

Welcome

TO SEASON 4 OF ILLINOIS LIBRARIES PRESENT!



December-February

REGISTER



Youth Program
The Magic of
Raina Telgemeier

Tuesday, December 10 | 7 p.m.

Raina Telgemeier is the author and illustrator of the graphic novels *Smile*, *Drama*, *Sisters*, *Ghosts*, and *Guts*, all #1 New York Times bestsellers.



Love and Laughs
with Michelle Buteau

Thursday, January 23 | 7 p.m.

Michelle Buteau is an American stand-up comedian, actress, television host, producer, and podcast host.



Experience Little Women:
The Musical (2022)

Recording-virtual screening only
December 20-22

This beloved tale of family, self-discovery, and hope of four sisters growing up in 19th-century Massachusetts.



James McBride

Tuesday, February 4 | 7 p.m.

James McBride is an award-winning author, musician, and screenwriter. His landmark memoir, *The Color of Water*, has sold millions of copies and spent more than two years on the New York Times bestseller list.



Chicago Pizza Past, Present,
& Future with Steve Dolinsky

Thursday, January 9 | 7 p.m.

Steve Dolinsky is a well-known Food Guy reporter at NBC 5 (Chicago) and James Beard Award winner for his TV, radio and podcast work.



Amy Tan

Wednesday, February 19 | 7 p.m.

Amy Tan is an American author known for novels, short story collections, children's books, memoirs, libretto, film and television adaptations, and illustrated nature journals.

Illinois Libraries Present programs are presented online via Zoom unless otherwise noted.



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READING FOR ALL

Winter Reading 2025 Isn't Reading Sweet?

Thursday, January 2-Sunday, February 16

The fun starts Thursday, January 2! All ages are invited to play bingo for a chance to win prizes! Pick up a paper bingo card at the Library or sign up online using READsquared*. Fill in your board by reading and doing activities inside or outside the library. The last day to play is Sunday, February 16.

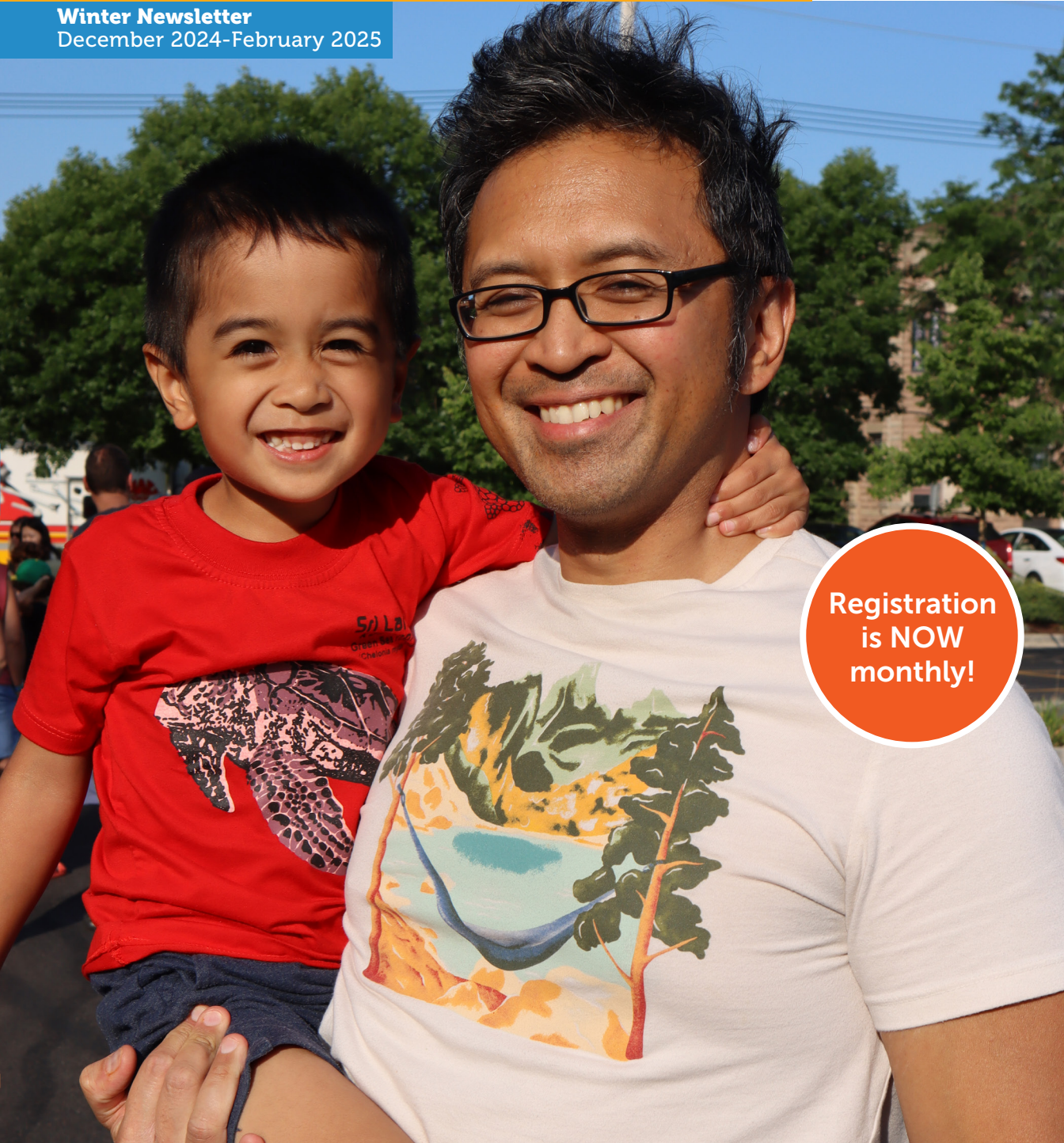
**READsquared is available through our website, scpld.org or as a downloadable app for iPhone and Android.*



ST. CHARLES PUBLIC LIBRARY



Winter Newsletter
December 2024-February 2025



Registration
is NOW
monthly!

Adult



Bûche de Noel (Yule Log)*

Learn the history and fun facts behind this delicious holiday dessert, while Chef Susan Maddox demonstrates how to make one from scratch.

REGISTER

Monday, December 2
6:30-7:30 p.m.
Huntley Community Room

Adult Grab 'n' Go Kit Cheery Snowman Wood Slice Ornament*

Add some cheer to the snowy season by making a decoupage snowman ornament. Open to SCPL cardholders ages 18 and older. Patrons must register individually with own card.

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Pick up kit December 2-14
Reading & Research Desk

End-of-Year Tax Tips -- Harry Eng Shares Moves to Cut Your 2024 Bill

Learn tax-saving strategies to help you make the most of current laws. Perfect for individuals or small business owners looking to maximize their deductions and avoid common pitfalls before filing.

REGISTER

Tuesday, December 3
6:30-8 p.m.
Huntley Community Room



Adult & Teen Program Black Light Painting & Punch Tasting*

In the darkened Library, create your masterpiece by the glow of bright fluorescent paint. Illuminating punch and snacks will be on hand.

DROP IN

Thursday, January 9 / 6-7:30 p.m.
Huntley Community Room

History of the Heinz Glass Company

Learn the history of the Heinz Cut Glass Company factory in St. Charles, the glass it produced, along with stories of the brothers' amazing personal lives.

REGISTER

Thursday, January 30 / 1-2 p.m.
Carnegie Community Room

Lincoln on Slavery, Emancipation, and Equality

President Lincoln, as portrayed by Kevin Wood, shares his ever-evolving perspectives on the subjects of slavery, emancipation, and equality, including the relationship between the white and black races during his times.

REGISTER

Thursday, February 6 / 1-2 p.m.
Huntley Community Room

Super Bowl Appetizers -- Dynamic Duo Fun! *

Spend a fun evening creating one of several appetizer recipes. All will enjoy the delicious food created during this super event. Recipes will be shared. Patrons must register individually.

REGISTER

Friday, February 7 / 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Huntley Community Room



Fund Those Brushes: Find Ways to Monetize Your Art

Business assistance for creatives: You've tried selling your work, but business isn't your specialty. You make a product people like and want to make more of it, but it's time to think bigger.

REGISTER

Tuesday, February 25 / 1-2:30 p.m.
Huntley Community Room



Visit our website for a complete list of our programs!

* SCPL card required

STC Creative



5-Minute Makes: Snowman Luminaries

Create a snowman using coconut flakes, decoupage, and fabric to warm up your home.

DROP IN

*December 7 / 2-3:30 p.m. and
December 10 / 6-7:30 p.m.
STC Creative*

Craft of the Month: Acrylic Bookmark

Cut snowflakes using the Cricut machine. Turn the snowflakes into stickers with the Xyron Creative Station. Use the stickers to decorate an acrylic bookmark.

REGISTER

*January 9 / 10-11:30 a.m.
January 29 / 6-7:30 p.m.
STC Creative*

5-Minute Makes: Forever Valentine Card

Create a valentine card that is durable, flexible, and fits easily inside a wallet. Choose from a variety of designs.

DROP IN

*February 8 / 2-3:30 p.m.
February 11 / 6-7:30 p.m.
February 18 / 10-11:30 a.m.
February 28 / 10-11:30 a.m.
STC Creative*

Craft of the Month: Sublimation Mug

Design and create your own personalized mug.

REGISTER

*February 6 / 10-11:30 a.m.
February 26 / 6-7:30 p.m.
STC Creative*

Young Adult

Origami Ornaments Grades 9-12

Make a variety of origami ornaments for the holiday season. Stop by The Loft anytime to make a few!

DROP IN

*December 6 / 2-5 p.m.
The Loft*

Loft Game Night Grades 9-12

Play different types of games in The Loft during game night, one Friday per month.

DROP IN

Board Games

December 27 / 5:30-7 p.m.

Classic Tabletop Games

January 31 / 5:30-7 p.m.

Retro Video Games

February 28 / 5:30-7 p.m.

Candy Crush! Grades 9-12

Pulverize candy to tiny bits and then add its dust to fruit, popcorn, and hot chocolate with whipped cream!

REGISTER

*Tuesday, January 14 / 3-4 p.m.
Carnegie Community Room*

It's Not You, It's Me Grades 9-12

Join us for a not-so-happy Valentine's in The Loft with snacks, crafts, and a few rounds of the less-than-perfect match game.

DROP IN

*Friday, February 14 / 5:30-7 p.m.
The Loft*

Basic Bookends Grades 9-12



Upcycle our leftover bookends! Decorate your bookend however you like with paint and then bring it home to personalize your bookshelves.

DROP IN

*Wednesday, January 22
3-4:30 p.m. / The Loft*

Children

Noon Year's Eve Party Families

Come party at the Library as we ring in the new year! We will end the party with a countdown to Noon Year's!

DROP IN

Pick up a ticket at the Youth Desk beginning at 9 a.m.

Tuesday, December 31

11 a.m.-12 p.m.

Huntley Community Room



Smarty Pants Big Balloon Show Families

Join us for the Big Balloon Show featuring magic, comedy, balloon props, and lots of laughs!

DROP IN

Friday, January 3 / 11-11:45 a.m.

Huntley Community Room

Preschool Fair Families

Curious about preschools or childcare in the upcoming year? Grab a coffee and join us to meet representatives from preschools and childcare centers in our community.

DROP IN

Saturday, January 18

10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Huntley Community Room

Day of Service Grades K-8

Come by to make a Card of Hope for a child in foster care. This day honors Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and the legacy of volunteer service.

DROP IN

Monday, January 20

10 a.m.-8 p.m.

Helen Gale Story Room



Sweet Treats with Chef Maddox Grades 3-8

Chef Maddox returns for another culinary program making delicious, sweet treats. Students will be invited to sample custards and desserts as they learn how to make them.

REGISTER

Wednesday, January 22

6-6:45 p.m.

Miller Haase Community Room

Really Chilly! Ages 0-5 with Caregiver

Brrrrr, it's really chilly out there! Come warm up at the Library anytime during the program and do some winter-themed activities just for little ones five and under.

DROP IN

Friday, January 31

10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Youth Services Department

Tall Tales and Silly Songs Ages 0-5 with Caregiver

Join Todd Downing for a lively show of kids' tunes, wild dancing, and fun for all.

DROP IN

Tuesday, February 25

10:30-11:15 a.m.

Miller Haase Community Room

Middle School

Elf Watch Party and Cookie Decorating Grades 6-8

Join us to watch the holiday favorite, *Elf* (PG, 2003), while sipping hot cocoa and decorating cookies!

REGISTER

Friday, December 6 / 5:30-7:15 p.m.

Huntley Community Room

