

VILLAGE OF ORLAND PARK RECREATION AND PARKS DEPARTMENT
PROGRAM JUSTIFICATION LIST

Program Supervisor: Libby Paulson		Season: Fall 2025		
Program Name:	Seasons Offered	Number Enrolled	Justification to Continue Offering with Low Enrollment	
Bagpipe Lessons	F, W, SP, SU	2	This program is no cost to Recreation and Parks because we trade lessons for space usage. We earn \$51 per session but pay them nothing for Fun with Oil Pastels.	
Fun with Oil Pastels	F	0		
I Speak Spanish	F, W, SP, SU	0	Low enrollment in 2025 but the program has had high enrollment in the past. Will be offering it one more time this season to see if enrollment increases.	
Paint like Van Gogh	SP, F	0	Low enrollment in Spring 2025 but the program has had high enrollment in the past.	
Starry Night	F	0	Low enrollment in Fall 2024 but the program has had high enrollment in the past.	
Under the Sea	F	5	Low enrollment in Fall 2024 but the program has had high enrollment in the past.	
Program Name:	Seasons Offered	Number Enrolled	Brief Explanation for Discontinuing Program	
Orland Memorial Park Cemetery Tour	F	12	Offering an alternative Heritage Sites program for fall 2025.	
Supernatural Archer Avenue Tour	F	42	Offering an alternative supernatural program for fall 2025.	
The Assassination of JFK	F	4	Program has failed to meet minimums in the past.	
Yuletide Victorian Tea	F	2	Program has failed to meet minimums in the past.	
Program Name:	Seasons Offered	Number Enrolled	Brief Description of New Program	
Miracles and Malevolence	F		Dare to face the flip of the coin between good and evil as we unravel mysterious forces in this chilling presentation by Neal Gibbons of Graveside Paranormal. In part one, Neal will take you deep into two legendary tales of miracles that defy explanation and two spine-chilling stories of malevolence that will send shivers down your spine. After, join Larry Eissler III of Expedition Entity—as seen on Paraflxxx—for a captivating investigation presentation. Larry will delve into the tools of the trade, including spirit boxes, and will demonstrate the Estes Method live with audience participation. Witness this sensory-deprivation technique as we attempt to bridge the gap between the living and the dead. Prepare for an unforgettable journey into the paranormal this Halloween season. Will you uncover the light... or be consumed by the dark?	
Serene Horizons: A Relaxing Landscape Painting Workshop	F		Unwind after a busy day with our relaxed landscape painting class! Join Gergana Horozova from the Magenta Moon School of Art as she guides you through professional techniques that help you create a stunning, vibrant painting in a stress-free atmosphere. Whether you're a seasoned artist or just starting out, artists of all skill levels are welcome—and all supplies are provided.	
Speaker Spotlight: Singing Bird and the Importance of Native American Women in Illinois History	F		Dressed in her Native regalia, Kim Sigafus will be giving a history of the Natives in Illinois with a focus on Native women, or what was considered "The Hidden Half." Her primary focus will be women such as Singing Bird (Blackhawk's wife), and Hononegah. Kim will bring the audience into these women's day-to-day lives, including courting, marriage, and child-rearing. She will also talk about their role in their husbands' lives, and how those lives affected the history of Illinois. Kim will bring native items that women would have used in their daily lives, as she discusses the role women played within the family unit. The audience will be able to pick up and view the items, learn native language and music, and get the chance to play the drum in this interactive experience.	
Watercolor Techniques	F		Do you have an interest in watercolor painting but never knew where to start? This six-week course is the perfect introduction to this art style. You'll learn basic techniques, such as masking, paint and water combinations, and more in a relaxing and fun atmosphere under the tutelage of an experienced watercolor artist.	