

HOURS: Monday - Friday: 9:30am - 7:00pm Saturday: 9:30am - 5:00pm Closed Sunday

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THE WEIRDS

These last few weeks, I have been listening to a lot of podcasts as I work around my house. One of my favorites is *Staying In with Emily and Kumail* (please note that the language and content are not always appropriate for children). The hosts, Emily V. Gordon and Kumail Nanjiani, have dubbed this period of staying at home, "The Weirds" and it has struck me as an appropriate designation. I visit the library once a week to check the building and pick up messages. When I am there I notice the books are on their place on the shelves, the little animal figures are in the display case and the pink play kitchen is waiting downstairs. But without you, our patrons, and our library team, it just feels weird.

I miss chatting with you all and feeling the warm and friendly energy of Shelter Island. It looks like we will be spending a little more time in our homes this month and if it protects the special people who make this library come alive, I will happily stay put. We will continue to share ideas, activities and online programming to keep you informed and entertained. If you need any assistance in navigating the technology needed to join us, please send us an email at **info@shelterislandpubliclibrary.org.**

The Weirds will eventually end. Until then, we are here for you. Stay well.

Terry Lucas, Líbrary Dírector



THE MONTHLY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

will be held on **Monday**, **May 11th at 7:00pm.** It is likely that the meeting will take place via conference call. Notice of how to join the conference call to listen to the meeting will be posted on the front door of the library and listed in the Shelter Island Reporter and the Shelter Island Gazette.

NEW WEBSITE

Thanks to Jeremy Stanzione, the wizard of all things tech here at the library, we have a new website. Visit **www.silibrary.org** to find all of our remote services in one place. Scroll down the page to find easy access to Libby eBooks and audiobooks, Flipster online magazines, Kanopy movies, Ancestry.com and more. David Beales, our Youth Services Librarian, has created a special page for families with story times, activities and more. Check it out!

SHELTER ISLAND PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB

We have started a Shelter Island Photography Club on Flickr. If you are taking a walk and see something beautiful, take a photo and post it. Share your photos and comment on your favorites.

There will be new themes each week so get out your camera or use your phone to capture the world around you. https://www.flickr.com/groups/14745783@N22/pool



FOR ADULTS

ONLINE PROGRAMS

BYOB (BRING YOUR OWN BOOK) BOOK CLUB

Saturday, May 2nd, 2:00pm on Zoom

Join Terry and Jocelyn for an informal discussion about what you've read recently. Books you've liked, books that made you laugh, maybe even a book that changed your life...all are fodder for discussion. We'll share our impressions and share some reading recommendations. Everyone is welcome. Please register by emailing Jocelyn at **jozolins**®**silibrary.org**.

ART/RICH POETRY ROUNDTABLE, A LITERARY CLUB

Tuesdays, May 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th, 4:00pm to 5:30pm (On conference call)

The Art/Rich Poetry Roundtable is a literary club that meets online every Tuesday from 4:00 to 5:30 pm to discuss poetry in depth. We read poets of all styles and points of view, from classical times to the present, and we welcome readers of poetry who enjoy meeting with fellow lovers of poetry for lively discussion. No onerous rules: bring a poem and your enthusiasm. Please email Jocelyn at **jozolins**@**silibrary.org** for instructions on joining the Roundtable.

ZOOM CRAFT-TEA

Tuesday, May 5th, 3:00pm

Let's get together to chat about our current craft projects. Bring whatever you are working on to show the group, get advice, or just chat. Relax with a cup of tea or coffee, and some informal craft-centric conversation. The group will meet online via Zoom. To request instructions for joining us please email Jocelyn at **jozolins@silibrary.org**.

INTERVIEW WITH SUSAN SCHROTT

Tuesday, May 5th, 5:00pm on Facebook

Susan Schrott is a social worker, yoga instructor and an artist. Recently, however, she has been intensely focused on sewing protective masks - hundreds of them - to keep Shelter Islanders (and others around the country) safe. Visit Susan in her studio where we'll talk about her work and those people that have been so helpful to her effort. This interview will also be broadcast on Channel 22.

ZOOM TRIVIA HAPPY HOUR WITH BOB DESTEFANO

Saturday, May 9th, 5:00pm

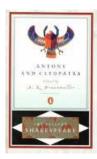
Quizmaster Extraordinaire Bob DeStefano returns again for Trivia Happy Hour. Join us on Zoom to test your knowledge against that of your fellow Islanders. Winners get bragging rights! All are welcome. To participate, email Terry Lucas **tlucas@silibrary.org** for login information and instructions.

MYSTERY BOOK CLUB ONLINE: THE MOONSTONE BY WILKIE COLLINS

Monday, May 18th, 5:00pm

Wilkie Collins's spellbinding tale of romance, theft, and murder inspired a the detective mystery genre. Hinging on the theft of an enormous diamond stolen from an Indian shrine, this riveting novel features the innovative Sergeant Cuff, the hilarious house steward Gabriel Betteridge, a lovesick housemaid, and a mysterious band of Indian jugglers. Please email Jocelyn at **jozolins@silibrary.org** for instructions on joining this meeting by Zoom. You may access at copy of the book through Project Gutenberg here: https://www.gutenberg.org/files/155/155-h/155-h.htm





SHAKESPEARE IN COMMUNITY ONLINE: ANTONY AND CLEOPATRA

Saturday, May 23, 12:30pm

Join writer Becky Coles to discuss Shakespeare's tragedy of the passionate but doomed romance of one of most famous pair of lovers in history. Please email Jocelyn at **jozolins**@**silibrary.org** for instructions on joining this meeting by Zoom. If you do not have a copy of the play you can access a free copy through Project Gutenberg here:

https://www.gutenberg.org/cache/epub/1534/pg1534-images.html

FOR ADULTS

SELF-PACED PROGRAMS

SELF-CARE AND CARE FOR OTHERS

1. Free online meditation classes: Join teachers Sharon Salzberg, Mindy Newman, and Koshin Paley Ellison for a series of live-stream meditations to help ease anxiety amid our social-distancing efforts. https://tricycle.org/trikedaily/online-meditation/

2. Try an introductory massage class on Kanopy. This one-hour introduction goes into 3 fundamentals of therapeutic massage: compression, relaxation and muscle work. https://silibrary.kanopy.com/video/therapeutic-massage

3. Listen to the On Being podcast with Krista Tippett and guests Thich Nhat Hanh, Cheri Maples, and Larry Ward on "Being Peace in a World of Trauma." https://onbeing.org/programs/thich-nhat-hanh-cheri-maples-larry-ward-being-peace-in-a-world-of-trauma

4. Read Emotional Success: The Power of Gratitude, Compassion and Pride by David DeSteno. This science-based book describes how to bring out our better natures and develop strong relationships. Available as an ebook on Libby or Overdrive.

CLASSICAL MUSIC

1. The Berlin Philharmonic is streaming concerts at no cost. They have also made their archive of concerts, interviews and more available on demand. https://www.digitalconcerthall.com/en/news

2. Read or listen to The Rest is Noise by Alex Ross. This winner of numerous awards, is an exploration of 20th century music. Available as an eBook or audiobook via Libby or Overdrive. Excerpts of some of the works mentioned in the book are available at https://www.therestisnoise.com/2007/01/book-audiofiles.html

3. Watch the documentary Becoming Traviata - Behind the Scenes of the Celebrated Opera on Kanopy. This French documentary chronicles the rehearsals of the Verdi opera at the Aix-en-Provence Festival. https://silibrary.kanopy.com/video/becoming-traviata-1

4. Access royalty free classical music at https://musopen.org/music or https://musopen.org to see all their offerings which includes recordings, sheet music, textbooks and more.

PHOTOGRAPHY

1. Watch Bill Cunningham New York, a documentary on Kanopy. This film follows the New York Times' legendary street fashion photographer. Riding his bike around the city, he acts as a cultural anthropologist as he captures fashion trends. https://silibrary.kanopy.com/video/bill-cunningham-new-york-1

2. Learn how to take great iPhone photos in this lecture: Small Camera, Big Results by renowned photographer Jack Hollingsworth. Sponsored by New York City's School of Visual Arts. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pM8UC4qpHV4

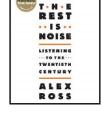
3. Need inspiration? Visit the International Center of Photography (ICP) website. Not only can you explore their world-famous collection, but you will also find essays on photography and interviews with renowned photographers. https://www.icp.org/explore?all/all/all/0

4. Check out The Everything Digital Photography Book 2/e as an ebook from Libby or Overdrive. It's an easy-to-understand introduction to producing professional quality digital photos.

5. Join the Shelter Island Photography Club on Flickr. Share your photos of Shelter Island and beyond. Or just visit to see what your friends and neighbors have posted. While we are staying near home, document the beautiful and interesting things that surround us. https://www.flickr.com/groups/14745783@N22











CHILDREN AND FAMILIES – PROGRAM PACKAGES

As May approaches, our Youth Services Department will be providing a variety of online resources for you to take advantage of while staying home. You will be able to find all our programming and links to our youtube channel and social media on the Library's Youth Services Webpage. https://www.shelterislandpubliclibrary.org/youth-services

ONLINE STORY TIMES!

Our Youth Services Page will have story times and related activities published every Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoon for our younger patrons. Each story will also have links to activities and crafts that are related to the story theme.

The first week in May we will be reading the Jon Klassen and Mac Barnett trilogy Circle, Triangle and Square. We will share geometry activities, puzzles and educational materials for each story time.

Stay tuned to our social media channels to find out what we'll be reading for the rest of May. You can see the story times we've already uploaded on our YouTube channel.

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCaKHS6_DVDdJxhh6g22v7IQ

SHELTER ISLAND DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB

So that we can stay in touch with each other and continue to share in our community while social distancing, we have launched the Shelter Island Photography Club on flickr.com

We will announce a new photo theme each week on the Youth Services Blog, and you can share your photos and comment on the photos of others in our Flickr group. https://www.flickr.com/groups/14745783@N22/pool

If you need help signing up for Flickr or joining the club, please email David Beales at **d.beales®silibrary.org**

VIDCODE FREE CODING CLUB

Vidcode is offering a free virtual coding club during this time of school closures and social distancing.

If you are interested in learning to code, or learning more about coding with a group of peers and instructors, sign up and try it out using this link https://about.vidcode.com/virtual-coding-club

The club meets live every Tuesday at 3:00pm and has ongoing forums for sharing work and asking questions.

OUR SUMMER READING PROGRAM IS STARTING EARLY!

Since we will most likely be continuing to practice some forms of social distancing for the summer season, we are going to be hosting our summer reading program online.

You'll be able to keep track of your progress, log titles, claim prizes and share your thoughts about your books in our online portal.



We're going to begin a little early as well. The program will start on June 1st! Stay tuned to the Youth Services page, on our website and our social media for more details.

INSECTS

Friday, May 15th, 3:00pm

Online Educational Program

Students will explore the amazing world of insects including body structure, insect lifestyles, habitats, adaptions and the role insects play as pollinate and recyclers.



To register, please email d.beales@silibrary.org

PLANTS AND BACKYARD FARM

Friday, May 22nd, 3:00pm

Online Educational Program

Students will transform into botanists to observe the plant life cycle, learn about all parts of the plant even the edible plants we eat all the time! They will go on a backyard adventure to see how sustainable agriculture can begin right in your backyard.

To register, please email d.beales@silibrary.org

ARTSEA KIDS

Tuesday, May 19th, 3:00pm - Online Art Program

Participants will be guided by local artist, and CCE's Art + Science instructor, Carolyn Munaco in creating marine themed art using materials found in your home. Space is limited so register today.

To register, please email **d.beales**@silibrary.org

SING ALONG WITH SARA FOR LITTLES Saturday, May 9th, 11:00 am

Shelter Islander Sara Mundy will join us on Zoom and lead us in singing some favorites songs including Mr. Sun and Baby Shark. Sing and dance with your friends from your own home. Email Terry at tlucas@silibrary.org for instruction on how to ioin.

SING ALONG WITH SARA FOR KIDS

Saturday May 16th, 11:00 am

Shelter Islander Sara Mundy will join us on Zoom and lead us in singing some favorites including some from your favorite movies! Sing and dance with your friends from your own home. Email Terry at tlucas@silibrary.org for instruction on how to join.