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ADULTS

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REGISTER online, in person, or by phone; have your library card number, password, and email address ready. Registration begins at 9:00 am on Thursday, December 10, unless otherwise noted. If your class requires a fee, you must pay by credit card when registering online or by phone, or you can register in person and make your payment by cash, check, or credit card at the Circulation Desk. All fees are non-refundable. We reserve the right to cancel your registration if you are more than 10 minutes late. Note: Each member is limited to ten (10) registrations until Monday, December 14.

ARTS & CRAFTS

Silk Knotted Holiday Necklace
Monday, December 14, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
Jewelry designer MaryAnn McAlpin guides you through this project that will teach you the classic technique of silk knotting. Beads in holiday color combinations are separated by knots in silk for a necklace that's both attractive and comfortable to wear. Limit of 20. Fee: $8.00.

Holiday Door Swag
Monday, December 14, 2:00 - 3:00 pm
Decorate your own holiday swag—a beautiful seasonal decoration perfect for your door, mantel, or wall. Limit of 24. Fee: $5.00.

Macramé for Beginners: Gnomes
Thursday, December 17, 7:00 - 8:30 pm
Create a cute gnome to display in your home or car. Macramé is a knot-tying art. Hand dexterity is required for this craft. Limit of 12.

Flower Arranging
Mondays, December 21, January 11, & February 1
2:00 - 3:00 pm
Design a flower arrangement with floral designer Irene Morgan. Please register for each session separately. Limit of 24. Fee: $5.00.

Fiber Arts Club
Mondays, December 28, January 25, & February 22
6:00 - 8:00 pm
Bring in and share your sewing, crochet, knitting, quilting, cross-stitch, or embroidery projects and connect with fellow crafters! A sewing machine will be available. *No registration required.*

Art Club for Adults
Drawing with Cross Hatching:
Monday, January 4, 6:30 - 8:30 pm
Mixed-Media Valentines:
Monday, February 1, 6:30 - 8:30 pm
Geometric Abstraction: Monday, March 1, 6:30 - 8:30 pm
Explore your creativity using a variety of art materials while learning fun art techniques. Each class features a new project, giving you the chance to experiment, create, and have fun along the way. Please register for each session separately. Limit of 16.

Standing Snow Girl
Tuesday, January 5, 10:00 - 11:30 am or 11:45 am - 1:15 pm
Paint a fun winter standing wood snow girl with a bow and winter elements to add to your seasonal décor. Taught by Jacqueline Parente of Jackie's Custom Designs. Limit of 20. Fee: $5.00.

Paper Flowers: White Roses
Tuesday, January 5, 3:00 - 4:30 pm
Join Casey from Art and Flowers Custom Design as we create paper flowers. Limit of 24.

Kinusaiga
Wednesday, January 6, 1:30 - 4:00 pm
Kinusaiga is a traditional Japanese no-sew fabric art that offers a fresh twist on mosaics. Colorful fabrics are carefully tucked into grooves to create beautiful, textured images. Explore color, composition, and design in a completely new medium. Gabriella Grama is the instructor. Limit of 24. Fee: $5.00.

One-on-One Craft Help
Thursdays, January 7, February 11, & March 11, 2:15 - 4:15 pm;
Saturdays, January 23 & February 20, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm;
or Fridays, January 29 & February 26, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
Need help with your current craft project or using your sewing machine? Make a 30-minute appointment for help with anything crafty. These appointments should not involve a computer or other technology. Please see our One-on-One Tech Help Appointments for computer/device help. Limit of 3.

Color Your Cares Away
Thursdays, January 7, February 4, & March 4, 3:30 - 4:30 pm
Relax and de-stress by dropping in and coloring a page or two. *No registration required.*

Painting with Joe Socci: MLK Tribute
Friday, January 8, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
Paint a tribute to the late Dr. King. Artist Joe Socci leads this simple watercolor class. Limit of 15. Fee: $5.00.

Introduction to Woodworking: Blanket Ladder
Friday, January 8, 7:00 - 8:00 pm
Build a blanket ladder to display and organize your cozy throws. Simple, functional, and a great addition to any room. Tools utilized: drills. Taught by Michele Chiaramonte of Little Miss Workbench. Limit of 20. Fee: $20.00.

Diamond Painting: Hanging Snowflake
Saturday, January 9, 10:00 - 11:00 am or 3:00 - 4:00 pm
Using tiny diamond-like facets, decorate ready-to-hang wall art. Limit of 24.

Basics of the Sewing Machine
Monday, January 11, 5:30 - 7:00 pm
Learn about the sewing machine, from its parts to threading and making a bobbin in this hybrid lecture. Limit of 14.

Bullet Journaling
Mondays, January 11, February 8, & March 15
6:30 - 8:00 pm
Learn how bullet journaling helps you stay organized and creative, with a new theme each month. Supplies will be provided, or bring your own. With Lorraine Trentini. Limit of 20.

Sequins and Snow Embroidery
Tuesday, January 12, 6:30 - 8:30 pm
A little sparkle and a few simple stitches are all you need to create a cute ornament for the snowy season! You'll learn basic embroidery techniques while adding beads and sequins to make your project shine. Limit of 16.

Painting with Laura Goetz
Hamsa Hand Design: Wednesday, January 13, 7:00 - 8:30 pm
The Kiss: Thursday, February 25, 7:00 - 8:30 pm
Join artist Laura Goetz and create a Hamsa hand design and a portrait of *The Kiss* inspired by Gustav Klimt. Please register for each session separately. Limit of 20.

Pyramid Stone and Crystal Earrings
Friday, January 15, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
This simple beaded drop earring features a pyramid stone and Swarovski crystals. Knowledge of basic sewing is helpful. JoAnn Kwiatkowski is the instructor. Limit of 12. Fee: $5.00.

Snowman Candleholders
Friday, January 15, 6:30 - 8:00 pm
Using paints, ribbon, and glue, attendees will create an adorable pair of snowman candleholders. Limit of 24.

Community Outreach: International Holocaust Remembrance Day Craft
Tuesday, January 19, 2:00 - 3:00 pm
International Holocaust Remembrance Day is January 27. Butterflies are widely used to represent the 1.5 million children who perished and the transformation of life. In this program, participants will cut out butterfly shapes from paper and decorate them with markers, writing a message of gratitude and respect. They will be donated to the Holocaust Memorial and Tolerance Center in Glen Cove. SCCC professor Danielle DiMauro leads this class. Limit of 20.

Valentine Candy Stand
Friday, January 22, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
This tabletop stand will be a pit stop for the candy lovers in your world. Artist Samantha He teaches. Limit of 18. Fee: $5.00.

Sand and Shell Art: Heart Frame
Friday, January 22, 6:30 - 8:00 pm
Using self-hardening sand and a curated selection of natural seashells, you will design a one-of-a-kind coastal frame perfect for displaying a favorite photo! Limit of 28.

Beginner Crochet: Scarf
Fridays, January 22, February 5, & 12, 7:00 - 8:30 pm
Learn how to crochet a scarf in this fun class taught by Aimee Saccio. You will need 350 yards of worsted weight wool in a light to medium color and a J crochet hook. No dark colors, please. *No registration required.*

Quilts Around the World: Swedish Log Cabin
Saturday, January 23, 2:30 - 4:30 pm or
Monday, March 8, 6:30 - 8:30 pm
Join us for this session of Quilts Around the World, where we will explore the log cabin pattern and its use in Sweden. Limit of 16.

Snow Globe Pop-Up Card
Wednesday, January 27, 2:00 - 3:30 pm
Join artist and professor Chris Vivas to make your own snow globe-themed pop-up card! Limit of 20.

Hanging Light Bulb Planter
Thursday, January 28, 7:00 - 8:00 pm or
Saturday, January 30, 3:00 - 4:00 pm
Brighten up your space with a unique floral creation by transforming plastic light bulbs into charming hanging planters decorated with faux flowers. Limit of 20.

Winter Coffee Painting
Friday, January 29, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
Pay tribute to the quiet beauty of winter by creating a scene using coffee as a painting medium. Artist Bonnie Schwartz will guide you step-by-step through the process. Limit of 20. Fee: $5.00.

Love You to Pieces Heart Wreath
Friday, January 29, 7:00 - 8:30 pm
Add a handmade touch to your home with a charming heart-shaped wreath made out of puzzle pieces. Limit of 24.

Folk Art Heart Embroidery
Tuesday, February 2, 6:30 - 8:00 pm or
Monday, February 8, 5:30 - 7:00 pm
Embroider traditional Nordic designs onto felt hearts to create these adorable decorations. Limit of 16.

Love Cactus Rock Planter
Friday, February 5, 10:00 - 11:30 am or 11:45 am - 1:15 pm
Transform rocks into cactus planters, incorporating heartfelt messages on the planter. Dress for paint. Taught by Jacqueline Parente of Jackie's Custom Designs. Limit of 20. Fee: $5.00.

Iris Folding: Heart
Tuesday, February 9, 6:30 - 8:00 pm or
Saturday, February 13, 3:00 - 4:30 pm
Iris folding is a unique paper craft. Folded strips of paper are taped onto a template in a specific sequence, forming a spiral pattern whose center looks like the lens or "iris" of a camera. This project features a vintage Valentine's Day heart. Limit of 16.

Valentine Tote Bag
Wednesday, February 10, 1:00 - 3:00 pm
Embellish a tie-dyed tote bag to use for gift-giving or for yourself. Limit of 18. Fee: $5.00.

Love Potion Simmer Pot
Thursday, February 11, 11:30 am - 12:30 pm
Create a lovely Love Potion simmer pot with strawberries, roses, cinnamon sticks, and oranges. Limit of 22.

Sew a Couch Caddy
Saturday, February 20, 2:30 - 4:30 pm
Come make a couch caddy with us, perfect for storing remotes or staying organized while crafting. Limit of 8.

Pebble Art Flowers
Friday, February 26, 6:30 - 7:30 pm
Use colorful pebbles to create a unique, dimensional floral picture, then place it in a frame to display at home. Limit of 24. Fee: $5.00.

Stained Glass: Owl
Saturday, February 27
9:30 - 11:30 am or 12:00 - 2:00 pm or 2:30 - 4:30 pm
Learn how to foil and solder your own stained glass owl! Must attend the class to get the kit. Limit of 20. Fee: $20.00.

Shibori Tea Towel
Monday, March 1, 9:30 - 11:30 am
Dating back over a thousand years, the rich history of Shibori will inspire us to learn this dyeing technique that yields unpredictable and magical results. Instructor Elizabeth Jin will help you design your own patterns. Limit of 12. Fee: $9.00.

Leprechaun Welcome Door Sign
Tuesday, March 2, 10:00 - 11:30 am or 11:45 am - 1:15 pm
Let's celebrate St. Patrick's Day with a charming leprechaun door sign. Dress for paint. Taught by Jacqueline Parente of Jackie's Custom Designs. Limit of 20. Fee: $5.00.

Scalloped Top Treat Boxes
Thursday, March 11, 2:30 - 4:00 pm or
Saturday, March 13, 10:00 - 11:30 am
Create small gift boxes with a scalloped top to hold all your spring treats. This easy craft uses a template preprinted on cardstock, craft knives, scissors, and glue. Limit of 16.

COMMUNITY OUTINGS

Holiday Manor House Tour at the Bayard Cutting Arboretum
Wednesday, December 16, 10:00 - 11:15 am
Join us for a private tour at the Bayard Cutting Arboretum, where the manor house's first and second floors will be transformed with live trees, fresh greens, and holiday decorations. We will meet inside the manor house (not the visitor's center) at 9:45 am. Tour will begin promptly at 10:00 am. Participants are responsible for any parking fees. Limit of 14. Fee: $5.00.

Tea Tasting at The Spice and Tea Exchange in Patchogue
Tuesday, January 19, 6:00 - 7:00 pm or
Thursday, January 21, 10:00 - 11:00 am
Join us for a tea tasting experience! Discover diverse tea varieties, unique recipes, and their associated health benefits. We will meet at the store. Limit of 20.

The Long Island Music and Entertainment Hall of Fame Tour
Wednesday, January 27, 11:00 am - 12:30 pm
Dedicated to celebrating, honoring, and preserving Long Island's rich music and entertainment heritage, the Long Island Music and Entertainment Hall of Fame Museum features original instruments, prestigious awards, stage apparel, and other memorabilia from many Long Island artists. Located at 97 Main Street in Stony Brook. Limit of 15. Fee: $10.00.

LT Michael P. Murphy Navy SEAL Museum Private Tour
Wednesday, February 24, 10:00 - 11:00 am
The LT Michael P. Murphy Navy SEAL Museum tells the story, sacrifices, and legacies of the Special Operators of Naval Special Warfare Command, from the WWII Underwater Demolition teams to the birth of the SEALs in Vietnam, and more, plus an exhibition hall dedicated solely to the SEAL Training program. Located at 50 West Avenue, West Sayville. Limit of 15.

The Jazz Loft Guided Tour
Friday, February 26, 10:00 - 11:00 am
The Jazz Loft is the place to dig deep into the heart of jazz through fascinating exhibits celebrating the music, musicians, and culture that shaped America's soundtrack. The Jazz Loft is located at 275 Christian Ave, Stony Brook. Limit of 20.

The Long Island Museum
Friday, March 12, 11:00 am - 12:00 pm
Join us for a guided tour of The Carriage Museum, home to one of the nation's finest collections of horse-drawn vehicles. Located at 1200 Route 25A in Stony Brook, the museum offers a fascinating look at transportation history. After the tour, guests are welcome to continue exploring the museums and other exhibitions at their own pace. Limit of 15.

COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Youth Enrichment Services Information Table
Tuesday, January 5, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm &
Wednesday, February 10, 12:00 - 4:00 pm
YES will promote resources and information about substance and drug use/abuse, suicide awareness, and mental health.
No registration required.

Suffolk County Senior Advocate
Thursdays, January 14 & March 11, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
A Suffolk County Senior Advocate will meet with persons 60 or over and their caregivers to provide information, counseling, and assistance in applying for benefits they may be eligible for. The emphasis is on programs that foster economic independence, such as Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Medicare Savings Program, and HEAP. First-come, first-served. *No registration required.*

Adults of All Abilities: Valentine's Day Fun
Wednesday, February 10, 10:30 am - 12:00 pm
Join us for a fun morning of Valentine's Day-inspired games, treats, and a craft. This program is designed for adults with special needs; caregivers must be present. Participants are free to move about the room. Doreen McIlwaine instructs. Registration open to nonresidents; please call the library.
Limit of 20 (with caregiver).

Veteran Community Resource Table
Monday, March 1, 3:00 - 5:00 pm
Stop by to learn about programs and services available in Suffolk County for veterans and their families. Hosted by Joseph P. Dwyer Veterans Peer Support Project. *No registration required.*

CONCERTS

County Line
Sunday, December 13, 2:00 - 3:30 pm
This band has your dancing and listening pleasure in mind. County Line performs the best of classic, modern, and crossover country, as well as southern rock. *No registration required.*

Believe: Presented by the Long Island reSound Handbell Ensemble
Monday, December 14, 7:00 - 8:30 pm
Long Island's premier handbell ensemble will perform a selection of holiday music to ring in the season. From classic Christmas carols to contemporary arrangements, this musical celebration is unlike any other you have heard. *No registration required.*

Gerry Ferretti and the Mutant Kings
Sunday, December 20, 2:00 - 3:30 pm
The multi-talented Gerry Ferretti leads the Mutant Kings, playing the greatest hits of rock 'n' roll from the '50s, '60s, '70s, and '80s. *No registration required.*

The Division Street Band
Sunday, January 3, 2:00 - 3:30 pm
Take a musical journey back in time with a band that rocks American style! Covering Motown standards and country classics from the likes of John Cougar Mellencamp, Bruce Springsteen, and Grand Funk Railroad, the Division Street Band performs the songs that shaped who we are today.
No registration required.

Norwegian Wood
Sunday, January 10, 2:00 - 3:30 pm
Three Beatles fanatics come together to form Norwegian Wood: an acoustic, harmony-driven, three-piece band playing the music of the Beatles, including the solo years and the songs they gave away. Andrew Lubman, Eddie Profet Jr., and Michael Ponella are back to share their smooth take on their favorite music. *No registration required.*

Pagman & Robin
Sunday, January 17, 2:00 - 3:30 pm
They are a duo that sounds like a band! Playing all kinds of music from pop ballads to rock, Carly Simon to Billy Joel, and so much more, Pagman & Robin will get the crowd dancing and singing along. *No registration required.*

The Tribunes
Sunday, January 24, 2:00 - 3:30 pm
This five-member band sings a cappella, the vocal music of the '50s and '60s. They are known across the US for their smooth street corner harmonies and high-energy performances.
No registration required.

Corn Cob Mojo
Sunday, January 31, 2:00 - 3:30 pm
Corn Cob Mojo serves up country swing and down-home blues with a repertoire covering Johnny Cash, Willie Nelson, and the Texas Playboys. With sliding pedal steels and plucky guitars, Corn Cob Mojo plays old-school tunes for a modern audience.
No registration required.

Jukebox Explosion
Sunday, February 7, 2:00 - 3:30 pm
Have a fun afternoon singing and dancing to songs you love. The band features artists, including Roy Orbison, the Beach Boys, Mitch Ryder and the Detroit Wheels, Chicago, the Turtles, the Beatles, the Everly Brothers, and more. *No registration required.*

4 Ways from Sunday
Sunday, February 14, 2:00 - 3:30 pm
A lively program of time-tested classic hits from the '60s, '70s, and '80s, 4 Ways from Sunday performs our favorite songs from yesteryear. You'll find yourself singing, clapping, and dancing along to their variety of fan-favorite tunes.
No registration required.

Willie Lynch Band
Sunday, February 21, 2:00 - 3:30 pm
Join us for an afternoon of fun and good feelings as Willie plays the very best of Irish music. You'll be glad you did!
No registration required.

Dueling Pianos
Sunday, February 28, 2:00 - 3:30 pm
Dueling Pianos by John Arden Music is a premium piano show. With thousands of songs at their fingertips from the likes of Billy Joel, Elton John, the Beatles, and more, these world-class musicians offer an interactive show that is sure to keep you on your feet. *No registration required.*

The Tercels
Sunday, March 7, 2:00 - 3:30 pm
The Tercels are a versatile group of six talented entertainers who perform a variety of the best classic songs from the '60s through the '80s in the genres of rock n' roll, pop, and Latin.
No registration required.

COOKING

Cooking with Naela: Moloklyeh
Wednesday, December 16, 6:30 - 8:00 pm
Naela will demonstrate, and you will taste, Moloklyeh, a Middle Eastern dish with leafy greens, chicken, basmati rice, and a vinegar and red onion sauce. Also enjoy for dessert Kunafa with shredded filo, ricotta, mozzarella, and a simple syrup. Limit of 40. Fee: $5.00.

Sazón y Corazón, Healthy Latin Cooking
Thursday, January 7, 6:30 - 7:30 pm
This is a vibrant Latin cooking demonstration featuring healthy versions of classic dishes with a tasting of each. With Elisa Irvolino. Limit of 30. Fee: $5.00.

Old-Fashioned Shipwreck Stew with Chef Rob
Thursday, January 21, 6:30 - 8:00 pm
Chef Rob is here with a savory and sweet menu—Old-Fashioned Shipwreck Stew, made with ground sirloin, corn, beans, and a variety of vegetables and spices, and for dessert, Bananas Foster with warm spices and crushed cookies. Limit of 40. Fee: $5.00.

Local Eats: Beets
Thursday, February 4, 1:00 - 2:00 pm
Let's get together and talk about how to grow, purchase, and cook beets to add more nutrients to our daily meals. Prepare yourself for unique recipes too! Limit of 35.

Royal Icing Cookie Decorating
Saturday, February 6, 11:00 am - 12:00 pm or 1:00 - 2:00 pm
Join the Bite Size Bake Shop for this introductory-level cookie decorating class. You'll learn the basics of royal icing and decorate six cookies with a winter theme. Limit of 24.

Battle of the Meat Pies
Thursday, March 4, 6:30 - 8:00 pm
Elisa Irvolino and her husband Arthur go head-to-head in a kitchen battle. She makes a classic Dominican pastelón, layered with sweet plantains and seasoned beef; he, a French-inspired ratatouille meat pie, topped with creamy mashed potatoes, like a shepherd's pie. Both are made at the same time, so you get a front-row seat to the whole showdown. At the end, you taste a slice of each and vote for the winner. Limit of 20. Fee: $7.00.

Make an Irish Soda Bread with Chef Rob
Friday, March 5, 1:00 - 2:30 pm
Make an Irish Soda Bread to take home and bake. Bring a large bowl, mixing spoon, and small cookie tray to class. Limit of 40. Fee: $5.00.

DISCUSSION GROUPS

Widowhood: Who Am I?
Thursdays, December 17, January 21, & February 18
1:00 - 3:00 pm
The death of a partner brings significant emotional challenges and changes in daily life. If you have been living in widowhood and are looking for a new direction, join this conversation group to share experiences on your journey to healing and growth. Brenda Ferrante facilitates. Limit of 25.

Hot Topics
Mondays, January 4, February 1, & March 1, 2:30 - 4:00 pm
Join in a discussion of major topics in today's news and current events. *No registration required.*

New Beginnings Support Group
Thursdays, January 7, February 4, & March 4
7:00 - 8:30 pm
Have you recently had a major life change, such as widowhood, divorce, or a move? If you're looking for a new beginning, join this discussion, social, and support group facilitated by life coach and social worker Marla Matthews, where you will meet new people, network, and learn new skills toward reinventing yourself. *No registration required.*

Book Discussion: *The Names* by Florence Knapp
Pick Up Book Beginning December 10 at the Circulation Desk
Tuesday, January 12, 7:00 - 8:00 pm or
Wednesday, January 13, 2:30 - 3:30 pm
In the aftermath of a catastrophic storm, Cora must choose a name for her newborn son, a decision that will shape three alternate versions of her family's life over the next thirty-five years. Knapp offers a moving story of resilience, healing, and the endless possibilities one decision can create. Limit of 15.

Afternoon Poetry: Dreams
Friday, January 15, 2:30 - 3:30 pm
A casual club for poetry enthusiasts and those looking to understand the medium. Together, we will analyze poetry corresponding to monthly themes and creative writing that is significant to you. Limit of 15.

Writing Workshop
Tuesdays & Wednesdays, January 26, February 3, 10, 16, & March 2, 6:30 - 8:00 pm
Erin Coughlin leads this workshop for amateur writers, offering a judgment-free, supportive space to find the inspiration, constructive feedback, and encouragement you need to keep writing. Strengthen your writing skills, build creative confidence, and discover new ways to stay motivated and productive.
Limit of 15.

Book Discussion: *Convenience Store Woman* by Sayaka Murata
Pick Up Book Beginning December 10 at the Circulation Desk
Friday, January 29, 2:30 - 3:30 pm or
Monday, February 1, 7:00 - 8:00 pm
Unable to process social cues, Keiko finds purpose as an employee at the Smile Mart. While she passes as a "normal" person by mimicking her coworkers, Keiko's family and friends urge her to find a "real" career and a husband, prompting her to take desperate actions so they will stop bothering her.
Limit of 15.

Dementia Caregiver Support Group
Fridays, February 5 & March 5, 10:30 am - 12:00 pm
Affected family members will receive emotional support, education, and assistance in understanding and managing cognitive loss with a facilitator from CaringKind (formerly known as the Alzheimer's Disease Resource Center of Long Island). This program is intended for the caregiver only.
No registration required.

Music Discussion: Oddballs
Tuesday, February 16, 2:30 - 3:30 pm
Listen and read along to the lyrics of a selection of songs and discuss what they mean to you. This session explores the work of quirky songwriters and the unorthodox music that earned them underground success. Limit of 15.

Book Discussion: *Atmosphere* by Taylor Jenkins Reid
Pick Up Book Beginning December 10 at the Circulation Desk
Thursday, February 18, 7:00 - 8:00 pm or
Saturday, February 20, 2:30 - 3:30 pm
Joan Goodwin, a quiet physics professor, abandons her predictable life when NASA recruits its first female astronauts in 1980. Alongside an eclectic cohort, she discovers unexpected love, until a tragic 1984 mission dramatically reshapes her universe forever. Limit of 15.

Book Discussion: *Zero Stars, Do Not Recommend* by M.J. Wassmer | Pick Up Book Beginning December 10 at the Circulation Desk
Tuesday, March 16, 7:00 - 8:00 pm or
Wednesday, March 17, 2:30 - 3:30 pm
Underachiever Dan Foster's tropical vacation with his girlfriend takes a catastrophic turn when the sun explodes, plunging their island resort into darkness as elite guests seize control of dwindling supplies. As society crumbles and revolution brews, Dan becomes an unlikely hero, but when offered a chance to escape, he must choose between fleeing or staying behind to fight. Limit of 15.

FITNESS

Senior Stretch and Flex
Fridays, December 18, January 8, 15, 22, 29, February 5, 26, March 12, & 19, 1:30 - 2:30 pm
Luanne Brogan helps improve strength, fitness, and flexibility. Chairs are used for upper and lower body work. Limit of 70.

Tai Chi
Tuesdays, December 22, 29, January 12, 19, 26, February 2, 9, 23, & March 9, 10:00 - 11:00 am
Elements of Qigong and traditional Tai Chi forms are used for this simplified method. Joe Cronin is the instructor. Limit of 70.

Yin Yang Yoga
Tuesdays, December 22, 29, January 5, 12, 19, 26, February 2, 9, 23, March 2, 9, & 16, 3:30 - 4:30 pm
Yang, for strength and flexibility, and Yin to ground and calm. Brittany Leo is the instructor. Limit of 16.

Senior Fitness
Mondays, December 28, January 25, February 1, 8, & March 15, 1:00 - 2:00 pm
Joy Walker teaches this weight training and body toning class. Chairs are used for upper and lower body work. Limit of 70.

Chair Yoga
Wednesdays, December 30, January 6, 13, 20, 27, February 3, 10, 24, March 3, 10, & 17, 1:00 - 2:00 pm
Enjoy the full yoga experience without getting down on the floor. The instructor is Kim Battaglia. Limit of 70.

Saturday Morning Hatha Yoga
Saturdays, January 2 & 30, 11:00 am - 12:15 pm
Join yoga instructor Liz Stylianos for a relaxing morning yoga practice. Bring a yoga mat, blanket to sit on, and water. Please register for each session separately. Limit of 20.

Fitness Dance
Thursdays, January 7, 14, 28, February 4, 25, March 4, 11, & 18, 3:30 - 4:30 pm
Incorporate fitness movements into dance to benefit bones and muscles, cardiovascular health, agility, and coordination. Annmarie Rigoroso is the instructor. *No registration required.*

Cardio Drumming
Thursdays, January 14, 21, 28, February 11, & 25 11:30 am - 12:30 pm
Certified Therapeutic Recreation Specialist Theresa Morale offers easy-to-follow drumming patterns designed to elevate heart rate, improve coordination, and promote overall wellness using drumsticks, fitness balls, and buckets. Limit of 25.

Country Line Dancing
Wednesdays, February 3, 10, 17, 24, March 3, & 10 5:30 - 7:00 pm
Join line dance instructor Bill Iozzino as he teaches you basic steps and beginner dances. *No registration required.*

Neha's Bolly Beats
Fridays, February 12 & 19, 7:00 - 8:00 pm
Learn basic Bollywood dance techniques while grooving to the beats of popular Bollywood songs. Limit of 25.

Evening Yoga
Thursdays, February 18 & March 18, 6:00 - 7:00 pm
Brittany Leo instructs this evening class for beginners and enthusiasts alike. Please bring a yoga mat and a comfortable towel/blanket. This class will be a slow mix of chair and floor poses, allowing us to relax and unwind. Limit of 15.

Belly Dance Basics
Fridays, March 5, 12, & 19, 6:30 - 7:30 pm
We will focus on technique, developing hip movements, shimmies, arm and hand movements, and isolations. This is a great class to tone, sculpt, and burn your core and legs. No prior experience is needed. Heather Michelle instructs. Limit of 40.

GAMES & TRIVIA

Dungeons and Dragons for Adults
Saturdays, December 19, January 30, & February 27 9:30 am - 1:00 pm
Join our thrilling D&D campaign with our adventuring guild! Whether you're a veteran or new player, enjoy an immersive journey full of adventure and fun. Limit of 9.

Left, Center, Right Dice Game
Saturdays, December 19 & March 13, 2:30 - 3:30 pm
Roll the three LCR dice, and what happens next is determined by what the dice reveal. Prizes will be awarded. Please register for each session separately. Limit of 32.

Musical Bingo
Tuesday, January 5, 7:00 - 8:30 pm
This is a game that combines *Name That Tune* with bingo. Prizes will be awarded. Limit of 60.

Jigsaw Puzzle Competition
Saturday, January 16, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
Which team can beat the clock and finish a 500-piece jigsaw puzzle first? Be part of your own team (up to 4 people) or let us assign you to one. Members of the winning team will receive a prize. *No registration required.*

Minute to Win It Games
Saturday, January 16, 2:30 - 4:00 pm
Join Jackie & Chuck for laughs, friendly competition, and quick challenges! Test your skills, cheer each other on, and see who can beat the clock in this high-energy event for adults. Be part of your own team (up to 4 people) or let us assign you to one. Members of the winning team will receive a prize. Limit of 24.

Wild Bird Bingo
Wednesday, January 20, 11:00 am - 12:00 pm
Join Dianne Taggart, a longtime birder, for a fun and educational game featuring Long Island birds. As each bird is called, you'll see a photo and learn a fun fact. Enjoy an entertaining way to discover local birdlife, test your luck, and win prizes. Limit of 30.

Challenge Your Mind
Thursday, January 28, 11:00 am - 12:00 pm
Join Rachelle Warren for engaging, interactive word games, puzzles, and trivia. Sharpen your focus, boost memory, and test your creativity as you tackle brainteasers. Limit of 25.

Pictionary with a Twist
Saturday, February 13, 2:30 - 4:00 pm
Join Jackie & Chuck for Pictionary as you have never played it before! No drawing skills are needed. Be part of your own team (up to 4 people) or let us assign you to one. Members of the winning team will receive a prize. Limit of 24.

Beginner Mah Jongg
Wednesdays, February 17, 24, & March 3
10:00 am - 12:00 pm
This is the game that has fascinated people for so many years with its strategies, sequences, and combinations. Instructor Jacqui Palatnik will introduce you to the tiles and basic moves. Boards will be provided or you may bring your own. Limit of 20.

Bunco Dice Game
Tuesday, March 2, 7:00 - 8:00 pm
Bunco is an easy-to-learn, luck-of-the-dice game that has you switching tables and partners as you go. Prizes will be awarded. Limit of 24.

Siamese Mah Jongg
Thursday, March 4, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
For experienced players of mah jongg, instructor Jacqui Palatnik teaches this two-handed version. Players must have knowledge of the game. Please bring your own mah jongg set. Limit of 24.

Trivia Night
Tuesday, March 9, 7:00 - 8:30 pm
Be part of your own team (a total of 5 people), play alone, or let us assign you to one. The winning team will receive a prize. Limit of 50.

HEALTH & WELLNESS

Qigong Meditation
Thursday, December 17, 6:30 - 8:00 pm
Healing Qigong & Meditation is a gentle, restorative practice that combines mindful movement, breathwork, and guided meditation to promote relaxation and balance. This session is designed to help reduce stress, improve energy flow, and cultivate a greater sense of inner calm and well-being.
Limit of 20.

Health Insurance Information and Counseling (HIICAP)
Wednesdays, December 30, January 27, & February 24
10:00 am - 12:00 pm
A HIICAP-trained volunteer will meet with people 60 years old and over to answer your questions about Medicare, Medicaid, EPIC, Medicare Part D, Medicare Advantage Plans, long-term care, low-income care, low-income subsidy programs, and help with any medication costs. Appointments are one half-hour. Limit of 4.

Reiki Circle
Wednesday, December 30 and Thursdays, February 11 & March 4, 6:00 - 7:15 pm
Join Liz Stylianos, Reiki practitioner and yoga teacher, as she guides you in a meditation. Then, everyone will receive relaxing Reiki, a hands-off healing technique promoting deep relaxation with benefits, including stress and anxiety relief. Please register for each session separately. Limit of 12.

New Year's Eve Reset
Meditation: Thursday, December 31, 9:30 - 10:15 am
Sound Bath: Thursday, December 31, 10:30 - 11:30 am
End the year with a calming guided meditation that will leave you feeling rested and refreshed for the new year. You will be seated in a chair, and eye masks will be provided. Afterward, immerse yourself in a soothing sound healing experience. Please bring a yoga mat and/or blankets and a pillow for comfort. Certified instructor Jamie Gale leads both classes. Please register for each class separately. Limit of 16.

Sound Bath
Monday, January 4; Thursday, February 4; & Monday, March 8; 9:30 - 10:30 am
Immerse yourself in a soothing sound healing experience with crystal singing bowls, chimes, and the deep resonance of the gong. Please bring a yoga mat and/or blankets and a pillow for comfort. Facilitated by certified sound healer Jamie Gale. Please register for each session separately. Limit of 16.

Breathe Together | Virtual

Tuesdays, January 5, 12, 19, 26, February 2, 9, 16, 23, March 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 10:00 - 10:30 am

Sit still and practice the kind of deep breathing that fosters calm and well-being and can improve our health and our outlook. Limit of 30.

Morning Meditation

Thursday, January 7; Monday, February 8; & Tuesday, March 9; 9:30 - 10:15 am

This guided meditation invites you to breathe and relax with simple breath cues and gentle visualization to release tension, quiet your mind, and leave you rested and refreshed. Participants will sit in chairs (no yoga mat required), and eye masks will be provided. Certified instructor Jamie Gale leads this class. Please register for each session separately. Limit of 20.

Healing Qigong

Wednesdays, January 13, 20, & 27, 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Qigong involves movement, exercises, breath regulation, and meditation designed to improve physical and mental well-being. Participants will mainly be standing and can modify movements as needed. Please bring a yoga mat and water. This class is led by certified teacher Uschi Donnelly. Limit of 20.

How to Make Your Own Elderberry Syrup

Thursday, January 14, 6:00 - 7:30 pm

Learn about the amazing health benefits of this popular natural remedy and how to use elderberries, citrus, cinnamon, and honey to make it yourself. Janice Imbrogno will show you how and will talk about natural remedies for winter wellness. You will take home a sample. Limit of 20.

Community Hearing Screenings

Monday, January 25, 3:00 - 5:00 pm

Hearing plays an important role in staying connected to family, friends, and the activities you enjoy. Register for a 15-minute appointment with Dr. Mary Bohr, Au.D., Director of Audiology at McGuire's Hearing Centers for a complimentary community hearing screening. Limit of 8.

Be Seizure Smart

Tuesday, January 26, 1:00 - 2:00 pm

This workshop will arm you with information on epilepsy, seizures, treatment options, first aid steps, and how epilepsy affects people's lives. Presented by Epilepsy Foundation Long Island. *No registration required.*

Ask the Dietitian

Thursday, February 4, 2:00 - 3:30 pm

A nutritionist from Cornell Cooperative Extension will be on hand to answer questions. *No registration required.*

Carpal Tunnel Workshop

Tuesday, February 9, 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Join Panetta Physical Therapy for an informative workshop. You'll learn about the common causes and symptoms of carpal tunnel and wrist pain, how these issues can affect everyday activities, and what treatment options may help improve mobility, strength, and function. *No registration required.*

Day Haven Information Table

Tuesday, February 9, 12:00 - 2:00 pm

Day Haven will provide caregivers with information about daytime care for frail older adults and individuals with Alzheimer's or related dementia. *No registration required.*

Mythology & Meditation

Wednesday, February 17, 7:00 - 8:15 pm

Join Liz Stylianos to explore the myths, mysteries, and wisdom of a god or goddess honored at this time of year. Following an engaging discussion, Liz will guide you through a meditative journey inspired by the evening's deity. Limit of 20.

LANGUAGE LEARNING

Learn English: Beginner Classes for Adults

Tuesdays, January 5, 12, 19, 26, February 2, & 9 7:00 - 8:30 pm

Connetquot ENL teacher Sam Canonica instructs these classes for adults whose native language is not English. Exercises will help students expand their English language vocabulary and build conversational skills. *No registration required.*

LECTURES & PRESENTATIONS

History & Horticulture: Stories of America's Favorite Holiday Plants

Wednesday, December 16, 2:00 - 3:30 pm

Associated Press gardening columnist Jessica Damiano will take you on a journey through history, separating fact from fiction in the myths, folklore, and actual history behind our beloved holiday plants. Some of the stories are ancient, some surprisingly recent, some true, some not. Some have been polished and repackaged so many times that it's impossible to tell, and that's part of the fun! *No registration required.*

Vinyl Listening Club

Mondays, December 21, February 8, & March 15 7:00 - 8:00 pm

Relax with other vinyl record enthusiasts at this contemporary listening party. Attend as a listener, select songs from a curated setlist, bring a record of your own to play, and read articles from the VLC Newsletter for the latest in music news, reviews, and special stories. *No registration required.*

Beginner Photography
Mondays, December 28, January 25, & February 22
6:30 - 7:30 pm
Improve your photography skills with fun prompts in this series for DSLR cameras and smartphones. December's class is for beginners, covering the basics of composition, framing, and lighting. January's class will be an intermediate focus on creating perspective and styling photographs. February's class will be an advanced look into editing techniques. Limit of 15.

Ancient Wisdom
Flower Essences: Tuesday, December 29, 1:30 - 3:00 pm
The Seven Deadly Sins: Tuesday, January 26, 1:30 - 3:00 pm
Astrology of Herbs: Tuesday, February 23, 1:30 - 3:00 pm
Speaker Lelonni Campbell is a longtime student of metaphysics. She integrates core philosophical concepts that have long guided humanity into her talks to offer frameworks for understanding modern existence and our place in time. *No registration required.*

Acoustic Jam Session
Mondays, January 4 & March 8, 7:00 - 8:00 pm
Learn a new selection of songs at each session of this informal jam. Play with a group of musicians, or attend as a listener and enjoy the music as a private recital. Please provide your own acoustic instruments. Scores will be sent out in advance of each session. Limit of 15.

Defensive Driving
Tuesday & Wednesday, January 5 & 6, 10:00 am - 1:00 pm;
Thursday & Friday, January 28 & 29, 6:00 - 9:00 pm;
Thursday & Friday, February 4 & 5, 6:00 - 9:00 pm; or
Thursday & Friday, February 18 & 19, 2:00 - 5:00 pm
These classes have been approved by the NYS Department of Motor Vehicles for a 10% discount on liability, collision, and no-fault insurance, and a 4-point reduction for motor vehicle points for a period of 3 years. There is a six-hour classroom requirement. Bring your driver's license and a pen to class. Latecomers cannot be admitted. Limit of 40. Fee: $15.00.

Genealogy: Obtaining Italian American Dual Citizenship
Wednesday, January 6, 6:30 - 8:00 pm
Determine if you are eligible to obtain dual citizenship with accredited genealogist Sarah Gutmann. Find out what documents you need and how to obtain them, including Italian records. Uncover potential roadblocks and resources to get around them. Learn how to get started and what to expect in the dual citizenship process. *No registration required.*

Memoir Writing
Thursdays, January 7, 14, 21, & 28, 1:30 - 3:30 pm
The class focuses on building the confidence to take your recollections from thought to page. Jill Evans is the instructor. Limit of 10.

Where Are We Headed? LI's Developmental Future
Friday, January 8, 2:30 - 4:00 pm
With large real estate projects rising in Ronkonkoma and Melville, what developmental trends are poised to shape Long Island's future in 2027? Join Stony Brook University adjunct professor Richard Murdocco as he discusses these key projects, housing trends, and the region's growth. *No registration required.*

Sugar Hill: Harlem's Golden Neighborhood
In-person & Virtual
Wednesday, January 13, 11:00 am - 12:30 pm
High above the streets of Harlem, Sugar Hill became a symbol of Black achievement, creativity, and cultural influence. During the Harlem Renaissance and the years after, this remarkable neighborhood was home to celebrated artists, musicians, writers, athletes, and civil rights leaders, including Duke Ellington, Thurgood Marshall, Count Basie, W.E.B. Du Bois, Lena Horne, and Roy Wilkins. The speaker is Michael Rodgers. This is a Zoom presentation that can be viewed at home or in the library.
In-person viewing: No registration required.

Magic Show with Cards, Cards, Cards
Tuesday, January 19, 6:30 - 7:30 pm
Join Peter Colletti, professional magician and lecturer, for a humorous stage show using cards of all kinds, with a focus on playing cards. *No registration required.*

Mythological Aspects within Art
Wednesday, January 20, 2:00 - 3:30 pm
Humankind has always sought answers and looked to be entertained. Mythology combines the two. Artist and professor Chris Vivas explores myths in art, from imagery based on fables and historical legends to traditional tales meant to help explain beliefs, events, and facts of nature. *No registration required.*

Technology and the Constitution
Monday, January 25, 2:00 - 3:30 pm
The "supreme law of the land"—many of its clauses written in the 18th century—has been applied to newer technology. Our discussion will include opinions that have been handed down by the Supreme Court, as well as some speculation about how our courts might continue to blend the document's original text and an ever-changing modern reality. Jim Coll, adjunct professor of American and Constitutional history at Hofstra University and retired NYPD detective, presents. *No registration required.*

Galapagos: Darwin's Enchanted Islands
Wednesday, January 27, 7:00 - 8:30 pm
In 1835, Charles Darwin reached the Galapagos Archipelago, a cluster of islands off the west coast of South America. Visitors today come to see the tortoises, iguanas, and penguins. But the real treasures lie beneath the waves—hammerhead, Galapagos, and whale sharks; manta and eagle rays; sea lions; and dolphins. Join Eco-Photo Explorers as they take you along adventures both above and below the waters. *No registration required.*

The History and Impact of the Emancipation Proclamation
Thursday, January 28, 3:00 - 4:00 pm
On February 1, 1865, President Abraham Lincoln signed the 13th Amendment, officially abolishing slavery. We will learn about its historical significance and its effect on society. SCCC lecturer Danielle DiMauro presents. *No registration required.*

Alpine Spirits and Liqueurs: What They Are and How to Enjoy Them
Thursday, January 28, 7:00 - 8:30 pm
Complex, herbal, and bitter, alpine spirits evoke the mountain landscape with crisp and earthy aromas. Bob Lipinski will guide a discussion of these delicious spirits that transport you outdoors. *No registration required.*

Pompeii: A City Frozen in Time
Tuesday, February 2, 7:00 - 8:00 pm
Librarian Gina Parisi discusses the eruption of Mount Vesuvius in 79 AD and its aftermath. The eruption created time capsules of Pompeii and Herculaneum that reveal daily life in those ancient cities. This lecture will draw from historical, archaeological, and artistic remnants from the cities to explore what their residents experienced on that fateful day. *No registration required.*

Washington, D.C.: The Heartbeat of America
Wednesday, February 3, 11:00 am - 12:30 pm
Washington, D.C. covers less than 70 square miles, yet is the heartbeat of the nation. The federal district has it all: from stately buildings, monuments, and museums to festive and frolicky giant pandas at the zoo and the magic of cherry blossom season. Jeanne Schnupp is the presenter. *No registration required.*

History & Horticulture: Black Contributions to American Farming, Gardening, and Agriculture | In-person & Virtual
Thursday, February 4, 7:00 - 8:30 pm
The mention of African American agricultural contributions typically begins and ends with George Washington Carver, whose achievements landed him in American history textbooks, but many of our current farming and gardening inventions and practices traveled with enslaved people from West Africa. AP gardening columnist Jessica Damiano presents. This is a Zoom presentation that will be shown in the library or can be viewed from home. *In-person viewing: No registration required.*

Memorable Female-Inspired Rock Songs
In-person & Virtual
Monday, February 8, 2:30 - 3:45 pm
Songs inspired by a woman in the composer's life have been a part of the world of music forever. Rock and roll songwriters such as Neil Diamond, Roy Orbison, Buddy Holly, and Crosby, Stills and Nash continued this tradition and, in so doing, were responsible for some of the most famous songs of the era. Richard Knox is the presenter. This is a Zoom presentation that will be shown in the library or can be viewed from home. *In-person viewing: No registration required.*

Color Makes the Difference
Monday, February 8, 6:30 - 8:30 pm
Learn what colors mean when you wear them and discover the best colors for you according to your hair, skin, and eye color. Wearing the wrong colors in your makeup and wardrobe can make you look older and tired, the right ones—younger and vibrant! Each attendee will get a color analysis. With Christina Loggia, certified color analyst. Limit of 12.

Rockin' Hollywood: Rock & Roll and the Movies
In-person & Virtual
Thursday, February 11, 2:00 - 3:00 pm
Fordham University professor emeritus Brian Rose will look at the first decade of rock movies, from Elvis Presley's 31 mostly forgettable films to the Beatles' groundbreaking *A Hard Day's Night*. This is a Zoom presentation that will be shown in the library or can be viewed from home. *A Hard Day's Night* (97 min.) will be screened in the library following the one-hour lecture. *In-person viewing: No registration required.*

Celebrating Black American Artists
Wednesday, February 17, 2:00 - 3:30 pm
Art is a need to express, and a culture that has shunned and ignored Black artists did not stop them from creating outstanding, thoughtful, provocative art that may be political, rooted in identity, about race, and social justice, or a means of personal expression. We will explore several important Black American artists with artist and professor Chris Vivas.
No registration required.

Forgotten Authors and Ratafia Biscuits
Thursday, February 18, 6:30 - 8:00 pm
Authors and contemporaries Barbara Pym and Lillian Beckwith wrote with delightful, very different, senses of humor. Pym was considered a 20th-century Jane Austen and wrote of the lives of English gentlewomen. Beckwith wrote of one woman's experience as a transplant on the wild and woolly (from sheep) Hebridean Islands. You will be introduced to their writings while also watching a demo and taste a sample of Ratafia Biscuits, a gluten- and dairy-free sweet that may have been served at their tea tables. *No registration required.*

David Bouchier, *Loose Connections*
Monday, February 22, 11:30 am - 1:00 pm
David began as a print journalist in London and taught at a university for almost 20 years. After coming to the United States, he continued to teach and to publish a humor column in *The New York Times* regional edition. He joined WSHU as a weekly commentator in 1992, becoming the host of *Sunday Matinee* in 1996. His recent book, *Loose Connections,* is a collection of his essays from public radio. *No registration required.*

Sashes, Signs, and Suffrage
Monday, February 22, 2:00 - 3:00 pm
The Woman Suffrage Procession took place on March 3, 1913. Organized by activists Alice Paul and Lucy Burns under the National American Woman Suffrage Association (NAWSA), it was the first large-scale civil rights parade. SCCC professor Danielle DiMauro discusses this historic event and how it paved the way for the women of today. *No registration required.*

Getting Started with Houseplants
Tuesday, February 23, 3:00 - 4:00 pm
Learn everything you need to know to choose, water, light, feed, and successfully care for common houseplants. Limit of 30.

The Baltimore Plot: The Mission to Save Abraham Lincoln
Tuesday, February 23, 7:00 - 8:00 pm
In February 1861, President-elect Abraham Lincoln embarked on his whistle-stop train journey to Washington, D.C., addressing crowds at stops along the route. Unbeknownst to many, a sinister plot was unfolding in Baltimore to assassinate Lincoln before he could take the oath of office. With the assistance of detective Allan Pinkerton, Lincoln's journey became a dramatic race to pass safely through Baltimore and reach Washington. Historian Jim Ward presents. *No registration required.*

Once Upon a Time: How the Middle Ages Fueled Our Imagination
Wednesday, February 24, 7:00 - 8:30 pm
Why are castles, fairy tales, gothic novels, and storied antiques so appealing? As Europe rediscovered the Middle Ages in the late 1700s, the era became associated with heroism, romance, adventure, and mystery. Loreen Epp explores how the medieval world has shaped literature, landscapes, architecture, fashion, and film. *No registration required.*

World of Color: Minoan Art and What it Tells Us About Their Society
Thursday, February 25, 2:00 - 3:30 pm
Minoan society decorated its palaces with vivid blues, reds, and golds, featuring images of leaping dolphins and dancing figures. Art historian Sandra Palmer introduces us to this early civilization, highlighting its emphasis on color, symbolism, and human expression. *No registration required.*

Wild Long Island
Thursday, February 25, 7:00 - 8:30 pm
From the creatures of the land to the birds soaring above and the marine life beneath the waves, explore the natural wonders that make Long Island a true wildlife haven. Chris Paparo of Fish Guy Photos presents. *No registration required.*

Teatime in Ireland
Wednesday, March 3, 2:00 - 3:30 pm
Margaret M. Johnson, local author of 14 cookbooks, including *Teatime in Ireland,* and her latest, *Delicious Ireland*, will discuss Irish tea history, teatime recipes, and innovations in afternoon tea today. A formal tea will be served, and Ms. Johnson's cookbooks will be available for sale and signing. Patrons should bring their own teacup and saucer. Limit of 28. Fee: $5.00.

Flamenco Performance
Saturday, March 6, 3:00 - 4:00 pm
Join us for a special Flamenco dance performance by professional dancer and instructor Michelle Vicale. *No registration required.*

The Lucky Charms and History of St. Patrick's Day
Monday, March 8, 2:00 - 3:00 pm
SCCC professor Danielle DiMauro will discuss the history and origins of St. Patrick's Day and how it shaped our society today. *No registration required.*

The Power of Pop Culture
Wednesday, March 10, 2:00 - 3:30 pm
Many of our favorite movies and pop culture iconography have deep-rooted meaning. *Star Wars*, besides being modern mythology, is anti-fascist. The popular Marvel Comics characters, the X-Men, are all about the civil rights movement. Contemporary horror is a direct response, and commentary on, the post-9/11 world we live in. All good sci-fi speaks of now. Artist and lecturer Chris Vivas looks deeper at the popular culture that has shaped our world. *No registration required.*

Genealogy: Kiss Me I'm Irish
Wednesday, March 10, 7:00 - 8:00 pm
Learn where to search, which records to explore, and how to piece together your Irish family history. Join accredited genealogist Sarah Gutmann for an engaging exploration of how to uncover your ancestors' stories, trace their paths through US records, and follow the clues back to Ireland. *No registration required.*

Old World vs. New World Wines
Thursday, March 11, 6:30 - 8:30 pm
This engaging class compares Old World wine traditions of Europe with New World winemaking from the US, Australia, and emerging wine regions. Learn how climate, culture, and philosophy shape what's in the glass. Led by Pascal Zugmeyer (Z Wine Guy), Certified Sommelier. *No registration required.*

MOVIES

***A Hard Day's Night* (1964) (Rated G) (97 min.)**
Thursday, February 11, 3:15 - 5:00 pm
The Beatles' first feature film will be screened following a 2 pm lecture on rock & roll in the movies. Over three days in the life of the Beatles, the bandmates struggle to keep themselves in check while preparing for a live TV performance. This film revolutionized how rock was portrayed on screen and introduced the "music video" as we know it today. *No registration required.*

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Professional Headshots with the Green Screen
Monday, December 28, 6:00 - 8:00 pm
Come take a photo with a professional-looking background using our green screen that you can add to your profile on employment websites like LinkedIn or Indeed. You will receive a digital file by email. Limit of 8.

Career Counseling
Saturdays, January 9, February 6, or March 6
10:00 am - 1:00 pm
Lisa Marii, M.S., CCSP, GCDF, of Journey Inspired Consulting, offers tailored and creative advice on effective job search strategies, crafting resumes and cover letters, and mastering interview techniques. Appointments are 45 minutes. Limit of 3.

Suffolk County Police Exam Information Session
Monday, January 11, 6:30 - 7:30 pm
The Suffolk County Police Department will share information regarding the upcoming Suffolk County Police Exam. Officers will be on hand to answer any questions. *No registration required.*

TECHNOLOGY

Introduction to Cricut Design Space
Monday, December 14, 6:30 - 8:00 pm or
Saturday, December 19, 10:00 - 11:30 am
Learn about Cricut Design Space and how to create your own designs and projects. Basic computer skills required. Limit of 8.

One-on-One Tech Help Appointments
December 15 - March 11: Tuesdays, 2:00 - 4:00 pm;
Wednesdays, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm; &
Thursdays, 6:00 - 8:00 pm
Book your 30-minute one-on-one technology appointment with a librarian. We offer basic computer, tablet, or mobile phone help and guidance, but no repairs. We can also assist with any of our makerspace services. Limit of 3.

Virtual Reality (VR) Experiences | Ages 10 and up
December 16 - March 13: Wednesdays, 5:15 - 8:45 pm &
Saturdays, 1:15 - 4:45 pm
Book an appointment and enjoy a 30-minute virtual reality session using our Meta Quest 3 system. All VR equipment will be sanitized in between sessions. Limit of 5.

Create Your Own Stickers
Thursday, December 17, 3:00 - 4:30 pm or
Tuesday, January 5, 7:00 - 8:30 pm
Create your own stickers using our new Cricut StickerPix machine and our Cricut Design Space account. Each attendee will go home with one sheet of stickers. Limit of 8.

Sublimation Ornaments
Friday, December 18, 2:00 - 3:30 pm or 6:30 - 8:00 pm
Create a personalized design using Canva that will be sublimated onto an ornament for you to take home. Limit of 6.

Embroidery Appointments
Mondays, December 21, January 11, February 8, & 22,
10:00 - 11:45 am; Fridays, January 15, 29,
February 12, 26, & March 12, 2:30 - 4:15 pm; or
Tuesday, January 26, 5:30 - 7:15 pm
Book a 45-minute appointment with our Makerspace staff to discuss your embroidery project idea. We can help create a mock-up of your design using our Brother Innovis NQ1700E embroidery machine and Artspira software. You may choose up to three thread colors for your project. Please bring the material you'd like to embroider to your appointment. Limit of 2.

Introduction to Canva
Monday, December 21, 7:00 - 8:30 pm or
Tuesday, December 29, 10:00 - 11:30 am
Learn the basics of Canva, a graphic design website that you can use to create logos, posters, social media posts, invitations, and more. Basic computer skills required. Limit of 10.

Learn How to Use Your New iPhone
Monday, January 4, 2:30 - 4:00 pm
Join us for a beginner-friendly program where you'll learn the basics, explore useful features, and gain confidence using your device. Bring your questions and discover tips and tricks to help you get the most out of your iPhone! Limit of 10.

Photo Mugs
Monday, January 4, 7:00 - 8:00 pm or
Thursday, February 11, 10:00 - 11:00 am
Make a custom mug using sublimation printing and our heat press. Please bring a photo on a USB. Limit of 10.

Introduction to Android Devices
Thursday, January 7, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
In this class taught by Sharper Training Solutions, Inc., you will get to know your Android phone or tablet inside and out. This introductory class covers everything you need to feel confident using your device, including navigating the home screen, managing built-in apps, accessing the internet and email, and adjusting your settings. We will also share helpful tips and tricks to make everyday use easier. Come with your Android device, or just follow along. Limit of 16.

Laser-Engraved Journals
Friday, January 8, 6:30 - 8:00 pm or
Monday, January 11, 10:00 - 11:30 am
Start the new year with a personalized journal, designed in Canva, which will be laser-engraved for you to take home. Limit of 10.

Introduction to Cloud Computing
Monday, January 11, 7:00 - 8:30 pm
Learn how to use the cloud to safely store, back up, and organize your files, photos, and other information. We'll explain cloud storage, syncing, and backups in simple terms and show you how they can help keep your computers, phones, and tablets organized and protected. Limit of 16.

Microsoft Word Basics
Tuesday, January 12, 10:00 - 11:30 am
Learn the basics of Microsoft Word in this hands-on class! Practice creating and editing documents, formatting text, and saving your work. Basic computer experience is required. Limit of 10.

All About Your Apple Watch
Thursday, January 14, 3:00 - 4:30 pm
Thinking of purchasing an Apple Watch or have one and want to learn more about its capabilities? Join this wearable tech class, spotlighting the Apple Watch. We will go over everything from basic setup, installing apps, and much more. Limit of 16.

Introduction to Kindle
Friday, January 15, 7:00 - 8:00 pm
New to Kindle? Join us for a beginner-friendly introduction. Learn the basics of navigating your device, borrowing eBooks, adjusting settings, and getting the most out of digital reading with Kindle. Limit of 10.

Sublimation Puzzles
Saturday, January 16, 10:00 - 11:00 am
Create a one-of-a-kind puzzle using your own photo or a custom design made in Canva, which will be printed and heat-transferred onto a blank puzzle using sublimation. Please bring a photo on a USB or saved in your email. Limit of 10.

Apple CarPlay and Android Auto
Tuesday, January 19, 7:00 - 8:00 pm
Explore the features and functionalities of Apple CarPlay and Android Auto. Learn how to connect your smartphone with your vehicle for navigation, communication, and music. Please make sure your car is compatible with this feature before registering for this class. Limit of 16.

Introduction to Excel
Wednesday, January 20, 2:00 - 3:30 pm
In this beginner-friendly class, you will learn the basics of Microsoft Excel, a spreadsheet software used to calculate, create charts, make budgets, and more. We will go over how to enter data, basic calculations, and time-saving tips and tricks. Limit of 10.

Google Photos
Thursday, January 21, 3:00 - 4:00 pm
This lecture-based class will teach you how to use Google Photos, a free online photo-sharing tool, to edit photos, compile and organize albums, and share photos online. Anyone who has a Google (Gmail) account can use it. Limit of 12.

Canva Family Recipe Books
Monday, January 25, 2:30 - 4:00 pm
Preserve your favorite family recipes in a personalized digital recipe book! Learn how to use Canva to design a custom cover, recipe pages, and more. You'll leave with the start of your own recipe book and the skills to continue adding recipes, photos, and special memories long after the program ends. Limit of 10.

Engraved Wood Slice Keepsakes
Monday, January 25, 7:00 - 8:00 pm or
Tuesday, January 26, 10:00 - 11:00 am
Learn how to use Canva to create a custom design, then bring it to life with laser engraving! Transform a natural wood slice into a unique keepsake or handmade gift. Limit of 10.

Intermediate Spreadsheet Functions and Features
Wednesday, January 27, 2:00 - 3:30 pm
Take your spreadsheet skills to the next level. In this class, you will learn tools to format data, write formulas, and use logic for easy reporting. Ideal for anyone who wants to work smarter or faster. Prerequisite: Introduction to Excel or previous experience with Excel or similar software. Limit of 10.

Introduction to iPad: Navigating iOS & Everyday Apps
Thursday, January 28, 10:00 - 11:30 am
Did you receive a new iPad for the holidays? Join our beginner-friendly workshop to master iOS basics, adjust your settings, and get comfortable with everyday apps. Limit of 16.

Custom Valentine's Day T-Shirts
Monday, February 1, 2:30 - 4:00 pm
Celebrate Valentine's Day with a personalized touch! Join us to design your own custom T-shirt featuring a favorite photo, festive design, or creative message. Come with your partner for a fun activity together or create a one-of-a-kind gift for someone special! If you'd like to include a photo on your shirt, please bring the image on a USB drive or have it accessible in your email. Limit of 10 (and one guest each).

Valentine's Day Buttons
Monday, February 1, 7:00 - 8:30 pm or
Friday, February 5, 10:00 - 11:30 am
Get creative this Valentine's Day! Use Canva to design fun, love-themed buttons, then turn your designs into wearable pins using our button-making machine. Limit of 10.

Design a 3D-Printed Valentine
Thursday, February 4, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm or
Tuesday, February 9, 6:30 - 8:30 pm
Create a one-of-a-kind, 3D-printed keepsake for your valentine. In this beginner-friendly workshop, you will learn how to use the 3D modeling software, Tinkercad, to design a completely custom gift. Limit of 8.

Cricut: Romantic Lavender Sachets
Monday, February 8, 7:00 - 8:30 pm or
Saturday, February 13, 10:00 - 11:30 am
Learn how to use the Cricut to cut fabric and create a fragrant lavender sachet. In this hands-on class taught by Amy Simonson, you'll explore basic fabric-cutting techniques and assemble a simple, no-sew sachet to take home. Prerequisite: Basic experience with the Cricut. Limit of 8. Fee: $5.00.

Cricut: How Does Print-Then-Cut Work?
Tuesday, February 16, 10:00 - 11:30 am
Learn how Cricut's Print-Then-Cut feature works in this hands-on class! Create a design, print it using the library's printer, and use a Cricut machine to cut it out. Discover how to make your own stickers, labels, and more! Basic computer experience is recommended. Limit of 8.

Laser-Engraved Wood Keychains
Thursday, February 18, 10:00 - 11:00 am or
Monday, February 22, 7:00 - 8:00 pm
Create a personalized wooden keychain using Canva and our laser engraver! Basic computer skills required. Limit of 10.

Is this AI? Tips and Tricks for Spotting AI Usage
Monday, February 22, 10:00 - 11:30 am
In a world filled with AI-generated content, identifying AI is a skill. In this class, you will learn what to look out for to know if something is real or AI-generated. Limit of 12.

Introduction to Adobe Photoshop
Tuesday, February 23, 6:30 - 8:30 pm
Become an instant graphic artist by working with images and pictures in Adobe Photoshop. In this lecture/demo class taught by Sharper Training Solutions, Inc., learn how to edit and alter images, including using the Magic Wand, sizing, shaping, and coloring. Students may bring their own laptops. For intermediate and advanced computer users. Limit of 16.

Libby 101: Free eBooks & eAudiobooks
Thursday, February 25, 10:00 - 11:30 am
Ready to read on the go? Bring your smartphone, tablet, or laptop and discover how to unlock thousands of free library eBooks and eAudiobooks instantly with Libby. Limit of 16.

How to Sell on Facebook Marketplace
Monday, March 1, 7:00 - 8:00 pm
We will cover the basics of Facebook Marketplace, including how to post an item for sale, take photos, set a price, and talk to buyers. We'll also cover simple safety tips to help you avoid scams and sell with confidence. Limit of 12.

Digital Art with Procreate
Tuesday, March 2, 7:00 - 8:00 pm
Learn how to use Procreate on your iPad and utilize its features for your personal digital illustration projects. Bring your creative ideas to life and unlock your artistic potential! Limit of 8.

Etsy for Beginners: How to Find and Buy Unique Gifts
Thursday, March 4, 10:00 - 11:30 am
In this lecture-style class, we will discuss how to set up an Etsy account for personal use. Learn to search for products, add items to your cart, and buy in the Etsy Marketplace. Limit of 16.

Birthday Invitations with Canva
Friday, March 5, 10:00 - 11:30 am or
Monday, March 8, 7:00 - 8:30 pm
Learn how to use Canva to design your own personalized birthday invitations. Explore easy-to-use templates, colors, fonts, and graphics. Limit of 10.

Think Like a Designer: Website Critique
Friday, March 5, 6:30 - 8:00 pm
Interested in website design? In this hands-on class, you'll explore how User Experience (UX) Designers evaluate digital products to improve the user experience, using Nielsen Norman Group's 10 Usability Heuristics. Limit of 12.

Etsy Selling for Beginners: Step-by-Step to Your First Listing
Thursday, March 11, 10:00 - 11:30 am
Learn how to set up your first Etsy shop, add listings, run sales, and advertise your store. We'll go over tips and tricks for success. Limit of 16.

TEENS

GRADES 6 - 12 · CONDUCTED BY THE **LEARNING COMMONS** DEPARTMENT

REGISTER online, in person, or by phone; have your library card number, password, and email address ready. Registration begins at 9:00 am on Friday, December 11, unless otherwise noted. If your class requires a fee, you must pay by credit card when registering online or by phone, or you can register in person and make your payment by cash, check, or credit card at the Circulation Desk. All fees are non-refundable. We reserve the right to cancel your registration if you are more than 10 minutes late. Note: Each member is limited to ten (10) registrations until Monday, December 14.

Pizza & a Movie: *Spider-Man: Brand New Day* (Rated PG-13) Grades 6 - 12

Wednesday, December 16, 6:00 - 8:30 pm

Fighting crime full-time as Spider-Man in a world that doesn't remember him sparks a change in Peter that he may not have the power to control. But that transformation might also be the only thing that can stop a shocking new threat to the city and those he loves—a powerful villain no one can even see.
Limit of 24.

Dungeons & Dragons for Teens | Grades 6 - 12

Wednesdays, December 23, January 27, & February 24 5:30 - 8:30 pm; Saturdays, January 2, February 13, & March 6, 9:30 am - 12:30 pm; or Thursdays, January 28 & February 18, 5:30 - 8:30 pm

Join Justin M. Gaffney of the Quest Master's Guild for three hours of action-packed Dungeons & Dragons. Limit of 10.

Super Smash Bros. Tournament | Grades 6 - 12

Monday, December 28, 11:00 am - 12:30 pm

Get ready to battle it out in a Super Smash Bros. tournament on our Nintendo Switch 2s! Show off your skills, challenge other players, and compete for bragging rights. Winner will receive a gift card. Limit of 16.

Build a Retro Game | Grades 6 - 12

Tuesday, December 29, 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Work with Joshua Varon to bring a retro arcade-style game to life using AI! Guide the creative process by making decisions about gameplay, challenges, and design. No coding experience needed—just creativity and imagination! Limit of 20.

Marvel Jeopardy | Grades 6 - 12

Wednesday, December 30, 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Put your superhero knowledge to the test in a fun game of Marvel Jeopardy! See if you have what it takes to become the ultimate Marvel trivia champion. Winners will receive a gift card. Limit of 16.

Teen Magic: The Gathering: Commander Night | Grades 6 - 12

Fridays, January 8 & February 12, 6:00 - 8:30 pm

Join Chris from Quest Master's Guild for Commander, a popular format of the Magic: The Gathering trading card game. Limit of 12.

Snowy Owl | Grades 6 - 12

Wednesday, January 13, 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Create a colorful snowy owl with Amy Vail! Use air-dry clay to sculpt your owl, then add color and details to bring your winter-inspired creation to life. Limit of 20.

Winter Record Painting | Grades 6 - 12

Wednesday, January 20, 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Get creative with Kristen Duer as you transform a vinyl record into a fun winter decoration using paint and your imagination. Limit of 20.

Getting Ready for College | Entering Grades 10 - 12

Thursday, January 21, 5:00 - 6:30 pm

Have questions about college? Debbie Lindell will cover everything from choosing the right school and SAT vs. ACT to scholarships and financial aid. Parents are encouraged to attend with their registered teen! Limit of 20.

Customized 3D-Printed Phone Cases | Grades 6 - 12

Fridays, January 22 or February 26, 6:30 - 8:00 pm

Teens, get creative and design your own personalized phone case! Learn how 3D printing works and explore ways to customize a case that shows off your unique style. Join us for a fun, hands-on program that combines creativity and technology!
Limit of 8.

MASH Game Story Prompts | Grades 6 - 12

Friday, January 29, 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Play a MASH-style game that chooses your characters, setting, and plot twists. Then, use the results to create your own unique story! Limit of 15.

Chocolate Chip Cookie Jar | Grades 6 - 12
Saturday, January 30, 2:00 - 3:00 pm
Join Chef Rob as he teaches you how to make mouth-watering chocolate chip cookies to take home and bake. Limit of 24.

Lucky Red Envelope Lanterns | Grades 6 - 12
Wednesday, February 3, 6:00 - 7:00 pm
Create festive lucky red envelope lanterns with Samantha! Follow step-by-step instructions to turn red envelopes into colorful decorations. Limit of 20.

Laser-Engraved Bookmarks for Teens | Grades 6 - 12
Friday, February 5, 6:00 - 7:00 pm
Create a personalized bookmark using Canva that will be laser-engraved for you to pick up at a later date. Limit of 10.

Cricut: Conversation Hearts | Grades 6 - 12
Wednesday, February 10, 6:00 - 8:00 pm
Get crafty this Valentine's Day and create your own conversation heart sign! Teens will paint a wooden heart sign and use the Cricut machine to add a personalized message. Limit of 8.

Game Night | Grades 6 - 12
Wednesday, February 17, 6:00 - 7:30 pm
Looking for some gaming fun? Head to the Learning Commons to play on our gaming desktops, battle it out on our two Nintendo Switch 2s, try board and card games, or experience our multiplayer VR! Limit of 16.

Mac and Cheese | Grades 6 - 12
Thursday, February 18, 2:00 - 3:00 pm
Make your own mac and cheese with Rob Scott! Help prepare this cheesy favorite, choose from a variety of toppings, and enjoy your creation at the library! Limit of 24.

Teen Book Discussion: *Refugee* by Alan Gratz | Grades 6 - 12
Pick Up Book Beginning December 14 at the Learning Commons Desk
Friday, February 19, 7:00 - 8:00 pm
Three children, three different time periods, and three dangerous journeys in search of safety. Josef flees Nazi Germany in the 1930s, Isabel escapes Cuba in 1994, and Mahmoud leaves war-torn Syria in 2015. As they face unimaginable challenges and fight for a better future, their stories become connected in unexpected ways. Limit of 8.

Roblox: *Ember Games* | Grades 6 - 12
Thursday, February 25, 5:00 - 6:30 pm
Hunger Games meets Roblox! Scavenge for weapons, food, and tools; outlast your opponents through timed rounds; and be the last player standing to claim victory! You can bring your own device or use ours! Limit of 17.

Learn to Be a Dungeon Master | Grades 6 - 12
Saturday, February 27, 11:00 am - 12:30 pm
Join Justin from Quest Master's Guild and discover how to become a Dungeon Master! Learn how to create adventures, guide players, build exciting stories, and run your own Dungeons & Dragons game. Limit of 15.

K-Pop Club | Grades 6 - 12
Saturday, February 27, 2:00 - 3:00 pm
Calling all K-pop fans! Enjoy a snack, listen to the latest K-pop hits, and get creative with a craft. Limit of 10.

Sublimation License Plates | Grades 6 - 12
Wednesday, March 3, 5:30 - 6:30 pm or 7:00 - 8:00 pm
Get creative and design your very own personalized license plate! Using Canva, teens will create a unique design. Your design will be printed and heat-transferred onto a metal license plate to take home! Limit of 8.

Teen Writers Circle | Grades 6 - 12
Friday, March 5, 6:00 - 7:00 pm
Join Erin Coughlin to learn new tips, build your writing skills and confidence, and have fun with a variety of interactive writing challenges. Perfect for writers just starting out or those already filling notebooks. Limit of 15.

Irish Soda Bread for Teens | Grades 6 - 12
Wednesday, March 10, 6:00 - 7:00 pm
Celebrate St. Patrick's Day with Rob Scott! Follow along as Rob teaches you how to make a traditional Irish soda bread that you will take home to bake! Limit of 24.

College Scholarships | Grades 10 - 12
Thursday, March 11, 5:00 - 6:00 pm
Guidance counselor Debbie Lindell will guide you through finding scholarships, exploring the various types available, understanding how to keep them, and learning the best times and methods to apply. Parents are encouraged to attend with their registered teen. Limit of 20.

Teen Bingo | Grades 6 - 12
Friday, March 12, 6:00 - 7:30 pm
Join us for a fun game of bingo with a chance to win prizes! Bring your luck, enjoy some friendly competition, and see if you can be the first to call out BINGO! Limit of 15.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Window Cats | Grades 6 - 12
Wednesday, December 30, 2:00 - 3:00 pm
Join Theresa in painting colorful cats on canvas to brighten the walls of The Shabby Tabby Cat Cafe! Limit of 24.

Winter Hat Decorating | Grades 6 - 12
Wednesday, January 6, 6:00 - 7:00 pm
Create one-of-a-kind decorated hats with Jackie using embellishments and hot glue! The finished hats will be donated to a local organization supporting families and children in need. Limit of 20.

Wild Animal Watercolor Art | Grades 6 - 12
Tuesday, January 19, 4:00 - 5:00 pm
Create watercolor art with Theresa featuring owls, hawks, and other native New York wildlife! Finished paintings will be donated to the Evelyn Alexander Wildlife Rescue Center. Limit of 24.

Dog Collar Decorating | Grades 6 - 12
Thursday, February 4, 4:00 - 5:00 pm
Put your creativity to work with Jackie as you make custom dog collars for shelter dogs! Limit of 24.

Catnip Toys | Grades 6 - 12
Tuesday, February 16, 1:30 - 2:30 pm or 2:45 - 3:45 pm
Create cat toys to donate to local shelters while learning the basics of hand sewing. Limit of 8.

Alphabet Art Totes | Grades 6 - 12
Friday, February 19, 1:30 - 2:30 pm
Create an alphabet-inspired tote bag with Theresa! Draw a letter and use markers and stencils to decorate it with pictures that start with that letter (D is for Dog!). Bags will be donated to children through Long Island Lends a Helping Hand. Limit of 24.

Diamond Pearl Painting | Grades 6 - 12
Tuesday, March 9, 4:00 - 5:30 pm
Create a sparkling diamond art painting craft using colorful half-pearls! Your finished artwork will be donated to senior citizens to brighten their day. Limit of 20.

CLASSES & EVENTS

CHILDREN

BIRTH - GRADE 5 · CONDUCTED BY THE **CHILDREN & FAMILY SERVICES** DEPARTMENT

REGISTER online, in person, or by phone; have your library card number, password, and email address ready. Registration begins at 9:00 am on Friday, December 11, unless otherwise noted. If your class requires a fee, you must pay by credit card when registering online or by phone, or you can register in person and make your payment by cash, check, or credit card at the Circulation Desk. All fees are non-refundable. We reserve the right to cancel your registration if you are more than 5 minutes late. Note: Each member is limited to ten (10) registrations until Monday, December 14.

EARLY CHILDHOOD · One (1) Parent/Caregiver is required to attend. Younger siblings in strollers are permitted unless otherwise noted.

One Book, Big Fun: *Goat's Coat*
Ages 3 - 5 years (not yet in Kindergarten)
Tuesday, December 15, 10:00 - 10:45 am
Learn about the power of kindness and friendship as we read the book *Goat's Coat* by Tom Percival, followed by songs and movement activities. Then, we'll make a cute goat craft featuring the patchwork sweater made by Goat's friends in the story. Limit of 12.

Rhythm & Dance | Ages 3 - 5 years (not yet in Kindergarten)
Tuesday, December 15, 6:00 - 6:30 pm
Join Annmarie Rigoroso for lively, high-energy music specifically curated to get children moving, stretching, and matching their movements to the beat. No siblings permitted. Limit of 15.

Science Tots: My Little Igloo
Ages 3 - 5 years (not yet in Kindergarten)
Wednesday, December 16, 3:00 - 3:45 pm
Build your very own cozy igloo using a paper cup, paint, and mini marshmallows! Have fun creating and decorating your snowy igloo to take home. Limit of 20.

Starry Skies Storytime
Ages 3 - 5 years (not yet in Kindergarten)
Thursday, December 17, 6:00 - 6:45 pm
Join us for a magical evening under the stars! We will travel through space with stories, songs, and giggles as we meet friends and explorers both Earthside and beyond. Come in your coziest pajamas and bring your imagination! Limit of 15.

Sensory Friends: Arctic Adventures
Ages 3 - 5 years (not yet in Kindergarten)
Tuesday, December 22, 2:00 - 2:45 pm
Join us in a fun, relaxed environment where we will enjoy stories, music, and movement while engaging the senses through tactile activities. This interactive program may be enjoyed by all children, but is especially designed for children with sensory integration challenges. Limit of 20.

Winter Tales and Fun Storytime
Ages 30 months - 5 years (not yet in Kindergarten)
Saturday, December 26
10:00 - 10:45 am or 11:15 am - 12:00 pm
Please join us for a wonderful winter storytime filled with stories, songs, fingerplays, and a fun winter craft. Limit of 16.

Let's Make Music!
Ages 30 months - 5 years (not yet in Kindergarten)
Tuesday, December 29, 6:00 - 6:30 pm or 7:00 - 7:30 pm
Please join us as we welcome music therapist and singer Anne O'Rourke for an interactive musical performance that explores early learning concepts while encouraging socialization and sensorimotor skills. Limit of 15.

My Gym
Ages 20 - 35 months:
Mondays, January 4 & 11, 2:00 - 2:45 pm
Ages 3 - 5 years (not yet in Kindergarten):
Mondays, January 4 & 11, 3:00 - 3:45 pm
An instructor from My Gym will present circle time activities, music and movement, gymnastics exercises, group games, and puppetry. No siblings permitted. Limit of 16.

Ready, Set, School! | Ages 4 - 5 years (not yet in Kindergarten)
Tuesdays & Thursdays, January 5, 7, 12, 14, 19, 21, 26, 28, February 2, 4, 9, 11, 23, 25, March 2 & 4, 9:45 - 11:45 am
Calling all future Pre-K and Kindergarten students! We offer this fun, two-hour drop-off series where your child will participate in literacy skills, hands-on centers, and develop school-ready skills. We'll get little learners excited and confident to start school in September 2027. The registered child must be potty-trained and at least 4 years of age to attend. Parents may leave the building during these classes, unless noted otherwise. Registered child only. Limit of 16.

Tiny Tinkers | Ages birth - 5 years (not yet in Kindergarten)
Friday, January 8; Monday, February 1; & Friday, February 12; 10:00 - 11:00 am
Our littlest learners can have the opportunity to explore their creativity through building, puzzles, sensory, and makerspace activities. Older siblings and younger siblings in strollers are permitted. *No registration required.*

Puppet Parade | Ages 3 - 5 years (not yet in Kindergarten)
Tuesday, January 12, 6:00 - 6:45 pm
Join us for a puppet-themed storytime and enjoy puppet-themed stories, then make your own puppet and have fun bringing it to life! Limit of 20.

Science Tots: Snowflake Discovery
Ages 3 - 5 years (not yet in Kindergarten)
Wednesday, January 13, 3:00 - 3:45 pm
Snow crystals are simple shapes that make winter extra special. Explore the beautiful creation of snowflakes. Limit of 20.

Toddler Development Play & Milestones
Ages birth - 17 months:
Thursday, January 14, 10:00 - 10:45 am
Ages 18 - 35 months: Thursday, January 14, 11:00 - 11:45 am
Pediatric occupational therapist Lisa Curley will guide you and your toddler through activities that promote the importance of play in enhancing overall development. No siblings permitted. Limit of 18.

Baby Time | Ages 3 - 13 months
Fridays, January 15, 22, & 29, 10:00 - 10:45 am
Nurture your baby's development and pre-literacy skills through stories, songs, fingerplays, and educational toys in a playful, supportive environment. Older siblings and younger siblings in strollers are permitted. Limit of 20.

Make Your Own Winter Play Dough
Ages 30 months - 5 years (not yet in Kindergarten)
Tuesday, January 19, 1:30 - 2:15 pm or 2:30 - 3:15 pm
Enjoy fun sensory activities with your child and make your own handmade winter play dough with Little Dough Co.! Limit of 15.

Circle of Fun | Ages 14 - 20 months
Wednesdays, January 20, 27, & February 3, 10:00 - 10:30 am
Join us for a fun morning of songs, movement activities, and an introduction to early learning concepts. Limit of 20.

Toddler Circle | Ages 21 - 29 months
Wednesdays, January 20, 27, & February 3
11:15 am - 12:00 pm
Join us for a simple story, songs, and a craft. There will be centers to explore that incorporate the senses, new concepts, and fine and gross motor skills. Limit of 20.

Fairytale Foundations: Science of Reading Storytime
Ages 3 - 5 years (not yet in Kindergarten)
Thursday, January 21, 6:00 - 6:45 pm
Join us for Fairytale Foundations, a storytime full of dragons, brave knights, goats, and happily-ever-afters! Through silly songs, activities, and sound games, little ones will build the early skills they need to become confident readers. Limit of 15.

Winter Fun with Molly Mouse
Ages birth - 5 years (not yet in Kindergarten)
Monday, January 25, 10:00 - 10:30 am or 11:00 - 11:30 am
Have some musical fun with your little one as we sing and dance with PlayHooray! No siblings permitted. Limit of 20.

Baby's Night Out | Ages birth - 17 months
Tuesday, January 26, 6:00 - 6:30 pm or 7:00 - 7:30 pm
Join A Time For Kids for a special evening of fun activities for you and your baby that will encourage early literacy, language development, and learning through play. No siblings permitted. Limit of 20.

Penguin Waddle Party
Ages 24 months - 5 years (not yet in Kindergarten)
Saturday, January 30, 2:00 - 2:45 pm
Waddle, wiggle, and flap like a penguin! Join us for a fun-filled penguin party with stories, activities, and a craft. Younger and older siblings are permitted. Limit of 30.

Sensory Friends: Sensory Sweethearts
Ages 3 - 5 years (not yet in Kindergarten)
Tuesday, February 2, 2:00 - 2:45 pm
Join us in a fun, relaxed environment where we will enjoy stories, music, and movement while engaging the senses through tactile activities. This interactive program may be enjoyed by all children, but is especially designed for children with sensory integration challenges. Limit of 20.

Music Mindfulness | Ages birth - 17 months
Friday, February 5, 10:00 - 10:30 am
Adam King with Reprise Music will teach you breathing exercises, focus techniques, and sound appreciation with your child. The children will learn to listen deeply and find calm through musical awareness. Limit of 20.

One Book, Big Fun: *Love Monster*
Ages 3 - 5 years (not yet in Kindergarten)
Saturday, February 6, 10:00 - 10:45 am
Get ready to celebrate Valentine's Day with the sweet story, *Love Monster* by Rachel Bright, followed by songs, movement activities, and an adorable *Love Monster* craft. Limit of 20.

Tie-Dyed Heart Tote Bags
Ages 3 - 5 years (not yet in Kindergarten)
Monday, February 8, 3:00 - 4:00 pm
Art with Samantha will help you design and create custom tie-dyed heart tote bags. Little artists will love experimenting with colors, patterns, and fabric to make a functional masterpiece that is completely one-of-a-kind. Perfect for carrying books, toys, or everyday treasures! Limit of 20.

Shake 'n Make Music
Ages birth - 5 years (not yet in Kindergarten)
Tuesday, February 9, 6:00 - 6:45 pm or 7:00 - 7:45 pm
An interactive, fun-filled music and movement program incorporating instruments, props, bubbles, and more! No siblings permitted. Limit of 20.

Music with Bluey
Ages 14 - 20 months:
Wednesday, February 10, 10:00 - 10:30 am
Ages 21 - 29 months:
Wednesday, February 10, 11:00 - 11:30 am
A beloved cartoon character becomes a musical experience. Reprise Music will celebrate all things Bluey—family portraits, the Bluey theme song, and Keepy Uppey! Limit of 20.

Learn to Sign: Valentine's Day
Ages birth - 23 months:
Thursday, February 11, 10:00 - 10:30 am
Ages 24 months - 5 years (not yet in Kindergarten):
Thursday, February 11, 11:00 - 11:30 am
Celebrate love and connection in this heartwarming seasonal class led by Lisa Curley! Little ones and their grown-ups will explore the basics of sign language through themed stories, music, and interactive activities. Together, you'll learn playful and practical Valentine's Day signs to help enhance early communication, strengthen bonds, and share the love this season. Limit of 20.

Pages & Paints: Paint on Snow!
Ages 3 - 5 years (not yet in Kindergarten)
Thursday, February 11, 6:00 - 6:30 pm
Get ready for some winter fun as we read snowy stories, engage in learning activities, and even get a chance to have sensory fun painting on instant snow! Limit of 15.

Preschool Play Lab: Winter's Cozy Critters
Ages 3 - 5 years (not yet in Kindergarten)
Friday, February 12, 6:00 - 6:45 pm
Bundle up for a cozy STEAM adventure! Explore how animals prepare for hibernation through hands-on activities, experiments, and playful learning centers. Limit of 16.

Tiny Talkers
Ages 18 - 35 months:
Thursday, February 18, 10:00 - 10:45 am
Ages 3 - 5 years (not yet in Kindergarten):
Thursday, February 18, 11:00 - 11:45 am
Join pediatric speech-language pathologist Kristina Potter for a storytime, songs, and play-based fun. Simple tips and strategies to support language development at home will also be shared. Limit of 15.

Globe "Tot"-ers: Morocco
Ages 3 - 5 years (not yet in Kindergarten)
Thursday, February 18, 6:00 - 6:45 pm
Calling all tiny travelers! Join us for a "trip" to Morocco filled with colorful stories, lively songs, and fun activities that will help us discover this wonderful country while also practicing important preschool skills. Limit of 15.

Le Petite Picassos: *Snow Family*
Ages 24 months - 5 years (not yet in Kindergarten)
Saturday, February 20, 10:00 - 10:45 am
No mittens required! Bring your little artist to create a charming, one-of-a-kind snow family, based on the book by Daniel Kirk. Dress for a little creative mess! Limit of 20.

Terrific Toddlers | Ages 30 - 35 months
Mondays, February 22 & March 1, 2:00 - 2:45 pm
Support your toddler's growth with this series that features music, movement, and stories designed to spark learning through play while promoting early literacy, motor skills, and social interaction. Limit of 20.

Tots on the Move | Ages 14 - 20 months
Fridays, February 26 & March 5
10:00 - 10:45 am or 11:15 am - 12:00 pm
Get your tot moving each week as we explore themes through music, movement, fingerplays, and simple, connected structured activities. Limit of 20.

Infant Massage | Ages birth - 12 months
Saturday, February 27, 10:00 - 10:45 am
Infant massage is a gentle, nurturing practice that uses rhythmic stroking and loving touch to support a baby's physical and emotional well-being. Valerie Gudelinis will show how it can help ease gas, colic, and teething discomfort, encourage deeper sleep, and stimulate neurological development. Beyond the physical perks, it offers parents and caregivers a calm way to deepen bonding, learn their baby's subtle cues, and promote mutual relaxation. No siblings permitted. Limit of 15.

Happy Birthday, Dr. Seuss!
Ages 3 - 5 years (not yet in Kindergarten)
Tuesday, March 2, 6:00 - 6:45 pm
We will celebrate Dr. Seuss' birthday with stories, songs, rhymes, and a fun craft! Limit of 12.

Science Tots: Lucky Shamrock Science
Ages 3 - 5 years (not yet in Kindergarten)
Wednesday, March 3, 3:00 - 3:45 pm
Explore a little St. Patrick's Day science magic! Drop colorful baking soda shamrocks into cups of vinegar and watch the magic to reveal some surprises! Limit of 20.

Playtime Pals & Parents | Ages 12 - 35 months
Thursday, March 4, 10:00 - 10:45 am or 11:15 am - 12:00 pm
Come join our parenting group to meet other families while the children have fun playing and socializing. Resource professional Lauren Fromberg will be available to share helpful information and answer any questions. Older siblings and younger siblings in strollers are permitted. Limit of 15.

Playful Prints | Ages 30 - 35 months
Monday, March 8, 1:30 - 2:15 pm
This printmaking project, taught by Theresa's Programs, encourages children to experiment with unusual things. From bubble wrap to toys, they will explore how different textures make different marks. Then, create a collection of playful prints. Dress for a creative mess! Limit of 20.

Nutrition Fun: Eating the Rainbow
Ages 3 - 5 years (not yet in Kindergarten)
Monday, March 8, 6:00 - 6:30 pm
Let's learn about fruits, veggies, and yummy foods that make us healthy and strong. Limit of 12.

Shamrock Silliness | Ages 14 - 20 months
Friday, March 12, 2:00 - 2:45 pm or 3:00 - 3:45 pm
A Time for Kids brings the St. Patrick's Day cheer with high-energy music, movement games, and green-themed sensory exploration. Expect plenty of giggles, dancing, and shamrock-fueled silliness! Limit of 20.

Celebrate 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten
Ages birth - 5 years (not yet in Kindergarten)
Saturday, March 13, 10:00 - 10:45 am or 11:00 - 11:45 am
If you would like to start our challenge, are already reading, or have completed 1,000 books, join us to celebrate! We will enjoy an interactive musical performance. For new readers, we will provide information about the program and help you register. No siblings permitted. Limit of 25.

PARENTING

Parenting Class: Developing Good Bedtime Habits
Ages 18 and over
Saturday, January 2, 10:00 - 11:30 am
Developing a good bedtime routine helps transition children from a high-energy day to a calm, relaxed state, ready for sleep. Triple P's Positive Parenting Program will show you how to use their successful bedtime routine in your own home! Limit of 15.

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Sewing an Ornament | Grades 3 - 5
Monday, December 14, 6:30 - 7:30 pm
Learn the basics of sewing while you make an adorable ornament to decorate for the holidays. Limit of 12.

Edible Holiday Cookie Dough | Grades 2 - 5
Wednesday, December 16, 6:00 - 7:00 pm
Using M&Ms, sprinkles, Oreo crumbs, and chocolate chips, Vanesa Holzhauser will teach you how to make a safe-to-eat cookie dough. Limit of 20.

Literary Art: *On the Night of the Shooting Star* | Grades K - 2
Saturday, December 19, 10:00 - 10:45 am or 11:00 - 11:45 am
We'll read the touching story, *On the Night of the Shooting Star* by Amy Hest, and create our own mixed-media artwork inspired by illustrator Jenni Desmond's techniques. Limit of 20.

Flower Pressed Snowman | Grades 3 - 5
Monday, December 28, 10:00 - 11:00 am
Art with Samantha will help you create a one-of-a-kind snowman made out of pressed flowers! Limit of 20.

Melting Snowmen | Grades K - 2
Monday, December 28, 6:00 - 6:45 pm
Grab your glue and creativity—it's time to make some silly, melting snowmen. Limit of 20.

Let It Snow! Beaded Charm Bracelets | Grades 3 - 5
Tuesday, December 29, 10:00 - 10:45 am
Spend a cozy, relaxing morning making a wintry beaded charm bracelet featuring snowflakes and snowmen. Limit of 20.

Imagine and Paint: Winter-ful Wonders | Grades 1 - 5
Wednesday, December 30, 6:00 - 7:00 pm
Spend a night where you are the artist, using our paints, paper, and your own imagination. Please dress for a mess. Limit of 16.

Young Adventurers | Grades 4 - 5
Mondays, January 4, February 1, & March 2, 6:00 - 7:30 pm
Step into a world of imagination, teamwork, and epic quests! Young adventurers will learn the basics of Dungeons & Dragons 5th Edition as they create unique characters, explore fantastical realms, and work together to overcome challenges. Limit of 8.

Pasta Snowflakes | Grades K - 2
Tuesday, January 5, 6:00 - 7:00 pm
Using different shaped pastas and a touch of metallic paint, Art with Samantha will help you make a piece of art that will last all winter long! Limit of 20.

Loops & Layers: Cozy Hat Workshop | Grades 4 - 5
Thursday, January 7, 6:00 - 7:15 pm
Children will learn to use knitting looms to create their very own warm winter hat. They'll practice looping, wrapping, and pulling techniques to craft a one-of-a-kind hat as unique as they are. Limit of 20.

Winter Collage | Grades K - 2
Saturday, January 9, 10:00 - 10:45 am or 11:00 - 11:45 am
Join us to create a colorful collage of your favorite winter activities! Limit of 20.

Snowman Soup | Grades 1 - 3
Monday, January 11, 6:00 - 6:45 pm
Add a little sweetness to your winter day by assembling a hot cocoa drink treat that you can enjoy at home. Please be advised that the food used in this class comes from factories that may have come in contact with common allergens. Limit of 20.

Afternoon Games: Frosty Face-Off | Grades K - 5
Tuesday, January 12, 4:30 - 5:15 pm
Get ready for a chilly competition filled with winter-themed games! Cheer on and challenge your friends as you play Don't Break the Ice, Yeti in My Spaghetti, and more in this icy tournament of fun. Limit of 20.

Junior Professors: Don't Wet the Penguin | Grades K - 2
Wednesday, January 13, 6:00 - 6:45 pm
How do penguins stay warm and dry in icy water? Create your own "feather" barrier and test its secret superpower against water! Limit of 20.

The SCIENCE of Reading: Wacky, Wonderful Tenrecs Grades 3 - 5
Thursday, January 14, 6:00 - 6:45 pm
Join us as we combine zoology, the science of reading, and FUN! We'll learn about these cute and kooky creatures through various reading activities, games, and even a hands-on building challenge. This session will focus on multiple skills, including syntax, text structure clues, comprehension, and fluency. Limit of 20.

The Yeti Challenge | Grades K - 2
Friday, January 15, 6:00 - 6:45 pm
Take on a series of playful winter challenges designed to build persistence, flexible thinking, and confidence with GoYo Creative. Through movement, games, breathing, and creative activities, children practice staying calm, trying new strategies, and working through frustration when something feels difficult. Limit of 15.

GoYo Creative: Winter Friendship | Grades 3 - 5
Friday, January 15, 7:00 - 7:45 pm
Join GoYo Creative for a winter-themed class that builds friendship, teamwork, and a sense of belonging through yoga-based movement, cooperative games, breathing, and creative activities. Class finishes with rest and a gentle reflection on kindness and connection. Limit of 15.

Arctic Walrus | Grades K - 2
Tuesday, January 19, 6:00 - 7:00 pm
Learn how to draw an Arctic walrus while exploring fascinating facts about them with Theresa's Programs! This lesson is a favorite for animal lovers. Limit of 20.

Maker Kids: Buttons | Grades 3 - 5
Thursday, January 21, 4:30 - 5:30 pm
Use Canva to create fun, personalized button designs with your choice of colors and graphics! Limit of 8.

LEGO Story Builders: Winter Tales | Grades 1 - 5
Friday, January 22, 6:00 - 7:00 pm
Come and build a scene from your favorite book or movie, and display it proudly at your library! Limit of 20.

Velvet Art Positive Posters | Grades K - 5
Monday, January 25, 6:00 - 6:45 pm
Let's get together to color a poster with upbeat quotes and positive thoughts. Limit of 20.

Homeschool Math Lab | Grades K - 5
Tuesday, January 26, 3:00 - 3:45 pm
Get ready to count and solve math puzzles using playful challenges. This class is geared toward homeschool children, but all are welcome. Limit of 20.

Whiz Kidz: Watt's the Bright Idea? | Grades 3 - 5
Wednesday, January 27, 6:00 - 6:45 pm
Discover the amazing world of electricity! Learn how circuits work and use your creativity to design a paper circuit craft that lights up with LED lights. Limit of 20.

CVC Construction Zone | Grades K - 1
Thursday, January 28, 6:00 - 6:45 pm
Hard hats on, builders! K-1 students will become word builders, stacking letter bricks to construct words and taking them apart sound by sound. These hands-on, research-based activities build strong decoding and spelling skills while keeping kids engaged and moving. Come build something great with us! Limit of 20.

Pokémon Club
Grades K - 2: Fridays, January 29, February 26, & March 12
5:30 - 6:15 pm
Grades 3 - 5: Fridays, January 29, February 26, & March 12
7:00 - 7:45 pm
Pokémon fans unite! Bring your cards, creativity, and your best Pikachu impression. No Pokédex required. Limit of 16.

Tinker This: Winter Wonderland | Grades 3 - 5
Thursdays, February 4 & 18, 4:30 - 5:15 pm
Step into a Winter Wonderland! During the first class, we will learn how to use Tinkercad to create a 3D print of a snowy scene of your own imagination! In the second, we will bring our snowy masterpieces to life with color! Attendance at the first class is required in order to participate in the program. Limit of 9.

Global Art: Moroccan Zellige | Grades 2 - 5
Thursday, February 4, 6:00 - 6:45 pm
Become an international artist as you create unique coasters inspired by Morocco's famous Zellige tiles. Limit of 20.

Maker Kids: Sublimation Bookmarks | Grades 3 - 5
Friday, February 5, 4:30 - 5:30 pm
Make reading more fun with your own colorful, personalized bookmark! Use Canva to choose your colors, text, and graphics, then watch it come to life through sublimation and a heat press. Limit of 8.

A Bookmark for Every Season | Grades K - 2
Monday, February 8, 6:00 - 6:45 pm
Get creative and celebrate the seasons. Join us to decorate your own colorful bookmarks inspired by winter, spring, summer, and fall. Limit of 20.

Sew a Valentine Heart | Grades 3 - 5
Wednesday, February 10, 4:30 - 5:30 pm
Learn how to sew while making a stuffed conversation heart toy. Limit of 12.

Junior Professors: Love is in the Fizz | Grades K - 2
Wednesday, February 10, 6:00 - 6:45 pm
Put your science skills to the test with a fun Valentine's Day experiment! Create a fizzy, colorful reaction and uncover the surprise hidden inside! Limit of 20.

Create Like the Greats: A Tiffany "Stained Glass" Sunrise
Grades 2 - 5
Saturday, February 13, 10:00 - 10:45 am or 11:00 - 11:45 am
We'll learn about the beautiful art of Louis Comfort Tiffany. Then, we'll use vibrant oil pastels to create a sunrise with stained-glass-like sections. We'll explore blending, layering, and color-mixing techniques to create the multicolored vibrancy that set Tiffany's work apart from other stained glass artists. Limit of 20.

Guided Painting with Jackie & Chuck | Grades K - 5
Wednesday, February 17, 10:00 - 11:00 am
Students will be guided step-by-step to create a winter canvas portrait of a child catching snowflakes on their tongue using paint, markers, and glitter. Limit of 30.

Whiz Kidz: pH Lab | Grades 3 - 5
Wednesday, February 17, 6:00 - 6:45 pm
Test everyday liquids with a color-changing indicator, uncover the secrets of acids and bases, and solve a mystery using your scientific discoveries in this fun STEM adventure! Limit of 20.

Polar Bear Cupcakes | Grades K - 5
Friday, February 19, 10:00 - 10:45 am or 11:00 - 11:45 am
Chef Rob teaches budding bakers to decorate adorable, winter-themed polar bear cupcakes step-by-step. Limit of 20.

From Coloring Page to Poster | Grades K - 5
Friday, February 19, 2:00 - 2:45 pm
Pick a coloring sheet or draw an original design. Once complete, we will scan and print it on our high-tech poster printer, and you will pick it up at a later date. Limit of 20.

Squishy Mochi | Grades 2 - 5
Monday, February 22, 6:00 - 7:00 pm
Along with iCreate!, makers will design and craft their very own ultra-cute, sensory squishy mochi toys. Limit of 20.

Afternoon Games: Steady Hands Showdown | Grades K - 5
Tuesday, February 23, 4:30 - 5:15 pm
Put your balancing skills to the test with a lineup of wobbly, tumbly games. Challenge your friends, cheer each other on, and see who can keep everything steady. Limit of 20.

Homeschool Storybook Science | Grades K - 5
Thursday, February 25, 3:00 - 3:45 pm
What makes a planet a planet? There's always something new to learn about in space! This class is geared toward homeschool children, but all are welcome. Limit of 20.

Pizza Parlor Phonics | Grades 1 - 2
Thursday, February 25, 6:00 - 6:45 pm
Step into our "pizza parlor," where you'll cook up new words using sounds, word families, prefixes, and suffixes. Chop, blend, and build your way to stronger reading skills through hands-on, research-based activities. Please be advised that the food used in this class comes from factories that may have come in contact with common allergens. Limit of 20.

Cool Creations | Grades K - 5
Saturday, February 27, 2:00 - 2:45 pm
Design and decorate your very own igloo with colorful patterns, icy details, and your imagination with Wikki Stix! Limit of 30.

Pom-Pom Art | Grades 3 - 5
Wednesday, March 3, 6:00 - 6:45 pm
Get creative and make your very own adorable pom-pom animal picture. Limit of 20.

The SCIENCE of Reading: Cute Capybaras | Grades 3 - 5
Thursday, March 4, 6:00 - 6:45 pm
Join us as we combine zoology, the science of reading, and FUN! We'll learn about these adorable creatures through various reading activities and games. This session will focus on multiple skills, including comprehension, morphology, fluency, and syllable counts, and will also include some time to unwind with a cute, simple craft. Limit of 20.

Color Your Own 3D-Printed Rumi Funko Pop | Grades 2 - 5
Friday, March 5, 6:00 - 7:00 pm
Everyone starts with the same 3D-printed Rumi—but YOU bring her to life! Using the library's colorful acrylic paint pens and your creativity, you can transform Rumi into a one-of-a-kind K-pop Demon Hunter. Please dress for a mess.
Limit of 20.

Yogurt Fruit Parfait | Grades 2 - 5
Saturday, March 6, 10:00 - 11:00 am
Join the Cooking Explorers to work on your sequence and cutting skills and make a layered parfait with vanilla Greek yogurt and fruit. Limit of 20.

Lucky Gnome | Grades 2 - 5
Tuesday, March 9, 6:00 - 7:00 pm
Bring a little extra luck into your home! Your young artists will love teaming up with Silhouette Spot to paint their very own charming, whimsical Lucky Gnome. Limit of 20.

Clay Leprechaun | Grades K - 5
Thursday, March 11, 6:00 - 7:00 pm
Create your own little clay leprechaun using polymer clay with Traveling Art Programs. Limit of 20.

FAMILY

Family Movie: *Meet the Robinsons* (Rated G)
Ages 3 years - Grade 5
Tuesday, December 22, 6:00 - 7:45 pm
Lewis is a brilliant inventor and orphan. When his latest invention is stolen by the villainous Bowler Hat Guy, a mysterious boy named Wilbur Robinson arrives in a time machine to whisk Lewis away to the year 2037. Lewis spends a wild, hilarious day with Wilbur's wonderfully eccentric future family, while learning a deeply moving lesson about overcoming failure and always choosing to keep moving forward. Light refreshments will be served. *No registration required.*

Family Pajama Dance Party | Ages 3 years - Grade 5
Wednesday, December 23, 6:30 - 7:15 pm
Slip into your PJs and get ready to groove! Dance the night away with your family to throwback favorites like, The Cha-Cha Slide and Macarena. Cozy pajamas, classic hits, and plenty of silly moves await! Light refreshments will be served.
Limit of 20 families.

Wonder | Ages 3 years - Grade 5
Wednesday, December 30, 10:00 - 11:00 am
Join us for an inspiring family workshop as we dive into the beloved book *Wonder* and explore what it is like to be a real-life Auggie. You will hear firsthand from Jeremy Dale and his mother as they share their personal experiences growing up with a facial difference. Afterward, they will host a Q&A session. This is a wonderful opportunity for all ages to learn about empathy, celebrate our differences, and discover the power of choosing kindness. Limit of 100, 5 seats per CPL card.

Melissa's Yard | Grades K - 5
Thursday, December 31, 11:00 am - 12:00 pm
Come and meet exotic insects and small reptiles. Enjoy the rare opportunity to see animals like bearded dragons, snakes, geckos, and frogs up close, plus fascinating invertebrates, such as stick and leaf insects, beetles, millipedes, and isopods. Owner/educator Melissa Ludyny will have your child leaning in for a closer look and asking questions instead of saying, "I'm scared of that!" This class is geared toward children in grades K-5, and is limited to the registered child and one parent/caregiver.
Limit of 30.

Tinker Space | Ages 3 years - Grade 5
Wednesdays, January 6, February 3, & 24, 6:00 - 7:30 pm
Explore some of our Makerspace activities such as 3D pens, building activities, brain teasers, and more, including a craft you can "make and take" home! *No registration required.*

Family Yoga | Ages 3 years - Grade 5
Saturday, January 16, 10:00 - 10:45 am
Take a break from the busy weekly routine and spend quality, screen-free time together. Adrienne Lebron will show you gentle movements, accessible mindfulness techniques, and relaxing stretches that adults and children can enjoy side-by-side. Leave feeling calm, centered, and deeply connected. Please bring a yoga mat for each person. Limit of 20 families.

Family Bingo | Ages 3 years - Grade 5
Wednesday, January 20, 6:00 - 6:45 pm or 7:00 - 7:45 pm
& Tuesday, February 23, 6:00 - 6:45 pm or 7:00 - 7:45 pm
Join us for a fun-filled bingo night! Enjoy three exciting games with your family—prizes include gift cards for the winners! Limit of 20 families, 5 members per family.

Family Red Cup Games | Grades K - 5
Saturday, January 30, 10:00 - 11:00 am
Get ready for fast-paced fun and friendly competition. Guided by Jackie & Chuck, families will participate in a series of interactive challenges featuring one simple item: the red cup! You will stack, race, balance, toss, and compete your way through a variety of different games. No special skills required; just come ready to laugh, compete, and have fun!
Limit of 20 families.

MOO-ve Into Reading this Winter
Ages birth - 5 years (not yet in Kindergarten)
Monday, February 1 - Sunday, February 28
Winter is here, and it's time to cozy up with an udderly fantastic book! Join our Winter Reading Club from February 1 - February 28. Whether you're a little calf listening to picture books or an older reader tackling chapter books, all ages are welcome! Log your hours in the Beanstack app, and you will earn virtual raffle tickets toward one of four squishmallows! Don't let the cold weather slow you down; moo-ve into reading today!
No registration required.

Family February Trivia: More than Hearts & Shadows
Grades K - 5
Tuesday, February 2, 6:00 - 7:00 pm or 7:15 - 8:15 pm
February might be the shortest month, but it packs the biggest punch! Join us for an all-ages showdown exploring everything midwinter has to offer—from Groundhog Day folklore and the Super Bowl to Carnival traditions, trailblazing history, calendar quirks, and a little bit of love! This class is geared towards families with children in Grades K-5. Limit of 10 families.

Family Movie: *Hoppers* (Rated PG) | Ages 3 years - Grade 5
Tuesday, February 16, 11:00 am - 12:45 pm
Mabel Tanaka, an animal-loving college student, uses scientist-developed experimental technology called "hopping," which allows humans to transfer their consciousness into lifelike robotic animal avatars to communicate with wildlife. Mabel inhabits a robotic beaver infiltrating the animal kingdom, her mission: rally the local animal council and stop smooth-talking Mayor Jerry from destroying her favorite woodland glade for a concrete freeway project. Light refreshments will be served.
No registration required.

Outer Space Green Screen
Saturday, March 13, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
Register for a 15-minute appointment to have your photo taken with an out-of-this-world space background using our green screen. You will receive a digital file by email that you can upload to any photo/card printing service. Limit of 8 families.

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HOLIDAY TOY DRIVE

Toys for Tots

November 16 to December 18

Help make the holidays brighter for children in need. To take part in the library's Toys for Tots drive, bring a toy to the collection box in the Children and Family Services Department. You can drop off your donation during regular library hours.

MEET LOCAL PRESCHOOLS

Preschool Fair

Saturday, January 23 | 10:00 to 11:30 am

Do you have a young child who will be attending preschool soon? Come and learn about preschools in the area. Representatives will be available to answer questions and share information about their philosophies and curriculum. No registration required.