



News & Notes

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Adult Program Registration Registration begins **Monday, November 2. Non-residents may register Monday, December 9.**

Holiday Hits and Standards with Michael Serraino

Sunday, December 6

2:00-3:30 PM

HOLIDAY HITS AND STANDARDS- Michael Serraino (keyboard/vocals) will play an array of some of the great holiday songs we've all come to know and love. Experience the joy of the season and sing along to hits like I'll Be Home for Christmas, Silver Bells, Hanukkah Oh Hanukkah, Winter Wonderland, and more. Join us for this special event. Refreshments will be served.

Patrons will have a chance to meet our new Director, Stephen Burg.



Support our Community

Emily's Awesome Toy Drive

Monday, November 2-Thursday, December 10

Donate new unwrapped toys to Emily's Awesome Toy Drive which began after Emily as a child was hospitalized on Christmas night. Over 20,000 toys have been donated to hospitals. Emily is a North Babylon resident.



Winter Giving Tree

Monday, November 16-Friday, December 11

Help us support those in need in our community this winter season by donating new hats, gloves, scarves, socks, sweaters and fleece tops to our Giving Tree.

Young Author Visit

Sunday, November 15

3:00-4:00 PM

Meet young North Babylon author, Laila Myrie! Learn what inspired her to write her newly published book, **Agent Laila and the Family Secret Mission**.



Stamping and Holiday Card Making Workshop

Thursday, November 19

6:00-7:30 PM

Join us for a Holiday card-making workshop. Follow step-by-step instructions to assemble beautiful hand-crafted cards. *North Babylon adult cardholders only.*

Gingerbread House Kits

Order between November 2 and 23

Pick up orders on December 9

Fanny Cakes Bakery is offering kits with everything you need to create the perfect gingerbread house. \$18/kit, includes freshly baked gingerbread, royal icing and candies. No limit. **Non-refundable.**



Catholic Health Bus

Monday, December 14

10:00 AM-2:00 PM

Catholic Health's Community Outreach team offers **FREE** flu vaccination, health screenings, fall risk checks, health education, and referrals for adults 18+ right into local neighborhoods. No fees or insurance.



Train Trip to NYC

Saturday, December 19

Meet at the Babylon station: 9:30 AM

Train departs: 10:11 AM, returns: 7:21 PM

Round trip tickets cost **\$10.75 each: CASH only.**

The day of the trip, arrive at the Babylon train station (meet on upstairs platform) where you will be issued your return ticket. Everyone must board the same train and ride in the same car for the trip into NYC.

Please be sure to give yourself enough time to find parking.

Tickets must be purchased by Monday, December 14. Time is subject to change.



ADULT PROGRAMS

Registration begins Tuesday, November 2nd 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*
Children's Museum of the East End*
Cold Spring Harbor Fish Hatchery
Cradle of Aviation Museum*
Fire Island Lighthouse*
Garvies Point Museum and Preserve*
Guggenheim Museum
Intrepid Sea, Air and Space Museum*
LT Michael P. Murphy Navy SEAL Museum*
Long Island Children's Museum
Long Island Maritime Museum*
New York Hall of Science*
New York Historical Society*
New York State Empire Pass
9/11 Memorial and Museum
Old Westbury Gardens *
Planting Fields Arboretum*
Vanderbilt Museum and Planetarium*
Waterdrinker Farm* (Manorville)*



**Printable pass*

Discount Codes

Stop by the Circulation Desk to receive codes.

Adventure Park at LI, 15% discount
The Argyle Theater, \$5 discount
NYC Zoos/Aquarium, 20% online
CM Performing Arts Center, 20% discount
Gateway Playhouse, 40% online
Manes Studio Theater, \$5 discount

Discount Tickets

LI Aquarium, Adult \$39, Child/Senior \$28
6 tickets maximum per family.
Cash only, sorry no bills over \$20. No refunds.
Tickets are non-refundable.

The Library will be closed:

Wednesday, November 11-Veterans Day
Thursday, November 26-Thanksgiving
Thursday, December 24-Christmas Eve
Friday, December 25-Christmas
Thursday, December 31 **open** 9:00 AM-1:00 PM



Upcoming Board of Trustees Meetings

**Tuesdays, November 17 and December 15
6:00 PM**

Social Work Intern

Mondays, thru December 14

2:30-5:30 PM

Tuesdays thru December 15

1:00-3:00 PM

The Library offers a free service to patrons through the Social Work Intern Program at the Stony Brook University School of Social Welfare.



Career Counselor

Mondays, November 2 and December 7

6:00-8:00 PM

Saturdays, November 21 and December 19

10:00 AM-1:00 PM

Meet with our 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, November 24

The Wager by David Grann.

Tuesday, December 22

Never Lie by Frieda McFadden.



Game Time for Adults

Mondays, November 2, 16 and December 7, 21

1:00-4:00 PM

E-Waste Recycling

Saturday, November 21

10:00 AM-2:00 PM

Bring your used electronics to the Library parking lot for safe disposal.

Puzzle Donations

Drop off beginning November 2nd

In preparation for our Puzzle Swap, we are asking patrons to bring in any unwanted puzzles (that have all their pieces) to donate.



ADULT PROGRAMS

One-on-One Medicare Counseling and Assistance **Tuesdays, November 3 and December 1**

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, November 17 and December 15

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.

ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages)

Mondays and Wednesdays thru December 9

10:00-11:30 AM

Designed for adults at all English levels, this program builds skills through real-life situations and practical activities. LIEOC will be running this program.

Crochet Club

Wednesdays, November 4 and 18

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.



All Levels Yoga/Mobility Class

Fridays, November 6, 20, December 4, 11, 18

5:30-6:30 PM

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

Tai Chi

Tuesdays, November 24, December 1, 8, 15, 22

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 Tai Chi through gentle, flowing movement.

Deep Stretch Yin Yoga

Tuesdays, November 24, December 1, 8, 22, 29

5:30-6:30 PM

Yin Yoga targets your deep connective tissues, like your fascia, ligaments, and joints. Join Angelina for this meditative class. Please bring a yoga mat.



Managing Money: A Caregivers Guide to Finance **Tuesday, November 10**

1:00-2:00 PM

This evidence-based course helps caregivers understand the costs of caregiving and the benefits of early planning. Learn how to start a conversation about finances, assess legal needs, avoid financial abuse and find support when needed.

What is Artificial Intelligence (AI)

Thursday, November 12

1:00-2:30 PM

There has been a lot of buzz around AI lately. But what is this latest technology craze really about? Does AI live up to the hype, how can it help me in my daily life? How does it work and what are the risks. Join SeniorNet's talk to demystify AI and better understand its relevance to you.



Bootleggers, Bathtubs, and the Ban

Friday, November 13

6:00-7:30 PM

From daring bootleggers and fearless rum runners to hidden speakeasies and underground networks, discover the illicit world that defied Prohibition. Led by John N. Daniello, this 75-minute program explores the rise of organized crime during the era and Long Island's role in it.

Defensive Driver by Empire Safety Council

Saturday, November 7

9:30 AM-3:30 PM

Empire Safety Council 6 hour safe driving course. \$33 paid by check, made payable to Diana Wilbur APW. Please bring your driver's license to class. Includes a half hour break for lunch and a ten minute coffee break.

Registration is underway.



AARP Smart Driver Course

Saturday, December 5

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 AARP card at registration) or \$30 for non-members.**

ADULT PROGRAMS

Friday Afternoon Movies-1:00 PM

November 20-The End of Oak Street (PG-13)

December 18-Supergirl (PG-13)



Friday Movie Night-5:30 PM

November 27-You've Got Mail (PG)

Coffee and tea will be served.

Learn to Sew with Sue

Tuesday, November 17

3:00-4:45 PM

Learn the basics of sewing. The class will work towards creating fall themed table runners. Bring your own sewing machine; if you need one, it must be reserved beforehand.



GRASP & ESL Assessments

Thursday, November 19

4:00-8:00 PM

This is designed for those who are able to speak, read and write in English, but unable to attend classes and would like to prepare for the GED exam. English as a Second Language provides limited English-proficient students with knowledge of the English language. Adults 21 and older. **NO COST** to qualifying students.

DIY Pizza Making Class

Thursday, December 3

4:00-5:30 PM

Gaetano Giordano will share the basics of pizza making along with the history behind this beloved dish before preparing a pizza for everyone to taste. Participants will also receive a pizza kit to take home, complete with step-by-step instructions for baking their own pizza. **\$7 non-refundable fee.**



Starting a Business on a Small Budget Workshop

Thursday, December 3

6:30-8:00 PM

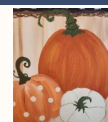
A workshop for individuals who are thinking about starting a new business. Learn the basics of setting up a business as well as the introduction to making a business plan.

Paint Night

Thursday, November 5

6:00-7:30 PM

Let's paint some fun art; no experience needed. All materials will be provided. **\$10 fee.**
This registration opens October 28 @ 9:00 AM.



Lotus Flower Lantern Craft Workshop

Tuesday, November 10

6:30-7:30 PM

Korean Spirit and Culture Promotional Project presents how to make a lotus flower lantern. **\$6 fee.**

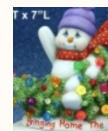


Ceramic Thanksgiving Gourd

Thursday, November 12

5:30-7:30 PM

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



Ceramic Snowman

Thursday, December 10

5:30-7:30 PM

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



Art with Pamela

Thursday, December 17

6:00-7:30 PM

Join artist Pamela Trastelis for a painting lesson. All supplies provided. **\$10 fee.**

All fees are non-refundable.



New York and the Founding of America

Tuesday, December 8

7:00-8:00 PM

Explore the era from the signing of the Declaration of Independence to the opening of the Erie Canal for insights into how New York developed from a British colony to the largest and wealthiest American city. Patrons can attend this program online on Zoom or watch the presentation at the Library. Zoom links will be sent out with the confirmation email for registration.

Family Paint Night

Wednesday, December 30

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 November 2 and December 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

Tuesday, November 3 and Thursday, December 3

4:00-7:00 PM

Grades: PreK-5

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



Drop in Play Date

Thursdays, November 5 and December 3, 17

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.*

Turkey Tom Cupcakes

Monday, November 9

6:30-7:30 PM

Grades: K-5

Decorate your cupcakes with turkeys and take them home in a bakery box!

Fall Pick-Up Truck

Tuesday, November 10

4:00-5:00 PM

Grades: K-5

Deck out a pick-up truck with fall leaves, pumpkins, and more for a fun, and nostalgic fall decoration.



Children's Chess Club

Tuesdays, November 10, 24 and December 8, 22

6:00-7:30 PM

Grades: 1-5

Practice your game and perfect your skills in chess matches with your fellow players. *Beginners welcome.*



Catching Colors

Thursday, November 12

Orange

Thursday, December 10

Green

10:30-11:00 AM

Ages: 18 months-4 years

Have fun learning colors with music, games and activities.

Button Pumpkin on Wooden Plaque

Friday, November 13

4:00-4:45 PM

Grades: K-5

Create a pumpkin in fall finery on a wooden plaque using buttons and other decorations.



Saturday Games

Saturdays, November 14 and December 5

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.*

Young Author Visit

Sunday, November 15

3:00-4:00 PM

Meet young North Babylon author Laila Myrie! Learn what inspired her to write her newly published book, **Agent Laila and the Family Secret Mission.**



Tots Night Out

Monday, November 16— Five Little Turkeys!

Monday December 14— Polar Bear, Polar Bear

6:30-7:30 PM

Ages: 18 months-5 years

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

Just Baby and Me

Tuesdays, November 17 and December 15

10:30-11:00 AM

Ages: Birth-18 months

You and your child will enjoy music, lap-time rhymes, free-play time with toys and bubbles!



Lego Fun!

Wednesdays, November 18 and December 9

4:00-4:45 PM

Grades: 1-5

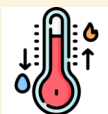
Create a project with Legos and see it displayed.



Reminder: Parents must remain in the Library with their children.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Under Pressure
Wednesday, November 18
4:15-5:15 PM
Grades: 1-5



Become immersed in the science of air pressure. Learn about thermodynamics and weather systems. Engage in experiments and more. Take home your own Air Blaster foam launcher.

Music With Dara
Thursday, November 19-Turkey Tunes
Tuesday, December 8-Jingle in the Winter
10:30-11:15 AM
Ages: Birth-Five Years
 Join Miss Dara with your little one for a fun musical story time with themed activities!



Baby Start
Saturdays, November 21 and December 19
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.

Zumba Kids
Saturdays, November 21, 1:00-1:45 PM
and December 12, 12:30-1:15 PM
Grades: K-5
 Have fun keeping fit during this dance party.



Paint Night-Happy Scarecrow
Monday, November 23
6:30-7:30 PM
Grades: K-5
 Paint a happy, fun scarecrow in fall colors!

Drop In Games & Crafts
Wednesday, November 25 and
Tuesday, December 29
3:00-7:00 PM
Grades: Pre-K through Fifth Grade



Drop in to the Children's room and spend some time playing games and making crafts together! *No registration required.*

Reminder: Parents must remain in the Library with their children.

Agate Necklace with Mosaic Box
Monday, December 7
6:30-7:30 PM
Grades: K-5



Create a beautiful agate necklace with chain for giving or for keeping. Then make a beautiful box to store it in using mosaic stones.

Ceramic Penguin Bank
Wednesday, December 9
4:00-5:00 PM
Grades 2-5



Paint, with guidance, a sweet penguin, that is also a bank!

Candy Cane Bingo!
Wednesday, December 9
6:30-7:30 PM
Grades: K-5
 Play Bingo for prizes with a candy cane theme!

Story Times

Pre-School Story Time Classes
Wednesdays, November 4, 18 and December 2, 16
10:30-11:00 AM
Ages: 2-5 years
Fridays, November 6, 20 and December 4, 18
6:30-7:00 PM
Ages: 2-5 years
 Join us for stories, crafts and activities.



Family Story Time
Saturdays, November 7 and December 12
10:30-11:00 AM
Grades: Birth-Grade 5 and their families
 Enjoy stories, songs and a craft!

Sensory Story Time
Saturday, November 21
11:00 AM-12:00 PM
Ages: 2-5 years
 Join us for this interactive story-time for even the most restless listener.



Sleepy Time Tales
Tuesdays, November 17 and December 15
6:30-7:15 PM
Ages: 1-5 years with Parent

Come with your little one (in pajamas if you'd like) for bedtime stories, music, and play time. Bring your favorite stuffed animal!



CHILDREN'S/TWEEN PROGRAMS

Chocolate Holiday House
Friday, December 11
4:00-5:00 PM
Grades: K-5



Decorate your chocolate holiday house with icing, candy and sprinkles. Take it home and enjoy!

Art With Miss Laura-Grandma Moses
Saturday, December 12
2:00-3:00 PM

Grades: 2-5
 Learn about famous artists and their techniques from Miss Laura! Create your own masterpiece based on the featured artist's techniques. "Dress for a Mess,"

Sew with Miss Sue-Gingerbread Ornament
Wednesday, December 16
4:00-5:30 PM
Grades: 1-5

Learn how to sew and create an adorable fabric gingerbread ornament to take home!

Fundamental Forces
Friday, December 18
4:15-5:15 PM
Grades: 1-5



Learn the basic concepts of forces. Investigate Newton's law of inertia; experiment with mass and balance, centripetal force and more. Take home your own Gravity Game.

Stories and Stretches
Saturday, December 19
11:00-11:45 AM
Ages: 2-5 years



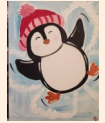
Enjoy an interactive story time where we will act out stories through gentle stretches and yoga poses. Please wear comfortable, flexible clothing.

Parent-Child Workshops
Fridays, 10:30 AM-12:00 PM

Ages: One through Five (Preschool) with their adult
November 6: Learning to Toilet
November 13: Understanding Toddlers
November 20: Feeding Little Folks
December 4: Importance of Play
December 11: Story Time & Play
 Experience a get together with other parents and their children, play time with age-appropriate toys, activities and a visit from a different childcare professional at each of the first four sessions.



Paint Night-Snow Angel Penguin
Monday, December 21
6:30-7:30 PM
Grades: K-5



Paint on canvas a fun penguin making snow angels!

Family Movie Time-Toy Story 5 (2026) PG
Monday, December 28
5:30-7:30 PM
Family Program

Enjoy a great movie at the Library with your family!

Family Paint Night
Wednesday, December 30
6:00-7:00 PM



Description in Adult section, see page 4.
Registration begins November 2.

Tween Programs Grades 4-8 only

Tweens Ceramic Fall Gnome
Thursday, November 5
4:00-5:00 PM

Paint, with guidance, a fun fall Gnome!



Tweens Chocolate Pilgrim Hat
Thursday, November 19
4:30-5:15 PM

Coat a wafer cone in chocolate, fondant and candy. Then fill it with seasonal candies!

Tween Ring In the Holidays With Aromatherapy!
Monday, November 30
6:30-7:30 PM

Learn how to use aromatherapy and essential oils. Make a holiday perfume lotion and stress relief spray to help you enjoy the season.

Tweens Chocolate Covered Tree
Friday, December 11
5:15-6:15 PM

Cover a sugar cone with green/white chocolate. Use string licorice to make a garland, add sprinkles and seasonal candies to decorate the tree.

Tween Bejeweled Tree Painting on Canvas
Thursday, December 17
4:00-5:00 PM

Paint, then decorate your beautiful holiday tree with gems! Enjoy your original artwork for years to come, or give as a present!

COMMUNITY SERVICE/TEEN PROGRAMS

Registration for all Young Adult classes begins November 2. Young Adult classes are for North Babylon School District residents only with a valid library card and currently in grades 6 - 12.

Community Service Programs (grades 6-12)

Food Donations

Students (grades 6-12) can bring in canned or boxed non-perishable foods donations. **Sealed non-expired items will be accepted.** Four items will earn 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 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.*



Chess Buddies*

**Tuesdays, November 10, 24, December 8 and 22
6:00-7:30 PM**

Help younger children improve their chess skills by playing games with them.

Decorate a Bag*

Wednesday, November 18

6:00-7:00 PM

Earn community service credit by decorating tote bags for the library and our patrons.



Positive Poetry*

Monday, November 23

3:30-4:30 PM

Create something meaningful for yourself or share with someone else to brighten their day.



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

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9 AM - 8 PM, Monday – Friday

9 AM - 5 PM, Saturday

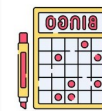
1 PM - 5 PM, Sunday (Oct - May)

Candy Cane Bingo Buddies

Wednesday, December 9

6:00-7:30 PM

Assist with our special Bingo night for children (grades K-5). *Teens will receive 1.5 hours of community service.*



Teen Programs (grades 6-12)

Afterschool Gaming

Wednesdays, November 25 and December 23

3:30-4:30 PM

Stop by the program room after school and play Mario Kart on our Nintendo Switch, some of our board games and enjoy a small snack. *No registration required.*

YA Beaded Wire Tree Craft

Wednesday, December 2

5:30-7:30 PM

Learn to shape wire and colorful beads to create a stunning mini tree in this fun, hands-on project that you can give as a handmade gift or add to your own collection.



YA Movie Night-KPOP Demon Hunters(PG)

Wednesday, December 16

6:00-7:30 PM

This program is for grades 6 - 12.

Cookie Painting

Wednesday, December 30

4:00-5:00 PM

A large square sugar cookie is provided with assorted icing, sprinkles and candy for teens to create a sweet winter scene that they can then enjoy.



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