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Winter Reading Challenge Coming Soon

South Huntington patrons ages 2 through adult are invited to participate in our 2024 Winter Reading Challenge. Read or listen to books and earn prizes! The challenge runs from Jan. 6 through Feb. 24. Go to www.shpl.info/WRC to get started.



Winter Series 2024

Gold Coast Jazz Band
Fri., Jan. 5 at 7 p.m.

Join us for a live big band experience! This talented group will perform timeless songs by great arrangers.



Jimmy Buffett Tribute with the
Ed Travers Band
Fri., Jan. 12 at 7 p.m.

Ed and his band have become known as one of Long Island's premier Jimmy Buffett tribute bands. They will bring a taste of Margaritaville to our library while paying tribute to the late, great Jimmy Buffett.



Save the Date: Wizarding Winter Reading Carnival
Sat., Jan. 13, 1-4 p.m.

South Huntington cardholders can get up to 2 free tickets for each show beginning Dec. 15. Print them online at www.shpl.info or get them in person at the Circulation Desk. Tickets are valid until 6:50 p.m., when non-ticketholders will be seated, if there is space.

The library will be closed on Dec. 24, 25 and 31 and Jan. 1.
Happy Holidays!

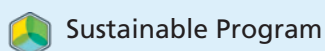
ADULT PROGRAMS

Adult Program Info:

Registration for adult programs begins at 9 a.m. unless otherwise noted.

Register online, in person or by phone. Program enrollment may be limited, and popular ones fill quickly. For program details, see our website calendar at www.shpl.info or call 631.549.4411.

Library programs are in-person, unless marked with a V=Virtual or Video Program



How to register online for an adult program:

- Go to our website at www.shpl.info > Events > Adults.
- Find the date of the event you are interested in on the calendar. (If it is a series, such as a fitness class, go to the date of the first class.)

- Click on the program title.
- The page that appears will have a program description and registration date.

- Assuming that registration has begun, scroll down to the registration form.

- Type in your South Huntington Library card barcode and other fields as needed.

- If there is a fee, enter your credit card information.

- Click "Register."
- You should then see a confirmation screen. A confirmation notice will also be sent to the email you entered.

- If it is a ticketed event, such as a concert, print the confirmation page and bring it to the show.

- Questions? Call Circulation at 631.549.4411.

How to access your library account:

- Go to our website at www.shpl.info.
- Click "My Account".
- Enter your South Huntington Library card barcode and PIN.
- If you do not have a PIN, click "Create a Password" and follow the directions on the screen.

- Once you are in your account, you can see what items are checked out and when they are due. You can also update your contact information.

- If you haven't done it already, you may want to enable your reading history so you can begin creating a list to keep track of the books you've read.

Classical Sundays

Classical Sundays: Pianist Zhu Wang

Sun., Dec. 17 at 2:30 p.m.

Praised as "especially impressive" and "a thoughtful, sensitive performer" who "balanced lyrical warmth and crisp clarity" (*The New York Times*), pianist Zhu Wang was awarded First Prize in the 2020 Young Concert Artists Susan Wadsworth International Auditions. In 2019, Zhu was finalist in the Clara Haskil International Piano Competition, and he has been a featured soloist on WQXR's Young Artist Showcase and WFMT's Dame Myra Hess Memorial Concerts. His Carnegie Hall debut made *The New York Times*' "Best of Classical Music 2021" list.

A native of Hunan, China, Zhu started learning piano at the age of five. He is a graduate of the Music Middle School Affiliated to the Shanghai Conservatory of Music. He received a Bachelor of Music degree from The Juilliard School and a post-baccalaureate diploma at Curtis Institute of Music. He is the recipient of the Gina Bachauer and Mieczyslaw Munz Scholarship at Juilliard, and the recipient of the Mehlin Prize at Curtis. Zhu is currently pursuing his Master of Music degree, under the tutelage of Robert McDonald and Emanuel Ax. He gratefully acknowledges the support of the Bagby Foundation for the Musical Arts.



Get Creative

Hand-Painted Snowman Plate

Tues., Dec. 12 at 6:30 p.m.

Join instructor/designer Elizabeth to hand paint an adorable snowman on a large ceramic plate. We will learn about the materials, apply specific techniques and have fun creating your snowman with your special touch. A perfect way of warming up your home for the upcoming winter season. South Huntington cardholders register beginning **Dec. 2**.



Quilled Holiday Tree

Wed., Dec. 13 at 7 p.m.

Join instructor Bonnie who will show you the technique of quilling. You will use your new skills to create a holiday tree. South Huntington cardholders register beginning **Dec. 6 at 10 a.m.**



Adult Take & Make: DIY Holiday Cards (V)

Thurs., Dec. 14 at 7 p.m.

These D.I.Y. kits have everything you need to create four greeting cards to send to your loved ones this holiday season. Your kit will include blank greeting cards and an assortment of craft paper and embellishments, along with examples to get you started. Watch our video attached to this event on our website calendar for more ideas and to see how you can use library resources to help you! South Huntington cardholders register beginning **Dec. 7**.



Holiday Flower Fairies

Thurs., Dec. 14 at 7 p.m.

Instructor Donna Coane will teach you how to make these enchanting flower fairies, which are popular as gifts, ornaments, home decor or as a surprise to find on a bookshelf. Materials will be provided. South Huntington cardholders register beginning **Dec. 5**. Enrollment limited.



Adult Take & Make: Winter Wreath (V)

Tues., Dec. 19 at 7 p.m.

Make this pretty wreath to decorate your home for the holidays and for the whole winter season. Register and pick up your craft kit, then watch the video below at the time of the program, or any time after. South Huntington cardholders register beginning **Dec. 12**.



Accessible for free with your library card, this resource features video tutorials, printable project instructions and more. Got to www.shpl.info and click the green Online Learning icon.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Holiday Music

Celebration of an Irish Christmas

Sun., Dec. 3 at 2:30 p.m.

Musician Greg Ryan will perform traditional Irish Christmas songs (in Irish and English) backing himself on guitar and harmonica. He'll also share anecdotes on the customs and origins of an Irish Christmas, and instrumental tunes played on the flute and pennywhistle and possibly the Bodhran, the traditional Irish drum. All are welcome to attend!



Island Winds Chamber Ensemble Holiday Concert

Sun., Dec. 10 at 2:30 p.m.

The Island Winds is a group of 12 renowned Long Island musicians who have received accolades for their performances at venues from Montauk to Manhattan. Join us as they perform an entertaining program of light classics and popular melodies that are guaranteed to put you into the spirit of the wintry season. All welcome!



History & Culture

Norman Rockwell's Thanksgiving

Thurs., Dec. 7 at 7 p.m.

The Thanksgiving Picture or "Freedom from Want" is one of Norman Rockwell's most famous and recognizable works. While it has become an ideal representation of the American family on Thanksgiving Day, many are unaware that it is the third of the Four Freedoms series created by the artist to illustrate the tenets of American democracy. Join presenter Mike Rodgers to learn more about the evolution of Rockwell's illustrations and the complicated legacy his works evoke. All welcome!



Historians and teaches about the Civil War at Kennesaw State University's College of Graduate and Professional Education and at Emory University. Open to all.

Memories of a 1960s Christmas

Fri., Dec. 15 at 2 p.m.

Join film historian Larry Wolff for a presentation featuring holiday episodes of classic TV shows. They include Art Carney in a seldom seen, heartbreaking portrayal of a hard drinking "Santa" in a classic holiday episode of "The Twilight Zone;" a fun singing and dancing holiday episode with the entire cast of the "Dick Van Dyke" show, and the only holiday episode of "The Andy Griffith Show," where Andy melts the Scrooge of Mayberry's heart. This is perfect television to accompany your memories. An autograph, book and memorabilia display is included with holiday music. All are welcome to attend.



North Shore Civil War Roundtable

Thurs., Dec. 14 at 7 p.m.

Michael K. Shaffer will be live on Zoom in our theater to discuss his newest book, *Day by Day Through the Civil War in Georgia*. Professor Shaffer is a member of the Society of Civil War

Books & Reading

Non-Fiction Book Discussion

Wed., Dec. 13 at 11 a.m.

The group will discuss the first half of *Herbert Hoover, A Life* by Glen Jeansonne. Ask for a copy of the book at the Circulation Desk. The e-book is available in our digital collection. The discussion will continue on Jan. 10.



Community

2nd Precinct Community Meeting

Tues., Dec. 5 at 7 p.m.

Representatives from the Suffolk County Police Department's Second Precinct will discuss topics related to community policing. Residents are invited to bring up issues of concern in their neighborhoods.

Folk Music Jam

Sun., Dec. 10, 1-4 p.m.

The Folk Music Society of Huntington will host its monthly acoustic jam. New participants, listeners welcome.

Be A Better Driver

Defensive Driving

Mon., Dec. 11 & 18 at 6:30 p.m.

Learn to be a better driver with this two-part Empire Safety Council Class, and you could save money on your auto insurance. There is a \$30 fee. South Huntington cardholders register beginning Dec. 1, others Dec. 8, if there is space.

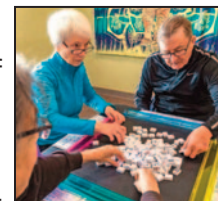


Fun & Games

Mah Jongg Club

Fri., Dec. 1, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

If you are learning mah jongg, here's a chance to play with the supervision of instructor Cathy, who will offer advice and answer questions. This class is for those who have basic working knowledge of the game. Registration now open; availability is limited.



Game Day

Tues., Dec. 5, 12 & 26, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Bring your game supplies and friends and enjoy socializing while playing your favorite game. The library will set up tables and chairs in the Meeting Room. (No session Dec. 19.)



ADULT PROGRAMS

Alfred Van Loen Gallery

'Ever-Changing Seasons' Artists' Reception Sat., Dec. 2, 2-4 p.m.

"Ever-changing Seasons: A Study of Fall & Winter" features paintings by Janet Fink and Nancy Wernersbach. As we welcome the approaching embrace of fall and winter, artists find there is unique beauty and positivity that inspires the soul, despite the weather's somber tones. Janet and Nancy share their exploration of these seasons through their distinctive perspectives, a vivid color palette, and masterful techniques. Both artists are inspired by the light and color that surrounds them. "My personal vision is to utilize a wide palette of colors to create and express inner feelings and to evoke feelings in the viewer about nature," says Janet. "A painting, like a good book, should take us out of one world and into another," says Nancy.



"First Snow" by Janet Fink (left) and "Autumn Blaze" by Nancy Wernersbach.

We invite you to meet the artists and discover the hidden charm of nature's graceful transition through their creative lenses. The exhibit runs through January 11.

Technology

Genealogy Drop-in Thurs., Dec. 7, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Thinking about tracing your roots but don't know where to start? Or maybe your search is under way and you've hit a dead end. Retired librarian PJ will be on hand to show you how you can access free genealogical resources, including Ancestry, through the library and to offer search tips and advice. No registration necessary.



the library. He'll also discuss storage options for safely preserving your digitized memories and information. SHPL cardholders register beginning **Dec. 6 at 10 a.m.** for the evening program and **Dec. 8** for the morning program.



Tech Byte: Video Chatting Thurs., Dec. 14 at 11 a.m.

Connect with family and friends this holiday season! Join tech librarian Michael and learn how to video chat with loved ones using free apps you can download to your mobile device, such as Zoom, Google Meet and more. Bring your questions and your device (smart phone, tablet) if you have one. SHPL cardholders register beginning **Dec. 6 at 10 a.m.**



Turn Your Old Photos and Documents into Digital Keepsakes

**Mon., Dec. 11 at 7 p.m. or
Tues., Dec. 19 at 11 a.m.**

In this program with tech librarian Michael, learn how to convert printed photos, slides, and documents into digital files using scanners and tools available here at

Medicare Help

Medicare Counseling One-on-One Mon., Dec. 18, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Do you have questions about Medicare and Medicare related health insurance? Volunteer Lynn Elinson with the Health Insurance Information, Counseling and Assistance Program (HIICAP), will meet with you one-on-one in the Young Adult Library on the lower level. An appointment is required. Please call the library at 631-549-4411 beginning **Dec. 4.**

Adult Learning

ENL Classes/Clases de Ingles

The library is offering ENL classes. If interested please contact Georgina by email at grivas@shpl.info or by phone 631-549-4411 ext.276

La biblioteca ofrecerá clases de inglés como segundo idioma. Si está interesado, póngase en contacto con Georgina por correo electrónico a grivas@shpl.info o por teléfono 631-549-4411 ext.276.

Career & Business

Small Business Counseling Wed., Dec. 13, 4:30-6:30 p.m.

Wed., Dec. 27, 4:30-6:30 p.m.

Do you own a small business or are you thinking of starting one? A counselor from SCORE will meet with you one-on-one to discuss your business and offer guidance. One-hour appointments are available, at 4:30, 5:30 and 6:30 p.m. To register beginning **Dec. 1**, click on the desired appointment time on our website calendar (www.shpl.info) and fill out the required information. SCORE, a resource partner with the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), is a non-profit dedi-

cated to helping small businesses form, grow and succeed. This counseling and mentoring are free of charge.

The Effective Job Search Strategy

Mon., Dec. 18 at 7 p.m.

If you plan to look for a new job next year, don't miss this workshop! Human resources professional Patrick Fierro will demonstrate how to develop and execute an effective job search strategy. He will show you how best to leverage your network, recruitment agencies and job posting sites to find the jobs you really want. South Huntington cardholders register beginning **Dec. 8.**

Listen while you cook.



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The library reading app

Children's Programs

A Family Place Library

(V) Video



Sustainable Program

family programs

Paint a Present

Sat., Dec. 2, 2-4 p.m.,
4-10 yrs.

Make a gift for someone special at this drop-in holiday craft program. No registration required.



Pequeños Lectores

Fri., Dec. 15, 6:30-7:30 p.m.,
4-8 yrs.

Acompaña a Miss Georgina para una hora de cuento en español, con música y unas divertidas manualidades! Regístrese *diciembre 8*.



Hats Off to New Year's

Fri., Dec. 29, 2-4 p.m.,
all ages

Drop by the library to make your own special New Year's Eve hat. No registration required.



early childhood programs

A Time for Kids

Fri., Dec. 1-22, 10-10:45 a.m.
or

Fri., Dec. 1-22, 11-11:45 a.m.,
18 mos.-5 yrs.

This is a skill building, interactive class that will help prepare your child for independent learning experiences. Registration is *ongoing*.



Music & Movement

Sat., Dec. 2, 10-10:45 a.m.,
18 mos.-4 yrs.

Enjoy a fun way to develop early literacy skills in young children with music, dancing, singing, rhymes, and stories. Registration is *ongoing*.



Bilingual BANANAS Bilingües

Mon., Dec. 4-18, 10-10:30 a.m., 18-48 mos.

Go BANANAS with Miss Georgina while enjoying bilingual songs, books, and a fun craft! Registration is *ongoing*. Ponte BANANAS con Miss Georgina mientras disfrutas de canciones bilingües, libros y una divertida manualidad. Inscripción es *continua*.



Sprouts & Friends

Tue., Dec. 5 & 19, 10-10:45 a.m., or

Tue., Dec. 5 & 19, 11-11:45 a.m., Birth-5 yrs.

Sprouts & Friends is a music and movement program for families focused on creating joy while we play, learn, and grow together. Registration is *ongoing*.



Baby Bundle Take & Make Paquete Para Bebés un Take & Make

Wed., Dec. 6,
Birth-24 mos.
Miérc, dic. 6,
Nacimiento-24 meses

Bring story time



home with this themed kit designed specifically for babies. Register and pick up a kit beginning *Dec. 6*.

Ahora puede llevar la hora del cuento a casa con este kit diseñado específicamente para bebés. Regístrese *dic. 6*.

Baby Time!

Wed., Dec. 6-20, 10:30-11 a.m., or

Wed., Dec. 6-20, 11:15-11:45 a.m., Birth-24 mos.

Babies and their caregivers will have fun sharing songs, rhymes, board books, and sensory activities that will help stimulate your little ones' cognitive, language, and social development. Registration is *ongoing*.



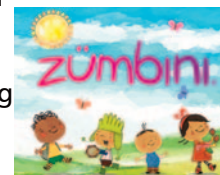
Zumbini

Thur., Dec. 7-21, 10:30-11:15 a.m., or

Thur., Dec. 7-21, 11:30-12:15 p.m., Birth-4 yrs.

Join Miss Lauren for Zumbini!

This class provides an amazing bonding experience for caregivers and their little ones, while focusing on fine and gross motor development. Registration is *ongoing*.



Lil' Athletes Toddler

Sat., Dec. 9, 10-10:45 a.m.,
18-36 mos.

Join Lil' Athletes for an introduction to various sports, including soccer and baseball. Register *Dec. 2*.



Lil' Athletes

Sat., Dec. 9, 11-11:45 a.m.,
3-5 yrs.

Join Lil' Athletes for an introduction to various sports, including soccer, baseball, and lacrosse. Register *Dec. 2*.

Preschool Pals: Homemade Holiday Gifts

Tue., Dec. 12-19, 3-3:45 p.m.,
3-5 yrs.

In this two-week series, the children will be making precious homemade gifts. During week one, we will be hand making several cute clay crafts. By week two, our creations will be dry and we will paint and decorate them. Register *Dec. 5*.



PlayHooray Babies & Kids

Sat., Dec. 16, 10-10:45 a.m.,
3 mos.-5 yrs.

Music and fun for your little one! Incorporates fine and gross motor skill activities, nursery rhymes, books, songs, bubbles, and more. Register *Dec. 9*.



Bedtime Book Buddies

Wed., Dec. 27, 6:30-7:30 p.m., 3-6 yrs.

Join teens from the Teen Advisory Board for a night of stories, play, and a snack. Pajamas are not required, but encouraged! Register *Dec. 20*.



Programs are in person at the library unless noted with a (V) for video program.

Register for programs in 1 of 3 ways: In person at SHPL; call us at 631.549.4411 x301; or online at shpl.info/Events/Children. (Click on the desired program to see details and availability.) **Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. (Weds. at 10 a.m.) and 7 p.m. for some programs.**

Caregiver and child MUST have a valid South Huntington Library Card to register.

If you are more than 5 minutes late for a program and haven't called to hold your child's spot, we will assume you are not coming and will allow waiting patrons to attend.

Children's Programs

A Family Place Library

(V) Video

 Sustainable Program

School age programs

Homework Help

Mon., Dec. 4-11, 4:30-6:30 p.m., K-6 gr.

High school students will assist community children with homework assignments in the Young Adult Library. Parents/caregivers must remain in the building during the program. Help is offered on a first come, first served basis.



Art Club: M. C. Escher

Fri., Dec. 1, 4:30-5:30 p.m., 1-5 gr.

M.C. Escher was a Dutch graphic artist known for his iconic optical illusions. His lithographs, woodcuts, engravings, and drawings expressed a high level of technical expertise and meticulous attention to detail. Learn about the artist and create your own work of art inspired by him. Registration is *ongoing*.



Yoga Kids

Wed., Dec. 6-20, 4:30-5:15 p.m., K-4 gr.

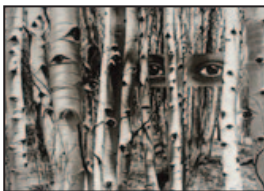
Yoga is a fun way for kids to build strength, spirit, and self-esteem. By using interactive games and animated postures, kids will build body awareness, improve concentration and focus, and learn how to release energy and relax. Registration is *ongoing*.



Adventures in Art: Wacky Winter Collage

Thur., Dec. 7, 4:30-5:30 p.m., 1-5 gr.

Start your winter with a trip into the wacky world of surrealist art as you explore works by modern artists Rene Magritte, Herbert Bayer, Grete Stern and more, then create your own winter collage. Registration is *ongoing*.



Tweens Night Out: Don't Wake the Yeti Escape Room

Fri., Dec. 8, 7-8 p.m., 3-5 gr.
You and your friends are trapped in an ice cave with a sleeping Yeti. Can you solve the puzzles that will unlock the door before the Yeti wakes up? Register *Dec. 1*.



Lego Club

**Sat., Dec. 9 2:30-3:30 p.m., or
Tue., Dec 26, 10:30-11:30 a.m., K-5 gr.**

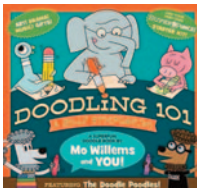
Come and spend some time building with our Legos. Participants will have their creations displayed in the library for 2 weeks. Register *Dec. 2* for the program on Dec. 9 and register *Dec. 19* for the program on Dec. 26.



December Doodle Time

Tue., Dec. 12, 4:30-5:30 p.m., 1-5 gr.

Doodling is not about the picture you create. It is about the journey you take when creating the doodle. Using prompts from children's book illustrators we'll do some freestyle drawing with various art supplies. Register *Dec. 12*.



Art Club: Hernando Ruiz Ocampo

Fri., Dec. 15, 4:30-5:30 p.m., 1-5 gr.

Hernando Ruiz Ocampo was a Fil-



ipino artist best known for his abstract paintings. Following in Modernist traditions, Ocampo used bold color palettes and biomorphic shapes inspired by both his country's landscape and by science fiction writing. Learn about the artist and create your own work of art inspired by him. Register *Dec. 8*.



Science of Magic

Wed., Dec. 27, 2-3 p.m., K-5 gr.
Is it magic? No...It's science! Learn the secrets behind famous magic tricks.

Mother Nature has some tricks of her own, and we'd like to show you what's up her sleeve! Children will bring home a "Mad Science Curious Cube" to continue their magic tricks! Register *Dec. 20*.

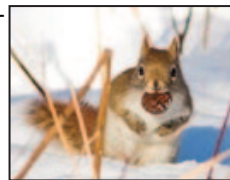


Winter Wildlife

Thur., Dec. 28, 2-3 p.m., K-5 gr.
Learn about winter wildlife and discover that nature is not entirely asleep.



Learn about migration, hibernation, and adaptation through interactive games and activities. Register *Dec. 21*.



Goodbye 2023 Party

Fri., Dec. 29, 2:30-3:30 p.m., K-4 gr.
Shake, rattle and roll yourself into the new year! Go back to the era of soda fountains, drive-ins, and rocking around the jukebox at our New Year's Sock Hop. We'll dance, play games, and make a craft. Come dressed in your '50s best! Register *Dec. 22*.



Save These Dates:

Wizarding Winter Reading Carnival

Saturday, January 13
1:00-4:00pm

Dancing Goldens

Saturday, January 20
1-2:30 pm or 3-4:30 pm

KIDSFLICK

Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Mutant Mayhem

Sat. Dec. 30, 2:30-4:15 p.m., all ages
After years of being sheltered from the human world, the Turtle brothers set out to win the hearts of New Yorkers and be accepted as normal teenagers. Their new friend, April O'Neil, helps them take on a mysterious crime syndicate, but they soon get in over their heads when an army of mutants is unleashed upon them. PG, 99 mins.



Teen Services

Programs are for SHPL cardholders entering grades 6-12 unless otherwise indicated. Some registrations begin at 9:30 a.m. (Wednesdays at 10 a.m.), others at 7 p.m. (V)=virtual program.

International Cooking Mon., Dec. 4, 7-8 p.m.

Create and try some tasty treats while learning about the culture behind a specific dish. Join us for International Cooking where youth participants will learn proper cooking safety and techniques, and then get to eat the results! Presented by Project Excel. Registration begins **Nov. 24**.



Ornaments for Service Members: A Community Service Program Wed., Dec. 6, 7-8 p.m.

Send joy to a deployed or hospitalized service member by making ornaments! One hour of community service. Registration begins Nov. 24 at 7p.m.

BLINGO Fri., Dec. 8, 7-8 p.m.

Calling all BINGO LOVERS! Join Ms. Georgina for bingo with a twist! Introducing BLINGO, bilingual bingo, come and learn new words in Spanish!

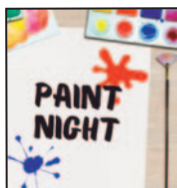
¡Llamando a todos los amantes del BINGO!
¡Unanse a Miss Georgina para jugar al bingo con un giro! Les presentamos BLINGO, bingo bilingüe, ¡vengan a aprender nuevas palabras en inglés!

Registration begins **Dec. 1**.

Paint Night

Tues., Dec. 12, 6:30-8 p.m.

Get your art on and create your masterpiece with an art instructor. Registration begins **Dec. 1**.



YA Gingerbread House Decorating Thurs., Dec. 14, 7-8 p.m.

Sign up today to decorate your own gingerbread house in our YA Library. Participants must register under their own SHPL library card. Registration begins **Fri., Dec. 8 at 7p.m.**



Customized Ceramic Mug Fri., Dec. 15, 7-8 p.m.

Design and create a personalized mug perfect for holiday gift giving. Everyone will customize a ceramic mug using their own artwork. Add a message or sentiment if desired to make a unique gift for a loved one, or maybe just keep the mug for yourself! A wrapping station will be provided for gift wrapping. Registration begins **Dec. 8**.



The Gift of Reading

Come down to the YA Library and select a wrapped book for yourself and a friend. What is the book? That's the surprise, as our wrapped "gifts" have a general brief description on the outside, which you can use as a guide for choosing your book. Supplies limited. Maximum two per patron in grades 6-12.



Teen Advisory Board Tues., Dec. 19, 7-8 p.m.

The Teen Advisory Board (TAB) is an active organization made up of South Huntington teens in grades 6-12 who work together to make a difference in our library. Tell us your ideas for community service, programs and contests. Ms. Jen & Ms. Elizabeth kick-off this meeting with the programs and community service opportunities that are already being planned. Meetings are usually held on the third Tuesday night of the month at 7p.m. Earn one hour of community service for attendance. New members are always welcome! This meeting is for South Huntington library district residents currently in grades 6-12. No registration is required.



Winter Terrariums Wed., Dec. 20, 7-8 p.m.

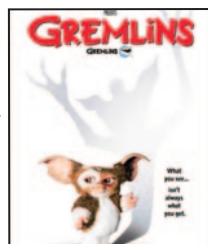
Winter has finally begun! Join us to create your own little winter wonderland - but inside a mason jar! Registration begins **Dec. 8**.



YA Movie Night: Gremlins (PG, 106 min)

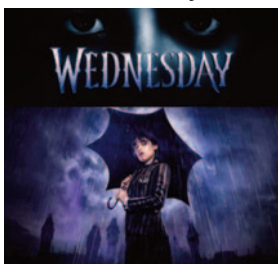
Fri., Dec. 22, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

A young man inadvertently breaks three important rules concerning his new pet and unleashes a horde of malevolently mischievous monsters on a small town. For those in grades 6-12. No registration required.



Escape Room: Wednesday Thurs., Dec. 28, 7-8 p.m.

Have fun taking part in this Wednesday-themed Escape Room! You and your team will explore Nevermore Academy as you decipher clues and solve puzzles to try and escape within one hour! Those who escape will win a certificate. Registration begins **Dec. 22**.



Candy Sushi Fri., Dec. 29, 6:00-7 p.m.

Teens will use Rice Krispies, rainbow striped candy, Swedish Fish and other candies to create the most realistic looking sushi. Registration begins **Dec. 22**.



FAFSA Walkthrough Tues., Jan. 9, 6:30-8 p.m.

A Youth Advancement Counselor from Project Excel will demonstrate how to fill out the digital form, line by line, for a stress-free process.



Each registration allows for 2 people per household to attend due to space constraints. Please set up your FSA ID at least 2 days before this program so you can complete your form. You will also need the following: W2 forms for 2022, tax returns from 2022, and social security numbers of student and parents. Registration begins **Dec. 29**.

Congratulations!

Logan is the winner of Fruit Gems Guess in a Jar contest for October. There were 103 pieces.



Trivia Nights at SHPL

Trivia Night Fri., Dec. 1, 7-8 p.m.

Test your knowledge and impress your friends at trivia night! Enjoy a fun evening answering general knowledge questions. Registration begins **Nov. 24**.



Themed Trivia Thurs. - Winter Fun Thurs., Dec. 21, 7-8 p.m.

Get ready to celebrate the most wonderful time of the year with our winter-themed trivia this month! Answer questions about classic holiday movies, songs, games, and traditions in this celebration of all things winter. Registration begins **Dec. 15**.

Trivia Night Fri., Jan. 5, 7-8 p.m.

Test your knowledge and impress your friends at trivia night! Enjoy a fun evening answering general knowledge questions. Registration begins **Dec. 29**.

Young Adult Programs

If you are more than 5 minutes late for a program and haven't called to hold your spot, we will assume you are not coming and will allow waiting patrons into the program.

SHPL News & Info

Warm Up with Some Cozy Reading

Winter is just the time to snuggle with a good book, and the Children's Department is just the place to pick up cozy titles for staying warm all season long!



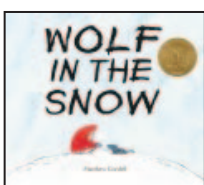
Introduce your youngest reader to a classic in board book form, *The Snowy Day* by Ezra Jack Keats. Join a little boy named Peter as he puts on his snowsuit, steps out of his house, and enjoys small adventures in the deep, deep snow.



Another classic, this one a picture book, is *Katy and the Big Snow* by Virginia Lee Burton. Katy the snowplow gets her long-awaited chance to shine when a blizzard blankets the city. Readers will love sharing her proud moment of glory and will applaud her "chug, chug, chug" endurance.



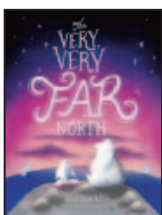
For a rollicking good time, follow along as a child imagines the nighttime fun snowmen must have in *Snowmen at Night* by Caralyn Buehner. The bouncy, rhyming text describes their imagined rumpus while the stunning illustrations perfectly capture their joyous adventures.



Readers of all ages delight in telling the story of the *Wolf in the Snow*, a heartwarming and wordless picture book. A young girl and a wolf pup come to rely on each other for warmth and protection when they are both lost in a swirling snowstorm. Expressive illustrations and the absence of text have made this Caldecott winner a favorite of families everywhere.



Did you ever wonder why the woods are so quiet in the winter-time? In *Over and Under the Snow* by Kate Messner, readers are introduced to the cozy world of squirrels and snowshoe hares, bears and bullfrogs, and many others who live outside in the woods during the winter.



Middle-grade readers can enjoy many chapter books with a winter setting, such as *The Very, Very Far North* by Dan Bar-el. Duane is a sweet and curious young bear who makes friends with everyone he meets. As he and his pals encounter many adventures, they learn about friendship and respect.

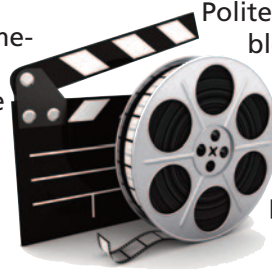


For budding scientists who are interested in the facts about all things winter, ask a librarian for information on topics such as how snow is formed, winter weather, arctic animals, and so much more! And for the crafters among us, how-to books such as *Winter Crafts* by Emily Kington provide hours of fun.

Best Movies of 2023

Each year brings a selection of films that captivate audiences and critics alike. As we near the end of 2023, the time has come to shine a spotlight on the most acclaimed films of the year that are now available on Blu-ray and DVD.

Culled from the highest Tomatometer scores from review aggregator website Rotten Tomatoes, the following films represent a variety of genres and are the most lauded movies of this past year.



Are You There God? It's Me, Margaret.

We forget how much we wanted to rush to grow up, and also how, once it started happening, we weren't sure how to adjust to this rattling new normal. *Are You There God?*, both funny and generous, brings it all back. – reviewer Stephanie Zacharek. PG-13, 106 mins.

Past Lives

Heads up, Oscar. Celine Song crafts the best movie of the year so far by using her own life to explore the meaning of destiny as a Korean playwright (the glorious Greta Lee)

is torn between a past love (Teo Yoo) and her American husband (John Magaro). – Peter Travers. PG-13, 105 mins.

Polite Society

Polite Society is an action-packed, genre-blending delight that fires on all cylinders. Everything – from the writing to the cinematography, the performances, the choreography and the soundtrack – is on point. – Mohammad Zaheer. PG-13, 104 mins.

Talk to Me

The concept is deftly and artfully executed by the Philippou brothers, who don't fall back on cheap jump scares, but rely on a dexterous cinematic style and grisly imagery to make a film that is truly dark and terrifying. – Katie Walsh. R, 95 mins.

A Thousand and One

This is a tough, beautiful, honest and bracingly hopeful movie about mutual care and unconditional love, with a transformative and indelible performance at its core. – Ann Hornaday. R, 117 mins.

December New Fiction: Adults

Welcome to the last month of 2023! Just because the year is ending doesn't mean the supply of good books will stop. Check out these new releases coming out in December.

Flores and Miss Paula by Melissa Rivero, Fiction

A novel about motherhood, family losses and relationships. Flores is a woman in her 30s who still lives with her mother in their Brooklyn apartment. The only thing they have in common is that they live together, even after the death of Flores's father, and Paula's husband. After Flores finds a note written by her mother, it begins to alter their relationship in new ways. Will they become close?

The Frozen River by Ariel Lawhon, Historical Fiction

This novel is based on the diary of an 18th century midwife, Martha Ballard, who investigated a murder in her small village. However, when the man who is accused of the attack is found entombed in ice, her diary becomes the center of the scandal, and the town begins to unravel.

Yours for the Taking by Gabrielle Korn, Science Fiction

In the year 2050, Ava and her girlfriend live



in what is left of Brooklyn, after the devastating effects of climate change. In order to survive, they must get accepted into the Inside Project, which is a network of survivable habitats around the world. The network in the city is run by a billionaire named Jacqueline. Once the women start working for the Inside Project, they realize not everything is as it seems.

The Curse of Penryth Hall by Jess Armstrong, Mystery

Taking place after WWI, a box of books leads American heiress, Ruby, back to the Cornish countryside, where she swore she would never be again. There, lives her close friend in the mysterious, cursed Penryth Hall, where a man just died. In order to save more people, she must work with others to stop the curse before it claims another.

The Engagement Party by Darby Kane, Thriller

In an isolated Maine setting, a student named Emily goes missing and her body is found, ruling it as a suicide. Twelve years later, when her former peers come together to celebrate an engagement party, another body is found. This group must find out who the killer is, before yet another person is claimed.

Services @ Your Library

Planning to travel?

Apply for a passport at the library. Visit our website at www.shpl.info>Services>Passports for information about documentation and fees. Appointments are available Monday-Friday. When you are ready to set up a passport appointment, call Adult Services at 631.549.4411.

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If you are unable to get to the library because of illness, injury or

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1 on 1 Tech Help

One on One Tech Appointments are a service for patrons who are in need of personalized assistance with basic tech needs. Need help with your laptop, tablet, Kindle, smartphone or other device? Would you like help navigating the library's e-resources? Do you need a refresher on using our library apps? Go to our website at www.shpl.info>Services>1 on 1 Tech Appointments to make a reservation.

Online Resources Help Trace Your Roots

When we gather with loved ones for the holidays, it can make us wonder how our families came to be. Here are just a few online resources available at the library that can help you discover your family tree.

Ancestry.com

This popular resource offers access to public databases, from census records and Social Security to military and immigration records. It also features a Learning Center where you can get tips on tackling your quest, and there are downloadable forms to help you keep track of your research. Ancestry.com Library Edition is only available for use inside the library. Visit the Reference Desk to get started.

serve African Americans, and Native American census records.

MyHeritage Library Edition

Search records from around the world including birth, marriage, death, military, census, and parish records.

Passenger and Immigration List Index



Lists are compiled from historical publications, naturalization records, government documents, ship manifests, and other historical sources. Entries include the name and age of immigrant; year and place of arrival, or naturalization; and associated family members who arrived with the entrant.

Historic Newspapers

You can also search for ancestors in historic newspaper databases, including The New York Times (1851-2014), Newsday (1940-1989), New York Amsterdam News and The American Hebrew and Jewish Messenger.

Yearbooks

Looking for someone local? Check digital yearbooks from Walt Whitman High School, South Huntington High School, Holy Family High School, and St. Anthony's High School.

To access these databases: www.shpl.info>Research>Genealogy & Local History. You will need a South Huntington Library card.

Ellis Island

Search the free Ellis Island archives for passenger records and manifests for those who passed through Ellis Island and the Port of New York between 1892 and 1924.

Fold3

Access to military records, including the stories, photos, and personal documents of the men and women who served.

HeritageQuest Online

This resource features U.S. federal census records from 1790-1950 plus searchable published family histories. It also has Revolutionary War-era records as well as Freedman's Bank (1861-1875), which was founded to

Looking for an activity during school break? Borrow a museum pass!

South Huntington cardholders can use most passes to admit a family to dozens of museums on Long Island and in New York City. Check the museum's website for operating hours, exhibits and information. Some passes can be printed at home after checkout; others may need to be picked up at the library. To access: www.shpl.info>Services>Museum Passes.

All About Tech

Your Digital Legacy

Email accounts, social media profiles, photos and documents stored in the cloud, and other digital assets all create a virtual representation of you. What will happen to this virtual representation when you are gone?



Just as you might create a will to distribute physical possessions, you should probably make plans for your digital estate as well. Your executor(s) may need access to important online information, like banking and investment accounts, and family may want to retrieve old photos and videos for memorialization or preservation. Without a plan in place it can be difficult and time-consuming for them to access your online accounts.

Here are general tips and suggestions for preserving your digital legacy; but, be aware these should not be considered legal advice and you should discuss and review your options with an estate planner or lawyer:

- Create an inventory of your accounts and devices. Create a list of all emails, social media profiles, cloud storage accounts, online accounts (financial, government, airline, etc.), and devices like computers and tablets that might contain personal data.
- Safely store passwords. Utilize an online password manager or safely store a physical list of passwords for accounts. Keep notebooks with passwords out of sight when possible.
- Name a digital executor. Appoint a trusted person to manage and secure your digital assets. They should have access to and know how to find any password lists and instructions on how to access your accounts.
- Set a plan for accounts. For each social media profile, email account, etc. decide if you want it memorialized, deleted, or transferred to heirs. Leave behind instructions. Some have built-in tools you can use to automate account deletion after a period of time or transfer control to a designated individual. For example, Facebook and Apple allow you to designate legacy contacts who can access your information after passing.
- Back up important data. External storage drives and cloud storage can be helpful for keeping copies of important documents, as well as photos and videos, in one centralized location.

If you would like to learn more about utilizing cloud storage and methods for safely storing passwords, feel welcome to schedule a free 1-on-1 tech appointment here at the library.

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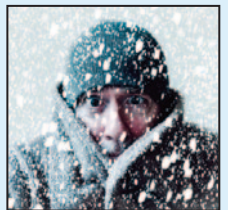


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