



BOOKS AND AUTHORS

Free Comic Book Day!

Saturday, May 4, is Free Comic Book Day! Stop by for a free comic book, share your favorite comic, graphic novel, author, or character on our Post-it wall, make your own comic strip, and more! Graphic novelist [Onrie Kompan](#) will discuss his books *Yi Soon Shin* and *Marx: A Tale of Neglect* at 2 p.m. Books will be for sale and Kompan will sign copies.

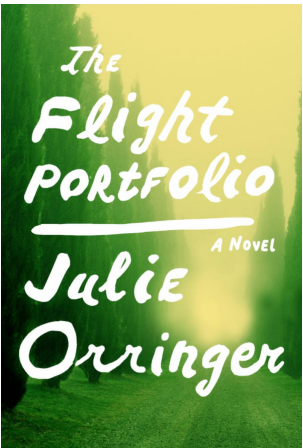
Comic books for all ages and levels will be available while supplies last with a limit of two per person.

Saturday, May 4, 9:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Meet The Author — Julie Orringer

The Flight Portfolio

The bestselling author of *The Invisible Bridge* discusses her new novel based on the true story of Varian Fry's extraordinary attempt to save the work, and the lives, of Jewish artists fleeing the Holocaust. In 1940, Fry, an American journalist, traveled to France with a list of imperiled artists and writers he hoped to rescue within a few weeks. Instead, he ended up staying for thirteen months to procure false documents, amass emergency funds, and set up an underground railroad where the refugees embarked for safer ports. Among his many clients were Hannah Arendt, Marcel Duchamp, and Marc Chagall.



Julie Orringer will be joined in conversation with Megan O'Grady, writer at large at *T: The New York Times Style Magazine*, and a lecturer at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago.

Tuesday, May 21, 7 p.m.

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Sponsored by the Elaine Kaplan Memorial Fund.

Coming in June — Catherine Cusset — *Life of David Hockney*

Wednesday, June 5, 7 p.m.

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Presented with the Alliance Française de Chicago.

Books will be for sale and the events will conclude with a book signing

[More Author Events](#)

Book Discussions

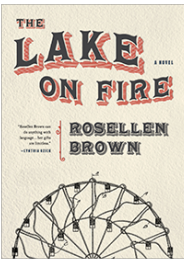
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The Lake on Fire,
by Rosellen Brown

Noted book discussion leader Judy Levin leads the discussion.

Tuesday, May 14, 1 p.m.

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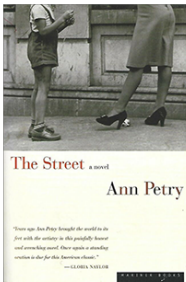


The Street, by Ann Petry

Davis Schneiderman, English professor at Lake Forest College, leads the discussion.

Thursday, May 23, 7 p.m.

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[More Book Discussions](#)

Readers' Round Table

Share your recommendations and take home an advance reading copy of an upcoming title.

Tuesday, May 28, 2 p.m.

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MUSIC

Opera and Musical Theater Concert

Voice students from Northwestern University's Bienen School of Music perform a program of arias and ensembles from operas and musicals.



Sunday, May 5, 2 p.m.

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The concert is partially funded by the Highland Park Cultural Arts Commission and by a grant from YEA! Highland Park.

FILM

[Can You Ever Forgive Me?](#) Film Showing and Discussion

Film instructor Dick Adler leads a discussion about the film based on the memoirs of Lee Israel, a bestselling author who developed a scheme to forge letters from well-known writers to make a living. **The film will be shown on Monday, May 13, at 6:30 p.m.**

Wednesday, May 15, 7 p.m.

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THEATER

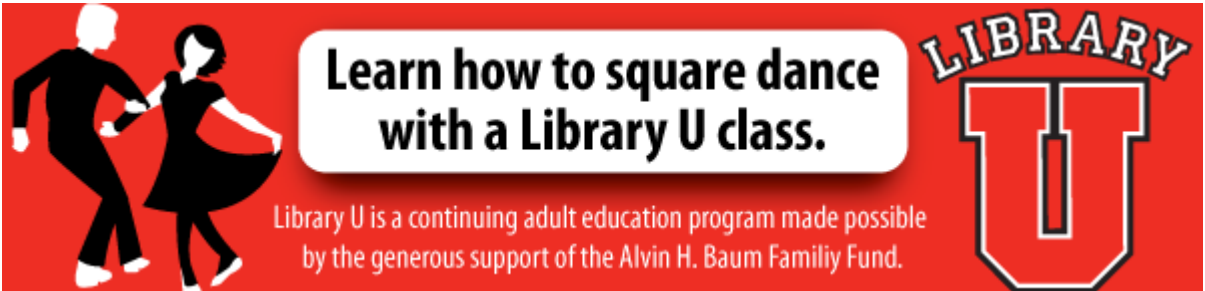
Theatrical Reading — *The Roaring Girl*

Equity actors from The Shakespeare Project of Chicago present a theatrical reading of the city comedy by Thomas Dekker and Thomas Middleton.

Sunday, May 12, 2 p.m.

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RISE AND SHINE HUMANITIES PROGRAMS

A Look At The Museum of Contemporary Photography's Exhibit — *Birmingham, Alabama, 1963: Dawoud Bey/Black Star*

Karen Irvine, chief curator and deputy director of the Museum of Contemporary Photography at Columbia College Chicago, previews the current exhibit that responds to the 1963 bombing of the 16th Street Baptist Church in Birmingham, Alabama that resulted in the deaths of black children by white supremacists.

[Read more about the exhibit here.](#)

Wednesday, May 15, 10:30 a.m.

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Presented with the Highland Park Senior Center.

Sponsored by Sunrise Senior Living.

NEW MEDIA

Introduction to Mindfulness and Meditation Apps

Thursday, May 2, 6 - 7 p.m.

Sunday, May 12, 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

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Typing Basics

Have you always wished that you could type more efficiently? Want to learn how to type without looking at your keyboard? Join us to improve your typing confidence and speed.

Streaming Movies

Learn about watching movies online without paying for subscriptions with Hoopla and Kanopy, streaming services that can be accessed with your Highland Park Public Library card.

Saturday, May 11, 3 - 4 p.m.
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5 Dog (and 1 Cat) Apps

Tuesday, May 14, 7:30 - 8:30 p.m.
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Multimedia Art

Learn how to use technology to create art! Explore Photoshop, Illustrator, and other software offered in the Digital Media Lab and learn how to enhance photos, create logos, design cards, and more.

Thursday, May 16, 6 - 7 p.m. Ages 14 and older.
Registration required. [Register here.](#)

Thursday, May 9, 6 - 7 p.m.
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Introduction to Craigslist

Learn how to navigate Craigslist to search for apartment rentals, buy or sell goods or services, and respond to messages, Receive tips on safety, too.

Tuesday, May 14, 4 - 5 p.m.
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Computer Basics: Windows 10

Learn how to get the most out of your Windows computer by managing and organizing files, customizing your desktop, and using keyboard shortcuts.

Thursday, May 16, 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.
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Cutting the Cord

Explore cost-saving alternatives to cable! Options range from Netflix, Hoopla, and Kanopy to Roku, Chromecast, and Apple TV.

Sunday, May 19, 3 - 4 p.m.
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Lynda.com Classes

Lynda.com offers thousands of online courses to help you achieve your personal and professional goals. [Access the classes, free with your Highland Park Public Library card here.](#) or try one of these classes at the Library with a Lynda.com online video tutorial:

Introduction to Programming

No coding experience required.

Saturday, May 25, 3 - 4 p.m.
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Introduction to Documentary Storytelling

Learn about the history of documentary storytelling.

Tuesday, May 28, 5 - 6 p.m.
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NEW MEDIA PROGRAMS JUST FOR KIDS!

Mother's Day 3D-Printed Pendant

Create a heart pendant for Mother's Day! Your pendant will be ready to pick up at a later date.

Saturday, May 4
10 - 11 a.m. Ages 6 - 8.
3D-Printed Pendant Jr.
Registration required. [Register here.](#)
11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Ages 9 - 13.
Registration required. [Register here.](#)

3D Printing Club

Create your own 3D designs to submit for printing on the Library's 3D printer. Staff will be on hand to offer assistance.

Fridays, May 3, May 17, 4 – 5 p.m.
Ages 9 - 13.
Registration required.
[Register here for May 3.](#)
[Register here for May 17.](#)

Code Club

Join us for hands-on programming! No coding experience required.

Saturday, May 18
10 - 11 a.m. Ages 6 - 8. Code Club Jr.
Registration required. [Register here.](#)
11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Ages 9 - 13.
Registration required. [Register here.](#)

BUSINESS RESOURCES

One-On-One Business Mentoring with SCORE Chicago Counselors

Tuesdays, 1 - 3 p.m. and Thursdays, 5 - 8 p.m.

Registration required. [Register for a one hour one-on-one mentoring session with a business mentor.](#)

SCORE is a nonprofit organization dedicated to helping small businesses through education and mentorship.

DISCUSSIONS

Spanish Conversation Group

Conversational ability required.

Tuesdays, 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

[Spanish Literary Club](#)

Fridays

11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

[Highland Park Historical Society Presents: An Anthropologist on Log Cabins](#)

Monday, May 20, 7 p.m.

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KIDS EVENTS

Drop In Chess

Saturdays, May 4, 11, 18, 25, 10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m., Ages 5 - 14. Children under the age of seven must be accompanied by an adult.

My Yoga Time

Children are invited to stretch, breathe, and move at their very own yoga time. Our friends from Banner Day Camp will be here to lead this introductory practice.

Monday, May 13, 10:45 a.m. or Thursday, May 16, 1:30 p.m. Ages 3 - 6, accompanied by an adult

Summer Storytime Sessions

Summer storytime sessions, with activities designed to foster pre-reading skills for newborns to six-year-olds, begin in June and July.

[Storytime Dates and Times](#)

Registration required. Register in the Youth Services Department or by calling (847) 681-7030 beginning Monday, May 20.

MORE KIDS EVENTS

[Don't miss news of kids events. Sign up for the Kids Events newsletter here.](#)



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[Additional parking for Library events is available one block west of the Library on St. Johns Avenue.](#)

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If you do not wish to be photographed, please tell the staff prior to the start of a program.