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we move into the heart of summer, the library is buzzing with energy, creativity, and connection. From young readers diving into Summer Reading to neighbors gathering for workshops, book clubs, and cool afternoons in our air-conditioned spaces, this season reminds us how essential the library is as both a resource and a refuge.

July and August are filled with opportunities to explore, learn, and grow. Whether you're attending a storytime, learning a new craft, borrowing beach reads, or discovering something unexpected on our shelves, we hope the library continues to be a place where you feel welcome and inspired.

Behind the scenes, we're also planning ahead—evaluating services, reviewing community feedback, and preparing for the fall. Your voices help shape what we do, and we're grateful for your support, your suggestions, and your shared love of learning. As always, thank you for being part of our library family. We look forward to seeing you soon!

*William Ferro* Library Director

### IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN THE ADULT SUMMER READING CLUB.



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## **HEALTH AND WELLNESS**

Register at www.eastmeadow.info or call us at (516) 794-2570, option 3. We will email the ZOOM link to you on the morning of the program. If you have registered once, you don't need to register again.



Join Mirea for an hour of easy exercise. A great way to start the day. We will email the ZOOM link to you on the morning of the class. Once registered, you will continue to receive the emailed links.

#### Tai Chi at 11 a.m. Tuesdays (Hybrid) and Fridays (In-person)

Join US for a weekly guided Tai chi Practice, we begin with a gentle breathing exercise, "the eight brocade", followed by a simple warm-up tai chi routine, and the progress through three sets of *Yang-style Tai Chi*. With dedication, you will notice improvement in balance and health. **This class will be held every Tuesday, Virtual and In-person and Friday In-person only.** 

#### Chair Yoga with Victoria Smith (Virtual) No class on 8/19. Every Tuesday at 7 p.m.

Chair yoga class is mostly seated postures and some standing postures. It is designed to help build strength, flexibility and balance. There is an emphasis on pairing breathe to movement which increases oxygen flow improving brain function as well as relaxing body and mind. We will practice yoga principles such as letting go of judgements, leaving behind the need to compete, and being gentle with yourself. These practices can lead to experiencing less stress and promoting feelings of wellbeing. We will email the ZOOM link to you on the morning of the class. Once registered, you will continue to receive the emailed links.



Stress Management with Bobby Riedel (In-person) Register at www.eastmeadow.info or call us at 516-794-2570, option 3. Masks are optional. Space is limited. REGISTRATION OPEN FORALL SESSIONS. July Dates: \*These Dates are Subject to Change\*

Stress and anxiety can take its toll on you mentally and emotionally. Digestion, physical pain, *"what if"* thinking, panic attacks and being in a constant prison of fear, are just a few examples.

Come out and find support, learn coping skills, laugh, and find out about different methods on how to win over worry! Thursday, July 3 at 1 p.m.

Thursday, July 10 at 7 p.m.

Thursday, July 17 at 7 p.m.

Friday, July 25 at 2 p.m.

Thursday, July 31 at 4 p.m.



## **STAY INFORMED PROGRAMS**

Register at www.eastmeadow.info or call us at 516-794-2570, option 3.



#### Current Events with Morty Kugal (Virtual) Thursday, July 17 at 10:30 a.m. REGISTRATION OPEN.



Thursday, August 21 at 10:30 a.m.

#### **REGISTRATION WILL OPEN IN AUGUST.**

Discuss the current events of the time with Morty Kugal. This is an interactive program. Everyone gets an opportunity to express their opinions and ask questions. We ask that the discussions are kept respectful.

James Coll and the Constitution (In-person) The Undemocratic Constitution? Thursday July 24 at I p.m. REGISTRATION OPEN.

Supreme Court Year in Review: Part I Wednesday, August 20 at Ip.m. REGISTRATION OPEN.

James Coll is an adjunct professor of American and Constitutional history at Nassau Community College. He has written numerous articles for Politico, The Hill, City Journal and Newsday among other periodicals.

Join us for his monthly class on our Constitution. Please attend. You will be amazed how much you learn.

## LET'S GET TOGETHER



Wednesdays are Game Day Every Wednesday from 12 - 4 p.m.

\*Wednesday, July 9 at 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Drop in with your friends. Bring your Mah Jong set, Canasta game, Scrabble board, or whatever game makes you happy. Chess Club Every Thursday from 1 - 4 p.m. Bring your chess board, if you have one. No chess on 7/17.



Senior Discussions I (In-person) The Second Tuesday of Every Month at 12:30 p.m. Tuesdays, July 8 and August 12

Senior Discussions II (In-person) Third Monday of Every Month at 12:30 p.m. Mondays, July 21 and August 18 This is a time to come and talk with your peers on issues that are of a concern to you. We ask that you don't bring in homemade foods to share with others. NO REGISTRATION NEEDED.



Laughs at the Library with Mark Brier (In-person) Voted the Best Comic on LI 2023 Monday, July 28 at 1 p.m. REGISTRATION OPEN. Monday, August 25 at 1 p.m. REGISTRATION WILL OPEN IN AUGUST. Register at www.eastmeadow.info or call us at 516-794-2570, option 3.

Join East Meadow's comic phenom, Mark Brier, for some laughs with his cast of Long Island comics. Take a dose of Laughs, the best medicine you can get. Mark has been voted the Best Comic on Long Island by Bethpage Federal Credit Union's Best of Long Island!

## LEARN SOMETHING NEW (In-person)

Register at www.eastmeadow.info or call us at (516) 794-2570, option 3.

Paul Levine is known as the **"Plant Man",** his lectures and knowledge of plants will inspire and help you cultivate your garden. Join him for the following topics and dates:



#### The Plant Man Paul Levine Ornamental Grasses Monday, July 7 at 2 p.m. Registration will open on Monday, June 23 at 9:30 a.m.

#### Plants that Grow in Water Monday, August 4 at 2 p.m. Registration will open on Monday, July 1 at 9:30 a.m.



Short Story Writing with Jennifer Marx (Adults only) Tuesday, July 8 at 7 p.m. Registration begins on Tuesday, June 24 at 9:30 a.m. for June session.

Tuesday, August 12 at 7 p.m. Registration begins on Tuesday, July 29 at 9:30 a.m. for August session. This is a wonderful way to hone your writing skills. Start with writing short stories. Experienced teacher, Jennifer Marx, will lead you though the steps in a cozy, trusting environment.

#### Memoir Writing with Jennifer Marx (Adults only) Tuesday, July 15 at 7 p.m.

Registration will begin on Tuesday, July 1 at 9:30 a.m. for July session.

#### Tuesday, August 19 at 7 p.m.

#### Registration will begin on Tuesday, August 5 9:30 a.m. for August session.

If you've ever wanted to write a story—or stories—about your life, this class will teach you how. At each meeting, we'll discuss a component of memoir writing. Then, you'll have time to write and share your work. Prompts will be provided, but you are free to write whatever you'd like. This monthly class is suitable for beginners, experienced writers, and anyone in between. Please bring paper and a pen or an electronic device for writing.

#### Picture Book Writing with Roseanne Frank (Adults only) Fridays, September 5 through October 10 at 11 a.m. (Register for the 6 week series.) Registration opens Friday, August 22 at 9:30 a.m.

Picture books are magic, and they are our first love in literature. Do you have a story you want to tell? Join us as we discuss what goes into writing a picture book. Bring your work-in-progress. If you don't have a work-in-progress, no worries! We'll create new stories and learn from each other! We will go over characters, pacing, first lines, satisfying endings, pitches, voice, story arcs, illustrations, revisions & more. We will be reading current books as mentor texts. This class is interactive and participatory. Inspire the next generation of readers!

**Roseanne Baxter Frank** is a member of the Society of Children's Book Writers & Illustrators and the social media coordinator for the Long Island chapter. She is a freelance editor and the author of picture books *Alice in the Palace, The Witches' Dance, middle grade* novel Legacy & Legend, and upcoming picture book O'win & the Moon. She is also the new Editor of Acquisitions for *Blue Whale Press.* 

**Long Island Writers' Guild (In-person) Tuesdays, July 22 and August 26 at 12:30 p.m.** Thinking of writing your memoir, journaling, or creating a book? Then LIWG is the place for you. This group has been with us for many, many years. They create a safe and encouraging atmosphere to encourage everyone to participate.

NO REGISTRATION NEEDED. Masks are optional.

## **HOBBIES AND CRAFTS FOR ADULTS (In-person)**

Reservations can be made online at www.eastmeadow.info, or by phone 516-794-2570 Option 3. First week of reservations are for East Meadow School District residents only. To register you will need your library card number and PIN. Visit or call the library for assistance. This class fills very quickly. Space is limited.



Beginning Knitting Scarf Project Register for the 4 Class Series Mondays, July 7, 14, 21, 28 at 1 p.m.

Registration opens Monday, June 23 at 9:30 a.m. You will learn the basics and get started on a scarf. Please bring size 8 needles and size 4 yarn. Limited spots, adults only.

#### Succulent Terrarium Craft with Christin Nash Wednesday, July 30 at 6:30 p.m. Registration will open on Wednesday, July 16 at 11:00 a.m.

#### **\$5 Materials Fee /Adults Only**

Christin will be here with something super special (and totally adorable!) for us. Get ready to dive into the wonderful world of terrariums! She'll show you how to craft your very own mini-garden using soil and a few happy little plants. You'll learn all the tricks to landscape a tiny space, and the best part? You get to take your brand-new, teeny-tiny garden home with you!

#### Paint a Ceramic with Rosemarie: Autumn Leaves Lantern Wednesday, August 20 at 6 p.m.

**Registration opens on Wednesday, August 6 at 11 a.m. \$5 Materials Fee /Adults Only** Rosemary will help us paint our way out of Summer into Fall with this handsome Leaves Lantern. A stunner with a tealight or just on its own.



#### Looking ahead to September Adult Crafts and more:

Resin Pendant 9/8 Registration will open 8/25

Chunky Embroidery 9/29 Registration will open 9/15

iPhone and Apple Devices Class: 9/15 Registration will open 9/2

Chef Rob Scott Baking Class: 9/16 Registration will open 9/2.



## **EMPL FAMILY EVENT**

Reservations can be made online at www.eastmeadow.info, or by phone at 516-794-2570, Option 3.

First day of reservations for EM School District residents only. Limit 4 per EMPL cardholder. To register you will need your library card number and PIN. Visit or call the library for assistance.



Brady Rymer is a highly acclaimed, three-time Grammy-nominated artist who has dedicated 25 years to creating energetic rock 'n' roll music for kids and families. As a prominent figure in the independent family music scene, he and his band, the Little Band That Could, captivate audiences worldwide with their musical talent, catchy songs, and positive messages. Rymer began his venture into family music in 2000 and has since released 12 studio albums, with **Press Play** (2017), **Just Say Hi!** (2014), and **Here Comes Brady Rymer and the Little Band That Could** (2009) all earning Grammy nominations.

Beyond his work with families, Rymer is a strong advocate for neurodiversity acceptance, regularly performing sensory-friendly shows and featuring songs from his 2011 album **Love Me For Who I Am.** He also plays bass with his "grown-up" band From Good Homes, having toured with notable acts like Dave Matthews Band and Bob Dylan. His extensive career highlights include playing with the Laurie Berkner Band, winning numerous Parents' Choice Gold and NAPPA Awards, contributing to First Lady Michelle Obama's "Let's Move" campaign, and having his songs featured in HBO productions. He also serves on the Education Board of the Long Island Music Hall of Fame.

## EMPLART SHOW EXHIBITS

Meet the Artist. Open to the Public. Light Refreshments.



#### Art Show ACLD Opening Reception on Friday, July 25 at 11 a.m.



Adults and Children with Learning & Developmental Disabilities (ACLD), since 1957 has been a leading not-for-profit agency on Long Island that proudly supports the needs of people with autism, learning and developmental disabilities, and their families. ACLD's mission is to provide opportunities for children and adults with autism, learning and developmental disabilities to pursue enviable lives, promote their independence and foster supportive relationships within the community. **Please come enjoy the beautiful artwork created by these amazing artists.** 

## It Came From The Radio

#### Be apart of our live studio audience. Hosted by Mark Torres (In-person)

#### Register at www.eastmeadow.info or call us at (516) 794-2570, option 3.

It Came From The Radio, The official show of the Big Apple Con, is an hour long syndicated entertainment radio show that focuses on the Independent Writer, Artist and Filmmaker airing each and every Sunday at 6 p.m. EST on WGBB 95.9FM (simulcast on 1240AM), Long Island's oldest radio station.

Once a month (the second Wednesday) at the East Meadow Public Library, we bring a special guest to join in on our news segment and interview portion of the show in front of a live studio audience.





Special Guest, Filmmaker and New Horror streaming service creator, Abracadabra Media, Rob Longo FREE RAFFLE AT EVERY PROGRAM Wednesday, July 9 at 7 p.m. REGISTRATION IS OPEN.





Special Guest, Comic Book Writer and Self-publishers, JD Calderon and Daphne FREE RAFFLE AT EVERY PROGRAM Raffling off a signed copy of their latest book. Wednesday, August 13 at 7 p.m. REGISTRATION WILL OPEN IN AUGUST.

## LECTURES AND WORKSHOPS

Register at www.eastmeadow.info or call us at (516) 794-2570, option 3.



#### SCORE Workshop (Virtual) Online Marketing for Small Business Owners



Wednesday, July 23 at 7 p.m. Registration opens on Wednesday, July 9 at 11 a.m. In this course, you'll learn the critical steps to get your business online, such as how to brand your business, top tips for choosing the right domain name, best practices for building your website and ways to leverage social media for growth.

#### SCORE Workshop (Virtual) Funding your Small Business Wednesday, August 13 at 7 p.m. Registration opens on Wednesday, August 6 at 11 a.m. During this webinar we will identify multiple funding sources for entrepreneurs from start-ups to established



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#### Participants will get:

- A better understanding of SBA loans.
- Grants available for entrepreneurs.
- Alternative Financing Options



#### Gerald Raffa Lecture on 9/11 (In-person)

Monday, August II at 7 p.m. Registration opens on Monday, July 28 at 9:30 a.m.

Join retired Federal Agent Gerald Raffa, a 9/11 survivor and former ATFE Arson and Explosive Squad supervisor, for a gripping lecture. Drawing from his 32-year career, Agent Raffa will connect critical events like the 1993 World Trade Center bombing and the Oklahoma City bombing as "The Prelude to 9-11." He will share his harrowing personal account of surviving the Twin Towers' collapse and reflect on the immense, ongoing ramifications of that day, which continues to impact our nation and global landscape.

## FAMILY FRIENDLY FILMS (In-person)



#### Moana 2

#### Thursday, July 31 at 11 a.m.

After receiving an unexpected call from her wayfinding ancestors, a strong-willed girl journeys with her crew to the far seas of Oceania and into dangerous, long-lost waters for an adventure unlike anything she has ever faced. Rated: PG

**Running Time: I hour 40 Minutes** 



#### Dog Man (2025) Friday, August 22 at I p.m.

When a police officer and his faithful police dog get injured in the line of duty, a harebrained but life-saving surgery fuses the two of them together -- and Dog Man is born. As Dog Man learns to embrace his new identity, he must stop feline supervillain Petey the Cat from cloning himself and going on a crime spree. An Animated Family Film. Rated PG

**Running Time: I Hour 29 Minutes** 

## **CLASSIC FILM DISCUSSION** with Philip Harwood

**The Films of Alfred Hitchcock** 

(In-person)

Register at www.eastmeadow.info or call us at (516) 794-2570, option 3.



#### Rear Window (1954) Thursday, July 10 at 6:30 p.m. REGISTRATION OPEN.

A newspaper photographer with a broken leg passes time recuperating by observing his neighbors through his window. He sees what he believes to be a murder, and decides to solve the crime himself. With the help of his nurse and wife, he tries to catch the murderer without being killed himself. Starring James Stewart and Grace Kelly. Rated: PG

**Running Time: I hour 50 Minutes** 



#### The Man Who knew Too Much (1955) Thursday, August 14 at 6:30 p.m. Registration will open Friday, August 1at 9:30 a.m.

Dr. Ben McKenna (James Stewart) is on vacation with his wife (Doris Day) and son in Morocco when a chance encounter with a stranger sets their trip, and their lives, on a drastically different course. The stranger, killed in front of the family in the marketplace, reveals an assassination plot to the Americans. The couple's son is abducted in order to ensure the plot is kept secret, and suddenly the mother and father, with no help from the police, must figure out a way to get their child back. Rated: PG **Running Time: 2 Hours** 

## **POP CULTURE FILM with Keith Crocker**

Register at www.eastmeadow.info or call us at (516) 794-2570, option 3.

(In-person)



#### Celebrating James Bond - Goldfinger (1964) Friday, August 15 at 1 p.m. REGISTRATION WILL OPEN IN AUGUST.

Special agent 007 (Sean Connery) comes face to face with one of the most notorious villains of all time, and now he must outwit and outgun the powerful tycoon to prevent him from cashing in on a devious scheme to raid Fort Knox -- and obliterate the world's economy. **Rated PG Running Time I hour 50 minutes** 



#### This is Spinal Tap Event Friday, September 12 at 1 p.m. REGISTRATION WILL OPEN IN SEPTEMBER.

"This Is Spinal Tap" (1984) has been credited with launching the mockumentary genre. The film shines a light on the self-contained universe of a metal band struggling to get back on the charts, including everything from its complicated history of ups and downs, gold albums, name changes and undersold concert dates, along with the full host of requisite groupies, promoters, hangers-on and historians, sessions, release events and those special behind-the-scenes moments that keep it all real.

Rated R Running Time I hour 22 minutes

Join us for a afternoon of Spinal Tap Fun, Keith Crocker will be here for a film discussion of this Cult Classic followed by a Trivia Contest. Prizes given for best "This is Spinal Tap" themed costume and to the Trivia contest winner!

#### **INDEPENDENT FILM** with Dylan Skolnick of the Cinema Arts Center (In-person)

Register at www.eastmeadow.info or call us at (516) 794-2570, option 3.



#### Nickel Boys (2024) Monday, July 28 at 6:30 p.m. **REGISTRATION IS OPEN**.

A powerful friendship develops between two young African-American men as they navigate the harrowing trials of reform school together. Based on the Pulitzer Prize winning novel by Colson Whitehead. Nominated for an Oscar and winner of countless awards.

Rated: PG-13 Running Time: 2 Hours 20 Minutes



#### Touch (2024)

Rated: R

Monday, August 25 at 6:30 p.m. REGISTRATION WILL OPEN IN AUGUST.

Over several decades and on different continents, a man embarks on an emotional journey to find his first love who disappeared 50 years ago, before his time runs out. A romantic drama set against the backdrop of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Running Time: 2 Hours | Minute

For R - Rated movies, children under 17 must be accompanied by an adult.

## FRIDAY FEATURE FILMS (In-person)

NO REGISTRATION NEEDED.

Rated: R

For R - Rated movies, children under 17 must be accompanied by an adult.



#### Love Hurts (2025)

Friday, July 11 at 1 p.m. Marvin (Ke Huy Quan) is a Milwaukee realtor who receives a crimson envelope from Rose, a former partner-in-crime whom he left for dead. He now finds himself thrust back into a world of ruthless hit men and double-crosses that turn his open houses into deadly war zones. Hunted by his brother, a volatile crime lord, Marvin must confront the choices that haunt him and the history he never truly buried.

#### **Running Time: I Hour 23 Minutes**



Mickey 17 (2025) Friday, July 18 at 1 p.m. A disposable employee is sent on a human expedition to colonize the ice world Niflheim. After one iteration dies, a new body is regenerated with most of his memories intact. Stars Robert Pattinson. Rated: R **Running Time: 2 Hours 17 Minutes** 



#### The Unbreakable Boy (2025)

Friday, July 25 at 1 p.m. When Scott and Teresa learn that their son, Austin, is autistic and has brittle bone disease, they initially worry about his future. However, with Scott's growing faith and Austin's incredible spirit, they become unbreakable as they find joy, gratitude and courage in the most trying times. Rated: PG **Running Time: I Hour 49 Minutes** 



#### Black Bag (2025)

Friday, August lat l p.m.

When his beloved wife, Kathryn, is suspected of betraying the nation, intelligence agent George Woodhouse faces the ultimate test -- loyalty to his marriage or his country. Stars Cate Blanchett and Michael Fassbender. Rated: R

**Running Time: I Hour 33 Minutes** 



#### Bridget Jones: Mad About the Boy (2025) Friday, August 8 at 1 p.m. After jumping back into the dating pool, single mother Bridget Jones (Renee Zellweger)

finds herself caught between a younger man and her son's science teacher. Rated: R **Running Time: 2 Hours 4 Minutes** 



#### Dog Man (2025)

Friday, August 22 at I p.m. When a police officer and his faithful police dog get injured in the line of duty, a harebrained but life-saving surgery fuses the two of them together -- and Dog Man is born. As Dog Man learns to embrace his new identity, he must stop feline supervillain Petey the Cat from cloning himself and going on a crime spree. An Animated Family Film. Rated PG

**Running Time: I Hour 29 Minutes** 



#### A Minecraft Movie (2025)

Friday, August 29 at 1 p.m. A mysterious portal pulls four misfits into the Overworld, a bizarre, cubic wonderland that thrives on imagination. To get back home, they'll have to master the terrain while embarking on a magical quest with an unexpected crafter named Steve. Starring Jason Momoa and Jack Black. Rated: PG **Running Time: I Hour 41 Minutes** 

## **PUBLIC SERVICE PROGRAMS**

Register at www.eastmeadow.info or call us at (516) 794-2570, option 3.



#### Grief and Loss Support Group Meets every other week, Tuesdays, July 1, 15, 29, August 12, 26 at 1:30 p.m. NO REGISTRATION NECESSARY.

The Grief and Loss Support Group offers a compassionate and safe space for individuals to be able to share their experience of loss, listen to others, and to find mutual support.

Alcoholics Anonymous Every Tuesday and Thursday 8 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous is a global, peer-led mutual-aid fellowship focused on an abstinence-based recovery model from alcoholism through its spiritually inclined twelve-step program. ALL ARE WELCOME.

#### COMHPS Counselor Every 2nd & 4th Tuesday 4 p.m. - 7 p.m. July 8, 22, & August 12, 26 NO APPOINTMENTS NECESSARY AT THIS TIME.

A representative from the CEC Health Care Community Mental Health Wellness and Support team will be at the library to assist community members in identifying and connecting with needed resources. Additionally, assistance filling out forms for programs such as Medicaid, Snap, and Social Security is available.

Property Tax Exemptions Help Wednesday, July 16 at 12-2 p.m. No Registration Necessary, first come first served for one-on-one assistance for residents submitting their applications.

The Nassau County Department of Assessment will be here with HELP (Homeowner Exemption Liaison Program) to educate residents about property tax exemptions and assist them in filing their applications. Tom McKevitt and NYBC Blood Drive Thursday, July 17 Ip.m. -7p.m. Every donor will receive a voucher for 2 FREE NY Mets tickets

Scan the QR code to schedule an appointment: or call I 800-933-BLOOD.

For more information, please contact Tom McKevitt's office 516-571-6213.



#### Alzheimer's Support Group Every Tuesday at 10 a.m. NO REGISTRATION NEEDED.

If you, your friends, and family are confronted with the pain and difficulties of Alzheimer's, we invite you to attend the Alzheimer's Support Group.

Register at www.eastmeadow.info or call us at (516) 794-2570, option 3.



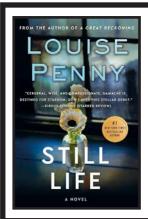


## It's not too late to join the Adult Summer Reading Club.

Complete it by submitting two reviews and be invited to the End of Summer Party featuring authors Ellen Meister and Ellen Marie Wiseman.

Sign up at https://emlibny10.readsquared.com/ or at the Reference Desk.

### **IT'S A MYSTERY BOOK CLUB**



#### Still Life by Louise Penny Monday, July 7 at 7 p.m. Registration starts Monday, June 23 at 9:30 a.m.

Chief Inspector Armand Gamache of the Surêté du Québec and his team of investigators are called in to the scene of a suspicious death in a rural village south of Montreal. Jane Neal, a local fixture in the tiny hamlet of Three Pines, just north of the U.S. border, has been found dead in the woods. The locals are certain it's a tragic hunting accident and nothing more, but Gamache smells something foul in these remote woods, and is soon certain that Jane Neal died at the hands of someone much more sinister than a careless bowhunter.

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### **AUTHOR EVENT**

Jennifer Safrey & Carol Hoenig Monday, July 14 at 7 p.m. Registration opens Monday, June 23 at 9:30 a.m. Join us as Carol Hoenig and Jennifer Safrey as they discuss their books and the publishing industry.

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Jennifer Safrey lives in the Boston area with her novelist husband, Teddy, and their two cats, Kimura and Potus. She's a longtime freelance editor, as well as an adjunct professor at Emerson College, where she teaches a graduate course on romance novels. She grew up on Long Island. AFTER HAPPILY EVER is her seventh novel.





In addition to her latest novel, Before She Was a Finley, Carol Hoenig is also the author of Without Grace, Of Little Faith and The Author's Guide to Planning Book Events. She is President of Carol Hoenig Publishing Consultant, co-owner of On the Road Book Events and co-podcaster on Wildflowers Podcast: Books, Booze and Banter.



Nature Journaling with James Sisti (Adults Only)

Wednesday, July 23 at 6:30 p.m. Registration starts Tuesday, July 1 at 9:30 a.m.

James Sisti is the author of A Field Guide to Nature Journaling. He is a gifted artist that wants to share his love of nature with others as he guides you artistically step by step. Learn the skills of observation and capturing the beauty of nature into your own artwork. **All materials provided.**  DOYOU DARE TO ENTER THE ESCAPE ROOM? EMPL Escape Room Experience Heist at the Museum Monday, July 28 at 7 p.m. Registration starts Tuesday, July 1 at 9:30 a.m. Test your wits as you plan a heist at the art museum.



#### **READ 'N SHARE**

**Read a good book this summer?** Talk about it with other book lovers!

(Virtual Program)

Monday, August 4 at 7 p.m

**Registration starts Monday, July 14 at 9:30 a.m.** The Zoom link will be sent to all who have registered the morning of the event.



#### NOT A PART OF THE CHALLENGE?

You can still join.Visit our webpage https://eastmeadow.info/books-reading/reader-services/ to sign up online or register at the Reference Desk.

July: Read a book that was made into a TV show or movie

#### SOME SUGGESTIONS:

Mickey7 by Edward Ashton A Man Called Ove by Fredrik Backman Lessons in Chemistry by Bonnie Garmus Conclave by Robert Harris The Perfect Couple by Elin Hilderbrand Shift by Hugh Howey Small Things Like These by Claire Keegan Daisy Jones & the Six by Taylor Jenkins Reid American Prometheus: The Triumph and Tragedy of J. Robert Oppenheimer by Kai Bird and Martin J. Sherwin The Cabin at the End of the World by Paul Tremblay The Nickel Boys by Colson Whitehead



#### AUGUST: READ A BOOK FROM THE ADULT SUMMER READING CLUB BIBLIOGRAPHY



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Color Our World	Silver Haired Sleuths					
<b>Keeper of Lost Art</b> by Laura Morelli- <b>In a Tuscan</b> villa, a girl's family takes on the responsibility of hiding hundreds of priceless masterpieces.	Murder by Cheesecake by Rachel Ekstrom Courage- When Dorothy's date is found dead in a hotel freezer, The Golden Girls investigate.					
<b>My Friends</b> by Fredrik Backman-An aspiring artist tries to find the story behind 3 tiny figures sitting on a long pier in the corner of a famous painting.	<b>Detective Aunty</b> by Uzma Jalaluddin-When her grown daughter is suspected of murder, a widow digs into the case to unmask the real killer.					
<b>The Red House</b> by Mary Morris-30 years after her mother's disappearance, a woman returns to Italy to unravel secrets hidden in her paintings.	The Margaret Code by Richard Hooton -A grandmother with a failing memory teams up with her grandson to solve the murder of her neighbor.					
<b>Saving Vincent</b> by Joan Fernandez-Jo van Gogh battles the male-dominated art elite to save her genius brother-in-law, Vincent, from obscurity.	We Solve Murders by Richard Osman - An investigator comes out of retirement to help his daughter-in-law, a security agent, solve a murder.					
Out of the Blue	Yellow Brick Road					
Black Woods, Blue Sky by Eowyn Ivey-A single mother in Alaska finds love with a reclusive man, but she uncovers that he has a dark secret.	The Atlas of Untold Stories by Sara Brunsvold- Two sisters and their mother, all with secrets, set off on the literary road trip of a lifetime.					
<b>Cat's People</b> by Tanya Guerrero -When a stray cat suddenly falls ill, five New York strangers find themselves forming meaningful connections.	The Bones Beneath My Skin by TJ Klune-A special young girl and her two unlikely protectors are on the run from cultists and the government.					
The Grimoire Grammar School Parent Teacher Association by Caitlin Rozakis-Parents are thrust into a new world when a child becomes a werewolf.	The Road to Tender Hearts by Annie Hartnett-A man takes a motley crew to go on a cross-country mission to reunite with his high school crush.					
The Strange Case of Jane O by Karen Thompson Walker-A new mother unexpectedly experiences amnesia, hallucinations and premonitions.	Run for the Hills by Kevin Wilson-Two half siblings go on a crazy road trip to find their other half siblings and eventually their shared father.					
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The Business Trip by Jessie Garcia-Two women who meet on a flight start sending the texts about the same man and then they both disappear.	The Memory Collectors by Dete Meserve-Four strangers time travel to the past and are stuck on the day that all their lives were changed.					
<b>Count My Lies</b> by Sophie Stava-A woman who lies constantly ends up as a nanny for a wealthy family, but all is not as perfect as it first seems.	The Names by Florence Knapp-What's in a name? Three alternative versions of a mother and son's lives shaped by her choice of his name.					
The Ghostwriter by Julie Clark-The only child of a legendary horror author (and possible murderer) agrees to ghostwrite her father's last book.	The Quiet Librarian by Allen Eskens-A Bosnian woman whose life was altered by a horrific act, now lives an ordinary life until her friend is murdered.					
<b>Wild Dark Shore</b> by Charlotte McConaghy-A family on a remote island rescues a mysterious woman washed ashore as a fierce storm threatens.	Wedding People by Alison Espach-A woman planning to kill herself ends up as an unexpected guest at a wedding and finds the will to live again.					
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#### Summer Reading 2025

#### Rainbow Connection

Accidentally on Purpose by Kristen Kish–A Top Chef winner tells of her childhood as a Korean adoptee, her coming out and her career.

**Atmosphere** by Taylor Jenkins Reid–In 1980, a scientist is selected to become a member of the Space Shuttle program and finds unexpected love.

The Lilac People by Milo Todd-In 1932, a trans man must survive first the Nazis and then the Allies while protecting the ones he loves.

**Mothers and Sons** by Adam Haslett- A workaholic immigration lawyer faces his past after he takes on the asylum case of a young gay man.

#### **Orange You Glad**

**Colored Television** by Kira Jane Buxton-A woman housesitting with her family hopes to finish her novel, but plans go awry when Hollywood calls.

I See You've Called in Dead by John Kenney-An obituary writer who is afraid to live is declared dead by his job which changes his world view.

**Joyride** by Ellen Meister-An idealistic young woman shares her joy with her Uber clients, her cranky father, and a Wall Street hotshot.

**Tartufo** by Kira Jane Buxton -Outside a dying Italian village, filled with colorful locals, a giant truffle is found which may be a gift or a curse.

#### **Rose Colored Glasses**

Austen at Sea by Natalie Jenner-Two pairs of siblings, who are devotees of Jane Austen, find their lives transformed by a visit to England.

The Book Club for Troublesome Women by Marie Bostwick-Dissatisfied 60s housewives form a book club that is a ballast in a changing world.

The Martha's Vineyard Beach and Book Club by Martha Hall Kelly-A grieving woman uncovers family secrets during a visit to Martha's Vineyard.

The Story She Left Behind by Patti Callahan-The story of a legendary book, a lost mother, and a daughter's search for them both.

#### The Grass is Greener

**Frankie** by Graham Norton- A women tells her young caretaker about her long life which took her from post-war Ireland to the art scene of 1960s NY.

**Good Dirt** by Charmaine Wilkerson - A woman, left at the altar, flees to France, but her past follows her there and she must face a childhood tragedy.

**Homeseeking** by Karissa Chen- In a market in LA, a man encounters his first love whom he last saw in 1947 Shanghai when he left to save his sister.

What Will People Think? by Sara Hamdan-Hiding her comedy career from her Palestinian-American family, a woman unearths a family scandal.

#### **Royal Purple**

After Happily Ever by Jen Safrey-In midlife, three fairytale princesses find that life is not as perfect as they imagined and are thrust into personal quests.

**Happy Land** by Dolen Perkins-Valdez-In the hills of Appalachia there was a land ruled by a king and queen. Now their descendants must save that land.

**Pretender** by Jo Harkin-Based on a true story. A boy raised in obscurity as a peasant to protect his safety may be the heir to **Richard III** 's throne.

**The Stolen Queen** by Fiona Davis- In 1978, a valuable Egyptian artifact disappears and a curator embarks on a search that takes her to Egypt.

#### **True Colors**

The Book of Alchemy by Suleika Jaouad-Explores journaling and creativity, including ideas from one hundred writers, artists and thinkers.

**The Devil at His Elbow** by Valerie Bauerlein-A reporter tells the story of Alex Murdaugh, a South Carolina lawyer who murdered his wife and son.

The Novel Life of Jane Austen by Janine Barchas & Isabel Greenberg -A graphic biography of one of the world's most beloved literary icons.

**Ocean** by David Attenborough & Colin Butfield-**Takes** readers on an adventurous voyage through eight unique ocean habitats. For more information, and full Children's Newsletter, please call us at 516-794-2570, option 4 or go to Children's Room. Go to <u>www.eastmeadow.info</u> to view and register for programs using the Events Calendar.

Registration for all children's programs begins at 9:30 AM on the date listed.



Get ready to add some color to your summer! The **2025 Summer Reading Program: Color Our World** kicks off on **Monday, June 30** and runs through **Monday, August 18.** Sign up in person in the children's room to get your summer reading folder. Track your reading all summer to earn prizes and raffle tickets!



Join us for **Library Mini Golf**, where the lower level of the library will be transformed into a mini golf course! Families with children ages 3 and older can enjoy this exciting, interactive mini golf course. Schedule your tee time and enjoy some quality family fun! Register as a family for one session.

Register for one time slot between 4 and 8 PM. Registration will begin on Thursday, June 26.

#### **Early Childhood Programs**

Play Hooray- Birth to not yet in K

Sing and play with nursery rhymes, a book and lots of love from Molly Mouse!

Monday, July 7 @ 10 AM and 11 AM And Saturday, July 19 @ 10 AM Register for only one of these 3 sessions Registration will begin on Monday, June 23.

## Tuesday, July 8 @ 10 AM and 11 AM

#### Drama With Your Mama- Ages 2- not yet in K

Drama with your Mama is a musical theater class that focuses on building confidence, identifying and demonstrating emotions, enhancing communication skills, all while having fun through song, dance and theater games. Each class features live music on keyboard, story time, props, costumes, instruments, parachute play and more! Register for one session. **Registration will begin on Tuesday, June 24.** 

Friday, July 11 @ 10 AM Pre-School Storytime- Ages 3- not yet in K Join us for some stories, songs, and a fun craft! Registration will begin on Friday, June 27.



#### All Programs are for Grades 6-12 Unless Noted. For more information, and full Young Adults Newsletter, please call us at 516-794-2570, option 5 or go to Young Adults Room.

Go to <u>www.eastmeadow.info</u> to view programming under the Events Calendar on the Library's home page. You may also register for programs using the Events Calendar.



Tuesday, July 8 from 1 PM – 4 PM Summer Reading Kickoff Event feat.Video Game Truck! – Grades 6-12 Kick off summer reading in style with our epic launch event featuring a video game truck, giant Jenga, axe throwing, cornhole, and more! Come celebrate the start of summer with friends, snacks, and activities you won't want to miss!

## **BITS & PIECES**

The Library Board will meet Wednesday, July 2 at 7p.m. and Wednesday, August 6 at 7 p.m., THE PUBLIC IS WELCOME

#### LIBRARY HOURS 2025:

Friday, July 4, Library closed for Independence Day ... Saturday-Sunday, July 5-6, Independence Day Weekend ... Saturday-Sunday, August 30-31, Labor Day Weekend and Monday, September 1, Library closed for Labor Day ... Saturday Summer Hours 9 - 1 p.m. ... Closed Sundays ... Sunday hours will resume October 5.

## **TECH HELP**

If you need assistance with a particular electronic device you may own (cell phone, reader, laptop, etc.), come visit our Tech Help Experts on Tuesdays & Thursdays between 2 - 4 p.m. (up to half hour of help per person) in the Main Lobby. Feel free to drop in with your tech questions, NO APPOINTMENT NECESSARY.



## **MOBILE CHECKOUT**

You can now use your smartphone to borrow library materials right from the stacks! Just search your app store for 'meescan' and install the app from Meescan Inc. Once inside the library, open the app, tap Start, enter or scan your card number, enter your PIN, and follow the on-screen instructions to check out items. **On your way out, place your items on the deactivation pad (It is located by the New Books) and click Finish. A checkout receipt will be emailed to you.** 



## NEW E-RESOURCES



SCAN QR CODE for all our electronic resources:









These new resources are available starting 7/1/25 with your East Meadow Library Card, Call the Reference desk for more info. 516-794-2570 option 2.

#### Automatic Renewal!

Items that are eligible can be automatically renewed three days prior of their due date. When an automatic renewal is completed, an email notice is sent to patrons with an email address on file, citing the new due date. Many items are eligible for up to two renewals, but certain high demand or specialty items may not be eligible for auto-renewal. To see the most current due dates for any item, simply log into your account.



## **DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSES:**

Registration forms are available on pg. 21 or at the Public Relations Office.

#### **DEFENSIVE DRIVING FOR ALL AGES**

You must have a current NYS Driver's License to take this insurance reduction class. Fee is \$40 (\$35 for 62+) for any of the following one-day classes: Fridays, July 18 or August 22 at 9:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. or Saturday, September 20, 2025 at 10 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Registration is mail-in to the instructor only. Information and registration forms available at the Library.

Instructor: Steve Borman (Driver Education Consultants)

For information on the American Safety Council's Online Defensive Driving class, go to www.NewYorkSafetyCouncil.com.



## DRIVER EDUCATION CONSULTANTS **Defensive Driving Courses**



The Defensive Driving Course is for licensed drivers of all ages. This class is more readily available than the AARP class, and will give you the same insurance reduction. All drivers are eligible regardless of violation or accident record including assigned risks, persons under 25, senior citizens, commercial vehicle and motorcycle operators. The main focus of this class is to:

1) SAVE LIVES, 2) REDUCE INJURY, 3) MAKE YOU A BETTER DRIVER. Classes will be held at the East Meadow Public Library. Fees includes all course material and DMV certification. Class size will be limited. Current CDC guidelines will be followed. All registration forms and checks are to be sent directly to the course instructor, as described below:

OPEN TO ALL LICENSED DRIVERS Fee: \$40 (\$35 for Seniors 62 and older) INSTRUCTOR: Steve Borman Please check the one-day course for which you are registering				
<ul> <li>Friday, July 18, 2025 at 9:30 a.m 4 p.m.</li> <li>Friday, August 22, 2025 at 9:30 a.m 4 p.m.</li> </ul>				
Saturday, September 20, 2025 at 10 a.m 4:30 p.m. If registering by mail, checks should be made payable to <i>Martin Hirschfield</i> & mailed with the bottom part of this form to: DRIVER ED, Dept. EM P.O. Box 314 Lake Grove, N.Y. 11755				
YOU MAY ALSO REGISTER BY EMAIL: mzhirschfield@aol.com, OR BY PHONE: (631) 360-9720 PLEASE NOTE: Checks will not be cashed until the course is given.				

#### THE POINT REDUCTION

In addition to the insurance document, those drivers who have incurred violation points on their driver record during the 18 month period prior to course completion will automatically receive **a maximum of FOUR points reduced from the total accumulation on their driver record.** The point reduction could help you to avoid a license suspension! It will not, however, cancel a mandatory suspension or revocation, e.g. 3 speeding convictions within 18 months; nor will it cancel any action which is already being taken against a motorist's driving privileges.

#### THE DISCOUNT

N.Y. State licensed drivers who have completed the Point Insurance & Reduction Program are eligible for an additional 10% insurance reduction off their collision AS WELL as their liability and no-fault insurance for a three-year-period.

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# **JULY** Adult Programming Please see the Newsletter for more information. Young Adult & Children's programming information can be found in their respective departments. v=virtual/h=hybrid

## SNEADOW PUBLIC LIBRARY **Weekly Recurring Events:**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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13	14 1pm Knitting for Beginners pg 5 7pm Author Event pg 13	15 1:30 pm Grief & Loss pg 11 7pm Memoir Writing pg 4	16 12pm Property Tax Help pg 11	17 10:30 (v) Current Events pg 3 1-7pm Blood Drive pg 11 7 pm Stress Management pg 2	18 9:30-4pm Defensive Driving pg 21 1pm Film: <i>Mickey 17 pg 10</i>	19 9-1pm
20	21 12:30 Senior Discussion II pg 3 1pm Knitting for Beginners pg 5 7pm Surviving Tough Times pg 2	22 12:30 LI Writers' Guild pg 4 4-7pm COMHPS Counselor pg 11	23 6:30 Drawing Nature pg 13 7pm (v) Marketin, your Small Busines	<b>24</b> 1pm James Coll: <i>The Undemocratic</i> <i>Constitution? pg 3</i>	25 11am Art Reception ACLD pg 6 1pm Film: The Unbreakable Boy pg 10 2 pm Stress Management pg 2	26 9-1pm
24	28 1pm Laughs at the Library pg 3 1pm Knit/Beg p.5 6:30pm Independent Film : <i>The Nickel Boys</i> <i>p.9</i> 7pm Escape Room pg 13	29 1:30 pm Grief & Loss pg 11	30 6:30 pm Terrarium Craft pg 5	31 11am Family Film: Moana 2 pg 8 4 pm Stress Management pg 2		X

# AUGUST Adult Programming EVENTS REAL Please see the Newsletter for more information. Young Adult & Children's programming information can be found in their respective departments.

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17	18 12:30 Senior Discussion II pg 3 7pm Readers Services pg 12	19 7pm (v) No yoga 7pm Memoir Writing pg 4	<b>20</b> 1pm James Coll : <i>The Supreme</i> <i>Court pg 3</i> 6:00pm Ceramic Painting pg 6	21 10:30 (v) Current Events 6pm Family Concert: Brady Rymer & the Little Band that Could pg 6	22 9:30am Defensive Driving pg 19 1 pm Family Film: Dog Man pg 8	23 9-1pm
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#### THURSDAY, AUGUST 21. 2025 E: 6 P.M a EAST-MEADOW-PUBLIC-LIBRARY EMLIBRARY 0

Registration will begin on Thursday, August 7 at 9:30 a.m.

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