



# COLD SPRING HARBOR LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

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## SUMMERFEST: READING CLUB KICKOFF

**Friday, June 26, 5:00-7:00pm**

For children of all ages with their families. Tons of fun activities, including carnival games, a bounce house, a slide, as well as popcorn, cotton candy, and an ice cream truck.

## CHILDREN'S SUMMER READING CLUB

**Monday, June 29 – Friday, August 14**

For pre-readers up to students entering grade 5. Sign-up begins June 22 and is ongoing. Earn prizes for reading and participate in our famous scavenger hunt and weekly activities!

## TEEN SUMMER READING CLUB

**Monday, July 6 – Friday, August 14**

Sign-up begins June 22 and is ongoing, in person or online. Reporting begins Monday, July 6. Fun activities just for teens will fetch you raffle tickets and a chance at winning one of several themed baskets! Join your fellow teens in reaching reading milestones to earn prizes at our Summer Store.

## ADULT SUMMER READING PROGRAM

**Monday, July 6 – Friday, August 14**

Register and begin summer reading on June 22. Starting Monday, July 6, you may rate books you've read to enter our weekly raffles. Submit ratings online using the Google form on the Adult Summer Reading page of our website. Weekly raffles will run from Friday, July 10 through Friday, August 14. All raffle tickets will be entered into our Grand Prize drawings, and winners will be notified on Monday, August 17.

**Serving the communities of  
Cold Spring Harbor, Lloyd  
Harbor & Laurel Hollow.**

### Library Hours

**Monday – Thursday**

9:30am – 9:00pm

**Friday & Saturday**

9:30am – 5:00pm

**Sunday**

(Sept 7, 2025 – June 14, 2026)

1:00 – 5:00pm

**The Library Will Be Closed**  
Sunday, May 10 (Mother's Day)  
Sunday, May 24 & Monday,  
May 25 (Memorial Day)

### Library Board Meetings

All are welcome.

Monday, May 4, 7:00pm


Monday, June 1, 7:00pm

### SAVE THE DATE

**Thursday, August 27, 2026**

Celebration of the Library's  
20th Anniversary at 95 Harbor  
Road. More details to follow.

### COUNTDOWN TO THE 250TH!

Programs related to the 250th  
celebration will be noted with  
an American flag. 

# Programs for Adults

Register for adult programs online, at the Circulation Desk, or by phone at (631) 692-6820, with a valid Cold Spring Harbor Library card. Registration is required, unless otherwise noted.

Library programs with class or materials fees are non-refundable and make-up classes are not permitted.

## LEARN TO PLAY MAH JONGG

**Fridays, May 1–June 5, 10:00am–12:00pm**

Take your seat at the table! Cathy Crocetti will lead you through the mechanics and strategies of this exciting Chinese tile game that is growing in popularity. No prior experience necessary. Open to all. Please bring a 2026 National Mah Jongg League card to each class (available for purchase online at [nationalmahjonggleague.org](http://nationalmahjonggleague.org)). Non-refundable fee: \$45.

## MINI CUPCAKE BOUQUET

**Thursday, May 7, 2:00pm**

Assemble a mini bouquet using pre-made cupcakes that you will ice and decorate to look like flowers. The cupcakes will be artfully arranged in a small planter to create a gift-ready centerpiece that's both beautiful and delicious! Non-refundable materials fee: \$5.

## TIME IS BRAIN: STROKE RECOGNITION, RISK FACTORS & RESPONSE **via Zoom**

**Monday, May 11, 7:00pm**

Please join us for an informative stroke awareness and prevention lecture focused on recognizing early warning signs of strokes and understanding the risk factors that can lead to them. Learn practical steps to reduce your risk, and how acting quickly can save a life when symptoms appear. Presented by Catholic Health St. Catherine of Siena Hospital's experts from the Designated Stroke Center, Emergency, and Neurology Departments.

## BUBBLING WITH CREATIVITY: A SOAP CARVING WORKSHOP

**Thursday, May 14, 6:30pm**

Learn how to carve unique designs into bars of soap using simple techniques and tools. Participants will leave with beautifully carved soap masterpieces — perfect for gifting or personal use.



## ISLAND WINDS CHAMBER ENSEMBLE PRESENTS:

**THE MUSIC OF AMERICA**



**Sunday, May 17, 2:00pm**

The Island Winds Chamber Ensemble is a group of renowned Long Island musicians who have performed in venues from show theaters to major concert halls. This special concert will feature a selection of American classics and patriotic favorites by a wide range of composers. Perfect for music lovers of all ages!

## PAUL THE PLANT MAN PRESENTS: HERBS & MORE

**Tuesday, May 19, 2:00pm**

Paul the Plant Man will discuss varieties of herbs for your garden, the care these plants require, and which to avoid if you have pets in your home. Come for your chance to win — Paul will be raffling off several herb plants at the end of his presentation.

## MEDITATION FOR BALANCE & INNER CONTENTMENT

**Tuesday, May 19, 7:00pm **via Zoom****

People all over the world are tuning into meditation to help them lead a more peaceful and healthy lifestyle. Scientific studies have proven that the practice of meditation provides a deep relaxation to the body that helps reduce stress. Join us to learn a simple method of meditation, and to practice this technique during the session. This program is brought to you by the Huntington Zone Area Libraries.

## OPERATION MEDICINE CABINET

**Wednesday, May 20, 10:30am–12:30pm**

Clean out your medicine cabinet and safely dispose of expired or unwanted prescription drugs — keeping everyone and the environment safe! No needles or liquid medications; please place medications only (without their container) in a plastic bag prior to disposal. This program is run in cooperation with the Suffolk County Police Department Community Relations Bureau. Registration is not required.

# Programs for Adults

## NEOCLASSICISM IN REVOLUTIONARY AMERICA



Thursday, May 28, 2:00pm

Join art historian Jay Schuck as he examines how the ideals of Ancient Greece and Rome shaped the visual culture of Revolutionary America. Explore how Neoclassicism reflects Enlightenment values, political identity, and the young nation's desire to align itself with the classical past. From civic buildings to portraiture, discover how artists used classical forms to define the new American image.

## THE NINNET COLLECTIVE: MELODIES TO REMEMBER

Sunday, June 7, 2:00pm

The Ninnet Collective brings to life classical chamber music by bridging the invisible divide between performers and audience members. Comprising string and woodwind instruments, this trio will perform a diverse array of chamber music spanning centuries and musical styles.

## NEW YORK BASEBALL HISTORY via Zoom

Thursday, June 11, 7:00pm

With some of the greatest players, teams, and innovations in baseball history, New York has had a tremendous influence on America's favorite pastime from the 1800s up to the present day. Join Steve King for a discussion of New York baseball through the ages.

## LEARN TO PLAY CANASTA

Fridays, June 12–July 10, 10:00am–12:00pm

Join instructor Cathy Crocetti and learn to play Modern Canasta. The basics of the game, as well as strategies to win, will be covered. This class is designed for beginners. Non-refundable fee: \$40.

## COASTAL SEASHELL FRAME

Tuesday, June 16, 2:00pm

Inspired by treasures found along the shoreline, this workshop will invite participants to transform seashells and sand into a handcrafted coastal picture frame. Using Anna Chan's self-hardening sand, students will explore texture, balance, and natural design while creating a personalized frame to hold a special memory.

## NEEDLE-FELTED TURTLE

Saturday, June 27, 11:00am–1:00pm

Participants will be taught how to needle felt, step-by-step by fiber artist Shamma Murphy. At the end of the session, participants will each have their own needle-felted turtle to bring home. All materials (100% wool) and tools will be supplied. This is a beginner-friendly fiber craft.

## Book Discussions

Books will be available at the Circulation Desk.



### PAGE TURNERS

Wednesdays, 11:00am

Dive into a new read and join librarian Allison for a monthly book group!

**May 13** - *We All Live Here* by Jojo Moyes

**June 10** - *The River Is Waiting* by Wally Lamb

### HEART OF THE HARBOR via Zoom

Thursdays, 7:00pm

Join librarians Carolyn and Scott in exploring books in different genres each month.

**May 14** - *What We Remember Will Be Saved* by Stephanie Saldana

**June 11** - *Where'd You Go, Bernadette* by Maria Semple

### BEYOND THE BOOK, IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE COLD SPRING HARBOR WHALING MUSEUM

Wednesdays, 6:30pm

Dive into your next read with The Whaling Museum's *Beyond the Book* club. We hand select texts that explore stories and history related to the Museum's collection for a truly unique experience. Look up close at artifacts that enhance discussion around the monthly read. Enjoy light snacks and drinks while you chat. **Please note: this program will take place at The Whaling Museum.**

**May 27** - *Sea People: The Puzzle of Polynesia* by Christina Thompson

**June 24** - *Travels with George: In Search of Washington and His Legacy* by Nathaniel Philbrick

# Classes for Adults

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## Fitness, Health & Wellness Classes

### RESTORATIVE YOGA WITH MADELEINE MASTERSON Mondays, May 11–June 22, 6:30pm (No class 5/25)

Join Madeleine Masterson for an hour of restorative yoga, the “yoga of stillness.” Enjoy passive stretches supported by yoga props. The result is deep relaxation and release! Please wear comfortable clothes and bring a yoga mat, blanket, (2) blocks, and a bolster. Limit: 15. Non-refundable class fee: \$60.

### YOGA FOR ALL LEVELS WITH NANCY KELLY Wednesdays, May 13–June 24, 10:00am (No class 5/27)

Students at all levels of yoga practice are invited to participate in this all-inclusive class. A certified and experienced instructor, Nancy Kelly modifies her teaching to match each student’s abilities. Please wear loose-fitting clothing and bring a yoga mat. Limit: 20. Non-refundable class fee: \$60.

### DANCE, BALANCE & STRETCH WITH LAUREN SINGER Tuesdays, May 12–June 16, 10:00am

Be steady on your feet. Learn exciting global dances and rhythms (Latin, swing, folk, line dance, and more) to great music, then cool down with balance exercises. Designed for all levels! Bring a water bottle, and wear clothes to move in and low tread sneakers. Limit: 15. Non-refundable class fee: \$60.

### CHAIR YOGA WITH ALICE WEISER Thursdays, May 14–June 18, 10:00am

Yoga instructor Alice Weiser will lead students through seated and standing poses to stretch and strengthen, using a chair for support and balance. This class is suitable for beginners and those with limited mobility. Please wear comfortable clothing. Limit: 25. Non-refundable class fee: \$60.



## Art Classes

Supply lists are available on the registration page to review before registration. All levels welcome!

### WATERCOLOR WITH HELEN MURDOCK-PREP

Mondays, May 4–June 15, 10:00am–12:00pm (No class 5/25)  
OR Wednesdays, May 6–June 10, 6:30–8:30pm

Come join us to learn about the wonderful world of watercolor! We will learn the techniques needed to make beautiful artwork out of this fun medium. All levels welcome. Non-refundable class fee: \$150.

### DRAWING FOR THE PAINTER WITH MARIE SHEEHY-WALKER

Wednesdays, May 20–June 10, 10:00am–12:00pm

Learn drawing and composition techniques to enhance your paintings. Appropriate for all levels of experience. Limit: 10. Non-refundable class fee: \$100.

### JOY OF PAINTING WITH PASTELS WITH MARIE SHEEHY-WALKER

Fridays, May 22–June 19, 1:00–3:30pm

Learn to paint with pastels with Marie Sheehy-Walker. Appropriate for both beginners and continuing students. Limit: 18. Non-refundable class fee: \$125.

# Programs For Teens & Tweens

For kids in grades 6-12. Register for teen and tween programs online, at the Circulation Desk, or by phone at (631) 692-6820. Programs are in person at the Library and registration is required, unless otherwise noted. Visit our Teen Room! The Underground is where we have our makerspace, computers, board games, and more.

The majority of programs have a teen volunteer credit element, marked with a (V) next to the title. Volunteering is suggested for grades 7-12. All programs require registration and are for CSH Library cardholders only, unless otherwise noted. Check our online calendar for an updated list of events, including our volunteer orientations, which are mandatory for all new teen volunteers.

## CHILDREN'S CRAFT PROGRAM HELPERS

Check our online calendar for dates you can assist our children's librarians with craft and play programs. These events are usually 1-2 hours long.

## TEEN VOLUNTEER ORIENTATIONS

**Mondays, May 11 & June 8, 6:30-7:00pm**  
**Wednesdays, May 27 & June 17, 6:30-7:00pm**

New volunteers must attend one of our regular volunteer orientations, or contact us at [teen@cshlibrary.org](mailto:teen@cshlibrary.org) to set up a way to get our introductory folder and information.

## SPECIAL SUMMER READING CLUB VOLUNTEER ORIENTATIONS

**Monday, June 22, 6:00-6:30pm or**  
**Wednesday, June 24, 4:00-4:30pm**

In order to operate our Children's Summer Reading check-in table in July and August, you must attend a training session. If you have already attended in past years, you do not need to repeat this. Please note: this is different from the regular teen volunteer orientations.

## SHELF MOTIVATION (V)

**Monday, June 1, 6:30-8:00pm**

Help us do a much-needed "shelf read" of our collection, making sure things are in their proper spots so everyone can find them easily!

Need a gift for a loved one? Stop by our Makerspace in the Teen Room. We have supplies to make bracelets, jewelry, yarn creations, and more!

## TEEN LIBRARY AMBASSADORS (V)

**Monday, May 11 & Wednesday, June 17, 7:00-8:00pm**

A librarian will give you a tour of the Teen Room, our collections, and cool things the Library has to offer, so that you can spread the word! Provide your feedback and opinions.

## MARIO KART WORLD UNLOCK-ATHON (V)

**Monday, May 18, 6:00-8:00pm**

Yes, play games for community service! Volunteers will follow guides to unlock as many characters as possible for this Switch 2 game, so that we have them for our summer programming. Pizza will be served.

## REVOLUTIONARY BOOKMARKS (V)

**Wednesday, May 27 & Monday, June 8, 7:00-8:00pm** 

Decorate, design, and create themed collage bookmarks ahead of our 250th Anniversary observances. These bookmarks will be laminated and given out to the community at our Circulation Desk.

## SUMMERFEST VOLUNTEERS

**Friday, June 26, 4:30-7:00pm**

Assist our librarians with the Summer Reading Club Kickoff event. Teens will assist with setup, operation of games and snack tables, and breakdown of the event. Check in with our librarians at the upper level parking lot to get your lanyard and assignments. Earn 2.5 hours of community service credit.

## THE UNDERGROUND:

### YOUR STUDY HUB AT THE LIBRARY

We will be setting out study guides for the AP and Regents exams in May and June. There will also be whiteboards, study flashcards, and index cards for you to use.



# Programs for Children

For Pre-K to Grade 5. Register for programs online, at the Circulation Desk, or by phone at (631) 692-6820. Children must be the appropriate age to attend. Registration with a valid Cold Spring Harbor Library card is required.

## For Preschool Children (Ages 2 & Up) with an Adult

### MOTHER'S DAY BLOOMING BOUQUET

Monday, May 4, 4:00pm

Create beautiful flowers to give to a loved one!



### MINI MASTERS: MATISSE!

Wednesday, May 6, 4:00pm

For children ages 3-5 with adult

Three to five-year-olds and their caregivers will have fun exploring famous artworks and making their own art in this program designed especially to support early childhood learning.

### JUMP FOR JOY!

Saturday, May 9, 2:00pm

Dance, sing, and move with your little ones!

### WOODLAND ANIMALS

Monday, May 11, 11:00am

Create your very own animal papercraft!

### BUZZ, BUZZ BEES

Friday, May 15, 3:00pm

Create your very own paper plate bees!



### STORYTIME YOGA

Monday, May 18, 4:00pm

Your little yogis will be encouraged to explore yoga through play using a variety of hands-on materials, such as books, sensory toys, scarves, balls, instruments, bean bags, and more!

### FLOWER SPONGE PAINT

Wednesday, May 20, 4:00pm

Create your own paint garden.

### FOG & BUBBLES SCIENCE FUN

Wednesday, May 27, 4:00pm

Children will be excited to learn all about dry ice and sublimation! Watch the reaction, listen to the sizzling, and smell the carbon dioxide fog! Look out for the bubbles and clouds on the floor!

### FLOWER POWER

Wednesday, June 3, 4:00pm

Create flowers using cupcake liners!



### WATERMELON SLICES

Friday, June 5, 3:00pm

Create your very own watermelon slice using paper plates and foam!



### LADYBUGS

Monday, June 8, 4:00pm

Create a papercraft ladybug!



### LET'S DANCE

Monday, June 15, 4:00pm

Dance away with Great South Bay Dance. Learn the basics of dance and play games!

### FATHER'S DAY FRAMES

Thursday, June 18, 4:00pm

Make a frame to give to a loved one!

### MERMAID PAPER CRAFT!

Monday, June 22, 4:00pm

Create a colorful mermaid tail!

### PAPER PLATE ICE CREAM CONES!

Thursday, June 25, 4:00pm

Create a paper ice cream cone!



### BABIES LET'S BOOGIE

Tuesday, June 30, 4:00pm

For children ages 6 months-2 years with adult

Join us for a baby dance class!

## For School-Aged Kids (K-5)

### ADVENTURES IN ART: MEET MONET!

Tuesday, May 5, 4:30pm

Take a deep dive into the paintings of Claude Monet, one of the most famous artists of all time. Learn about his Impressionist art, then create your own painting inspired by his work.

### MOTHER'S DAY MUGS

Saturday, May 9, 11:00am OR 2:00pm

Design a mug using our Cricut to give as a gift!

### READ TO DOGS

Tuesday, May 12, 6:00-7:00pm

For children in grades 1-5

Have a paw-some time and practice your reading skills by reading to a certified therapy dog! Each child will have 15 minutes to read to a dog.



# Programs for Children

## 250TH: COLONIAL SUGAR CAKES

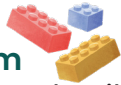
Wednesday, May 13, 4:30pm



Create your very own sugar cake dough to take home and bake! Sugar cake, similar to shortbread, was a traditional colonial recipe!

## LEGO CLUB

Saturdays, May 16 & June 13, 2:00pm



Get creative with our Legos! Each month will be a themed set to complete here and take home.

## FLORAL SUNCATCHERS

Tuesday, May 19, 4:30pm

Using dried flowers, create a suncatcher!

## SEED BOMBS

Thursday, May 21, 4:30pm

Create your very own seed bombs to throw into your garden!

## HOME FOR A FEATHERY FRIEND

Thursday, May 28, 4:30pm

Decorate a birdhouse for your garden!



## WOODEN WELCOME SIGNS

Monday, June 1, 4:30pm

Create your very own welcome sign to hang in your home!

## DECORATE A BACKPACK

Thursday, June 11, 4:30pm

Get ready for summer and create a backpack!

## BBQ APRONS

Friday, June 19, 2:00pm OR 3:00pm

Using our Cricut, decorate an apron to give as a special gift!



## FLORAL BOOKMARKS

Tuesday, June 23, 4:30pm

Create bookmarks using dried flowers!

## For Children of All Ages & Their Families

### DROP-IN: PLAY DOUGH FUN!

Thursday, May 7, Open from 3:30–5:00pm

Using household ingredients, learn to make playdough. Then, use cookie cutters to make fun floral shapes.

### DROP-IN: MOTHER'S DAY CARDS

Friday, May 8, Open from 2:00–4:00pm

Create cards to give to loved ones!

### DROP-IN: MAGIC FOAM

Friday, May 29, Open from 2:00–4:00pm

Use your imagination and create your own artwork using magic foam!

### DROP-IN 250TH: COLONIAL CHILDREN'S TOYS

Wednesday, June 10,

Open from 4:00–6:00pm



Decorate your very own colonial toys!

### DROP-IN: FATHER'S DAY CARDS

Wednesday, June 17, Open from 4:00–5:00pm

Create cards to give to loved ones!

## Storytimes

Children must be the appropriate age to attend. Register in advance with a valid Cold Spring Harbor Library card.

### MOTHER GOOSE TIME

For children 6–23 months with an adult

A beginning storytime filled with rhymes, songs, fingerplays, and more.

Tuesdays, 10:30am

May 12, 19 & 26

June 9 & 16

Wednesdays, 10:30am

May 13, 20 & 27

June 10 & 17



### TODDLER TIME

For children ages 2–3 with an adult

Enjoy a more advanced storytime with rhymes, songs, stories, and activities.

Thursdays, 10:30am

May 14, 21 & 28

June 11 & 18

Fridays, 10:30am

May 15, 22 & 29

June 12 & 19



# Explore, Engage & Enjoy

## MAY & JUNE DONATION DRIVE – MOMMAS HOUSE

Donations will benefit new mothers in need at MOMMAS House Mother-Child Residences in Levittown. Items to donate include: paper products, cleaning supplies, diapers, and baby/toddler clothing. Please see our poster and flyers in the Lobby for the full list of suggested items.

## EXHIBIT: ART OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION



**Monday, May 4-Friday, August 28, during Library hours**

In honor of our country's 250th Anniversary and the brave men and women who sacrificed their lives to create a new nation, we will be exhibiting more than 35 prints and drawings depicting events of the American Revolution. Many of these exquisite prints are based on the paintings of Don Troiani, widely regarded as one of America's most renowned historical artists. The exhibition will also feature works by Mort Kunstler and John Jenkins. In addition, historian and author David Griffin will be exhibiting authentic artifacts discovered on Long Island from British encampments, offering visitors a rare opportunity to see pieces of Revolutionary War history.

## 1000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN

Our congratulations to Cole for completing the 1000 Books Before Kindergarten Challenge! That's a huge milestone and such an awesome accomplishment. It's a great achievement for Cole, and a wonderful way to build a love for reading.



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