



COLD SPRING HARBOR LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

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BEHIND THE VELVET ROPES: A PRIVATE, GUIDED TOUR OF THE MAIN HOUSE AT PLANTING FIELDS

Thursday, October 1, 11:00am

Step into a bygone era with an exclusive, private group tour of the historic Main House at Planting Fields, where you'll be guided by expert docents to explore the home's stunning rooms up close. This immersive experience will deepen your understanding of the Coe family's fascinating legacy, the iconic estate they built, and the remarkable history that surrounds it. Registration required. Limit: 15.

FALL FESTIVAL

Saturday, October 10, 11:00am-1:00pm

Our Fall Festival returns with something for everyone! Kids can decorate a pumpkin and make harvest-themed crafts. Enjoy snacks and cider while listening to live bluegrass music! Stop by to see the farm animals for a fun, seasonal photo! As part of The Great Give Back, we will be collecting nonperishable food items at the festival.



MAKE A LIFE-SIZE SCARECROW!

Sunday, October 18, 2:00pm OR 3:00pm

For children of all ages with their families. Create a scarecrow to decorate your yard! Please bring adult-size clothing to stuff. Registration required.



DON'T FORGET, SEPTEMBER IS LIBRARY CARD SIGN-UP MONTH!

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 13, 2026 - June 13, 2027)

1:00 - 5:00pm

The Library Will Be Closed

Monday, September 7
(Labor Day)

Library Board Meetings

All are welcome.

Monday, September 14, 7:00pm

Monday, October 5, 7:00pm

MUSEUM PASSES

Check our website to see the list of participating museums/institutions that CSH Library cardholders can visit for free by reserving a pass! Many of our museum passes are print-on-demand, and you can reserve them online, up to 30 days in advance.

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.

CHEF ROB PRESENTS: APPLE PIE STREUSEL BREAD

Tuesday, September 1, 1:00pm

Fall is on the way, and so is Chef Rob to show you how to make his popular Apple Pie Streusel Bread! You'll leave with one loaf ready to bake at home, and a recipe to enjoy your bread again and again. Please bring a 9x5 loaf pan, (1) large bowl, (2) medium bowls, a whisk, and a rubber spatula.

BRIDGE FOR BEGINNERS

**Fridays, September 11–October 30,
10:00am–12:00pm**

Learn and practice the basics of bidding and playing in the wonderful game of bridge! Registrants will need a copy of the ACBL Bridge Series textbook, *Bidding in the 21st Century*, to bring to each class. Non-refundable class fee: \$60.

LITERARY BLOOMS: BOOK VASES

Tuesday, September 15, 2:00pm

Upcycle a hardcover book into a unique vase! Perfect for adding a touch of storybook charm to your home decor! All materials and books will be provided, but feel free to bring a hardcover book of your own.

SMARTPHONE PHOTOGRAPHY 101 WITH HOLLY HUNT

Tuesday, September 15, 6:30pm

In this hands-on course, Holly Hunt will teach simple, easy-to-learn skills on photography composition, lighting, and technicality. Learn how to utilize basic settings to capture incredible photographs.

SMARTPHONE PHOTOGRAPHY 102 WITH HOLLY HUNT

Tuesday, September 22, 6:30pm

A continuation of Smartphone Photography 101, this course will explain in depth all of the editing tools included in the smartphone camera. Holly Hunt will teach you the tips and tricks of photo editing, and demonstrate the best editing methods available through the smartphone camera application.

FREESTYLE WEAVING

Thursday, September 24, 2:00–4:00pm

Fire up your creativity in this expressive, no-rules workshop, where you'll create a beautiful woven wall hanging. In this relaxing class, you'll experiment with color, texture, and fun weaving techniques using a simple frame loom, needle, and yarn. All materials, including a wide variety of yarns, will be provided, but feel free to bring your own special stash. You'll take home a uniquely personal woven creation to enjoy!

PAUL JOSEPH TRIO PRESENTS: TAKE THE "A" TRAIN Sunday, September 27, 2:00pm

Enjoy the music of Duke Ellington, presented by composer/pianist Paul Joseph and his jazz trio. You'll hear inspiring instrumental jazz renditions of classics such as "Satin Doll," "In A Sentimental Mood," and, of course, "Take the "A" Train," as well as many other favorites.

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HELLO, PUMPKIN!

Tuesday, October 6, 2:00pm

Let's create a cozy sherpa pumpkin, perfect for autumn and beyond! Design it with your own message and personal touch for an adorable, stylish accent to your home. Handsewn and handmade with warmth, love, and charm!

CHEF KATHRYN PRESENTS: START INVESTING IN YOUR BONE HEALTH

Wednesday, October 7, 2:00pm

Chef Kathryn, Integrative Nutritional Health Coach, will demonstrate cooking Southern Braised Collard Greens with Cannellini Beans — a comforting, hearty dish that is deeply nourishing for bone health. The program will include a discussion of nutritional highlights and a tasting.

Programs for Adults

TRAIL CAMERAS REVEAL HIDDEN SURPRISES

Thursday, October 8, 6:30pm

Join us as naturalist Kevin Walsh shares his successful use of trail cameras to capture some of Long Island's rarest and most elusive animals.

BEYOND THE PINK RIBBON: NOT ALL BREAST CANCERS ARE THE SAME

Tuesday, October 13, 7:00pm

Breast cancer is often thought of as a single disease, but there are many different subtypes, each with unique characteristics and treatment options. In this talk, we'll discuss the differences between ductal and lobular breast cancer, why understanding your diagnosis is important, and how patients can advocate for themselves throughout their care. We'll also take a behind-the-scenes look at breast cancer research.

This program is in collaboration with Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory.



HARRY HOUDINI & THE HALLOWEEN SEANCE

Tuesday, October 27, 2:00pm

Join us for a Halloween lecture on the life of Ehrich Weiss, better known as Harry Houdini, the master of escapology who died on October 31, 1926. This lecture will trace Houdini's journey from his birth in Budapest to global fame, exploring his legendary escapes, his séances, his campaign against fraudulent mediums and spiritualists, and his friendship with — and eventual falling out with — Sir Arthur Conan Doyle. The program will discuss lockpicking, contortion, breathing techniques, Houdini's final message to his wife from beyond the grave, and the events surrounding his death on Halloween night.

CHEF ROB PRESENTS: PUMPKIN PIE SCONES WITH A SPICE GLAZE

Saturday, October 31, 11:00am

Start off your Halloween morning baking with Chef Rob! Learn how to make delicious Pumpkin Pie Scones with Spice Glaze, ready to bake at home. Please bring a baking sheet, (1) large and (1) medium bowl, a whisk, and a rubber spatula.

Book Discussions

Books will be available at the Circulation Desk.



ENCHANTED READS **NEW**

Tuesday, October 20, 7:00pm

Escape reality, read a fantasy! Join us for our newest in-person book group with Suzy and Kendra to discuss your favorite fantasy universe. This month we will be reading *Shield of Sparrows* by Devney Perry.

PAGE TURNERS

Wednesdays, 11:00am

Dive into a new read and join librarians Diane and Jennifer for a monthly book group!

September 16 – *Circe* by Madeline Miller

October 21 – *Locust Lane* by Stephen Amidon



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

Wednesdays, 6:30pm

Explore stories and history related to the Museum's collection for a truly unique experience. **This program will take place at The Whaling Museum.**
September 23 – *Washington's Spies: The Story of America's First Spy Ring* by Alexander Rose
October 28 – *Whalefall: A Novel* by Daniel Kraus

HEART OF THE HARBOR **via Zoom**

Thursdays, 7:00pm

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

September 10 – *The Correspondent* by Virginia Evans

October 8 – *Atmosphere* by Taylor Jenkins Reid

Classes 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.

Fitness, Health & Wellness Classes

RESTORATIVE YOGA WITH ALICE WEISER

Mondays, September 14–October 19, 6:30pm

Join Alice Weiser 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: 20. Non-refundable class fee: \$60.

YOGA FOR ALL LEVELS WITH NANCY KELLY

Wednesdays, September 16–October 21, 10:00am

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, September 15–October 20, 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, September 17–October 22, 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, September 14–October 19, 10:00am–12:00pm

OR Wednesdays, September 16–October 21, 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, September 16–October 21, 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: \$150.

JOY OF PAINTING WITH PASTELS WITH MARIE SHEEHY-WALKER

Fridays, September 18–October 23, 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: \$150.

THE ART OF BEAUTIFUL LETTERING WITH HELEN MURDOCK-PREP

Tuesdays, October 6–20, 1:00–3:00pm

Discover the art of beautiful lettering in this hands-on calligraphy workshop designed for beginners and enthusiasts alike. In this class, you’ll learn the fundamentals of modern calligraphy — how to hold the pen, create basic strokes, form elegant letters, and develop your own unique style using three different writing instruments. No prior experience is needed; beginners welcome. Come unwind, get creative, and leave with personalized pieces of hand-lettered art to take home. Limit: 12. Non-refundable class fee: \$75.

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 that you can assist our children's librarians with craft and play programs. These events are usually 1–2 hours long.

TEEN VOLUNTEER ORIENTATIONS

**Wednesday, September 16 &
Monday, October 5, 6:30–7:00pm**

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

COMMUNITY SERVICE BOOKMARKS (v)

Wednesday, September 16, 7:00–8:00pm

Design, decorate, and create themed bookmarks. These bookmarks will be laminated and given out to the community at our Circulation Desk.

SAT/ACT PRACTICE TEST

Saturday, September 26, 11:00am–2:15pm

For students in grades 9–12. Take your practice test of choice and receive a diagnostic report after it is scored. Presented by Curvebreakers. Non-refundable test fee: \$20.

SHELF MOTIVATION (v)

Monday, September 28, 6:30–8:00pm

Help us do a much-needed "shelf read" of our collections, making sure things are in their proper spots so that everyone can find them easily! Earn 1.5 hours of community service credit.



AUTUMN LIBRARY DECORATIONS (v)

Tuesday, September 29, 6:30–8:00pm

Craft autumn-themed Library decor that we'll put up around the building. Project Excel will guide this fun event. Earn 1.5 hours of community service credit.

TEEN LIBRARY AMBASSADORS (v)

Monday, October 5, 7:00–8:00pm

A librarian will give you a tour of the Teen Room, collections, and cool things the Library has to offer, so that you can spread the word! Provide your feedback and opinions. Earn 1 hour of community service credit.

FALL FESTIVAL VOLUNTEERS (v)

Saturday, October 10, 10:45am–1:15pm

Tasks will include helping our librarians with running our pumpkin painting, crafts, and food areas. You'll also have time to take a break and enjoy the festival yourself.

DONATION TRICK OR TREAT BAGS (v)

Tuesday, October 13, 6:30–8:00pm

Decorate trick or treat bags that will be donated to Tri-CYA! Project Excel will guide this fun event. Earn 1.5 hours of community service credit.

TEEN ART COUNCIL: INFINITE PUMPKINS (v)

Sunday, October 18, 3:00–4:00pm

Discover the work of contemporary Japanese artist Yayoi Kusama, including her world-famous polka-dotted pumpkins, then create your own series of prints inspired by her art. Earn 1 hour of community service credit by temporarily donating your art for display in The Underground.

SNACK TOUR REVIEWERS (v)

Wednesday, October 21, 6:30–7:30pm

Rate and review international snack items, and have your review added to our binder in the Teen Room Culture Corner for others to consider trying! Earn 1 hour of community service credit.

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!

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

STORYTIME YOGA

Thursday, September 3, 4:00pm

Your little yogis will be encouraged to explore yoga through play using hands-on materials such as books, sensory toys, scarves, and balls, as well as with music, singing, and instruments!



BACK TO SCHOOL STORY & CRAFT

Friday, September 4, 10:30am

Join us for school-themed books and a craft!



MINI MASTERS: ALL ABOUT LINES WITH JACKSON POLLOCK

Wednesday, September 9, 4:00pm

For children ages 3-5 with a caregiver

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.

PENCIL PAPERCRAFT

Tuesday, September 22, 4:00pm

Using paper and macaroni, create a paper pencil!

DANCE & SING WITH MOLLY MOUSE!

Wednesday, September 30, 4:00pm

Sing along with Molly Mouse while using scarves, bells, balls, and more.

MINI MASTERS: FROM LINES TO SHAPES WITH PIET MONDRIAN

Monday, October 5, 4:00pm

For children ages 3-5 with a caregiver

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.

DECORATE A PAPER SCARECROW

Monday, October 12, 11:00am

Decorate your very own fall wall hanging!

LET'S DANCE!

Wednesday, October 14, 4:00pm

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

POPSICLE STICK MONSTERS

Monday, October 19, 4:00pm

Create a colorful monster out of popsicle sticks!



BABY START

Wednesday, October 21, 4:00pm

For children ages 6-23 months with a caregiver

Join A Time for Kids for a program designed for our littlest learners. Sing, play, and learn in this fun class!

MONSTER COOKIES

Tuesday, October 27, 4:00pm

Create a delicious monster to eat!



SPOOKY STORYTIME & HALLOWEEN PARADE

Friday, October 30, 10:30am

Listen to spooky stories and then trick or treat in the Library with our annual Halloween Parade!

For School-Aged Kids (K-5)

ADVENTURES IN ART: AN APPLE A DAY WITH PAUL CEZANNE

Tuesday, September 8, 4:30pm

Discover artist Paul Cezanne and his famous apple still life paintings, then create your own painting inspired by his art.

DIY BOOKMARKS

Wednesday, September 16, 4:30pm

Create mosaic bookmarks out of paper!

STORIES & SNACKS FROM AROUND THE WORLD

Thursday, September 17 & Tuesday, October 13, 4:00pm

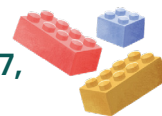
For children in kindergarten

Listen to stories from around the world while sampling treats from that country!

LET'S BUILD IT: LEGOS

Saturdays, September 19 & October 17, 2:00-3:00pm

Build your own LEGO creations!



DECORATE A TIC-TAC-TOE BOARD

Wednesday, September 23, 4:30pm

Paint your very own tic-tac-toe board!

CARAMEL APPLES

Tuesday, September 29, 4:30pm

Join us for our annual caramel apple dipping!



Programs for Children

ADVENTURES IN ART: PUMPKINS & POLKA DOTS WITH YAYOI KUSAMA

Tuesday, October 6, 4:30pm

Explore the work of world-famous contemporary artist Yayoi Kusama, including her iconic pumpkins, then create your own art inspired by hers.

HAUNTED GLOW IN THE DARK TOWNHOUSES

Sunday, October 11, 3:00pm

Create a decorative townhouse!



DECORATE A WOODEN SCARECROW

Monday, October 12, 1:00pm

For children in grades K-2

Decorate your very own fall wall hanging!

HALLOWEEN PEARL BEAD ART

Monday, October 12, 2:00pm

For children in grades 3-5

Create a spooky scene using pearl beads!

SPOOKY OWLS

Thursday, October 15, 4:30pm

Paint an owl wall hanging!



TRICK OR TREAT BAGS

Thursday, October 22, 4:30pm

Get creative and decorate a tote bag!

MONSTER RICE KRISPIES TREATS

Monday, October 26, 4:30pm

Create a delicious, spooky monster to eat!

MUMMY LUMINARIES

Thursday, October 29, 4:30pm

Using bandages, create a fun luminary!



For Children of All Ages & Their Families

DROP-IN: MODEL MAGIC

Friday, September 18, Open from 2:00-4:00pm

Use your imagination and create your own artwork using Model Magic!

PUMPKIN DECORATING CONTEST

Drop-off on Thursday, October 8,

9:30am-9:00pm



Get creative and decorate your own pumpkin! Pumpkins will be voted on during the Fall Festival!

DROP-IN: PLAYDOUGH FUN!

Friday, October 9, Open from 3:00-4:00pm

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

DROP-IN: FALL FESTIVAL

Saturday, October 10, 11:00am-1:00pm

Join us for our annual Fall Festival! We will be having snacks, a band, and more!

DROP-IN: APPLE PRINTS

Friday, October 16, Open from 3:00-4:00pm

Using real apples, create your very own artwork!

MAKE A LIFE-SIZE SCARECROW!

Sunday, October 18, 2:00pm OR 3:00pm

Create a scarecrow to decorate your yard! Please bring adult-size clothing to stuff.



DROP-IN: MONSTER PAPER PLATES

Friday, October 23, Open from 2:00-4:00pm

Make spooky monsters out of paper plates!

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

September 8, 15 & 22

October 6, 13 & 20

Wednesdays, 10:30am

September 9, 16 & 23

October 7, 14 & 21



TODDLER TIME

For children ages 2-3 with an adult

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

Thursdays, 10:30am

September 10, 17 & 24

October 8, 15 & 22

Fridays, 10:30am

September 11, 18 & 25

October 9, 16 & 23



Explore, Engage & Enjoy

DONATION DRIVES

September – Northport VA Medical Center

Please drop off DVDs (movies, TV shows, documentaries) in our Lobby bin to show appreciation for our honored vets!

October – Helping Hand Rescue Mission

As part of The Great Give Back, we will be joining other Long Island libraries in participating in a month-long food drive event. Please drop off food items in our Lobby bin to provide for local families in need, in time for Thanksgiving. Items should be nonperishable and shelf-stable.

CSH LIONS CLUB ANNUAL FISHING DERBY

Saturday, September 12

Open to children up to and including 16 years old. Awards and refreshments! Registration will be from 9:00am to 12:00pm at Seafarer's parking lot, West Main St. (25A), Cold Spring Harbor. Weigh-in starts at 2:00pm. The entry fee is \$20; proceeds benefit the Cold Spring Harbor Library Children's Department and the Guide Dog Foundation. You are welcome to bring your own fishing pole and pail. For more information, email cshlions@gmail.com or call (516) 361-3002.

EXHIBIT: OUR LIBRARY'S ARTISTS

Friday, September 18–Wednesday, October 28, during Library hours

Reception: Thursday, September 17, 7:00–8:00pm

The artists in *Drawing for the Painter* and *Joy of Painting with Pastels* invite you to view their artwork on display in the Library's Gallery.

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