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Immerse Yourself in Chicago's History at The Museums at Lisle Station Park this February

Photo: [Chicago Author Series at The Museums at Lisle Station Park this past fall](#)

Lisle, IL – On Saturdays in February, The Museums at Lisle Station Park welcome all ages to attend the Chicago Author Series – free, thought-provoking discussions about Chicago's regional history and culture with local authors and those who write about it.

Our presenting authors from around Chicagoland will address their books in a fun and informal fashion.

- On February 3, 25-year Chicago resident and avid cyclist Chris McAuliffe will discuss *Cycling in Chicago*, his book that outlines Chicago's history as the Detroit of bike manufacturing in the late 19th and early 20th centuries, including the city's many attributes that earned it the title 'Best Bike City' by *Bicycling Magazine* in 2016.
- On February 10, author Jim McGuire will talk about his book *Winfield*, an expansive photo collection that showcases life in early Winfield, the location of the oldest standing depot in Illinois, dating back to 1849, with a focus on many of its early residents, places, work and play.
- Please check the museum's website for details about the February 17 installment of the Chicago Author Series at LisleParkDistrict.org/museumsatlislestationpark-events.
- On February 24, Chicago native, long-time researcher, and teacher of history, John Boda, is joined by co-author, Ray Johnson, former criminal investigator, historian, and lecturer on Chicago history, to discuss their book *The Great Chicago Fire*, which contains extensive research and over 200 captivating photos of the infamous fire that destroyed the city in 1871.

The Chicago Author Series is presented by The Museums at Lisle Station Park and the Lisle Park District with program partners the Lisle Library District, Lake Claremont Press and Arcadia Press. This free, unique event series is held at the museum in the Netzley/Yender Farmhouse at 1pm on Saturdays in February. Coffee and refreshments will be served. All ages are welcome to attend and seating is on a first come basis. The Museums at Lisle Station Park are located at 921 School Street in Lisle with free parking available in the lot on the museum campus in front of the Beaubien Tavern, at the Lisle Village Hall, and in the Lisle Metra train commuter parking lots.

Daily admission to the museum is free, and tours are available by appointment. If you are interested in learning more about Lisle's history and culture, The Museums at Lisle Station Park are looking for volunteer assistance, including museum docents, history buffs, adult and children program support, special event assistance and help with community and service projects. To complete the volunteer application, please visit LisleParkDistrict.org/museumsatlislestationpark-volunteer. The Museums at Lisle Station Park have open office hours on Tuesdays and Saturdays from 10am-1pm. For more information about the museum's facilities, exhibits,

blacksmith classes, birthday parties, rental opportunities, and the new expanded field trip program, visit LisleParkDistrict.org/museumsatlislestationpark or call 630-968-0499.

The Lisle Park District provides a variety of leisure activities for people of all ages throughout the year. Park district facilities include Lisle Community Park; the Recreation Center which houses Gentle Learning Preschool, SEASPAR, the Senior Center, and multipurpose rooms; Sea Lion Aquatic Park; River Bend Golf Course; Wheatstack – A Midwestern Eatery & Tap and numerous neighborhood playgrounds and parks offering amenities such as tennis courts, ball fields, walking paths and picnic areas totaling close to 400 acres. It is the mission of the Lisle Park District to enrich the quality of life for people of all ages by providing constructive and creative leisure opportunities. For more information about the Lisle Park District, please call 630-964-3410 or visit lisleparkdistrict.org.

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