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BLACK HISTORY MONTH PROGRAMS

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Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch

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Pine Hills Branch

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Bach Branch

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Washington Ave. Branch

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**“Martin’s Big Words” Storywalk**

Celebrate Black History Month by taking a stroll through Doreen Rappaport’s “Martin’s Big Words: The Life of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.” Bring the whole family and pick up an activity pack to work on while reading together. For ages 6-10, and families.

**Feb. 1-29 (Sat-Sat) during regular hours**

Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch

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**Social Justice Film Series: Black History Edition**

Join us for a documentary screening and discussion. Each film explores a chapter in the fight for civil rights. For adults.

- **Feb. 3 | “The Black Power Mixtape”** This film documents the Black Power Movement in the United States.
- **Feb. 10 | "The Brothers: The Forgotten Struggle for Civil Rights in Albany"** The film showcases The Brothers, a significant but nearly forgotten civil rights group that was prevalent in Albany in the late 1960s.
- **Feb. 24 | "Brother Outsider: The Life of Bayard Rustin"** The film highlights the life and work of the civil rights activist best remembered as organizer of the 1963 march on Washington.

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Howe Branch

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Washington Ave. Branch
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 required and can be made by emailing delgazor@albanypubliclibrary.org or calling (518) 427-4379.

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

20/20 Vision Board
Put together a vision board to guide you through the new year. We’ll decoupage images, words, and affirmations to manifest our dreams for 2020. Bring your own clippings or cut up our old magazines to create your perfect source of inspiration and motivation. Register at (518) 427-4303. For adults.

Jan. 6 (Mon) at 5:30-7:30 pm
Washington Ave. Branch

Crochet Walk-In Workshop
Join our resident crochet expert to start your new hobby or hone your skills. All supplies provided. For beginners and practiced crocheters alike. For adults.

Jan. 8, 22 (Wed) at 3:00-5:00 pm
Feb. 12, 26 (Wed) at 3:00-5:00 pm
Washington Ave. Branch

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.

Jan. 7 (Tues) at 3:00-4:00 pm
Feb. 13 (Thurs) at 6:00-7:00 pm
Washington Ave. Branch

Paint ‘n’ Sip
Create a masterpiece while you sip hot cocoa and coffee. Register at (518) 427-4303. For adults.

Jan. 8 (Wed) at 5:30-7:30 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 via our online events calendar or by calling (518) 427-4303. For adults.

Feb. 3 (Mon) at 5:30-7:30 pm
Washington Ave. Branch

Craft My Valentine
We’ll make a special Valentine’s Day craft, perfect to give to a loved one. All supplies provided. Register at (518) 427-4303. For adults.

Feb. 12 (Wed) at 5:30-7:30 pm
Washington Ave. Branch

SCHEDULE NOTES

- Jan. 1 | CLOSED | New Year’s Day
- Jan. 20 | OPEN | Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- Feb. 17 | OPEN | Presidents’ Day
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 (Mon) at 1:30-3:00 pm
Howe Branch

The New Scene
Learn about journalism and be part of creating news articles for the community newspaper The New Scene. The newspaper is a partnership of the library, NAACP, and the Center for Law & Justice, and is sponsored by a Spectrum grant. Register online or call (518) 472-9485. For all ages.
Every Tuesday at 3:30-5:30 pm
Howe Branch

Stitch Angels
Are you a fiber crafter? Do you have a passion and skill for making hand knitted or crocheted garments? Then the Delaware Ave. Stitch Angels need you! For adults.
Every Friday at 12:30-2:30 pm
Delaware Branch

Saturday Art Group
This volunteer-led art group continues with an expanded selection of traditional drawing and painting supplies. Artists of all skill levels are welcome to meet and create art independently (without instruction) in a cooperative studio environment. Art supplies are provided, but you may bring your own as well. Register via the online events or call (518) 482-7911 x230. For adults.
Jan. 4, 11, 25 (Sat) at 2:00-4:30 pm
Feb. 1, 8, 22 (Sat) at 2:00-4:30 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.
Jan. 8, 22 (Wed) at 6:00-7:30 pm
Feb. 5, 19 (Wed) at 6:00-7:30 pm
Howe Branch

Scintillating Stitches
This group is dedicated to needle arts that use embroidery floss. Bring your own project and work companionably with fellow stitchers. Some materials and instruction will be provided for beginners to get started. For adults.
Jan. 7, 21 (Tues) at 5:30-7:45 pm
Feb. 4, 18 (Tues) at 5:30-7:45 pm
Delaware Branch

Painting Miniatures for Tabletop Gaming
Learn the basics of painting miniatures for tabletop gaming. Two minis will be provided, as well as painting supplies. Register online or call (518) 463-0254 x2. For teens and adults.
Jan. 11 (Sat) at 12:00-1:30 pm
Delaware Branch

It's Sew Easy: Sewing 101
In this three-part class you'll learn how to sew—hand and machine stitching—and make a pillow. Register online or at (518) 463-0254 x223. For adults.
Jan. 16, 23, 30 (Thurs) at 6:00-7:30 pm
Delaware Branch

Getting Creative
Albany artist Ashleigh Kinsey leads a new painting series focused on creativity. Enjoy treats while painting. Register online or call (518) 463-0254 x223. For adults.
Jan. 18 (Sat) at 1:30-4:00 pm
Feb. 15 (Sat) at 1:30-4:00 pm
Delaware Branch

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.
Jan. 18 (Sat) at 2:00-3:30 pm
Feb. 15 (Sat) at 2:00-3:30 pm
Bach Branch

Watercolor Workshop
Artist Carolyn Hopkins teaches us how to use a reference photograph of a cottage and employ a step-by-step technique to paint a charming watercolor scene. Register at (518) 463-1581. For adults.
Jan. 22 (Wed) at 6:00-7:30 pm
North Albany Branch

Craft Night
Enjoy a relaxing night at the library and create something beautiful to take home with you. All craft supplies provided. Register at (518) 482-7911 x230 or online. For adults.
Jan. 27 (Mon) at 6:30-7:30 pm
Pine Hills Branch

Glassware Painting
Bring your creativity and join us to hand paint drinking glasses. Supplies and guidance will be provided. Register at (518) 694-0596 or via our online events calendar. For adults.
Jan. 28 (Tues) at 6:00-7:30 pm
Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch

Sailor Valentines
It's a new year, and time for a new hobby! Sailor Valentines were popular in the Victorian era when sailors bought valentines decorated with seashells crafted by the people of Barbados and brought them home to their sweethearts. We'll make our own Sailor Valentines by painting papier mâché boxes and then decorating them with seashells. Our instructor will show us how to choose and place the seashells in a beautiful pattern. Register online or call (518) 482-2154. For adults.
Jan. 30 (Thurs) at 6:00-8:00 pm
Bach Branch

Saturday Crafternoons
Mosaic creations are the focus of this month's crafternoon. All supplies are provided. Register at (518) 463-0254 x2 or online. For adults.
Feb. 8 (Sat) at 12:30-2:00 pm
Delaware Branch

Paint & Sip
Paint a winter scene while you enjoy some hot herbal tea or cocoa. Register at (518) 694-0596 or via our online events calendar. For adults.
Feb. 20 (Thurs) at 6:00-7:45 pm
Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch
BOOK GROUPS & LITERATURE DISCUSSIONS

Reading Shakespeare Out Loud (and in Order)
We’re rediscovering the Bard in roundtable group readings. No need to prepare ahead of time; we’ll be able to handle each of Shakespeare’s works in about two-and-a-half hours. Register online or at (518) 463-1581. For adults.
Every Tuesday at 12:00-2:30 pm
North Albany Branch

Bach Fiction Book Discussion Group
Pick up your copy of the month’s fiction title at the Bach reference desk. For adults.
Jan. 7 (Tues) at 2:00-3:00 pm
Feb. 4 (Tues) at 2:00-3:00 pm
Bach Branch

Bach Nonfiction Book Discussion Group
Pick up your copy of the month’s nonfiction title at the Bach reference desk. For adults.
Jan. 16 (Thurs) at 6:00-7:00 pm
Bach Branch

Books & Bagels
Love to read, but don’t love being told what to read? Join us as we talk about the books we love or are reading right now. We’ll also share suggestions on what to read next. Light brunch refreshments, too.
For adults.
Jan 15 (Wed) at 11:00 am-12:00 pm
Feb. 19 (Wed) at 11:00 am-12:00 pm
Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch

Forever (Young) Adult Book Club
We’ll discuss a different young adult book title every month. Call for the selected title, and to register, at (518) 482-7911 x230. For adults.
Jan. 20 (Mon) at 6:30-7:30 pm
Feb. 17 (Mon) at 6:30-7:30 pm
Pine Hills Branch

TECHNOLOGY

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

Computer Club
Senior citizens help each other learn to use tablets, phones, and laptops. For older adults.
Jan. 13, 27 (Mon) at 12:00-1:00 pm
Feb. 10, 24 (Mon) at 12:00-1:00 pm
Bach Branch

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, Google Drive, and more. Call the appropriate branch to schedule a one-on-one session. For adults.
• Every Tuesday at 1:00-3:00 pm | Delaware Branch | Call (518) 463-0254 x223 for appointment
• Every Wednesday at 12:00-2:00 pm | Pine Hills Branch | Call (518) 482-7911 x2 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

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
Jan. 7 | Book Review
Grand Central

Jan. 14 | Book Review
Gods of the Upper Air
According to NPR, Charles King’s Gods of the Upper Air: How a Circle of Renegade Anthropologists Reinvented Race, Sex, and Gender in the Twentieth Century demonstrates how “the anthropology of equality tells us that every population is as fully human as any other, and deserving of understanding and compassion.” James Collins, University at Albany professor of anthropology, reviews the book.

Jan. 21 | Book Review
Race for Profit
Keeanga-Yamahtta Taylor’s Race for Profit: How Banks and the Real Estate Industry Undermined Black Homeownership is a “masterly exposé of the political economy of the racially bifurcated market systematically [and] lays bare how residential segregation made profits from race,” according to Library Journal. Attorney Anita Thayer reviews the book.

Jan. 28 | Book Review
Gilgamesh: The Life of a Poem
Michael Schmidt’s book is “for anyone interested in language, history, or the power of a great story [and] assures endless discoveries.” Peter R. Bedford, the John and Jane Wold professor of religious studies and director of the Religious Studies Program at Union College, reviews the book.

Feb. 4 | Author Talk
Mark Berger on Something’s Happening Here
Nassau author Mark Berger brings the 1960s alive in “this whirlwind ride…that begins in Brooklyn and ends at Woodstock.” Berger’s memoir Something’s Happening Here: A Sixties Odyssey from Brooklyn to Woodstock is his first book.

Feb. 11 | Special Program
Broadway Musicals of Andrew Lloyd Webber
Dave Kibbe presents “Over 23,000 Performances and Counting, the Broadway Musicals of Andrew Lloyd Webber.” The famed English composer is responsible for such classic titles as “The Phantom of the Opera,” “Evita,” and “Cats.”

Feb. 18 | Book Review
The Economists’ Hour
Binyamin Appelbaum’s The Economists’: False Prophets, Free Markets, and the Fracture of Society “is a well reported and researched history of the ways in which plucky economists helped rewrite policy in America and Europe and across emerging markets,” according to The Economist. Paul M. Hohenberg, professor emeritus of economics at RPI, reviews the book.

Feb. 25 | Book Review
Seneca: Selected Letters
A collection of letters from Stoic philosopher and tragedian Seneca to his friend Lucilius in the time of Nero were translated in this edition by Princeton University Professor of Latin Emeritus Elaine Fantham, Tomasso Gazzarri, a professor in the classics department at Union College, reviews the book.
Resume Assistance
Looking for a job, but unsure of how to apply on the computer? Want help creating your resume? We can do that! Call (518) 463-0254 x223 to schedule an appointment. For adults.
Jan. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 (Thurs) at 12:30-2:00 pm
Feb. 6, 13, 27 (Thurs) at 12:30-2:00 pm
Delaware Branch

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.
Jan. 7 (Tues) at 5:30-7:30 pm
Feb. 4 (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.
Jan. 7 (Tues) at 5:30-7:30 pm | Appointment required
Feb. 4 (Tues) at 5:30-7:30 pm | Appointment required
Washington Ave. Branch

New Year, New Resume
Start off the year with a new resume and new career potential! We can help you freshen up an old resume or start a new one from scratch. Register at (518) 694-0596. For adults.
Jan. 14 (Tues) at 6:00-7:30 pm
Arbor Hill/West Hill 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.
Jan. 16 (Thurs) at 5:30-7:30 pm | Appointment required
Feb. 20 (Thurs) at 5:30-7:30 pm | Appointment required
Washington Ave. Branch

Credit Report & Review
Drop in and get a free credit report and review from an Affordable Housing Partnership counselor. Appointments are not required, but you may call (518) 427-4303 for more information. For adults.
Jan. 24 (Fri) at 11:30 am-1:30 pm
Feb. 28 (Fri) at 11:30 am-1:30 pm
Washington Ave. Branch

Intro to Microsoft Word
Learn the basics of Microsoft Word 2016 from staff at the Capital District Educational Opportunity Center. You’ll learn how to navigate the software, choose fonts and format text, save and print documents, and more. For adults.
Feb. 10 (Mon) at 2:00-3:00 pm
Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch

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

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

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

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
- Jan. 8, 22 and Feb. 5, 19 (Wed) at 6:30-7:30 pm | Pine Hills Branch
**SPECIAL PROGRAMS**

**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.

- **Jan. 9 (Thurs) at 6:00-7:30 pm**
- **Feb. 13 (Thurs) at 6:00-7:30 pm**

Bach Branch

**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. Register by calling the appropriate branch. For teens and adults.

- **Jan. 11, 25 and Feb. 8, 22 (Sat) at 1:45-4:45 pm** | Delaware Branch | Register at (518) 463-0254 x223
- **Every Saturday at 1:00-4:30 pm** | Pine Hills Branch | Register at (518) 482-7911 x230

Every Saturday at 1:00-4:00 pm

Pine Hills 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 under "Leadership." For adults.

- **Jan. 14 (Tues) at 6:00-7:30 pm** | Regular Meeting | North Albany Branch
- **Feb. 11 (Tues) at 6:00-7:30 pm** | Regular Meeting | Washington Ave. Branch
- **Feb. 25 (Tues) at 6:00-7:30 pm** | Budget Session | Pine Hills Branch

**North Albany Discusses...**
Join us for facilitated discussions about timely topics. For adults.

- **Jan. 15 | Mentoring Month: It’s About Much More Than Jobs | Learn about how mentoring works for employment training, sports, parenting, and civic engagement.**
- **Feb. 5 | "The Brothers" & Their Local Legacy | Albany’s civil rights activists are the topic of this roundtable.**
- **Feb. 12 | Valentines for All: Everyone Has a Love Story | Lisa Phillips, author of "Unrequited," leads a discussion about matters of the heart.**

Select Wednesdays at 6:00-7:00 pm

North Albany Branch

**Let’s Talk About...Albany**
Join us for a great conversation about Albany. 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.

- **Jan. 23 (Thurs) at 1:00-2:00 pm**
- **Feb. 27 (Thurs) at 1:00-2:00 pm**

Bach Branch

**How to Research Discriminatory Housing Practices**
Learn how you can find out if your property or neighborhood was involved with the racially motivated, 20th century practices of restrictive covenants, relining, and lease-and-option buying. David Hochfelder, associate professor of history at the University at Albany, presents this lecture. For adults.

- **Feb. 13 (Thurs) at 6:00-7:30 pm**

Washington Ave. Branch

**Luau Party**
It may be dark and cold, but that doesn’t mean we can’t have some beachy fun at the library. Make a palm tree, enjoy some Hawaiian delicacies, and listen to live ukulele music. Grass skirts are welcome. For adults.

- **Feb. 19 (Wed) at 6:00-7:30 pm**

North Albany Branch

**Carnival: A Community Celebration**
Chase the winter blues away as we travel to the islands and enjoy traditional carnival food, fun, and drum music from Haiti, Trinidad, and the Dominican Republic. For adults.

- **Feb. 26 (Wed) at 6:00-7:30 pm**

North Albany 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) 427-4365. For adults.

Select Days | Appointment Required
Washington Ave. Branch
Coffee & a Movie
Join us for a free movie screening with coffee and snacks, and the chance to talk to community services providers. Housing services, mental health organizations, and others will be available to answer questions and provide information. For adults.
Every Wednesday at 10:30 am-1:30 pm
Washington Ave. Branch

Midday Matinee
Stop by on Friday afternoons to enjoy a free movie and popcorn. For adults.
Jan. 6, 13, 20, 27 (Fri) at 12:30-2:30 pm
Howe Branch

Social Justice Film Series
This month we view “Alice Walker: Beauty in Truth,” which tells the story of the first black woman to win the Pulitzer Prize for fiction for “The Color Purple.” 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.
Jan. 6 (Mon) at 6:00-8:00 pm
Howe Branch

Vanguard/Albany Symphony Orchestra Prevue
The ASO treats us to a special prevue of each month’s performance. For adults.
- Feb. 14 | “Romeo and Juliet” | With Guest Conductor JoAnn Falletta of the Buffalo Philharmonic
Select Fridays at 12:00-1:30 pm
Washington Ave. Branch

Martin Luther King Jr. Film Screening
Watch a screening of “Selma,” the film by Ava DuVernay that chronicles King’s campaign to secure equal voting rights with an epic march from Selma to Montgomery, Alabama, in 1965. For adults.
Jan. 20 (Mon) at 12:30-3:00 pm
Howe Branch

Classically Speaking
Classical music goes to the movies in this series. Enjoy these films with us. For adults.
- Feb. 5 | “Immortal Beloved” | The life and death of composer Ludwig van Beethoven is explored in this 1994 film (rated R) starring Gary Oldman.
- Feb. 12 | “Meeting Venus” | This 1991 film (rated PG-13) starring Glenn Close is a biting satire set in the world of Grand Opera and United Europe.
- Feb. 22 | “Impromptu” | A romantic relationship of pianist/composer Frederic Chopin is explored in this 1991 film (rated PG-13) starring Hugh Grant and Judy Davis.
Select Wednesdays at 1:00-3:30 pm
Pine Hills Branch

Cook the Book: Recipe Swap
Choose a recipe from the cookbook of the month, which you can view at the Bach information desk. We’ll copy the recipe for you, then you can make it at home. Return to the library on the program dates below 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.
Jan. 16 (Thurs) at 1:00-2:00 pm
Feb. 13 (Thurs) at 12:30-1:30 pm
Bach Branch

Soup Making Class
Join Albany Food Not Bombs and learn to make delicious soup that’ll keep us warm while we work toward building an equitable world. Food Not Bombs is a worldwide movement that fights against food waste and oppression. For all ages.
Jan. 25 (Sat) at 11:00 am-12:00 pm
North Albany Branch

Ice Cream for Breakfast Day
We celebrate this fun holiday every year at Bach! Join us for sweet ice cream sundaes, courtesy of Stewart’s Shops, with your choice of toppings including granola, bananas, sprinkles, and chocolate syrup. For all ages.
Feb. 1 (Sat) at 11:00 am-12:00 pm
Bach Branch
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

Free Rapid HIV Testing
Albany Medical Center provides free, rapid HIV testing in a confidential space at the library. The testing only takes 20 minutes. No insurance is necessary. Make an appointment by calling Albany Medical Center’s Department of HIV Medicine at (518) 264-8378, or just walk in. For adults.

- Jan. 9 and Feb. 13 (Thurs) at 3:30-8:00 pm | Delaware Branch
- Jan. 22 and Feb. 5 (Wed) at 2:30-6:00 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch

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**KIDS & TEENS**

**Martin Luther King Jr. Mosaic**
Fill in a sticker mosaic of an iconic image of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. in celebration of his life and legacy. For ages 6-17.
Jan. 2-31 (Thurs-Fri) during regular hours
Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch

**Martin Luther King Jr. Day Craft**
We’ll host a special craft in celebration of Martin Luther King Jr. Snacks, too. For ages 6-17.
Jan. 20 (Mon) at 4:00-5:00 pm
Howe Branch

**“Martin’s Big Words” Storywalk**
Celebrate Black History Month by taking a stroll through Doreen Rappaport’s “Martin’s Big Words: The Life of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.” Bring the whole family and pick up an activity pack to work on while reading together. For ages 6-10.
Feb. 1-29 (Sat-Sat) during regular hours
Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch

**LEGO Building Challenge**
Build a LEGO creation straight from your imagination. We’ll take a photo of your masterpiece and hang it in the library. You can also make a mini figure from our stash of parts, and take your personal mini figure home. For ages 4-12.
Jan. 2-31 (Thurs-Fri) during regular hours
Delaware Branch

**Trail Mix Madness**
We’ll concoct a different trail mix every week. Register online or call (518) 472-9485. For ages 6-17.
Jan. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 (Fri) at 4:00-5:00 pm
Howe Branch

**1st Saturdays for Families**
Join us for family fun on the first Saturday of each month. For ages 0-7.
Jan. 4 (Sat) at 10:30-11:30 am
Feb. 1 (Sat) at 10:30-11:30 am
Washington Ave. Branch

**One Book at a Time Reading Workshop**
Do you have a reluctant reader? Are you looking for support to help your child with their daily assigned reading? This monthly workshop is for you and your child! Library staff will provide literacy tips to the youngsters and show you how to provide reading support. For ages 6-10.
Jan. 7 (Tues) at 4:00-5:00 pm
Feb. 4 (Tues) at 4:00-5:00 pm
Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch

**Tween Craft**
Join us to make a fun craft after school.
- Jan. 7 | DIY Fabric Key Fob | For ages 12-17 | Space is limited, so register online or call (518) 463-0254
- Jan. 21 | Perler Beads | For ages 9-17 | No registration
- Feb. 4 | Perler Beads | For ages 9-17 | No registration
Select Tuesdays at 3:30-5:00 pm
Delaware Branch

**Paws for Reading**
Kids love reading to Winston, a certified therapy dog that’s soft, cuddly, and a good listener. Therapy animals are trained to provide a relaxing and fun environment for children to practice reading aloud. Kids can also make a new, furry friend while boosting their confidence in reading. Bring a book of your own or ask the librarian for recommendations. For ages 5-17.
Jan. 9 (Thurs) at 4:00-5:00 pm
Feb. 13 (Thurs) at 4:00-5:00 pm
Delaware Branch

**Read with a Therapy Dog**
Visit us and read with Woodstock or Bartlett, friendly therapy dogs and great listeners. Call (518) 427-4310 to sign up for a 15-minute session. For ages 5-10.
Jan. 11 (Sat) at 1:00-3:00 pm
Washington Ave. Branch

**MusiKids**
Miss Lisa leads babies, toddlers, and preschoolers in this interactive music class. We’ll listen to songs, do creative movements, and use instruments to have fun with music. Space is limited, so register at (518) 463-0254. For ages 0-5.
Jan. 10 (Fri) at 10:30-11:15 am
Delaware Branch

**Fusion Bead Creation**
Create a masterpiece out of fusion beads. For ages 6-17.
Jan. 11 (Sat) at 1:00-3:00 pm
Washington Ave. Branch

**Shakes & Bakes**
Learn how to make excellent snacks and small meals in this cooking club. Registration is required by calling (518) 482-2154. For ages 11-17.
- Jan. 13 | Something Cheesy for National Cheese Day
- Feb. 10 | Pizza Bagels for National Bagel Day
Select Mondays at 4:00-5:00 pm
Bach Branch

**Together Time**
Youngsters listen to a readaloud of the chosen book and then enjoy a playtime inspired by the book. Together Time is brought to us by our friends from Brightside Up. Space is limited, so please register online or by calling (518) 463-0254. For ages 1-5.
- Jan. 14 | “The Skin You Live In” | Listen to “The Skin You Live In” by Michael Tylor and participate in activities that celebrate diversity.
- Feb. 11 | “Eating the Alphabet” | Listen to “Eating the Alphabet” by Lois Ehlert and learn letters with search-and-find games.

**Teen Tech**
Visit after school to create some awesome tech-related projects. For ages 12-17.
- Jan. 14 | Comic Magnets | Drop-in program
- Feb. 11 | Candy Making | Class size is limited, so register at (518) 463-0254
Select Tuesdays at 3:30-5:00 pm
Delaware Branch
“The Secret Garden” Indoor Picnic
We’ll celebrate the classic children’s book “The Secret Garden” by Frances Hodgson Burnett with an indoor picnic! Just like the characters in the book, we’ll tend to our “garden” before enjoying tea and cake. We’ll also listen to the first chapter of the book. Kids can choose from our selection of fresh-cut flowers and create a bouquet to bring home. And be sure to borrow a copy of the book to finish reading it at home.
Space is limited, so register by calling (518) 463-0254. For ages 6-12.
Jan. 16 (Thurs) at 4:00-5:00 pm
Delaware Branch

National Pie Day
Sample some delicious pies on National Pie Day courtesy of the library. Be sure to bring your friends! For all ages.
Jan. 23 (Thurs) at 4:00-5:00 pm
Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch

Family Storytime
It’s fun for the whole family when we watch a story from the WHMT PBS Kids archive and make a craft. Every family will get a copy of the featured book to take home. Please register online or call (518) 463-1581. For ages 0-7.
Jan. 18 (Sat) at 10:30 am-12:00 pm
North Albany Branch

Ready to Romp
Instructors from the Little Gym of Colonie lead us through fun movement activities that feature kid-sized sports equipment, music, art supplies, and props. Space is limited, so register online or call (518) 463-0254. For ages 3-7.
Jan. 25 (Sat) at 11:00 am-12:00 pm
Delaware Branch

ENL Reading Partners
Come to the library and read with a student from Albany Medical College. All reading levels and new language learners are welcome. Register at (518) 427-4310. For ages 5-17.
Jan. 18, 25 (Sat) at 10:30 am-12:30 pm
Feb. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 (Sat) at 10:30 am-12:30 pm
Washington Ave. Branch

Teen Chef
Make something yummy with us. All cooking supplies and instructions are provided. Space is limited, so register at (518) 463-0254. For ages 12-17.
Jan. 28 | Vegetable Soup & Mini Grilled Cheese
Feb. 25 | Strawberry Smoothies
Select Tuesdays at 3:30-5:00 pm
Delaware Branch

Music & Movement
Bring your little one to stretch, sing, dance, and explore music with rhythm instruments. This program helps develop gross motor, listening, and social skills, while introducing new vocabulary. For ages 0-5.
Jan. 21 (Tues) at 4:00-5:00 pm
Feb. 18 (Tues) at 4:00-5:00 pm
Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch

Recipe Around the World
Warm up this winter with delicious Mexican rice and hot chocolate. Educators from Honest Weight Food Co-op will help young chefs prepare the recipes. Families are welcome to join in on the cooking fun. Register at (518) 427-4310 or via our online calendar.
For ages 5-17.
Jan. 28 (Tues) at 4:30-5:30 pm
Washington Ave. Branch

Clifford the Big Red Dog’s Birthday Party
We’ll say “happy birthday” to Clifford the Big Red Dog with our friends from WMHT PBS Kids. Meet Clifford and get your picture taken with him, too. Space is limited, so call the appropriate branch to register. For ages 0-10.
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Draw a Dinosaur Day
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Jan. 30 (Thurs) at 3:00-5:00 pm
Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch

Animals in Winter
Have you heard about the frozen frogs, fleet-footed foxes, and other creatures that hide beneath the snow? An educator from Five Rivers Environmental Education Center shows us the amazing ways animals have adapted to winter in our neck of the woods. For ages 5-17.
Feb. 27 (Thurs) at 4:00-5:00 pm
Delaware Branch

Young Authors Night
We’ll celebrate Black History Month by recognizing some of Albany’s young authors and illustrators from Henry Johnson Charter School. Refreshments, too. For all ages.
Feb. 25 (Tues) at 6:00-7:00 pm
Washington Ave. Branch

CSI Critters
Do you have what it takes to be on a team of nature investigators that solve wildlife mysteries by examining evidence? The Albany Pine Bush Discovery Center gives us some sleuthing tips and then we’ll go to the library’s backyard to look for clues of outdoor critters. For ages 5-17.
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Delaware Branch
Art on a Cart
Explore your creative side and select from an assortment of art activities to do with your friends. For ages 11-17.
Feb. 17-21 (Mon-Fri) during regular hours
Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch

School Break Gaming
Pass some time on your school vacation by playing popular video games and board games with your friends. For ages 11-17.
Feb. 17-21 (Mon-Fri) at 1:30-3:30 pm
Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch

“Spider-Man: Far From Home”
Come watch the latest Spider-Man movie with us. We'll provide the popcorn.
For ages 11-17,
Feb. 17 (Mon) at 2:00-4:00 pm
Bach Branch

Gaming in Python
In this Python course, design and code your very own videogame. Learn the fundamentals of game theory, logic, and coding by building creative games and brain teasers. This program was created through a partnership with Tinker and Fiddle. Register at (518) 472-9485.
For ages 10-17,
Feb. 18, 19 (Tues, Wed) at 1:00-4:00 pm
Howe Branch

Journey to Mexico
Travel to Mexico without leaving Albany in this special program from the CMOST Traveling Museum. We'll learn about Mayan architecture, food, and the art of Oaxaca. Create your own piece of art that reflects the region, too. Register online or call (518) 482-2154.
For ages 5-12,
Feb. 18 (Tues) at 2:00-3:00 pm
Bach Branch

Slimetastic
Jump into the world of slime madness!
For ages 6-17.
Feb. 19 (Wed) at 2:00-3:00 pm
Washington Ave. Branch

Everything is Awesome LEGO Party
Bring your friends to our LEGO party. Everyone gets a bag of LEGO bricks to make your own race car and spinning top. We'll race the cars and spin the tops to see which designs are the fastest. We'll also have a scavenger hunt, snacks, and book raffle. Register via the online events calendar or call (518) 463-0254.
For ages 5-12.
Feb. 18 (Tues) at 2:00-3:15 pm
Delaware Branch

Marshmallow Towers
Celebrate Engineering Week by constructing a tower using only marshmallows and uncooked spaghetti. For ages 6-17.
Feb. 18 (Tues) at 2:00-3:00 pm
Washington Ave. Branch

What Can You Makey Makey?
Have you ever played a banana piano? We'll use the Makey Makey technology tool to make some kooky creations just like that. We'll investigate conductive materials and design sensors to help us solve real-life problems.
Register at (518) 463-1581. For ages 9-13.
Feb. 18 (Tues) at 2:30-3:30 pm
North Albany Branch

Clifford the Big Red Dog’s Birthday Party
Our friends from WMHT PBS Kids bring Clifford the Big Red Dog’s birthday party to the library. We'll watch a Clifford story; meet and greet the loveable furry red dog, do some crafts, and enjoy cake. Space is limited, so register at (518) 463-0454 x223.
For ages 3-8.
Feb. 19 (Wed) at 10:30 am-12:00 pm
Delaware Branch

LEGO Team Challenge
Join us for a LEGO team challenge to build world landmarks. Make a team of two or three friends and register for the challenge. You'll be given LEGO bricks and an idea for a famous landmark somewhere in the world. Your team will have one hour to complete the build. We'll all have snacks and time to admire our creations at the end. Please call (518) 482-2154 to register.
For ages 5-12.
Feb. 19 (Wed) at 2:00-3:00 pm
Bach Branch

World Dance Party
We're taking a tour of Ghana, India, Mexico, and more in this dance party with Emily Devine Ellison. Sashay, swing, twirl, and tap your way through three continents as you learn traditional dances, play native instruments, and wear classic clothing. Register online or by calling (518) 482-2154.
For ages 5-12.
Feb. 20 (Thurs) at 2:00-3:00 pm
Bach Branch

Cupcake Bash
Enjoy a cupcake decorating party where you'll learn to decorate cupcakes like a professional. You'll make a chef’s hat and two cupcakes to take home. Cake Bashes by Tara Allen will teach us everything we need to know. Register by calling (518) 463-0254.
For ages 5-17.
Feb. 20 (Thurs) at 2:00-3:00 pm
Delaware Branch

Be Responsible Pet Owners
The Mohawk-Hudson Humane Society teaches us all about being responsible pet owners. They'll also tell us what services they offer, including adoptions, low-cost spay/neuter clinics, training classes, and more. We'll also do a pet-themed craft and enjoy snacks.
For ages 5-17.
Feb. 20 (Thurs) at 2:00-3:00 pm
North Albany Branch

Family Film
Join us for a family-friendly movie and yummy snacks. For all ages.
Feb. 20 (Thurs) at 2:00-4:00 pm
Pine Hills Branch

Bones, Bones, Bones
We'll explore real animal bones in this hands-on class. Learn how animals and humans are put together by examining vertebrae, ribs, and skulls. We'll compare predator fangs, learn how joints move, and why rodents have orange teeth.
For ages 9-11.
Feb. 20 (Thurs) at 2:00-3:00 pm
Washington Ave. Branch

Growing Readers Winter Carnival
Bring your littlest readers for games, music, crafts, snacks, and a special storytime at 3:00 pm. Sign up for our Growing Readers early literacy program while you're at the carnival. For ages 0-5.
Feb. 22 (Sat) at 2:00-4:00 pm
Howe Branch
TAKE YOUR CHILD TO THE LIBRARY DAY
It’s Take Your Child to the Library Day – so come visit us to see everything that our branches have to offer! For families.

- Open House | 10:00 am-3:00 pm | North Albany Branch | For all ages
- Guess the Character | 12:00-5:00 pm | Bach Branch | For ages 0-5
- Games & Giveaways | 12:00-5:00 pm | Howe Branch | For ages 0-9
- Crafts | 12:00-5:00 pm | Pine Hills Branch | For all ages
- Open House | 12:00-5:00 pm | Washington Ave. Branch | For ages 0-17
- Face Painting | 1:00-2:00 pm | Delaware Branch | For ages 3-17
- Design Your Own Bookmark | 1:00-3:00 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch | For ages 6-17

Feb. 1 (Sat)
Free Income Tax Assistance

- The library hosts free federal income tax preparation services at several branches in February, March, and April.
- Details are available on our website www.albanypubliclibrary.org
- Please call the United Way 2-1-1 hotline to make an appointment.

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