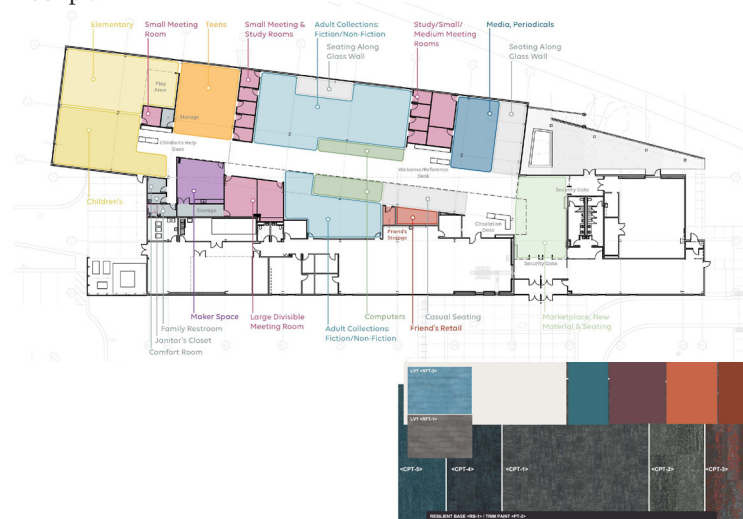


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Ramsey County Library News & Events

Ramsey County Library Plans for Renovation at Maplewood Location

Floor plan



Planning for an interior renovation of the public spaces at the library in Maplewood is underway. The interior renovation project will provide a refreshed facility with a new layout and will best support the community of Maplewood for many years to come.

Built in 2007, the finishes as well as the furniture in the library all have since been outdated. Changes to the interior of the building are based on community engagement and feedback that began in 2018. The design phase of the project was drafted with feedback from the community in March 2022. Planned features include improved acoustics, increase the number of study and meeting spaces, improve lighting and provide more comfortable seating.

Project design will continue through the first quarter 2023 with construction starting later in the year. Check rclreads.org for upcoming community engagement events or subscribe to the Library's e-newsletter at bit.ly/RCL_e-newsletters.

Ramsey County Library Data Stories Highlight 2021 Milestones

In 2021, Ramsey County Library circulated 2.4 million materials and was a Star Library for a eighth consecutive year - one of five in Minnesota for 2021! The Library also provided both in-person and a variety of pre-recorded and follow-along virtual programming, from Zoom storytimes to online tech help for adults, teens and kids. There was a total of 1,162 programs (in-person and virtual) attended by 26,745 participants.

Learn more about all of the Library's accomplishments, circulation numbers and more on Ramsey County's Open Data Portal. In Ramsey County Library by the Numbers, you can see all of the Library's services and programs, or get a detailed breakdown of circulation numbers in the Library Usage story.

Ramsey County launched the Open Data Portal as way for residents to read, research and download data on county programs and services. Learn more at opendata.ramseycounty.us.

Minnesota State Parks Library Passes at North St. Paul Location

Ramsey County Library is collaborating with Minnesota State Parks and Trails to offer free entry to state parks for library patrons. Seven-day permits are available for checkout now through June 2025 at the library in North St. Paul. To learn more, visit bit.ly/3w59lKZ.

This program is made possible by Minnesota State Parks and Trails and funded with money from Minnesota's Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.

Art & Literature

Virtual programming is offered remotely using Zoom communication software. Some in-person events have resumed at select library locations. Registration is required at rclreads.org or by calling 651-724-6001 (press #2). You must provide a valid email address to participate.

Take-Home Art Kits for Adults

Adult Take-Home Art kits provide you with a creative experience away from screens and technology. Supplies and instructions are included. Registration required through the Library's online calendar. *Take-Home Art kits are funded with money from Minnesota's Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.*

Arts Roseville Featured Artists

Saturdays, 11 a.m.-Noon
RCL-Roseville

July 9: Donna Ray
August 13: Cori Doerrfeld

Join us to learn more about local artist, authors and creators in the Twin Cities. In July, we will meet Donna Ray, a muralist, as she talks about her work as a member of the Community Art Center Artistry, Northern Clay Center and Minnesota Women Ceramic Artists. In August, meet Cori Doerrfeld, a New York Times bestselling children's book illustrator and author based in Minneapolis. To date, she has illustrated numerous titles, including "The Rabbit Listened" and "Little Bunny Foo Foo."

Creative Pastels

Mondays, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

July 11: Summer Flowers in Acrylics
RCL-Roseville

August 22: Oil Pastel Squirrel
RCL-Shoreview



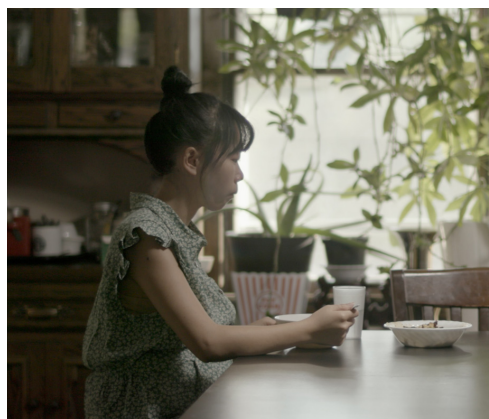
Join Karen Tan from Creative Pastels for a series of painting workshops. Supplies will be provided through pickup at a library

of your choice. Registration required on the Library's online calendar. Limited to 20 participants. *This series is funded with money from Minnesota's Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.*

Shoreview Poetry Circle

Tuesdays, 6:30-7:30 p.m.
July 12; August 9
Zoom Meeting

Join us at the Shoreview Poetry Circle to read and discuss beloved poems. Selected poems will be emailed a week in advance of the meeting, but you are welcome to join without reading the poems beforehand.



Short Film Screening and Discussion with Local Hmong Filmmaker Dan Yang

Saturday, July 16, 2-3:30 p.m.
RCL-Roseville

Join us to watch "Oath," "Rice Street" and other short films by Dan Yang. These films explore contemporary Hmong experiences and folklore in Minnesota. The filmmaker will discuss the films with the audience and talk about creating media as stitching stories together. *This event is funded with money from Minnesota's Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.*

Poetry Trail at Vadnais-Snail Lakes Regional Park

August 1-31
Vadnais-Snail Lake Regional Park

Ramsey County Library is partnering with Ramsey County Parks & Recreation to bring poetry to the parks. This August, visit Vadnais-Snail Lakes Regional Park to read 10 poems about nature by Minnesota and other poets. The poetry trail will run along the main path between west and east Lake Vadnais. *The poetry trail is funded with money from Minnesota's Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.*

Presented by The Loft

Starting Your Writing Life at 55+

Monday, July 18, 6-7:30 p.m.
RCL-Maplewood

Have you retired and now have time to devote to your novel-in-progress? Or are you interested in writing a memoir so favorite family stories aren't forgotten? With creative writing prompts and exercises, you'll learn simple tips for starting—and staying with—your writing project, no matter what it is. This program is led by Loft teaching artist Brian Malloy.

Literary Agents: What to Look For and What to Look Out For

Wednesday, July 27, 6:30-7:30 p.m.
RCL-Roseville

Most publishers won't look at your prose manuscript unless an agent represents you. So how do you get an agent? Learn what good agents do and don't do, and how to find the right one for your work along with the basics of writing a query letter. This program is led by Loft teaching artist Savannah Brooks.

Get Started on Your Writing Project

Monday, August 8, 6-7:30 p.m.
RCL-Shoreview

You have an idea for a novel, memoir, short story, or poem, but you're having trouble getting started. Come ready to brainstorm with an experienced teaching artist who is also a writer. Share ideas on crafting that ever important first sentence, paragraph, and draft of creative work. This program is led by Loft teaching artist Chavonn Williams.

This series is funded with money from Minnesota's Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.

Art Exhibitions



Gallery Exhibit of Jonathan Thunder's Bowwow Powwow Art

July 1-August 31
RCL-Shoreview

Meet the Artist: Jonathan Thunder

Saturday, July 23, 2 p.m.
RCL-Shoreview



Come to the library in Shoreview to view large reproductions of illustrator Jonathan Thunder's art for the children's book

"Bowwow Powwow." These colorful, dynamic illustrations capture the movement of Ojibwe powwows and a child's imagination about these gatherings.

On July 23, join artist Jonathan Thunder for a presentation on the making of the art for "Bowwow Powwow." The artist will discuss the process of creating the images and be available to answer questions from the audience.

Twin Cities Collage Collective Presents Mail Art Exhibits

July 1- 31
RCL-Roseville
RCL-Shoreview

From July 1-31, see a variety of mail art collage postcards created by the community in partnership with Twin Cities Collage Collective. Learn about mail art and get inspired by the creativity of Ramsey County Library patrons while browsing a variety of collage techniques. This exhibition will also include a collection of mail art collages made by a global roster of artists in 2020.

Tiny Art Exhibit

August 1-31
All Library Locations

Visit your local Ramsey County Library to see tiny art canvases submitted by people in our communities.

Tiny Art Exhibit is a small exhibition of community arts. Throughout June and July, community members had the opportunity to make a tiny art project by picking up a Tiny Art Kit.

Book Clubs

In-person book clubs have resumed at some locations. Visit the Library's online calendar for the most up-to-date information.

Roseville History Book Club

Wednesdays, 1-2:30 p.m.
Zoom Meeting

July 20: *Neither Settler nor Native* by Mahmood Mamdani

No meeting in August.

The History Book Club meets monthly with representatives from the East Side Freedom Library for discussions on a wide variety of topics from American history. In July, we will read an excerpt from "Neither Settler nor Native", which will be emailed to participants upon registration. Space is limited. *This program is co-sponsored by the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute of the University of Minnesota.*

Shoreview Fiction Club

Tuesdays, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

July 5: *Bewilderment* by Richard Powers

August 2: *The Final Revival of Opal & Nev* by Dawnie Walton

Shoreview Mystery Club

Tuesdays, 7-8 p.m.

July 19: Any of Emily Brightwell's novels featuring Mrs. Jeffries

August 16: *The Coloring Crook* by Krista Davis

White Bear Mystery Book Club

Wednesdays, 1:30-3 p.m.

July 6: *Nonprofessional Crime Solvers*

August 3: *Author New To Me*

Art Exhibitions are funded with money from Minnesota's Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.

History

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Ramsey County Historical Society Presents: History Revealed

The following Ramsey County Historical Society programs are part of the series, "Making Minnesota: Natives, Settlers, Migrants and Immigrants," co-sponsored by the East Side Freedom Library.

Daybreak Woman

Thursday, July 14, 7 p.m.
Zoom Webinar

Daybreak Woman, also known as Jane Anderson Robertson, was born at a trading post on the Minnesota River in 1810 and lived for ninety-two years in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, Canada and South Dakota. Join Jane Lamm Carroll as she explores the life of the daughter of an Anglo-Canadian trader and a Scots-Dakota woman, a woman who witnessed seismic changes in Minnesota society over the course of the 19th century.

Carroll is the professor of history and women's studies at St. Catherine University, and is the author of "Daybreak Woman: An Anglo-Dakota Life."

A Natural Curiosity: The Story of the Bell Museum

Thursday, July 21, 7 p.m.
Zoom Webinar

Since its humble start in 1872 as a one-room cabinet of curiosities, the University of Minnesota's Bell Museum of natural history has become one of the state's most important cultural institutions. Join us as we celebrate its 150th anniversary. Don Luce will recount the remarkable discoveries and personalities that have made the Bell Museum what it is today.

Luce is Bell Museum Curator of Exhibits and the co-author of "A Natural Curiosity: The Story of the Bell Museum."

Land Acknowledgments, Land Back, and the 10,000 Lakes: Indigenous History in Minnesota

Thursday, August 11, 7 p.m.
Zoom Webinar



What do land acknowledgments and debates over land back reveal about the making of Minnesota? How did relationships to the land transform over

time? What is the connection of the land back movement? Indigenous history is Minnesota history. Join Jacob Jurss as he explains how our modern-day land configuration came to be, and why it is an important element in the understanding of the making of Minnesota.

Jurss is an adjunct professor of United States and Indigenous history at the University of St. Thomas and Metropolitan State University. His current book project is "Bountiful Boundaries: Western Great Lakes Indigenous Borderlands and American Statecraft."

Black, Brown and Red Power in the Twin Cities

Thursday, August 18, 7 p.m.
Zoom Webinar

The African American, American Indian and Mexican American communities arose in contrast to the otherwise overwhelmingly white state of Minnesota. Join Jimmy Patino as he traces the emergence of Black Power, American Indian, and Chicano Movements in the Twin Cities during the 1960s in the context of our traditionally labor-friendly and progressive state.

Patino is an associate professor in Chicano and Latino Studies at the University of Minnesota.

White Bear Lake Area Historical Society Presents:

Solving Genealogical Problems and Common Mistakes in your Minnesota Family History Search

Monday, July 25, 6-7 p.m.
Zoom Webinar

Join us as certified genealogist Tom Rice shares guidance on how to avoid and resolve common problems and mistakes in your genealogy journey through Minnesota history. A little front-end knowledge can save a lot of time and energy in the long run.



The Story of the White Bear Armory

Monday, August 22, 6-7 p.m.
Zoom Webinar

Join us to hear the story of the White Bear Armory building, which has served our area in a variety of ways since it opened in 1922. From sending our soldiers off to World War II to local coronations and dances, the armory has been at the heart of our community for decades.

This series is funded with money from Minnesota's Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.

Community & Well-being

Programming is subject to changes and cancellation. For the most up-to-date program information or to register for an event, visit rclreads.org.

Community Resource Advocates

Tuesdays, 1-3 p.m.
RCL-Maplewood

Wednesdays, 4:30-6:30 p.m.
RCL-Roseville

Social workers, advocates and county navigators will be in the library to help individuals and families with questions.

At Maplewood, get information relating to housing resources, shelter, accessing benefits, food assistance, mental health, youth services and more. No appointment necessary. Call 651-724-6062 for more information. *Co-sponsored by People Incorporated and the City of Maplewood's Public Safety Mental Health Outreach Team.*

At Roseville, advocates are available to help with mental health, housing, crisis and access to community and social services. Call 651-724-6001 for more information. *Co-sponsored by the Roseville Police Department Community Action Team.*

Knitting for Good

Thursdays, 6:30-7:30 p.m.
RCL-Shoreview

Do you love to knit (or crochet or quilt or sew)? Join us for this unique opportunity to gather with your crafty neighbors as we knit for good. Drop in anytime and bring your projects to work on. All skill levels are welcome.

Caring for the Caregiver

Wednesday, July 6, 6-7:30 p.m.
RCL-Shoreview

Thursday, July 7, 6-7:30 p.m.
RCL-Roseville

Minneapolis-based author Stuart Pimsler will offer a workshop for all caregivers focusing on creative strategies for bringing creative expression to professional and at home caregivers including specific movement, theater, writing, visual art and vocal exercises for invigorating the practices of healers.

Pimsler has toured globally offering his arts in healing workshops for more than four decades. For information about his book "The Choreography Of Care: Engaging Caregivers in Creative Expression" and work visit choreographyofcare.com. *This workshop is funded by the Minnesota State Arts Board and Minnesota's Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.*

Environment and Sustainability Events

Seed Talk: Gardening for Wildlife

Tuesday, July 12, 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Zoom Meeting

Small changes in how you care for your garden and yard can make a big difference in how you can provide for wildlife.

Ramsey County Master Gardeners Present:

Thursdays, 6:30-8 p.m.
Zoom Meeting

Join Ramsey County Master Gardeners to learn more about a variety of gardening topics.

July 14: Stopping Problem Plants

Learn to identify and manage common invasive plants found in Minnesota yards and natural areas, and find out about new invaders on the horizon.

August 11: Be a Pest Detective

This class is designed to help home gardeners learn how to prevent against, diagnose, and respond to problems in your yard and garden using Integrated Pest Management practices.

Recycling: The FAQ

Tuesday, July 26, 6:30-7:30 p.m.
RCL-Roseville

Learn from Ramsey County Environmental Health staff what can really be recycled in Ramsey County, versus trash or composting, by hearing the answers to the most frequently asked questions.

Natives in your Backyard

Wednesday, July 27, 6:30-7:30 p.m.
RCL-Roseville

Come explore our earth friendly garden space in the Children's Reading Garden at the library in Roseville. Members of Wild Ones, a non-profit dedicated to educating the public about the benefits of native plants, will be on hand to answer questions and provide more information on growing native plants.

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Jobs & Small Business

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Career Services

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
RCL-Maplewood

Thursdays, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
RCL-Roseville

Open to everyone for drop in job search assistance and career planning including:

- Resume development, applying to job postings, interview tips, networking, LinkedIn and more.
- Upcoming job search related workshops and events.
- Information and referral to employment and training programs offered by Ramsey County and partner providers.

Presented by Ramsey County Workforce Solutions.

eCommerce: Selling Online

Wednesday, July 27, 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Zoom Webinar

Interested in selling online? This class will guide you through the decisions you need to make in order to get started selling your product or service online. *Presented by Keer Keer Creative. Funded by MELSA.*

Job Fair

Thursday, August 11, 3-6 p.m.
RCL-Roseville

Meet employers, find a new career, get hired! Hospitality, service, healthcare, manufacturing, IT and government employers are eager to meet candidates with a variety of work experience and backgrounds. Bring your resumé and your best first impression and get hired at the job fair. All are welcome.

Presented in partnership with Ramsey County Workforce Solutions.

Small Business Workshops

Registration required on the Library's online calendar. *The Small Business Workshops are presented by SCORE Twin Cities.*

Business Essentials

Tuesday, July 5, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
RCL-Roseville

This workshop will provide some terrific guidance on the basic components of building your business. We'll focus on understanding what product or service you want to take to market, who's your customer, who's your competition and how you're unique.

Starting a Business at 50+

Tuesday, July 12, Noon-1:30 p.m.
RCL-Roseville

Older entrepreneurs who have already had successful business careers typically have many of the qualities needed to succeed in starting a business or non-profit. Learn how this could be the right next move for you.

Time for TikTok

Thursday, July 21, 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
RCL-Roseville

Are you on TikTok yet? If not, you're seriously missing out. This social media platform is taking the world by storm and for good reason. It's incredibly engaging, easy to use and most importantly, fun. But TikTok isn't just for teenagers and influencers. Businesses of all sizes are finding massive success on the platform, reaching new customers and driving real results. If you're not sure what all the fuss is about or if you're just getting started with your business account, this workshop is for you. We'll run down the basics of TikTok and how businesses are using it to drive serious results.



The 1.2.3 Challenges

Thursday, August 18, 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
RCL-Roseville

Are you looking for a new way to attract leads and close more sales? If so, then you should definitely consider setting up an online challenge! Online challenges are one of the most effective marketing tools out there and they can really help you boost your business. In this workshop, you'll learn how to map out a challenge, anything from a fitness challenge to a cooking contest to a creative project.

Social Media for Small Business

Wednesday, August 24, 12-1:30 p.m.
RCL-Roseville

Is your business using social media to its full potential? Join us to learn how social media can impact your business and discover strategies to expand your online presence using Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, Instagram, Pinterest and even Snapchat.

Technology Courses

Programming is subject to changes and cancellation. For the most up-to-date program information or to register for an event, visit rclreads.org.

Virtual Programs



Password Management

Wednesday, July 6, 5-6 p.m.
Zoom Webinar

Too many passwords? This class will teach you how to create strong and memorable passwords, how to store them for easy access, and how to keep passwords safe and secure. *This program is funded with money from the Friends of the Ramsey County Libraries.*

Introduction to Online Dating

Monday, July 11, 6:30-8 p.m.
Zoom Webinar

Thinking about trying online dating and don't know where to start? This session will cover common sites and apps, costs and best practices to meet a match!

Succession Planning for Digital Assets *NEW*

Wednesday, July 13, 6:30-8 p.m.
Zoom Webinar

Technology has changed the way we store our data, communications, activities and memories. Even if you aren't aware of it, most of us have digital assets of some kind. Digital assets include email accounts, computing devices such as laptops and smartphones, data storage such as USB thumb drives and cloud accounts, domain registrations, digital photos, social media and other online accounts and subscriptions, and even cryptocurrency.

So what happens to these assets if we're incapacitated or we pass away? How can we make sure that appropriate people—a spouse, loved one, or executor—can access what they need? What about things you don't wish to share—whether email, a dating profile or certain accounts or documents? And what if some forgotten or abandoned account were hacked? This session is designed to clarify the kinds of information worth protecting, how to protect it appropriately, and how to make sure that a designated recipient can have the kind of access you wish.

Learn the Basics of Zoom Meetings

Monday, August 8, 6-7 p.m.
Zoom Webinar

Learn the basic features of using Zoom Meetings. There will be time for questions following the presentation.

Media Literacy: Spotting Fake News

Monday, August 15, 2-3 p.m.
Zoom Webinar

Not sure if the news you're reading is true? Learn how to assess your online sources of information. This class will cover some basic red flags to look out for, methods to fact-check articles and biases that affect the news.

In-person Events



Drop-in Computer and Tech Help

Tuesdays, 1:30-3:30 p.m.
RCL-Shoreview

Wednesdays, 1-3 p.m.
RCL-Maplewood

Wednesdays, 5-7 p.m.
Thursdays, 1-3 p.m.
RCL-Roseville

Thursdays, 10 a.m.-Noon
RCL-White Bear Lake

Do you need extra help on the computer, tablet or other piece of technology? Are you searching for a job or working on a resume? Let us help answer your questions! Registration not required.

Drop-in E-book and E-audio Help

Tuesdays, 2-4 p.m.
RCL-Roseville

Have you purchased a new computer or mobile device and are curious how to use the Library's e-book Overdrive/Libby service? Help is available for your questions about the world of e-books! Bring your device for some hands-on instruction. No appointment necessary.

Technology Courses

Virtual programming is offered remotely using Zoom communication software. Some in-person events have resumed at select library locations. Registration is required at rclreads.org or by calling 651-724-6001 (press #2). You must provide a valid email address to participate.

Assess Your Basic Computer Skills

Monday, July 18, 1:30-3 p.m.
RCL-Mounds View

Are you unsure about your computer skills? Northstar Assessments are an easy way to identify what you know and pinpoint what you need to learn.

Android Phone Basics

Wednesday, July 20, 1:30-3 p.m.
RCL-Mounds View

This beginner class will introduce you to the operating system of your Android phone. Learn to navigate your home screen, work with apps and learn basic settings.

iPhone Basics: Navigating iOS

Thursday, July 21, 1:30-3 p.m.
RCL-Mounds View

Learn more about the iOS interface, Siri (your virtual assistant), browsing the internet using Safari, downloading apps, and some iPhone tips and tricks.

Introduction to Chromebooks

Friday, July 22, 1:30-3 p.m.
RCL-Mounds View

This basic computer class will introduce you to Chromebooks. Learn what a Chromebook is, the difference between types of Chromebooks, how it differs from a PC, and basic usage and settings.

Maker Adult

Fridays & Saturdays, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
RCL-Roseville

Maker equipment is available through a combination of reservations and first-come, first-served basis.

Use the Library's laptops to design a 3D model, create your own stickers, cards, or other cardstock cutouts, or utilize the video and photo editing software. Access the Library's digitization equipment to convert your physical photos, slides, negatives, cassette tapes, 8mm and Super 8 film, and VHS and VHS-C tapes to digital files. Try the sewing machine or ask questions about the 3D printer.

For the most up-to-date information on how to access and reserve time with the equipment, call 651-724-6100 or visit rclreads.org/makeradult.

Photo & Video Conversion

Thursday, July 7, 10:30 a.m.-Noon
Thursday, August 18, 6-7:30 p.m.
RCL-Roseville

Come learn about the Library's digitization equipment that can convert physical photos, slides, negatives, cassette tapes, 8mm and Super 8 film, and VHS and VHS-C tapes to digital files. Bring a flash drive to store your files and up to 12 items to digitize. Registration required. Space is limited to 10 participants.

Intro to 3D Design Using Tinkercad

Tuesday, July 26, 10:30 a.m.-Noon
RCL-Roseville

Become familiar with Tinkercad.com while using it to design your own keychain. Your project will be printed with the Library's 3D printer so you can pick it up at a later date. Registration required on the Library's online calendar. Space is limited to 10 participants.



Online Courses

The library has many online resources for adults such as computer skills, test and career preparations, and professional development. Log in using your library card to access online courses and on-demand training videos at rclreads.org/learning-tools/online-courses.

Computer Skills

Video courses are the fastest and easiest way to learn how to use a computer. Use the materials in this center to learn the basics of computers, from searching the Internet to using popular programs for word processing, creating spreadsheets and databases and more.

LearningExpress Library

Access an interactive collection of tests, tutorials and eBooks. Learning Centers include School Center, College Admissions Test Preparation, College Students, High School Equivalency Center, Adult Core Skills, Career Preparation and Recursos para Hispanohablantes (Spanish Center).

Udemy

Learn and improve skills across business, tech and design. Includes 6,000+ on-demand video courses in multiple languages.

Why Do You Love Your Library?

This spring the Friends of the Ramsey County Libraries developed the Love your Library Campaign to learn what our Friends members, patrons, staff and volunteers love about your library. We've received hundreds of wonderful and heartfelt responses to the Love Your Library campaign.

Thank you for taking the time to share your appreciation for the Ramsey County Library. More stories and comments are available at rclfriends.org.

Here are a few for your enjoyment:

- "I love the look on my friends faces when we talk about the latest book that we want to read, and they immediately go to their phones to request it. In stressful times, the pleasure of a book can light the darkest night. That pleasure is magnified when shared in a reading community." *Kate H.*
- "A cornucopia of knowledge." *James A.*
- "I love our library! It has a welcoming feel to all kinds and types of readers. I love that it shows artwork from all the schools in the area. I love the people that staff it are welcoming and helpful. The little kids reading program is so precious, especially the joyous look on those little ones as they come to their library story time! I love that there are so many wonderful volunteers that help keep everything stocked and especially during COVID they helped to keep the reserved books available." *Rosemary B.*
- "The Roseville library is a treasure. It is the latest in a long line of libraries across the country that continues to fulfill the promise made to me by my parents when they gave me the very best present ever: A library card." *Susan G.*
- "I love the library because it reminds me of my mom. She would take us kids all the time growing up and we always found something new. Now as an adult, I still discover a new book/video that speaks to me every time I visit." *Connor S.*
- "The library is a place to read and unwind and have fun. The atmosphere and staff! They are all very nice and fun!" *Ben C.*
- "I love the Library because:
 - quiet place to work.
 - # of books on same topics I wouldn't be able to buy on my own.
 - ebooks, especially the audio books.
 - tech support.
 - adult/kid art.
 - 3D printer availability."*Shanti S.*
- "My mother raised 6 kids coming to the library all the time. I am forever grateful to her for my love of books & libraries. Now, I've given that gift to my sons. It is a generational wealth, a public good and enriches us all." *Joseph A.*
- "The library is so precious to me. It lets my mind, imagination, and spirit fly. It feeds my creativity, my soul. My gratitude is boundless!" *Tracy R.*

Many of these stories and comments highlights how Friends contributions have helped create wonderful experiences by supporting the summer reading program, tech help and 3D printing. Your membership or donation is instrumental to our mission to keep our libraries a vibrant community for all. To learn more on how you can help the Friends continue their support for Ramsey County Library, visit rclfriends.org.



Roseville Used Book Sale: Successful Return

Thank you to all of the hard-working volunteers and book sale customers that made this sale possible! It was a gorgeous spring weekend during the sale and wonderful to see so many sunny-day book lovers.

The Friends sold over \$4,500 of used books. All proceeds support the seven locations of the Ramsey County Library system.

Watch for details in the coming months for a late fall Used Book Sale at the library in Shoreview.

Become a Sustaining Circle Member of the Friends Today!

A Sustaining Circle membership is an unrestricted monthly gift that you can pay in a convenient, ongoing way. Each month, we will charge your credit or debit card or withdrawal from your checking account in the amount you specify. Your Sustaining Circle membership will automatically continue unless you choose to cancel or change it. You can increase, decrease or stop your donation at any time by calling us at 651-486-2213. Sustainers are crucial to providing ongoing support for Ramsey County Library.

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Mounds View (MV) 651-724-6004
2576 Mounds View Boulevard
M & Th 1-8; W, F & Sa 10-5; T & Su Closed

New Brighton (NB) 651-724-6002
400 10th Street NW
M, Th-Sat 10-5; T 10-8; W 1-8; Su Closed

North St. Paul (NS) 651-724-6005
2300 North St. Paul Drive
M, W & Sat 10-5; T & Th 1-8; F & Su Closed

Roseville (RV) 651-724-6001
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