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Adventures Continue at Your Library



Game Night in the Garden Thursday, Aug. 1 @6:30 pm

- Cornhole!
- KanJam!
- Ladder Ball!
- Giant Connect Four!

Enjoy a family fun summer evening in the Literary Garden!



Adventures in History Tuesday, Aug. 13 @6:30pm

Join acclaimed historian Bruce W. Dearstyne for an evening exploring New York's rich history. With a distinguished career as a professor and author, Dr. Dearstyne offers unparalleled insights into the Empire State's past. [R]



So You Want to Make Games? Saturday, Aug. 3 @3pm

Games industry professionals Susannah Hardin and Jonathan Melchiade will discuss what they do in their roles, how they work with other experts, and hey work with other experts, and the path they took to get to where they are now. Adults and teens are welcome to attend this presentation and learn about the diverse roles available in the video games industry and the different ways they can work towards a career in video games. [R]



Adventures in Art: Hack That Painting! Wednesday, Aug. 14 @6pm

Come turn pre-painted canvases into your own works of art! Cover a pastoral landscape in rampaging dinosaurs, or add a fire-breathing dragon to a night sky. Anything goes, so let inspiration lead the way!

We'll have pre-painted canvases completed by our Library staff, but feel free to bring something found or thrifted!! [R]



Foodventures: Travel! Monday, Aug. 12 @6pm

Ever read a book and wondered what their food or drink tastes like? Is Turkish delight actually delicious enough to betray your family? (We're looking at you Edmund). Or how about those delicious foods in anime and

manga? Here is your chance! Join us for Foodventures, a program series where you get to sample new foods, drink unique beverages, and mingle with each other. A limited amount of food and drink will be provided by the library, but we are hoping some of you will be inspired enough to bring your own unique dishes to share. There will also be a modest door prize for each session. So don your chef cap and grab your favorite eating utensils; it's time to get foodventurous!

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Artventures: Yarn! Thursday, Aug. 15 @6pm

If you knit or crochet...or have tried to learn...or know someone who has... chances are you have more yarn than you know what to do with. Come discover a slew of ways to use up those half skeins you have laying around. [R]

SUMMER HOURS: AUGUST

Mon-Thurs.	9:30 am-8:00 pm
Friday	9:30 am-6:00 pm
Saturday	9:30 am-5:00 pm
Sunday	CLOSED



BOOK CLUBS



Read It & Eat! Cookbook Club

Thursday, Aug. 8 @6:30pm

Bring your dish to share Aug. 8th and celebrate the bounty of summer! Jeanine Donofrio's passion is creating healthy, yet approachable, recipes that all types of eaters enjoy. The recipes in **Simple Feel Good Food** celebrate how nourishing, fun, and delicious cooking with seasonal, plant-forward ingredients can be.

Registration closes August 6. Please register at the Information Desk to choose a recipe to share. [R]

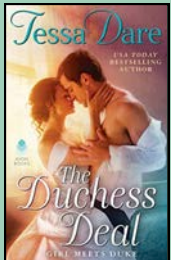


Realm Explorers Book Club

Saturday, Aug. 17 @11am

Realm Explorers is a book club that meets on Saturday mornings to discuss various science fiction and fantasy novels. Titles include Adult/Young Adult science fiction and fantasy books as well as graphic novels. Ages 16 and older can participate.

This month we're reading **The Priory of the Orange Tree** by Samantha Shannon. You can pick up a copy of the book at the library's Information Desk (while supplies last) or borrow a digital copy from Libby. [R]



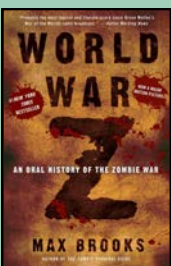
Hopeless Romantics Book Club

Wednesday, Aug. 21 @6:30pm

Hopeless Romantics Book Club is a brand new romance book club that meets every month on the third Wednesday to discuss swoon-worthy romance titles. This book club will cover a wide variety of subgenres from historical romance to contemporary romance to the

newly popular: romantasy!

In August, we will be discussing **The Duchess Deal** by Tessa Dare. Copies of the book can be picked up from the Information Desk starting at end of July, or patrons may borrow a digital copy from Hoopla. [R]



Fright Club: August

Registration closes August 3

Fright Club is our passive adult Horror Fiction book club. How does it work? Register each month for your book club kit and pick it up at the beginning of the month. Your kit will include a member letter, discussion questions, fun facts about the author/novel, a journal for writing about your thoughts, GPL swag and a fun fun themed giveaway! This series we will be focusing on novels with a monster theme. Please be sure to register for each month!

This month's book is: **World War Z** by Max Brooks [R]

VIRTUAL AUTHOR TALKS

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Your All Access Pass Behind the Scenes at the Space Station with Smithsonian Curator Dr. Jennifer Levasseur

Wednesday, Aug. 7 @2pm

You're invited to virtually step inside one of the greatest international achievements with a behind-the-scenes

guide to space exploration with the Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum curator Dr. Jennifer Levasseur. Revealing a new perspective into the world of space exploration and the daring astronauts who make it possible, Dr. Levasseur will guide you through the Smithsonian's Behind the Scenes at the Space Station and take you on a once-in-a-lifetime virtual tour of the space station. [R]



The Golden Ticket to College Admissions Is Not What You Think: Redefining Success for Parents of Teens with Irena Smith, PhD

Thursday, Aug. 15 @2pm

With another college application season around the corner, we are looking

forward to this must watch talk with Irena Smith, PHD, on Thursday, August 15 at 2 PM! You will hear about constructive and healthy ways to approach the college application process, preserve your relationship with your teen, and help them define success on their terms instead of chasing the elusive "golden ticket". [R]



An Exploration of Friendship, Reckoning, and Hope with novelist Shelby Van Pelt

Wednesday, Aug. 21 @7pm

You don't want to miss this deep dive exploration of friendship, reckoning, hope, and so much more when Shelby Van Pelt comes to chat with us online about her beloved novel **Remarkably**

Bright Creatures on Wednesday, August 21 at 7 PM. [R]



Please keep in mind that library programs are popular and often fill up quickly. To ensure you don't miss out, please check our website for the most up-to-date information.

ADULT PROGRAMS

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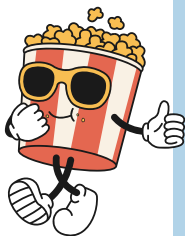


Fright Club Movie Matinee: Double Creature Feature

Monday, August 5

Sphere @ 12:00 pm
World War Z @ 2:30pm

No registration required



Drop-In Genealogy

Wednesday, Aug.14
5:30pm-7:30pm

Professional Genealogist Lisa Dougherty offers 1:1 family history consultations on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at the Library. This is a drop-in session; no need to make an appointment.

For more general information, visit Lisa's website:

<http://www.upstatenygenealogy.com>

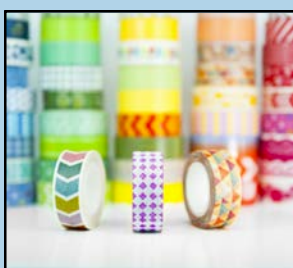


Discover the Pine Bush: Guided Hike

Friday, Aug.16 @10am

Join us on an extraordinary journey into the Albany Pine Bush – a globally rare, nationally significant and locally distinct inland pine barrens. Our experts will guide you along this 0.9-mile hike over rolling sand dunes

where you will discover Pine Bush natural history and seasonal surprises and transformations. **[R]**



Washi Tape (Rescheduled)
Tuesday, Aug.27 @6pm

Washi Tape; it's adorable, but what do you actually do with it? Come find out! [Note: this is the same program that was offered on July 16th. It is being offered again because bad weather interfered with it the first time.] **[R]**



Whiskers: Learning to be a Volunteer

Thursday, Aug.22 @6pm

Have you ever wanted to help an animal in need but not known where to start? Well, Whiskers is here to help! Come down to the library to learn all about being a volunteer for Whiskers. Learn about their mission

as an organization to help our little furballs and learn about the pets themselves! **[R]**



Apple help: Drop-In
Friday, Aug.23, 10am-12pm

Learn how to use anything from an Apple Watch to an iPhone to a Macbook!

Devices covered:

- Apple computers
- Apple TV
- Apple Watch
- iPad
- iPhone

Please Note: This is a drop-in event

If other patrons are waiting, session times will be limited.

This session is not for social media assistance.



AARP Fraud Watch Basics

Monday, Aug.19 @1pm

Have you ever been approached with a fraudulent offer or been a victim of identity theft?

The AARP Fraud Watch Network is working to empower you in the fight, with proven resources and tools to

help you spot and avoid identity theft and fraud. By taking a few practical steps, you have the power to fight back against fraud. This session will arm you with the latest data on fraud trends and provide tips and resources to protect yourself and your family. **[R]**

Summer Movie Mondays

Beat the heat and relive the magic of classic cinema! Join us for Summer Movie Mondays featuring your favorite flicks from the past. Free popcorn and water included! Drop in anytime to cool off and enjoy the show. Our Summer Movie Monday continues with:



Monday, Aug.12

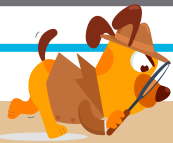
The Outsiders (PG) 12pm
Stand By Me (R) 2:15 pm

Monday, Aug.26

Singin' In the Rain (G) 12pm
Rear Window (PG) 2:15 pm

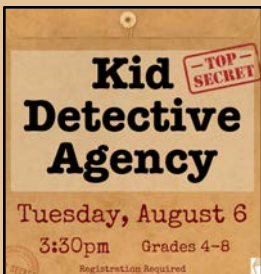
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YOUTH PROGRAMS



Mystery Bash
Monday, Aug. 5 @1pm
Grades 3-5

Do you have what it takes to escape the haunted mansion? If you can successfully solve the puzzles, riddles and brain busters you can leave the haunted mansion with your rightful riches! (Participants will take home a puzzle prize bag) [R]



Kid Detective Agency
Tuesday, Aug. 6 @3:30pm
Grades 4-8

Are you going into 4th-8th grade? Do you love solving puzzles, decoding secret messages, and finding clues? Then, you may have what it takes to join the Kid Detective Agency! Sign up for this program to

find the clues, solve a mystery, and put your skills to the test! You may just leave the program as the newest member of the Kid Detective Agency. [R]



Murder Mystery Night: Panic at the Prom
Wednesday, Aug. 7 @6pm
Grades 8-12

You are cordially invited to... Murder Mystery Night: Panic at the Prom

Get ready to travel back in time to the totally tubular era of the 1980s. Dust off your neon leg warmers, crimp your hair, and prepare yourself for an evening of mystery, mayhem, and maybe a little murder!

Remember to come dressed in your best 1980s attire! [R]

Adventures in Navigating with a Magnetic Compass

Wednesday, Aug.14 @2pm
Grades 4-8

Yes, it's likely most everyone has a GPS at hand but no one should venture into the outdoors without knowing how to use a magnetic compass. Learn how to navigate with a compass, finding a bearing and traveling in that direction. Can you do it well enough to make it through a compass navigation course ending up at the right destination? [R]



Read It Forward: YA Book Party

Tuesday, Aug. 13 @6pm
Grades 6-12

Did you read one or both of our Read it Forward books this summer? Come hang out and chat about these books and any other YA (Young Adult) books you read

this summer with other teen readers! See more information about Read it Forward at GuilderlandLibrary.org/SRP [R]



Adventures In Nature: 3D Art Scene

Tuesday, Aug.13 @3pm
Grades K-5

Create your own 3D nature scene - be it beach, under the sea, animal kingdom, mountains & trees, using canvas and natural materials we will provide. Projects will be ready to take home the same day. [R]

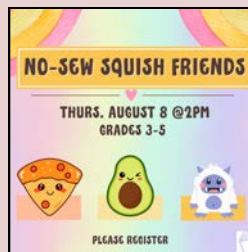


Mercy Watson Watch Party!

Friday, Aug.2 @11am
Grades K-2

Join us at the library for a Mercy Watson Watch Party! Let's visit Deckawoo Drive to meet everyone's favorite adventure loving

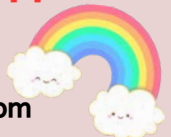
pig, Mercy Watson! In this program we will be watching Newbery Medal winning author Kate DiCamillo share her stories behind the creation of her early chapter book series, the original Mercy Watson, and the follow up series, Tales from Deckawoo Drive. We will also be celebrating the publication of the final book in the Mercy Watson series! And a Mercy Watson Watch Party would not be complete without making buttered toast as our celebration treat! [R]



No Sew Squish Friends

Thursday, Aug. 8 @2pm
Grades 3-5

It's a mystery! Which Squish Friend will you get? Participants going into grades 3 to 5 will create a soft, squishy pillow buddy by tying together pieces of fleece. Caregivers are welcome to stay. [R]



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YOUTH PROGRAMS



Parent Playdate
Monday, Aug. 12 @11:00am

Looking to meet other parents or caregivers? Please join us for a special hour of open playtime! While you're here, enjoy getting to know other parents/caregivers and their little ones, and check out all that the library has to

offer! Light refreshments will be available while your child plays and the time is yours to enjoy and make new connections.

Registration required. Please register each child separately.

For children from birth - 3 years old, with a caregiver. [R]



Summer Playtime
Monday, Aug. 5 @10:30am

Littles and caregivers can join us this summer for an open playtime with our toys and fine motor activities!

Ages 0-5.

Registration not required.



Summer Storytimes
Thursdays @10:30am

Come on over to the library for Family Storytime! We'll read books, dance to silly songs, and have lots of fun!

For all kids ages Birth - 5 years old, with a caregiver.

No registration needed: **August 1**
August 8
August 15

ON THE CALENDAR

AUGUST



LIBRARY CLOSED
Labor Day Weekend:
Saturday, August 31
Sunday, September 1
Monday, September 2

Drop-In Knit & Stitch...Tuesdays @10-11:30am

Let's Talk: Coffee &Wednesdays @11am
Conversation for Seniors

Farmer's MarketSundays 10am-2pm until
October 7

Guilderland Guitar.....Wednesday, Aug.7 @7pm
Group

Capital District Knitting ..Monday, Aug.12 @6pm
Guild

GPL Board of Trustees .Thursday, Aug. 15 @6pm
Monthly Business Meeting

Guilderland Library..Thursday, Aug. 22 @6:15pm
Foundation Meeting

August Display CasesThe Makers

August ExhibitColonie Art League

Colonie Art League ReceptionTuesday, Aug.6
5-7pm

Summer Reading:



The last day to enter your raffle tickets for our Grand Prizes will be Saturday, August 17 and prize book pick-up will be August 19-30.

COMING IN SEPTEMBER



Craft Fair.....September 7th, 9:30am-2pm

GPL Sunday Concert Series: Linda Ellen Brown ProjectSeptember 8th @2pm

Night Owls Book ClubSeptember 9th @6:30pm

Silent Book ClubSeptember 15th 1:30pm-3pm