



Your guide to classes, book talks, storytimes, special events & more at APL | Virtual & in-



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 10:30am. 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

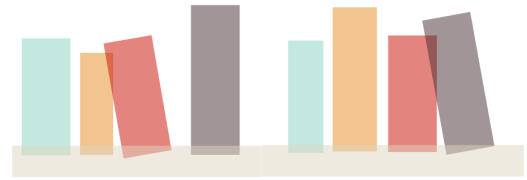
This fun craft and book club involves reading the selected book, making a craft (you can pick up a supply kit) ahead of time, and meeting on Zoom to talk about them both with your friends. There are many ways to read this book (print, audiobook, Hoopla, OverDrive), so please request a copy online or call a branch for help. Registration required. For ages 8-12.



Watch storytime videos by your favorite staff!
youtube.com/albanynlibrary

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 GOVERNANCE

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

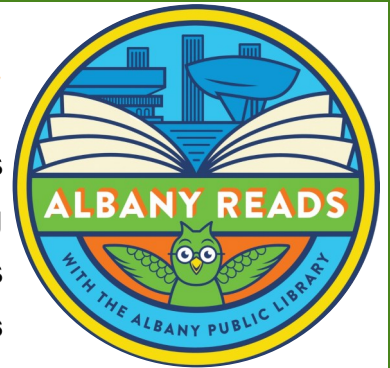


CLOSED
MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY
MAY 29-31 (SAT-MON)

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

Starts June 26

For all ages
Register | Track your reading
Get book suggestions | Earn prizes
<https://tinyurl.com/albanyreads>



Albany Public Library

www.albanypubliclibrary.org

- Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch | 148 Henry Johnson Blvd | (518) 694-0596 | Open
- Bach Branch | 455 New Scotland Ave. | (518) 482-2154 | Open
- Delaware Branch | 331 Delaware Ave. | (518) 463-0254 | Open
- Howe Branch | 105 Schuyler St. | (518) 472-9485 | Open
- North Albany Branch | Closed for Renovation
- Pine Hills Branch | 517 Western Ave. | (518) 482-7911 | Open
- Washington Ave. Branch | 161 Washington Ave. | (518) 427-4300 | Open



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