Summer 2022 Program Guide

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LIBRARY HOURS: Mon-Thurs 9 a.m.-9 p.m., Fri & Sat 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

LIBRARY CLOSINGS:
Sundays in the Summer
May 8: Mother’s Day
May 30: Memorial Day
July 4: Independence Day
Aug. 5: Open at noon for Staff Training

OTTAWA STREET BRANCH-OSB
150 N. Ottawa St., Joliet, IL
815-740-2660
jolietlibrary.org

BLACK ROAD BRANCH-BRB
3395 Black Rd., Joliet, IL
**A note from our Executive Director:**

**Make No Little Plans**

Over the last several years, the Joliet Public Library has been making big plans. We started with our strategic plan and learned that renovating our downtown library was our top goal. We secured funding with the help of a grant from Senator Pat McGuire and responsible budgeting. We went to the drawing board, planned, chose an architect and went to bid for a construction company. Finally, in 2021, we broke ground. Now, we watch our dreams come true as every day our ugly duckling building begins to transform into a beautiful swan. Joliet residents will enjoy their new library for years to come. The building will have state of the art study rooms, equipment, maker spaces and of course, our friendly staff. We are so excited to share this with you in 2022. In the meantime, we invite you to join us at either library location, where you can read, explore, ask and discover and always “make no little plans.”

Executive Director

-Megan Millen

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**Get a Library Card**

Residents of the city of Joliet may apply for a library card at the Circulation desk at either location. Applicants must present a current government issue photo ID that verifies their name and current address or a general photo ID in addition to proof of residency verifying their name and current address. Additional proof of residency is required if the current address is not on the ID. For a list of accepted documents, please contact us at 815-740-2660. Non-residents can apply for library cards and will be charged an annual fee based on their tax bill or yearly rent. Children 3+ years old may apply for their own library card with parental consent.

**Cards for Kids**

All residents of Joliet Township and Rockdale who are students of Joliet Public Schools, Rockdale Grade School, Troy CCSD 30C, Plainfield School District 202 and Laraway CCSD70C are now eligible for Joliet Public Library Student Cards at no additional cost to the household.

**Parking**

Free parking is available at both locations. The Ottawa Street Branch parking lot is at the corner of Clinton and Chicago Street (2 hours). Deck parking is located at 110 N. Ottawa Street and 11 E. Clinton St. Parking is FREE on Sat/Sun and $1.00 an hour Mon-Fri 6 a.m.-7 p.m.

**ADA Compliance**

Any person needing an accommodation for a disability in order to access the benefits of the Library’s services, programs or activities under the Americans with Disabilities Act should contact the Business Office by telephone at 815-740-2669, by email to business@jolietlibrary.org or in writing, no fewer than five (5) working days before the date and time needed.
Registration
Some library programs require registration. This is to help ensure the success of the program.

BY PHONE
815-740-2660

ONLINE
jolietpubliclibrary.libnet.info/events

IN PERSON
Children/Teens: Visit Youth Services
Adults: Visit Adult Services
Technology: Visit the DMS (OSB) or Adult Services computer desks.

Publicity Photos
The Library reserves the right to photograph program participants.
Photos are for library use and may be used in publicity materials.
Names of individuals will not be used.
Patrons who do not wish to be photographed should notify staff.

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SUMMER READING CHALLENGE
READ BEYOND THE BEATEN PATH
June 1-July 31 · 1 de junio-31 de julio

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JOLIETLIBRARY.BEANSTACK.COM
OR AT THE LIBRARY/EN LA BIBLIOTECA
**Children’s Programs**

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**LEGO™ Club**
(Ages 5+ with adult)
The library will supply Lego™ bricks for free play and the occasional challenge! Are you up for it?
Seating is limited.
- Monday, May 9, Aug. 8
  5:30-6:30 p.m.
- Thursday, June 23, July 28
  2-3 p.m.

**BRB**
Wednesday, May 18
4:30-5:30 p.m.
- Thursday, June 9, July 7, Aug. 11
  2-3 p.m.

**Simple STEM**
(Grades 1-5)
Drop in to learn something new with these simple STEM projects! Projects are available while supplies last.
- Monday, May 9
  Kit pickup all day

**OSB**
Tuesday, May 10
3:30-5 p.m.

**Preschool Explorers**
(Ages 2-5)
Children will hear stories, enjoy music and explore topics with hands-on activities.
- Friday, May 20
  10:30-11:30 a.m.

**Robot Rally**
(Grades 1-3)
Learn basic coding principles while working with adorable robots.
- BRB
  Tuesday, May 24
  4:30-6 p.m.

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**Drop-In Storytimes**

*Storytimes will not take place on May 30 or July 4 due to the Library being closed.*

**Toddler Time**
18 months-3 years with adult
- Mondays @ 9:30, 10:30

**Family Storytime**
Birth-6 years with adult
- Tuesdays @ 6:30 p.m.

**Preschool Storytime**
3-5 years with adult
- Thursdays @ 9:30, 10:30 a.m.

**Lapsit**
Birth-24 months with adult
- Wednesdays @ 9:30, 10:30 a.m.

**Family Storytime en Español**
Birth-6 years with adult
- Wednesdays (starting June 8)
  @ 6:30 p.m.
Children’s Programs

Family Fun Night: Nature Scavenger Hunt
(Children of all ages with adult)
Meet at the Black Road Branch to pick up your Nature Scavenger Hunt and explore Rock Run Forest Preserve. In case of rain, hunts will be available for pick-up all week.
BRB Wednesday, June 8
6:30-7:15 p.m.

Outdoor Science Fair
(Ages 3+ with adult)
Experience a variety of fun science demos and interactive experiments. Outdoors, weather permitting.
BRB Friday, June 10
10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Friday Fun Kits
(Grades K-8)
Stop by the library weekly to pick up your Friday Fun Kits while supplies last! Encourage curiosity and exploration with these small projects and crafts.
BRBOSB Fridays, June 10-Aug. 12
While supplies last

Patio Programs
(Ages 3+ with adult)
Join us on the patio to make a fun craft! Want to know what craft we’ll be making? Check the library calendar, flyers or social media for details. Outdoors, weather permitting.
Supplies may be limited.
BRB Tuesday, June 14, 28, July 12, 26, Aug. 9
2-4 p.m.

Family Field Trip: JJC Culinary Arts
(Grades K+ with adult)
Can a kitchen be a classroom? You bet! Tour the state of the art facilities of the Culinary Arts Department at JJC’s City Center Campus. Meet in the lobby, and the tour begins promptly. Registration required for each person attending.
JJC-City Center
235 N. Chicago St, Joliet
Tuesday, June 14
10:30-11:30 a.m.
Thursday, July 28
4:30-5:30 p.m.

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten
(Ages 0-5, register on the Beanstack app)
The 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten challenge is a fun way to encourage you and your child to read books together beginning at birth.

Register online through the Beanstack Tracker app to start earning prizes for you and your child.

Find out more at the Youth Services Desk or online at jolietlibrary.org/index.php/en/youth/1000-books-before-kindergarten.

Registration required at jolietlibrary.org. Registration opens Monday two weeks before the program date.
Children’s Programs

Eat, Play, Grow! (Ages 3-5 with adult) R
Help spark your children’s curiosity to try new foods and learn about healthy eating in this dynamic six week series of fun, free nutrition classes through the Illinois Nutrition Education Program. You will play games, do a fun art activity and even get to try a healthy snack!
Mondays, June 13-July 25 (except July 4)
10:30-11:30 a.m.

S.T.E.A.M. Club (Grades K-6)
Drop in and join us for weekly hands-on S.T.E.A.M. activities! This program will be presented in both English and Spanish.
Mondays, June 13-July 25 (except July 4)
2-4 p.m.

Bingo (Children of all ages)
Drop by the library for a few games of Bingo. Lots of prizes will be won!
Seating is limited
Wednesday, June 15, July 13, Aug. 3
2-3 p.m.

Messy Art (Ages 4+ with adult) R
Wear your oldest (not smelliest) clothes to the library to join in our MESSY art day! We may do anything from throwing balloons filled with paint to dripping paint from a cup, as long as it’s MESSY and FUN! We’ll have a section for the youngest children to make a mess!
Thursday, June 16
10:30-11:15 a.m.

Wonderful Worms (All ages with adult) R
Vermicomposting—a fancy name for worm composting. Joan O’Keefe, Environmental Educator with Will County Land Use, will teach you the basics and assist in making your own starter bin. All supplies (including your new pet worms) will be provided.
BRB Tuesday, June 21
10:30-11:30 a.m.

Toddler Dance Party (Ages 1-4) R
Shake your sillies out to fun interactive music at this program. We’ll dance, sing and even play with the parachute! Outdoors, weather permitting.
BRB Friday, June 24
10:30-11:30 a.m.

Zoo to You Petting Zoo (All ages with adult)
Zoo to You is bringing some animal friends to the library. Pet a mini donkey, a lamb and maybe even a llama. Rain or shine!
Feed is $2 a cup (optional).
BRB Saturday, June 18
10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Family Field Trip: Cinemark Behind the Scenes (Grades K+ with adult) R
Interested in what happens when you watch a movie? Tour the renovated movie theater located inside the Louis Joliet Mall. Meet in the lobby, the tour begins promptly. Register for each person attending.

Whodunnit (Grades 2+)
A crime has been committed! Use your detective skills to follow the trail of clues and find the culprit.
BRB Saturday, June 25
All Day

Cinemark Theater
3340 Mall Loop Dr. Suite 1382, Joliet
Monday, June 20
10:30-11:15 a.m.
Children’s Programs

Family Field Trip:
Bird Haven Greenhouse
(Children of all ages with adult) R
Join us for a tour of the greenhouse and conservatory!

Bird Haven Greenhouse & Conservatory
225 Gougar Rd., Joliet
Tuesday, June 28
2-3 p.m.

Family Concert with John Condron
(All ages)
Enjoy an evening of lawn games, dancing and music featuring local musician, John Condron. Bring a blanket or folding chairs to create your own spot for family fun!

Wednesday, June 29
6:30-8 p.m.

Sidewalk Chalk Art
(Children of all ages with adult)
Create a chalk masterpiece on our front sidewalks for everyone to enjoy!

Tuesday, July 5
9 a.m.-12 p.m.

Family Field Trip:
Slammers Stadium Tour
(Ages 4+ with adult) R
Get a behind-the-scenes tour of the Joliet Slammers stadium! Park in the lot east of the stadium and meet at the box office window. Register for each person attending.

Duly Health & Care Field
1 Mayor Art Schultz Dr., Joliet
Tuesday, July 12
10:30-11:30 a.m.

Water Play Day
(Children of all ages with adult)
Cool off in our “do it yourself” outdoor waterpark!

Tuesday, July 19
10-11:30 a.m. and 2-3:30 p.m.

Magic Show with Anthony Stockton
(All ages with adult)
Join us for a magical night with local magician, Anthony Stockton, who will dazzle the crowd with feats of illusion on the library’s lawn. Bring your own blankets for this outdoor event, weather permitting. In case of bad weather, seating will be limited indoors.

Thursday, July 14
6:30-7:15 p.m.

Nintendo Day
(Ages 5+)
Celebrate all things Nintendo with activities on the lawn. Also, take photos with a Nintendo character. Scavenger hunt available outside all day!

Saturday, July 16
10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Family Fun Night:
Paper Airplane Competition
(Ages 5+ with adult)
Paper airplane pilots of all ages will get a chance to design their own plane, make it as crazy as they want and fly it to see whose plane gets the farthest. Outdoors, weather permitting.

Wednesday, July 20
6:30-7:15 p.m.

Registration required at jolietlibrary.org. Registration opens Monday two weeks before the program date.
Animal Quest Show
(All ages with adult)
Meet ten different exotic animals during this interactive presentation with Animal Quest on the library's front lawn, weather permitting. Bring your own blanket for seating!

OSB
Thursday, July 21
6:30-7:15 p.m.

Bubble Bonanza!
(All ages with adult)
Stop by the library booth during KidzFest in downtown Joliet to experiment with bubbles big and small.

OSB
Saturday, Aug. 6
11 a.m.-2 p.m.

The Most Important School Supply: A Library Card (Grades PreK-12)

Did you know that through partnerships with area school districts, the Joliet Public Library is now able to offer student library cards free of charge to residents of the City of Joliet and Joliet Township?

Sign your child up today either at the library or from home! Check out all the information at: jolietlibrary.org/en/cards-for-kids
Bookworm bags

All ages!

Register for your Bookworm Bag by filling out our survey during the months of April and July and Joliet Library staff will handpick library books for you to enjoy in May and August.

When you pick up your books that are on hold, you will also receive a bag with some special "bookish" items for you to enjoy!

Bookworm Bags can be reserved for children, teens and adults and picked up at either library location. Just wait for your hold notification, and then you will have five days to pick up your Bookworm Bag.

Register here or at jolietlibrary.org/en/discover
Teen Volunteer Corps

We are seeking students going into grades 8-12 to help us run our Summer Reading Challenge!

Are you looking for community service hours or a way to get volunteer work experience? Do you enjoy working with kids? You may be a perfect fit! From setting up programs to passing out prizes, we need your help.

Most volunteer hours are available at the Black Road Branch. Sign up now at jolietlibrary.org/index.php/en/teen-volunteer-corp

Robot Adventures
(Grades 4-7) R
Code our robots for special missions and games.
BRB Tuesday, May 3
4:30-6 p.m.

Design Your Own Buttons
(Grades 5-12) R
Show off your creativity and design your own one-of-a-kind buttons.
OSB Thursday, June 9
2-3 p.m.

BRB Monday, July 25
6-7 p.m.

Friday Fun Kits
(Grades K-8)
Stop by the library weekly to pick up your Friday Fun Kits while supplies last! Encourage curiosity and exploration with these small projects and crafts.
BRB OSB Fridays, June 10-Aug. 12
While supplies last

Teen Craft Kit
(Grades 7-12) R
Grab a monthly teen craft kit at either location. Want to know the exact projects? Check out the library calendar, flyers or social media for more details!
BRB OSB Monday, May 16, June 13, July 18
While supplies last

Registration required at jolietlibrary.org. Registration opens Monday two weeks before the program date.
Powder Paint Wars
(Grades 8-12) R
Come play tag with powder paint! Wear an old white shirt, challenge your friends and make some colorful memories.
Wednesday, June 15
6-7 p.m.

Boba Tea Keychains
(Grades 7-12) R
Learn how to make a boba tea (or other drink inspired) keychain.
Wednesday, June 22
6:30-7:30 p.m.

Video Game Night For Tweens & Teens
(Grades 5-12)
We have the games, are you coming? Join us for some fun on our Switch and PS4.
Tuesday, June 28, July 26
4:30-6 p.m.

Tween and Teen Paint n’ Sip
(Grades 5-12) R
Grab a juice box and follow easy step by step instructions to create your own masterpiece.
Thursday, June 30
(Grades 5-7) 4:30-5:30 p.m.
(Grades 7-12) 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Bath Bombs & Sugar Scrubs
(Grades 7-12) R
Come make some bath bombs and sugar scrubs to take home.
Tuesday, July 12
4-5 p.m.

Easy Electronics
(Grades 9-12) R
Learn to use a soldering iron to make an electronic bug that lights up and skitters!
Wednesday, July 13
2-3 p.m.
ELL, Language Learning & Bilingual Events

*Registration is required for all ELL, language learning and bilingual events below. Visit jolietlibrary.org for updated start time.

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ESL and citizenship classes are offered in partnership with the Vietnamese Association of Illinois.

ELL/VAI Programs & Tutoring

Make a difference and become a tutor! The Joliet Public Library, in partnership with The Vietnamese Association of Illinois, is looking for volunteer tutors to help adult learners with limited literacy skills improve their reading and writing. Once trained, tutors will provide in-person ESL programs at the Black Road Branch. The Vietnamese Association of Illinois will provide free training. No previous teaching experience is required.

If interested, please contact Ivan at ipadilla@jolietlibrary.org or Matt at matt.small@vnvi.org.

Tech Tuesdays

**Tech Tuesday - Pinterest**<br>(Adults) | ![BRB] | Learn how you can use Pinterest to create a virtual bulletin board to share recipes, craft ideas and images in this introductory class.<br>**Tuesday, May 17** 2-3 p.m.

**Tech Tuesday - Joliet Public Library App**<br>(Adults) | ![BRB] | The Joliet Public Library mobile app is a simple and convenient way to connect with your library. Learn how to navigate it!<br>**Tuesday, June 14** 2-3 p.m.

**Tech Tuesday - Google Drive/ Documents**<br>(Adults) | ![BRB] | Learn how you can edit, create, store and share files online with Google Docs. Program includes documents, spreadsheets, presentations and more.<br>**Tuesday, July 12** 2-3 p.m.

**Tech Tuesday - Google Maps**<br>(Adults) | ![BRB] | Get set up and learn the basics of Google Maps with this class. Learn how to set up and explore various features within Google Maps.<br>**Tuesday, Aug. 9** 2-3 p.m.
Morning/Evening Book Discussion Groups

(Adults)
Share your love of reading with this lively book group! There is a morning and evening session each month and both meetings are hybrid. Join us for an in-person discussion, or email Christine to learn about joining the meeting via conference call: cmaleno@jolietlibrary.org. Books can be picked up at the Circulation Desk.

**May:** *The Book of Lost Friends* by Lisa Wingate
**June:** *A Walk in the Woods* by Bill Bryson
**July:** *The Splendid and the Vile* by Erik Larson
**August:** *The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek* by Kim Michele

**Morning:** Tuesdays, 10 a.m.
- May 17, June 21, July 19, Aug. 16

**Evening:** Wednesdays, 7 p.m.
- May 18, June 15, July 20, Aug. 17

Local Author Spotlight

Colleen H. Robbins has been writing since age nine, and had her first publication at age 12. She has published everything from poems and stories to essays and novels. She prefers to write science fiction, fantasy and horror and loves to bring in real science and mythological research when she can.

Robbins holds a degree in English Language and Literature from Lewis University (2003), attended the Iowa Summer Writing Workshop in 2003, the Odyssey Fantasy Writing Workshop in 2007, and TNEO in 2009 and 2013.

Her high fantasy *Daraga* series features stand-alone novels that include problems that modern teenagers face, set in a medieval world with magic, dragons and elves. The first three novels; *Daraga’s Quest*, *The Daraga’s Children*, and *Dark Protector* are currently available, with three more (*Ciara’s Island*, *Perek’s Prophecy* and *The Wizard’s Daughter*) coming soon. A short story collection *Stories of a Sheltered Suburbanite* is also available, with several more collections to follow.

Robbins enjoys the fellowship of the other writers in WriteOn Joliet, and the occasional challenges to write short stories on a theme (several of which have sold to anthologies). She lives in Joliet with her husband, and stays in regular contact with her six grandchildren.

Meet Your Local Authors
(Adults)
Drop in and meet local authors from WriteOn Joliet. Authors will share their writing experiences and readings from their works. Books will be available for sale and signings.

**Thursday, June 23, Aug. 25**
- 6-8 p.m.
Joliet History - Plain and Simple
(Adults)
Settle in for a virtual experience like no other as Local History Librarian Anneta Drilling shares information about the history of Joliet. All programs can be viewed on YouTube beginning on the given date and will each feature an independent topic.
**May 31:** Downtown Joliet: Changes through the Years (YouTube)
**June 30:** Joliet Hotels (YouTube)
**July 29:** Joliet Theaters (YouTube)
**Aug. 31:** Joliet Steel Mills and Iron Works (YouTube)

Your Guide to the 1950 Census
(Adults)
The census is the backbone of genealogical research. Here in the United States it gives us a cohesive look at our ancestors every 10 years between 1790 and 1940. The 1950 census is an exciting one because it may include your great-grandparents, grandparents, parents and perhaps even you! It will provide opportunities to confirm some of what we already know and clues for new research. This is a virtual presentation by Lisa Louise Cooke.
*Virtual*
Video available May 1-31

You Are Not Alone: Introductory class into NAMI
(Adults)
You Are Not Alone is a complimentary, introductory class into NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Will-Grundy’s educational programs and support groups to find out what services best suit you. If you have questions call 815-409-7917 or visit namiwillgrund.org.
**BRB** Wednesday, May 4
6:30-7:30 p.m.

Divorce 101
(Adults) **R**
Members from the Will County Twelfth Judicial Circuit Court will answer questions about the divorce process and the required legal documents.
**BRB** Wednesday, May 11
6:30-7:30 p.m.

Virtual
Wednesday, June 29
6:30-7:30 p.m.

**Program in a Bag:**
DIY Felt Watermelon Garland
(Adults)
Drop in and pick up the Quarterly Adult Program in a Bag! We will be featuring a DIY Felt Watermelon Garland, perfect for summer! One bag per patron, available in person at the Reference Desk while supplies last.
Starting July 1

Geocaching
Participate in the annual ATLAS Multi-Library Geocaching Competition!
Search for the hidden QR code at each of our branches and scan it with your phone to be entered for a chance to win a $25 gift card. More information at multilibrarygeocache.weebly.com
June 6 - August 6

**Comics Plus**
With Comics Plus, JPL cardholders have unlimited access to thousands of digital comics, graphic novels and manga. Every title is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, on your computer, tablet or phone - no holds or waitlists!
#ReadAllTheComics
Decoding the Mysteries of Cats
(Adults) R
Does your cat treat you like a giant mouse, bite your ankles, or wake you up in bed? Feline Behaviorist Stephen Quandt will explain cat behavior from the perspective of the evolutionary and adaptive forces that help shape their lives. This 60-minute presentation will conclude with a Q&A session.
Virtual
Thursday, May 12
6:30-7:30 p.m.

An Evening with Chef Kwame Onwuachi
(Adults) R
Chef Onwuachi will present on his exciting career in food, as chronicled in his bestselling memoir, Notes from a Young Black Chef. This event is made possible by Illinois Libraries Present, a statewide collaboration among public libraries offering high-quality events.
Virtual
Wednesday, June 22
7-8 p.m.

The Dogs of Chernobyl
(Adults) R
Stephen Quandt will tell the story of meeting the inhabitants of the mostly abandoned town of Chernobyl City, the city of Pripyat and the dogs that he encountered.
Virtual
Wednesday, June 22
6:30-7:30 p.m.

Thai Inspired Grilling with Chef Kristyn Slick
(Adults) R
Grilling doesn’t just have to be about burgers and hot dogs. Impress your friends and family this summer with some Thai-inspired grilling: kabobs and flatbread pizzas. The flavors are bright and vibrant just like the feel of summer!
Virtual
Thursday, July 7
6:30-8 p.m.

Storm Chasing 101
(Adults) R
Nick Bartholomew of Illinois Storm Chasers will dive deep into storm chasing, local climatology and the whys behind severe weather.
BRB
Wednesday, July 13
7-8 p.m.

Illinois Rock and Roll Museum
SNEAK PEAK
(Adults) R
While the museum won’t be opening its doors until sometime later this year, you can get a sneak peek during this one of a kind event. Come and see relics from Illinois rock legends, and you might even get a front row seat to some future Illinois rock stars.

Illinois Rock and Roll Museum
9 W Cass St., Joliet
Wednesday, July 20
6:30-7:30 p.m.

Farmer’s Market Homemade Ravioli
with Chef Kristyn Slick
(Adults) R
A sun-inspired class focused on fresh seasonal veggies combined with the art of homemade ravioli.
Virtual
Thursday, Aug. 4
6:30-8 p.m.

If Statues Could Talk
(Adults) R
Join Beth Sair as she takes us on a one-of-a-kind virtual tour of The Talking Statues of Chicago. We will hear some of the city’s finest statues and sculptures tell their own stories, as voiced by Chicago actors and co-produced by Chicago theaters.
Virtual
Wednesday, Aug. 10
6:30-7:30 p.m.

Registration required at jolietlibrary.org.
What is the Digital Media Studio?
The Ottawa Street Branch’s Digital Media Studio, located in the lower level of the library, is equipped with Macs and PCs and Adobe products for industry standard image, video and audio editing. Staff are available to assist with your projects!

Design business cards, brochures, flyers, posters; create and record music or podcasts; build websites; edit photos; create animations; and much more. Services are free to library card holders — just pay for what you print!

Please contact us to set up a free one-on-one appointment:
Phone: 815-846-3127
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Upcoming Classes

- **Drawing in Photoshop**
  - Tuesday, May 3
  - 10-11 a.m.

- **Intro to Illustrator**
  - Friday, May 13
  - 10-11 a.m.

- **3-D Modeling Class**
  - Thursday, July 21
  - 10-11 a.m.

- **Adobe Premiere Audio Editing**
  - Wednesday, Aug. 10
  - 10-11 a.m.

- **Flower Pastel Drawing Class**
  - Friday, May 13
  - 10-11 a.m.

- **Creating Music using Ableton**
  - Thursday, June 9
  - 10 a.m.-11 a.m.

- **Paint a Digital Portrait**
  - Wednesday, Aug. 31
  - 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
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