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Yoga for the Winter Blues (A):
Every Tuesday, March 1st - 29th, 10-11 AM.
Learn yoga, relaxation, meditation and breathing techniques.
Bring own mat, $3 per class. Register on the above dates when class meets. Certified Yoga Instructor, Jennifer Benavidez.
CONTACT: Sonia Rodriguez

Beyond Heritage Quest (A):
Monday, March 21st, 4 PM. Discover other available genealogy resources like family search and war records.

Wild & Early Days of Chicagoland (A):

APRIL 1ST
$35 @ 6:30 PM

An after hours wine and painting event at the Library starting at 6:30 pm. Cost is $35 with a 10% discount for FOL members. Starts at 6:30 pm. Hors d'oeuvres will be served.

Tuesday, March 22nd, 7 PM. A book club that combines nature and history! This month’s read is The Chicago River: An Illustrated History.

Seed Starting (A)(F):
Wednesday, March 23rd, 7 PM. A hands on class that will help you prepare seeds for the upcoming season.
**Dental Hygiene Presentation (A):**
Wednesday, April 6, 6-7:30 PM. Join Sonrisa Family Dental for an informative presentation on what you can do to maintain good dental health to keep a healthy smile because, “Healthy smiles means Healthy Communities!”

**Rules of the Road (A):**
Monday, April 11th, 1:30 PM. A representative from the Secretary of State’s Office will be here to give a refresher course on the Rules of the Road.

**Homebuyer’s Workshop (A):**
Tuesday, April 12th, 6 PM. Representatives from the Standard Bank will give a presentation on resources available for new home buyers.

**DIY Book Totes (A)(YA):**
Thursday, April 14th, 6 PM. Design your own reusable book tote! Sign up to guarantee your spot with Meghan.

**Blue Island Library Luau (G):**
Saturday, April 16th, 1 PM. Aloha Chicago returns to perform traditional island dances to celebrate the end of National Library Week! Light refreshments will be served.

**Digital Detox (A):**
Tuesday, April 19th, 6 PM. Take a break from all your digital devices for an evening of coloring, knitting, and other fun activities!

**To Your Credit (A):**
Wednesday, April 20th, 6 PM. Representatives from the Private Bank will be here to present on good financial practices and what influences your credit score.

**Urban Gardening (A):**
Tuesday, April 26th, 7 PM. Local gardening gurus will talk about how to kick start your season and make the most of the space you have.

**Money Smart Workshop (A):**
Wednesday, April 27, 6-8 PM. Aldo Quiñones, Harris Bank Mortgage Banker will explain the process of mortgage costs and help you find the right mortgage for your needs.

**CHILDREN**

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**Family Friendly Friday Movies (C)(F):**
Fridays, March 4, 11, 18, 25, April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 3 PM. All adults attending this program must be accompanied by children.

**Lapsit Story Time (C):**
Monday, March 7, 14, 21, 28, 10-11 AM. School District 130’s “Family First” and “Cradle to Classroom”, Miss Julie offers an hour of enriching songs, games and stories. For ages birth to 3.

**Wii Power Hour (C):**
Monday, March 7, 14, 21, 28, April 4, 11, 3-4 PM. In the meeting room, ages 6 to 14 years old. Children under the age of 7 must be accompanied by an adult.

**Afterschool Craft Program (C):**
Wednesday, April 6, 3:30 PM. Springtime Craft.

**Family Night Craft Program (C)(F):**
Monday, April 11, 6 PM. Springtime Craft.

**Pajama Night at the Library (C):**
Tuesday, March 29th, 6-8:15 PM. Kids ages 5 to 10 years old can join us for stories, games, music and more!

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**Mad Hatters Storytellers (C)(F):**
Saturday, March 19, 1 PM. The Mad Hatters, a Chicago-based interactive storytelling troupe, will take over the lower-level meeting room with their special interactive stories that will enthral the youngest and enchant everyone.

**FAMILY / ALL AGES**

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**Tech Annex 10 Year Anniversary: Surprise! (G):**
To celebrate the Tech Annex’s 10th Year Anniversary, during the month of April, various artists who have recorded here and frequented for years will be showing up to perform for the patrons in the Tech Annex. These will be short concerts from artists who want to give back to the Library. Please email techannex@blueislandlibrary.org for questions.

**Tech Annex 10 Year Anniversary: Stories from Blue Island (G):**
Each Monday during the month of April, we’ll be showing historical videos the Library has produced over the 10 years from 3-5 PM. Please email techannex@blueislandlibrary.org for questions.

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Did you know that the library has...

**Heritage Quest? Heritage Quest is a genealogy database containing a variety of historical information.**

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'A' = adult / adulto, 'C' = children / niños, 'F' = family / familia, 'YA' = young adult, teen / adultos jóvenes, adolescentes, 'G' = all ages / todas las edades
Blue Island Library Luau (G):
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Fifth Annual Children’s Day (F):
Saturday, April 30th, 2 PM. The library and the Friends of the Library invite you to celebrate Children’s Day with Chispita Show, face painting, games and fun! Do not miss it!

Creative Nonsense (YA):
Every Monday, 6-8 PM. Teen Open Studio. Be a part of ongoing effort to produce a library “zine”, or work on your own stuff. With art supplies purchased through a grant from the Ezra Jack Keats Foundation, we draw, write, paint, print, or other...creative nonsense. CONTACT: Micah Rademacher

Game Night (YA)(F):
First Thursday of every month (3/3, 4/7), 6-8 PM. What did we do before video games? Bring in the board game of your choice, or try out the ones from our collection. Bring a friend. Bring a group of friends. Snacks will be provided!!!

Beginner’s Japanese (YA):
Now an ongoing class! Every other Wednesday (3/9, 3/23), 4-5 PM. Come learn with us! No previous experience necessary. Learn a bit about the Japanese alphabets, and how to write and speak a few words and phrases. Taught by our own Beatriz Olmedo.

Teens Tech Week (YA):
March 8th-10th, 4-6 PM. BIPL will be represented at Marist High School’s Teen Tech Week, with vinyl printing, duct tape, games, and siege weapons. Workshops in Robotics, coding, animation, and 3D printing. Kids, grades 6-12, need register through Marist’s Academic Resource Center (ARC), www.marist.net/academics/teen-tech-week. Cost is $10 for all three days.

Shamrock Vinyl Decals (YA):
March 17th, 6-7 PM. Try out our vinyl printer by making a decal for your car, room, wall...face? Whatever. Probably not face. Simple process. Quick results, and it will maybe leave you wanting to try out one of the machine’s more advanced functions, like rubber stamps, fabric swatches for quilting, etc.?

Coffee Gives Me Superpowers (YA):
March 21st, 5-6 PM. Drink coffee! What? Sample and compare brew types. Coffee related activities, ideas, take-aways. Taking place right before Creative Nonsense for a reason...

Movie and a Pizza Night (YA, ages 13 and up):
Last Thursday of every month (3/31, 4/28), 6-8 PM. As the title suggests – come eat some pizza and watch a movie. Come early, and help us decide which film to screen.

Art Abandonment (YA):
April 21st, 6-8 PM. Make small pieces of art for the purposes of abandoning it in public areas. Let it go, so that it may enrich someone else’s moment upon discovery

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Yoga de Invierno (A):
Todos los Martes, primero al 29 de Marzo, 10-11 AM. Aprenda yoga, Relajación, Meditación y técnicas de respiración. Traer tu propio mat/tapete, $3 por clase. Regístrate en las fechas cuando la clase se reúna.

Crochet, ¡Ven a Tejer con Nosotros! (A):
Todos los Miércoles, 2 de Marzo al 13 de Abril, 12-2 PM. El instructor, C. Martinez te guiara a través de los pasos para ayudarte a crear tu hermoso bolso. Por favor traer tu propio material, gancho #0 (o) 2 para Estambre o Hilo de Rafia, Hilo Cristal gancho #6. ¡Las principiantes y las tejedoras avanzadas son bienvenidas! Ven a registrarte en el día que el grupo se reúne. Límite a 15 personas.

Días de Inscripción para clases de Inglés (A):
Marzo 9 & 10, 10 AM-12 PM. Clases de Inglés, Nivel 1 es para el principiante solamente. Es necesario inscribirse en estas fechas para asistir a clases en Abril.

Noche de Pijama en la Biblioteca (C):
Martes, 29 de Marzo, 6-8:15 PM. ¡Niños de 5 a 10 años pueden acompañarnos en una noche de cuentos, juegos, música y más!

Taller de Money Smart (A):
Miércoles, 27 de abril de 6-8 PM. Aldo Quiñones, Harris Bank, Hipotecario, le explicará el proceso de los gastos de hipoteca e ayudarle a encontrar la hipoteca adecuada para sus necesidades.

Quinto Anual Día del Niño (F):
Sábado, 30 de Abril, 2 PM. La biblioteca y los Amigos de la Biblioteca te invitan a celebrar el Día del Niño con el Show de Chispita, caritas pintadas, juegos y mucha diversión! No te lo pierdas!

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The Active Junior Cadet (F):
From Monday through Thursday from 2:30-5 PM. We will focus on activities that will challenge and inspire you. CONTACT: the Tech Annex

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Topics In Songwriting (A):
First Tuesday of the month, March 1st and April 5th, 6-8 PM. Topics in Songwriting provides a welcoming environment for you to connect with other songwriters, discuss topics related to songwriting, share your songs, and hone your craft. CONTACT: the Tech Annex

Free Recording Sessions (F):
Friday, March 11, April 8, 10 AM-12 PM. Make an appointment to come in for a free 1 hour recording studio session. Max 2 performers. CONTACT: the Tech Annex

Live on Stage! (F):
Thursday, March 10th, April 14th, 5-8 PM. Sign up in advance for a 30 min slot to capture both video and audio of your live performance. Max 6 performances. CONTACT: the Tech Annex

Topics In Graphic Design (A):
Third Tuesday of the month, March 15th and April 19th, 6-8 PM. Come and let’s discuss and learn about topics in graphic design ranging from Adobe InDesign, logo creation, flyer design, balance in graphic design, and more. CONTACT: the Tech Annex

Topics In Video Production (F):
Third Wednesday of the month, March 16th and April 20th, 6-8 PM. Come and let’s discuss about topics in video production ranging from Adobe Premier CC, cameras, lighting, sound capture and syncing, editing, green screen, and more. CONTACT: the Tech Annex

Topics in Photography (F):
Fourth Wednesday of the month, March 23rd and April 27th, 6-8 PM. Come let’s explore topics in photography and get hands-on experience with lights, cameras, reflectors, a green screen, a light box, and Adobe Lightroom. CONTACT: the Tech Annex

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Celebrate National Library Week
April 10-16, 2016

2016 NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK AT THE BLUE ISLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY

NLW FOOD for FINES (G):
In honor of National Library Week the library will be offering “FOOD for FINES.” That’s right, during the week of April 10-16 any and all FINES you owe will be waived if you make a donation of any non-perishable food item, such as canned goods or boxed food items, which will be passed along to local entities in the community. “FOOD for FINES” does not waive penalties for LOST materials. However, any and all fines for overdue materials will be waived if you make a food donation to the library!

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