BOOKS AND BEYOND

December ‘25



Holiday Toys for Tots: Cookies, Cocoa, & Claus

Thursday | December 18th | 4:30 to 7:30 PM

Broadview Residents, join us for a cozy holiday gathering here at the library!
Santa will be giving out Toys to kids in our Community Room, the Grinch will make an appearance, and all the good boys and girls will get to write their letter to Santa! There will be cocoa and cookies for everyone!

Be sure to register so you don't miss out.

Coffee and CommuniTEA

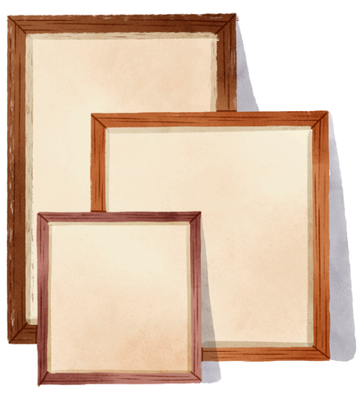
Tuesday | December 2nd | 10:30 to 11:30 AM
Community Room

Join BPLD Director Tanya King and special guests for an engaging and informal gathering designed to spark community connection and collaboration. Enjoy coffee, tea, and puzzles.

Novel Quest- TGIO (T)

Saturday | December 6th | 11 AM to 3 PM
Community Room

Come join other Chicago-area writers as we celebrate our writerly achievements from the previous month during the Novel Quest event! Commiserate over characters going out of control, cheer on your other authors, and chow down on our potluck lunch.



The Canvas Collective (T)

Friday | December 12th
11:30 AM to 1 PM | Makerspace

Hang out with other creators and unleash the artist you’ve always wanted to be.
Join the Canvas Collective! Basic art supplies will be available but feel free to bring your own.

The No Shush Salon Presents: Open Mic

Thursday | December 4th
6:30 to 8:45 PM | Community Room



The No Shush Salon is a library based gathering space for all creatives who wish to present/perform in any medium including storytelling, music, dance, improv, comedy, etc. Join us at the Broadview Public Library District for a delightful evening of entertainment and comradery! Sign-up to perform at the door, refreshments provided.

Tummy Time: A Baby & Caregiver Social Hour

Tuesday | December 9th | 5 to 6 PM | Community Room

Socialize with other parents and caregivers while bonding with your little one over a fun craft or activity**. This month you will create a handprint or footprint ornament with your 0 to 3 year old.**

Journaling for Healing (T)

Saturday | December 13th | 11 AM to 1 PM | Makerspace

Join us in person or online for a healing journey of journaling. After introductions, we will have a guided visualization and prompts. Sharing is encouraged, but not required. **Registration preferred, walk-ins welcome.**

Adult Programs

(T) Indicates a program is Teen Friendly

Holiday Fun at BPLD



Festive Friday: Holiday Happy Hour

Fridays in December 3 to 4:30 PM

Get ready to step into the holiday spirit every Friday as our lobby transforms into a winter wonderland of sound! We will be playing seasonal tunes to make your day a little merrier. Plus, as a heartfelt thank you to our incredible community and to celebrate another wonderful year, enjoy complimentary cookies and hot chocolate while you listen. It's our small way of spreading joy and warmth this season.



The Grinch: Ornaments & a Movie T

Tuesday | December 2nd | 5:30 to 7:30 PM | Community Room

Saturday | December 6th| 2 to 4 PM | Makerspace (Teens)

Kickoff the holiday season by making a set of Grinch ornaments to take home while watching How the Grinch Stole Christmas (2000). **Registration required.**

Eat the Movies: Elf T



Wednesday | December 3rd
5:30 to 7 PM | Makerspace

Join us for a screening of Elf (2003)! We'll have a hot cocoa bar with all of Buddy the Elf's favorite toppings: candy canes, candy corn, syrup, M&M's, mini marshmallows, and crushed pop tarts. Sorry, no spaghetti! **Registration required.**

Eat the Movies: The Santa Clause T



Monday | December 22nd
2:30 to 4 PM | Community Room

Join us for Tim Allen's The Santa Clause (1994)! We will serve milk, chocolate chip cookies and cheese cake. Soy milk will also be available given Santa's lactose intolerance. **Registration required.**

Pentatonix: Around the World for the Holidays T

Tuesday | Dec. 9th | 1:30 to 2:30 PM
Community Room

Watch the 2022 Pentatonix hit movie and create an international holiday craft. You can choose between making a Himmeli ornament (Finland) or a quilled paper holiday card (India).

Senior Karaoke: Holiday Hits



Wednesday | December 10th
1:30 to 2:30 PM | Community Room

Join us in spreading some holiday cheer for all to hear at our first Senior Karaoke Holiday Hits.

Mythical Creature Ornaments T

Tuesday | December 16th | 5:30 to 6:30 pm | Makerspace

Saturday | December 13th | 2 to 3pm | Makerspace (Teens)

Make a unicorn or dragon egg ornament for yourself or as a gift! Hot chocolate and cookies for dipping will be served.
Registration required.



Teen Holiday Cards and Christmas Carol Karaoke

Saturday | December 20th
2 to 3 PM | Community Room

Make custom holiday greeting cards and sing your favorite holiday tunes!

We will be closing at 5 PM on 12/23 and closed 12/24 & 12/25 for the Christmas Holiday
We will be closing at 5 PM on 12/30 and closed 12/31 & 1/1/26 for the New Year Holiday

Youth Programs

Make it Monday

Mondays | 4 to 4:45 PM | Children's Activity Center

Come join us every Monday for an easy craft.

Grandma Panda Storytime

Tuesday | Dec. 2nd & 16th | 10:30 to 11:30 AM
Children's Activity Center



Join Grandma Panda and her fuzzy, fluffy friends for stories, silly songs, and finger play on the first and third Tuesdays of the month!

Tween Tuesday

Tuesdays | 3:30 to 5 PM | Children's Activity Center

Drop in for a mini art project every Tuesday afternoon. For ages 11-13.



Wednesday Workshops

Wednesdays | 2:30 to 4:30 PM | Makerspace

Middle schoolers! Join us for an afternoon of snacks, games, crafts, and/or self-guided activities. Snacks and beverages will be provided (one snack and beverage per middle schooler, consumed in the Makerspace). **December 10th we will have guided STEM activities with our guest presenter, Corita Key.**

Chess Strategies



Wednesdays | 4 PM to 5 PM | Community Room

Learn winning strategies to improve your chess game. All levels are welcome to join us. For ages 7-17.

Family Fun Nights

Wednesdays | 5:30 to 7 PM | Children's Activity Center

Spend an evening together relaxing and having fun playing games or doing family activities. Snacks provided.

Preschool Storytime



Thursdays | 10:30 to 11 AM | Children's Activity Center

Parents and caregivers - join us for Early Literacy Storytime with songs, rhymes, and activities to help your little ones learn, grow and develop a love of reading. For ages 3-6.

- 12/4: *Christmas Cheer for The Grouchy Ladybug* and *Pete the Cat 12 Groovy Days of Christmas*
- 12/11: *The Gingerbread House Jack's Family Ate*
- 12/18: *Bear Stays Up for Christmas*

Thursday Clubs

Thursdays | 5 to 6 PM | Children's Activity Center

Looking for something fun to do? Join a weekly club.

- 12/4: Art Club
- 12/11: Book Club
- 12/18: Journaling Club

Play Café

Thursdays | 5:30 to 7 PM
Children's Activity Center



Drop into our Play Café for educational play, games, and social time. We will have special drinks each week. **Caregivers are expected to remain with their child at all times. For ages 3 to 7 years.**

Bilingual Storytime | Tiempo de Cuentos Bilingüe



Fridays | Dec. 5th & 19th | 1 to 1:30 PM
Children's Activity Center

Join us for our Blingual Story Time! For ages 2 to 6.
¡Unase a nosotros para nuestro Tiempo de Cuentos Bilingüe! Para las edades de 2 a 6.

- 12/5: *¡Estoy harto de la Navidad! | I'm fed up with Christmas!*
- 12/19: *Era Nochebuena | 'Twas Christmas Eve*

Friday Craft Day with Mz Uvonne

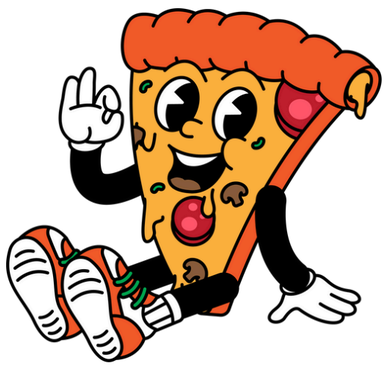
December 12th | 3:30 to 4:30 PM | Children's Activity Center

Join Mz Uvonne for crafting fun!

Friday Craft Day
December 5th, 19th, & 26th | All Day | Youth Play Area

Stop in to the Kid's Department for self-guided crafting.

Pizza & Board Games with the Cook County Sheriff's Office



Wednesday | December 10th
4 to 6 PM | Community Room

Join us for a special game night with the Cook County Sheriff's Police Department. Pizza will be served. **Registration required.**

Computer 101
Tuesday | December 2nd & 16th | 4:30 to 5:30 PM

Learn the basic functions & operations of Microsoft Windows & Chrome. By the end of the session, learners will be able to:

- Identify and use common computer hardware
- Navigate the desktop with ease
- Understand the file explorer and how to properly use it

Attending patrons will receive a Flash Drive.
Registration required.

Computer Class: Emails
Tuesday | December 9th | 4:30 to 5:30 PM

Learn to create and use your own email account. By the end of the sessions, learners will be able to:

- Log into and out of an email account
- Set strong passwords
- Send, receive, and reply to an email

If there is extra time, we'll work on how to structure an email, how to attach a file, and how to paste an image inside the email.

Attending patrons will receive a Flash Drive.
Registration required.

Broadview, from all of us here at BPLD, thank you for letting us serve you!

In 2025, you...

- checked out more than 6,500 books, 1,100 movies, and 675 videogames saving over $200,000
- attended more than 700 programs
- used our meeting spaces and study rooms more than 1000 times
- saved 36 lives by donating blood at BPLD's October blood drive

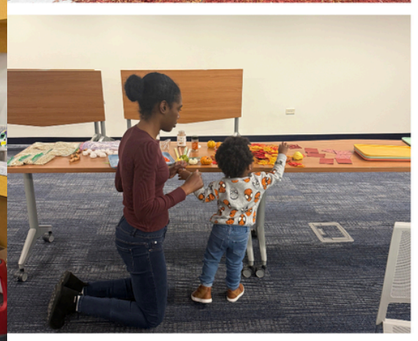
From crafting and computer classes to storytimes and family fun nights plus so much more, you made 2025 a great year. Check out some of the highlights below and let's make 2026 even better, together!

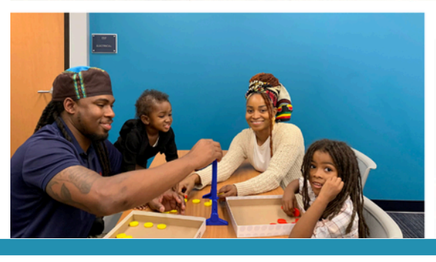












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Friday & Saturday: 10 AM to 5 PM
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