



# WORTH PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

## FALL 2025 • SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER/NOVEMBER



### Library Card Signup Month

**September is Library Card Signup Month** and we want to celebrate!

Join us throughout the month for programs, giveaways, and more. And of course, come get your library card or renew the one you have.

### Toys for Tots Collection

Once again this year, we are a donation site for the Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Drive. Please drop off new, unwrapped toys in our collection box, November 1 through December 15. You can also donate online by scanning the QR code.



### How to Get a Library Card

Do you need a library card or to renew an expired one? We have made it easier than ever! All you need is to live in Worth and bring in your current photo ID with a proof of residence (if your ID shows a different address) that can be a utility bill, rental agreement, property tax bill, or we can send you a postcard to bring back to the library. Once you have an adult card, kids cards are easy to add. Stop by the Circulation Desk the next time you are in the library and we will get you signed up.



## Thank you to our Summer Reading Program Sponsors



Our newsletter is also available in Arabic, Spanish and Polish on our website. Follow the link here to read them: [worthlibrary.com/newsletters](http://worthlibrary.com/newsletters) or scan the QR code. وفي محاولة لتسهيل الوصول إلى مكتبتنا وبرامجنا، تتوفر نشرتنا الإخبارية أيضًا باللغات العربية والإسبانية والهولندية على موقعنا الإلكتروني. اتبع الرابط هنا لقراءتها. En un esfuerzo por hacer que nuestra biblioteca y nuestra programación sean más accesibles, nuestro boletín también está disponible en árabe, español y polaco en nuestro sitio web. Sigue el enlace aquí para leerlo. W trosce o łatwy dostęp do biblioteki i oferowanych zajęć, nasz biuletyn jest dostępny w języku arabskim, hiszpańskim i polskim na naszej stronie internetowej lub przez zeskanowanie kodu QR.



# KIDS

Programs with **R** require registration. Worth residents will be given priority. To register email [ysreg@worthlibrary.com](mailto:ysreg@worthlibrary.com) or call 708-448-2855.

## Books with Ms. Bonny

**Tuesdays, 10:30 - 11am**

No class November 25

Enjoy weekly story time with Ms. Bonny! Stories, activities and art for ages 2-5. Older and younger siblings are welcome. No registration necessary, just drop in.



## Donuts with Grownups

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

Come one, come all! Bring your littles for a morning of stories, songs, crafts, and of course, donuts. Ages 3-8 with caregiver.

## Make Your Own

Pick up a take and make craft from Ms. Bonny to take home and create on your own time. Kids must checkout item to receive craft kit. *Grades 6 and up.*

**September 8**  
**Hayman**



**October 6**  
**Smoke and Spiders**



**November 3**  
**Pumpkin Patch**



## Pajama Storytime

**Thursdays, 6pm**

**September 11**

**October 16**

**November 13**

Join Ms. Olivia in your most comfy pjs (you can even bring a stuffie friend) for an evening storytime to get you ready for bed.



## 5th Grade and Under Bingo

**Fridays, 2:30 - 3:30pm**  
**Sept 12, Oct 10, Nov 14**

Play Bingo with friends and win prizes. Just walk in! First come, first served.



Pawfficer Louie knows the key to success is reading with your child every day!

Reading with your child every day helps to develop pre-reading skills that are a key to success in school and foster a lifelong love of reading. This new, ongoing literacy program is open to any child from birth to five-years-old who has not started kindergarten.

### How it Works:

- Sign up at the Children's Services Desk and pick up a starter packet. This self-paced program runs continuously.
- Color in or check off one circle on your log for each book you read together. If you read a book more than once, you can record it every time. You can also include books read at storytime, books read to your child by others, recorded books, and books read on e-devices.
- Each time you read 100 books, come back to the Library! Your child will get a prize, get to put their name on our Proud Paws Window and get their picture taken.

## Third & Fourth Grade Book Club **R**

**Wednesdays, 3:45 - 4:30pm**  
**Sept 17, Oct 15, Nov 12**

Third and fourth graders are welcome to sign up for reading, activities, and fun! Registration is required. For more information contact Youth Services.



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## Build It Up Lego Club **R**

**Thursdays, 3:45 - 4:30pm**  
**Sept 25, Oct 23, Nov 20**

Come for building fun! Title your imaginative creation and put it on display. Ages 6-10.

## Budding Duplo Builders **R**

**Fridays, 1:00 - 1:45 pm**  
**Sept 26, Oct 24, Nov 21**

Build and create something amazing! Show off your creation in the kids' department. Ages 3-5 with Caregivers.

## Back to School Chalk the Walk

**September 4th, 3:30 - 5pm**

Calling all child artists to come by after school! Express your voice through art as we decorate the sidewalk outside the Library's entrance with sidewalk chalk. We provide the chalk; you provide the art.



## Tasty Days 4pm

Celebrate these delicious days by trying different treats!

**September 18**

Rice Krispy  
Treat Day



**November 11**

Pickle Day



## Bollywood Dancing for the Whole Family **R**

**Oct 11th, 11am - 12:30pm**

You've seen the movies, now learn the moves! Join local non-profit *Kaival Youth* to learn the history, steps, and joy behind your favorite Bollywood movies. This is a class for all ages and levels so that your family can leave with a routine to wow at the new family reunion.



## Family Photos **R**

**October 4<sup>th</sup>, 11am-1pm**

Professional photographer Sam Vaupel will be on hand to take photos in our Winter Wonderland scene for your family to use for your upcoming holiday cards. Each family will sign up for a 5 minute time slot and will receive 2 digital photos after the event.

## Tonies

Have you checked out one of our Tonies kits yet?! Each bag comes with a speaker box and 3-4 figurines, each of which will tell your child a story. We have a variety of themes such as Pixar, Mickey Mouse, Things That Go, Non-Fiction titles, Classics and more, sure to capture the attention of your child. Find them at the top of the stairs in the Youth Department.

# DIY STEAM+ Workshops

**4pm**

Join us for new STEAM Projects each month. *Grades K-5.*

**SEPTEMBER**

**September 10**  
Pinecone Bird Feeder

**September 16**  
Fall Perler Beads

**OCTOBER**

**October 9**  
Mini Pumpkin  
Decorating

**NOVEMBER**

**November 6**  
Beaded Corn

**November 19**  
Pinecone Turkey



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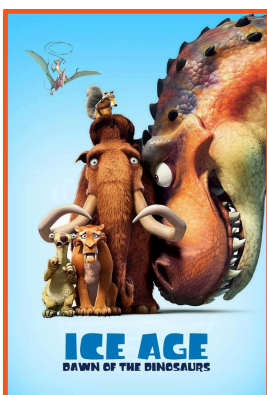
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## MOVIE MATINEE Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs

Nov 1st, 11am  
(PG, 93 minutes)

Manny the woolly mammoth and his prehistoric friends discover an underground world populated by dinosaurs so large that Manny is no longer the most-feared creature in their realm. Popcorn will be served.



## Dino Craft November 4th, 4pm

Celebrate the beginning of Dinovember with a Rawsome craft. Just drop in!

## Tea-Rex Party **R** November 8th, 11am

How do dinosaurs have a tea party? Enjoy tea and treats while listening to stories, followed by a visit from everyone's favorite Cretaceous Period creature. Fancy party and/or dinosaur clothing are encouraged, but not required.



## T-Rexplorers and their Fossil Fun **R** November 22nd - 11am

T-Rexplorers and their Fossil Fun **R**  
Discover the clues that prove the existence of dinosaurs! T-Rexplorers will take you on an adventure straight from the cretaceous period with a peek into the world of dinosaur science and paleontology. See fossil types from numerous species including favorites like Triceratops and T-Rex, while getting a glimpse into what it's like to go on a Paleontological dig. \*Meet Ranger the T-Rex from 10:45-11am.

# HALLOWEEN

## Bats Around the World **R**

October 21st, 6pm

Join Incredible bats as they dispel the five most common myths about bats, explore the variety of diets among the 1,450 species, analyze their amazing physical characteristics, learn about echolocation calls, discover their predator prey relationships, understand what current dangers are affecting bats, and so much more. You will also get to see two species of live fruit bats and have an encounter with a few other furry animals.

## Spooky Storytime **R**

October 8th & 22nd  
6pm

Join Ms. Olivia for a storytime fit for the spooky season!

## Halloween Bash **R**

October 30th, 6pm

Fun for the whole family with crafts, music, and treats. Be sure to come in costume!



# ADULTS

Programs with **R** require registration. Worth residents will be given priority. Call 708-448-2855 to register.

Programs marked with an \* means funds (in whole/part) for this program were provided through a Library CARES award from AgeOptions through funding from the American Rescue Plan Act via the Illinois Department on Aging.

## Make Your Own

Each month a new kit will be available for pickup at the Circulation Desk. Limited quantities available on a first come-first serve basis. Worth cardholders have priority for pickup on Monday and Tuesday; all other patrons are able to pick up starting on Wednesday. *Must checkout item to receive craft kit.*

**September 15**  
Cork Pumpkin



**October 13**  
Halloween Embroidery Hoop



**November 10**  
Autumn Mason Jar



## Bingo with Bob\* **R**

**Fridays, 12pm**

Fun, snacks, and prizes! Our guest

Bingo caller is Bob Trzeciak. Bob is a local Historian who has presented several historical presentations at the Worth Public Library. Bob will be calling the Bingo numbers with some trivia, funny facts, and amusing stories.



**September 12**

It's time for Oktoberfest so get your lederhosen on and let's celebrate with Music, Pretzels and trivia.



**October 10**

It's Halloween Bingo! Dress up in your favorite costume. (Prize for best costume)



**November 14**

It's time to give thanks for those of us who are able to enjoy bingo and a nice turkey lunch.



## Spice of the Month Club



**September 8** Dried Basil  
**October 6** Curry Powder  
**November 3** Allspice

Explore a world of flavor from the comfort of your home. Each month we will explore new spices, their history, and how to use them. Kits available while supplies last. Pick up yours starting on the first Monday of the month!

**Ageless Grace\* **R** Mondays, 1pm**  
**Sept 15, Oct 20, Nov 17**

Ageless Grace® is a fun and playful brain health exercise program practiced to upbeat music while seated in the chair. This innovative program is composed of 21 tools or exercises. We lubricate our joints, strengthen our muscles, exercise our brains and tickle our funny bones! Come and experience timeless fitness for the body and brain™.

## Worth Watching

Enjoy a movie and popcorn at the library! Movies start at 1pm.



**September 19**  
Mickey 17  
R, 139 min



**October 17**  
SPECIAL DOUBLE FEATURE:  
Beetlejuice, PG, 93 min and  
Beetlejuice, Beetlejuice, PG-13, 104 min



**November 21**  
Jurassic World  
Rebirth  
PG-13, 134 min

## One-on-One Tech Help

Book a session with one of our librarians for help with your specific technology issues.

Call (708) 448-2855  
ext 2 to schedule  
your time slot.



# SPECIAL EVENTS

## The History of Frauds, Phonies and Hacks\*

**September 18th, 6:30pm**

Throughout history many people have been conned, fooled, and scammed by Snake Oil salesmen, Ponzi and Pyramid schemes. As P.T. Barnum said: "There's a sucker born every minute.". Bob Trzeciak lets us in on who these people were and how they got away with it! The history of frauds, phonies, and hacks reveals a constant struggle between those who seek to deceive and those who strive to protect themselves and others from such malicious acts.

## SCAM ALERT

### Common Scams with Sgt. Cozzi

**October 15th, 1pm**

Sgt. Cozzi from the Worth Police Department will be on hand to expose all the common scams going around these days and the best ways to protect yourself.

### Murder Mystery Week!

**October 20th, 24th**

There's a murder at the library! Find clues all week and figure out who the murderer is? Not only will you be rewarded for being the best detective, but you will also win a prize. New clues every day.



## Silent Suffering: The Reality of Abuse in Later Life

**Sponsored by The Crisis Centers of South Suburbia**  
**October 7th, 10am**

This presentation focuses on the often overlooked issue of abuse in later life, examining how older adults may experience physical, emotional, sexual, financial, and neglect-based abuse—often at the hands of family members, caregivers, or trusted individuals. We will explore the unique dynamics of elder abuse, including generational barriers, dependency, isolation, and ageism. Attendees will learn how to recognize warning signs, understand risk factors, and identify appropriate intervention and support strategies. Designed for professionals, caregivers, advocates, and community members, this session aims to raise awareness, challenge stigma, and promote safety and dignity for older adults.

## Senior Center

Thanks to grant funding through AgeOptions, The Senior Center houses books both for seniors and their caretakers as well as the new Healthy Living Kits on topics such as Arthritis, Mindfulness, Joint Health, and more. Additionally, we are happy to introduce you to our most adorable additions, the Companion Pets (named after some of our favorite literary characters). The next time you're in the library, be sure to give it a look and take something home to the Senior in your life.

## Concert in the Park...ing lot

**September 25th, 6:30pm**

Once again Georgia Moon serenades us into the fall weather. Bring a lawn chair and listen to music under the stars.

## Windy City Ghosts with Bob Trzeciak\*

**October 28th, 6:30pm**

Get ready to uncover the spine-tingling secrets of the Windy City Ghost, where history and the supernatural converge for a chilling and unforgettable adventure. Whether you're a seasoned ghost enthusiast or a curious first timer, you'll be captivated by real, hair-raising tales that reveal the darker side of Chicago's storied past.

## Community Health Assessments with AgeOptions

**November 5th, 11am - 2pm**

Are you looking for free resources to help you thrive as you age? AgeOptions is here to help with information and resources for older adults, individuals living with a disability, and their caregivers in suburban Cook County at no cost to you! Just drop in!



## Talk Like a Pirate Day!

**September 19th, all day**

Come and give us your best impression, Maty! Find gold all around the library. Find the secret treasure and all will be yours.



# SPECIAL EVENTS



## Paying for College: What's Changing and What You Can Do

**Presented by My College Planning Team**  
**November 13th, 6pm**

*This will be offered on Zoom. Call to register to receive Zoom information.*

This workshop will explore recent changes in financial aid that may impact how much parents will pay for college and how they can adjust to these shifts. To help navigate the complex world of need-based and merit-based financial aid, families will learn actionable strategies to lower college costs and make informed decisions based on each college's financial aid formulas. The workshop will also review the college search, selection, and admissions process to help find good-fit colleges for students at an affordable price.



## Holiday Pie Contest

**November 12th**

**Drop off pies by 3pm, tasting at 5pm**

Pumpkin, pecan, apple, or secret family recipe? Think you have the best holiday pie recipe? Bring it to our taste off and see if you are the winner! Patrons are encouraged to come by and give the pies a taste to vote for their favorite.



## The Assassination of President John F. Kennedy

**Presented by Bob Trzeciak**

**November 20th, 6:30pm**

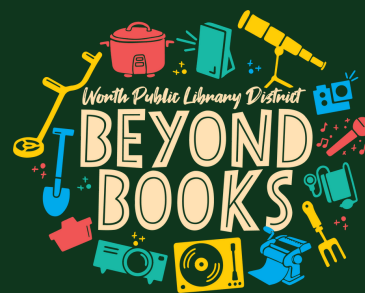
The assassination of President John F. Kennedy on November 22, 1963, holds significant meaning in American history and continues to be debated and analyzed over six decades later.



## Weather and Storm Chasing 101

**November 4th, 6:30pm**

"Weather and storm chasing" refers to the practice of actively seeking out severe weather events, like tornadoes, large hailstorms, or strong thunderstorms, by following weather forecasts and driving to areas where these storms are likely to occur, often with the goal of observing, documenting, and studying the phenomenon up close, usually done by meteorologists or enthusiasts with specialized weather knowledge and safety protocols in place. Join us as the Storm Science Team tell us stories about the eye of the storm.



## Beyond Books Collection

The library isn't just books anymore! Our new collection of non-traditional items such as technology, crafts, tools, and more are now available with your library card.

A telescope, record player, an outdoor movie projector, a metal detector, a gardening kit, laser level, specialty cake pans and more will all be at your finger tips, and all it takes is a library card. This collection will be constantly growing so check back often to see the new additions. Items must be checked out on an Adult library card and some items require a signed waiver before use.

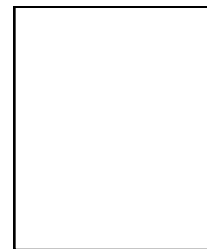


## Puzzle Swap

Did you know the library has a puzzle swap? Come choose from our collection of puzzles, take it home to put together and then come back for another! Have puzzles you don't want anymore? Bring them to the library to get added in for community use.



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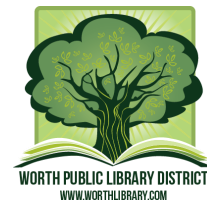
## HOURS

Monday- Thursday 9am-8pm  
Friday 9am-5pm  
Saturday 10am-2pm

*Library closed days: September 1,  
November 27-28*



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## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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## BOARD MEETINGS

Library Board meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month at 7pm (September 9, October 14, November 11). Minutes and agendas are posted on the library website. Meetings are open to the public.

**PHOTO POLICY:** Attendance at Library programs and events constitutes consent to be photographed for Worth Public Library District policy purposes. Photos/Videos may be used on our website, Facebook/Instagram, publications and for promotional purposes. Such photos and videos will remain property of the Worth Public Library District.

**INCLUSIVE PROGRAM STATEMENT:** Patrons of all abilities are welcome at our programs. Please contact the Library regarding accommodations.

