

At the Library



West Nyack Free Library

Winter 2024 -2025

65 Strawtown Road - West Nyack, NY 10994 - 845-358-6081

www.westnyacklibrary.org

HOURS

Monday - Thursday
9:30 AM - 9 PM

Friday
9:30 AM - 5 PM

Saturday
9:30 AM - 5 PM

Sunday
1 - 5 PM

**HOLIDAY
CLOSINGS**
December 24
Christmas Eve

December 25
Christmas

December 31
New Year's Eve
(Close at 1 PM)

January 1
New Year's Day

January 20
Martin Luther King
Day

February 17
Presidents' Day

Registration is
required for all
programs.

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



Winter is coming! Get ready for the joys of the coldest season: cozy nights by the fireplace, a stack of books on the coffee table, baking sweet treats, and a forecast that calls for snow. These are a few of my favorite things!

I hope one of your favorite things is to visit the Library. We have some amazing programs lined up in the next few months. Here are a few of the highlights to warm you up and entertain:

Plushy Pal Stuffed Animal Sleepover - Tuesday, December 3 at 6:30 PM

The library is hosting a sleepover for your stuffed animals! Children can bring their plushy pal to the library, read them a bedtime story, and tuck them in for the night. Come to pick up the next day and see what fun they got into overnight.

New Year's @ Noon - Tuesday, December 31 at 11 AM

Join us in saying goodbye to 2024 with a special family celebration. We'll greet 2025 with noise makers, treats and Jackie the Magician's Magic Show.

Teen Vision Board Workshop - Thursday, January 9 at 6 PM

Set intentions and visualize goals for 2025! Teens will have the opportunity to create a vision board to hang in their rooms, providing daily inspiration.

Speed Puzzle Tournament and Puzzle Swap - Saturday, January 25 from 1 - 4 PM

Teams of up to four players will work to assemble a new, unopened 500 piece puzzle. Teams will have 150 minutes to complete the puzzle. Even if you don't compete, you're invited to bring puzzles from home (no missing pieces, please!) and swap with your fellow puzzle enthusiasts.

Finally, I know this time of year is jam-packed with holiday shopping, company parties, friends and family arriving from near and far, and cookies (so many cookies) - all joyful things. But if you need a break from the hustle and bustle, aren't feeling the spirit of the season or just need a place to escape the cold, the Library is here for you in this and every season.

Have a wonderful winter and a happy 2025!

Tara Borden, Director

American Red Cross Blood Drive
Saturday, December 14 &
Thursday, February 13 from 10 AM - 2 PM



The West Nyack Library is partnering with the American Red Cross. Make your appointment to donate blood and give hope to others. When you donate, you are part of a lifesaving cause! Register through the American Red Cross website:

www.redcross.org

Movies & Book Clubs

Registration
is required



MOVIE MATINEES AT 1:30 PM



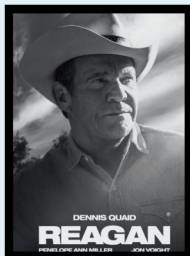
Twisters
Saturday, December 7
(PG-13) Action/Adventure/
Suspense, 2 hrs.

Christmas in Connecticut (1945)
Saturday, December 21
(G) Comedy/Romance, 1 hr. 41 min.



The Forge
Saturday, January 4
(PG) Drama/Family/Faith Based,
2 hrs.

Beetlejuice Beetlejuice
Saturday, January 18
(PG-13) Dark Comedy/
Paranormal,
1 hr. 45 min.



Reagan
Saturday, February 1
(PG-13) Biography/Drama
2 hrs. 20 min.

Patron's Pick
Saturday, February 15
Check the Library's Web Page
and Calendar after Jan. 25 to
see what film was selected.



Just Desserts Mystery Book Club with Dina at 2 PM



The Cuban Heiress
by Chanel Cleeton
Wednesday, December 18

Symphony of Secrets
by Brendan Slocumb
Wednesday, January 15



The Phoenix Crown
by Kate Quinn & Janie Chang
Wednesday, February 19

Historical Fiction Book Club with Susan at 2 PM



In Farleigh Field
by Rhys Bowen
Wednesday, January 8

By Her Own Design
by Piper Huguley
Wednesday, February 5



Y2K Book Club at 6:30 PM (will meet at the 1840 Tavern, West Nyack)

Legends & Lattes
by Travis Baldree
Monday, December 30



The Tainted Cup
by Robert Jackson Bennet
Monday, January 27

The Ministry of Time
by Kaliane Bradley
Monday, February 24



Children's Programs

Registration
is required



December

Plushy Pal Stuffed Animal Sleepover

Tuesday, December 3 at 6:30 PM

Has your favorite stuffed animal ever had a sleepover at the library? Well, this is their lucky day. Bring your stuffed animal, read them a bedtime story and put them to bed. Come to pick them up the next day and see what they got into overnight. Please bring your best behaved ones, we don't want any TROUBLE.

Storytime Adventures

Wednesdays, December 4, 11 & 18 at 10:30 AM (Ages 2 & up)

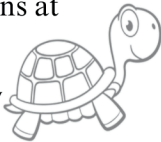
Go on a Storytime adventure with Ms. Joanne. Enjoy stories, songs, a craft and loads of fun!



Turtle Dance Music Show (Hybrid)

Thursdays, Dec. 5, Jan. 16 & Feb. 6 at 10:30 AM

Musical excitement begins at your library! Enjoy a sensory-friendly music, dance and comedy show with lots of silly fun.



Holiday Origami

Friday, December 6 at 11:30 AM

Make a Santa, a dreidle, and more using just some special papers. Come in and try it!

Stories and More

Saturdays, Dec. 7, Jan. 4 & Feb. 1 at 11 AM

(Ages 5 & Up)

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



Sing, Sign & Dance with Ms. Fran

Monday, December 9 at 1:30 PM

Lots of musical fun and some simple songs that you and your young child will enjoy. Babies to 5 years old welcome.



Pajama Storytime

Tuesday, December 10 at 6:30 PM

Put on a pair of cozy pajamas, bring your favorite stuffed toy, and get ready to have fun at the library! Join us as we sing songs and read wonderful books to wind down for the day. This event is BYFB (Bring your favorite book) if you would like to read it to the group, BUT if not don't FRET we have plenty of books to choose from. See you soon!

Little Bookworms Yoga Storytime

Thursdays, Dec. 12, Jan. 9, Jan. 23 & Monday, Feb. 10 at 10:30 AM

Play, imagine, and learn with an extra bit of silliness and singing.



Hora de Cuentos

Fridays, Dec. 13, 20, Jan. 10, 17, 24, Feb. 14, 28 at 10:30 AM

Ven a disfrutar cuentos y actividades aprendiendo Espanol en un lugar feliz y seguro. Come, enjoy stories and interactive activities with Ms. Sandy. Learning Spanish will be fun!



Holiday Treats

Monday, December 16 at 5 PM

Michelle Barry, RDN from Shoprite brings her favorite holiday treats for all of us to make and taste. Bon appetite!

Storytots

Mondays, Dec. 16, 23, Jan. 13, 27, Feb. 24 at 10:30 AM

Babies with caregivers will be able to participate in new learning through play activities. Join the fun in a safe place to socialize, learn and have fun with your young child.

Crafty Kids

Wednesday, December 18 & January 8 at 4:30 PM

(Ages 6 & up)

Join Ms. Joanne in a seasonal craft geared to school age kids.

Winter Rocks!

Monday, December 23 at 5 PM

Learn about different winter holidays, decorate your own winter rock and celebrate with friends. Rock On!

Little Artists - Make Art with Magnets

Friday, December 27 at 11 AM

Bring your little artist for an hour of creative fun. Dress for a mess just in case! Ages 3 -6 (older siblings welcome, please register.)

Let's Play Bingo

Monday, December 30 at 1:30 PM

If you like going to the movies and shopping this is your lucky day. Come try your luck and win MOVIE TICKETS or GIFT CARDS. Register soon!

New Year's@Noon

Tuesday, December 31 at 11 AM

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January

Storytime Adventures (Ages 2 & up)

Wednesdays, January 8, 15 & 22 at 10:30 AM

Go on a Storytime adventure with Ms. Joanne. Enjoy stories, songs, a craft and loads of fun!

Children's & Teen Programs

Registration
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Hudson River Kids

Saturday, January 11 at 11 AM
Engage in interactive play-based activities that promote developmental milestones. Enjoy music, movement and art!

It's "Dough" Day!

Tuesday, January 14 at 11 AM
(Ages 2-5)
Is it sensory play? Process art? Or are the kids just having fun? Whichever it is, it's sure to be a hit with the 2-5 crowd. Wear old clothes, just in case. We'll supply the "dough," and accessories.

Lego Challenge Club

Saturdays, January 18 & February 22 at 11 AM
Do you love Lego? Get together with others who love to build! See if you can complete the challenge of the month. **Ages 6 & up** are welcome.

Crafternoon Challenge

(Ages 5 & up)
Wednesday, January 29 at 4:30 PM
Use the materials supplied to create something special that fulfills the challenges posted that day in the Community Room. Have fun and take home a small gift for Chinese New Year!

February

Time for Stories with Ms. Myrna
Tuesdays, February 4, 11 & 25 at 10:30 AM
Stories, songs and lots of fun!
Ages 2 and up are welcome.



Crafty Kids- Sewing Academy
Wednesdays, Feb. 5, 12, 19 & 26 at 4:30 PM (Ages 7 & up)

This is a four session series. Kids will learn basic sewing techniques starting from the very beginning...threading the needle. Each session will build on previous lessons. Kids will take home a completed sewing project at the close of week four.

SATUR-YAY Grilled Cheese Event

Saturday, February 8 at 12:30 PM
Attention TWEENS! (10-12 yrs old)
Say cheese! Will it be cheddar, the spicy pepper jack, or the elegant swiss that tickles your taste buds? Kids will be whipping up yummy grilled cheese sandwiches and trying different dipping sauces. Don't be cheesy and come and join the fun!

Author Rane Taylor

Monday, February 10 at 5 PM
Author Rane Taylor reads her book "Different But The Same" and create a personalized bookmark.

Little Artists - Make Art with Jar Lids

Tuesday, February 18 at 11 AM
Ages 3 -6 (Older siblings welcome) Bring your little artist for an hour of creative fun. Dress for a mess just in case!



Stop - Wait - Think First!

Thursday, February 20 at 1 PM
Jenga! Kerplunk! Come, test your mental and physical prowess with our traditional tabletop games.

Winter Critter Art

Friday, February 21 at 1 PM
Create your own wintery scene on a wooden slice with pebbles, branches and cool decorative pieces.

Teen Programs

December

Ugly Holiday T-Shirt Decorating
Thursday, December 5 at 6 PM
Unleash your creativity and humor at our Ugly Holiday T-Shirt Decorating Event! Transform a plain T-Shirt into a unique holiday masterpiece!

Taylor Swift Bingo

Thursday, December 12 at 6 PM
Calling all Swifties! Show off your love for Taylor Swift at our Swiftie bingo night! Play for a chance to win prizes while enjoying music and hanging out with fellow fans.

Teen-y Tiny Art Show - Take and Make

Sunday, December 15
Starting December 15, teens can grab a Take and Make Kit with everything needed to create a mini masterpiece! Submit your finished art by January 15 for a chance to be featured in our Teen-y Tiny Art Show and win prizes. Voting runs until February 15th, with winners announced soon after. Don't miss this chance to showcase your creativity!

YA Take and Makes

December, January & February 15
Grab your YA take-and-make craft kit, available for pickup on the 15th of every month!

Teen Advisory Group Meetings

Thursdays, December 19, January 16 & February 13 at 6 PM

Join our Teen Advisory Group. Share your thoughts regarding books, programs, games and more. Plus, earn community service hours while having fun with friends! New members are always welcome.

January

Teen Vision Board Workshop

Thursday, January 9 at 6 PM

Join art teacher Frann Rizzo at the library to set intentions and visualize your goals for 2025. You'll create a vision board to hang in your room and inspire your future!

Escape to Paradise: Flamingo Snow Globes

Thursday, January 23 at 6 PM
Warm up this winter at our Escape to Paradise: Flamingo Snow Globe Workshop! Join us at the library to craft your own tropical-themed snow globe featuring vibrant flamingos and a touch of paradise.

Nature's Flow: Mindful Yoga for Teens

Saturday, January 25 at 11 AM
Join us for Yoga led by yoga instructor Emma Goldman. Discover the harmony between breath, movement, and the rhythms of nature in this supportive beginner-friendly session.

Teen & Adult Programs

Registration
is required



Frosting Frenzy: Cupcake Decorating for Teens

Thursday, January 30 at 6 PM

Join us for a Frosting Frenzy, a fun cupcake decorating event for teens! Denise from Caked Up Cafe will show you how to create amazing designs, and all supplies are provided. Just bring your sweet tooth and imagination!

February

Valentine's Day Beaded Bracelet

Thursday, February 6 at 6 PM

Join us for a fun and festive evening creating your own beaded bracelet with crafter Karen Valido - perfect for sharing with friends or keeping for yourself!

DIY Mini Foosball Table

Thursday, February 20 at 6 PM

Create your own mini foosball table and enjoy friendly competition with friends. No experience needed - just bring your creativity!

Adult Programs

December

Delicious Dips

Wednesday, December 4 at 6 PM

Come and learn how to prepare tasty dips with dietician Michelle from ShopRite of West Nyack. Registration begins November 20.

Friday Morning Get Together - Special Needs Program

Fridays, Dec. 6, Jan. 3 & Feb. 7 at 10 AM

Join us for games, coloring, crafts and puzzles. Enjoy snacks and have fun with friends.

Holiday Lights of New York City

Friday, December 6 at 2 PM

Join us for a photo slide tour of the holiday lights and window decorations of NYC with lecturer Mario Medici. Registration begins on November 22.

Senior Chair Yoga for "Every Body"

Tuesdays, Dec. 17, Jan. 21 & Feb. 25 at 11:30 AM

Chair Yoga is a gentle way of improving joint mobility, muscle flexibility and balance. It's a modified version of traditional yoga that includes the same elements, such as breathing techniques, meditation and physical poses. Seating is limited. Registration is required for each session.

January

Adult Winter Reading Bingo

Begins January 2 to February 28
Read, Play, Win! Get FIVE squares in a row (horizontal, vertical or diagonal) and enter for a chance to win a gift card. Get the Bingo cards at the library, or on our website. Bingo ends on February 28.

Getting Started with Journal Writing

Wednesday, January 15

(snow date: January 22) at 6:30 PM
Learn the technique of creative writing with instructor Gabrielle Esposito. Registration begins on January 2.

Sparkling Snowflake Necklace

Wednesday, January 22 at 4 PM

Create a winter necklace with crafter Karen Valido. Registration begins on January 8 for West Nyack and New City cardholders.

What's It Worth Appraisal Program

Friday, January 24 at 1:30 PM

Learn what determines value of your antiques and collectibles with auctioneer and appraiser Mike Ivankovich. Each attendee is invited to show 1 -2 items for Mike to appraise. This program is on Zoom. Registration begins on January 10.

Decorative Coaster

Wednesday, January 29 at 6:30 PM

Use magazines and pictures to craft your own tile with instructor Frann. Registration begins on January 15.

February

History of West Nyack: Things You May Not Know or Thought You Knew

Sunday, February 9 at 2 PM

Come reminisce the history of West Nyack with Larry Kigler.

Winter Fun Adult Bingo

Wednesday, February 12 at 1:30 PM

Calling all Bingo lovers! Join us for an afternoon of BINGO and a chance to win some prizes. Registration begins on January 29.

Understanding Artificial Intelligence

Wednesday, February 12 at 6:30 PM

Discover the world of artificial intelligence and how it is applied in the real world with web developer Eddi Khaytman. Registration is required.

The Routes to the Motor City: American Rhythm, Blues and Soul

Saturday, February 22 at 1:30 PM (Snow Date: March 29)

Explore and learn the history and development of African-American influences on post WWII music. Sway to the beat with Dawn Indermuehle and Rick Spencer as they perform some of their favorite pop songs of the 1950s and '60s.

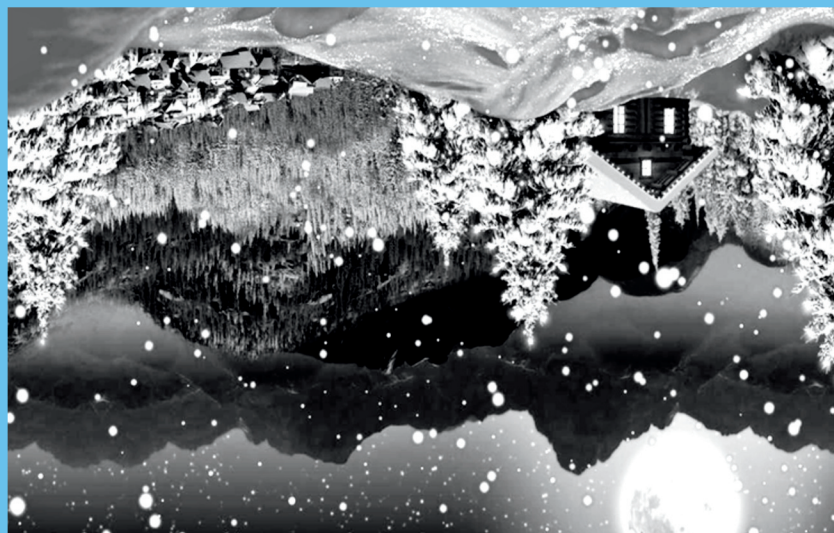
Wardrobe & Color: Projecting the Best Image of You!

Wednesday, February 26 at 6:30 PM

Learn tips and tricks to elevate your personal style with Certified Image Consultant Laura Tappan. Registration begins on February 12.

Registration is required.





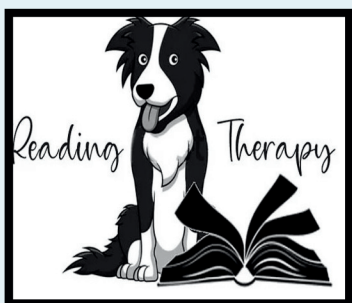
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**Tuesdays, December 17, January 14
and February 18 at 4:30 PM**

**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.**

Speed Puzzle Tournament and Puzzle Swap

Saturday, January 25 at 1 PM

Teams up to four players are assigned a new, wrapped unopened 500-piece puzzle. Teams have 150 minutes to complete the puzzle. The winner will be the first team to finish or, if no puzzles are completed, the team with the fewest puzzle pieces remaining.

Even if you don't compete, you're invited to bring puzzles from home (no pieces missing, please!) and swap with your fellow puzzle enthusiasts.

Details:

- Team captain registers for the team. Teams may have up to four players. The captain will be the primary contact for the event.
- Registration is limited to six teams.
- Individuals may register and be assigned to form a team of four.
- Prizes awarded to the first-place team, with the other teams entered into a drawing for additional prizes.
- There is no cost to register.