

SEPTEMBER



NORMAL
PUBLIC LIBRARY

**SEPTEMBER 2024
ACTIVITY GUIDE**

where to find NPL during our

RENOVATION

The Coffeehouse

114 E. Beaufort St.
Normal, IL

Community Activity Center

1110 Douglas St.
Normal, IL

Heartland Bank Community Room

4th Floor
1200 W. College Ave.
Normal, IL

Normal Masonic Lodge

614 E. Lincoln St. #1889
Normal, IL 61761

Normal Township Hall

304 E Mullberry St.
Normal, IL

Temporary Branch

201 W. College Ave.
Normal, IL

BANNED BOOKS BINGO 🏠 WITH BLOOMINGTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

September 3–28 | Pick up your BINGO sheet

Temporary Branch

Celebrate the freedom to read by exploring some frequently challenged books. Read books to complete a bingo and earn a prize!

GENEALOGY MEETUP ✓

September 3 | 2–3 pm

In-Person: Normal Township Hall 🧑

At Home: on Zoom 🏠

CLAIM YOUR FUTURE: COLLEGE APPLICATION PROCESS ✓🧑

high school juniors & seniors

September 3 | 5:30–6:30 pm

Normal Township Hall

Applying to colleges can be daunting. Through this presentation juniors and seniors will learn the ins and outs of the college application process. Students will also learn about helpful resources they can use to prepare for standardized tests often required for college admissions.

NPL KNITTING & CROCHETING CLUB ✓🧑

September 4 & 18 | 10 am–12 pm

Heartland Bank Community Room

WIGGLES & GIGGLES 🧑

ages 19–36 months

Wednesdays in September | 10–11 am

Community Activity Center

WHY PLANT TREES? THE KEY TO FUTURE FORTITUDE WITH ECOLOGY ACTION CENTER ✓🧑

September 4 | 6–7 pm

Normal Township Hall

Together we will learn about the incredible impact trees can have on urban environments, and what we can do to make those benefits a reality here in our community.

LEARNING CIRCLE: SUSTAINABLE LIVING ✓🧑

Thursdays • September 5–October 3 | 10 am–12 pm

Normal Township Hall

For this learning circle, we will be working through courses from United Nations System Staff College. Participants will learn about sustainable lifestyle practices and about the role digital technology and innovation can play in advancing sustainability.

ART SPARKS ✓🧑

ages 8–12 years

September 5 | 6–7 pm

Community Activity Center

ITSY ARTS: ON LOCATION ✓🧑 WITH ILLINOIS ART STATION

ages 3–5 years

September 6 | 10–11 am

Heartland Bank Community Room

NORMAL, IL UKULELE FUN JAM 🧑

September 7 | 2–4 pm

The Coffeehouse

Recipe Rotisserie a cookbook CLUB ✓🧑

2–3:30 * Heartland Bank Community Room



SEP 8

Cookies!!
Bring a batch of your
favorite cookies to share

TEEN D&D CLUB ✓🧑

September 9 & 23 | 5–7 pm

Normal Township Hall

BABY ROCK & PLAY 🧑

ages 0–19 months

Mondays in September | 10–11 am

No session on September 2

Community Activity Center

LUNCHTIME YOGA 🧑🧘

Mondays in September | 12–12:45 pm

No yoga on September 2

Normal Masonic Lodge

■ all ages event ■ adult event • ages 18+ ■ teen event • ages 13–18 ■ tween event • ages 10–18 ■ children's event

✓ Registration is required. Register on our online calendar, at 309.452.1757, or at the Front Desk.

🏠 Virtual / NPL @ Home Event 🧑 In-Person Event 🍷 sponsored by the Normal Public Library Foundation

PAPER CRAFTING CLUB

September 11 | 10 am–12 pm

Heartland Bank Community Room

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ages 10-18



stranger than fiction:

NON-FICTION BOOK CLUB

SEPTEMBER 11 • 6:30-7:30 PM
DESTIHL Brewery & Beer Hall



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tiny book concerts

The Coffeehouse | 12–1 pm

sept 12

Jackson Baker
Trio, IWU Jazz

sept 26

Dennis Glavin,
Singer Songwriter

CRAFTERNOON: EMBROIDERY BOOKMARKS

ages 10–18 years

September 12 | 4–6 pm

Community Activity Center

TINKERCRAFTING

ages 9–12 years

September 12 | 4–5:30 pm

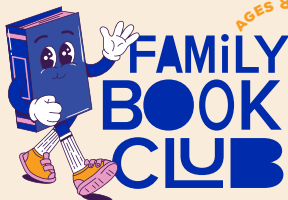
Normal Township Hall

SIGN & SING WITH COMMUNICATION JUNCTION

ages 0–5 years

September 13 | 9–9:30 am

Community Activity Center



AGES 8-12 WITH CAREGIVER

SEPTEMBER 15 | 2-3:30 PM
COMMUNITY ACTIVITY CENTER



NPL CRIME CLUB: FIRE FATALITIES

September 15 | 2–3:30 pm

Normal Fire Department | 1300 E College Ave

CRAFTY PRINTS

ages 5–8 years

September 18 | 4–5 pm

Normal Township Hall

Get out the paint and markers! In this program you will be given a brief introduction to 3D printing. You will get to play around with 3D printed objects before getting creative with them. We will decorate and assemble 3D prints that you can take home with you. You might get messy, so dress accordingly.

MAKER ACADEMY

ages 5–8 years

September 18 | 4–5 pm

Community Activity Center

September 19 | 4–5 pm

Heartland Bank Community Room

TEEN WRITERS' WORKSHOP

September 19 | 4–5 pm

The Coffeehouse

adult reading challenge



september
read a book about
science or technology

book brunch

september 24 | 10–11 am
the coffeehouse

TEEN HORROR BOOK CLUB

September 24 | 4–5 pm

The Coffeehouse

There's a chill in the air, and we are ready to discuss all things spooky in this first installment of the teen horror book club. Come ready to discuss a favorite or recent horror read with the group!

COTTAGECORE: EMBROIDERY

September 25 | 10 am–12 pm

Heartland Bank Community Room

JAMMIE JAMBOREE

ages 0–5 years

September 26 | 6–7 pm

Community Activity Center



Romance Me BOOK CLUB

SEPTEMBER
26

6:30-7:30 pm
Normal Township Hall



Visit our website for the
most up-to-date event information
normalpl.org/events

NORMAL ARC 10 AM	September 3 & 17 October 1 & 15 November 5 & 19
ADELAIDE APARTMENTS 1 PM	September 3 October 1 November 5
BLAIR HOUSE 10 AM	September 9 October 14 November 11
MERCY CREEK 10 AM	September 10 October 8 November 12
EVERGREEN VILLAGE 9:30 AM	September 24 October 22 November 26
EVERGREEN PLACE 11 AM	September 24 October 22 November 26



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Children's: 454.4668
normalpl.org
ask@normalpl.org

/normalpl
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 NPLtweets

During library events staff may take photographs and/or video recordings for future publicity and promotional purposes.

If you prefer to keep yourself or your child from appearing in these photographs or videos, please immediately inform library staff present at the event. Thank you!

Librarian-Curated

Browser Packs

Items hand-picked just for you!

Request your collection of items at normalpl.org/form/browser-pack

You can request items for up to 4 readers as a physical pack checked out to you or a list of recommendations emailed to you

WE ARE DESIGNATING OCTOBER AS

NoWriMo

Normal Writing Month

SEPTEMBER 30

Set Your Personal Goal
We will meet halfway through October on Zoom to check in, and then we will celebrate our achievements in person at the end of the month.



Normal Public Library Foundation connects people to our library through programs for readers, adventurers, and explorers. For more than ten years, we have offered programs that delight, enrich, and nourish curious minds.

We support Normal Public Library through fundraising, advocacy, and programs because we believe that our community library is essential to a strong community.

Even in a town that loves its library, public funding is not enough to provide all the important resources that our community seeks.

Your investment in a library that strengthens our community is essential. Join us in support today by making a gift in the way that works for you.

Normal Public Library Foundation is an independent, nonprofit organization that works as a catalyst to strengthen and inspire our growing community library.

GIVE TODAY

Thank you to all of our donors for both investing and believing in the vision of Normal Public Library. Your support makes all the difference!

NORMAL PUBLIC LIBRARY FOUNDATION
normalpl.org/NPLF

K-6th Graders

PARTNERS IN READING

Registration ends: September 3 Sessions begin: week of September 23

ALL OF SEPTEMBER RIDE CONNECT TRANSIT FREE WITH YOUR LIBRARY CARD!

LIBRARY CARD SIGN-UP MONTH!

APPLY FOR A (FREE) LIBRARY CARD TODAY!

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SCAN OR VISIT BIT.LY/normalcard

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SCAN OR VISIT BIT.LY/bpigetcard

Bloomington Public Library connect TRANSIT NORMAL PUBLIC LIBRARY

SEPTEMBER							OCTOBER							NOVEMBER								
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29	30						27	28	29	30	31			24	25	26	27	28	29	30		

CLOSED ON SEP. 1 & 2 • CLOSED AT 5 PM ON NOV. 27 & ALL DAY NOV. 28 & 29