



OFF THE SHELF

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Teen Art and Tech at the Library

At the Hudson Area Library, we have an upcoming teen series that's a mash-up of art and technology.

Early March features two special events in the library world: Will Eisner Week (March 1-7) and Teen Tech Week (March 4-10). Eisner, a legendary comic artist who created *The Spirit*, *John Law* and *Lady Luck*, is also considered the father of the graphic novel.

On March 3rd, in honor of Eisner's work, we have local comic artist, Collin Kiesow, offering a comics

workshop for teens. In this workshop, Kiesow will demonstrate comic panel transitions and layouts, share the do's and don'ts of comics, and offer fun comic-related activities.

On March 6 and March 7, we'll have workshops for teens and tweens so they can explore the digital art tools available at our library, including electronic drawing tablets, photography and photo manipulation software. We'll help teens become content creators and learn how to leverage library resources to share their creations through podcasts, videos, apps, games, wearable tech, or other digital resources.

New iLabs

Have you visited our new iLABS yet? Located downstairs next to the Computer Lab, you will find iLABS for all ages—a 3-D printer, new computers and tablets with amazing software for audio/visual/graphic design creation, a digital converter for transferring your personal VHS movies to DVD, and more.

You're invited to use the new equipment during Open Lab time: noon-7pm Monday-Thursday, 11am-5pm Friday, and 11am-2pm on Saturdays. You can use your library card to check out equipment for use in the library: a Brother computerized sewing machine, Cricut machine, Canon camera and/or tripod, a drawing touch tablet & art pen, a Snowball microphone for recording vocals, podcasts & narration, and a photo studio kit with green, black & white backdrop screens, lightboxes & umbrella reflectors. Join us at the Library and put ideas into action!

Rince Na Chroi

Wear your dancing shoes and bring your Irish spirit to the library on March 17th at 1pm for a special St. Patrick's Day event. The Rince na Chroi Irish Dancers from St. Paul will be giving a demonstration and a little Irish dancing lesson.

Rince na Chroi (pronounced Rink-a na Cree), Gaelic for "dance of the heart," was founded by

Katie Stephens Spangler in 2003 and is located in St. Paul, MN. The dance troupe has grown from about 15 to over 150 since then. They have performed all over the Twin Cities and the Midwest at events such as the Irish Fair of Minnesota, the Flint Hills International Children's Festival, Grand Old Day, Milwaukee Irish Fest, and many more.

The school offers classes for all ages and skill levels, including adults and a summer dance camp. You can visit their website, www.rincenachroi.com to see all their classes and schedule of upcoming performances.

New Fiction in March

The Temptation of Forgiveness by Donna Leon

Red Alert by James Patterson

The Disappeared by C.J. Box

Duel to the Death by J.A. Jance

The Punishment She Deserves by Elizabeth George

Accidental Heroes by Danielle Steel

The Flight Attendant by Christopher Bohjalian

In Places Hidden by Tracie Peterson

The Third Victim by Phillip Margolin

Children of Blood and Stone by Tomi Adeyemi

Restore Me by Tahereh Mafi

The Heart Forger by Rin Chupeco

Hamilton and Peggy! by L.M. Elliot

Obsidio by Amie Kaufman and Jay Kristoff