



Elk Grove Village Public Library

News, Events & Featured Programs

**COMIC CON
RETURNS!**

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4
@ 11 AM



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Library Hours

Mon–Thurs: 9 am–9 pm | Friday: 9 am–7 pm

Saturday: 9 am–5 pm | Sunday: 12–5 pm

Library Closed:

Sunday, August 31

Monday, September 1

Thursday, November 27

Friday, November 28 - We will be closing at 2 pm due to the Tree Lighting Ceremony.



From the Director's Desk

We loved having you at the Library this summer! Whether you were playing your favorite video games at the Arcade Age Exhibit, joining the Summer Reading Program, having a blast at the Play, Picnic & Party event, attending our many amazing programs, experiencing Storytime in the park, or just stopping by for a visit — we truly appreciated your presence and participation.

We have an exciting lineup planned for the fall! We are especially pleased to announce the return of Comic Con on October 4, 2025. It's been six years since the last time we hosted a Comic Con, and this year's will be well worth the wait.

Our talented team has put countless hours into planning this unforgettable event, and they're excited to wow you with special happenings throughout the day. Enjoy food trucks and meet-and-greets with a variety of characters. Have fun participating in crafts, classes, and activities for all ages. Explore Artist Alley — featuring authors, illustrators, and costume groups. Plus, we're hosting a craft and costume swap! It's an experience you won't want to miss. *For full details, turn to Page 9 of this newsletter.*

As we move into the fall season, there's always something new to explore here. Alongside our programs and events, we also keep our collection growing — with fresh books, movies, games, technology, and helpful resources for everyone in the community.

Stop by and check out our latest arrivals — waiting to be discovered by you.

Your Library Director,
Debra Nelson

P.S. Be on the lookout for us at the Hometown Parade on September 20th!

Registration Information

T Ticket is required for program.

R Register for Adult programs online at <https://egvpl.libnet.info/events> or scan QR code. Registration may also be done in person, or by phone at 847-439-0447 x271.

For online registration for Youth Services programs please visit <https://egvpl.libnet.info/events>

or scan QR code. Registration may also be done in person, or by phone at 847-439-0447 x267.

Registered programs are limited to EGVPL cardholders.

Non-cardholders may register 3 days before the event if space is available, unless otherwise noted.



\$ Register/pay in person at Library Registration/Information Desk for Adult programs. Register/pay in person at Youth Services Desk for Youth programs.

R = REGISTRATION REQUIRED PROGRAMS

Programs marked with the letter **R** require registration.

Registration begins **Friday, August 22 at 9am.**

For more information, including program descriptions, please visit the EGVPL website calendar at egvpl.org and click on "Events & Classes" or scan here:

Please note: program formats vary (in-person, virtual, or hybrid) and are subject to change

Hybrid – In-person and virtual



For monthly information, please register to receive our monthly newsletter at egvpl.org.

Featured Programs and Events

National Library Card Sign-Up Month

September 1–30

Want to win a fantastic Comic Con themed swag bag? Simply get or renew your library card at the Circulation Services desk, and you'll be automatically entered! We're picking one lucky winner on October 1, 2025.



Elk Grove Village Hometown Parade

The Enchanted Forest Parade: A Brothers Grimm Spectacle!

Saturday, September 20 at 2 pm

Welcome to the Enchanted Forest, a whimsical journey through the timeless tales of the Brothers Grimm! Prepare to be captivated by our dazzling float, enchanting characters, and musical delights that bring your favorite fairy tales to life. We hope to see you there!

Comic Con

See insert on pages 9-12

Saturday, October 4, 11 am-3 pm

COMIC CON RETURNS!



National Friends of the Library Week

Sunday, October 19 – Saturday, October 25

Join us in celebrating EGVPL's esteemed Friends of the Library. Throughout the week, the Friends will be hosting a raffle featuring a variety of baskets. Each basket will contain a selection of books, in addition to a gift card for a local establishment. Why not become a Friend today? Membership forms are located near the Circulation Desk.

Summer Reading Wrap-Up Party **R**

Disney Trivia with Valerie Gugala

Sunday, September 21, 2-4 pm

Do you think you know all there is to know about the Wonderful World of Disney? Grab your mouse ears and join us for an afternoon of tantalizing trivia about the Happiest Place on Earth! Refreshments will be served. Following trivia, we will announce the Adult Summer Reading prize winners. Wear your Libraryland T-shirt to be entered in a special prize drawing. *Open to ages 14 and older; participation in the reading program is not required.*



1960s Songs of the Silver Screen **R**

Thursday, September 4, 6:30-8 pm, In-person

Join film history buff John LeGear as he takes us through the movie music of the 1960s. We'll focus on award-winning films and outstanding performances popular during that decade, plus films that paid tribute to a difficult time in America.

Evolution of the Modern Zombie **R**

Thursday, September 25, 7-8 pm, In-person

Get ready for Comic-Con! Scott Kenemore, a presenter at both San Diego and Chicago Comic-Con's, will be delivering a ravenous zombies presentation. Don't miss out!



Meet Mae West **R**

Wednesday, October 1, 7-8 pm, In-person

Sponsored by the Friends of the Library
Join Martina Mathisen for a portrayal of Mae West's life and legacy in this captivating presentation.

ADULT Programs

BUS TRIP

Registration will open on Monday, September 8 at 9 am



Million Dollar Quartet Christmas

Thursday, November 6, 5:15-10 pm

Marriot Theater, Lincolnshire

The Boys are Back in a Rockin' Holiday Spectacular!

From the creators of MILLION DOLLAR QUARTET, your favorite Rock 'n' Roll legends return this Christmas for a brand-new holiday musical experience. Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis, Carl Perkins, and Elvis Presley come together again to celebrate the holidays at Sun Records studio, filled to the brim with Christmas cheer and enough musical talent to power a city grid. Jam-packed with the sounds of the season and the chart toppers that made the "Million Dollar Quartet" famous, the gang is up to their usual antics as we journey through stories of Christmas past, present, and future. Snack bag will be provided. Fee: \$69 Purchase your tickets at the Circulation Desk

Supported Chair Yoga

Tuesdays, September 23, October 14, & November 18,
11 am-12 pm, In-person

For men and women 55 and older

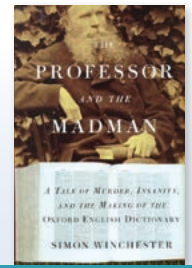
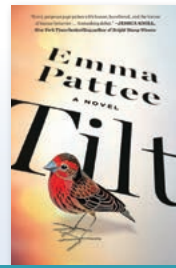
This class is designed for men and women who wish to bring movement into their lives to improve overall health. Join certified group exercise fitness expert, Susan Heaton for this class.



Pre-Comic Con Movie Event: *Back to the Future*

Thursday, October 2, 7-9 pm, All ages
Back to the Future: 40 Years of Time-Traveling Fun!

Join us in reliving the unforgettable journey of Marty McFly and Doc Brown, a timeless classic that continues to charm audiences of all ages. It's been 40 years, and it's still heavy! Refreshments will be served.



Morning Book Discussions

Tilt by Emma Pattee

Tuesday or Thursday, September 2, September 4, 10:30 am

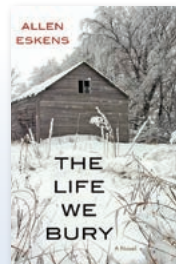
This Tender Land by William Kent Krueger

Tuesday, October 7, 10:30 am

The Professor and the Madman by Simon Winchester

Thursday or Thursday, November 4, November 6, 10:30 am

Please contact Chris at cmika@egvpl.org or 847-725-2160 for more information or to sign up.



Evening Book Discussions

The Life We Bury by Allen Eskens

Tuesday, September 16, 7:30 pm

The Woman Who Smashed Codes: A True Story of Love, Spies, and the Unlikely Heroine Who Outwitted America's Enemies by Jason Fagone

Tuesday, October 21, 7:30 pm

Winter Street by Elin Hilderbrand

Tuesday, November 18, 7:30 pm

Please contact Julie at jhadler@egvpl.org or 847-725-2160 for more information or to sign up..



Monday Matinee Movie @ 1 pm

Popcorn will be served

September 22 – *A Complete Unknown* • Rated: R

October 20 – *Strangers on a Train* • Rated: PG

November 17 – *The Unbreakable Boy* • Rated: PG



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Medicare 101 **R**

Monday, October 13, 6:30-8:30 pm, In-Person

David Wyly and Robin Dawson from Medicare Solutions Network will explain what Medicare covers, what it doesn't, and your potential out-of-pocket exposure. They will also discuss Supplements, Advantage Plans, Part D Prescription Coverage, and cost-saving strategies for the future.

Making the Most of Social Security **R**

Tuesday, October 21, 6:30-8:30 pm, In-Person

Stacy Bromann from The Dala Group will provide details on various filing strategies to maximize your lifetime Social Security benefits.



The Salem Witch Trials and the Power of Fear **R**

Thursday, October 23, 7-8 pm, In-person

Join Joyce Haworth as she lays out the true story of one of the strangest and most painful episodes in American history.

Coffee, Cake & Coloring **R**

Tuesday, October 28, 10:30-11:30 am, In-person

Join us for adult coloring while enjoying some treats.

Senior Housing 101 **R**

Wednesday, November 5, 7-8 pm, In-Person

Senior Housing 101 is a presentation focused on helping attendees understand the types of available senior housing.

Money Smart Meetup **R**

Monthly, 2nd Wednesdays (except for November 5), 7-8 pm, In-person

Get ideas and learn new techniques for spending less and saving more so that you can reach your financial goals. Drop in each month to chat about different money topics and resources to help you make the most of your money. See events calendar for detailed descriptions.



- September 10 – Be Ready! September is National Preparedness Month
- October 8 – Grocery Shopping Apps
- November 5 – No-Spend November & Meal Planning



Resume Help Drop-In **R**

Wednesdays, September 10, October 1, November 12, 2-4 pm

Need a hand completing job applications, writing your resume and cover letters, preparing for an interview, or finding networking opportunities? Drop in to work with an expert from the Goodwill Workforce Connection Center. Weather permitting; please register so we can notify you in case of cancellation.



The Voice That Rocked America **R**

Wednesday, November 20, 6:30-7:30 pm, In-Person

Discover Dick Biondi's groundbreaking influence on rock and roll radio with filmmaker Pamela Enzweiler-Pulice.

Holidays at the Movies **R** with Film Critic Patrick Bromley

Tuesday, December 9, 7-8:30 pm, In-Person

What's your favorite holiday movie? *Elf*? *It's a Wonderful Life*? *Die Hard*? Join us for a festive look at seasonal films with Film Critic Patrick Bromley, who you might know from the Critics' Classics film series at Elk Grove Cinema. Patrick will share his intriguing insights into the movies that make our holidays merry. Holiday cookies and refreshments will be served!



Navigating the Housing Market for Homebuyers **R**

Tuesday, October 14, 7-8:30 pm, In-Person

Join Ken Dillenkoffer from Wintrust Mortgage and Sarah Koroll from Fulton Grace Realty for an overview on how to navigate today's housing market. Learn about the steps involved in finding and purchasing your ideal home. Ken will provide financing details including prequalification and available grant programs for first-time homebuyers. Sarah will outline the steps to finding, negotiating, and closing on your home. This workshop will equip you with knowledge and confidence when preparing to buy in 2025 and beyond.

Technology Classes



Tuesday Tech Help

Tuesdays, from September 2 – November 18, 11 am-1 pm

Got a technology question? We're here to help! Bring your device and question. We will assist with preliminary troubleshooting, finding documentation, seeking answers to your questions, and (if we can't find an answer) guiding you to additional help.

Thursday Evening Tech Help

Thursdays, September 11 and 25, October 9 and 23, November 13, 6 pm-7:30 pm

Join us for an evening drop-in session where you can get one-on-one assistance with your technology-related questions. Perfect for those who need tech support after work hours!

Canva Design Basics ^R

Thursday, September 4, 6-7 pm

Unleash your creativity with Canva! This beginner-friendly program will introduce to the world of Canva and its user-friendly design tools.

Managing Passwords and Accounts ^R

Thursday, September 18, 6-7 pm

Secure your accounts, simplify your logins! This program teaches best practices for managing passwords, so you can stop struggling with resets and keep your information safe.

iPhone 101 ^R

Thursday, October 2, 6-7 pm

Level up your iPhone skills! This program dives into settings, shortcuts, and gestures that streamline your everyday experience. Learn to customize your iPhone for maximum efficiency and enjoyment!

Android 101 ^R

Thursday, October 16, 6-7 pm

Unlock your Android's full potential. Learn how to navigate settings, master gestures, and troubleshoot common issues. Make your Android work the way you want it to!

Get Started with Streaming ^R

Thursday, November 6, 1-2 pm

Discover the world of streaming! This program provides a simple guide to popular streaming platforms, how to get started, and tips for finding the best entertainment for you.

Back Up Your Phone to the Cloud ^R

Thursday, November 20, 1-2 pm

Never lose your precious photos and important files again! This program explores easy ways to back up your phone using cloud services, ensuring your data is safe and accessible from anywhere.

Meditation for Well-Being ^R

Meditation and Forgiveness: Healing the Heart

Tuesday, September 16, 7-8 pm, Virtual

Join Sara Gerliczki, a certified coach and 20-year meditator, to discover the life-changing power of meditation for peace and serenity.

Meditation Experience Peace, Calm, and Joy

Tuesday, October 21, 6:30-7:30 pm, Virtual

Join Doug Frankel, as he discusses this extraordinary tool to developing more peace within. There will even be a chance to practice this meditation.

Meditation for Balance and Inner Contentment

Thursday, November 13, 7-8 pm, Virtual

Learn a simple and natural method of meditation that will help enhance your life. Please join Arlene Samsel long for this powerful program.



Coming This Fall: Maker Space Pop-Up Programming!

The Maker Space will be offering pop-up programming throughout the fall. Dates and details will be announced soon and posted outside the space. Stay tuned!

For questions please contact Anahi Estrada, Digital & Maker Space Coordinator, at astrada@egvpl.org or 847-725-2198

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Craft Corner – Ages high school & up

Make and Take Crafts **R**

Please visit our online calendar at EGVPL.org to learn more. Registration required.

Soap Workshop 101 **\$**

Wednesday, September 10, 6-8 pm

Discover the art of soap-making in this hands-on workshop led by Soapy Roads of Lombard! All materials are provided. You'll receive two organic soap bases with a choice of color and scents, custom logo stickers, and gift-ready packaging. Share with someone special or keep as a treat for yourself!

A **\$15 non-refundable supply fee** is due at registration. In-person registration at Circulation Desk only. Registration for non-cardholders begin September 1, subject to space availability.



Nook-Sized Storage

Wednesday, October 8, 1-2:30 pm

Wednesday, October 15, 6-7:30 pm

Build a cute tabletop caddy using a mini wooden crate, then jazz it up with embellishments and paint. Perfect for keeping notepads handy or holding salt and pepper shakers on your table.

Fall Welcome Door Decor

Wednesday, November 12, 1-2:30 pm or 6-7:30 pm

Create a personalized rustic door hanger with burlap and bark sola wood flowers - ideal for adding a warm autumn touch to your home. Specify your preferred initial at registration.



Art Class **R**

Please visit our online calendar at EGVPL.org to learn more.



Watercolor Pencil Workshop

Wednesday, September 10, 1-3 pm

Wednesday, September 17, 6-8 pm

Take coloring to the next level and discover the fun of watercolor pencils. Learn easy blending techniques and work with a possible new medium.

See-Through Seasons: Fall Acrylic Art

Wednesday, October 8, 6-8 pm

Wednesday, October 15, 1-3 pm

Step beyond the traditional canvas by taking your painting skills to an acrylic blank. Learn about the challenges and possibilities when working with a new canvas.



Workshops with Living Green **R**

Led by our friends from Living Green in Elk Grove. *For high school and adults.*



Wooden Plank Scarecrow

Monday, October 6, 6-8 pm

Make a charming scarecrow decoration using a wooden plank, paint, and your imagination! This fun, fall-themed craft is perfect for adding a rustic touch to your porch or home décor. All materials provided—just bring your creativity! *Limit 2 per household.*

Sewing Basics 101 – Reversible Bread Bowl Liner

Monday, November 3, 6-8 pm

Learn the fundamentals of the library sewing machine in the first hour of class. Apply those basics to make a reversible basket liner for keeping all your baked goods warm and fresh on your table. *Space is limited to 16 participants, 2 per household.* Sewing machines will be provided for in-class use.

Moments to Remember **R**

For women ages 55 & older. Limited to 30.

Potato Chip Taste Test: Crunch, Guess, and Win!

Thursday, September 11, 11:30 am–1 pm



Thanksgiving Conversation Cards

Thursday, November 13, 11:30–1 pm

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High School Hub— open to high school students

Please visit our online calendar at EGVPL.org to learn more.

Teen Screens

In The Heights! **R**

Thursday, September 11, 4-6:30 pm

Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month with *In the Heights!* Enjoy this vibrant musical film about community, culture, and change in the Washington Heights community. Snacks will be provided!

Gretel & Hansel **R**

Thursday, October 30, 4-5:45 pm

Get creeped out with *Gretel & Hansel*, a darkly gothic twist on the classic tale that is perfect for spooky season. Come for the horror, stay for the snacks!

Polite Society **R**

Thursday, November 13, 4-6:30 pm

Join us for a teen movie hangout! We're showing *Polite Society*—a fun, action-packed comedy about sisterhood and martial arts. Snacks provided!



Pumpkin Painting **R**

Thursday, October 22, 4-5:30 pm

Celebrate fall with a cozy afternoon of pumpkin painting! No carving—just paints, glitter, apple cider, and creativity. Make your pumpkin spooky, silly, or stylish and take it home!

Make It Yours: Decorate Your Own Journal! **R**

Thursday, November 5, 4-5:30 pm

No school? Get creative! Design your own custom journal with washi tape, markers, stickers, and more. Make it totally you—perfect for writing, sketching, or goal-setting.

Snack Attack: Battle of The Chips! **R**

Thursday, September 4, 4-5 pm

Ready to crown the ultimate chip flavor? Join our blind taste test of 10 mystery chips from around the world, vote for your fave, then get crafty by drawing your dream chip flavor and chip bag!



Board Game Night **R**

Wednesday, September 17, 4-5 pm

Bring your game face to Board Game Night! Play classics and new favorites, enjoy snacks, and hang out with friends.

Draw Your Own Pokémon Cards! **R**

Tuesday, September 23, 2-4 pm

Unleash your creativity and design your own Pokémon cards! Use markers, stickers, and blank playing cards to create original characters or evolve your favorites. Supplies & snacks provided!

DIY Halloween Diorama **R**

Thursday, October 6, 4-5:30 pm

Get crafty for spooky season! Create your own haunted scene on a wooden board—ghosts, witches, vampires, and more. All supplies (and candy!) provided. Costumes welcome but not required!

Anime Club **R**

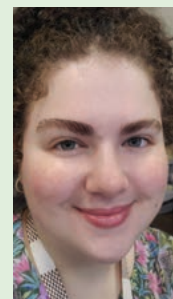
Wednesday, October 15, 4-5 pm

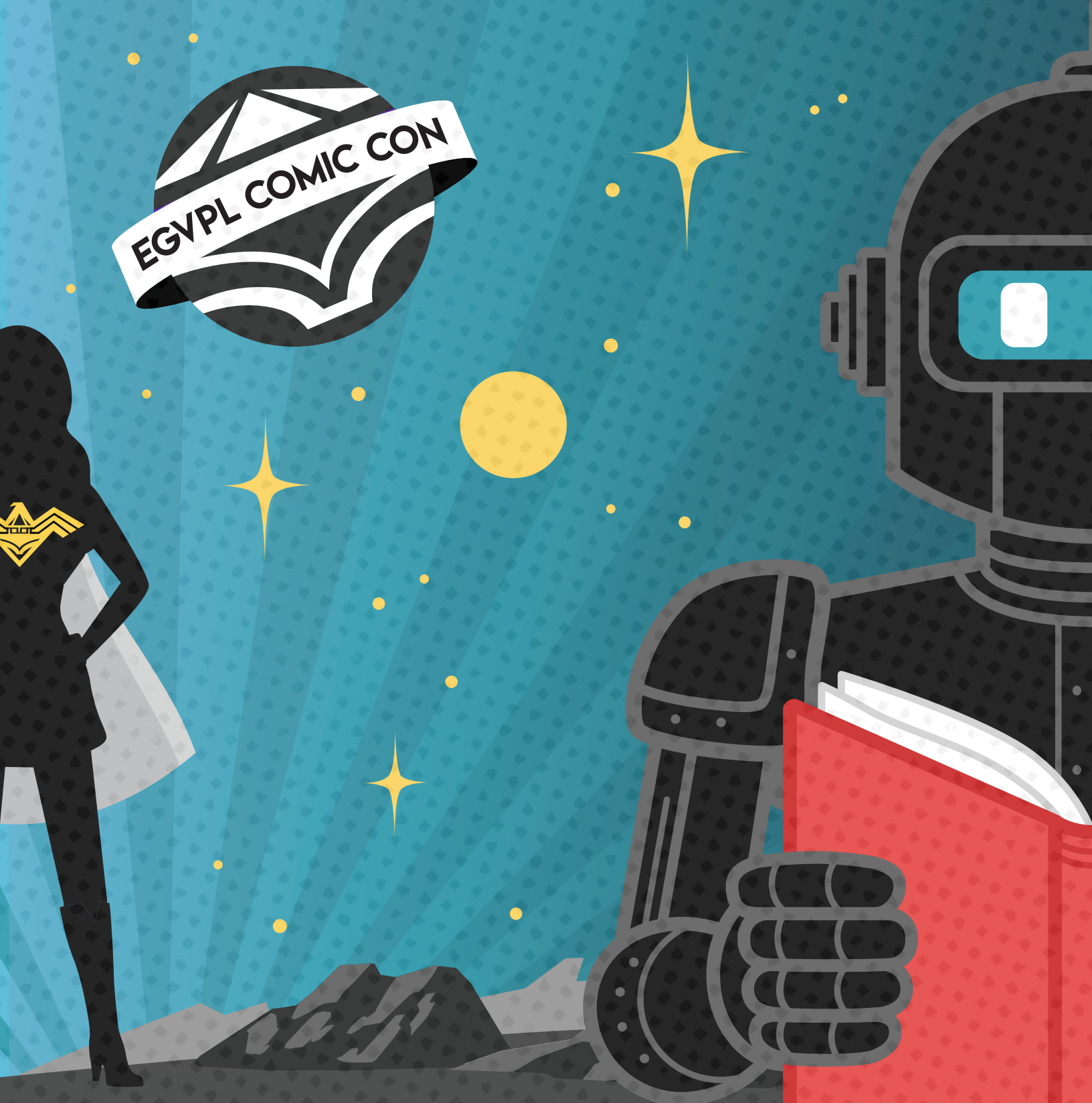
Love anime? Come hang out at Anime Club! Watch popular and classic shows, enjoy snacks, and relax with fellow high school fans—no pressure, just fun.

I'm Kyra, your new Teen Librarian!

I'm so excited to be joining the library and getting to work with the awesome teens in our community! I recently finished my MLIS at Dominican University, and before that, I worked in Adult Services—so I'm no stranger to library life! I've always loved YA books, creative programs, and finding ways to make the library a fun, welcoming space for everyone.

When I'm not at the library, I'm probably reading, playing cozy video games, or hanging out with my three cats and pet snake. My favorite food is blueberries, and I only recently started liking chicken (it's been a journey) so lately I've been exploring the world of chicken nuggets. I can't wait to meet you and hear what you want to see in your teen programming!





SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2025
11 AM - 3 PM | FREE | ALL AGES

ARTISTS • CAR SHOW • CONTESTS • COSTUMED CHARACTERS • CRAFTS
FACE PAINTING • GIVEAWAYS • MEET & GREETs • WORKSHOPS • MORE!



It's a bird, it's a plane, it's the epic return of Elk Grove Library Comic Con! Straighten your cape, lace up your boots, and join in on the action and adventure at this **FREE**, one-day celebration of all things comics and pop culture. Explore an exhibitor hall that's bursting with talent, snap photos with incredible costumed characters and iconic cars from film and TV, and dive into random fandom fun fit for all ages.

Kick-Off to Comic Con

Comic Cuffs and Clips ^R

Grades 2-8

Tuesday, September 23, 3 or 4 pm

Get ready for Comic Con with a beaded bracelet or backpack charm you create with classic comic characters.

Kids Korner

Evolution of the Modern Zombie ^R

Thursday, September 25, 7-8 pm

Comic Con count down begins with **Scott Kenemore**, a presenter at both San Diego and Chicago Comic-Cons, will be delivering a ravenous zombie's presentation. Don't miss out!

Lee Maternowski Room

Hidden Heroes and Villains Hunt

Children of all ages

Monday, September 29 – Friday, October 3, all day, everyday

Complete this mission to find both friend and foe during this scavenger hunt! Children may work independently or with the help of a parent/caregiver and can earn a prize.

Youth Services

Superhero Shields ^R

Grades K-3

Thursday, October 2, 4-4:45 pm

Join us for an action-packed creative adventure! Kids will become their own heroes—designing, crafting, and decorating their very own superhero shields.

Kids Korner

Movie Event: Back to the Future ^R

Thursday, October 2, 7-9 pm

Back to the Future: 40 Years of Time-Traveling Fun!

Join us in reliving the unforgettable journey of Marty McFly and Doc Brown, a timeless classic that continues to charm audiences of all ages. It's been **40 years**, and it's still heavy! Refreshments will be served.

Lee Maternowski Room



Comic Con Event Schedule 11 am-3 pm (*unless otherwise indicated)

Adult Comic Book Workshop ^T

High school and adults

*11 am-12 pm

Discover the art of storytelling through comics with **Do Art Productions!** This interactive workshop dives into facial expression, body language, and visual pacing—plus a few playful surprises to keep things lively. No experience needed, just bring your imagination!

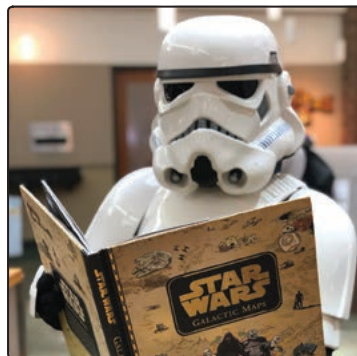
Quiet Study Room

Artist Alley & Exhibitor Hall

All ages

Stroll through Artist Alley and discover a treasure trove of creativity! Meet talented authors, comic book artists, and illustrators, and explore unique finds from small businesses and makers who bring different fandoms to life.

Lee Maternowski Room



Car Show

All ages

Get up close to some of the most iconic vehicles from film and TV at our "Star Car" Show! Snap photos with fan-favorite rides that look like they rolled right off the big screen. From time-traveling classics to cartoon cruisers, these scene-stealers are ready for their close-up!
Library parking lot



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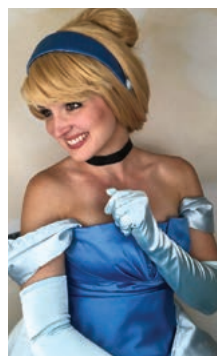
Cinderella Storytime T

Families with children of all ages

*11 am-12:30 pm

Celebrate Cinderella's 75th at our Comic Con and step into a fairy-tale moment at the EGVPL! Cinderella, from **Parties with Character**, will host a storytime followed by a meet and greet until 12:30 pm. Line may close before 12:15 pm to accommodate all patrons that wish to meet Cinderella. Costumes encouraged but not required.

Kids Korner



Color Your Own Superhero Puzzle

Children of all ages

Unleash your inner hero at Elk Grove Library Comic Con! Color your own superhero puzzle—fun for all ages! **While supplies last.**

Youth Services

Comic Con Kids Challenge

Children of all ages

Search our Seek and Find to find characters and clues, finish the challenge and win a prize!

Youth Services

Costumed Characters

All ages

Get ready for an epic lineup of costumed characters bringing your favorite fandoms to life! From superheroes and villains from a galaxy far, far away to historical and pop culture icons and paranormal eliminators, these special guests will be roaming the Library for meet-and-greets and photo ops that are sure to make your day unforgettable!

Adult Services

Costume Contest

All ages

Come dressed to impress and strike a pose in front of our photo op wall for a chance to win a prize! All ages and skill levels are welcome. More details coming soon!

Cafe Area

Craft and Cosplay Swap

All ages

Led by ambassadors from Fan Expo Chicago, this one-day-only swap is your chance to refresh your craft and cosplay stash for FREE! Costumes, props, wigs, accessories, fabrics, tools, notions, and more are all up for grabs. Come early, take what inspires you, and help make sure nothing gets left behind!

Adult Services

Despicable Me Minion Craft

Children of all ages

Create your own Minion at our Library Comic Con! Drop in to make a fun paper plate craft—perfect for all ages! **While supplies last.**

Youth Services



DIY Drawing Stations

Recommended for grades 2-8

Stop by our drawing stations located on tables throughout Youth Services and follow a step-by-step process to draw comic characters.

Youth Services

Drawing Booth

All ages

Stop by Do Art Productions' booth in our exhibitor hall and add your wacky masterpiece to a growing community art wall. Whether you're a kid, teen, or grown-up geek, everyone's welcome to leave their mark and earn a fun prize for participating.

Lee Maternowski Room



Face Painting & Airbrush Tattoos

All ages

Transform into a hero, a villain, or a brand-new alter ego! Whether you're adding the finishing touches to your costume or just trying on a new disguise, our face painting and airbrush tattoo stations are here to power up your cosplay. Capes and secret identities are optional, but cool designs are guaranteed.

Library parking lot



COMIC CON

Sponsored by the Friends of the Elk Grove Village Library

Jurassic Adventure: Dinosaur Meet & Greet

All ages

*2:30-4 pm

Step into a world where dinosaurs still roam!

Come face-to-face with a life-size velociraptor and an adorable baby dinosaur in a thrilling Jurassic adventure. This interactive experience is perfect for all ages and features fun dino facts through storytelling, show-and-tell with fossils and other artifacts, epic photo ops, and more. It's an adventure 65 million years in the making. Don't miss it!



Fandom Origami Craft

High school and adult

*11 am-1 pm

Fold your fandom into art! Drop by for this self-guided origami craft featuring designs inspired by your favorite fandoms—sci-fi, fantasy, superheroes, and more. *While supplies last.*

Makerspace

Fandom Pennant Craft

High school and adult

*11 am-1 pm

Show off your fandom pride! Stop by our self-guided craft table to make your own pennant inspired by your favorite fandoms—books, movies, games, and more. *While supplies last.*

Makerspace

Food Trucks

All ages

Need to refuel or power up during Elk Grove Library Comic Con? Grab a bite to eat at one of our onsite food trucks. A tented food area with tables and chairs will also be set up nearby.

Library parking lot

Giveaway & Swag Table

All ages

Snag some swag at our giveaway table! Choose from a variety of superhero-themed goodies and free comic books, courtesy of **Beyond Tomorrow Comics**. *While supplies last!*

Adult Services



Kids Comic Book Workshop

Grades K-8

*12:15-1:15 pm

Explore the art of visual storytelling with **Do Art Productions!**

Learn how expressions, poses, and speech bubbles bring comics to life in this hands-on, high-energy workshop—don't be surprised if dabbing pandas or juggling axolotls make an appearance.

Quiet Study Room

Perler Character Portraits

Grades 4-8

*2-3 pm

Create your favorite comic, anime, or video game characters using Perler beads at Comic Con! All supplies provided—just bring your creativity.

Kids Korner

Superhero Race Track & Obstacle Course

Ages 2-9

Calling all junior superheroes! Get ready to ride into action and race through an obstacle course on your very own ride-on vehicle, fit for a caped crusader, from **Party Wheelz Rentals**. Whether you're driving solo or with help from a parent via remote control, you'll feel like you're saving the day in style. Our trusty Party Hosts will be on hand to help keep the action running smoothly.

Library parking lot

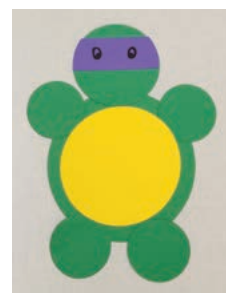


Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles Craft

Children of all ages

Cowabunga! Stop by the Elk Grove Library Comic Con to make your own paper Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtle. Fun, easy, and great for all ages! *While supplies last.*

Youth Services



"Thriller" Dance Class

High school and adult

*12:30-1:30 pm

Learn the iconic dance moves from Michael Jackson's "Thriller" in this high-energy class led by the **Movement Revolution Dance Crew**. Whether you're dancing for fun or dreaming of joining a flash mob, it's your time to come alive!

Village Green

Youth Programs are for ages birth-8th grade

For more information, including program descriptions, please visit the EGVPL website calendar at egvpl.org and click on "Events & Classes" or scan here:



Unless marked with symbols below, programs are Drop-In.

R = Programs marked with this symbol require registration. You may register online, by phone, or in-person (*unless noted otherwise). Programs requiring registration are limited to EGVPL cardholders.

T = Programs marked with this symbol are free, ticketed events. Due to limited capacity, tickets will be distributed in the Youth Services Department on a first-come, first-served basis 30 minutes before the program start time. We will give one ticket per person and all attendees must be present to receive a ticket.

Please note: Locations (Youth Services, Kids Korner, Conference Room, Large Meeting Room, South Lawn/Parking Lot Outdoor Area, Busse Woods, or other offsite venues) vary. Formats, days, times, and locations are subject to change. Please check our website calendar and e-newsletter for program additions and updates.

YOUTH PROGRAM REGISTRATION DATES

(*unless otherwise indicated)

September start dates: Registration begins Friday, August 22

October start dates: Registration begins Friday, September 19

November start dates: Registration begins Friday, October 24



Elk Grove Library Videos On Demand

Go to our Library's YouTube page for songs, stories, and more.

<https://www.youtube.com/user/elkgrovelibrary>

All Ages Family Fun and Special Events

Fun Factory Saturday

Children of all ages

Saturdays, September 6 – November 29, 9:30 am-4:30 pm

Drop by the library to make a simple craft on your own or with the help of a parent/caregiver (while supplies last).

Youth Services

Hispanic Heritage Month Seek and Find

Children of all ages/ Niños de todas edades

Monday, September 15 – Sunday, September 28, all day, everyday

Stop by the Youth Reference Desk and take part in a scavenger hunt to celebrate the richness of Hispanic culture. Children may work independently or with the help of a parent/caregiver to find all the items and win a small prize!

Pasa por el mostrador de Referencia

Juvenil y participa en una búsqueda para celebrar la riqueza de la cultura hispana.

Encuentre todos los objetos y gana un premio pequeño. Niños pueden participar de forma independiente o con la ayuda de un cuidador.

Youth Services

Lotería Night **R**

Families with children of all ages/

Familias con niños de todas edades

Monday, September 15, 6:30-7:30 pm

Join us for a fun-filled evening of Lotería to kick off Hispanic Heritage Month and win prizes!

¡Acompáñanos para una noche divertida de Lotería! Celebra el inicio del Mes de la Herencia Hispana con una noche llena de diversión, cultura y comunidad. Disfruta del tradicional juego de Lotería, comparte con otros y gana premios increíbles.

Kids Korner

Mud & More: Family Nature Play **R**

Families with children of all ages

Sunday, September 21, 2:30-4 pm

Meet us for an afternoon outside as we explore seed pods, paint with mud, concoct nature "recipes", hammer flower prints, and more! Weather permitting.



Comic Con Family Fun

Join us for this special event at the EGVPL! There will be a variety of registered, drop-in, and ticketed events available for our Youth Services patrons including:

Tuesday, September 23

- Comic Cuffs and Clips **R**

Monday, September 29-
Friday, October 3

- Hidden Heroes and Villains Hunt

Thursday, October 2

- Superhero Shields **R**

Saturday, October 4

- Comic Con Kids Challenge
- Cinderella Storytime
- Color Your Own Superhero Puzzle
- Despicable Me Minion Craft
- DIY Drawing Stations
- Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles Craft
- Perler Character Portraits **T**

See Comic Con programs on p. 9-12 for more details including times, ages, and registration information.

All Ages Family Fun and Special Events (continued)

Miss Jamie's Farm **T**

Families with children of all ages

Friday, September 26, 10:30 am

Join us for a high energy music show featuring interactive musical play with farm animal puppets. Kids can sing along, dance, and learn about farm animals and farms foods at this barnyard bash!

Large Meeting Room

NEW! Family LEGO Builders **R**

Families with children of all ages

Thursday, October 9, 6:30-7:15 pm

Join us for some brick-tastic family fun! Come as a family to build and complete a challenge during this new LEGO program. Kids Korner

Little Lunas **T**

Families with children of all ages

Saturday, October 11, 11 am

Kick off your weekend with a musical performance by Little Lunas! The Cervantes sisters merge their love of music and education to bring you Little Lunas, an interactive and bilingual concert for young audiences.

Large Meeting Room

Community Altar/Envíos para el altar comunitario

Families with children of all ages/Familias con niños de todas edades

Thursday, October 23-Sunday, November 2

In honor of Día de los Muertos, we invite you to contribute to our Community Altar. Submit a photo that represents a late loved one to jpachceo@egvpl.org from Wednesday, October 1-Monday, October 20. Your photo will be included in our shared space of remembrance and celebration.

En honor al Día de los Muertos, te invitamos a contribuir a nuestro Altar Comunitario. Envía una foto digital por correo electrónico que represente a un ser querido a jpacheco@egvpl.org a partir del 1 de octubre y antes del 20 de octubre. Su foto será incluida en exhibición compartido de recuerdo y celebración durante el 23 de octubre a el 2 de noviembre.

Youth Services

Night of Remembrance/ Noche de Recuerdo

Families with children of all ages/

Familias con niños de todas edades

Join us for an evening to honor those on our altar, featuring performances by the EGHS Raíces and Folkloric Dance Team. Check our online calendar for date and more details!

*Acompáñanos en una noche de celebración para honrar a quienes están en nuestro altar, con presentaciones especiales del grupo Raíces de EGHS y el equipo de baile Folklórico de EGHS. *Próximamente compartiremos la fecha y más detalles**

Day of the Dead / Día de los Muertos

Children of all ages/ Niños de todas edades

Saturday, November 1, 11 am-3 pm

Celebrate Día de Los Muertos with a creative twist! Stop by to enjoy the beautiful visuals from the movie "Coco" and decorate a colorful skull mask.

¡Celebra el Día de los Muertos con un toque creativo! Pasa por Servicios Juveniles para disfrutar de las hermosas imágenes de la película "Coco" y decorar una máscara de calavera.

Youth Services

Fall Book Bingo! **R**

Ages 4-7

Wednesday, November 19, 6:30 pm

Fall favorites will be featured in this book themed bingo game. Play along and win a prize!

Kids Korner

Family Reading Night: Top Secret **R**

Recommended for children ages 3-8 with their families

Thursday, November 20, 6:30-7:15 pm

Help us solve a mystery and practice your spy skills during an evening of top-secret family fun.

Kids Korner

Kerfuffle Theatre **T**

Monday, November 24, 11 am

Recommended for children ages 2-6 with their families

Where should we go? Who shall we visit? The conductors are on a search for

School Days Off

Mario Kart Tournament **R**

Grades K-8

Thursday, October 9, 1:30-3 pm

Race to the library to join our Mario Kart Tournament. Play and get your high score in the standings. Prizes will be awarded for winners from grades K-2, 3-5, and 6-8. Snacks and drinks will be provided.

Large Meeting Room

SpongeBob Bingo Bash **R**

Grades K-8

Friday, October 10, 3 pm

Are you ready, kids? Aye-aye, Captain! Join us to dive into Bikini Bottom Bingo fun featuring SpongeBob and friends, have a snack, watch some classic SpongeBob scenes...and win prizes. Don't miss this splashin' good time!

Kids Korner

Smarty Pants **T**

Grades K-8

Monday, October 13, 1:30 pm

Inspired by the magic held within the 793.8 books, the Magical World of Balloons combines the timeless appeal of magic with Smarty's trademark giant balloon props and all-ages comedy. It's a show that will have your kids saying, "How Did Smarty Do all those Amazing Things!?"

Large Meeting Room

treasure in this play specifically designed for very young children. Featuring live music and playful audience participation, The Conductors is a silly, joyful, and engaging first theatre experience for children ages 2-6 and their families.

Large Meeting Room

Fall Craft **R**

Children of all ages (Grade 1 and younger must be accompanied by parent/caregiver)

Monday, November 24, 6:30 pm

Kids can join crafter Krystyna Jaroć to create a festive fall craft in celebration of the Thanksgiving season. This craft session is limited to registered participants.

Kids Korner

All Ages Family Fun and Special Events *(continued)*

Halloween Happenings

Halloween Scavenger Hunt

Families and children of all ages

Wednesday, October 22-

Friday, October 31, all day, everyday

Participate in a Halloween challenge when you visit Youth Services! Children may work independently or with the help of a parent/caregiver and can earn a prize.

Kids Korner

It's the Monster Mash! R

Recommended ages 2-7 with caregiver

Wednesday, October 22, 6:30 pm

Dress in your favorite costume and enjoy silly (not scary) monster stories and songs, followed up with a monster craft and treat!

Kids Korner

Tricks and Treats R

Grade 3-5 without parent

Monday, October 27, 4:15-5 pm

Bring out your inner chef and make some tasty treats! Miss AI will help you to make a spooktacular goody to take home and enjoy.

Kids Korner

Mi Amigo Hamlet with Alina Celeste T

Families with children of all ages

Tuesday, November 25, 11 am

Parents' Choice Award Winners, Alina Celeste and Mi Amigo Hamlet, celebrate bilingualism and Latin American Culture in this one-of-a-kind, interactive concert. Come ready to sing, dance and play in a joyful, unique blend of cultures, sounds and languages.

Large Meeting Room



Troublesome Trolls: In the Hall of the Mountain King R

Recommended for families with children ages 3-8

Tuesday, October 28, 6:30-7:15 pm

Listen to the musical story of Peer Gynt as he escapes from the Troll King and then stay for more troll-themed fun.

Kids Korner

Trick or Treating... at the EGVPL!

Children of all ages

Friday, October 31, all day

All departments welcome you to trick or treat at their public desks on Halloween!

All library service desks

Halloween Celebration T

Families with children of all ages

Friday, October 31, 10 or 11 am

Come see Todd Downing in a spooky-cute concert & puppet show, Halloween Tall Tales and Silly Songs! After the show, march along in our playful parade through the library! Halloween costumes encouraged but not required.

Large Meeting Room



Winter Whimsy Family Photo R

Families with children of all ages

Wednesday, November 26, 10-11 am

Saturday, December 6, 10-11:30 am and 2:30-4 pm

Thursday, December 11, 6:30-7:30 pm

Gather your family and visit the library for a fun, seasonal photo! When you register, select a 10-minute time slot for your session. Upon arrival, you can choose from a variety of festive backgrounds, and your photos will be emailed to you after the session.

Kids Korner

Toy Swap

Save the date for our upcoming Toy Swap on December 13! We will begin accepting gently used toys on December 1st.

Odd Socks Day

Monday, November 10, all day

Celebrated in England, Wales, and Northern Ireland, Odd Socks Day kicks off a week of anti-bullying awareness. Odd Socks Day is a fun and lighthearted event that encourages people to embrace individuality and celebrate differences.

On this day, you are encouraged to wear mismatched socks as a symbol of uniqueness and to promote acceptance of diversity. Join your Youth Library staff and show off your Odd Socks!

Sock Drive

Friday, October 10-Monday, November 10

Jr. TAG will be collecting new, unused pairs of socks to donate to local organizations. Socks may be dropped off in the marked box in the lobby.

Sock Scavenger Hunt

Children of all ages

Wednesday, November 5-Monday, November 17, all day, everyday

Mismatched socks are all around Youth Services, can you find a match? Children may work independently or with the help of a parent/caregiver and can earn a prize.

Youth Services

Sock It to Me! R

Recommended for ages 3-10 with caregiver

Wednesday, November 5, 6:30 pm

We'll focus on uniqueness and acceptance during this event that will be filled with stories, activities, and games inspired by Odd Socks Day!

Kids Korner

Pajamas & Picture Book Movies R

Recommended for families with children ages 3-8

Friday, November 28, 10 am

Relax after Thanksgiving to join us for a storytime, watch picture book movies with a morning snack, and make a craft. After the program, you can pick up a specially wrapped mystery picture book to check out, take home, and read. Pajamas encouraged but not required.

Kids Korner

Early Childhood

Baby Tales

Drop-In Class

Recommended for ages 0-24 months with caregiver

Mondays, September 8-November 17, 9:30 or 10:30 am

Bond with your little one and meet new friends at a lap-sit storytime full of bounces, tickles, songs, and giggles. Each week we will move to music, learn new rhymes, listen to short stories, and end with time for free-play. This drop-in storytime is recommended for babies up to 24 months, but older siblings are welcome to join!

No class September 29

Kids Korner

Mini Mad Science

Drop-In Class

Recommended for ages 3-6 with caregiver

Tuesdays, September 9-November 18, 10 am or 1:30 pm

This STEM interactive class includes stories, crafts, games, and simple science activities to promote reading and encourage a child's natural curiosity.

No class September 23

Kids Korner



Alphabet Soup

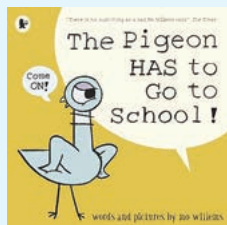
Drop-In Class

Recommended for ages 2-4 with caregiver

Wednesdays, September 10-November 19, 9:30 or 10:30 am

Attention little learners! Grab your grown-up and get moving in an interactive storytime filled with music and play. Each week we will practice early literacy skills using stories, songs, and a project. This drop-in storytime is recommended for 2, 3, and 4 year-olds, but siblings are also welcome!

Kids Korner



Storybook Friends Go Back to School ^R

Recommended for children ages 2-7 with caregiver

Wednesday, September 10, 6:30-7:15 pm

Join us for a fun-filled Storytime where beloved storybook characters gear up for a new school year! Hear a delightful story, create themed crafts, and enjoy a snack as we celebrate the excitement of going back to school.

Kids Korner

Messy Play ^R

Ages 2-5 with caregiver

Fridays, September 12, October 3, 10, and 24, November 7 and 21, 10-10:45 am

Come to the library for hands-on experiences that may include some mess and will always include fun! Every class contains play stations that encourage sensory exploration, creative process art, dramatic play, and motor development.

Kids Korner

Each date requires a separate registration

Fall on the Farm ^R

Recommended for children ages 2-7 with caregiver

Wednesday, September 24, 6:30-7:15 pm

Experience the sights and sounds of fall on the farm! We'll have farm-themed story, create farm fun crafts, and enjoy a snack together.

Kids Korner

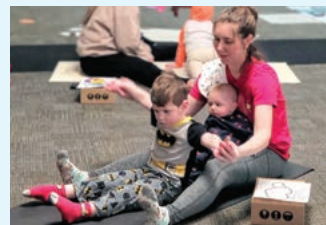
Superhero Storytime ^R

Recommended for children ages 2-7 with caregiver

Wednesday, October 8, 6:30-7:15 pm

Calling all caped crusaders! Join us for an action-packed superhero story, unleash creativity with a craft, and refuel with a fun themed snack.

Kids Korner



Family Storytime Yoga ^R

Recommended for ages 3-5 with caregiver

Friday, October 17, 10-10:30 am

Join this storytime with Lindsey Frank, children's yoga teacher, and bring the magic of books and social skills alive with laughter and movement together with your child.

Large Meeting Room

Drop-In Bilingual Programs

Kids Korner

Polish Storytime

Children of all ages with caregiver/ Dzieci w każdym wieku z opiekunem

Thursdays, September 11-November 20, 10-10:30 am

Join us for a Polish-English storytime that includes stories, rhymes, and crafts. You do not need to speak Polish to attend.

Zapraszamy wszystkich na dwujęzyczny program. Będą to zajęcia artystyczne, opowiadanie bajek i śpiewanie piosenek. Wszyscy są mile widziani. Nie ma rejestracji.

Ukrainian Storytime

Children of all ages with caregiver

Thursday, September 11, 6:30-7 pm

Join us for a Bilingual Ukrainian-English storytime with songs, games, and crafts.

Доеднуйтеся до нашого двомовного україно-англійського часу історій, з піснями, іграми, та поділками.

Spanish Storytime/ Tiempo de Cuento

Recommended for ages 4-8 with caregiver/ Recomendado para niños de 2 a 7 años acompañados por un adulto

Saturdays, September 20, October 18, November 1 and 15, 10:30-11 am

Come explore a new theme every month with books, art, and interactive activities! All language abilities are welcome!

¡Vengan a explorar un nuevo tema cada mes con libros, arte, y actividades interactivas! Todos los niveles de dominio del idioma son bienvenidos.

See additional programming under All Ages Family Fun and Special Events.

Elementary School

Paint a Pencil Holder **R**

Grades 2-6

Wednesday, September 3, 3:30-4:30 pm

Use your creativity and paint a ceramic pencil holder in this workshop.

Kids Korner

Embroidery Classes **R**

Embroidery can be sew much fun!

Embroidery Kids

Grades 3-6

Thursday, September 4, 4-5 pm

Let's get started on a project together that you can add to at home.

Kids Korner

Embroidery Fun

Grades K-2

Friday, October 17, 4:30-5:30 pm

In this introductory class, we will learn about embroidery supplies and tools, work on fine motor skills, and create a fun design.

Kids Korner



C.S.I. **R**

Grades K-4

Let's investigate STEM! This class combines a little bit of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math. There will be learning, hands-on activities, and lots of fun for inquisitive minds!

Session 1

Tuesdays, September 9 – October 7,
4:15 PM - 4:45 pm or

Thursdays, September 11 - October 9,
4:15 – 4:45 pm

No classes September 23 and October 2

Session 2

Tuesdays, October 14 – November 18,
4:15 PM - 4:45 pm or

Thursdays, October 16 – November 20,
4:15 – 4:45 pm

No classes October 28 and 30

Kids Korner

Each session requires separate registration

Minecraft Club **R**

Grades 2-5

Choose from one September session:

(A) Friday, September 12, 5-6:30 pm or
(B) Saturday, September 13, 12-1:30 pm

Choose from one October session:

(A) Friday, October 10, 5-6:30 pm or
(B) Saturday, October 11, 12-1:30 pm

Choose from one November session:

(A) Friday, November 14, 5-6:30 pm or
(B) Saturday, November 15, 12-1:30 pm

Play and create with friends during our new Minecraft Club. Participants can work together on our server, imagining, building, and creating. Help is provided during this program if you are new to Minecraft. *Please register for only one date per month. Patrons that register for both dates within the month will have registration canceled and must then re-register, if space is available.*

Check-in at the Youth Services

Reference Desk

Each month requires a separate registration

Chess Instruction with Chess Scholars **R**

Grades K-8 without caregiver

Sundays, September 14 and October 12,
2-3 pm

Fridays, September 26 and October 24,
4:30-5:30 pm

Join us for classes with Chess Scholars! Please read the class descriptions and register for the most appropriate level. Email edolce@egypl.org with any questions.

Chess for Beginners

No previous chess knowledge is necessary. Each session will consist of a fun interactive teaching period and guided practice time.

Chess for Advanced Players

A basic knowledge of piece movements is recommended. Students will learn about controlling the center, taking the initiative, and attacking in combination.

Kids Korner

Each date requires a separate registration

Cartooning with Mark Anderson **R**

Grades K-8

Wednesdays, 3:30-4:30 pm

Draw along with cartoonist Mark Anderson and have fun during these creative workshops.



Color Me Excited

September 10



Legend of the Lost Toon

October 8



Amazing New Animals

November 12

Kids Korner

Each date requires a separate registration

Uke Jam **R**

Grades 3-6

Tuesdays, September 16, October 14,
and November 11, 6:30-7 pm

Hang out and learn a song on the ukulele. All experience levels are welcome!

Ukuleles are provided by the library.

Kids Korner

Each date requires a separate registration

Kids on the Board **R**

Grades 2-5

Wednesdays, September 17 and
October 15, 3:30-4:15 pm

Sign up with a friend or meet a new one here when you play at our board game group, Kids on the Board.

Kids Korner

Each date requires a separate registration.

Elementary School *(continued)*

Read to the Dog **R**

Grades 2-8

Thursdays, September 18, October 2, 16, and 30, and November 13
6:30, 6:45, 7, or 7:15 pm

Children will have the opportunity to read in a positive, non-threatening environment that encourages the love of reading by partnering with a willing, attentive, and non-judgmental therapy dog. Reading sessions are 15 minutes per reader. Parents/caregivers are not allowed in the room. See the online calendar for more information. Space is limited; participants may only sign up for 2 time sessions during dates offered.

Kids Korner

Registration for all dates begins Friday, August 22, 9 am.

Comic Cuffs and Clips **R**

Grades 2-6

Tuesday, September 23, 3 or 4 pm

See Comic Con programs on p. 10 for more details.

Kids Korner

Canvas Kids **R**

Grades 3-5

Mondays 4:15-5 pm

Join us for a two-session art class where kids can create a themed craft. Bring your imagination and come ready to create and have fun! *We kindly ask that you only register if you can attend both classes of the session to ensure a great experience for everyone.*

Sketch-tember

Mondays, September 22 and 29

We'll use a mix of materials to create a cool, themed craft over two sessions.

Harvest Hues

Mondays, October 13 and 20

We'll celebrate the season when we use fall colors and fun materials to create a cozy, themed craft over two sessions.

Grateful Gatherings

Mondays, November 10 and 17

Embrace the spirit of November with autumn textures and colors to create a warm, seasonal craft.

Kids Korner

Each month requires a separate registration

Book Bites **R**

Grades 4-5

Wednesdays, 3-5 pm

Get a taste for appetizing books with this book club. Pizza, snacks, and drinks are provided. Each month's book will be available at the Youth Reference Desk, for registered participants, to pick up and check out.

September 24

Front Desk

by Kelly Yang

October 22

Ghost Squad

by Claribel A. Ortega

November 19

Greenglass House

by Kate Milford

Kids Korner

Each date requires a separate registration

Heroes of Hesiod **R**

Grades 2-4

Wednesday, October 1, 4:15-5 pm

Heroes of Hesiod offers a taste of *Dungeons & Dragons*® in one fast-paced, action-packed game for kids who want to learn the fundamentals of this popular role-playing series.

Kids Korner

Superhero Shields **R**

Grades K-3

Thursday, October 2, 4-4:45 pm

See Comic Con programs on p. 10 for more details.

Kids Korner



Battle of the Books **R**

Grades 4-5

To participate in this classic competition, create a team of two (2) members and register on our website from **October 9-November 16**. Attend the Mandatory Participant and Parent Meeting on **Monday, November 17, 6 or 7 pm**. Read 20 books listed for JBOB 2026 with your team. Then, in January and February 2026, attend four (4) Battles with your team to earn points.

For more information

contact twulf@egvpl.org or go to:

<https://www.egvpl.org/battle-of-the-books>
Large Meeting Room



Paper Tile Mosaic **R**

Grades 2-6

Thursday, November 6, 6:30-7:30 pm

Owl you ready? Swoop into the mosaic world and piece together an owl mosaic masterpiece!

Kids Korner

LEGO Club **R**

Grades K-4

Friday, November 21, 4:15-5 pm

Design, create, build, and have fun! We will start with a challenge to warm up our brains, then move onto free build and flex our creativity. All supplies included.

Kids Korner

Woven Potholders and Napkin Rings **R**

Grades 3-8

Tuesday, November 25, 1:30-3 pm

Use a loom to weave a colorful potholder to take home to use and create seasonal napkin rings to decorate your table.

Kids Korner

See additional programming under All Ages Family Fun and Special Events.

See also under Early Childhood: Mini Mad Science, Storybook Friends Go Back to School, Polish Storytime, Spanish Storytime/Tiempo de Cuento, Fall on the Farm, Ukrainian Storytime, Superhero Storytime.

See also under Middle School: Middle Grade Book Club, Board Game Squad, Gaming Group, Workshop Wednesdays, Level Up & Roll, Halloween Poetry Creation Station, HeroQuest One-Shot, Dungeons & Dragons: from Zero to Hero, and Cupcake Challenge.

Middle School (Grades 6-8)

Junior Teen Advisory Group (Jr. TAG)

Grades 6-8

Wednesdays: September 3, October 1, and November 5, 3 pm

Jr. TAG membership is a volunteer opportunity for students in grades 6-8 to engage in community service, take part in library projects, and participate teambuilding activities for the 2025-2026 year. Participants do not need to be EGVPL cardholders but must apply for group membership.



Middle Grade Book Club

Grades 5-8

Mondays, 6:30-7:30 pm

Discuss books, movies, and everything in between! Pizza, snacks, and drinks are provided. Each month's book will be available at the Youth Reference Desk, for registered participants, to pick up and check out.

September 8

The Liars Society
by Alyson Gerber

October 6

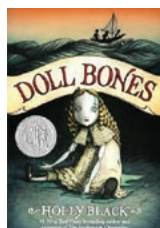
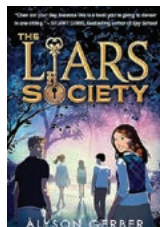
Doll Bones by Holly Black

November 17

Winterhouse
by Ben Guterson

Kids Korner

Each date requires a separate registration



Board Game Squad

Grades 5-8

Wednesdays, September 17, October 15, November 12, 6-7:30 pm

Join us to play board games, sharpen strategic thinking skills, make new friends, and have a blast!

Kids Korner

Each date requires a separate registration

Gaming Group

Grades 5-8 (or instructor consent)

Fridays, September 19, October 17, and November 21, 5-6:30 pm

This program will offer modded Minecraft and Roblox play for experienced gamers. We'll use Feed the Beast to learn new skills and enhance your Minecraft play. Use of Roblox requires an existing account.

Conference Room

Each date requires a separate registration.

Workshop Wednesdays

Grades 5-8

Wednesdays, 3-5 pm

Stop by and create in our YA area.

Collectible Covers

September 24

Turn the cover of your favorite book into a pin to add to your backpack.

Baseball Bracelets

October 22

Support your favorite team with beaded baseball bracelets.

Paint by Sticker

November 19

Re-create a classic painting...with stickers!

Level Up & Roll

Grades 5-8

Saturdays, September 27, and November 8, 1-4:30 pm

Whether you're a beginner player or a seasoned adventurer, join us to embark on epic quests. Each session is open to all skill levels, but players must have some experience. Advanced players can try their hand being a Dungeon Master, facilitated by staff. Dice and snacks provided.

Kids Korner

Each date requires a separate registration

Halloween Poetry Creation Station

Grades 5-8

Monday, October 13 – Wednesday, October 29, all day, everyday

Stop by our Creation Station to create some "Spine" Tingling Poetry. Pick out some spooky titles, add some haunted words,

and conjure up a Halloween inspired verse. Drop off your concoction at the Youth Services Desk for your chance to win a raffle prize!

Youth Services

HeroQuest One-Shot

Grades 5-8

Saturday, October 25, 1-4:30 pm

Venture into a perilous dungeon, battle monstrous creatures, overcome traps, and retrieve valuable artifacts! Test your skills and courage to complete a challenging quest during this One-shot program. Pizza and snacks will be served.

Kids Korner

Dungeons & Dragons: From Zero to Hero

Grades 5-8

Wednesday, November 5, 4:30-6 pm

Interested in the world of D&D? Not sure what it's all about and want to learn more? Join us for this workshop where you'll learn about the game, how to create characters, and more. Pizza and snacks will be served.

Kids Korner

Cupcake Challenge

Grades 5-8

Wednesday, December 3, 3-4:15 pm

Grab a friend and create a team of two to design uniquely themed cupcakes for a chance to win prizes! Dress in clothing or accessories to show off your



holiday spirit. Note: Each team member needs to register by phone (847-439-0447 x 267), or in person at the Youth Services Desk. Registration will take place

Wednesday, October 1- Friday, November 21.

All supplies provided.

Large Meeting Room

See additional programming under All Ages Family Fun and Special Events.

See also under Elementary School: Star Savers Coin Bank, Embroidery Kids, Chess Scholars, Cartooning with Mark Anderson, Uke Jam, Read to the Dog, Comic Cuffs and Clips, Paper Tile Mosaic, Woven Potholders and Napkin Rings.

Homebound Delivery

Are you homebound and unable to come to the Library? Let us bring the Library to you! The Library provides free delivery of



library materials to Elk Grove Village residents and registered cardholders who are physically unable to come to the Library due to disability or illness. Please call Chris at 847-725-2160 to request homebound delivery.



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WINGS Winter Coat Drive

September 2 – September 30

EGVPL is teaming up with WINGS to help those in need this winter season. WINGS is looking for new or very gently used coats, hats, gloves, and scarves in all sizes for men, women, and children. The collection bin will be located in the Library's lobby. For more information on WINGS go to wingsprogram.com. We thank you for your support!



Friends of the Library

We welcome Autumn with a flurry of activities.

In September, take advantage of our **25-cent blow-out book sale**.

October features Halloween activities with a mystery theme, and our presence at **Comic Con on October 4**, showcasing Marvel books.

Celebrate **National Friends of the Library** week from **October 19-24** with our 2nd annual basket raffle, offering new themed baskets daily.

November provides a selection of gift-worthy books for all ages at reasonable prices. Your support and donations make all of this possible.

We are incredibly grateful for all of your support!



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Note: The Library reserves the right to limit program attendance to EGV residents.

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