

Youth & Family Programs



Kindermusik Northshore Cuddle & Bounce

Hear squeals of delight as your baby anticipates the next zoom lift, and giggles while dancing and socializing. Babies enjoy wide-eyed excitement with tummy-tickle rhymes, massage, and exploration time. Kindermusik is the world's leading provider of music-based education for children from birth through age 7. They use the power and joy of music making to help children learn and grow during the years most critical to brain development. Since 1978, Kindermusik has helped millions of children around the world build a strong foundation for a lifetime of learning. A parent or guardian must be present for this class. For more information, contact Brian O'Malley at 847.850.2123 or brian@bgparks.org. **No class on March 30.**

Age: 0 - 16 months

Code	Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
460846-01	Sat	Mar 2 - May 25	11:15 am - 12:15 pm	\$270/\$338
460846-02	Tue	Apr 2 - May 21	11 am - 12 pm	\$180/\$225

Instructor: Spector

Location: Community Arts Center

Rock 'N' Kids

This interactive class has everyone on their feet! We all learn together, while engaging in active, creative, music-based activities, using rhythm instruments and movement props. All class procedures are designed to keep staff and students safe. Activities are age appropriate by class, and include songs and rhymes, rhythm and coordination, fine and gross motor, imagination and sensory, and listening and following directions skills. Sing, dance, play, learn, and imagine with us! For more information, contact Keri Isacovici at 847.850.2111 or keri@bgparks.org.

Code	Age	Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
430607-01	1 - 2½ yrs	Sat	Apr 13 - May 18	9:30 - 10:10 am	\$73/\$91
430607-02	2 - 5 years	Sat	Apr 13 - May 18	10:20 - 11 am	\$73/\$91

Instructor: Kid Rock

Location: Alcott Center

Kindermusik Northshore Wiggle & Grow

Imagine twirling around the room, marching with happiness, and singing out with joy to the music! Led by licensed teachers who cherish your child's blossoming social skills, children practice turn-taking activities and finger games and play simple instruments. Kindermusik is the world's leading provider of music-based education for children from birth through age 7. They use the power and joy of music making to help children learn and grow during the years most critical to brain development. Since 1978, Kindermusik has helped millions of children around the world build a strong foundation for a lifetime of learning. A parent or guardian must be present for this class. For more information, contact Brian O'Malley at 847.850.2123 or brian@bgparks.org. **No class on March 30.**

Age: 16 - 42 months

Code	Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
460847-01	Sat	Mar 2 - May 25	9:15 - 10:15 am	\$270/\$338
460847-02	Sat	Mar 2 - May 25	10:15 - 11:15 am	\$270/\$338
460847-03	Tue	Apr 2 - May 21	9:30 - 10:30 am	\$180/\$225

Instructor: Spector

Location: Community Arts Center

Jr. STEM Explorers by Noggin Builders

This class promotes hands-on science specifically designed for preschoolers! Project examples include experiments with surface tension, exploring animal habitats, creating chemical reactions, and testing the strength of wind power. These science explorations will build creative problem-solving skills through preschoolers' natural curiosity of the world around them. There are new activities each session. For more information, contact Keri Isacovici at 847-850-2111 or keri@bgparks.org.

Age: 3 - 5 years

Code	Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
430660-01	Fri	Apr 5 - May 24	2 - 3 pm	\$189/\$236

Instructor: Torf

Location: Alcott Center

Safety Town Saturday

Join us for a day of safety! We will prepare students for the summer months and outdoor adventures, including camping, family vacations, day camp, bicycle riding, water, sports, and especially stranger danger. The first session will have a special focus on sports and outdoor safety. Session 2 will focus on summer, traveling, and camp safety. This is the perfect class for new students and alumni as well. Bikes and motorized cars are provided. Each participant must bring a helmet, and wear shoes and socks to each class. For more information, contact Elizabeth Quinzio at 847.850.2196 or elizabeth@bgparks.org. **No class on March 30.**

Age: 3½ - 7 years

Code	Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
461901-01	Sat	Mar 9 - Mar 30	9:30 - 11:30 am	\$90/\$113
461901-02	Sat	Apr 6 - Apr 27	9:30 - 11:30 am	\$90/\$113

Instructor: Gangware

Location: Rick Drazner Park

Young Rembrandts Preschool

April showers bring May flowers, and springtime is the right time for signing up your preschooler for a Young Rembrandts class! The spring months will blast off with excitement as we draw a wonderful astronaut. But, it's not all about space adventures; your student's feet will be firmly planted back on planet Earth with a drawing of a tree house. And, don't let those May flowers go unnoticed; the month of May will bloom with our flower basket drawing. For more information, contact TJ Wilkes at 847.850.2199 or twilkes@bgparks.org. **No class on May 27.**

Age: 3½ - 5 years

Code	Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
461119-01	Wed	Mar 6 - Apr 10	3:30 - 4:15 pm	\$115/\$144
461119-02	Wed	Apr 17 - May 22	3:30 - 4:15 pm	\$138/\$173

Instructor: Young Rembrandts

Location: Alcott Center

Dino Discovery NEW

Children will go on their own fossil dig and analyze and assemble skeleton pieces just like a team of paleontologists. They'll learn about dinosaurs and the techniques used in extracting fossils as we make many discoveries in this hands-on class. To wrap it up, they'll create a documentary about their findings. For more information, contact TJ Wilkes at 847.850.2199 or twilkes@bgparks.org.

Age: 4½ - 6½ years

Code	Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
461112-03	Thu	Apr 4 - Apr 25	6 - 7 pm	\$80/\$100

Instructor: Staff

Location: Alcott Center

Chess Club

Make the right move and learn the fine art of chess. Chess is a wonderful game of skill and strategy that promotes critical thinking and teaches many skills, including problem solving, decision-making, logic, reasoning, patience, and persistence. Learn from certified chess coach Frank Swindell and be able to challenge others at the game. Frank has numerous students in the top 100, and his chess team has won nationals. In 2007, he instructed a kindergarten state champion, an 8th-grade state champion, and a 4-time consecutive state champion. Instruction will be geared toward individual ability, so beginners and advanced students are both welcome. The advanced chess class is for students who have mastered checkmates Queen, 2 Rooks, 1 Rook, and 2 Bishops. The class will focus on chess notation, using check clocks, and mastering the Knight and Bishop checkmate, as well as pins, forks, and skewers. The elite chess club is for students who have attended the advanced chess class and now are preparing to participate in local, state, and national chess tournaments. Students in this class will be taught tournament strategies, analyzing chess games, and completing chess puzzles. Each registrant will receive a free chess board and chess pieces. We accept late registrants. For more information, contact TJ Wilkes at 847.850.2199 or twilkes@bgparks.org.

Age: 5 - 13 years

Code	Level	Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
461102-01	Regular	Mon	Mar 4 - June 3	4:30 - 5:30 pm	\$257/\$321
461102-02	Adv	Mon	Mar 4 - June 3	5:30 - 6:30 pm	\$309/\$386
461102-03	Elite	Mon	Mar 4 - June 3	6:30 - 7:30 pm	\$377/\$471

Instructor: Swindell

Location: Alcott Center

Mom & Me Tea NEW

Join us for a special pre-Mother's Day celebration. Participants will decorate a spring wreath together, then everyone will get to have a special tea, cookies, and lemonade party at decorated tables in the Museum. The fee is for one mom (or grandma) and one child. For more information, contact the Raupp Museum at 847.850.2135 or museum@bgparks.org.

Age: 5 - 9 years

Code	Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
460713-02	Sat	May 4	10 am - 12 pm	\$15/\$18

Instructor: Staff

Location: Raupp Museum

Magic Class

Children are guaranteed to have a great time as they learn fascinating tricks from a professional magician! Amaze family and friends with tricks that involve cards, ropes, coins, and mind reading. While the tricks may appear difficult, you'll discover that they are quick to learn and easy to perform. All materials are provided, and each child receives a magic kit to take home. Children are grouped by age level and always learn tricks that are age appropriate. Additionally, children can sign up for this class again and again, since brand-new tricks are taught at each session. For more information, contact TJ Wilkes at 847.850.2199 or twilkes@bgparks.org.

Age: 5 - 12 years

Code	Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
461107-01	Thu	Mar 14	6:30 - 7:25 pm	\$22/\$28
461107-03	Mon	May 13	5 - 5:55 pm	\$22/\$28

Instructor: Magic Team of Gary Kantor

Location: Alcott Center



Hands On Art - Friday Fun

Join us for an evening full of fun art and activities! Our April theme is Pizza Palooza, and May will be The Amazon Rain Forest. For more information, contact Keri Isacovici at 847.850.2111 or Keri@bgparks.org.

Age: 5½ - 9½ years

Code	Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
430643-01	Fri	Apr 12	6:30 - 8 pm	\$27/\$34
430643-02	Fri	May 10	6:30 - 8 pm	\$27/\$34

Instructor: Cohen

Location: Alcott Center



Young Rembrandts Elementary

If your child enjoys the outdoors, they will love the upcoming hummingbird lesson filled with color and whimsy. We'll be drawing all season, creating motorcycles, boats, and even the butterfly lifecycle. Artists will be challenged as they draw and shade a realistic portrait of famous composer, Beethoven using color pencils. For more information, contact TJ Wilkes at 847.850.2199 or twilkes@bgparks.org. **No class on May 27.**

Age: 6 - 12 years

Code	Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
461116-01	Wed	Mar 6 - Apr 10	4:30 - 5:15 pm	\$115/\$144
461116-02	Wed	Apr 17 - May 22	4:30 - 5:15 pm	\$138/\$173

Instructor: Young Rembrandts

Location: Alcott Center

Young Rembrandts Cartooning

Your student will be exposed to the excitement of drawing and animating dinosaur expressions and funny anime characters. These drawings will delight our students as they learn how to draw dynamic figures and action-filled scenes. Your funny bone will be tickled when you see the humorous, floral-inspired personas created in our flower characters lesson. And, we will have an enormous amount of fun as we draw cartoon animals of all shapes and sizes doing their favorite hobbies. For more information, please contact TJ Wilkes at 847.850.2199 or twilkes@bgparks.org. **No class on May 27.**

Age: 6 - 12 years

Code	Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
461118-01	Wed	Mar 6 - Apr 10	5:30 - 6:15 pm	\$115/\$144
461118-02	Wed	Apr 17 - May 22	5:30 - 6:15 pm	\$138/\$173

Instructor: Young Rembrandts

Location: Alcott Center

Cars, Catapults & Bridges

This class focuses on teaching the "fun"-damentals of engineering as students work in teams using LEGO simple machine kits. Each session will build upon the student's skill level as they learn about levers, wheels/axels, and gears. Projects could include building drawbridges, cars, amusement park rides, and crane catapults. Join the fun while you explore engineering concepts that you can use at home for your own projects. For more information, please contact TJ Wilkes at 847.850.2199 or twilkes@bgparks.org.

Age: 7 - 12 years

Code	Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
461193-01	Thu	May 2 - May 23	6 - 7:15 pm	\$100/\$125

Instructor: Staff

Location: Alcott Center

Safe Sitter Babysitting Class

The Safe Sitter program is a medically accurate childcare curriculum designed to prepare students to be safe and nurturing babysitters. Our instructors will teach important life skills and safe habits in this high-quality course. Students learn about a wide variety of topics through discussion, practice and role-play. Participants will create a "babysitter bag," and receive a completion certificate upon finishing the course. Participants may bring a nut-free snack and a bottle of water. Every student must attend both classes for completion. For more information, contact Elizabeth Quinzio at 847.850.2196 or elizabeth@bgparks.org. **No class on April 19.**

Age: 11 - 15 years

Code	Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
461114-02	Fri	Apr 12 - Apr 26	6 - 9 pm	\$60/\$75

Instructor: Gangware

Location: Rick Drazner Park



The Buffalo Grove Environmental Action Team is a group of environmentally conscious local citizens eager to improve the community's natural environment and encourage sound and sustainable practices. As part of our goal to encourage people to reuse and recycle, we would like to inform residents that a SWALCO collection bin was installed at the southeast corner of the parking lot at Emmerich Park. Please use this bin for new and gently used clothing and textile donations in addition to torn or worn materials. Sorry, but shoes, pillows, cushions, and rugs cannot be accepted. By recycling you are doing a great thing for the local community as well as the planet by keeping hundreds of thousands of pounds of materials from our landfills. Other benefits include conserving energy and water, decreasing pollution, and reducing our carbon footprint.

Come join the team - you can make a difference! Visit our website page at bgeat.org, or call Jeff Weiss at 847.224.0965.