

BOOKINGS



**Port Washington Play Troupe Presents
"It's a Wonderful Life: A Radio Play"**
Friday, December 15 at 7:00 p.m.
Sunday, December 17 at 3:00 p.m.
Lapham Meeting Room

Port Washington Play Troupe is proud to present two live performances at the Library. This American holiday classic comes to captivating life as a live 1940s radio broadcast in an adaptation by Bob Nissen. With the help of a full ensemble, the story of idealistic George Bailey unfolds as he considers ending his life on one fateful Christmas Eve, only to be reminded how much he has to live for. This charming production will include singers, old-time radio jingles, and live sound effects by a foley artist.

The PW Play Troupe, the community's oldest theater organization, is known for its high-quality musicals, plays, and special performances. They are proud recipients of the 2023-2024 Gina Farasciano Community Theater Grant, awarded by Hearts PW.

QUICK READS

Visiting Hours

Monday & Tuesday 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Wednesday 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Thursday & Friday 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sunday 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Special Holiday Schedule

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on December 24, 25, 31,
and January 1, 2024.



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**The Business of Broadway
and the American Theater**
Friday, December 1 at 7:00 p.m.
Lapham Meeting Room and on Zoom



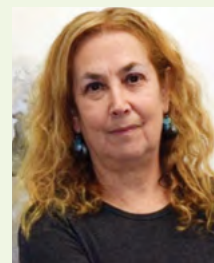
A panel of Broadway and Off-Broadway experts will provide an insider's perspective and share stories about Broadway productions, including *Hamilton*, *Wicked*, *Lion King*, and more. Mitch Weiss, co-author of *The Business of Broadway*, who has managed Tony Award winners *A Chorus Line*, *Equus*, *Beauty and the Beast*, *West Side Story*, and dozens more, will moderate the panel. In addition to answering questions, they will also discuss the current state of American theater, including how the pandemic has affected the theater industry across the country, especially on Broadway. *Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.*

Copies of *The Business of Broadway* will be available for purchase and signing.

**Painting Pictures and Telling Tales:
Writing and Illustrating Children's Books**
Sunday, December 3 at 2 p.m.
Lapham Meeting Room



Leonard Marcus



Jane Breskin Zalben



Marvin Terban



Eileen Robinson

Join us for a panel discussion on the exciting world of children's book publishing. Leading publishing insiders will discuss the ins and outs of the publishing world and what it takes to get a children's book published. Guest speakers include PWPL's current Adler Gallery artist, award-winning children's author and illustrator Jane Breskin Zalben; author, curator, and leading critic of children's books Leonard Marcus and Editorial Director of Charlesbridge (Penguin/Random) Eileen Robinson. Best-selling and award-winning children's book author and professor Marvin Terban will moderate. *Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.*

Winter Book Bingo

Join us for Library-Wide Winter Book Bingo! Starting January 15th, kids, teens, and adults can register online or in person at all service desks. The first ten people from each age group to get a bingo (5 across, horizontally, diagonally, or vertically) will win a prize. Max of two boxes per book. Please bring all bingo cards back to the Library by March 22. PWPL patrons only. *Sponsored by Friends of the Library.*

E-waste Recycling Collection

Saturday, December 2 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
PWPL Parking Lot



Do you have outdated & unwanted electronics and metal cluttering your house or workspace? Arrow Scrap Metal and E-Waste Recycling will be in our parking lot to collect unwanted electronics for proper recycling. Bring down your used computers, cell phones, laptops, servers, wire & cable, scrap metal, circuit boards, batteries, printers, hard drives & storage devices, power tools, small appliances, small electronics, keyboards/mice, stereos, flat-screen TVs and monitors, cameras, and more for responsible and secure collection.

Not accepted: Lightbulbs, liquids, paints, containers/tanks containing gases, medical waste, tires, paper, glass, wood, Alkaline Batteries or general garbage.

— In the Adler Gallery —

Beni's Tiny Tales: Illustrations and Paintings

by Jane Breskin Zalben

On view November 2 through December 28



Jane Breskin Zalben has created over 50 award-winning books for children, including eight young adult novels, two cookbooks and several poetry books. Her acclaimed picture books and novels explore issues of family, friendship, self-reliance, inner strength, peace, and the creative process of music and art. This exhibit will feature original artwork from Zalben's newly released book, *Beni's Tiny Tales: Around the Year in Jewish Holidays* as well as large scale abstract paintings used as inspiration in the book.

Free 3D Printing in December

Are you curious about 3D printing? Do you wish to see one of your TinkerCAD creations come to life? Looking for a unique holiday gift? Be sure to check out thingiverse.com for some inspiration! Patrons can print one simple, medium-sized object on our Dremel Digilab 3d45 or Form 3+ resin printer. To get more information or submit a print please contact 3Dprinter@PWPL.org or call The Lab at 516-883-4400 x1900. *Our 3D printers were made possible through generous support from the Friends of the Library.* To find out more about our 3D printing service, visit pwpl.org/3d-printing.



Cricut Craft Programs



Gift-A-Mug

Friday, December 1 at 5:30 p.m.
in Hagedorn Meeting Room

Join us in designing a mug and learn how to use the Cricut Mug Press! *Registration begins 11/20.*

Holiday Cards

Tuesday, December 12 at 6:30 p.m.
in Mezzanine Meeting Room

Join us in designing a Holiday card for loved ones! This is a great way to learn more about the Cricut and enjoy some crafting. *Registration begins 11/28.*

The Cricut Craft programs are a "bring your own device" program. Anyone 8 and up is welcome, but registrants under the age of 11 must be accompanied by an adult.

All supplies will be provided. *Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.*



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Library Hours

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Residents of the Port Washington Union Free School District are entitled to a PWPL card, which may also be used at any Library in Nassau County. To apply for a card, stop by the Library with proof of residence or apply online at PWPL.org/Get-A-Library-Card. Non-residents who work in Port Washington may also apply.

Vision:

To enhance the well-being of every community member.

Mission Statement:

The Port Washington Public Library is an inclusive center for community engagement, knowledge, and personal enrichment.



Friends of the Library (FOL) “Linking the Community with the Library”

The FOL, now entering its 58th year, is the Library’s longest-serving volunteer organization. You see FOL members helping at Library programs and leading our own special events; you see us meeting with Library staff; you hear us advocating for the Library budget.

Crucially, the FOL provides financial support for programs and services not covered by the tax-payer-funded budget. FOL-funded initiatives include the Museum Pass Program, Tutor.com online homework help, materials for ESOL language and citizenship classes, adult lectures, SoundSwap concerts, free SAT/ACT prep, and many others. The FOL is sole funder of the technology in the MakerSpace Lab, including the 3D printers and the recording/podcast studio.

The FOL helps to overcome our community’s digital divide by subsidizing the public’s use of copiers and printers and underwriting the lending of nearly 100 WiFi hotspots. We sponsor the “Library of Games & Gadgets,” enabling patrons to borrow GoPro cameras, lawn games, videogame systems, musical instruments, and more. We fund the History Center’s ongoing digitization of *Port News* issues from 1903-1984, and our Bogen Memorial Fund supports the purchase of quality literature. The FOL’s own programs include our signature Book & Author Luncheon, FOL University lectures and Paperback Swaps. The FOL, an independent 501(c)(3), raises funds through an annual appeal mailing and luncheon sponsorships.

Please donate by check payable to “Friends of the Library” mailed to: FOL, One Library Drive, Port Washington, NY, 11050. You may donate online at pwpl.org/fol/support or by scanning our QR code. We welcome volunteers and feedback: email fol@pwpl.org.



Port Washington Library Foundation “Funding the Future of the Library”

The Port Washington Library Foundation was established in 1989 by the Library trustees as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation, the mission of which is to raise, receive and manage funds, bequests and endowments to support the needs of the Library not covered by taxes, and maintain its viability for future generations. Under the Foundation’s bylaws, the Library is the sole beneficiary of any fundraising activity by the Foundation. The Foundation has board members with financial, fundraising, legal, and marketing skills who together donate their time and expertise to operate as the fundraising arm of the Library.

The Foundation raises funds to fulfill needs identified by the Library trustees, rather than its own initiatives. Money is raised through the Annual Fund appeal, special events such as the annual Inspiration Gala and programs, major gift solicitation, and planned giving.

The Foundation supports many long- and short-term projects and services, including annual funding for the Library Advisory Councils, Books for Dessert, Career Counseling, History Center projects, and the Homegrown Readers Program. In addition to its annual support, the Foundation—thanks to the incredible generosity of local private donors—was able to raise the capital needed to renovate the state-of-the-art Jackie and Harold Spielman Children’s Library. The Foundation is always seeking enthusiastic new community members to participate in its mission and would love to hear from you.

Please reach out to Leila Noor, PWLF Director of Development, or Beth Ain, PWLF Board President, for more information! To contribute, go to pwlfoundation.com/donate. For more information, email Leila Noor at leilanoor@gmail.com



English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) News

ESOL Offerings:

Aside from English classes, the ESOL program also offers an intermediate level Spanish language class, GED and citizenship preparation classes, and orientation and community information workshops. For more information about our ESOL Program, please contact Peggy O’Hanlon at ohanlonp@pwpl.org or (516) 883-4400 x1308. This service is free to all who live or work in the Port Washington community.

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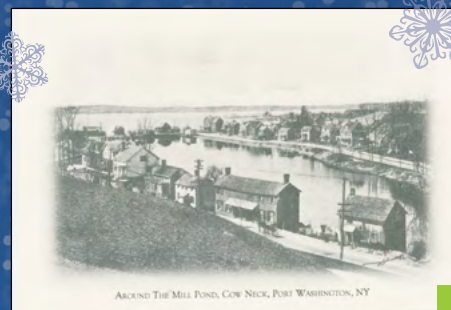
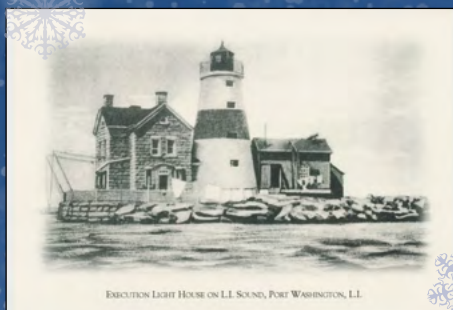
Curso de Manejo Defensivo (en español)

**Saturday, December 9 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Lapham Meeting Room**

Empire Safety Council ofrecerá el curso en español. El cupo es limitado y se requiere registro previo. El costo del curso es de \$20. El pago se puede hacer en efectivo, cheque o giro postal, a nombre de “Empire Safety Council”, el cual debe ser entregado al instructor el día del curso. Habrá un descanso para almorzar de 30 minutos. Este evento es patrocinado por “The Friends of the Library”

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“HYBRID” PROGRAMS

Hybrid programs can be enjoyed at the Library in-person or virtually via Zoom. Users without a device can call into our sessions. Need help? Email Library@PWPL.org or call 883-4400 x1900.

PLEASE NOTE:



Registration is required for all events, unless stated otherwise. Register for all events at pwpl.org/events

Key to Events:

- Adult Program
- Children's Room
- Teenspace
- Career & Finance Program

Friday, December 1

Ready, Set, Story Time at 9:30 a.m.
See page 8 for details.

Sandwiched In with Patricia DelGiorno: Fly Girls During WWII at 12:00 p.m. in Lapham Meeting Room

Between 1942 and 1944, over 1,000 women pilots flew high and wide, ferrying planes from aircraft factories to Army Air Force bases throughout the country, relieving male pilots for combat duty. Join historian Patricia DelGiorno for a multi-media presentation which focuses on the courage of these pioneers in women's aviation as well as on their largely unsung contributions to the war effort.



Cricut Craft: Gift-A-Mug at 5:30 p.m.
See page 2 for details.

The Business of Broadway and the American Theater at 7:00 p.m.
See cover for details.

Saturday, December 2

E-waste Recycling Collection from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. See page 2 for details.

Sunday, December 3

Painting Pictures and Telling Tales: Writing and Illustrating Children's Books at 2:00 p.m. See cover for details.

Monday, December 4

A Time For Kids-Baby Start at 10:00 a.m. See page 8 for details.

A Time For Kids at 10:45 a.m. See page 8 for details.

Preschool Story Time at 1:30 p.m. See page 8 for details.

Teen Gaming at 3:30 p.m. See page 7 for details.

Tuesday, December 5

Sing and Swing at 9:30 a.m. & 10:15 a.m. See page 8 for details.

Support Group for Caregivers of Elderly Relatives at 7:00 p.m. in Children's Workshop Room

This support group for adults will give participants the opportunity to talk with others experiencing similar circumstances as well as share ideas for the best ways to handle a variety of situations.

Wednesday, December 6

Make A Colorful Scented Candle at 7:00 p.m. See page 7 for details.

Discussion Group (Ages 60+) End of Year - Guided Imagery at 7:00 p.m. in Lapham Meeting Room

Join us for an informal discussion that aims to build community with intelligent discussion, laughter, and social interaction.

Friday, December 8

Ready, Set, Story Time at 9:30 a.m. See page 8 for details.

Sandwiched In with Tony Traguado - 'This Here Song is a Story About ...' at 12:00 p.m. in Lapham Meeting Room

Join the Library's own musicologist, archivist and musician Tony Traguado as he looks at classic songs from the 50s through the 70s whose lyrics were based on true stories and real people. In this multimedia program, Mr. Traguado will reveal the fascinating stories behind some of popular music's greatest story songs.

Medicaid Sign-Up Help from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in North Study Room

Free walk-in assistance from the Nassau-Suffolk Hospital Council. *No registration required.*

Alzheimer's Information Session from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in Hagedorn Meeting Room

Parker Institute's Willing Hearts, Helpful Hands Program offers information on their services to Alzheimer's patients and their caregivers. *No registration required.*

SoundSwap: John Ford in Concert at 7:30 p.m. See page 6 for details.

Saturday, December 9

Manejo Defensivo en español at 9:00 a.m. See page 3 for details.

Read to a Certified Therapy Rabbit at 3:00 p.m. See page 8 for details.

Sunday, December 10

M.A.C. Concert: Benjamin Baker at 3:00 p.m. See page 6 for details.

Monday, December 11

Preschool Story Time at 1:30 p.m. See page 8 for details.

Teen Gaming at 3:30 p.m. See page 7 for details.

Understanding The New SAT at 7:00 p.m. See page 7 for details.

Tuesday, December 12

Sing and Swing at 9:30 a.m. & 10:15 a.m. See page 8 for details.

Hypertension Screenings from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in Joan and Arnold Saltzman Reading Room

St. Francis Blood Pressure screening. *No registration required.*

Art Lecture with Alice Schwarz - Annunciation Triptych: A Close Look at 12:00 p.m. in Lapham Meeting Room (hybrid)

Annunciation Triptych, also known as the *Merode Altarpiece*, from the 15th century workshop of Netherlandish artist Robert Campin is a prized piece of the Met's Medieval collection at the Cloisters. Join museum educator Alice W. Schwarz to analyze the images and iconography on the stunningly detailed three panels. *Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.*

Cricut Craft: Holiday Cards at 6:30 p.m. See page 2 for details.

Talking to Your Doctor at 7:00 p.m. in Lapham Meeting Room

Communication is at the heart of your relationship with your doctor, and will allow you to enter into an effective partnership to improve your health and wellness. Join us for tips on getting the most out of your medical appointments. Learn to become a more active participant in your own care! *Sponsored by the Health Advisory Council.*

Thursday, December 14

Nonfiction Book Club at 1:30 p.m. See page 6 for details.

Art Lecture with Thomas Germano - Bellini and Giorgione in the House of Taddeo Contarinir at 3:00 p.m. in Lapham Meeting Room (hybrid)

Professor Thomas Germano will present a visual lecture discussing the two great Venetian Renaissance artists Giorgione and Giovanni Bellini, their patron Taddeo Contarini, and his art collection.

Friday, December 15

- **Ready, Set, Story Time at 9:30 a.m.**
See page 8 for details.
- **Sandwiched In with Ron Brown -
Chrismahanukwanzakah: How New York
City Invented the Holidays at 12:00 p.m.
in Lapham Meeting Room**

Did you know some of the holiday traditions we cherish today originated in New York City? Join Professor Ron Brown as he explains the history of what we know today as the Holiday Season. *Sponsored by Friends of the Library.*

- **Port Washington Play Troupe -
'It's a Wonderful Life' at 7:00 p.m.**
See cover for details.

Saturday, December 16

- **Defensive Driving Course at 9:30 a.m. in
Hagedorn Meeting Room**

The course runs from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Seating is limited and registration is required. Payment of \$33 will be collected by the instructor during class.

Sunday, December 17

- **Port Washington Play Troupe -
'It's a Wonderful Life' at 3:00 p.m.**
See cover for details.

Monday, December 18

- **Preschool Story Time at 1:30 p.m.**
See page 8 for details.
- **Teen Gaming at 3:30 p.m.**
See page 7 for details.
- **Adventures in Classic Readings
at 5:00 p.m.** See page 6 for details.

Tuesday, December 19

- **Sing and Swing at 9:30 a.m. & 10:15 a.m.**
See page 8 for details.
- **Fiction Book Club at 7:30 p.m.**
See page 6 for details.

Wednesday, December 20

- **Teen Anime Club 4:00 p.m.**
See page 7 for details.
- **Board of Trustees Meeting at 7:30 p.m.
in Hagedorn Meeting Room**
Board of Trustees Meeting. All are welcome to attend.

Friday, December 22

- **Ready, Set, Story Time at 9:30 a.m.**
See page 8 for details.

Tuesday, December 26

- **Plaza Theatrical:
Once Upon a Snowflake
at 2:30 p.m.**
See page 8 for details.



Saturday, December 28

- **Magic AI at 2:30 p.m.**
See page 8 for details.



NEW! Needlecraft BYOP (Bring your Own Project)

Bring your embroidery, crochet, quilting, or sewing project to this weekly gathering. Share ideas with fellow crafters and get inspired by our pattern collection and D.I.Y. books. *Materials generously provided by the Friends of the Library.*

Community Meetups in the Mezzanine Meeting Room

- **Chess** – Join a game every Tuesday from 3 to 6 p.m.
- **NEW! Needlecraft BYOP (Bring your Own Project)** – Join us every Wednesday from 6 to 8:30 p.m. to work on your project and get ideas from fellow crafters.
- **Mahjong** – Join us for a game of Mahjong every Thursday from 12 to 3 p.m.
- **Scrabble** – Join us for a game every Friday from 2 to 5 p.m.

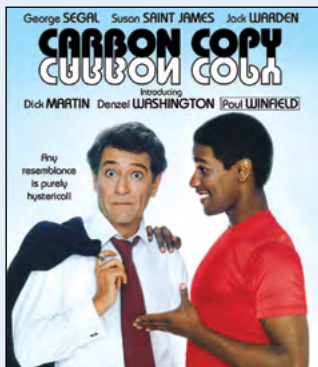


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Happy Birthday, Denzel Washington!

This month, we celebrate the career of actor and director Denzel Washington, born on December 28, 1954. For the complete list of Denzel Washington's DVDs available in our circulating collection, scan the QR code below.



- **Carbon Copy** (Denzel's screen debut)
- **Glory** (an Oscar-winning performance)
- **Training Day**

New Printing Costs

Thanks to the Friends of the Library, we are now able to reduce the cost of printing and copying in the Library to \$0.05 per page for Black and White and \$0.10 per page for Color. In addition, anyone paying for their printing or copying with a PWPL card or guest print card will receive \$0.50 of free printing/copying per day.



Did you know that PWPL offers Automatic Renewals?

Most PWPL items checked out to your account are automatically renewed on their due date, with many of our items eligible for up to **TWO AUTOMATIC RENEWALS**. However, items requested by other patrons or renewed the maximum number of times will not be renewed. You will receive a courtesy email about your automatic renewal. To enroll in email notifications, update your account online or contact our Circulation Department at 516-883-4400 Ext—1200 or circ@pwpl.org.



*We hope you are enjoying PWPL's
worry-free borrowing program!*

December Book Clubs

Join fellow readers at the Library for an engaging discussion at our book clubs. Copies of the books can be found at the Information Desk and on Libby.

Nonfiction Book Club:

***The Wager* by David Grann**

Thursday, December 14 at 1:30 p.m.

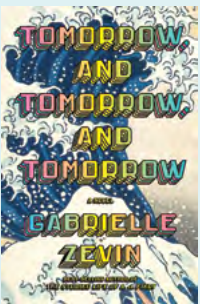


In this tale of shipwreck, survival and savagery, the #1 *New York Times* best-selling author of *Killers of the Flower Moon* recounts the events on His Majesty's Ship *The Wager*, a British vessel that left England in 1740 on a secret mission, resulting in a court martial that revealed a shocking truth.

Fiction Book Club:

***Tomorrow, and Tomorrow, and Tomorrow* by Gabrielle Zevin**

Tuesday, December 19 at 7:30 p.m.

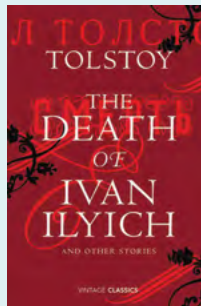


A modern love story about two childhood friends, Sam, raised by an actress mother in LA's Koreatown, and Sadie, from the wealthy Jewish enclave of Beverly Hills, who reunite as adults to create video games, finding an intimacy in digital worlds that eludes them in their real lives.

Adventures in Classic Readings:

***The Lady with the Dog* by Anton Tchekhov and *The Death of Ivan Ilyich* by Leo Tolstoy**

Monday, December 18 at 5:00 p.m.



The Lady with the Dog describes an adulterous affair between an unhappily married Moscow banker and a young married woman that begins while both are vacationing alone in Yalta.

The Death of Ivan Ilyich tells the story of a high-court judge in

19th-century Russia and his sufferings and death from a terminal illness.

Copies will be available at the Information Desk. All participants will receive a complimentary copy provided by the Friends of the Library's Ruth D. Bogen Memorial Fund.

Music Advisory Council Concert: Benjamin Baker, Violin Sunday, December 10 at 3:00 p.m. Lapham Meeting Room

The Musical Advisory Council welcomes violinist Benjamin Baker to the Library for a special performance. Benjamin Baker, a New Zealand native, has moved audiences around the world with recent performances as far afield as the Middle East, Europe, China, Australia, New Zealand, South America, and throughout the United Kingdom and the United States. Sponsored by the Music Advisory Council.



SoundSwap Concert: John Ford Friday, December 8 from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. Lapham Meeting Room



John Ford of the Strawbs will be playing some seasonal covers from your favorite artists. His set list will also include songs from the Strawbs' hit albums *Grave New World*, *Bursting at the Seams*, and *Settlement*, and pieces from *The Magic of It All*, the band's most recent album. John Ford and his band will also perform songs from his latest solo release, *Life in a Foreign Town*.

Borrow a Free Museum Pass



Children's Museum of Manhattan

The Children's Museum of Manhattan features interactive exhibits designed for kids up to 10 years old and includes *Adventures with Dora and Diego*, *Right to Vote*, and *Superpowered Metropolis*. The museum is open Tuesdays – Sundays from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. The Library pass admits four people and can be reserved and printed online 30 days in advance at PWPL.org/museumpass. Visitors should also reserve daily member tickets in advance to ensure entry. Sponsored by Friends of the Library.

Holiday Crafts with

creativebug & Craftsy



Make the perfect holiday craft or gift with Creativebug or Craftsy! PWPL cardholders can access to over 2,400 arts and crafts videos. Get step-by-step instructions from artists and design experts, with projects for every occasion. Download patterns, templates, and recipes for courses in sewing, knitting, crocheting, cake decorating, woodworking, jewelry making, and more.

Creativebug is available online or through the Creativebug mobile app. The mobile app will allow you to download your class and watch the video on the go. Visit creativebug.com/lib/pwpl to start.

Craftsy is available through the Libby app. Download the Libby app and select the EXTRAS option to access additional web services.

Use your PWPL Library Card to get an unlimited 7-day pass.

The LIBRARY OF GAMES and GADGETS



Checkout our **karaoke party pack**, **record player and vinyl albums**, **mini projector** and **screen** or **Roku streaming sticks** for some holiday family fun. Reserve online at PWPL.org/LOGG up to 30 days in advance. Express copies are also available at the circulation desk on a first-come, first-served basis.

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TeenSpace

Grades 7-12



Teen Gaming

Every Monday from 3:30 to 6 p.m.

Teens in grades 7-12 are invited to come play Nintendo Switch games with other teens after school. *No registration required.*

Make A Colorful Scented Candle

Wednesday, December 6 from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Create your own candle using a variety of colors and scents. The simple, fun process of layering dry wax granules can create different patterns like an ombre, quilted, tie-dye, or cascade. No two candles come out the same, plus it's a lot of fun! *Registration begins November 22.*



Understanding the New SAT

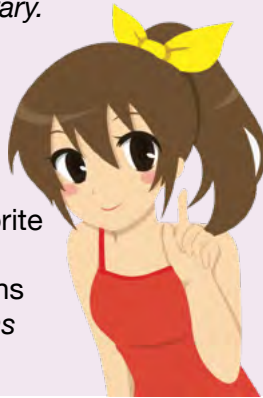
Monday, December 11 from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Join Ethan Mann as he discusses the skills and concepts needed to master the new SAT format. *Registration begins November 27. This event is made possible by the Friends of the Library.*

Teen Anime Club

Wednesday, December 20 from 4:00-5:00 p.m.

Join us for our monthly Anime Club meeting! Come on down after school to discuss your favorite manga and anime. We will take a vote on what anime we will watch and will consider suggestions sent to youngadult@pwpl.org. *Registration begins December 6.*



Submit a Teen Review & Earn Community Service Credit!



Teens in grades 7-12 can earn two hours of community service by reading, playing games, listening to podcasts or watching shows and movies, then submitting a review. Teens may submit up to three reviews per month and receive two hours of community service credit for each review. Reviews should be between 50-100 words.

To submit reviews, visit PWPL.org/teens or scan QR code.

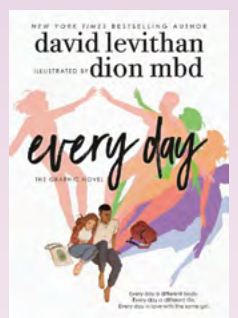


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HOT TEEN READS of 2023



The 21: the True Story of the Youth Who Sued the US Government Over Climate Change by Elizabeth Rusch

The gripping inside story of the ongoing landmark lawsuit, Juliana v. United States, brought against the US government by twenty-one young people.

The Stranded by Sarah Daniels

Aboard the Arcadia, which was once a luxurious sea vessel but is now a refugee camp after an apocalyptic war, loyal citizen Esther and rebel Nik are thrown together by events that change their lives and the lives of everyone on the ship forever.

Throwback by Maureen Goo

After an emotional blowout with her mother, sixteen-year-old Korean American Sam downloads a ride-share app that inexplicably sends her back to 1995, where she meets Priscilla, her teenage mom.

Divine Rivals by Rebecca Ross

When two young rival journalists find love through a magical connection, they must face the depths of hell, in a war among gods, to seal their fate forever.

Silver in the Bone by Alexandra Bracken

To recover a powerful ring of Arthurian legend, which is her last hope of saving her brother, Tamsin teams up with her rival Emrys and together they enter a world of dark magic to edge out their competitors, where a deadly secret is exposed.

Every Day: The Graphic Novel by David Levithan; illustrated by Dion MBD

Every morning A wakes in a different person's body, in a different person's life, learning over the years to never get too attached, until he wakes up in the body of Justin and falls in love with Justin's girlfriend, Rhiannon.

Early Childhood

Find registration start dates and register online at PWPL.org/children

Ready, Set, Storytime

Fridays, December 1, 8, 15 & 22 from 9:30 to 10:00 a.m.

Ages birth to 5 years with an adult

Join your favorite librarians for stories, songs, and fingerplays. *No registration required.*

A Time For Kids-Baby Start

Monday, December 4 from 10:00 to 10:30 a.m.

Ages 3 months to 17 months with an adult

Join Ms. Karen as we introduce our littlest learners to the wonderful world of library programs. Activities include music, movement, fine and gross motor development, and stories. Focus is on early literacy, early language development, and socialization. *Registration required.*

A Time For Kids

Monday, December 4 from 10:45 to 11:45 a.m.

Ages 18 months to 5 years with an adult

Ms. Karen presents educational activities, movement, music, and a craft. *Registration required.*

Preschool Story Time

Mondays, December 4, 11 & 18 from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.

Enjoy great stories, songs, and fingerplays, while your child develops essential early literacy skills. For children ages 2 1/2 to 5 years with an adult. *Registration required.*

Sing and Swing

Tuesdays, December 5, 12 & 19

from 9:30 to 10:00 a.m. or 10:15 to 10:45 a.m.

Ages 18 months to 5 years with an adult

Interactive stories, rhymes and songs emphasize early literacy skills and help instill a lifelong love of learning. *Admittance is on a first-come, first-served basis.*

First through Sixth Grade

Find registration start dates and register online at PWPL.org/children

Read to a Certified Pet Therapy Rabbit

Saturday, December 9 from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Register to read out loud to a certified pet therapy rabbit for a 15-minute session. For children in 1st to 3rd grade. *Registration required. You will be notified of your time slot before December 9.*



HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

Plaza Theatrical Presents

“Once Upon a Snowflake”

Tuesday, December 26 from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.

No two snowflakes are the same, and neither are two snowpeople! This heartwarming musical is about a small snowgirl with big dreams who learns never to give up and what giving truly means! *Sponsored by the PWPL Children’s Advisory Council. Tickets are required and will be available in the Children’s Room beginning December 16.*

Magic AI

Thursday, December 28

from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Magic AI Garber’s magic and comedy show. *Sponsored by the PWPL Children’s Advisory Council. Tickets are required and will be available in the Children’s Room beginning December 16.*



CREATIVE READERS

Saturdays, January 6, 13, 20, & 27 and February 3 & 10

Kindergarten - Second Grade from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m.

Third - Fifth Grade from 11:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

Creative Readers is an arts and literacy inclusion program where children in kindergarten through 5th grade will use theater, art, movement, and music to bring books to life. Facilitated by Program Director Elise May. Professional behavior support will be at all sessions. For program and registration information, and high school volunteer opportunities please email creativereaders@optimum.net or visit the Creative Readers page on the PWPL website. *Registration required.*

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The kits can be reserved online through the PWPL catalog and be picked up in the Children’s Room. For PWPL cardholders only.

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