



The

December 2021

LIBRARY

The Newsletter of the Northport-East Northport Public Library

FOR ADULTS

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Hat, Mitten, Glove & Sock Collection

December 1-30

Help local children, teens, and adults stay warm and cozy this winter! Please donate **new** or **handmade** hats, mittens, gloves, and socks—sizes infant, child, teen, or adult—for the Family Service League to distribute to area individuals and families in need. Drop off your donations at the display table in the lobby of either library building through December 30.



Castles!

(N) Friday, December 3, 1:00 p.m.

All over Europe and the Middle East, castles flourished for hundreds of years. Today some are still inhabited, many are for sale, and dozens are even hotels. Join veteran traveler and lecturer Patricia Summers on a picturesque armchair journey to explore these unique buildings. Registration is underway. **NENA141**



Holiday Candy Bark

Tuesday, December 7, 3:00 p.m.

Follow along with The Baking Coach and make your own delicious candy bark—peppermint, white chocolate cranberry, and marble pretzel crunch—to enjoy at home or give as a delightful gift this holiday season. Recipes will be provided to registrants beforehand. Registration is underway. **NENA132**



Reduce Your Electricity Use and Save Money



Wednesday, December 8, 11:00 a.m.

Learn about the Residential Energy Affordability Partnership (REAP) program as well as other energy efficiency programs offered by PSEG Long Island. The programs are part of PSEG Long Island's effort to increase energy efficiency by helping customers save money on their energy bills while reducing greenhouse gas emissions on Long Island. Registration is underway. **NENA138**

Decoding the Mysteries of Cats

Wednesday, December 8, 7:00 p.m.

Join feline behaviorist Stephen Quandt as he explains cat behavior from the perspective of the evolutionary and adaptive forces that help shape their lives. Topics include the relationship to hunting and resting, "drive-by" ankle biting, early morning wake-up, hunger, exercise, and mother/kitten dynamics. Registration is underway. **NENA133** This program is co-sponsored by the public libraries in the Town of Huntington.



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FOR ADULTS

Medicare Counseling

Wednesday, December 8, by phone
10:00, 10:30, 11:00, 11:30 a.m. **NENA136**

or
(N) Tuesday, December 21, in-person

10:00 a.m. **NENA148**

10:30 a.m. **NENA149**

11:00 a.m. **NENA150**

11:30 a.m. **NENA151**

A volunteer from the Health Insurance Information Counseling and Assistance Program (HIICAP) of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program of Suffolk County will answer your questions about Medicare and supplementary insurance in a one-on-one phone or in-person consultation. Registration begins December 1.



Dance, Balance, and Stretch



Tuesdays, January 4, 11, 18, 25, February 1,
10:00 a.m.

Start the New Year off with some pep in your step! This energizing class may help you stay fit, flexible, and steady on your feet. Learn exciting global dances followed by balance exercises and relaxing stretches. Wear low tread sneakers, and have a water bottle, two lightweight scarves, and a sturdy chair nearby. *Note: Participant accepts responsibility for any potential injury associated with this class by proceeding through the Zoom link. As with all exercise programs, please check with your healthcare provider before registering.* Registration begins December 15. **NENA139**

Earth Art



Wednesday, January 5, 7:00 p.m.

Art historian and professor Thomas Germano will explore *Earth Art*, the largely American and British art movement that uses the natural landscape to create site-specific structures, art forms, and sculptures. While the roots of Earth Art—also known as land art, environmental art, or Earthworks—can be traced back to antiquity, there was a return to the medium in the late 1960s when a greater consciousness to preserve the Earth gained momentum. Registration is underway. **NENA140**



Island Hills Chorus “Holiday Radio Show”

(N) Friday, December 10, 7:00 p.m.

Let's all “gather ‘round the radio” for this old time holiday show presented by the Island Hills Chorus, an all-women group known for singing four-part harmony in the barbershop-style. This program is sure to put you in the holiday spirit! Listen to many of your holiday favorites and then join with the chorus in a sing-a-long. Registration is underway. **NENA134**



Gingerbread Cookie Workshop

Tuesday, December 14, 11:00 a.m.



Learn how to make gingerbread cookies from scratch with The Baking Coach. Mix the dough, cut out the cookies, and decorate them with a simple glaze and assorted sprinkles. Recipes will be provided to registrants beforehand. Registration is underway. **NENA135**



All About LinkedIn

Tuesday, December 14, 7:00 p.m.

Learn how to get the most out of your LinkedIn profile in this class by Sharper Training Solutions. Navigate the website for networking opportunities, acquire advanced search information to prepare for upcoming interviews, and much more. Registration is underway. **NENR340**



Language Learning & Literacy

Dynamic English



Thursdays, December 2, 9, 16, 7:00 p.m.

Develop your English vocabulary, grammar, reading, and pronunciation with this friendly English conversation group. Registration is underway. **NENR334**

Pronunciation Practice



Mondays, December 6, 13, 20, 6:00 p.m.

Develop your English pronunciation skills with a certified Speech Language Pathologist and Accent Modification Trainer. You will learn how to use Standard American English sounds and strategies that will help you to get your point across. Registration is underway. **NENR332**

FOR ADULTS



Book Groups

Print copies of the books will be available for pick up at the Northport building Circulation Desk. You may also access a copy of the ebook or audiobook on the library Downloads page: www.nenpl.org/downloads/index.php

Page Turners



Thursday, December 9, 2:00 p.m.

Join Page Turners group leader Donna Diamond to discuss *The Stolen Marriage* by Diane Chamberlain. **The author will join the program.** Registration is underway. **NENA142**



Novel Ideas

(N) Monday, December 20, 7:00 p.m.

Join Librarian Candace Reeder to discuss *A Tree Grows in Brooklyn* by Betty Smith. Registration is underway. **NENA143**



HEY, LOCAL BOOK GROUPS!



Let the Library obtain multiple copies of your next read for the members of your book group. Call the Northport building Reference Desk at 631-261-6930 for further details.

Email Newsletters from the Library!

Get the scoop on the latest bestseller lists, new books, reading recommendations, computers and technology, and other topics. Request books or audiobooks directly from the email newsletters with just a click. The Library sends emails throughout the month on many subjects of interest. Select the email alerts that interest you. Visit www.nenpl.org/newsletters and sign up today!

NextReads
Find your next read



Computer and Technology Classes

on zoom

Shopping, Safety, and Security Online

Thursday, December 2, 7:00 p.m.

In this lecture and demo class, learn how to reduce the risks from identity theft, hackers, viruses, spyware, and annoying pop-up advertisements while surfing and shopping on the internet. Registration is underway.

NENC443

All About Cloud Storage

Thursday, December 9, 7:00 p.m.

Learn about "cloud" storage options for your digital files and photos. Review popular cloud services including Apple iCloud, Google Drive, Google Photos, Microsoft OneDrive, and Dropbox. Registration is underway.

NENC444

Manage Your Personal Finances with Microsoft Excel

Thursday, December 16, 7:00 p.m.

Microsoft Excel is a good application to help you manage your personal finances. In this class, learn how to create a check register and format it for bank reconciliation, track investments and expenses, and create a simple database in Excel. Basic knowledge of Excel is required. Registration is underway. **NENC445**

SeniorNet:

Introduction to the Google Cloud

Wednesday, January 5, 2:00 p.m.

In this class we will show you how to use the Google Cloud to store photos and files, back up your devices (phone, computer, or tablet), and share files and photos with your friends and relatives. Learn how to create a free Google Drive account with 15 GB of storage. Registration is underway. **NENC500**

Introduction to Microsoft Windows 11

Thursday, January 13, 7:00 p.m.

Get to know Windows 11, the newly-updated operating system from Microsoft. Learn how to use the desktop, applications, and the start menu. We will explore many of the key changes in this brand-new version of Windows. Registration is underway.

NENC501



FOR TEENS

Most teen programs will be offered virtually through Zoom; however, select ones will be held in-person at the Library. These programs are designated with an "in-person" icon, and the building where the program will be held is noted. **Masks are required for all individuals attending programs at the Library. All teen programs are limited to Northport-East Northport Public Library cardholders only.** You may register for programs on the library website, www.nenpl.org, using your library card barcode and password. If you have questions or need assistance with registration, contact the Library at (631) 261-6930 or (631) 261-2313.

Registration for the following Teen Programs begins December 8.

Clay Class: Snowman



Saturday, December 11, 2:00–2:30 p.m.

Kick back, relax, and make something cool using air dry clay. This month we will make a snowman! Pick up your Clay Class participation packet at the Teen Center by December 10. **NENY926**

Gingerbread Houses



(N) Thursday, December 16, 7:00–8:00 p.m.

Enjoy building a gingerbread house using cookie cutouts, icing, and lots of candy! Each teen will take home their completed house to enjoy during the holiday season. **NENY927**

Nintendo Night: Best of 2021



Friday, December 17, 7:00–8:30 p.m.

Come join your fellow gaming fans in this monthly celebration of all things Nintendo. This month we will be discussing the best Nintendo games of 2021. Pick up your Nintendo Night participation packet at the Teen Center by December 16. **NENY928**

TAKE AND MAKE KITS

Registration and pick up begin December 8.

Kits must be picked up at the Teen Center. All materials are provided. *Please note: Your registration will be canceled if your kit is not picked up by December 27.*



Autumn Leaf Trinket Holder

Use acrylic paints to decorate this seasonal craft. **NENY929**



Pop It Soap

Have fun and create some extraordinary soaps. **NENY930**



Surprise Ball

Create a surprise ball filled with fun mini items and layers of colorful crepe paper. **NENY931**



Registration for the following Teen Volunteer Opportunities begins December 8.

Open to students in grades 7–12

You may choose **two** Volunteer Opportunities this month.

Kangaroo Volunteers



(N) Saturday, December 11, 10:15–11:15 a.m.

Assist children as they design and decorate a stuffed kangaroo and joey. **NENY932**

Teen Advisory Board



(N) Tuesday, December 21, 7:00–8:00 p.m.

Come learn about all the Teen Services Department has to offer and give us input on what types of future programs you would like to see. Decorate a pillowcase that will be donated to local senior living residents.

NENY933

Family Build-It Volunteers



(N) Tuesday, December 28, 10:45 a.m.–12:15 p.m.

Have fun assisting families while they create structures with a unique variety of building materials.

NENY937

Pull Toy for Shelter Dogs

Use an old t-shirt to make a pull toy for the pups at the local animal shelter. Instructions will be emailed to participants upon registration. Completed toys must be returned to the Teen Center by January 3. When returning, please include an old sheet, towel, or blanket (laundered) as an additional donation for the shelter. Earn two hours of community service credit. **NENY934**

Data Detox Youth

This is an activity book to help young people take control of their technology. This interactive toolkit encourages teens to think about different aspects of their digital lives, from their social media profiles to their passwords. Access the kit at: <https://datadetoxkit.org/en/families/datadetox-x-youth>. Complete the activity book and email a short paragraph about the tips you learned to: teenvolunteer@nenpl.org by January 3. Earn two hours of community service credit. **NENY935**

Winter Wreath Volunteers

Pick up a packet at the Teen Center that contains all the materials you need to make a wreath for local senior living residents. Completed wreaths must be returned to the Teen Center by January 3. Earn 1.5 hours of community service credit. **NENY936**

FOR CHILDREN

Children's and family programs will be offered in a variety of formats—in-person, virtually through Zoom, as prerecorded videos, and as kits. Please note the icon next to each program to determine the format. **Masks are required for all children two years and up and adults attending programs at the Library.** You may register for programs on the library website, www.nenpl.org, using your library card barcode and password. If you have questions or need assistance with registration, contact the Library at (631) 261-6930 or (631) 261-2313.



Registration for the following single and series Road to Reading Programs is underway. (One series program per child, please.)

Time for Tots

(N) Thursdays, December 2, 9, 16, 10:00 a.m.

Children 2–5 years with adult; siblings welcome

You and your child will enjoy fun and educational activities designed to encourage early reading, math, and school readiness skills. (60 min.) **NENJ429**



Sing & Play

(EN) Mondays, December 6, 13, 20,

10:00 a.m. **NENJ431** or 11:00 a.m. **NENJ432**

Children 1–3 years with adult; siblings welcome

Have fun with Molly Mouse. Sing songs and rhymes while using scarves, bells, balls, and more. (30 min.)



Books a Poppin'

(EN) Fridays, December 3, 10, 17, 10:00 a.m.

Children birth–5 years with adult; siblings welcome

We will read stories, sing songs, share rhymes and fingerplays, and have fun in this interactive storytime. (30 min.) **NENJ430**



“Have a Ball” Pajama Storytime

(EN) Tuesday, December 14, 7:00 p.m.

Children birth–5 years with adult; siblings welcome

Bounce around to great stories and roll a ball to your child in this fun program for families. (30 min.) **NENJ433**



Gingerbread House Activity Packet

Kit available Wednesday, December 1

Children 3 years and up



This packet includes a DIY gingerbread house sticker set, as well as other fun gingerbread-themed activities. No registration required.



Mr. Jon & Friends Holiday Concert

Video available Monday, November 15–Saturday, January 15

Children 3–7 years

Join Parents' Choice award-winning recording artist Jon Lewis for some holiday music that inspires fun, laughter, and dancing. **Registrants will be emailed a link to watch the video.** (45 min.)

Registration is underway. **NENJ425**



Cake Decorating Series

Videos available Monday, November 1–Monday, January 31

Children in grades K–5

Learn how to make awesome looking cakes for your family and friends with this four-video series: 1) Buttercream Basics, 2) Piping, 3) Fondant, 4) Layer Cakes and Trim.

Registrants will be emailed a recipe for each session as well as a link to watch the videos. (30 min.) Registration is underway. **NENJ422**



Snowman on a Stick

Video available Wednesday, December 1–Friday, December 31

Children in grades K–5

Learn how to make deliciously adorable snowmen cake pops with The Baking Coach. **Registrants will be emailed a recipe as well as a link to watch the video.** (30 min.) Registration is underway. **NENJ434**



Turtle Dance Music: Winter Wonderland

Wednesday, December 8, 11:00 a.m.

Children birth–6 years with adult; siblings welcome

Join Mr. Matt for a concert designed to engage children through songs about winter, movement activities, giant bubbles, stories, and interactive music technology. (30 min.) Registration is underway. **NENJ435**



FOR CHILDREN

Jump for Joy

(EN) Saturday, December 11, 10:30 a.m.

Children in grades 1–5



Spread some cheer by making your own adorable stuffed kangaroo, complete with a joey in her pouch. (45 min.) Registration is underway. **NENJ436**



Newbery Club

(N) Tuesday, December 14, 7:00 p.m.

Children in grades 4 and up

This month, club members will be discussing Newbery contender *Born Behind Bars* by Padma Venkatraman. Also, we will be preparing our ballot of favorite books for the Mock Newbery Vote in January. New members are always welcome. (60 min.) No registration required.



Paint Night: Winter Owl

(N) Wednesday, December 15, 7:00 p.m.

Children in grades 1–5



Kids will follow step-by-step instructions to create their own masterpieces, beautiful enough to hang on the wall at home or give as a special gift. (60 min.) Registration is underway. **NENJ437**



Paws to Read

(N) Thursday, December 16,

6:30 p.m. **NENJ438**

6:45 p.m. **NENJ444**

7:00 p.m. **NENJ445**

7:15 p.m. **NENJ446**

Children in grades 1–5 with adult

Dogs are great listeners and provide a calming environment for kids to read aloud. Fetch a good book and sign up for a 15-minute reading session with a certified therapy dog. Registration is underway.



Family Build It

(N) Tuesday, December 28, 11:00 a.m.

Children ages 4 and up with adult; siblings welcome

Have fun working together as a family to create amazing structures with our unique variety of building materials. (60 min.) Registration is underway.

NENJ447



Ari Bisk's Card Tricks

Wednesday, December 29, 2:00 p.m.

Children in grades 1–5

Professional up-close card magician Ari Bisk performs mystifying tricks in this highly interactive program. Following the performance, Ari will teach beginner card tricks that all participants will be able to perform. Have a deck of cards ready to follow along.

Registrants will be emailed a link to the Zoom meeting. (60 min.)

Registration is underway. **NENJ439**



Noon Year's Eve STORYTIME & CRAFT

(N) Thursday, December 30, 11:30 a.m. **NENJ440**

(EN) Thursday, December 30, 11:30 a.m. **NENJ441**

Children 3–5 years with adult; siblings welcome

Celebrate New Year's Eve with a storytime, craft, and a "countdown to noon" to ring in 2022. Each child will go home with a goody bag to continue the party at home. (30 min.) Registration is underway.

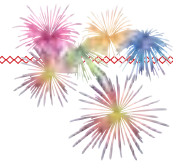


Oodles of Obstacles

(N) Tuesday, January 4, 10:00 a.m.

Children 2–5 years with adult; siblings welcome

Preschoolers will have a blast navigating through a room filled with fun obstacles that will exercise their muscles and minds. (45 min.) Registration begins December 20. **NENJ448**



Turtle Dance Music: Happy New Year

Wednesday, January 5, 11:00 a.m.

Children birth–6 years with adult; siblings welcome

Join Mr. Matt as he shares songs, stories, and movement activities to help celebrate the New Year. (30 min.) Registration begins December 20. **NENJ442**



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FOR CHILDREN

The Children's Librarians have recorded a special reading of a variation of a classic story: *The Library Gingerbread Man* by Dotti Enderle. Celebrate the season with us by viewing the video on the library's YouTube channel:

www.youtube.com/nenplibrary

Ask a Children's Librarian for suggestions for good seasonal reads. Some ideas:



Scavenger Hunt

Run! Run! Fast as you can . . . to the Library to catch all the gingerbread men hiding in the Children's Room during the month of December. All ages. No registration required.



The Bookmark Spot

Stop by the Library and pick up the December bookmark by Cadence Iurka. A reading list compiled by Children's Librarians is on the back.



BACKPACK STORYTIMES



Check out a Backpack Storytime! Each thematic backpack contains books, a music CD or talking book, manipulatives such as puppets and puzzles, and suggested enrichment activities. Storytime subjects include: dinosaurs, princesses, superheroes, shapes, sight words, learning Spanish, animals, outer space, toilet learning, telling time, and so much more. Designed for children three years and up, Backpack Storytimes circulate for seven days.

Backpack Storytimes promote early literacy skills by providing age-appropriate literature, music, and activities. These kits will help you create a fun and stimulating environment wherever you are, which is key to creating a lifelong love of books and learning.



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On-Your-Own Train Trip to New York City!

Saturday, December 4, 9:19 a.m.
Departure from Northport Station, Round Trip: \$12 per person

Take in the sights and sounds of New York City! Meet a library staff member at the Northport station house at 9:00 a.m. (transfer at Huntington). Your return ticket is good on any Northport-bound train that leaves Penn Station before midnight. A nonrefundable \$12 fee (cash or check payable to *Friends of the Library*) is due at the time of registration. Registration is underway. **NENA131**
(Please note: Face masks are required to be worn while traveling on the Long Island Rail Road.)
This trip is sponsored by the Friends of the Northport-East Northport Public Library.

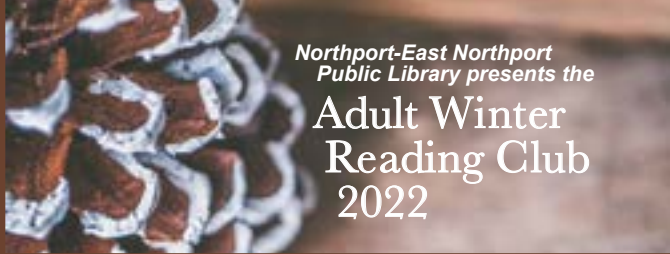


Northport-East Northport Public Library presents the

Adult Winter Reading Club 2022

January 10–March 11, 2022

open to all Northport-East Northport Public Library cardholders, 18 or older



COMMUNITY LOCAL HISTORY CONTRIBUTIONS

The Library welcomes donations or loans of historical items that portray the distinct history of the Northport-East Northport community. Items may include photographs, postcards, pamphlets, and newsletters relating to our schools, businesses, beaches, harbor, churches, police and fire departments, as well as community events. These collectibles may be added to our Local History Collection. Please contact the Local History Department at 631-261-6930 ext. 370 to arrange for a donation or for more information.

December Gallery Exhibits

Northport building:
Long Island Through My Lens
by Roy Schneider
Landscapes and seascapes from around LI.

East Northport building:
Astral Visions
by Ronnie Valerio
Acrylic paintings on canvas.

To find out if the Library is closed due to inclement weather:

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or check the library website: www.nenpl.org