



June 2022 SHELTER ISLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY MONTHLY EVENTS



WELCOME SUMMER!

The library team is so excited for summer! We have great programs for adults and kids planned under the big tent. Orders are in for the best beach books. Our Library of Things is stocked with birdwatching backpacks, a badminton set, bocce ball, a karaoke mic and for a more sedate activity, a mah jongg set. I am continuing to ask the community about what they would like to see in a renovated and expanded library. We will be holding a listening session at the end of the month and I promise to listen to your ideas and thoughts and to provide some homemade cookies!

Terry Lucas, Library Director

SUMMER READING PROGRAMS FOR ALL AGES For Children/Teens



Summer reading is back! Our Youth Summer Reading Program starts Saturday June 25th. The theme this year is *Oceans of Possibilities* so get ready to explore the underwater world of reading (we're going to pretend that the books are all waterproof). Our prizes are better than ever but the goal is the same: read as much as you can! For every book you read you will be entered into our grand prize drawing and every week

we will raffle off a surprise goodie box filled with all kinds of delightful prizes. This year we have separate categories for ages 0-5, 6-12, and 13-19. We will be using the ReadSquared app so you can login with your same information as last year (or set up a new account). If you were enrolled in our summer reading program last year, you have already been enrolled in our *Oceans of Possibilities* program. For more information talk to Sara Garcia at the Youth Services desk or check out our website.



For Adults

Our Adult Summer Reading program, *Let's Read a Latte*, begins on June 25th! Sign up and pick up your Summer Reading packet at the Library. Your packet will include a reading log, book review sheets, book marks, prize tickets and some great book suggestions! Read four books to win a handy travel cup. Read more books or solve our weekly Trivia Challenge to earn chances to win one of our three prize packages. *Let's Read a Latte* this summer!

THE ART OF JAMES DEVITO

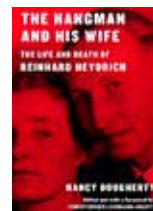
This month we are pleased to feature the art of James DeVito in our Community Room and in our display case. James is a Shelter Island resident and has been focusing on his painting over the last five years. His landscapes are inspired by the quiet beauty and solitude of Shelter Island. Please visit us to see his vision of this special island.



SAVE THE DATE - FRIDAY, JULY 1ST, 7:00 PM

"The Hangman and His Wife" with Jim Dougherty

The late Nancy Dougherty of Shelter Island is the author of *The Hangman and His Wife: The Life and Death of Reinhard Heydrich*, a gripping biography of a Nazi who was one of the architects of the Holocaust. Her husband, Jim Dougherty, who completed the book and brought it to publication, will talk about his late wife's work which has garnered rave reviews in Kirkus Reviews and Publishers Weekly.



NEWSLETTER KEY

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= Inside

BOOK SALE ROOM

We are accepting gently used book donations for the Book Sale Room and our Free Book Cart. Please leave all donations on the table in the Book Sale Room. 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.

PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

To register for Adult Programs please go to www.silibrary.org and scroll down to our Calendar of Events. This month we will be offering programs for both adults and children in a variety of formats. So, when you read your newsletter, please pay attention to the icons next to the program descriptions. If you follow this key, you will be sure to show up in the right place, either in person or remotely, to enjoy our programs to the fullest.

FRIDAY NIGHT DIALOGUES

RICHARD VARNEY MEMORIAL POETRY READING: Friday, June 17th, 7:00pm 

Shelter Island poet Virginia Walker will be joined by three other distinguished poets: Kathaleen Donnelly, Daniel Kerr and Robert Savino for the annual Richard Varney Memorial Poetry Reading. They will be reading from their recently published anthology *Paumanok Transition* which is concerned with personal transitions of mind and body. The reading honors the late Richard Varney who was an important contributor to the Library's Art/Rich Poetry program. Please register no later than one hour before the program starts.

THE BASICS OF PHILOSOPHY WITH WENDY TURGEON: Thursdays, June 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th, 10:00 am 

Please join us for a philosophy discussion roundtable. Our focus text will be *Philosophy* by Nigel Warburton. Our topics will range from God, art, politics, mind, appearance/reality, to truth. Anyone from 16 to 90 is welcome to engage in Socratic dialogue on questions that get to the fundamental human experience. We can choose our topics as we go but we will start with defining "decency", an important ethical concept that begs careful thinking.

WHY AND HOW TO WRITE YOUR MEMOIR WITH DR. EVELYN LATORRE: Wednesday, June 15th, 6:00pm 



The process of sifting through the pivotal events of your life to shape them into a cohesive narrative can seem daunting. Yet, the process is transformational. You discover both positive and negative things about yourself and others that might otherwise take years to uncover. In seven steps, Evelyn outlines how to end up with a valuable resource for yourself, your family, and maybe the world. She will include her experience in writing two memoirs: *Between Inca Walls: A Peace Corps Memoir*, and *Love in Any Language: A Memoir of a Cross-cultural Marriage*.

EDWINA VON GAL OF THE PERFECT EARTH PROJECT: Thursday, June 16th, 6:00pm 

Renowned landscape designer Edwina von Gal's designs are well known for their simplicity and sustainability. In 2013, she created the *Perfect Earth Project*, a non-profit dedicated to raising consciousness about the dangers of toxic lawn and garden chemicals and the importance of planting native species to protect the health of people, their pets, and the planet. Join us to learn about the *Perfect Earth Project* and nature-based landscape design techniques.

HELP US WRITE OUR NEXT CHAPTER: A LISTENING SESSION: Saturday June 25th, 11:30am 

As we consider a renovation and expansion of our Library, we are very interested in what members of our community would like to see in an expanded library. What do you want to see in a library expansion? More quiet space? A bigger Community Room? Your ideas will provide guidance as we embark upon this exciting chapter in the Library's history. We welcome you to come share your thoughts and concerns.

GREAT DECISIONS: THE RENEWED CLIMATE CHANGE AGENDA: Thursday, June 2nd, 5:30pm  

Progress on curbing greenhouse emissions has been hampered by the ideological divide in the United States on the subject of climate change. However, the results of inaction are increasingly apparent with the rise of extreme weather events. What role will the United States play in future climate change negotiations? Please register no later than one hour before the scheduled start of the program.

GREAT DECISIONS: MYANMAR'S NEVERENDING CRISIS: Thursday, June 23rd, 5:30pm  





Myanmar is a nation in chaos. The military coup of 2021, ongoing human rights crises and civil resistance against the ruling regime have taken a toll. How are neighboring countries reacting to the situation? What role will The Association of Southeast Asian Nations play? Edward Barr will be a special guest speaker. Please register no later than one hour before the scheduled start.

ADULT CRAFT: BUTTER BALMS WITH HOLLY CRONIN: Tuesday, June 14th, 11:30am 

Treat your body to butter balms that are relaxing, refreshing and rejuvenating! You will use your choice of essential oils and other nourishing ingredients to make your own jar of butter balm. Please note that space is limited so register early!

TAI CHI WITH DENISE GILLIES: Wednesdays, June 1st and 15th, 5:00pm 

Discover this ancient art of well being. Easy to follow movements combine breath and intention to create a healthy body and a peaceful mind. Learn poetic sequences that improve balance, strength and flexibility. Science-based research has proven this practice to reduce stress, strengthens the immune system, increases range of motion, and improves coordination and concentration. This class is designed to welcome beginners as well as practiced students. It is a combination of Tai Chi, Qigong and meditation. Trained at the Omega Institute, and founder of East End Tai Chi, instructor Denise Gillies has been teaching for over 12 years on the East End of Long Island.

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PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

BOOK CLUBS

SHELTER ISLAND BOOK CLUB

The Four Winds by Kristin Hannah: Tuesday, June 21st, 5:00pm 

The Shelter Island Book Club, led by Suzanne Louer, reads works of fiction and nonfiction with an emphasis on well-regarded contemporary fiction.

Texas, 1934. One of the darkest periods of the Great Depression, the Dust Bowl era, has arrived with a vengeance. In this uncertain and dangerous time, Elsa Martinelli must make an agonizing choice: fight for the land she loves or go west in search of a better life. This is a portrait of America and the American Dream, as seen through the eyes of a woman whose courage and sacrifice will come to define a generation.

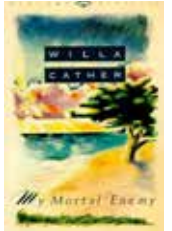


WILLA CATHER BOOK CLUB

My Mortal Enemy: Saturday, June 25th, 2:00pm 

Director Terry Lucas continues to focus on a classic author each year. This year, the Willa Cather Book Club explores the work of an iconic American writer.

Against the wishes of her uncle, Myra Driscoll marries Oswald Henshawe for love, spurning a large inheritance and life in her native Illinois for a sophisticated existence in New York City. *My Mortal Enemy* is a portrait of Myra and of her marriage to Oswald - one filled with resentment and regret. This searing novella has been called "...a work whose drama and intensely moral imagination make it unforgettable."

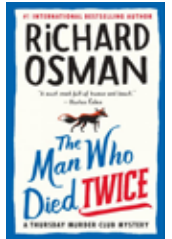


MYSTERY BOOK CLUB


The Man Who Died Twice by Richard Osman: Monday, June 27th, 5:30pm 

The Mystery Book Club, led by Jocelyn Ozolins, reads a broad range of mysteries from the 'cozy' to page-turning thrillers, spy novels and much more.

Elizabeth, Joyce, Rob, and Ibrahim live at Cooper's Chase, a posh retirement village in the English countryside. The amateur sleuths have dubbed themselves the "Thursday Murder Club" after solving a real-life murder case. Expecting to rest on their laurels, they are surprised when an old friend of Elizabeth's turns to them for help, having been accused of stealing millions in diamonds from the wrong people. Then a body is discovered and the septuagenarian quartet must catch the killer or become victims themselves.




SHAKESPEARE IN COMMUNITY ONLINE

KING LEAR: Saturday, June 4th and Saturday, June 25th 12:30pm 

Shakespeare's tragedy tells the story of the aged King Lear who divides his kingdom among his three daughters, two of whom betray him. Lear's misjudgment leads to chaos, madness and warfare. This story of ignorance and deceit is considered one of Shakespeare's most powerful tragedies. *Please note that there will be two sessions of Shakespeare in June.*



MAH JONGG: Mondays, June 6th, 13th and 27th, 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, June 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th, 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, June 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th, 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, June 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th, 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!

ENGLISH AS A NEW LANGUAGE (ENL): Tuesdays, June 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th, 10:00am 

We are happy to announce the return of our English as a New Language program. This class is for anyone who speaks English as a second language. Join us to practice English through informal conversation. The teacher is Shelter Islander Karen Springer. This is a free class and childcare will be provided.

INGLÉS COMO PRÓXIMO IDIOMA (ENL): Los Martes, 7, 14, 21, y 28 de Mayo, a las 10:00 de la mañana 

¡Estamos felices porque nuestro programa de inglés como próximo idioma está regresando! Para cualquiera que quiera aprender o mejorar su inglés. Únete a nosotros para practicar inglés con conversaciones informales. La profesora es Karen Springer de Shelter Island. Este curso es gratis y el cuidado infantil está incluido.

You may register for all programs at www.silibrary.org. Masks are required for all in-person programs.

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.

FAMILY PROGRAMS

FAMILY TEA PARTY: All ages 

Saturday, June 18th, 1:00pm

Come join us for a delightful family tea party! We'll have our party outside under the tent and there will be tea (of course) and finger foods. Feel free to bring your stuffed animals to join in the fun!



EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAMS

STORY TIME AT THE LIBRARY: Ages: 2-5 

Saturdays, 10:30am (except for Saturday, June 11th)

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

SENSORY HOUR: Ages: 0-5 

Every Tuesday and Wednesday, 10:30am (except Tuesday, June 14th and 28th)

Come to the library and enjoy some of our developmental toys and have fun with friends! To keep things safe & sanitary, we have separate bins for each child so be sure to register ahead of time to reserve your spot. Whenever the weather permits, we will hold sensory hour outside.

BUBBLE HOUR: Ages: 2+ 

Every Saturday, 11:30am (except Saturday, June 11th)

Bubble hour is back! Come join your friends for some fabulous bubble fun. The program is held outdoors on our patio and yes, the bubble machine will be there.

PAPER PLATE PUFFERFISH: Ages: 2+ 

Saturday, June 4th, 1:00pm

Our summer reading theme for this year is *Oceans of Possibilities* and we're kicking things off early with these adorable, puff-tastic pufferfish paper plates! It's a super easy craft that's oh-so-fun! Come join us!

TOILET PAPER ROLL BINOCULARS: Ages: 2+ 

Pick up your kit between Tuesday, June 14th & Saturday, June 18th

Get ready to see things like you've never seen them before with your very own, personally designed, binoculars! These glass-free creations are ideal for bird watching, imaginative play, and just being silly!

CONSTRUCTION PAPER SNAKE: Ages: 2+ 

Pick up your kit between Tuesday, June 21st & Saturday, June 25th

This slithering serpent is great for developing fine motor skills (and ending up with an adorable paper-craft creation). Great for little hands and creative minds.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

LEGO CLUB: Ages: 6+ 

Thursdays, 2:30pm except for June 23rd and June 30th

Join us for Lego Club! Create your wildest creations, challenge yourself to build something new, and chat with friends and have fun.

PAPER SPINNER TOY: Ages: 6+ 

Pick up your kit between Tuesday, June 7th & Saturday, June 11th

This super pretty twirligig is a fun, easy craft that just screams summer! Absolutely addicting to make (and play with), this is a kit you don't want to miss out on.

MARBLE RUN DESIGN: Ages: 6+ 

Tuesday, June 7th, 3:00pm

Get ready to build the ultimate, amazing, totally crazy marble run! We'll supply the marbles and the linking pieces, you supply your building skills! Come join your friends and see what kind of a wacky design you can make - then watch the marbles go!

BAKING SODA VINEGAR EXPERIMENT: Ages: 6+ 

Friday, June 10th, 3:00pm

Sara, wait a minute, baking soda and vinegar sounds awfully messy. You're right! This program will be held outside and we'll experiment with the supplies to see how much we can make it fizz. Food coloring will be involved. Due to the messiness of this program it will only take place outdoors, weather permitting.

TWEEN/TEEN PROGRAMS

CAMP NANOWRIMO WRITE-IN: Ages: 12+ 

Wednesday, June 1st and 8th, 3:00pm

Wednesday, June 15th, 4:00pm

While April is Camp NaNoWriMo (National Novel Writing Month) we've enjoyed it so much that we're extending it to June! So we'll be hosting write-in hours on Wednesdays when you can come and work on your story. Ready? Set. Write!

TEEN DROP-IN CRAFT THURSDAYS: Ages: 12+ 

Every Thursday, 4:00pm except for the 23rd and the 30th

Journey into the unknown with a totally new craft every week! Pipe cleaners? Perhaps. Hot glue guns? Maybe. Stop by and find out what weirdness we'll be making!

TEEN MARIO KART TOURNAMENT: Ages: 12+ 

Friday, June 3rd, 3:30pm

Get ready for another Mario Kart gaming session with plenty of snacks! Spots are limited so register now.

TWEEN GRAPHIC NOVEL CLUB: Ages: 12+ 

Wednesday, June 15th, 3:00pm

Get ready to join our second graphic novel club meeting! We'll be going over May's book, *Shadow of the Bird* (Lightfall Book 2) by Tim Probert and determining our next club meeting date.

VR NIGHT: Ages: 12+ 

Friday, June 17th, 3:30pm

Step into a whole new world and try out our virtual reality games with your friends! You'll be able to try out various games (including fan favorites like *Beat Saber*), explore sunken ships, or interact with the art of Vincent Van Gogh.

TWEEN MOVIE DAY: Ages: 12+ 

Tuesday, June 21st, 12:00pm

We'll be watching *Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets*! There will be ssssnacks and good company so come join us! The movie is about two and a half hours long and is rated PG. Warning: there are large spiders and snakes in the movie.

TINY FOOD PARTY: Ages: 12+ 





Friday, June 24th, 12:30pm

Ever wanted to eat all different kinds of foods but there was just too much of it?! Well, now you can eat everything because we've shrunk it down and made it tiny! Come get ready to party!

KICKBALL GAME: Ages: 12+ 

Wednesday, June 29th, 1:00pm

Looking for something to do in the gorgeous weather? Come play kickball! This game is low-stress and high-fun so get your sneakers on and play ball!

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