



**NORMAL**  
PUBLIC LIBRARY.

**OCTOBER 2024**  
**ACTIVITY GUIDE**

**GENEALOGY MEETUP** ✓

October 1 | 2–3 pm

In-Person: Normal Township Hall

At Home: on Zoom

**NPL KNITTING & CROCHETING CLUB** ✓

October 2 &amp; 16 | 10 am–12 pm

Heartland Bank Community Room

**WIGGLES & GIGGLES** ✓

ages 19–36 months

Wednesdays in October | 10–11 am

No session October 30

Community Activity Center

**ART SPARKS** ✓

ages 8–12 years

October 3 | 6–7 pm

Community Activity Center

**NORMAL, IL UKULELE FUN JAM** ✓

October 5 | 2–4 pm

The Coffeehouse

**BABY ROCK & PLAY** ✓

ages 0–19 months

Mondays in October | 10–11 am

Community Activity Center

**LUNCHTIME YOGA** ✓

Mondays in October | 12–12:45 pm

Normal Masonic Lodge

**TAKE & MAKE: MINI GHOST JAR** ✓October 8 | 4 pm | *While supplies last*

Temporary Branch or through Curb It!

**CLAIM YOUR FUTURE: FINANCIAL AID FOR COLLEGE WITH ILLINOIS STUDENT ASSISTANCE COMMISSION** ✓

high school students

October 8 | 5:30–7 pm

Normal Township Hall

This session outlines the general financial aid process and provides insight on how financial aid works, how to apply for it, student eligibility, and how it can be used to help pay for college. It introduces the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and the Alternative Application for Illinois Financial Aid, along with summarizing state and federal aid programs.

**PAPER CRAFTING CLUB** ✓

October 9 | 10 am–12 pm

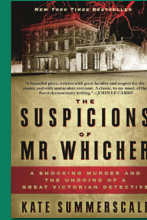
Heartland Bank Community Room



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 ages 10–18



*stranger than fiction:*

NON-FICTION BOOK CLUB

OCTOBER 9 • 6:30–7:30 PM  
 DESTIHL Brewery & Beer Hall



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**tiny book concerts**

The Coffeehouse | 12–1 pm

oct 10

Cherry &amp; Jerry Ragtime Music

oct 24

Orpheus Mandolin Orchestra

**TINKERCRAFTING** ✓

ages 9–12 years

October 10 | 4–5:30 pm

Normal Township Hall

**CRAFTERNOON: HALLOWEEN MIRROR** ✓

ages 10–18 years

October 10 | 4–5:30 pm

Community Activity Center

**SIGN & SING** ✓

WITH COMMUNICATION JUNCTION

ages 0–5 years

October 11 &amp; 25 | 9–9:30 am

Community Activity Center

**ITSY ARTS: ON LOCATION** ✓

WITH ILLINOIS ART STATION

ages 3–5 years

October 11 | 10–11 am

Heartland Bank Community Room

**CROP 'TIL YOU DROP** ✓

October 12 | 10 am–4 pm

Heartland Bank Community Room

**PUZZLE SWAP** ✓

October 13 | 2–2:30 pm

Heartland Bank Community Room

Bring your puzzles ready to be rehomed (please make sure all the pieces are present!) and leave with new-to-you puzzles. Don't be late; swaps are often over in minutes!

■ 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

**TEEN D&D CLUB** ✓ 2  
October 14 & 28 | 5–7 pm  
Normal Township Hall

**POETRY IS NORMAL OPEN MIC: MOON** ✓ 1  
October 15 | 6:30–7:30 pm  
on Zoom

**CRAFTY PRINTS** ✓ 2  
October 16 | 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 sometimes assemble, 3D prints that you can take home with you. You might get messy, so dress accordingly.

**EXPLORE ART** ✓ 2  
**WITH ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY ART EDUCATION**  
October 17, 24, & 31 | 9:30–11 am  
Normal Township Hall

**MAKER ACADEMY** ✓ 2  
ages 5–8 years  
October 17 | 4–5 pm  
Heartland Bank Community Room

**TEEN WRITERS' WORKSHOP** 2  
October 17 | 4–5 pm  
The Coffeehouse

**GALACTIC GUARDIANS:  
AN ECO EXPEDITION WITH WALL-E!** 2  
**WITH ECOLOGY ACTION CENTER**  
October 18 | 10–11 am  
Heartland Bank Community Room

Join us to hear a picture book featuring everyone's favorite galactic guardian: Wall-E! We will be discussing the importance of managing trash and caring for planet Earth. Attendees will also have the chance to build recycled pots out of newspaper and take home a trash scavenger hunt.



WE ARE DESIGNATING OCTOBER AS  
**NoWriMo**  
Normal Writing Month

OCTOBER 19 2–3 pm on Zoom

**Halfway Check-In**

The graphic features a laptop, a banana, a pencil, a notepad, and a pair of glasses, with a circular badge for October 19.

**PARTNER PROJECT: HAND-SEWN STUFFIE** ✓ 2  
ages 8+ years  
October 20 | 1–2:30 pm  
Heartland Bank Community Room

Let's make ultra unique and individualized stuffies. We will learn how to hand sew while making something no one else has. Make sure to bring a grown-up; they will make one too!

**NPL CRIME CLUB:  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION** ✓ 2  
October 20 | 2–3:30 pm  
Normal Fire Department | 1300 E College Ave

**AN INSIDE LOOK: THE LION IN WINTER** 2  
**WITH HEARTLAND THEATRE**  
October 21 | 7–8 pm  
Heartland Theatre | 1110 Douglas St



**adult reading challenge**

october read a LGBTQ historical fiction novel

The graphic includes a stylized wave pattern and a book icon.

**book brunch** october 22 | 10–11 am  
the coffeehouse ✓ 2

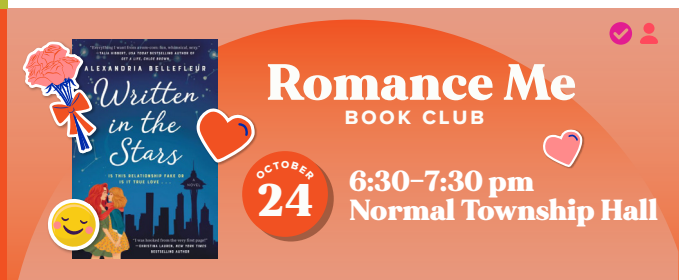
**CLAIM YOUR FUTURE: FSA ID WORKSHOP** ✓ 2  
**WITH ILLINOIS STUDENT ASSISTANCE COMMISSION**  
high school students & college students  
October 22 | 5:30–7 pm  
Normal Township Hall

Join us to create your Federal Student Aid ID (FSA ID), which is the account needed to complete the FAFSA. You will also have an opportunity to ask questions about this year's FAFSA, which is scheduled to be released in December.

**COTTAGECORE: EMBROIDERY** ✓ 2  
October 23 | 10 am–12 pm  
Heartland Bank Community Room

**INTRODUCTION TO TAROT** ✓ 2  
ages 16+ years  
October 23 | 6–7 pm  
Normal Township Hall

**JAMMIE JAMBOREE** 2  
ages 0–5 years  
October 24 | 6–7 pm  
Community Activity Center



**Romance Me**  
BOOK CLUB

OCTOBER 24 6:30–7:30 pm  
Normal Township Hall

The graphic features a book cover for 'Written in the Stars' by Alexandria Bellefleur and decorative hearts.

**TEEN HALLOWEEN PARTY** ✓ 2  
October 25 | 5:30–8 pm  
Normal Township Hall

**TEEN HORROR BOOK CLUB** ✓ 2  
October 29 | 4–5 pm  
The Coffeehouse

**HALLOWEEN HULLABALOO** 2  
ages 3–5 years  
October 29 | 6–7 pm  
October 30 | 10–11 am  
Community Activity Center

**POP-UP NPL** Can't get to the library? We will bring the library to you!!

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



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Temporary Branch  
201 W. College Ave.  
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Children's: 454.4668  
normalpl.org  
ask@normalpl.org

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!

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



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.



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

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stay updated on our **BUILDING CHANGES**

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Program details are subject to change.

OCTOBER							NOVEMBER							DECEMBER						
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CLOSED AT 5 PM ON NOV. 27 & NOV. 28 & 29 • CLOSED DEC. 24-25 & AT 5 PM ON DEC. 31