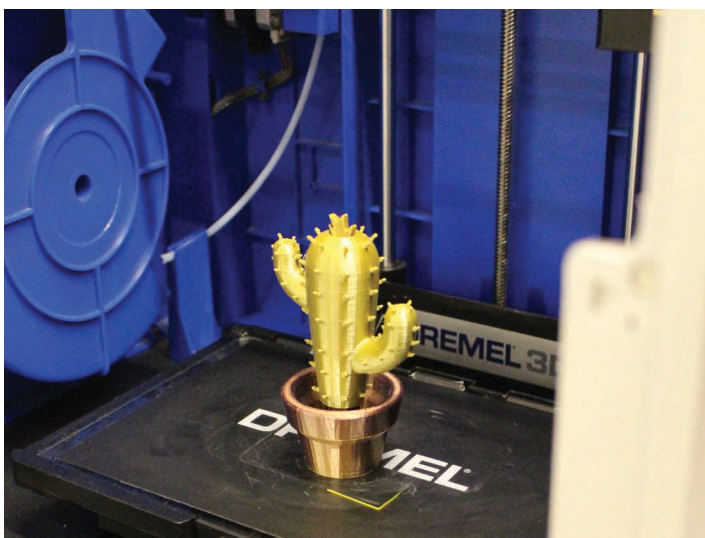




Discover Your Library

St. Charles Public Library News and Event Guide



STC Creative: Discover All You Can Create

The St. Charles Public Library's makerspace, STC Creative, is our beautiful and functional space for artists, makers and crafters of all skill levels and interests. Visit the specially designed space to use basic tools for crafting or state-of-the art technology. Whether you are looking to achieve your artistic vision, or just to learn to use a new tool, take advantage of our equipment and expertise to express your creativity. Our dedicated STC Creative staff is available to assist you with everything from 3D printers and a sound studio perfect for podcasting, to tools for die cutting and button making. Technology staff members are available to help as much or as little as needed and workshops and online training are also available. Here's a sampling of what we have for you to discover.

3D Printers

Our 3D printers create three-dimensional objects out of filament and liquid resin. We've helped people make toys, board game pieces, ear savers for masks, key chains, bookmarks, garden markers and so much more. Ready to print? Submit your design through our online 3D print request form at scpld.org/3d-print-request or bring it on a flash drive to the Technology Help Desk. Our staff will check the design, determine the price and print it for you. Visit scpld.org/3d-printing for links to design resource ideas, too.

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Cricut and Brother ScanNCut

STC Creative has two die cut machines: the Cricut Maker and the Brother ScanNCut. The Library's Cricut can cut hundreds of materials accurately, from delicate paper and fabric to thick mat board and leather. The ScanNCut is the first cutting machine to combine scanning and cutting into the same device. Draw a pattern and the ScanNCut does the rest, turning it into a perfect design for you to use. Create decals, labels, clothing designs, custom cards and even wedding invitations.

Heat Press

Use the Library's heat press to apply a vinyl image of your own design on t-shirts, mugs, hats, plates, puzzles and more. The Cricut and the heat press are often used in tandem. Use the Cricut to cut your design out perfectly and the heat press to apply it to your item. Voila! Portable or wearable art!

Learn More

Ready to try our makerspace? Complete an in-person class or view an online demonstration video posted to Niche Academy [my.nicheacademy.com/scpld] to learn the basics. Once you have completed the training, make a reservation to use STC Creative by calling 630-584-0076, ext. 208. St. Charles Public Library cardholders and D303 teachers and staff are welcome to use the STC Creative space.

We provide the tools and support; you bring your creativity and enthusiasm for learning and fun. Find the complete list of makerspace equipment, programs and more information about STC Creative at: scpld.org/stc-creative. We look forward to seeing what you make!



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CRICUT MAKER



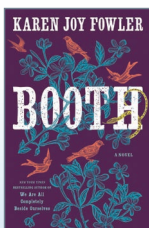
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HEAT PRESS



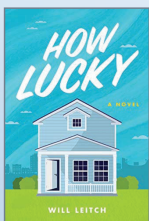
What the Staff Is Reading



Booth

Karen Joy Fowler ■ FIC FOWLER

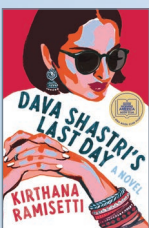
The story of the family of John Wilkes Booth is intertwined with events occurring at the same time in Lincoln's life, which leads to disaster. Perfect for fans of historical fiction.



How Lucky

Will Leitch ■ FIC LEITCH

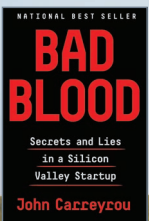
Gives a glimpse into life with SMA (Spinal Muscular Atrophy) wrapped up in a little mystery with likeable characters. Featuring a wheelchair-bound protagonist who is determined to help locate an abducted college student, this is an enjoyable audiobook as well.



Dava Shastri's Last Day

Kirthana Ramisetty ■ FIC RAMISETTI

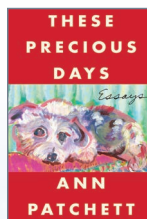
In this entertaining and thought-provoking debut, a wealthy woman receives a brain cancer diagnosis at 70 and decides she wants to announce her death early so that she can read her obituaries. These in turn reveal devastating secrets.



Bad Blood: Secrets and Lies in a Silicon Valley Startup

John Carreyrou ■ 338.7681 CAR

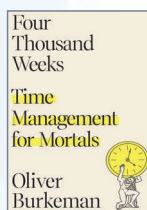
The inside story of the rise and shocking collapse of Theranos by a prize-winning journalist reads as well as any thriller.



These Precious Days

Ann Patchett ■ 813.54 PAT

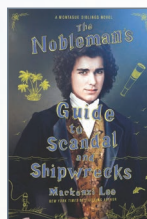
A collection of deeply moving essays reflecting home, family, friendships and writing. Delightfully read by the author for the audiobook.



Four Thousand Weeks: Time Management for Mortals

Oliver Burkeman ■ 650.11 BUR

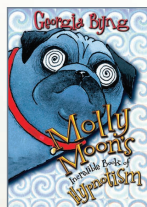
A refreshingly unique take on time management based on accepting our limitations.



The Nobleman's Guide to Scandal and Shipwrecks

Mackenzi Lee ■ YA FIC LEE

The third book in a trilogy full of swashbuckling adventure and magical realism as siblings adventure across 18th-century Europe. Series starts with **The Gentleman's Guide to Vice and Virtue**.



Molly Moon's Incredible Book of Hypnotism

Georgia Byng ■ J BYNG

Molly Moon lives in a bleak orphanage in a small English town until she discovers a talent for hypnotism and begins a journey of discovery and adventure that showcases her evolution. The first in a fun and entertaining series.



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Adult Programs

St. Charles Writers Group

Saturdays ■ 9:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. ■ Huntley Community Room

A workshop for novice or experienced writers that meets the second and the fourth Saturday of each month. The group, facilitated by Lisa Macaione, is open to all those 18 years of age or older looking for a community of writers and to improve their writing. All genres are welcome. **DROP IN**

June 11: Writing a Mystery Series with Davin Goodwin

June 25: The public is invited to the Annual Summer Reading by Group Members

July 9: Building an Elevator Pitch

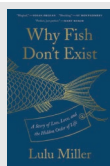
July 23: That's Classic

August 13: Showing and Telling

August 27: This is Your Life: 100 Moments to Write About

2nd Tuesday Book Discussion

The Library offers two book discussion groups: Mornings at 10:00 a.m. in the Carnegie Community Room and Evenings at 7:00 p.m. in the Bisbee Conference Room. For more information, email Readers@scpld.org. **DROP IN**

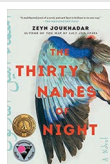


June 14

Morning & Evening

Why Fish Don't Exist

Lulu Miller ■ B Jordan



July 12

Morning & Evening

The Thirty Names of Night

Zeyn Joukhadar ■ FIC JOUKHADAR

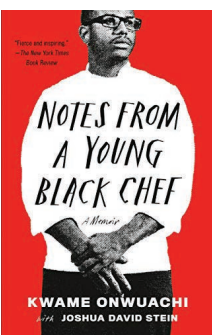


August 9

Morning & Evening

Klara and the Sun

Kazuo Ishiguro ■ FIC ISHIGURO



Illinois Libraries Present

An Evening with Chef Kwame Onwuachi

Wednesday, June 22 ■ 7:00 p.m. ■ Online via Zoom

The James Beard Award-winning chef will discuss his exciting career. *This event is made possible by Illinois Libraries Present, a statewide collaboration among public libraries offering high-quality events.* **REGISTER**

Genealogy Programs



Genealogy After Hours

Saturday, June 11 ■ 5:00-9:00 p.m.

Genealogists will have exclusive use of the Library's genealogy materials and public computers for genealogy research. Use the time to search the Library's databases—we will have plenty of computers available or bring your own laptop and use the Library's WiFi network. Attendees can save images to a flash drive and take advantage of scanning, copying and printing during the event. Bring your genealogy questions or Ancestry, FamilySearch or Family Tree Maker problems—professional genealogists and volunteers will be on hand to assist. Tours of our genealogy collection will be available. Network with other genealogists; you never know what you might find. *Registration is required; limited to 30 participants ages 18 and older. Pizza, snacks and beverages will be provided.* **REGISTER**

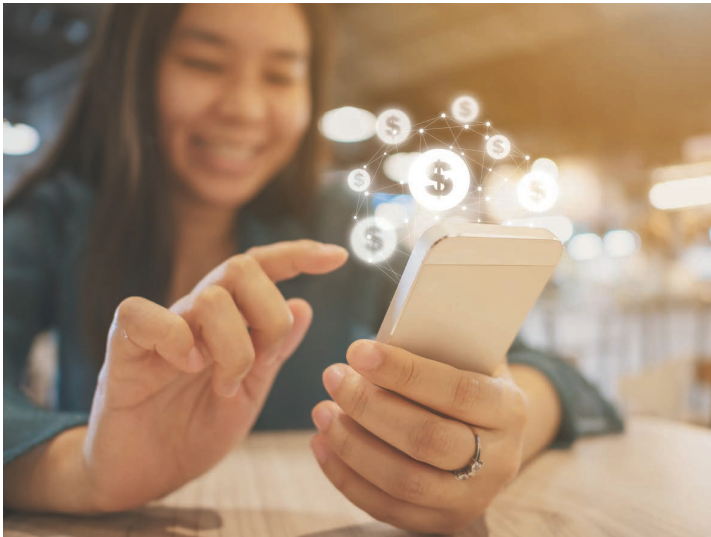
Genealogy in the Afternoon

Thursdays ■ 1:00-4:00 p.m. ■ Computer Lab

June 16 ■ July 21 ■ August 18

Do you need a few quiet hours to work on your family tree? Are you looking for help breaking down a brick wall? Stop by the Library on Thursday afternoon to use the time to search the Library's databases in our Computer Lab or look through the Library's vast collection of research materials. Our Genealogy Librarian and Program Coordinator will be there to answer questions or guide you in the right direction. Stay for a few minutes or a few hours. **REGISTER** or **DROP IN**





Modern Money

Crypto and digital—what do you need to know? Should you stick with a traditional bank, the mattress method or explore something new? Attend these programs to learn what you need to know about modern money.

How to Avoid Fraud in the Cryptocurrency Space

Tuesday, June 14 • 6:30-8:00 p.m. • Online via Zoom

Are you considering an investment opportunity involving digital assets or "crypto"? Join experts from the U.S. Securities & Exchange Commission (SEC) for an overview of digital assets, including cryptocurrency, investing apps, and tips to avoid frauds and scams. The focus of this program will be on cryptocurrency fraud avoidance, but not how-to-invest and profit from cryptocurrency. [REGISTER](#)

Understanding Fintech: Digital Wallets, P2P Money Transfer Apps and Neobanks

Tuesday, June 21 • 6:30-8:00 p.m. • Online via Zoom

Financial technology is changing the way we handle our money. Each app has a different set of services, requirements and fees. Regulations and protections created for traditional banking services don't necessarily apply. Join financial educator Karen Chan to learn how these fintech tools work and what to look for before transferring money with Cash App, Venmo or Zelle; depositing money with neobanks such as Chime, Sofi and T-Mobile Money; or linking bank accounts and credit cards to digital wallets like Apple Pay and Google Pay. [REGISTER](#)

Ten Questions Investors Should Ask Their Financial Planner

Tuesday, July 19 • 6:30-8:00 p.m.
Online via Zoom

Choosing the wrong investment professional can be detrimental to your financial well-being. Understanding which financial professional to turn to for advice can be overwhelming and confusing, especially when it comes to the areas of insurance and investing. Ed Gjertsen II, CFP®, past National Chairman of the Financial Planning Association, will provide essential questions and insights to help you evaluate and vet those entrusted with your financial life. [REGISTER](#)



Find Meaningful Employment: Learn & Network with TUG & the Library

Huntley Community Room • 6:30–8:00 p.m.

Mondays • June 13 • July 11 • August 8

*Speaker & program TBD

Please join TUG Career Services and Business Reference Librarian Chris Flood as they welcome speakers who present the latest updates on career management, job-seeking skills, education and training. [REGISTER](#) or [DROP IN](#)



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Adult Programs

Books, Bites and Brews

Thursdays ■ 7:00 p.m.

June 2 ■ D and G Brewing ■ City of Women by David Gillham

August 4 ■ Global Brew Tap House ■ Migrations by Charlotte McConaghy

Join us at our book club for adults 21 and over, held at local brew pubs.

Pizza will be provided by the Library. Participants are responsible for their own drinks and literary opinions. Copies of the book are available five weeks prior to discussion. St. Charles Public Library cardholders only. Registration is required. **REGISTER**

The Art of Paul Cézanne

Wednesday, June 8 ■ 7:00 p.m.

Online via Zoom

In this online class, art historian Jeff Mishur discusses Paul Cézanne's innovative approach to traditional subjects, including still life, landscape and the nude. Cézanne sought to challenge the conservative art world of late 19th century Paris. Eventually, he moved beyond Impressionism and inspired a new generation of modernists. The Art Institute of Chicago will host a Cézanne retrospective starting in May and running into September. **REGISTER**



Victorian Steampunk Heart Workshop

Tuesday, June 14 ■ 3:00-4:30 p.m. OR

Wednesday, June 15 ■ 1:00-2:30 p.m.

Huntley Community Room

Learn about the fascinating world of Victorian Steampunk art and make your very own heart pendant or magnet using polymer clay, mica powder, embossing mats, modeling tools, mini cogs and gears. This hands-on program will be offered twice. Please only register for one.



REGISTER

Adult Grab 'n Go Kit – Watercolor Bookmark

Monday, June 20 through Monday, June 27

Pick up at the Research & Reading Desk

Let your inner artist bloom! Create dazzling bookmarks with splashes of watercolor on pre-stamped floral bookmarks. Watercolor paper, paints, brush, bookmark plastic sleeves and tassels included. Project is ideal for curious watercolor beginners. If registering online, find June 20 on the calendar. **REGISTER**

Board Game Night

Wednesdays ■ 6:00-8:30 p.m. ■ Huntley Community Room

June 15 ■ July 20 ■ August 17

Join us to play games like Catan, Ticket to Ride and other modern games. Meet up with fellow board gamers. Bring a favorite game to teach new players or grab one from our collection. Find us on Meetup.com for more information under Board Games @ St. Charles Public Library.

REGISTER or DROP IN

Painted Wildflower Cookie Workshop

Tuesday, July 26 ■ 3:00-4:30 p.m. OR

Wednesday, July 27 ■ 1:00-2:30 p.m.

Huntley Community Room

Enjoy a summer afternoon creating tasty artistic masterpieces. You will learn the A to Z of crafting beautiful hand-painted wildflower cookies with fondant and edible watercolors. This hands-on program will be offered twice. Please only register for one.

REGISTER



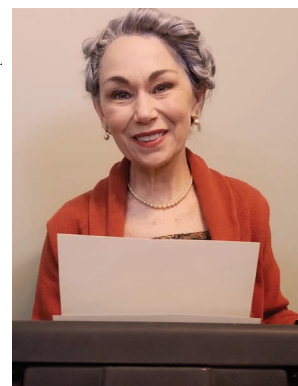
Agatha Christie: A Body of Evidence

Wednesday, August 3 ■ 1:00 p.m.

Huntley Community Room

In the spring of 1950, Agatha Christie accompanied her husband, archaeologist Max Mallowan, to Iran and the tells of Kalhu, the ancient city also known as Nimrud. Join Agatha Christie, as portrayed by Debra Miller, as she reminisces about her childhood, her life as a writer and adventurer, and contemplates beginning her autobiography—a project that took nearly 20 years. *This program is sponsored by the St. Charles Public Library Foundation.*

REGISTER



Diverse Voices Book Discussion for Adults



Thursday, June 30

Too Bright to See by Kyle Lukoff

6:30-7:30 p.m. ■ Online via Zoom

Discuss titles written by people of different backgrounds and experiences. Register for an emailed link to join the program. Books will be available for checkout via SCPLD Book Club Service at the Youth Services Desk. Meets at the same time as Diverse Voices Book Discussion for Grades 3-8. **REGISTER**



GET COOKING *with the Library!*

Classroom Kitchen Summer Seasonal Series

Thursdays • 6:30-8:00 p.m. • Online via Zoom

Join cooking instructor Kristyn Slick for a 90-minute virtual class where you can cook along in your own kitchen as she cooks in hers. You will receive a Zoom link and recipes ahead of the class. You can purchase ingredients and gather your kitchen equipment from the provided recipes. **REGISTER**

July 7: Thai Inspired Grilling - Grilling doesn't just have to be about burgers and hot dogs. Impress your friends and family this summer with Thai-inspired grilling: kebobs and flatbread pizzas. The flavors are bright and vibrant.

August 4: Farmer's Market Ravioli - A sun-inspired class focused on fresh seasonal veggies, whether from the produce aisle or your own summer garden, combined with the art of homemade ravioli.

September 1: Stone Fruit Custard Tart - This tart is a late-summer showstopper yet surprisingly simple to make. This layered stone fruit tart is a gorgeous dessert to serve at your end-of-summer soiree.

Make, Take and Bake...Your Own Bread!

Tuesday, August 16 • 1:00 p.m. • Huntley Community Room

Chef Cherise Slattery will guide participants through the techniques of making their own yeast dough in this hands-on cooking program. Through this process, they will learn the 12 professional steps of yeast bread production. Each person will make a bowl of dough, in the fermentation stage, which will be ready to take home, shape and bake. Participants must bring a mixing bowl, a mixing spoon and a liquid measuring cup. Open to St. Charles Public Library cardholders ages 18 and older until May 31. If space is available after May 31, non-cardholders may register. Program is limited to 30 attendees. **REGISTER**

Food & Mood: Five Keys to Mental Wellness

Thursday, July 14 • 6:30 p.m. • Online via Zoom

Did you know that what we eat impacts how we feel? If you or someone you know struggles with depression, anxiety or frequent mood changes, you might look to your gut. After this workshop, you'll know which foods promote mental wellness and those that can trigger depression and anxiety; breathing and relaxation practices for improved gut health and mental wellness; and movements and stretches that support both mental wellness and gut health. Presenter Alison T. Brill is a certified health & wellness coach, MPH, BSW, with over 15 years of public health and mental wellness experience. **REGISTER**

Gardening Programs

Community Seed: The Inciardi Tomato Story

Saturday, June 4 • 2:00-3:30 p.m. • Huntley Community Room

Learn the fascinating history behind the Inciardi tomato. We have chosen the Inciardi tomato as the first seed for our Community Seed Initiative. As you grow along, learn more about the Inciardi family through stories and pictures that will be shared. Presented by Vicki Nowicki, award-winning organic gardener, educator, writer, founder of the Downers Seed Legacy Library, housed in the Downers Grove Public Library. **REGISTER**



Extending your Harvest through Food Preservation

Wednesday, August 31 • 6:30 - 8:00p.m.

Huntley Community Room

Learn about the many ways your garden can extend beyond the growing season. Canning, preserving and dehydrating are just a few of the techniques used for centuries to sustain and maintain health and wellness through the winter months. Join us as we discuss techniques, provide resources and discuss the many health benefits to eating and growing sustainably for you and your household. Also, meet Maggie Sadowsky, food scientist and founder of 8Track Foods, a local, woman-owned business, that promotes local, plant-based and protein-rich nutrition. Hear from her about the benefits of legumes and the impact they have on the earth and soil. **REGISTER**

Tomato Toss

Saturday, July 30 • 2:00-3:00 p.m. • Parking Lot • All Ages

Rain date: Sunday, July 31 • 3:00-4:00 p.m.

Join us for some messy fun as we experience a small part of the famous Italian 'La Tomatina' Festival right here in St. Charles. Throw some tomatoes, make a craft and learn more about our Community Grow.

DROP IN



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Adult Programs



Websites and Apps for Foodies and Wine Aficionados

Thursday, June 2 • 6:30–8:00 p.m. • Huntley Community Room B

Learn the ins and outs of ordering food and wine from websites and apps. Mike Gershbein from Very Smart People will present some of the best digital resources for cooking, dining out, and food and drink. **REGISTER**

Watercolor Workshop

Tuesday, June 14 • 6:30–8:00 p.m. • STC Creative

Artist Maria Ananieva will introduce you to watercolor painting techniques. Materials and instruction will be provided so you can create your own watercolor masterpiece. *Open to St. Charles Public Library cardholders.* **REGISTER**

Wet Felted Flowers

Tuesday, June 28 • 6:30–8:00 p.m. • STC Creative

Create a beautiful, felted flower—the perfect adornment for your jacket, purse or home. Wet felting uses water and soap to blend fibers together creating a piece of handmade felt fabric. Fiber artist Natasha Lehrer Lewis, from Esther's Place, will supply materials and instructions for creating a felted flower. *Open to St. Charles Public Library cardholders.* **REGISTER**

Get an Education Online

Thursday, July 28 • 6:30–8:00 p.m. • Huntley Community Room B

Looking to learn a subject, topic or hobby online? MOOCs (Massive Open Online Courses), apps and other websites enable you to take courses online for free. This class will show you all the best options. Presented by Mike Gershbein from Very Smart People. **REGISTER**

Crochet Along

**Fridays • August 5 • August 12 • August 19 • August 26
10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. • Huntley Community Room B**

Learn how to crochet by completing a 31-day challenge. We will use videos provided by CreativeBug to learn crochet basics and over a dozen decorative stitches. You will crochet square swatches for each decorative stitch you learn. On the last day of the challenge, the swatches will be stitched together to make a colorful and fun sampler. We will meet every Friday in August to crochet together and share our progress in the 31-day challenge. **REGISTER**



June 6: Cricut - Make a Cake Topper



July 25: Brother ScanNCut - Make a Greeting Card

Maker Mondays

10:00–11:30 a.m. • STC Creative

Classes are open to St. Charles Public Library cardholders only.

Space is limited. REGISTER

June 6: Cricut - Make a Cake Topper

June 20: Heat Press - Personalize a Pencil Case

July 11: Xyron Creative Station - Turn Photos into Buttons and Magnets

July 18: Shrinky Dinks - Make Cupcake Picks

July 25: Brother ScanNCut - Make a Greeting Card

August 15: Macrame a Mini Plant Hanger

August 22: Upcycled Paper Wreath

August 29: Upcycled Book Photo Frame

Computer Basics - Mornings

Wednesdays ■ 10:00–11:30 a.m. ■ Computer Lab

Join us for small group computer instruction. Our IT Educator will cover the basics so you can feel confident using your laptop, tablet or phone. *Classes are open to St. Charles Public Library cardholders only.* **REGISTER**

June 1: iPad & iPhone Settings

June 8: iPad and iPhone Pre-installed Apps

June 15: Android Phone and Tablet

July 13: Gmail Basics

July 20: Google Drive Basics

July 27: Google Photo Basics

August 3: Facebook and Instagram Basics

August 17: Library Digital Resources on Your Phone or Tablet



August 23: Upcycled Paper Wreath



August 30: Upcycled Book Photo Frame

Maker Repeats

Tuesdays ■ 6:30–8:00 p.m. ■ STC Creative

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Computer Instruction - Evenings

Thursdays ■ 6:30–8:00 p.m. ■ Computer Lab

Join us for small group computer instruction with our IT Educator.

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June 9: Google Slides - Create Invitations and Thank You Cards

June 16: PowerPoint - Create Invitations and Thank You Cards

July 14: Introduction to Excel

July 21: Introduction to Google Sheets

August 4: Microsoft Word Part 1

August 11: Microsoft Word Part 2

August 18: Google Docs Part 1

August 25: Google Docs Part 2



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Young Adult Programs

ACT Practice Test

Grades 9-12 ■ Saturday, June 4

9:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. ■ Huntley Community Room

Take a free ACT practice test. The test will give students in grades 9-12 the opportunity to take a practice test in an ACT environment. Plan on bringing a pencil, calculator and a snack. Parents will receive an email with a general summary of their child's test score within a few days. Presented by Huntington Learning Center in Geneva. **REGISTER**

Young Adult Grab 'n Go Kits



Cookie Cutter Bird Feeders

Monday, June 13 – Monday, June 20 ■ All day

Feed the birds and have fun making beautiful cookie cutter bird feeders! Teens can pick up their kit in The Loft the week of June 13-20. If registering online, please check June 13 on the calendar. **REGISTER**

Pocket Pet Mouse

Monday, August 1 – Monday, August 8 ■ All day

A pocket mouse softie makes a great pet! Learn how to hand sew a felt mouse with basic embroidery nose, eyes and cute whiskers. Teens can pick up their kit in The Loft the week of August 1-8. If registering online, please check August 1 on the calendar. **REGISTER**

All supplies included. Available while supplies last.

Anime Club

Tuesdays ■ June 14 ■ July 12 ■ August 9 ■ 6:00-8:00 p.m.

STC Underground at the Baker Community Center (lower level)
101 S. 2nd Street, St. Charles

Every second Tuesday of the month get loud and geek out with anime, snacks and activities! Cosplay is always welcome.

All programs at the STC Underground are open to all middle school and high school teens, including private schools and home-schooled students who reside within St. Charles School District boundaries. Students must submit a completed Code of Conduct signed by themselves AND a parent or legal guardian. This form can be found at:

*form.123formbuilder.com/6063758/form. For questions visit stcunderground.com/ or call 630-513-4380. **DROP IN***

Teen Writers Group

Grades 9-12 ■ Thursdays ■ June 16 ■ July 21 ■ August 25

6:00–7:00 p.m. ■ Bisbee Conference Room

Calling all teen writers! Discuss what you've been reading, any pieces you're working on, and participate in activities and discussions that can help hone your writing skills. Teens are encouraged to share (but it is not required). **REGISTER** or **DROP IN**

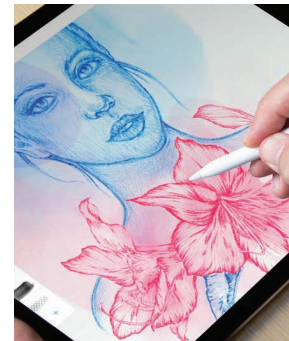
Digital Art Workshop

Grades 9–12 ■ Fridays

June 17 and July 15

1:00-3:00 p.m. ■ Computer Lab

Learn the basics of how to make art with a drawing tablet. The tablet is provided for the program, so you only have to bring your desire to create! The workshop will show you how to use the tablet and software to create your very own digital drawings and paintings. Zero art skills needed. Minor computer skills preferred. **REGISTER**



Movies in the Park

Fridays ■ Pottawatomie Park, 8 North Ave, St. Charles

June 17: Trolls World Tour ■ 8:20 p.m. start time

July 15: Encanto ■ 8:20 p.m. start time

August 19: The Mitchells vs. the Machines ■ 7:50 p.m. start time

Grab a blanket and join us for FREE outdoor movies at the Pottawatomie Park Amphitheater! Movies will start around dusk. Concessions will be available for purchase. *Sponsored by the St. Charles Public Library in partnership with the STC Underground and the St. Charles Park District.*

DROP IN *Please note: The amphitheater is on a slope, so please take care if using folding chairs. Blankets or towels are recommended. The movie screen may be difficult to see at the start of the movie but will get brighter as the sun sets. No rain dates. Due to city noise ordinances, all movies must end by 10:00 p.m. Please be respectful of park neighbors when leaving after the movie.*

Totes For Teens

Ages 13-17 ■ Wednesday, July 13

2:00–3:30 p.m. ■ Huntley Community Room

Join us for a little fun with the Cricut Maker! Watch a demo on custom cut vinyl and then learn to use the Cricut EasyPress® to create your own custom tote bag. **REGISTER**



Forest Friend Mini Cake

Ages 13-17 ■ Thursday, August 4

2:00–3:30 p.m.

Miller Haase Community Room

Hop on the fondant trail and learn how to decorate a cake to look like your forest friends: Tricky Fox or Sneaky Raccoon. **REGISTER**

Middle School Programs



Junior Friends

Grades 6-8 ■ Thursdays ■ June 2 ■ July 7 ■ August 4
6:00-7:30 p.m. ■ Miller Haase Community Room

Join this program specifically to reach your volunteer goals while helping your community. Meets the first Thursday of every month to plan, share and lend a hand! **DROP IN**

Lit Loot

Grades 6-12 ■ Sign up by: June 5 ■ July 5 ■ August 5
Pick up: June 10-20 ■ July 10-20 ■ August 10-20

Sign up by the fifth of each month at 9:00 p.m. to receive a free subscription box customized just for you. Each box will contain a book specially selected for you and a few goodies based on the theme of the month. Keep the loot; return the book. A *St. Charles Library card* is required for this program. **REGISTER**



Let's Learn D&D!

Grades 6-8 ■ Thursdays ■ June 9 ■ July 14 ■ 6:00-7:30 p.m.
Miller Haase Community Room

Let's learn to play D&D together! We'll work on character development and go on our first Dungeons and Dragons quest. **DROP IN**

Survival! Engineering Challenges

Grades 6-8 ■ Friday, June 10
3:00-4:30 p.m. ■ Southwest Parking Lot

It's a race to survive! Learn some basic wilderness skills and work in teams to use engineering techniques to solve challenges. In case of rain, this event will be cancelled. **REGISTER**

Movies in the Park

Fridays ■ Pottawatomie Park, 8 North Ave, St. Charles

June 17: Trolls World Tour ■ 8:20 p.m. start time

July 15: Encanto ■ 8:20 p.m. start time

August 19: The Mitchells vs. the Machines ■ 7:50 p.m. start time

Grab a blanket and join us for FREE outdoor movies at the Pottawatomie Park Amphitheater! Concessions will be available for purchase. *Sponsored by the St. Charles Public Library in partnership with the STC Underground and the St. Charles Park District.* **Please note:** The amphitheater is on a slope, so please take care if using folding chairs. Blankets or towels are recommended. The movie screen may be difficult to see at the start of the movie but will get brighter as the sun sets. No rain dates. Due to city noise ordinances, all movies must end by 10:00 p.m. Please be respectful of park neighbors when leaving after the movie. **DROP IN**



Survival! Math Challenges

Grades 6-8 ■ Friday, July 8

3:00-4:30 p.m. ■ Southwest Parking Lot

It's a race to survive! Learn some basic wilderness skills and work in teams to use math to solve challenges. In case of rain, this event will be cancelled. **REGISTER**

Babysitter Training

Ages 11-15 ■ Monday, July 18 AND Tuesday, July 19

9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. ■ Carnegie Community Room

\$20 deposit due at registration

This two-day training will cover all aspects of babysitter responsibilities and includes babysitter resources. Students must attend the entire training workshop both days and successfully pass all observable skills to obtain Red Cross certification. Training includes working with babies and younger children, CPR and First Aid. Please bring a sack lunch on the first day. The \$20 deposit will be returned to you on the first day of class. *Grant funding provided by the Friends of St. Charles Public Library.* Registration is limited to Library cardholders only. **REGISTER**



Program Information

Registration for all Library programs begins Friday, May 20 at 9:00 a.m. Register online at scpld.org, by phone at 630-584-0076 x1 or in person.

Early Literacy & Storytimes



Story Time in a Bag!

All Ages ■ Mondays ■ June 6–August 15*
10:00 a.m. ■ Main Level Hold Shelf

All the supplies you need to create your own story time at home. Each bag comes with a book to check out, active song lyrics and a link to a Spotify playlist of our favorite songs. Each week is a different story time. Return the book and keep the rest! *A St. Charles Library card is required for this program. One bag per family. *No program the week of July 4.* [REGISTER](#)

Starrytime

All Ages ■ Tuesdays ■ June 7–August 16 ■ 6:30 p.m. ■ On YouTube

Wind down with this virtual evening story time filled with music and stories. Missed the premiere or want to watch again? Starrytime will be available on the Library's YouTube channel for you to watch again and again.

Drop In Story Time

All Ages with Caregiver
Tuesdays ■ Wednesdays OR Fridays: June 7–August 19
10:00–10:30 a.m. ■ Miller Haase Community Room

This program is filled with stories, music and movement. Space is limited.
[DROP IN](#)

My First Story Time

0–24 Months with Caregiver
Tuesdays OR Wednesdays
June 7–August 17 ■ 9:30–10:00 a.m.
Huntley Community Room

Lapsit story time for parents/caregivers and children. Please register everyone attending.
[REGISTER](#)

One Day in the Eucalyptus, Eucalyptus Tree

Ages 2–3 ■ Tuesdays ■ June 7 OR July 12
10:30–11:30 a.m. ■ Huntley Community Room

Join us for this interactive program just for two and three year olds! Play along as we read and act out this fun story. The same program is offered in June and July, please only register for one date. [REGISTER](#)

Stories Under the Stars

All Ages with Caregiver ■ Tuesday, June 7
7:00–7:30 p.m. ■ Terrace Garden

Come join us as we celebrate Summer Reading "Off the Beaten Path." Enjoy an evening story time in the Terrace Garden and a chance to show off your favorite pajamas! In the event of inclement weather, this program will be canceled. [DROP IN](#)

Stories with the Nature Center

All Ages with Caregiver ■ Wednesdays ■ June 8 ■ July 13 ■ August 10
10:30–11:00 a.m.

LeRoy Oakes Nature Center, 37W700 Dean St., St. Charles

Join us at the Creek Bend Nature Center at LeRoy Oakes Forest Preserve for fun stories and a take and make kit. After the program, explore the Nature Center and walk the trails to discover the great outdoors; don't forget to look for the StoryWalk®! *This program is in partnership with the Forest Preserve District of Kane County.* [DROP IN](#)

Virtual Story Time

All Ages ■ Thursdays ■ June 9–August 18 ■ 10:00–10:30 a.m. ■ On Zoom

Join us for a LIVE virtual story time from your living room. A link to join the program will be emailed the day before. [REGISTER](#)

Sensory Story Time

All Ages ■ Saturdays ■ June 11 ■ August 6
10:00–10:30 a.m. ■ Miller Haase Community Room

Join us for a hands-on story time with music and movement. Feel welcome to bring sensory tools to story time, a limited number of fidgets/headphones will be provided. Please register all attending. [REGISTER](#)

Sensitive Story Time

All Ages ■ Sundays ■ June 12–August 7
2:00–2:30 p.m. ■ Miller Haase Community Room

Join us for a calm story time with dim lights, quiet music and familiar stories. Feel welcome to bring sensory tools, a limited number of fidgets/headphones will be provided. Please register all attending. [REGISTER](#)

Spanish Story Time Presented by Language Labs

All Ages with Caregiver
Saturdays ■ June 18 ■ July 16 ■ August 20
10:00-10:30 a.m. ■ Miller Haase Community Room

Join us for a story time presented by Language Labs. The presenter will share songs and stories in Spanish. Speakers of all languages are welcome!

Únase a nosotros para una hora de cuentos presentada por Language Labs. El presentador compartirá canciones e historias en español. ¡Los hablantes de todos los idiomas son bienvenidos! **REGISTER**



Saturday Story Time

All Ages with Caregiver
Saturdays ■ June 25 ■ July 2 ■ July 9 ■ July 23 ■ July 30 ■ August 13
10:00-10:30 a.m. ■ Terrace Garden/Miller Haase Community Room

Story time rain or shine! Enjoy a story time in our beautiful Terrace Garden or inside the Library, depending on the weather. Space is limited.

DROP IN

Let's Play at the Campsite

Ages 2-6 ■ 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. ■ Terrace Garden

Friday, June 24: Fishing

Friday, July 22: Bird Watching

Friday, August 26: Campsite Clean Up

Drop by and play with us at the campsite! Weather permitting. **DROP IN**



Grab 'n Go Kits

Grab n' Go Kits are available in person in the Youth Services department, on the lower level, while supplies last. Found on the Maker Table, all kits are Tech Free! unless otherwise noted. **DROP IN**

Movement Kit

Ages 3+ ■ Saturdays ■ 9:00 a.m.

June 4: Balloon Tennis ■ July 2: Color Hopscotch

August 6: Word Wall Ball

Explore your senses and move your body with this fun take-home activity kit.

Animal Activity Kit

Grades PreK-2 ■ Sundays ■ 12:00 p.m.

June 5: Bees ■ July 24: Jellyfish ■ August 21: Bats

Let's pretend and learn about different animals with this activity kit.

Rainbow Pride Kit

Grades K-8 ■ Saturday, June 11 ■ 9:00 a.m.

In celebration of Pride month, create a rainbow craft to show unity with LGBTQ+ community members.

Bookventure Kits

Grades K-5 ■ Mondays ■ 9:00 a.m.

June 13: Camp ■ July 11: Spies ■ August 8: Back to School

Go on a reading adventure with this take-home kit featuring crafts and activities related to book suggestions!

Juneteenth Kit

All Ages ■ Sunday, June 19 ■ 12:00 p.m.

Celebrate and learn about Juneteenth while making a fun craft.

DIY Beaded Keychains

Grades K-8 ■ Sundays ■ 12:00 p.m.

June 26: Rainbow ■ July 31: Camp Lantern ■ August 28: Sunflower
 Make an awesome keychain out of beads.



READ BEYOND THE BEATEN PATH

Summer Reading 2022



Read Off the Beaten Path with us this summer!

Create an account and log your reading in READsquared (available online or as a free app for iOS and Android) or print a log from our website.

Read 500 minutes and beyond to earn prizes.
 Pick up prizes at the Youth Services desk.

The program runs from Tuesday, May 31 to Sunday, July 31.



Program Information

Registration for all Library programs begins Friday, May 20 at 9:00 a.m. Register online at scpld.org, by phone at 630-584-0076 x1 or in person.

Student Programs

Movie Night

Grades 4-8 ■ Fridays ■ June 3 ■ July 1 ■ August 5
4:30-7:00 p.m. ■ Miller Haase Community Room

Play games and watch a movie! During the program, students vote for the movie they would most like to watch. The movie with the most votes will be shown! Registration closes at 11:30 a.m. the day of the program or when filled. [REGISTER](#)

What's Inside a Computer Keyboard?

Grades 3-5 ■ Saturday, June 4 OR Thursday, June 9
1:00-2:30 p.m. ■ Miller Haase Community Room

Ever wonder what the inside of a computer keyboard looks like? Let's open one up and check it out! Please register for only one event. [REGISTER](#)

Hands on Art

Grades 3-5 ■ Mondays ■ June 13 ■ July 11
3:00-4:00 p.m. ■ Miller Haase Community Room

Have fun crafting a handmade project. [REGISTER](#)



Kids Yoga

Ages 7-11 ■ Saturdays ■ June 18 ■ July 23 ■ August 13
11:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. ■ Miller Haase Community Room

Kim Cuenca, registered yoga teacher from Roots 2 Wings, will explore the benefits of yoga in this program. Participants will build balance and flexibility, while becoming aware of feelings and emotions. [REGISTER](#)

Picture Books on Parade

Grades K-2 ■ Monday, June 20 ■ 3:00-4:00 p.m.
Miller Haase Community Room

Celebrate summer reading by creating crafts inspired by some favorite picture books. [REGISTER](#)



Dino Discoveries!

Grades 1-5 ■ Saturday, June 25
11:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m.
Miller Haase Community Room

Join local dinosaur hunter Kristin Bobeczko to hear real accounts of her excavation adventures, view ancient fossils and make your own plaster fossil cast. [REGISTER](#)

Art in the Afternoon

Grades K-2 ■ Mondays ■ June 27 ■ July 25
3:00-4:00 p.m. ■ Miller Haase Community Room

Have fun creating art projects that use various techniques. [REGISTER](#)



Reading with Rover

Grades 1-4 ■ Wednesdays ■ June 28 OR July 13
3:30-4:30 p.m. ■ Helen Gale Story Room

Bring books or select from ours and read aloud for 15 minutes to a specially trained therapy dog. Please only register for one time slot. [REGISTER](#)

Pixel Creations

Grades 1-5 ■ Thursday, June 30 OR Saturday, July 2
3:00-4:00 p.m. ■ Miller Haase Community Room

Create a design with plastic beads and melt them with an iron. Turn your creations into magnets, keychains or cool art you can take home! Please only register for one session. [REGISTER](#)

Diverse Voices Book Discussion for Grades 3-8

Grades 3-8 ■ Thursday, June 30: Too Bright to See by Kyle Lukoff
6:30-7:30 p.m. ■ Online via Zoom

Discuss titles written by people of different backgrounds and experiences. Register for an emailed link to join the program. Books will be available for checkout at the Youth Services Desk. Meets at the same time as Diverse Voices Book Discussion for Adults. [REGISTER](#)

Chapter Books on Parade

Grades 3-5 ■ Monday, July 18
3:00-4:00 p.m. ■ Miller Haase Community Room

Celebrate summer reading by creating crafts inspired by some favorite chapter books. [REGISTER](#)

Balloon Creation Station

Ages 8+ ■ Wednesday, July 20
3:30-4:30 p.m. ■ Huntley Community Room

Jason Kollum, professional magician and balloon twister, will show kids how to create a variety of balloon creations. Participants will leave with an armful of balloons. [REGISTER](#)

Exploding Sandwich Bags!

Grades K-2 ■ Sunday, July 24
2:00-2:30 p.m. ■ Miller Haase Community Room

What happens when you mix baking soda and vinegar in a sandwich bag?? Let's find out! [DROP IN](#)

Jeanie B! Concert

All Ages ■ Wednesday, June 1
11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. ■ Huntley Community Room

Sing and dance to the tunes of Jeanie B!, the popular children's musician!
REGISTER

StoryWalk®

All Ages ■ June 1 ■ July 1 ■ August 1
LeRoy Oakes Forest Preserve on the Randall Rd. Trail

Come enjoy the great outdoors and a great story! Located on the east side of LeRoy Oakes Forest Preserve on the Randall Road Trail. Enjoy a new story monthly. *The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg Hubbard Library. Storywalk® is a registered service mark owned by Ms. Ferguson. In partnership with the Kane County Forest Preserve District.*



Family Movie Sing-along

All Ages ■ Mondays ■ June 6 ■ July 11 ■ 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Thursdays ■ June 23 ■ July 21 ■ 2:30-4:30 p.m.
Huntley Community Room

Families, join us for a sing-along movie screening featuring your favorite characters! **REGISTER**

Drop-In Pronoun Party!

All Ages ■ Thursday, June 9 ■ 3:30- 5:30 p.m.
Miller Haase Community Room

We'll have all the supplies to create your very own pronoun button for you to display wherever you like! **DROP IN**

Bubble Dance Party

All Ages ■ Mondays ■ June 13 ■ July 11 ■ August 8
2:00-3:00 p.m. ■ Terrace Garden

Visit the Terrace Garden for a bubble dance party! Weather permitting.
DROP IN

A Family that Dyes Together...

All Ages ■ Wednesday, June 15
1:00-3:00 p.m. ■ Southwest Parking Lot

Families are welcome to bring one white item of clothing for each family member during a drop in tie-dyeing event! Clothing items with more cotton content will turn out better. Each person will leave with a hand-dyed item and instructions on how to rinse and clean their project. **DROP IN**

Express Yourself

All Ages ■ Fridays
June 17 ■ July 22
3:00-4:00 p.m.
Miller Haase Community Room

Come and truly express yourself in our open arts and crafts session. Make whatever you want, however you want, with the variety of supplies we have available. **DROP IN**



Worm Races

All Ages ■ Friday, July 15 ■ 3:00-3:30 p.m. ■ Terrace Garden

Let's get a wiggle on! Fastest wins! Connect with your inner bookworm and stop in for some LIVE worm races! We'll provide the worms; you provide the cheers! Weather permitting. **DROP IN**

Space Out at the Library!

All Ages ■ Wednesday, July 20
10:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. ■ Youth Services Department

Join us for some interactive activities all about space! **DROP IN**

A Zoo to You!

All Ages ■ Thursday, July 28 ■ 3:00-4:00 p.m. ■ Southwest Parking Lot

Come out and meet several baby animals: goats, rabbits and chickens, oh my! It's a petting zoo for the whole family to enjoy. **DROP IN**

Paint the Path!

Ages 8+ ■ Saturday, July 30
10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Southwest Parking Lot

Paint the sidewalk at the Library! Help fill in the design. Paint and rollers will be provided. *This program is in partnership with the St. Charles Arts Council, who will be painting the street and crosswalks on Riverside Avenue, between Illinois and Main streets.* In case of bad weather, this event will be held the next day, Sunday, July 31. **DROP IN**



The Great Scott

All Ages ■ Sunday, July 31 ■ 3:00-4:00 p.m. ■ Huntley Community Room

Gather the whole family for an afternoon of magic and laughter with the Great Scott. This is an interactive show—lots of patrons will join the spotlight and help make the magic happen! **REGISTER**



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Join Us for Summer Reading and Read Beyond the Beaten Path



Summer Reading is almost here! We are so excited to kick off the program and offer the community great reads, fun activities and interesting programs that revolve around this year's theme: "Read Beyond the Beaten Path." While the theme suggests camp and adventure, it also encourages readers to step out of their comfort zone and pick up a book by an unfamiliar author, discover a new genre or try an unknown medium such as audiobooks or eBooks.

We encourage you to keep track of your summer reading progress using READsquared, an online reading tracking tool that is user friendly and allows you to easily sign up and log your reading. To get started, go to scpld.readsquared.com to register. For those who prefer traditional paper logs, they will be available to download on our website. Don't forget to count every book you read, whether digital, print or audio.

Ready to get reading but not sure where to start? Call, email or text our librarians. They'll be happy to create a custom reading list that matches your interests or suggest something that is off your "beaten path."

For more information, visit scpld.org. "Read Beyond the Beaten Path" this summer with the St. Charles Public Library and discover something new!



Hours

Monday–Thursday	9:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.
Friday	9:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.
Saturday	9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Sunday	Noon–5:00 p.m.

Closings

Monday, July 4
Independence Day

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Library Board Meetings

Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

June 8, 2022

July 13, 2022

No Meeting in August

Meetings to be held at the Library at
One S. Sixth Avenue, St. Charles, IL.



SUMMER READING 2022

TUESDAY, MAY 31 – SUNDAY, JULY 31

