keep it.

Sweet Summertime Scavenger Hunt

All June

Drop by the Youth Services Department to complete a summer-themed scavenger hunt and earn a sticker.

Challenge Yourself with I Spy Cases



All Summer

Search for objects hidden in scenes made by Hinsdale Junior Woman's Club. Thanks to the Gebaur and Beutler Families for our May and June cases!

For young children; register online

Toddler Art: Nature

Friday, May 10, 9:30–10:15 or 10:45–11:30 a.m.
Toddlers (18–36 mo.) with caregiver

Join us for a mini-storytime and science experiment all about living things and the great outdoors.

Toddler Science: Building

Friday, Jun. 7, 9:30–10:15 or 10:45–11:30 a.m.
Toddlers (18–36 mo.) with caregiver

Join us for a mini-storytime all about construction and building.

Baby Playdate: Adventure Time

Friday, Jun. 28, 9:30–10:30 a.m.
Babies (0–18 mo.) with caregiver

Embark on an adventure with your baby, visiting interactive play stations together!

For elementary schoolers; register online

Book Box Jr.

Pick up May 10 & Jun. 14
Grades 3–5

Enjoy a pre-selected book from your genre of choice and other bookish treats.

Cicada Invasion

Thursday, May 23, 4–5 p.m.
Grades K–5

Are you ready for a cicada summer? Learn about why they're coming and how long they'll be here. Then, complete crafts and activities all about cicadas!

Take Home Crafts

Grades K–2

Register online to pick up a craft to make at home!

- **May 24:** Decorate a Pinwheel
- **Jun. 21:** Paint a Windchime

My First Sewing Class Series

Mondays, Jun. 10 & 24; Jul. 8; 3:30–5 p.m.
Grades 5+

This class series is for beginners who are looking to start learning how to hand-stitch and leave class knowing how to use a sewing machine. *Attendees must be able to attend all three sessions.*

Kids Can Cook

Tuesday, Jun. 11, 1–2 p.m.
Grades 3–5

Join us this month as we make and enjoy the best sweet and savory snacks!

Campfire Fun!

Wednesday, Jun. 12, 3–4 p.m.
Grades K–2

Nothing says summer like a campfire! Gather around for spooky stories, tasty snacks, and fun songs.

For all teens; please register online unless otherwise noted

Make a Bracelet

Monday, May 6, 4–5 p.m.

Make a unique bracelet using beads and charms!

Teen Book Box

Pick up Fridays, May 10 & Jun. 14

Enjoy a pre-selected book from your genre of choice and other bookish treats.

Teen DIY Take-Home Craft

Glass Photo Magnets

Pick up Friday, May 24

Design magnets for yourself or to give as a gift!

Macrame Wall Hanging

Monday, Jun. 17, 3–4 p.m.

Using basic knots, create your own colorful macrame wall hanging!

Balloon Dart Painting

Friday, Jun. 21, 11 a.m.–12 p.m.

Let's recreate the iconic balloon dart painting scene from *The Princess Diaries*!

Teen Green Thumbs

Wednesday, Jun. 26, 2–3 p.m.

Let's combine creativity and nature. You'll learn some seed planting basics and get to paint your own mini-pot.

Teen Game Time

Fridays, 3–5 p.m.; drop-in

Take some time to unwind! Play Nintendo Switch or enjoy a classic board game.

Puzzle Party

Thursday, Jun. 6, 1–2 p.m.

Make a puzzle to take home—and browse some puzzling books!

For high school students

Practice ACT Exam

Saturday, Jun. 15, 9:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m.

Maximize your test day scores by taking a practice ACT proctored by The Village Tutors. You'll receive detailed results to help you prep for the summer exams.

HPL Junior Advisory Board

2024–25 applications accepted Jun. 1–Aug. 1

Calling all high school students! Are you interested in learning more about HPL and planning the kinds of programs you and your friends would enjoy? Consider joining our Junior Advisory Board. JAB members attend a few meetings, participate in a few volunteer activities, and work to enhance the Library experience for their fellow high schoolers.

Applications are due by August 1.

Decisions will be made by September 1.

Apply at tinyurl.com/hpljab2425.

High School Exam Cram

Saturday, May 25–Thursday, May 30

Stress less over finals at the Library this spring. You provide the study materials and we'll provide space to study and snacks to keep you going. Watch for our daily stress busters! It's the perfect equation for finals prep.



Book study
rooms online.

(HPL card required.)

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Summer Reading

Jun. 1–Jul. 30

Kids, teens, and parents alike can join us in reading all summer long! Kids and teens can pick up logs at the Youth Services Desk. See pg. 2.

Kickoff: Monday, Jun. 3, 2 p.m.

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Rain date: Tuesday, Jun. 4.

ART AT HPL PG. 2

Zhou Brothers Meet & Greet

The world-renowned painters will sign their children's book, ***Flying Paintings***, on May 11.

The event follows a May 4 painting workshop led by artist **InJung Oh**. See pg. 2.

Postal Customer

coming soon

Here's a sampling of books to come. Call 630.570.4213 or place your own holds at hinsdalelibrary.info.

May

Think Twice
Instruments of Darkness
Camino Ghosts
Paradise Problem
Lies and Weddings
One Perfect Couple

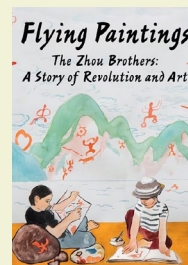
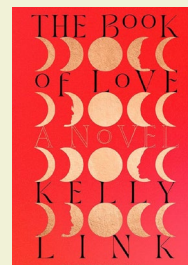
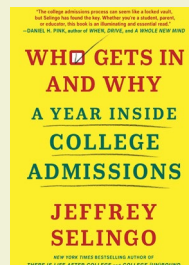
Harlan Coben
John Connolly
John Grisham
Christina Lauren
Kevin Kwan
Ruth Ware

June

Rom-Commers
Eruption
Midnight Feast
Swan Song
Middle of the Night
Resurrection

Katherine Center
Michael Crichton
Lucy Foley
Elin Hilderbrand
Riley Sager
Danielle Steel

staff reads



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BOOK SIGNING EVENT SAT., MAY 11, 1 PM
Meet the world-renowned Zhou Brothers!

digital library spotlight



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