

January/February 2024

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ADULT LIBRARY HOURS

Monday	10:00	9:00
Tu, W, Th, F	. 9:00	9:00
Saturday	9:00	5:00

CHILDREN'S LIBRARY HOURS

Monday	10:00	8:00
Tu, W, Th,	9:00	8:00
Friday	9:00	5:00
Saturday	9:00	5:00

COTTAGE HOURS (by appointment only)

Tuesday	5:30	8:30
Wednesday	12:00	3:00
Saturday	10:00	12:00

Thomas Hoffman, Curator

For more information about the cottage please email thoffman@westburylibrary.org or phone 516.333.0176 x1107.

LIBRARY CLOSED

Monday, Jan. 1 - New Year's Day Tuesday, Jan. 2 - New Year's Observed Monday, Feb. 19 - President's Day

LIBRARY BOARD MEETINGS

Thursday, January 18, 2024, 7 pm Thursday, February 15, 2024, 7 pm The Board of Trustees meet each month in the meeting room;

The public is welcome to attend.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Tyeisha Marshall, President Judy Gerrard, Vice-President Carmen Lloyd Simone Eason **Alex Nunez**

DIRECTOR

Tracy Horodyski

Our MISSION

To provide excellent, proactive service to fulfill the informational. educational and recreational needs of the community. The Library will:

- Celebrate the joy of learning, reading, the arts, local culture and history.
- Create a comfortable, welcoming atmosphere that supports freedom.
- Sustain a future-focus in response to technological change.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS





2024 BUDGET VOTE + TRUSTEE ELECTION

Spotlight On

Jordan Chaulk Clerk Typist I

When you have 30 minutes of free-time, how do you pass the time?

Whenever I have free time I love to play video games, read, watch videos on YouTube or hang out with my bird.

If you could be any fictional character, who would you choose?

If I could be any fictional character, I would have to pick Goku from Dragon Ball Z. I would love to be as strong and heroic as he is.

What is your favorite thing about working at the Library?

My favorite thing about working at the Library would definitely have to be my coworkers. I work with an amazing group of people and I love them all so much!

What's your favorite indoor/outdoor activity?

Both indoor and outdoor I love to cook. Cooking for my friends and family and seeing them enjoying the food that I made brings me so much joy.

Lightning-round questions:

- Fiction or non-fiction? Fiction
- Horror or comedy? Horror
- Ebook or Hardback? Hardback
- Marvel or DC? DC
- Vanilla or Chocolate? Vanilla
- Zoom or In-house? Zoom
- **Adult or Young Adult?** Young Adult



Keep an eye on our social media for changes and updates



SUNDAY **PROGRAMS**

Sunday Concert Series: Long Island Harmonizers Sunday, January 21, 2:30 pm

Launching our 2024 Sunday Concerts, the Long Island Harmonizers will take the stage and showcase their A Cappella skills. Hailing from LI, this ensemble of 20 vocalists revives the melodic harmonies of barbershop music. Join us and commence the New Year on a melodious and delightful tone. Registration required.

Sunday Concert Series: Marc Berger in Concert Sunday, January 28, 2:30 pm

Marc is a national performer and recording artist and will perform songs from the album RIDE, a collection of songs all having to do with the romance of the American West. Registration required.

COOKING

The Winning Spread!

Tuesday, January 16, 6:00 pm

Touchdown! Join Chef Brian Collins as he shares some hot and cold dishes to add to your Super Bowl tailgate party. Chili verde, Korean wings and Pimiento cheese will make the whole squad happy! Registration and payment of a non-refundable fee of \$10 is due on January 10 in order to attend this program. Class limit 25. Registration required.

We're In A Pickle!

Thursday, February 29, 6:00 pm

Learn "quick-pickling", brining and fermentation to make delicious home-made pickled fruits and vegetables. A small sampler charcuterie board will be served. Registration and payment of a non-refundable fee of \$10 is due on February 10 in order to attend this program. Class limit 25. Registration required.

HEALTH & FITNESS

Fall Prevention: Tai Chi with Sloan

Fridays, January 5, 12, 19, 26, February 2, 9, 16, 1:00 pm Instructors teach Tai Chi to individuals over the age of 60 (or over age 18 with disabilities) and those that may be suffering from Arthritis. Tai Chi will meet once a week, for one hour each class, for a total of 16 sessions. Class limit of 25. Registration required.

Bodysculpt

Tuesdays, January 23, 30 & February 6, 13, 20, 6:00 pm Improve your health and tone, burn calories and gain flexibility in this Pilates based strength training class. **Bring** stretchy band (no handles), 3 lb. dumbbells and a mat. Registration and payment of a non-refundable fee of \$25 for 5 sessions is due January 15 in order to attend this program. Class limit of 25. Registration required.

Yoga with Joe

Mondays, January 15 and February 12, 6:00 pm Mondays, January 22 and 29, 6:30 pm

Simple yoga stretches, poses and exercises, gentle breathing and reflection included. Please bring a yoga blanket, block, belt and mat.

Registration and payment of a non-refundable fee of \$25 for 5 sessions is due January 11 in order to attend this program. Class limit of 25. Registration required.

Free Blood Pressure Screening

Wednesdays, January 17 & February 21, 12:30 pm Free blood pressure screening conducted by St. Francis Hospital will be available the third Wednesday of every month. No appointments necessary.

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program

Thursday, February 15, 1:00 pm

A Health and Welfare Council NOEP Coordinator will be on hand to answer questions about SNAP, the application, and eligibility for an individual or families. A description of the program and the assistance provided will be discussed. Registration required.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH



The 35th Annual African American Read-In Monday, February 5, 6:00 pm Works written by African American authors will be read

by school students. The goal of the Read-In chain is to make literacy a significant part of Black History Month. Enjoy music from Westbury School District students. Hospitality will be provided by members of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Pi Pi Ómega Chapter.

es: The Majestic Winds

Sunday, February 11, 2:30 pm Experience exquisite artistry showcased through the timeless melodies crafted by pioneering African American composers, encompassing both cherished classics and lesser-known jazz creations at the Library.

The Historical Society and WMPL Presents: "The Tuskegee Airmen in World War II" Sunday, February 18, 2:30 pm

The Tuskegee Airmen were dedicated, determined young men who enlisted in the U.S. Army Air Corps to become America's first black military airmen. This program will discuss the heroics of the famed 332nd fighter group is most noted for their distinguished record escorting B-17 bombers and the distinctive Red Tails on their P-51 fighters. Come join us in celebrating and honoring the Congressional Gold Medal Recipients, the Tuskegee Airmen. Registration required

Westbury Chapter of the NAACP Presents: "The Killing of Kenneth Chamberlain" with Q&A Thursday, February 22, 6:00 pm This 2019 film is based on the police shooting of Kenneth

Chamberlain that occurred on November 29, 2011, in White Plains, New York. Following the film presentation, a Q&A session will be held with local panelists. Registration required.

Adult Programs



Westbury Library Seed Collection
February is National Plant the Seeds of Greatness
Month at Westbury Library. Stop by the Library
and pick up some seeds from our Seed Library
and plant your seeds of greatness now to watch
them bloom all year long. 3 seed packets a week
per library card.

SPECIAL INTEREST

TONH Tax Grievance Assistance Wednesday, January 10, 6:00 pm

The Office of Receiver of Taxes from the Town of North Hempstead will assist town residents grieve their taxes prior to the cutoff date. **Registration required.**

CARECEN Immigration Assistance Services

Tuesday, January 16, 10:00 am - Intro to Immigration Court Saturday, January 27, 2:00 pm - Immigration Relief Saturday, February 10, 12:00 pm - Legal Consultation Day Tuesday, February 20, 7:30 pm - Naturalization in the United States CARECEN of Hempstead is a local Immigration Assistance Agency specializing in immigrant services and multilingual resources. Join CARECEN in their presentation of programs and one-on-one.

Community Discussion Group

Wednesday, January 17, 10:00 am - 11:30 am
Thursday, February 15, 10:00 am - 11:30 am
Join us and meet new friends and neighbors
in this casual program discussing what we have in
common rather than our differences. Registration required.

Writers' Workshop with Anne Wolf, VIRTUAL Wednesdays, January 17, 24, 31 & February 7, 14, 21, 28 10:00 am

Join this workshop and begin to explore poetry, memoir and nonfiction writing. Registration and payment of a non-refundable fee of \$60 for 10 sessions is due January 12 in order to attend this program. Registration required. Class limit 10.

Defensive Driving

Saturday, January 20, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm
Saturday, February 17, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm
This six-hour class is taught at the Library, and is open to all age groups. Call the Empire Safety Council at 631-664-0652 to register. Fee \$33. Class limit 35.
Payment must be made to reserve a seat. Please contact the Empire Safety Council directly with any questions that you have about the class. This program meets in the meeting room.

Medicare One-on-One with Joy Tuesday, January 23, 6:00 pm Wednesday, February 7, 1:00 pm

Joy Poupko will guide you through the Medicare process to try to help find a suitable and affordable coverage plan for your specific needs. Please bring a list of medications and dosage, physician information, current Insurance, and your Medicare Card. Limit of 6. Registration required.

Career Advising

Wednesday, January 24, 9:30 am - 12:00 pm Thursday, February 8, 12:30 am - 3:00 pm

Get assistance with your resume, get direction on a new career path, or get help navigating the job search process. Appointments are 30 minutes in the Career Room. Limit 5. Registration required.

Family and Children's Association Presents: Talking to Your Doctor

Thursday, January 25, 12:30 pm

Get tips on how to speak with your doctor about dementia and important questions to ask. Registration required.

Open Mic Session at WMPL

Thursday, January 25, 6:00 pm
Share your spoken word, music, or act
with other patrons in a warm and friendly
environment! Registration required.
Please indicate if you will be performing

Safeena Foundation

Saturday, January 27, 10:30 am

or just watching the performance.

Are you aware of the potential eligibility for fully funded services and activities provided by the Office of People with Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD) for your child? We invite you to join us and discover the process.

Registration required.

First Time Homebuyer Seminar

Thursday, February 1, 6:00 pm
An experienced panel, including a realtor, home inspector, real estate attorney, mortgage broker, and insurance agent, will guide you through the process of buying your dream home and provide money saving tips. Registration required.

AARP Free Tax-Aide Assistance

Wednesday, February 7, 14, 21, 28, 9:30 am
Free tax assistance will be available at the library especially for patrons. AARP volunteers will assist you in preparing your tax returns.
Bring all necessary documents and arrive 30 minutes before appointment time. Registration required. Please pick up your AARP Tax-Aide Packet at the Circulation Desk after registering for a date and time.



ARTS AND CRAFTS

with Reference Librarian Selina Ferragamo

Winter Scene Shadowbox

Tuesday, January 9, 6:00 pm

Want to create beautiful winter-themed 3D art? Come to the library to create a winter shadow box. Limit of 18 people. No fee. Registration required.



Hack That Painting

Tuesday, February 27, 6:00 pm

Give your artistic touch to famous mini paintings. Choose a piece of mini-sized artwork from famous artists and turn them into a winter or spooky scene. Limit of 15 people. No fee. Registration required.

ALL THINGS READING

Service to the Homebound

Reference Librarian Michelle Marcus provides home delivery of Library materials to patrons in the Westbury or Carle Place school districts who are unable to visit.

Contact Michelle at mmarcus@westburylibrary.org for more information.

VIRTUAL AUTHOR VISITS with Reference Librarian Michelle Marcus

Julia Bartz, New York Times Best Selling Author Wednesday, January 17, 7:00 pm, VIRTUAL

Join us for a virtual author visit with Julia Bartz, the author of *The Writing Retreat*. The Writing Retreat is a gripping thriller about a budding author Alex, who has an opportunity to attend a retreat with noted feminist horror writer, Roza Vallo, at her estate. The attendees must start a novel from the very beginning over the course of a month and the winner will receive a top publishing deal. But during the month, as Alex is working on her novel, she notices strange things at the estate, like Roza's erratic behavior, her rival's mind games and the supposed haunting of the mansion itself. Learn more about this exciting novel and Julia's journey to becoming a published author. Registration required.

Emily Habeck, Debut Author

Thursday, February 22, 7:00 pm, VIRTUAL Join us for a virtual author visit with Emily Habeck, the debut author of Shark Heart. Shark Heart is a gorgeously written novel about marriage, SHARK motherhood, metamorphosis and letting go. Lewis and Wren are happy as newlyweds until he gets an unusual diagnosis that he will become a great white shark, but with most of his memories, conscious, and intellect intact. We learn more about the background of Lewis and Wren's relationship, about Wren's past romantic relationship and her troubled relationship with her mother, who had her at 15. We learn how Wren will decide to deal with her grief in this heartbreaking situation. The author will also discuss how she became a published author. Registration required.

Want to donate books?

If you are looking to donate books, please contact:

The Book Fairies

70 North Main Street
Freeport, NY 11520
www.thebookfairies.org • 516-557-6645

A note about book discussions: Discussion books will be held on reserve at the Circulation Desk. Simply ask for the book at the Circulation Desk and mention that it is for a WMPL Book Discussion. There may be times when a book is newer or very popular when patrons will be asked to place their own reserves. Your discussion leader will make you aware if this is the case. Happy Reading!

BOOK DISCUSSIONS

with Head of Reference Kathleen Gaskin

Remarkably Bright Creatures by Shelby Van Pelt Wednesday, January 3, 2:30 pm, IN-PERSON & 7:00 pm, VIRTUAL

Truly captivating is this tale of the unique bond between an aquarium custodian and an erudite octopus. It suspends reality somewhat as it explores how an unlikely friendship can transform the darkness of loss and loneliness into the healing light of love, family and hope. **Registration required.**



The Thread Collectors by Shaunna J. Edwards and Alyson Richman

Wednesday, February 7, 2:30 pm, IN-PERSON & 7:00 pm, VIRTUAL

A brilliant story of 2 seamstresses: Stella, in a small creole cottage in New Orleans, and Lily, a Jewish woman in New York City, risking everything for love and freedom, as they sew for the soldiers during the brutal Civil War. Historically sound and beautifully stitched, this stunning novel was inspired by the 2 authors' friendship and their family histories. It will long be remembered. Registration required.



Adult Winter Reading January 3 - January 31

Get 4 in a row on your Winter Reading bingo card for your chance at a basket of prizes! Starting January 3, visit the Reference Desk to pick up your bingo card. Submit it back by January 31 for your chance to win! For Westbury Library cardholders 18+.

IN-PERSON AUTHOR VISITS

Deyanira Martinez and Alba Letycia Thursday, February 8, 6:00 pm

Mujeres que se Atreven y Superan Límites is both a thriving community and an empowering book series comprising four volumes, devoted to inspiring, elevating, and educating Latina women. Both Authors will be interviewed by Reference Librarian Kathleen Gaskin.

Registration required.



Marrianna Buffolino

Tuesday, February 13, 7:30 pm

Join our Local Author Marrianna Buffolino, author of Fallacy: Entangled, as she discusses her new book. This immersive story is told from the first-person perspective, following Aria as she struggles to forge a clear path to her future. Readers are transported between sunny California and Aria's childhood home in New York, where Aria's heart swells for two very different men. Featuring a Q&A and book signing with the author. Registration required.



Fridays at 4100 pm, all films will begin promptly!



Oppenheimer, (2023) R, 3 hrs. 1 min. **Directed: C. Nolan** Starring: Cillian Murphy, Emily Blunt, Robert Downey Jr. Ryan Gosling, Michael Cera

January 19

January 12



Barbie, (2023) PG-13, 1 hr. 55 mins. Directed: G. Gerwig Starring: Margot Robbie,

January 26



Strays, (2023) R, 1 hr. 36 mins. Directed: J. Greenbaum Starring Sofía Vergara, **Dennis Quaid, Harvey** Guillén, Will Ferrell

February 2

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Starring: Susan Sarandon,

Blue Beetle, (2023)

PG-13, 1 hr. 32 mins.

Directed: A.M. Soto

Guillén



TMNT: Mutant Mayhem, (2023) PG-13, 1 hr. 36 mins. **Directed: Jeff Rowe** Starring Micah Abbey, **Shamon Brown Jr.**

February 16



Indiana Jones and the Dial of Destiny, (2023) PG-13, 2 hrs. 23 mins. **Directed: James Mangold** Starring: Harrison Ford

February 9



The Equalizer 3, (2023) R, 1 hr. 50 mins. **Directed: Antoine Fuqua Starring: Denzel Washington, Dakota** Fanning, Sonia Ammar

February 23



Big George Foreman, (2023) PG-13, 2 hr. 9 mins. Directed: G. Tillman Jr. Starring: Khris Davis

Notary Services Monday - Friday - By Appointment ONLY

Westbury/Carle Place School District Residents: please call 516-333-0176 to schedule an appointment



Upcoming Event 2024 LIBRARY-FIX-IT

Are You a Jack-Of-All Trades? Do you love to repair broken down items? Do family and friends always ask you questions regarding how to repair a broken item? If so, you are the right person for this event. WMPL is looking to create an event so Library-Fix-It can take action in assisting the community with needed repairs and instructional lessons.

Register to help out.

Great Give Back Donated Items: All items go to support the St. Brigid Outreach Food Pantry

-Approx. 59 canned goods ranging from: soups, beans, vegetables, tuna, spaghetti, fruit

- Approx. 15 assorted cereals and 3 large cereal box
- 11 lbs. of assorted beans
- 9 lbs. of assorted pasta6 lbs. of assorted rice
- 19 cups of soups
- 9 drinks/shakės
- 21 boxes of crackers/cookies
- Various other items such as mayo, BBQ sauce, Jello, chicken broth, condiments, etc...

Thank you to all who donated!

Brianna Barron - Social Work Intern Beginning January 21 - May: Monday: 1-4 appt / 4-6 walk-in **Tuesday: 9-11 appt / 11-12 walk-in** Thursday: 11-1 appt / 1-2 walk-in Friday: 11-1 appt /1-2 walk-in Appointments can be made at the Circulation Desk.



Business Expo: Upcoming Event 2024

Showcase your local business to residents and connect with other businesses in the Westbury area at the Westbury Library's Business Expo! Each business gets a table to display their products and promotional materials. The Expo is free to businesses and the public.

To register as a vendor, please email: programs@westburylibrary.org

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6 pm Cozy Storytime	4 pm Homework Help 6 pm	6 pm TONH Tax Assistance	5:30 pm Krafty Kids	Tai Chi 4 pm Movie: Barbie	2 pm Teen Advisory Board
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4 pm Apple Smartphone I 6 pm	4 pm Homework Help 6 pm Peguañitos Pollitos	12:30 pm Blood Pressure Screening 7 pm	7 pm Library Board Meeting	4 pm Movie: Blue Beetle	10 am Citizenship Class
6 pm Yoga	6 pm Culinary Event	Virtual Author Visit 7 pm ELL Class		7 pm ELL Class	(held in Teen Zone)
22 10 am Registration	23 Tots Morning Out	ing	25 11 am Teen Oasis	26 10:30 am Lil Owls Toddler Time	27 10 am Citizenship Class
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6:30 pm Yoga	Bodysculpt	7 pm ELL Class			

SATURDAY	Citizenship Class 11 am Take Your Child to the Library Day 2 pm	10 10 am Citizenship Class 12 pm CARECEN 2 pm Teen Advisory Board	17 10 am Defensive Driving 10 am Citizenship Class (held in Teen Zone)	24 10 am Citizenship Class 1 pm Android Smartphone I	PURPLE = CHILDREN'S GREEN = ADULTS BLUE = TEEN RED = CLOSINGS & BOARD MEETINGS
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THURSDAY	6 pm First Time Home Buyer Seminar	23.30 pm Career Advising 3:30 pm SoundCraft: Teen Audio Workshop 6 pm Author Discussion	Community Discussion Group 1 pm HWCLI - SNAP 7 pm	22 Teen Oasis 2 pm 2 pm 2 tag (K-2nd) 3 pm 2 tag (3rd-6th) 6 pm NAACP Presentation 7 pm	6 pm Culinary Event
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SUNDAY		4 CLIBRARY CLOSED	2:30 pm Sunday Concert Series: The Majestic Winds	2:30 pm Westbury Library and the Historical Society Presents: "The Tuskegee Airmen in World War II"	25 LIBRARY CLOSED

Community Pix











Teen Programs



Extended Hours!
Teen Zone is now open weekdays
2:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Get Grown: Life Skills Workshops @ Teen Zone

Prepare for the journey ahead with our engaging and practical Life Skills for Teens Workshop at the library! This empowering program is designed to equip teens with essential life skills that will set them up for success. Join us to build a strong foundation for your future, gain confidence, and navigate the challenges of adolescence with ease.

TasteMakers: Cooking 101 Tuesday, January 30, 3:30 pm

Master the art of making classic comfort foods like mac and cheese and grilled cheese sandwiches. Get ready to savor the delicious simplicity of these dishes and learn essential culinary skills that you'll use throughout your life. For grades 7-12.

Registration required

Sew It: Stitching Basics Tuesday, February 27, 3:00 pm

Renew! Reuse! Recycle! Learn how to make a variety of patches using a simple straight stitch to repair and/or personalize clothing and accessories with this fun, eco friendly project. Learn other useful skills like how to sew on a button and three-dimensional embroidery.

For grades 7-12. Registration required.

Make-It Mondays

Mondays, January 8, 22, 29, February 5, 12, & 26 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Location: Teen Zone

Unlock your inner scientist, engineer, artist, and innovator! Whether you're a beginner or a seasoned enthusiast, our teen S.T.E.A.M. workshops are a fantastic opportunity to learn, create, and connect with like-minded teens. Projects available while supplies last. For grades 7-12. No registration required.

Teen Oasis: Library Study Hall and Relaxation Zone

January 22 - 25, February 20 - 22,

11:00 am - 6:00 pm Location: Teen Zone

Need a serene space to study and unwind?
Welcome to the "Teen Oasis" at your local library!
Join us for a peaceful study hall tailored
exclusively for teens, complete with ASMR
ambiance, stress-relief activities, and a soothing
selection of hot cocoa and tea. Immerse yourself
in a tranquil atmosphere enhanced by
aromatherapy to help you focus, de-stress, and
rejuvenate while you hit the books. Whether
you're prepping for exams or just seeking a
calming escape, our Teen Oasis offers the perfect
blend of productivity and relaxation.

For grades 7-12. No registration required



Teen Tech Titans

Tuesdays, January 9, 16, February 6 & 13, 3:30 pm **Location: Teen Zone**

Empower the future, one line of code at a time! This inclusive and inspiring club is designed for those who want to explore the exciting world of computer science, coding, and technology. Join us to learn, collaborate, and create innovative projects while fostering a supportive community of like-minded humans passionate about STEM. For grades 6-8. Registration required.

SoundCraft: Teen Audio Workshop

Thursdays, January 11 & February 8, 3:30 pm

Location: Program Room

Explore audio creativity with access to professional recording equipment and guidance for projects like song composition, podcast creation, and audio storytelling. With skilled mentors and a collaborative space, the program cultivates not only audio production skills but also storytelling and teamwork abilities for a community of young artists.

For grades 7-12. Registration required.

Showtime Social

Fridays, January 19 & February 16, 3:00 pm **Location: Teen Zone**

Experience the magic of Japanese animation! Immerse yourself in stunning visuals, compelling stories, and the unique creativity that defines this beloved art form. It's a fantastic opportunity to enjoy anime with fellow fans and discover new favorites together with a bowl of popcorn. For grades 7-12. No registration required.

GameMania

Wednesdays, January 31 & February 14, 3:00 pm **Location: Teen Zone**

Dive into the world of fun and friendly competition with a variety of games, including video games, Uno, ping pong, and more. Whether you're a gaming enthusiast or just looking for a great time, this program offers the perfect opportunity to challenge your skills, make new friends, and enjoy hours of entertainment. Bring your competitive spirit and join us for a day filled with laughter and excitement.

For grades 7-12. No registration required.

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Virtual Volunteers

Submissions Ongoing

Submit guest posts for our social media accounts, artwork to our virtual gallery, a family recipe to our virtual cookbook, or a review to our review blog. For specific guidelines to complete each project, scan the gr code or contact us to learn more teenzone@westburylibrary.org



VolunTEEN Evenings

Wednesdays, January 10 & February 28, 5:30 pm **Location: Teen Zone**

Calling all passionate and civic-minded teens! Our teen volunteer evening program at the **VOLUNTEERS** library offers a unique opportunity to make a meaningful impact in your community. NEEDED Join us as we come together to engage in various community service projects, develop leadership skills, connect with peers, and give back to the community in a fun and fulfilling way. For grades 7-12. Registration required.

Library Remind!

Sign up for reminder notifications for library programs and in-person volunteer opportunities with Remind.

Join the right group for you!

By joining, you consent to have messages and notifications from the library sent to your device.

You may unsubscribe or turn off notifications at anytime.

General Volunteering: @lib-vols Library Program Blasts: @tzprograms

Teen Advisory Board Meeting

Saturdays, January 13 & February 10, 2:00 pm **Location: Teen Zone**

Join this dynamic group of motivated teens who play a pivotal role in shaping the library's programs and

services for young adults. As a board member, you'll have the opportunity to provide valuable input, plan engaging events, recommend books, and make a

positive impact on the library's teen community. Join us today to help create a library experience that truly reflects the interests and needs of your fellow teens.

For grades 7-12. Registration required.

Monthly D.I.Y. Kit

Submission Deadlines: Mondays, January 29 & February 26

Pickup Location: Teen Zone

Complete a monthly service project on your own time. Pick up a supply kit with instructions from the Teen Zone during after school hours and return by the appropriate deadline to receive service credit.

Keep an eye on our social media for changes and updates





@westburykids @westburychildrenslibrary

Early Childhood Fair with Bluey! Saturday, March 9, 2:00 pm-4:00 pm

This event will provide families the opportunity to speak with local businesses, healthcare agencies, and schools about the educational and developmental opportunities available to young children in the area. Also, join us for games, crafts, and pictures with Bluey! If you are a local daycare, preschool or early childhood organization interested in attending, please contact westburykids@westburylibrary.org.



Winter Reading Challenge **January 3 - 31**



How many different ways can you read this winter? Pick up a log at the Children's Library and take the reading challenge! Hand in your completed log for a prize. For children up to 6th grade.

Cozy Storytime

Mondays in January and February, 6:00 pm

Location: Children's Library

Join us every Monday night for storytime! No registration necessary. Geared towards children in PreK to 2nd grade. Storytime will not take place February 19th.

JumpBunch

Tuesday, January 9, 10:30 am

Registration begins Wednesday, January 3, 10:00 am

Location: Adult Library Meeting Room

A fun structured program that introduces your child to the world of sports! This great program helps build coordination, self-esteem and instills healthy attitudes and a life-long love of sports and fitness! Please register in advance, space is limited. For children 18 months to 2.5 years old.

Teen Tech Titans

Tuesdays, January 9, 16, February 6 & 13

3:30 pm

Location: Teen Zone



This inclusive and inspiring club is designed for those who want to explore the exciting world of computer science, coding, and technology. For grades 6-8. Registration required.

Krafty Kids

Thursdays, January 11 & 18, 5:30 pm Registration begins Wednesday, January 3, 10:00 am

Location: Children's Library

Join Ms. Tsin Yee for a night of guided crafting! Must attend both sessions. Please register in advance, space is limited. For children in 4th to 6th grade.

Lil Owls Toddler Time

Fridays, January 12, 26, February 9 & 23, 10:30 am **Location: Children's Library** Join us for songs, fingerplays, & stories! No registration necessary. Recommended for children 12 months to 3 years old.

Winter Wildlife with the Suffolk County Farm Saturday, January 13, 2:00 pm Registration begins Wednesday, January 3, 10:00 am **Location: Adult Library Meeting Room** Not all of nature is asleep during the winter! Meet some of the wildlife and learn about them through interactive games and activities. Please register in advance, space is limited. For children in K to 6th grade.

Pequeñitos Pollitos : Bilingual Circle Time Tuesdays, January 16 and February 27, 6:00 pm **Location: Children's Library**

¡Ven a cantar con la Señorita Andrea! Join us for twenty minutes of songs, fingerplays and a story in English and Spanish. No registration necessary. For children 6 months to 5 years old.

Chess for Kids

Mondays, January 22 & 29, 5:00 pm Registration begins Monday, January 15, 10:00 am **Location: Adult Library Meeting Room** Future Grandmasters, come to the library to learn new chess skills to help you advance to the next level. Participants must attend both sessions. Please register in advance, space is limited. For children in 2nd to 6th grade.

Children's

Stay up to date with the Children's department!

Subscribe to the Youth Services Mailing List to receive weekly information about our services, programs, & collections!



Homework Help

Tuesdays in January and February from 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Location: Children's Library





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Members of the Westbury High School National Honor Society will be available to assist children in grades K through eight with their homework questions. Sessions are on a first * come, first serve basis. Children under 10 years old must be accompanied by a parent.

We will not have Homework Help when Westbury schools are closed.

Tots Morning Out

Tuesday, January 23, 10:30 am

Registration begins Monday, January 15, 10:00 am

Location: Adult Library Meeting Room

Join us for an hour of singing, dancing, storytelling, and a fun craft! Please register in advance, space is limited. For children 18 months to 5 years old.

Winter Wonderland

Thursday, January 25, 6:30 pm

Registration begins Monday, January 15, 10:00 am

Location: Children's Library

Come join Miss Jenna around the fireplace to listen to some winter stories and a craft. Please register in advance. Recommended for children in PreK to 2nd grade.

Hot Chocolate Pops

Tuesday, January 30, 4:00 pm

Registration begins Monday, January 22, 10:00 am

Location: Adult Library Meeting Room Make your own hot chocolate pop! We'll provide everything you'll need to create this chocolate delight. Please register in advance, space is limited. For children in K to 6th grade.

Take Your Child to the Library Day Saturday, February 3, 11:00 am - 2:00 pm Spend the day at the Library with your child! Play games, read books, or make a craft! No registration necessary, while supplies last. For families with children up to 6th grade.

Dancing Dogs

Saturday, February 3, 2:00 pm

Location: Adult Library Meeting Room Be ready to be entertained and amazed by Diana and her dancing golden retrievers as they renact the story of *James the Golden*

Retriever Finds His Talent. Seats are first come, first served. Sign up to receive a reminder email. For families with children up to 6th grade.

Art Remixed: Basquiat

Monday, February 5, 4:00 pm

Registration begins Monday, January 29, 10:00 am

Location: Adult Library Meeting Room Celebrate Black History Month by putting your own spin on Basquiat's style of art! Dress for a mess. Please register in advance, space is limited. For children in 2nd to 6th grade.

BabyJam Music & Movement Program

Tuesday, February 6, 10:30 am

Registration begins Monday, January 29, 10:00 am

Location: Adult Library Meeting Room Join Ms. Andrea of BabyJam for songs on guitar and

animal puppet friends, as we shake and move to a happy beat to children's favorites, and march around an imaginary animal alphabet train track! Please register in advance, space is limited. For children 9 months to 3 years old.

Wild About Flowers

Monday, February 12, 4:00 pm Registration begins Monday, February 5, 10:00 am

Location: Adult Library Meeting Room

Make something special this Valentine's Day by decorating paper flowers and a vase! Please register in advance, space is limited. For children in K to 6th

grade.

PlayHooray Tuesday, February 13, 10:30 am

Registration begins Monday, February 5, 10:00 am

Location: Adult Library Meeting Room

Sing, dance, and play with your child! Please register in advance, space is limited. For children 1 to 5 years old.

Crafty Owls

Wednesday, February 14, 3:30 - 5:00 pm Location: Children's Library

Drop in to the Library and make a seasonal craft! No registration necessary, while supplies last.

Hack that Painting

Tuesday, February 20, 3:00 pm

Registration begins on Monday, February 12, 10:00 am

Location: Adult Library Meeting Room

Add your own artistic touch to a preprinted work of art! Please register in advance, space is limited. For

children in 2nd to 6th grade.

Z-tag with Long Island Laser Tag

Thursday, February 22

Registration begins, Monday, February 12, 10:00 am Session 1, 2:00 pm - For children in K to 2nd grade Session 2, 3:00 pm - For children in 3rd to 6th grade Tag, you're it! Put on your Ztag bracelet and get ready to play red light - green light, zombie tag, and more! A parent or guardian must sign a waiver for their child in order to participate. Please register in advance, space is limited.

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PROGRAM REGISTRATION

In order to be able to attend most programs, a patron is required to register for the program.

PAYMENT

If a program involves a fee, the fee is payable at the Library's kiosk using a debit or credit card. Please note the payment due date for each program. If paying via the kiosk, please submit a copy of your receipt (print full name legibly and phone number) to the Circulation Desk. If paying by check, make check payable to WMPL and submit to the Circulation Desk.



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TECH TIME



Learn the basics of your iPhone. You must bring your own device. Limit 10 participants. Registration Required.

Using Your Android SmartPhone I

Saturday, February 24, 1:00 pm

Learn the basics of your Android phone. You must bring your own device. Limit 10 participants. Registration Required.

Tech One-On-One, IN-HOUSE (By Appointment)

Do you need help using your Apple or Android tablet? Do you have a new smart phone and have no clue how to use it or add apps? Is your Laptop acting strangely? Do you have questions about Microsoft Office?

The Tech Department is here to help! We are happy to schedule one-on-one tech sessions with Westbury Library cardholders. Call 516-333-0176 for details.

Dr. Maria Hubbard AGAPE Coat Giveaway Saturday, January 6, 12:00 pm

AGAPE Warm 4 the Winter Outreach will distribute 100 new adult coats for those in need. Women's coat sizes are Small through XXL and Men's coat sizes are Medium through XXL. Sponsored by AGAPE and the Westbury Memorial Public Library. Registration is required to receive a

Literacy Nassau - English Language Learners Wednesdays and Fridays, January 17 - March 29, 7:00 pm

English instruction for non-native English speakers to practice their reading, writing, speaking, and listening skills. Please check out their website for a list of registration dates (January 3 - January 9) and locations. Registration required. Call: (516) 867-3580 or Email: mail@literacynassau.org to make an appointment.

Literacy Nassau - Citizenship Class Saturday, January 20 - March 30, 10:00 am Literacy Nassau offers citizenship preparation classes which will allow students to study the 100 questions that may be on their naturalization exam. Please check out their website for a list of registration dates (January 3 - January 9) and locations. Registration required. Call: (516) 867-3580 or Email: mail@literacynassau.org to make an appointment.

Drop A Dress Week Upcoming Event - April 2024

Mpact Outreach will partner with the library to sponsor a drive for Prom Dresses for Westbury's 2024 Senior Prom. Donated Items must be in Dry - Cleaned Condition. Dress donations will be accepted for one week only. Date to be announced in the upcoming year.



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