

PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Please register for all programs on our website www.silibrary.org. Take & Make quantities are limited. Spaces are limited for all in-person programs. Masks are required for children 2 and over.

EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAMS

STORY TIME AT THE LIBRARY

Saturday, February 5th and
Saturday, February 19th, 10:30am 🏠

Come join Sara at the library for story time! Spaces are limited so be sure to register early.



LOVE BUGS

Pick up your kit between Tuesday, February 8th and Saturday February 12th

Create your own adorable love bug just in time for Valentine's Day!

TWIG SNOWFLAKE CRAFT

Saturday, February 19th, 1:00pm 🏠

We'll be doing super easy to make but delightfully fun twig snowflakes! A perfect decoration for winter.

PAW PATROL MOVIE DAY

Wednesday, February 23rd, 4:30pm 🏠

No job is too big and no pup is too small for this action packed Paw Patrol Movie! Come join us for an in-library movie day. Rated: G.



CHILDREN PROGRAMS

DRAGON TWIRLER

Pick up your kit between Tuesday, February 1st and Saturday, February 5th

February 1st marks the Chinese New Year! Create this amazing spiraling dragon to celebrate this festive holiday.



DIY MINI CATAPULT

Pick up your kit between Tuesday, February 22nd and Saturday, 26th

Ever wanted to make your own catapult and bring destruction to your enemy's fortress?! Well now you can! ...Kinda. We'll be making mini versions that are perfect for catapulting candy at friends and foe.

WATERCOLOR PAINTING

Thursday, February 24th, 1:00pm 🏠

Get ready to paint with watercolors and create your own magical work of art! We'll be using a basic water color pallet and flat canvases.

TWEEN/TEEN PROGRAMS

MAGIC: THE GATHERING THURSDAYS

Thursday, February 3rd, February 10th and February 17th, 3:00pm 🏠

But Sara, what's Magic: the Gathering? It's a fun card game where you use creatures and spells to defeat your opponent. Old players and new players are welcome to join us! (MTG is geared for ages 13+)

SMASH BROS. BATTLE

Friday, February 4th, 4:30pm 🏠

Come battle against your friends in our monthly Smash Bros. Battle! Masks are required and spots are limited so be sure to register.

TABLETOP GAME DAY

Tuesday, February 8th, 3:00pm 🏠

Join us for a tabletop game day! We're going to be playing all the boardgames and having a great time!

TWEEN GRAPHIC NOVEL CLUB

Tuesday, February 15th, 3:00pm 🏠

Welcome to the first meeting of our new graphic novel club! I'll be bringing several choices for what I think we should read and you bring your thoughts, feelings, and opinions! We'll select the book for next month's meeting and I will order copies for all attendees.

TEEN MOVIE NIGHT SPIDER-MAN INTO THE SPIDER-VERSE

Friday, February 18th, 4:30pm 🏠

Join us for an awesome movie night at the library. We'll be watching Spider-Man Into the Spider-Verse. The movie does feature bright flashing lights, loud noises, and plenty of action! It's rated PG.



MARIO KART TOURNAMENT

Friday, February 25th, 2:00pm 🏠

Get ready for another Mario Kart gaming session with plenty of prizes. Masks are required and spots are limited so register now.

Reading is one of the most important things we can do for our little ones. That's why we are actively participating in the **1000 Books Before Kindergarten** program! The goal is simple: read 1000 books with your child before they start kindergarten. For every 100 books you read you will receive a certificate. If you read 1000 books (and log them through the ReadSquared app or with the paper reading logs) you will get a free book.



The ReadSquared app can be downloaded through the App Store or Google Play Store and is free and easy to use. Check out our website or see Sara in the Youth Services area for more information.

February 2022 SHELTER ISLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY MONTHLY EVENTS



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FEBRUARY FACTS

In spite of being the shortest month and the hardest to spell, fun facts about February abound. For example, the month was named after a Roman purification ritual similar to spring cleaning. The Saxons called this month Sol-monath which means "cake month" because this was the time to offer cakes to the gods. So visit the library this month (remotely or in person) for information or books on spring cleaning, household organization, cake recipes and much more!

Terry Lucas, Library Director

LIVE-BRARY DIGITAL BOOKS

In 2021, Suffolk County library users checked out 2.9 million eBooks and audio books. Our library is one of 56 which share the extensive collection of digital books available at no charge for anyone with a library card.

These books are available to our patrons 24/7, every day of the year and have been an invaluable resource during the pandemic. Here on Shelter Island, our library patrons downloaded 17,800 books in the last year. Ask at the circulation desk or give us a call if you want to learn how to take advantage of this service!



PUBLIC LIBRARIES of Suffolk County, NY



THE MONTHLY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

will be held on **Monday, February 7th at 7:00pm**. The meeting will take place either in the library's Community Room or remotely. Please contact tlucas@silibrary.org for information on how to attend the Board Meeting.

We will be CLOSED on **Monday, February 21st** for Presidents' Day

STUART UPCHURCH BUICE GARDEN COLLECTION

It's that chilly time of year when days spent in a garden seem far away. In fact, this is good weather for finding a comfy chair and a book. But warmer days will be here soon and winter is the perfect time to start thinking about your garden. Our Stuart Upchurch Buice Garden collection is a wonderful resource for all things garden-related – from the practical (dealing with pests) to the aspirational (garden design). Whether you are an experienced gardener or a novice, there is sure to be something in our collection to pique your interest.



LIBRARY OF THINGS

When you think of the library, what comes to mind? Books, movies, crafts, children's programs? We have all that, of course. Did you know we also have a backgammon set, fishing net, WiFi hotspots, a cake pan shaped like a skull, cookie cutters, a badminton set, and garden tools? Our 'Library of Things' is a special collection of useful items for you to borrow. Please join us for the books, crafts and programs, but keep our 'Library of Things' in mind too! By the way, suggestions for new additions to the Library of Things are always welcome.

NEWSLETTER KEY

This winter we are offering programs for adults and children in a variety of formats. So when you read your newsletter, please pay attention to the icons next to the program description. If you follow this key, you will be sure to show up to the right place, either in person or remotely, to enjoy our programs to the fullest.



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BOOK SALE ROOM

We are accepting gently used book donations for the Book Sale Room and our Free Book Cart. 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.

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PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

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FRIDAY NIGHT DIALOGUES

CENTENNIAL LEGACY - A CELEBRATION OF THE LIFE, LOVE AND ART OF JUDITH AND GERSON LEIBER

Friday, February 11th, 7:00pm 

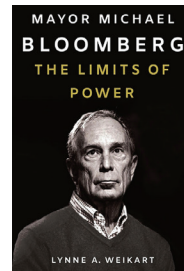
Centennial Legacy - A Celebration of the Life, Love and Art of Judith and Gerson Leiber is the story of handbag design genius Judith Leiber and her husband, the modernist artist Gerson Leiber. Ann Fristoe Stewart, Museum Director and Curator of The Leiber Collection, will join us to lead a Zoom presentation exploring the life, love, creativity and humanity of this fascinating artistic couple.




LYNNE WEIKART: MAYOR MICHAEL BLOOMBERG: THE LIMITS OF POWER

Friday, February 18th, 7:00pm 

Michael Bloomberg served three terms as Mayor of New York City. Having started shortly after the devastation of 9/11, he led the rebuilding of the city and was able to achieve a budget surplus. In her new book, Lynne Weikart evaluates Bloomberg's major policy initiatives - the successes and the failures. In this presentation, Professor Weikart will examine the Bloomberg administration from a policymaking perspective.



TOUR OF YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK

Wednesday, February 9th, 2:00pm 

In 1872, Yellowstone became the world's first National Park. Its 2.2 million acres are alive with fascinating human and ecological stories. The park contains about half of the world's active geysers. In this program, a Park Ranger will introduce us to this wonder of nature and its many riches. To learn a little more before joining us for the program, go to <https://www.nps.gov/yell/learn/education/index.htm>



PARKS FOR ALL: FREDERICK LAW OLMSTED WITH CORNELL COOPERATIVE EXTENSION

Wednesday, February 23rd, 5:30pm 

Frederick Law Olmsted designed Central Park, Prospect Park and many other well-loved parks across the United States. He believed that parks should be accessible to all and that the enjoyment of nature was a remedy to the stress of urban life. In this fascinating program from Cornell Cooperative Extension, discover the trademarks of Olmsted's designs and see how his parks continue to be enjoyed today.

ADULT CRAFT: FRINGED FELT HEART

Pickup between Tuesday, February 8th and Saturday, February 12th 

February is the time to celebrate hearts and flowers! Bring a little bit of Valentine's day romance to your life by making an adorable fringed felt heart to decorate your home. Please reserve a kit online. You may pick up your kits starting on Tuesday, February 8th.




TAI CHI WITH DENISE GILLIES:

Wednesdays, February 2nd and 16th, 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 increase vitality and strengthen immune function. Teacher Denise Gillies has been practicing and teaching on the East End for ten years. Her teaching style is relaxed, enthusiastic and intended for students to leave feeling energized and joyful.

NEW PROGRAM! KNITTING AND CROCHET WITH ASHLEY

Monday, February 14th, 5:30pm 

Ashley Edmund is a fiber artist with years of experience in an array of techniques. She is excited to share her passion for knitting with her fellow Shelter Islanders. Whether you want to learn to knit or crochet for the first time or want support with a more challenging technique, she will be here to help! Ashley will be here on the second Monday of every month through May. Please register online for this program.

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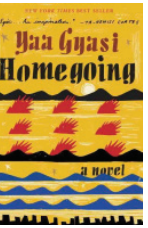
PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

BOOK CLUBS

SHELTER ISLAND BOOK CLUB

Homegoing by Yaa Gyasi: Tuesday, February 8th, 4:30pm 

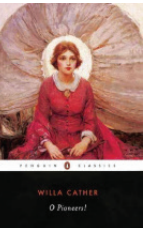
Effia and Esi are half-sisters born into different villages in eighteenth-century Ghana. Effia marries into wealth while Esi is imprisoned and sent to America as a slave. *Homegoing* spans 300 years of history in the lives of the sisters and their descendants. The characters, swept up in history, are unforgettable. The breadth of this widely-praised novel is breathtaking: from war and colonization in Ghana to American plantations, the Civil War, and present-day Harlem. *Homegoing* is a modern classic.



NEW! WILLA CATHER BOOK CLUB

O Pioneers!: Saturday, February 26th, 2:00pm 

Cather's story of a woman trying to save a failing farm on the Nebraska prairie illuminates the immigrant experience. Challenges and conflicts abound as Alexandra Bergson struggles to raise her brothers after the death of her father and survive on the wind blasted lands of the new frontier.



MYSTERY BOOK CLUB

Force of Nature by Jane Harper: Monday, February 28th, 5:30pm 

Five women go on a hike in a rugged Australian mountain range but only four come out of the woods. Federal Police Agent Aaron Falk and his new partner explore what happened during this corporate retreat. Secrets, resentments and distrust are uncovered in this search for the truth in a hostile environment. *The New York Times* described *Force of Nature* as a "breathless page turner".

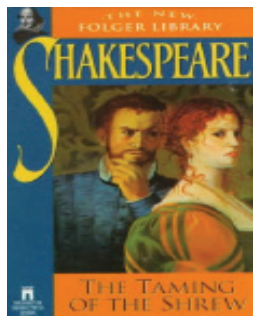



SHAKESPEARE IN COMMUNITY ONLINE

THE TAMING OF THE SHREW

Saturday, February 26th, 12:30pm 

Katherina and Bianca, daughters of a rich man of Padua, are ready to marry. However, the 'shrewish' Katherina must be married before Bianca can be won. Shakespeare's comedy of gender and materialism provides ample food for thought. Join us on Zoom for a discussion led by writer Becky Cole.



MAH JONGG: Mondays, February 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th, 10:00am 

Come join a friendly group of Mah Jongg enthusiasts. No need to be an expert, just join the fun and learn as you go.

ART/RICH POETRY ROUNDTABLE, A LITERARY CLUB: Tuesdays, February 1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd, 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.

INTERMEDIATE FRENCH CONVERSATION: Thursdays, February 3rd, 10th, 17th and 24th, 4:00pm 

Would you like to improve your French conversation skills? In this program we will have a weekly discussion on a wide range of topics. We watch movies, listen to podcasts, read books and even have presentations. Alix Shearer (native French speaker and Shelter Islander) will facilitate. There is no fee for this program but registration is required.

KNITTING CLUB: Thursdays, February 3rd, 10th, 17th and 24th, 4:30pm 

Our weekly Knitting Club is meeting at the big table upstairs in the library. Whether you are a long-time member or newly interested in knitting, we look forward to seeing you there!

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