

January 2021

SHELTER ISLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY MONTHLY EVENTS



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THE BRIGHT SIDE

Looking back on 2020, we can definitely remember many dark times and tough moments. But here at the library, we decided to reflect on the brighter moments of 2020. Here are a few reflections from the library crew:

I am thankful for having such caring, supportive and fun co-workers. It makes coming into work a pleasure every day.

I am thankful for all the delicious cakes and cookies that Sandra & Terry bring in!!

I found such great joy when we began to circulate items through the curbside pickup. Although certainly far from our normal, to be able to offer what had been blocked to our community for so long was just wonderful.

I'm grateful that my workplace makes me feel like a kid in a candy store, in that there's always something new and interesting to pick off the shelves. So many books; so little time!

I was grateful to discover Ted Talks. One of my favorites was how you could learn just about anything in 20 hours.

I'm super grateful for audiobooks, but mainly I'm grateful for my amazing coworkers and the awesome team I'm happy to be a part of.

I felt so fortunate that I was always connected to the library "family" through a daily check in on Slack. It helped us move forward with projects, but allowed for some laughs and the warm give and take we enjoy when we work together in person.

I was very grateful to have had the opportunity to contribute and share helpful resources on our social media platforms!

I'm really grateful for our patrons who are so kind and appreciative and engaged.



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THE MONTHLY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

will be held on **Monday, January 11th at 7:00pm**. The annual Board of Trustee meeting and Trustee election will take place on **January 23rd at 7:00pm**. The meetings will take place via Zoom. Notice of how to join to listen to the meeting will be posted on the front door of the library, the library website and listed in the *Shelter Island Reporter* and the *Shelter Island Gazette*.

WE WILL BE CLOSED

on **January 1st** for New Years Day and on **January 18th** in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr.

SHINGLES AND PNEUMONIA SHOTS AT THE LIBRARY

On Wednesday, January 27th a pharmacist from Rite Aid will be at the library to administer Shingles and Pneumonia shots at the library. To reserve your space or for more information, please contact Nurse Mary Kanarvogel at nursemary@shelterisland.k12.ny.us

SAVE THE DATE

Friday Night Dialogue: February 5th, 7:00pm: Celebrating the Chinese New Year with Feng Shui

Certified Fung Shui expert Laura Cerrano will explain how to create harmony and positivity in your living space.

BOOK SALE ROOM

While the Book Sale room remains closed, we are accepting gently used book donations. Please leave all donations in the book bin by the Book Sale Room entrance. We are asking that you leave no more than one box of book donations per month. Please, no magazines, textbooks or books in poor condition.

FOR ADULTS

To register for Adult Programs please go to www.silibrary.org and scroll down to our Calendar of Events. All adult programs in January will take place online. Please register for all programs at least 30 minutes before the program to receive the link to attend. Please send any programming questions to jozolins@silibrary.org

FRIDAY NIGHT DIALOGUES

ERIN COUGHLIN - AGATHA CHRISTIE: REIGNING QUEEN OF MYSTERY

Friday, January 8, 7:00pm

Join author Erin Coughlin for an interactive presentation exploring Agatha Christie's influence on modern literature, film, TV and pop culture. The program will include an introduction to Mrs. Christie's early influences and her popular characters. There will also be a discussion of how she created the blueprint for common plots, characters, and themes that are used by modern storytellers in a variety of media.

RICHARD WEBB, JR. - BOATS AGAINST THE CURRENT: THE ORIGINS OF THE GREAT GATSBY

Friday, January 22nd, 7:00pm

Author and Gatsby scholar Richard Webb Jr., will discuss his book *Boats Against the Current: The Honeymoon of Scott and Zelda*; his related award-winning documentary *Gatsby in Connecticut* (of which he was Executive Producer) and the origins of the iconic novel *The Great Gatsby*. This is an East End Libraries Event, with Westhampton Free Library.



TIE-DYE FACE MASKS: Tuesday, January 12th through Saturday, January 16th

All of the materials are provided for you to be able to create your stylish new tie-dye mask! Masks are made of cotton and are washable. Groovy! Supplies are limited. Please register online to pick up your kit.



ANYONE CAN DRAW: Thursday, January 14th, 4:00pm

Have you ever said, "I can't draw a straight line?" For anyone who enjoys drawing, this workshop with artist and teacher Joyce Raimondo will show you simple techniques to improve your observational drawing skills. In this fun and relaxed session, get together with your family members to learn basic contour drawing skills geared towards people of all levels.



SPICE CLUB: FENUGREEK FRIED BREAD (TAKE AND MAKE)

Tuesday, January 12th through Saturday, January 16th

Try something new and tasty! Participants may pick up spices to make fenugreek fried bread (you will need to supply a few basic ingredients of your own). We'll provide a recipe and some information about fenugreek. Send us photos of your bread!

ART/RICH POETRY ROUNDTABLE, A LITERARY CLUB: Tuesdays, January 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th 4:00 to 5:30pm

The Art/Rich Poetry roundtable meets every Tuesday to discuss poetry in depth. We read poets of all styles and points of view from classical times to the present, and welcome readers of poetry who enjoy meeting with fellow lovers of poetry for lively discussion. No onerous rules: bring a poem and your enthusiasm.

TAI CHI WITH DENISE GILLIES: Wednesdays, January 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th, 5:00pm

Tai Chi is an ancient Chinese health practice that provides a wide range of mind/body benefits. The easy-to-follow fluid movements will improve balance, flexibility, concentration and create a peaceful mind. If you find yourself in a world that is presenting more and more stress and distractions, give yourself an opportunity to be still and learn these skills of well-being. Denise Gillies is a certified instructor who has been practicing and teaching on the East End for the past ten years. Her teaching style is relaxed and enthusiastic.

HERBALISM 101: NERVINE TEA: Tuesday, January 19th to Saturday, January 23rd. Limited to 20 people.

Come pick up ingredients and tea bags to mix your own calming and rejuvenating herbal tea to beat the winter blues! Bags will also include detailed herbal profiles for each herb and important introductory information about herbalism. Please be ready to learn before you sip! Supplies are limited. Please register online.

TWO MYSTERY SLEUTHS PRESENT: WRITING A MYSTERY...NOT A MYSTERY!: Thursday, January 21st, 5:30pm

Do you love mysteries? Ever thought about writing one? Join us for an interview and discussion with two accomplished mystery writers, Claudia Riess and Marcia Rosen. They'll talk about inspiration, character development, mystery series, dialogue, and other nuts-and-bolts issues of the mystery genre. There will be a question and answer session as well.

VIRTUAL PET MEET AND GREET: Friday, January 29th, 6:00pm

Feeling stuck at home? Are your pets feeling stuck at home? Or maybe they're feeling stuck that you're constantly at home! Settle down with your pet and your computer and meet other folks and their pets, chat about the ups and downs of pet ownership. Perfect for families.

FOR ADULTS

BOOK CLUBS

SHELTER ISLAND BOOK CLUB

Team of Rivals: The Political Genius of Abraham Lincoln by Doris Kearns Goodwin

Tuesday, January 19th, 4:30pm

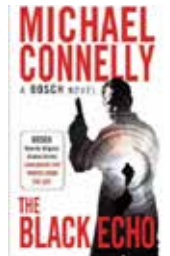
This bestseller by acclaimed historian Goodwin illuminates Lincoln's political genius. Lincoln's ability to put himself in the place of others helped him overcome obstacles and won him respect from his former competitors who marshaled their varied talents to preserve the Union and win the war. *Because this is a long book, we will discuss it in both the January and February Book Club meetings.*



MYSTERY BOOK CLUB

The Black Echo by Michael Connelly: Monday, January 25th, 5:00pm

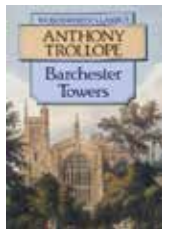
The first in the famous Harry Bosch series of mysteries, *The Black Echo*, concerns a body found in the drainpipe of the Mulholland dam in L.A. The victim turns out to be a Vietnam vet, like Bosch. The case will challenge Bosch to his limits as he fights enemies within and without the police department.



TROLLOPE BOOK CLUB – NEW!

Barchester Towers: Saturday, January 30th, 2:00pm

Barchester Towers, published in 1857 by Anthony Trollope, is the second novel in his series known as the "Chronicles of Barsetshire". Among other things, it satirizes conflicts within the Church of England. Join us as we explore the works of Anthony Trollope.



SAVVY SOCIAL SECURITY PLANNING: WHAT BABY BOOMERS NEED TO KNOW

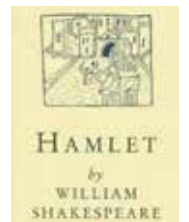
Wednesday, January 20th, 6:00pm

After being told for years that Social Security is going broke, baby boomers are realizing that it will soon be their turn to collect. The decisions you make now can have a tremendous impact on the total benefits you receive over your lifetime. Learn the basics as well as little known strategies for maximizing your benefits. Learn when it makes sense to delay benefits, how earnings affect your benefits, how benefits are taxed, how to integrate benefits with other retirement income sources, and how to coordinate benefits with your spouse. Presented by Bud Levy, CFP and Evan Levy, Financial Advisor of Nest Egg Advisors, Inc.

SHAKESPEARE IN COMMUNITY ONLINE:

HAMLET: Saturday, January 23rd, 12:30pm

"Brevity is the soul of wit." "There are more things in Heaven and Earth, Horatio, than are dreamt of in your philosophy." "Something is rotten in the state of Denmark." "Alas, poor Yorick, I knew him Horatio." This month we will explore Shakespeare's most oft-quoted tragedy, the story of student Hamlet, tormented by his father's death.



INTERMEDIATE FRENCH CONVERSATION: Thursdays, January 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th, 2:00pm

Would you like to improve your French conversation skills? In this program, you will listen to a podcast (innerfrench.com) at home before the meeting. We will have a group discussion on the weekly topic. Subjects covered will be wide-ranging with a new topic each week. Alix Shearer (native French speaker and Shelter Islander) will facilitate. There is no fee for this program but registration is required and space is limited.

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESL): Thursdays, January 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th, 7:00pm

Learn English virtually using Zoom with former English as a Second Language and Spanish teacher, Teri Piccozzi. Everyone is welcome and the class is free.

Aprende inglés virtualmente usando Zoom con la ex profesora de Inglés Como un Idioma Secunda y de Espanol, Teri Piccozzi. Todos son bienvenidos y la clase es gratis. Para registrarse en este programa visite www.silibrary.org

You may register for all programs at www.silibrary.org.

FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES – PROGRAM PACKAGES

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FAMILY PROGRAMS

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EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAMS

FOAM PUZZLES

Ages: 2-5. Pick Up Between: Tuesday, January 5th and Saturday, January 9th

Using a foam sheet with pre-drawn puzzle pieces on one side and the provided markers you can draw and color in your own picture. Then, have an adult help you cut out the pieces so you can put your puzzle together. Perfect for motor skills and hand-eye coordination.

FLUBBER

Ages: 2-5. Pick Up Between: Tuesday, January 19th and Saturday, January 23rd

Pick up your kit and make flubber at home! It's similar to slime but has an interesting "breakable" quality to it for endless fun. A great form of sensory play!

SCHOOL AGE PROGRAMS

DIY SCRATCH BOARDS

Ages: 6+. Pick Up Between: Tuesday, January 5th and Saturday, January 9th

Grab your kit and get ready to create your own scratch board! Most materials are included; you produce the dish soap. Then all you need is your imagination and creativity!

FLYING SAUCER

Ages: 6+. Pick Up Between: Tuesday, January 19th and Saturday, January 23rd

Did you know that Science Fiction Day is in January? Get your science-fiction on and have fun creating your very own paper plate flying saucer, complete with pompom alien!

STUFFED ANIMAL ALIEN

Ages: Toddler to Teen. Pick Up Between: Tuesday, January 26th and Saturday, January 30th. Kits are limited!

Following up with our alien theme, pick up your very own stuffed animal! Using the provided materials you can stuff your alien, name it, and figure out its very own date of birth.

TEEN PROGRAMS

MICROWAVE COOKIE IN A MUG:

Ages: 14+. Pick Up Between: Tuesday, January 12th and Saturday, January 16th

Pick up the dry ingredients needed for this easy microwaveable chocolate chip cookie in a mug! You will need: your favorite (microwave safe) mug, butter, an egg yolk, and vanilla extract (optional).

ORIGAMI DRAGON

Ages: 12+. Pick Up Between: Tuesday, January 26th and Saturday, January 30th

Pick up your kit and learn how to make your very own origami dragons! Using your knowledge you could even create your own dragon army or at least a little desk companion.

