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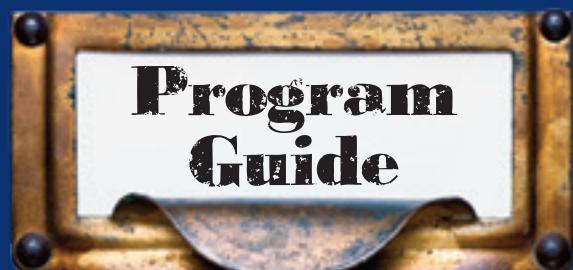
July
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Check out the library's

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

on pages 10-15 of the guide





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 or calling (518) 427-4379.

- ⌚ July 11 (Thurs) | 12:30-5:30 pm | Howe Branch
- ⌚ July 18 (Thurs) | 12:30-5:30 pm | Pine Hills Branch
- ⌚ July 25 (Thurs) | 12:30-5:30 pm | Washington Ave. Branch
- ⌚ Aug. 1 (Thurs) | 12:30-5:30 pm | Delaware Branch
- ⌚ Aug. 8 (Thurs) | 12:30-5:30 pm | Bach Branch
- ⌚ Aug. 15 (Thurs) | 12:30-5:30 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch

SCHEDULE NOTES

All Branches CLOSED:

- July 4 (Thurs)
- Sundays in July & August
- Aug. 31-Sept. 2 (Sat-Mon)



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

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) 427-4303 or email 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

3D Printing Class

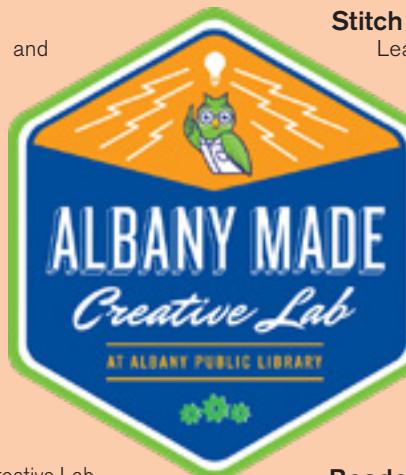
Curious about 3D printing technology? Looking for a place to make your designs into reality? Come to the Albany Made Creative Lab for a 3D printing tutorial and learn about free 3D design programs available at the library and online.

Please register at (518) 427-4303. For all ages.

July 2 (Tues) at 3:00-4:00 pm

Aug. 15 (Thurs) at 6:00-7:00 pm

Washington Ave. Branch



Stitch 'n' Sip

Learn basic stitches with our local crochet expert while sipping your favorite non-alcoholic beverage. Or bring your own project and meet up with other local fiber crafters. Light refreshments provided. For adults.

July 6 (Sat) at 10:00 am-1:00 pm

Aug. 3 (Sat) at 10:00 am-1:00 pm

Washington Ave. Branch

Perler Beads

Check out our fuse bead collection and make something to take home. For newbies and experienced crafters alike. For adults.

July 12, 19 (Fri) at 3:00-5:00 pm

Washington Ave. Branch

Beaded Jewelry Workshop

Learn how to make beautiful beaded jewelry from our resident artist Danielle. Class size is limited, so please register online or by calling (518) 427-4303. For adults.

Aug. 1 (Thurs) at 5:30-7:30 pm

Washington Ave. Branch

Teddy Bear Crochet

In this three-part series, learn how to crochet your own teddy bear. You'll need experience with SC, SC2Tog, and continuous rounds. Register online or call (518) 427-4303. For adults.

Aug. 7, 14, 21 (Wed) at 3:00-5:00 pm

Washington Ave. Branch

ART & EXPRESSION

With Pen in Hand

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. Please register online or by calling (518) 472-9485. For adults.

Every Monday at 1:30-3:00 pm

Howe Branch

Stitch Angels

Join this weekly fiber arts group for knitters and crocheters. Work on your current project alongside fellow fiber artists. Beginners will also learn intro techniques for knitting and crocheting. For adults.

Every Friday at 12:30-2:30 pm

Delaware Branch

Sketch & Stroll

Enjoy the warm weather, get some exercise, and make art, all at the same time! Check out a sketch book from the library, then go outside and draw. Artist Blaine Zubris will be available for instruction and inspiration. (Art sketch kits are always available from the circulation desk.) These sessions take place rain or shine. Register at (518) 482-7911 x2 or online. For adults.

July 3, 17, 31 (Wed) at 6:00-8:00 pm

Aug. 14, 28 (Wed) at 6:00-8:00 pm

Pine Hills 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 or via our online library events calendar. For adults.

July 10, 24 (Wed) at 6:00-7:30 pm

Aug. 14, 28 (Wed) at 6:00-7:30 pm

Howe Branch

Citizen Journalism 101: Using Your Phone for Broadcast

Work with community journalists from WCAA-LP (107.3 FM) and WOOC-LP (105.3 FM) to learn how to use your smartphone to create a radio broadcast. You'll learn how to record what you're interested in—whether it's the news around you, your own music, humor, or commentaries—and then edit it for radio play. You'll follow the Grand Street Community Arts curriculum in this weekly workshop. Register online or call (518) 463-1581. For adults.

July 10, 17, 24, 31 (Wed) at 6:00-7:00 pm

Aug. 7, 14, 21, 28 (Wed) at 6:00-7:00 pm

North Albany Branch



Introduction to Beaded Jewelry

Learn how to make sparkly jewel-toned bracelets using beads and basic tools. Register at (518) 482-2154 or online. For ages 13+.

July 11 (Thurs) at 2:00-3:30 pm

Bach Branch

Art Evenings

Do you enjoy sketching, drawing, or painting? Are you looking for a quiet place to do art? Then join us at the library and let your inner artist out for an evening of relaxation and creativity. Art supplies and light refreshments are provided. For adults.

July 11, 18, 25 (Thurs) at 6:00-7:30 pm

Aug. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 (Thurs) at 6:00-7:30 pm

Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch

Creative Storytelling: Woven Bicycle Wheels

Explore storytelling in a creative way during this four-week series that combines writing and art via fabric woven through bicycle wheels. The first three sessions, we'll integrate stories about the woven items using a combination of personal reflections, community stories, and other prompts. The final session is when we'll celebrate the group's work by reading the pieces and the temporary installation of the story wheels in sculpture form on a fence in the rear of the library. Register online or at (518) 463-0254 x223. For adults.

July 11, 18, 25 (Thurs) at 6:30-7:30 pm

Aug. 1 (Thurs) at 6:30-7:30 pm | Delaware Branch

Poetry Slam

Join the Friends of APL for a poetry slam where you share your own, or a favorite, poem. For adults.

July 16 (Tues) at 6:00-7:30 pm

Aug. 20 (Tues) at 6:00-7:30 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch

Knitting, Crocheting & Crafting Group

Join other knitters, crocheters, stitchers, and crafters in this friendly group. Bring your own project, share tips, and chat with your fellow handcrafters. For adults.

July 16 and Aug. 20 (Tues) at 6:00-7:30 pm

Aug. 1 (Thurs) at 6:00-7:30 pm | Bach Branch

Still Life Acrylic Painting

Join us for these monthly still life acrylic painting classes. All supplies are provided. Please register at (518) 482-2154 or via our online library events calendar. For adults.

July 20 (Sat) at 2:00-3:30 pm

Aug. 17 (Sat) at 2:00-3:30 pm | Bach Branch

Beginner Cross Stitch: "I Just Need Some Space"

Learn the basics of cross stitch and make a space-themed pattern from designer Pixel Stitch. All materials are provided, and all experience levels are welcome. Sign up online or by calling (518) 463-0254. For adults.

July 20 (Sat) at 1:00-3:00 pm

Aug. 24 (Sat) at 1:00-3:00 pm | Delaware Branch

Learning to Sketch

Albany artist Robert Eaton walks you through the basics of sketching, with all materials provided. Class size is limited, so register online or call (518) 463-0254 x223. For adults.

② **Aug. 8 | Objects (Still Life)**

② **Aug. 15 | Places (Landscape)**

② **Aug. 22 | Portrait (Casual Portrait)**

Select Thursdays at 6:15-7:45 pm | Delaware Branch

Art at APL

The latest art exhibition, "Picture This," features work by artists Darcie Abatiello, Brian Cirmo, Jeff Mack, Matthew McElligott, Giselle Potter, Ann Wolf, Stacey Robinson, and Elizabeth Zunon. Art at APL is presented in partnership by the library and Opalka Gallery, and is supported in part by the APL Foundation. [Image: Giselle Potter Tree Dream (detail) 16" x 24", watercolor.] For all ages.



Through Nov. 2 during regular hours

Pine Hills Branch

BOOK GROUPS & LITERATURE DISCUSSIONS

Bach Fiction Book Discussion Group

Pick up your copy of the month's fiction title at the Bach reference desk. For adults.

July 2 (Tues) at 2:00-3:00 pm

Aug. 6 (Tues) at 2:00-3:00 pm

Bach Branch

Reading Shakespeare Out Loud (and in Order)

This is what "Game of Thrones" has been preparing us for: rediscovering the Bard in roundtable group readings. We'll start at the beginning with "Two Gentlemen of Verona" and proceed on until we've all had our fill of Shakespeare's classic plays. No need to prepare, just join us! Please register at (518) 463-1581. For adults.

July 9, 16, 23, 30 (Tues) at 12:00-2:00 pm

Aug. 6, 13, 20, 27 (Tues) at 12:00-2:00 pm

North Albany Branch

Books & Bagels

Love to read, but don't like being told what to read? Join us as we talk about the books we love or are currently reading. We'll also share suggestions about what to read next. Light brunch refreshments, too. For adults.

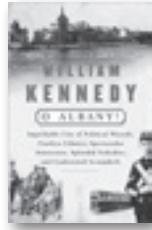
July 10 (Wed) at 11:00 am-12:00 pm

Aug. 14 (Wed) at 11:00 am-12:00 pm

Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch

William Kennedy's Albany: An In-Place Book Group

We'll bring literature alive as we discuss our city's greatest author within sight of the home where he was raised! Participants are asked to read William Kennedy's books in order at home: *O, Albany!*, *Legs*, *Billy Phelan's Greatest Game*, *Ironweed*, *Quinn's Book*, *Very Old Bones*, *The Flaming Corsage*, *Roscoe*, and *Chango's Beads* and *Two-Tone Shoes*. Wear your walking shoes to the book group meetings. Maps and old photos will be on hand. Please register online or at (518) 463-1581. For adults.



July 11, 18, 25 (Thurs) at 2:00-3:00 pm

Aug. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 (Thurs) at 2:00-3:00 pm

North Albany 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.

⌚ **July 17 | The Wife Between Us** by Greer Hendricks

⌚ **Aug. 21 | Open Season** by C.J. Box

Select Wednesdays at 2:00-3:00 pm

Delaware Branch

Bach Nonfiction Book Discussion Group

Pick up your copy of the month's nonfiction title at the Bach reference desk. For adults.

July 18 (Thurs) at 6:00-7:00 pm

Aug. 15 (Thurs) at 6:00-7:00 pm

Bach Branch



A World of Stories: Multicultural Book Discussion Group

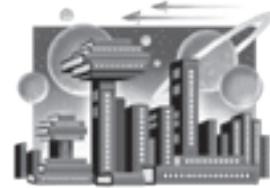
Celebrate diversity and broaden your mind in this new book discussion group that highlights cultural experiences through literature and nonfiction. Pick up this month's book—*The Ministry of Utmost Happiness* by Arundhati Roy—at the reference desk. Please register at (518) 463-0254. For adults.

Aug. 6 (Tues) at 6:30-7:30 pm

Delaware Branch

Adult Summer Reading Challenge

You know you're going to read this summer, so why not win some prizes for it? That's exactly the premise of our adult summer reading challenge!



All you have to do is track what you read and share that with us. The more you read, the more prizes you accumulate. We start small with lip balm for reading three books, and work up to an exclusive t-shirt for reading 20 books or more.

Log your reading online in our Goodreads group (search for "Albany Public Library") or fill out a sheet at any of our branches. Happy reading!

LOCAL HISTORY

Local History Room Open Hours

The Local History Room—located on the second floor of the Washington Ave. Branch—has regular hours when you can visit and view the Pruyn Collection of Albany History. This collection includes books, pamphlets, clippings, newspapers, and photographs.

The Local History Room is open:

- ⌚ Every Monday at 4:00-7:00 pm
- ⌚ 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month at 10:00 am-1:00 pm
- ⌚ Every Friday at 2:00-5:00 pm
- ⌚ 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month at 1:30-5:00 pm
- ⌚ The collection is also accessible by appointment. For more information, please call (518) 427-4376 or: email localhistory@albanypubliclibrary.org.

Albany City Historian Tony Opalka treats us to several visits a month, and is available in the Local History Room on:

- ⌚ 1st, 3rd & 4th Monday of each month at 6:00-7:00 pm
- ⌚ 2nd Saturday of each month at 2:00-4:00 pm

Washington Ave. Branch | 2nd Floor, Local History Room

TUTORING & EDUCATIONAL CLASSES

High School Equivalency Test Prep Class

This program is free and features instruction by a certified teacher in the five areas of study for the HSE exam. BOCES instructors prepare students ages 17 and older to take the exam. Registration is required by calling BOCES at (518) 862-4707. For adults.

Every Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday Afternoon

Washington Ave. 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. Registration is required by calling BOCES at (518) 862-4707. For adults.

Every Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday Morning

Washington Ave. Branch

ESOL Intermediate Class

This free intermediate-level English for Speakers of Other Languages 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. Registration required by calling BOCES at (518) 862-4707. For adults.

Every Monday and Wednesday at 9:00 am-12:00 pm

Pine Hills Branch

English Spoken Here

Practice your English with other English-language learners in a relaxed, fun setting. This drop-in session is led by trained literacy volunteers. For adults.

- ⦿ Every Tuesday at 1:00-2:30 pm | Delaware Branch
- ⦿ July 24 and Aug. 7, 21 (Wed) at 6:30-7:30 pm | Pine Hills Branch



Citizenship Class

This class, offered by US Committee for Refugees and Immigrants, wraps up in July. Please call the branch at (518) 463-0254 x223 to register. For adults.

July 2, 9, 16, 23 (Tues) at 5:30-7:30 pm

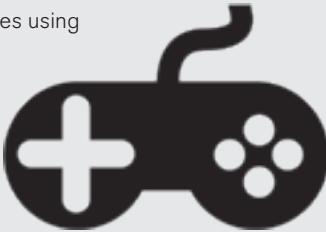
Delaware Branch

Tween Coders

Create different styles of games using Scratch for beginner game developers. Register online or at (518) 427-4310. For ages 9-12.

July 10, 17, 24, 31 (Wed) at 5:30-7:00 pm

Washington Ave. Branch



Yo-Chi

Let's move to the beat in this fun, active class that combines yoga, Tai Chi, and dance. There are separate sessions for younger children, with their families, and tweens. Register for the appropriate session online or by calling (518) 482-7911 x3.

- ⦿ Younger Kids & Families | 2:00-2:30 pm | For ages 3-7
 - ⦿ Tweens | 2:30-3:00 pm | For ages 8-12
- July 11, 18, 25 (Thurs)
Aug. 1, 8, 15, 22 (Thurs)
Pine Hills Branch

GAMING

Dungeons & Dragons

Dungeons & Dragons has been around for decades and 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. For adults.

- ⦿ Every Saturday at 1:00-4:30 pm | Pine Hills Branch | Register at (518) 482-7911 x2
- ⦿ July 6, 27 and Aug. 10 (Sat) at 2:15-4:45 pm | Delaware Branch | Register at (518) 463-0254 x2 or online



Library Bingo Night

Bring your luck and get your game face on to compete for great prizes while playing a classic game with a library twist. Light refreshments and fun prizes, too. For adults.

July 9, 30 (Tues) at 6:00-7:30 pm

Aug. 13, 27 (Tues) at 6:00-7:30 pm
Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch

Scrabble Evening

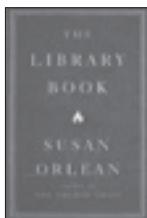
Join us for a friendly game of Scrabble. We have Scrabble boards, plus the latest dictionaries and cheat sheets. Enjoy tea, coffee, and cookies while you play. For adults.

July 11 (Thurs) at 6:00-7:30 pm

Aug. 8 (Thurs) at 6:00-7:30 pm
Bach Branch

FRIENDS OF APL BOOK TALKS

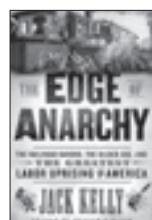
The Friends of Albany Public Library host regular book reviews, author talks, and special presentations every Tuesday at 12:15 pm at the Washington Ave. Branch.



July 2 | Book Review

The Library Book

[Susan] Orlean has created a book as rich in insight and varied as the treasures contained on the shelves in any local library," according to USA Today. The New York Times Notable Book of 2018 is reviewed by Martha Rozett, University at Albany professor emerita of English.



July 9 | Author Talk

Jack Kelly on *The Edge of Anarchy*

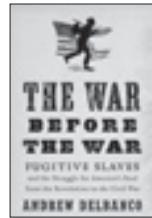
The novelist, journalist, and historian discusses his latest nonfiction work *The Edge of Anarchy: The Railroad Barons, the Gilded Age, and the Greatest Labor Uprising in America*. Kirkus Reviews said the author's "vigorous narrative serves well to set down the facts of a turbulent, little-known history."



July 16 | Author Talk

Maurice Thornton on *The Thornton Family*

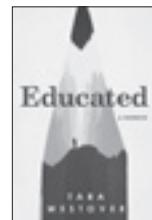
The author joins us to share his story of an African American family living in the American South from the late 1800s through the present. Thornton is retired from the University at Albany Department of Africana Studies.



July 23 | Book Review

The War Before the War

Author Andrew Delbanco's *The War Before the War: Fugitive Slaves and the Struggle for America's Soul from the Revolution to the Civil War* is a "well-documented and valuable work [that] makes clear how slavery shaped the early American experience with effects that reverberate today," according to Publisher's Weekly. The reviewer is John McGuire, a Siena College professor of history.



July 30 | Book Review

Educated

This award-winning 2018 memoir by Tara Westover recounts her journey to obtain a doctoral degree after her isolated, survivalist upbringing and stepping into a classroom for the first time at age 17. The book is reviewed by Judith Barlow, a University at Albany professor emerita of English and women's studies.



Aug. 6 | Book Review

Nuclear Fear

Nuclear Fear: A History of Images by Spencer R. Weart "boldly sweeps from the futuristic White City of the 1893 Chicago World's Fair and the discovery of radioactivity in 1896 through Hiroshima and Star Wars," according to Science. Jonathan Skinner, a retired statistician and Friends of APL board member, reviews the book.



Aug. 13 | Author Talk

Susan Oringel on *My Coney Island*

Oringel reads from her new poetry collection that explores issues of immigration, assimilation, and belonging. She has published in multiple literary journals, and earned fellowships from the Albany-Schenectady League of Arts and The Vermont Studio Center.



Aug. 20 | Author Talk

Tom Fels on *A Tree With Roots*

The book chronicles the author's 1970 journey to Paris and Scotland in search of meaning in a time of disillusion and disarray. Fels is a curator and writer from North Bennington, VT.



Aug. 27 | Book Review

Doing Justice

Preet Bharara, one-time federal prosecutor for the Southern District of New York, gives an overview of our justice system and why the rule of law is essential to our society in his new book *Doing Justice: A Prosecutor's Thoughts on Crime, Punishment, and the Rule of Law*. Peter Sokaris, a retired administrative law judge, reviews the book.



HEALTH & WELLNESS

The Nurse Is In

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

Every Monday at 1:00-2:00 pm | Bach Branch

Healthy Bones for Life

Trained peers lead exercise classes twice weekly. The professionally designed curriculum is geared to older adults and uses stretching, balance exercises, and non-impact weight training. Please call (518) 2154 or visit the online events calendar to register. For older adults.

Every Tuesday and Friday at 10:30-11:45 am

Bach Branch

Seated Tai Chi

This is a great introduction to the fundamentals of Tai Chi, which is safe and easy for everyone to learn. The exercises can help improve health and mobility. Register online or call (518) 482-7911 x2. For adults.

Every Wednesday at 2:00-3:00 pm | Pine Hills Branch



Mental Health Wellness Meetup

Each meeting focuses on a different topic aimed at mental health awareness, coping strategies, networking opportunities, and educational information. The meetups are sponsored by Noteworthy Resources of Albany and facilitated by CEO Tatiana Gjergji. For adults.

July 3 (Wed) at 6:30-7:30 pm

Aug. 7 (Wed) at 6:30-7:30 pm

Washington Ave. Branch

Kinship Navigator Support Group

Are you a grandparent, relative, or family friend providing full-time care for a child? The NYS Kinship Navigator has started a Relatives As Parents Program (RAPP) in the Capital Region for kinship caregivers. RAPP is a monthly support group where caregivers can talk to an expert about their legal issues, public benefits, and other issues. For information and to register, call the Kinship Navigator at (877) 454-6463. For adults.

July 11 (Thurs) at 6:00-7:45 pm

Aug. 8 (Thurs) at 6:00-7:45 pm

Washington Ave. Branch

Cooking by the Book Cooking Class

Help prepare and experience tasty foods in this new monthly cooking program. We'll try spiralized carrots three ways in our first cooking session. Register online or at (518) 463-0254 x223. For adults.

July 27 (Sat) at 1:00-2:30 pm | Delaware Branch

10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's

Learn the 10 warning signs of Alzheimer's and dementia, which cause changes in memory, thinking, and behavior that interfere with daily life. Register at (518) 463-0254 x223 or online. For adults.

Aug. 13 (Tues) at 3:00-4:30 pm | Delaware Branch

Yoga for Beginners

Learn the foundation poses of yoga from instructor Heather Ingram. Register online or at (518) 463-0254 x223. For adults.

Aug. 13, 20, 27 (Tues) at 6:30-7:45 pm | Delaware Branch

HIV Testing

Get a free, confidential HIV test with results available in 20 minutes. No insurance or appointment needed. Walk-ins are welcome. For more information, please call (518) 264-8378. For adults.

Aug. 14 (Wed) at 12:00-6:00 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch

Cook the Book Recipe Swap

Choose a recipe from the cookbook of the month, which you can view at the Bach reference desk. We'll copy the recipe for you, then you can make it at home. Return to the library on Aug. 15 and share your cooking story with us. Samples of your dish to share are always welcome! Please register via the online events calendar or call (518) 482-2154. For adults.

Aug. 15 (Thurs) at 1:00-2:00 pm | Bach Branch

You & Your Pet:

Learn About Pet First Aid

Learn how to prepare for a pet emergency and the steps you can take to stabilize your pet in order to get them to a vet for treatment. Lisa's Emergency & Everyday Pet Care leads us through the preparedness process. Please register online or at (518) 482-7911 x2. For adults.

July 8 (Mon) at 6:00-8:00 pm

Pine Hills Branch



SCRUFF: Community Cats Trap, Neuter, Return

This is an instructional workshop to help people learn how to trap community (feral) cats and become involved with TNR (Trap, Neuter, Return). We'll learn from the dedicated volunteers of SCRUFF (Spaying Capital Region Unowned Feral Felines), which works to humanely reduce the population of feral and stray cats. You'll learn all about caring for these community cats. Register online or call (518) 482-7911 x2. For adults.

Aug. 24 (Sat) at 1:00-4:30 pm

Pine Hills Branch



MOVIES & MUSIC

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 with WMHT, the Center for Law & Justice, Youth FX, and other community organizations. Please register online or at (518) 472-9485. For adults.

- ⌚ **July 8 | "What I Want My Words To Do To You"** | This documentary goes inside a writing workshop at New York's Bedford Hills Correctional Facility with 15 women inmates, most of whom were convicted of murder.
- ⌚ **Aug. 5 | "15 to Life: Kenneth's Story"** | The film follows Kenneth Young, who received four consecutive life sentences at age 15 for a series of armed robberies, and his struggle to be released based on a U.S. Supreme Court decision.

Select Mondays at 6:00-8:00 pm

Howe Branch

Movie Series: Favorite Musicals

Join us for an afternoon screening of some classic movie musicals. For adults

- ⌚ **July 16 | "South Pacific"**
- ⌚ **Aug. 27 | "Bye Bye Birdie"**

Select Tuesdays at 1:00-3:00 pm

Bach Branch

Bach Live

Join us in the story garden for a live musical performances. For all ages.

- ⌚ **Aug. 1 | Hudson River Jazz Quartet** | This chord-less quartet is made up of Ron Gardner on bass, Julian Jacobs on drums, John Dimase on trumpet, and Livio Fasullo on saxophone.
- ⌚ **Aug. 22 | Steve Werthner** | An Albany guitarist who plays solo shows and in several bands, Werther "wants to be Paul Westerberg when he grows up."

Select Thursdays at 6:30-7:30 pm

Bach Branch



Hamiltunes: An American Singalong

Fans of Broadway blockbuster "Hamilton" are invited to take a shot at singing along to songs from the beloved musical based on the life of Alexander Hamilton, who spent much of his time in Albany. If you have stage fright but love a good show, you can just sit back and enjoy as we rise up in song. Costumes are welcome! For teens and adults.

Aug. 1 (Thurs) at 6:30-8:00 pm
Washington Ave. Branch



TECHNOLOGY

Get Help with eBooks, Digital Audiobooks & Magazines

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. For adults.

Every Monday at 7:00-8:00 pm | Call (518) 427-4303 for appointment
Washington Ave. Branch

One-on-One Computer & Device 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, Google Drive, 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 (518) 463-0254 x223 for appointment
- ⌚ **Every Wednesday at 1:00-3:00 pm | Howe Branch**
Call (518) 472-9485 for appointment
- ⌚ **Every Wednesday at 1:00-3:00 pm | Washington Ave. Branch**
Call (518) 427-4303 for appointment

Computing with Confidence

This series of workshops designed to help you become more confident in your computer, keyboard, mouse, and email skills. Registration required by calling (518) 463-0254 x2 or via the online events calendar.

For adults.

- ⌚ **Computer Basics & Mouse Skills Practice | July 1 and Aug. 5 (Mon) at 10:00-11:30 am** | Learn the basics of a computer, including its parts, and practice your mouse skills.
- ⌚ **Typing Practice | July 15 (Mon) at 10:00-11:30 am** | Enhance your typing skills with practice using typingclub.com.
- ⌚ **Using Email | July 22 and Aug. 19 (Mon) at 10:00-11:30 am** | Go through the steps of creating an email account on Gmail. Learn how to compose and delete messages, and how to attach files. This class is recommended for people who have taken the Computer Basics and Typing Practice workshops.
- ⌚ **Introduction to the Internet | July 29 and Aug. 26 (Mon) at 10:00-11:30 am** | Learn all about web pages, how to search for topics, and find your way around the internet. This class is recommended for people who have taken the Computer Basics and Typing Practice workshops.

Delaware Branch

Computer Club

Older people help each other learn to use tablets, smartphones, and laptops. For older adults.

July 8, 22 (Mon) at 12:00-1:00 pm
Aug. 12, 26 (Mon) at 12:00-1:00 pm
Bach Branch



CAREERS & FINANCE

One-on-One Resume Help

Want help creating or polishing your resume? Looking for a job, but unsure of how to apply on the computer? We can help! Please call the appropriate branch to set up a 30-minute appointment. For adults.
Wednesdays at 1:00-3:00 pm | Howe Branch | (518) 472-9485
July 17 (Wed) at 6:00-8:00 pm | Pine Hills Branch | (518) 482-7911 x2

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.

July 2 (Tues) at 5:30-7:30 pm

Aug. 6 (Tues) at 5:30-7:30 pm

Washington Ave. Branch

Free Legal Consultation

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

July 2 (Tues) at 5:30-7:30 pm | Appointment required

Aug. 6 (Tues) at 5:30-7:30 pm | Appointment required

Washington Ave. Branch

Financial Planning Consultation

Get professional financial guidance without a product pitch, for beginner and experienced investors alike. These free consultations are provided by Roderick Sipe, a financial advisor at Edward Jones. Appointments are required. Call (518) 427-4303 to schedule a 30-minute appointment. For adults.

July 18 (Thurs) at 5:30-7:30 pm | Appointment required

Aug. 15 (Thurs) at 5:30-7:30 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+.

July 26 (Fri) at 11:30 am-1:30 pm

Aug. 23 (Fri) at 11:30 am-1:30 pm

Washington Ave. Branch



SPECIAL PROGRAMS

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 under "Leadership." For adults.

➊ **July 9 (Tues) at 6:00-7:30 pm | Annual Meeting | Washington Ave. Branch**

➋ **Aug. 13 (Tues) at 6:00-7:30 pm | Regular Meeting | Pine Hills Branch**

Let's Talk About...Albany

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

➊ **July 25 (Thurs) | General Interest Topics**

➋ **Aug. 20 (Tues) | Albany Author Akum Norder**

Select days at 1:00-2:00 pm

Bach Branch

Community Block Party

We're hosting a special community day at the Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch! Meet the staff and other community members, and enjoy music and picnic-style food. For all ages.

Aug. 10 (Sat) at 1:00-3:00 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 or calling (518) 427-4355. For adults.

Select Days | Appointment Required

Washington Ave. Branch

Out-of-this-World with Henry Hudson Planetarium

We'll sample adult beverages from local producers and enjoy star shows in these special adults-only events at the Henry Hudson Planetarium. Both events have a \$5 per person charge, which can be paid at the door. Register by visiting our online events calendar or calling (518) 427-4303. For ages 21 and over.

➊ **Pints & Planets | July 18 (Thurs) at 6:30-8:00 pm |**

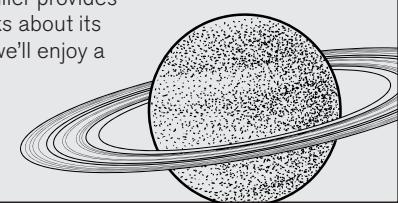
A local brewer offers samples and talks about its brews. Then we'll enjoy a star show by the planetarium.

➋ **Cocktails & Cosmos | Aug. 21 (Wed) at 6:30-8:00 pm |**

A local distiller provides samples and talks about its cocktails. Then we'll enjoy a star show.

Henry Hudson

**Planetarium |
25 Quackenbush Sq.**



Summer Fun

For Kids & Teens

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE – A UNIVERSE OF STORIES!

School is out and it's time for summer reading fun at the library! Read with us this summer to earn cool prizes and visit the library for awesome activities. This year's theme is "A Universe of Stories," so we'll be hosting a number of programs related to planets, space, and the stars. For ages 6-17.

- ➊ The Summer Reading Challenge ends on Aug. 30
- ➋ Sign up at any of our library branches
- ➌ Read whatever you want
- ➍ Every week that you read, you earn chances for great prizes
- ➎ Visit the libraries for awesome activities

JULY 2 (Tues)

Gymnastics Fun

The Little Gym of Albany leads us through an hour of gymnastics fun where we'll balance, jump, and tumble. Register online or call (518) 472-9485. For ages 8-12.

2:00-3:00 pm
Howe Branch



Sun & Stars

Watch stardust burn, investigate the life cycle of stars, compare star sizes, and find out where we are in the Milky Way. Our friends from Mad Science of the Capital District also teach us how to navigate by the stars. Register online or call (518) 482-7911 x3. For ages 5-10.

2:00-3:00 pm
Pine Hills Branch

DIY Space Totes

We'll take plain canvas totes and learn how to paint a nebula or galaxy on them for an out-of-this-world space tote. All supplies provided. Register online or call (518) 463-0254 x223. For ages 11-17.

3:30-5:00 pm | Delaware Branch

JULY 3 (Wed)

Space Stations

Explore and create at our space-themed stations. Look at sun spots through a sun-filtered telescope, make galaxy-inspired magnets, and much more. For ages 4-11.

2:00-3:00 pm | Bach Branch

Oreo Cookie Moon Phases

Make all eight phases of the moon using Oreo cookies, then eat the moon. Register at (518) 463-1581. For ages 6-11.

2:00-3:00 pm
North Albany Branch

Edible Alien Landscapes

Craft a delicious alien landscape using cereal and other goodies. Register online at (518) 694-0596. For ages 6-10.

3:00-4:00 pm
Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch



JULY 5 (Fri)

Make a Constellation Card

Have you ever looked at the stars and admired the Big Dipper? You can make your very own constellation decoration to hang in your room. Pick a favorite constellation and use lacing to create a cool effect. Register online or call (518) 482-7911 x3. For ages 11-17.

2:00-3:00 pm
Pine Hills Branch

JULY 6 (Sat)

Drag Queen Story Hour

Noelle joins us for a special Drag Queen Story Hour of books, songs, and crafts. You can also get your photo



taken with Noelle, too.

For ages 0-7 and families.

10:30-11:30 am
Washington Ave. Branch

"Guardians of the Galaxy"

Enjoy this space-themed Marvel movie featuring Chris Pratt as Star-Lord and Zoe Saldana as Gamora. The movie is rated PG-13. For all ages.

12:00-2:00 pm
Delaware Branch

JULY 9 (Tues)

Life-Size Solar System

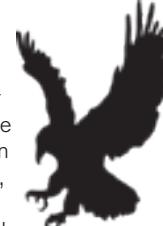
Walk through the solar system! Get up close to the sun, planets, and moons, and read about their discoveries and elements. This is a museum-quality exhibit for the entire family. Register at (518) 463-1581. For all ages.

1:00-2:00 pm
North Albany Branch

Raptors

Meet some amazing owls, hawks, and falcons from our friends at Wildlife Institute of Northeastern NY. Learn about birds' habits, behaviors, conservation status, and more. Register online or call (518) 482-7911 x3. For ages 3-17.

2:00-3:00 pm
Pine Hills Branch



Musical Instrument Petting Zoo

Try playing a saxophone, violin, trumpet, flute, violin, cello, and more from our friends at John Keal Music. Staff will help you hold the musical instrument and produce a note, while explaining how the instrument works. Register online or call (518) 472-9485. For ages 5-17.

3:00-4:00 pm
Howe Branch

Nebula in a Bottle

Learn how to make a nebula out of cotton balls, food coloring, and glitter. All supplies provided. Class size is limited, so register online or call (518) 463-0254 x223. For ages 11-17.

3:30-5:00 pm
Delaware Branch

"Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse"

Watch the movie and enjoy popcorn. First 10 teens get a copy of *Miles Morales: Spider-Man* to take home. For ages 11-17.

4:00-6:00 pm
Bach Branch

JULY 10 (Wed)**Honey Bees & Beekeeping**

Learn about bee biology and life in a hive. Try on beekeeping gear, and then sample beeswax and honey. Register online or at (518) 463-1581. For ages 6-11.

2:00-3:00 pm
North Albany Branch



SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR SUMMER READING PROGRAM SPONSORS!

**Playful Engineers**

We'll design, build, test, and play with Rube Goldberg machines. And, we'll make domino constructions, exploding popsicle stick snakes, and other awesome engineering explorations. Register online or at (518) 482-2154.

For ages 4-11.

2:00-4:00 pm
Bach Branch

Reptile Adventure

Meet Jessica Shea and pet her reptile friends, including snakes, lizards, and tortoises. Register online at (518) 694-0596. For ages 6-17.

3:00-4:00 pm
Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch

JULY 11 (Thurs)**Great Space Race**

Discover space and learn about space exploration with nature educator Lynn Sprague. For ages 6-11.

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

**"Chicka Chicka Boom Boom"**

Enjoy the video version of classic picture book *Chicka Chicka Boom Boom* by Bill Martin Jr., then do an alphabet-themed craft with our friends from WMHT PBS Kids. Every child gets to go home with a copy of the book! Program size is limited, so register online or at (518) 463-0254 x223. For ages 3-8.

2:00-3:15 pm
Delaware Branch

**JULY 12 (Fri)****Portable Planetarium: Constellations**

Get a crystal clear view of thousands of stars in a portable planetarium inside our branch. You'll discover that the stars move in predictable patterns across the sky. See how stars transform into shapes like Orion "the Hunter" and Cygnus "the Swan." Register online or call (518) 482-7911 x3. For ages 8-17.

2:00-3:00 pm
Pine Hills Branch

**JULY 13 (Sat)****Rubber Duck Makeover**

Customize your own rubber duck using paint. Space, and ducks, are limited, so register online or call (518) 427-4310. For ages 11-17.

2:00-4:00 pm
Washington Ave. Branch

**JULY 15 (Mon)****Oreo Cookie Moon Phases**

Enjoy an afternoon snack while learning about the phases of the moon using Oreo cookies in this interactive science and arts program.

For ages 7-11.

2:00-3:00 pm
Washington Ave. Branch

JULY 16 (Tues)**Astronaut Gear**

Make a helmet and boots, and then try on your special astronaut gear. Register online or call (518) 482-7911 x3.

For ages 5-11.



2:00-3:00 pm
Pine Hills Branch

Space Slime

Roll up your sleeves and get messy as we make space slime of all colors and textures. Enjoy a snack, too. Register online or call (518) 472-9485. For ages 6-17.

2:00-4:00 pm
Howe Branch

**Felt Alien Pillows**

We'll craft alien pillows by cutting felt, hot gluing and stitching seams, stuffing with poly-fil, and adding decorations. Class size is limited, so register online or at (518) 463-0254 x223. For ages 11-17.

3:30-5:00 pm
Delaware Branch

Family Storytime with Therapy Dog Woodstock

Storyteller Judge Rachel Krester brings her therapy dog Woodstock to the library for a special family storytime. For ages 0-5.

5:00-6:00 pm
Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch

STEAMing into Nature

Learn about the world around us and the animals that live in it. Our friends from CMOST (Children's Museum of Science & Technology) introduce us to a member of their living collection. Families are welcome. For ages 5-10.

6:00-7:00 pm
Washington Ave. Branch



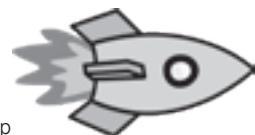
JULY 17 (Wed)**Moon Pies**

Try all the different flavors of moon pie, a delicious marshmallow, cookie, and chocolate treat. Vote to see which flavor is your favorite. Register online or at (518) 482-2154.

For ages 4-11.

2:00-3:00 pm

Bach Branch

**Rocket Science**

Build a functional model rocket with help from our friends with Mad

Science of the Capital District. We'll learn the components of a rocket, the roles they play in a rocket's flight, and the four forces that affect flight. Register online or at (518) 463-1581. For ages 6-11.

2:00-3:00 pm

North Albany Branch

Candy Constellations

Get a taste of the cosmos and eat some sugar-coated star patterns. Learning about space has never been so sweet! Please register at (518) 694-0596. For ages 6-17.

3:00-4:00 pm

Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch

A Very Spidey Afternoon

We'll make and eat a Spider-man snack, and then enjoy a screening of "Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse." Register online or call (518) 472-9485. For ages 9-17.

4:00-7:00 pm | Howe Branch

JULY 18 (Thurs)**Solar Science**

Sunlight helps plants grow, warms the earth, and can be used to create power. Our friends from CMOST lead us through hands-on activities where we experiment with light and sun. For ages 9-11.

2:00-3:00 pm

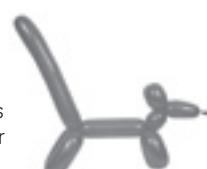
Washington Ave. Branch

Balloon Twisting 101

Learn the secrets to twisting balloons into amazing creations from local artist and sculptor Balloon Gal Jenny. Class size is limited, so register online or at (518) 463-0254 x223. For ages 7-11.

3:00-4:00 pm

Delaware Branch

**JULY 19 (Fri)****Paper Lantern Planets**

Make a beautiful planet windchime out of a paper lantern. Register online or call (518) 482-7911 x3. For ages 11-17.

2:00-3:00 pm

Pine Hills Branch

**JULY 22 (Mon)****Mars Survival Challenge**

Do you have what it takes to survive on Mars? We'll complete a series of challenges in this interactive science and arts program. Snacks provided, too. For ages 7-11.

2:00-3:00 pm

Washington Ave. Branch

**JULY 23 (Tues)****Magic Workshop**

Learn how to perform a magic trick in detail, along with general sleight-of-hand and performance techniques.

Everyone gets two magician sponge balls to keep. Sam Sam the Magic Man teaches this fun workshop. Register online or call (518) 482-7911 x3.

For ages 5-12.

2:00-3:00 pm

Pine Hills Branch

**Cosmic Escape Room**

Do you have what it takes to escape an abandoned planet? Answer a series of riddles and clues to get out of our Cosmic Escape Room. Parents and caregivers are encouraged to participate. Register for a timed session by calling (518) 472-9485. For ages 11-17.

2:00-5:00 pm

Howe Branch

Teen Chef: Smoothies

We'll experiment making different fruit smoothies. (Call ahead if you have food allergies.) Class size is limited, so please register via the online events calendar or call (518) 463-0254 x223. For ages 11-17.

3:30-5:00 pm

Delaware Branch

"Stranger Things" Escape Room

After enjoying some waffles, solve a mystery with Eleven, Officer Hopper, and the rest of the "Stranger Things" gang. Be sure to register your group for a half-hour time slot in the escape room. Register online or at (518) 482-2154. For ages 11-17.

4:00-6:00 pm

Bach Branch

Star Stories & Personal Planetarium

Learn about constellations and make a personal planetarium with local naturalist George Steele. Families are welcome to join us for the fun. For ages 0-10.

6:00-7:00 pm

Washington Ave. Branch

**JULY 24 (Wed)****Magic Workshop**

Learn how to perform a magic trick in detail, along with general sleight-of-hand and performance techniques. Everyone gets two magician sponge balls to keep. Sam Sam the Magic Man teaches this fun workshop. Register online or at (518) 482-2154. For ages 8-14.

2:00-3:00 pm

Bach Branch

**Exploring Art**

We'll explore art with our friends from Skidmore College's Tang Museum. Examine art by Alma Thomas and Carrie Moyer, then create textural pieces inspired by their work. All materials are provided, including specialty papers and metallic markers. Class size is limited, so call the appropriate branch to register.

⦿ **12:00-1:00 pm | Delaware Branch |**

Register at (518) 463-0254 x223 | For ages 5-17

⦿ **3:00-4:00 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch |**

Register at (518) 694-0596 | For ages 6-10

JULY 25 (Thurs)**The Egg Drop Challenge**

Hear how the astronauts of Apollo 13 made life-saving repairs only using items found in their spacecraft. Build an egg drop package using only a few items to simulate Apollo 13's recovery from space. Register online or at (518) 463-1581. For ages 6-11.

2:00-3:00 pm

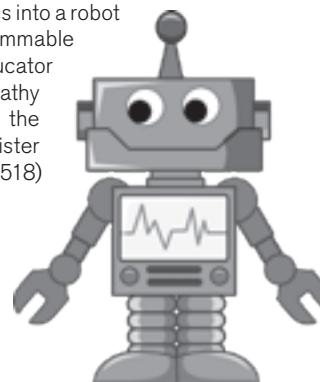
North Albany Branch

**Engineering Mission**

Design and build a shock-absorbing system that protects two marshmallow "astronauts" when they land. Our friends from MiSci teach this workshop, which was adapted from NASA's Design Squad. For ages 9-11.

2:00-3:00 pm

Washington Ave. Branch

**JULY 26 (Fri)****Build a Solar Wobblebot**

Turn old electronics into a robot with a programmable body. Science educator and author Kathy Ceceri teaches the workshop. Register online or call (518) 482-7911 x3. For ages 11-17.

2:00-3:00 pm

Pine Hills

Branch

JULY 29 (Mon)**Marshmallow Constellations**

Explore the stars and make your own marshmallow constellations in this interactive science and art program. Snacks provided, too. For ages 7-11.

2:00-3:00 pm

Washington Ave. Branch

JULY 30 (Tues)**Rocket Egg Racers**

Follow design parameters to make a wheeled vehicle for your egg, then race it down a track to see which rocket racer is best at transporting the egg without breaking it. We'll have a snack, too. Register online or call (518) 472-9485. For ages 9-17.

2:00-3:00 pm

Howe Branch

**Oreo Taste Test**

Sample Oreos and decide which flavor you like best. You can also vote for your favorite one. Register online or call (518) 482-7911 x3. For ages 5-12.

2:00-3:00 pm

Pine Hills Branch

Space Perlers

Make outer space and alien perler bead creations. All supplies are provided. For ages 9-17.

3:30-5:00 pm

Delaware Branch

Stuffed Animal Hospital

Does your teddy bear have a sore tummy? Does your bunny have an earache? Bring your favorite plush friend to our stuffed animal hospital. Enjoy waiting room activities, then meet our veterinarian and vet tech for your pet's checkup. Families are welcome to attend. For ages 0-7.

6:00-7:00 pm

Washington Ave. Branch

JULY 31 (Wed)**Build a Terrarium**

Can you grow plants in outer space? We're going to imagine another world and make a terrarium with live plants, an astronaut, and astro-dog action figures. Register online or at (518) 482-2154. For ages 4-11.

2:00-3:00 pm

Bach Branch

Reptile Adventure

Meet a bearded dragon, tegu, ball python, milk snake, and tortoise. Our friend Jessica Shea will also tell us where they live, when they sleep, and what they eat. Register online or at (518) 463-1581. For ages 4-17.

2:00-3:00 pm

North Albany Branch

Harry Potter Birthday Celebration

Celebrate all things Hogwarts for Harry Potter's birthday! "New students" will be sorted into houses, create house ties, whip up some slime in potions class, and make wands. We'll also have a scavenger hunt and enjoy cupcakes. There are two sessions: one starting at 2:00 pm and the other starting at 3:30 pm. Call (518) 463-0254 x223 to register for a session. For ages 8-17.

2:00-5:00 pm

Delaware Branch

**AUG. 3 (Sat)****Firefighter Storytime**

Firefighters from the Albany Fire Department share books, songs, and crafts with us. You can also get your picture taken with our hometown heroes. For ages 0-7 and families.

10:30-11:30 am

Washington Ave. Branch

**Mom & Me Paint 'n' Sip**

Paint a beautiful picture with your parent or guardian, with the help of artist Ashleigh Kinsley. Class size is limited, so please register via the online events calendar or call (518) 463-0254 x223. For ages 9-15.

1:30-4:00 pm

Delaware Branch

AUG. 5 (Mon)**DIY Aliens**

Create your own alien friend using recycled materials in this interactive science and arts program. Snacks provided, too. For ages 7-11.

2:00-3:00 pm

Washington Ave. Branch

AUG. 1 (Thurs)**Space Tech**

We'll explore space-related technologies that are used right here on Earth. Our friends from Mad Science of the Capital Region will teach us about lasers, radar technology, and satellites through fun, hands-on exercises. Class size is limited, so register online or at (518) 463-0254 x223. For ages 5-12.

3:00-4:00 pm

Delaware Branch

**Hamilton: An American Singalong**

Fans of Broadway blockbuster "Hamilton" are invited to take a shot at singing along to songs from the beloved musical based on the life of Alexander Hamilton, who spent much of his time in Albany. If you have stage fright but love a good show, you can just sit back and enjoy as we rise up in song. Costumes are welcome! For ages 13 and older.

6:30-8:00 pm

Washington Ave. Branch

AUG. 6 (Tues)**Space Tech**

We'll explore space-related technologies that are used right here on Earth. Our friends from Mad Science of the Capital Region will teach us about lasers, radar technology, and satellites through fun, hands-on exercises. Class size is limited, so register online or call (518) 482-7911 x3. For ages 5-11.

2:00-3:00 pm

Pine Hills Branch

**Build a Spaceship**

Construct your own spaceship using found and recycled materials. We'll have a snack, too. Register online or call (518) 472-9485. For ages 9-17.

2:00-5:00 pm

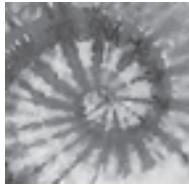
Howe Branch

AUG. 2 (Fri)**Tie Dye T-Shirts**

Make a multi-colored tie dye t-shirt with us. We'll have shirts available, or you can bring one of your own. Register online or call (518) 482-7911 x3. For ages 11-17.

2:00-3:00 pm

Pine Hills Branch

**Polymer Kawaii Charms**

Learn how to design and make your own polymer clay kawaii charms. Register online or at (518) 482-2154. For ages 11-17.

4:00-5:00 pm

Bach Branch

That Spidey Life

Discuss our Read-it-Forward book, *Miles Morales: Spider-Man*, then watch "Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse." Snacks and activities, too. For ages 11-17.

4:00-6:00 pm

Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch

Take Flight

How do birds fly? Can a bubble fly in outer space? Why can't people fly? We'll use feathers, paper, balloons, and bubbles to learn about concepts of flight. Families are welcome to join us for the fun.

For ages 0-10.

6:00-7:00 pm

Washington Ave. Branch

AUG. 7 (Wed)**Owls**

Dyken Pond visits and brings some owls for us to meet. Learn about these fascinating night creatures, and dissect an owl pellet to find out what they eat. Register online or at (518) 482-2154. For ages 6-12.

2:00-3:00 pm

Bach Branch

**Pool Noodle Lightsabers**

Use a pool noodle, duct tape, and electrical tape to make your own lightsaber. Register online or at (518) 463-1581. For ages 4-17.

2:00-3:00 pm

North Albany Branch

Space Travel

Launch into an investigation of propulsion systems with Mad Science of the Capital District. Race a balloon rocket and design your own car engine. Register online at (518) 694-0596.

For ages 6-10.

3:00-4:00 pm

Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch

AUG. 8 (Tues)**Reptile Adventure**

Want to learn about snakes, lizards, and tortoises? Our friend Jessica Shea brings some of her fascinating reptiles to the library for us to learn about and hold. For ages 6-11.

2:00-3:00 pm

Washington Ave. Branch

**Puppet Pandemonium**

The Puppet People perform this funny variety show with a zany cast of 16 puppets. You'll laugh along with the characters, nursery rhyme spoofs, and goofy songs. Register online or at (518) 463-0254. For all ages.

2:00-3:15 pm

Delaware Branch

AUG. 9 (Fri)**Dream Catchers**

Traditional dream catchers are intended to protect us while sleeping by keeping negative dreams away and letting in positive ones. Join us to make your very own dream catchers. Register online or call (518) 482-7911 x3. For ages 11-17.

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

Reptile Adventure & Ice Cream Social

Learn about and touch live reptiles with our friends from Reptile Adventure. Then we'll enjoy ice cream sundaes. Register online or at (518) 482-2154. For ages 4-11.

2:00-4:00 pm | Bach Branch

**Space Comics**

Do you like comics? How about outer space? Join us to create a community comic strip using classic science fiction themes. Register online at (518) 694-0596. For all ages.

3:00-4:00 pm

Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch

Out of This World

Get closer to space and the solar system as we learn about the planets, moon, and stars with our friends from CMOST. We'll have a snack, too. Register online or call (518) 472-9485. For ages 9-17.

3:00-4:00 pm | Howe Branch

AUG. 15 (Thurs)**Rocket Science**

Take on the role of a NASA engineer as you plan and build your very own model rocket using creative problem solving skills. Our friends from Mad Science of the Capital District lead this interactive workshop. For ages 9-11.

2:00-3:00 pm

Washington Ave. Branch

**Build-a-Rover**

NASA's Mars Rover Curiosity has been exploring that distant planet for seven years. We'll learn what that rover has been finding, see how it works, and what tools it has. We'll also build our own Mars rovers using craft supplies. Program size is limited, so register online or at (518) 463-0254. For ages 7-17.

3:00-4:15 pm | Delaware Branch

AUG. 16 (Fri)**Galaxy Slime**

Get messy and make some colorful galaxy slime that you can take home. Register online or call (518) 482-7910 x3. For ages 11-17.

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

Spider-Verse Training Course

Celebrate our Read It Forward book, *Miles Morales: Spider-Man* by Jason Reynolds, and then talk about it with your peers and friends. Then we'll test our spider skills, including strength, agility, web shooting, and capturing enemies. For ages 8-14.

2:00-4:00 pm

Washington Ave. Branch

Weekly

STORYTIMES & GAMES

programs are listed ONLINE!

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AUG. 20 (Tues)**Gymnastics Fun**

The Little Gym of Albany leads preschoolers through an hour of gymnastics fun where they'll balance, jump, and tumble. Register online or call (518) 472-9485. For ages 3-5.
2:00-3:00 pm | Howe Branch

**Summer Reading Wrap-Up Party**

Magician and juggler Scott Jameson will show us illusions that are out of this world! After the show, enjoy an ice cream sundae to celebrate your summer reading accomplishments.

For ages 5-17.

2:00-3:30 pm | Pine Hills Branch

Astrology Magnets

Learn how to make a cool magnet using decorative filler stones, astrology signs, and mod podge. All supplies are provided.

For ages 9-17.

3:30-5:00 pm | Delaware Branch

Stories & Art in the Park

Join us in Washington Park—near the playground—for an hour of stories and arts-and-crafts with our partners from City of Albany Department of Recreation, WMHT PBS Kids, and Albany Barn. (Rain location is Washington Ave. Branch.) For ages 0-5.

**July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 (Mon) at
10:30-11:30 am**

Washington Park near the Playground

AUG. 21 (Wed)**"Zathura" Mission Complete Party**

Celebrate your summer reading accomplishments and enjoy a showing of "Zathura: A Space Adventure" to commemorate a mission accomplished! Snacks and activities, too. For ages 6-17.

3:00-5:00 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch

AUG. 22 (Thurs)**Supa Epic Dog Man Party**

Get to meet real-life canine police dogs and their police officers, while celebrating our favorite graphic novel crime-fighting dog-man. We'll learn about K-9 police work, and do crafts, games, and activities. We'll have refreshments, and give away a few copies of the new *Dog Man #7: For Whom the Ball Rolls*. For ages 5-12.
2:00-3:15 pm | Delaware Branch

STEAM Summer Adventure Series

Develop a video game, build a junk drawer robot, learn circuits and coding, and more. This program is made possible through a partnership with Cornell Cooperative Extension and 4-H. A snack is provided each day. Register by calling (518) 472-9485.

For ages 7-12.

**July 1, 2, 3, 5 (Mon-Wed, Fri)
12:00-2:00 pm | Howe Branch**

AUG. 23 (Fri)**Spider-Man Pizza Party**

Enjoy a slice of pizza while celebrating *Miles Morales: Spider-Man*, our Read It Forward book. We'll talk about the book and show off our real-life webbing skills by making a yarn doll. You're encouraged to read the book before the party. The first 12 participants will get a copy of the book to keep at the youth services desk.

Register online or call (518) 482-7911 x3.

For ages 11-17.

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

**AUG. 27 (Tues)****"Space Jam"**

Watch basketball great Michael Jordan and the Looney Tunes in this live action/animation flick. Enjoy a snack, too. For ages 5-17.

3:00-5:00 pm | Howe Branch

Galaxy Soap

We'll learn how to melt soap base, add cosmetic glitter and liquid soap colorant, and watch as a galaxy appears in our soap molds. All supplies provided. Class size is limited, so register online or call (518) 463-0254 x223. For ages 11-17.

3:30-5:00 pm | Delaware Branch

AUG. 28 (Wed)**"Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse" & Pizza Party**

Watch the Oscar-winning animated movie version of graphic novel *Miles Morales: Spider-Man*, which is our Read It Forward book for the summer. We'll enjoy pizza, too.

For ages 9-17.

**3:00-5:00 pm
Delaware Branch**

**AUG. 30 (Fri)****Summer Reading Wrap-Up Party**

Celebrate your summer reading success with games, crafts, prizes, and refreshments.

For ages 5-17.

**2:00-3:00 pm
Howe Branch**

SPIDER-MAN: MILES MORALES READ IT FORWARD!

Read this awesome graphic novel and then pass the book on to a friend. Libraries in the Upper Hudson Library System, including APL branches, have copies of *Miles Morales: Spider-Man* by Jason Reynolds that you can take home to read and then give to a friend to share the joy of this story. These books don't have to be returned to the library; we hope they end up in home libraries at the end of the summer.



We're also hosting several activities and movie screenings around the Read It Forward title:

"Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse" Movie Screening & Snacks

- ⌚ July 9 (Tue) | 4:00-6:00 pm | Bach Branch
- ⌚ July 17 (Wed) | 4:00-7:00 pm | Howe Branch
- ⌚ Aug. 6 (Tues) | 4:00-6:00 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch
- ⌚ Aug. 28 (Wed) | 3:00-5:00 pm | Delaware Branch

Spider-Verse Training Course | Aug. 16 (Fri) | 2:00-4:00 pm | Washington Ave. Branch

Spider-Man Pizza Party | Aug. 23 (Fri) | 2:00-3:00 pm | Pine Hills Branch





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

Library	Address
North Albany Branch	616 North Pearl Street, 12204 463-1581
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
Washington Avenue Branch	161 Washington Avenue, 12210 427-4300
Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs.	10:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Friday	10:00 AM - 6:00 PM
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