

May 2021

SHELTER ISLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY MONTHLY EVENTS



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HOW ARE WE DOING?

Over the last few months, many of you have responded to our survey about how the library has been serving your needs during the Covid-19 pandemic. I am happy to report that not only were your responses universally positive, we learned a lot about what services and resources you would like the library to provide in the future. It is clear that everyone is thankful for remote programming but cannot wait to be back in the library in person! Thank you for your input and please do not hesitate to visit us at the library to share your thoughts at any time. We are here for you, whether you are seeking information, books, movies, or a friendly face.

Terry Lucas, Library Director

JOBNOW AND VETNOW

We have recently added two new online resources with important and helpful information and services for Shelter Islanders. JobNow is a suite of services and powerful tools intended to help users in every step of their job search.

Patrons have access to resume assistance, career planning, and interview coaching. VetNow supports veterans and their families in navigating the VA bureaucracy, providing academic tutoring, and assisting with employment transition. Tools include benefits navigator, job tools and college prep skills resources. You may access these resources through our website.



PRONUNCIATOR

Did you know that your library card gives you access to personalized language learning on your computer, tablet or smartphone? Pronunciator offers 163 languages and can be tailored to your personal interests, occupation, learning goals, skill level, age, schedule and motivation. Pronunciator uses a variety of techniques including flashcards, pronunciation analysis, conversation practice, quizzes, downloadable audio lessons, kid-friendly lessons, and more. In addition, it offers ESL and Citizenship Preparation. Visit our website and scroll down until you see the Pronunciator link to register and start learning a new language today!



SHELTER ISLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY THE MONTHLY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

will be held on **Monday, May 10th at 7:00pm**. The meeting will take place at the library and via Zoom. Notice of how to join to listen to the meeting will be posted on the front door of the library, the library website and listed in the *Shelter Island Reporter* and the *Shelter Island Gazette*.

The library will be closed on **Thursday, May 20th** for Staff Development Day and **Monday, May 31st** for Memorial Day.

FAMILY PROGRAMS

CHEF ROB SCOTT'S VIRTUAL FOOD FESTIVAL: Monday, May 3rd, 7:00pm

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BOOK SALE ROOM

While the Book Sale room remains closed, we are accepting gently used book donations. Please leave all donations in the book bin by the Book Sale Room entrance. We are asking that you leave no more than one box of book donations per month. Please, no magazines, textbooks or books in poor condition.

FOR ADULTS

To register for Adult Programs please go to www.silibrary.org and scroll down to our Calendar of Events. All adult programs in May will take place online. Please register for all programs at least 30 minutes before the program to receive the link to attend. Please send any programming questions to jozolins@silibrary.org

FRIDAY NIGHT DIALOGUES

QUARTET SALONNIERES: MOZART, HAYDN, AND BOCCHERINI

PRESENTED BY TWIN FORKS MUSICIVIC, INC.: Friday, May 14th, 7:00pm

Join Quartet Salonnières in a performance of string quartets by Mozart, Haydn, and Boccherini. Devoted to historical performance, Quartet Salonnières is a newly formed ensemble that performs classical repertoire on gut strings. The quartet is named for the women who hosted salons in the 18th and 19th centuries, known as Salonnières, who through providing artistic and intellectually themed evenings in their homes, allowed the culture of the arts and philosophy to thrive. This program is presented by Twin Forks Musicivic.



THE AJNA DANCE COMPANY: DANCES OF INDIA WORKSHOP: Friday, May 21st, 7:00pm



Join the dancers of the Ajna Dance Company for their workshop to learn about Indian culture through dance and music. Ajna is a New York City based dance company whose mission is to share artistic and authentic Indian dance with a global and diverse audience. The company specializes in both contemporary and classical Indian dance forms. In this workshop, you will learn about and get to try different styles of dance that come from India. After you watch and learn, be ready to get up and dance with the company!

VEGETABLE GARDENING 101 WITH CRISTINA COSENTINO OF SYLVESTER MANOR

Saturday, May 1st, 4:00pm

Beginning and experienced gardeners alike can glean information on every step of vegetable growing in this workshop. We'll discuss soil, seeds, planting plans, garden design, plant spacing, maintenance and harvesting methods. The workshop will be taught by Cristina Cosentino, Farm Operations Manager at Sylvester Manor.

WHAT'S IT WORTH? Saturday, May 8th, 10:45am to 1:00pm

Author, auctioneer, appraiser and radio host Mike Ivankovich will introduce you to factors that determine value...and reveal what your antiques, collectibles, and personal treasures are really worth today. Each attendee is invited to bring 1-2 items for Mike to appraise. We will open Zoom at 10:45 so that Mike can get an idea of which items he is appraising. Please be sure that you have your items clearly visible from your computer or phone. Please do not use a virtual background during this program.

THE TRUE STORY OF THE CULPER SPY RING: Tuesday, May 11th, 7:00pm

History buffs have long been fascinated by the operation of the Long Island-based Culper Spy Ring during the American Revolution (especially since the airing of the AMC series "Turn"). Over the years, there have been many legends and suppositions about how the spies operated to support George Washington's Continental Army. This lecture separates fact from fiction and details the ingenious operation of the intelligence network that helped the revolutionaries win the war. Join Historian Bill Bleyer for this fascinating history talk.

VIRTUAL WINE TASTING WITH SUHRU WINES: Saturday, May 15th, 3:30pm

During this hour-long event, an expert from Suhru Wines in Cutchogue, will take us through their history and winemaking philosophy, detailing the winemaking process for red and white wines. We'll then have a guided tasting of two wines (one red, one white), along with questions and answers. Suhru will make the wines available for purchase for \$40 (a 2019 Pinot Grigio and their 2018 Ember) at the library. Enrollment is limited, so please sign up early.



SPICE CLUB: YOGURT AND SUMAC SAUCE: Pickup between: Tuesday, May 18th and Saturday, May 22nd

Made from the dried and ground berries of the wild sumac flower, sumac is a tangy spice with a sour, acidic flavor reminiscent of lemon juice. This simple yogurt/sumac sauce is easy to make and pairs deliciously with roasted vegetables.

HERBALISM 101: IMMUNITY BOOSTING SYRUP: Pickup between: Monday, May 24th and Friday, May 28th

Make a sweet syrup for drinks, pancakes, or ice cream that doubles as a vibrant tonic. This month's bags will include dried herbs, recipe suggestions, and introductory information about herbalism. You will need a heat source, a sweetener such as local honey or raw sugar, and good music to sing along to while you concoct. Supplies are limited, so please register soon!

ADULT CRAFT: EASY DIY GLASS GEM MAGNETS:

Pickup between: Tuesday, May 18th and Saturday, May 22nd

Make these adorable magnets that you can personalize with small photos or magazine cutouts. We'll supply some cutouts but you can also find your own in photographs, magazines, maps or ticket stubs - whatever suits your fancy. Your refrigerator will look fabulous!



FOR ADULTS

BOOK CLUBS

SHELTER ISLAND BOOK CLUB

***The Exiles* by Christina Baker Kline: Tuesday, May 11th, 4:30pm**

The author of the New York Times bestseller *Orphan Train* returns with an ambitious, emotionally resonant novel about three women in nineteenth-century Australia whose lives are bound together and the struggles they weather as they fight for redemption and freedom in a new society. Told in exquisite detail and incisive prose, *The Exiles* is a story of grace born from hardship, the unbreakable bonds of female friendships, and the unfettering of legacy.



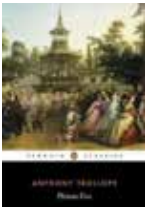
BYOB (BRING YOUR OWN BOOK) CLUB: Wednesday, May 12th, 5:30pm

Let's talk about what we're reading, what we want to read, what we've loved, what we've hated, how Covid-19 has affected our reading and anything else at all with Librarian Jocelyn Ozolins and your fellow bibliophiles.

TROLLOPE BOOK CLUB

***Phineas Finn*: Saturday, May 22nd, 2:00pm**

The second novel in Trollope's Palliser series, *Phineas Finn*'s engaging plot embraces matters as diverse as reform, the position of women, the "Irish question", and the conflict between integrity and ambition. Through the engaging figure of the handsome Irishman Phineas Finn, Trollope explores the realities of political life, and the clash between compromise and conviction, that is as topical today as it was in the 1860s.



MYSTERY BOOK CLUB

***Robicheaux* by James Lee Burke: Monday, May 24th, 5:00pm**

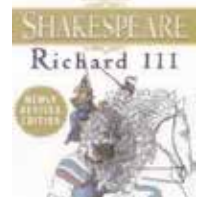
Dave Robicheaux is a haunted man. Between his recurrent nightmares about Vietnam, his battle with alcoholism, and the sudden loss of his beloved wife, his thoughts drift from one irreconcilable memory to the next. There are questions about his involvement in the homicide he's investigating, one which involved the death of the man who killed Robicheaux's wife. As he works to clear his name, he encounters a cast of characters and a resurgence of dark social forces that threaten to destroy all those he loves.



SHAKESPEARE IN COMMUNITY ONLINE

***RICHARD II*: Saturday, May 22nd, 12:30pm**

In Shakespeare's history play, *Richard II*, anger at a king's arbitrary rule leads to his downfall and sets in motion a decades-long struggle for the crown. It is the first part of a tetralogy, referred to by some scholars as the Henriad, followed by three plays about Richard's successors: *Henry IV, Part 1*; *Henry IV, Part 2*; and *Henry V*.



ART/RICH POETRY ROUNDTABLE, A LITERARY CLUB: Tuesdays, May 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th, 4:00 to 5:30pm

The Art/Rich Poetry Roundtable meets every Tuesday to discuss poetry in depth. We read poets of all styles and points of view from classical times to the present, and welcome readers of poetry who enjoy meeting with fellow lovers of poetry for lively discussion. No onerous rules: bring a poem and your enthusiasm.

TAI CHI WITH DENISE GILLIES: Wednesdays, May 5th, 12th, 19th, and 26th, 5:00pm

Tai Chi is an ancient Chinese health practice that provides a wide range of mind/body benefits. The easy-to-follow fluid movements will increase vitality and strengthen immune function. Teacher Denise Gillies has been practicing and teaching on the East End for ten years. Her teaching style is relaxed, enthusiastic and intended for students to leave feeling energized and joyful.

INTERMEDIATE FRENCH CONVERSATION: Thursdays, May 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th, 4:00pm

Would you like to improve your French conversation skills? In this program we will have a weekly discussion on a wide range of topics. We watch movies, listen to podcasts, read books and even have presentations. Alix Shearer (native French speaker and Shelter Islander) will facilitate. There is no fee for this program but registration is required.

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESL): Thursdays, May 6th, 13th, 20th, and 27th, 7:00pm.

Learn English virtually using Zoom with former English as a Second Language and Spanish teacher, Teri Piccozzi. Everyone is welcome and the class is free.

Aprende inglés virtualmente usando Zoom con la ex profesora de Inglés Como un Idioma Segunda y de Español, Teri Piccozzi. Todos son bienvenidos y la clase es gratis. Para registrarse en este programa visite www.silibrary.org

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FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES – PROGRAM PACKAGES

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EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAMS

MOTHER'S DAY HANDPRINT FLOWER CARD: Ages: 2-5. Pick up between: Tuesday, May 4th and Saturday, May 8th

A perfect gift for Mom, Grandma, or whoever you want to celebrate this time of year! Fun and easy to make and a good way to bring a smile to everyone's face.

PAPER PLATE TEAPOT: (In person craft OR Take & Make)

Ages: 2-5. Pick up between Tuesday, May 18th and Saturday, May 22nd

Springtime means outdoor tea parties! These little paper teapots are the perfect way to celebrate teatime without the tea. We're going to be doing things a little differently this time around. This craft can be a Take & Make or you may drop in between 12:00-3:00pm on Saturday, May 22nd to create the craft with us outside! We ask you to remain socially distant and wear your mask!

VIRTUAL STORYTIME WITH MISS MOLLIE: Saturday, May 22nd

Come join Miss Mollie as she reads one of her favorite springtime books. The video will be posted to Facebook and YouTube and will be up for all of May and June. Registration is not required.

SCHOOL AGE PROGRAMS

MOTHER'S DAY FLOWER POT CARD: Ages: 6+. Pick up between: Tuesday, May 4th and Saturday, May 8th

With a little bit of quick folding, paper, and some glue, you can create a super adorable card for Mom, Grandma, or anyone you love! Perfect for springtime and a wonderful way to say "I love you".



BUTTERFLY MASKS: Ages: 6+. Pick up between Tuesday, May 11th and Saturday, May 15th

Embrace your inner butterfly! Decorate your own mask and flaunt it. Think about all of the butterflies that you'll see during the spring and summer, maybe your mask should look like them? Or maybe it should look entirely different! You decide. You will need: scissors + an adult's help (optional).

PIPE CLEANER DRAGONS: Ages: 6+. Pick up between Tuesday, May 18th and Saturday, May 22nd

Bring these crafty creatures to life with a roar! And some pipe cleaners. Follow the instructions to create your own miniature dragon army!

MINI-MAGIC POTION BOTTLES: (In person craft OR Take & Make)

Ages: 6+. Pick up between Tuesday, May 25th and Saturday, May 29th

Create your own mystical, magical, mysterious potion with one of our mini bottles. All you need is water and a pinch of your own magic. Don't worry, everyone has magic even if they don't know it yet. We're going to be doing things a little differently this time around. This craft can be a take & make or you may drop in between 12:00-3:00pm on Saturday, May 29th to create the craft with us outside! We ask you to remain socially distant and wear your mask!



TEEN PROGRAMS

ORIGAMI FLOWERS: Ages: 12+. Pick up between: Tuesday, May 18th and Saturday, May 22nd

With a few folds, you'll learn how to make your own spectacular origami flowers. Perfect for creating your own indoor spring garden, decorating your room or giving them to someone special.



MAGNETIC SLIME: Ages: 14+. Pick up between: Tuesday, May 25th and Saturday, May 29th

Get ready to learn about magnets with the help of...slime? That's right, using the provided ingredients you'll get to make your very own magnetic slime and see how it behaves. Magnets are provided, all you need is water. Please note: this kit contains borax and iron filings.