

# July 2023 SHELTER ISLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY MONTHLY EVENTS



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## VOTE ON THE RENOVATION AND EXPANSION

Thank you so much for the positive vote on the library renovation and expansion. We can't wait to get started on the process of bringing you the library Shelter Island deserves! Space for our children, a greener building and a true "Community Room" will be welcome additions and allow us to provide you even better service.

## LIBRARY OF THINGS

Our library of things is growing! Bring in your library card to borrow one of the following items:

*Backgammon Set, Badminton Set, Birding Backpack, Bocce Ball Set, Cake Pans, Cookie Cutters, DVD Player, Electricity Meter, Fishing Rod & Reel, Gardening Tools, Karaoke Mic, Mah Jongg Set, Memory Picture Game, Movie Projector & Screen, Pickleball Rackets & Balls, Scrabble, Soil Tester, Sprinklers, Telescope, WIFI Hotspots.*



## SUSTAINABLE LIBRARIES CERTIFICATION

We are pleased to announce Shelter Island Public Library has completed the Sustainable Library Certification Program. A number of staff members have worked on this process over the last several years. Due to their hard work, we are a greener library that is always aware of the triple bottom line - not just environmentally sustainable, but economically and socially sustainable as well.

## IN THE GALLERY

The Community Room Gallery will feature a selection of artwork from Mary Theinert this July. Mary is a local artist who works in various mediums such as watercolor, acrylic on wood, and pen and ink. Mary is a graduate of the Savannah College of Art and Design where she majored in illustration. Her work is mainly figurative and at times surreal. She began exploring watercolor portraiture in 2022.



## SUMMER LIBRARY TOUR

We know you love the Shelter Island Public Library but have you visited any other Suffolk County libraries? This summer you can tour other public libraries and have the chance to be entered into an exciting raffle. Pick up your Summer Tour booklet beginning July 1st and collect library stamps, see new sites, and learn some Long Island history.

## ADULT SUMMER READING PROGRAM - READ THE WORLD: Saturday, June 24th - Saturday, August 19th

There is still time to sign up for the Adult Summer Reading Program! A good book can take you anywhere - from Shakespeare's London and Edith Wharton's New York to outer space! This summer's reading program will highlight literary destinations around (and beyond) the world. Sign up and enjoy weekly prize drawings as well as raffle entries to win one of three grand prize baskets of travel themed goodies!



## BOOK SALE ROOM

We are accepting gently used book donations for the Book Sale Room and our Free Book Cart. Please leave all donations in the Book Sale Room. We are asking that you leave no more than one box of books per month. Please, no magazines, textbooks or books in poor condition.

## 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.



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# PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

To register for Adult Programs please go to [www.slibrary.org](http://www.slibrary.org) and scroll down to our Calendar of Events. This month we will be offering programs for both adults and children in a variety of formats. So, when you read your newsletter, please pay attention to the icons next to the program descriptions.

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## FRIDAY NIGHT DIALOGUES

**SECRETS OF THE ITALIAN ISLAND BY BARBARA JOSSELSOHN:** Friday, July 14th, 7:00pm 🏠🌳

Barbara Josselsohn is thrilled to return to Shelter Island Library as she continues her launch of her newest novel, *Secrets Of The Italian Island*, the first book in a sweeping new World War II series. She spent last summer on the North Fork writing the book, which is set partially in present-day Long Island and partially in Italy during the darkest days of the war—and Shelter Island plays an important role in the story. *Secrets* is her sixth book and her first with a historical context.



**PETE SEEGER: MUSICIAN, ACTIVIST, CITIZEN**

**A PRESENTATION BY BARBARA BARNES & ERLAND ZYGMUNTOWICZ:** Friday, July 21st, 7:00pm 🏠🌳

Pete Seeger was a folk singer and political activist. In this session, we will sketch Pete's life; his friendship with Woody Guthrie, singing with the Weavers, being blacklisted for a decade, his work with the Civil Rights and the Anti-Vietnam War movements in the 1960's and his leadership in cleaning up the Hudson River.

**BUMBLING ALONG WITH THE BUMBLING BUMBLE BEES:** Wednesday, July 12th, 7:00pm 🗣️

Participants will learn about discerning honey bees and native bees from lookalikes in the syrphid fly family, the important roles these bees play, how to attract them with plants and habitat and how to support their life cycles with practices in the landscape. An East End Libraries Event hosted by the North Shore Public Library.

**EDUCATING AND PROTECTING SENIORS AGAINST IDENTITY THEFT:** Wednesday, July 12th, 1:00pm 🗣️

33% of adults in America have experienced identity theft. In this seminar, we will cover Social Security Number, Medical Identity, Criminal Identity, Financial Identity and Driver's License Theft. The Senior Services of North America will educate you on the different ways people steal your personal information, and how you can reduce the chances of it happening to you. An East End Libraries Event hosted by the Shelter Island Public Library.

**NEW YORK STATE SAFE BOATING COURSE:** Tuesday, July 18th & Wednesday, July 19th, 5:00pm-9:00pm 🏠

Harbormaster Peter Vielbig will hold Two Four-hour sessions. You need to attend both sessions to get your certification. You must be 10 years old as of the date of the class. Tuition is free. Students 18 and over pay a \$10 fee to NYS. Details explained in the class. Please bring a snack, paper and pen. All textbooks and other materials are provided at no charge. There will be two short breaks provided. Students successfully completing the course will receive a temporary certificate, a permanent card will follow. Bring a buddy or two. Family members welcomed. Prospective students can register online at: [https://www.register-ed.com/programs/new\\_york/252-new-york-safe-boating-course](https://www.register-ed.com/programs/new_york/252-new-york-safe-boating-course)

**KNITTING AND CROCHET WITH ASHLEY:** Monday, July 10th, 5:30pm 🏠

Ashley Edmund is a fiber artist with years of experience in an array of techniques. Whether you want to learn to knit or crochet for the first time or want support with a more challenging technique, she will be here to help! Please register online for this program.

## GREAT DECISIONS

**POLITICS IN LATIN AMERICA (WITH A FOCUS ON COLOMBIA):** Thursday, July 13th, 5:30pm 🏠🗣️



Electoral results in Latin America over the past four years have led many observers of the regional/political scene to discern a left-wing surge in the hemisphere, reminiscent of the so-called "Pink Tide" that swept the area some 20 years ago. But how much do these politicians actually have in common? What implication does their ascendancy have for the region?

**THE BASICS OF PHILOSOPHY WITH WENDY TURGEON:** Fridays, July 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th, 10:00am 🏠

Please join us for a philosophy discussion roundtable. Our topics will range from God, art, politics, mind, appearance/reality to truth. The text should be fun reading but anyone is welcome who would like to engage in Socratic dialogue on questions that get to the fundamental human experience. All are welcome, whether you are sixteen or ninety.

**TAI CHI WITH DENISE GILLIES:** Wednesdays, July 5th & July 19th, 5:00pm 🗣️

Discover this ancient art of well being. Easy to follow movements combine breath and intention to create a healthy body and a peaceful mind. Learn poetic sequences that improve balance, strength and flexibility. This class is designed to welcome beginners as well as practiced students. It is a combination of Tai Chi, Qigong and meditation. Instructor Denise Gillies has been teaching for over 12 years on the East End of Long Island.

## ADULT CRAFT

**COOKIE CUTTER BIRD SEED FEEDERS (TAKE & MAKE CRAFT):** Pick up: July 18th - 22nd 📦

Cookie-cutter bird feeders are a fun and easy-to-do summer project. We will provide the cookie cutter, birdseed, gelatin and ribbon to get you started but feel free to use cookie cutters you already have at home for different shapes and sizes! You will love watching the birds munch on their cookie-cutter bird feeder creations once you hang them in your trees.



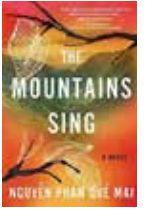
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# PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

## BOOK CLUBS

**SHELTER ISLAND BOOK CLUB:** *The Mountains Sing* by Nguyen Phan Que Mai: Tuesday, July 11th, 5:00pm 🏠

The Shelter Island Book Club, led by Suzanne Louer, reads works of fiction and nonfiction with an emphasis on well-regarded contemporary fiction. A multigenerational tale set against the backdrop of the Vietnam War. Tran Dieu Lan, who was born in 1920, was forced to flee her family farm with her six children during the Land Reform as the Communist government rose in the North. Years later in Hà Noi, her young granddaughter, Huong, comes of age as her parents and uncles head off down the Ho Chí Minh Trail to fight in a conflict that tore apart not just her beloved country, but also her family. *The Mountains Sing* brings to life the human costs of this conflict from the point of view of the Vietnamese people themselves, while showing us the true power of kindness and hope.



**COOKBOOK CLUB:** *All American Dishes: State by State*: Wednesday, July 12th, 5:00pm 🏠

This month, we return home, back to the 'good ol' U.S. of A. Choose a state, find out the food that represents that state and what popular dishes you might find if you were to visit. Bring your dish and a copy of the recipe and join us for an evening of delicious food with your neighbors!

**BARBARA PYM BOOK CLUB:** *An Academic Question*: Saturday, July 29th, 2:00pm 🗣️

The Barbara Pym Book Club is run by Terry Lucas and will read the works of Barbara Pym over the next several months. *An Academic Question* is a comedy of manners set in academia. Questions about the importance of happiness and success arise in this satirical novel.



**MYSTERY BOOK CLUB:** *A Slow Fire Burning* by Paula Hawkins: Monday, July 31st, 5:30pm 🗣️

The Mystery Book Club run by Jessica Montgomery and Jocelyn Ozolins reads everything from classic mysteries to thrillers. When a young man is found murdered in a London houseboat, it triggers questions about three women, all who knew him but had separate connections to the victim. Three women who are - for different reasons - simmering with resentment. *A Slow Fire Burning* incorporates multiple points of view and perspectives and poses the question, how long can secrets smolder before they explode into flame?



## SHELTER ISLAND BOOK CLUB SPECIAL EVENT: A CONVERSATION WITH ADRIANA TRIGIANI

Tuesday, July 25th, 4:00pm 🏠 🗣️

The Shelter Island Book Club recently read *All the Good Left Undone* by Adriana Trigiani. Adriana loves Shelter Island and has been kind enough to offer to answer some questions from the Book Club. Adriana will join us by Zoom. You are welcome to participate either through the Zoom webinar or by joining the members of the Shelter Island Book Club in our community room for this fun Q&A session. Time spent with Adriana is always full of wonderful stories and lots of laughter.



## SHAKESPEARE IN COMMUNITY ONLINE

**UNDERSTANDING SHAKESPEARE'S VERSE:** Saturday, July 1st, 12:30pm 🗣️

Shakespeare most often wrote in blank verse (meaning that it doesn't rhyme) arranged in iambic pentameter. Each unstressed syllable is followed by a stressed syllable. Join the group to discuss Shakespeare's use of verse.



**TIMON OF ATHENS:** Saturday, July 29th, 12:30pm 🗣️

Poignant, funny and bitter, Shakespeare's dark satire forces us to question where happiness really lies. Wealthy and popular, Timon helps his friends, gives many gifts, and holds a feast. After ignoring his true friends' warnings, Timon runs out of money and none of his "friends" will help him.

## WEEKLY PROGRAMS

**MAH JONGG:** Mondays, July 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th & 31st, 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, July 11th, 18th & 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. This program will be offered on Zoom.

**INTERMEDIATE FRENCH CONVERSATION:** Thursdays, July 6th, 13th, 20th & 27th, 11:00am 🏠 🗣️

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. This program will be offered as a hybrid program, both in person and on Zoom.

# PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Please register for all programs on our website [www.silibrary.org](http://www.silibrary.org). Take & Make quantities are limited. Spaces are limited for all in-person programs.

## ALL TOGETHER NOW - SUMMER READING PROGRAM - BEGINS SATURDAY, JUNE 24TH

Jump into a good book with *All Together Now*, our Summer Reading Program! We're using the Beanstack app to keep track of our reading this year. Mystery Prize Boxes will be raffled off each week. The more you read the more chances you have to win! Please see Sara for more information.



## EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAMS

### SENSORY HOUR: Ages: 0-5

Every Tuesday and Wednesday, 10:00am except Tuesday, July 4th

Come to the library and enjoy some of our developmental toys and have fun with friends! Weather permitting, we will be outside under the tent.

### SUMMER STORY TIME: Ages: 0-5

Mondays at 10:00am

Join Mary at the library for a super special summer story time.

### SATURDAY STORY THYME AT THE FARMSTAND: Ages: 2-5

Every Saturday at 10:30 except Saturday, July 29th

Come join Sara at the Sylvester Manor Farmstand for story time! We'll read plenty of new and old favorite stories.

### BUBBLE HOUR: Ages: 2-5

Every Saturday at 11:00am except July 8th and 29th

Bubble Hour is back! Weather permitting, we will be outside under the tent with our bubble machine, bubble wands, and lots of excitement!

### FINGER PAINTING: Ages: 2-5

Saturday, July 1st, 1:00pm

Come paint with your friends! We're going to be creating amazing artwork with fun finger paints! This program will take place outside, weather permitting.

### PAPER POPSICLES: Ages: 2-5

Pick up your kit between Tuesday, July 11th and Saturday, July 15th

This is a great paper craft to keep those little hands busy when the weather's a little too hot.

### PLAY DOH PLAY: Ages: 2-5

Saturday, July 15th, 1:00pm

Need a chill program to beat the heat? Come play with play doh at the library. We'll have different toys and be able to create all kinds of wacky designs.

### MOVIE DAY: Ages: 2-5

Saturday, July 22nd, 1:00pm

It's movie day! We'll be munching on popcorn and enjoying a flick with friends. Please see Sara for more information.

## CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

### CRAFTERNOON: Ages: 6+

Every Monday in July except Monday the 17th and 24th

We're making crafts! Every Monday starting at 1pm we'll have a different drop in craft, perfect for a midday break from all your summer fun.

### BUBBLE SNAKES: Ages: 6+

Thursday, July 6th, 1:00pm

But Sara, what's a bubble snake?! It's a wacky and weird way to make colorful bubbles and have fun doing it. This craft can be a little messy so dress in easy to wash clothing.

### BUTTON MAKING: Ages: 6+

Tuesday, July 11th, 1:00pm

Let's make buttons! We're using the super awesome button maker to make buttons with all kinds of designs.

### PERLER BEADS: Ages: 6+

Friday, July 14th, 1:00pm

We're making designs with tiny beads and then melting them with our mini iron to set our creation. This craft can take a little while and is great when you need some peaceful down time. Due to the tiny nature of this program, it will be held inside.

### STUFFED SLOTHS: Ages: 6+

Pick up your kit between Tuesday, July 18th and Saturday, July 22nd

These super adorable sloths are ready to head home with you! These stuffed animals are easy to put together and amazingly soft. They'll go quickly and are in limited quantities so reserve your sloth early.

### WATERCOLOR PAINTING: Ages: 6+

Friday, July 21st, 1:00pm

We're painting with watercolors! This is a super easy intro to painting and allows everyone to express themselves.

### ROCK CANDY: Ages: 6+

Pick up your kit between Tuesday, July 25th and Saturday, July 29th

Grab this kit to make your own rock candy! We'll provide all of the ingredients (except hot water). Just remember that rock candy can take up to 24 hours to fully form.

## TWEEN/TEEN PROGRAMS

### CLOUD LIGHTS: Ages: 10+

Wednesday, July 5th, 1:00pm

These awesome clouds feature small battery operated string lights and are an amazing decoration to hang in your room. This craft uses hot glue. Register early as supplies are limited.

### OREO TRUFFLES: Ages: 10+

Friday, July 7th, 1:00pm

We're making Oreo truffles! These were such a hit last time that we can't resist making them again! We use Oreos, cream cheese, and melted chocolate-yum!

## SKATING PARTY AT THE GREENPORT AMERICAN LEGION

### Ages: 10+

Saturday, July 8th, 12-2:00pm

Join us for a fun afternoon of skating to music and eating ice pops! We will meet at the North Ferry to enjoy a private library skating event with friends. Roller skate rental included or you can bring your own. Skate-tastic! Permission slip required. Please see Sara for more details.

### FAKE CAKE: Ages: 10+

Wednesday, July 12th, 1:00pm

Come make amazing mini fake cakes. While they're not edible, they'll fool everyone! They're made out of spackle, paint, and 3d printed sprinkles. Totally awesome!

### SLIME TIME: Ages: 10+

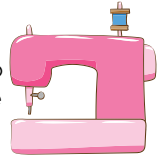
Thursday, July 13th, 3:00pm

It's slime time gang! We're using our tried, tested, and true recipe for the ultimate stretchy, squishy slime. Naturally we'll have glitter, foam beads, and all kinds of crazy items to add in.


### FASHION WORKS: Ages: 10+

Saturday, July 15th, 10am to 12:00pm

Come learn how to sew, chat with some local fashion designers and get the scoop on upcycling clothes to have your own design. Lizzie will be here with sewing machines and will have awesome tutorials, tips, and tricks.



### MINI POP TART PILLOWS:

Ages: 10+ 

Wednesday, July 19th, 1:00pm

We're making awesome mini pillows that look like poparts! We'll be using felt and hot glue and our imaginations to create these awesome designs that you can take home when you're done!


### MOVIE NIGHT: Ages: 10+

Thursday, July 20th, 4:00pm


It's movie night! We'll be munching on popcorn and enjoying a flick with friends. Please see Sara for more information.



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