


# Mid-Kid Programs & Classes


September/October 2021


## WE CAN'T WAIT FOR YOU TO JOIN US AT A LIBRARY PROGRAM! Browse all of our offerings at [ippl.info/programs](https://ippl.info/programs)

Registration is required in advance unless noted.

Sign up for programs at [calendar.ippl.info](https://calendar.ippl.info) beginning Tuesday, Sept. 7.

 **Online Program.** This program will be held online via Zoom. Registration is required. You will receive an email with the Zoom information about one hour before the program begins. Note: We reserve the right to remove or mute any attendee at our discretion.

 **In-Person Program.** This program is held indoors. Please note the library's current mask policy at [ippl.info/covid19](https://ippl.info/covid19).

 **Outdoor Program.** This program is held outdoors. Weather permitting. Please note the library's current mask policy at [ippl.info/covid19](https://ippl.info/covid19).



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## GRADES 1-3


### Narwhal's Program of Awesomeness

Wednesday, Sept. 22, 4–5 p.m. 

Celebrate the upcoming release of *Narwhal's School of Awesomeness* from Ben Clanton's popular series with a craft and other fun activities.

## HALLOWEEK PROGRAM


### IPPL Ghost Patrol

Thursday, Oct. 28, 4–5 p.m. 

Have a spook-tacular good time and enjoy activities related to the Desmond Cole Ghost Patrol book series. With the newest title "Who Wants I Scream?" hot off the presses in 2021, we will make a little ice cream to celebrate.


## GRADES 4-6

### Coding Games with Scratch

Tuesday, Sept. 28, 4–5 p.m. 


Code video games using MIT's free online Scratch software.

### Dive Into Dog Man

Wednesday, Sept. 29, 4–5 p.m. 

Have a blast with all things related to *Dogman* by Dav Pilkey.

### Play it! Luigi's Mansion 3

Monday, Oct. 25, 4–6 p.m. 

Drop in and play Luigi's Mansion 3 on the big screen in the Mid-Kids Lounge. Catch ghosts, walk through a spooky mansion, and more.



Online Program




In-Person Program



Outdoor Program


## GRADES 1-6

### Homeschool SMART: Music

Thursday, Sept. 9, 11:30 a.m.–1 p.m. 


For homeschooling families with students learning at levels grades 1-6. Discover the science behind sound and music as well as its connection to math. We may even make some musical fruit. Please register once per family.

### Mid-Kids Lounge: Weeded Book Art

Friday, Sept. 10, 3–5 p.m. 


Let your imagination run wild using recycled pages from books and other supplies to make something new.

### National Coloring Day Community Color

Tuesday, Sept. 14, All Day 


It's National Coloring Day. Stop by the second floor to color giant coloring sheets.

### Library Tree Census

Wednesday, Sept. 15, 5:30–6:30 p.m. 


For individuals and families. How many trees are on the library's grounds? What types are they? Help us plot, identify, and learn about each of the trees, just in time for the Autumnal Equinox. Weather permitting.

### Outdoor Performance: Mexicolors with Laura Crotte

Friday, Sept. 17, 6:30–7:15 p.m. 


Join Laura Crotte, an Old Town School of Folk Music artist, actress, and storyteller, for a magical evening of live music and storytelling in celebration of National Hispanic Heritage Month. Discover the tapestry of languages, ethnicities, and civilizations that shape what we now know as Mexico. Bring a chair. Held indoors if rain. Sponsored by IPPL Foundation & Friends.

### Homeschooling SMART: Game Time

Thursday, Oct. 7, 11:30 a.m.–1 p.m. 


For homeschooling families with children at 1st-6th grade learning levels. Learn about the history behind game playing and why we like to play them so much. We'll also explore game creation, and you'll have an opportunity to play and create one of your own.

## Oaktober

Saturday, Oct. 9, 10 a.m.–noon 

Oaktober is a celebration of oaks during the month of October. Enjoy kid-friendly crafts, stories, and learn about the importance of oak trees. Co-sponsored by Darien Garden Club.

## Twilight Tales in the Prairie Patch

Saturday, Oct. 9, 5:30–6:30 p.m. 

Bring a blanket and listen to the crackling sounds of the fire pit while enjoying the telling of spooky tales right up until twilight ends. You might want to bring a flashlight just in case. Snacks provided.

### Make It: Art Bot

Monday, Oct. 11, 1–3 p.m. 

Drop in to the Mid Kids Lounge to build and decorate a one-of-a-kind functional art bot.