Get a Library Card
City of Joliet residents may apply for a library card at the Circulation desk. You must present a current government issue photo ID that verifies your name and current address, or a general photo ID and proof of residency. Non-residents can apply for library cards and will be charged an annual fee based on their tax bill or yearly rent. Children may apply for their own library card with parental consent. Cards for children 0-17 are free.

Registration
Some library programs require registration. Register by phone, online or in person.

BY PHONE 815-740-2660
ONLINE jolietpubliclibrary.libnet.info/events
IN PERSON Visit the library for assistance.

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.

ADA Compliance
Any person needing an accommodation for a disability 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.

Parking
Free parking is available at both locations. The OSB 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.
Children’s Programs

Wiggle Worms
(18-months-4 years with adult) [N]
Meet new friends in our music and play program! We will be shaking our wiggles out to songs and bubbles.

- Tuesdays, Sept. 3-Dec. 17
  10:30-11:15 a.m.

Robot Adventures
(Grades 4-6) [R]
Code our robots for special missions and games.

- Tuesday, Sept. 3, Oct. 1, Nov. 5, Dec. 3
  4:30-6 p.m.

Lego™ Club
(Ages 5+ with adult) [N]
The library will supply Lego™ bricks for free play and the occasional challenge!

- Wednesday, Sept. 4, Oct. 2, Nov. 6, Dec. 4
  4:30-5:30 p.m.

Preschool Game Day
(Ages 3-5) [R]
Looking for fun? Stop by the library to play indoor learning games with friends.

- Tuesday, Sept. 10
  10:30-11:30 a.m.

WORMS!
(Kids of all ages with adult) [R]
Learn about Rory, the Worm Who Saved the Earth! and all things WORMS with the Will County Land Use Department. Each family will make a compost worm bin to take home.

- Thursday, Sept. 12
  4-5 p.m.

Stay and Play
(Ages 0-3 with adult) [N]
Enjoy a little library playdate. Pop in and let the kids play while you catch up on adult conversation and make your own friends.

- BRB
  Friday, Sept. 13, Oct. 11, Nov. 8, Dec. 13
  10:30-11:30 a.m.

- OSB
  Monday, Sept. 16, Oct. 21, Nov. 18, Dec. 16
  3:30-5:30 p.m.

Learn All About It
(Ages 5-12) [R]
An hour of education stations to learn about different topics.

- BRB
  Tuesday, Sept. 17: Math Games
  Oct. 15: Animals
  Nov. 19: Geography
  1-2 p.m. or 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Pokémon Meetup
(Grades 3-8) [R]
Calling all Pokémon fans! Bring your cards to play, battle in our Pokémon Go gyms, or just hang out and discuss your favorite characters. We will have Pokémon activities and a craft.

- BRB
  Tuesday, Sept. 17, Oct. 15, Nov. 19
  6:30-7:30 p.m.

- OSB
  Monday, Sept. 9, Oct. 14, Dec. 9
  5:30-6:30 p.m.

- BRB
  Wednesday, Nov. 20
  4:30-5:30 p.m.

Crafting with Your Kids
(Grades K-5) [R]
Parents and children will work on a craft together.

- BRB
  Saturday, Sept. 21
  1:30-2:30 p.m.

Drop-In Storytimes
All Storytimes: Weekly through Dec. 20, except when the library is closed.

Toddler Time
(18 months-3 years with adult) [N]
A program for children who are not yet ready for the structure of storytime. Your child will enjoy stories, songs and a simple craft.

- BRB
  Mondays, 9:30-10 a.m., 10:30-11 a.m., 11:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

Family Storytime
(Birth-6 years with adult) [N]
Your favorite storytime elements will be combined into one event, including stories, bubbles, songs, parachute play and a craft.

- BRB
  Tuesdays, 6:30-7 p.m.

Bilingual Family Storytime en español y inglés/ In Spanish and English
(Birth-6 years old with adult) [N]
Children will enjoy storytime in both English and Spanish.

- OSB
  Wednesdays, 6-6:30 p.m.

Bouncing Babies
(Birth-24 months with adult) [N]
Caregivers and babies will enjoy singing, reading and chasing bubbles! This is a great first “playgroup” for children.

- BRB
  Wednesdays, 9:30-10 a.m., 10:30-11 a.m., 11:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

Preschool Storytime
(3-5 years with adult) [N]
A chance for children to explore the world of books through stories and songs in a group environment with a craft.

- BRB
  Thursdays, 9:30-10 a.m., 10:30-11 a.m., 11:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

Registration required at jolietlibrary.org. Registration opens four weeks before the program date. [R]
No registration required. [N]
Messy Masterpiece  
(Ages 2-6 with adult)  
Let’s get messy at the library! Toddlers and preschoolers can get their hands messy in this sensory program as they make art using household items lying around the house.

OSB  Monday, Sept. 23  
4:30-6 p.m.

Robot Rally  
(Grades 1-3)  
Learn basic coding principles while working with robots.

BRB  Tuesday, Sept. 24, Oct. 22,  
Nov. 26, Dec. 17  
4:30-6 p.m.

Science Good Enough To Eat  
(Grades 3-6)  
You’ve been taught not to play with your food, but now you can...FOR SCIENCE!

OSB  Wednesday, Sept. 25  
12-1 p.m. or  
5:30-6:30 p.m.

Junior Book Club  
(Grades K-2)  
We will read and discuss a book and do activities and a craft that go along with the title.

BRB  Wednesday, Sept. 25  
4:30-5:30 p.m.

Outdoor Family Glow Party  
(Kids of all ages with adult)  
We’re having an outdoor glow party! Join us for glow games, a scavenger hunt and fun music. Weather permitting.

BRB  Friday, Sept. 27  
7-8 p.m.

Family Field Trip: Sumbaum Cycle  
(Ages 5+ with adult)  
Check out a local bike shop and learn some bicycle facts from our friends at Sumbaum Cycle.

Sumbaum Cycle  
114 N Larkin Ave, Joliet  
Monday, Sept. 30  
4-5 p.m.

Weird But True  
(Grades 3-6)  
You’ve seen the books, let’s put some of those claims to the test.

OSB  Monday, Oct. 7  
11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. or  
4-5 p.m.

Lotería  
(Kids of all ages with adult)  
Play the Mexican version of Bingo and win prizes!

BRB  Tuesday, Oct. 8  
4:30-5:30 p.m.

OSB  Wednesday, Oct. 9  
5-6 p.m.

Murder Mystery Night: Ghost Edition  
(Grades 2-5)  
Use your detective skills to help find the killer before they strike again in this interactive mystery program.

OSB  Thursday, Oct. 10  
6-7 p.m.

Xipe Totec Aztec Dance Performance  
(All ages)  
Discover the art of Aztec dancing, a way to celebrate and preserve Mesoamerican culture. Members of the local Xipe Totec Aztec Dance will perform.

BRB  Monday, Oct. 14  
6-7 p.m.

Marbled Leaves  
(Grades 1-5)  
It’s fall, y’all! Get creative (and maybe messy) and create some marbled fall leaves to decorate for the season!

OSB  Thursday, Oct. 17  
5:30-6:30 p.m.

Registration required at jolietlibrary.org. Registration opens four weeks before the program date.  
No registration required.
Children’s Programs

Family Field Trip: Milano Bakery
(Grades K-5 with adult) **R**
Get a tour of the bakery, watch a demonstration and get into the action with some hands-on pastry making and decorating!
Milano Bakery
433 S. Chicago St., Joliet
Saturday, Oct. 19
1-2:30 p.m.

3D Printing Pokémon
(Grades 1-5) **R**
Want to learn how a 3D printer works? See first-hand how to make your own 3D Pokémon and take one home!
BRB
Wednesday, Oct. 23
5-6 p.m

Monster Mash with DJ DreLaurin
(Kids of all ages with adult) **R**
Wear your costume and your dancing shoes to this dance party led by DJ DreLaurin! Join us for games, crafts and fun!
OSB
Thursday, Oct. 24
6:30-7:30 p.m

Autumn Art
(Ages 3-5 with adult) **R**
Preschoolers and their parents will make fun, fall-themed art projects.
BRB
Friday, Oct. 25
10:30-11:30 a.m.

Hello Kitty Paint & Sip
(Grades 1-5 with an adult) **R**
Nov. 1 is Hello Kitty’s 48th Birthday. Celebrate this occasion by learning to paint everyone’s favorite Sanrio character, Hello Kitty.
OSB
Monday, Oct. 28
4:30-6 p.m.

Slime Time
(Grades 1-5) **R**
It’s time to make some slime! Stop by the library to mix up your very own ooey gooey concoction.
BRB
Tuesday, Oct. 29
4:30-5:30 p.m.

Dia de Los Muertos
(Kids of all ages with adult) **R**
Come and celebrate the Day of the Dead. Learn about the celebration with stories, crafts and music in both English and Spanish.
OSB
Saturday, Nov. 2
1:30-2:30 p.m.

Family Field Trip: Domino’s Pizza
(Grades K-5 with adult) **R**
Get a tour of the store, learn about food safety and make your own personal pizzas.
Domino’s Pizza
2405 Caton Farm Rd., Crest Hill
Tuesday, Nov. 5
9-10 a.m.

Fairy Tale STEM
(Grades K-4) **R**
Can you build a house strong enough to stand up to the big bad wolf? Find out what the three little pigs SHOULD have made!
OSB
Thursday, Nov. 7
1:30-2:30 p.m. or 4-5 p.m.

Di-November Extravaganza
(Ages 3+) **N**
Celebrate dinos with dinosaur-themed stories and activities.
BRB
Saturday, Nov. 9
10:30-11:30 a.m.

Pizza Mania!
(Grades 3-6) **R**
Pizza crafts! Pizza games! Pizza party!
OSB
Tuesday, Nov. 12
4-5 p.m.

Mammals & More
(Kids of all ages with adult) **N**
Join Flying Fox Conservation Fund for an educational and fun hands-on live animal program. Space may be limited.
BRB
Thursday, Nov. 14
4:30-5:30 p.m. or 6-7 p.m.

Toddler Turkey Trot
(Ages 1-3 with adult) **R**
Little gobblers unite for a turkey story, songs and a mini race on the path outside of the library.
BRB
Friday, Nov. 22
10:30-11:15 a.m.

Board Games and More!
(Kids of all ages with adult) **N**
Drop in to play a variety of board games or take part in our scavenger hunt!
BRB
Nov. 25, 26, 27, 29
During open hours

Light Up the Holidays
(Kids of all ages with adult) **N**
Get into the holiday spirit and join us for some reindeer games, a craft and other activities before the annual Christmas parade!
OSB
Friday, Nov. 29
1-4:30 p.m.

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No registration required.
**Holiday Sing-a-Long**  
(Kids of all ages with adult)  
Get into the spirit of the season! Bring the whole family and sing along as local musician, John Condron, leads us in our favorite holiday classics!  
**OSB**  
Friday, Nov. 29  
3:30-4:30 p.m.

**Gingerbread House Decorating Party**  
(Ages 3-12 with adult)  
Build and decorate your own gingerbread house and take your holiday creation home with you!  
**OSB**  
Sunday, Dec. 8  
2-3 p.m.

**Holiday Cheer**  
(Kids of all ages with adult)  
Stop by the Library for games, a character visit, a craft, a photo op and enjoy some hot chocolate.  
**BRB**  
Thursday, Dec. 12  
6-7:30 p.m.

**Sensory Playtime**  
(Ages 0-3 with adult)  
Bring your little ones to explore their senses by feeling, hearing and touching their way through music, art and mess-free play!  
**BRB**  
Friday, Dec. 20  
10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

**Noon Year’s Eve Celebration**  
(Kids of all ages with adult)  
Countdown to 2025 kid-style with some festive family fun! Music and party favors will be awaiting your arrival complete with a countdown and grape juice toast at noon.  
**OSB**  
Tuesday, Dec. 31  
11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

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**NASA Exoplanet Exhibit Grand Opening Celebration**  
(All ages)  
Stop by for an adventure that is out of this world! Experience space through the debut of our interactive Exoplanet exhibit, available Dec.-Feb. all hours the library is open.  
On this special night, learn more about the wonder beyond our solar system through 30 minute presentations in a digital dome, given by JJC planetarium coordinator Caitlin Lee. Other stations will be available throughout the building, including activities for adults, kids, and teens.  
This exhibition was developed by the Space Science Institute’s National Center for Interactive Learning (NCIL) in partnership with NASA’s Universe of Learning.  
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**Educate Station: A New Online Curriculum and Worksheet Resource**  
(Grades PreK-5)  
Developed by experienced and passionate educators from across the United States, Educate Station provides quality educational content for homeschoolers, families and teachers. It has a full curriculum for grades PreK-5 in printable packets. The primary subjects are: English Language Arts, Math, Science, Social Studies and Social-Emotional Learning.  
https://educatestation.com/access/joliet-public-library-il
Lego™ Robotics (Grades 6-8) R
Use Lego Spike Prime sets to build and code real robots.
Monday, Sept. 9, Oct. 7, Nov. 4, Dec. 9
4:30-6 p.m.

T.A.G. (Teen Advisory Group) (Grades 8-12) R
Teen Advisory Group (T.A.G.) gives teens an opportunity to advise library staff on future teen programming and other things they wish to see in Joliet Library’s teen department. One hour of community service will be provided.
Tuesday, Sept. 10, Nov. 12
4:30-5:30 p.m.

Maker Monday (Grades 5-12) N
Hang out with friends or make some new ones while you try out a different project each month. We’ll have materials available for you to explore, with larger equipment rotating.
Monday, Sept. 16, Oct. 21, Nov. 18, Dec. 16
4:30-5:30 p.m.

Pokémon Meetup (Grades 3-8) R
Bring your cards to play, battle in our Pokémon Go gyms or just hang out and discuss your favorite characters.
Tuesday, Sept. 17, Oct. 15, Nov. 19
6:30-7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Nov. 20
4:30-5:30 p.m.

Taste Testers: Mexican Treats (Grades 6-8 and 9-12) R
Let your taste buds travel as we try popular snacks from Mexico.
OSB Tuesday, Sept. 24
4-5 p.m. (Grades 6-8)
Thursday, Sept. 26
1-2 p.m. (Grades 9-12)

Rainbow Name Art (Grades 6-8 and 9-12) R
Create a rainbow name art piece for your room or locker.
BRB Thursday, Sept. 26
4:30-5:30 p.m. (Grades 6-8)
6-7 p.m. (Grades 9-12)

Teen Sewing Club: Candy Pillow (Grades 7-12) R
Use hand sewing skills to make an M&M or Skittle Candy Pillow.
OSB Wednesday, Oct. 2
6:30-7:30 p.m.

Beetlejuice! Beetlejuice! Beetlejuice! (Grades 6-8) R
He’s the ghost with the most, baby! We’re throwing a party to celebrate all that is weird and unusual.
OSB Tuesday, Oct. 8
6-7 p.m.

Roller Derby (Grades 6-12) R
Join some members of the Chicago Knockouts for a fun info session about Roller Derby. Bring a plain t-shirt so you can decorate it with your new roller derby name!
BRB Wednesday, Oct. 9
6-7:30 p.m.

Pumpkin Spice Taste Test (Grades 6-8 and 9-12) R
Try out various items flavored for the season and rate them!
BRB Wednesday, Oct. 16
4:30-5:30 p.m. (Grades 6-8)
6-7 p.m. (Grades 9-12)

A Quiet Place Nerf Challenge (Grades 6-12) R
Would you survive in the world of A Quiet Place? Play in teams of creatures vs humans.
OSB Tuesday, Oct. 22
6-7 p.m.

Hello Kitty Paint & Sip (Grades 6-12) R
Nov. 1 is Hello Kitty’s 48th Birthday. Celebrate this occasion by learning to paint everyone’s favorite Sanrio character.
OSB Monday, Oct. 28
6:30-8 p.m.

Book Witch (Grades 7-12) R
Are you a good witch or a book witch? Learn to create your own book witch out of a recycled book.
OSB Monday, Nov. 4
6-7 p.m.

Paint ‘n’ Sip (Grades 6-8 and 9-12) R
Grab a juice box and follow easy step-by-step instructions to create your own masterpiece.
BRB Wednesday, Nov. 13
4:30-5:30 p.m. (Grades 6-8)
6-7 p.m. (Grades 9-12)

Ceramic Owl (Grades 6-8 and 9-12) R
Have a hoot at the library as you paint your own owl familiar.
OSB Tuesday, Dec. 3
4-5 p.m. (Grades 6-8)
6-7 p.m. (Grades 9-12)

Intro to Cross Stitch (Grades 6-8) R
Learn the basics of cross stitch and make something fun to take home.
OSB Thursday, Dec. 5
5:30-6:30 p.m.

Registration required at jolietlibrary.org. Registration opens four weeks before the program date.

No registration required.
UPCOMING EXHIBITS
at the Ottawa Street Branch

October 1–31
Celebration of Trains in Joliet
Chicagoland Lionel Railroad Club, one of the premier 3 rail 0 gauge railroad clubs in the midwest, will feature model railroad pieces on display. Look for information coming soon about other programs and displays throughout the Library in October.

December 8–February 28
Discover Exoplanets: The Search for Alien Worlds

December 11
Discover Exoplanets Opening Reception
**Tech Learning Academy**

In the Tech Learning Academy program, you learn the basics of computers, smartphones and more.

**Intro to Smartphones**

(Adults) **R**

Learn the basics of smartphones.

| BRB | Wednesday, Sept. 18 (iPhone)  
|     | Nov. 6 (Android)  
|     | 6:30-8 p.m. (English) |

**Tech 101: Microsoft Excel, Part One**

(Adults) **R**

Learn the basics of Excel: the ribbon, moving between cells, copy/paste cells and columns.

| BRB | Wednesday, Sept. 25  
|     | 6:30-8 p.m. (English) |

**Tech 101: Microsoft Excel, Part Two**

(Adults) **R**

Learn more advanced techniques such as formulas, pivot tables, etc.

| BRB | Wednesday, Oct. 2  
|     | 6:30-8 p.m. (English) |

**Tech 101: Smart TV Products**

(Roku, Fire Stick, etc.) **R**

Having trouble with your Smart TV? Don’t even know what that means? We will go through the applications that are available through your Smart TV, Roku, Fire Stick. This will cover initial settings, how to add apps and how to use them.

| BRB | Wednesday, Dec. 4  
|     | 6:30-8 p.m. (English) |

**One on One Tech Help**

(Adults) **R**

Register for a 30 minute tech help session with a staff member.

(No sessions Nov. 24-Dec. 31)

| OSB | Mondays, 12-1 p.m.  
|     | Wednesdays, 4-5 p.m.  
|     | Thursdays, 10-11:30 a.m.  
|     | (English & Spanish) |

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**Book Discussions**

**Morning/Evening Book Discussion Group**

(Adults) **N**

Share your love of reading with this lively book group! There is a morning and evening session each month.

Books can be picked up at the Circulation Desk.

**Sept. 17, 18:** *Big Little Lies* by Liane Moriarty

**Oct. 15, 16:** *The Wager* by David Grann

**Nov. 19, 20:** *As You Wish* by Cary Elwes

**Morning:** Tuesdays, 10 a.m.

**Evening:** Wednesdays, 7 p.m.

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**NextGen Lit Book Club**

(Adults 20s-30s)

Join other adults in their 20s/30s to talk about books each month! We will read books from YA and adult collections covering a variety of genres.

Pick up a copy of this month’s book at BRB!

**Sept. 9:** *All Boys Aren’t Blue* by George M. Johnson

**Oct. 14:** *Anatomy: A Love Story* by Dana Schwartz

**Nov. 4:** *The Silent Patient* by Alex Michaelides

**Dec. 9:** *The One Hundred Years of Lenni and Margot* by Marianne Cronin

6:30-8 p.m.

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**The Loop Lounge**

(Adults) **N**

Calling all needle-workers 18 and up.

Bring a work in progress or start a new one in the company of other stitchers.

Ideas, encouragement, support, and general conversation will be shared in a safe and welcoming space.

Note: This is not a class format.

| OSB | Saturday, Sept. 7, Oct. 5, Nov. 2, Dec. 14  
|     | 2-4 p.m. |

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**ESL & Citizenship**

**Virtual Citizenship Class**

(Adults) **R**

Sept-Dec am/pm daily

Prepare for the U.S citizenship test with virtual classes in partnership with the Vietnamese Association of Illinois. After completing the Intake Form participants will be given a class date and time.

Class is available every day of the week.

**Virtual ESL Classes**

(Adults) **R**

Learn and improve your English by enrolling in multilevel ESL classes offered in partnership with the Vietnamese Association of Illinois. Participants will be placed in the appropriate class level after completing the Intake Form. All class levels will be completed online and are scheduled throughout the week.

CLASS LEVELS: Beginner, High-Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced

**ESL Program**

(Adults) **R**

To begin, or continue your English learning journey, register today!

| BRB | Saturdays, 9:30-11:30 a.m. |

**Virtual English Conversation Group**

(Adults, Intermediate-Advanced) **R**

Practice your English in a small group setting. Build your vocabulary, learn common phrases and build your confidence.

Sept.-Nov.

| BRB | Tuesdays, 6 p.m.  
|     | No class Nov. 19-Dec 31 |

**English Conversation Group**

(Adults, Beginner- High Beginner) **R**

Practice your English in a small group setting. Build your vocabulary, learn common phrases and build your confidence.

| OSB | Sept.-Nov.  
|     | Fridays, 10 a.m.  
|     | No class Nov. 22-Dec. 31 |
**Sit, Stretch, & Sip Yoga**  (Adults 18+)
Enjoy gentle movements and peaceful postures while seated in a chair. After yoga, we’ll focus on the present moment by engaging all of our senses during a mindfulness tea meditation.
**BRB**  Thursday, Sept. 12 6:30-7:30 p.m.
**OSB**  Thursday, Nov. 7 6:30-7:30 p.m.

**Paint Your Partner Challenge**  (Adults 18+)
Have you seen this challenge on TikTok? Bring a partner to try it out! All supplies will be provided!
**OSB**  Saturday, Sept. 14 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

**Southern Illinois Travel and Lore**  (Adults)
Illinois traveler John Kokoris will share secrets to a successful visit to the Shawnee National Forest, including landmarks, trails, lodging and food. From waterfalls to BBQ to the Big Muddy Monster, Southern Illinois has something for everyone.
**OSB**  Wednesday, Sept. 18 7-8 p.m.

**Nobody’s Fool: Why We Get Taken In & What We Can Do About it**  (Adults)
We can learn how deception works, recognize the signs, and empower ourselves. Join us for a talk with Professor Dan Simons, co-author of Nobody’s Fool: Why We Get Taken In and What We Can Do About It, brought to you in partnership with the League of Women Voters of Illinois Mis/Disinformation Task Force.
**Virtual**  Thursday, Sept. 19 7-8 p.m.

**Creativity Connections**  (Seniors 60+)
Learn new skills and make friends through the joy of creating!
**Sponsored by Catholic Charities.**
**OSB**  Friday, Sept. 20, Nov. 15 1-3 p.m.

**Comic Book Creation Club**  (Ages 16+)
Meet with fellow creatives every other month! We’re looking for both writers and illustrators to build a comic book from the ground up. All skill levels welcome.
**OSB**  Wednesday, Sept. 25, Nov. 20 6:30-7:30 p.m.

**Amazing Castles Around the World**  (Adults)
Explore the intriguing histories of some of the world’s most extraordinary castles, and learn about their must-see treasures with presenter Barbara Barrett.
**BRB**  Thursday, Sept. 26 7-8 p.m.

**Puppy Yoga**  (Adults 18+)
Learn gentle yoga poses focused on staying on the floor to optimize roaming puppy cuddle sessions. A great way to reduce stress, increase happiness and help a furry friend in need! Please bring a yoga mat or towel to the session.
**BRB**  Thursday, Oct. 3 6-7 p.m.
**OSB**  Thursday, Oct. 10 6:30-7:30 p.m.

**Frankenstein Author Mary Shelley**  (Adults)
Chicago theater actress Debra Miller brings to life author Mary Shelley, creator of Frankenstein and his monster.
**BRB**  Wednesday, Oct. 9 7-8 p.m.
Chicago Lighthouse Low Vision Roadshow (Adults) N
Join the Chicago Lighthouse, a non-profit serving the blind and visually impaired community to experience state-of-the-art low vision technology. Purchase devices such as CCTVs, portable electronic magnifiers, devices that can read aloud, writing aids, kitchen items, lighting and sunwear. Receive training from expert staff.

- Tuesday, Oct. 22
  - 10 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Resurrection Mary: Chicago’s Most Beloved Spirit (Adults) R
Who is or was “Resurrection Mary” and what makes the Chicago version of this “vanishing hitchhiker” legend so special? Where did the story start? Are people still seeing Mary’s ghost today?

- Wednesday, Oct. 23
  - 7-8 p.m.

True Crime and Wrongful Convictions with Dr. Amanda Vicary (Adults) R
Join Dr. Amanda Vicary, Chair of the Psychology Department at Illinois Wesleyan University, for a deep dive into America’s obsession with true crime and a look at two wrongful conviction cases that Dr. Vicary is currently involved with.

- Virtual
  - Tuesday, Oct. 29
    - 6:30-7:30 p.m.

One Brief, Shining Moment: The Kennedys in Chicago (Adults) R
Join historian and entertainer Clarence Goodman for a trip through the Chicago connection to America’s “Camelot” and beyond.

- Thursday, Nov. 7
  - 7-8 p.m.

I-Cash: Discover What’s Yours (Adults) N
A representative from the state treasurer’s office will help you search the I-Cash database, which is updated several times a year, to see if you have any unclaimed funds.

- Tuesday, Nov. 12
  - 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Crochet 101 (Adults) R
Make your own mug cozy in this beginner crochet class! Supplies included.

- Wednesday, Nov. 13
  - 6:30-8:30 p.m.

My Father’s War: History, Stories and Music of WWII (Adults) R
Join Ron Eckberg as he explores WWII using his personal research, his father’s firsthand account, and the meaning of wartime songs.

- Saturday, Nov. 16
  - 2-3:30 p.m.

Jingle Bell Door Hanger Craft (Adults) R
Create a lovely DIY Christmas decoration. Supplies included.

- Wednesday, Nov. 20
  - 6:30-8 p.m.

Bingo! (Adults 18+) R
Wait for your numbers to be called and try to win prizes!

- Wednesday, Dec. 4
  - 7-8 p.m.

Holiday Concert with Vocalist Petra Van Nuis and Guitarist Andy Brown (Adults) R
Join us for an evening of holiday cheer and Jazz standards with vocalist Petra Van Nuis and guitarist Andy Brown, regulars at Chicago’s Jazz Showcase and the Green Mill.

- Saturday, Dec. 7
  - 2-3 p.m.

Make Your Own Puzzle (Adults) R
Create your own puzzle and swap with other puzzle enthusiasts.

- Tuesday, Dec. 17
  - 6-8 p.m.

Exploring the Cosmic Frontier: Significance of Space Beyond our Solar Neighborhood (Adults) R
Join John Cilio on an exciting 50-minute journey as he sets out to explore the wonders of the universe.

- Virtual
  - Thursday, Dec. 19
    - 6-7 p.m.

Local History
Back to School: Making the Most of School Records in Your Family Tree (Adults) R
Historian and genealogist Tina Beaird will instruct us on how to use educational records to find family history information.

- Saturday, Sept. 21
  - 2-3 p.m.

Hear that Whistle Blowing: The Life of Joliet Legend William Van Horne (Adults) R
Historian Anneta Drilling will share some worthwhile information about Joliet legend and railroad pioneer William Van Horne.

- Saturday, Oct. 12
  - 2-3 p.m.

Boots on the Ground: Tracing Your Veteran Ancestors (Adults) R
Historian and genealogist Tina Beaird will share her knowledge of tracing your veteran ancestors.

- Saturday, Nov. 23
  - 2-3 p.m.
“It’s Lit Candles by Tanesha,” Candle Making Class
(Agents) R
Join Tanesha from “It’s Lit Candles by Tanesha” to enter the world of candle making! Guests will take home their own candle for an unforgettable experience.
BRB Thursday, Sept. 5 3-5 p.m.

Musician’s Club
(Ages 16+) R
This group meets every month to share, learn and network with other musicians. If you are looking to jam and try different techniques and avenues in music this club is for you!
OSB Wednesday, Sept. 11, Oct. 9, Nov. 13, Dec. 11 6-8 p.m.

D&DMS-D&D Club
(All ages) R
Join others to learn, play and create props for Dungeons & Dragons 5th edition led by experienced DMS staff. Open to players of all experience levels. Sessions will be drop in/drop out “one shots” or “monster of the week” style.
OSB Tuesday, Sept. 17, Oct. 15, Nov. 19, Dec. 17 6-8 p.m.

Tabletop Tuesday: Scary Soundscapes
(Agents) R
Create a haunting ambient soundtrack using samples and synthesizers to elevate your projects.
OSB Tuesday, Oct. 1 6-8 p.m.

Photography Club
(Ages 16+) R
Meets every month to share, learn and network with other creatives.
BRB Monday, Oct. 7, Nov. 4, Dec. 2 6-8 p.m.

Pumpkin Painting
(All ages) R
Paint your very own pumpkin!
OSB Friday, Oct. 18 2-4 p.m.

Portrait Photography Lighting
(Agents) R
Learn and experiment with both flash and constant lights for portrait photography.
OSB Monday, Oct. 21 5-7 p.m.

Costume Photoshoot
(All ages) R
Come in your Halloween costume to partake in a spooky photoshoot on our greenscreen and place yourself anywhere!
OSB Monday, Oct. 28 6-8 p.m.

Tabletop Tuesday: DIY Cartography
(Agents) R
Immerse your players and readers! Learn how to create fantasy maps for the ultimate immersion experience.
OSB Tuesday, Nov. 5 6-8 p.m.

Upcycled Mod Podge Planters
(Ages 16+) R
Bring in your old cans and make them into something beautiful! Use Mod Podge to decorate the cans and make decorated planters.
OSB Friday, Nov. 8 2-4 p.m.

Basic Bookmaking
(All ages) R
Learn how to make your own miniature book or journal! We will sew together a small book using saddle stitch.
OSB Monday, Nov. 18 6-8 p.m.

Using AI in photoshop
(Agents 16+) R
Learn how to make fun art or practical editing techniques with AI in Adobe Photoshop.
OSB Monday, Nov. 18 5-7 p.m.

Tabletop Tuesday: D&DMS Stickers
(All ages) R
Make funny stickers for you and your TTRPG crew! Inside jokes, adventure party member emblems, memes, you name it! Great as a holiday gift.
OSB Tuesday, Dec. 3 6-8 p.m.

Paper Ornaments
(All ages) R
Make beautiful ornaments out of paper! Learn and use techniques such as paper cutting, folding, and quilling.
OSB Friday, Dec. 13 2-4 p.m.

Intro to Premiere
(Agents 16+) R
Learn how to create videos for YouTube, TikTok and Instagram in Adobe Premiere Pro.
OSB Thursday, Dec. 19 5-7 p.m.

Christmas Painting at BRB
(All ages) R
Paint your own holiday scene!
BRB Friday, Dec. 20 3-5 p.m.
Are you looking for someone to discuss your genealogy strategy with? Make a one-hour appointment to talk to a genealogist about your plan. Call 815-846-3130 or email adrilling@jolietlibrary.org.

Can you answer these questions about Joliet? Be on the lookout for fun facts about Joliet. The questions can be picked up in the Local History room at the Ottawa Street Branch. Answers will be posted at the end of each month.

Hours:
Monday: 9 a.m.-9 p.m.
Tuesday: 9 a.m.-9 p.m.
Wednesday: 9 a.m.-9 p.m.
Thursday: 9 a.m.-9 p.m.
Friday: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Call 815-846-3127 or email dms@jolietlibrary.org to make an appointment.
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- Middle/High School Program
- Adult Program
- Digital Media Studio

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- OS Off Site (V) Virtual
- Ottawa Street Branch
- Black Road Branch
- +Both Locations

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- NYE

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- Virtual
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