IN-PERSON PROGRAMS RETURN... OUTDOORS!
We’re thrilled to welcome you back to in-person programs with these outdoor events! Please be sure to wear a face mask — required of everyone age 2 and older — and follow social distancing guidelines. In-person programs are reserved for City of Albany residents at this time.

CINCO DE MAYO MUSICAL PERFORMANCE BY SENSEMAYA
May 5 (Wed) at 5-6 pm | Delaware Branch Back Courtyard
Celebrate Cinco de Mayo with a performance by Latin jazz band Sensemaya. Bring your own chair. Registration required and spots are limited. Attendance limited to City of Albany residents. Registration required. For all ages.

POP-UP LIBRARY AT THE SOUTH END MARKET
May 6, 13, 20, 27 & June 3, 10, 17, 24 (Thurs) | 5-8 pm | South End Night Market
Visit us at the market to borrow newly released books and DVDs. The market is on Warren St. between Philip and Grand streets. For all ages.

SIDEWALK HOPSCOTCH & CHALK ART
May 26 (Wed) | 1:30-2:15 pm & 3:30-4:15 pm | Pine Hills Branch
Join us on the front patio and sidewalks to play hopscotch and make chalk art. Registration required. For ages 5+.

POT PAINTING & SEED PLANTING
June 30 (Wed) | 2-2:45 pm | Pine Hills Branch
We’ll meet on the front patio to decorate terracotta pots and then plant mint seeds. Registration required. For ages 7+.

REMINDERS ABOUT APL PROGRAMS
- Most programs require registration and have attendance limits.
- In-person programs are limited to City of Albany residents. Virtual programs are open to all.
- Programs are subject to change. The online calendar has the most up-to-date information.
- Register by calling an open branch or via the events calendar at www.albanypubliclibrary.org
**ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS**

**MAY**

**1ST SATURDAY FOR FAMILIES:**
**SPRING INTO NATURE**
May 1 (Sat) | 10:30 am | On-Demand YouTube
Miss Sarah leads a spring-filled storytime and Miss Elnora teaches us how to plant seeds. Watch this program on YouTube anytime after May 1 at 10:30 am. For ages 2-8.

**MUSIC, BUBBLE & COMEDY SHOW:**
**SWING INTO SPRING**
May 4 (Tues) | 4-5 pm | Live Virtual
Turtle Dance Music celebrates spring with swing and jazz music, marching songs, bubbles, stories, and fun. The show is crafted to be inclusive for all children, including those on the autism spectrum. Registration required. For kids.

**LIVE ZOOM FAMILY STORYTIME**
May 5, 12, 19, 26 (Wed) | 10:30 am | Live Virtual
Enjoy stories and songs with us via Zoom. You can also pick up a storytime kit with egg shakers, a scarf, and a book. Registration required. For ages 0-5.

**IS THAT A PET I CAN PET?**
May 11 (Tues) | 3:30-4:15 pm | Live Virtual
Jaime from Nature’s Nursery Rehabilitation Center shows us some wild animals and teaches us why they don’t make good pets. We’ll learn how to help sick and injured wildlife, and what kind of pet is best for your family. Registration required. For ages 5-12.

**STEM EXPLORATION SERIES**
May 13, 20, 27 & June 3 (Thurs) | 3:30-4:30 pm | Live Virtual
This four-class series by Cornell Cooperative Extension 4-H explores different hands-on projects (balloon science, buzz like a bee, popsicle stick LED flashlight, build a windmill). All supplies are provided and a 4-H educator will lead you through the experiments on Zoom. Space is limited. Registration required. For ages 7-13.

**JUNE**

**MUSIC, BUBBLE & COMEDY DANCE PARTY**
**TAILS & TALES**
June 1 (Tues) | 4-4:30 pm | Live Virtual
Flap your wings, jump around like monkeys on a bed, and roar like a polar bear! We’ll dance, sing, laugh, and use our imaginations with our friends from Turtle Dance Music. The show is crafted to be inclusive for all children, including those on the autism spectrum. Registration required. For kids.

**LIVE ZOOM FAMILY STORYTIME**
June 2, 9, 16, 23, 20 (Wed) | 10:30-11 am | Live Virtual
Enjoy stories and songs with us via Zoom. You can also pick up a storytime kit with egg shakers, a scarf, and a book. Registration required. For ages 0-5.

**1ST SATURDAY FOR FAMILIES:**
**SILLY SOCK SATURDAY**
June 5 (Sat) | 10:30 am | On-Demand YouTube
Wear your favorite silly or mismatched socks today! Miss Elnora tells silly sock stories. And Miss Sarah shows us how to make a sock puppet. The program premieres on YouTube on June 5 at 10:30 am. Registration required. Supply kits available for pickup for the first 30 registrations. For ages 2-8.

**CRAFTY READERS: CHIRP BY KATE MESSNER**
June 17 (Thurs) | 6:30-7:30 pm | Live Virtual
This fun craft and book club involves reading the selected book, making a craft (you can pick up a supply kit) ahead of time, and meeting on Zoom to talk about them both with your friends. There are many ways to read this book (print, audiobook, Hoopla, OverDrive), so please request a copy online or call a branch for help. Registration required. For ages 8-12.

Watch storytime videos by your favorite staff! youtube.com/albanynylibrary
BOOK CLUBS & DISCUSSIONS

NOTE: Books are available to borrow in print, with digital versions via Hoopla or OverDrive. Check the online catalog or call a branch for help.

MYSTERY BOOK CLUB
May 3 & June 7 (Mon) | 7 pm | Live Virtual
May’s title is The Thursday Murder Club by Richard Osman. In June we’ll discuss The Woman in the Window by A.J. Finn. Registration required. For adults.

TUESDAY BOOK TALK
May 4, 18 & June 1, 15 (Tues) | 12 pm | Live Virtual
This program series is hosted by the Friends & Foundation of APL.
➤ May 4 | The Ministry for the Future reviewed by FFAPL Executive Director Alexis Bhagat.
➤ May 18 | American and Iran: A History, 1720 to the Present reviewed by Jeannette Gottlieb, president of Peace Corps Iran Association.
➤ June 1 | Fallout: The Hiroshima Cover-Up and the Reporter Who Revealed It to the World reviewed by scholar Lawrence S. Wittner.
➤ June 15 | Pelosi reviewed by Marggie Skinner of The Book House of Stuyvesant Plaza.
Registration required. For adults.

ANTIRACISM BOOK CLUB
May 11 (Tues) | 6 pm | Live Virtual
Read Me & White Supremacy by Layla Saad and discuss it with us. This program is offered in partnership with Capital District Showing Up for Racial Justice. Registration required. For teens and adults.

HOW HARD COULD IT BE? A LITERARY SALON
May 12 (Wed) | 12 pm | Live Virtual
Local author Elisa Albert talks with poet and writer Gregory Pardlo about his new memoir Air Traffic: A Memoir of Ambition & Manhood in America. This program is hosted by the Friends & Foundation of APL. Registration required. For adults.

FOREVER (YOUNG) ADULT BOOK CLUB
May 17 & June 21 (Mon) | 6:30 pm | Live Virtual
May’s title is Infinity Son by Adam Silvera. In June we’ll discuss Juliet Takes a Breath by Gabby Rivera. Registration required. For adults.

ASSORTED PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

1-ON-1 RESUME & JOB SEARCH ASSISTANCE
May 10, 24 & June 7, 21 (Mon) | Live Virtual
Fill out the registration form online and a staff member will call to set up a time for a virtual or phone session to work on your resume and job search. Registration required. For adults.

“BEYOND THE STARS” FILM & CONVERSATION
May 10 (Mon) | 7-8 pm | Live Virtual
Filmmaker and activist Taina Asili shares her documentary short film about musician Veena Chandra and talks to us about race, gender, and oppression in the music in the U.S. Registration required. For adults.

ASTROLOGY BASICS FOR SKEPTICS
May 12 (Wed) | 6:30-8 pm | Live Virtual
Learn about astrology as a way to understand a person’s energy and predicting future trends. The presenter is Thomas F. Kearns, author of Light from Water. Registration required. For adults.

RESUME & JOB SEARCH WITH A CAREER COACH
June 10, 17, 24 (Thurs) | Evenings | Live Virtual
Career coach Marsha Lazarus provides personalized sessions via Zoom. You can get help with: resume, job searches, interview preparation, workplace coaching, and more. Register to select a time for your session. For adults. Registration required. For adults.
APL BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
May 11 & June 8 (Tues) | 6-7:30 pm | Live Virtual
The library’s elected Board of Trustees meets the second Tuesday of each month. Due to the pandemic, meetings are currently being held virtually. Watch live on YouTube, or view the video after the meeting. If you want to make a comment to the trustees, send an email to publiccomment@albanypubliclibrary.org. For adults.

TRUSTEE ELECTION
May 18 (Tues) | 7 am-9 pm | Polling Locations
Two seats on the APL board are up for election. Polling locations are the same ones as for the City School District of Albany’s budget vote. Open to registered voters. Please visit the website for candidate information: albanypubliclibrary.org/about/leadership

CLOSED
MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY
MAY 29-31 (SAT-MON)

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE
Starts June 26
For all ages
Register | Track your reading
Get book suggestions | Earn prizes
https://tinyurl.com/albanyreads