

## NORTH HOFFMAN BRANCH

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### Yoga Storytime

Friday, May 5

2:00 – 2:30 p.m. Ages 3-5

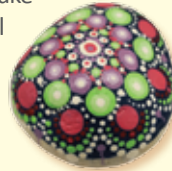
2:30 – 3:00 p.m. Ages 6-8

Discover yoga through story, song, and poses that engage the imagination and senses. Presented by Karen Fotopoulous, certified yoga instructor from Discover Yoga with Karen. **Limit 10. Sign up.**

### Adults – Painted Mandala Stones

Tuesday, May 23, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Celebrate South Asian heritage with the ancient art of the mandala. Make simple dots to create beautiful mandala designs. **All supplies provided. Valid District cardholders only. Ages 16 and up. Limit 15.**



## RAND BRANCH

### Sri Lankan

#### Animal Mask Craft

Saturday, April 8

10:00 a.m. – Noon

Create your own paper peacock mask based on an ancient Sri Lanka tradition. **Drop in.**



### Peacock Storytime and Craft

Friday, May 5

11:30 a.m. – Noon

Enjoy stories about India's national bird and make a simple peacock craft. **Preschool-Grade 2. Drop in.**



### Punjabi Folk Dance

Friday, April 14

1:00 – 1:45 p.m.

Members of the Punjabi Cultural Society of Palatine perform the colorful and energetic folk dance Giddah and then teach you the dance moves! **All ages.**



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#### North Hoffman Branch

3600 Lexington Drive, Hoffman Estates  
847-934-0220

#### Rand Road Branch

1585 Rand Road, Palatine  
847-202-1194



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# Exploring South Asia: India and Beyond

We are excited to host a variety of programs and events that focus on and celebrate the diverse cultures of India and South Asian countries including: Pakistan, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Nepal, and Bhutan. We hope to highlight some of the beauty and traditions that have enriched our country and reflect our local community. Join us to explore the abundance of this culture through music, dance, cuisine, literature, and art.



## MAIN LIBRARY – ADULTS

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### Ensemble of Ragas with Saraswathi Ranganathan at Cutting Hall

Sunday, April 23  
7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Experience the beautiful sounds of the veena, as Saraswathi Ranganathan treats you to an artistically rich presentation of this instrument from South India, interlaced with dance from that region. **Funded by the Friends of the Palatine Library. Offsite at Cutting Hall, 150 E. Wood Street, Palatine. Sign up.**



### Fiction Book Discussion:

#### **An Atlas of Impossible Longing**

Friday, May 5, 9:30 – 11:00 a.m.

Monday, May 15, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

by Anuradha Roy

The story of three generations of a Bengali family from the turn of the twentieth century to India's partition. **Copies available at the Reader Assistance Desk. Sign up x132.**

### Indian Cooking

Sunday, May 7, 2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Anupy Singla, local cookbook author and owner of Indian as Apple Pie, teaches us easy recipes that are authentic and healthy. Books will be available for purchase and signing. **Valid District cardholders only. Samples provided. Sign up.**

### India: A Visual Journey

Wednesday, May 10, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Photographer Paul Berg presents a photographic journey of his five-week adventure to the fascinating country of India with stops in Rajasthan, Agra, Calcutta, Darjeeling, and more. **Sign up.**

### Meet the Author: Sonali Dev

Thursday, May 11  
7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Sonali Dev, author of *The Bollywood Bride* and *A Bollywood Affair*, describes her writing journey. Books will be available for purchase and signing. **Sign up.**



### Movie Night: *The Lunchbox*

Tuesday, May 16, 6:30 – 8:45 p.m.

A mistaken delivery in Mumbai's famously efficient lunchbox delivery system connects a young housewife to an older man in the dusk of his life, as they build a fantasy world together through notes in the lunchbox. Starring Irrfan Khan and Nimrat Kaur. Hindi with English subtitles. Bring your own drink, and we'll provide the snacks. **(PG) Sign up.**



### Interfaith Discussion about Holy Books at the Sikh Gurdwara, Palatine

Wednesday, May 24

4:00 – 5:30 p.m. – Holy Books

discussion with Q&A.

5:30 – 6:30 p.m. – Tour of Gurdwara followed by a traditional vegetarian meal provided by the Sikh Religious Society.

6:30 – 8:30 p.m. – Guests may stay for religious service.

Enjoy a presentation of different religions, hosted at the Sikh Temple in Palatine. Speakers from Buddhist (Tripitaka), Christian (Bible), Hindu (Gita), Jewish (Torah), Muslim (Qur'an), and Sikh (Guru Granth Sahib) faiths discuss their Holy Books, with a question and answer session afterward. Stay for a tour of the Gurdwara and enjoy a vegetarian meal, then stay for the religious service.

**All ages. Offsite at the Sikh Gurdwara, 1280 Winnetka Street, Palatine. Sign up.**

The Sikh Gurdwara is managed by the Sikh Religious Society and focuses on Sikh religious services, Punjabi language/Kirtan classes, and the charitable and nonprofit endeavors of society. Sikhism, a monotheistic religion, follows the teachings of ten Gurus (Teachers). Visitors are always welcome.

**Guidelines:** Consumption or possession of alcohol and tobacco is not permitted; men and women must wear a head covering (supplied), and remove shoes in prayer hall and dining area; casual clothes recommended for sitting on the floor.

### An Introduction to Loose Leaf Tea

Wednesday, May 24, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Sheila Duda, owner of Tea Lula Tea Boutique, presents the production methods used to create different varieties of tea, as well as growing regions, processing techniques, proper steeping, and storage. **Sign up.**



## MAIN LIBRARY TEENS/CHILDREN

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### Yoga Storytime

Wednesday, April 12, 1:30 – 2:00 p.m.

Discover yoga through story, song, and poses that engage the imagination and senses. Presented by Karen Fotopoulous, certified yoga instructor from Discover Yoga with Karen. **Ages 3 through 6. Sign up.**

### Henna with Kendra Williams

Thursday, April 27, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Henna artist Kendra Williams teaches you the history of henna, how it works, and how to become a henna artist. Then, practice drawing your own henna designs! **Grades 6-12. Sign up.**



### Rangoli Sand Art

Wednesday, May 17, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Explore the origins of rangoli, a popular South Asian folk art, while using colored sand to create your own unique design. **All supplies provided. Grades 1-5. Sign up.**

### Incredible India Craft and Storytime

Thursday, May 18

Craft 10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Celebrate the national symbols of India! Choose a peacock or tiger craft. **Drop in. Storytime 6:30 – 7:00 p.m.** Come hear stories of India past and present. **Drop in.**

