



The PORTAL

The Bayport-Blue Point Library is the community's portal to life-long learning and is dedicated to promoting knowledge, fostering creativity and bettering lives.

HOW TO SIGN UP Program registration for district residents for **Adult and Fulcrum Programs begins on Wednesday, February 26 at 9am.** Program registration for district residents for **Teen and Children's Programs begins on Saturday, February 22 at 9am.** For detailed sign-up information, please refer to each department's section inside this newsletter.

SPRING has Sprung!

ADULTS

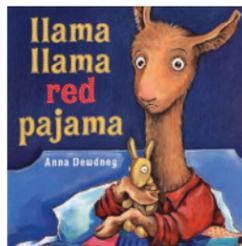
TITANIC: VOYAGE AND LEGACY

MON | APRIL 7 | 7-8PM

Learn the history of the ill-fated ship from the construction in 1909, through its maiden voyage, sinking, and discovery at the bottom of the Atlantic in 1985. The legacy and continued interest in the Titanic will also be explored in this lecture. Join us ahead of the 113th anniversary of the disaster. **Registration required.**



CHILDREN



MEET THE PARADE CHARACTER

SAT | MARCH 15 | 11AM-1PM

Drop by the library to meet our parade character, Llama Llama! Themed crafts and activities will be ongoing in our program room. **Meet & greet and photo ops with the character will take place from 11:30am-12:30pm.** **Registration is suggested.**



TEENS

CUPCAKE WARS WITH CHEF ROB

FRI | APRIL 4 | 4PM

Are you up for a challenge?? Chef Rob will give you all the supplies to make the best, most delicious cupcake. Ms. Kelly and Ms. Jen will decide whose is the Best in Show will be. **Registration required.**

FULCRUM

INTRODUCTION TO HOOPLA

MON | APRIL 28 | 3PM

A **FREE** movie streaming app?? Yes it is and so much more-- Learn how to download and stream *audio-books, music, movies and comic books* on your smart devices for **free** with Librarian Jerry. Please bring your own device to this class. **Registration required.**



SPOTLIGHT ON LOCAL BUSINESSES: THE FISH STORE

TUES | APRIL 29 | 7-8PM

We've cast our line and caught Seth Needelman, owner of The Fish Store in Bayport, for an insider look at what it's *really* like to own a fish market and restaurant. Seth has been at the helm of this iconic South Shore spot for 30 years! As a hands-on owner, you've probably encountered Seth's friendly face behind the counter...join us for an in-depth chat about how he began and how he shaped The Fish Store into the bustling local business it is today. You will have a chance to ask Seth all of your fish-related questions, plus enter to win door prizes! **Registration required.**



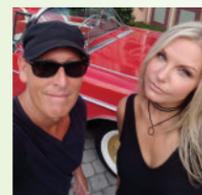
MUSIC SUNDAYS

Registration required.

JEFF ALLEGUE & JENNIFER CELLA

MARCH 2 | 2-3:30PM

Jenn and Jeff will perform an eclectic mix of music they love that includes covers of the best pop music throughout history, from The Beatles to Fleetwood Mac, Elvis Costello, Joan Osborne, Annie Lennox, and Jethro Tull. Jeff's masterful guitar skills complement Jenn's depth and vocal artistry as they perform in their own original and unique way. Jennifer Cella and Jeff Allegue first performed together in 2004 at Madison Square Garden, and the two have since joined forces as a duo and developed one of the most musically satisfying projects of their careers.



ANNE TAFFEL

MARCH 9 | 2-3:30PM

Anne Taffel leads an active career as a piano soloist and recitalist throughout the United States, South America, Europe, and Asia. Her tours have included performances from China to Peru, and she has most recently returned from Vienna! She will serenade you with works of Mozart, Chopin, Liszt, Granados and Gershwin.



PURE JOY WITH PAIGE PATTERSON

APRIL 6 | 2-3:30PM

Miss Paige Patterson's concert is designed to engage an audience by reviving memories of a "bygone era," and restoring one's faith in the timeless power of music. Genres will include Sinatra to Santana, the Harlem Renaissance, Classic Soul, Broadway, and singing in foreign languages. If you like Carol King, Ella, or Motown, then this will be "Musical Therapy" for your soul!



DR. PODLES

APRIL 27 | 2-3:30PM

"Spanning The Sensational 1970s," acclaimed International Concert Violinist, Dr. David Podles, will present a poignant yet exciting collection of the music that captured the raw emotions and drastic changes in music history during the 1970s. From the classic rock of the Beatles to the pulsating dance beats of Disco, to famous Movie Soundtracks, celebrated Show Tunes, and modern Classical pieces, David will showcase popular tunes of various genres in this life changing decade.

LIBRARY INFORMATION

Telephone: 631-363-6133 Email: Contactus@bbplib.org
Website: bayportbluepointlibrary.org

Library Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 9am - 9pm
Friday & Saturday: 9am - 5pm
Sunday: 1-5pm

Library Closed:

Easter Sunday: April 20, 2025

Library Board meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month at 7pm. Please notify the Library if you need special accommodations due to a disability. The Raymond Davis Jr. Community Room is equipped with assisted listening devices.

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SAVE THE DATE DOG PARADE & ARTISAN FAIR

SUNDAY, APRIL 27 • 1-4PM
(RAINDATE: SUNDAY, MAY 4)

Please check our webpage for more information:
<https://www.bayportbluepointlibrary.org/friends-of-the-library/>

MEET OUR NEWEST VOLUNTEER

KIANA MARIE SMITH

10/6/24 @ 6 LBS.

Parents, **Chad & Monica** were sure to get Kiana her very own library card. This little tyke joins her parents as members of the **Friends of the Library** and becomes its youngest volunteer.



CONSIDER BECOMING A FRIENDS VOLUNTEER TOO!



ADULT Programs

Program registration for **Adult** and **Fulcrum** programs for **Bayport-Blue Point Library** patrons begins **Wednesday, February 26 at 9am**. **Registration is required for all programs listed unless otherwise noted**. Patrons who register for programs that require fees have one week after signing up to pay, otherwise their spot will be released. Registering online? Click on Events, then Browse and Register. Enter your library card number and password to sign up for each program. Registering by phone? Call us at 631-363-6133 and dial 3 for the Main Desk. You will be routed to the next available staff member. **Program registration for non-residents will begin on Wednesday, March 5 at 9 am.**

Did you know that signing up for programs online is the quickest way to secure a seat? Visit a librarian in Adult Services before program sign-up day to learn how easy it is to sign up online!

OPEN CHESS

SAT | MAR 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, APR 5, 12, 19, 26 | 1-4:30PM

Come and play chess with friends and neighbors. The library will supply the chess sets, you supply the skills! **Registration suggested.**

KNIT NIGHT

MON | MAR 3 AND APR 7 | 6:30-7:30PM

Knitting enthusiast Debbie Schmieder will be here to advise patrons on current and upcoming projects and to provide instruction to beginners. Beginners need to bring worsted weight yarn and a pair of number 7 or 8 needles. **Registration required.**

SEWING WITH LINDA

TUES | MAR 4 | 6PM | OR | WED | MAR 5 | 1PM

Create a colorful fabric basket to use this Spring season. Basic sewing skills required. Pick up a materials list at Adult Services. **Registration required. Space is limited; one registration per cardholder. Non-refundable fee: \$5.**

CELEBRATE ST. PATRICK'S DAY WITH CHEF ROB

THURS | MAR 6 | 6:30PM

Prepare traditional Irish Soda Bread in this hands-on class with Chef Rob. Please bring a large mixing bowl, a mixing spoon, and a cookie tray. **Registration required. Non-refundable fee: \$10.**

PAPER FLOWER ART: FRAMED PEONIES

THURS | MAR 6 | 6:30-7:30PM

Celebrate Spring with Casey from Art and Flowers. Create your crepe paper peony in a beautiful frame. Registration required. **Space is limited; one registration per cardholder. Non-refundable fee: \$7.**

OPEN MAH JONGG

FRI | MAR 7, 14, 21, 28, APR 4, 11, 18, 25 | 10AM-12PM

Grab your friends and practice Mah Jongg in the library meeting room. The library has three Mah Jongg sets for use during this program. **No registration necessary.**

UNSUNG HEROES: WOMEN OF WORLD WAR II

MON | MAR 10 | 7-8PM

Celebrate Women's History Month with an engaging lecture about stories of several women who influenced WWII. The second world war was a time with no shortage of heroic women both on and off the battlefield, and women contributed greatly in the European and Pacific theatres, as well as on the home front. Explore the stories of spy Virginia Hall, POW nurse Colonel Ruby Bradley, and more! **Registration required.**



SAND AND SEASHELL ART: LOTUS TEA LIGHT CANDLE HOLDER

TUES | MAR 11 | 6:30-8PM

Who needs a beach vacation when you can bring the beach to you? Acclaimed artist Anna Chan is here to spill the secrets of shell art. Whip up your own personalized lotus tealight candle holder using self-hardening sand and seashells. Beachy vibes are just a craft away! **Registration required. Space is limited; one registration per cardholder. Non-refundable fee: \$12.**



GARDEN THYME

THURS | MAR 13 | 6:30-7:30PM

Join us for a seed swap! Please bring a pack of seeds or seeds collected from your garden, along with a picture if you have one. We will discuss seed starting and plant care tips. **Registration required.**

PUZZLE EXCHANGE CLUB

TUES | MAR 18 AND APR 15 | 7-8 PM

Why buy new puzzles when you can trade with others? Rather than throw them away or sell them at a garage sale, trade them with other puzzle enthusiasts. **No registration necessary.**

MEDICARE 101

TUES | MAR 18 | 2-3:30PM

Learn the A, B, C & Ds of Medicare with Joe Capo. Bring your questions and get ready to finally grasp the fundamentals of Medicare. **Registration required.**

ALL LEVELS EMBROIDERY WORKSHOP

TUES | MAR 18 | 6-8PM

This embroidery workshop is perfect for beginners, those refreshing their skills, or anyone looking to learn advanced stitches. We will learn and review the basics, including supplies, design sources, methods for transferring designs to fabric, and a range of embroidery stitches. Everyone will start with a stitch sampler, with the option to move on to embroidering a zippered case. Instructional handouts will be provided. **Registration required. Space is limited; one registration per cardholder. Non-refundable fee: \$15.**



STILL LIFE DRAWING

THURS | MAR 20 | 6-8PM

This class provides an introduction to creating a still life drawing. You will learn composition, working with negative space, creating something out of basic shapes, and shading. All materials will be provided. **Registration required. Space is limited; one registration per cardholder. Non-refundable fee: \$10.**

CLASSIC MOVIES WITH JEFF: ROMAN HOLIDAY (1953)

SAT | MAR 22 | 1-3:30PM

Come spend an afternoon watching and learning about the classic movie, *Roman Holiday*, starring Gregory Peck and Audrey Hepburn, with Librarian Jeff Walden. Jeff will share some interesting facts and stories about the film and lead a post-film discussion. **Registration required.**



MAXIMIZING YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY INCOME

TUES | MAR 25 | 6-7:30PM

Join Tim Honce from Strategic Planning Associates as he discusses strategies for maximizing your Social Security income. Get informed about how to make the best selection for you and your family. **Registration required.**

NYS BOATING SAFETY COURSE

TUES | WED | THURS | MAR 25, 26, 27 | 6-9PM

As of January 2025, all operators of motorboats and personal watercraft must take a NYS Boating Safety course regardless of age. Successful completion of the course will provide boaters with the official certification card required to be carried on them when operating a vessel. Boat operators who have already taken and passed the course do not have to take it again. Operators of canoes, kayaks, and paddle boards are encouraged to take the course to ensure safe and lawful operation, but are not required to by NYS law. Join a duly certified instructor with the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary for this three-day course before the upcoming boating season. **Registration required. Fee: \$55 payable by cash, Venmo, or Zelle ONLY on the first day of class.**

THINKING OF SELLING YOUR HOME?

THURS | MAR 27 | 6:30-7:30PM

Join local realtors Thais Berlingieri and Lenore Berlingieri from Real Brokerage and learn how to best prepare to sell your house for the upcoming season. Bring your real estate questions and queries! **Registration required.**

LIBRARY BOOK CLUB

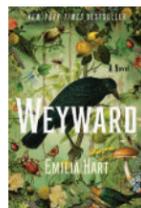
THURS | MAR 27 | AND

THURS | APR 24

1:30PM OR

6:30PM

Join us for an informal and lively book discussion during the afternoon or evening. The selection for March is *Weyward* by Emilia Hart. The selection for April is the Long Island Reads pick *On Fire Island* by Jane L. Rosen. Books will be available at the main desk approximately four weeks before the discussion. **Registration required.**



SOUND MEDITATION WITH GUIDED IMAGERY

MON | MAR 31 | 7-8PM

Enjoy the sonic sound waves of Quartz crystal bowls, Tibetan bowls, frame drum, rattles, and other meditative sounds. The meditative sounds create a restorative and relaxing experience while reducing stress hormones. **Registration required.**

Friendly Reminders:

- **Program fees are non-refundable.** We apologize for any inconvenience.
- **Sign-up slips for programs will be available at the Adult Services desk approximately one week prior to program sign-up.** Grab a slip, fill it out, and bring it back to us on program sign-up day to speed up the sign-up process.
- **Payment for programs is due seven days after the registration date, otherwise your spot will be released.**

COFFEE PAINTING: STARRY NIGHT

TUES | APR 1 | 6:30-8PM

Let's celebrate Van Gogh's birthday, which was March 30th, with this unique twist on his famous *Starry Night* piece. Artist Bonnie Schwartz will teach you how to paint with coffee and water to create beautiful sepia tones. No prior painting experience required! **Registration required. Space is limited; one registration per cardholder. Non-refundable fee: \$12.**



WORDSMITH AND WONDER: AN AUTHOR TALK WITH JODI PICOULT

WED | APR 2 | 7-8PM

Step into Spring with us as we chat virtually with the highly acclaimed New York Times bestselling author Jodi Picoult about her newest novel, *By Any Other Name*. You can watch the discussion with us at the library or from the comfort of your home. To watch at home, simply visit our website, click on "Events" and "Virtual Author Talks" then follow the prompts to sign up for the talk. You will receive an email with a link to watch the discussion. **Registration suggested.** Cosponsored by The Friends of the Bayport-Blue Point Library. *Brought to you in partnership with the Library Speakers Consortium.*



INTERNATIONAL FILM NIGHT WITH J.K. HODGE

THURS | APR 3 | 6:30-8PM

Join J.K. Hodge for a showing of *La Strada* (Italian). Produced in 1954, this film features Gelsomina, after she is purchased by a circus strongman, Zampano, to be his wife and partner. She loyally endures her husband's coldness and abuse as they travel the Italian countryside performing together, but a circus fool has her contemplating leaving her husband. Spend an evening watching this Oscar Award winning film with subtitles. **Registration required.**



SILENT READING PARTY

FRI | APR 4 | 6:30-8PM

If your dream is to have the library all to yourself (almost), this night is for you! Bring a good book, grab complimentary treats and beverages from the cafe, and read the night away in our beautiful library after hours. You will have the opportunity to swap book suggestions with others...or not; the choice is yours during this relaxed evening. **Registration required.**

DEFENSIVE DRIVING

SAT | APR 5 | 9AM-3PM

Complete this one-day course to reduce points and lower insurance rates. **Registration required. Fee: \$39 CHECK ONLY payable to Joe Ogno due day of class.**

TITANIC: VOYAGE AND LEGACY

MON | APR 7 | 7-8PM See front cover for details.

SEWING FOR BEGINNERS WITH LINDA

WED | APR 9 | 1-2PM

Learn basic sewing machine skills as you create a dish towel. Please bring ¾ yard of cotton fabric with a non-directional print, and matching thread. **Registration required. Space is limited; one registration per cardholder. Non-refundable fee: \$5.**

THE LAKE OF LEGENDS

WED | APR 9 | 7-8PM

Long Island's largest lake, Lake Ronkonkoma, is steeped in eerie legends of a vengeful Native American princess and mysterious drownings. Join Newsday researcher Michael Ebert as he dives into the myths and mysteries of the 'bottomless' lake. **Registration required.**

MOSAIC ART: SPRINGTIME DAISY

THURS | APR 10 | 6-8PM

Long Island Mosaic Artist Gabriella Grama is back to get us into the spring spirit. In this workshop, you'll create a charming 8" daisy mosaic panel, applying timeless techniques and working with classic mosaic tiles. You will learn new skills and complete a stunning piece, gaining the ability to craft enduring works that reflect your unique style and creativity. **Registration required. Space is limited; one registration per cardholder. Non-refundable fee: \$15.**



ADULT Programs

CONTINUED

COUNTRY LINE DANCING

THURS | APR 17, 24, MAY 1, 8 | 7-8PM

Grab your hat, kick up your heels, and get ready for country line dancing lessons with Natalie Boyle. All levels are welcome.

Registration required. Non-refundable fee: \$10.

AMERICA VS. THE WORLD

MON | APR 14 | 7-8PM

Can't get to the Bolivian salt flats? We have the second largest ones in Utah. Iceland's ice caves too far away? Check out the ice caves in Washington. If foreign travel is not possible for you right now, come and learn how to easily find similar experiences in the United States. The world has some fabulous places for you all but many of them can be found here at home. And nowhere else on earth has the Grand Canyon. No passport necessary!

Registration required.

SEWING WITH LINDA

TUES | APR 15 | 6-7PM

Create a fabric shoulder bag using basic sewing skills. Pick up a materials list at Adult Services. **Registration required. Space is limited; one registration per cardholder. Non-refundable fee: \$5.**

CRAFT SUPPLY SWAP

TUES | APR 15 | 6:30-8PM

Do you have a ton of random craft supplies lying around that you're never going to use? Are you looking for materials to start a new project? Join us for our first-ever craft supply swap! Donate your new or gently used craft supplies to the Adult Desk through the month of March and April, then join us on April 15th for the swap. You do not need to donate an item to participate in the swap. Those who donate an item before the swap will be entered into a raffle for an exciting prize. Any leftover supplies will be donated or used in future library programs. We welcome craft supplies such as *stickers, scrapbook papers, yarn, ribbon, fabric, beads, tools, and more.* If you have tiny items, we ask that you bag them up. **Registration required.**

MEDITERRANEAN COOKING WITH NAELA

TUES | APR 22 | 6:30-8PM

Chef Naela is back to show you how to prepare savory Mediterranean dishes. You will learn how to make delicious beef Moussaka followed by Baklava with walnuts and simple syrup. Come hungry! **Registration required. Space is limited; one registration per cardholder. Non-refundable fee: \$10.**

PAINTED FLOWERPOTS

WED | APR 23 | 7-8PM

Forget about those April showers and prepare for May flowers by decorating flowerpots with Allison. All materials, including seeds to grow your first spring plant, will be provided. Simply bring your creativity to this relaxed do-it-yourself class. **Registration required.**



FUN FRIDAY BINGO WITH ANNE AND VAL

FRI | APR 25 | 2-3PM

Join us for a fun afternoon playing BINGO. We will have exciting prizes and refreshments will be served. **Registration required.**

SPOTLIGHT ON LOCAL BUSINESSES: THE FISH STORE

TUES | APR 29 | 7-8PM

See front cover for details.



MOVIE MONDAYS @ 1PM

March 3 ~ **Here** (PG-13) 1 h 44 min

Starring: Tom Hanks, Robin Wright, Paul Bettany

March 10 ~ **Wicked** (G) 2 h 40 min

Starring: Cynthia Erivo, Ariana Grande, Jeff Goldblum

March 17 ~ **Michael Collins** (R) 2 h 13 min

Starring: Liam Neeson, Aidan Quinn, Julia Roberts

March 24 ~ **The Apprentice** (R) 2 h 2 min

Starring: Sebastian Stan, Jeremy Strong, Martin Donovan

March 31 ~ **Mamma Mia!** (PG-13) 1 h 48 min

Starring: Meryl Streep, Pierce Brosnan, Amanda Seyfried

April 7 ~ **Saturday Night** (R) 1 h 49 min

Starring: Gabriel LaBelle, Rachel Sennott, Cory Michael Smith

April 14 ~ **White Bird** (PG-13) 2 h 1 min

Starring: Ariella Glaser, Orlando Schwerdt, Gillian Anderson

April 21 ~ **Steel Magnolias** (PG) 1 h 57 min

Starring: Shirley MaLaine, Olympia Dukakis, Sally Field

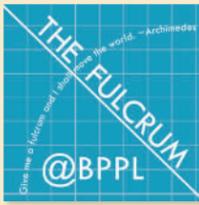
April 28 ~ **La La Land** (PG-13) 2 h 8 min

Starring: Ryan Gosling, Emma Stone, Rosemarie DeWitt



FULCRUM Programs

****All of these programs will take place in the Makerspace****



Registration begins on Wednesday, February 26, at 9am for all Fulcrum Programs. The Fulcrum is your dedicated space to learn, dream, and create with technology. Equipped with 3D printers, a laser cutter, sewing machines, a Cricut, a poster printer and more, we offer a full range of classes plus one-on-one sessions. For one-on-one sessions, call us or email your request (fulcrumbbp@gmail.com). Check out the Fulcrum website: <https://www.bayportbluepointlibrary.org/the-fulcrum/>

Email us with any questions: Fulcrumbbp@gmail.com

-Please note projects may not be finished to take home on the day of program. Attendees will be notified when project is ready for pick-up.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY KOOZIES

THURS | MAR 6 OR 13 | 6:30PM

Come in to personalize a set of koozies with your own design using our sublimation printer. **Fee: \$3 payable by check or credit card.**



SPRING SIGN

WED | MAR 12 | 2PM OR 6:30PM

Join Librarian Kelly to paint and decorate a circular wooden sign to welcome spring. All supplies included just bring your creativity. **Fee: \$5 payable by check or credit card.**

FRAMED SEA GLASS HEART

WED | MAR 19 | 7PM

Using a 4x4 ornate mini frame with watercolor background, Maryellen will help you arrange sea glass into a heart shape. **Fee: \$5 payable by check or credit card.**

INTRODUCTION TO LIVE-BRARY

MON | MAR 24 | 3PM

Learn how to download *audio-books and e-books* to your smart devices for free with Librarian Jerry. Please bring your own device to this class.



SLATE PICTURE

WED | MAR 26 | 2PM OR 6:30PM

Sublimate a favorite picture of your choice on a piece of 5x7 inch slate. **Fee: \$5 payable by check or credit card.**

SPRING GARDEN FLAGS

THURS | APR 3 OR 17 | 6:30PM

Librarian Steve will help you create a design using Canva and then heat it onto a canvas garden flag. **Fee: \$5 payable by check or credit card.**



LEARN CANVA

WED | APR 9 | 2PM OR 6:30PM

Join Librarian Kelly and learn to use the simple design program Canva. You can create images/posters/visual content with this program. Everyone will get to print a custom poster.



EMBROIDERY 101

WED | APR 16 | 2PM OR 6:30PM

Librarian Kelly will give you a quick tutorial on designing a 4x4 inch square to be embroidered onto an item of your choice. Please bring in an item of light weight fabric to be embroidered on.



STILL LIFE DRAWING

TUES | APR 22 | 2PM

Examine every day commonplace objects through drawing and capture them in exciting compositions in this inspiring all levels drawing class designed to encourage observational skills. Study something natural (food, flowers, rocks, shells, etc.) and/ or man-made objects (books, vases, jewelry, coins, figurines, etc.) and interpret it on paper with graphite or oil pastel.



FRAMED SEA GLASS

WED | APR 23 | 7PM

Using a 4x4 ornate mini frame with watercolor background, Maryellen will help you arrange sea glass and shards of antique china to create a cute plant picture. **Fee: \$5 payable by check or credit card.**

INTRODUCTION TO HOOPLA

MON | APR 28 | 3PM

See front cover for details.



EXERCISE CLASSES

CHAIR YOGA

MON | MAR 10, 17, 24, 31, APR 7, 14, 21 | 9:30-10:30AM

Join instructor Joy for light and slow chair-assisted yoga exercises. Regardless of age, activity or mobility levels, this class will improve your overall health and well-being. **Registration required. Fee: \$2 per class. *Pay-per-class for March and April.**

BEGINNING YOGA

SAT | MAR 1, 8, 22, 29, APR 12, 26 | 10-11AM

Learn the proper alignment for basic poses in this slower-paced class designed specifically for beginners. Bring a yoga mat and wear comfortable clothing. **Registration required. Non-refundable fee: \$12.**

MORNING YOGA

THURS | MAR 6, 20, 27, APR 3, 10, 17, 24 | 9-10AM

Prior yoga experience is recommended for this Level I & II yoga class that focuses on building strength, balance and flexibility, while incorporating an understanding of how our breath can be used as an important tool to deepen our practice. Please note that this is an intermediate level class and is not recommended for beginners. **Registration required. Non-refundable fee: \$14.**

VINYASA YOGA

WED | MAR 5, APR 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 | 6-7PM

Vinyasa yoga will enhance your practice by teaching you how to transition smoothly from one pose to another. The class will involve flowing movements and will explore more challenging poses. Please note that this is an intermediate level class and is not recommended for beginners. **Registration required. Non-refundable fee: \$12.**

YOGA NIDRA

WED | MAR 5 | 7-8PM

Yoga Nidra is a deep state of relaxation. One remains fully conscious while becoming aware of withdrawing into the inner world. Students will be guided by instruction; there is no need to be familiar with yoga or meditation to attend. Please bring a yoga mat, a blanket and a small pillow. **Registration required.**

SENIOR FLEX

TUES | MAR 4, 11, 18, 25, APR 1, 8, 15, 22 | 10:15-11:15AM

Join Jennifer for a full-body workout. Bring light weights and water to class. **Registration required. Non-refundable fee: \$16.**



SENIOR FLEX II

TUES | MAR 4, 11, 18, 25, APR 1, 8, 15, 22 | 11:15AM-12:15PM

Join Jennifer for a full-body workout. Bring light weights and water to class. **Registration required. Non-refundable fee: \$16.**

THURSDAY SENIOR FLEX

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STRENGTH TRAINING

SAT | MAR 8, 15, APR 12, 19 | 9-10AM

Join training coach Jessica as she teaches a full-body strength, stability, and conditioning class. Learn key components to get stronger through body weight each week. Be sure to bring a mat. It is optional to bring your own weights. **Registration required. Non-refundable fee: \$8.**

MEDITATION

WED | APR 16 | 7-8PM

Join Diane for a relaxing meditation session. Be sure to bring a meditation cushion, yoga blanket or bolster to sit comfortably. Chairs can be used if you have difficulty getting to the floor. **Registration required.**



CHILDREN'S Programs

REGISTRATION FOR CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS BEGINS ON **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2025 AT 9AM FOR ALL MARCH PROGRAM SESSIONS.** REGISTRATION FOR CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS BEGINS ON **SATURDAY, MARCH 29, 2025 AT 9AM FOR ALL APRIL PROGRAM SESSIONS.**

There are several registration options: Online, walk in, and call in. Children should be registered for programs with their own library cards. Registration is required for all programs unless stated otherwise. Program registration for non-residents will begin on Saturday, March 1 and Saturday, April 5 at 9:00am.

Things to Know About Registering for Programs:

- Information about Children's Department programs is available in our printed newsletter, and online at bayportbluepointlibrary.org. Printed newsletters are available in the library at all times. The last page of the newsletter has monthly calendars which may be useful when registering for program sessions.
- Please check all age designations carefully. If your child is registered for a program that they are ineligible for, they will automatically be canceled from the program.
- To help us better serve you, please plan to attend all programs your child is registered for. **Call in advance if your child will be more than 5 minutes late** or is not able to join us.

A variety of foods and materials are used in our programs. If your child has allergies, please be aware that the library cannot guarantee that these materials are free of ingredients that may affect your child.

Photos may be taken at our Library programs for publicity purposes. Please let us know if you do not want photos taken of your child.



Programs with this symbol will take place outdoors in our Nature Discovery Center.

FAMILY PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES

GRAB & GO CRAFTS

Stop by the library to pick up a Grab & Go craft to do at home. Supplies are limited and crafts will be given out on a first-come, first-serve basis.

No registration required.

Check out our themes:

MARCH 1: Mosaic Shamrock

MARCH 15: Rainbow Wand

APRIL 1: Fan Flower

APRIL 15: Paper Butterfly

SCAVENGER HUNTS

Stop by the Children's Reference Desk to pick up your scavenger hunt and find the hidden items throughout the Children's Department.

No registration required.

MARCH: Find the Airplanes

APRIL: Find the Flowers

MONTHLY READING CHALLENGE

Each month we will have a simple, seasonally-inspired reading challenge for kids! Stop by the Children's Reference Desk to pick up your challenge sheet and get started discovering new books and fun ways to read!

DO IT YOURSELF ACTIVITIES

Drop by the Children's Program Room on any of the following Saturdays between 11:00am and 4:00pm for some fun **DIY** activities!

No registration required.

SATURDAY, MARCH 8:

Fun With Foam Drop in and see what you can create with the library's large assortment of foam stickers!

SATURDAY, MARCH 22: Build It Fun

Build with Legos, Magna Tiles, blocks and more!

SATURDAY, APRIL 12: Paper Plane Fun

Drop by to create some paper planes.

SATURDAY, APRIL 19: Build It Fun

Build with Legos, Magna Tiles, blocks and more!

LET'S GO OUTSIDE!

SAT | MAR 1 | 11AM

Join us outdoors for a walk on the library's walking path. Inspired by the 1000 Hours Outside challenge, and National Play Outside Days, the library will facilitate activities that encourages people of all ages to get outside, play and move, and enjoy the outdoors in all kinds of weather!

All ages welcome! Registration required.

Please Note the following change in Registration Procedure For March and April Children's Programs:

Please Register for all March Program Sessions on Saturday, February 22, 2025. Please Register for all April Program Sessions on Saturday, March 29, 2025.



SPECIAL EVENTS

SPRING BREAK MINI-CAMPS

During these extended-length programs, your child will enjoy the library for 2 hours. The programs will include a combination of themed STEM and arts activities and will include a snack break. **Space is limited. Registration is required.**

Monday, April 14: LEGO STEM and Art

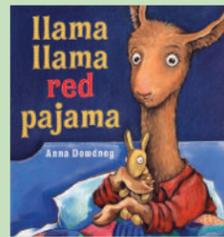
Session 1: 9:30-11:30am, 15 children in grades K-2

Session 2: 2:00-4:00pm, 15 children in grades 3-5

Wednesday, April 16: Rainbow Science and Art

Session 1: 9:30-11:30am, 15 children in grades K-2

Session 2: 2:00-4:00pm, 15 children in grades 3-5



MEET THE PARADE CHARACTER

SAT | MAR 15 | 11AM-1PM

Drop by the library to meet our parade character, Llama Llama! Themed crafts and activities will be ongoing in our program room. **Meet & greet and photo ops with the character will take place from 11:30am-12:30pm. Registration is suggested.**

Save the date and mark your calendars for an extra special Star Wars event!

STAR WARS DAY

SAT | MAY 3 | 1-4PM

Complete details will be in the May-June newsletter!



YOUNGER CHILDREN

(Infant, Toddler and Preschool)

Check description for age requirements

RAINY DAY STORYTIME

MON | MAR 3 | 11AM

15 CHILDREN AGES 3-5 YEARS WITH A CAREGIVER

Join us for some stories, finger plays, songs, and other age appropriate activities during this fun storytime, all about rainy days!

NURSERY RHYME SING ALONG

WED | MAR 5 | 11AM

25 CHILDREN AGES 0-5 YEARS WITH A CAREGIVER

Join Meghan VK as she plays your favorite nursery rhymes and children's songs. Have some fun with your little one while encouraging word and sound development and communication skills.



SPROUTS & FRIENDS I

FRI | MAR 7, 21, AND APR 4 | 9:30-10:15AM,

20 CHILDREN AGES BIRTH-5 YEARS WITH A CAREGIVER

Sprouts & Friends is a music and movement program for families with children birth through 5 years of age. Our mission is to create joy while we play, learn and grow together. Come ready to move and sing with your child. **Please register for each session separately.**

SPROUTS & FRIENDS II

FRI | MAR 7, 21, AND APR 4 | 10:30-11:15AM

20 CHILDREN AGES BIRTH-5 YEARS WITH A CAREGIVER

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FREE PLAY

FRI | MAR 7, 14, 21, 28, AND APR 4, 11, 18*, 25

10AM-12PM | CHILDREN 12 MONTHS-4 YEARS WITH A CAREGIVER

Children and their caregivers will have fun making new friends and sharing in imaginative free play with the many toys provided by the library. **No registration required. Registration note: On Friday, April 18, this program will run from 10:00am-4:00pm.**

LITTLE BRICK BUILDERS

MON | MAR 10 | 11AM

15 CHILDREN AGES 2-4 YEARS WITH A CAREGIVER

Join us for some creative fun with LEGOS! Little ones will work on a prompt and then have time to free build.



PRE-K BRICK BUILDERS

MON | MAR 10 | 4PM

15 CHILDREN AGES 4-5 YEARS

Join us for some creative fun with LEGOS! Preschoolers will work on a prompt independently and then have time to free build. **Registration note: Children will participate in this program without a caregiver.**

BABY START

TUES | MAR 11 AND APR 8 | 9:30AM

15 CHILDREN BIRTH-17 MONTHS WITH A CAREGIVER

Focusing on early literacy, early language development and socialization, this program will introduce our littlest learners to library circle time.

AIRPLANE STORYTIME

WED | MAR 12 | 2PM

15 CHILDREN AGES 3-5 YEARS WITH A CAREGIVER

Join us for some stories, finger plays, songs, and other age appropriate activities during this fun storytime, all about airplanes!



OPEN SENSORY PLAY I

TUES | MAR 18 | AND | THURS | APR 10 | 10AM

15 CHILDREN BIRTH-3 YEARS WITH A CAREGIVER

Engage all of the senses through open-ended play and exploration of sensory bins.

OPEN SENSORY PLAY II

TUES | MAR 18 | AND | THURS | APR 10 | 11AM

15 CHILDREN BIRTH-3 YEARS WITH A CAREGIVER

Engage all of the senses through open-ended play and exploration of sensory bins.

BEDTIME STORYTIME

THURS | MAR 20 AND APR 17 | 6:30PM

15 CHILDREN AGES 2-7 YEARS

Bedtime storytime is a great time to snuggle up with someone special and wind down after a long day. Blankets, stuffies, and jammies are optional! Siblings welcome.



LITTLE SPROUTS BABY MUSIC

MON | MAR 24 AND APRIL 28 | 1PM

15 CHILDREN AGES BIRTH-18 MONTHS WITH A CAREGIVER

Join us for a Sprouts & Friends class just for babies where we focus on your bond with your sprouting little one through developmentally appropriate music and movement activities for our youngest friends. **This program is best suited for non-walkers.**

PRE-K GAMERS

TUES | MAR 25 | 4PM

15 CHILDREN AGES 4-5 YEARS WITH A CAREGIVER

Join us at the library to learn and play some simple table top board games and card games.

TOTS NIGHT OUT

TUES | MAR 25 AND APR 22 | 6:15PM

15 CHILDREN AGES 18 MONTHS-5 YEARS WITH A CAREGIVER

An evening of family fun at the library! With a focus on group learning and skill building, this fast-paced class provides activities to enhance music and movement, fine and gross motor, and listening skills.



YOUNGER CHILDREN CONT'D

COMMUNICATION SIGN LANGUAGE THURS | MAR 27 AND APR 24 | 10AM 25 CHILDREN AGES BIRTH-5 YEARS WITH A CAREGIVER

Instructor Jessica Berrins will lead children and caregivers through a highly interactive communication centered class, featuring gestures, spoken words, sign language, music and literature.



SHAKE, SHIMMY AND DANCE STORYTIME TUES | APR 1 | 11AM

15 CHILDREN AGES 3-5 WITH A CAREGIVER

Drop by to enjoy some stories, songs and activities during this fun music and movement themed storytime! Be ready to dance, sing, and move!

ME AND MY BABY

WED | APR 23 | 9:30AM

15 CHILDREN AGES 3-17 MONTHS WITH A CAREGIVER

Join Ms. Kathy for socialization and play. The first portion of the class will be reserved for caregivers to converse and ask questions in a supportive environment. The second portion will include fun for the little ones, including songs, finger plays, bubbles, activities and more!

LITTLE ARTISTS

WED | APR 2 | 2PM

15 CHILDREN AGES 2-5 YEARS WITH A CAREGIVER

Join us for a fabulous time creating with your little artist. Projects will be collaborative, a little messy and a lot of fun! Please wear clothes that can get messy, or bring an apron/smock to cover clothes.

ALL ABOARD!

MON | APR 7 | 10AM

15 CHILDREN AGES 2-5 YEARS WITH A CAREGIVER

Calling all train engineers! Join us for a free play with trains and tracks where you will build, use your imagination, practice your fine motor and social skills all while having fun at the library.



PRE-K ALL ABOARD!

MON | APR 7 | 4PM | 15 CHILDREN AGES 4-5 YEARS

Calling all train engineers! Join us for a free play with trains and tracks where you will build, use your imagination, practice your fine motor and social skills all while having fun at the library. **Registration note: Children will participate in this program without a caregiver.**

EARTH DAY

STORYTIME

MON | APR 21

11AM

15 CHILDREN AGES 3-5 WITH A CAREGIVER

Drop by for an extra special storytime on Earth Day, and enjoy some stories, finger plays, songs, and other age appropriate activities all about our beautiful home planet.



SIGNS OF SPRING SCAVENGER HUNT

TUES | APR 22 | 4:15PM

15 CHILDREN IN UPK-GRADE 2

Join us in the Nature Discovery Center to hear some stories about Spring and to explore the library grounds for a spring-inspired scavenger hunt!



READING CLUBS FOR ALL AGES

1000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN

You're invited to participate in this special program, which encourages you to read 1,000 books with your child before they start kindergarten. If you read just one book a night, you will have read about 365 books in a year. At that rate, you can read over 1,000 books in just three years! The concept is simple and the rewards are priceless.



BEGINNING READERS CHALLENGE

FOR CHILDREN IN GRADES K-2

This special reading challenge is for kids in grades K-2. We want to find out how many books you read together with an adult, and how many books you can read on your own! The more you read the more chances you have to earn raffles and prizes! Complete the challenge by reading a total of 1000 books!



INDEPENDENT READERS CHALLENGE

FOR CHILDREN IN GRADES 3-5

Are you a fantasy fan? Do you love to read mysteries? Or do you like to read all different kinds of books? Kids in grades 3-5 are invited to take on our Independent Reading Challenge. Read books of all different genres for a chance to earn raffles and prizes! Read 8 books in each of the 16 genres to complete the challenge!



SCHOOL AGE (K-6th Grade)

Check description for grade requirements

AFTER-SCHOOL HOMEWORK HOURS

Each day school is in session, the library has reserved our Children's Study Room from 3:30-5:00pm for children who are looking for a quieter space to complete school work. Check-in at the Children's Reference Desk.

LEARN TO IRISH DANCE

THURS | MAR 6 | 5:15PM | 15 CHILDREN IN GRADES 2-5

Have you ever heard of Riverdance or seen those dancers with super curly hair, fast feet & arms that stay glued to their sides? Those are Irish dancers, and after this program you can be one too! We'll watch some dancing, learn a couple of interesting facts about the sport's history & learn a dance ourselves.

TOILET PAPER ROLL ROBOT

TUES | MAR 4 | 4:15PM | 15 CHILDREN IN GRADES K-2

Using recycled materials, children will design, create and construct a robot.

YOGA AND MINDFULNESS

MON | MAR 10 AND APR 7 | 5:30PM

15 CHILDREN IN GRADES K-5

Stop in for this playful class, led by Miss Jen, to learn yoga together through literacy, music and movement. Please bring a yoga mat or towel.



SIMPLE SCIENCE: FLIGHT

THURS | MAR 13 | 4:15PM | 20 CHILDREN IN GRADES K-5

Let's learn about the physics of flight! Using simple materials we'll perform different experiments to explore how objects fly.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY BINGO

MON | MAR 17 | 4:15PM

20 CHILDREN IN GRADES K-5

Stop by the library for some extra-special rounds of BINGO on St. Patrick's Day!



MERCY WATSON BOOK CLUB

TUES | MAR 18 AND APR 8 | 4:15PM

15 CHILDREN IN GRADES K-2

Join Ms. Julie as we begin reading, *Mercy Watson to the Rescue*, by Kate DiCamillo. Kids will take home their own copy of the book to continue reading at home. At our second meeting, we will finish the book together and talk about the porcine wonder that is Mercy Watson! Pick up the book at the Children's Reference desk after you register. You may attend if you have already read the book. **Series.**



UPCYCLED ART

WED | MAR 19 | 4:15PM | 15 CHILDREN IN GRADES 3-6

During this program, children will get creative with used vinyl records and cds, to make beautiful pieces of art.

BEDTIME STORYTIME

THURS | MAR 20 AND APR 17 | 6:30PM

15 CHILDREN AGES 2-7 YEARS

Bedtime storytime is a great time to snuggle up with someone special and wind down after a long day. Blankets, stuffies, and jammies are optional! Siblings welcome.

WIND DOWN WITH WATERCOLORS

WED | MAR 26 | 4:15PM

20 CHILDREN IN GRADES K-3

Take an opportunity to wind down and relax after school while working with watercolors to create a simple, but beautiful piece of art.



BOOKS & BABBLE NOVEL CLUB

THURS | MAR 27 AND APR 10 | 4:15PM

15 CHILDREN IN GRADES 3-6

Children will read and discuss a middle grade novel: *The Curse of Eelgrass Bog* by Mary Averling. The book will be read in two parts – the first half for the first session and the second half for the second session. Activities and snacks related to the novel will also be provided. Copies of the book will be available to pick-up at the Children's Reference Desk. **Series.**



WIND CHIMES

TUES | APR 1 | 4:15PM

15 CHILDREN IN GRADES 3-5

Make a whimsical DIY wind chime to enjoy on the breezy spring days ahead.

KID LIBRARIANS

THURS | APR 3 | 4:15PM

CHILDREN IN GRADES K-5

Does your child love reading and the library? We're looking for kids to help us curate some very special book displays of their favorite library materials. Join us for a meeting to get started!

TWEENS AFTER HOURS

FRI | APR 4 | 5:15PM | 15 CHILDREN IN GRADES 4-6

Join us for an extra special, after-hours event just for tweens in The Lounge! We'll have pizza, karaoke, games and more!

GARDENING CLUB

WED | APR 9 | 4:15PM

15 CHILDREN IN GRADES K-5

Join our gardening club and learn all about how seeds grow! Get ready to dig in the dirt, plant seeds, and watch our garden grow.



SIGNS OF SPRING SCAVENGER HUNT

TUES | APR 22 | 4:15PM

15 CHILDREN IN UPK-GRADE 2

Join us in the Nature Discovery Center to hear some stories about Spring and to explore the library grounds for a spring-inspired scavenger hunt!



GROWN UP AND ME PAINT NIGHT

THURS | APR 24 | 6:30PM

15 CHILDREN IN GRADES K-5 WITH AN ADULT

This fun program requires teamwork and cooperation to create an artistic masterpiece!

SPRAY BOTTLE PAINTING

WED | APR 30 | 4:15PM

15 CHILDREN IN GRADES K-5

Dress for a mess and have a blast utilizing this unique painting option!



Miss Humblebee's Academy

is a comprehensive, standards-based learning curriculum that prepares children ages 3 to 6 for kindergarten proficiency. Lessons target specific learning objectives and progress in order of difficulty, so the child's foundation of knowledge grows as they advance through the curriculum. Offline lessons and activities are included. Now available on the library's website.



ABCmouse stimulates a child's enthusiasm for learning through over 10,000 interactive learning activities—including more than 2,000 STEM and over 1,200 Spanish-language learning activities—comprised of books, educational games, puzzles, art activities, songs, music videos, and more—that are highly engaging and extremely educational.

ABCmouse.com offers the most comprehensive online curriculum for children ages 2-8+, including reading and language arts, math, beginning science, social studies, art and music. Now available on the library's website.

HOMEWORK HELP

Are you feeling overwhelmed with your homework? Use your library card to connect with a FREE online tutor. Tutors are now available from 10am-11pm every day of the week. Online-certified tutors are available to help you with your homework. Homework Help also offers skills-building, writing assistance, flash cards, test preparation and more. Homework Help is available on our web page, just scroll down to "Research and Learning Tools for Children" then click on Homework Help. Ask a librarian if you need assistance.



JOHN MCNAMARA TEEN CENTER

Programs

Young Adult registration begins, Saturday, February 22, 9am. Programs are for teens in grades 6-12. Patrons who register for programs that require fees have one week to come in and pay for the program before their spot is released. Please follow each program's instructions, and have Teen's Library Card available. If you have allergies, please be aware that the Library cannot guarantee that the materials/foods are free of ingredients that may affect you. Online registration is available; please check out the Library's webpage: <http://bayportbluepointlibrary.org/> or call or come in to register.

ART CLUB

MON | MAR 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 AND APR 7, 14, 21, 28 | 6PM

Draw something new or work on something old in the young adult department. Use our art supplies and chat with your friends. Librarian Tom, our resident artist, will be there to help.

BRACELET MAKING & CHILL

WED | MAR 5 | 3:30PM

Come hangout with your friends and Ms. Jen while we chat and make some beaded and knotted bracelets.

GET YOUR GREEN ON

MON | MAR 10 | 4PM

Don't have that lucky item to wear for Paddy's Day yet or for Parade Day? Come and make some Luck O'the Irish items with Ms. Kelly in the Makerspace.

STILL LIFE PAINTING

TUES | MAR 11 | 4PM

Join Ms. Danielle and examine every day commonplace objects through drawing and capture them in exciting compositions in this inspiring all levels drawing class designed to encourage observational skills. Study something natural (food, flowers, rocks, shells, etc.) and/ or man-made objects (books, vases, jewelry, coins, figurines, etc.) and interpret it on paper with graphite or oil pastel.

CODE CLUB

WED | MAR 12 AND APR 2 | 4PM

Join our exciting beginners coding course where you'll unlock the secrets of creating your own games and apps! Discover the fun of coding while making new friends and showcasing your amazing projects!

ST. PATRICK'S DAY S-L-I-M-E

THURS | MAR 13 | 4PM

Make your slime "lucky" by using all things green and gold. Join Ms. Jen in making this ever-popular messy craft.



3D PRINT CLUB

THURS | MAR 13 AND APR 17 | 5:30PM

Come in and join Librarian Steve as he teaches you to create your own 3D designs and have them printed on our printers.

KNITTING CLUB

WED | MAR 19 AND APR 23 | 3:30PM

Join us once a month for a cozy circle of knitting. All levels are welcome! Ms. Jen will be there to teach you how to start if you've never done it before. If you prefer to crochet over knitting, feel free to work on your own projects at the club!

SEWING CLUB

THURS | MAR 20 AND APR 10 | 4PM

Come in and join Ms. Kelly in the sewing club and learn the basics of sewing while making a bunny for March, and a Velcro wallet for April.



GAMING FRIDAYS

FRI | MAR 21 AND APR 11 | 5-7PM

Virtual Reality, Board games, card games, Nintendo Switch, PS5...Try something new, play an old classic; whatever you feel like come on in and have some fun and maybe even challenge the librarian. Pizza will be served.

PUZZLE COMPETITION

TUES | MAR 25 | 6PM

Join us for a night of friendly puzzle competition! Break into groups and race against the clock to complete a 300-piece puzzle against your peers.



MLB OPENING DAY EXTRAVAGANZA

THURS | MAR 27 | 3:30PM

Batter up! Join us in celebrating Opening Day for the 2025/2026 baseball season. We will be enjoying baseball-inspired snacks and watching *The Sandlot* (PG).

TOTE BAGS

MON | MAR 31 | 4PM

Decorate tote bags for the library to give out during National Library Week (1 hour of community service)

APRIL FOOL'S DAY

TUES | APR 1 | 4PM

Come in and celebrate April Fool's Day by pranking; I mean making mini pot pie "dinners." Shhhhhh--it's really a dessert...



CUPCAKE WARS WITH CHEF ROB

FRI | APR 4 | 4PM

Are you up for a challenge?? Chef Rob will give you all the supplies to make the best, most delicious cupcake. Ms. Kelly and Ms. Jen will decide whose is the Best in Show will be.



WALKING TACOS

TUES | APR 8 | 4PM

Make some delicious portable "tacos" in a bag! Use chip bags as the container, and fill with all of your favorite toppings.



CLAY TRINKET DISH

MON | APR 14 | 4PM

This DIY trinket tray makes a great holder for jewelry, coins, hair clips, and more! Personalize it to your own style by using different paints.

PAINT BY NUMBER

WED | APR 16 | 2PM

Have fun with Ms. Kelly as we chat and make a work of art worthy of the Louvre. I mean how can it go wrong—they tell you the color and placement of it!!



MOVIE TIME: WICKED SING-ALONG

FRI | APR 18 | 1PM

Escape the April rain during school break and join the YA librarians and watch *Wicked* with us! And yes please, sing along...We will also have popcorn, candy and a special movie themed treat...

CELEBRATE EARTH DAY

TUES | APR 22 | 4PM

Earn 1 hour of community service by making butterfly garden seed paper. Take it home and plant with some soil and voila. (1 hour of Community Service)



DOGGONE TIRED NIGHT LIGHTS

TUES | APR 29 | 4PM

Teens need sleep! Pick a cute dog photo from our selection, learn how to edit with a duo-tone effect and then sublimate onto an acrylic and wood night light.



DIY SUGAR SCRUB

WED | APR 30 | 1PM

Ms. Jen will help you in making an easy sugar scrub recipe that will leave your skin feeling soft and moisturized.

AUTHORS UNLIMITED



APRIL 5, 2025

EXTRA COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES:

PARADE DAY WALKERS

SUN | MAR 16 | 10:30AM-1:30PM

****We need parade walkers and costume wearers****

Earn 3 hours of community service for walking in the parade with the library or wearing a costume. *Email Ms. Kelly to let her know, kelly@bbplibrary.org* (Meet at the High school and look for the Live-brary coach bus)

DOG PARADE VOLUNTEERS

SUN | APR 27 | 1-4PM

The Friends of the Library are holding a Dog Parade and they need volunteers to assist them during it. (Rain date is May 4)



COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Community Service is open to resident teens in the 6th through 12th grade. Please, remember that Teen Volunteering or Teen Community Service is the teen's responsibility. Thank you.

TEEN BOOK REVIEW

Resident teens can now earn three community service hours per month by reviewing teen books from our Young Adult Fiction collection. Go to <http://www.bayportbluepointlibrary.org/> under news and blogs: click on the link for Teen Book Review for all instructions.



TROOPONS® - COUPONS FOR TROOPS

(1 hour of community service)

The Support our troops® Troopons® program enhances the well-being of overseas and domestic military families by sending them manufacturer coupons to make their hard-earned dollars go farther. Helping from home is easy. Collect all the coupons that arrive each week and prepare them by using this link with instructions: https://supportourtroops.org/images/programs/Instructions_for_cutting_coupons.pdf. (Before mailing take a pic of the completed envelope and email to kelly@bbplibrary.org with your name and grade.)



HERO APPRECIATION LETTERS

(1 hour of community service)

Operation Gratitude needs your letters to send to the heroes of our country. Every package that gets sent out has a letter on a postcard inside. Go to <https://www.veteransunited.com/operation-gratitude/> and fill out the required information. (Make sure to take a screenshot and email it to kelly@bbplibrary.org to get community service credit, include name and grade.)

KINDNESS ROCKS

(1 hour of community service)

Society can always use a little bit of kindness in any way. It's easy to spread some to your neighbors by painting or writing designs and hopeful, inspirational words onto ordinary rocks. Then place the rocks where people might see them, such as around neighborhoods or on nature trails. The idea is to put beauty and good thoughts out into the world for others to see. During times like this, we can use all the kindness we can get! (When your rocks are finished, take a pic and email to kelly@bbplibrary.org with your name and grade.)



BOOKMARKS

(1 hour of community service)

Pick-up a kit from the YA department with 5 bookmarks to make. Design and bring back the finished bookmarks to receive your certificate.



DOG TOY KITS

Pick-up a kit from the YA department

with 5 toys to make.

Bring back the finished

toys to receive your

certificate. We will be

donating the toys to animal shelters.



COFFEE SLEEVES

Pick-up a kit

from the YA

department

with 5 coffee

sleeves to make.

Design and

bring back the

finished sleeves

with some inspirational messages on them to receive your certificate.



****Please note all items submitted may be shared on our social media pages****

LIBRARY News



BAYPORT-BLUE POINT HERITAGE PRESENTS:



Avery's Five Mile Look, Blue Point, N. Y.

EVERY'S FIVE MILE LOOK

SUN | MAR 23 | 2-4PM

The wall that was recently restored at the foot of Blue Point Avenue once surrounded one of our most beautiful hotels: Avery's Five Mile Look. Finished in 1913, the history of the boarding house begins years earlier with the Avery family. Our story includes tragedy, adultery, gambling, and rum running on the Great South Bay, ending with fire in 1939. We'll also discuss future plans for the site, including

the original fountain. Join local historian Frank Giebried for a trip back in time and see what it was like to dine, dance, and swim at the Five Mile Look. **No registration necessary.**

THE DEEP ROOTS OF MUSIC ON LONG ISLAND

SUN | APR 13 | 2PM

Come see a movie with live piano accompaniment just as it was done 100 years ago. Join us as JK Hodge discusses the deep roots of music on Long Island. He will be performing his original score to accompany the 1926 Buster Keaton silent film, "The General" inspired by the Civil Wars' infamous Great Locomotive Chase. **No registration necessary.**



ON EXHIBIT

March 2025

Display Case East: To celebrate St Patrick's Day, the library will be displaying Irish memorabilia and photos of the Library's marches through the years!

Display Case West: Pilot Club of Sayville will display brain awareness hoping to spread the word about the importance of brain science and its critical role in helping people lead healthier, more productive lives. Alzheimer's, Autism, and strokes are just some of the diseases that will be displayed.

First Floor Gallery: Christine MacDonagh's en plein aire (in the open air) landscape oil paintings share the exploration of some of the loveliest spots on Long Island. Her goal is to convey through lively brush strokes, the colors and shapes that attracted her to each special place. Sometimes it is the brooding clouds or the speckled sunlight through the trees, or the charm of a structure, the varied colors along a shoreline or a woodsy setting. Step in from the cold for a few minutes and share in the beauty of these captured moments.

Second Floor Gallery: Student artwork from Blue Point Elementary School.

April 2025

Display Case East: Michael Burke's collection includes baseball gloves dating from the 1900s to 1940's. He will also be displaying baseball figurines, bats, and books about the history of baseball.

Display Case West: Gina Murphy is displaying her designed and handmade felt ornaments.

First Floor Gallery: John M. Martello has been working on a personal project, "Audubon and Me," which includes John James Audubon's prints from his masterpiece, "Birds of America," juxtaposed with one or more photographs of the same species by John Martello. John has captured 228 bird images placed side by side with Audubon's famous plates. Visit "Audubon and Me" on John's Facebook page for more; @johnmmartello.

Second Floor Gallery:
Student artwork from the Bayport-Blue Point High School.

SAVE THE DATE

Friends of the Bayport-Blue Point Library announces its second annual **DOG PARADE & ARTISAN FAIR**

SUNDAY, APRIL 27 • 1-4PM

(RAINDATE: SUNDAY, MAY 4)

Registration Deadline, Monday, April 1

Pre-registration: \$20.00

Register at Door: \$25.00

ALL DOGS (and their owners) INVITED TO PARTICIPATE

Two categories: Puppies up to 2 years – Dogs 2 years up

RIBBONS AWARDED FOR:

Best Dressed • Creative Grooming • Cutest Trick
Largest Dog • Pet/Human Twin • Tiniest Dog

FAN FAVORITE (Judged by Audience)

Have Questions www.bluepointfriend@gmail.com

Vendors Welcome \$40 per space (up to 8' table - not supplied)

Refreshments Available

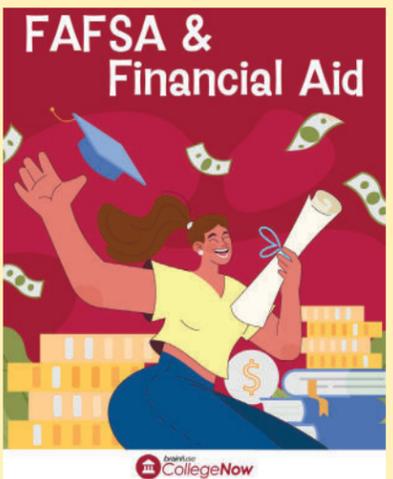
COME ONE ... COME ALL

Support your canine neighbors!

A family fun fundraising event of the Friends of the Bayport-Blue Point Library.

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BUDGET INFO:

Budget Vote - Wednesday, April 8, 9am-8pm.

Trustee Election: **July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2030.**

This position is currently held by incumbent Ronald. F Devine, Jr. whose term expires on June 30, 2025.

Petition forms are due: Monday, March 3, 2025 before 5pm.

Registration: **9am and 3pm until March 28, 2025**

Budget Information Meeting and Candidates Night:

Tuesday, March 25 at 7pm

Absentee Ballots: **The school district clerk must receive absentee ballots no later than 5pm on the day of the vote, April 8.**



BAYPORT-BLUE POINT PUBLIC LIBRARY PROGRAM CALENDAR

MARCH 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ADULT CHILDREN TEEN TWEEN CONCERTS FULCRUM 						1 9AM Strength Training 10AM Beginning Yoga 11AM Let's Go Outside! 1PM Open Chess
2 2PM Jeff Allegue & Jennifer Cella Concert	3 11AM Rainy Day Storytime 1PM Movie: <i>Here</i> 6PM Art Club 6:30PM Knit Night	4 10:15AM Senior Flex 11:15AM Senior Flex II 4:15PM Toilet Paper Roll Robot 6:30PM Sewing with Linda	5 11AM Nursery Rhyme Sing Along 1PM Sewing with Linda 3:30PM Bracelet Making & Chill 6PM Vinyasa Yoga 7PM Yoga Nidra	6 9AM Morning Yoga 10:15AM Thursday Senior Flex 11:15AM Thursday Senior Flex II 5:15PM Learn to Irish Dance 6:30PM Chef Rob 6:30PM Paper Flower Art 6:30PM St. Patrick's Day Koozies	7 9:30AM Sprouts & Friends I 10AM Free Play 10AM Open Maj Jongg 10:30AM Sprouts & Friends II	8 9AM Strength Training 10AM Beginning Yoga 11AM-4PM DIY Fun With Foam 1PM Open Chess
9 2PM Anne Taffel Concert	10 9:30AM Chair Yoga 11AM Little Brick Builders 1PM Movie: <i>Wicked</i> 4PM Pre-K Brick Builders 4PM Get Your Green On 5:30PM Yoga and Mindfulness 6PM Art Club 7PM <i>Unsung Heroes: Women of WWII</i>	11 9:30AM Baby Start 10:15AM Senior Flex 11:15AM Senior Flex II 4PM Still Life Painting 6:30PM Seashell Art	12 2PM Airplane Storytime 2PM Spring Sign 4PM Code Club 6:30PM Spring Sign 7PM Yoga Nidra	13 10:15AM Thursday Senior Flex 11:15AM Thursday Senior Flex II 4PM St. Patrick's Day S-L-I-M-E 4:15PM Simple Science: Flight 5:30PM 3D Print Club 6:30PM St. Patrick's Day Koozies 6:30PM Garden Thyme	14 10AM Free Play 10AM Open Maj Jongg	15 9AM Strength Training 11AM Meet the Parade Character 1PM Open Chess
16	17 9:30AM Chair Yoga 1PM Movie: <i>Michael Collins</i> 4:15PM St. Patrick's Day BINGO 6PM Art Club	18 10AM Open Sensory Play I 10:15AM Senior Flex 11AM Open Sensory Play II 11:15AM Senior Flex II 2PM Medicare 101 4:15PM Mercy Watson Book Club 6PM All Levels Embroidery Workshop 7PM Puzzle Exchange	19 3:30PM Knitting Club 4:15PM Upcycled Art 7PM Seaglass Heart	20 9AM Morning Yoga 10:15AM Thursday Senior Flex 11:15AM Thursday Senior Flex II 4PM Sewing Club 6:30PM Bedtime Storytime 6PM Still Life Drawing	21 9:30AM Sprouts & Friends I 10AM Free Play 10AM Open Maj Jongg 10:30AM Sprouts & Friends II 5-7PM Gaming Friday	22 10AM Beginning Yoga 11AM-4PM DIY Build It Fun 1PM Classic Movies with Jeff 1PM Open Chess
23 2:30PM Avery's Five Mile Look 3:30PM Knitting Club	24 9:30AM Chair Yoga 1PM Little Sprouts Baby Music 1PM Movie: <i>The Apprentice</i> 3PM Intro to Live-brary 6PM Art Club	25 10:15AM Senior Flex 11:15AM Senior Flex II 4PM Pre-K Gamers 6PM Puzzle Competition 6PM Maximizing Your SS Income 6PM NYS Boating Safety Course Pt. 1 6:15PM Tots Night Out	26 2PM Slate Picture 4:15PM Wind Down With Watercolors 6PM NYS Boating Safety Course Pt. 2 6:30PM Slate Picture	27 9AM Morning Yoga 10AM Communication Sign Language 10:15AM Thursday Senior Flex 11:15AM Thursday Senior Flex II 1:30 or 6:30PM Library Book Club 3:30PM MLB Opening Day Extravaganza 4:15PM Books & Babble Novel Club 6PM NYS Boating Safety Course Pt. 3 6:30PM Thinking of Selling Your Home?	28 10AM Free Play 10AM Open Maj Jongg	29 10AM Beginning Yoga 1PM Open Chess
30	31 9:30AM Chair Yoga 1PM Movie: <i>Mamma Mia!</i> 4PM Tote Bags • 6PM Art Club 7PM Sound Meditation & Guided Imagery					

APRIL 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ADULT CHILDREN TEEN TWEEN CONCERTS FULCRUM 		1 11AM Shake, Shimmy, Dance Storytime 10:15AM Senior Flex 11:15AM Senior Flex II 4PM April Fool's Day 4:15PM Wind Chimes 6:30PM Coffee Painting	2 2PM Little Artists 4PM Code Club 6PM Vinyasa Yoga 7PM Author Talk	3 9AM Morning Yoga 10:15AM Thursday Senior Flex 11:15AM Thursday Senior Flex II 4:15PM Kid Librarians 6:30PM International Film Night with J.K. Hodge 6:30PM Spring Garden Flags	4 9:30AM Sprouts & Friends I 10AM Free Play 10AM Open Maj Jongg 10:30AM Sprouts & Friends II 4PM Cupcake Wars with Chef Rob 5:15PM Tweens After Hours 6:30PM Silent Reading Party	5 9AM Defensive Driving 1PM Open Chess
6 2PM Pure Joy with Paige Patterson Concert	7 9:30AM Chair Yoga 10AM All Aboard! 1PM Movie: <i>Saturday Night</i> 4PM Pre-K All Aboard! 5:30PM Yoga and Mindfulness 6PM Art Club 6:30PM Knit Night 7PM <i>Titanic: Voyage and Legacy</i>	8 9:30AM Baby Start 10:15AM Senior Flex 11:15AM Senior Flex II 4PM Walking Tacos 4:15PM Mercy Watson Book Club	9 1PM Sewing for Beginners 2PM Learn Canva 4:15PM Gardening Club 6PM Vinyasa Yoga 6:30PM Learn Canva 7PM The Lake of Legends	10 9AM Morning Yoga 10AM Open Sensory Play I 10:15AM Thursday Senior Flex 11AM Open Sensory Play II 11:15AM Thursday Senior Flex II 4PM Sewing Club 4:15PM Books & Babble Novel Club 6PM Mosaic Art	11 10AM Free Play 10AM Open Maj Jongg 5-7PM Gaming Friday	12 9AM Strength Training 10AM Beginning Yoga 11AM-4PM DIY Paper Plane Fun 1PM Open Chess
13 2PM The Deep Roots of Music on Long Island	14 9:30AM Chair Yoga 9:30AM Mini Camp Session 1: LEGO 1PM Movie: <i>White Bird</i> 2PM Mini Camp Session 2: LEGO 4PM Clay Trinket Dish 6PM Art Club 7PM <i>America vs The World</i>	15 10:15AM Senior Flex 11:15AM Senior Flex II 6PM Sewing with Linda 6:30PM Craft Supply Swap 7PM Puzzle Exchange	16 9:30AM Mini Camp Session 1: Rainbows 2PM Mini Camp Session 2: Rainbows 2PM Embroidery 101 2PM Paint by Number 6PM Vinyasa Yoga 7PM Meditation 6:30PM Embroidery 101	17 9AM Morning Yoga 10:15AM Thursday Senior Flex 11:15AM Thursday Senior Flex II 5:30PM 3D Print Club 6:30PM Bedtime Storytime 6:30PM Spring Garden Flags 7PM Line Dancing	18 10AM Free Play, All Day! 10AM Open Maj Jongg 1PM MovieTime: <i>Wicked Sing-Along</i>	19 9AM Strength Training 11AM-4PM DIY Build It Fun 1PM Open Chess
20 EASTER LIBRARY CLOSED	21 9:30AM Chair Yoga 11AM Earth Day Storytime 1PM Movie: <i>Steel Magnolias</i> 6PM Art Club	22 10:15AM Senior Flex 11:15AM Senior Flex II 2PM Still Life Drawing 4PM Celebrate Earth Day 4:15PM Signs of Spring Scavenger Hunt 6:15PM Tots Night Out 6:30PM Mediterranean Cooking	23 9:30AM Me and My Baby 3:30PM Knitting Club 6PM Vinyasa Yoga 7PM Painted Flowerpots 7PM Seaglass Art	24 9AM Morning Yoga 10AM Communication Sign Language 10:15AM Thursday Senior Flex 11:15AM Thursday Senior Flex II 1:30 or 6:30PM Library Book Club 6:30PM Grown Up and Me Paint Night 7PM Line Dancing	25 10AM Free Play 10AM Open Maj Jongg 2PM Fun Friday BINGO	26 10AM Beginning Yoga 1PM Open Chess
27 2PM Dr. Podles Concert 1-4PM Dog Parade 	28 1PM Little Sprouts Baby Music 1PM Movie: <i>La La Land</i> 3PM Intro to Hoopla 6PM Art Club	29 4PM Doggone Tired Night Lights 7PM Spotlight on Local Businesses	30 1PM DIY Sugar Scrub 4:15PM Spray Bottle Painting 6PM Vinyasa Yoga			