



**Emma S. Clark  
Memorial Library**  
*"The Heart of the Three Village Community"*

• March/April 2026 Newsletter •

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**LIBRARY HOURS**  
Mon.-Fri.: 9:30 a.m.-9 p.m.  
Sat.: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.  
Sun.: 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

**LEVEL\_UP KITCHEN CAFÉ HOURS**  
Mon.-Fri.: 10:30 a.m.-7 p.m.  
Sat.: 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.  
Sun.: 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

**Library closed on:**  
Presidents' Day, Feb. 16  
Easter, Apr. 5

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**Meeting Schedule**  
Wednesdays, Feb. 18, Mar. 18 &  
Apr. 15  
*All meetings begin at 7:00 p.m.*

Pictures/Videos taken at or for Library events or activities may be posted online, printed in our newsletter and other print media or displayed in-house. If you do not want yourself and/or your minor child photographed, please notify the Librarian/photographer at the time of the event.



**Emma S. Clark Memorial  
Library Café**

**Level Up Kitchen**  
LIBRARY CAFÉ

-Fresh Food & Drinks  
-Environmentally Friendly  
-Delicious & Healthy Options

Thank you for supporting local business!

For the latest menu,  
go to [emmaclark.org/Cafe](http://emmaclark.org/Cafe)

**SEED LIBRARY**

The Seed Library will be fully restocked just in time for the first day of spring—March 20!  
[emmaclark.org/SeedLibrary](http://emmaclark.org/SeedLibrary)

**Community Art Exhibition**  
See pg. 3!  
**American Artists Class**  
See pg. 5!

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**NY State Safe Boating Class**  
See pg. 5 for more details.  
*Register now!*

**Health & Hygiene  
DRIVE**

These personal care items will be distributed to various local organizations that help those who need essential day-to-day health supplies, along with the Library's Little Essentials Pantry on the lower level.

A box will be located in the Library lobby from **Sun., Mar. 1 through Sun., Apr. 26.**

**ACCEPTING NEW ITEMS:**

- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Dental Floss
- Mouthwash
- Razors
- Shampoo
- Shaving Cream
- Feminine Hygiene Products
- Baby Wipes
- Diapers & More!

**Social Work Student Intern**  
will answer your questions – each week at the Library.

Social work student intern from SBU's School of Social Welfare is available at the Library to answer questions, provide referrals & help with aid applications.

*The social work intern will not be in March 16–22.*

**Hours of availability:**  
Tuesdays: 3:00–7:00 p.m.  
Thursdays: 3:00–7:00 p.m.  
Fridays: 2:00–8:00 p.m.

Visit [emmaclark.org/SocialWorker](http://emmaclark.org/SocialWorker) for more information.

**The Three Village community collected & recycled more than 2,000 lbs. in 2025!**

**NexTrex COMMUNITY RECYCLING CHALLENGE**

This means we earned a free bench made from those recycled materials. You've helped others as well! Since we could only earn 1 bench per year through the challenge, we distributed the extra recycling to help other Suffolk County libraries earn their benches in 2025.

**We're starting a new challenge in March 2026!**

And don't forget, the NexTrex Community Recycling Challenge is ongoing here at Emma Clark. **We collect and recycle your plastic film all year round!**

For more information on what is accepted, visit [emmaclark.org/nextrexchallenge](http://emmaclark.org/nextrexchallenge).

**NOW  
AVAILABLE  
24/7**

**Stuck at 1 AM?**  
LIVE tutors are available 24/7.  
*All you need is your Library card!*

Get started at [emmaclark.org/Brainfuse](http://emmaclark.org/Brainfuse).

**Brainfuse HelpNow**

# 2025 Year in Review

## Emma S. Clark Memorial Library

### 1 JANUARY

- The LT Michael P. Murphy Navy SEAL Museum became the latest addition to the Library's widely-used Museum Pass collection.

### Classes & Events



### 2 FEBRUARY

- Comics Plus, a new digital collection with over 28,000 comics, graphic novels, and manga, was added to the Library's online offerings.



### 3 MARCH

- Winners were announced for the 11th annual Helen Stein Shack Picture Book Contest.
- 14 new items were added to the Library of Things collection, including useful technology and outdoor games (just in time for Spring & Summer parties!).
- The Seed Library was fully restocked on the first day of spring with approximately 12,000 packets of over 60 varieties of flower, fruit, vegetable, & herb seeds. 248 teen volunteers helped fill the packets over 3 months.

### Out & About



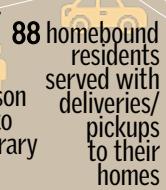
### 5 MAY

- The Little Free Library at West Meadow was reinstalled for the season, marking its 10-year anniversary of bringing books to the beach.
- The annual Ellen Bogolub Concert was held at the Setauket Neighborhood House.

### COMMUNITY



### Let US help YOU!



As part of Suffolk County's Great Give Back initiative, 180 kids, tweens, & teens participated in community service activities through Emma Clark, and 313 items were donated to the Pet Supplies Drive.

### 6 JUNE

- Summer Reading for adults was brought back after a 10-year hiatus. All Summer Reading had the vibrant theme of "Color Our World."
- Immigration in New York State: 1650-1950, a Long Island Library Resources Council traveling exhibit, was on display in the lobby.



### 7 JULY

- The Library began conveniently accepting all major credit cards for payment.
- There were over 80 programs in the Children's Department this month!

### ELECTRONIC resources



### 11 NOVEMBER

- Over 180 concertgoers listened to live music by The Jazz Loft Trio and the Como Brothers and watched a concert & historical narrative with The Van Swietens.
- The annual Fall Fun Day in the Children's Library brought in over 200 children and their caregivers, along with teen/tween volunteers.
- Over 50 individuals enjoyed Scholars and Spies, a conversation between award-winning journalist, professor, & Ward Melville High School alumna Michelle Young and historian & Stony Brook University professor Elyse Graham.
- E.L. Doctorow's daughter, Caroline Doctorow, led a multimedia event in celebration of the 50th anniversary of Ragtime with 50 attendees.

### 12 DECEMBER

- The Board of Trustees announced a new Library Director, Theresa Liguori, starting in January 2026.
- From March–December, our community recycled 2,092 lb. of plastic film for the NexTrex Recycling Challenge, earning the Library a free bench!

**MARCH IS WOMENS HISTORY MONTH**

**Women Artists Who Changed the Course of Art History**  
Mar. 10 • 2:00–3:30 p.m.

**Women in Folk Concert with Emy McB**  
Mar. 18 • 12:15–1:45 p.m.  
See pg. 4 for details.

**Irish Heritage Programs**

**St. Patrick's Concert: Fiddlers Green**  
Mar. 8 • 2:00–3:30 p.m.

**Evening Book Discussion: Two Irish Novellas: *Foster* and *Small Things Like These* by Claire Keegan**  
Mar. 11 • 7:30–8:45 p.m.

**Irish Genealogy Workshop**  
Mar. 12 • 6:30–8:30 p.m.  
See pgs. 3 & 4 for details.

**April is National Poetry Month**

**Poetry in Our Historic Library**  
Apr. 13, 7:00–8:00 p.m.

**The Jupiter Hammon Project & Joseph Lloyd Manor**  
Apr. 14, 7:00–8:30 p.m.

**Poetry Writing Workshop: Where Is My Longing?**  
Apr. 25, 10:30 a.m.–Noon  
See pg. 5 for details.

**Community Art Exhibition – From Sea to Shining Sea**

All ages are invited to celebrate America's 250th anniversary in 2026 by creating an American landscape on an 8x8" canvas. In June, all artworks will be displayed together as a vibrant patchwork in the Library Café Gallery. Here's how to participate:

1. Beginning Mar. 16, pick up a canvas at the Library. All ages are welcome! Kids may pick up at the Children's Desk; Teens & Tweens and Adults at the Lower Level Service Desk. **Registration is required and opens Feb. 10 (by age group: Kids, Teens & Tweens, Adults). Register online at [emmaclark.org/america-250](http://emmaclark.org/america-250), in person or by phone.**
2. Create an American landscape at home using any medium you like—markers, paint, pastels, mixed media, and more!
3. Return your completed canvas by May 1 to the Lower Level Service Desk. If you'd like to pick up your canvas after the exhibit, please write your full name clearly on the back.
4. Visit the Library this summer to see the *From Sea to Shining Sea* Community Art Exhibition on display near the Library Café Gallery.

[Please Note: Not for Community Service Credit]

## ADULTS

Registration with a valid Emma Clark Library card is required except where otherwise noted. Simply register at [emmaclark.org/programs](http://emmaclark.org/programs).

Registration for ONLINE CLASSES is ONGOING.

**LATE ARRIVAL GUIDELINES:** Out of respect for others & to minimize disruption, please arrive on time. Reserved seats will not be held for latecomers but will be given to stand-by guests whenever possible.

**March** Registration for IN-PERSON CLASSES begins Tue., Feb. 17, at 9:30 a.m.

- Colorectal Cancer: Know the Facts** – Mon., Mar. 2, 11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. March is National Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month—the 2nd leading cause of cancer deaths in the United States. A Health Educator from Stony Brook Cancer Center will discuss risk factors to be aware of and the importance of early detection as well as lifestyle changes that may help reduce your risk.
- Wild Birds: Whacky, Weird, and Wonderful** – Tue., Mar. 3, 2:30–3:30 p.m. Did you know birds can dance, fight or blow bubbles during courtship? Or protect themselves by vomiting? Dianne Taggart, an avid birder, will tell you about our wonderful wild birds.
- Suffolk County Police Department: Operation Medicine Cabinet** – Wed., Mar. 4, 11:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Safely dispose of expired or unwanted prescription drugs. Bring your family's non-liquid drugs/medications to the Library lobby. [Please note: Needles and liquid medication will not be accepted. Please place medications in a plastic bag prior to disposal.] No registration is required.
- Chair Yoga** – Thu., Mar. 5, 12, & 19, 11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Taught by Jackie Incorvia. Offered simultaneously *in person* and virtually via Zoom, your choice! Registration for in-person class starts Tue., Feb. 17, at 9:30 a.m. Reg. for the Zoom class is ongoing.
- Cricut: Bookmark** – Thu., Mar. 5, 6:00–8:00 p.m. See page 7.
- Thrifting: How to Buy Treasures at Bargain Prices at Thrift Stores** – Thu., Mar. 5, 7:00–8:00 p.m. Author, appraiser, and auctioneer Mike Ivankovich will teach you how to find hidden treasures at a thrift store near you.
- Relax & Paint: Anchors Aweigh** – Fri., Mar. 6, 7:00–8:30 p.m. Led by art instructor Teresa Grant. Please check our online program calendar for supply list & tracers.
- St. Patrick's Concert: Fiddlers Green** – Sun., Mar. 8, 2:00–3:30 p.m. Traditional music of Ireland and America in an authentic acoustic style. [This program is made possible by the Philip Groia Global Studies bequest.]

**EVENING Book Discussion**

**Two Irish Novellas: *Foster* and *Small Things Like These***  
Claire Keegan  
Wed., Mar. 11  
Book pickup starts 2/11

**The Sandcastle Girls**  
Chris Bohjalian  
Wed., Apr. 8  
Book pickup starts 3/11



# ADULTS *Continued...*

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-  **Intro to ChatGPT** – Mon., Mar. 9, 6:30–8:00 p.m. See [page 7](#).
-  **Women Artists Who Changed the Course of Art History** – Tue., Mar. 10, 2:00–3:30 p.m. For centuries women have been creating art that showcases their unique perspectives and talents; however, their absence from the canon of Western art has been a subject of inquiry and reconsideration since the early 1970s. Professor Sandra Palmer will discuss these innovative women.
-  **Cricut: T-Shirt** – Wed., Mar. 11, 6:00–8:00 p.m. See [page 7](#).
-  **Irish Genealogy Workshop** – Thu., Mar. 12, 6:30–8:30 p.m. Learn about naming patterns, lost records, key sources like Griffith's Valuation and Tithe Appplotment Books, and why Irish Catholic ancestors may appear in Church of Ireland records. Then step "across the pond" to U.S. records and online resources to help trace your Irish roots. Led by genealogist Eileen Swanberg.
-  **Using Money Saving Apps** – Thu., Mar. 12, 6:30–8:00 p.m. See [page 7](#).
-  **Classic Movie Fun: Mrs. Miniver (1942)** – Fri., Mar. 13, 2:00 p.m. [Starring Greer Garson & Walter Pidgeon] Join Librarian Jeff Walden for an afternoon film screening & a post-film discussion. TV-G (134 min.)
-  **All About Cloud Storage** – Mon., Mar. 16, 6:30–8:00 p.m. See [page 7](#).
-  **Brain Awareness Week Book Discussion: Other Minds** – Mon., Mar. 16, 7:00–8:30 p.m. Researchers from Stony Brook University's Department of Neurobiology & Behavior will lead a discussion of *Other Minds* by Peter Godfrey-Smith. In this intriguing book, Godfrey-Smith takes a deep-dive into intelligence & brain evolution. You'll also have the chance to ask your brain-related questions. **Registration required. Books will be available to pick up from the Circulation Desk beginning Feb. 17.**
-  **Cricut: T-Shirt** – Tue., Mar. 17, 2:00–4:00 p.m. See [page 7](#).
-  **Women in Folk Concert with Emy McB** – Wed., Mar. 18, 12:15–1:45 p.m. Celebrate Women's History Month with local singer/songwriter Emy McB, performing fresh takes on classics by Joan Baez, Judy Collins, Joni Mitchell and more.
-  **Friday Matinee: Springsteen: Deliver Me from Nowhere (2025)** – Fri., Mar. 20, 2:00 p.m. [Starring Jeremy Allen White] PG-13 (119 min.) **No registration required.**
-  **Coyotes on Long Island [For Adults, Teens & Tweens]** – Sat., Mar. 21, 2:00–3:00 p.m. The arrival of coyotes on Long Island has begun. Learn how to coexist with coyotes on the Long Island landscape with Frank Vincenti of the Wild Dog Foundation.
-  **Tal Naccarato LIVE!** – Sun., Mar. 22, 2:00–3:00 p.m. Italo 'Tal' Naccarato is a composer, songwriter, teaching artist and instrumentalist. His stylized original work, highlighting a deep appreciation for traditional Folk and Americana Roots music, is steeped heavily in Rock and Blues and includes his original classical guitar inspired compositions, performed with a 'bluesy swing'.
-  **Coffee Painting: Mountain Landscape with Lake** – Mon., Mar. 23, 2:00–4:00 p.m. **OR** 6:00–8:00 p.m. Led by artist/art educator Bonnie Schwartz. **All supplies provided. Space is limited.**
-  **Introduction to Microsoft Word** – Mon., Tue. & Wed., Mar. 23, 24 & 25, 6:30–8:30 p.m. See [page 7](#).
-  **Personal Styling Basics** – Tue., Mar. 24, 7:00–8:30 p.m. Personal style consultant Joyce Feldman will discuss easy styling hacks for beginners. She'll cover fashion trends, color analysis, body shapes & more!
-  **Spring Renewal Meditation** – Wed., Mar. 25, 7:00–8:30 p.m. Combines gentle yoga movements, mindfulness practices & the healing vibrations of sound bowls to create a harmonious experience. Taught by Amy Morton, Yoga and Meditation instructor.
-  **Cricut: Tumbler** – Thu., Mar. 26, 6:00–8:00 p.m. See [page 7](#).
-  **Puzzle Fun!** – Fri., Mar. 27, 2:00–4:00 p.m. Join us for a friendly jigsaw puzzle competition. Each team will be given a 500-piece jigsaw puzzle & the first team to complete it will win a small prize. **Space is limited; each participant must register individually.**
-  **Can't Sleep? Let's Talk: PART 1** – Sat., Mar. 28, 12:30–2:00 p.m. **AND** Sat., Apr. 11, 1:30–2:30 p.m. Struggling to fall asleep or stay asleep? Master Certified Health Coach and Sleep Science Coach Barb Herd explores the often-overlooked factors affecting quality sleep—beyond caffeine and blue light—in this two-part workshop.
-  **Brooklyn on the Brink** – Tue., Mar. 31, 7:00–8:30 p.m. Join photographer Mike Stein for an author talk and interactive slideshow on his new photo-documentary book, *Brooklyn on the Brink*. Books will be available for purchase and signing.

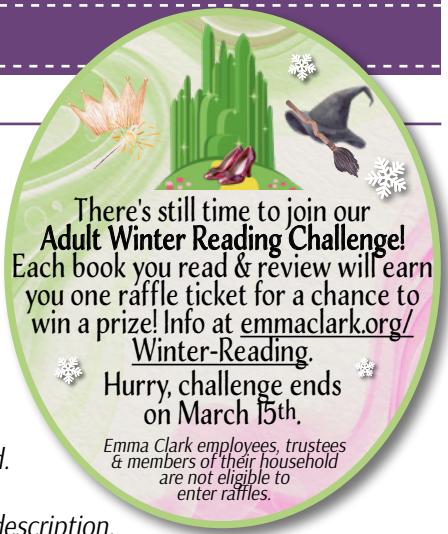
## April *Continued* Registration for IN-PERSON CLASSES begins Mon., Mar. 9, at 9:30 a.m.

-  **Shed the Meds [In the Periodical Room]** – Wed., Apr. 1, 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. The Suffolk County Sheriff's Office is pleased to offer a safe way for residents to properly dispose of their unused medications. Bring your family's non-liquid drugs/medications to the Periodical Room (1892 Library). **Please note: The Suffolk County Sheriff's Office cannot accept liquids or needles. They are only accepting unused or expired medications from individuals (not large quantities from a doctor's office or health care facility). No registration is required.**
-  **At This Theatre: Backstage Stories from Broadway** – Wed., Apr. 1, 12:00–1:30 p.m. Former *Playbill* managing editor Robert Viagas will share stories of the Broadway theatres, both on stage and backstage, including the traditions and superstitions that are known only to those who work on Broadway. Copies of his book will be available for purchase and signing.
-  **Gentle Pilates** – Tue., Apr. 7, 14 & 21, 2:30–3:30 p.m. This Pilates-inspired workout is suitable for people who have difficulty getting down on the floor and prefer the support of a chair. Taught by Debbie Krzyminski. **Offered simultaneously in person and virtually via Zoom, your choice!** **Registration for in-person class starts Mon., Mar. 9, at 9:30 a.m. Reg. for the Zoom class is ongoing.**

# ADULTS *Continued...*

## April *Registration for IN-PERSON CLASSES begins Mon., Mar. 9, at 9:30 a.m.*

- **DIY Lavender Sachets** – Thu., Apr. 9, 10:30–11:30 a.m. Make your own lavender sachet by filling & decorating a small muslin bag. Take home the delightful scent of lavender! Led by Librarian Emma and Library Assistant Erin.
- **New York State Safe Boating Class [For Adults, Teens & Tweens]** – Thu., Apr. 9 AND Fri., Apr. 10, 4:30–8:30 p.m. This course is being offered at the Library by the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historical Preservation. After completing it, you will receive a New York State Safe Boating Certificate. This course is now mandatory for anyone, regardless of age, who operates a boat, watercraft or Jet Ski in NY State. In this two-evening, 8-hour course, Captain Rich Cloonan will teach the basic principles of safe and responsible boating. Students must be at least 10 years old to attend the course and must attend both class sessions to receive certification. The \$40 per person materials fee must be paid to the instructor at the first class (pay with cash or Venmo). *Space is limited.* *Registration is open now at [emmaclark.org/NYSSafeBoating](http://emmaclark.org/NYSSafeBoating)*
- **Can't Sleep? Let's Talk: PART 2** – Sat., Apr. 11, 1:30–2:30 p.m. See March 28 for full class description.
- **Meet Your AI Assistant** – Mon., Apr. 13, 6:30–8:00 p.m. See page 7.
- **Poetry in Our Historic Library [In Periodical Room]** – Mon., Apr. 13, 7:00–8:00 p.m. Celebrate National Poetry Month with other poetry lovers at this small, conversational gathering in the historic 1892 section of the library. Read aloud a favorite poem by any author and share why this poem matters to you. Facilitated by Librarian Emma Yohannan.
- **Cricut: Keychain** – Tue., Apr. 14, 6:00–8:00 p.m. See page 7.
- **The Jupiter Hammon Project and Joseph Lloyd Manor** – Tue., Apr. 14, 7:00–8:30 p.m. In honor of National Poetry Month, explore the life of the first published Black American poet, Jupiter Hammon, who was enslaved by the Lloyd family on Long Island. Presented by Andrew Tharler of Preservation Long Island.
- **Wednesday Film at Noon: *Freakier Friday* (2025)** – Wed., Apr. 15, Noon–2:00 p.m. [Starring Lindsay Lohan & Jamie Lee Curtis] PG (97 min.) No registration required.
- **Cricut: Tote Bag** – Thu., Apr. 16, 6:00–8:00 p.m. See page 7.
- **The American Experience: American Artists Through Our History [Open to residents & non-residents]** – Thu., Apr. 16, 7:00–8:30 p.m. As we are celebrating 250 years of our nation, let us look at some of the artwork that has expressed the patchwork of voices, ideas, culture, history & perspectives. We'll explore the American experience through the eyes of American artists. Led by artist & professor Chris Vivas.
- **Friday Matinee: *Killers of the Flower Moon* (2023)** – Fri., Apr. 17, 2:00 p.m. [Starring Leonardo DiCaprio, Robert De Niro & Lily Gladstone] R (206 min. +10 min. intermission) No registration required.
- **Broadway on a Budget** – Sat., Apr. 18, 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m. Theater enthusiast Brian Stoll will discuss all things Broadway beginning with the history and importance of the Broadway *Playbill* and why audience members choose to collect these memorable theatre keepsakes. Brian will share money-saving tips on how to see Broadway shows for under \$60.00 a ticket!
- **Cooking with Chef Rob: Spring Entertaining** – Mon., Apr. 20, 3:00–4:00 p.m. QR 6:30–7:30 p.m. Chef Rob will demonstrate panko parmesan chicken meatballs with herb sauce, plus a warm marbled pound cake. *Food samples & recipes provided.*
- **Intro to iCloud** – Mon., Apr. 20, 6:30–8:00 p.m. See page 7.
- **Cricut: Keychain** – Tue., Apr. 21, 2:00–4:00 p.m. See page 7.
- **Let's Talk Gardening with the Three Village Garden Club** – Thu., Apr. 23, 2:00–3:30 p.m. Members of the Three Village Garden Club will share some of their best gardening ideas as well as what can be learned from unexpected mishaps. Gardening success 101!
- **Streaming 101: Cutting the Cord** – Thu., Apr. 23, 6:30–8:00 p.m. See page 7.
- **Bingo!** – Fri., Apr. 24, 2:00–3:00 p.m. Join us for a relaxing afternoon of bingo and conversation with friends & neighbors.
- **Hummingbird Seashell Art** – Fri., Apr. 24, 6:30–8:00 p.m. QR Tue., Apr. 28, 2:30–4:00 p.m. Welcome spring with a hummingbird sand and seashell craft, guided by renowned mixed-media artist Anna Chan. *Space is limited. All supplies provided.*
- **Poetry Writing Workshop: Where is My Longing?** – Sat., Apr. 25, 10:30 a.m.–Noon Longing is the language of the soul—its desires, where it is unsatisfied and where it finds its satisfaction. This workshop will consist of writing prompts, discussion and a time for optional sharing. This will be a safe space for writers of all levels. Led by author and poet Ramya Ramana.
- **Introduction to Microsoft Excel** – Mon., Tue. & Thu., Apr. 27, 28 & 30, 6:30–8:30 p.m. See page 7.
- **Gardening for Hummingbirds** – Tue., Apr. 28, 7:00–8:30 p.m. Naturalist Kevin Walsh will share all he has learned from his many years hosting these flying jewels. Discover how to design your landscape with hummingbirds in mind!
- **Long Island and the Legacy of Eugenics** – Thu., Apr. 30, 7:00–8:30 p.m. Mark Torres, author of *Long Island and the Legacy of Eugenics: Station of Intolerance*, will discuss the dark history of the eugenics program developed by the Eugenics Record Office in Cold Spring Harbor during the early 20th century which spread throughout the nation and the world with ghastly consequences. Books will be available for purchase and signing.



# ADULTS *Continued...*



## SENIOR BUS FUN!

Especially for seniors,  
but open to all adults.

Our "Senior Bus" transports those who can no longer drive themselves to the Library to take out materials & attend these events.

To learn more, call  
Rebecca at 631-941-4080.

### Women in Folk Concert with Emy McB –

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**Wednesday Film at Noon**  
No registration—just show up!  
April 15: *Freakier Friday* (PG, 97 min.)



## GAME DAY



**Fridays, 10:00 a.m.–Noon**  
Bring your friends & a favorite board or card game to play!  
No registration required • In person

## Knit, Crochet & Chat

Fri., Mar. 6 AND/OR Apr. 3, 2:00–4:00 p.m.

Join with friends, old and new, to work on your current project. Share tips, techniques and conversation.

Questions? Contact [eyohannan@emmaclark.org](mailto:eyohannan@emmaclark.org).



**No registration required • No instruction will be provided.**  
**Please bring your own supplies.**



### We have the following for your convenience:

- **Charging Cords** – available to borrow while at the Library. At the Circulation Desk in the lobby.
- **Copy Machine** – 10¢ per page for black & white, 30¢ per page for color (letter or legal-size).
- **Fax Machine** – 50¢ per page (domestic only).
- **Public Scanner** – free to use. Scan to email, USB flash drive, Google Drive or mobile device.
- **Printers** – 10¢ per page for b&w, 30¢ per page for color. Patrons receive 50¢ free printing per day.
- **Microfilm/fiche Reader** – free to use.

## AARP SMART DRIVER COURSE

This 6-hour course for those aged 50 and up allows participants to receive a reduction of up to four points on their driver's license **OR** a 10% deduction on collision and liability auto insurance rates for a period of three years. Some insurance companies give both benefits. **Reservations may be made online, by phone or in person.** A valid Emma Clark Library card is required to make an in-district reservation. The instructor must be paid by check (made out to AARP) on the first day of the class. Classes are \$30 (\$25 for AARP members).



**Tue., Feb. 24 & Wed., Feb. 25**

Both Sessions: 10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

*In-District Registration begins: Thu., Jan. 22*

*Out-of-District Registration begins: Tue., Feb. 17*

**Wed., Mar. 25 & Thu., Mar. 26**

Both Sessions: 10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

*In-District Registration begins: Thu., Feb. 19*

*Out-of-District Registration begins: Wed., Mar. 18*

**Tue., Apr. 28 & Wed., Apr. 29**

Both Sessions: 10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

*In-District Registration begins: Thu., Mar. 19*

*Out-of-District Registration begins: Tue., Apr. 21*

**HOMEBOUND Library Service**



If you, or someone you know, is homebound and can't come to the Library because of a temporary or permanent disability, please contact Jeff Walden at 631-941-4080 or email [jeff@emmaclark.org](mailto:jeff@emmaclark.org).



## One-on-One Medicare Telephone Counseling

Wed., Mar. 18 QR Apr. 15 from 10:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

**HIICAP: Health Insurance Info Counseling & Assistance Program**

To schedule an appointment with a HIICAP volunteer, call Rebecca at 631-941-4080 or email [rebecca@emmaclark.org](mailto:rebecca@emmaclark.org).

# ADULTS *Continued...*

## NEED TECH HELP?



Thu., Feb. 19, Mar. 19 & Apr. 9 • 6:00–8:00 p.m.  
Sat., Feb. 21, Mar. 21 & Apr. 11 • 10:00 a.m.–Noon



Local teens will be in our Technology Center to answer your simple tech questions & help you learn how to use your mobile devices, including cell phones, tablets & e-readers. **Appointments are required.**

Register at [emmaclark.org/programs](http://emmaclark.org/programs) or call 631-941-4080, ext. 127.



## Computer Skills, Technology & Online Learning



**MARCH IN-PERSON CLASSES:** Reg. begins Feb. 17 at 9:30 a.m.

**APRIL IN-PERSON CLASSES:** Reg. begins Mar. 9 at 9:30 a.m.

**ONLINE CLASSES:** Registration is ONGOING



Register at [emmaclark.org/programs](http://emmaclark.org/programs).

### Technology Classes

#### Intro to ChatGPT — Mon., Mar. 9, 6:30–8:00 p.m.

Learn what ChatGPT is, how to navigate the site & use the Chat safely & much more. Presented by Sharper Training Solutions.

#### Using Money Saving Apps — Thu., Mar. 12, 6:30–8:00 p.m.

This class will show you the best apps for saving money and guide you through how to find and download them on your smartphone. Presented by Sharper Training Solutions.

#### All About Cloud Storage — Mon., Mar. 16, 6:30–8:00 p.m.

Join Sharper Training and learn all about popular cloud services such as Google Drive/Photos, MS OneDrive, Apple iCloud and Dropbox. Presented by Sharper Training Solutions.

#### Introduction to Microsoft Word — Mon., Tue. & Wed., Mar. 23, 24 & 25, 6:30–8:30 p.m. (3-part class)

This popular software application allows you to write letters and resumes, create invitations, flyers and much more! [Proficiency using a mouse required] **Must be able to attend all 3 sessions.** Taught by Tech Librarian Jen Mullen. [Tech Center]

#### Meet Your AI Assistant — Mon., Apr. 13, 6:30–8:00 p.m.

In this session, we'll demystify AI tools like ChatGPT, show you how they work and teach you creative, productive ways to use them. Presented by Lindsay Citrano.

#### Intro to iCloud — Mon., Apr. 20, 6:30–8:00 p.m.

Using your device, we will discuss iCloud Backup, iCloud Drive, Photo library, what it all means and how to use all their features. [Prerequisites: Knowledge of iPad and iPhone or equivalent -- Please have your Apple ID and Password readily available.] Presented by Sharper Training Solutions.

#### Streaming 101: Cutting the Cord — Thu., Apr. 23, 6:30–8:00 p.m.

Learn about various streaming devices such as Amazon's Fire Stick, Roku & Chromecast TV and how you can save time & money by cutting the cord. Taught by IT Manager Bob Johnson & Tech Librarian Jen Mullen. [Vincent R. O'Leary Community Room - Lower Level]

#### Introduction to Microsoft Excel — Mon., Tue. & Thu., Apr. 27, 28 & 30, 6:30–8:30 p.m. (3-part class)

Electronic spreadsheet program used for storing, organizing & manipulating data such as address lists & budgets. **Must be able to attend all 3 sessions.** Taught by Tech Librarian Jen Mullen. [Tech Center]

**Ready to learn at your own pace or take your skills further?**

Explore a wide range of *trusted, high-quality* online courses—completely FREE! Visit [emmaclark.org/You-Beyond](http://emmaclark.org/You-Beyond) to get started.

### High Demand Classes by Lottery

**Due to the overwhelming popularity of our Cricut classes, registration is now being handled through a lottery system.**

**Each lottery will open at 9:30 a.m. two weeks before the class date and remain open for only 28 hours. As each lottery winner is chosen, their name will be moved from the waitlist into the class. Participants will receive a confirmation email. Thanks for your enthusiasm & understanding!**  
**— All classes are held in the Tech Center, lower level —**

**Cricut: Bookmark — Thu., Mar. 5, 6:00–8:00 p.m.** Create a beautifully customized bookmark that suits your style or theme. Taught by Librarian Brieanne Kocka. **All supplies provided.** **Reg. begins 2/19**

**Cricut: T-Shirt — Wed., Mar. 11, 6:00–8:00 p.m.** Create a customized T-shirt. Please note: Each participant MUST bring ONE PLAIN WHITE COTTON T-SHIRT (LONG OR SHORT-SLEEVE) with them to design. **All other materials will be provided.** Taught by Librarian Brieanne Kocka. **Reg. begins 2/25**

**Cricut: T-Shirt — Tue., Mar. 17, 2:00–4:00 p.m.** Create a customized T-shirt. Please note: Each participant MUST bring ONE PLAIN WHITE COTTON T-SHIRT (LONG OR SHORT-SLEEVE) with them to design. **All other materials will be provided.** Taught by Librarian Brieanne Kocka. **Reg. begins 3/3**

**Cricut: Tumbler — Thu., Mar. 26, 6:00–8:00 p.m.** Create a unique, personalized tumbler for yourself! Taught by Jackie Parente. **All supplies provided.** **Reg. begins 3/12**

**Cricut: Keychain — Tue., Apr. 14, 6:00–8:00 p.m.** Customize a keychain that's both functional & stylish! Taught by Jackie Parente. **All supplies provided.** **Reg. begins 3/31**

**Cricut: Tote Bag — Thu., Apr. 16, 6:00–8:00 p.m.** Create a stylish and personalized tote bag. Taught by Librarian Brieanne Kocka. **All supplies provided.** **Reg. begins 4/2**

**Cricut: Keychain — Tue., Apr. 21, 2:00–4:00 p.m.** Customize a keychain that's both functional & stylish! Taught by Librarian Brieanne Kocka. **All supplies provided.** **Reg. begins 4/7**

# TEENS & Tweens (6th-12th graders)

★ = COMMUNITY SERVICE

▲ = IN-PERSON

● = TAKE & MAKE

Register at [emmaclark.org/programs](http://emmaclark.org/programs).

A valid Emma Clark Library card is required except where otherwise noted.

*Location:*

V = Vincent R. O'Leary Community Room  
T = Technology Center  
C = Children's Programming Room  
B = Board Room [Lower Level]

## MARCH Registration begins Tue., Feb. 10 at 9:30 a.m.

- ★▲ Seed Packet Processing – Mon., Mar. 2, 5:00–6:00 p.m. [V]
- ★▲ Safe Dates (4-part series!) – Mon. & Tue, Mar. 2 & 3 and Mon. & Tue., Mar. 9 & 10, 7:00–8:00 p.m. [V]
- ▲ Movie Night: *The LEGO Batman Movie* – Thu., Mar. 5, 6:00–8:00 p.m. [V]
- ★▲ Spring Wreaths for Senior Citizens – Fri., Mar. 6, 5:00–6:30 p.m. [V]
- ★▲ 3V Bunny Brigade Assistance – Fri., Mar. 6, 7:30–8:30 p.m. AND/OR Wed., Mar. 18, 5:00–6:00 p.m. [V]
- ★▲ Stitching Circle – Sat., Mar. 7, 2:00–4:00 p.m. AND/OR Fri., Mar. 13, 6:00–8:00 p.m. [V]
- ★▲ Tooth Fairy Signs for Kids in Need – Mon., Mar. 9, 5:30–6:30 p.m. [V]
- ★▲ Seed Packet Processing – Tue., Mar. 10, 5:00–6:00 p.m. [V]
- ★▲ Totes for Library Drives – Wed., Mar. 11, 5:00–6:00 p.m. AND/OR Sat., Mar. 14, 2:00–3:00 p.m. [V]
- Take & Make: Community Art Exhibit – Supply pickup starts Mon., Mar. 16  
*Pick up supplies at the Lower Level Service Desk.*
- ★▲ Seed Packet Processing – Thu., Mar. 19, 5:00–6:00 p.m. [V]
- ★▲ Volunteer at Hobbs Farm – Fri., Mar. 20, 3:00–5:00 p.m. [Bethel Hobbs Farm, Centereach]
- ★▲ Seed Packet Processing – Fri., Mar. 20, 6:00–7:00 p.m. [V]
- ★▲ Perler Bead Sorting – Sat., Mar. 21, 11:00 a.m.–Noon [V]
- ▲ Coyotes on Long Island [Open to Teens & Tweens and Adults] – Sat., Mar. 21, 2:00–3:00 p.m.  
*Registration begins 2/17 @ 9:30 a.m. [V]*
- ▲ Adulting for High Schoolers: *The Road to College* [This program is exclusively for 9th–12th graders] – Sat., Mar. 28, 3:00–4:00 p.m. [V]

## APRIL Registration begins Tue., Mar. 10 at 9:30 a.m.

- ▲ Bring Your Own Adult: *Peeps Sushi!* [Each registration covers one youth & one adult] – Sat., Apr. 4, 3:00–4:00 p.m. [V]
- ▲ Movie Night: *Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse* – Mon., Apr. 6, 6:00–8:00 p.m. [V]
- ★▲ Stitching Circle – Tue., Apr. 7, 6:00–8:00 p.m. AND/OR Sun., Apr. 26, 11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. [V]
- ★▲ Volunteer at Hobbs Farm (Spring Break) – Fri., Apr. 10, 3:00–5:00 p.m. [Bethel Hobbs Farm, Centereach]
- ▲ NY State Safe Boating Program [Open to Teens & Tweens and Adults] **Register now!** – Thu., Apr. 9 AND Fri., Apr. 10, 4:30–8:30 p.m. [V] *See page 9 for details.*
- ▲ Book & Movie Club: *Little Women* – Sun., Apr. 12, 1:30–4:30 p.m. [V]
- Take & Make: *Coloring Books for Kids in Need* – Supply pickup Mon., Apr. 13 through Fri., Apr. 17  
*Pick up supplies at the Lower Level Service Desk.*
- ★▲ Bringing in the Bystander (Register for the session that correlates w/ your grade.) – Mon., Apr. 13, 6th–9th graders: 6:00–7:00 p.m. • 9th–12th graders: 7:30–8:30 p.m. [V]
- ★▲ Knit for a Cause – Weds., Apr. 15, 22 & 29, 5:30–6:30 p.m. Must attend all 3 classes in this session [B]
- ★▲ Bird Nesting Garden Decor – Wed., Apr. 22, 6:00–7:00 p.m. [V]
- ▲ Adulting for High Schoolers: *Say Yes to the College Essay* [This program is exclusively for 9th–12th graders] – Sun., Apr. 26, 3:00–4:00 p.m. [V]
- ★▲ Tote Bags for Library Drives – Thu., Apr. 30, 5:00–6:00 p.m. [V]

Emma Clark Library

## IMPORTANT INFO ON COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS

Once we confirm your hours, we will email you a PDF of your letter.

In order to accommodate the abundance of requests we receive for confirmation letters, please submit requests for letters no later than 10 days before the date the letter is due.

**Important note:** Three Village School District email accounts do not allow you to send emails to 3rd parties; therefore, we are not able to receive any emails from school email accounts. Please send your email from a non-school account. Thank you!

If you need a letter for the PVSA, National Honor Society, or another organization, email [emily@emmaclark.org](mailto:emily@emmaclark.org). Include a list of all the community service events you participated in at the Library, in the format below.

Date	Name of Program	Hours

2026 Winter Reading Challenge  
Going on now through Sun., Mar. 15. Visit [teen.emmaclark.org/winter-reading-challenge](http://teen.emmaclark.org/winter-reading-challenge).



Register at [emmaclark.org/programs](http://emmaclark.org/programs). Location: [V]



Location: [V] • For info & to register, visit [emmaclark.org/programs](http://emmaclark.org/programs).

Don't know how to knit? Check out "Knit for a Cause" in April.

## BOOK & MOVIE CLUB

Was the book better?  
Join fellow teens in reading popular titles. Then watch their movie adaptations & discuss your opinion! Discussion is led by Teen/Tween Library Assistant Kiera.



Sun., Apr. 12 1:30–4:30 p.m.

*Little Women*

BOOK: by Louisa May Alcott

MOVIE: 2019 (PG)

Location [V] • For info & to register, visit [emmaclark.org/programs](http://emmaclark.org/programs).

The Library provides a variety of community service credit opportunities. When applying for a society or award (ex. Honor Society), it is your responsibility to confirm that the credit earned through the Library is accepted by the organization.



## Stitching Circle

March

Sat., Mar. 7 • 2:00–4:00 p.m.

AND/OR

Fri., Mar. 13 • 6:00–8:00 p.m.

April

Tue., Apr. 7 • 6:00–8:00 p.m.

AND/OR

Sun., Apr. 26 • 11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

Are you already skilled in knit, crochet, felting, sewing, or another fiber-art, and want to put your skills to a philanthropic use?

Join us for a self-led stitching session!

Work on a project at the Library & from home, then get credit when you drop off the completed item! Items will be donated to local organizations. Attendees of this program are expected to have the skills needed to complete a project with minimal guidance, as well as be willing to assist fellow attendees in learning/reinforcing new skills. Attend one or more sessions!



Register at [emmaclark.org/programs](http://emmaclark.org/programs). Location: [V]



Location: [V] • For info & to register, visit [emmaclark.org/programs](http://emmaclark.org/programs).

# TEENS & Tweens (6th-12th graders) continued...



**MOVIE NIGHT**

The LEGO Batman Movie (PG) | Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse (PG)  
 Thu., Mar. 5 • 6:00-8:00 p.m. | Mon., Apr. 6 • 6:00-8:00 p.m.  
 Join your friends for a movie night at the Library! We'll have snacks (Popcorn! Candy! More!) and settle in for a night of entertainment.  
 Register at [emmaclark.org/programs](http://emmaclark.org/programs).

**Seed Packet Processing**

Mon., Mar. 2 • 5:00-6:00 p.m.  
 Tue., Mar. 10 • 5:00-6:00 p.m.  
 Thu., Mar. 19 • 5:00-6:00 p.m.  
 Fri., Mar. 20 • 6:00-7:00 p.m.



Count, pack & label seed packets for our Seed Library.  
 Register at [emmaclark.org/programs](http://emmaclark.org/programs).  
 Location: [V]

**NY State Safe Boating Program**

Wed. & Thu., Apr. 9 & 10  
 4:30-8:30 p.m.  
 [For both Teens/Tweens & Adults • 2 evenings]  
 This course is now mandatory for boat, watercraft or jet ski operators in NYS. Students must be at least 10 yrs old & attend both class sessions to receive certification. Fee \$40 due at first class.  
 Register now!  
 For more info and to register, visit [emmaclark.org/NYSSafeBoating](http://emmaclark.org/NYSSafeBoating).  
 Location: [V]

**BRING YOUR OWN ADULT**

OPEN TO 6TH-12TH GRADERS & THEIR ADULTS!

**Peeps Sushi!**  
 Sat., Apr. 4  
 3:00-4:00 p.m.

Each registration covers 1 youth & 1 adult.  
 [Location: V]



## VOLUNTEER AT HOBBS FARM

(BETHEL HOBBS FARM, CENTERREACH)

Fri., Mar. 20 (Schools Closed) AND/OR  
 Fri., Apr. 10 (Spring Break)  
 • 3:00-5:00 p.m. •

This volunteer-run farm provides fresh, wholesome produce to local food pantries and soup kitchens. Teens/Tweens will be working in the greenhouse planting seeds. Please dress for a mess & bring gardening gloves if you so desire.

All Teens/Tweens must be accompanied by a supervising adult age 18 years or older. Teens/Tweens must complete the Library Teen/Tween Volunteering in the Community application & Parental Consent form before volunteering: [teen.emmaclark.org/Library-Volunteering](http://teen.emmaclark.org/Library-Volunteering).

Registration is ongoing.  
 In the event of extreme weather, this program may be rescheduled or cancelled.



## Teen Transcribers



NEW Community Service Opportunity!

Do you fancy yourself an amateur historian? Can you read script like a pro?

The Library needs your help! As Suffolk County's oldest public library in terms of continuous community service from its original location, we are looking to preserve our history, and are in the process of transcribing many handwritten documents from as early as the 1890s. We are looking for some skilled, dedicated teens/tweens to decipher and transcribe these documents for posterity.

Interested? Visit [teen.emmaclark.org/Transcribers](http://teen.emmaclark.org/Transcribers) to learn more!



# TEENS & Tweens (6th-12th graders) continued...

## WANT TO LEARN HOW TO KNIT?

Learn basic knitting skills from Librarian Emily & trained teen volunteers, then put those skills to good use making items to donate to people in need! Earn 1 hour of community service credit per class and 7 hours of credit for knitting at home.

Weds., Apr. 15, 22 & 29 • 5:30-6:30 p.m.

IF YOU ALREADY KNOW HOW TO KNIT, SIGN UP FOR OUR STITCHING CIRCLE IN MARCH & APRIL!

Must attend the 3 classes in each session.

No experience necessary • All supplies provided.

Register at [emmaclark.org/programs](http://emmaclark.org/programs).

Location: [B]

## Knit for a cause



## SAFE dates



### - 4-PART SERIES -

(Must attend all four sessions)

Mon, Mar. 2, Tue. Mar. 3,

Mon., Mar. 9 & Tue., Mar. 10

7:00-8:00pm



## Adulting for High Schoolers

### The Road to College

Sat., Mar. 28  
3:00-4:00 p.m.

This class will guide you down the road to college, with all the bumps and landmarks explored along the way!

Led by Dr. Kellie Coppi of Say Yes to the Ess-say



Say YES to the College Ess-say  
Sun., Apr. 26  
3:00-4:00 p.m.

This class will guide you through the college admissions essay process from the Common App to letters of continued interest to scholarship essays.

Exclusively for 9th-12th graders • Adults may attend w/ registered teen  
Register at [emmaclark.org/programs](http://emmaclark.org/programs).

Location: [V]

In this 4-session evidence-based workshop representatives from Parents for Megan's Law Crime Victims Center will educate students to recognize the difference between caring, supportive relationships & controlling, manipulative, abusive relationships. Through group interactions, role plays, & discussions, students learn causes & consequences of dating abuse & skills to develop healthy relationships through effective communication. Some "homework" may be assigned.  
Register at [emmaclark.org/programs](http://emmaclark.org/programs) • Location: [V]



- Community Art Exhibition -

## From Sea to Shining Sea

All ages are invited to celebrate the USA's 250th anniversary in 2026 by creating a USA landscape on an 8x8" canvas. In June-August, all canvases will be displayed together as a vibrant patchwork in the Library Café Gallery.

### HERE'S HOW YOU CAN PARTICIPATE:

1. Register to reserve a canvas. Registration opens Feb 10 ([emmaclark.org/america-250](http://emmaclark.org/america-250)); canvas pick-up starts Mar. 16. Pickup at the Lower Level Service Desk.
2. Create a USA landscape using any medium you like—markers, paints, pastels, mixed media & more! Write your name clearly on the back if you want to pick the canvas back up after the exhibit is over.
3. Return your completed canvas by May 1. Drop it off at the Lower Level Service Desk.
4. Visit the Library this summer to see your art on display in the Library Café Gallery!

Get creative!

[Please Note: Not for Community Service Credit]



**FREE LIVE HOMEWORK HELP**

Help NOW!

All you need is your Library card.

Access to LIVE TUTORS 24/7

Get started at [emmaclark.org/brainfuse](http://emmaclark.org/brainfuse).

## REMOTE COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

The Library offers ongoing writing-based community service opportunities such as:

- The Perspectives Project
- Resistance, Hope & Rememberance: Ruth Minsky Sender
- Teen Film Review
- Teen Book Review
- Think Like the Banned
- Watch & Learn videos

Visit [teen.emmaclark.org/Community-Service](http://teen.emmaclark.org/Community-Service) to get started!



## Social Work Intern from SBU to Answer Your Questions— Each Week at the Library

We have a social work intern from Stony Brook University at the Library to help you with any questions you may have such as mental health & substance abuse assistance, job search help & much more! We are a safe & welcoming environment. Conversations will be kept confidential.

Due to SBU's calendar, the social work intern will not be in Mar. 16-22

Tuesdays: 3:00-7:00 p.m.

Thursdays: 3:00-7:00 p.m.

Fridays: 2:00-8:00 p.m.

More info at [emmaclark.org/SocialWorker](http://emmaclark.org/SocialWorker).



## Resources for College Admissions Success

FREE with your Library card!



### ACCESS TO:

- Live Guidance Counselor
- Expert Review for Admissions Essays
- Application Resources
- Financial Aid Resources
- Admission Interview Resources



Get started at [emmaclark.org/You-Beyond](http://emmaclark.org/You-Beyond).

## PROGRAM QUICK FACTS

- Register your child based on their grade/age.
- Registration begins when the Library opens, on the date noted.
- Register online ([kids.emmaclark.org](http://kids.emmaclark.org)), by phone (631-941-4080, ext. 123), or in person.
- Please have your child's Library card available.
- Please give us a call if your child is unable to attend or is going to be late (so we can hold their spot for them).

- After 5 minutes of the program start time, ALL unclaimed spots will be given to children on the "Standby List".
- The "Standby List" will open 30 minutes prior to each class at the Children's Reference Desk.
- Children on the "Waiting List" do not have priority over the "Standby List".

Parents & caregivers must attend some programs with their child. If not, parents & caregivers must remain inside the Children's Library. Library policy dictates that children under the age of 11 years cannot be left unattended.



THERE'S STILL TIME TO JOIN THE...

## Winter Reading Challenge

Babies-5<sup>th</sup> grade

Go to [kids.emmaclark.org](http://kids.emmaclark.org), click on "Winter Reading Challenge" and follow the instructions. WRC ends Mar. 15.

Complete your goal & earn an electronic raffle ticket for a chance to win a gift card to Level Up Kitchen Library Cafe, tickets to The Rinx or a special prize!

If you reach your goal you can come into the Library to pick up your prize bag & reading certificate.

Emma Clark employees, trustees & members of their household are not eligible to enter raffles.



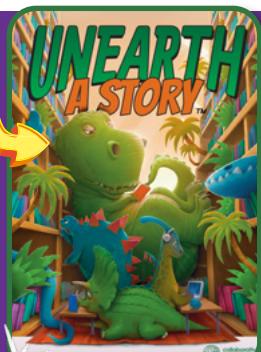
## PHOTO SHOT!

SAY CHEESE!

2026 THEME!

It's that time of year to take photos of your children to use for our Summer Reading decorations in the Children's Library. Visit the Kids Page ([kids.emmaclark.org](http://kids.emmaclark.org)) for detailed instructions and where to email your photos.

We will be accepting photos until March 31.



## ONGOING PROGRAMS

### INFANT, TODDLER & PRESCHOOL

#### TIME FOR BABY

Babies-15 mos. w/ caregiver  
10:00-10:30 a.m.

We'll enjoy fun songs, lively rhymes, and playful finger games that spark learning and laughter.

16-24 mos. w/ caregiver  
11:00-11:30 a.m.

Come laugh, move & groove with music & games!

Fri., Mar. 13 & 27  
Reg. begins Feb. 27

Fri., Apr. 10 & 24  
Reg. begins Mar. 27

#### PARENT-TODDLER WORKSHOP

18 mos.-3½ yrs.  
w/ caregiver  
9:30-10:30 a.m. OR  
11:00 a.m.-Noon

Experience sharing, group participation & play.  
*Wednesdays OR Thursdays*

Wednesdays:  
Mar. 4, 11, 18, 25 & Apr. 1

Thursdays:  
Mar. 5, 12, 19, 26 & Apr. 2

Reg. begins Feb. 25  
Reg. begins Feb. 25

#### TOT STORY TIME

2-3 yrs.  
w/ caregiver  
10:30-11:00 a.m.

Explore themed activities designed for both little ones & their grown-ups.  
*Mondays OR Tuesdays*

Mondays:  
Mar. 9, 16, 23 & 30

Tuesdays:  
Mar. 10, 17, 24 & 31

Reg. begins Feb. 23  
Reg. begins Feb. 23

#### PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

3½-5 yrs.

We'll share lively stories & crafts that spark imagination, build early literacy skills & bring lots of smiles & giggles!

Mondays • 11:30 a.m.-Noon

Mar. 9, 16, 23 & 30

Tuesdays • 1:15-1:45 p.m.

Mar. 10, 17, 24 & 31

Reg. begins Feb. 23

### AFTER-SCHOOL STORY TIME

Grades K-2  
4:45-5:30 p.m.

Our story time brings books to life with engaging tales that will have kids laughing, listening & imagining long after the stories end.

Mondays  
Mar. 9 & 23

Reg. begins Feb. 23

### CRAFTS R FUN

Grades K-5

Make a new craft at each session!  
5:30-6:15 p.m.

Leprechaun Traps  
Wed., Mar. 4, Reg. begins Feb. 18

Sock Bunny

Wed., Mar. 18, Reg. begins Mar. 4  
DIY Jack and the Beanstalk

Wed., Apr. 1, Reg. begins Mar. 18

Earth Day Living Houses

Wed., Apr. 15, Reg. begins Apr. 1

### LEGO CLUB

Grades K-5

Bring your ideas to life at LEGO Club! Build, create & share your amazing designs with friends while exploring your imagination brick by brick.

Fri., Mar 20 • 5:30-6:30 p.m.  
Reg. begins Mar. 6

Fri., Apr. 17 • 6:30-7:30 p.m.  
Reg. begins Apr. 3

### BARK: READ TO TRAINED THERAPY DOGS

All skill levels welcome

Would you like to improve your reading skills? Come to the library & read stories to a trained therapy dog. You can register in person or by phone at 631-941-4080, ext. 123.

Thu., Mar. 19, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Tue., Apr. 14, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Wed., Apr. 29, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

## INFANT, TODDLER & PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS

### NURSERY RHYME SING-ALONG

Babies-5 yrs. w/ caregiver  
Mon., Mar. 2 • Reg. begins Feb. 16 AND/OR  
Tue., Apr. 14 • Reg. begins Mar. 31

10:30-11:00 a.m.  
Join Meghan for songs that build communication and sound skills.

### DRAMA WITH YOUR MAMA

Ages 2-5 yrs. w/ caregiver  
Sat., Mar. 7, 10:30-11:15 a.m.  
Musical theater class that focuses on building confidence, enhancing communication skills & more. Reg. begins Feb. 21

### BABYSTART STORY TIME

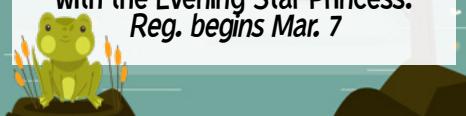
Babies-24 mos. w/ caregiver  
Sat., Mar. 14, 9:45-10:15 a.m.  
Join A Time for Kids, Inc.! Reg. begins Feb. 28

### A TIME FOR KIDS

Ages 2-5 yrs. w/ caregiver  
Sat., Mar. 14, 10:30-11:15 a.m.  
Have fun in this family preschool program.  
Reg. begins Feb. 28

### Once Upon a Bayou

3-8 yrs. w/ caregiver  
Sat., Mar. 21 • 10:30-11:30 a.m.  
Join Timeless Tales for a story with the Evening Star Princess.  
Reg. begins Mar. 7



### BABY BOOGIE

Babies-17 mos. w/ caregiver  
Sat., Mar. 28, 10:00-10:45 a.m.  
Led by Nicole Sparling. Reg. begins Mar. 14

### TODDLER TANGO

18 mos.-4 yrs. w/ caregiver  
Sat., Mar. 28, 11:00-11:45 a.m.  
Led by Nicole Sparling. Reg. begins Mar. 14

### Lifting for Two Fitness

6 wks.-5 yrs. w/ caregiver  
Sat., Apr. 4 • 11:00-11:45 a.m.

 Tune into your bodies & build a strong foundation through exercise that supports the realities of parenthood.  
Reg. begins Mar. 21



### TIMELESS BANDO

Babies-5 yrs. w/ caregiver  
Thu., Apr. 9  
10:30-11:15 a.m.

Listen to musical duo Ben and Anna as they sing and jam out to new and old kids' songs!  
Reg. begins Mar. 26

### NURSERY RHYME SING-ALONG

Babies-5 yrs. w/ caregiver  
Tue., Apr. 14, 10:30-11:00 a.m.  
Join Meghan for songs that build communication and sound skills.  
Reg. begins Mar. 31

### SPROUTS & FRIENDS

Babies-5 yrs. w/ caregiver  
Thu., Apr. 16, 1:00-1:45 p.m.  
Enjoy music & movement with Kristin.  
Reg. begins Apr. 2

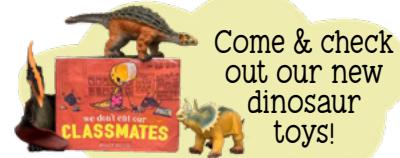
### STRETCH YOUR IMAGINATION

Ages 2-4 yrs. w/ caregiver  
Thu., Apr. 23, 10:00-10:30 a.m.  
Experience creative movement & games together.  
Reg. begins Apr. 9

### STEM BUDDIES: BUBBLE SCIENCE

Ages 3½-5 yrs. w/ caregiver  
Tue., Apr. 28 • 5:00-5:30 p.m.

Learn about mixtures, paint with bubbles & design bubble wands!  
Reg. begins Apr. 14



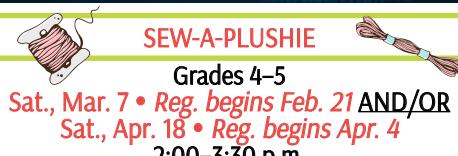
Come & check out our new dinosaur toys!

## ELEMENTARY/SCHOOL-AGED PROGRAMS

### STORMWATER SUPERHEROES

Grades 1-5  
Thu., Mar. 5 • 4:30-5:15 p.m.

Discover how to protect marine life through hands-on demonstrations and using a Stormdrain system. Presented by Cornell Cooperative Extension.  
Reg. begins Feb. 19



### SEW-A-PLUSHIE

Grades 4-5

Sat., Mar. 7 • Reg. begins Feb. 21 AND/OR  
Sat., Apr. 18 • Reg. begins Apr. 4

2:00-3:30 p.m.

Have fun hand-sewing your own plushie while learning a practical skill with the Long Island Youth Development Art Club!

### MARIO DAY BOWSER'S CASTLE BREAKOUT

Grades 3-5  
Tue., Mar. 10

4:45-5:15 p.m. OR 5:30-6:00 p.m.  
Rescue Princess Peach by uncovering Super Mario-inspired clues.  
Reg. begins Feb. 24

### CHESS CLUB

Grades 2-5

Thu., Mar. 12, 4:30-5:30 p.m.  
Learn the basics of chess with Long Island Chess Nuts. Reg. begins Feb. 26

### DIY MAGIC DOODLE TABLET

Grades K-2

Fri., Mar. 13, 4:45-5:30 p.m.  
Turn simple materials into a color-reveal drawing board. Reg. begins Feb. 27

### SOCIAL IDENTITY QUEST: VIRTUAL IDENTITY

Grades 3-5

Tue., Mar. 17, 4:45-5:30 p.m.  
Learn about digital safety & online friendships through an interactive presentation.  
Reg. begins Mar. 3



### Once Upon a Bayou

3-8 yrs. w/ caregiver

Sat., Mar. 21 • 10:30-11:30 a.m.  
Join Timeless Tales for a story with the Evening Star Princess.  
Reg. begins Mar. 7

### STEM STORYTIME: CODING

Grades K-2

Tue., Mar. 24, 5:00-5:45 p.m.  
Learn to code Bee-Bots to move around based on the events in a story. Reg. begins Mar. 10

## ELEMENTARY/SCHOOL-AGED PROGRAMS *continued*

### HOOKED ON BOOKS

Grades K-5

Thu., Mar. 26 • 4:30-5:15 p.m.  
Reg. begins Mar. 12 AND/OR  
Tue., Apr. 21 • 5:00-5:45 p.m.  
Reg. begins Apr. 7

Make a book-themed craft for Read Across America month and/or National Library Week.

**see next PAGE FOR  
OUR SPRING BREAK  
PROGRAMS!**

### JUNIOR ROCKETRY CLUB

Grades 3-5  
Sat., Apr. 18 • 10:30 a.m.-Noon

Learn about & launch your own rocket, then see a real outdoor rocket launch w/ The Stony Brook School's Rocketry Club. This program will take place at The Stony Brook School.  
Reg. begins Apr. 4

### Sky Explorers

Families w/ children Ages 4-11 yrs.  
Tue. Mar. 24 • 6:30-8:30 p.m.  
Rain date Mar. 31

Enjoy a family adventure under the stars! Astronomy enthusiasts Matt Pappas and Frank Longo of Suffolk Community College will teach you how to use a telescope before heading outside to search for the Moon, Jupiter, and other night-sky wonders. Dress warmly!  
Reg. begins Mar. 10

### SEW-A-PLUSHIE

Grades 4-5  
Sat., Apr. 18, 2:00-3:30 p.m.  
Have fun hand-sewing your own plushie while learning a practical skill with the *Long Island Youth Development Art Club!*  
Reg. begins Apr. 4

### HOOKED ON BOOKS

Grades K-5  
Tue., Apr. 21 • 5:00-5:45 p.m.  
Make a book-themed craft for National Library Week.  
Reg. begins Apr. 7

### Draw & Paint with Art Teacher Amy

Grades 1-5  
Thu., Apr. 23 5:00-6:00 p.m.

Draw & paint a colorful version of the iconic Eiffel Tower.  
Reg. begins Apr. 9

Since launching Beanstack in 2018, more than 10,114 children have registered for at least one reading challenge, collectively logging more than 321,849 books read & counting!

### MONEY BASICS FOR KIDS AND THEIR CAREGIVERS

Grades 3-5 w/ caregiver  
Sat., Apr. 25 11:00 a.m.-Noon

Talk about key money concepts with *Stony Brook's Child Consumer Behavior Lab.*  
Reg. begins Apr. 11

### FABRIC WREATH

Grades K-5  
Thu., Apr. 30, 4:30-5:30 p.m.  
Mix & match fabric strips to make a colorful wreath.  
Reg. begins Apr. 16

Come in & check out our WhoHQ nonfiction books in our Children's Department. They're great for elementary school reports or even just to read interesting & incredible stories about people & places!

## FAMILY PROGRAMS

### SEASHELL BUTTERFLY

Families w/ children  
Grades K-5

Fri., Mar. 27 • 6:00-7:00 p.m.  
Make a beautiful decoration that will always remind you of a sweet family moment.  
Presented by Anna Chan.  
Reg. begins Mar. 13

### Eco Art

Families w/ children  
Ages 4-11 yrs.  
Fri., Apr. 24 • 6:00-6:45 p.m.

Create & connect with a hands-on, eco-friendly project the whole family can enjoy.  
Presented by Ayse Sirin Budak.  
Reg. begins Apr. 10

# CHILDREN (BABIES THROUGH 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS CONTINUED...)

## THU., APR. 2 - NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED

### IT'S RAINING CATS AND DOGS!

3-11 yrs. w/ caregiver • 10:30 a.m.-Noon  
Drop by the Children's Library for a paws-itively fun buffet of cat and dog-themed crafts!

## FRI., APR. 3 - NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED

### DIAMOND ART

Grades K-5 w/ caregiver • 10:30 a.m.-Noon  
Bedazzle a keychain or sticker.

## SAT., APR. 4 - REG. BEGINS MAR. 21

### LIFTING FOR TWO FITNESS

6 wks.-5 yrs. w/ caregiver • 11:00-11:45 a.m.  
Tune into your bodies & build a strong foundation through exercise that supports the realities of parenthood.

### CRAFTERNOON

Ages 3-11 yrs. w/ caregiver • 2:00-4:00 p.m.  
Drop in anytime between 2:00-4:00 p.m. to get creative with upcycled materials. *No reg. required.*

## MON., APR. 6 - REG. BEGINS MAR. 23

### CREATIVE DRAMA

Grades K-5 • 11:00 a.m.-Noon

Explore pantomime, improvisation, body movement & characterization with Kerri Glynn.

### ENGINEERING CHALLENGE

Grades K-5 • 2:30-3:30 p.m.

Join the WMHS Robotics Team for an engineering challenge.



## TUE., APR. 7 - REG. BEGINS MAR. 24

### LIL ATHLETES SPORTS SAMPLER

Ages 3-5 yrs. w/ caregiver • 10:30-11:15 a.m.  
Grades K-2 • 11:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m.  
Have fun learning the fundamentals of sports w/ *Lil Athletes*.

## WED., APR. 8 - REG. BEGINS MAR. 25

### NO OVEN NEEDED: CAKE BALL FLOWERS

Grades K-5 • 11:00-11:45 a.m.

Turn cupcakes and liners into cake balls & flower petals.

### MISSION: MONARCH BUTTERFLY

Grades 3-5 • 2:00-2:45 p.m.

Learn how monarchs are superheroes & make a butterfly craft. Presented by Diane Santangelo, Lynn Walsh and Liz Welsh.

### TABLETOP SMILES COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT

Grades 3-5 • 4:00-5:00 p.m.

Make placemats filled with color, creativity & kindness for people receiving meals from local charities & organizations. Participants will earn one hour of community service credit.

## THU., APR. 9 - REG. BEGINS MAR. 26

### AXOLOTL ADVENTURE

Grades 1-5 • 2:00-3:00 p.m.

Learn about the incredible axolotl, then make an axolotl buddy with *The Cold Spring Harbor Whaling Museum*.

## FRI. APR. 10 - REG. BEGINS MAR. 27

### VOLUNTEER AT HOBBS FARM (AT BETHEL HOBBS FARM, CENTERREACH) FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE

Grades 3-5 • 3:00-5:00 p.m.

Kids will help with various farm tasks such as weeding beds, planting seeds & picking produce. Dress for a mess & for the weather! Participants will earn two hours of community service credit. *In the event of extreme weather, this program may be rescheduled or cancelled.* Please note this program is offsite and parents/caregivers (over the age of 18) must stay with their child at the farm.

### DECORATING WITH CHEF ROB:

#### MINION CUPCAKES

Grades K-5 • 5:30-6:00 p.m. QR 6:00-6:30 p.m.

Decorate cupcakes to take home.



Enter our annual **BOOKMARK CONTEST**

*Kids, get inspired to design your own bookmark!*

Open to all children living in the Three Village School District in grades K-5. Entries must be submitted by Mar. 31. Winners will be chosen in three grade categories and will be announced on Fri., May 1. The winning entries will be printed and distributed at the Library throughout the year.

Stop by the Children's Desk to pick up an Official Entry Form or download a copy at [kids.emmaclark.org](http://kids.emmaclark.org). One entry per child.

— Community Art Exhibition —

## From Sea to Shining Sea

All ages are invited to celebrate the USA's 250th anniversary in 2026 by creating a USA landscape on an 8x8" canvas. In June-August, all canvases will be displayed together as a vibrant patchwork in the Library Café Gallery.

**HERE'S HOW YOU CAN PARTICIPATE:**

1. Register to reserve a canvas. Registration opens Feb 10 ([emmaclark.org/america-250](http://emmaclark.org/america-250)); canvas pick-up starts Mar. 16. Pickup at the Children's Reference Desk.
2. Create a USA landscape using any medium you like—markers, paints, pastels, mixed media & more! *Write your name clearly on the back if you want to pick the canvas back up after the exhibit is over.*
3. Return your completed canvas by May 1. Drop it off at the Lower Level Service Desk.
4. Visit the Library this summer to see your art on display in the Library Café Gallery!

[Please Note: Not for Community Service Credit]

## COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS

### Birthday Banners & Cards for Kids

Grades 3-5  
Tue., Mar. 3 • 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Help us make cheerful birthday banners & cards for kids who are spending their birthdays in the hospital. It's a thoughtful way to spread joy & help them celebrate. Reg. begins Feb. 17

### Tote Bags for Supply Drives

Grades 3-5  
Wed., Mar. 11 • 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Design colorful, one-of-a-kind bags that will be used for library supply drives. It's a great way to get crafty & give back to the community! Reg. begins Feb. 25



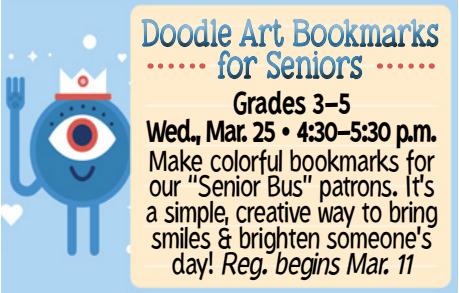
### Volunteer at Hobbs Farm

(Bethel Hobbs Farm, Centreach)

SCHOOL'S CLOSED!  
Grades 3-5  
Fri. Mar. 20 • 3:00-5:00 p.m.  
Reg. begins Mar. 6  
AND/OR  
Fri. Apr. 10 • 3:00-5:00 p.m.  
Reg. begins Mar. 27

Kids will help with various farm tasks such as weeding beds, planting seeds, and picking produce. Dress for a mess & the weather! In the event of extreme weather, this program may be rescheduled or cancelled.

Please note this program is offsite & parents/caregivers (over the age of 18) must stay with their child at the farm.



### Doodle Art Bookmarks for Seniors

Grades 3-5  
Wed., Mar. 25 • 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Make colorful bookmarks for our "Senior Bus" patrons. It's a simple, creative way to bring smiles & brighten someone's day! Reg. begins Mar. 11

### Tabletop Smiles

Grades 3-5  
Wed. Apr. 8 • 4:00-5:00 p.m.

Join us to make placemats filled with color, creativity & kindness for people receiving meals from local charities & organizations. Come spread joy - one placemat at a time! Reg. begins Mar. 25

### Congratulations Cards for Preschool Graduates

Grades 3-5  
Wed., Apr. 22 • 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Kids will design bright & cheerful congratulations cards for local preschoolers moving up to kindergarten. It's a fun way to spread smiles and celebrate big milestones! Reg. begins Apr. 8

### COMMUNITY SERVICE FROM HOME

- For elementary-aged children -  
Visit [kids.emmaclark.org/Volunteer](http://kids.emmaclark.org/Volunteer).

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**IMPORTANT INFO ON COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS**

If you need a letter for the PVSA or another organization, email a list of each individual community service activity you completed through the Library in the following format to [marcela@emmaclark.org](mailto:marcela@emmaclark.org):

*Once we confirm your hours, we will email you a PDF of your letter.*  
*In order to accommodate the abundance of requests we receive for confirmation letters, please submit requests for letters no later than 10 days before the date the letter is due.*

The Library provides a variety of community service credit opportunities. When applying for a society or award, it is your responsibility to confirm that the credit earned through the Library is accepted by the organization.





Starting March 1st,  
Long Island Children's  
Museum is now  
"Print & Go"!



You no longer need to pick up & return a physical pass from the Library. Simply reserve the pass online, & print it from any computer!

LICM has changed their usage policies as well:

1. The printable pass provides 2 free admissions (1 adult & 1 child) and a 50% discount for up to 4 additional admission tickets per visit.
2. \$2 off theater tickets (up to 4 per visit).
3. 20% discount on a purchase of museum membership (redeemable only on the day of library pass use).

Get started at [emmaclark.org/museum-passes](http://emmaclark.org/museum-passes).

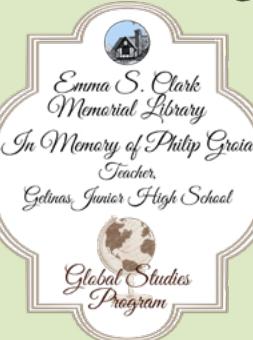
## In memory of Richard B. Russell

We are deeply saddened by the passing of former trustee Richard "Dick" Russell, whose intelligence and grace enriched the Library Board of Trustees for more than 20 years until he retired from his library service in 2022. He is remembered by the Library Board as consistently thoughtful and measured, expressing his views with calm reason and genuine respect for differing perspectives. His contributions were especially impactful on the Finance Committee, where his extensive knowledge of the financial world provided invaluable guidance and steady wisdom in support of the Library's mission. Beyond his devotion to libraries, Dick was a generous supporter of many community organizations and pursued a wide range of interests, including the arts and college sports.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Monday, March 2nd at 11:00 a.m. at Setauket Presbyterian Church, followed by a reception at The Old Field Club.

Dick was a dear friend to many throughout the Three Village community. He will be deeply missed and fondly remembered.

## ~ Philip Groia Collection ~



Philip Groia, who taught social studies at Paul J. Gelinas Jr. Junior High School for over 30 years & who passed away in 2014, left a substantial bequest to build a global studies collection at the Library.

New items added to the Philip Groia Global Studies Collection can be found in the Delaney Room on the main floor of the Library.

## RECENT ADDITIONS TO THE COLLECTION INCLUDE

Driven by the Monsoons: Through the Indian Ocean and the Seas of China by Barry Cunliffe

The Library of Lost Maps by James Cheshire

Kuleana: A Story of Family, Land and Legacy in Old Hawai'i by Sara Kehaulani Goo

## GLOBAL STUDIES PROGRAM

St. Patrick's Concert: Fiddlers Green

Sun., Mar. 8, 2:00–3:30 p.m.

(see page 3 for details)

Suffolk County Library patrons now have access to **GROUND News**, a platform that empowers readers to compare news coverage, spot media bias and think critically about current events.

**Find it on the Libby App!**

## • LOBBY DISPLAY •

**MARCH**  
*Baseball Memorabilia*  
by Art Scherl

**APRIL**  
*Cubots*  
by Mia Jin

## JANUARY/ FEBRUARY DISPLAYS at the Library

## • ART DISPLAY •

**MARCH**  
*Drip Paintings*  
by Laura Ciaravino

**APRIL**  
*Little Faces, Big Love*  
by Keqin Wei

## Important Information...

When Library hours are changed due to inclement weather or an emergency, information can be found through:

- **Online:** [emmaclark.org](http://emmaclark.org)
- **Facebook:** [@EmmaClarkLibrary](https://www.facebook.com/EmmaClarkLibrary)
- **Instagram:** [@EmmaClarkLibrary](https://www.instagram.com/EmmaClarkLibrary)

If uncertain, visit [emmaclark.org](http://emmaclark.org) before you make the trip. When the Library is closed or has a delayed opening, an extra day will automatically be added to the loan period for all items due that day.

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