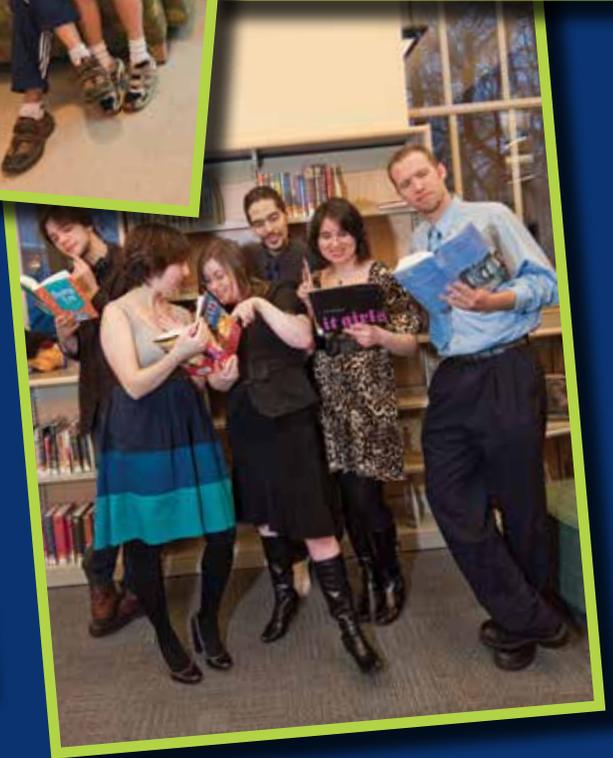
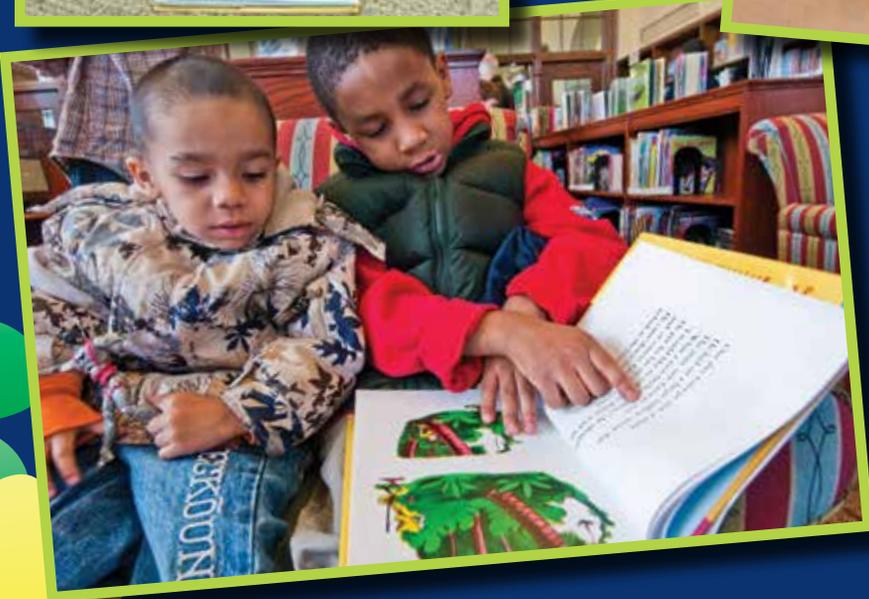




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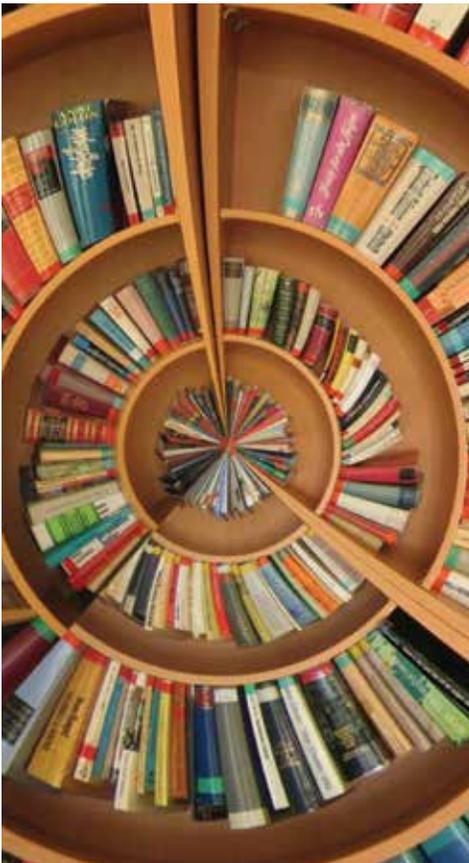
### MEET WITH THE DIRECTOR

Scott Jarzombek, APL executive director, holds office hours at APL branches and invites patrons to discuss their thoughts about the library with him. Appointments are strongly suggested and can be made by emailing [jarzombeks@albanypubliclibrary.org](mailto:jarzombeks@albanypubliclibrary.org) or calling (518) 427-4379.

- 🕒 March 1 (Thurs) | Howe Branch
- 🕒 March 8 (Thurs) | Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch
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Select Thursdays & Branches at 12:00-5:30 pm

## SPRING INTO READING



### PRESCHOOLERS

Our youngest readers – those under age 5 – can join the Raising a Reader program. Parents and caregivers read to children and receive books to keep in their home libraries. If you're interested in learning more, make plans to attend the Raising a Reader Baby Shower on April 22. (See page 12 for details.)

### KIDS & TEENS

Elementary, middle, and high schoolers can tap into their musical talent and turn books into beats during a special program series March 4-10. All seven branches are hosting Books 2 Beats where participants make beats and add music to the melodic text from rhyming books. The finished songs will be posted on the library's YouTube page. (See page 10 for details.)

### ADULTS

Book clubs are a popular mainstay of any library, and APL has several to offer patrons. The Bach Branch hosts fiction and nonfiction book groups with assigned titles each month. You can also visit Bach to share your own Best Book finds with other readers on March 22. The Delaware Branch hosts a monthly mystery novel book group, The No. 331 Delaware Detectives Book Club, and the Book & A Movie Club where participants discuss a popular book and then watch the movie version of the tome. The Friends of APL host book reviews and author talks every Tuesday at 12:15 pm at the Washington Ave. Branch. And, we periodically host special author readings and discussions, like the *Behind the Smile: 15 Women Who Survived the Storm* program on March 26 at the Howe Branch. (See page 5 for details.)

### SENIORS

We have a great resource for homebound seniors who love to read – Library Links. Our librarians pull and package requested books, and volunteers deliver them to the seniors at home. A regular delivery schedule is set up so the seniors have an endless supply of books to read. If you, or a loved one, is 60-years-old or older and temporarily or permanently homebound, call your favorite branch to arrange for a Library Links book delivery.

## SCHEDULE NOTES

**Apr. 1 (Sun)**  
CLOSED for Easter

**Apr. 19 (Thurs)**  
CLOSED on Staff Development Day

### APL PROGRAM GUIDE

This program guide highlights many of the events and activities taking place at all Albany Public Library locations around the city. **All library programs are free and open to the public, unless otherwise noted.**

**Programs are subject to change.** If you want more information about a specific event, please call the host library or check our online calendar at [www.albanypubliclibrary.org](http://www.albanypubliclibrary.org)

# ALBANY MADE CREATIVE LAB

## Albany Made Creative Lab

This space for makers is full of equipment and technology, including:

- 3D printer and scanner
- Video and music editing equipment
- Sewing machine and fiber arts materials
- Hand tools and bike repair kit
- Graphics software and computer
- Color printer and digital camera

Stop by one of our open labs and make something! For more information, please call (518) 427-4349 or email [albanymade@albanypubliclibrary.org](mailto:albanymade@albanypubliclibrary.org). For ages 18+.

- Every Tuesday at 4:00-7:00 pm
- Every Thursday at 2:00-5:00 pm
- 1st & 3rd Saturdays at 1:00-4:00 pm

Washington Ave. Branch | 1st Floor, Albany Made Creative Lab

## Gamercraft Open Gaming Lab

Whether you're into Magic: The Gathering, Pokemon cards, board games, or video games, there's a game for you in the Albany Made Creative Lab. Visit us for open gaming, and learn how to create your own miniatures, dice, and other gaming accessories. Cards, games, and supplies provided by the library. For adults.

March 3 (Sat) at 1:00-4:00 pm

Washington Ave. Branch | 1st Floor, Albany Made Creative Lab



## 3D Printing Class

Curious about 3D printing technology? Looking for a place to make your designs into reality? Come to the Albany Made Creative Lab for a 3D printing tutorial and learn about free 3D design programs available at the library and online. Please register at (518) 427-4303. For adults.

March 7 and April 4 (Wed) at 5:30-6:30 pm

March 20 and April 17 (Tues) at 3:00-4:00 pm

Washington Ave. Branch | 1st Floor, Albany Made Creative Lab

## Crochet Workshop

Join our local crochet expert and learn basic stitches, patterns, and techniques. All supplies provided. For adults.

March 13 (Tues) at 5:00-7:00 pm

Washington Ave. Branch | 1st Floor, Albany Made Creative Lab

## Poetry Workshop

Celebrate National Poetry Month by practicing with the experts. Go through guided activities and unleash your inner poet! For adults.

April 11 (Wed) at 5:00-7:00 pm

Washington Ave. Branch | 1st Floor, Albany Made Creative Lab

## Spring Printing

Discover your artistic side while taking part in a relaxing spring painting class. Our guide will lead us in our creative adventure, and the library will provide all supplies. For adults.

April 16 (Mon) at 5:00-7:00 pm

Washington Ave. Branch | 1st Floor, Albany Made Creative Lab

# ART & EXPRESSION

## Art Exhibition

View the artwork in "Interwoven," the latest art exhibition featured at our Pine Hills Branch. For all ages.

Through March 24 during regular hours

Pine Hills Branch

## With Pen in Hand: Writing Your Story

Learn how to express yourself clearly and imaginatively, share your work, and respond to the stories of others. Paul Lamar, South End writer and retired college professor, leads this popular series. Attend any or all sessions. For adults.

Every Monday at 1:30-3:00 pm

Howe Branch

## Stitch Therapy

This fiber arts group provides a place for knitters, crocheters, cross-stitchers, and all variety of stitchers in between to bring their current projects to work on and enjoy conversations. For adults.

Every Friday at 1:00-3:00 pm

Delaware Branch

## Knitting Group

Join other knitters, bring your own project, share tips, and help your fellow fiber artists. For adults.

March 1 and April 5 (Thurs) at 6:00-7:30 pm

March 20 and April 17 (Tues) at 6:00-7:30 pm

Bach Branch



## Saturday Art Group

Adults of all artistic skill levels are welcome to meet, learn, and make their own art in this volunteer-run art group. Basic supplies are provided, but participants are encouraged to bring their own. Please register for the session you'd like to attend by calling (518) 482-7911 x230. For adults.

March 3, 10, 17, 31 (Sat) at 2:00-4:30 pm

April 7, 14, 28 (Sat) at 2:00-4:30 pm

Pine Hills Branch

## Adult Coloring

We'll explore the relaxing benefits of coloring for adults. Bring your own markers and pencils, or use our supplies. We'll also have coloring sheets for you. No drawing skills necessary. For adults.

March 4, 11, 21, 28 (Thurs) at 4:00-6:00 pm

April 5, 12, 26 (Thurs) at 4:00-6:00 pm

Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch

## Art Class

Join us for a class taught by artist Dana Sela. For all experience levels. Please register by calling (518) 482-7911 x230. For adults.

March 5 (Mon) at 6:00-7:00 pm

Pine Hills Branch



## ART & EXPRESSION

### Flash Fiction Writing Series

Paul Lamar, South End writer and retired college professor, leads this popular series of writing workshops. Learn how to express yourself clearly and imaginatively, share your work, and respond to stories of others. Attend any or all sessions. Please register by calling (518) 482-2154. For adults.

**March 6, 13, 20, 27 (Tues) at 1:00-3:00 pm**  
Bach Branch

### Sew! What?

Visit our sewing lab to complete small projects, repair clothing, or make something old new again. Bring your sewing machine or use one of ours. Instructors are available to help guide you through your project. Please register by calling (518) 472-9485. For adults.

**March 14, 28 (Wed) at 6:00-7:30 pm**

**April 11, 25 (Wed) at 6:00-7:30 pm**

Howe Branch

### Craft Night: Spa Days!

Get ready for spring by crafting your own easy-to-make bath salts and sugar scrubs to take home for yourself, or give to someone special. All supplies provided. Please register by calling (518) 482-7911 x2. For adults.

**March 19 (Mon) at 6:30-7:30 pm**

Pine Hills Branch



### Art Monday

Learn the basics of drawing, painting, and sculpture in this four-week course with local artist Sarah Haze of Round Designs. Please register at (518) 694-0596. For teens and adults.

**March 20, 27 (Tues) at 6:00-8:00 pm**

**April 3, 10 (Tues) at 6:00-8:00 pm**

Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch

### Poetry Creation Station

Celebrate National History Month by visiting our Poetry Creation Station and write your own poem. You can take the poem home, or leave it at the library to be displayed. For all ages.

**April 2-30 at 12:00-6:00 pm**

Delaware Branch

### Beaded Jewelry Workshop

Learn how to make beautiful beaded jewelry from resident artist Danielle. Class size is limited, so please call (518) 463-0254 x223 to reserve a spot. For adults.

**April 5 (Thurs) at 6:15-7:45 pm**

Delaware Branch

## TUTORING & EDUCATIONAL CLASSES

### Homework Help for Kids & Teens

Tutors from the Albany College of Pharmacy & Health Sciences Family Literacy Program and students from the Albany Medical College are available after school to tutor youngsters. Appointments are required for these 30-minute sessions. Please call your favorite branch for details and availability. For school-age children and teens.

**Ongoing during school year**

Various APL Branches

### High School Equivalency Test Prep Class

This BOCES program is free and features instruction by a certified teacher in the five areas of study for the HSE exam. Please call BOCES at (518) 862-4707 to register. For adults.

- **Every Monday and Wednesday at 10:00 am-2:00 pm | Washington Ave. Branch | 2nd Floor, Community Room**
- **Every Monday and Wednesday at 12:00-3:00 pm | Pine Hills Branch**
- **Every Tuesday and Thursday at 12:30-3:30 pm | Howe Branch**

### Adult Basic Education Class

This free class is for people who need to develop the skills needed to advance into the High School Equivalency Test Prep Class. For more information and to register, please call BOCES at (518) 862-4707.

For adults.

**Every Monday and Wednesday at 2:00-5:00 pm**

Washington Ave. Branch | 2nd Floor, Community Room

### ESL: Beginner Class

This class for beginners focuses on developing students' competency in the basic skill areas of listening, speaking, reading, and writing. Vocabulary and grammar will focus on practical language designed to help students effectively navigate everyday situations. Please register by calling Literacy New York Greater Capital Region at (518) 631-2926. For adults.

**Every Monday and Wednesday at 12:00-2:00 pm**

Pine Hills Branch

### ESL: Intermediate Class

This free intermediate-level English as a Second Language class focuses on developing students' competency in the basic skills areas of listening, speaking, reading, and writing. Vocabulary and grammar will focus on practical language designed to help students effectively navigate everyday situations. Please register by calling BOCES at (518) 862-4707. For adults.

- **Every Monday and Wednesday at 9:00 am-12:00 pm | Pine Hills Branch**
- **Every Tuesday and Thursday (not April 19) at 9:00 am-12:00 pm | Delaware Branch**

### English Spoken Here: Conversation Class

Practice your English conversation skills in this drop-in English for speakers of other languages. The drop-in program is led by trained literacy volunteers. For more information, please call the branch at (518) 463-0254 x223. For adults.

**Every Tuesday at 1:30-3:00 pm**

Delaware Branch

# BOOK GROUPS & LITERATURE DISCUSSIONS

## Bach Fiction Book Discussion Group

Pick up your copy of the chosen fiction title at the book group or the Bach reference desk. For adults.

- ➔ **March 6 | *Murder on the Orient Express* by Agatha Christie**
- ➔ **April 3 | Celebrate National Humor Month with *A Confederacy of Dunces* by John Kennedy Toole**

Select Tuesdays at 2:00-3:00 pm

Bach Branch



## The No. 331 Delaware Detectives Book Club

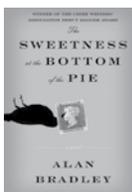
Welcome to our mystery book club! Copies of the book will be available at the Delaware reference desk. Read the book on your own and then join us for a lively discussion. Books are selected by group members at the conclusion of each meeting. Please call (518) 463-0254 x223 for more information.

For adults.

- ➔ **March 14 | *A Good Day to Pie* by Carol Culver**
- ➔ **April 11 | *The Sweetness at the Bottom of the Pie* by Alan Bradley**

Select Wednesdays at 2:00-3:00 pm

Delaware Branch



## Behind the Smile Author Reading & Discussion

Hear local authors read excerpts from *Behind the Smile: 15 Women Who Survived the Storm*, an inspiring book spotlighting the unique challenges of triumphant women. Meet the women behind the stories of living with HIV, surviving breast cancer, and healing from sexual assault. You'll have an opportunity to ask questions and share your own experiences, too. Refreshments will be served. For adults.

March 26 (Mon) at 6:00-8:00 pm

Howe Branch

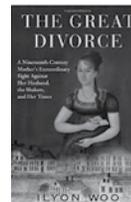


## Bach Nonfiction Book Discussion Group

In honor of Women's History Month, we'll discuss *The Great Divorce* by Ilyon Woo. Pick up your copy at the Bach reference desk. For adults.

March 15 (Thurs) at 6:00-7:00 pm

Bach Branch



## Bach's Best Books

Bring your favorite book, or one that you want to recommend to others. Everyone will have a chance to talk about their book, or you can just listen to others. Each recommended book, with a short description, will be posted on a board in the branch for our patrons to read. For more information, please call (518) 482-2154.

For adults.

March 22 (Thurs) at 6:00-7:30 pm

Bach Branch

## North Albany Book Club

Join us for a great discussion about a thought-provoking book. Please call the branch at (518) 463-1581 for the next book title. For adults.

March 28 (Wed) at 6:00-7:30 pm

April 25 (Wed) at 6:00-7:30 pm

North Albany Branch

## Movie and a Book Club

We'll return to the Delaware Branch for a free viewing of "Murder on the Orient Express," with an all-star cast including Kenneth Branagh, Penelope Cruz, and Judi Dench. The movie will be preceded by a short discussion about the classic mystery novel by Agatha Christie. Popcorn and a drink will be provided during the movie. Copies of the book can be picked up at the circulation desks of all APL branches starting March 10. Please register by calling (518) 463-0254 x223. For adults.

April 11 (Wed) at 6:30-9:00 pm

Delaware Branch



# COMPUTERS & TECHNOLOGY

## One-on-One Computer Help

Learn the basics of computers or ask questions in a one-on-one setting. Get assistance with resumes, internet skills, mobile devices, Microsoft Office programs, and more. Call the appropriate branch to schedule a one-on-one session. For adults.

- ➔ **Every Monday at 1:00-3:00 pm | Delaware Branch | Call 463-0254 for appointment**
- ➔ **Every Wednesday at 1:00-3:00 pm | Pine Hills Branch | Call (518) 482-7911 x230 for appointment**
- ➔ **Every Wednesday at 1:00-3:00 pm | Howe Branch | Call (518) 472-9485 for appointment**

## Computer Club

Get one-on-one help with tablets, laptops, smartphones, and eReaders. Come with your problems and questions, or join us to share your knowledge. Be sure to bring your charged devices, as well as usernames and passwords. Co-sponsored by NNORC (Neighborhood Naturally Occurring Retirement Community). For adults.

March 5, 19 (Mon) at 12:00-1:00 pm

April 9, 23 (Mon) at 12:00-1:00 pm

Bach Branch



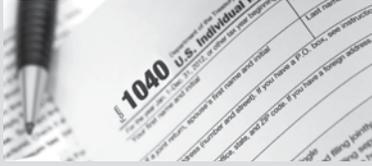
## Get Help with eBooks, Devices & More

Bring your mobile device, tablet, laptop, or eReader and get help downloading eBooks and eMagazines from the library. We can also help you download our free mobile app. You'll need an email address and valid library card to download books and magazines. Appointments are required.

Flexible Dates & Times | Call (518) 427-4303 for appointment

Washington Ave. Branch

# CAREERS & FINANCE



## Free Income Tax Assistance

- The library hosts free federal income tax preparation services at two branches in February, March, and April.
- Assistance will be available at the Delaware and Washington Ave. branches.
- Please call the United Way 2-1-1 hotline to make an appointment.

## Resume Workshop

Want help creating or polishing your resume? Looking for a job, but unsure of how to apply on the computer? We can help! Drop by and meet with a librarian to get assistance with your job search and career skills, or call (518) 463-0254 x223 to make an appointment. For adults. **Every Thursday (not April 19) at 12:30-2:00 pm | By appointment Other Dates & Times | By appointment Delaware Branch**

## Work for Yourself @ 50+

Have you ever dreamed of being your own boss? Let this two-session workshop help get you started! This program presented by the Community Loan Fund of the Capital Region will help you discover what it takes to be successfully self-employed. You'll learn how to: explore your options, find your focus, make a plan, watch out for trouble, find support, and take action. The workshop is cosponsored by Community Loan Fund and AARP. Please register by calling (518) 427-4303. For adults.

- **Part 1 | March 5 (Mon)**
- **Part 2 | March 7 (Wed)**

**Select Days at 6:00-7:30 pm  
Washington Ave. Branch**



## Free Legal Consultation

Get a free legal consultation on bankruptcy, housing, and other areas of civil law. Call the Legal Project of the Capital District Women's Bar Association at (518) 435-1770 to make an appointment. For adults.

**March 6 (Tues) at 5:30-8:00 pm | Appointment required  
April 3 (Tues) at 5:30-8:00 pm | Appointment required  
Washington Ave. Branch | 2nd Floor, Tompkins Digital Lab**

## Homebuyer 101 Workshop

Get started on the path to buying a home with this overview of the home buying process, down payment programs, and what it takes to credit qualify for a mortgage. Presented by the Affordable Housing Partnership (AHP) of the Greater Capital Region. Please register for a session by calling AHP at (518) 434-1730. For adults.

**March 6 (Tues) at 5:30-7:30 pm  
April 3 (Tues) at 5:30-7:30 pm  
Washington Ave. Branch**

## Personal & Professional Goal Setting that Works

Are you at a point in your home or work life where you need to set some goals? In this workshop, you'll learn to organize and execute goals around core priorities. Career development expert Tom Denham shares his secrets to setting and achieving goals, so you'll walk away from the workshop with your own concrete action plan. For adults.

*This program is supported by funds from the NYS Library's Adult Literacy Library Services Program in partnership with the Capital Region Workforce Development Board & NYSED's ACCESS-VR.*

**March 14 (Wed) at 6:00-7:30 pm  
Washington Ave. Branch**



## Financial Planning Session

Get professional financial guidance without a product pitch. These free consultations are for beginning or experienced investors. Discuss any financial matter. Please call (518) 427-4303 to make an appointment for a 30-minute consultation. For adults.

**March 20 (Tues) at 5:00-7:00 pm | Appointment required  
April 17 (Tues) at 5:00-7:00 pm | Appointment required  
Washington Ave. Branch**

## Credit Report & Repair Help

Drop in and get a free credit report and score from the Affordable Housing Partnership. Credit repair help is available, too. Appointments are not required, but you may call (518) 427-4303 for more information. For ages 18+.

**March 23 (Fri) at 11:30 am-1:30 pm  
April 27 (Fri) at 11:30 am-1:30 pm  
Washington Ave. Branch | 2nd Floor, Tompkins Digital Lab**

## Capital Region Homebuyer Fair

Join us for this annual fair and learn everything you need to know about buying a home. You'll be able to:

- Get a free credit report and consultation
- Talk with lenders, attorneys, home inspectors, realtors, grant programs, and more
- Meet with an expert housing advisor about your next steps to homeownership
- Get pre-qualified for mortgage financing
- Attend seminars on how to build your credit score, down payment programs, and mortgages

The fair is sponsored by the Affordable Housing Partnership Homeownership Center. For details, please call AHP at (518) 434-1730.

**April 14 (Sat) at 10:00 am-2:00 pm  
Washington Ave. Branch**



# FRIENDS OF APL BOOK TALKS

The Friends of Albany Public Library host regular book reviews, author talks, and special presentations every Tuesday at 12:15 pm at the Washington Ave. Branch.



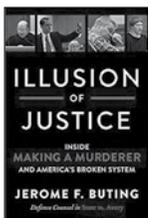
You can keep up with Friends news on Facebook. Search for *Friends of Albany Public Library*.



### March 6 | Author Talk

Paul Pines | *Trolling with the Fisher King*

The Brooklyn-born author of several works of fiction and poetry discusses his latest book, which has been described as “part cultural exploration, part dream analysis, part memoir, part prose poem.”



### March 13 | Book Review

*Illusion of Justice: Inside Making a Murderer and America's Broken System*

In this book, Jerome F. Buting interweaves his account of the Steven Avery trial from “Making a Murderer” with cases from his career as a criminal defense attorney. Kirkus Review calls it “A compelling portrait of the mechanisms of building a murder defense.” Terence L. Kindlon, chief assistant public defender and director of training in the Albany County Public Defender’s Office, reviews the book.



### March 20 | Author Talk

Ryan Smithson | *Ghosts of War: The True Story of a 19-Year-Old GI*

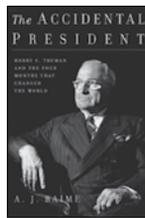
The University at Albany graduate “avoids writing either pro-war propaganda or an antimilitary polemic, providing instead a fascinating, often humorous-and occasionally devastating-account of the motivations and life of a contemporary soldier” in his gripping memoir, according to Publishers Weekly.



### March 27 | Book Review

*Partners of the Empire: The Crisis of the Ottoman Order in the Age of Revolutions*

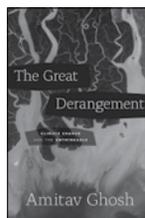
This book by Ali Yaycioglu, a Stanford University professor, provides a radical rethinking of the Ottoman Empire in the 18th and early 19th centuries. Karl Barbir, a retired history professor from Siena College, provides a thoughtful review.



### April 3 | Book Review

*The Accidental President: Harry S. Truman and the Four Months that Changed the World*

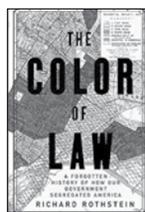
Kirkus Reviews calls this work by A. J. Baime “a fast-paced, well-detailed chronology of Truman’s transformation from an official with little administrative responsibility into a politically astute and ultimately beloved leader.” The reviewer is David Colchamiro, a retired transportation analysis and board member of Friends of APL board member.



### April 10 | Book Review

*The Great Derangement: Climate Change and the Unthinkable*

Publishers Weekly writes that author Amitav Ghosh “urges the public to find new artistic and political frameworks to understand and reduce the effects of human-caused climate change.” Mark Lowery, a climate policy analyst at the NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation, reviews the book.



### April 17 | Book Review

*The Color of Law: A Forgotten History of How Our Government Segregated America*

Author Richard Rothstein “gathers meticulous research showing how governments at all levels long employed racially discriminatory policies to deny blacks the opportunity to live in neighborhoods with jobs, good schools and upward mobility,” according to the Washington Post. The book is reviewed by attorney Anita Thayer.



### April 24 | Book Review

*Miss Burma*

“Based on real lives, [Charmaine] Craig’s historical novel challenges our assumptions about everything from beauty queens to rebels and reminds us that the course of a nation’s history is often determined by the fallibility of individuals,” according to Booklist. James Brisbin of the US Committee for Refugees and Immigrants reviews the book.



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# SPECIAL PROGRAMS

## Car Q & A

Is your car making a funny noise? Is your check engine light on and you want to know why? Maybe you're interested in purchasing a vehicle in the near future and need some recommendations. Stop by the library and talk to Will, AH/WH librarian/car guy, regarding everything automotive. All questions welcome! For adults.

**Every Tuesday at 6:00-7:30 pm**  
Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch



## Chess Club

Exercise your brain! Bring a friend and play chess. All skill levels welcome. For teens and adults.

**Every Wednesday at 4:30-5:30 pm**  
Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch

## Child Seat Installations

The Albany Police Department regularly conducts free child seat installations at our Washington Ave. Branch. Appointments are required and can be made by emailing [carseats@albany-ny.org](mailto:carseats@albany-ny.org) or calling (518) 427-4355. For adults.

**Select Days | Appointment Required**  
Washington Ave. Branch

## Scrabble Evening

Scrabble boards, the latest official dictionaries, and cheat sheets are provided, along with coffee, tea, and cookies. For adults.

**March 8 (Thurs) at 6:00-7:45 pm**  
**April 12 (Thurs) at 6:00-7:45 pm**  
Bach Branch

## Culture & Coffee

This lecture series features a different guest speaker each month, covering history, culture, language, and more. Enjoy refreshments and learn something new! Please register at (518) 482-7911 x230. For adults.

**March 9 (Fri) at 2:00-3:00 pm**  
**April 13 (Fri) at 2:00-3:00 pm**  
Pine Hills Branch

## Dungeons & Dragons

D&D has been around for decades, and is often featured in popular TV shows like "Stranger Things" and "The Big Bang Theory." Dungeons & Dragons is a true "build your own adventure" game. We'll use the fifth edition rule-set and journey through a short adventure before branching out into other campaigns. All interest levels are welcome. Registration is required by calling (518) 463-0254 x2. There are two sessions for each program date, so please indicate morning or afternoon. For adults.

**March 10, 24 (Sat) at 11:00-1:45 pm OR 2:00-4:45 pm**  
**April 7, 21 (Sat) at 11:00-1:45 pm OR 2:00-4:45 pm**  
Delaware Branch



## APL Board of Trustees Meeting

The library's elected board meets monthly to discuss library business. The public is welcome and encouraged to attend, and there are opportunities to speak in front of the board at the start and end of every meeting. Agendas and minutes can be found on our website in the "About APL" section. For adults.

➔ **March 13 (Tues) at 6:00-8:00 pm | Howe Branch**  
➔ **April 10 (Tues) at 6:00-8:00 pm | Bach Branch**

## π Day

It's 3.14 and we're celebrating Pi Day by sampling some delicious pies. For adults.

➔ **12:00-2:00 pm | Bach Branch**  
➔ **12:30-3:30 pm | Delaware Branch**

**March 14 (Wed) at Select Times & Branches**

## Wednesday Wonders of Science

Learn about a fascinating aspect of science and the world around us in this new monthly series. Our presenters will discuss a different science-related topic every month. Please register by calling (518) 482-7911 x2. For adults.

**March 21 (Wed) at 6:30-7:30 pm**  
**April 18 (Wed) at 6:30-7:30 pm**  
Pine Hills Branch

## Let's Talk About...Albany

Join us for a great conversation about Albany. We'll pick a new topic of interest each month. Coffee, tea, and snacks will be provided. The series is sponsored by APL and NNORC. For adults.

**March 22 (Thurs) at 1:00-2:30 pm**  
**April 26 (Thurs) at 1:00-2:30 pm**  
Bach Branch



## Earth Day Terrariums

Celebrate Earth Day by making an open terrarium with succulent plants. All materials will be provided, but you may bring a jar from home if you prefer. Please register at (518) 463-0254 x2. For adults.

**April 24 (Tues) at 6:15-7:15 pm**  
Delaware Branch



Pick up a  at any APL branch!

# HEALTH & WELLNESS

## The Nurse Is In

Stop in and get a free blood pressure check. Co-sponsored by NNORC (Neighborhood Naturally Occurring Retirement Community). For adults.

**Every Monday at 1:00-2:00 pm**

**Bach Branch**

## Pilates Class

Instructor Megan returns to lead this popular class that will strengthen your core and improve your balance and overall fitness.

Beginners are welcome. For adults.

➤ **March 6, 13, 20, 27 (Tues) at 6:30-7:30 pm | Delaware Branch**  
| Register at (518) 463-0254 x223

➤ **April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 (Mon) at 6:30-7:30 pm | Pine Hills Branch** | Register at (518) 482-7911 x2



## Learning the Benefits of Herbs

Workshop leader Rebecca Andrews teaches us about how herbs can benefit our health and wellness goals. Andrews has graduate degrees and studies in ecopsychology, psychology, and herbalism. For adults.

**March 21 (Wed) at 2:00-3:00 pm**

**April 18 (Wed) at 2:00-3:00 pm**

**Delaware Branch**

## Stir-Fry Cooking Class

Learn healthy stir-fry cooking techniques from the Cornell Cooperative Extension. Please register by calling (518) 482-2154. For adults.

**April 17 (Tues) at 2:00-3:00 pm**

**Bach Branch**



## Medicare 101

Are you currently enrolled in Medicare, or are you turning 65 soon and will be eligible for the federal health insurance program? Learn about the Medicare options available to you and how to enroll. We'll go over the various parts of the plan, as well as the various supplements. You'll leave the seminar better informed and prepared to make good choices. For adults.

**April 26 (Thurs) at 6:00-8:00 pm**

**Bach Branch**

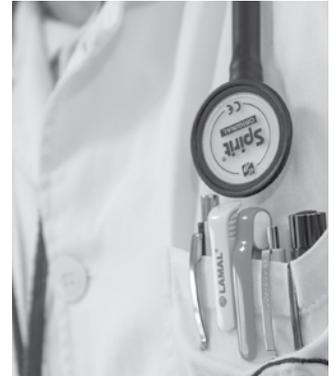
## Talking with Your Doctor

Are you puzzled by confusing health information? Are you hesitant to ask your doctor questions? If so, you are not alone! Learn to be an advocate for yourself or a loved one in this workshop presented by Albany Medical College's Division of Community Outreach and Medical Education and the Shaffer Library of Health Sciences. For adults.

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**March 20 (Tues) at 1:00-2:30 pm | Pine Hills Branch**

**April 23 (Mon) at 3:30-5:00 pm | Delaware Branch**



# KIDS & TEENS

## Mic Drop

Teens, drop in to our weekly jam session. Freestyle, read rhymes, perform spoken-word pieces, and play with music equipment including a guitar, keyboard, looping pedal, and more. Performances will be recorded for sharing with participants and on the library's YouTube channel. For ages 9-17.

**Every Monday at 3:30-4:30 pm**

**Howe Branch**

## South End: Then & Now

Learn about the history of the South End and make it your own. Using a range of materials from digital design software and 3D printing to milk cartons and markers, we'll recreate the past along with the present and future in new ways. For ages 5-17.

**Every Tuesday at 4:00-5:00 pm**

**Howe Branch**

## Media Production Studio

Youth FX leads this drop-in workspace for media projects including podcasting, filmmaking, music production, and more. For ages 5-17.

**Every Wednesday at 4:00-5:00 pm**

**Howe Branch**

## Mystery Lab

Roll up your sleeves and get your hands dirty with our weekly mystery program! Each week we'll tinker with electronics, chemistry, engineering, robotics, art, and more. And on the 4th Thursday of the month, the Cornell Cooperative Extension will join us for healthy snacks and exercises. For ages 5-17.

**Every Thursday at 4:00-5:00 pm**

**Howe Branch**

## Dr. Seuss's Birthday

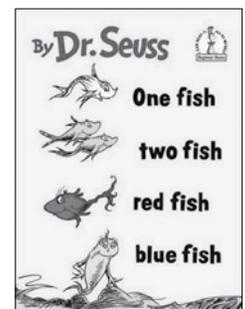
Celebrate the wonderful books of Dr. Seuss, like *Cat in the Hat* and *Oh, the Places You'll Go*, on Read Across America Day.

For ages 5-17.

➤ **March 1 (Thurs) at 4:00-5:00 pm | Delaware Branch** | Games, snacks, scavenger hunt.

➤ **March 2 (Fri) at 4:00-4:45 pm | Bach Branch** | Stories, snacks, games.

**Various Dates & Branches**



# KIDS & TEENS

## 1st Saturday for Families

Bring your little ones to these fun, interactive sessions. For ages 0-7.

- **March 3 | Music, Bubble & Comedy Show** | Mr. Matt from Turtle Dance Music entertains us with this special sensory-friendly show.
- **April 7 | Safety First** | Friendly faces from the Albany Police Department join us for fun-filled safety program. The officers will create SAFE CHILD ID cards and conduct car seat inspections and installations, all for free.



**1st Saturday of each month at 10:30-11:30 am**  
**Washington Ave. Branch | 2nd Floor, Community Room**

## T(w)een Crafternoons

Feel like making something crafty? Join us for these fun crafternoons. For ages 12-17.

- **March 6 | Emoji Perler Beads**
- **March 20 | Tissue Paper Carnations**
- **March 27 | No-Sew "Poptart" Pillows**
- **April 10 | Tissue Paper "Earths"**
- **April 17 | Black-Out Art Haikus**

**Select Tuesdays at 4:00-5:00 pm**  
**Delaware Branch**

## Wonder Woman!

Celebrate National Women's History Month by watching Marvel's "Wonder Woman" starring Gal Gadot as the Amazonian warrior. We'll have refreshments for you, too. For ages 5-17.

**March 5 (Mon) at 6:00-8:00 pm**  
**Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch**



## Food, Fun & Fitness

We'll learn how to eat healthy and stay active with help from Cornell Cooperative Extension. Play games to learn about new foods and prepare a nutritious snack that's easy to make at home. For grades K-5.

**March 8 (Thurs) at 4:00-5:00 pm**  
**April 5 (Thurs) at 4:00-5:00 pm**  
**Delaware Branch**

## Magic: The Gathering Tournament

Join us for our monthly tournament featuring Magic: The Gathering. We'll have free play and prizes for winners. Please come early to register. For ages 11+.

**March 10 (Sat) at 11:00 am-4:00 pm**  
**Washington Ave. Branch | 2nd Floor, Community Room**

## Family Vegetable Gardening

Growing a family garden is a great way to enjoy more fresh vegetables and herbs, and do a healthy activity together. Join Albany County Master Gardeners for this fun program where they give us tips and tricks, and help us plant seeds in pots to take home. This program is presented by CDPHP. Please register at (518) 427-4310. For all ages.

**March 11 (Sun) at 3:00-4:00 pm**  
**Washington Ave. Branch | 2nd Floor Community Room**



## TEEN TECH WEEK



We're celebrating Teen Tech Week with some cool programs for kids and teens at our branch libraries. Explore the creative side of technology – including music recording, game coding, and 3D art – with us.

### Books 2 Beats

Come to the library and turn books into raps! We'll provide a selection of rhyming books for all ages, and a choice of several beats to rhyme over. Or you can make your own. We'll record your performance and share the finished songs on the library's Facebook and YouTube pages. For ages 5-17.

- **March 4 (Sun) at 2:00-2:45 pm | Bach Branch**
- **March 5 (Mon) at 4:00-5:00 pm | Washington Ave. Branch**
- **March 6 (Tues) at 4:00-5:00 pm | Howe Branch**
- **March 7 (Wed) at 4:00-5:00 pm | Delaware Branch**
- **March 8 (Thurs) at 4:00-5:00 pm | North Albany Branch**
- **March 9 (Fri) at 3:30-4:30 pm | Pine Hills Branch**
- **March 10 (Sat) at 2:00-3:00 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch**

**Select dates at various branches**

### <codeNORTH>

We're diving into coding at the North Albany Branch for Teen Tech Week! Get hands-on practice with coding using Chromebooks and LittleBits. Please call the branch at (518) 463-1581 to register. For ages 9-17.

**March 5 (Mon) & March 6 (Tues) at 3:30-5:30 pm**  
**North Albany Branch**

### 3D Art Creation Station

Make an original drawing, and then use our 3D printer to turn it into a three-dimensional work of art. For ages 11-17.

**March 7 (Wed) at 4:00-5:30 pm**  
**Washington Ave. Branch | 1st Floor, Albany Made Creative Lab**

## Science Saturday

We'll explore different science topics in these hands-on workshops. For ages 6-10.

- **March 17 | Let's Make Bubbles**
- **April 14 | Bats at the Library** | Our friends from Five Rivers Environmental Education Center tell us all about bats. We'll learn about local bats, why they like to hang upside down, and if they're really blind. And we'll do a fun bat craft.

**Select Saturdays at 1:00-2:15 pm**  
**Delaware Branch**

# KIDS & TEENS

## Crafternoons for Kids

Get crafty after school and make some awesome items that you can keep for yourself. For ages 6-17.

**March 11, 18 (Wed) at 3:30-4:30 pm**

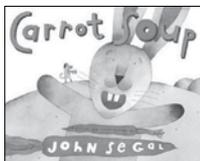
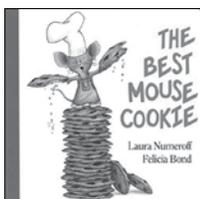
**April 11, 25 (Wed) at 3:30-4:30 pm**

**North Albany Branch**

## Together Time

Young children learn through hands-on investigations presented by the Capital District Child Care Council. Space is limited, so please register at (518) 463-0254. For ages 2-5, plus their caregivers and siblings.

- **March 12 | Counting Cookies** | We'll use our imagination and craft supplies to make cookies, while learning math and science skills. We'll also read *The Best Mouse Cookie* by Laura Numeroff.
- **April 9 | Container Gardens** | Try some new fruits and vegetables and make a container garden to take home. We'll also read *Carrot Soup* by John Segal.



**Select Mondays at 1:00-2:00 pm**

**Delaware Branch**

## Teen Chef

Interested in learning to cook? Join Siobhan from the Cornell Cooperative Extension to learn how to make some delicious dishes.

For ages 11-17.

- **March 13 | Shamrock Smoothies**
- **April 24 | Earth Day Dirt Cups**

**Select Tuesdays at 4:00-5:00 pm**

**Delaware Branch**

## We Can Code Wednesdays

Learn to code in a social group environment. Watch video tutorials together, participate in group challenges, and work on your own coded creations. For ages 11-14.

**March 14, 21, 28 (Wed) at 4:00-5:30 pm**

**April 4, 11, 18, 25 (Wed) at 4:00-5:30 pm**

**Washington Ave. Branch | 2nd Floor, Youth Program Room**

## Pi Day

Celebrate 3.14 – also known as  $\pi$  (Pi) Day – with us!

- **Make a Bookmark | 12:00-8:00 pm | Pine Hills Branch** | For ages 5-10.
- **Pie Tasting | 4:00-5:00 pm | Delaware Branch** | For ages 11-17.



**March 14 (Wed) at Select Times & Branches**

## Paws for Reading

Kids love reading to Groucho Barx, a certified therapy dog. Why? Because he's soft, cuddly, and a good listener! Therapy animals are trained to provide a relaxing, fun environment for children to practice reading out loud and boost their confidence in reading. Participants may bring their own books to read, or ask the librarian for suggestions. For ages 5-10.

**March 17 (Sat) at 3:00-4:00 pm**

**April 14 (Sat) at 3:00-4:00 pm**

**Delaware Branch**



## Let's Make Cascarones!

Drop in after school and make cascarones, painted egg shells filled with confetti that are a Mexican tradition for Easter, Cinco de Mayo, and other celebrations. For grades K-5.

**March 22 (Thurs) at 4:00-5:00 pm**

**Delaware Branch**

## Teen Movies

Visit us at the Delaware Branch to watch a movie, enjoy snacks, and hang out with friends. Parents, please note that some films are rated PG-13. For ages 13-17.

**March 28 (Wed) at 3:30-5:00 pm**

**April 11, 25 (Wed) at 3:30-5:00 pm**

**Delaware Branch**

## NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

Some of our branches are hosting special activities during National Library Week! Stop by and participate in a scavenger hunt or raffle. You can also get a library card and take a library tour at all of our branches.

### Scavenger Hunt

Stop in any time during our regular hours to answer questions using our collection and online resources. Win a prize for completing the scavenger hunt! For ages 5-17.

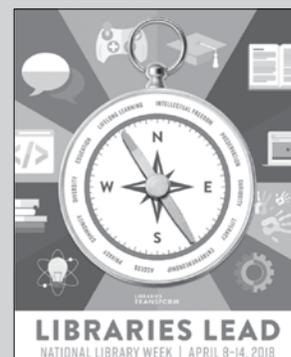
- **April 9-14 (Mon-Sat) | Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch**
- **April 9-13 (Mon-Fri) | Bach Branch**

**Select branches during regular hours**

### Raffle

Guess how many books we have in our Pine Hills Branch. Win a prize for the closest answer (without going over)! For ages 5-17.

- **April 9-14 (Mon-Sat) during regular hours**
- **Pine Hills Branch**



## KIDS & TEENS

### National Poetry Month

We'll celebrate National Poetry Month with activities at two branches during our regular hours.

- **Pine Hills Branch** | Write a poem and post it on our bulletin board for everyone to read. Or start a poem and post it for a friend to finish. For ages 11-17.
- **Washington Ave. Branch** | Use our creation station to write a blackout poem.



**April 1-30 during regular hours at select branches**

### Graphic Novel Book Club

We're launching a new book club just for teens that features graphic novels. For our first meeting, be ready to talk about a graphic novel that you really like. We'll enjoy pizza and drinks, too. We'll also choose the book for our next meeting in May. For ages 11-17.

**April 12 (Thurs) at 3:30-4:30 pm**  
Pine Hills Branch

### Spring Break Activities

See page 15 for a complete list of Spring Break activities taking place April 2-6.



### RAISING A READER BABY SHOWER

Join us for baby shower games, a special story-time, crafts, snacks, raffles, and fun! We'll share information about the Raising a Reader program, which encourages parents to read to their infants and preschool children. Each child who attends the baby shower gets a special tote bag and free book for their home library. For expectant parents and families with children ages five and under.



**April 22 (Sun) at 1:00-3:00 pm**

**Washington Ave. Branch | 2nd Floor Community Room**

## MOVIES & MUSIC

### Guitar Lessons

Have you ever wanted to learn how to play guitar? Well, come to the Howe Branch and take some free guitar lessons! No experience necessary. Bring your own guitar, or use one of ours. Lessons are scheduled by appointment, so please call (518) 472-9485 to sign up. For all ages.

**By Appointment | Call (518) 472-9485**  
Howe Branch

### Midday Matinee

Stop by on Friday afternoons to enjoy a free movie and popcorn. For adults.

**Every Friday at 12:30-2:30 pm**  
Howe Branch

### Social Justice Film Series

We'll view and discuss a different film each month. This series is a partnership between the library, YouthFX, WMHT, and EquiVisible. For adults.

- **March 5, 12, 19 | "Cracking the Codes: The System of Racial Inequality"** | We'll view this documentary about the causes and consequences of systematic inequity by director Shakti Butler.
- **April 2 | "All the Difference"** | This film by Tod Lending follows the path of two teens from the South Side of Chicago who dream of graduating from college.



**Select Mondays at 6:00-8:00 pm**  
Howe Branch

### Movie & A Book Club

Join us for a viewing of "Murder on the Orient Express," preceded by a short discussion about the book. Popcorn and a drink will be provided. Please register by calling (518) 463-0254 x223. For adults.

**April 11 (Wed) at 6:30-9:00 pm**  
Delaware Branch

### Vanguard/Albany Symphony Orchestra Prevue

The ASO treats us to a special prevue of each weekend's performance as Music Director David Alan Miller and guests discuss the upcoming program. For adults.

- March 9 | "Bon Voyage"
- April 27 | "Saint-Saens: Organ Symphony"

**Select Fridays at 12:00-1:00 pm**

**Washington Ave. Branch | 1st Floor, Large Auditorium**

### Indie Lens Pop-Up

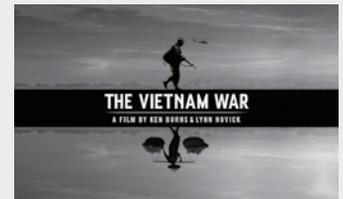
WMHT brings us a special screening of "Dolores," Peter Bratt's story of activist and Presidential Medal of Freedom-winner Dolores Huerta. The film shows us Huerta's tireless fight for labor justice, civil rights, and gender equality. After viewing the documentary, we'll discuss the film. For adults.

**March 14 (Wed) at 6:00-8:00 pm**  
Pine Hills Branch



### "The Vietnam War" Documentary Series

- The Friends of APL presents "The Vietnam War," a 10-part, 18-hour documentary film series that broadcast on PBS this past fall. The film explores the human dimensions of the war through revelatory testimony of nearly 80 witnesses from all sides — Americans who fought in the war and others who opposed it, as well as combatants and civilians from North and South Vietnam. We'll gather to watch episodes of the series starting March 28 and ending in mid-June. For adults.



- **March 28 (Wed) at 6:00-8:00 pm**
- **April 4, 11, 25 (Wed) at 6:00-8:00 pm**
- **Pine Hills Branch**

# FUN & GAMES FOR KIDS & TEENS

PROGRAM	AGES	DAY, TIME	LOCATION	SPECIAL NOTES
<b>4 O'clock Lab</b>	Ages 5-17	Wednesdays at 4:00-4:45 pm	Bach Branch	March 7, 14, 21, 28 and April 11, 18, 25 Experiment & build with household items
<b>Book Buddies</b>	Ages 6-10	Tuesdays at 3:30-4:30 pm	Pine Hills Branch	March 6, 13, 20, 27 and April 10, 17, 24 Books & activities
<b>Board Game Club</b>	Ages 6-17	Fridays at 3:30-4:30 pm	North Albany Branch	March 13, 20, 27 and April 3, 10, 17, 24
<b>Come Play</b>	Ages 5-17	Every day during open hours	Washington Ave. Branch	Card & board games
<b>Friday Flicks</b>	Ages 5-17	Fridays at 3:30-5:30 pm	Howe Branch	Every Week Movies & snacks
<b>Friday Fun Time</b>	Ages 10-17	Fridays at 4:00-5:00 pm	Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch	Every Week Video & board games
<b>Fun Spot</b>	Grades K-5	Thursdays at 4:00-5:00 pm	Delaware Branch	March 15, 29 and April 12, 26 Stories, fun, games
<b>Game On</b>	Ages 11-17	Thursdays at 3:30-5:30 pm	North Albany Branch	March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 and April 5, 12, 26 Play Wii or Xbox
<b>Gaming Zone</b>	Ages 5-16	Wednesdays at 5:30-7:45 pm	Howe Branch	Every Week Play Wii, WiiU, Xbox, Xbox One
<b>Lego Club</b>	Ages 5-12	Tuesdays at 6:00-7:00 pm	Washington Ave. Branch	Every Week
		Wednesdays at 3:30 pm	Pine Hills Branch	March 7, 14, 21, 28 and April 11, 18, 25
		Wednesdays at 4:00-5:00 pm	Delaware Branch	March 21 and April 18
		Fridays at 4:00-4:45 pm	Bach Branch	March 9, 16, 23, 30 and April 13, 20, 27
<b>Lego Club</b>	Ages 8-17	Mondays at 3:30-4:30 pm	North Albany Branch	Every Week
		Wednesdays at 4:00-5:00pm	Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch	March 7, 21 and April 11, 25
<b>Let's Move</b>	Ages 6-17	Thursdays at 3:00-4:00 pm	Pine Hills Branch	Every Week Dance & Fitness. Register: (518) 482-7911
<b>Mic Drop</b>	Ages 9-17	Mondays at 4:00-5:00 pm	Howe Branch	Every Week Jam session
<b>Minecraft Mayhem</b>	Ages 6-14	Mondays at 6:00-7:00 pm	Washington Ave. Branch (2nd Floor, Youth Services)	Every Week
		Thursdays at 4:00-5:00 pm	Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch	March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 and April 5, 12, 26
<b>Movie Club</b>	Ages 6-17	Fridays at 3:30-5:30 pm	North Albany Branch	Every Week New movies every week
<b>OMG Anime Club</b>	Ages 11-17	Mondays at 3:30-5:00 pm	Delaware Branch	March 12, 26 and April 9 Watch anime & draw manga
<b>Pine Hills Afternoon Society</b>	Ages 9-17	Fridays at 3:30 pm	Pine Hills Branch	March 2, 16, 23 and April 13, 20, 27 Board & video games, crafts, projects

## FUN & GAMES FOR KIDS & TEENS

<b>Play &amp; Grow</b>	Ages 0-5	Wednesdays at 11:00 am-12:00 pm	Delaware Branch	Every Week Toy kitchens, train sets, blocks & more
<b>Playtime &amp; Family Meetup</b>	Ages 0-5	Tuesdays at 11:00 am-12:00 pm	Howe Branch	Every Week Kids play & parents meet, share support
<b>Preschool Yoga Explorers</b>	Ages 3-6	Mondays at 10:30-11:30 am	Washington Ave. Branch	Jan. 8, 15, 22, 29 and Feb. 5, 12, 19, 26 Register: (518) 427-4310
<b>Real Talk</b>	Ages 13-17	Mondays at 4:00-5:00 pm	Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch	March 8, 15, 22, 29 and April 2, 9, 16, 23 Hosted by Alliance for Positive Health. HIV, STI, substance abuse prevention
<b>STEMpunk</b>	Ages 11-17	Wednesdays at 3:30-4:30 pm	North Albany Branch	March 7, 21 and April 4, 18 Tinker w/wires, gears, circuit boards
<b>Teen Time</b>	Ages 13-17	Fridays at 3:30-5:00 pm	Delaware Branch	Every Week Super Smash Bros. or Mario Kart on Wii-U
<b>United Geeks of Gaming</b>	Ages 11+	Fridays at 2:30-5:30 pm	Washington Ave. Branch (2nd Floor, Youth Services)	Every Week Electronic & board games

## STORY TIMES FOR KIDS

PROGRAM	AGES	DAY, TIME	LOCATION	SPECIAL NOTES
<b>Baby Bounce Storytime</b>	0-2	Thursdays at 10:30-11:00 am	Pine Hills Branch	March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 and April 5, 12, 26 Followed by play group
		Thursdays at 10:30-11:00 am	Washington Ave. Branch	Every Week Songs, stories, play group.
<b>Daycare Storytime</b>	3-5	Wednesdays at 10:30 am	Washington Ave. Branch	Every Week For day-care students & their providers
<b>Good Night Storytime</b>	0-5	Tuesdays at 7:00-7:30 pm	Bach Branch	March 6, 13, 20, 27 and April 10, 17 PJs & stuffed animals welcome!
<b>Kindergarten Storytime</b>	3-6	Tuesdays at 3:30-4:30 pm	Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch	Every Week Stories and play-and-grow activities.
<b>Pajama Storytime</b>	0-5	Wednesdays at 7:00-7:30	Howe Branch	Every Week
<b>Pre-school Storytime</b>	3-5	Tuesdays at 10:30-11:00 am	Howe Branch	Every Week
	3-5	Wednesdays at 10:30-11:00 am	Delaware Branch	Every Week
	3-5	Tuesdays at 10:30-11:00 am	Washington Ave. Branch	Every Week
<b>Toddler Storytime</b>	2-3	Tuesdays at 10:30-11:00 am	Pine Hills Branch	Every Week Followed by playtime or craft.
		Fridays at 10:30 am	Washington Ave. Branch	Every Week
<b>Toddler Storytime and Playgroup</b>	2-3	Mondays at 10:30 am-12:00 pm	Bach Branch	March 5, 12, 19, 26 and April 9, 16, 23, 30



## SPRING BREAK FUN

APRIL 2 – APRIL 6

### MONDAY | APRIL 2

#### OMG Anime Club All Day

Watch cool anime, draw manga characters, and enjoy yummy snacks with your friends in this extended OMG Anime Club session.

For ages 5-17.

12:00-5:00 pm | Delaware Branch

#### Springtime Perler Beads

Welcome spring by making perler keychains and magnets. For ages 5-17.

1:00-2:00 pm | Washington Ave. Branch

#### Storyteller

We'll celebrate Hans Christian Andersen's birthday with professional storyteller Bob Willower. Enjoy an afternoon of Andersen's stories, like "The Princess and the Pea" and "The Little Mermaid" and music. For ages 5-17.

2:00-2:45 pm | Bach Branch

#### DIY Chia Pet

Make your own Chia Pet and take it home to watch it grow! Space is limited, so please register at (518) 482-7911 x223. For ages 5-17.

2:00-3:00 pm | Pine Hills Branch

### TUESDAY | APRIL 3

#### Make a Rainbow

We'll make our own rainbows using the library's craft supplies. For ages 5-17.

1:00-2:00 pm | Washington Ave. Branch

#### Berry, Berry Good

We'll read the book *Blueberries for Sal* by Robert McCloskey and then learn about many varieties of berries. The Honest Weight Food Co-op teaches us a yummy berry recipe, too.

For ages 5-17.

2:00-2:45 pm | Bach Branch

#### Lighthouses

Did you know the first lighthouse built in North America was not too far from us, just one state away in Boston? Join us to learn about lighthouses and make one of your own. Space is limited, so please register at (518) 482-7911 x223. For ages 5-17.

2:00-3:00 pm | Pine Hills Branch

#### National Find a Rainbow Day

We'll make edible rainbows out of marshmallows and fruit loops, and watch the "My Little Pony" movie! For ages 5-17.

3:30-6:00 pm | Delaware Branch

### WEDNESDAY | APRIL 4

#### Disney Movie Day

We're hosting a Disney movie marathon this afternoon. Join us for the fun! For ages 5-17.

- 12:30-2:30 pm | "Frozen" (PG, 2013)

- 2:30-4:30 | "Moana" (PG, 2016)

- 4:30-6:00 pm | "Big Hero 6" (PG, 2014)

12:30-6:00 pm | Delaware Branch

#### Kite Building

Make a kite for National Kite Month. All supplies and guidance provided. For ages 5-17.

1:00-2:00 pm | Washington Ave. Branch

#### Safe Fishing in Albany County

The Hudson River Fish Advisory teaches us which fish are safe to catch in local waters. Karen Roberts Mort will talk about which fish are better to eat, and healthy ways to cook fish at home. We'll learn how to identify different types of fish and use maps to find the safest places to fish in Albany County. For ages 8-17.

2:00-2:45 pm | Bach Branch

#### Movie: "Wonder"

Enjoy the 2017 movie based on August Pullman's popular book about a fifth-grade boy with facial differences who enters school for the first time. We'll have popcorn, too. For ages 5-17.

2:00-4:00 pm | Pine Hills Branch

### THURSDAY | APRIL 5

#### Snack Attack

Our friends from Honest Weight Food Co-op help us prepare healthy snacks like smoothies, veggie and cheese kabobs, fruit dip, or trail mix. We'll sample some foods and take home recipes. For ages 5-17.

1:00-2:00 pm | Washington Ave. Branch

#### Habitat Hunters

What is a habitat and who lives in one? We'll learn all about habitats from our friends from CMOST (Children's Museum of Science & Technology). Meet a live animal and learn about its native habitat. We'll do a craft using natural building materials to construct a habitat for an animal. For ages 5-17.

2:00-2:45 pm | Bach Branch

#### Cupcake Madness

Make a special sweet treat to eat! All baking supplies will be provided. Space is limited, so please register at (518) 482-7911 x223.

For ages 5-17.

2:00-3:00 pm | Pine Hills Branch

#### Food, Fun & Fitness

Join our nutrition expert to make delicious, healthy snacks and get moving with exercises especially for kids. For grades K-5.

4:00-5:00 pm | Delaware Branch

### FRIDAY | APRIL 6

#### Teen Time

Play Super Smash Bros. and Mario Kart on the WiiU with your friends. For ages 13-17.

3:30-5:30 pm | Delaware Branch

#### Jewelry Making Workshop

Create a one-of-a-kind necklace, bracelet, or pair of earrings. All supplies are provided. Space is limited, so please register at (518) 482-7911 x223. For ages 5-17.

2:00-3:00 pm | Pine Hills Branch



#### Spring Into Minecraft Camp

Beginners can learn the tricks and cheats of Minecraft. We'll use the Minecraft Education Edition to build and grow a Minecraft world together. A small snack will be provided. Class size is limited, so please register at (518) 694-0596. For ages 9-17.

April 2 (Mon)-April 6 (Fri) at 10:00 am-1:00 pm

Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch





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<b>Arbor Hill/ West Hill Branch</b>	148 Henry Johnson Blvd., 12210 <b>694-0596</b>
<b>Bach Branch</b>	455 New Scotland Avenue, 12208 <b>482-2154</b>
<b>Delaware Branch</b>	331 Delaware Avenue, 12209 <b>463-0254</b>
Mon. & Wed.	10:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Tues. & Thurs.	12:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Friday	12:00 PM - 6:00 PM
Saturday	12:00 PM - 5:00 PM
Sunday <i>BACH BRANCH ONLY</i>	1:00 PM - 5:00 PM
<b>Howe Branch</b>	105 Schuyler Street, 12202 <b>472-9485</b>
<b>Pine Hills Branch</b>	517 Western Avenue, 12203 <b>482-7911</b>
Mon. & Wed.	12:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Tuesday	10:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Thurs. & Fri.	12:00 PM - 6:00 PM
Saturday	12:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Library	Address
<b>North Albany Branch</b>	616 North Pearl Street, 12204 <b>463-1581</b>
Mon. & Tues.	10:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Wednesday	12:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Thurs. & Fri.	12:00 PM - 6:00 PM
Saturday	10:00 AM - 3:00 PM
<b>Washington Avenue Branch</b>	161 Washington Avenue, 12210 <b>427-4300</b>
Mon., Tues. & Wed.	10:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Thurs. & Fri.	10:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Saturday	10:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Sunday	1:00 PM - 5:00 PM <i>CLOSED SUNDAYS IN JULY &amp; AUGUST</i>
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