

# Off the Shelf

September-October 2013

## Holiday Closing

The Library will close for Labor Day weekend on Sunday, September 1 and Monday, September 2.

## Sunday Hours

Beginning September 8, the Library will be open on Sundays from 1:00-9:00.

## Muslim Journeys

See the back page to learn about this new series.

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## 'Professor of Storytelling' Highlights New Play at Writers' Theatre

*Sunday, September 22, 2:00*

Rives Collins, renowned storyteller from Northwestern University Department of Theatre, introduces *The Old Man and the Old Moon* which begins at Writers' Theatre in Glencoe on September 3. The play, a celebration of the power of imagination, blends storytelling, puppetry and indie-folk music. Prof. Collins will talk about the age-old storytelling tradition and how it ties into the theatrical experience.

## The Limitations Present the Music of Johnny Cash and Elvis

*Sunday September 29, 2:00*



The Limitations, featuring Tom Swenson, Tony Volini and Wilmette's Steve Justman, play fifties rockabilly classics like *Hound Dog* and *I Walk the Line* plus other favorites of the era of Elvis, Johnny Cash and Carl Perkins.



## Musicians From Finland; Composer From Chicago

*Sunday, October 6, 2:00*



The Finnish duo of saxophonist Olli-Pekka Tuomisalo and pianist Risto-Matti Marin return to the Library for an afternoon of music by Jean Sibelius, Finland's best-known composer. In addition, the duo will play *Diaspora Dances* by Chicago composer Robert Kritz. Kritz, whose music has often been heard at the Library, plans to attend the concert.



## The Shakespeare Project's Merchant of Venice

*Saturday, October 19, 1:45 introduction, 2:00 performance*



Actors gather for a post-show talk-back with the audience.

The Shakespeare Project of Chicago, a troupe that has presented theatrical readings of great playwrights' plays at the Library since 2003, stages one of Shakespeare's most controversial plays, *The Merchant of Venice*.

Be sure to stay for the post-show discussion with the cast, *see left*, as the play's many themes—justice, mercy, revenge, self-interest, love, intolerance and hypocrisy—come to the fore.



### Documentary Features 100 Years of Wilmette History Friday, September 13, 7:00

*Cathedral of the Northshore* is a locally-produced documentary about the early history of Wilmette and St. Joseph's parish from about 1840-1940.

Making an appearance in the film is former Village president Nancy Canafax, who will also be at the discussion which follows.

### Mike at the Movies: Spotlight on Horror Sunday, October 27, 2:00

The horror film is one of the most popular and resilient movie genres. This pre-Halloween presentation explores horror sub-genres, such as psychological, supernatural and physical.

Michael Glover Smith, independent filmmaker, author and film studies instructor, will show clips ranging from German Expressionist masterpieces of the 1920s, to classic chillers from Hollywood's golden age, to more recent films with the controversial "Asian extreme" label.



Filmmaker  
Michael Glover  
Smith

Friday Screenings at 3:00; repeated at 7:00  
The full-length horror classics listed below will be screened in the Auditorium. Refreshments served.

**October 4:** *Frankenstein* (1931, unrated)

**October 25:** *The Horror of Dracula* (1958, PG)

**November 1:** *The Fly* (1986, R)

### Keyboarding for Beginners Tuesday, September 24, 2:00, Teen Room

This hands-on class teaches the basics of typing on a computer keyboard. Create an account to track your progress. Register at 847-853-6566.



For programs marked with an **R**, register at [www.wilmettelibrary.info](http://www.wilmettelibrary.info). Sessions run for one hour.

### Free Media on the Web Mondays, September 16 & October 21, 1:30

Explore free movies, TV, music and audiobooks. We will cover Hulu, Pandora, Grooveshark, Popcornflix and more. **R**

### App Showcase Tuesdays, September 17 & October 15, 3:30

Apps make your smart device even smarter. Learn about exciting apps from finance to games and more! **R**

### E-Books Mondays, September 23 & October 21, 7:00

Learn how to download library eBooks and eAudiobooks to your computer or mobile devices. Discuss problems and walk through a download.

### Getting Started with Your iPad Wednesdays, September 25 & October 23, 10:30

Learn the basic features and functions of an iPad. iPads provided for class. **R**

### Pinterest Wednesday, October 9, 7:00

Pinterest is a cool way to digitally collect and share the things you love. Learn how to create and show off "Pins" reflecting your own passions.

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### Art, Opera, Crafts & Film

**Artwork in the Auditorium**  
Peggy Magee, an Evanston resident and a winner in the 2012 Friends of the Library Juried Art Show, will exhibit her watercolors during September.

Artists who wish to submit work for the 2013 Juried Art Show may pick up a brochure in the Library or contact Marti Walker at 847-256-6925 or [mwalker@wilmettelibrary.info](mailto:mwalker@wilmettelibrary.info). Art work may be submitted starting Friday, October 11 at 3:00.

### Fiber Arts Group Every Thursday starting September 12, 10:30-noon

Calling all knitters and stitchers—bring your projects to this informal session and share your expertise.

### Foreign Film Screenings Thursdays, September 19 & October 17, 9:00 coffee; 9:30 film

The Italian film *Shun Li and the Poet* plays in September. *Before your Eyes*, in October, takes place in Turkish Kurdistan.

### Lyric Opera Lecture Wednesday, October 9, 10:00

A member of the Lyric Opera lecture corps presents *Otello* by Giuseppe Verdi.

### Liquid Assets—A Look Into Our Water Infrastructure

#### Tuesday, September 24, 7:00

The League of Women Voters of Wilmette and the Library present an abridged viewing of the film, *Liquid Assets*, followed by a discussion of community and regional water management issues.

*Liquid Assets* explores the history, engineering, political and economic challenges of our water infrastructure.

### Climate Forum: Two Points of View

#### Monday, September 16, 6:45

Two speakers present opposing viewpoints. Steven A. Goreham, the executive director of Climate Science Coalition of America, has written two books on climatism. Goreham's views are on his website, [www.climatism.net](http://www.climatism.net).

Kent Taylor speaks from the opposite position. Taylor is a part of Al Gore's Climate Reality Project. He has lectured extensively on the adverse affects of global warming, particularly as it pertains to oceans and coral reefs.

Wilmette resident Dick Janzow arranged the presentations, to be followed by time for audience questions and answers.

### After the Fast Lane

*This series is for retired or semiretired adults; both programs are funded by Friends of the Wilmette Library.*

#### Stress Management—A Way of Life Wednesday, September 18, 2:00

Psychotherapist and social worker Nancy Good demonstrates techniques to reduce the physical and emotional effects of stress. Visit her website at [www.relaxgood.com](http://www.relaxgood.com).

#### Why Do Your Thinking Abilities Change? Monday, October 7, 6:30

Neuropsychologist Jennifer Medina and geriatric care manager Barbara Sarasin explain the differences between normal, age-related memory loss and more serious, dementia-related memory loss.



### Greener Choices

*Greener Choices, an ongoing series focusing on environmental issues, is funded by Friends of the Wilmette Library.*

### Next Season: Plant a Butterfly Garden

#### Saturday, September 28, 10:30

As the gardening season winds down, plan a butterfly garden for 2014. Eran Rhodes of Sacred Earth Edible Landscaping, who designed the Library's butterfly garden, explains how to install your own, including appropriate plants and soil preparation.

The Library's garden is tucked into the corner of the Library building on Wilmette Avenue and Park.

### Tough Truths About Plastic Pollution

#### Wednesday, October 2, 1:00

Watch the short TED Talk video *Tough Truths About Plastic Pollution*. Then join members of Go Green Wilmette in a discussion about ocean waste—the majority of which is nondegradable plastic—and strategies to cut down the amount of plastic we use and throw away.



# TeenTalk

### Teen Advisory Board (TAB)

#### Sundays, September 29 & October 27, 7:00-8:00, Teen Room

TAB meets once a month to plan programs. New members welcome. For information, contact Stephen Koebel, 847-256-6953.

### College Essay Writing

#### Thursday, October 3, 7:00-8:00, Auditorium

Hanna Stotland, a college admissions expert who has advised applicants for over a decade, will cover how to get started, subjects to avoid and how to stand out from the crowd. Students and parents are welcome.

# Youth Services

## Friends of the Wilmette Library Children's Art Show

**Preschool through 8<sup>th</sup> grade**

Kids, show off your best painting, drawing, collage or photo. Guidelines will be available at the Youth Services Desk beginning September 3, and original artwork will be accepted between September 9 and September 22.

*Please mount your artwork on paper or lightweight posterboard; pushpins will be used to hang the pictures on our bulletin boards.*

Art will be exhibited in the Youth Department throughout October. There will be a special reception for artists and their families on Sunday, October 6, from 2:00-3:30, in the Youth Program Room. One piece of art per participant, please.



## Pages Across Ages

**For independent readers through 8<sup>th</sup> grade**

How would you like to make a new friend—someone who reads the same books you do? Interested students will be paired with a local senior citizen to share one letter per month about a book that you choose. Letters will be distributed by WPL librarians. There will be a social event for participants on Sunday, October 20, from 2:00-3:00, in the Youth Program Room. Wilmette and Kenilworth residents only. You must register starting October 6 to attend the social.

## Banned Books Week Display

**September 22-28, Youth Services**

Censorship is not just a thing of the past. Did you know that over 300 books are formally challenged in United States libraries each year? Take a look at our display to celebrate your freedom to read and find out more about youth books that have been challenged or banned.

## Rs and Ts: Registration and Tickets

Programs marked with an **R** require registration. The sign-up dates listed following each program description are for Wilmette and Kenilworth residents; nonresidents may register 7 days later, unless otherwise specified. Stop by or call the Youth Services Desk at 847-256-6945 to register.

Programs marked with a **T** require a free ticket. Tickets are available in the Youth Services Department on the day of the program, first-come, first-served. Limit 8 tickets per family.

## Youth Program Room Events

Mother-Daughter Book Club

**Tuesdays, September 17 & October 15, 7:00-7:45, Grades 3-4**



Enjoy snacks, crafts, and discussion about great books. September 17: *Pie* by Sarah Weeks. October 15: *Just Grace* by Charise Mericle Harper. Copies of the books will be available for checkout at the Youth Services Desk. **R** 21 days ahead.

Calm Kids, Healthy Kids

**Saturday, September 21, 11:00-11:30, Ages 4-10 with an adult**



Stress affects adults and kids alike. Join Samana Jasper of Kidz N Moms to learn simple self-regulation tools to lower stress and increase enjoyment each day. **R** September 7.

Family Dance Party

**Saturday, September 28, 10:30-11:15, Ages 0-6**

Shake, shimmy and dance at our family dance party featuring bubbles, tunes and more. Pretzels and water will be served.

NEW: Kids' Advisory Board Meeting

**Wednesday, October 16, 4:00-5:00, Grades 5-8**

Do you love the Library and have ideas to make it better? Come to the meeting of our first Kids' Advisory Board to plan library spaces and programs for kids in 5<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> grades.

Spooktacular Art

**Thursday, October 24, 4:00-4:30, Grades 1-3**

Using mixed media, make a boooo-tiful piece of Halloween art to take home! Please dress for mess. **R** October 10.

## Monthly Programs

*Go to our website or stop at the Youth Services Desk for information on these programs:*

Family Lego Drop-In: Ages 3 and up

Lego Club: Grades K-4

Youth Chess Drop-In: Ages 5 and up

Hands-On Science: Grades K-5

K-9 Reading Buddies of the North Shore: Grades 1-5



## One-Time Events



Dave Rudolf Beach Party

**Saturday, September 7, 11:00-11:45, Auditorium**

Join us for the last beach party of the season with this fun, interactive family show featuring music, hula hoops, bubbles and more! **T**

Digital Media Design with Scratch

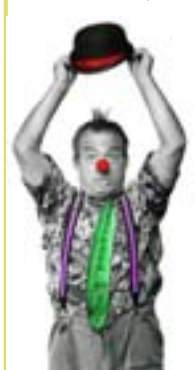
**Monday, October 14, 2:30-4:30, Grades 5-9, Small Meeting Room**

Learn the basics of computer programming and media design while you create your own Pac-Man style arcade game. You'll get a CD with your own copy of Scratch. Please bring a flash drive. **R** September 30.



Dr. Gesundheit: Sensory-Friendly Performance

**Saturday, October 26, 10:30-10:45, Auditorium**



Meet Dr. Gesundheit in a sensory-friendly setting; for kids with special needs ages 3-18 and their siblings. **R** October 12.

Dr. Gesundheit Clown Therapy Show

**Saturday, October 26, 11:00-11:45, Auditorium**

Join us for a show jam-packed with physical comedy, eccentric dance, comic juggling, wise-cracks & wordplay, acrobatics and ingenious audience participation. **T**

## Special Storytimes

*All storytimes take place in the Youth Program Room.*

Don't Let the Pigeon Eat Your Cupcake!  
**Tuesday, September 10, 4:00-4:45, Ages 4-7**

The Pigeon is ten. Join him and all his friends for a birthday party featuring Mo Willems stories, crafts and cupcakes. **R** August 27.



Back to School Family Storytime  
**Monday, September 16, 6:30-7:00, Ages 3 and up**

Stories, songs and a craft to celebrate the return to school.

Halloween Storytimes

**Saturday, October 19, 10:30-11:00 & Tuesday, October 22, 6:30-7:00, Ages 3 and up**

Ghosts and goblins and witches, oh my! Enjoy seasonal stories, songs and crafts that are more silly than spooky. Costumes encouraged.



*Storytimes for ages birth to 6 begin on September 16. See website for full schedule or stop at the Youth Services Desk.*

## Online Book Club at Goodreads.com

Great for commuters and anyone who prefers a book club without meetings. Pick up a print copy of *World War Z: An Oral History of the Zombie War* by Max Brooks; or for Wilmette and Kenilworth residents, download it at [www.mymedimall.net](http://www.mymedimall.net). Then create an account at [www.goodreads.com](http://www.goodreads.com); search Groups for Wilmette Public Library and post your comments.

## Senior Book Talks at Mather and Mallinckrodt

**Mallinckrodt Center: Thursday, September 12, 10:30**

**Mather Place: Monday, September 16, 10:30**

Join librarian Amy Barrow for a look at the best new reads for fall.

## Classics and Contemporary Book Group

*The Age of Innocence* by Edith Wharton

**Tuesday, September 10, 10:30**

Wharton takes an incisive look at how relationships were held hostage to the social conventions of high society during the Gilded Age.

*The English Major* by Jim Harrison

**Tuesday, October 8, 10:30**

Sixty and newly divorced, Cliff embarks on a foolhardy but hilarious mission to drive an old station wagon through 48 states.

## Evening Discussions in the Media Area:

### Conscious Eating—Books That Make Us Think

*The American Way of Eating* by Tracie McMillan

**Monday, September 30, 7:00**

An award-winning author goes undercover at Walmart and Applebee's, and works with immigrant workers to reveal the true costs of what we eat.

*Life, on the Line* by Grant Achatz and Nick Kokonas

**Monday, October 28, 7:00**

Grant Achatz is owner of Chicago restaurant Alinea, which was named Best Restaurant in America by Gourmet magazine. Shortly after this, Achatz was diagnosed with stage IV squamous cell carcinoma of the tongue. The book recounts his fight against the cancer while making sure his restaurant retained its stellar rating.

### Politics and Power Book Discussions

*The Wilmette League of Women Voters and the Library have joined forces for book talks facilitated by LWV members. Reserve a copy of the book at [www.wilmettelibrary.info](http://www.wilmettelibrary.info).*

*The Chicago River: A Natural and Unnatural History* by Libby Hill

**Thursday, October 3, 9:30**

"This intimate biography of the heroic body of water..." begins with the earliest settlers and covers 200 years of urban development.



## Small Business Counseling

Schedule a free, one-hour session with Mark Lieberman, a SCORE mentor and Kellogg MBA, who started four small businesses. Click on "Mentoring Appointment" at [www.scorechicago.org](http://www.scorechicago.org).

SCORE is a free service of the Small Business Administration.

## Support Groups

ADHD Support Group

**Wednesdays, September 11 & October 2, 7:00**

Learn and share strategies and resources at this informal forum on ADHD. The facilitator, Wilmette resident Dale Davison, is an ADHD coach and consultant.

Diabetes Support Group

**Wednesdays, September 11 & October 9, 7:00**

This support group is for adults with Type 1 diabetes. Program details are at [www.type1diabeteslounge.org](http://www.type1diabeteslounge.org). Merle Gleason facilitates the group.

Caregivers of Children with Mental Illness Support Group  
**Fridays, September 20 & October 18, 9:30**

This is for caregivers of children with mental illnesses, diagnosed or undiagnosed. The sessions are facilitated by a volunteer from NAMI, the National Alliance for Mental Illness.

Alzheimer's Support Group  
**Mondays, September 30 & October 28, 7:00**

Families who have a loved one with Alzheimer's disease are invited to attend this group. Mike Denesha, the group's facilitator, holds a Master's degree in family caregiving.

## How Private Is My Health Care Information?

**Tuesday, October 8, 7:00**

Wilmette resident and health care attorney Elaine Zacharakis Loumbas will talk about privacy and protection for your personal health care information.

Ms. Loumbas, who practices corporate and regulatory health law, is affiliated with Loyola and John Marshall Law Schools.

The Wilmette League of Women Voters and the Library co-sponsor the evening.



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Google Drive

**Thursday, October 31, 3:30**

Learn to create and edit documents online from anywhere and collaborate in real time with other users. Register at [www.wilmettelibrary.info](http://www.wilmettelibrary.info).

## Excel, Word & Publisher Classes

Register for these hour-long classes at [www.wilmettelibrary.info](http://www.wilmettelibrary.info) or by phone at 847-853-6566.

Introduction to Excel

**Wednesday, September 18, 7:00**

Introduction to Word

**Wednesday, September 25, 7:00**

Creating Formulas in Excel

**Wednesday, October 2, 7:00**

Introduction to Publisher

**Wednesday, October 16, 7:00**

## Senior Resource Specialist: Medicare & More

**Wednesday, September 4 & Thursday, October 3, 2:00**

Kathy Gaeding, a resources specialist with CJE SeniorLife, will be in the Small Meeting Room to assist with information, referrals and advocacy regarding government benefits and community resources. Seniors are encouraged to stop in and ask questions. No appointment needed.

## Armchair Travels

**Every Thursday, 12:30 coffee; 1:00 program**

Travelers to all parts of the world—whether overseas or to the next county—show their photos. Presenters may use their own computer or bring their photos on a CD or flash drive. Library staff is available for computer support. To inquire about presenting a program, call Community Services at 847-256-6925.

## Current Events Roundtable

**Mondays, September 9 & 23; October 7 & 21, 10:00**

Current Events Roundtable is the place to enjoy your second cup of coffee along with a roundup on the leading national, international and local news of the day. The group, moderated by Deerfield resident Don Levinthal, covers all points on the political spectrum. Newcomers are always welcome.

## Veterans' Roundtables

**Korean/Vietnam War: Wednesdays, September 4 & October 2, 10:00**

**World War II: Wednesdays, September 18 & October 16, 10:00**

Two veterans' groups—one from World War II and the other from the Korean War and the war in Vietnam—hold regular meetings from 10:00-11:30 at the Library. Conversations are lively, the coffee plentiful and participants rarely miss a meeting.

## Live, Online Tutoring for All Ages



Brainfuse offers free, live, online tutoring for children and adults in dozens of subjects evenings from 5:00-10:00 seven days a week.

Tutors assist with challenging subjects such as calculus and physics, as well as writing essays or resumes. Spanish language help is available as well.

Visit the Library's homepage, [www.wilmettelibrary.info](http://www.wilmettelibrary.info), and click on the Brainfuse logo on the lower, right-hand side.



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### Regular Library Hours

Monday-Friday 9am-9pm  
Saturday 9am-5pm  
Sunday 1pm-9pm

### Book Drop-off Sites

Library parking lot  
Community Recreation Center  
Plaza del Lago

### Books Down Under

Monday 1pm-5pm  
Tuesday 9am-5pm, 7pm-8:45pm  
Wednesday 11:30am-5pm  
Thursday 9am-5pm, 7pm-8:45pm  
Saturday 9am-3:00pm  
Sunday 1:30pm-4:30pm

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## POSTAL PATRON

### 'Muslim Journeys' Begins on September 17

Thanks to a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities and the American Library Association, the Wilmette Library begins a reading and discussion series called "Let's Talk About It: Muslim Journeys." The series will familiarize audiences with the people, places, history, faith and cultures of Muslims around the world.



Prof. Norma Moruzzi

Norma Claire Moruzzi, Ph.D., Associate Professor and Director of the International Studies Program at the University of Illinois at Chicago, is the project scholar. She will join us at the kickoff event on **Tuesday, September 17 at 7 pm**, where she will offer a lecture focusing on issues raised in the book, *A Quiet Revolution: The Veil's Resurgence, from the Middle East to America* by Leila Ahmed.

The reading and discussion series, led by Dr. Moruzzi, begins **Wednesday, October 16 at 7 pm** with *In the Country of Men* by Hisham Matar. This story of the violence and absurdity of life during the rule of Muammar al-Qaddafi also describes the politics of childhood. On **Wednesday, November 13 at 7 pm**, the discussion series continues with *Persepolis*, Marjane Satrapi's memoir of growing up in Iran during the Islamic Revolution, told through powerful black-and-white comic strip images.

Register for the discussion series which continues through 2014, by calling 847-256-6930 or through the online calendar at [www.wilmettelibrary.info](http://www.wilmettelibrary.info). Copies of the books will be available at the Recent Arrivals Desk.

In addition, two films will be shown: *Prince Among Slaves* on **Thursday, October 10** and *Koran by Heart* on **Thursday, October 24, both at 7 pm**.

A complete list of the books and later programs in the series is on the Library's website at [www.wilmettelibrary.info/readers/muslimjourneys](http://www.wilmettelibrary.info/readers/muslimjourneys).

