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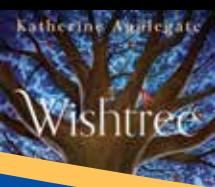
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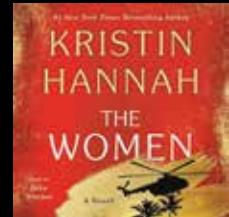
March/April  
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# IN THE STACKS

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All classes require a registration unless otherwise stated. Zoom login information sent within 24 hours of class beginning via e-mail. Registration for March events begins on Tuesday, February 24 and April events begins Tuesday, March 24, at 10 AM, unless otherwise indicated. All classes will take place in-person with the location specified unless noted as follows:  Zoom

## Fun Classes

Supplies are limited to in-class participation only.

### Turquoise Tree

Monday, March 2

6:30 PM (DH)

*Presented by Tout Ruban*

Construct a tree with turquoise stones using a twisted wire technique. All supplies provided.

**Cost:** \$5



### Flower Wall Round

Tuesday, March 3

6:30 PM (DH)

*Presented by Instructor  
Danielle Masztal*

Create a flower wall hanging using faux flowers. All supplies provided.



### Art with Us

Fridays | 11 AM (DH)

*Presented by Librarian Antonietta*

Join us for step-by-step art instruction.

Registration required.

**March 6 & 20:** Acrylic Painting

**April 10 & 24:** Charcoal



### Double Tulips

Wednesday, March 11

7 PM (DH)

*Presented by Artist  
Casey Cunningham*

Follow step-by-step instructions to create this flower.



### Crafternoon!

11:30 AM (DH)

Tuesday, March 24:

Pressed Flower Lanterns

Wednesday, April 8:

Planter & Floral

Arrangement



### The More We Get Together

*Presented by Instructor*

*Doreen McIlwaine*

These events are geared for adults with special needs.

### Claddagh Wall Hanging

Wednesday, March 18 | 11 AM (DH)

Create a wall hanging that symbolizes love, loyalty and friendship. **Note:** We will be painting our hands; gloves will be provided upon request.

### Wooden Clothespin Wreath

Wednesday, April 22 | 11 AM (DH)

Create a wreath using colored clothespins.

### Party Game Fun

**Trivia!** Tuesday, March 31 | 7 PM (DH)

**Bingo!** Tuesday, April 21 | 4 PM (DH)

Have fun and win prizes!

### Drop Cloth Farm Canvas

Thursday, April 2

6:30 PM (DH)

*Presented by  
Lucrezia Levanti*

Follow step-by-step instructions to create this adorable wall hanging. **Cost:** \$5



### Butterfly Ceramics

Wednesday, April 8

6:30 PM (DH)

*Presented by Instructor  
Rosemarie Attard*

We supply the materials and step-by-step instructions. **Cost:** \$5



### Spring Cards

Thursday,

April 16

7 PM (DH)

*Presented by Instructor Christina Del Piano*

Guided instruction on creating beautiful hand-crafted cards.



## CALL FOR PARTICIPATION

### Colors of Spring: Cultural Fair

Saturday, May 16 | 1 PM-3 PM (DH)

Showcase your culture-based organization

All organizations receive a 6-foot exhibitor table. The event is free, open to the public, set up in a fair format and is geared to celebrating the diversity of the community. For more information or if you are a member of a cultural organization that would like to participate, please visit [hhlibrary.org](http://hhlibrary.org) to submit an interest form. In partnership with the HHH PTA Council.

*Deadline for submission: April 30.*

## Discussion Group

### Here's The Thing

Thursdays, March 5, 19

April 9, 23 | 12 PM-1 PM (DH)

*Moderated by Librarian Jill Rowley*

A monthly discussion group on a variety of topics. Moderator will pick random thought-provoking questions and let the discussion flow! No registration required.



### Proctoring Services at the Library

Do you need to take an exam that requires proctoring services? The library may be able to help! District residents only. For more information, please contact Librarian Jill Rowley at **631-421-4530 ext. 1255**, or e-mail [proctoring@hhlibrary.org](mailto:proctoring@hhlibrary.org).

## Defensive Driving

Saturday, March 14 | 10 AM-4 PM (DH)

**OR**

Saturday, April 11 | 10 AM-4 PM (DH)

*Presented by Suffolk Safety Program*

Participants must arrive on time for class. Late arrivals will not be permitted according to NYSDMV rules & regulations, **no exceptions**. Register online or in person with a valid library card. **Cost:** \$35

# Adults

## What's Cooking

Payment must be made in-person or online at time of registration, no exceptions. Supplies are limited to in-class participation only.

### No-Knead Country Bread

Monday, March 9 | 7 PM (DH)

*Presented by A Mano Baking Company, LLC*

Learn to make this bakery-style crusty bread boule the easy way with yeast and best of all, no kneading required. Must bring a mixing bowl and mixing utensil to class. **Cost: \$5**

### Snack Smart

Wednesday, March 18 | 7 PM (DH)

*Presented by Amal Villooth, MS, Nutrition*

Learn how to create easy, nutritious snacks. A demonstration and sampling: avocado & quinoa spring rolls with cilantro dressing and frozen yogurt bark with cacao nibs and pomegranate. **Cost: \$5**

### Irish Soda Bread

Saturday, March 21 | 11:30 AM (DH)

*Presented by Chef Rob Scott*

Bring a large bowl, mixing spoon and a cookie tray to this hands-on class. **Cost: \$5**

### Irish Scones

Monday, March 23 | 6:30 PM (DH)

*Presented by Them's The Breaks Chocolate*

Make 6 mini scones: 2 traditional raisin, 2 lemon blueberry and 2 orange cranberry walnut to take home and bake. Sample each variety with clotted cream. **Cost: \$5**

### Chicken Saag

Monday, March 30 | 5 PM (DH)

*Presented by Certified Nutrition Coach & Certified Dietary Manager Geetu Makin*

Learn to make a creamy, flavorful chicken with fresh spinach, spices, onion and tomatoes. **Cost: \$5**

### Rugelach

Tuesday, April 14 | 6:30 PM (DH)

*Presented by Debby's Kitchen*

Roll out, fill, cut and shape dough! Leave with a ready-to-bake tray of crescent-shaped cookies to bake. Enjoy samples during class. Bring a cookie sheet and rolling pin. **Cost: \$5**



### Just a Taste

Tuesday, April 14 | 10:30 AM (DH)

*Presented by Librarian Antonietta*

See a demo and taste stuffed mushrooms.

### Ravioli Marinara

Wednesday, April 15 | 6:30 PM (DH)

*Presented by Knead, Sprinkle, Stitch*

Enjoy making homemade ravioli to cook at home. Must bring a mixing bowl and cutting board. **Cost: \$5**

### Sicilian Olive Oil Cake

Monday, April 20 | 7 PM (DH)

*Presented by A Mano Baking Company, LLC*

Each participant will make a cake to bake at home. Must bring a mixing bowl and mixing utensil. **Cost: \$5**

### Butter Candle

Wednesday, April 22 | 7 PM (DH)

*Presented by Them's The Breaks Chocolate*

Make a butter candle using flavored butter (garlic, chives, parsley and pepper). The candle is molded into a cup with a food-grade wick made from natural beeswax. Use it with sliced bread or put in the center of a sourdough and dip into the edges of the melting butter candle.

Sample during the class. **Cost: \$5**



### Spring Entertaining

Wednesday, April 29

4 PM OR 6:30 PM (DH)

*Presented by Chef Rob Scott*

Panko Parmesan chicken meatballs with a Parmesan herb sauce; also on the menu a warm marbled pound cake with apricot preserves, mascarpone and toasted almonds. **Cost: \$5**

## Tax Assistance

**AARP Foundation**

**TAX-AIDE**

Free tax assistance for those who need it most

AARP Foundation Tax-Aide provides tax assistance to anyone who is over 50 and has low to moderate income. For locations and details visit <https://taxaide.aarpfoundation.org/>.

## Business & Finance

### Job Coach

Tuesdays, March 5 AND/OR April 16 (DH)

Appointments are preferred but walk-ins are welcome from 5:30 PM–8:30 PM (last appointment at 7:30 PM) Need help finding a job? Get assistance from MaryAnn Verdolino, certified career counselor. Visit [hhlibrary.org](http://hhlibrary.org) or call a librarian at **631-498-1234** to schedule a one-hour appointment.

### Career Counselor

Tuesdays, March 10 AND/OR April 14 10 AM–1 PM (DH)

Need help with your résumé? Unsure about your current career? Looking to begin a new job? Come talk to Career Counselor Lisa Strahs-Lorenc. Walk-ins are welcome but appointments are strongly encouraged. To make a one-hour appointment please call **631-498-1234**.

### Are You Cut Out to be an Entrepreneur: A Shark-Tank Approach

Wednesday, April 22 | 7 PM (DH)

*Presented by Career Counselor Lisa Strahs-Lorenc*

Enjoy a "Shark Tank" type experience in this interactive program targeted to individuals seeking to explore new opportunities.

### In Need of a Notary?

We offer free Notary Public service. Thoroughly review our policy and fill out the form online to make an appointment at [hhlibrary.org](http://hhlibrary.org) or call the library at **631-421-4530** to be connected with the notary to schedule an appointment. Appointments are required.

### New Voting Machines

Wednesday, March 4 (DH)

10 AM–7 PM

*Presented by Suffolk County Board of Elections*

Test out the new voting machines that will be used for the first time at the upcoming primaries in June. Learn about the machines and prepare for the upcoming elections. No registration required.



## Lectures

### The History of Psychological Testing at Pilgrim Psychiatric Center

Thursday, March 12 | 7 PM (DH)

*Presented by Jaime Tirado, Mental Health Historian & Dr. Richard LaMonica, Chief Psychology for Pilgrim State Psychiatric Center*

Discuss the psychological testing methods used for diagnosis and treatment planning at Pilgrim Psychiatric Center since the 1930s. Explore the legacy of intelligence which stood as a testament to Pilgrim's largely scientific and biological framework for psychiatric treatment.

### Great Dance Scenes From Hollywood Musicals

Friday, March 20 | 2 PM (DH)

*Presented by Dr. Mel Haber*

Discover the finest dance scenes from musicals such as *Singing in the Rain*, *Saturday Night Fever*, *West Side Story*, *Anchors Away*, *Royal Wedding* and more.

### Reverse the Curse: The 1993-94 New York Rangers

Thursday, March 26 | 7 PM 

*Presented by Historian Jim Ward*

For 54 years since 1940, the New York Rangers knew only heartache and playoff defeat. Uncover how the Rangers, led by Captain Mark Messier, came together and finally ended their 54-year Stanley Cup drought.

### Great Masters of the Italian Renaissance

Thursday, April 16 | 2 PM (DH)

*Presented by Art Historian Dr. Sandra Palmer*

Uncover the 3 masters: Leonardo, Michelangelo and Raphael. Discuss their artistic styles, works of art and rivalry.



Wednesdays | 10:15 AM (DH) &   
Visit [hhlibrary.org](http://hhlibrary.org) for events in partnership with the Greens' Men's Group.

## Book Discussions for Adults

Copies are available for download on your computer/mobile device. It's simple, just visit [hhlibrary.org](http://hhlibrary.org) and click on [Download & Stream](#) or call us for assistance.

### Lunch Time Talk

Fridays | 12 PM

(DH) & 

**Leaders:** Jill Rowley & Laura McKinley, Librarians

**March 6:** *The Correspondent* by Virginia Evans  
**April 10:** *The Doorman* by Chris Pavone  
([longislandreads](#)  Book for 2026)

**May 8:** *The Secret of Secrets* by Dan Brown



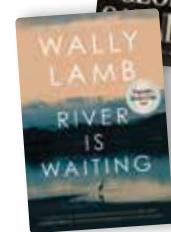
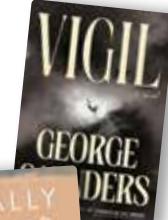
### Open for Discussion

Thursdays | 11:30 AM (DH)

**Leader:** Joe Brown, Librarian

Sign up for a literary journey as we discover under-the-radar genre-bending novels. Read debut authors, hidden gems and titles that may not have received mainstream attention.

**March 12:** *Vigil* by George Saunders  
**April 9:** *The River Is Waiting* by Wally Lamb



### Reader Selects

Tuesdays | 7 PM 

**Leader:** Chris Garland, Librarian

**March 17:** *The Gales of November: The Untold Story of the Edmund Fitzgerald* by John U. Bacon  
**April 21:** *1929: Inside the Greatest Crash in Wall Street History—and How It Shattered a Nation* by Andrew Ross Sorkin



### 20s & 30s Book Club

Wednesdays | 6:30 PM-7:30 PM (DH)

**Leader:** Kasey Doherty, Librarian

A book club for twenty & thirty-somethings. Focusing on fantasy & contemporary fiction books made popular on BookTok and Bookstagram. Read with us & see if the books are worth the hype!

**March 25:** *My Friends* by Fredrik Backman  
**April 29:** *Anatomy of an Alibi* by Ashley Elston



## Veterans



### Veterans Testimonial Project

Be a part of your Community's rich history. Share your military experiences with future generations. All interviews will be recorded and added to the Library's collection and archived with the Veterans History Project at the Library of Congress. To participate in this initiative, call our librarian, Joe Brown, at **631-498-1234**, or e-mail [jbrown@hhlibrary.org](mailto:jbrown@hhlibrary.org).

### Veterans Peer Support Project

Mondays, March 16, April 20

12 PM-2 PM (DH)

Stop by to speak with a peer mentor about free programs and services.

- **Joseph P. Dwyer Veterans Peer Support Project**
- **Legal Services of Long Island**
- **Long Island Cares Inc.**  
**The Harry Chapin Food Bank**
- **Long Island State Veterans Home**
- **Northport VA Medical Center**
- **Northwell Health Unified Behavioral Health Center for Military Veterans and their Families**
- **Paws of War**

# Adults

## Fitness Classes (DH) &

Online and in-person registration for residents with valid library card begins 2/23, unless noted. Non-resident registration begins 2/24. Patrons may choose to attend in-person or virtual classes. Registering for in-person classes reserves a spot in the class. Due to space, virtual registrants cannot be permitted in-person. Due to high demand, one registration per person per class. See page 16 for more information.

**Check your e-mail or the website for a list of supplies needed for class and class descriptions.**

### **Yoga**

**Mondays, March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30**  
**April 6, 13, 20, 27 | 2 PM**  
**Instructor Evelyn Regan**  
**Cost: \$45 (9 classes)**

### **CardioFit**

**Wednesdays, March 4, 11, 18, 25**  
**April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | 10:15 AM**  
**Instructor Evelyn Regan**  
**Cost: \$45 (9 classes)**

### **Evening Zumba**

**Mondays, March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30**  
**April 6, 13, 20, 27 | 5:45 PM**  
**Instructor Adriana Molinelli**  
**Cost: \$45 (9 classes)**

### **Arthritis Exercise**

**Wednesdays, March 4, 11, 18, 25**  
**April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | 12:30 PM**  
**Instructor Eden Bennett**  
**Cost: \$45 (9 classes)**

### **Evening Yoga**

**Mondays, March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30**  
**April 13, 20, 27 (no class 4/6) | 7 PM**  
**Instructor Ann McDermott**  
**Cost: \$40 (8 classes)**

### **Wednesday Zumba**

**Wednesdays, March 4, 11, 18, 25**  
**April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | 5:30 PM**  
**Instructor Adriana Molinelli**  
**Cost: \$45 (9 classes)**

### **Pilates**

**Tuesdays, March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31**  
**April 7, 14, 21, 28 | 10:45 AM**  
**Instructor Melissa Levine**  
**Cost: \$45 (9 classes)**

### **Thursday Zumba**

**Thursdays, March 5, 12, 19, 26**  
**April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 | 10:30 AM**  
**Instructor Adriana Molinelli**  
**Cost: \$45 (9 classes)**

### **Chair Yoga**

**Thursdays, March 5, 12, 19, 26**  
**April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 | 12:30 PM**  
**Instructor Eden Bennett**  
**Cost: \$45 (9 classes)**

### **Pilates**

**Thursdays, March 5, 12, 19, 26**  
**April 2, 16, 23, 30 (no class 4/9) | 6 PM**  
**Instructor Melissa Levine**  
**Cost: \$40 (8 classes)**

### **Body by Melissa**

**Fridays, March 6, 13, 20, 27**  
**April 3, 17, 24 (no class 4/10)**  
**10:45 AM**  
**Instructor Melissa Levine**  
**Cost: \$35 (7 classes)**

### **Afternoon Yoga**

**Fridays, March 6, 13, 20, 27**  
**April 3, 10, 17, 24 | 2 PM**  
**Instructor Cathy Adamo**  
**Cost: \$40 (8 classes)**

### **Saturday Zumba**

**Saturdays, March 7, 14, 21, 28**  
**April 4, 11, 18, 25 | 10:30 AM**  
**Instructor Adriana Molinelli**  
**Cost: \$40 (8 classes)**

## Tech Classes

### **Makerspace Services**

**By appointment only (DH)**

Visit <https://www.hhlibrary.org/makerspace-services> for more information, to review our policy and see the equipment available for use!

### **Tech Tuesdays**

**Tuesdays | 10 AM-1 PM (DH)**

Need cell phone help? Want assistance with your tablet or laptop? Come to Tech Tuesday! This program is designed to give one-on-one assistance with your device. Each session is 30-minutes and is first come first serve.

### **Using a Password Manager**

**Thursday, March 12 | 10 AM-12 PM (DH)**



**Presented by**  
**Sharper Training**  
**Solutions, Inc.**

So many passwords, how do we keep track of them all? Learn how to best manage your passwords using a password manager as well as the best practices for keeping all your accounts secure from identity theft.

**No prerequisites.**

### **Intro to ChatGPT**

**Thursday, April 9 | 6:30 PM-8:30 PM (DH)**



**Presented by**  
**Sharper Training**  
**Solutions, Inc.**

Discover the latest technology to hit mainstream: ChatGPT. Participants will learn what ChatGPT is, how to navigate the site, use the Chat safely and much more. **No prerequisites.**

## Find A Hobby

### Knitting Circle

Wednesdays, March 4, 11, 18, 25

April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | 7 PM (DH)

**Presented by Instructor Cheryl Westerfeld**

Learn to knit, brush up on your skills, get help with current projects, learn finishing techniques and get suggestions for new projects. Beginning knitters should bring worsted weight (#4) yarn and US size 8 needles to the first session.

### Joy of Journaling

Thursdays, March 5 AND/OR April 2

6:30 PM–8 PM (DH)

Use your creativity to bullet journal, junk journal and more. Stencils, markers and materials will be available.

### Guitar Lessons

Thursdays, March 5, 12, 19, 26

April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 | 6:30 PM (DH)

**Presented by Instructor Michael Borkan**

Geared for those with little or no experience with a concentration on softer music and non-electric. Electric guitars are welcomed, but lesson is geared toward acoustic music.

*Must bring own guitar.*

### Magic: The Gathering

Tuesdays, March 10, 24

April 14, 28 | 6 PM (DH)

**Presented by Game Master James**

Learn to play this trading card game or bring your own deck to play various versions of the game. Participants will receive 2 Jumpstart packs and earn a booster pack for each win.

### The Long Island Writers' Guild Workshop: Got Words? Give 'Em Life

Tuesdays, March 10 AND/OR April 14

2 PM–4 PM (DH)

Improve your writing skills while enjoying a community of other motivated writers. Read works-in-progress, offer constructive criticism, receive writing prompts and more.

### Smartphone Photography

**Presented by Photographer Holly Hunt**

Bring your fully charged smartphone to class.

#### Smartphone 101 (Basic)

Tuesday, March 10 | 7 PM (DH)

Learn the basic settings of a smartphone camera and skills of composition and lighting.

#### Smartphone 102 (Editing)

Tuesday, March 24 | 7 PM (DH)

Explore photo editing including filters, cropping, light and color settings, markup tools and more.

#### Smartphone 103 (Editing Apps)

Tuesday, March 31 | 7 PM (DH)

Discover the most popular, easy-to-use and free editing applications, Snapseed and Lightleap.

### Self Defense with the Second

Thursday, March 19 | 7:15 PM (DH)

**Presented by Suffolk County Police Department & Instructor Matt Ubertini**

Learn practical and easy techniques to protect yourself. Dress in sneakers and comfortable clothing.

### Perspective Drawing

Thursday, March 19 | 6:30 PM (DH)

**Presented by Instructor Donna Krumm**

Learn focal point, working with negative space and perspective. Geared for all levels. Supplies provided.

### Coffee & Coloring

Wednesdays, March 25 AND/OR

April 29 | 10 AM (DH)

Need to de-stress? Take a break and color! We supply the materials or you may bring your own.

### Beginner Mah-Jongg

Thursdays, April 9, 16, 23, 30 | 10 AM–12 PM (DH)

**Presented by Instructor Jacqui Palatnik**

Learn the game that has fascinated people for so many years with its strategies, sequences, and combinations. A great introduction to the tiles and basic moves.

### What Stays & What Goes?

Wednesday, April 22 | 7 PM (DH)

**Presented by Organize Me! of NY**

Learn techniques for making well thought-out decisions on what to keep in their spaces and what to let go, organizing solutions, the decision-making process and the importance of using "Prime Real Estate" areas effectively.

### Tai Chi

Tuesdays, March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

6 PM (DH)

**Presented by The Healthy Loft**

Learn the Sun Style Tai Chi for arthritis and fall prevention, balance skills, proper body alignment and coordinated movements.

Please wear comfortable clothes and sneakers or flat, flexible, enclosed shoes.

No experience necessary. **Cost:** \$25 (non-refundable)

### In The Stacks

Welcome to your new favorite podcast, *In The Stacks*, where the worlds of literature, pop culture and community converge. We're thrilled to embark on this journey with you, exploring the stories that shape our lives and the voices that inspire change. From the latest must-read books to the cultural moments everyone's talking about, we're here to dive deep into conversations that matter.



# Adults

## Throwback Theater

**Marty** (1955) Not rated. 90 minutes.  
Thursday, April 2 | 11 AM (DH)



## Monday Matinees



## Streaming Movies



Watch these movies, available from either Kanopy or Hoopla, for free with your library card at [hhlibrary.org](http://hhlibrary.org). Then, register to join a lively discussion!

### Art House Film Discussion

**Moderator:** Chris Garland, Librarian

**A Horrible Woman** (2017) Not rated. 85 minutes. Kanopy.  
Wednesday, March 25 | 6:30 PM

**Fish Tank** (2009) Not rated. 122 minutes. Kanopy.  
Wednesday, April 29 | 6:30 PM

**One Battle After Another** (2025) Rated R. 162 minutes.  
Monday, March 9 | 11 AM (DH)

**Sinners** (2025) Rated R. 138 minutes.  
Monday, March 23 | 11 AM (DH)

**Marty Supreme** (2025) Rated R. 150 minutes.  
Monday, April 13 | 11 AM (DH)

**Hamnet** (2025) Rated PG-13. 126 minutes.  
Monday, April 27 | 11 AM (DH)

## Friday Family Film



**Zootopia 2** (2025) Rated PG. 107 minutes.  
Friday, March 20 | 6:30 PM (DH)

## In the Gallery

### Meet The Staff

March 1 - April 14

A special exhibit featuring the staff of HHHCL!

**"The most important asset of any library goes home at night – the library staff."**

– **Timothy Healy**

(Former President of the New York Public Library 1989-1992)



### I Belong!

#### New York State Art Competition

April 16 – May 14

The Reflections program provides opportunities for recognition and access to the arts which boost student confidence and success in the arts and in life. Otsego and Vanderbilt Elementary had a record turn-out of artists in Pre-kindergarten to grade 5 entering this year's competition! The PTA thanks the community for supporting student success and advocating for the arts.

**Reception: Thursday, May 7 | 5:30 PM (DH)**

## Bus Trip



### Essex Steam Train & Riverboat Luncheon

Thursday, June 18

**Bus Departure: TBD (M)**

Board your dining car at the historic Essex Station and savor a three-course lunch on board a restored 1920s Pullman dining car! At Deep River Landing, transfer to the Becky Thatcher Riverboat for a scenic cruise on the Connecticut River. Cost includes 3-course lunch, all admission fees, deluxe motorcoach and gratuities. Registration is under way for residents and begins 2/24 for non-residents at 10 AM. **Cost: \$205 (nonrefundable)**

\* Bus trip is rain or shine \*



## Healthy Living

### Memory Fitness

Wednesdays (no class 4/1) | 2 PM (M)

Have fun exercising your brain with games, puzzles and trivia, as well as optional creative arts and crafts projects. Learn ways to help keep your brain healthy. **Note:** An interactive class, not a lecture. Registration required.

### Weekly Online Newsletter

Filled with activities to help exercise your brain. Includes trivia, puzzles, games, brain teasers and more, as well as helpful community and library resources. To subscribe, please contact us at [memoryfitness@hhlibrary.org](mailto:memoryfitness@hhlibrary.org) or call us at **631-498-1234**.



### Alzheimer Disease Resource Center

Mondays, March 9 **AND/OR**  
April 13 | 5:30 PM (M)

A monthly caregiver support group for community members who are impacted by having a loved one living with Alzheimer's Disease or other dementias. Support groups provide family care partners with the emotional support, education and guidance they need to better understand the disease.

### Social Worker

Our Social Work Intern from Stony Brook University can assist you with information regarding mental health, finding employment opportunities, government services and forms, locating support groups and much more. **To make an appointment, e-mail [socialworker@hhlibrary.org](mailto:socialworker@hhlibrary.org).** Check [hhlibrary.org](http://hhlibrary.org) for schedule.



### Suicide & Crisis Lifeline

988 has been designated as the new three-digit dialing code that will route callers to the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline.



**St. Francis Health Screenings**

**Monday, March 23  
10 AM–2 PM (DH)**

St. Francis Hospital's Community Health, Education & Outreach Program is pleased to offer FREE health screenings by registered nurses from St. Francis Hospital. No registration required. Screenings include:

- Brief cardiac history
- Blood pressure
- Cholesterol (finger-stick blood test)
- Diabetes (finger-stick blood test)

### One-On-One Medicare Counseling & Assistance

**Tuesday, March 10 OR Monday, April 13 | 10 AM–1 PM (DH)**

**Presented by Suffolk County Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)**

Register for a half-hour appointment.

### When Dementia Meets the Law: What Every Family Should Know

**Tuesday, April 7 | 7 PM (DH)**

**Presented by CarePatrol of East Long Island**

Learn how dementia affects decision-making, why families get pushed into guardianship and what documents prevent crisis.

### Managing Money: A Caregiver's Guide To Finances

**Tuesday, April 21 | 7 PM (DH)**

**Presented by Alzheimer's Association**

It's never too early to put financial plans in place. Learn tips for managing someone else's finances, how to prepare for future care costs and the benefits of early planning.



### Running Out of Data?

We have the solution!

Reserve a T-Mobile hotspot up to six months in advance. Call us at **631-421-4530** to place a reservation. Must be a HHHCL resident.

## Concert Hall

Registration required for auditorium seating.

### Sweet Ride LI

**Sunday, March 8 | 2 PM (DH)**

Rock out with your favorite rock & roll, country, blues, Motown and more.

### Hokis Pokis

**Sunday, March 22 | 2 PM (DH)**

Enjoy a vast array of musical genres as well as originals.

### Tribute to Legends

**Sunday, April 12 | 2 PM (DH)**

Sing along to your favorites from Natalie Cole, Barbra Streisand, Frank Sinatra and more.

### The Paul Effman Band

**Tuesday, April 14 | 7 PM (DH)**

*In collaboration with the Greens Men's Group*

Celebrate the 250<sup>th</sup> birthday of the USA fresh arrangements to patriotic favorites as well as hits from the past century.

### The Troubadours

**Sunday, April 19 | 2 PM (DH)**

Enjoy a performance of Broadway medleys and popular standards that will have you tapping your toes.

## Experience Coltrane



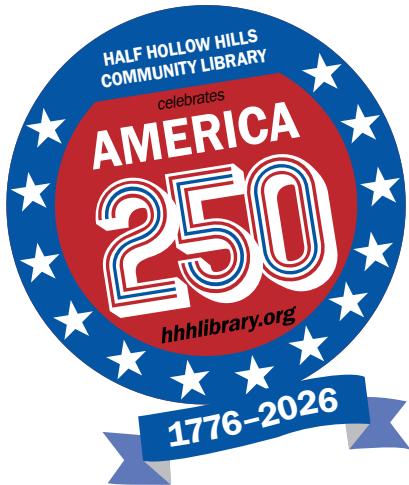
### A Love Supreme

**Tuesday, April 7  
7 PM (DH)**

How did John Coltrane

create "A Love Supreme," one of the most profound works in jazz history? Join Yasuhiro Fujioka, Coltrane Home Board member, author and renowned collector, for an intimate discussion as he shares new insights into the spiritual, musical and personal journey behind this masterpiece. Drawing on years of research and rare materials, Fujioka reveals the deeper story of Coltrane's creative process and the Dix Hills home where inspiration took shape.

*The library will unveil its new Coltrane Meeting Room!*



Join us for a once-in-a-generation celebration as we honor America's 250<sup>th</sup> birthday with unforgettable events that unite communities, ignite patriotism and showcase the vibrant tapestry of our nation.

## Breaking Codes and Breaking Barriers: Women in U.S. Intelligence

Thursday, March 5 | 2 PM (DH)

**Presented by Historian Lester Paldy**

Learn how women have shaped the intelligence landscape, with their determination and courage transforming the secret world of espionage and analysis.

## Madame Justice: Women of the Supreme Court

Tuesday, April 7 | 1 PM (DH)

**Presented by Adjunct Professor of American and Constitutional History at Nassau Community College James Coll**

Discuss the lives of the Madam Justices and their impact on our understanding of the Constitution, the law and our nation.

## From World War I to the Treaty of Versailles: Woodrow Wilson's Vision of the Postwar World

Wednesday, April 22 | 12 PM (DH)

**Presented by St. Joseph's University Professor Steven Fuchs, Ph.D.**

Examine Wilson's challenges relating to Germany, the Bolshevik Revolution, empire and the liberal world order.

## The Vietnam War: 50 Years Later

Tuesday, May 12 | 7 PM (DH)

**Presented by Adjunct History Professor at Farmingdale State College Eric Farina**

Uncover the causes of the war, its prosecution and the destructive effects on our forces in the way they are deployed and fight. Registration begins 4/28/26.

## The Allied Invasion of Normandy

Monday, June 1 | 7 PM (DH)

**Presented by Educator Rich Acritelli**

Discover the importance of this moment, the sacrifices of local American soldiers, the covert operations, resources, leadership, and success of "Operation Overlord." Presentation includes pictures, artifacts, and film clips. Registration begins 5/26/26.

## WHAT DOES LIBERTY MEAN TO YOU?

Liberty is one of the inalienable rights specified in the Declaration of Independence. The Pledge of Allegiance promises Liberty for all. Patrick Henry demanded Liberty or Death.

### WHAT DOES LIBERTY MEAN TO YOU?

The Huntington Historical Society invites you to share your thoughts on Liberty at the library on March 18, from 2 PM–4 PM (DH), and March 19, from 5 PM–7 PM (DH), as part of Liberty250—Huntington's celebration of 250 years of American Independence. The brief interviews (1-2 minutes) will be recorded for release later this year.



## HHH on location

These programs are held off-premises at the location in the description. Transportation is on your own and registration is mandatory.

### Heckscher Museum of Art: Emma Stebbins: Carving Out History Exhibit

Friday, March 13 | 10:30 AM  
2 Prime Ave, Huntington

Enjoy a private, docent led-tour of the galleries and learn about the latest exhibit: Emma Stebbins - Carving Out History. The exhibit brings together most of the artist's rare work, including a portrait drawing and several sculptures that will be on public view for the first time in a century.

### Long Island Psychiatric Museum

Friday, April 17 | 1:30 PM  
998 Crooked Hill Road, Building 45, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, West Brentwood

Join us for a guided tour at the Long Island Psychiatric Museum at Pilgrim State and explore the history of the three Long Island Psychiatric Hospitals. Learn and better understand care and treatment starting from the early years and recognize the changes and improvements over the years.

## English Classes



For more language learning opportunities, please contact the HHCL Outreach Librarian: [outreach@hhlibrary.org](mailto:outreach@hhlibrary.org).

### New English Speakers Conversation Café

Tuesdays | 10 AM (DH)

Join us for casual conversation, practice English vocabulary and reading skills, explore different cultures and make new friends.

# Events for All Ages



## 2026-2027 Library Budget Vote & Trustee Election Information

**Budget/Trustee Vote:** Tuesday, April 14, 2026, 9:30 AM–9 PM @ 55 Vanderbilt Parkway.

**Absentee Ballots:** Applications for absentee ballots may be obtained from Dix Hills and Melville buildings or at the Library website, [hhlibrary.org](http://hhlibrary.org). For additional information, please call **631-498-1250**.

**Trustee Petitions:** Nominating petitions for Library Trustee are available from the Office of the Library Director in the Dix Hills building, Monday - Friday, 9:30 AM–5 PM. The last day for filing a completed petition is Monday, March 16, at 5 PM in the Library Director's Office at Dix Hills building.

**Public Information Meeting:** A public information meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 31, 2026 at 7:30 PM at the Dix Hills building.

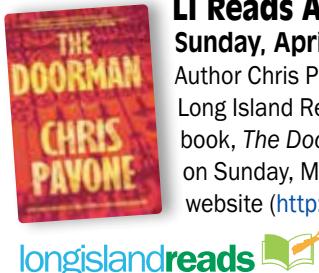
**Voter Registration Day:** Visit us at the Dix Hills building on Tuesday, April 7 from 9:30 AM–9 PM to register to vote. Fill out a registration form and we will send it to the Suffolk County Board of Elections.

La información sobre la elección del fideicomisario y el voto del presupuesto de 2026-2027 está disponible en [hhlibrary.org](http://hhlibrary.org).



### LI Reads Author Event

**Sunday, April 26 | 2 PM (DH)**



Author Chris Pavone, recipient of the 2026 Long Island Reads Selection Award, will discuss his book, *The Doorman*. Free tickets will be available on Sunday, March 15, via the Long Island Reads website (<http://www.longislandreads.org>). The event will also be livestreamed. Please check the Long Island Reads website for more details. *Tickets are required*.



## Seed Library



Beginning March 23, pick out your seed packets at the card catalog near the Dix Hills Public Service Desk (limit 3 packets per visit) and start growing your garden! We have a variety of flower, vegetable and herb seeds that are open-pollinated, some are heirloom ... all you need is your library card. Send pictures of your garden and tag us **#imagineyourgardenhhcl**.

### Organic Gardening 101

**Saturday, March 21 | 12 PM–1 PM (DH)**

Cold weather is the best time to dream about warm-weather gardening and the perfect time to learn the fundamental concepts of organic gardening, and how these practices can provide you with fresh nutrient-dense vegetables, save you money, and guide you to a more holistic approach to your entire landscape.

### Fourth Annual Spring Seed Launch

**Saturday, March 21 | 1 PM–3 PM (DH)**

There will be a buzz of planting ideas, crafts and of course seeds for all ages! The Dix Hills Garden Club will be present to give tips and answer questions about gardening. The Seed Library will open on March 23.

## Events of the Day

### Just a Taste

**Tuesday, April 14 | 10:30 AM (DH)** Ages 18 & up

*Presented by Librarian Antonietta*

See page 3 for details.

### Rugelach

**Tuesday, April 14 | 6:30 PM (DH)** Ages 18 & up

*Presented by Debby's Kitchen*

See page 3 for details.

### The Paul Effman Band

**Tuesday, April 8 | 7 PM (DH)** Ages 18 & up

*In collaboration with the Greens Men's Group*

See page 8 for details.

### Spring Dirt Cake Cups

**Tuesday, April 14 | 5 PM–6 PM (DH)** Grades 6-12

See page 15 for details.

### DIY Garden Books

**Tuesday, April 14 | 6 PM–7 PM (DH)** Grades 6-12

See page 15 for details.

### Drop-In Craft

**Tuesday, April 14 | 9:30 AM–9 PM (DH)**

*Families with children of all ages*

See page 12 for details.

### Fire & Ice with Mad Science

**Tuesday, April 14 | 6 PM–7 PM (DH)**

*Families with children of all ages*

See page 12 for details.

# Children's Services

Registration for March events begins on Tuesday, February 24, and April events begins Tuesday, March 24, at 6 PM, unless otherwise stated.

- District Residents only.
- Please list your child's name, grade and school name in the note fields when registering online. For children not yet in school, please include their birth date. Children must meet the minimum age or grade listed by the first day of class.
- We reserve the right to deny admittance ten minutes after start time, at which point, if there is availability, waitlisted members may be allowed in.
- If your child has any food allergies, please let a children's librarian know or note it when registering.
- Please dress yourself and your child appropriately for the class.
- Programs may be photographed/videotaped for library publicity. Notify library staff if you prefer not to be included.

## Early Childhood

### Stories, Songs & Motor Skills

Monday, March 2 | 10:30 AM-11 AM  
(M) Birth-5 years with a parent or caregiver

Enjoy books, songs, rhymes and fingerplays with Ms. Nicole to work on motor skills together.

### Book-Loving Babies

Thursdays, March 5 AND/OR April 2  
10:30 AM-11 AM (DH) Birth-18 months with a parent or caregiver

Come to a storytime for our little readers with Ms. Nicole.

### Penguin Problems

Monday, March 9 | 10:30 AM-11:15 AM  
(M) Ages 2-5 with a parent or caregiver

Join A Time for Kids as we dive into penguin problems and make a fun craft.

### Lucky Shamrock

Wednesday, March 11 | 10:30 AM-11 AM

(M) Ages 2-5 with a parent or caregiver

Listen to a story and create a festive shamrock craft with Ms. Donna.

### Baby Bonanza

Thursdays, March 12 AND/OR April 9

10:30 AM-11:30 AM (DH) Birth-18 months with a parent or caregiver

Come to a grownup and baby playdate with music, friends and age-appropriate toys!

### 1, 2, 3, Play with Me

Mondays, March 16, 23, 30

April 13, 20 | 10 AM-11:15 AM (DH)

Ages 12-36 months with a parent or caregiver

Parents and children will spend time together, play, experience art activities and meet new friends. Community resource specialists will answer your questions on topics such as child development, nutrition, speech and movement.

### Messy Active Play

Tuesday, March 17 AND/OR Friday,

April 3 | 10:30 AM-11:15 AM (M)

Ages 2-5 with a parent or caregiver

Messy play allows for hand strengthening and developing hand-eye coordination. Play with sand, fingerpaint, play dough and more with Ms. Donna.

### Bug Buddies!

Friday, March 20 | 10:30 AM-11 AM

(DH) Ages 18 months-3 years

Listen to a story about bugs and finger paint crawlies with Ms. Grace!

### Baby Do-Re-Mi & Me!

Tuesday, March 24 | 10 AM-10:45 AM

(DH) Birth-30 months with a parent or caregiver

An interactive program where children explore rhythm and language through ASL vocabulary, read-alouds with movement and hands-on musical fun.

### Toddler Do-Re-Mi & Me!

Tuesday, March 24 | 11 AM-11:45 AM

(DH) Ages 2.5-5 with a parent or caregiver

An interactive program where children explore rhythm and language through ASL vocabulary, read-alouds with movement and hands-on musical fun.

### Sweet Pea Circle Time

Wednesday, March 25 | 10:30 AM-

11 AM (M) Birth-18 months with a parent or caregiver

Storytime just for babies! Join Ms. Donna for stories, rhymes, fingerplays, bounces and play.

### Counting Caterpillars

Thursday, March 26 | 10 AM-10:30 AM

(DH) Ages 2-5 with a parent or caregiver

Create a counting craft about caterpillars with Mr. Zack!

### Plant a Seed

Tuesday, March 31 | 10:30 AM-11:15 AM

(DH) Ages 2-5 with a parent or caregiver

Hear spring stories, sing songs and plant seeds with Ms. Lisa.

### Bouncing Bunnies

Monday, April 6 | 10:30 AM-11 AM

(DH) Ages 2-5 with a parent or caregiver

Celebrate the springtime season with Mr. Zack as we read stories and make a craft.

### Rock and Read

Tuesday, April 7 | 10:30 AM-11:15 AM

(M) Ages 2-5 with a parent or caregiver

Join A Time for Kids for this hand clapping, knee slapping, rocking good time.

### Babies Boogie

Friday, April 10 | 10 AM-10:30 AM (M)

Birth-23 months with parent or caregiver

Wiggles, giggles and songs with Ms. Sparling.

### Toddlers Tango

Friday, April 10 | 11 AM-11:45 AM (M)

Ages 24-48 months with a parent or caregiver

Clap your hands, stomp your feet and wiggle to the beat of Ms. Sparling.

# Children's Services

## Sing and Stomp

**Tuesday, April 14 | 10:30 AM–11:15 AM**

**(M) Ages 2-5 with a parent or caregiver**

Get ready to move and groove to a bunch of awesome tunes while having fun with shakers, scarves, drums and more with Ms. Donna.

## Splish, Splash, Ducky!

**Friday, April 17 | 10:30 AM–11 AM (DH)**

**Ages 2-5**

Listen to a story about a duckling and craft a rainy-day duck with Ms. Grace!

## My First Signs Class

**Tuesday, April 21 | 10 AM–10:45 AM**

**(DH) Ages 3-18 months with a parent or caregiver**

This highly interactive communication-centered class features gestures, spoken words, American Sign Language vocabulary, music and literature. Caregivers will acquire the necessary skills to support ASL learning at home to promote the use of spoken language, reduce frustration and deepen a love of reading.

## Sign Language Basics

**Tuesday, April 21 | 11 AM–11:45 AM**

**(DH) Ages 18 months-5 years with a parent or caregiver**

This highly interactive communication-centered class features gestures, spoken words, American Sign Language vocabulary, music and literature. Caregivers will acquire the necessary skills to support ASL learning at home to promote the use of spoken language, reduce frustration, and deepen a love of reading.

## Fantastic Fingerplays

**Monday, April 27 | 10:30 AM–11 AM**

**(DH) Birth-5 years with a parent or caregiver**

Have fun with Ms. Nicole doing fingerplays to get your fine and gross motor skills working. Singing along is encouraged.

## Save the Frogs!

**Tuesday, April 28 | 10:30 AM–11 AM**

**(DH) Ages 2-5 with a parent or caregiver**

Oh no, the frogs are trapped in the wrong habitat! Help Ms. Emily save the frogs and bring them back to where they belong.

## Families

### Stories for You!

**Tuesdays, March 3, 10, 17, 31, April 7, 14, 21 | 6 PM–6:30 PM (M)**

**Thursdays, March 5, 12, 19, 26, April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 | 6 PM–6:30 PM (M)**

Join Ms. Eileen on Tuesdays and Ms. Joan on Thursdays. **No registration required.**

### Super Storytime

**Mondays, March 9, 16, 23, 30, April 6, 13, 20, 27 | 6 PM–6:30 PM (DH)**

Stories and songs with your friendly librarians. **No registration required.**

### Pajama Stories

**Tuesdays, March 17, 24, April 21 7 PM–7:30 PM (DH)**

Stories and songs with your friendly librarians to help you sleep. **No registration required.**

### Create A Community Mural

**Wednesday, April 8 | 10 AM–8:30 PM (DH)**

Create a community piece of art to decorate the library. **No registration required.**

## School Age

### Read Across America:

#### Book Road Trip

**Monday, March 2 | 6:30 PM–8 PM (DH) Grades 3-5**

Travel from coast to coast with Ms. Lisa.

### Homework Help

**Wednesdays, March 4, 11, 18, 25 AND/OR April 15, 22, 29 | 4:30 PM–5:30 PM**

**OR 5:30 PM–6:30 PM (DH) Grades K-5**

High school volunteers assist with assignments. **Registration is required.**

### Tweet & Treat:

#### Make a Bird Feeder!

**Wednesday, March 4 | 6 PM–6:45 PM (DH) Grades K-5**

Create a bird feeder with Mr. Zack.

### Super Stickers

**Thursday, March 5 | 7 PM–7:45 PM**

**(DH) Grades 2-5**

Have fun with stickers with Ms. Mary.

## Fun with Labubus

**Friday, March 6 | 6:30 PM–7:30 PM**

**(DH) Grades 2-5**

Make crafts themed to the popular monsters with Ms. Victoria.

## Chess Buddies

**Saturdays, March 7 AND/OR April 18**

**11 AM–12 PM (DH) Grades 2-5**

Play chess and advance your current skills with local teen buddies.

## Special Events for Budget Vote Day



### Fire & Ice with Mad Science

**Tuesday, April 14 | 6 PM–7 PM**

**(DH) Families with children of all ages**

A spectacular show filled with impressive science experiments, including a vacuum demonstration utilizing chemical change, vortexes and levitation. Be amazed by sizzling, shivering metals and special bubbly showers with dry ice experiments, finishing off with a giant fog cascade. First 50 kids who arrive get a KPop Demon Hunters giveaway!

### Drop-In Craft

**Tuesday, April 14 | 9:30 AM–9 PM (DH) Families with children of all ages**

Drop in to the Children's Department for crafts!

### Your Vote Matters!

**Tuesday, April 14 | 9:30 AM–9 PM (DH) Families with children of all ages**

Stop by the Children's Department to vote on your favorite character!

# Children's Services

## **Maker Monday**

**Mondays, March 9 AND/OR April 13  
6:30 PM–7:30 PM (DH) Grades K-5 with a parent or caregiver**  
Explore the latest gadgets and technology.

## **Drop-in Craft**

**Tuesdays, March 10, 31 AND/OR April 7, 28 | 3:45 PM–4:45 PM (M)  
Grades PreK-5**  
Enjoy a snack and a craft or two with Ms. Donna. **No registration required.**

## **Dr. Seuss Craft Celebration**

**Tuesday, March 10 | 6 PM–6:45 PM (DH) Grades PreK-2**  
Celebrate Dr. Seuss' birthday with crafts based on his books with Ms. Nicole!

## **Fuse Bead Fun**

**Thursday, March 13 | 6 PM–6:45 PM (DH) Grades K-5**  
Make designs with fuse beads and heat them to stay together with Ms. Karen.

## **LEGO Buddies**

**Sundays, March 15 AND/OR April 26 1 PM–2 PM (DH) Grades K-5**  
Build a LEGO creation with a local teen buddy based on the monthly theme.

## **Kids Take Control: Podcasting**

**Monday, March 16 | 4:30 PM–5:30 PM (DH) Grades 4-5**  
Learn the basics of using our podcasting equipment in this hands-on workshop for kids with Mr. Erik.

## **Women's History Month:**

**Amelia Earhart**  
**Wednesday, March 25 | 6 PM–6:45 PM (DH) Grades K-5**  
Celebrate Women's History Month by talking about female aviator, Amelia Earhart. Learn about her and then make a plane.

## **Artist Tales and Crafts**

**Monday, March 30 | 4:30 PM–5:30 PM (DH) Grades 2-4**  
Hear a fun story from Mr. Erik and make a craft about an artist from Laurence Anholt's famous books.

## **Pigeon's Birthday!**

**Tuesday, March 31 | 7 PM–7:45 PM (DH) Grades K-2**  
Party with Ms. Mary as our favorite funny bird celebrates his birthday!

## **Bank Painting**

**Monday, April 6 | 3 PM–4 PM (DH) Grades K-5**  
Paint a bank for financial literacy month with Ms. Nicole!

## **Paint Like: Georges Seurat**

**Monday, April 13 | 4:30 PM–5:30 PM (DH) Grades 2-4**  
Have a blast painting with Mr. Erik in the style of Georges Seurat, the famous pointillist. Dress for a mess!

## **Let's Celebrate National Pet Day**

**Wednesday, April 15 | 6 PM–6:45 PM (DH) Grades Pre K-3**  
Celebrate National Pet Day with Ms. Eileen! Make a house for your toy pet or a picture of your real pet.

## **Buzzing Bees**

**Friday, April 17 | 6 PM–6:45 PM (DH) Grades K-5**  
Learn about the ways bees help the environment and make a fun craft with Ms. Karen.

## **Kids Take Control: Greenscreen**

**Monday, April 20 | 4:30 PM–5:30 PM (DH) Grades 4-5**  
Learn the basics of filming green screen videos with Mr. Erik.

## **Alien Adventures**

**Wednesday, April 29 | 6 PM–6:45 PM (DH) Grades K-5**  
Blast off for an adventure, explore fun outer space stories and make an alien craft with Mr. Zack.

## **Log Cabin Construction**

**Thursday, April 30 | 4 PM–4:45 PM (DH) Grades K-3**  
Be creative using Lincoln Logs with Mr. Erik!

## **Events for Children & Teens**

### **Van Gogh Sunflowers in a Vase**

**Wednesday, March 11 5 PM–6 PM (DH) Grades 4-8**  
Celebrate Van Gogh's birthday by painting one of his masterpieces.



### **Mosaic Tiles**

**Wednesday, March 18 6 PM–7 PM (DH) Grades 4-8**  
Create colorful tiles.



### **Tweens Night Out: Bingo**

**Tuesday, March 24 | 6 PM–7 PM (DH) Grades 4-9**  
Play bingo and eat snacks!



### **Art & Artists:**

**Max Ernst**  
Wednesday, April 22 6 PM–7 PM (DH) Grades 4-8

Learn about the artist, Max Ernst, and create a landscape collage using prints made with recycled materials.

### **Books & Bakes: Lu and Ren's Guide to Geozooology**

**Tuesday, April 28 | 5 PM–6 PM (DH) Grades 4-8**



Read a book and bake a tasty treat! This month's book: *Lu and Ren's Guide to Geozooology!* books available for pick up on April 1 at the Teen Desk.

Lu longs to be an adventurer like her ah-ma, a famed geozoologist who studies fantastical creatures across the world. When Ah-ma's letters stop arriving, Lu sets out with her old friend Ren to find her. Following Ah-ma's trail, Lu uncovers hidden truths about geofauna—and about the people she thought she knew.

Registration for March events begins on Tuesday, February 24, and April events begins Tuesday, March 24, at 6 PM, unless otherwise stated. Programs for teens entering grades 6-12. Unless otherwise stated. All classes require a registration.

## Community Service

## Online Community Service

Submissions may be used on our social media channels. This community service is for district residents only in grade 6-12. Please allow up to one week for a response via e-mail with community service certificates. This is a virtual submission community service: for more information, examples and guidelines, visit [hhlibrary.org/services/teens](http://hhlibrary.org/services/teens).

## Book and Database Reviews

Become a Teen Book or Database reviewer! Visit <https://hhlibrary.beanstack.org/> to sign in or register for Beanstack and complete the badges for our Teen Book or Teen Database Reviews. Once you complete your badge and we receive your submission, please allow up to 1 week for your community service certificate. Each review is worth 2 hours of community service. Students may submit up to 3 book reviews and 3 database reviews per school year.

## Take and Make Community Service

Pick up a kit to complete at home. Once completed, return your finished items to the Teen Department to donate to a worthy cause! Receive 1 hour of community service for your completed craft. Registration is required for each month and supplies are limited. Kits must be picked up by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month, otherwise your spot will be opened to the waitlist.

### March

#### Floral Bookmarks for Homebound Patrons

Sunday, March 1  
9:30 AM-9 PM (DH)

### April

#### DIY Kite Kits

Wednesday, April 1  
9:30 AM-9 PM (DH)



## In-Person Community Service

Service events award teens 1 hour of community service unless otherwise noted.

### YA Zone Food Drive

March 1-31

Support the TRI Community & Youth Agency. Donate 3-6 items of non-perishable food to receive 2 hours of community service.

### Letters for Veterans

Visit the Teen Department to write cards for our veterans. Earn 1 hour per three submissions, with up to 6 submissions per month. Submissions must be made in person.

### Marty Lyons Foundation

#### "Well Wishes"

Write notecards to the children of the foundation. Visit the Teen Department in the months of March and April to earn 1 hour of community service for every 3 notes written, up to 6 submissions per month, must be done in person.

### The Final Sprint for Service

Monday, March 2 - Friday, March 6  
4 PM-7 PM (DH)

Earn 1 hour of community service per day by completing assorted activities!

### Chess Buddies

Saturday, March 7 AND/OR April 18  
11 AM-12 PM (DH) Grades 8-12

Pair up with a young chess player in grades 3-5 to play and teach them chess moves.

### Social Worker Care Kits

Tuesday, March 10 | 6 PM-7 PM (DH)

Create kits to share our appreciation! Kits will be donated to the social workers at the Family & Children's Association.

### Potholders for the Soup Kitchen

Wednesday, March 11 | 7 PM-8 PM (DH)

Decorate pot holders with special messages and art to be donated to a soup kitchen.

## Seed Sorter Volunteers

March 1 - April 30

Volunteer to help sort seeds for our seed library! Call or email to schedule a session. Volunteer for a max of 3 hours per month and 1 hour per session, contingent on supply.

## In Convo with Lyssa Mia Smith

Thursday, March 12  
6 PM-7 PM (DH)



Earn an hour of service as part of our lecture series. See page 15 for details.

## LEGO Buddies

Sunday, March 15 AND/OR April 26  
1 PM-2 PM (DH)

Assist with the LEGO Play program for children in grades K-5.

## Seed Launch Volunteers

Saturday, March 21 | 1 PM-3 PM (DH)

Assist with various activities during the Seed Launch event.

## Bunny Jars for Seniors

Saturday, March 21  
2 PM-3 PM (DH)

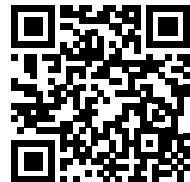


Make a cute bunny jar decoration to donate to the senior center.



## Author's Unlimited

Scan the QR code for more info on this year's Authors Unlimited event at St. Joseph's University. Sign up and receive community service for attending via QR code.



# Teens



## Flower Power

Thursday, March 26  
6 PM-7 PM (DH)

Help put together paper flowers to decorate the Teen Department for spring!

## Spring Pins

Tuesday, April 7 | 6 PM-7 PM (DH)

Make pin packs for patrons to celebrate the spring season.

## Furry Friends Adoption Totes

Tuesday, April 21 | 6:30 PM-7:30 PM (DH)

Create totes to give out at adoption events.

## Plaques for Veterans

Thursday, April 23 | 6 PM-7 PM (DH)  
Grades 9-12

Make plaques for the veterans being honored at this year's Veterans Reception in May.

## Mental Health Kits

Thursday, April 30 | 6 PM-7 PM (DH)

Help us put together kits to give out to the community in May for Mental Health Awareness Month.

## Just for Fun

### HHH Novel Box

Sign Up March 31 – April 7

Sign up to receive one hand selected book to check out from our collection, a treat to eat and some fun swag to keep. Fill out the interest form to help us pick a book for you! The theme for April: Bloom Where You Are Planted! Pick up your box April 25.

## DIY Shrinky Dinks & Buttons

Monday, March 9 | 6 PM-7 PM (DH)

Make shrinky dinks and buttons!

## In Convo with Lyssa

Mia Smith

Thursday, March 12

6 PM-7 PM (DH)

Chat with local author, Lyssa Mia Smith, about all things writing, YA fiction, her new book and publishing.



## Pi Day

Friday, March 13 | 6:30 PM-7:30 PM (DH)

Make mini pies on popsicle sticks to take home to bake. Choose from a variety of flavors.

## Grilled Cheese Bar

Monday, March 16 | 6 PM-7 PM (DH)

Whip up a delicious grilled cheese with your favorite fillings!

## DIY Charm Bracelets

Tuesday, March 17 | 6 PM-7 PM (DH)

Make your own custom charm bracelet!

## Sphero Night

Wednesdays, March 18 AND/OR

April 29 | 7 PM-8 PM (DH)

Race our Spheros and do other fun activities.

## 3D Cherry Blossom Art

Thursday, March 19 | 6 PM-7 PM (DH)

Make a beautiful cherry blossom canvas!

## Self Defense with the Second

Thursday, March 19 | 7:15 PM (DH)

Grades 9-12

*Presented by Suffolk County Police Department & Instructor Matt Ubertini*

Learn practical and easy techniques to protect yourself. Dress in sneakers and comfortable clothing.

## Slime Lab

Monday, March 23 | 6 PM-7 PM (DH)

Create a custom slime creation.

## Origami Paper Art

Wednesday, March 25 | 6 PM-7 PM (DH)

Explore the world of origami.

## Peep Diorama Contest

April 1-20

Starting April 1, pick up a Peep diorama kit in the Teen Department and enter our contest. Return your decorated diorama by April 20 to the Teen Department (decorations not included). Vote April 21 through April 26! The top three will win a Spring prize. Registration is required. Supplies are limited.



## 100 Books Before Graduation

Sign up for the Teen Department's 100 Books Before Graduation challenge! Log every book you read and receive a prize for every 20 books you complete. When you finish, you'll receive your 100 book prize, a spot on our "Wall of Fame," and entry into our yearly grand prize drawing for a new Amazon Kindle Paperwhite. Visit <https://www.hhhlibrary.org/services/teens/100bb4g> to sign up for Beanstack and start logging your reads.

## Potato Pancakes with Mint Sauce

Monday, March 30 | 7 PM-8 PM (DH)

## Coconut Macaroon Nests

Friday, April 10 | 5 PM-6 PM (DH)

Create perfect sweet treats for spring.

## Edible Books

Monday, April 13 | 6 PM-7 PM (DH)

Create books using Tootsie Rolls and Fruit Roll Ups, topped with a gummy bookworm.

## Spring Dirt Cake Cups

Tuesday, April 14 | 5 PM-6 PM (DH)

Assemble yummy individual dirt cakes.

## DIY Garden Books

Tuesday, April 14 | 6 PM-7 PM (DH)

Make a painted garden book using bricks!

## DIY Clay Fairy House

Thursday, April 16 | 6 PM-7:30 PM (DH)

Make a fairy house from polymer clay and a jar!



## Snack Around the Decades: 1940s Banana Pudding

Monday, April 20 | 6 PM-7 PM (DH)

Taste popular snacks from the 1940s while mixing up a mini banana pudding to be baked and enjoyed at home.



## Half Hollow Hills Community Library

55 Vanderbilt Parkway

Dix Hills, NY 11746

[hhlibrary.org](http://hhlibrary.org)

### Dix Hills

**Monday - Friday:** 9:30 AM-9 PM

**Saturday:** 9:30 AM-5 PM

**Sunday:** 12 PM-5 PM

**55 Vanderbilt Parkway**

Dix Hills, NY 11746

**631-421-4530**

### Library Board of Trustees

Larry Bloomstein, Joyce E. Bush,  
Jacob Goldman, Wayne Griffith,  
Gregory Laub

### Board Meetings

Tuesday, March 31 | 6:30 PM

Monday, April 20 | 6:30 PM

### Administration

#### Director:

Margie Hartough

#### Assistant Director:

Chris DeCristofaro

### Melville

**Monday - Thursday:** 9:30 AM-9 PM

**Friday - Saturday:** 9:30 AM-5 PM

**Sunday:** Closed

**510 Sweet Hollow Road**

**Melville, NY 11747**

**631-421-4535**

### Emergency Closings

If our phones are unavailable,  
try these resources.

**Website:** [hhlibrary.org](http://hhlibrary.org)

**Facebook:** [facebook.com/HHHCL](https://facebook.com/HHHCL)

**Instagram:** [instagram.com/hhlibrary](https://instagram.com/hhlibrary)

**X/Twitter:** [x.com/HHHCL](https://x.com/HHHCL)



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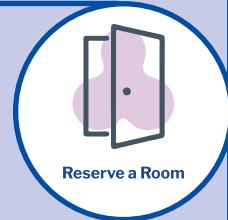
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## Postal Patron

**The Library will be closed:  
April 5 for Easter Sunday**

## Reserve a Room

Requests for May and June room reservations  
begin April 1 at 10 AM



- Visit [hhlibrary.org](http://hhlibrary.org) to review our Use of Facilities Policy before requesting a room.
- Room requests must be made using the online form at [hhlibrary.org](http://hhlibrary.org) and clicking on "Reserve a Room."
- Groups may not book more than one reservation per week.

Once the library has reviewed your request, you will receive an e-mail confirming the reservation. Please contact the library at **631-421-4530** or **631-421-4535** with any questions.

## How To Register

- Registration for March events begins on **Tuesday, February 24** and April events begins **Tuesday, March 24**, unless otherwise indicated in Dix Hills and Melville buildings. Registration for adult events begins at **10 AM** and Children/Teen events begin at **6 PM**. By registering, you are guaranteed a spot in the class.
- We reserve the right to deny admittance once a class has begun.
- Register online at [hhlibrary.org](http://hhlibrary.org), in-person or by calling the library.
- Registration limited to district residents for Children's and Teen programs.
- Payment for programs with fees can be made online with a credit/debit card. Stop by the Public Services Department at Dix Hills or Melville to pay by cash, check or credit/debit card. **Fees are nonrefundable.**
- Pre-registration is required for auditorium seating.
- Doors open 15 minutes before events.
- Opinions presented by speakers are those of the speakers' and do not reflect an endorsement by the Library.
- Programs may be photographed/videotaped for library publicity. Notify library staff if you prefer not to be included.
- Programs for adults are for ages 18 and up, teen programs are for grades 6-12 and children's programs are as noted. See Children's Services section for registration information.

*Thank you for your cooperation.*

## Community Legal Help Project



**Wednesdays, March 18, April 15  
3 PM-6 PM (DH)**

Do you need help with a legal problem? Call **631-822-3272** for information or to schedule an appointment with an attorney. Walk-ins welcomed. Services provided by Legal Aid Society of Suffolk County, Nassau Suffolk Law Services, Suffolk County Bar Association, Touro Law Center and volunteer attorneys. Free limited legal information and referrals to Suffolk County residents on topics including:

- Family (Child Support, Visitation, Custody, Order of Protection)
- Matrimonial
- Criminal
- Immigration
- Bankruptcy
- Mortgage Foreclosure