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# **Empowering Our Community** for Over 51 Years

### Winter Edition

### **DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE**

Dear Wyandanch Community,

As we welcome Winter 2025, the Wyandanch Public Library remains committed to serving as a beacon of knowledge, innovation, and community connection. This season, we're unveiling exciting new programs and revitalized spaces to better serve you. From our enhanced digital resources to the modernized Obama Reading Room, we aim to meet the evolving needs of our diverse community.

Thank you for being an integral part of the library's story. Together, let's make this a season of growth and learning for all.

Warm Regards, **Dr. Shell - Library Director** 

# **Our Mission**

The mission of the Wyandanch Public Library is to provide quality materials and services that fulfill the educational, informational, cultural, and recreational needs of the entire community in an atmosphere that is welcoming, respectful, and professional.

### LIBRARY HOURS

Monday | 9:00 AM-8:00 PM Tuesday | 9:00 AM-9:00 PM Wednesday | 11:00 AM-8:00 PM Thursday | 9:00 AM-9:00 AM Friday | 9:00 AM-5:00 PM Saturday | 9:00 AM-5:00 PM

### LIBRARY CLOSURES

**New Year's Dav** January 1, 2025

Martin Luther King Jr. Day January 20, 2025

**Presidents' Day** February 17, 2025

# Innovative Services

We are excited to offer a range of new and innovative services to enhance your library experience:

- Library Cafe: Enjoy a warm drink and a good book in our cozy cafe space.
- Makerspace: Access 3D printers, crafting tools, and sewing machines for your DIY projects.
- Streaming Services: Borrow digital entertainment with Hoopla, Kanopy, and Brainfuse.
- Online Learning Platforms: Take advantage of language courses, coding classes, and more.
- Digital Media Lab: Edit videos, create podcasts, and design digital content with professional-grade tools.
- Virtual Reality Stations: Experience immersive learning and entertainment with VR.
- Notary Services: Available to library cardholders. Schedule an appointment today!

# COMING SOON



- Teen DJ Booth: Explore music production and podcasting.
- Quiet Sensory Area: A tranquil environment in the Children's Department for relaxation.

# January 2025 **ADULT PROGRAMS**



**Emergency Homeless Shelter Information Table** Wednesday, January 8 | 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Emergency homeless shelter based in Wantagh for youth ages 10-20 years old, also has a transitional long-term program for youth ages 16-21 in Freeport. Stop by the table for information pamphlets along with gifts such as hand sanitizer, pens, chap stick, and bracelets.

Adult/Teen Jewelry Program - Charm Necklaces Wednesday, January 8 | 6:00 PM-7:30 PM

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### **Basic Introduction to the Computer Class** (Bilingual English/Spanish)

Tuesday, January 14 | 6:30 PM-7:30 PM

In this one-hour workshop, you will learn to use the basic elements of a laptop, such as the touchpad and keyboard shortcuts. We will show you how to open, minimize, and close applications, as well as how to navigate through your files and folders. Join us and discover how to make the most of your laptop! Call 631-643-4848, ext. 240, or sign up at https:// wyandanch.librarycalendar.com/events/month En este taller de una hora, aprenderás a usar los elementos básicos de una laptop, como el panel táctil y los atajos del teclado. Te mostraremos cómo abrir, minimizar y cerrar aplicaciones, además de cómo navegar por tus archivos y carpetas. ¡Unete y descubre cómo sacarle el máximo provecho a tu laptop! Llame al 631-643-4848, ext. 240 o registrese en https:// wyandanch.librarycalendar.com/events/month

### **Canvas Wars**

Thursday, January 16 | 7:00 PM- 8:00 PM Adults will take part in a canvas art challenge. Everyone will vote for their favorite creation and a gift card will be awarded to the crowd favorite, plus, everyone keeps their canvas.

\*Dress for A Mess with Paint.

Sky Canvas: Mastering Aerial Photography and **Photogrammetry** 

Wednesday, January 22 | 6:00 PM-7:00 PM Join local artist Adam Balbi for an insightful presentation on Aerial Photogrammetry Basics, where you'll delve into the art and science of choosing the right aircraft and identifying ideal subjects and targets for 3D modeling. This workshop offers a comprehensive exploration of the fundamental principles essential for beginners and enthusiasts alike. Registration is requested, call 631-643-4848, ext. 240, or sign up at https://wyandanch.librarycalendar.com/events/ month

**Basic Microsoft Word for Beginners (Bilingual** English/Spanish)

Tuesday, January 28 | 6:30 PM-7:30 PM In this one-hour workshop, you will learn the basics of Microsoft Word so you can create documents like a pro. We will show you how to navigate the interface, format text, and easily add images and tables. Join us and discover how to make the most of Word to help you with your daily tasks! Call 631-643-4848, ext. 240, or sign up at https://wyandanch.librarycalendar.com/events/ month

En este taller de una hora, aprenderás lo básico de Microsoft Word para que puedas crear documentos como un profesional. Te enseñaremos a moverte por la interfaz, dar formato al texto y agregar imágenes y tablas fácilmente. ¡Únete y descubre cómo sacarle el máximo provecho a Word para que te ayude en tus tareas diarias! Llame al 631-643-4848, ext. 240 o registrese en https://wyandanch.librarycalendar.com/events/month.

**National Puzzle Day** 

Wednesday, January 29 | 9:00 AM-7:00 PM

(All Day in the Adult Area)

It's National Puzzle Day, which means it's jigsaw puzzle time!! Put away the cell phone, turn off the computer, and come on in and join the fun!! Grab a friend or two and share the fun!!

Adult Book Club - "Yellowface" by R.F. Kuang Thursday, January 30 | 7:00 PM-8:00 PM

(Online via Zoom)

Best Selling author Juniper Song is not who she says she is and she didn't write the book she claims she wrote. Join us for an online book club discussion where we will discuss this unforgettable story. All are welcome. Please contact the reference desk for a copy of the book.

# February 2025 ADULT PROGRAMS



**Social Security Workshop** 

Tuesday, February 4 | 4:00 PM-5:00 PM

An educational workshop that takes a deeper dive into some of the changes in the laws governing social security. This 30-minute educational presentation will end with a question-and-answer segment.

### Adult/Teen Craft Class - Valentine's Paper Heart Bas-

Friday, February 4 | 6:00 PM-7:00 PM Come in from the chill of winter and join us as we make cute woven paper heart baskets for St. Valentine's Day. These can be scattered around the house or filled with chocolate kisses or small trinkets and given as gifts to loved ones. For adults and teens. Program size is limited, please sign up at https://

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**Hands-Only CPR** 

Thursday, February 6 | 6:00 PM-8:00 PM
If you are not trained in full CPR, Hands-only CPR is CPR without rescue breaths which is simple to learn and easy to remember, especially outside medical settings. Hands-Only CPR is a life-saving technique that involves simply using chest compressions on a person who has sudden cardiac arrest. You can get a "Hands only CPR" certificate.

### Joseph H. Rainey, "First Black Congressman in the

Friday, February 7 | 5:00 PM-6:00 PM Lorna Rainey will present on the extraordinary life of her great-grandfather, Joseph H. Rainey. Congressman Joseph H. Rainey, who was born into slavery in South Carolina on June 20, 1832 and went on to become the nation's first Black congressman. When he was elected in 1992, he was only the ninth Black American from South Carolina elected to Congress.

**Learn How to Play Guitar** 

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**Black History Month Film Festival** 

Saturday, February 8 | 10:00 AM-4:30 PM Bessie 10:00 AM-12:00 PM 12:15 PM-2:15 PM Sparkle **Bob Marley: One Love** 2:45 PM-4:45 PM

**Defensive Driving** Monday, February 10 | 10:00 AM-4:00 PM

Six-hour certification course to save 10% on car insurance. Cost is \$30.00. Ways to pay: A \$30 check or money order made out to "Empire Safety Council", or \$30 cash. Payment must be received on the day of class. Learn lifesaving driving skills and reduce driver's license points.

Introductory Microsoft Excel (Bilingual English/Spanish) Tuesday, February 11 | 6:30 PM-7:30 PM

For seniors, adults, everyone. In this one-hour workshop, you will learn to navigate Excel and create your first workbook. We will teach you how to use basic formulas and functions and you will discover how to format and organize your data to present it effectively. Join us and find out how to make the most of Excel! Call 631-643-4848, ext. 240, or sign up at https:// wyandanch.librarycalendar.com/events/month

En este taller de una hora, aprenderás a navegar por la interfaz de Excel y a crear tu primer libro de trabajo. Te enseñaremos a usar fórmulas y funciones básicas para realizar cálculos sencillos. Además, descubrirás cómo formatear y organizar tus datos para presentarlos de manera efectiva. ¡Únete y descubre cómo sacarle el máximo provecho a Excel! Llame al 631-643-4848, ext. 240 o registrese en https://wyandanch.librarycalendar. com/events/month

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**Town of Babylon Presentation** Tuesday, February 25 | 6:00 PM-7:00 PM

The Town of Babylon offers a presentation on clean energy, incentives, and bringing awarenessto the community. It also has information and resources available for homeowners on how to make their homes more energy efficient including free home energy assessments.

Music Bingo

Thursday, February 27 | 7:00 PM-8:00 PM Adults will play music-themed bingo. Prizes awarded to the winners of each game. Call 631-643-4848, ext. 240, or sign up at https://wyandanch.librarycalendar.com/ events/month

**Adult Book Club** 

Thursday, February 27 | 6:00 PM-7:00 PM (Online via Zoom)

This month we will be discussing, Come and Get It, by bestselling and critically acclaimed author, Kiley Reid, which explores the choices we make, particularly for the things that can and cannot be paid for. Newcomers are always welcome! Please inquire at the Adult Reference Desk.

# March 2025 **ADULT PROGRAMS**





### **Repair Cafe**

Saturday, March 1 | 10:00 AM-2:00 PM

Need something fixed? You can bring the following: electrical appliances, clothing, furniture, housewares, bicycles, toys etc. Anything that's broken (and which you can carry on your own) is welcome and has a good chance of getting adequately repaired.

### **Grab N Go Kits: Hawaiian Pineapple Banana Bread** March 3-March 30

Create your own Hawaiian Pineapple Banana Bread! Entertainment, Food & Cooking. You can get nonperishable ingredients and printed recipe with this

### **FCA Senior and Family Table Event** Tuesday, March 4 | 11:00 AM-1:00 PM

Please visit Family and Children's Association's (FCA's) Alzheimer's and Dementia Caregiver Support Program at our resource table at the Wyandanch library. We will be sharing information about the free services we can offer caregivers who care for someone with memory loss. Come learn about our workshops, support groups, and joint-enrichment programs. These services are meant to support you during this difficult journey. We will have free giveaways for those who come to our table.

### **New York Life Insurance Lecture** Tuesday, March 4 | 6:30 PM-7:30 PM

Join Dwayne Wellington, a representative of New York Life Insurance Company, as he explains about life insurance - why you might need it, what you can do with it, and common myths and misconceptions.

### Spanish for Beginners/ Español Para Principiantes: March 5, 12, 19, 26 | 6:00 PM-7:00 PM

If you want to start learning Spanish from the bottom up, please join this class to learn basic Spanish and increase your knowledge of Spanish conversation.

### **Health Navigators program: NY State of Health** & Medicaid

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### Sit n' Fit Exercise

Saturdays: March 8, 15, 22, 29 | 10:00 PM-10:45 AM

### **Learn How to Play Guitar**

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### Catholic Health Mobile Outreach Bus Monday, March 10 | 10:00 AM-2:00 PM

Stop by for free health screenings by a Catholic Health registered nurse. Services for adults (18 and older) include: brief cardiac history, blood pressure screening, BMI screening, simple blood test for cholesterol and glucose, health education, referrals as needed, resources for those without insurance.

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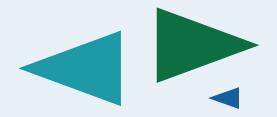
### Adult Book Club - The First Ladies by Marie Benedict Thursday, March 27 | 7:00 PM-8:00 PM

(Online via Zoom)

Join us for a book discussion of, The First Ladies, by Marie Benedict, about the extraordinary partnership between First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt and civil rights activist Mary McLeod Bethune—an unlikely friendship that changed the world. For more information please inquire at the Adult Reference Desk.



# January 2025 **TEEN PROGRAMS**



# Teen Advisory Group Meeting Tuesday, January 7 | 5:00 PM-6:00 PM Want to have a say in our programs and activities in

the Teen Area? Do you have recommendations for adding to our book and graphic novel collections? Stop by to add your voice.

### **Teen Programmers**

January 2-Friday January 31, 2025 January is Creativity Month. To celebrate the month, all teens are invited to share their creativity by coming up with program ideas for teen programs. The best program idea will be awarded a prize. Contact the Teen Department for more information.

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### **No-Sew Fleece Scarf**

Tuesday, January 14 | 6:00 PM-7:00 PM
Create a knotted scarf of your own with various colors of fleece to help keep you nice and toasty in the winter months.

Adult/Teen Canvas Wars
Thursday, January 16 | 7:00 PM-8:00 PM
Adults and teens will take part in a Canvas Art challenge. The voted favorite creation will be awarded a Gift Card. All participants will take home their canvas. \*Dress for a messy paint session.

### I Have a Dream Puzzle Wreath

Wednesday, January 22 | 6:00 PM-7:00 PM Honor the dream of Martin Luther King Jr. in this crafty reminder that we are all part of the whole and precious.

### **National Puzzle Day**

Wednesday, January 29 | 3:00 PM-4:30 PM
Drop by the Children's (Grades K - 6) or
Teen's Department (Grades 7 - 12), complete a
puzzle in honor of National Puzzle Day, and win a prize! Open to Grades K - 12.

### Teen Writers Club

Wednesday, January 29 | 5:30 PM-6:30 PM

Get your creative juices flowing by putting pen to paper or fingers on the keyboard. Learn to worldbuild in honor of Science Fiction Month, putting your ideas into a fictional place.

### **DIY Hot Chocolate Mix**

Thursday, January 30 | 6:00 PM-7:00 PM

Celebrate National Hot Chocolate Day while making your jar of mix to take home.

### TEEN COMMUNITY SERVICE **OPPORTUNITIES**

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Learn to use a Cricut Stencil and design a reusable shopping bag to celebrate recycling and the upcoming Earth Day.

### Joint Children/Teen Programming

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### **TEST PREP HELP**

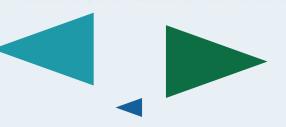
https://www.livebrary.com/test-prep

Internships, College Planning, and More: Finding Volunteer Opportunities can be time-consuming and frustrating. Here are two of the places to start your search: <a href="https://www.volunteermatch.org/">https://www.volunteermatch.org/</a> AND <a href="https://dosomething.org/">https://dosomething.org/</a>

# Research /Career Training

- www.sciencebuddies.org/science-fairprojects/top\_science-fair\_mentors.shtml.
- For education and career training opportunities in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics): https://www.pathwaystoscience.org/ programs.aspx?u=HighSchool\_High%20 School%20Students&sa=either&p=either &c=either&submit=y&adv=adv&alpha= A&pos=0
  - https://careerdiscovery.sciencebuddies.org/

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### **Have a Heart String Art**

Wednesday, February 12 | 11:00 AM-1:00 PM

Don't wear your heart on a string; use festive colored string to create a unique artwork for you or someone you care for.

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### **PS I Love You Day**

### Start Friday, February 14

Join your fellow teens on this day of Valentine's to remind yourself and others never forget that even in the darkest times and when the going may seem rough, YOU ARE LOVED!

### **Paper Bead Jewelry**

### Monday, February 18 | 6:00 PM-7:00 PM

Learn how to make your beads out of any scrap paper. It is a great way to recycle and create something beautiful to wear.

### **Teen Writers Club**

### Wednesday, February 26 | 5:30 PM-6:30 PM

Get your creative juices flowing by putting pen to paper or fingers on the keyboard.

### **Let's Draw! Pokemon**

### Thursday, February 27 | 6:00 PM-7:30 PM

Did you know the very first Pokemon was first released nearly 30 years ago this day? Join McKel Supreme and learn to draw your favorite Pokemon.



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### **HOW TO FIND AND APPLY TO INTERNSHIPS**

https://www.careeronestop.org/ https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Umo7wQ-59jaQ&t=3s-

### COLLEGE PLANNING

9th & 10th Grade

https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/?excmpid=VT-00061

### **UPCOMING PROGRAMS...**

**Reading Tuesday** Shell Painting Mindfulness & Wellness **Yoga for Teens** Teen Take & Make Kit

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### **Friday Pi-Day**

### Friday, March 14 | 2:00 PM-4:00 PM

It doesn't take math skills to note the first three digits of the mathematical concept of PI. But it does take some room in your stomach. Celebrate 3.14159...(you get the picture) with some tasty types of pie.

### **Spring Butterfly Photo Holder**

### Wednesday, March 19 | 6:00 PM-7:00 PM

Welcome the coming spring season with a cute craft to keep your treasured pictures within view.

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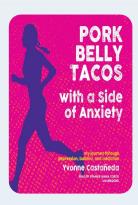
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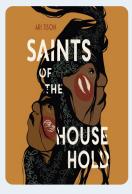
### YOUNG ADULT RECOMMENDATIONS



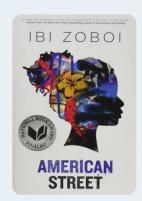
THE ULTIMATE **DRIVING BOOK** By Emma Carlson Berne



**PORK BELLY TACOS** WITH A SIDE **OF ANXIETY** By Yvonne Castañeda



SAINTS OF THE **HOUSE HOLD** By Ari Tison



AMERICAN STREET By Ibi Zoboi

# January 2025

# **CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS**



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### **Bilingual Birdie**

Thursday, January 16 | 3:30 PM

An interactive, Early Literacy Bilingual Story/Singing session for school-age children. A Bilingual Birdie presentation.

National Puzzle Day Wednesday, January 29 | 3:00 PM-4: 30 PM

Drop by the Children's Department, complete a puzzle in honor of National Puzzle Day, and win a prize! Open to Grades K - 12.

### **Snowflake Garland**

Wednesday, January 8 | 5 PM

Create your snowflake garland with different designs.

### **PJ Bilingual Storytime**

Tuesdays: January 14 & 28 | 6:30 PM

Join us for a bilingual storytime followed by a craft. Remember to wear your PJs.

### **Snow Dough**

Thursday, January 9 | 3:00 PM

What is Snow Dough made of? Join us as we combine ingredients to make our very own Snow Dough.

### **Salt Painting**

Wednesday, January 15 | 4:00 PM

How do you make Snowflakes out of Salt? Join us for this STEM session as we experiment with salt and water.

### **Foil Painting**

Thursday, January 23 | 4:00 PM How creative are you? Join us as we show off our creativity by creating masterpieces out of foil and shapes.

### **January Craft Corner**

Mondays | 4:00 PM

Come enjoy an hour of Arts and Crafts every Monday starting January 6. A different craft will be presented each

### **DIY Gumball Machine Decoration**

Monday, January 6 | 4:00 PM Are you interested in making a Gumball machine? Join us as we create miniature versions of Gumball machines.

### **Sticker Stories**

Monday, January 13 | 4:00 PM

Imagine a silly story; create your story using stickers instead of words. How cool would that be?

### **Worry Critter**

Wednesday, January 22 | 4:00 PM

Feeling worried? Make your little pal to help cheer you up.

### **Parachute, Signs and Stories**

Mondays & Wednesdays: January 6, 13 & 27 and Wednesday 8, 5, 22 & 29 | 11:30 AM

Join us for a fun, interactive storytime. No registration is required.

### SPECIAL FAMILY PROGRAM

**MLK Community Unity Program** 

A presentation on Unity and equality. Presenter, date & time to be announced.

### **CELEBRATING CREATIVITY MONTH**

### Every Thursday | 5:00 PM

New Year, New Me Vision Board

New Year, New You!! Do you have goals for the new year? Create your vision board with stickers, pictures, pompoms, and more.

**B** to the Beads

January 9

Express yourself by creating your beaded art with fuse beads, using different characters, objects, and designs. What will you create?

**Stepping Stones** 

January 16

Design your path. Come and paint your stepping stone.

**Let's Go with Legos** 

Want to build something cool? Join us to build with Legos and take your creations home. Grades

**Craft Sticks Basket** 

January 30

Come and create your basket made out of craft sticks.

### **DATABASE/RESOURCE** RECOMMENDATION

- PBS Kids: Provides high-quality resources backed by strong learning design and attention to kids' cognitive, social, emotional, and physical development. Each PBS show page has support information, including learning goals, printables, and suggestions for offline activities. The **Parent** Resources, Tips, and Advice Page provides ageby-age tips and activities for, Emotions & Self-Awareness, Social Skills, Character, Literacy, Math, Science, Arts, and more.
- Themed Booklists: Provides access to a carefully created list of books by Maria Salvadore, a children's literature expert. These books are for kids 0-12 years old and include many new diverse titles on subjects such as Science, Geography and World Culture, The Arts, Civics and Government, and more.

https://www.readingrockets.org/books-andauthors/booklists

# February 2025

# CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS



### Valentine's Day Salt Dough Hearts

Tuesday, February 4 | ? Make a Valentine's dough craft for your special person out of salt dough.

### Learn How To Play Guitar

Saturdays: February 8, 15 | 11:00 AM-11:30 AM

Learn how to play the guitar at our introductory one-onone sessions. No experience is necessary, and a guitar will be provided. Sign up at the Adult Reference Desk.

### Stuff A Bear Workshop

Saturday, February 15 | 1:00 PM Make your teddy bear with the Fun Express. All materials provided.

# **Cricut, Cricut, Valentine's Day Card** Wednesday, February 12 | 5:00 PM

Create a Valentine's Day card using the Cricut Machine. Choose your fonts and designs.

Love, Friendship & Diamonds

Thursday, February 13 | 4:00 PM Join us and create a 3D diamond painting for Valentine's Day.

### **Create Away**

Want to learn new craft skills? Join us for one or all of these fantastic craft sessions:

- Origami
  - Tuesday, February 18 | 5:00 PM

Create animals, objects, and figures by folding colorful paper.

**Lego BrickHeadz Building** 

Wednesday, February 19 | 5:00 PM

Build a Lego BrickHeadz and take it home with you.

### **Dancing Dragon**

Tuesday, February 25 | 4:30 PM

Celebrate the Chinese New Year with the Whaling Museum.

### **Mommy and Me Time**

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays | 11:00 AM

Want to spend some quality time crafting away with your little ones? Join us on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays (While the library is open) for fun-filled craft sessions.

- **Rhymes and Signs**

Mondays: February 3, 10, 17, 24
Join us on Monday, February 3, for the first session of our four-part Music, Rhymes, and Signs series. Each week, different music and rhymes will be introduced along with basic sign language.

### **Interactive Storytime**

Wednesdays: February 5, 12, 19, 26

Join us for these interactive story sessions, where we listen, answer questions, and win prizes from the Prize Box.

### **Learning & Movement**

Fridays: February 7, 14, 21, 28 Our four-part series, Learning & Movement, starts on Friday, February 7. Each week, new fun stories and techniques will be introduced. No registration is required.

### **February Craft Corner**

Mondays | 4:00 PM Enjoy an hour of Arts and Craft every Monday starting February 3. Each week, we will present a different craft on February 10 & 24.

### **Craft Corner Crayon Sculptures** Monday, February 24 | 4:00 PM

Make your sculpture using old crayons. All materials will be provided.

### SPECIAL FAMILY PROGRAM

### **Black History Month**

Joseph H. Rainey, First Black Congressman in The

Friday, February 7 | 5:00 PM-6:00 PM

Community Storytelling, highlighting the African-American experience. Includes an exhibit of notable Black Leaders.

### **HIDDEN GEMS SERIES: CELEBRATING BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

### Every Thursday | 5:00 PM

Ready Set Make a Traffic Light

February 6

Learn all about the history of the Traffic Light who created it, when, and why! During this session, we will design and make our own Traffic Light. No registration is required.

**You Got Mail** 

February 13

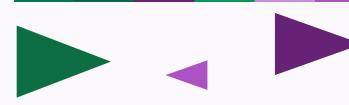
Who created the mailbox? Join us as we learn about its history and why it is still crucial to have one. We will then design and make a mailbox from scratch.

Tick-Tock Make A Clock February 20

It's craft o'clock. Learn about who invented America's first clock and create a clock from scratch.

On Your Mark Get Set to Go February 27

Zoom! Create your GPS Map and navigate with Hot Wheels.



### March 2025

# **CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS**



### Women's History Month Bilingual Storytime

Tuesday, March 11 | 6:30 PM
Join us to read about women who have significantly impacted our lives through their hard work, dedication, and perseverance.

### **Shamrock Suncatcher**

Thursday, March 20 | 4:00 PM Make your own Shamrock Suncatcher in celebration of St. Patrick's Day.

Learn How To Play Guitar
Saturdays: March 8, 15, 22 | 11:00 AM & 11:30 AM
Learn how to play the guitar at our introductory one-onone sessions. No experience is necessary, and a guitar will be provided. Sign up at the Adult Reference desk.

### **SLED Time**

March 22, April 12 & May 10 | 11:30 AM The SCLS Bookmobile will visit us on Saturday, March 22, from 11:30 am. There will be fun games, crafts, and more. Don't miss out!

Nintendo Tournament Saturday, March | 2:00 PM Come and compete in our first Nintendo Tournament of the year. Make new friends, compete, and win prizes.

### Mommy and Me

Mondays, Wednesdays & Thursdays | 11:00 AM Want to learn new craft skills? Join us for one or all of these wonderful craft sessions.

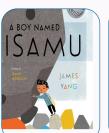
- **Rhymes and Signs** 
  - Join us for music rhymes and basic sign language.
- **Interactive Storytime**

Wednesdays Come and be a part of a story.

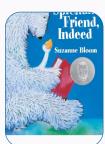
**Move and Read** 

Come have an active storytime.

Enjoy some of our favorite literary prescriptions for a stress- free Holiday/New Year from the Children's Department.











### SPECIAL FAMILY PROGRAMS

### Women's History Month **Empowering Women to Reach for the Skies Annual Women's Get-together**

Date and time to be announced

Exhibit showcasing women who have inspired us throughout our diverse history and for Black History month.

### **CRAFT CORNER: WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH EDITION**

### Mondays | 4:00 PM

### Make Your Own Aquarium

March 3 | 4:00 PM

Did you know that a woman invented the Aguarium? Join us as we discuss the invention and create our very own Aquarium.

### **Paint Your Plane**

March 10 | 4:00 PM

Paint your wooden plane and learn about Bessie Coleman and Amelia Earhart.

### Yayoi Kusama Paperflower

March 17 | 4:00 PM

Make a flower resembling Yayoi Kusama, a female artist who influenced Andy Warhol.

### **HIDDEN GEMS SERIES: CELEBRATING WOMEN'S** HISTORY MONTH

### Every Thursday in March | 5:00 PM

### **Math Tournament**

March 6

Compete in teams to see who becomes Math Master. Play for prizes. Honoring Mathematician Ada Lovelace.

### **Breaking News: Make Your TV** March 13

Learn about the first Latina Reporter and make your TV. Honoring Reporter Maria Hinojosa.

### **Project Runway**

March 20

Design your model's outfit to walk the runway. Learn about the first Black SuperModel. Honoring Donyale Luna.

### **Draw, Create, Illustrate** March 27

Make your book cover and learn about two celebrated women authors, Octavia Butler and Jane Austen.



10:00 AM-2:00 PM



**BESSIE** (R-TV Ma) Starring Queen Latifah, Michael K. Williams etc. Singer Bessie Smith (1894-1937) rises from humble roots in Tennessee to become "The Empress of the Blues" and one of the most successful recording artists of the 1920's.

12:15 PM-2:15 PM



**SPARKLE** (R-PG-13) Starring Jordan Sparks, Whitney Huston etc. Three singing sisters take Motown by storm, and they experience the highs and lows of fame along the way.

2:45 PM-4:45 PM



**BOB MARLEY: ONE LOVE** (R-PG-13) Starring: Kingsley Ben-Adir, Lashana Lynch etc. The music documentary unravels the life of noteworthy musician Bob Marley. The film dissects the artist's life, deriving deep into his legacy and cultural influence and cultural influence.



### **NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLERS**

### **NEW FICTION**



### TO DIE FOR

Bv David Baldacci

The third book in the 6:20 Man series. Devine digs into the deaths of an orphan's parents and uncovers a large conspiracy.



### **JAMES**

By Percival Everett

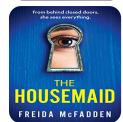
A reimagining of "Adventures of Huckleberry Finn" shines a different light on Mark Twain's classic, revealing new facets of the character of Jim



### **WICKED**

By Gregory Maguire

A misunderstood girl named Elphaba is declared a witch; the basis of the musical and the film.



### THE HOUSEMAID

By Freida McFadden

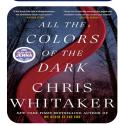
Troubles surface when a woman looking to make a fresh start takes a job in the home of the Winchesters.



### THE HOUSE OF CROSS

By James Patterson

The 33rd book in the Alex Cross series. Three candidates to the Supreme Court are violently attacked.

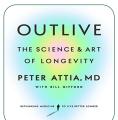


### ALL THE COLORS OF THE DARK

By Chris Whitaker

Questions arise when a boy saves the daughter of a wealthy family amid a string of disappearances in a Missouri town in 1975.

### **NEW NON-FICTION**



### OUTLIVE

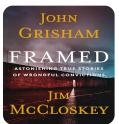
By Peter Attia with Bill Gifford A look at recent scientific research on aging and longevity.



### **CHER: THE MEMOIR, PART ONE**

By Cher

In the first part of her memoir, the multiple award-winning pop culture icon traces her childhood and foravs into the world of entertainment.



### **FRAMED**

By John Grisham and Jim McCloskey Our criminal justice system viewed through the struggles of 10 wrongfully convicted

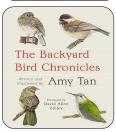
people to achieve exoneration.



### THE ANXIOUS GENERATION

**Bv Jonathan Haidt** 

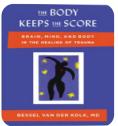
A co-author of "The Coddling of the American Mind" looks at the mental health impacts that a phone-based life has on children.



### THE BACKYARD BIRD CHRONICLES

By Amy Tan

Essays and drawings by the author of "The Joy Luck Club" and "The Bonesetter's Daughter," which depict a search for peace through birding.



Jonathan Haidt

### THE BODY KEEPS THE SCORE

by Bessel van der Kolk

How trauma affects the body and mind, and innovative treatments for recovery.

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### Chief Wyandanch: Native Long Islander (1615-1658)

The community of Wyandanch is referred to the 17th century Chief or Sachem named Wyandanch.

He is believed to have been born around 1615 in Montauk, the east end of Long Island,

and died in 1658 around Long Island City, the western part of Long Island.

This plaque is displayed at the Wyandanch train station: "Wyandanch (c. 1615-1658) was a leader of the Montaukett Indians on eastern Long Island, referenced in many land agreements with 17th century European settlers. In 1889, the LIRR honored Sachem Wyandanch in bestowing the name to the station previously known as West Deer Park." While there are no drawings of Chief Wyandanch from his lifetime, Shinnecock artist David Burn Martine created this interpretation of Sachem's appearance.

(Excerpt taken from Town of Babylon, Long Island New York website)