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MARCH/APRIL 2025

### PROGRAM REGISTRATION

#### MARCH

Registration is underway

#### APRIL REGISTRATION

Residents – Wednesday, March 5  
Non-residents – Wednesday, March 19

#### MAY REGISTRATION

Residents – Wednesday, April 2  
Non-residents – Wednesday, April 16

### INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE & FILING ONLINE

There will be no in-person assistance at the Library this year. Tax forms have arrived and are located across from our Quiet Rooms. Patrons can apply for a virtual appointment with Bethpage Federal Credit Union VITA/TCE or use the locator tools on our website to find in-person assistance at other locations in the area. Find links to free, secure, and easy-to-use online filing tools to help you submit your returns for 2024 as well. Scan the QR code to access all mentioned links.



### EMPIRE DEFENSIVE DRIVING

Saturdays: March 1 WBA304

April 12 WBA306

May 31 WBA307

10 am-4 pm

Attend this class and you may be eligible for an auto premium discount and reduction of violation points. A \$35 non-refundable check or money order (NO CASH) payable to *Empire Safety Council* is due within 48 hours of signing up to keep your spot.

### PSEGLI CONSUMER ADVOCATE TABLE

Wednesday, March 12, 10 am-1 pm

*PSEGLI Consumer Advocates* will be available to explain programs that are available to assist low to moderate-income customers.

### CREATING HEALTH NATURALLY

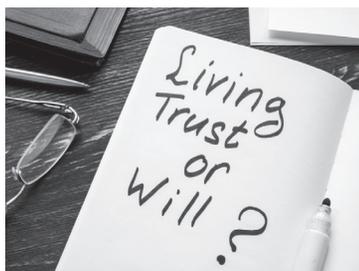
Tuesday, March 18, 7-8 pm WBA210

Join *Dr. Chris Hansen* to discover how to have amazing health, reduce stress & tension, and to clear your mind of clutter. Learn what foods could be destroying your health and how to improve your immunity, prevent disease, and eliminate pain.

### WILLS & TRUSTS 101

Tuesday, March 25, 4-5 pm WBA209

Do I need to be concerned about probate if I have a will? How can I best protect my assets? Join us as we gather to discuss the importance of estate planning documents, the process of probate, and common misconceptions in Elder Law.



### SEED GRAB BAG

Monday, March 31, 4-6 pm

Looking to start your garden? Stop by the library to choose from our seeds! No registration necessary.

### UNSUNG HEROES OF BASEBALL

Tuesday, April 29, 7-8:30 pm WBA213

Learn about unsung heroes who hit historical home runs on and off the baseball diamond.



### CORK GARDEN MARKERS

Fridays: May 2-30

Drop by the library anytime and check out our garden craft station.

### CARING FOR WILDLIFE

Thursday, May 8, 7-8 pm WBA218

*Sweetbriar Nature Center* is a wildlife rehabilitation facility that takes care of injured, sick, and orphaned animals. Participants will meet some of their resident, non-releasable animals to find out their stories and get information on what to do if you find an animal that might need help.



### SPECIAL NEEDS PLANNING

Tuesday, May 13, 7-8 pm WBA220

Your children with disabilities may be entitled to benefits throughout their lifetime. As they turn 18, learn how you can protect them with Trusts, proper estate planning, and more.



### NEW YORK STATE WINES

Monday, May 19, 6:30-8:30 pm WBA215

Join us and learn all about the delicious wines of New York State.

## ADULT DROP-IN PROGRAMS

### Sit & Stitch – Wednesdays: 6-8 pm

Unleash your creativity and join our drop-in craft club! Bring your knitting, crocheting, or any other needlework project that you're working on. Share tips and learn from each other as you work on your creations. Beginners and experienced stitchers are welcome! It'll be "sew" fun! Materials not provided.

### Well Played – Thursdays: 12-2 pm, 6-8 pm

Do you like playing games with friends? Stop by to enjoy some of the new board games the Library has added to our collection or bring your favorite game to share. Meet up with members of the community or bring your friends to enjoy our new community space.



## ADULT AND OLDER ADULT SERVICES

- These programs are offered virtually through Zoom, In Person, or as Take Home Kits.
- Patrons must have an email address to attend virtual programs. Please enter your email address into the Note field when registering.
- Kits must be picked up on the program dates listed. If not, they will go to those on the waitlist.
- In person programs cannot be converted into kits. You must attend and participate in the program to receive the supplies.
- Adult programs are for adults only.
- Program fees must be paid within 48 hours of registration.
- Please arrive for the program on time! Patrons who are more than 10 minutes late will lose their registration. No refunds will be given.

## MAKERSPACE

These programs are open to West Babylon card holders only.

### LEARN HOW: CRICUT

- Learn How Cricut programs will cover choosing & cutting a design and making the final project.
- Pre-requisites: basic computer skills and a working email address.
- Please come to the program with a design idea.
- Patrons who sign up for more than one session of the same series will be contacted and cancelled from one of the sessions.

### MAKERSPACE DROP-IN

Mondays 6-8 pm

Drop in for an overview of the Library's Makerspace. The Makerspace is an area that allows patrons an opportunity to produce projects using a variety of Library-owned resources including Cricut cutting machines, a poster printer, button makers, and more!

### CRICUT CRAFTING: SASSY SOCKS

Friday, March 28, 11 am-1 pm WBA809

Monday, April 14, 6-8 pm

Personalized socks using your own design and our Makerspace Cricut machine. **Non-refundable/transferable materials fee: \$5.**

### LEARN HOW: CANVA POSTER PRINTING

Wednesdays: April 23, 6:30-8 pm WBA814

May 14, 6:30-8 pm WBA815

Learn how to set-up your own FREE Canva account which will allow you to create different custom print materials. This class will cover setting up and using Canva then creating a poster to be printed after class to take home. Posters can be made for marketing purposes, communions, weddings, showers, graduations, photo collages and more!



### CRICUT CRAFTING: MUGS

Friday, April 25, 11 am-1 pm WBA808

Design your own personalized coffee mug using our Makerspace Cricut machine. **Non-refundable/transferable materials fee: \$5.**

### CRICUT CRAFTING: BASEBALL HATS

Thursday, May 1, 11 am-1 pm

Monday, May 12, 6-8 pm

WBA819

Get ready for summer and design your own baseball cap using our Makerspace Cricut machine. **Non-refundable/transferable materials fee: \$5.**

## GARDENING

### WEST BABYLON SEED LIBRARY

We welcome you to take part in our Seed Saving Library! Our mission is to preserve, grow, and share seeds with the community. **ADULT WBPL Cardholders** may get 6 seed packets per month (**Limit of 2 per seed type**) – flowers, vegetables, and/or fruit. Visit the Adult Reference Desk to let us know which seeds you'd like and while you're here, sign up for one of our programs to grow your knowledge about the art of seed saving & gardening! Don't forget to ask us to show you our great gardening books available for check out. Happy Gardening!

### UNVEILING THE POWER OF NATIVE PLANTS

Tuesday, April 1, 7-8 pm WBA502

Join us for this introduction to native plants including biodiversity, LI's watershed, lawn culture, leave the leaves, habitat, and an overview of some of our most important Long Island native plants.



### PIZZA GARDEN SEED KIT

April 3-8 WBA503

Grow the ingredients needed to make your own pizza. **West Babylon Card holders only.**

### TACO NIGHT GARDEN SEED KIT

April 14-19 WBA504

Grow the ingredients needed to have your own taco night. **West Babylon Card holders only.**

## LITERARY ELEMENTS

Books for book groups will be available at the Circulation Desk on the date of the previous meeting.

### ENGLISH: BEGINNERS

Tuesdays: March 4 & 18 WBA200

April 1 & 15

May 6 & 20

6:15-7:15 pm

Join us for this monthly class to help enhance your English language skills.

### BUSY PERSON'S BOOK GROUP

7-8:30 pm WBA10

Thursdays: March 13 – **The Glassmaker** by Tracy Chevalier

April 10 – **On Fire Island** by Jane Rosen (LI Reads selection)\*

May 8 – **How to Age Disgracefully** by Clare Pooley

### BOOKS & BITES BOOK GROUP

7-8 pm WBA50 VIRTUAL

Mondays: March 24 – **Remarkably Bright Creatures** by Shelby Van Pelt

April 28 – **On Fire Island** by Jane Rosen (LI Reads selection)\*

May 19 – **Seven Summer Weekends** by Jane Rosen

### LET'S TALK ABOUT BOOKS

1:30-3:30 pm WBA40

Thursdays: March 27 – **Wandering Stars** by Tommy Owens

April 24 – **On Fire Island** by Jane Rosen (LI Reads selection)\*

May 29 – **The Heiress** by Rachel Hawkins

\*Author Jane L. Rosen, recipient of the 2025 Long Island Reads Selection Award, will appear at the Bay Shore-Brightwaters Public Library on Sunday, April 6 at 2:00pm to discuss her book **On Fire Island**. Free tickets will be available for the event beginning Saturday, March 1, via the Long Island Reads website (<https://longislandreads.wordpress.com>). The event will also be livestreamed. Please check the Long Island Reads website for more details.

## HEALTH & WELLNESS

### ZUMBA

Fridays: March 7-28 WBA413

April 4-25 WBA414

May 2-30 WBA415

10:15-11:15 am

**Non-refundable/transferable fee for the 4-week March & April sessions respectively: \$8. Non-refundable fee for the 5-week May session: \$10.**

### MEDICAID ENROLLMENT ASSISTANCE

Wednesdays: March 12, April 9, & May 14

Tuesdays: March 25, April 22, & May 27

10 am-1:30 pm

Sign up is first-come, first-served and free of charge. For more information, call the *Nassau Suffolk Hospital Council* at 631-435-3000.

### SENIOR ADVOCATE

Thursdays: March 27 & May 22, 10 am-12 pm

A *Suffolk County Office for the Aging* representative will be here to help with Medicaid, Senior ID Cards, food stamps, & more. Patrons will be helped on a first-come, first-served basis.

### YOGA

Wednesdays: April 2-30 WBA404

May 7-28 WBA405

6-7 pm

**Non-refundable/transferable fee for the 4-week March & May sessions respectively: \$8. Non-refundable/transferable fee for the 5-week April session: \$10.**

## FOOD & CRAFTS

In person programs cannot be converted into kits. You must attend and participate in the program to receive the supplies. Registrants will be contacted when kits are available for pick up. Program fees must be paid within 48 hours of registration.

### BEGINNER CROCHET

Monday, March 3, 7-8:30 pm WBA125

In a comfortable, relaxed environment, practice the chain (slip) stitch, single, and double crochet. Those with some crochet knowledge can start a small project to bring home with them to finish. **Non-refundable/transferable materials fee: \$5.**

### CHOCOLAT & EMILY IN PARIS:

#### A SWEET JOURNEY THROUGH FRANCE!

Monday, March 3, 7-8:30 pm WBA604

Are you a fan of *Chocolat* and *Emily in Paris*? Explore the cultural clash, personal growth, and indulgence in both stories—all while tasting three delicious French chocolates along the way.

### OUR HAPPY PLACE DÉCOR KIT

March 13-18 WBA128

A YouTube Link will be provided by the Library. **Non-refundable/transferable materials fee: \$5.**

### VEGGIE & BLACK BEAN QUESADILLAS

Thursday, March 20, 7-8:30 pm WBA606

A nutritious and delicious option for lunch or dinner—learn the best techniques and sample them with salsa and sour cream.

### TUNES & CHOCOLATE TASTINGS: A SENSORY JOURNEY

Monday, April 7, 7-8:30 pm WBA609

Combine the magic of music with the rich flavors of chocolate to create an unforgettable sensory experience.

### PAINT NIGHT: PANSY

Tuesday, April 8, 6:45-8:30 pm WBA133

**Non-refundable/transferable materials fee: \$5.**

### SAND & SEASHELL ART: HUMMINGBIRD

Thursday, April 10, 7-8:30 pm WBA137

**Non-refundable/transferable materials fee: \$5.**

### PAINTED POLKADOT FLOWERPOT KIT

April 10-15 WBA134

A YouTube Link will be provided by the Library.

**Non-refundable/transferable materials fee: \$5.**

### DIY: BASEBALL SERVING TRAY KIT

April 17-23 WBA135

**West Babylon Card holders only.**

### MEDITERRANEAN FAVORITES

Monday, April 21, 7-8:30 pm WBA610

Join *Chef Naela* for some tasty Mediterranean dishes.

### CASUAL CRAFTING KIT

April 22-27 WBA136

May 29-June 4 WBA145

Each kit comes with a small DIY craft to be completed at your leisure.

**West Babylon Card holders only.**

### RUSTIC DRIED FLOWER DOOR HANG

Monday, April 28, 6:30-8:30 pm WBA138

**Non-refundable/transferable materials fee: \$5.**

### GUACAMOLE AND PICO DE GALLO

Thursday, May 1, 7- 8:30 pm WBA612

Celebrate Cinco de Mayo all month long as you learn to make traditional guacamole and a fresh tomato salsa. Paired with tortilla chips, these dips will make your taste buds dance.

### FLOWERS FOR MOM

Monday, May 5, 7-8 pm WBA140

Join florist *Irene* at the Library and create a beautiful floral arrangement.

**Non-refundable/transferable materials fee: \$5.**

### PAINT NIGHT: LOVEBIRD SPRING MOON

Tuesday, May 6, 6:45-8:30 pm WBA141

**Non-refundable/transferable materials fee: \$5.**

### DRAGONFLY VASE KIT

May 8-13 WBA142

A YouTube Link will be provided by the Library. **Non-refundable/transferable materials fee: \$5.**

### DIY: CERAMIC SUN GARDEN STONE

May 15-21 WBA143

**West Babylon Card holders only.**

### SOUL FOOD BASICS

Thursday, May 22, 7-8:30 pm WBA613

*Chef Cheryl* shows you how to make some delicious soul food basics.

### BROKEN DISH MOSAIC

Tuesday, May 27, 6-8:30 pm WBA144

Learn an awesome project for old china.

**Non-refundable/transferable materials fee: \$5.**





## CHILDRENS PROGRAMS

### PROGRAM REGISTRATION

Please adhere to all posted age requirements for programs. All programs are **one registration per Library card** and require a West Babylon Public Library card unless otherwise noted.

Please arrive for the program on time! Patrons who are more than 10 minutes late will lose their registration.

**March registration is underway.**

**April registration begins March 5**

**May registration begins April 2**

### HATCHING BABY QUAILS

This spring marks another year hatching Bobwhite Quails. We have been busy learning and training with CEED, Center for Environmental Education and Discovery, and we can't wait for you to experience this adventure with us. This Spring, our eggs will arrive and be nestled safely in the incubator. Within 25 days, hopefully we will have a successful hatch. The baby quails will be with us for 14 days and then will be transported to their outdoor flight cages at a farm out East on the Island. CEED will train them and prepare them for release into the wild to eat ticks! Visit our website for more up-to-date information about the arrival of our eggs!

### 1000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN

Our 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten reading club promotes the importance of reading aloud with children, starting in infancy. For West Babylon families with children birth – 5 years old (not yet in kindergarten). This is an ongoing reading club that promotes child and parent bonding through reading. Children will receive a prize for every 100 books read and record. To register please download the ReadSquared app on your phone, visit our website or contact the Children's Department.

### 500 BOOKS BEFORE JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

500 Books Before Junior High is an ongoing literacy program for elementary-age children in Kindergarten through 5th grade. Children are encouraged to read (or have read to them) any book, earning prizes along the way! The goal is to read 500 books before entering Junior High School. Participants will earn a prize for every 100 book mile-stone they reach. Just reading 2 books a week equals 104 books a year, which is plenty of time to complete the challenge! Visit our website or stop into the Children's Room to sign up! **Club must be completed by June 30 the summer before entering Junior High School.**

### EARLY LITERACY

Children must attend programs with a caregiver

### BABY & TODDLER SIGNS

Tuesdays: March 11 & 25 WBJ31

April 8 & 29

May 6 & 20

10:15-10:45 am

3 months - 5 years

Learn sign language in a meaningful and playful way.



### TOTS NIGHT OUT

Thursdays: March 13, 7-8 pm WBJ28

May 15

18 months – 5 years

Activities include music, movement, fine and gross motor development, and storytelling.



### BABIES BOOGIE AND TODDLERS TANGO

Mondays: March 24 WBJ01

April 14

May 12

10:15-10:45 am: 3 – 24 months

11:15 am-12 pm: 2 – 4 years

Dancing and movement classes to help develop music appreciation, improve motor skills, provide self-confidence, and foster body awareness.



### FRUIT LOOP RAINBOWS

Tuesday, April 1, 11-11:45 am WBJ409

2 - 5 years

Let's make spring sweet with cereal and marshmallows with Miss Liz!

### J IS FOR JELLYBEAN

Tuesday, April 8, 11-11:30 am WBJ402

2 - 5 years

Celebrate the letter J with tissue paper and jellybeans!

### TOTS DAY OUT

Tuesday, April 15, 11 am-12 pm WBJ27

18 months - 5 years

Children will play, learn, and grow together through music, movement, fine and gross motor activities, and storytelling. There will also be a craft to make and take home.



### BABIES EXPLORE

Tuesday, May 13, 11-11:45 am WBJ503

3 – 24 months

Explore and learn with Miss Liz for a high-sensory experience through different toys and manipulatives geared towards infants and babies. Bring your own blanket as we will be floor sitting.

### DROP-IN PROGRAMS

These programs do not require advance registration.

**All drop ins are up to grade 5 with caregiver.**

*Please note: supplies are limited and are on a first come first serve basis.*

### CRAFT BUDDIES

Saturdays: March 1: Luck

April 19: Spring

11 am-2 pm

Drop in for a seasonal craft to make and take!

### BUILD IT

Wednesday, April 16 & Friday, April 18

10 am-2 pm

Build it bigger with our foam construction sets.

### MOTHER'S DAY CRAFTS & CARDS

Saturday, May 3, 11 am-2 pm

Create a craft and card for a favorite lady in your life! Moms, aunts, grandmas, and friends all deserve cards!





## CHILDREN & FAMILY PROGRAMS

Please adhere to all posted age requirements for programs.

All programs are **one registration per Library card** and require a West Babylon Public Library card unless otherwise noted.

### JON KNOWS HOW: BUILD YOUR OWN WIND-UP CAR

Wednesday March 5, 6:30-8 pm WBTW11

Grades 4 - 12

Build your own 3D printed wind-up car step-by-step with *Jon Greene*.

### HOGWARTS POTION MAKING 101

Monday, March 10, 6-7 pm WBJ303

Grades 1 - 5

Become a wizarding world potion master with *Creatology Kids!* Learn the science behind potion making and play Harry Potter trivia!



### LEARN TO CODE

Thursdays: March 13 WBJ304

April 10 WBJ410

May 15 WBJ505

6-7 pm

Grades K - 2

Explore the basics of early elementary coding with the Dash robot in this monthly, early elementary coding series!

### INTERMEDIATE CODING

Thursday, March 20, 6-7 pm WBJ305

Grades 3 - 5

Designed for older elementary students, this monthly series will continue coding Dash at your own pace.

### PAPER ROLLERCOASTERS

Tuesday, March 25, 5-6 pm WBTW300

Grades 4 - 7

Do you enjoy riding rollercoasters? What is your favorite theme park? Join Miss Serena to create a rollercoaster using a variety of craft materials. Your mission will be to create a rollercoaster to send a ping pong ball into a cup.

### STUFFED ANIMAL SLEEPOVER

Thursday, March 27, 4-5 pm WBJ306

Families up to Grade 5

Have your favorite stuffed animals, dolls, or action figures spend the night at the library! After a craft and a bedtime story, your friends will spend the night creating all sorts of fun adventures! When you pick up your friend, you will receive a storybook of their adventures!

**1 registration per family**



### SPRING LANTERN FESTIVAL

Monday, March 31, 6:30-8 pm WBYA306

Grades 4 - 12

Join *Chris Vivas* to make a beautiful lantern with mod podge and tissue paper.

### FAMILY SEASHELL & SAND ARTWORK: SPRING

Thursday, April 3, 6-7 pm WBJ405

Families up to grade 5

Spring time project with seashells & sand with *Miss Anna!*

**1 registration per family.**

### DISNEY TRIVIA

Wednesday, April 9, 7-8 pm WBYA407

Grades 4 - 12

Put your Disney knowledge to the test!

### DECORATE YOUR OWN QUAIL EGG KIT

April 14-19 WBJ412

Up to grade 5

It's almost time to hatch quails at the Library! Celebrate their arrival by decorating and designing your own Styrofoam egg! Completed eggs will be displayed in the Children's Room!

### STEM STRUCTURES: JELLYBEAN TOWERS

Monday, April 14, 11-11:45 am WBJ404

Grades 2 - 5

Create towers using toothpicks and jellybeans!

### ROBOTIC PAINTING

Tuesday, April 15, 12-1 pm WBTW400

Grades 3 - 8

Using robots and programming, create unique and expressive works of art with *Creatology Kids*.

### POETRY SCRAMBLE

Tuesday, April 15, 5-5:45 pm WBTW402

Grades 4 - 7

April is National Poetry Month. Join Miss Serena to celebrate by reading poetry by Jack Prelutsky, Shel Silverstein, and Judy Viorst, then unscrambling some of their most popular poems.

### PAINTING WITH MY PEEPS

Thursday, April 17, 11-11:30 am WBJ403

2 years - Grade 2 with caregiver

Create a spring scene using marshmallow Peeps and paint with Miss Liz!

### SPRINGTIME WATERCOLOR ART

Thursday, April 17, 6-7 pm WBJ411

Families up to Grade 5

Embrace the beginning of Spring with a family watercolor paint night!

**1 registration per family**

### BUILD A FRIEND WORKSHOP

Up to Grade 5 with caregiver

11-11:45 am: Flamingo WBJ406

12-12:45 pm: Unicorn WBJ407

1-1:45 pm: Giraffe WBJ408

Saturday, April 19

Join Miss Liz and build a very special bestie stuffed animal! **Choose ONE animal/session only!**



### KIDS PAINT NIGHT

Tuesdays: April 29, 6:30-7:30 pm WBJ401

May 22, 6:15-7:15 pm WBJ501

Grades K - 5

Get painting with *Miss Kathy!* Each month is a different canvas!



**WE LOVE MOTHER'S DAY**

Thursday, May 1, 6-7 pm WBJ506

Grades K - 2

Show Mom you love her with a special Mother's Day flower craft!

**SATURDAY TEA**

Saturday, May 3, 11 am-12 pm WBJ508

3 years – Grade 12

Let's celebrate spring and the special lady in your life! Join us for some (iced) tea and cookies while decorating a special keepsake box to take home!

**NEUROGRAPHICA ART**

Saturday, May 3, 11 am-12 pm WBYA501

Grades 4 – 12

Work with Sharpies, colored pencils, markers, and crayons to create this fascinating way of art and drawing with *Missy Longo-Lewis from Accessible Arts*.

**BLOOM BAR: MOTHERS DAY**

Saturday, May 3, 12-1 pm WBJ507

3 years - Grade 12

Celebrate spring & Moms by creating your own mini bouquet in a vase to take home to mom (or another special lady!) **1 vase and bouquet per child or teen.**

**POPSICLE STICK CATAPULTS**

Tuesday May 6, 5-6 pm WBTW500

Grades 4 – 7

Use your creativity and engineering skills to create a catapult out of two common household items. We will test our catapults by launching marshmallows into a cup.

**FAMILY PAINT NIGHT**

Monday, May 12, 6:30-7:30 pm WBJ502

Families Grades K - 5

Paint night; family style with our *Miss Kathy!* You will paint 1 canvas with anything BUT a paintbrush! **1 registration per family**

**TEEN PROGRAMS GRADES 6-12**

**PROGRAM REGISTRATION**

A West Babylon Public Library Card is required for all registrations. **Programs are only open to West Babylon School District residents in grades 6-12 unless otherwise stated.**

**March registration is underway.**

**April registration begins March 5**

**May registration begins April 2**

**CREATE A COMIC IN CANVA**

Tuesday, March 11, 7-8 pm WBYA302

Join Miss Serena in the WBPL Makerspace to create your own comic strip in Canva. Your comic strip will be printed so you can share with friends and family!

**DIY POM-POM CACTUS**

Tuesday, March 18, 7-8 pm WBYA305

Add some fun color and whimsy to your home with a potted pom-pom cactus! A modern take on any plant and best for the plant lover with a black thumb!

**TEEN PAINT NIGHT**

Tuesday, March 25 WBYA300

Thursday, May 22 WBYA500

7:30-8:30 pm

Calling all teens! Get painting with *Miss Kathy!*

**THE WORLD OF DUNGEONS & DRAGONS**

Mondays: April 7-21, 6-8 pm WBYA400

Start your journey with *Dungeon Master Laura* as she guides and teaches you how to create your own heroic character then embark on an epic adventure together.

**BUTTON MAKING**

Tuesday, April 8, 6-7 pm WBYA406

Learn how to create your own buttons using Build-A-Button software or design your own by hand. All materials included.

**PAINT A POT**

Saturday, April 12, 11 am-12 pm WBYA405

Decorate a clay pot to plant a succulent in and take home to brighten your room!

**POUR ART WITH BRYAN**

Tuesday, April 15, 6:30-8 pm WBYA402

'The Pour Guy', artist *Bryan Patrick Holland*, is back! Learn more techniques and basics of paint pouring. Create a beautiful, free-flowing, unique piece of art.

**DESSERT WARS**

Thursday, April 17, 6-7 pm WBYA401

Sweet profits and sweet skills! Learn business, marketing, & culinary skills while creating delicious desserts with *Creatology Kids!*

**COMIC SELF-PORTRAITS**

Tuesday, April 22, 6:30-8 pm WBYA403

Join *Chris Vivas* and work together to create a comic of a self-portrait. It doesn't have to be of you; it can be of a friend or even a pet!

**LO-FI & CHILL**

Wednesdays: April 23 & May 21, 1:30-3:30 pm

Relax and unwind after school amidst Lo-Fi music and aesthetic. Stop by any time between 1:30-3:30 pm and indulge in some light refreshments while you read, study, or just hang out. Crafts, puzzles, and board games are available upon request. Just ask! No registration required.

**HOMEMADE MOTHER'S DAY BOUQUETS**

Wednesday, May 7, 7-8 pm WBYA504

Create flower bouquets that will always stay fresh. Keep for yourself or give as a gift.

**HERBALISM FOR TEENS**

Wednesday, May 14, 6:30-7:30 pm WBYA505

Grades 9 – 12

Learn all about herbs and create your own product blends including lavender, chamomile, and mint with *Miss Alana*.

**MAGNETIC BOOKMARKS**

Tuesday, May 20, 6-7 pm WBYA503

Use Canva to design and create a magnetic bookmark. An active email account will be necessary to be able to use the Canva. All materials included.

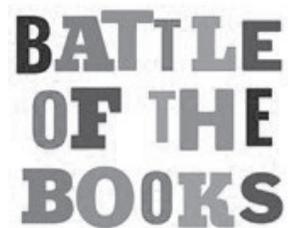
**BATTLE OF THE BOOKS ORIENTATION**

Wednesday, May 21, 6-6:30 pm WBYA506

Entering grades 6 – 9

This county-wide competition tests your reading knowledge against other Suffolk County teens!

The 6 books to be battled will be announced at the meeting. Battle of the Books is scheduled for Saturday, August 8. **West Babylon Teens entering grades 6-9 only.**





## TEEN VOLUNTEER

**Volunteer programs are only open to West Babylon School District residents in grades 6-12 unless otherwise stated.**

For more information you can email us at [teen.department@wbpl.us](mailto:teen.department@wbpl.us). If you need a certificate of completed volunteer hours, please let us know at least 48 hours in advance by contacting the Teen Department.

**Teens will earn 1 hour of community service for participating in programs unless otherwise stated.**

### TAKE HOME VOLUNTEER KITS

February/ March – Registration Underway/Completed Kits Due March 31

April/May – Completed Kits Due May 31

These projects are designed to be completed at home and returned to the Library. **Teens will earn 2 hours of community service for completing and returning kits within the given months listed.** 1 registration per kit. Projects change every two months and require registration with a West Babylon Public Library Card. Please allow at least 1 week to process and record community service hours.



### TEEN MOVIE CLUB

Mondays: March 10: **The Way Way Back (PG-13)**

May 12: **Movie: Flow (PG)**

6-8 pm WBYA04

Watch a movie (chosen by the club!) then discuss the movie, what you liked and didn't like, and more! Snacks included!

### CRAFT BUDDIES: TEEN VOLUNTEERS

Saturdays: March 1 WBYA303

April 19 WBYA408

11 am-2 pm

Looking to earn volunteer hours? Volunteer to set up, run, and assist children during our drop-in craft programs. **Teens will earn 3 hours for of community service credit.**

### TEEN COMMUNITY PHOTO CONTEST

Submissions: March 1-28

Voting: April 1-29

Unleash your photographic talent and compete in our first ever Teen Photo Contest! Photos must incorporate the theme, "Our West Babylon Community" and be submitted to [teen.department@wbpl.us](mailto:teen.department@wbpl.us) by March 28 to be displayed and voted on. Winner will be announced after April 30. Visit our website for more information and rules of the contest. **Teens will earn 2 hours of community service after submitting their photo during the dates listed.**

### LET'S GIVE BACK: CRAFT KITS

Saturday, March 15, 11 am-12 pm WBYA304

Create and put together an assortment of different craft kits to be donated to a local hospice. Kits will be given to children to complete while visiting family members.

### STREET SMARTS

Saturday, March 22, 2-3 pm WBYA301

Policemen, doctors, and security guards are just some of the authority figures you might run into while you're out with your friends. Together, you and our Social Work Intern Jen will discuss different ways to interact with authority figures.

### TEEN ADVISORY GROUP

Mondays: March 24, April 28, May 19 WBYA05

Grades 6 - 8: 6-7 pm

Grades 9 - 12: 7:15-8:15 pm

This program is open to tweens and teens who are interested in helping with various activities within the Library. Please note this is a monthly commitment.



### LET'S GIVE BACK: BIRTHDAY BOXES

Saturday, April 5, 11 am-12 pm WBYA404

Wrap birthday boxes to be donated to children celebrating their birthday in homeless shelters across Long Island.

### LET'S GIVE BACK: PRIDE PROJECT

Saturday, May 17, 11 am-12 pm WBYA502

Create and stuff bags to be given to our local LGBTQ+ chapter.

### GREAT GARDENS OF WEST BABYLON

Monday, May 19, 6-8 pm WBYA507

Build our gardens to get ready for the season and help your community grow! Plant flowers and vegetables to share at our Community Garden Table. **Teens will earn 2 hours of community service for participating in this program.**

## MUSEUM PASSES

Museum passes offer **FREE** admission to local museums and parks. Passes are available to Adult West Babylon School District residents with valid Library cards in good standing.

The Library offers two types of passes:

- **Print-On-Demand:** Passes can be printed out at the time you reserve them or at any time up to the date of your reservation. They do not need to be returned and are valid only on the day of your reservation.
- **Pick Up and Return:** Museum passes are reserved for a specific day, then picked up (checked out) and returned (checked in) at the Children's Reference Desk.

Enjoy the warm weather and blooming gardens across Long Island by checking out one of our passes to parks below! A full list of passes is available on our website.

- **New York State Empire Pass**
- **Garvies Point Museum & Preserve**
- **Old Westbury Gardens**
- **Planting Fields Arboretum and State Park**
- **Suffolk County Vanderbilt Museum**
- **Walt Whitman Birthplace State Historic Site**

### CHILDREN'S LIBRARY OF THINGS

Build, code, and stargaze with our amazing S.T.E.A.M Explorer Kits! Available to borrow, these kits enable kids and tweens to explore robotics, astronomy, engineering, coding, and more using exciting tools, toys, and books at home. Visit our webpage for more information about what's in our S.T.E.A.M Explorer Kits and how you can borrow one!





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## Residential Customer

**LIBRARY HOURS**  
Check our website for the most current hours  
Monday - Thursday: 10 am - 9 pm  
Friday & Saturday: 10 am - 5 pm  
Sunday: 1 - 5 pm  
www.wbpl.us open 24/7



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## GENERAL SERVICES

### LIBRARY CLOSINGS

Sunday, April 20 in observance of Easter

### BOARD MEETING

Meetings begin at 6 pm  
Monday, March 31 – Regular Meeting & Budget Hearing  
Monday, April 28 – Regular Meeting  
Wednesday, May 28 – Regular Meeting

### FRIDAY FLICKS

Movies begin at 1 pm WBA720 IN PERSON  
Fridays: March 7: Beetlejuice Beetlejuice (PG-13, 104 min)  
March 21: Leap Year (PG, 100 min)  
April 4: Wicked (PG, 160 min)  
April 18: White Bird (PG-13, 120 min)  
May 2: Twisters (PG-13, 122 min)  
May 16: Reagan (PG-13, 135 min)

### FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY MEETINGS

Saturdays: March 15 & May 17, 11 am-12 pm  
IN PERSON

### FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOK SALE

Saturday, April 19, 10:30 am-4 pm  
IN PERSON

Great book selection at great prices! Books for all ages! All proceeds help the Friends support the Library--which benefits our entire community

## SENIOR SERVICES

For information on our Senior Services, please contact Ms. Canosa at 631-669-5445.

### HOME CONNECT

Do you know someone living in the *West Babylon School District* who is homebound (has difficulty leaving home, cannot leave home without assistance, is confined to home for medical reasons, etc.)? Let them know about our Home Connect delivery service so they can have books and/or audiobooks delivered to them at home every other week.



### SUNSHINE FOR SENIORS

The Library has Sunshine for Senior bags to help brighten your day. Stop by the Reference Desk to pick one up today. Open to **WB Cardholders** only. One per Library Card holder.

### SENIOR SCENE

Our Senior Scene newsletter has helpful contact numbers, brain games, program information, and more. Stop by the Library to pick up a copy or subscribe to the electronic version by visiting our website at [www.wbpl.us](http://www.wbpl.us) and click on the "Subscribe to Library eNews" link.

## BUDGET VOTE INFORMATION

Dear Community Resident,

Evaluating costs and finding ways to save money is challenging. The Board of Trustees has always operated in a fiscally conservative manner and through continuous analysis, we have consistently worked to moderate expenses while avoiding cuts that might adversely affect the services the Library provides. This past year, we replaced the pavers outside the library in order to create a safer entryway and walkways, utilizing a 50% NYS Construction grant. The Library also achieved Sustainable Library Certification, added Town of Babylon beach passes, and new museum passes and discount tickets. **Despite being faced with a stringent tax cap of 2% as required by the NYS Office of the Comptroller, we have managed to stay within this limitation and meet the tax cap required by the State while making necessary improvements and increasing our offerings.** We encourage you to visit the Library on Tuesday, April 8, 2025, and vote, so we can continue to provide our residents with the services that are valued so highly in our community.

Sincerely,

**Board of Trustees**

Rachel Scelfo, President  
Jolene Siena, Vice President

Kathryn Gambill  
Andrea McGurk  
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### TRUSTEES

There will be an election to fill one open position on the Board of Trustees, for a five-year term commencing on July 1, 2025.

### ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Absentee ballots are available beginning March 11 and must be returned to the Library no later than 5 PM on Tuesday, April 8, 2025.

### MILITARY BALLOTS

Military ballot applications are available beginning February 20 and must be returned to the Library no later than 5 PM on Thursday, March 13, 2025.

### HEARING

A Hearing on the Proposed Budget will be held on Monday, March 31, 2025, at 6 PM. All are invited to attend.

### VOTE

The Trustee Election and Budget Vote will be held on Tuesday, April 8, 2025, from 1-9 PM, in the Library.

### BUDGET

The proposed budget may be viewed at <https://wbab.suffolk.lib.ny.us/about/board-director/budget/> and is available upon request.