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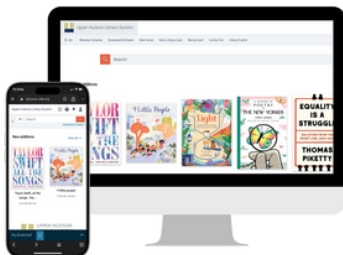
## Library Hours

- **Monday - Thursday:** 9:30am - 8pm
- **Friday:** 9:30am - 6pm
- **Saturday:** 9:30am - 5pm
- **Sunday:** 1 - 5pm

The library will be closed:

- **January 1st for New Year's Day**
- **January 19th for Martin Luther King Jr. Day**

## New Library Catalog!



**UHLS is upgrading the systems catalog. Check it out at [discover.uhls.org](https://discover.uhls.org) or scan the code.**



We'd like to say a HUGE thank you to Albany County 250<sup>th</sup> AMREV Commission for awarding GPL a grant to go toward our programming for "Guilderland Gets Historical! GPL Celebrates the 250th Anniversary of the American Revolution!" Our librarian, Jo Ann, has been hard at work collaborating with local agencies to bring our community so many exciting programs in 2026.



Pack up your curiosity and get ready to read outside your comfort zone. In 2026, GPL invites you to join Expedition Book Club, a year-long journey designed to help you explore the many book clubs we offer and discover new reading communities along the way. Try something new, meet fellow readers, and broaden your literary horizons. Learn more at [guilderlandlibrary.org/expedition-book-club/](https://guilderlandlibrary.org/expedition-book-club/) or scan the code.



## Greufus's 2026 Vision: New Year, New Goals (And Maybe More Hay)

Happy New Year, everyone! It's your friendly, future-focused friend, Greufus the Cow, here to welcome you to the fresh pastures of 2026!

December was great for cozy reading, but January is all about starting new projects, making fresh plans, and setting goals. I've already set my New Year's Resolution: to read one more book than I did last year! The Guilderland Public Library is the absolute udder best place to turn all those fuzzy New Year's intentions into real action! Need to start a new hobby? Learn a new skill? Our nonfiction section is packed with books on everything from coding to knitting. Come browse and get inspired!

So shake off that holiday slumber and come join me (and my bff Pete) in the stacks. Let's make 2026 the best, most well-read year yet! Happy New Year!

—Greufus (Official Library Mascot and Chief New Year Resolution Maker)

# 2026

## NEW DIGITAL SERVICES!

Read more on page 6

# GetSetUp

# COMICSPLUS

POWERED BY LIBRARY PASS

**GUILDERLAND**  
PUBLIC  
LIBRARY

JANUARY 2026

### FAMILY STORYTIME

Jan. 6, 13, 20, & 27 | 10:30 - 11:15AM  
Birth - 5 years, with caregiver



### SKY FRIENDS STORYTIME

Jan. 7, 14, 21, & 28 | 10:30 - 11:30AM  
Birth - 5 years, with caregiver



### LITTLES LOUNGE & STORYTIME

Jan. 8, 22, & 29 | 10:30 - 11:30AM  
Birth - 2 years, with caregiver



### MUSIC & MOVEMENT

Jan. 9 & 16 | 10:30 - 11AM  
Best for 2-5 year olds, siblings welcome



### Fourth Grade

### Backpack Charms

January 23rd | 4:30 - 5:30PM  
Registration Required  
Fourth Graders Only

### PAWS 2 READ

JAN. 10TH, 17TH, 22ND, 29TH,  
& 31ST



GRADES K-5

CHECK-IN @ CHILDREN'S DESK

## Goodnight Luna



January 8th | 6-6:45PM



Put on your coziest pajamas, grab a stuffed animal, and head to the library for a pajama storytime with Sky Friend, Luna!



## Drawing Comics

with Sylvie Kantrovitz

January 13th  
4 - 5:30PM  
Grades 3-7



## Recurring Drop-In Programs

### YOUTH CHESS

January 17th  
11AM - 12PM

### LEGO FREE PLAY

January 21st  
3 - 6PM

### ORIGAMI CLUB

January 24th  
1 - 2PM




To learn more or register for an event, scan QR code or visit [guilderlandlibrary.org](http://guilderlandlibrary.org)



## ADULT PROGRAMS

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|------|---|
| 1/4  | • 2 - 4PM <b>Ken Burn's American Revolution Series Episode 4</b>  |
| 1/5  | • 6:30 - 7:45PM <b>Virtual Art Talk: Art Nouveau</b>  |
| 1/7  | • 3 - 4PM <b>Afternoon Garden Club</b><br>• 6:30 - 7:30PM <b>Yoga at the Library [R]</b>  |
| 1/8  | • 10 - 11AM <b>Game Time [R]</b>  |
| 1/11 | • 2 - 4PM <b>Ken Burn's American Revolution Series Episode 5</b>  |
| 1/13 | • 6 - 7PM <b>Job Skills Series! My First Job: Paycheck Basics [R]</b>   |
| 1/14 | • 6:30 - 7:30PM <b>Yoga at the Library [R]</b>  |
| 1/18 | • 2 - 4PM <b>Ken Burn's American Revolution Series Episode 6</b>  |
| 1/19 | <b>Library Closed in Observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day</b>   |
| 1/20 | • 6 - 7PM <b>Job Skills Series! Landing the Job [R]</b>   |
| 1/21 | • 6:30 - 7:30PM <b>Yoga at the Library [R]</b>  |
| 1/22 | • 6:15 - 7:45PM <b>Journaling Book Club [R]</b><br>• 6:30 - 7:30PM <b>The American Invasion of Canada in 1775-1776 and Philip Schuyler's Role [R]</b>       |
| 1/23 | • 11:15AM - 12:45PM <b>Journaling Book Club [R]</b>   |
| 1/25 | • 2 - 3PM <b>Sunday Concert: America 250 Songs &amp; Stories</b>  |
| 1/26 | • 1 - 3PM <b>Monday Matinee: League of Superpets</b><br>• 6 - 8PM <b>Movie Monday: Superman</b>   |
| 1/27 | • 6 - 7PM <b>Job Skill Series! Interviewing 101 [R]</b>   |
| 1/28 | • 11AM <b>STAR Program Info. Session</b><br>• 6:30 - 7:30PM <b>Winter Magic Tea Blending Workshop [R]</b><br>• 6:30 - 7:30PM <b>Yoga at the Library [R]</b> |
| 1/29 | • 5:30 - 8PM <b>Whodunit Mystery Book Club Movie: The Big Sleep</b>   |



# Journaling Book Club

Jan. 22 at 6:15 p.m.  
Jan. 23 at 11:15 a.m.

Registration Required  
Ages 18+

## RECURRING ADULT PROGRAMS

## Seniors Connect!

January 7, 14, 21, &amp; 28 | 11AM - 1PM



## Guilderland Guitar Group

January 7 | 6:30 - 8PM

## Normanskill Strummers

January 15 | 6 - 8PM



## Drop-In Genealogy with Lisa Dougherty

January 21 | 5:30 - 7:30PM

## JOB SKILL SERIES!

January 13th @ 6PM

## My First Job: Paycheck Basics

January 20th @ 6PM

## Landing the Job

January 27th @ 6PM

## Interviewing 101



THE AMERICAN  
REVOLUTION

## FILM SCREENING

EPISODE 4

Jan. 4th  
2 - 4PM

EPISODE 5

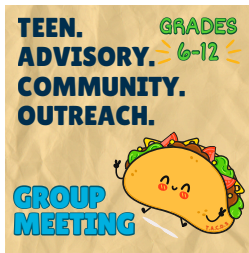
Jan. 11th  
2 - 4PM

EPISODE 6

Jan. 18th  
2 - 4PM

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**TACOS VOLUNTEER MEETING**

January 6 | 6 - 7PM

Earn volunteer credit by participating in our Teen Advisory Community Outreach group! Give input on books, programs, and more. [R]

**1/2 - 1/9: Star Jar Take & Make Kit****1/12: 6 - 7PM Winter Scene Paint Along with C.R.E.A.T.E. [R]****1/13: 4 - 5:30PM Drawing Comics w/ Sylvie Kantorovitz (Gr. 6-7) [R]****1/17: 11AM - 12PM Youth Chess****1/21: 3- 6PM LEGO Free Play****1/22: 4:30 - 7PM Drop-In Game Night**

**Free SAT Prep Workshops Hosted by Brainfuse! Scan code to learn more.**

**GPL TEENS!****GRADES 6-12****Origami Club**

with GHS Student Thomas Z  
January 24th | 1 - 2PM

**CHECK IT OUT!****TEAM MEMBER RECOMMENDATION**

**JO ANN**  
Lifelong  
Education  
Librarian



Recommendation:  
**35mm Slide & Film Viewer**

“Looking for a way to view your photo negatives or slides from years ago? Look no further than our new *35mm slide and film viewer*! This addition to the Library of Things allows you to view old memories on a new device. What I like most about the machine is that it makes the image three times larger, so it is easier to see! I am looking to go down memory lane with it!”

**LIBRARY SPOTLIGHT**

Join us Tuesdays in January at 6:00 PM for a three-part program series: Job Skills! Learn skills from interviewing to analyzing a paycheck. Register online today! If you're looking for more information outside of the programs, check out Brainfuse's Adult Learning Center! Here you can get help with resume development, Microsoft program assistance, or just some tips and tricks to starting a career search! Using your library card, you can access free online assistance whether you are going back to school, switching jobs, or just want to brush up on academic skills. Try it on your own or get help from the live tutors every day from 2:00-11:59 PM. Find Brainfuse on our website under "Research and Learn" - "Learning Tools".



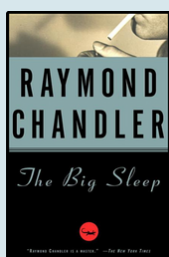
# Guilderland Reads: GPL Book Clubs



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## Whodunit Mystery Book Club



**Thursday, January 8 @6:30PM**  
**Ages 18+**

Do you have what it takes to crack the case? Find out at the Whodunit Mystery Book Club! This month, we are reading **The Big Sleep** by Raymond Chandler.



## Realm Explorers Book Club



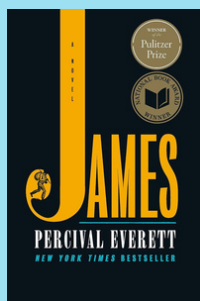
**Saturday, January 17 @11:00AM**  
**Ages 16+**

Discussing science fiction and fantasy novels. Titles include Adult/Young Adult science fiction and fantasy books as well as graphic novels.

This month we're reading **Red Rising** by Pierce Brown.



## Night Owls Book Club



**Monday, January 12 @6:30PM**  
**Ages 18+**

Reading the most talked-about fiction and nonfiction titles. Currently reading **James** by Percival Everett.



## Hopeless Romantics Book Club



**Wednesday, January 21 @6:30PM**  
**Ages 18+**

HRBC is a romance book club that meets to discuss swoon-worthy romance titles.

This month we're discussing **The Rewind** by Allison Winn Scotch.



## Day Larks Book Club



**Friday, January 16 @2:00PM**  
**Ages 18+**

Reading the most talked-about fiction and nonfiction titles.

Currently reading **Lady Tan's Circle of Women** by Lisa See.



## Silent Book Club

**Sunday, January 18 @1:30PM**  
**Ages 18+**

Give yourself permission to read. Meet by the fireplace!



## Fright Club Book Discussion Group



**Tuesday, January 27 @6:30PM**  
**Ages 18+**

Join us each month for the best of Horror and Thrillers.

This month we're reading **Victorian Psycho** by Virginia Feito.



## HOW TO GET YOUR BOOK CLUB BOOKS

For adult book clubs, copies of books are available for checkout at the Information Desk while supplies last or digital copies can be borrowed from Libby.

Learn more about GPL's book clubs at [guilderlandlibrary.org/book-discussion](http://guilderlandlibrary.org/book-discussion)



Starting 2026, GPL will offer GetSetUp, a virtual learning platform designed especially for older adults. Through this service, patrons will have free access to an engaging range of live and on-demand online classes covering topics like digital skills, wellness, hobbies, travel, and more, all taught by peer instructors in a friendly, interactive format. GetSetUp helps adults stay connected, build confidence with technology, and explore lifelong learning right from home or at the library.



Learn more by scanning the code or visiting [www.guilderlandlibrary.org/learning-tools](http://www.guilderlandlibrary.org/learning-tools)

Comics Plus is “The Library of Alexandria” of digital comics collections, so if you haven’t seriously given reading comics a chance before, this is the time to do it! There are titles for everyone across genres, publishers (Yen Press, Image Comics, TOKYOPOP, etc.), and languages, and most importantly, it’s a resource that’s going to grow with you across collections—youth, teen, and full. For anyone nostalgic over running to the comic book store on Wednesdays for new physical releases, Comics Plus drops their new updates on Wednesdays too, so you can feel the same excitement from home. Comics Plus helps us bridge the gap between what we have physically available here at GPL and what you would have to pay for at the bookstore, so you have the really exciting opportunity to try out as many new series as you want, for as long as you want. Start exploring today!

# COMICSPLUS

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NO WAIT!

NO LIMIT!

NO COST!

LIBRARY BUSINESS

**GPL Board of Trustees**  
**Long Range Plan Committee Meeting**  
January 6th | 5:30 - 6:30PM

**GPL Board of Trustees**  
**Facilities Committee Meeting**  
January 7th | 5:30 - 6:30PM

**GPL Board of Trustees**  
**Governance Committee Meeting**  
January 8th | 5:30 - 6:30PM

**GPL Board of Trustees**  
**Personnel Committee Meeting**  
January 8th | 6:30 - 7:30PM

**GPL Board of Trustees**  
**Finance Committee Meeting**  
January 13th | 6 - 7PM

**GPL Board of Trustees**  
**Monthly Business Meeting**  
January 15th | 6:00PM

COMMUNITY INTEREST

**Guilderland Guitar Group**  
January 7th | 6:30 - 8PM

**Capital District Knitting Guild**  
January 12th | 6 - 8PM

**America Red Cross Blood Drive**  
January 13th | 1 - 6PM

**Normanskill Strummers**  
Ukulele Group  
January 15th | 6 - 8PM

**Art Exhibition**  
Matthew Duncan  
**Reception:** January 23rd | 4 - 6PM