



HAMPTON BAYS PUBLIC LIBRARY

Navigating a Sea of Information

The GREAT GATSBY CASINO and COCKTAILS

In celebration of the Great Gatsby's 100 year anniversary, we will be hosting The Great Gatsby Casino and Cocktails. Join us for this Adult-Only Evening on Friday, May 9, 2025 from 5:30PM-9:00PM. Sign up begins March 1st!

THE FRIENDS OF THE HAMPTON BAYS LIBRARY



Three generous sponsors have agreed to fund a

\$6,500 MATCHING GRANT

for the Friends. From March 1-May 31, any money you donate will be **MATCHED!!** You can donate at the Circulation Desk, or via our website indicating, "Matching Grant."



SPONSORED BY THE SUFFOLK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Wednesday, April 9; 5:00PM-7:00PM

Join us for a job fair in partnership with the Suffolk County Department of Labor featuring local employers looking for local talent. Stony Brook Hospital - Southampton/Eastern Long Island, Suffolk 311 Call Center, IGHL, Affirmed Home Care, and Town of Southampton are among the many participating employers. **Bring copies of your resume and dress to impress. All are welcome. No registration is required.**

NATIONAL TEA DAY

Monday, April 21; 11:30AM-2:00PM

Calling all tea enthusiasts!

We invite you to join us for hot tea, sweet treats, and a fun game!



LONG ISLAND READS BOOK DISCUSSION

Thursday, April 24; 7:00PM-8:00PM

"One Island – One Book". We invite you to join us in a thought-provoking discussion of this year's Long Island Reads pick, *On Fire Island*, written by Jane L. Rosen. Libraries and readers across Long Island will enjoy reading this funny, poignant and bittersweet novel. Need a copy of the book? Pick up a **FREE** copy at the Reference Desk when you register (**LIMITED COPIES AVAILABLE**).

Participants will be entered into a raffle to receive a copy of Jane Rosen's latest book titled, *Seven Summer Weekends*.



MEET THE AUTHOR

Sunday, April 6 @ 2:00PM

Long Island Reads will honor Jane L. Rosen at a ceremony at the Bay Shore-Brightwaters Public Library. In-person and virtual tickets will be available beginning March 1.

Please visit <https://longislandreads.wordpress.com> to get your tickets!



COMMUNITY BLOCK PARTY

Save
The Date



Saturday, May 3

Connect with local organizations that provide various health and social resources for you and your family. **FREE food, baby formula, diapers, hygiene products, and more will be distributed.** Fun activities and crafts will be available for all ages. We look forward to seeing you there!

THE CHICKS ARE COMING!!!

Miss Christine will be setting up the incubator on April 9.

The chicks should hatch on, or around April 30.

Stop by the Children's Room to check on their progress.



Children



childrensroom@hamptonbayslibrary.org
hamptonbayslibrary.org/children

Registration begins Tuesday, February 25 online at hamptonbays.librarycalendar.com/, in-person, or by phone at (631) 728-6241 (press 6 for the Children's Room). Registration forms can be picked up in the Children's Room. Registration forms will NOT be accepted until Tuesday, February 25. Submitting a registration form does not guarantee a spot. In-person and

telephone registrations are done in the order they are received, so we encourage you to sign up online.

Parents, please remember that children in grades 4 and under must be accompanied by a responsible companion over the age of 16 when visiting the library.

ATTENTION PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS.

Please refrain from using your cell phones during programs unless you are taking a picture or video of your child. Cell phone use is distracting to both the program presenter and the children.



TAKE & MAKE MONDAYS

(KITS ONLY)



Pre-K – Grade 2. Younger children will need adult assistance. Limit 20 for each session.

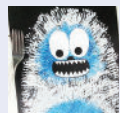
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We will no longer be making reminder calls for Take & Makes.

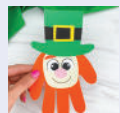
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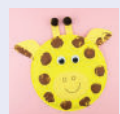
Monday, March 3
Thing 1 & Thing 2 Puppets



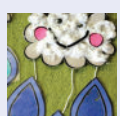
Monday, March 10
Abominable Snowman Fork Painting



Monday, March 17
Handprint Leprechaun

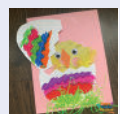


Monday, March 24
Paper Plate Giraffe

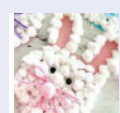


Monday, March 31
Rain Cloud

APRIL



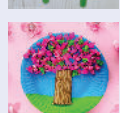
Monday, April 7
Torn Paper Hatching Chick



Monday, April 14
Cotton Ball Bunny



Monday, April 21
Yarn Flower



Monday, April 28
Spring Tree

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GUESS HOW MANY JELLY BEANS ARE IN THE JAR

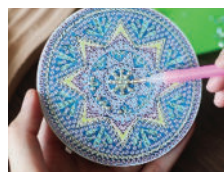
Come into the Children's Room between April 1 and 17 and submit your guess. The closest guess will win a prize and the jar of jelly beans. Winner will be notified on April 18.



DIAMOND ART

Grades 4 – 6.

Create a sparkling masterpiece by affixing vibrantly colored resin rhinestones to a self-adhesive canvas. We will keep your kit here, and you can work on it whenever you like. We have many designs to choose from. Please see one of the Children's Librarians to get set up!



SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT:

LOYALTY PROGRAM

BI-MONTHLY RAFFLE FOR PROGRAM ATTENDANCE!

We will be raffling a prize at the end of every newsletter cycle. Sign up for a Program Attendance Loyalty Card at the Children's Desk. We will keep your card on file. You will receive one punch for every program attended and one raffle ticket for every 5 punches. The more programs you attend, the greater your chances of winning!

PLEASE NOTE: You may now receive program registration confirmation and reminders via text. When registering, provide a cell phone number and check the "Send notifications via SMS" box.



ILLUSTRATOR OF THE WEEK HIDE & SEEK

All ages. Join our Hide & Seek crew! Throughout April, kids are invited to search the Children's Room for reproductions of works by our favorite children's book illustrators. Stop by the children's desk each Wednesday in April for a new seek & find activity. No limit.



My First Story Time

Mondays @ 10:30AM

Birth – 36 months with adult. Babies and Tots! Join Miss Sheila for this first-time story time. **Limit 25.**



Circle Time for Little Ones

Tuesdays @ 11:00AM

Birth – 3 years with adult. Join Miss Evan for this brand new story time. Sing, clap, rhyme, share books, and get your little one's day off to a great start. **Limit 10.**



Lego Club

Wednesdays @ 5:00PM

Ages 4 – 9. Get your brick on! Join Miss Barbara for this open-ended Lego building program. Build together and display your creations in the library. **Limit 15.**



Just Paint

Thursday, March 6 @ 4:00PM

Grades 3 – 6. Grab a brush and let your creativity fly! **Limit 10.**



Art Adventure Famous Artists Edition

Fridays @ 5:00PM

Grades K – 2.

Join Miss Barbara for open-ended creation sessions using a variety of arts and crafts materials.

Limit 12. ** Please note. There will be no class on March 21 or April 18. **



Zumbini

Wednesdays @ 10:30AM (beginning on March 12)

Birth – 3 years with adult.

A music and movement experience designed to let you and your little ones move, dance, and sing together. The Zumbini program is where the science of child development meets the magic of Zumba. **Limit 25.**



Sham-Rocks!

Thursday, March 13 @ 4:00PM

Grades 3 – 6. Come and create some lucky stones to celebrate the season of green. **Limit 10.**



Bilingual Story Time

Saturday, March 15 @ 12:00PM

Ages 2 – 5 years with adult.

Come join *Bebés of the Island* for this brand new bilingual story time complete with stories, sing-a-longs, a craft, and dance party with bubbles. **Limit 16.**



Early Reader's Book Club

Tuesday, March 18 @ 4:00PM

Grades K – 2. Join Miss Barbara for this special book club for grades K – 2. We will read *What This Story Needs is a Pig in a Wig* by Emma J.

Virján together and do some fun activities related to the story. Children will receive a copy of the book to add to their home library! **Limit 10.**



Glue Guns Galore

Thursday, March 20 @ 4:00PM

Grades 3 – 6. Join your fellow crafters to mold colorful hot glue into shapes. **Limit 10.**



Chicken Party

Thursday, March 20 @ 2:00PM

Ages 3 – 5 with adult. The chicks are coming, the chicks are coming! Help Miss Barbara get ready for our baby chicks as we read, dance, sing, play, and party ... chicken style! **Limit 12.**



Graphic Novel Book Club & Pizza

Tuesday, March 25 @ 5:00PM

Grades 3 – 5. Come join our Graphic Novel Book Club. This month we are reading *Turtle in Paradise* by Jennifer L. Holm. We will have pizza, discuss the book, and create a fun craft to go along with it. Don't forget to stop by the Children's Desk after you sign up to pick up a copy of the book to read and keep. **Limit 10.**



Book Buddies

Thursdays, March 27 and April 24

3:30PM – 4:30PM

Want to hang out with some super cool teens? Teen volunteers will pair up with younger children in the Children's Room and read aloud with them to strengthen early literacy skills. **Limit 12.**



Block Bots

Thursday, March 27 @ 4:00PM

Grades 3 – 6. Experiment with drills and tools to create a one of a kind wooden creature. **Limit 10.**



The Frindle Files Book Club

Tuesday, April 1 @ 4:00PM

Grades 3 – 5. Interested in cool characters? Do you like a mystery? We will chat about the stand-alone sequel to the classic book, *Frindle* by Andrew Clements and work on a book-related activity. Snacks provided! After you register, don't forget to pick up your copy of the book at the Children's Desk. **Limit 10.**



Sock Puppets

Thursday, April 3 @ 4:00PM

Grades 3 – 6. Transform our supply of socks into a stage-ready puppet. **Limit 10.**



Straw Weaving

Tuesday, April 8 @ 5:00PM

Grades 2 – 6. Join Miss Nicole for this creative straw weaving activity. You can turn your weaving into a bracelet, headband, or bookmark. **Limit 15.**



Yarn Chicks

Thursday, April 10 @ 4:00PM

Grades 3 – 6. Come make some fuzzy friends for our newborn chicks. **Limit 10.**



Reader's Theater

Tuesdays, April 15, 22, & 29 @ 4:00PM

Grades 2 – 4.

Join Miss Barbara for a *Reader's Theater* series for three weeks during the month of April. Children will learn how to read scripts and perform popular stories with their peers. Children are expected to attend all three sessions. There will be a brief performance for families at the last session. **Limit 10.**



Paper Cup Easter Baskets

Thursday, April 17 @ 4:00PM

Grades 3 – 6. Try your hand at weaving and make an adorable container for holiday goodies. **Limit 10.**



Switch on the SLED

Friday, April 18; 12:00PM – 3:00PM

Grades K – 6.

Join us to play Nintendo Switch games on the SLED gaming truck! First come, first served.



Nature Monsters

Thursday, April 24 @ 4:00PM

Grades 3 – 6. Let nature be your inspiration to make some unique creatures. **Limit 10.**



Arbor Day Story Time

Saturday, April 26 @ 1:00PM

Ages 3 – 5 years with adult.

Siblings welcome.

Come celebrate trees at a special Arbor Day family story time. A fun, open-ended craft will follow. **Limit 20.**



Teen

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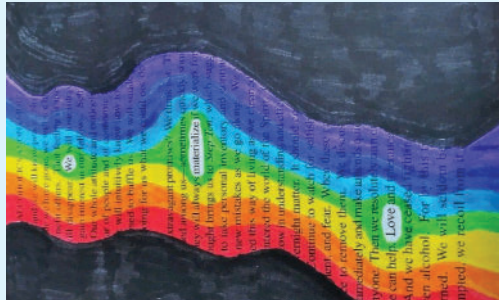
TEEN



REGISTRATION

Blackout Poetry with The LGBT Network

Saturday, March 1 @ 1:15PM–3:00PM



Get ready to transform words into art in this creative and empowering event for youth ages 13-18! Whether you're a seasoned poet or just looking for a new way to express yourself, this is your chance to discover the beauty of your voice through a fun and imaginative activity. **All are welcome.**

Logo Design Contest

Ongoing

Help us create a new logo for our teen space area. Call, email, or stop by to get more information and register. The winner will receive a prize and community service hours!



Teen Discord Moderator

We need a volunteer to help maintain and mod our Discord server! If you have experience and want to help us keep it updated, stop down, email, or call for more information on how to apply. **Gain 4-hrs per month for community service.**



COOKING & FOOD

Yum Vs. Yuck

Fridays, March 7 & April 4 @ 3:00PM–4:00PM

Try different foods from around the world! This one-way ticket is a surprise destination. This is a drop-in program, but supplies are limited. *Please note: Those with food allergies may wish to skip this program.*

Waffle Pops

Wednesday, April 30 @ 3:30PM–4:30PM

Learn how to make waffle pops to take home or eat right on the spot! **Registration required.** *Please note: Those with food allergies may wish to skip this program.*

CREATIVE CORNER

8Bit Mario Art

Monday, March 10 @ 3:30PM–4:30PM

Happy Mario Day! Make mini-Mario-themed block art to take home. **Registration required.**

Music Sharing Group

Wednesdays, March 12 & April 16 @ 6:00PM–7:00PM

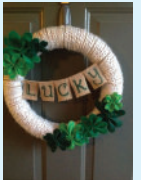
Connect with fellow music lovers! Bring your favorite songs, artists, or playlists to share and if you play an instrument, feel free to jam. All music styles are welcomed and encouraged!



Lucky Wreaths

Wednesday, March 19 @ 3:30PM–4:30PM

Bring some luck to your space by making this DIY wreath.



DIY Reading Buddy

Monday, April 7 @ 4:30PM–5:30PM

Create a cuddly companion to read stories right by your side! **Registration required. 6-person limit.**

DIY Spring Bunny Garland

Wednesday, April 16 @ 4:00PM–5:30PM



DIY your very own spring bunny garland.

Poet-ography

Monday, April 28 @ 4:00PM–5:00PM

Create poetry using book titles, magnetic poetry tiles, and your smartphone!



TABLETOP GAMES

Magic & Misfits

Most Mondays in March & April @ 4:30PM–6:00PM

CONGRATULATIONS YOUNG WIZARD! You've been accepted into Hogwarts as a new student! Join your friends and participate in a series of adventures set in the wizarding world. **There will be no games on March 10, 31 & April 7, 28. Registration required. 10-player max.**

Percy Jackson D&D

Most Tuesdays in March & April @ 5:30PM–7:30PM

Gorgons and griffins and monsters, oh my! Get ready to join in on demigod adventures with a brand new crew and a brand new prophecy. New players are welcomed and encouraged. **There will be no games on March 4 & April 8. Registration required. 10-player max.**

Qmunity

Fridays, March 28 & April 11 @ 3:30PM–4:30PM

Community is everything. Connect, collaborate, commiserate, and create with your community as we learn ways to move forward together.





SCAN QR CODE FOR TEEN REGISTRATION.

All programs are for teens in grades 7 through 12, are drop-ins, and **DO NOT** require registration unless otherwise noted.

FUN & GAMES

Button Making Drop In

Monday, March 3 & Wednesday, April 23
@ 3:00PM–4:00PM

We've got templates for you to create your own buttons!

Anime and Manga Club

Friday, March 14 @ 4:00PM–5:00PM

We will read the first manga in a series and then watch the first episode while eating unique snacks. The anime/manga for March is *Komi Can't Communicate*. **Copies are available at the Teen Reference Desk. Registration required. Limit 5.**



Wicked Party

Wednesday, March 19 @ 6:30PM–7:30PM

Defy gravity by dancing and singing your heart out! Come decked out in pink or green and celebrate with other fans.

Just Dance! Party

Friday, March 14 @ 5:30PM–7:00PM

Dance ridiculously to the best and worst songs Just Dance has to offer.

Mario Kart Tournament

Friday, March 28 @ 6:00PM–7:30PM

Avoid those shells and bananas to compete for a prize! **Registration required. 8-player max.**



Blind Karaoke Party

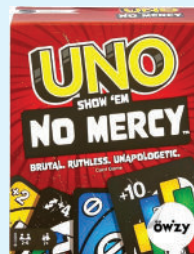
Friday, April 4 @ 7:00PM–8:15PM

Ready to *feel* the music? Forget scrolling through endless playlists, you'll be performing with no idea what song you're about to sing! Take risks, laugh, and let the music play on.

UNO No Mercy Tournament

Tuesday, April 8 @ 4:00PM–5:00PM

UNO Show 'em No Mercy is a more challenging version of the classic UNO card game. It includes new rules, more cards, and tougher penalties. Think you got what it takes? **Registration required. 6-player max.**



Mario Party Minigame Tournament

@ Friday, April 11 @ 5:00PM – 6:00PM

NERF Wars

Friday, April 18 @ 6:45PM–9:00PM

It's that time again... after the library closes, the war begins! Raid our selection, bring water, and try to get here early to review the rules and understand what we're doing before we begin. **Registration required. 24-player max. Arrive no later than 7:00PM, and arrange for pick-up at 9:00PM.**



Super Smash Tournament

Friday, April 25 @ 6:00PM–7:30PM

The only rule? Hero is banned. Compete for a prize. **Registration required. 20-player max.**

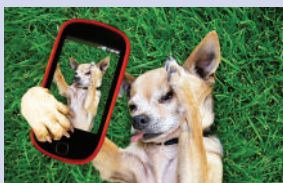


COMMUNITY SERVICE

Adoptagram

Saturdays, March 15 & April 19
@ 12:30PM–2:00PM

This is a unique volunteer opportunity for teens to visit the shelter once a month and combine their love of animal welfare and learn social media management techniques. **Registration required. 6-person max. This event is off-site and transportation is not provided. Permission slip required.**



TAB (Teen Advisory Board)

Fridays, March 7 & April 4 @ 4:00PM–5:00PM

Teen Advisory Board (TAB) is a monthly organization of volunteers who work with the library to help plan programs, buy materials, and run events. **Gain 1-hr of community service for attending this program.**

Green Teens

Mondays, March 17 & April 14
@ 3:00PM–4:00PM

Prep nature and garden crafts while brainstorming environmental activities for Spring and Summer! **Gain 1-hr of community service for attending this program.**

Lego Buddies

Most Wednesdays in March & April
@ 5:00PM–6:00PM

Lego Buddies are teen volunteers who pair up with younger children and aid them with their Lego creations to strengthen their fine motor skills and get creative! **4-person max. Registration required. Gain 1-hr of community service for attending this program.**



Book Buddies

Thursdays, March 27 & April 24
@ 3:30PM–4:30PM

Book Buddies are teen volunteers who pair up with younger children and read aloud with them to strengthen early literacy skills. **6-person max. Registration required. Gain 1-hr of community service for attending this program.**



Community Service Appointments

Email teen@hamptonbayslibrary.org or stop by in person to reserve a time slot to complete an in-house community service kit. Limit of 3 per month, as supplies last. **Please note that community service hours are given with the librarian's approval. Please confirm eligibility requirements with your organization.**

ADULTISH...
REGISTRATION

Adult.. ish

Recently graduated from High School? In your first few years of college? Just hanging out and enjoying life? These programs are for you. All programs are for adults ages 18-30s. Call the Teen Community Center at 631-728-6241 ext. 120 or 121
teen@hamptonbayslibrary.org • www.hamptonbayslibrary.org/teen-services/

Creative Writing Workshop

Wednesdays, March 12 & April 9;
5:00PM-6:30PM

Are you looking for a time and space to write creatively? Join our writers' group to practice writing, share your stories, and hang out!

Classic Dungeons & Dragons

Thursdays, March 27 & April 24 @
5:00PM-7:00PM

DM Nick will be running this classic adventure system! Bring your own character sheet or use a pre-made one. **8-player limit. Registration required.**



Curse of Strahd

Mondays, March 31 & April 28;
5:30PM-7:30PM



Delve into the dark, weird world of Strahd. Players of all levels are welcome. **8-player limit. Registration required.**

Better Futures Book Club

Wednesday, April 23
@ 7:00PM-8:00PM

Join us as we explore stories of resilience, hope, and bold visions for a brighter future. From uplifting adventures to thought-provoking climate fiction, this book club celebrates the power of imagination to inspire change—one page at a time.



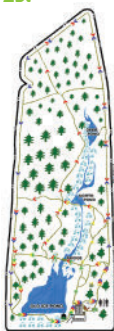
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Wildlife Hikers Club

Wednesdays, March 12, 26 & April 9, 23;
10:00AM-11:00AM

Experience a refreshing walk through the scenic Quogue Wildlife Refuge with fellow hiking enthusiasts and Librarian Stephen. Enjoy the natural beauty of the trails, meet new people, and get some exercise in a relaxed, friendly setting. We'll gather in the parking lot at 9:45AM and begin the hike at 10:00AM. Dress for the natural trail conditions and be prepared for outdoor terrain. **Weather permitting. Open to all.**



Fiddler's Green Concert

Sunday, March 16; 2:00PM-3:30PM

Come and enjoy the music of Fiddler's Green, as they perform traditional music of Ireland and America in an authentic acoustic style. **Co-sponsored by The Friends of the Hampton Bays Public Library.**



Jackie Robinson with the Jackie Robinson Museum, via Zoom

Tuesday, March 18; 6:30PM-7:30PM

In 1997, Major League Baseball retired Jackie Robinson's Brooklyn Dodgers number 42 across major league baseball to commemorate his extraordinary legacy, which extends far beyond his greatness as a baseball player. Join Jackie Robinson Museum curatorial assistant Sidney Carlson White for a conversation about the role Jackie Robinson played, on and off the field, in the growing Civil Rights Movement. **An East End Libraries Event hosted by Westhampton Free Library.**



Trivia Night with Think Inc. Trivia!

Tuesday, March 25; 6:30PM-8:00PM

Join us for an evening of lively trivia, laughter, and fun hosted by Think Inc. Trivia! Pizza will be served, and you may even win a prize. **Registration is required.** This program is generously sponsored by the Friends of the Hampton Bays Public Library.



March Madness Bingo!

Wednesday, March 26; 1:00PM-2:00PM

Join Theresa for March Madness Bingo! Play 8 fun games of Bingo and compete to win spring-themed prizes + gift cards. **SPACE LIMITED. HBPL Card holders ONLY!**

Total Eclipse of the Moon: Night of the Red Moon, via Zoom

Wednesday, March 12; 7:00PM-8:00PM

Late on the night of March 13, the full moon will gradually transform into an eerie glowing globe that will resemble a Japanese lantern hanging in the sky. An eclipse of the Moon is a dramatic natural event charted across centuries and civilizations. Join renowned weatherman Joe Rao to learn more about this celestial event and how to best prepare for this remarkable sight. **An East End Libraries Event hosted by Westhampton Free Library.**



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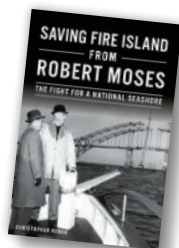
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Saving Fire Island from Robert Moses with Christopher Verga, via Zoom

Thursday, April 3; 7:00PM-8:00PM

In 1932 and again in 1962, urban planner Robert Moses attempted to pave the unspoiled and tranquil shorelines of Fire Island, which led to the creation of the Fire Island National Seashore. (He still has a causeway named after him, though.)

An East End Libraries Event hosted by Westhampton Free Library.



Community Shredding Day!

For HBPL Cardholders ONLY

Saturday, April 12; 10:00AM-2:00PM

Winter Bros. Waste Systems will be in the HBPL parking lot to accept up to 2-3 bags/boxes of household documents **per**

Hampton Bays Public Library Cardholder.

You do not need to remove staples, paperclips, or file folders! **Sponsored by The Friends of the Hampton Bays Public Library.**



Titanic: Voyage and Legacy

Tuesday, April 15; 7:00PM-8:00PM

Join librarian and historian, Jim Ward, to learn the history of the ill-fated ship from its construction through its maiden voyage and discovery at the bottom of the Atlantic in 1985. The legacy and continued interest in the Titanic will also be explored in this lecture.



Walking With Purpose

Thursdays, April 17, 24; 10:30AM-12:00PM

Improve your health AND your community with a refreshing walk around Hampton Bays. Join other Hampton Bays patrons, or bring some friends along, as Librarian Sara guides participants on a local walk while simultaneously cleaning up litter found along the way. You will be happier and your community will be cleaner! **Garbage bags and trash pickers will be provided.**



Shinnecock Kelp Farmers, via Zoom

Tuesday, April 22; 7:00PM-8:00PM

The sugar kelp collected by traditional methods from Shinnecock Bay by the Shinnecock Kelp Farmers is indeed a sweet harvest. It removes toxic levels of carbon and nitrogen from the water, can be used for agriculture, and is laying the foundation for green jobs on the East End. But how did this multigenerational collective of Indigenous women, enrolled members of the Shinnecock Indian Nation, come together? **An East End Libraries Event hosted by the Westhampton Free Library.**



Eating Seasonally with Jessica Milazzo, via Zoom

Tuesday, April 29; 7:00PM-8:00PM

While at the grocery store, do you ever wonder where the produce is coming from, when it was picked, and how far it had to travel to get to you? Learn how to eat more seasonally to ensure your fruits and vegetables have greater nutrition, better taste, and are more cost-effective. Education will include the fruits/vegetables most readily available by season. **An East End Libraries Event hosted by North Shore Public Library.**



Career Attire Clothing Swap!

Saturday, April 5; 1:00PM-3:00PM

Join us for our first Career Attire Clothing Swap! Bring your unwanted professional clothing and accessories and trade them for "new ones." You may bring 6-12 items of clothing that are clean and in good shape to participate. Be prepared to "shop!" **Must drop off items on Saturday, April 5, between 10:00AM and 12:00PM ONLY! Registration required.**



Job Fair Sponsored by the Suffolk County Department of Labor

Wednesday, April 9; 5:00PM-7:00PM

Join us for a job fair in partnership with the Suffolk County Department of Labor featuring local employers looking for local talent. Stony Brook Hospital - Southampton/Eastern Long Island, Suffolk 311 Call Center, IGHL, Affirmed Home Care, and Town of Southampton are among the many participating employers. **Bring copies of your resume and dress to impress. All are welcome. No registration is required.**



The Great Gatsby: 100th Anniversary with Martin Levinson, via Zoom

Thursday, April 10; 7:00PM-8:00PM

First published on April 10, 1925, F. Scott Fitzgerald's *The Great Gatsby* had generally favorable reviews, but disappointing sales. Then the distribution of the novel to American soldiers during WWII launched a re-evaluation, propelling it into the ranks of American classic novels, and onto more than a few high school reading lists. Join us for a new look at the life - and lovelife - of Jay Gatsby of West Egg! **An East End Libraries Event hosted by Westhampton Free Library.**

DANCE

Ballet for Everyone

Tuesdays, March 4, 25 & April 1, 15; 7:00PM-8:00PM

Power, grace and fitness are brought together in this classical form of dance. Brush up on your skills or start learning ballet from scratch. **Be sure to wear comfortable clothes and shoes. No prior dance experience required!**

Great Gatsby Dance Workshop

Fridays, March 28 & April 11, 18; 4:15PM-5:15PM

Calling all Flappers! Get ready to cut a rug and dive into the fabulous dances of the 1920's. This year, we're celebrating the 100th anniversary of *The Great Gatsby*, and we want you to join the fun. Sara will teach you some trendy dances from back in the day including the Foxtrot, the Charleston, and so much more!

Don't have a partner? No problem at all! We can't wait to see you there!



MUSIC

Ukulele Club

Fridays; 12:00PM-1:00PM

Discover the joy of music and community with the Good Ground Ukulele Group guided by librarian Stephen! Whether you're a seasoned ukulele player or a complete beginner, join us for a harmonious experience. Strum along, share your musical passion, and make new friends. Mark your calendar for our upcoming sessions and embark on a tuneful journey together! *Don't own a ukulele? Borrow one of ours at the Circulation desk with your Hampton Bays Public Library card.

For more information or for questions related to music programs, contact Stephen at syoung@hamptonbayslibrary.org.

Adult

***MUST register for ALL Adult Programs beginning at 10:00AM on Monday, February 24 at <https://hamptonbays.librarycalendar.com/> UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED, ALL PROGRAMS ARE IN-PERSON.**

COOKING

There is a non-refundable materials fee for ALL In-Person Cooking Programs due at registration. Classes begin on time. Please avoid arriving late!

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day with Simply Creative Chef Rob Scott Wednesday, March 5; 6:30PM-7:30PM

Enjoy this hands-on class with Chef Rob where he will show you how to make a huge loaf of Traditional Irish Soda Bread ready to take home and bake. **Please bring a large bowl, a mixing spoon, and a small cookie tray. SPACE LIMITED. \$10.00 per person due at registration.**



Best of Spring with Chara's Kitchen and Catering Monday, April 14; 6:30PM-8:00PM

Join Chef Cheryl of Chara's Kitchen and Catering for fresh takes on the Best of Spring harvest. Chef Cheryl will demonstrate how to make Tasty Gnocchi Primavera and the Creamiest Green Goddess Dip with fixings. **SPACE LIMITED. \$10.00 per person due at registration.**



HEALTH & WELL-BEING

Menopause, via Zoom Thursday, March 20; 12:00PM-1:00PM

Dr. Patricia Snyder, an Obstetrics and Gynecology physician with Stony Brook Medicine, will discuss the menopausal transition process, the role of fluctuating hormones, and options for relief from the most challenging symptoms.

Boost Your Brain Health with Nutrition, via Zoom Thursday, April 17; 12:00PM-1:00PM

While some foods are known for enhancing cognitive fitness, other foods can have the opposite effect. However, there is a lot you can do to keep your brain healthy. Stony Brook Southampton Hospital's Director of Clinical Nutrition, Paula Montagna, will speak about the scientifically proven best foods that help your brain stay mentally sharp and focused.

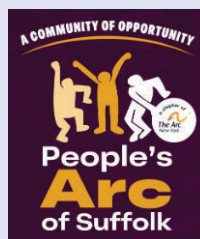


COMMUNITY OUTREACH

The People's Arc of Suffolk - Hiring Now

Wednesday, March 5; 10:00AM-12:00PM

The People's Arc of Suffolk (formerly AHRC Suffolk) supports individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. As a community of opportunity, you can make a lifelong difference by helping people thrive to their fullest potential.



Estate Planning and Elder Law Thursday, March 6; 7:00PM-8:00PM

Join attorney, Kathleen Rose, for this seminar on creating wills, trusts, health care proxies, powers of attorney, plus so much more. Kathleen will also go over Medicaid planning for long-term care, creating trusts and handling estate administration. Please bring any questions you have regarding any area of estate planning.



Turning 65 Seminar Thursday, April 17; 7:00PM-8:00PM

In this seminar, you will be able to speak with Independent Senior Insurance Coordinator, Norma Fioravante, who represents all of the major carriers. She will simplify this complex process...all at no cost to you.



Stony Brook University - Southampton Campus Tuesday, April 22; 11:00AM-3:00PM

The Hampton Bays Library will be participating in an outreach event at Stony Brook University in Southampton to provide information on our available services and programs to the community. We welcome you to stop by our booth to engage with our team, and receive library goodies and free swag!



ARTS & CRAFTS

Registration is required; no fee unless noted. All levels welcome.

Keep Calm & Color On!

Tuesdays, March 4 & April 1; 4:00PM-5:00PM

Join us for a relaxing hour of coloring and conversation. Come see some of the beautiful coloring book designs just for adults. **Materials provided. SPACE LIMITED.**



Knitting Circle

Mondays, March 10 & 24; April 14 & 28; 6:30PM-8:00PM

Gather in this informal group to work on your new and ongoing knitting projects! **SPACE LIMITED.**



Crochet Circle

Tuesdays, March 11 & 25; April 8 & 22; 3:00PM-4:30PM

Gather in this informal group with Debbie to work on your new and ongoing crochet projects! **SPACE LIMITED.**



DIY with Donna - Pressed Flower Bookmarks

Wednesday, April 2 1:00PM-2:00PM

Learn how to upcycle dried flowers to make beautiful pressed flower bookmarks! **Materials provided. LIMITED SPACE.**



FILM

Friday Matinee @ the Library

Every Friday starting at 2:00PM

No registration is required.

Look for movie flyers in the library for the latest schedule details, including movie titles and ratings.



Adult

FITNESS CLASSES

*Please dress comfortably and bring a mat or towel to all yoga classes. Advanced registration is not required, but there is a \$10.00 fee payable at the Circulation Desk before each class unless otherwise noted.**

Mat Pilates with Leisa

Mondays; 11:30AM-12:30PM

With focus on alignment and breath, this effective, full-body exercise flow will leave you feeling your best with improved coordination, strength, flexibility, and balance.

Yoga for Everyone

**Mondays, Wednesdays & Friday
5:30PM-6:30PM**

Relax, stretch, and strengthen in this playful, fun yoga class with Andrea. All levels or experiences are welcome!

Core Yoga with Sarah

Tuesdays; 10:30AM-11:30AM

This yoga class will help you build strength and increase flexibility; meditation and breath will also be explored. Core Yoga is a dynamic series of poses where breath is linked to movement.

Gentle Chair Stretching for Everyone

Thursdays; 1:30PM-2:30PM

Join Susan for guided stretches, exercises and simple yoga poses, primarily seated in a chair. This fun-filled hour includes breathing exercises, relaxation techniques and meditation.

Tai Chi with Nancy

Fridays; 10:30AM-11:30AM

Practice a series of slow, graceful movements, in addition to breathing exercises, designed to improve your balance, flexibility, and overall well-being.

Vinyasa Flow Yoga with Peter

Saturdays; 10:00AM-11:30AM

Peter's class offers advanced stretches and poses. ***Please note this class is 1 1/2 hours and requires a \$15.00 fee.**



LITERATURE GROUPS

All are welcome; no registration is required unless otherwise noted.

Boast or Roast Book Discussion

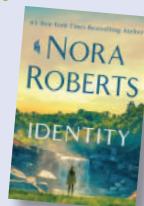
Monday, March 3; 6:30PM-7:30PM

Join librarian Sara at the Hampton Bays Panera for a vibrant discussion about your favorite books, or the ones you would prefer to forget. Grab a warm beverage or a snack and share some of your recent reads; share titles that keep you turning pages or ones we should steer clear of! **Email us at ref@hamptonbayslibrary.org to learn more.**

Oh No, Not Another Book Club!

Tuesday, March 11; 7:00PM-8:00PM

We invite you to join librarian Sara and other book lovers for a casual discussion sharing your thoughts and opinions on the book titled *Identity* by Nora Roberts. **Need a copy of the book? We can request one for you! Reading suggestions are always welcome.**



The History Book Club

Alternate Thursdays; 10:00AM-11:00AM

The History Book Club meets every other Thursday at 10:00AM. Contact the Reference Desk for date and book/topic selections. **All are welcome!**

Read It & Eat It! Book Club

Tuesday, April 8; 12:00PM-1:00PM

This bi-monthly book club is for foodies who love to read cookbooks AND cook. Must bring a prepared dish from the chosen theme along with a copy of the recipe to share.

Registration required. This month's theme is "SPRINGTIME SALADS!"

Monthly Poetry with the Poets Rising Group

Saturdays, March 8 & *April 12; 1:00PM-3:00PM

An informal poetry group facilitated by Beverly Livernoche meets the second Saturday of each month. Please share your original poems or prose, anything goes! ***Please note that in honor of National Poetry Month, April's meeting will be a Poetry Celebration Circle, where poets and poetry lovers can read their own or their favorite poet's work, or just come to listen. All welcome. Registration required.**

eTcHeD iN sOuNd

Thursdays, March 20 & April 17; 1:00PM-2:00PM

Join Stephen, your friendly neighborhood librarian, for a unique spin on the classic book club—Record Listening Club! Each month, we'll explore an iconic album together, diving into its history, themes, and sounds. Whether you're a seasoned vinyl lover or just curious, come share your thoughts, discover new music, and enjoy great conversations. All you need is an open mind and a love for music!



GAMING

No registration is required. Please note that all Gaming room assignments are subject to room availability.

Bridge/Canasta/Mah Jongg

Sundays; 1:00PM-4:00PM

Wednesdays; 10:00AM-1:00PM

Chess Club for Seniors

Mondays; 1:00PM-2:30PM

Join librarian Stephen for our Chess Club and sharpen your skills in a fun, relaxed environment. Whether you're a beginner or an experienced player, this is the perfect opportunity to enjoy the timeless game of chess, meet new people, and keep your mind sharp!



DRIVING



5-Hour Pre-Licensing Class

Saturday, March 15; 10:00AM-3:00PM

***Must arrive no later than 9:45AM!**

Saturday, April 19; 10:00AM-3:00PM

***Must arrive no later than 9:45AM!**

Must bring your photo New York State Learner's Permit, \$60 in cash, and a packed lunch to class.

Empire Safety Council's Defensive Driving Course

Saturday, March 22; 9:30AM-3:30PM

***Must arrive no later than 9:15AM!**

Saturday, April 26; 9:30AM-3:30PM

***Must arrive no later than 9:15AM!**

The Hampton Bays Public Library will offer a one-day driver safety course through the Empire Safety Council DDC. **You will pay the instructor a fee of \$33 per person the morning of with a credit card or exact cash.**



Empire
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Technology

DO YOU HAVE INFORMATION OR TECHNOLOGY QUESTIONS? ►►

1. Contact the Reference Desk at (631) 728-6241 (OPTION 4) 2. Email us at ref@hamptonbayslibrary.org 3. Instant message via the Chat link on our homepage www.hamptonbayslibrary.org 4. To register for any technology programs, please visit <https://hamptonbays.librarycalendar.com/>

TECHNOLOGY CLASSES

iPad Tips & Tricks

(Two Sessions)

Thursdays, March 6 & 13; 10:30AM-12:00PM

Enhance your iPad user experience and join us as we explore commonly used applications such as email access, web browsing, music and video enjoyment, and more. **Please remember to bring your fully charged iPad, along with your Apple ID and password.**



Language Learning with Pronunciator

(Two Sessions)

Thursdays, April 3 & 10; 10:30AM-12:00PM

Do you want to learn a new language? Take this class and become familiar with Pronunciator, the Library's free online language-learning program. You will have access to over 80 languages with self-directed lessons, live teachers, audio-video instruction, and more. After taking this class you will be more comfortable with using this platform while learning a new language. **For a more hands-on learning experience, laptops will be provided.**



Introduction to Virtual Gardening

Tuesday, April 22; 11:00AM-12:00PM

Discover the world of virtual gardening with Librarian Stephen! Learn about the latest gardening apps that help you plan, grow, and manage your garden from the palm of your hand. Whether you're a beginner or seasoned gardener, these tech tools will help you grow a thriving garden with ease. Join us for a hands-on exploration of virtual gardening!



TECHNOLOGY ASSISTANCE

Drop-in Tech Help

Mondays & Wednesdays; 10:00AM-1:00PM

Wednesdays & Thursdays; 5:30PM-8:30PM

Need quick answers to tricky questions about your device (laptop, tablet, e-reader, smartphone, camera)? Visit the Reference Desk for technology assistance. **Please note that device repair and virus removal are not included.** No appointment is required. Help will be provided on a first-come, first-served basis. Sessions are 10 minutes long. Open to all.



Book-a-Librarian

Tuesday Mornings @ 11:00AM & 12:00PM

Thursday Afternoons @ 2:00PM & 3:00PM

Do you have questions concerning technology? Book a free 45-minute appointment with Sara or Stephen for one-on-one assistance with your new device or any of the following topics: Basic Computer • Basic Internet • E-mail • Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, Publisher, Excel • Smart phones & tablets • Apps • Digital Cameras & Photo Management • iPad • Kindle • Live-brary Free Downloads • Social Networking...and more! **Please note that device repair is not included. Limited to Hampton Bays Library cardholders only and an appointment is required. To register, please contact (631) 728-6241 OPTION 4.**



Library News

Seed Lending Library

Get ready to get dirty and have some fun! Stop by the Adult Reference Desk and borrow some seeds to plant and grow. In partnership with the Ecological Culture Initiative, the seeds are provided to you at no cost. We offer a selection of flower, herb, and vegetable seeds. Collect seeds from your healthiest or tastiest crops and donate some back to share with others! **For more information contact (631) 728-6241 OPTION 4.**



Propagation Station

In conjunction with our Seed Lending Library, we encourage you to visit our Plant Propagation Station. This exciting initiative is open to everyone in the community, and you don't need a library card to participate. This station allows you to leave or take home free plant cuttings that you can nurture into beautiful new plants.



NEW! Bottle Filling Station

Stay refreshed with the latest addition to our library; a touchless, sensor activated bottle refill station with a water fountain. This new system offers filtered, chilled water, eliminating the need for single-use plastic bottles. It provides convenient hydration while accurately tracking the number of bottles saved, helping us monitor our environmental impact. Enjoy crisp, clean water while contributing to our sustainability goals. **Made possible by the Friends of the Hampton Bays Library**



Español

CLASES DE INGLÉS (ESL)

Jueves 7:00PM-8:30PM



Estas clases son gratuitas y no necesita registrarse. Para más información por favor enviar un email a la dirección de correo **ESL@hamptonbayslibrary.org**, o llamar a Rita Alfano al teléfono (631) 728-6241 (ext. 123).

DÍA DE TRITURACIÓN DE DOCUMENTOS PARA LA COMUNIDAD!

Sábado, 12 de abril; 10:00AM-2:00PM



¡Es hora de limpiar esos escritorios, armarios y archivadores en su hogar! Winter Bros. Waste Systems estará en el estacionamiento de HBPL para aceptar hasta 3-2 bolsas/cajas de documentos domésticos. **SOLAMENTE por titular de la tarjeta de la Biblioteca Pública de Hampton Bays.** ¡No habrá necesidad de quitar grapas, clips o carpetas de archivos! **Este programa está patrocinado generosamente por The Friends of The Hampton Bays Public Library.**

CLASE PRE-LICENCIA DE 5 HORAS

Sábado, 15 de marzo; 10:00AM-3:00PM

***iDebe llegar antes de las 9:45AM!**

Sábado, 19 de abril; 10:00AM-3:00PM

***iDebe llegar antes de las 9:45AM!**



Debe traer su permiso del estado de Nueva York con foto, **60\$ en efectivo** y un almuerzo para tomar en clase.

CURSO DE MANEJO DEFENSIVO DE EMPIRE SAFETY COUNCIL

Sábado, 22 de marzo; 9:30AM-3:30PM

***iDebe llegar antes de las 9:15AM!**

Sábado 26 de abril; 9:30AM-3:30PM

***iDebe llegar antes de las 9:15AM!**



La Biblioteca Pública de Hampton Bays ofrecerá un curso de seguridad para conductores de 1 día a través del Empire Safety Council DDC. El costo actual es de **33\$ por persona**, independientemente de la edad. Le pagará al instructor en la mañana con un cheque o en efectivo exacto.

FERIA DE EMPLEO – PATROCINADA POR EL DEPARTAMENTO DE TABAJÓ DE SUFFOLK COUNTY

Miércoles, 9 de abril; 5:00PM-7:00PM



Únase a nosotros para una feria de empleo en asociación con el Departamento de Trabajo de Suffolk County en la que participarán empleadores locales que buscan talento local. Stony Brook Hospital - Southampton/Eastern Long Island, Suffolk 311 Call Center, IGHL, Affirmed Home Care y Town of Southampton se encuentran entre los muchos empleadores participantes. **Traiga copias de su currículum y vístase para impresionar. Todos son bienvenidos. No es necesario registrarse.**

¡GUARDA LA FECHA! –

Fiesta Comunitaria

Sábado, 3 de mayo

Conéctese con las organizaciones locales que brindan diversos recursos sociales y de salud para usted y su familia. **Se distribuirán GRATIS alimentos, fórmula para bebés, pañales, productos de higiene y más.** Habrá actividades divertidas y manualidades disponibles para todas las edades. ¡Te esperamos!



APRENDE INGLÉS CON PRONUNCIATOR

pronunciator: Learn a new language!

Con su tarjeta de la biblioteca puedes acceder a este curso gratis en línea que le ayudará a aprender inglés y mejorar sus habilidades lingüísticas. Visite nuestro sitio web para crear una cuenta. ¿Necesitas ayuda? Un bibliotecario en el departamento de Referencia podrá ayudarle a crear una cuenta. ¡Escanee el código QR para comenzar hoy!



THE FRIENDS OF THE HAMPTON BAYS LIBRARY

NEWS!



"Twice Sold Tales" Bookstore

Open every Saturday from 9:00AM-2:00PM

We **WILL NOT** be accepting donations in February.

Please check www.FriendsoftheHBPL.org for updates!



The **Hampton Coffee Company** generously raised money for the Friends of the Library during their opening weekend on Shinnecock Road (former Hamlet and Green Door). They raised \$250 from their customers and matched it for a \$500 total donation. Thank you and welcome to Hampton Bays! We are so excited to have you in our little Hamlet.



• In celebration of the Great Gatsby's 100 year anniversary, we will be hosting... **The Great Gatsby Casino and Cocktails.** Join us for this Adult-Only Evening on **Friday, May 9, 2025 from 5:30PM-9:00PM.** Dress for the roaring 20's! Sign up begins March 1st.

Attention Local Business owners.

If you'd like to be an event sponsor or would like to donate to our raffle at the event please email us! -FriendsoftheHBPL@gmail.com

• We are looking for vendors for our Spring Festival. The event will take place on May 10, 2025 from 10:00AM-5:00PM. **Mark your calendars!**

Interested in joining our board?

We are looking for a new treasurer. Experience with bookkeeping and spreadsheets or willingness to learn necessary.

Three generous sponsors have agreed to fund a **\$6,500 Matching Grant** for the Friends. From March 1-May 31, any money you donate will be **MATCHED!!** You can donate at the Circulation Desk, or via our website indicating, "Matching Grant."

WE WOULD LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU! Reach us at 631-268-0788, FriendsoftheHBPL@gmail.com, or visit us on Facebook@Friends of the Hampton Bays Library. We are also now on Instagram@friendsofthehbpl

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LIBRARY CLOSED

Friday, March 21
Professional Development Day

Sunday, April 20
Easter

LIBRARY BOARD MEETING DATES

Tuesday, March 11
Tuesday, April 8



ART ON DISPLAY

Every month paintings, photography, sculpture and other creative crafts are displayed in the Helen Gould Room located directly off the main foyer. We are pleased to present the following exhibitions:

MARCH: Gina Cariello is a local artist from Riverhead, whose first love of art started with the camera, not the paintbrush, and evolved into the love of all art forms. Her body of work is all about the exploration of abstraction. **An Artist Reception will be held on Sunday, March 2 from 2:00PM-4:00PM in the Helen Gould Room.**

APRIL: April is National Autism Awareness Month. To celebrate and bring awareness to individuals with Autism, **Life Skills Students** from Hampton Bays High School have been creating pieces that will be displayed in the Helen Gould room for the entire month of April. Art has been shown to benefit individuals with Autism and other disabilities in so many ways. Most importantly, art brings joy to the artist and provides a valuable outlet for self-expression.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE THIS NEWSLETTER IN LARGE TYPE PLEASE CALL THE LIBRARY AT 631-728-6241

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Don't let a medical condition stop you from using the library. We'll deliver the library to you! Free home delivery of books, magazines, movies, and more is available to Hampton Bays Cardholders who are physically unable to travel to the library due to illness or disability and for elderly patrons who do not have transportation. **For more information, please call the Circulation desk at 631-728-6241 (OPTION 3).**



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