**SATURDAY programs**

### ALL AGES

**SUMMER READING CELEBRATION | PINE HILLS**
June 29 | 1-3 pm
Enjoy music, activities, treats! | Drop in.

**DUNGEONS & DRAGONS | HOWE**
- May 4 | 2:30-4:30 pm
- June 8, 15 | 10:30 am-12:30 pm
A new quest each session. | Registration encouraged.

**CHINESE CALLIGRAPHY | WASHINGTON**
May 11 | 2-4 pm
Richard Wang demonstrates beautiful Chinese calligraphy. | Registration required.

**ALBANY UNBOUND | PINE HILLS**
May 11 & June 8 | 2-4 pm
Friends & Foundation of APL host discussions with authors and entrepreneurs. May speaker: Trent Griffin-Braaf. June speaker: Tyrell Hughes. | Registration required.

**REVIEW CITY OF ALBANY ASSESSMENT RECORDS | HOWE**
May 11, 18 | 11 am-2 pm
City Assessor’s Office staff will discuss your property assessment. | Appointment required: (518) 434-5155.

**MINDFUL COLORING | PINE HILLS**
June 1 | 3-4:30 pm
Relax and unwind. | Registration required.

### ADULTS

**SATURDAY STORYTIME + PLAY & GROW | WASHINGTON**
May 11, 18 & June 8, 15, 22, 29 | 10:30-11:30 am
Stories, songs, rhymes. | Ages 0-5. | No registration.

**SPECIAL STORYTIME WITH SUJI KWON | PINE HILLS**
May 18 | 10:30-11 am
South Korean singer-songwriter Suji Kwon joins us for a special Asian American Pacific Islander Month storytime. | Ages 2-8 pm. | No registration.

**REVOLUTIONARY ART: TEEN DRAMA CLASS | HOWE**
June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 & July 1 | 2-4 pm
We Are Revolutionary teaches teens about storytelling, acting so they create their own play. | Ages 8-17. | Registration required.

### YOUTH

**SATURDAY STORYTIME & PLAYGROUP | HOWE**
Every Saturday | 10:30-11 am
Stories, songs, and play. | Ages 0-5. | No registration.

**SATURDAY FAMILY STORYTIME | PINE HILLS**
Every Saturday | 10:30-11 am

**1st SATURDAY FOR FAMILIES | WASHINGTON**
May 4 | 10:30-11:30 am
Fun with parachutes. | Ages 0-8. | No registration.

**COMICS GIVEAWAYS | HOWE, PINE HILLS, WASHINGTON**
During Open Hours
Free comic books! | Ages 5-17. | Drop in.

**STAR WARS & COMICS ACTIVITIES | HOWE**
11 am-1 pm | Comic books and activities for Star Wars and comic book fans. | Ages 5-17. | Drop in.

**ARTIST IRA MARCKS | PINE HILLS**
- Telling Stories with Comics | 2-3 pm | Marks talks about his career and new books, Shark Summer and Spirit Week. | Ages 8-17. | Registration required.
- Book Signing | 3-3:30 pm | Marcks signs his books, other items. New books available for purchase; free items also on hand. | All ages. | Drop in.
- Drawing Faces | 3:30-4:30 pm | Marcks gives a hands-on lesson on designing believable characters. | Ages 8-17. | Registration required.

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**ALBANY PUBLIC LIBRARY**
WEDNESDAYS | 5-7:30 pm | North Albany
Please arrive by 5 pm to enter the raffle from St. Catherine’s Center for Children. The movie starts at 5:20 pm. The raffle prize is announced at the end of the show. | All ages. | Registration required.

RESTORATION FAIRE AND REPAIR CAFÉ
June 2 (Sun) | 10 am-2 pm | Delaware
Historic Albany Foundation is hosting a Restoration Faire and Repair Café at APL. Learn about buying and restoring historic homes in Albany. You can also get assistance in repairing household items. Check out the Tool Library mobile lending truck. Food and activities for kids, too. | All ages. | No registration.

SEASHELL PAINTING
June 7 (Fri) | 4:30-5:30 pm | Delaware
Paint a seashell to decorate your home. Supplies are limited. | All ages. | No registration.

PRIDE ROCKS
June 13 (Thu) | 4:30-5:30 pm | Howe
Show your pride or support for the LGBTQ community by painting rocks in rainbow hues. | All ages. | Registration required.

JUNETEENTH JAZZ WITH LUCIA AND LEVI
June 17 (Mon) | 6-7 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill
This Juneteenth-inspired live music event features duo Lucia and Levi with a selection of jazz and blues inspired by Black artists. | All ages. | No registration.

WALKING CLUB
June 28 (Fri) | 12-1 pm | Albany Riverfront
Meet us at the Corning Preserve entrance on Quay Street for a walk along the Albany Riverfront. Walks are every Friday, June 28-Aug. 16. Children must be accompanied by an adult. | All ages. | Registration required.

SUMMER READING CELEBRATION
June 29 (Sat) | 1-3 pm | Pine Hills
Celebrate the start of summer with music, activities, and summer treats. Sign up for Summer Reading while you’re at the party. | All ages. | Drop in.

MAKERS AT THE ALBANY MADE CREATIVE LAB
- Every Tuesday | 3-5 pm | Washington
- Every Thursday | 5-7 pm | Washington
Use 3D printers, video/music editing tools, sewing machines, fiber arts materials, more. Adult supervision required. | All ages. | No registration.

MAKE SOME NOISE FOR CINCO DE MAYO
- Make Maracas | 1-5 pm
- Live Music by Bronte Roman Quartet | 3-4 pm
May 5 (Sun) | Delaware
Join us for musical fun! | All ages. | No registration.

“APRIL SHOWERS BRING MAY FLOWERS” PINS
May 7 (Tue) | 4-5 pm | Howe
Make a cool flower button pin. | All ages. | Registration required.

LEGO FLOWERS
May 7 (Tue) | 5-7 pm | Washington
In celebration of Mother’s Day, build a LEGO Botanical Collect kit. | All ages. | Registration required.

SPRING FLOWER POTS
May 8 (Wed) | 5:30-6:30 pm | North Albany
Paint a flower pot and bring home a mini plant. Supplies limited. | All ages. | Registration required.

A BOUQUET FOR MOM
May 12 (Sun) | 1-5 pm | Arbor/West & Bach & Delaware
Stop by and make a bouquet of paper flowers for a mom, grandma, aunt, or other special woman in your life. | All ages. | Drop in.

CHESS IN THE GARDEN
May 13 & June 10 (Mon) | 3-4 pm | Bach
Sip a cold drink while you strategize your next chess move. | All ages. | Registration required.

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT
- May 13 | “Wish”
- June 24 | “Migration”
Mondays | 6-7:30 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill
Enjoy a family-friendly movie. | All ages. | Drop in.

ASIAN AMERICAN TRIVIA NIGHT
May 22 (Wed) | 6-7 pm | Howe
Test your knowledge of Asian American pop culture, history, and art for AAPI Month. | All ages. | Registration required.

SENSORY FRIENDLY FAMILY MOVIE
May 29 & June 26 (Wed) | 4-5:45 pm | Delaware
Enjoy a family movie in an atmosphere with low lights and volume, plus snacks. | All ages. | No registration.

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT
- May 29 | “Turning Red”
- June 26 | “Migration”
SYMPHONY OF COLOR
Every Monday | 2-4 pm | Washington

ONE-ON-ONE COMPUTER & TECH HELP
➤ Every Monday | 12-12:30 pm | Delaware
➤ Every Wednesday | 3-3:30 pm, 4-4:30 pm | Pine Hills
➤ May 23 & June 6 (Thu) | 12-1 pm | Bach
Bring your device and questions, and get help with computer basics, email, and more. NNORC leads the Bach sessions. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

ENGLISH AS A NEW LANGUAGE CLASS
Every Tuesday | 10:30 am-12 pm | Pine Hills
Literacy Volunteers of Rensselaer County teaches this class. | Ages 18+. | Register with Literacy Volunteers at (518) 244-4650 or lvorc.org.

GAME DAY
Every Wednesday | 10:30 am-12 pm | Washington
Stop by and work on a puzzle with relaxing classical music in the background. We have crosswords, word searches, chess sets, sudoku, and more kinds of puzzles. | Ages 18+. | Drop in.

COFFEE & A MOVIE
Every Wednesday | 2-4 pm | Washington
Enjoy a movie, coffee, and snacks. Also get info from community organizations that provide housing, mental health, or other services. | Ages 18+. | Drop in.

ONE-ON-ONE JOB INTERVIEW PREPARATION
Every Wednesday | 3:30-4:30 pm | Washington or Zoom
Practice interview skills. Get tips, improve communication skills. Sessions can be in person at Washington or virtually via Zoom. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

TAI CHI
Every Thursday | 10:30-11:30 am | Pine Hills
Instructor Sabine Seiler teaches gentle movements to improve coordination and balance. All abilities and skill levels welcome. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

RESUME ASSISTANCE
Every Thursday | 1-2 pm | Delaware
Get help writing or updating a resume. We can assist with your cover letters, too, in this one-on-one session. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST
May 1-31 | During Open Hours | North Albany
Participate in National Photography Month by taking a photo and submitting it to our contest (in person or by email). We will display the submitted photos in the branch, so please make sure they are appropriate for all ages. The winner will get a $25 gift card. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

NNORC COMMUNITY NURSE
May 2, 16 & June 6, 20 (Thu) | 1-2 pm | Bach
Susan Riback, a community health nurse educator with the NNORC (Neighborhood Naturally Occurring Retirement Community), is available to do blood pressure checks, medication review, and discuss your health concerns. | Ages 18+. | Drop in.

WOMEN IN THE ARTS
May 2, 16 & June 6, 20 (Thu) | 1-3 pm | Howe
We discuss women’s issues and how writers and artists deal with societal challenges facing women. Participants are encouraged to share art they’ve created to deal with the stresses of today. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

SPEAK WITH HOUSING SERVICES ADVOCATE
➤ Every Thursday | 3-5 pm | Howe
➤ June 6, 13, 20, 27 (Thu) | 1-3 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill
Meet with Albany housing services advocate Ashley Hilaire for information and assistance on tenant and landlord rights and responsibilities. | Ages 18+. | Drop in.
REVIEW CITY OF ALBANY ASSESSMENT RECORDS
> May 2, 9, 16, 23 (Thu) | 4-7 pm | Bach
> May 11, 18 (Sat) | 11 am-2 pm | Howe
Meet with a city representative to discuss your property assessment and file a complaint. Appointments are required and can be made by emailing assessmentprotest@albanyny.gov or calling (518) 434-5155. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

RIP IT UP: CUT & PASTE GRAPHIC DESIGN
May 2 (Thu) | 6-8 pm | Delaware
Local graphic artist Brendan Halayko teaches a fun lesson on cut and paste design and a brief history of the punk rock art movement that helped drive the graphic design aesthetic of today. Practice cutting, ripping, tearing, and pasting your own custom design. | Ages 15+. | Registration required.

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE
May 3 (Fri) | 12:30-4:30 pm | Washington
Make an appointment at redcrossblood.org or simply walk in. | Ages 18+. | No registration.

PERLER BEAD CRAFTING
May 3 (Fri) | 4-5 pm | Delaware
Create a design and transform it into pixelated coasters, magnets, and more using Perler beads. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

BRUNCH & A MOVIE
> May 3 | “Crazy Rich Asians”
> June 7 | “Till”
Fridays | 1-3 pm | Howe
Enjoy coffee, tea, and donuts while watching the movie of the month. | Ages 18+. | No registration.

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS
> May 4 | 2:30-4:30 pm
> June 8, 15 | 10:30 am-12:30 pm
Saturdays | Howe
Explore a new quest each session. Learn the rules while you play. | Ages 13+. | Registration encouraged.

GARDENING 101
> May 6 (Mon) | 5:30-7:30 pm | Howe
> June 12 (Wed) | 5:30-7:30 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill
The Radix Center provides a hands-on workshop covering all the basics you need to know to start gardening. Get step-by-step instructions plus some veggie starts to begin your garden. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

WITH PEN IN HAND
May 6, 13, 20 (Mon) | 2-3:30 pm | Howe
Learn how to express yourself in writing. Facilitated by Misty Yamall. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.
**SPRING PLANT & SEED SWAP**  
**May 8 (Wed) | 1-2:30 pm | Pine Hills**  
Swap plants and exchange seeds. Plants must be healthy and pest free. Please bring bags or containers to carry your new plants. | Ages 18+. | No registration.

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**LEARN ABOUT ALBANY’S NNORC: NEIGHBORHOOD NATURALLY OCCURRING RETIREMENT COMMUNITY**  
**May 8, 22 & June 5, 19 (Wed) | 10-11 am | Bach**  
Learn about the free programs and services available from Albany’s NNORC for people age 60 and older. | Ages 18+. | Drop in.

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**KNITTING & CROCHETING GROUP**  
**May 8, 22 & June 5, 26 (Wed) | 1-2 pm | Bach**  
Work on your project among friends, with NNORC. | Ages 18+. | Drop in.

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**CONTTEMPLATIVE FILM NIGHT**  
- **May 8 | “Hachi: A Dog’s Tale”**  
- **June 12 | “A Dog’s Purpose”**  
**Wednesdays | 5:30-7:30 pm | Pine Hills**  
Enjoy a film, tea, and popcorn. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

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**HOWE-DUNNITS**  
**May 9, 23 & June 13, 27 (Thu) | 1:30-3:30 pm | Howe**  
Share your mystery writing and get feedback. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

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**MEET THE APPS: LIBBY & HOOPLA**  
**May 9 & June 13 (Thu) | 5-5:30 pm | Delaware**  
Learn how to use the Libby and Hoopla apps to enjoy digital books, audiobooks, magazines, and movies on your phone or tablet. Make an appointment for a one-on-one session. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

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**HOMEBUYER 101**  
**May 10 (Fri) | 1-2:30 pm | Washington**  
Get started on the path to home ownership with lessons about down payment programs, mortgage qualification, and more. Presented by the Affordable Housing Partnership of the Capital Region Inc. | Ages 18+. | Register by calling AHP at (518) 434-1730.

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**CHINESE CALLIGRAPHY**  
**May 11 (Sat) | 2-4 pm | Washington**  

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**ALL ABILITIES SOCIAL GROUP**  
**May 14, 28 & June 11, 25 (Tue) | 12-2 pm | Delaware**  
Caregivers can stop in with their groups for various activities, like crafts, karaoke, LEGO, coloring, and movies for all abilities. | Ages 18+. | No registration.

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**FREE HIV & HEP C TESTING**  
- **May 14, 28 & June 11, 25 (Tue) | 2-5 pm | Washington**  
- **May 30 & June 27 (Thu) | 3-5 pm | Arbor/West Hill**  
In Our Own Voices, Inc., provides free and discreet HIV and Hepatitis C testing. | Ages 18+. | Drop in.

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**ALBANY UNBOUND**  
- **May 11 | Trent Griffin-Braaf | Founder and president of Tech Valley Shuttle**  
- **June 8 | Tyrell Hughes | Author of Just a Kid from Arbor Hill: A Story of Beating the Odds**  
**Saturdays | 2-4 pm | Pine Hills**  
Join local authors and entrepreneurs for a discussion of breaking boundaries with words. Hosted by Friends and Foundation of APL | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

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**BREASTHEALTH WORKSHOP**  
**May 13 (Mon) | 6:30-7:30 pm | Pine Hills**  
Professional staff from To Life! will discuss risk factors for breast cancer and how lifestyle can impact breast health. Learn about cancer screenings and insurance coverage. | Ages 18+. | No registration.

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**MENOPAUSE 101**  
**May 13 (Mon) | 6:30-7:30 pm | Zoom**  
Discuss menopause myths and expectations, hormonal and physical changes, coping tips, and medical options. Ask questions, too. Presented in partnership with Upper Hudson Planned Parenthood and Upper Hudson Library System. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

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**SCREEN REPAIR WORKSHOP**  
- **May 13 (Mon) | 5-7 pm | Howe**  
- **June 5 (Wed) | 5-7 pm | North Albany**  
Staff from the city’s Love Your Block program teach how to repair window screens. Pop out your damaged screen and bring it to the repair workshop. Tools, equipment provided. | Ages 18+. | Registration suggested.

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**BOOK CLUB BEFORE DINNER**  
- **May 14 | The Stationary Shop by M. Kamali**  
- **June 11 | Plain Bad Heroines by E. Danforth**  
**Tuesdays | 5-6 pm | North Albany**  

Read at home and join us for a wonderful conversation. | Ages 18+. | No registration.

**SILENT BOOK CLUB**
May 14 & June 11 (Tue) | 5-6:30 pm | Motor Oil Coffee

**APL BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**
May 14 & June 11 (Tue) | 6-7:30 pm | Washington
Attend in person, or watch on YouTube. Public comment in person or by: (518) 290-6905 or publiccomment@albanypubliclibrary.org. | Ages 18+. | Drop in.

**BASKET OF TULIPS PAPER CRAFT**
May 15 (Wed) | 5-7 pm | North Albany
Artist Stacey Kennedy teaches us how to use the paper curling technique to make miniature baskets of paper tulips. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

**CLASSIC KUNG FU MOVIE NIGHT**
May 15 (Wed) | 6-7:30 pm | Arbor/West Hill

**PRACTICAL GUIDE TO MEDITATION**
May 15 (Wed) | 6:30-7:30 pm | Pine Hills
Learn techniques from Inner Bliss to enhance your balance and wellness. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

**NOVELS AFTER NOON**
May 16 (Thu) | 2-3 pm | Bach
Read The Orchardist by Amanda Coplin and join us for a discussion. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

**BEVERAGES AND BOARD GAMES**
May 17 (Fri) | 1-3 pm | Howe
Sit, sip, and play board games, card games, and puzzles. | Ages 18+. | No registration.

**CROCHET A COASTER**
May 20 (Mon) | 4-6 pm | Howe
Use cotton yarn to crochet a coaster, perfect for a cold or hot drink. For crafters with intermediate crochet skills. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

**HOME MUSHROOM FARMING**
May 20 (Mon) | 5:30-6:30 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill
Collar City Mushrooms teaches us about growing edible and medicinal mushrooms at home for health and wellness. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

**LIBRARY BUDGET & TRUSTEE VOTE DAY**
May 21 (Tue) | 7 am-9 pm | School District Polling Places
Registered voters cast ballots on the APL budget and select three trustees. | Ages 18+. | Drop in.

**COFFEE FILTER PEONIES**
May 23 (Thu) | 1-2 pm | Bach
Use new coffee filters to craft peonies to make a bouquet of faux flowers. Co-sponsored by NNORC. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

**ZEN DOODLING**
May 24 (Fri) | 4:30-5:30 pm | Delaware

**ANIME CLUB FOR ADULTS**
May 29 & June 26 (Wed) | 6-7 pm | Howe
Watch and draw anime in this group for adults. | Ages 18+. | No registration.

**PERSONAL GROWTH BOOK CLUB**
May 29 | The Soul’s Code by J. Hillman
June 26 | House Made of Dawn by N. Momaday
Wednesdays | 6:30-7:30 pm | Pine Hills
Read the selected books, then join us for a thoughtful discussion. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

**COOK THE BOOK: HOW TO COOK EVERYTHING SERIES**
March 30 (Wed) | 1-2 pm | Bach
Choose a recipe from one of Mark Bittman’s cookbooks, make the item at home, and join us to share your cooking story. Co-sponsored by NNORC. | Ages 18+. | No registration.

**PAINT & SIP: WATERCOLORS**
June 5 (Wed) | 5:30-6:30 pm | Howe
Make a beautiful watercolor piece while sipping on coffee and tea. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.
HERBS & SUPPLEMENTS FOR SPIRITUAL ENHANCEMENT
June 5 (Wed) | 6:30-7:30 pm | Pine Hills
Inner Bliss teaches us how herbs and supplements can aid holistic health. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

LET'S TALK ABOUT ALBANY:
THE WOMEN OF SCHUYLER MANSION
June 5, 26 (Wed) | 12-1 pm | Bach
“Hamilton” made three of the Schuyler sisters household names. We’ll learn about all five Schuyler sisters and their mother, Catherine van Rensselaer Schuyler. Also explore new research into the lives and identities of women of African ancestry enslaved by the Schuyler family. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

CHOOSE YOUR OWN BOOK: LGBTQ ROMANCE
June 6 (Thu) | 5-5:45 pm | Zoom
Read any LGBTQ romance book and discuss your thoughts. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

ART AT APL: “IN RESIDENCE: THE BARN AT APL”
Opening Reception | June 7 (Fri) | 6-7:30 pm
Regular Viewing | June 8-November | Open Hours
Pine Hills
The newest Art at APL exhibition features work by a select group of artists-in-residence at Albany Barn in Albany, Electric City Barn in Schenectady, and Artistry Studios in Schenectady. We’re celebrating the opening of “In Residence: The Barn at APL” on June 7 with a live jazz performance by the Michael Lamkin Trio, co-sponsored by the Albany Musician’s Association. The exhibition will be viewable by all during regular hours starting on June 8. | Ages 18+. | Drop in.

The Art at APL program is curated by Opalka Gallery of Sage College of Albany, and is generously funded by the Friends and Foundation of APL with additional support from the John D. Picotte Family Foundation.

BACH LIVE: GIRL LOVE
June 27 (Thu) | 6:30-7:30 pm | Bach
Enjoy a performance by Girl Love for Pride Month. This Albany band describes its sound as “folk music affirming queer holiness.” | Ages 18+. | No registration.

SUPER SMASH FRIDAYS
Every Friday | 4-5 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill

GAMING ZONE
Every Friday | 4-5 pm | Howe
Play Xbox, Switch, or PS4. | Ages 9-17. | Drop in.

BEAN SPROUTS: FROM SEED TO SPROUT
May 1 (Wed) | 4:15-5:15 pm | Howe
Do an experiment to see bean seeds grow into sprouts. Check on your experiment during the month, and take home your newly sprouted bean plant when it’s ready. | Ages 5-11. | Registration required.

STAR WARS SCAVENGER HUNT
May 1-8 | During Open Hours | Bach
Your favorite Star Wars heroes and villains are scattered around the branch. Try to find them all and get a lightsaber. | Ages 5-11. | Drop in.
WEST AFRICAN DRUM & DANCE
May 1, 8 (Wed) | 6-7 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill
Immerse yourself in authentic West African drumming and dancing with Jordan Taylor Hill. Experience a refreshing workout that energizes both body and soul. | Ages 5-17. | No registration.

AFTERSCHOOL CLUB
May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 & June 6, 13 (Thu) | 4-5 pm | Pine Hills
Enjoy different activities each week. | Ages 7-14. | Registration required.

FREE COMIC BOOK DAY GIVEAWAYS
May 4 (Sat) | During Open Hours | Howe, Pine Hills, Washington
Stop by one of these branches today to pick up a selection of comic books for free. | Ages 5-17. | Drop in.

MAY THE 4TH & FREE COMIC BOOK DAY
May 4 (Sat) | 11 am-1 pm | Howe
May the 4th be with you and free comic books, too! APL and The Red Bookshelf are providing comic books and activities for Star Wars and comic fans. | Ages 5-17. | Drop in.

LOCAL ARTIST & AUTHOR IRA MARCKS
May 4 (Sat) | Pine Hills
We’re celebrating local comic book artist and author Ira Marcks on Free Comic Book Day with a series of special programs.

- **Telling Stories with Comics** | 2-3 pm
  He will discuss his life as a graphic novelist, how he creates, and his latest books, Shark Summer and Spirit Week. | Ages 8-17. | Registration required.

- **Book Signing** | 3-3:30 pm
  Marcks will sign paperback copies of his newest books, which will be on sale for $12 each and come with a limited edition bookmark. Free items will also be available for him to sign. First come, first served as time allows. | All ages. | Drop in.

- **Drawing Faces** | 3:30-4:30 pm
  Marcks gives a hands-on lesson on designing believable characters by sharing his step-by-step process for drawing cartoon faces. | Ages 8-17. | Registration required.

REVENGE OF THE SIXTH
May 6 (Mon) | 3:30-7:30 pm | Howe
"May the Sith be with you" as we celebrate "Star Wars Episode III: Revenge of the Sith" today. Make lightsabers with us and listen to the movie soundtrack. | Ages 5-11. | No registration.

COMIC BOOK COLLAGE
May 7 (Tue) | 4-5 pm | Bach
Cut up old comic books and create an art collage. | Ages 11-17. | Registration required.

TULIP FLOWER PERLER BEADS
May 8 (Wed) | 3:30-4:30 pm | Howe
Celebrate Albany’s Tulip Fest by making tulip flowers using Perler beads. | Ages 5-11. | Registration required.

BOOKMARK BUNCH
May 8 (Wed) | 4-5 pm | Bach
Read the first chapter of Fenway and the Great Escape together, then enjoy activities and treats. The book is yours to keep. | Ages 6-11. Registration required.

FIREWORK SALT PAINTING
May 8 (Wed) | 4-5 pm | Delaware
Create a unique piece of art using salt and paint. | Ages 5-17. | Registration required.

MOTHER’S DAY CARDS
May 9 (Thu) | 10:30-11:30 am | Howe
Make a cute card for an important mother figure in your life. | Ages 0-5. | Registration required.

WATER & SWIMMING SAFETY CLASS
May 10 (Fri) | 4-4:30 pm | Delaware
May 17 (Fri) | 4-4:30 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill
May 20 (Mon) | 3:30-4 pm | Bach
The Goldfish Swim School of Colonie introduces the concept of water safety to kids with Bubbles the mascot. Kids will learn about water dangers, water safety rules, and what to do when there’s trouble in and around the water. | Ages 5-11. | Registration required.

TURTLE DANCE MUSIC SHOWS
May 13 | “Songs that Count: Add to the World”
June 10 | “Space! The Cosmos for Kids”
Mondays | 10:30-11 am | Zoom
Kids of all abilities enjoy these high energy music and comedy shows in the comfort of their own homes. | Ages 2-11. | Registration required.
STICKER ART
May 14 (Tue) | 4-5 pm | Washington
Use our sticker collection and craft supplies to create a new art piece. | Ages 5-11. | Registration required.

MY VERY FIRST BOOK CLUB
May 14 & June 11 (Tue) | 4:30-5:30 pm | Pine Hills
Get young readers excited about books and reading. | Ages 4-8. | Registration required.

MESSY ART FOR PRESCHOOLERS
May 14 & June 11 (Tue) | 1-2 pm | Bach
Use paint, scissors, and natural objects to make some messy art. | Ages 3-6. | No registration.

MULTIPLAYER
May 14, 21, 28 & June 11, 25 (Tue) | 4-5 pm | Bach

PAPER CATERPILLAR CRAFT
May 15 (Wed) | 3:15-4:15 pm | Howe
Make a cute caterpillar using recycled materials. | Ages 5-11. | Registration required.

FARM DESIGN WORKSHOP
May 15 (Wed) | 4-5 pm | Bach
We’ll design a biodiverse collage garden and meet pet rabbit Spots while learning about biodiversity from Sunray Sustainabilities. | Ages 5-11. | Registration required.

CRAFTERNOON
May 16 & June 20 (Thu) | 4-5 pm | Delaware
Make a fun craft using our supplies. | Ages 5-11. | Registration required.

SATURDAY FAMILY STORYTIME WITH SUJI KWON
May 18 (Sat) | 10:30-11 am | Pine Hills
South Korean singer-songwriter Suji Kwon joins us for a special Asian American Pacific Islander Month storytime. She’ll perform songs that highlight the beauty of Asian and Western music. | Ages 2-8 pm. | No registration.

PARACHUTE POP UP
May 21 (Tue) | 1-2 pm | Bach
Play with a parachute, crawl through pop-up tunnels, and do other activities to get the wiggles out. | Ages 2-6. | No registration.

DIY SENSORY BOTTLES
May 21 (Tue) | 4:30-5:30 pm | Delaware
Design your own sensory bottle using our supplies. | Ages 11-17. | Registration required.

CHERRY BLOSSOM PAINTING
May 22 (Wed) | 4-5 pm | North Albany
Use cotton swabs to paint cherry blossom trees. | Ages 0-5. | Registration required.

TEEN ANIMANGA CLUB
May 22 & June 26 (Wed) | 5-7 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill
Share your love of anime and manga with other teens. Pocky, too! | Ages 11-17. | No registration.

PAGE TURNERS
May 23 & June 20 (Thu) | 6:30-7:30 pm | Zoom

CREATING THE MAN OF THE FUTURE:
HEALTHY MASCULINITY WORKGROUP
May 29 & June 5 (Wed) | 5:30-7:30 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill
For Men’s Mental Health Awareness Month we’re working with young men to raise quality leaders. Mentors from Violence Prevention and LiveRespect provide interactive and thought provoking workshops. Refreshments provided. Presented in partnership with Albany County Crime Victim and Sexual Violence Center. | Ages 11-17. | No registration.

DUCT TAPE PENCIL CASE
May 31 (Fri) | 4:30-5:30 pm | Delaware
Use colorful duct tape to craft a pencil case. | Ages 8-17. | Registration required.

REVOLUTIONARY ART: TEEN DRAMA CLASS
June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 (Sat) | 2-4 pm | Howe
Local theater group We Are Revolutionary leads this six-week class (ends July 6) where teens/tweens make their own theatrical production. Participants will learn storytelling, develop acting skills, and collaborate on production while working on emotional regulation and social issues. | Ages 8-17. | Registration required.
PIXEL PERRERS
June 4 (Tue) | 3:30-5 pm | Bach
Make your favorite video game character using Perler beads. Ages 11-17. Registration required.

DRAG QUEEN STORY HOUR
June 4 (Tue) | 6-7 pm | Washington
What do drag queens and children have in common? They love dressing up and all things sparkly. For Pride Month, talented performers Noelle Diamond and Portabella join us for a fun—and sparkly—hour of stories, songs, and craft. Ages 0-10. No registration.

WORLD OF LIZARDS
June 10 (Mon) | 5-6:30 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill
Learn about reptile species from four different continents and what makes each of the lizards unique. Ages 5-11. No registration.

COFFEE FILTER BUTTERFLIES
June 11 (Tue) | 3-4 pm | Howe
Use coffee filters, pipe cleaners & markers to craft a beautiful butterfly. Ages 5-11. Registration required.

COLOR BY NUMBER
June 11 (Tue) | 4-5 pm | Washington
Come practice your ABCs and 123s through coloring! Have fun matching colors to numbers to create a picture. Ages 3-11. No registration.

FATHER’S DAY CARDS
June 13 (Thu) | 10:30-11:30 am | Howe
Make a cute card for an important father figure in your life. Ages 0-5. Registration required.

UNDERGROUND RAILROAD STORYTIME
June 13 (Thu) | 4-4:30 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill
June 18 (Tue) | 10:30-11:30 am | Howe
We’re hosting two special storytimes for Juneteenth. Amelia from the Underground Railroad Education Center joins us at Arbor Hill/West Hill. Ages 0-5. No registration.

WINDSOCKS
June 13 (Thu) | 4-5 pm | North Albany

CLAY KEYCHAINS & CHARMS
June 18 (Tue) | 4-5 pm | Bach
Show your creative side with backpack charms or keychains that you craft. Ages 11-17. Registration required.

GARDENING
June 20 (Thu) | 5:30-7:30 pm | Delaware
The Radix Center experts teach us how to start a garden. Learn about soil, plants, and design. Get some veggie starts, too. Ages 5-11. Registration required.

ELEMENTARY SCIENCE: DANCING POPCORN
June 21 (Fri) | 4-5 pm | Delaware
Use science to make popcorn kernels dance! Ages 5-11. No registration.

SUMMER READING KICKOFF PARTIES
June 26 (Wed) | Afternoon | All Branches
We’re celebrating the end of school and the start of summer today! Visit your neighborhood branch this afternoon to sign up for Summer Reading and enjoy frozen treats. Ages 5-17. Drop in.

BUBBLE TIME
June 28 (Fri) | 2:15-3:15 pm | Howe
Learn about science while crafting bubbles and bubble wands, then let’s see how many bubbles we can make. Ages 5-11. Registration required.

SUMMER READING CELEBRATION
June 29 (Sat) | 1-3 pm | Pine Hills
We’re celebrating Summer Reading today with our annual summer party! Enjoy music, activities, summer treats, and more. Kids, bring your whole family, and be sure to sign up for Summer Reading, too. Ages 5-17. Drop in.
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**REMINDERS ABOUT APL PROGRAMS**

- Many programs require registration and have attendance limits.
- Programs are free to attend.
- Programs are subject to change.
- The online calendar has the most up-to-date information.
- Register by phone (518) 427-4300 or the online events calendar at albanypubliclibrary.org
BUDGET INFORMATION SESSION & MEET THE CANDIDATE FORUM
May 7 (Tue) | 6-7:30 pm | Washington
Hear a budget presentation from APL Executive Director Andrea Nicolay. Then meet the candidates vying for three seats on the APL Board of Trustees.

VOTE DAY
May 21 (Tue) | 7 am-9 pm | School District Polling Locations
Registered voters can visit their school district polling places to cast ballots on the 2024-25 APL budget and choose three trustees. The library vote is held in conjunction with the school district.

→ Library budget info: Albanypubliclibrary.org/about/budget
→ Polling places, early voting & absentee ballots: Albanyschools.org/business/budget/voting-information

ALL BRANCHES CLOSED
MAY 25-27 | Saturday-Monday Memorial Day Weekend
JUNE 19 | Wednesday Juneteenth

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North Albany Branch | 616 North Pearl St. | (518) 427-4300 x6
Pine Hills Branch | 517 Western Ave. | (518) 427-4300 x7
Washington Ave. Branch | 161 Washington Ave. | (518) 427-4300 x1

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