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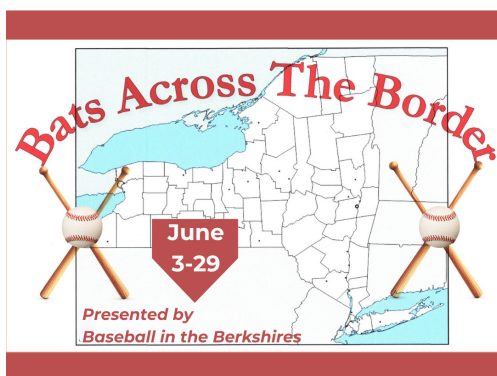
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Baseball will be featured this month as we officially welcome summer! Here's what's on the roster:



Bats Across the Border Baseball Exhibit

June 3-29

Baseball in the Berkshires is presenting an extensive baseball exhibit at GPL entitled **Bats Across the Border**. This

sprawling multi-media display will utilize the entire Library to tell the story of the regional roots of baseball, showcasing several of the 1,200+ pieces in this collection. New York and Western Massachusetts baseball history will be integrated to demonstrate how some history strands not only run parallel, but are intertwined. For more information, please see <https://baseballinberkshires.org>.



Bats Across the Border Exhibit—Reception

Saturday, June 10

@ 2-4 pm

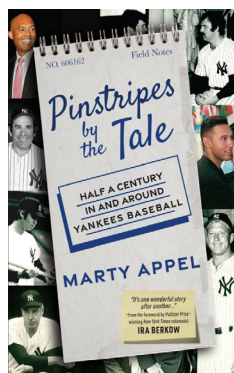
Stop by for a visit and chat about the library-wide exhibit!



Anticipated special guests include:

- **Jonah Bayliss**—former major leaguer from Williamstown (above)
- **Ryan Cameron**—former minor leaguer from Williamstown (right)

- **Rene LeRoux**—Founder and Executive Director, New York State Baseball Hall of Fame
- **Rick Murphy**—President, Tri-City Valley Cats
- **Nick Polsinelli**—former professional baseball player
- **Rebeka Lange** and **Mike Whittaker**—Guilderland Youth Baseball...plus other possible surprises!



Yankee Memories with Marty Appel

Wednesday, June 14 @ 7 pm

We're pleased to welcome Marty Appel, renowned NY Yankees public relations director, team historian, television producer and author of 25

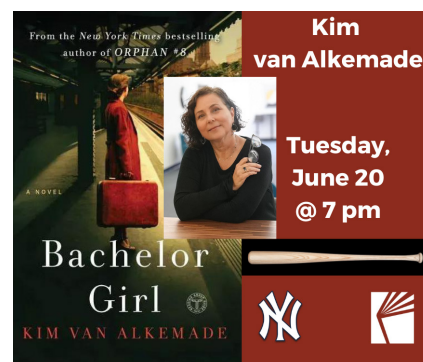
baseball books! Marty will discuss his newest book:

Pinstripes By the Tale: Half a Century In and Around Yankees Baseball, an incomparable collection of insider tales about the Yankees featuring a parade of legendary colorful characters. *Pinstripes by the Tale* is an intimate look at an iconic franchise through the lens of its foremost historical authority, told through a series of captivating vignettes. Appel will also present a slide show featuring baseball dignitaries he's worked with, 1968-present, and sign copies of his book following the presentation.

Meet NY Times Bestselling Author Kim van Alkemade

Tuesday, June 20 @ 7 pm

Yankees history! Kim van Alkemade, New York Times bestselling author of *Orphan #8* and the upcoming *Counting Lost Stars*, will join us to discuss ***Bachelor Girl*** and her research into Colonel Jacob Ruppert, eccentric millionaire owner of the NY Yankees best remembered for acquiring Babe Ruth from Boston. Inspired by true events, *Bachelor Girl* imagines the reason behind Ruppert's 1939 bequest of a fortune—including part ownership of the Yankees baseball team—to an unknown, unmarried ex-actress named Helen. *Bachelor Girl* juxtaposes Ruppert's world of baseball and beer brewing with the thriving gay scene in Greenwich Village, home to the off-Broadway theater scene in which Helen desires success.



Kim van Alkemade

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ADULT PROGRAMS & RESOURCES



The Library Celebrates Pride Month!

We're marking Pride Month with a variety of displays and activities:

► Look for the large **"Love Yourself" book display** near the checkout desk and find some of the latest and greatest LGBTQ+ books

recently published. We're also featuring a wide variety of titles on our website's **digital book display**.

► On Sunday, June 11, several staff members, family, and guests will be at the **Capital Pride Parade and Festival** in Albany, walking alongside staff from Upper Hudson Library System and other local libraries. It's a joyous event, with the parade starting off in Washington Park at 11:45. The parade and the festival that follows benefit the critical programs and services of the Pride Center of the Capital Region. The UHLS Libraries and GPL have participated in this event over many years, in support of the Pride Center community and to demonstrate our continued dedication to providing safe and welcoming places for all at our libraries.

► Last but not least, our very own **How Did You Find It? Podcast**, which drops on Friday, June 16, will feature an engaging interview with a local drag queen or two. Read a book, look for us at the Parade & Festival, catch the Podcast interview!

Learn About Being an Adult Literacy Tutor

Saturday, June 10 @ 10:30 am

Looking for a meaningful volunteer opportunity? Consider becoming a volunteer tutor, working with an adult who would like to learn or improve their English! Literacy Volunteers of Rensselaer County (LVORC) will lead a brief workshop on becoming a tutor. Your commitment would be just a few hours each week, providing small group instruction or working one-on-one with an adult student—no previous experience needed. An LVORC staff person will also be here **Wednesday, June 28** from **10:30 am-12 pm** for a drop-in meet and greet session.



SUNDAY CONCERT DAVID GLEASON TRIO



Sunday Concert Series: David Gleason Trio
Sunday, June 11 @ 2 pm

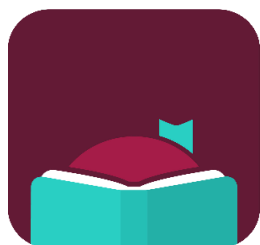
The innovative stylings of the David Gleason Trio return, performing original compositions and selections from the great American jazz piano trios. David Gleason is an accomplished local

pianist, composer, and music educator who led the critically-acclaimed Latin jazz ensemble Sensemayá. He has performed with numerous ensembles, including RumbaNaMa, The Boston Latin Band, Bopitude, the Big Soul Ensemble, and the Empire Jazz Orchestra. Gleason is accompanied by Mike Lawrence on bass and Andy Hearn on drums. *These lively concerts draw an enthusiastic audience!*

National Library Pen Pal Project

Register through Monday, June 12

This nationwide program pairs library patrons from across the country to become pen pals! All of the mailing will be done by us. This is a five-week program. Ask a librarian how you can sign up today! **[R]**



Getting Started with Libby Wednesday, June 7 @ 11 am Virtual

Want to know how to borrow ebooks and audiobooks? Get to know Libby! This online session, offered monthly and taught by the experts at Overdrive, is the perfect introduction to accessing these digital resources.

All sessions are recorded for later viewing, so if you can't attend virtually during this time—no worries! **[R]**

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP **[R]**

Night Owls Book Club

Mondays @ 7:30 pm

Hybrid: choice of in-person or virtual

Led by Librarian Maura Powers-Smith. Reading the most talked-about fiction and nonfiction titles.



June 12: South to America: A Journey Below the Mason-Dixon to Understand the Soul of a Nation, by Imani Perry

July 10: Demon Copperhead, by Barbara Kingsolver
Night Owls will be on hiatus after July. Please stay tuned for more book discussion developments!

ADULT PROGRAMS & RESOURCES

Flash Fiction

Wednesdays at 2 pm

Flash Fiction: A Writing Workshop with Paul Lamar

Wednesdays,
June 14, 21 & 28
@ 2-4 pm

Do you have something to say in 300-1,000 words? This genre requires the writer to pay attention to the

customary features of longer fiction—character, setting, conflict, point of view, language, theme—but in a rather compressed, and challenging, way. Participants will study examples of flash fiction and then, working from prompts, write a couple. **Space is limited.** Presenter Paul Lamar is a popular local writing instructor with years of experience teaching English at Emma Willard School, The College of Saint Rose, SUNY Cobleskill, Greene Correctional Facility, and Sage, as well as GED at St. Peter's Addiction Recovery Center. Since 1996, Lamar has also reviewed theater for the Daily Gazette. [R]

NYS Boater Safety Course

Wednesday,
June 21 &
Thursday,
June 22
@ 5:30-9:30 pm

This year, Brianna's Law requires boaters born on or after January 1, 1983

to complete a safety course prior to operating any motorized vessel or watercraft. **By 2025, ALL motor boat operators, regardless of age, will need a boating safety certificate.** Beat the rush—get certified NOW!

Back by popular demand, this eight-hour two-night course is an introduction to the basic principles of safe and responsible boating. Topics covered include rules of the nautical road, safety equipment, special boating-related activities, and much more. Students successfully completing this course will earn a safe-boating certificate.

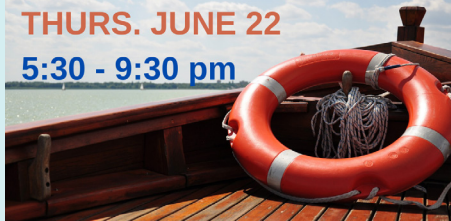
Important Notes:

- NYS Parks and Recreation Fee of \$10 is required
- Attendance both days is required
- Must be at least 10 years old to participate

Space is limited. Stop by the Library's Adult Information desk to pick up the course manual, **New York Safe Boating.** You can also access this manual online while registering for this course on the Events Calendar on our website. [R]

NYS BOATER SAFETY COURSE

WED. JUNE 21 &
THURS. JUNE 22
5:30 - 9:30 pm



Adult Summer Reading Kickoff

Thursday, June 29
@ 4:30-7 pm

Come browse our newest collection of summer books and enjoy a campsite snack at our Adult Summer Reading Kickoff! Pack your hiking boots and canteen—we're heading to summer camp with this year's

summer reading theme **All Together Now!** Learn more about how to register for summer reading through **Beanstack**, and all the programs we have planned, at this woody event. No bug spray needed!



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THURSDAY, JUNE 29
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Genealogy with Lisa Dougherty

Wednesday, June 14
@ 6-8 pm

Professional Genealogist Lisa Dougherty offers monthly one-on-one family history consultations on a drop-in basis here at the Library. For general information, please see www.upstatenogenealogy.com.

Movie: Spoiler Alert

Monday, June 26

Two Showings @ 1:30 & 6 pm

Based on Michael Ausiello's best-selling memoir, **Spoiler Alert: The Hero Dies**, this 2022 film is a heartwarming, funny, and life-affirming story of how Michael and Kit's relationship is transformed and deepened when one of them falls ill. Rated PG-13.



Your Path to Student Loan Freedom

Tuesday, June 27 @ 6 pm

Join us for a led discussion by Jordan Daniels from Empire Justice Center about many options to manage or eliminate your federal student debt, including:

- loan cancellation
- loan forgiveness
- how to navigate studentaid.gov

► how to prepare for payments to resume later this year
Attendees will also be given the opportunity to sign up for a free, unbiased, one-on-one counseling session with Jordan to address their specific student loan situation.

YOUTH PROGRAMS & RESOURCES

JULY-AUGUST 2023

ALL TOGETHER NOW

Guilderland Public Library
Summer Reading Program

Register to be a reader beginning June 1.
Programs for all ages!

Registration is open for our 2023 Summer Reading Program, **All Together Now**, featuring a slew of camp-themed activities. Please go to: <https://guilderlandlibrary.org/srp> for details and to sign up. Kickoff happens **Thursday, July 6!**

**Storytimes on a Break**

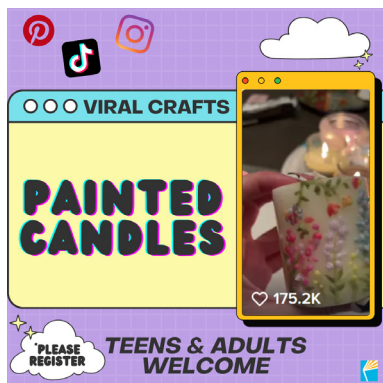
We've put Storytimes on pause while we prepare for an amazing summer of fun camp-themed activities for our Summer Reading Program, **All Together Now**. Looking forward to sharing more stories in July!

Viral Crafts

Tuesday, June 20
@ 6 pm

Teens & Adults

Come hang out with Emily & Michelle and attempt the newest crafts sweeping the internet! This time, we're making painted candles. We'll provide all of the supplies needed for your craft project. **[R]**


**Guilderland Library Foundation
Golf Tournament**

Monday, August 28
@ 8:15 am-3 pm

Players and sponsors sought for the Foundation's annual golf tournament! Non-golfers are welcome to attend the 19th Hole Celebration at 2 pm

for lunch, awards and a silent auction. Please see: <https://bit.ly/GLFGolf2023> for more information, and to register as an individual or foursome. Fun for a good cause!

**ON THE CALENDAR**

JUNE

LIBRARY CLOSED:

Staff Development Day
Wednesday, June 7
Juneteenth

Monday, June 19

Drop-In Knit & Stitch—Tuesdays, 10-11:30 am
Capital District Knitting Guild

Monday, June 12 @ 6-8 pm

GPL Board of Trustees Meeting

Thursday, June 15 @ 6 pm

In-person and streamed on YouTube. Public commentary to:

pc@guilderlandlibrary.org, or at the beginning or end of the meeting.

NEW How Did You Find It? Podcast

Friday, June 16 on all major platforms

Guilderland Library Foundation Meeting

Thursday, June 22 @ 6:15 pm

**LIBRARY HOURS**

Monday—Thursday.....9:30 am–9 pm

Friday.....9:30 am–6 pm

Saturday.....9:30 am–5 pm

Sunday.....1-5 pm

All programs are in-person, unless otherwise noted.

[R] = Register on the Events tab of our website.


Guilderland Farmer's Market Returns

June through September
Sundays, 10 am-2 pm

We're once again hosting the Guilderland Farmer's Market, featuring as many as 40 vendors each week. Come survey the homegrown, locally-produced offerings!