

August 2021 SHELTER ISLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY MONTHLY EVENTS



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DID YOU KNOW?

The Shelter Island Public Library was established in 1885 by Eben Norton Horsford and has been in three locations since its founding. The first library books were placed in an empty boot closet in "The Old Store," which was located where Chase Bank is now. The second library was by "The Old Windmill," where the Shelter Island School is now. The third is the present building, which was erected in 1964. Wherever the location, the library has been providing information and entertainment to the Shelter Island community for many years. Visit us soon to see how far we have come from a humble boot closet.

Terry Lucas, Library Director

SUMMER READING

It is not too late to sign up for our Summer Reading programs for both children and adults. Read books to earn chances to win some fun prizes! Sign up on our website or in person at the library.



SHELTER ISLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY THE MONTHLY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

will be held on **August 9th at 7:00pm**. The meeting will take place in the library's Community Room. For those who have not been vaccinated, masks are required in the library building.

WIFI HOTSPOTS

Do you need access to Wi-Fi but do not want to visit the library to log-on? The Library has T-Mobile Wi-Fi hotspots that can be checked out with your library card. The mobile hotspots are easy to use and allow users to connect their laptop, tablet, and other Wi-Fi enabled devices to the internet. The hotspots are portable, so you can connect your device almost wherever you are, at home, on the bus or on the beach!

AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION GRANT

We're pleased to announce that the library has been awarded the "Libraries Transforming Communities" grant from the American Library Association. This grant supports small and rural libraries in facilitating community conversations. Our topic is Anti-Racism and our discussions will be on **September 13th, September 27th, October 4th and October 18th**. We are grateful that Denise Oliver-Velez, retired Professor of Anthropology and Women's Studies at SUNY, New Paltz will bring her many years of experience to guide these discussions. If you are interested in participating or learning more about the project, please contact Jocelyn Ozolins: jzolins@silibrary.org.



THE TENNIS TOURNAMENT IS BACK!

The Shelter Island Library Tennis Tournament returns this year on August 21st. Find your favorite doubles partner and sign up for a fun day of tennis with friends. The cost is \$250 per team; if you want to be a sponsor, your name will go on the t-shirt for a donation of \$100. We thank Moussa Drame Tennis Academy for providing tennis balls and support services, the Walter Richards family for t-shirts, Stars Cafe for Continental Breakfast and the Flying Goat Restaurant for lunch. Spectators are welcome!



NEWSLETTER KEY

This summer we are offering programs for adults and children in a variety of formats. So when you read your newsletter, please pay attention to the icons next to the program description. If you follow this key, you will be sure to show up to the right place, either in person or remotely, to enjoy our programs to the fullest.



= in-person outdoors



= Zoom



= Take and Make




= Inside

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.

PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

To register for Adult Programs please go to www.silibrary.org and scroll down to our Calendar of Events. Many adult programs in August will take place online (look for the  for our online programs) Registration for online programs closes 30 minutes before the program; to receive the link for the program you must register prior to the close of registration. For more information, contact jozolins@silibrary.org

FRIDAY NIGHT DIALOGUES

PETER LIGHTE: TELLING TALES: Friday, August 6th, 7:00pm 


Peter Lighte has lived a fascinating life. A sinologist, he has taught Chinese history and philosophy to college students and has thrived in the world of international finance. Tokyo, Hong Kong, London and Beijing have all been home. In this program, Mr. Lighte will read from two unpublished memoirs - covering family stories from the Bronx, Shelter Island friends, becoming a father in China, and much more.



DAVID BROWNE AND TOM JUNOD: LONG ISLAND SOUND-A HISTORY FROM VANILLA FUDGE TO BILLY JOEL TO TWISTED SISTER TO PUBLIC ENEMY: Friday, August 20th, 7:00pm 

Long Island has long been a home to rock, pop and rap acts over the last five decades. But who are the essential Long Island rockers? How did they reflect their origins? What songs truly captured the sound of Nassau and Suffolk? Rolling Stone writer David Browne and ESPN writer Tom Junod will discuss, dissect, and debate what Long Island brought to rock and roll.

GREAT DECISIONS TOPIC FIVE: CHINA'S ROLE IN AFRICA

Thursday, August 12th, 5:30pm. Please note that the program will start with the Great Decisions Video. 

The Covid-19 crisis has put a massive strain on what was beginning to be a positive economic and political relationship between China and the continent of Africa. As Chinese President Xi Jinping's initiatives continue to expand Chinese power, the response to the spread of Covid-19, as well as the African government's growing debt to China, has resulted in pushback. What are some of the growing economic and political issues between China and Africa?



SLOW FOOD ARK OF TASTE WITH MIMI EDELMAN: Saturday, August 7th, 11:00am 

The Ark of Taste is an initiative of the Slow Food movement to save heirloom foods that are at risk of extinction. Ark of Taste works to keep these foods in production and on our plates. Farmer Mimi Edelman of Orient, who works with the Ark of Taste, will talk about this exciting program and the work that Slow Food is doing to identify and champion these foods.



ORGANIZING YOUR DIGITAL PHOTOS WITH STEVEN ALCALDE: Tuesday, August 17th, 5:30pm 

Learn how to finally get your digital photo chaos in order. Free up space on your mobile devices; simplify and streamline your photo library; learn how to backup, sync, and share your photos; keep your digital collection safe and organized for years to come.


ADULT SUMMER READING WRAP-UP PARTY: Saturday, August 21st, 4:00pm 

Join us on the patio for light refreshments to close out our Adult Summer Reading Program, "Home Sweet Home". Let's talk about what we've enjoyed reading over the summer. We will draw the winning raffle tickets to award our three grand prize boxes and we'll have some book giveaways for those who attend!

FROM THE HAYS CODE TO X-RATED MOVIES: A HISTORY OF HOLLYWOOD CENSORSHIP WITH BRIAN ROSE: Thursday, August 26th, 6:30pm 

From its very beginnings, motion pictures have delighted the public—and upset civic and religious authorities who felt that movies needed to be regulated to protect "innocent" minds and discourage immorality. This presentation will look at 125 years of movie censorship from the 1934 Hays Code through the G, PG, PG-13, R, and NC-17 ratings system and the many ways Hollywood has tried to deal with this continuing issue.

FAMILY PROGRAMS

FAMILY GAMES: Wednesday, August 18th, 12:00 to 2:00pm 

Corn hole, Bocce, Badminton and more! Join us for a fun, leisurely afternoon of outside games with family and friends!

INTRO TO VIRTUAL REALITY: Thursday, August 19th, 3:00pm 

Get ready to jump into some virtual reality and explore some exciting new worlds! You'll be able to test out some of our awesome scenes and programs that we have.

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PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

BOOK CLUBS

SHELTER ISLAND BOOK CLUB

The Last Days of Night by Graham Moore: Tuesday, August 10th, 4:30pm 🗣️

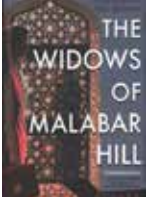
The Last Days of Night is a thrilling historical novel based on the legal fight over the invention of the light bulb. Thomas Edison, Nikola Tesla, George Westinghouse and other renowned figures populate this novel that Erik Larson dubs, "part legal thriller, part tour of a magical time."



MYSTERY BOOK CLUB

The Widows of Malabar Hill by Sujata Massey: Monday, August 23rd, 5:00pm 🗣️

The Widows of Malabar Hill is not only a mystery, but is also a historical novel and a legal thriller. Set in Bombay in 1921, the novel features Perveen Mistry, a pioneering female lawyer who must investigate the terms of a will that is left to three widows of the same client. The trustee, Mr. Murkri informs Mistry that the widows want to donate their inheritance - but do they? When Mr. Murkri is murdered inside the widow's home, the women fall under suspicion.



TROLLOPE BOOK CLUB

Orley Farm: Saturday, August 28th, 2:00pm 🗣️

The plot of *Orley Farm* (which Trollope considered one of his best) revolves around the disputed inheritance of a farm attached to an estate. It is also a portrait of middle class, landed life in the Victorian era. George Orwell said that the novel contained, "one of the most brilliant descriptions of a lawsuit in English fiction."



BUCKS APPRECIATION EVENT @ FISKE FIELD: Saturday, August 14th, 2:00 to 4:00pm

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The Bucks couldn't play this summer but their appreciation for their supporters is as strong as ever! Fans are invited to a special get-together at Fiske Field (subject to all safety guidelines). There will be free burgers and hot dogs, a 50/50 raffle (\$5.00)* and team merchandise. Author Sally Cook, (*Hey Batta Batta Swing! The Wild Old Days of Baseball, How to Speak Baseball* - www.sallycookauthor.com) will talk baseball and run a trivia contest with prizes, too! Sally's books will be available for purchase and she will be happy to sign for you. A portion of the book sales will benefit the Bucks and the Shelter Island Library. Rain date is Sunday the 15th. Go Bucks! **Raffle tickets sold at Shelter Island Ace Hardware or contact Brian Cass at 631-445-0084**



ADULT CRAFT: TINY ART: Pickup between: Tuesday, August 24th and Saturday, August 28th

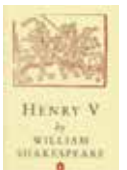
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We'll supply a 5 x 5 inch canvas, paint, paintbrush and paper so you can create your own mini-masterpiece - it can be a collage, painting, found object art or whatever you like. If you agree, we'd like to showcase your pieces in our display case for the month of September. Let your imagination soar! Please note that supplies are limited so please sign up early.

SHAKESPEARE IN COMMUNITY ONLINE:

HENRY V: Saturday, August 28th, 12:30pm 🗣️

Henry IV is dead and the wild young Prince Hal of Shakespeare's *Henry IV*, has become Henry V, King of England. After an insult from the French Dauphin, Henry gathers his troops in preparation for war. Shakespeare's epic history play features the famous St. Crispin's Day speech.



MAH JONGG: Mondays, August 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th, 10:00am

Come join a friendly group of Mah Jongg enthusiasts. No need to be an expert, just join the fun and learn as you go. 🏠

ART/RICH POETRY ROUNDTABLE, A LITERARY CLUB: Tuesdays, August 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th and 31st, 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, August 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th, 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.

KNITTING CLUB: Thursdays, August 5th, 12th, 19th, and 26th, 4:30pm 🏠

We are pleased to announce that the Knitting Club is meeting in the library. Whether you are a long-time member or newly interested in knitting, we look forward to seeing you here!

INTERMEDIATE FRENCH CONVERSATION WILL BE ON HIATUS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST

You may register for all programs at www.silibrary.org.

PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Please register for all programs on our website www.silibrary.org. Take & Make quantities are limited.


YOUTH SUMMER READING PROGRAM TAILS AND TALES - 2021

There's still time to sign up and win prizes during our summer reading program! It ends August 21st so get your reading on! Registration is easy with the ReadSquared app (or through our website) and you can track your books, audiobooks, and minutes on there. Start reading for a chance at our Universal Yums Box grand prize!



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UPCYCLE MUG KIT (TAKE & MAKE)

Pick up between Tuesday, August 24th and Saturday, August 28th

Get ready to decoupage a mug and upcycle it into a cute pencil holder for your desk just before school starts. Mugs & decoupage supplies provided.

EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAMS

STORY THYME AT THE FARMSTAND

Every Saturday at 10:30am


Join Sara for Story Thyme at the Farmstand every Saturday! Fabulous books will be read and fantastic weather will be enjoyed! No need to register. To make it easier, we ask parents to bring their own blanket if they feel more comfortable being more socially-distanced.

BUBBLE HOUR

Tuesday, August 10th, 11:00am and Saturday, August 28th, 1:00pm 

Get ready to play with bubbles outside with your friends. Both programs will be outdoors and in person, masks are required if unvaccinated.

SENSORY HOUR

Tuesday, August 17th, 11:00am 

Come to the library and enjoy some of our small sensory bins and have fun with friends! To keep things hygienic, we will have separate sensory bins for each child so be sure to register ahead of time to reserve your spot.

PAINTED FLOWER (TAKE & MAKE)

Pick up between Tuesday, August 17th and Saturday, August 28th
Create your own work of art in the form of a fabulous flower bouquet. Perfect for developing motor skills and understanding different methods of painting.

CHILDREN PROGRAMS

SEASHELL PRINT CLAY NECKLACES

Thursday, August 12th, 4:30pm

Using some air-dry clay and seashells, you'll be able to create your own work of art! A perfect memento of your summer vacation.

PAPER PLATE BEACH CAMPER

Saturday, August 21, 1:00 to 2:00pm

Design your own camper at the library. You'll get to decorate it however you like and spend crafting time with friends.

SODA BOTTLE FIREFLIES (TAKE & MAKE)

Pick up between Tuesday, August 24th and Saturday, August 28th
Bring the joy of fireflies inside your own home without harming any bugs! Create your own unique firefly using a soda bottle. A great upcycling project! You will need: an empty plastic water bottle or soda bottle.

STUFFED PIGS & TIGERS (TAKE & MAKE)

Pick up between Tuesday, August 31st and Saturday, September 4th

Create your own stuffed animal! Each kit will include the animal, the stuffing (no sewing required! Just zip them closed!), and even a birth certificate. Animals are randomly chosen and quantities are limited.

TEEN PROGRAMS

NINTENDO SWITCH SUPER SMASH BROS BATTLE

Friday, August 13th, 4:30pm to 6:30pm

Ready! Set! Fight! Our first Smash Battle will happen on Friday. Prizes and snacks will be involved and the battle will be fierce.

NINTENDO SWITCH MARIO KART TOURNAMENT

Friday, August 20, 4:30pm to 6:30pm

Get ready for another Mario Kart gaming session with some fun prizes. Masks are required and spots are limited so register now.

EXPLOSION BOX (TAKE & MAKE)

Pick up between Tuesday, August 24th and Saturday, August 28th

Design your own box where you take the top off and it explodes with whatever designs & whatever you want it to say. We provide the supplies, you provide the creativity.

MOBILE ESCAPE ROOM

Friday, August 27th, 5:00pm to 6:00pm

Think you're up to the test to escape from this mobile escape room? Time is ticking so register now.

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