



News & Notes

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Adult Program Registration

Registration begins Wednesday, July 1. Non-residents may register Wednesday, July 8. All fees are non-refundable.

Please let us know in advance if you will need an accommodation that will make an event accessible to you.

Summer Reading Clubs "Unearth a Story"

Join one of our Reading Clubs offered for all different ages:

Grades K-5

Read-To-Me Club

Newborns through Pre-K

Teen Summer Reading Club

Adult Summer Reading Club

Still time to register, read books and win prizes.

Monday, June 29-Saturday, August 22.

North Babylon library cardholders only.



Jurassic Journey Escape Room Events

Wednesday, July 22

**12:00-12:30 PM, 12:30-1:00 PM,
1:00-1:30 PM or 1:30-2:00 PM**

Grades 3-5

Race against time to find the lost dinosaur eggs before the T-Rex catches you!



Wednesday, July 22

**3:00-3:30 PM, 3:30-4:00 PM,
4:00-4:30 PM or 4:30-5:00 PM**

Grades 6-12

Outsmart loose dinosaurs and failing park systems before the island's chaos traps you for good!

Thursday, July 30

5:30-6:30 PM or 6:30-7:30 PM

Adults

At Jurassic Park, outsmart loose dinosaurs and failing park systems before the island's chaos traps you for good.

North Babylon library cardholders only.

Summer Concerts Registration required.

Traditional Country Music

Thursday, July 16

6:30-8:00 PM

Come out to hear Rich Sisson singing the songs of Johnny Cash, Eddy Arnold, Marty Robbins, Hank Williams and more.

Mostly Motown Vol. 1: Songs from the 30s to 70s

Thursday, August 13

6:30-8:00 PM

Rhonda Denét brings to life iconic songs that were once immortalized by legendary female artists like Mary Wells, Martha & The Vandellas, The Supremes, Dionne Warwick, and more.

Gotcha Covered Concert

Thursday, August 27

6:30-8:00 PM

The music of the 70s through the 2000s marked a golden age of musical storytelling. This band brings to the stage songs and performances from the best loved singer/songwriters of the 70s and later.

Outdoor Movie Night-Minecraft (PG)

Monday, August 17

Movie starts @ 7:40 PM

Family Program

Join us for our first Outdoor Movie. Please bring chairs to sit in for the parking lot.

Registration required.



NYSPD-Car Seat Safety Checks

Monday, August 17

2:00-7:00 PM

Have your child's car seat checked, to see if properly installed by NYSPD officers!

This will be held in the Library's parking lot.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Registration begins Wednesday, July 1st for NB cardholders.

Patrons may sign up self and *one* additional North Babylon cardholder; valid, unexpired, in good standing library cards are required in order to register. Checks must be made payable to
North Babylon Public Library

Free Museum Passes

Reserve a day to borrow a pass. For more information, ask at the Reference Desk.

American Air Power Museum*

Brooklyn Botanic Garden*

Children's Museum of Manhattan* (*as of July*)

Children's Museum of the East End*

Cold Spring Harbor Fish Hatchery*

Cradle of Aviation Museum*

Fink's Country Farm*

Fire Island Lighthouse*

Garvies Point Museum and Preserve*

Guggenheim Museum

Intrepid Sea, Air and Space Museum*

Long Island Children's Museum

Long Island Maritime Museum*

New York Hall of Science*

New York State Empire Pass

9/11 Memorial and Museum

Old Westbury Gardens *

Planting Fields Arboretum*

Sagtikos Manor*

Town of Babylon Beach Permit

Town Of Babylon Pool Pass

Vanderbilt Museum and Planetarium*

Waterdrinker Farm* (Manorville)*

** Printable pass*

Discount Codes

Adventure Park at LI, 15% discount

The Argyle Theater, \$5 discount

Bronx and NYC Zoos/Aquarium, 20% online

CM Performing Arts Center, 20% discount

CRESLI discounted Whale Watch Tours

Gateway Playhouse, 40%, online

Manes Studio Theater, \$5 discount

Splish Splash, \$44.99

Stop by the Circulation Desk to receive codes.

Discount Tickets

Adventureland \$35

LI Aquarium, Adult \$39, Child/Senior \$28

6 tickets maximum per family.

Cash only, sorry no bills over \$20. No refunds.



Suffolk County Senior ID Cards

All Suffolk County residents aged 60 or older are eligible. Free Senior ID Cards entitle you to discounts on bus fare, ferries to Fire Island, and discounts with participating businesses and townships. Ask for yours at the Circulation Desk.

Career Counselor

Mondays, July 6 and August 3

6:00-8:00 PM

Saturdays, July 18 and August 15

10:00 AM-1:00 PM

Meet with a professional Career Counselor for help with resumes and career options. Appointment required. *North Babylon cardholders only.*

Monthly Discussion Groups

10:00-11:00 AM

New members are always welcome. Please pick up your book at the Circulation Desk.

Tuesday, July 28

Midnight Library-Matt Haig

Tuesday, August 25

First Lie Wins-Ashley Elston



Computer Classes

Computer Second Grade for Adults

Thursday, July 23

11:00 AM-1:00 PM

This hands-on class covers copy, cut and paste features for MS Word, working with graphics, using drawing and painting tools, and much more.



Introduction to Google Docs

Tuesday, August 25

6:00-8:00 PM

In this hands-on class, learn the basics of using Google's free online program. Learn how to create a document, save, edit and format your file as well as how to save and share docs with others.

Basic computer skills are required for both classes.

The Library will be closed:

Saturday, July 4 for Independence Day

The Library is closed Sundays



Upcoming Board of Trustees Meetings

Tuesdays, July 21 and August 18

6:00 PM

ADULT PROGRAMS

One-on-One Medicare Counseling and Assistance Tuesdays, July 7 and August 4

9:30 AM-12:30 PM

Meet individually with an RSVP Suffolk volunteer from the Health Insurance Information, Counseling and Assistance Program to discuss Medicare health insurance and benefits. *By appointment only.*

Medicaid Enrollment Assistance Tuesdays, July 21 and August 18

10:00 AM-2:00 PM

Enrollment assistance for adults and children, disabled or blind and anyone over the age of 65. Call 631-435-3000, M-F, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM for more information.

Game Time for Adults

Mondays, July 6 and August 17

1:00-4:00 PM

Patrons are invited to come in and play games. Tables will be available for card games and we will provide board games.



All Levels Yoga/Mobility Class

Fridays, July 10, 24, 31, August 14 and 21

5:30-6:30 PM

This yoga class is for all levels. Improve flexibility and posture. Please bring a yoga mat.

Tai Chi

Mondays, July 13, 20, 27, August 3 and 10

2:00-3:00 PM

Move with ease, breathe with purpose, and discover why Tai Chi is often called "meditation in motion." Join us for this series, where patrons will learn tai chi through gentle, flowing movement.

Sew a Beach Bag with Sue

Wednesday, July 15

10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Create your own bag 20" w, 12" h, made of bright summer fabrics to carry beach necessities. Please bring your own sewing machine, if you do not have one you must let us know so one can be reserved for you. All materials will be provided.

Summer Library Tours return this summer!

Beginning July 1st, patrons can pickup booklets from our Library and start collecting stamps in order to be entered into raffles. The more libraries visited the more stamps, you receive.



Crochet Club

Wednesdays, July 15 and 29, August 12 and 26

6:00-7:45 PM

Bring your projects and your questions to crochet expert Joan Jewhurst. Beginners, please bring an H hook and a skein of #4 worsted weight yarn.

Poolside at the Phelps Lane Pool

Thursdays, July 16, 23, 30, August 6 and 13

2:00-4:00 PM

Stop by our table for free paperbacks and prizes!

GRASP & ESL Assessments

Thursday, July 23

4:00-8:00 PM

High School Equivalency is designed for those who are able to speak, read and write in English, but unable to attend classes to prepare for the GED exam. English as a Second Language provides students with a functional knowledge of the English language. Western Suffolk



History Series

Whaleboat Warfare

Monday, July 20

6:30-7:30 PM

Meet the unsung and hidden hero of the Revolution, the American whaleboat! Discover how these small watercraft, brilliantly designed for the whaling trade, became a surprising yet vital tool for patriots, privateers, and spies who carried out local nighttime raids, intelligence missions, and ambush attacks in the contested waters of the Long Island Sound.

Sagtikos Manor Tour

Wednesday, August 12

10:00AM-11:00 AM

Join us for our own tour at Sagtikos Manor, a unique historic jewel on the South Shore of Suffolk County on Long Island, New York.

North Babylon adult library cardholders only.



Library of Things

Stop by the Circulation Desk to check out some of our new items available to check out:

Birding Backpacks

Happy Birthday Sign

New Lawn Games

Portable DVD Player

TonieBox



ADULT PROGRAMS

Movie Night 6:00 PM

Thursday, July 2-Dave (PG-13) (110 min)



Friday Movies 1:00 PM

July 17-Song Sung Blue(PG-13) (134 min)

August 14-Solo Mio (PG) (97min)

Coffee and tea will be served.

Beginning Backyard Birding

Wednesday, July 29

11:00 AM-12:30 PM

Learn about the hobby of bird watching, not only in your backyard but anywhere else you may go. Dianne Taggart, long time birder, will present this program.

AARP Smart Driver Course

Saturday, August 1

9:30 AM-4:30 PM

This course refreshes skills and can qualify you for an auto insurance discount. Please bring your membership card (if applicable) and driver's license to class. There will be a break for lunch. **Fee: \$25 for members (with card at registration) or \$30 for non-members.**



Cooking Classes

Red, White and Blue Cake Pop Cones

Friday, July 17

6:30-7:30 PM

A mini ice cream cone is topped with cake pop dough, dipped in chocolate & topped with red/white/blue sprinkles. **North Babylon adult cardholders only.**

Yogurt Smoothies

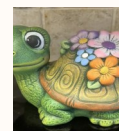
Friday, August 7

6:30-7:30 PM

This fun, nutritious program teaches patrons how to make their own smoothies at home. We will taste different kinds of smoothies (Banana, Strawberry, Blueberry, Chocolate, Lemon & Pineapple). Demonstration & tasting with recipes given **North Babylon adult cardholders only.**

Ceramic Turtle Thursday, July 9 5:30-7:30 PM

We will be painting a ceramic turtle. All supplies will be provided. **\$12 fee.**



Paint Night Tuesday, July 28 6:00-7:30 PM

Let's paint some fun art; no experience needed. Supplies and step-by-step instructions will be provided. **\$10 fee.**



Framed Floral Vignette Craft Tuesday, August 4 6:00-7:30 PM

Craft a floral scene to display or gift. Faux florals, embellishments and all materials included. **\$5 fee.**



Ceramic Mushroom Cottage Thursday, August 13 5:30-7:30 PM

We will be painting a ceramic mushroom cottage. All materials will be provided. **\$12 fee.**



Art with Pamela: Tuesday, August 18 6:00-7:30 PM

Join artist Pamela Trastelis for a painting lesson. No experience needed and all materials will be provided. **\$10 fee.**



All fees are non-refundable.

Paint it Forward Friday, July 31 10:00-11:30 AM

Patrons will learn to become aware of how small acts of kindness create positive mental health outcomes by creating pieces of art that will be "paid forward".

Brushes & Bliss Thursday, August 6 11:00 AM-12:00 PM

Use painting for a calming and uplifting experience. Adults will benefit from emotional expression, stress reduction and increased mindfulness.

Family Paint Night Thursday, August 20 6:00-7:00 PM

Parents join us for paint night with your child/teen. Use paints, brushes and sponges to create your own family masterpiece. No more than 2 children per adult. **North Babylon cardholders only.**



CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Registration for all Children's programs begins July 1 and August 1.

North Babylon School District residents only with a valid library card.

Please let us know in advance if you will need an accommodation that will make an event accessible to you.

Drop in Crafts

**Thursday, July 2 and Tuesday August 4
4:00-7:00 PM**

Grades: PreK-5

Pick from an assortment of crafts to make and take home. *No registration required.*

Music With Dara

**Tuesday, July 7, 10:30-11:15 AM-Dino Songs
Friday, August 7, 10:30-11:15 AM-A Musical Garden**

Ages: Birth-Five Years

Join Miss Dara with your little one for a fun musical story time with themed activities!

Lego Fun!

**Wednesdays, July 8 and August 5
4:00-4:45 PM**

Grades: 1-5

Create a project with Legos and see it displayed.



Drop In Play Date

**Thursdays, July 9, 23 and August 6, 20
10:00 AM-12:00 PM**

Ages: 1-5 years

Meet with friends, or make new ones. We supply the toys, you supply the fun! *No registration required.*

Marine Reptiles & Their Land Buddies

**Thursday, July 9
4:00-5:00 PM**

Grades: 1-5

Enjoy a variety of marine and land reptiles in open touch tanks. Program presented by Cornell Cooperative Extension, Marine Division.

Dragon Eggs

**Friday, July 10
3:00-4:00 PM**

Grades: K-5

Add scales, color, and a shimmery finish to create your own beautiful dragon eggs to treasure.



Tots Night Out

**Monday, July 13 - Happy Birthday America!
Monday August 10- Dinosaurs
6:30-7:30 PM**

Ages: 18 months -5 years

Enjoy music, movement, activities, stories and a craft with your little one!

Paleontology-Dinosaurs

**Tuesday, July 14
4:00-5:00 PM**

Grades: K-5

How big were dinosaurs and did they care for their young? Interpret data and formulate hypotheses as you view slides and compare dinosaur nest eggs, teeth, gait and footprints. Make a fossil project to take home.



**Nick the Balloonatic
Thursday, July 16
4:00-5:00 PM**

Family Program

Enjoy a fun, humor filled performance by Nick the Balloonatic while he creates his elaborate balloon creations to share with his audience!



Baby Start

**Saturdays, July 18 and August 22
12:00-12:45 PM**

Ages: Birth-17 months

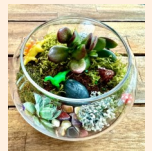
Introduce your littlest learner to the wonderful world of library programs. Activities include music, movement and finger plays.

Prehistoric World-Dino Terrarium

**Monday July 20,
4:00-4:45 PM**

Grades: K-5

Design and build your own Dino Terrarium! Use sand, rocks, mini bones, moss, plants, eggs, and, of course, prehistoric animals!



Catching Colors

**Thursday, July 16, 10:30-11:00 AM
Black**

**Thursday, August 27, 10:30-11:00 AM
Yellow**

Ages: 18 months -4 years

Have fun learning colors with music, games, and activities.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Crack the Colonial Code

Tuesday, July 21

4:00-5:00 PM

Grades: 1-5

Find out how the art of secret messages helped shape America's destiny! Learn about Morse code and spy ciphers used from ship decks to Revolutionary battlefields. Create a Morse code bracelet that spells out your own hidden message!



Zumba Kids

Saturdays, July 25 and August 15

12:30-1:15 PM

Grades: K-5

Have fun keeping fit during this dance party.

Paint Night-Jurassic T-Rex

Monday, July 27

6:30-7:30 PM

Grades: K-5

Paint a dramatic T-Rex on canvas!



Dinosaur Stomp

Wednesday, July 29

10:30-11:15 AM

Ages: 18 Months-Five Years

Stomp, clap, tap and dance your way through dinosaur stories and activities.

Imagination Station

Fridays, July 31 and August 28

4:00 -7:00 PM

Grades: PreK-5

Stop into our Imagination Station and see what you can create with various crafting materials.

No registration required.



Saturday Games

Saturday, August 1

11:00 AM-3:00 PM

Grades: PreK-5 and Families

Stop in and enjoy playing various games with family and friends. *No registration required.*



Ceramic Caterpillar

Monday, August 3

6:30-7:30 PM

Grades: 2-5

Paint an adorable caterpillar to take home!

Deep Sea Fossil Finds

Wednesday, August 5

4:00-5:00 PM

Grades: 1-5

Dive into the ancient history of sharks, who have used their secret senses to rule the sea long before the dinosaurs! Check out a toothy shark jaw and excavate a real shark tooth fossil trapped in time. Once you've unearthed your prehistoric prize, set it in a necklace to show off your discovery!

Dino Dirt Cups

Thursday, August 6

6:00-6:45 PM

Grades: K-5

Design your own delicious Dino Dirt Cups, an edible craft that looks just like a tiny dinosaur habitat! Use chocolate pudding, crushed Oreo "dirt", mini dinosaur eggs, and chocolate rocks! Build a two layered dessert complete with toy dino figures and plastic plants!



Star Lab

Tuesday, August 11

3:00-4:00 PM

Grades: 1-5

Explore the night sky and learn how to recognize and name constellations in an inflatable planetarium. Learn about legends from old lore that inspired the naming of the constellations, and more.



Story Times

Pre-School Story Time Classes

Wednesdays, July 1, 22 and August 12, 19

10:30-11:00 AM

Ages: 2-5 years

Fridays, July 3, 24 and August 14, 21

6:30-7:00 PM

Ages: 2-5 years

Join us for stories, crafts and activities.

Family Story Time

Saturdays, July 11 and August 8

10:30 -11:00 AM

Grades: Pre-K-Grade 5 and their families

Enjoy stories, songs and a craft!



Sensory Story Time

Saturday, July 18

11:00 AM -12:00 PM

Ages: 2-5 years

Join us for this interactive story-time for even the most restless listener.

CHILDREN'S/TWEEN PROGRAMS

Stuff-A-Pet

Tuesday, August 18

3:00-4:00 PM

Grades K-5

Pick a pet from a large variety of pets to stuff and take home!



Ready, Set, Glow!

Thursday, August 20

3:00-4:00 PM

Grades: 3-12

Dive into the mysterious environment of the deep sea as you learn about bio-luminescent animals through slides and pictures, glowing models, and demonstrations.

Family Paint Night

Thursday, August 20

6:00-7:00 PM

Grades: K through Twelve & their Adult

Make a family masterpiece on canvas, and create a wonderful memory together! No more than 2 children per adult.

Stories and Stretches

Saturday, August 22

11:00 AM-11:45AM

Ages: 2-5 years

Enjoy an interactive story-time where we will act out characters, scenery and stories through gentle stretches and child yoga poses.



Paint Night-Believe

Monday, August 24

6:30-7:30 PM

Grades: K-5

Paint a moonlit evening with the inscription "Believe."



Drop-In Games and Crafts

Tuesday, August 25

4:00-7:00 PM

Grades: Pre-K through Fifth Grade

Stop by the Children's Room and have fun playing games with family and friends, and make some crafts!

Dinosaur Explorers

Wednesday, August 26

10:30-11:15 AM

Ages 2-5 years

Come and explore some dinosaur fun facts and create some Playdoh fossil prints in this preschool readiness class!



Coastal Mirror

Wednesday, August 26

4:00-5:00 PM

Grades: K-5

Create a beach-themed round wall mirror! Use paint, beads, and other fun applications on your creation.

Independence Hall Mobile Van

Tuesday, July 21

1:00-4:00 PM

Visit the SCLS mobile Independence Hall at our library. Patrons can travel back in time and sign the Declaration of Independence. But be warned, the British will be coming for you.

Tween Programs Grades 4-8 only

Tween Beach Vibes Tote Bag

Thursday, July 23

4:00-5:00 PM

Enjoy painting a beach themed image onto the front of a canvas tote bag. Use paints, sponges, brushes, paints and templates to create your design.



Tween Ceramic Plaque

Tuesday, July 28

4:00-5:00 PM

Paint a beautiful flower plaque suitable for hanging or use to hold your trinkets!

Dinosaur Sculpey Creations

Wednesday, August 12

4:00 -5:00 PM

Use Sculpey clay to create your own miniature dinosaurs.



Tweens Back -To- School Aromatherapy

Thursday, August 13

3:00-4:00 PM

Create an uplifting and germ fighting citrus spray, and a relaxing lavender-based lotion to help ease you back into the new school year!

Team up! Paint Night

Wednesday, August 19

6:00 -7:00 PM

Learn step-by-step how to paint a picture with your grown-up and spend some quality time together creating art. This program is intended for children to do with their grown-ups. Every Tween registered for this program must have an adult to attend with.



TEEN PROGRAMS

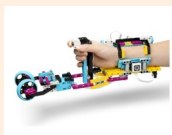
Registration for all Young Adult classes begins July 1. Young Adult classes are for North Babylon School District residents only with a valid library card and currently in grades 6 - 12.

Drop-in Craft

Wednesday, July 1

5:30 -6:30 PM

Stop into the library and create your own customized pen with beads and charms. *No Registration required.*



Lego Prosthetic Arm

Wednesday, July 8

6:00 -7:00 PM

Join us for a hands-on robotics adventure as we build and code our very own LEGO SPIKE Prosthetic Arm!



Hamburger Cookies

Wednesday, July 22

6:00 -7:00 PM

Use vanilla wafers, Tootsie Rolls, and sesame seeds to create these wonderful no bake treats that look just like burgers.

Express Yourself: Teen Art Studio

Wednesday, July 29

6:00 -7:00 PM

This program is designed to inspire creativity and self-expression. Teens will discover new techniques and develop their unique artistic style.

SAT Prep

Tuesdays, September 8, 15, 22 and 29

6:30 -8:30 PM

Fee: \$85 due at registration

Prepare for the SAT with this multiple session workshop. Study materials for the test will be provided. *This program will be held at the Bay Shore - Brightwaters Public Library.*

Community Service Programs:

Food Donations

Students (grades 6-12) can earn community service hours by bringing in canned or boxed non-perishable foods donations. Sealed non-expired items such as peanut butter, jelly, soup and canned meats will be accepted. Four items will earn students one hour of community service. *A maximum of two hours per student can be earned each calendar month.*

Bookmark Bags*

Pick up your bookmark bag at the Reference Desk and check it out with your library card. Design and create your unique bookmarks at home and return them cut out within 7 days. *A maximum of one bag per student will be accepted each calendar month.*



Decorate a Bag*

Wednesday, July 15

6:00 -7:00 PM

Decorate tote bags for the library and our patrons.

Tiny Art*

Wednesday, August 5

6:00 -7:00 PM

Teens will create small, vibrant works of art on tiny canvases to display in the library.



Kindness Rocks*

Wednesday, August 26

6:30 -7:30 PM

Decorate rocks for the library's patrons.

**Teens will earn 1 hour of community service credit.*

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