Three weeks, three great authors

A month of exciting author events, all presented by the Friends of the Library

Ellen Meister

On Tuesday, July 14 at 7:30 p.m., Ellen Meister will read from and discuss *Dorothy Parker Drank Here*, her follow-up to *Forgive, Dorothy Parker*. Now, the acid-tongued Dorothy is back and haunting the halls of the Algonquin Hotel with her piercing wit, audacious voice and unexpectedly tender wisdom. “A lovely...imagining [of] the voice of Dorothy Parker with equal parts wit, heartbreak, and practicality.” -- Booklist.

Ellen Meister has written five novels, and numerous short stories and essays. She teaches creative writing at Hofstra University Continuing Education. Ellen lives on Long Island with her husband and three children. Books will be available for purchase and signing.

Susan Isaacs

On Wednesday, July 22 at 7:30 p.m., best-selling novelist and Port favorite Susan Isaacs returns to the Library to read from and discuss her new short story *A Hint of Strangeness*, available as a Kindle Single e-book.

*The Washington Post* said, “Nobody does smart, gutsy, funny, sexy women better than Susan Isaacs.” Add to that praise the adjective “strong,” and you’ve got Susan’s latest protagonist, Marianne Kent. Her life may not seem thrilling—living with her widowed mother, majoring in economics, working in an elegant dress store after classes to put away money for graduate school—but she’s determined to make a better life for herself and her mom.

Port Washington’s own Susan Isaacs was dubbed “Jane Austen with a shmear” on NPR’s *Fresh Air*, and is the best-selling author of thirteen novels, two screenplays and numerous essays and reviews.

Erika Swyler

On Friday, July 31 at noon, Erika Swyler will read from and discuss her debut novel, *The Book of Speculation*. The plot: Simon Watson, a young librarian, lives alone in a house that is slowly crumbling into Long Island Sound. His parents are long dead. His mother, a circus mermaid who made her living by holding her breath, drowned in the very water his house overlooks. His younger sister ran off to join the circus...

“Swyler creates a melancholy world with hints of magic at the edges... fans of Erin Morgenstern’s *The Night Circus*, Katherine Dunn’s *Geek Love*, or Katherine Howe’s *The Physick Book of Deliverance Dane* won’t want to leave this festival.” -- Library Journal.

Erika Swyler’s short fiction has appeared in numerous literary journals and anthologies. Born and raised on the North Shore of Long Island, Erika recently moved from Brooklyn back to her hometown, which inspired the setting of the book.

Roku: A new way to borrow movies

PWPL is introducing a new way to borrow the latest movies: Roku sticks! These tiny devices plug right into your TV and allow you to stream video via your broadband wifi connection.

Through the Roku, you’ll gain access to the Library’s Vudu account, which will be fully stocked with a curated selection of the latest, most in-demand films.

Getting started is easy—just insert the Roku, find your wi-fi network on the list that pops up, go into the Vudu channel, choose a movie and enjoy!

Besides wi-fi, you’ll need a modern TV with an HDMI port. You can use either a USB port on your TV or a wall outlet for power.

Rokus are first-come, first-served—request one at the Circulation Desk. For assistance, speak to one of our Media Room librarians.

July schedule

We will be closed on Saturday, July 4 in observance of Independence Day. We will be closed on Sundays throughout July and August.

PWPL at the LIRR

Our summer service at the train station returns, starting July 8 and running through September 9. We’ll be there on Wednesday mornings from 7 to 9 a.m. Borrow popular paperbacks—no library card required! Also, ask us about downloading e-books and audiobooks straight to your phone or tablet. See you at the station!

Adult Summer Reading Club

Summer reading isn’t just for kids anymore! Join the Adult Summer Reading Club beginning July 1st. Register at the Information Desk or at pwpl.org. Participating is simple: just keep track of what you’ve read—fiction or non-fiction—and for every book you read you’ll be entered in a raffle to win book-related prizes. You’ll also get a welcome gift just for joining! There will be booklists available and librarians will be happy to give recommendations. We will have a kickoff event on Tuesday, July 14 at 7:30 p.m., when author Ellen Meister comes to discuss her books. Books must be started and finished between July 1st and August 21st. Audiobooks count too. Good luck and happy reading!

Museum passes

Summer is here and our museum pass program is free and fun! Spend the day in air conditioned comfort while learning something cool. There are now 18 museums available, including Old Bethpage Village Restoration, the Hecksher Museum of Art and the Merchant’s House Museum. Port cardholders can reserve online at pwpl.org/museumpass, or call 516-883-4400, ext. 111. The program is sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Volunteer Exhibit

Visit the Community Gallery in July and August for a special exhibit featuring the many volunteer groups who help to make us a 5-star library.
Introducing Nassau Public Libraries Mobile
Free, easy and convenient

Our new mobile app is now available for iOS and Android phones and tablets!
Use it to:
- search the catalog
- view events
- manage your account
- use online resources
- store your library card
... and more!

Search “Nassau Libraries” in your app store. For assistance, contact the Library.

The Port Washington Library Foundation's Twelfth Annual Inspiration Gala
September 26, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.

Learn more about the event at www.pwfanovelaffair.com
Visions of Scenic Long Island captured by Robert Bloom

In addition to being a published author and composer, Robert T. Bloom is a photographic artist concentrating on scenic Long Island landscapes and seascapes. “Photographic Art” is a hybrid art form which combines photography and computer facilitated painting. By applying a creative editing process, his digital photo images are transformed into artistic works that resemble paintings. Using this compelling technique, Mr. Bloom has captured the charm and elegance of Long Island’s scenery in a comprehensive body of work.

Bloom's artwork has been accepted for ninety solo artist exhibitions at universities, libraries, book stores and numerous other locations throughout Long Island.

Visions of Scenic Long Island will be on display in the Martin Votations throughout Long Island.

American music with The Amigos

The Friends of the Library presents an evening of foot-stomping, accordion-infused Indie-Americana music at a SoundSwap event hosted by Tony Traguardo on Thursday, July 2 at 7:30 p.m.

As global ambassadors for American music, the Amigos have taken their blend of folk-rock, zydeco/Cajun, and hot jazz on a tour that has spanned six countries and twenty states over the course of the past year, sharing a message of ecstatic collaboration and inclusion in over two hundred performances. The Amigos’ debut album, Diner in the Sky, featuring American music legend David Amram, has received significant airplay in the US and Europe, and was praised by The Wall Street Journal.

The Amigos are committed to exploring the rich connections in roots music, and have performed or recorded with Jim Lauderdale, Nellie McKay, Vince Gill and The Time Jumpers, Ranger Doug (of Riders in the Sky), Pete Seeger, members of the Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra, Dan Penn, Spooner Oldham, and Preservation Hall Jazz Band, and they have opened for artists such as the Carolina Chocolate Drops, Sam Bush, Tab Benoit and Jon Batiste.

The Amigos have made education central to their musical goals. In 2014, they toured Cambodia, China, Myanmar, Laos and Vietnam through the U.S. State Department’s American Music Abroad program, hosting over thirty concerts and workshops featuring international touring artists. As part of Jazz at Lincoln Center’s Jazz for Young People program, The Amigos give over fifty performances in NYC schools each year, focusing on democracy, freedom and improvisation, and cultural heritage. In the last year they have led school performances in fourteen U.S. states, Washington D.C., and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

We are excited to have this unique band on our SoundSwap stage, and look forward to an evening of eclectic, danceable music.

Recent Animated Films on DVD

This month we screen the family film The Boxtrolls (2014). Here are some other recent animated features in our circulating DVD collection:

**Appleseed Alpha** (2014). A soldier and her cyborg partner leave post-apocalypse New York in search of the leg.


**Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs 2** (2013). Inventor Flint Lockwood learns that his infamous machine is still churning out menacing food-animal hybrids.

**The Croods** (2013). This stone-age fable boasts the voices of Nicolas Cage, Emma Stone, Ryan Reynolds and Catherine Keener.

**Despicable Me 2** (2013). The Anti-Villain League recruits Gru (voiced by Steve Carell) and his Minions to save the world from a new super-criminal.

**Frozen** (2013). An instant classic about optimistic princess Anna (voiced by Kristen Bell) and her older sister Elsa (Idina Menzel), the Snow Queen.

**Justice League: The Flashpoint Paradox** (2013). The Flash leaps back in time to prevent a crime against his mother, but his good intentions prove disastrous.

**The Lego Movie** (2014). An ordinary Lego construction worker is recruited to help prevent an evil tyrant from gluing the Lego universe into eternal stasis.

**Monsters University** (2013). Another story about one-eyed creature Mike (voiced by Billy Crystal) and shaggy monster Sulley (John Goodman).

**Mr. Peabody & Sherman** (2014). Genius dog Mr. Peabody and his adopted son Sherman try to repair a rift in time.

**Patema Inverted** (2013). A girl from a civilization that resides in underground tunnels finds herself trapped in an inverted world and teams up with a resident of that other land to escape.

**Rio 2** (2014). Birds Blu and Jewel (Jesse Eisenberg, Anne Hathaway) are h urtled from Rio de Janeiro to the wilds of the Amazon.

Pelicula familiar en español:

**Bajo la Misma Luna**

Martes, 07 de julio a las 7 p.m.

Carlitos (Adrian Alonso) de 9 años se va de México para encontrar a su madre Rosario (Kate del Cas tillo) quien se a ido a trabajar a los Estados Unidos. (2007-110 min.)

**Under the Same Moon**

Tuesday, July 7 at 7 p.m.

Scrappy 9-year-old Carlitos (Adri an Alonso) leaves Mexico to find his mother Rosario (Kate del Cast illo), who has gone to work in America. (2007-110 min.)
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Library services for patrons with low vision

Talking Books
The New York Public Library’s Andrew Heiskell Library operates a books-by-mail program that delivers thousands of recorded book titles postage-free. Long Island residents of all ages are eligible for this service if they have difficulty reading standard printed materials because of blindness, visual impairment or a physical disability that limits their ability to hold a book or turn pages.

Port Washington patrons who believe they qualify may ask a librarian to certify them for this program. Talking books are provided on easy-to-use digital cartridges, with a player provided free of charge. Talking books may also be downloaded through the BARD app directly to a smartphone or tablet.

Downloadable e-books and audiobooks
Click on the OverDrive link on our website (pwp.org) or download the OverDrive app to access thousands of e-books and audiobooks. The text size on all of the e-books can be adapted to your preference.

Large type books
The Library has a broad collection of fiction and non-fiction books with large type print. The collection is located in the Reading Room. Additional titles can be requested from other Nassau libraries.

Large type periodicals
The Library subscribes to large print editions of The New York Times and Reader’s Digest. The latest seven issues of each are kept in the Reading Room.

Audiobooks
The Library has an extensive collection of audiobooks on CD. Find titles of all genres, for all ages, in the Media Room, TeenSpace and the Children’s Room. We also offer Playaways—small players that hold a single audiobook and can be used by simply plugging in headphones.

Homebound service
If you or a loved one is unable to get to the Library, let us know and we will arrange for free delivery of books and other materials. For more information contact Keith Klang, Head of Adult Services, at 516-883-4400, ext. 135 or kklang@pwpl.org.

Magnisight visual enlarger
This device, located in the South Wing, will magnify any printed page or object and display it on a large screen. It was donated to the Library by the Foundation for Sight and Sound.

Zoom Text with enhanced keyboard
A public computer in the South Wing is equipped with Zoom Text software that enlarges on-screen text, as well as a large, high-contrast EZ Eyes keyboard.

Large type periodicals
The Library subscribes to large print editions of The New York Times and Reader’s Digest. The latest seven issues of each are kept in the Reading Room.

Parent-Child Home Program Summer Reading
The Library’s Parent-Child Home Program has launched a summer reading initiative for families enrolled in the program. This 8-week summer reading program ensures that PCHP participants enter preschool with the skills they need to succeed. The program is being sponsored by the Elise and Marvin Tepper Family Early Literacy Project.
**Summer Reading Programs**

These two programs begin July 6 and end August 13. Pre-registration not required—sign up when you are ready to begin and participate.

**Be a Super Hero, Read!**
Children entering first through sixth grades are invited to join. Keep track of the suggested activities and books you have read. Members who complete the 6-week program will receive a certificate, a participation gift and an invitation to the Children's Room Carnival on Friday, August 14.

**Smart Start for Babies, Toddlers and Preschoolers**
It is important to focus on literacy skills even for the youngest children. To this end we are offering a program for children ages birth to 3 years. Just read, sing or do fingerplays with your child at home. Record the activities you have shared and we’ll have gifts for your child.

**Summer Reading Kick-off**

_The Gizmo Guys_ - Friday, July 10 at 7 p.m.
The Gizmo Guys will amuse and amaze you with their dazzling juggling technique and infectious humor. For children entering grades 1 to 6 with an adult. No tickets required.

**Early Childhood**

_To register for these events, please call 516-883-4400, ext. 150._

**Stay and Play I** – Mondays, July 6, 13, 20 at 10:30 a.m.
Visit with other parents and caregivers while your baby plays with age appropriate toys. For ages birth to 12 months. Registration began June 22.

**Play Pals I** - Tuesdays, July 7, 14, 21 at 11 a.m.
Play together and meet new people in a fun, creative environment. For ages 18 to 29 months with an adult. Registration began June 22.

**Pajama Story Time** - Wednesdays, July 8, 22 and August 5 at 7:00 p.m.
For ages 3 to 6 years with an adult. No registration required.

**Dance Party with Miss Lesley** – Wednesday, July 8 at 1 p.m.
Songs, dancing and fun. For children ages 2 ½ to 5 years with an adult. Registration began June 22.

**Baby Rhyme Time** - Six Thursdays beginning July 9 at 10:30 a.m.
Enjoy books, songs, music, fingerplays and more. For children ages birth to 17 months with an adult. No registration required.

**Park Story Time** - Six Fridays beginning July 10 at 10:30 a.m.
For children ages 5 years and under with an adult. Meets at Blumenfeld Family Park (adjacent to the Landmark). If weather is inclement, story time will be held in the Children's Room at 10:40 a.m. No registration required.

**Magneto Man Science** – Saturday, July 18 at 11:15 a.m.
Learn about some amazing substances. For kids entering grades 4 to 6. Registration begins July 10.

**Fantastic Fliers** – Saturday, July 25 at 11:30 a.m.
Learn the basics of aerodynamics. For kids entering grades 1 to 3. Registration begins July 13.

**Fourth Grade Favorites** - Thursdays, July 9, 23 and August 6 at 7:00 p.m.
For kids entering grade 4. Registration began June 22.

**Tweens Night Out** – Tuesday, July 7 from 7 to 8 p.m.
Learn how to incorporate kawaii design elements into your own unique art style. For kids entering grades 5 and 6. Registration begins July 13.

**Fourth Grade Favorites** - Thursdays, July 9, 23 and August 6 at 7:00 p.m.
For kids entering grade 4. Registration began June 22.

**Fifth and Sixth Grade Page Turners** - Tuesdays, July 14, 28 and August 11 at 7:15 p.m.
For kids entering grades 5 and 6. Registration began June 29.

**Tweens Night Out: Kawaii Design** - Tuesday, July 21 from 7 to 8 p.m.
Learn how to incorporate kawaii design elements into your own unique art style. For kids entering grades 5 and 6. Registration begins July 13.

**Tweens Night Out** – Tuesday, August 4 from 7 to 8:30 p.m.
For kids entering grades 5 and 6. Registration began July 27. Topic to be announced.

**STEAM Saturdays**

**Drop-In Family Lego** – Saturdays, July 11 and August 15 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
Families with children ages 5 and up are invited to use our Lego and your imagination. No registration required.

**Superhero Science** - Saturday, July 18 at 9:30 a.m.
Learn about some amazing substances. For kids entering grades 4 to 6. Registration begins July 10.

**Tweens Night Out** – Tuesday, July 7 from 7 to 8 p.m.
Learn how to incorporate kawaii design elements into your own unique art style. For kids entering grades 5 and 6. Registration begins July 13.

**Tweens Night Out** – Tuesday, August 4 from 7 to 8:30 p.m.
For kids entering grades 5 and 6. Registration began July 27. Topic to be announced.

Priority for all events is given to Port Washington residents.
TEENSPACE for grades seven through twelve

Teen Summer Workshops

Registration for all workshops is in progress. Register in Teenspace, by phone at 516-883-4400, ext. 148 or online at pwpl.org/teenspace. Programs are open to Port teens entering grades 7 through 12 as of September 2015. Programs are free unless otherwise noted below. All teen programs are co-sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

**Summer Reading Club**
July 1 through August 12
Read magazines, websites and books and write a mini-review to win prizes. Pick up a packet of reading club materials while supplies last.

**Teen Coding**
Four classes: July 8, 15, 22 & 29 at 6:30 p.m.
Learn the basics of computer language, code structure and implementation.

**Line Animation Workshop**
July 9 at 7 p.m.
Create your own animation using light boxes, then watch it on the big screen!

**Charm Bracelets**
July 14 at 7 p.m.
Make your own unique charm bracelet.

**Wii U**
July 15 & August 5 at 2:30 p.m.
Come play on the big screen!

**Teen Genetics Workshop**
July 21 at 7 p.m.
Collect data, make comparisons and discover how we are similar yet different.

**Appy Hour**
July 22 & 29 at 3 p.m.
Share your favorite mobile apps!

**Teen Book Discussion**
July 20 at 2:30 p.m.
We will discuss *The Story of Owen* by E.K. Johnston. Pick up a copy in Teenspace.

**Port Paninis Workshop**
July 16 at 7 p.m.
Learn how to make delicious sandwiches. Workshop fee: $5.

**Sushi Made Simple**
July 23 at 7 p.m.
Prepare exotic vegetarian sushi and reverse rolls. Fee: $5.

**Make Your Own Comic Book**
July 28 at 6:30 p.m.
Learn how to create panels, lay out pages and add text and speech bubbles.

**Tie Dye**
July 30 at 7 p.m.
Fashion your own homemade t-shirt. T-shirts will be provided.

**Wii U with a Senior Buddy**
July 31 at 2:30 p.m.
Share your love of video games with a senior.

**MUVChat**
August 4 at 6:30 p.m.
Bring your cell phone and text your comments, which will appear on the screen as we watch *The Maze Runner* film.

**Manga Café**
August 7 at 2:30 p.m.
Discuss your favorite manga.

Food Allergy Disclaimer: Participants concerned about food allergies need to be aware of this risk. The Port Washington Public Library will not assume any liability for adverse reactions to foods consumed or items one may come in contact with while eating at any of our programs.