In June 2017, Richa Goel—a talented artist, software engineer, and teacher—was honored with the Saint Paul Public Library’s Volunteer of the Year Award.

Richa’s contributions to the library have been invaluable. Throughout the past year, she volunteered for over 40 hours per month, showcasing her commitment to supporting the community. Whether helping at special events or leading her weekly 3D printing classes, Richa’s expertise in laser engraving, sewing, knitting, and more has been a valuable resource.

If you've been a regular at the library, you've likely benefited from Richa's guidance and expertise. Her dedication and enthusiasm are truly inspiring. We encourage you to congratulate her on her well-deserved recognition and explore some of her impressive projects. Keep an eye out for Richa as she continues to enrich the library community.

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**Volunteer of the Year**

On May 18, 2017, Richa Goel—artist, software engineer, and teacher—was awarded Saint Paul Public Library’s Volunteer of the Year Award.

In the past year, Richa has volunteered over 40 hours per month across the entire library system. When she’s not helping at a special event, you can find her leading a weekly 3D printing class or providing one-on-one instruction in laser engraving, sewing, knitting, and more. If you’ve been in the Lab, you’ve likely been helped by our star volunteer. Be sure to congratulate her and check out some of her work!

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**New Blinds in Lab E Recording Studio**

New blinds have been installed in Lab E, enhancing our recording studio environment.

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**Laser Engraving with Illustrator**

You can now upload designs to the laser engraver using Adobe Illustrator. Detailed instructions are available in the Lab, and you can always learn more at “Laser Engraving with Dennis” every Friday, 1-3 PM. Dennis will also teach July’s Topic Night: Learn Adobe Illustrator on Monday, July 17, 5:30-7:30 PM.
Describe yourself in one sentence or less: Designer & Print Maker.

What projects are you working on? I recently completed a series of letterpress woodblock that will be used to teach classes and educate the community about letterpress. The blocks feature geometric patterns for borders and backgrounds as well as letterforms. This was the first series and I plan on cutting a full sort of type to use at Hamilton Ink Spot along with other letterpress shops.

What has the Lab enabled you to do? The Innovation Lab has been an amazing space for me to create and share work with others. The staff and members have been incredibly helpful and collaborative. It has enabled me to play, make mistakes, and learn. Without it would have been extremely difficult to experiment and make the letterpress blocks.

What is your advice for other members? Play, that’s the best way to learn!

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**MEET YOUR MEMBERS: AN INTERVIEW WITH AUSTIN NASH**

**Learn 3D Printing with Richa**
Thursday, June 19, 2-3 PM

**Intro to Tinkercad**
Monday, June 19, 5:30-7:30 PM

**Lab After Dark: Paint Night with Melissa**
Friday, June 30, 5:30-7 PM

**Lab After Dark: TBD**
Friday, July 28, 5:30-7 PM

**Creating a Marketing Plan for your Business**
Monday, July 31, 5:30-6:30 PM

**Stamp Carving with Tari**
Monday, July 31, 5:30-7:30 PM

**Solar Scavenger with Asia**
Monday, June 5, 5:30-6:30 PM

**Make Stuffed Animals with Z**
Sunday, June 5, 2-4 PM

**Advisory Board**
Monday, June 5, 5:30-6:30 PM

**Learning with Lynda(.com)**
Saturday, July 8, 1-3 PM

**To register, call 651-266-7000.**