

At the Library

West Nyack Free Library

Spring 2024



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HOURS

Monday - Thursday
9:30 AM - 9 PM

Friday
9:30 AM - 5 PM

Saturday
10 AM - 5 PM

Sunday
1 PM - 5 PM

HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

March 31
(Easter)

May 27
(Memorial Day)

June 19
Juneteenth

Registration is required for all programs.

Stop by, call, go online, or scan the QR code.



"No winter lasts forever, no spring skips its turn."

- Hal Borland, American writer, journalist and naturalist.

Spring is the most inspiring of seasons. It is the season of new beginnings, warmer days, and emerging from dormancy. I am pleased to share the exciting lineup of spring programming in this newsletter. Library staff have been planning weekly storytimes, monthly book discussions, movie matinees, teen activities, and a variety of other programs for all ages.

One of my favorite rites of spring is celebrating National Library Week in April. Celebrate with us April 7 - 13. This year's theme is: *Ready, Set Library!* We are committed to continuing to be an integral part of the community we serve. We will continue to be the place you come to connect with others, learn new skills, discover a new author, enjoy storytime with your little one, check out a WiFi Hotspot, borrow a museum pass, or view the art displays. We are here for you!

It is a privilege to be serving our community as the Director of the West Nyack Free Library, and I look forward to seeing you in the coming months when you come in to utilize all that our library has to offer. If you have any suggestions, comments, or questions, please share them with me. My office is always open. Or, join me out on the patio under the sunny, spring skies.

Tara Borden, Director

R.E.A.D Therapy Dogs

Tuesdays, March 26, April 30 and May 28 at 4:30 PM

R.E.A.D. helps children of all ages to improve their reading skills and comprehension. Come and read and say hi to our furry friends Greta and Emma. Register Today!



Study, Study, Study

Monday, April 29 - Monday, June 24

The library has it all from our large community room to quiet study nooks that you can reserve, as well as tables and chairs located through the library. Come check us out while you prepare for your finals, AP, IB, Regents, or other exams. Spots are based on a first come availability during our regular library hours.

Defensive Driving Class

Saturday, May 11 from 10 AM to 4:30 PM

You must be present for the entire time to get credit. In-person registration begins on Wednesday, April 17 at 10 AM. You must pre-pay in person with either \$35 in cash or a check made out to the instructor, Ian Prastien.

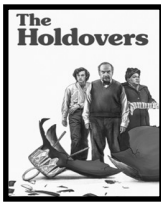


Movies & Book Clubs

Registration is required



Movie Matinees at 1:30 PM



The Holdovers
Saturday, March 2
(R) Drama/Comedy, 2hrs. 13 min.

Encore Movie - Mission Impossible-Dead Reckoning
Wednesday, March 6 at 1 PM
(PG-13) Action/Adventure/
Mystery/Thriller, 2hrs. 43 min.



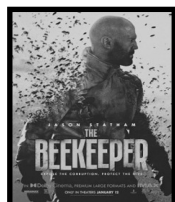
Patron's Pick
Saturday, March 16

The Color Purple
Saturday, April 6
(PG-13) Musical/Drama,
2 hrs. 21 min.



Encore Movie - Oppenheimer
Wednesday, April 10
(R) History/Drama, 3hrs.

PLANE
Saturday, April 20
(R) Action/Thriller/Adventure
1 hr. 45 min.



The Beekeeper
Saturday, May 4
(R) Action/Mystery/Thriller
1 hr. 47 min.

Patron's Pick
Saturday, May 18



Gran Turismo
Saturday, June 1
(PG-13) Action/Drama/Adventure
2 hrs. 14 min.



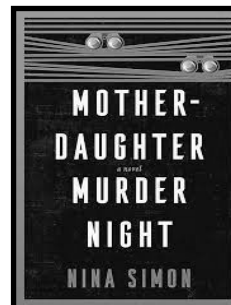
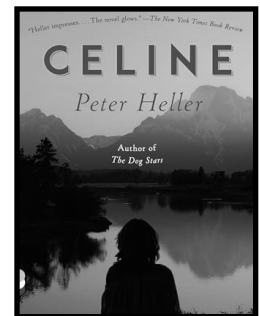
The Outfit
Saturday, June 15
(R) Mystery/Thriller/Crime/
Drama, 1 hr. 45 min.

Just Desserts Mystery Book Club with host Dina Rosco at 2 PM



The Mystery of Mrs. Christie
by Marie Benedict
Wednesday, March 20

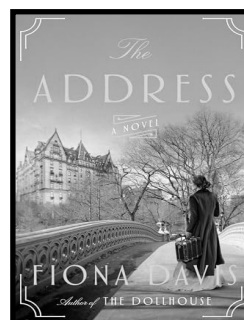
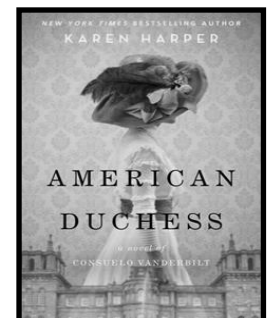
Celine
by Peter Heller
Wednesday, April 17



Mother Daughter Murder Night
by Nina Simon
Wednesday, May 15

Historical Fiction Book Club with host Susan Ferber at 2 PM

American Duchess
by Karen Harper
Wednesday, March 27



The Address: A Novel
by Fiona Davis
Wednesday, May 29

Children's Programs

Registration is required



March

Hora de Cuentos - Bilingual Storytime (Ages 2 & up)

Fridays, March 1, 8, 15, April 12, 26, May 10, 17, 24 & 31 at 10:30 AM

Ven a disfrutar cuentos y actividades aprendiendo Español en un lugar y Seguro.

Come, enjoy stories and interactive activities with Ms. Sandy. Learning Spanish will be fun!



Stories and More (Ages 5 & up) Saturdays, March 2, April 6 & May 4 at 11 AM

A storytime for the older crowd. Listen to a story and then do a craft or other story-related activity.



Sing, Sign & Dance with Ms. Fran (Babies to 5 years)

Mondays, March 4, 18, April 8, 29, May 6 & 20 at 1:30 PM

Lots of musical fun and some simple signs that your young child and caregiver will enjoy. You are registering for all sessions. Please register only the children who are attending. Do not register the caregiver.

Time for Stories with Ms. Myrna (Ages 2 & up)

Tuesdays, March 5, 12 & 19 at 10:30 AM

Simple stories, songs, and lots of fun!



Coding4Kids

Tuesdays, March 5 & Wednesdays, March 13 & 20 at 5 PM

Have an interest in coding? This is an introductory class where you'll learn programming basics. Create an interactive game over the course of 3 one-hour classes. For 2nd to 4th graders or Ages 7 - 10 years old.

Ayuda con la Tarea-Bilingual Homework Help

Tuesdays, March 5, 19, April 2, 9, May 7 & 14 at 5:30 PM

Necesitas ayuda con tus tareas? Pues tenemos la solucion. Ven pregunta por Ms. Sandy y ella te ayudara. Los veo pronto!

Crafty Kids

Wednesday, March 6 at 4:30 PM

Join Ms. Joanne in a seasonal craft geared to kids ages 6 & up.

MakerSpace

Thursday, March 7 at 3:30 PM

Come and share a fun time and imagination. Use your creativity and explore the possibilities. This S.T.E.A.M program is designed for the enjoyment of tweens, 10 - 12 years of age.

Collaborative Storytime & Sensory Play

Saturday, March 9 at 11 AM

Join us for an inclusive storytime and meet-and-greet with the author, followed by sensory fun with explorative and interactive play! Make crafts, play with toys, and make new friends in a sensory friendly space.

Story Tots

Mondays, March 11, 25, April 1, 15 & May 13 at 10:30 AM

Babies to 2 years with a caregiver. Join us in a safe place to socialize, learn and have fun with your young child.



Spring Treats

Tuesday, March 12, April 16, May 21 at 4 PM

Join Michelle Barry, RDN from Shoprite and learn to create healthy and delicious treats. Bring your appetite and your family. All ages are welcome.

Little Bookworms Yoga Storytime

Thursdays, March 14 & 28 at 10:30 AM

Ages 9 months to 5 years. Play, imagine & learn with an extra bit of singing and silliness!



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Hudson River Kids

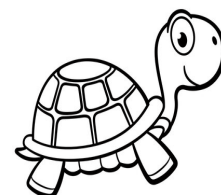
Saturday, March 16 from 10:15 - 10:45 AM or 11 - 11:30 AM

Join us in welcoming a new early learning program. Engage in interactive play based activities that promote developmental milestones. Enjoy music, movement and art!

Turtle Dance Music Show (Hybrid)

Thursdays, March 21, April 4 & May 2 at 10:30 AM

Ages 9 months and up. Come to the library to see a Music and Dance Comedy Show with Turtle Dance Music!



The BINGO Bunch

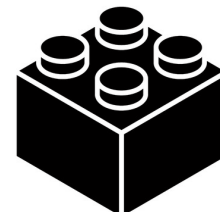
Thursdays, March 21, April 25 & May 23 at 4 PM

Welcome 10 to 12 year olds. Meet new friends or bring some of your own and join the fun. Don't forget your competitive spirit! The winners will receive gift cards.

Lego Challenge Club

Saturdays, March 23, April 27 & May 25 at 10:30 AM

Ages 6 & up. Get together with others who love to build! A new challenge will be issued each month.



Children's & Teen Programs

Children's Programs

4H Agricultural Literacy Program Saturday, March 23 at 1 PM

In celebration of New York Agricultural Literacy Week, volunteers throughout the State will read a book with an agricultural theme. 4-H members will pair hands-on activities related to the book *I LOVE Strawberries* written by Shannon Anderson and Art by Jaclyn Sinnett to extend learning. Come join the fun! Ages 5 - 10 are welcome.

April

Little Artists - Sand Painting Tuesday, April 2 at 10:30 AM

Ages 2 - 6. A sensory experience exploring texture and color mixing. (And it's fun!) Registration required.



Tween - Nail Spa

Wednesday, April 3 at 1 PM
Are your nails ready for spring? Margie from Color Street will help you have beautiful nails. She will provide and apply nail strips of your choice. Come and join the FUN!
Ages 10 - 12 years welcome.

Almost Kindergarten Storytime

Tuesday, April 9 at 10:30 AM
Ages 4 & 5. Getting ready for kindergarten? Stories and an activity that's just right!
Registration is required.

Time for Stories with Ms. Joanne

(Ages 2 & up)
Wednesday, April 10, 17 & 24 at 10:30 AM



Meet the Author - Jane Murphy Wednesday, April 10 at 6:30 PM

Families with children 5 and up. Local photographer, Jane Murphy, found a bald eagle nest in West Nyack. Come hear her story from that discovery to the book *Hi, My Name is Skye: The Baby Bald Eagle of Rockland County*.

Zumbini Time with Tina Thursdays, April 11, 18, May 16 & 30 at 1:30 PM

It's Zumbini time! Join us for music, movement and lots of fun for you and your child! **Babies - 4 years old.**

Earth Day Project Saturday, April 13 at 1 PM

Help us enhance our garden by painting rocks and adding decorative pieces. Treats and refreshments will be provided. **All ages are welcome.**



Intro. to Hip Hop Wednesday, April 24 at 6:30 PM

Join Jackie from Studio Jacked Dance Company in an intro to hip hop class! This upbeat class will definitely get you moving and grooving! Here, we will learn some fundamentals of hip hop dance while incorporating some popular moves you may recognize from Tik Tok! **Ages 10 - 12.**

May

Domino Race Rally Sunday, May 5 at 1:30 PM

Teams ages 6 through adult. You have 1 hour to build the best domino race layout and set it in motion!

Time for Stories with Ms. Myrna Tuesdays, May 7, 14 & 21 at 10:30 AM

Ages 2 and up. Simple stories, songs, and lots of fun!

Spring Cupcakes Saturday, May 11 at 11:30 AM

If you like cupcakes then this is the program for you. Enjoy a fun time using all color icing and treats to decorate your perfect delicious cupcakes.
Ages 10 - 12 are welcome.



Crafty Kids Wednesdays, May 15 & 29 at 4:30 PM

Join Ms. Joanne in a seasonal craft geared to **kids ages 6 & up.**

Toe Tapping Storytime Wednesday, May 22 at 1 PM

Join Lara from Studio Jacked Dance Company in a fun interactive Storytime. Bring your little toes and follow along to the beat. **Ages 2 - 5 years old.**

Teen Programs

March

Teen Advisory Group (TAG) March 7, April 4 & May 9 at 7 PM

Join TAG and share your thoughts and suggestions about books, programs, and games we should purchase for the library. Snacks will be provided.

March and April Teen Happenings

March 1 - April 30
Stop by the Teen Section! Vote for your favorite book for March Madness. Join a collaborative poetry project for Poetry Month in April.

Bling's the Thing Friday, March 15 at 3 PM

Teen Community Service opportunity! Come make two sets of beaded earrings, one to keep and one to donate to domestic violence shelters. With Joan Lloyd from Bling's the Thing.

Scan the QR code to register today!



Teen & Adult Programs

Teen Programs

April

Paint and Sip

Monday, April 29 at 5 PM

Sip refreshments and create a beautiful painting with instructor Melanie. Registration begins April 15.



May

Art and Architecture: 3D Models

Thursday, May 16 at 7 PM

Build 3D city models using cardboard boxes, bottle tops, and paper with instructor Alexis. Registration begins on May 2.

Adult Programs

March

Healthy Meal Planning

Friday, March 1 at 3 PM

Come and learn meal planning tips with dietician Michelle from Shoprite of West Nyack. Tasting to follow.

20th Century Women Photographers: Pushing Boundaries, and Blazing Paths

Friday, March 8 at 2 PM

Discover three outstanding women photographers whose career spanned the 20th century. Imogen Cunningham, Berenice Abbott, and Lee Miller gave us images that record the culture and history of the era. This Zoom program will be presented by art history lecturer, Janet Mandel.



Gentle Chair Yoga

Tuesday, March 12, 19 & 26 at 2 PM

Learn exercises for flexibility and relaxation with instructor Beatrice. Registration is for all 3 sessions and begins on February 27.



Dazzling Czech Glass Bracelet

Wednesday, March 20 at 6:30 PM

Create a beautiful bracelet with crafter Karen Valido. Registration begins March 5. This program is for West Nyack and New City cardholders only. In fairness to all, please sign-up for one jewelry program out of the three.

Special Needs Program

Fridays, March 22, April 5 & May 3 at 10 AM

Enjoy a fun time with friends and show off your competitive spirit. Come and share snacks and activities with us.

History of the Yankees

Friday, March 22 at 2 PM

Celebrate the blue and white pinstripes, and reminisce about the ultimate NY Yankees with sportswriter Martin Gitlin. Registration for this in-person program begins March 8.



A Beginner's Guide to Hiking

Wednesday, March 27 at 6:30 PM

Explore the great outdoors with tour guide Mario Medici. Registration for this in-person program begins March 13.

April

Tai Chi

Tuesday & Thursday, April 2 - June 6 at 3 PM

Join the Rockland County Department of Health to learn the Tai Chi movements. Registration begins on March 19 for all 20 sessions.



Spring Landscape

Wednesday, April 3 at 6:30 PM

Create a seasonal pastel masterpiece with Frann. Registration begins March 20.

Leonard Bernstein: Communicate the Unknowable

Friday, April 5 at 2 PM

Discover the life and career of composer and conductor Leonard Bernstein with entertainment historian John Kenrick. This program is on Zoom.

Spring Necklace

Wednesday, April 17 at 6:30 PM

Design a crystal flower necklace with crafter Karen Valido. You must be a West Nyack or New City cardholder to attend. Registration begins April 2. In fairness to all, please sign-up for one jewelry program out of the three.

Canasta for Beginners

Fridays, April 26, May 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31 at 1:30 PM

Learn how to play Canasta with instructor Linda Gottlieb. Registration is for West Nyack and New City cardholders. Registration begins on April 12 for all 6 sessions.

May

Emerald Necklace

Wednesday, May 8 at 6:30 PM

Create a sparkling necklace with crafter Karen Valido. You must be a West Nyack or New City cardholder to attend. Registration begins on April 23. In fairness to all, please sign-up for one jewelry program out of the three.

Unsolved America: the Northeast

Wednesday, May 15 at 6:30 PM

Discover some famous unsolved mysteries from the Northeastern United States presented by historian Christopher Daley. This program is on Zoom.



Scan the QR code to register today!





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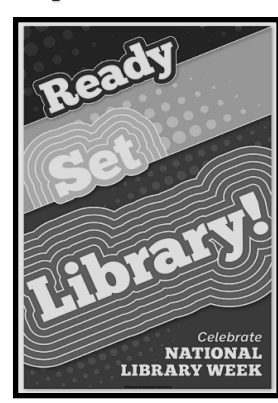
Engrave-A-Paver Fundraiser

"Cement" your relationship with the West Nyack Free Library for generations to come!
 Prices range from \$100 - \$200.
 Come to the library for an application today.



National Library Week

April 7 - 13



Do you have fond memories of the library? Please share them with us. Stop by for a treat!