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Long Island's Largest Library - Serving the Communities of Smithtown:
Commack • Fort Salonga • Hauppauge • Head of the Harbor • Kings Park • Nesconset
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CHILDREN

Registration is required for these programs unless otherwise indicated • All program fees are non-refundable • Register online at www.smithlib.org

Children's Program Registration Information

In person, online and telephone registration begins at 9:30am for **Commack on Wednesday, August 30, Kings Park on Friday, August 25, Nesconset on Tuesday, September 5** and **Smithtown on Monday, August 28**. Registration is required for all programs unless otherwise indicated. Check the Library's calendar or contact your local Children's Department for availability. A complete list is also available on the Library's website at www.smithlib.org.

Please note: each child must have his/her own Library card to register for programs. Priority is given to Smithtown residents for program registration. Children's programs are created with the needs, abilities and interests of the age groups listed. To make programs enjoyable for the children and their caregivers, please register for programs that correspond with the child's age. Programs that include food may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

C = Commack Building **N** = Nesconset Building
K = Kings Park Building **S** = Smithtown Building



LearnLab
Program

Baby Bounce

C-Monday, September 18 • 10:30-11:00am
(Birth-11 months with parent/caregiver)

Join us for a program especially for babies. There will be songs, props and most of all, fun. No older siblings, please.

Baby Steps

N-Wednesday, September 27 • 10:00-10:45am
(Birth-12 months with parent/caregiver)

An open-ended playtime for you and your little one. Meet new families and friends while your baby is introduced to various sensory experiences through creative play.

Baby Band

K-Saturday, September 9 • 10:30-11:00am
(Birth-18 months with parent/caregiver)

Join us for a morning of fingerplays, instruments, music and movement for even the littlest rockers.



Nursery Rhyme Time

C-Wednesday, September 6 • 10:30-11:00am

C-Saturday, September 16 • 10:30-11:00am

K-Tuesday, September 5 • 10:30-11:00am

K-Saturday, September 23 • 10:30-11:00am

N-Tuesday, September 12 • 10:00-10:30am

N-Saturday, September 30 • 10:00-10:30am

S-Saturday, September 9 • 10:00-10:30am

S-Monday, September 11 • 10:00-10:30am

S-Wednesday, September 20 • 4:00-4:30pm

S-Saturday, September 30 • 10:00-10:30am
(Birth-35 months with parent/caregiver)

Enjoy a traditional time of nursery rhymes and songs for baby.

Drop-in Nursery Rhyme Time

S-Tuesday, September 26 • 4:00-4:30pm

(Birth-35 months with parent/caregiver)

Enjoy a traditional time of nursery rhymes and songs for baby. *No registration required.*

Sensory Harvest

S-Thursday, September 28 • 2:30-3:15pm

(Birth-35 months with parent/caregiver)

A program for the senses, your child will be able to touch and play with the bounties from summer harvest.



Wonderful Ones

C-Thursday, September 14 • 10:30-11:15am

K-Tuesday, September 19 • 10:30-11:15am

N-Tuesday, September 26 • 11:00-11:45am

S-Wednesday, September 6 • 10:00-10:45am

S-Monday, September 18 • 4:00-4:45pm

(12-23 months with parent/caregiver)

This action-packed program engages little ones in language-based activities; includes free play, stories and fun.

Story Tots

C-Tuesday, September 26 • 11:00-11:30am
(12-23 months with parent/caregiver)

Unplug and unwind with your little one. Engage in stories, fingerplays, rhymes and musical activities.

Parachute for Tots

S-Wednesday, September 27 • 10:00-10:45am
(12-23 months with parent/caregiver)

Bring your little walker or crawler to the Library for some colorful parachute fun! There will be movement, music and bubbles.

Young at Art

N-Friday, September 8 • 10:30-11:00am
(12-30 months with parent/caregiver)

Explore and discover art with your toddler through hands-on activities and fine motor fun. Children will take home their own masterpieces. Dress to make a mess.



Tot Tunes

K-Tuesday, September 26 • 2:30-3:00pm
(18-35 months with parent/caregiver)

Enjoy songs, fingerplays, stories and dancing in this musical program. Siblings are welcome.

Time for Twos

C-Saturday, September 9 • 10:30-11:15am

K-Wednesday, September 13 • 10:30-11:15am

N-Monday, September 18 • 10:00-10:45am

S-Tuesday, September 26 • 10:00-10:45am
(24-35 months with parent/caregiver)

Enjoy building social skills in a relaxed, friendly environment; includes free play, songs, stories and a craft.



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Outdoor Classroom - Teddy Bear Tales

C-Friday, September 7 • 11:00-11:30am
(2-3 years with parent/caregiver)

Cuddle your teddy bear as we read stories about this favorite cuddly toy. In case of rain, this program will meet in the Community Room.



All About Apples

C-Monday, September 11 • 11:00-11:30am
(2-3 years with parent/caregiver)

Join us for some apple stories and cute apple crafts.

Mix It Up

S-Tuesday, September 5 • 10:00-10:45am
(2-4 years with parent/caregiver)

Learn about how colors mix together to create different colors, then experiment to create a color of your own. Dress to make a mess.

Friday Funday

S-Friday, September 8 • 10:00-10:45am
(2-4 years with parent/caregiver)

Join us in our Children's Craft Room for fun-filled creative play.

Me and My Grandparent

C-Friday, September 8 • 10:30-11:15am
(2-4 years with grandparent(s))

Join us for this special program created especially for grandparents and their grandchildren. Enjoy spending time together playing, making a craft and listening to stories and songs.



Library Playdate

N-Monday, September 11 • 10:00-10:45am
S-Monday, September 25 • 10:00-10:45am
(2-4 years with parent/caregiver)

Seize the play and keep the mess at our place. Meet other children and families while playing with toys and creating an art project.

Art Starts

N-Friday, September 22 • 11:00-11:45am
S-Tuesday, September 12 • 10:00-10:45am
(2-4 years with parent/caregiver)

Different crafts encourage children's hand-eye coordination and gross and fine motor skills development; includes storytime. Dress to make a mess.

Construction Zone

K-Thursday, September 21 • 10:30-11:15am
S-Saturday, September 16 • 10:00-10:45am
(2-4 years with parent/caregiver)

Put on your hard hats and bring your little construction workers to build with all types of blocks.

Wheels on the Bus

N-Tuesday, September 19 • 10:30-11:15am
(2-4 years with parent/caregiver)

Get ready to ride the big yellow school bus with fun back-to-school stories, songs and crafts.



Dinosaur Build and Storytime

S-Wednesday, September 20 • 10:00-10:45am
(2-4 years with parent/caregiver)

Gear up for a dinosaur build of epic proportions. Explore, find and collaboratively build with a life-sized collection of foam bones to make a dinosaur taller than you!

Autumn Sun Catchers

S-Thursday, September 21 • 2:30-3:15pm
(2-4 years with parent/caregiver)

Celebrate the changing of the season with fall-themed sun catching creations.

Apple Stamping

N-Tuesday, September 12 • 2:30-3:15pm
(2-5 years with parent/caregiver)

Red, yellow or green, apples are always delicious. Fall into some autumn stories and create juicy crafts. Dress to make a mess.

Tiny Songbirds Concert

N-Tuesday, October 10 • 4:30-5:30pm
(2-5 years with parent/caregiver)

Tweet, sing and shake your tail feathers with the Tiny Songbirds Band.



Terrific Threes

K-Monday, September 18 • 10:30-11:15am
S-Thursday, September 14 • 10:00-10:45am
(36-47 months with parent/caregiver)

Enjoy free play, stories, crafts and circle time.

Back to School is Cool

K-Tuesday, September 5 • 3:00-3:30pm
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)

Get ready for school by reading stories, making a craft and meeting new friends.

All Aboard at the Library

K-Thursday, September 7 • 10:30-11:15am
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)

Calling all young engineers and conductors. If you love trains, then hop aboard and join us for this fun-filled adventure. We will have a short storytime and then we will play with plenty of trains.



Dino Stories

N-Saturday, September 9 • 10:30-11:15am
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)

Stomp around to some dinosaur stories and crafts.

Welcome Fall

S-Monday, September 11 • 2:30-3:15pm
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)

Say hello to fall with stories and a variety of crafts. Dress to make a mess.

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Outdoor Classroom - Woodland Animals

K-Tuesday, September 12 • 3:30-4:15pm
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)

Learn about animals that live in the forest while we paint and identify animal footprints. Dress to make a mess. In case of rain, this program will meet in the Community Room.



Sensory Storytime

N-Wednesday, September 13 • 11:00-11:45am
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)

Enjoy a hands-on approach to learning through exploring our sensory activities and participate in a storytime. The enthusiasm in this program is palpable!

Three Billy Goats Gruff

K-Thursday, September 14 • 10:30-11:00am
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)

Watch out for the troll as we read this favorite tale and enjoy making a craft.



Preschool Dance Party

N-Thursday, September 14 • 2:30-3:00pm
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)

Move and groove to the beat. Put on your dancing shoes for an afternoon of music and movement fun.

Marvelous Me

N-Friday, September 15 • 2:30-3:15pm
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)

We are all wonders – celebrate one another and what makes each of us unique with stories and movement activities.

Character Bingo

C-Tuesday, September 19 • 11:00-11:30am
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)

Celebrate **Library Card Sign-Up Month** by playing a fun version of bingo featuring some of our favorite book and cartoon characters.

Fine Motor Fun

C-Friday, September 22 • 10:30-11:15am
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)

This program allows your little one to work on the tasks that will improve their fine motor skills while having fun at the same time.

Read, Sing and Play

C-Saturday, September 23 • 10:30-11:00am
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)

Join **Miss Wendy** for some funny stories, songs, silly dancing and games.

What's the Weather?

C-Wednesday, September 27 • 3:30-4:15pm
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)

No matter if it's sunny, cloudy, windy or snowy, we'll have fun reading stories and creating some fun crafts.

Puppy Parade

K-Thursday, September 28 • 10:30-11:00am
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)

Enjoy dog stories as we bark, wag our tails and make a craft about our faithful friends.



Silly Squirrels

C-Thursday, September 28 • 11:00-11:30am
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)

Enjoy some silly squirrel stories and creating your own squirrel craft.

Happy Fall

C-Saturday, September 30 • 10:30-11:00am
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)

Come on down to hear some fall stories and make an awesome fall craft.

Storytime Surprise

K-Saturday, September 30 • 3:00-3:30pm
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)

Join us as we read an assortment of stories with **Miss Sharon** and then do a surprise craft.

Pajama Storytime

S-Wednesday, September 27 • 7:00-7:30pm
(3-6 years with parent/caregiver)

Want to come to the Library in your pajamas? Join us for stories and songs and bring a favorite stuffed animal if you'd like!

Friendly Owls

C-Tuesday, September 12 • 4:00-4:30pm
(4-6 years)

Who loves owls? If you do, then you'll have a hoot at this storytime.



Little Book Buddies

K-Thursday, September 28 • 4:15-5:00pm
(4-7 years)

Book Buddies is a program in which a child is paired with a teen for a rewarding reading experience.

Junior LEGO® Buddies

K-Monday, September 18 • 4:15-5:00pm
(5-7 years)

Do you enjoy building things? Children will be paired with teens for a rewarding experience.



Out of this World

S-Saturday, September 30 • 2:30-3:15pm
(5-7 years)

Grab your spaceship and fly right in for some alien fun! Make your own rocket creation to bring home.

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Giraffes Galore

K-Monday, September 11 • 7:00-7:45pm
(5-8 years)

Did you know giraffes are the tallest land animals in the world? Join us to read stories and learn more about these amazing creatures. We'll also paint our own wooden giraffe friend.

Cricut Crafts - Fall Stencil Art

S-Thursday, September 7 • 5:00-5:45pm
(5-10 years)

Leaves are falling and the LearnLab is calling! Join us to create a stencil art masterpiece using the Cricut cutting machine. Dress to make a mess.

LEGO® League

S-Friday, September 8 • 7:00-7:45pm
S-Saturday, September 23 • 3:00-3:45pm
(5-10 years)

Calling all master builders. Bring your imaginations to this block party and construct your own creations using our collection of LEGO® bricks.

Make It Monday

S-Mondays • 6:30-8:30pm
(5-12 years)

Come to the Children's Craft Room during these hours to tinker, build and play with a variety of STEAM challenges, toys and projects. *No registration required.*



Chess and Checkers Buddies

C-Wednesday, September 20 • 4:15-5:00pm
(5-12 years)

It's time for a board meeting; play chess and checkers with our teen volunteers. A great opportunity to learn a new game or practice a favorite.

LEGO® Masters

S-Monday, September 25 • 2:45-3:30pm
(5-12 years)

Are you a LEGO® master? Pair up with a teen volunteer to complete challenges, build cool creations and compete to see if you're the ultimate LEGO® builder!

Happy Grandparents Day Cards

C-Friday, September 8 • 4:15-4:45pm
(6-8 years)

Let's get ready for Grandparents Day by making some beautiful cards to celebrate this special day.



Fall Leaves Fall

C-Friday, September 29 • 4:15-4:45pm
(6-8 years)

Let's celebrate the start of fall with fun stories and a craft.

Outdoor Classroom - Spiders

K-Saturday, September 16 • 11:00-11:45am
(6-11 years)

Make your own spider web as we learn about these amazing arachnids. Dress to make a mess. In case of rain, this program will meet in the Community Room.

Art Journals

N-Saturday, September 23 • 10:00-10:45am
(6-12 years)

Cut, collage and create a space for all your bright ideas, make a journal with DIY style celebrating you.

Autumn Art Adventures

N-Friday, September 29 • 4:30-5:15pm
(6-12 years)

Listen to seasonal stories and use different art mediums, colors and painting techniques to capture the beauty of fall in various art projects. Dress to make a mess.

Adventures in Keyboard

S-Saturday, September 23 • 10:00-11:00am
(7-10 years)

Are you seeking to explore your musical talents? Let your musical creativity flow in this hands-on introduction to the piano.



Friendship Bracelets

C-Wednesday, September 13 • 4:15-5:00pm
(7-12 years)

Back to school means back to seeing friends. Create friendship bracelets to show your friends how much they mean to you.

DIY Stickers

S-Thursday, September 14 • 5:00-5:45pm
(7-12 years)

Create your own custom stickers in the LearnLab using Cricut Design Space!

Laser Engraved Jewelry

S-Thursday, September 21 • 5:00-5:45pm
(7-12 years)

Join us in the LearnLab to design jewelry charms to be cut and engraved with our Glowforge laser! Keep it for yourself or give it as a gift to someone you love.



Puffy Paint Party

K-Tuesday, September 26 • 4:30-5:15pm
(8-12 years)

Get your puffy paint on and take home your own window clings.

Puzzle Showdown

S-Thursday, September 28 • 5:00-5:45pm
(8-12 years)

Join us in the LearnLab to play with puzzles, brain teasers and games that were all made using technology in the room. Challenge your mind and explore our makerspace in this fun-filled program!

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TEEN SCENE

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DIY Canvas Totes

C-Monday, September 18 • 4:15-5:00pm
(9-12 years)

Have fun decorating your own tote bag, perfect for carrying your library books. Dress to make a mess.

Creation Station

C-Saturday, September 2 • 10:00am-3:00pm

K-Saturdays • 10:00am-3:00pm

S-Saturdays • 10:00am-3:00pm
(Families)

Are you looking for something to do on Saturday? Come to the Library during these hours and complete some cool crafts. *No registration required.*

Create and Celebrate - Hispanic Heritage Month

S-Friday, September 15 • 3:00-7:00pm
(Families)

Hispanic Heritage Month begins on September 15! Stop by the Children's Craft Room during these hours to celebrate with crafts and activities while you learn all about some influential people. *No registration required.*



Stay and Play

S-Friday, September 22 • 7:00-8:30pm
(Families)

Stop by the Children's Craft Room during these hours for fun family gaming! Enjoy a variety of board games. *No registration required.*

Family Movie Night

S-Friday, September 29 • 6:00-8:00pm
(Families)

Ralph Breaks the Internet

Rated PG; runtime 112 minutes.

Enjoy a movie with your family while you share time together. Watch our family-oriented feature film on the big screen.



SEPTEMBER BOOKMARK

CONTEST WINNER

VIOLET K.

GRADE 4

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Teen Services Program Information

In person, online and telephone registration for **September** program registration began **Monday, August 14**. **October** program registration begins **Monday, September 11**. Registration is required unless otherwise noted. Programs that require fees can be paid in person by credit card, cash, check or money order to The Smithtown Library. Credit card payments are also accepted through our online payment system. If paying in cash, please bring exact change only. Program fees are non-refundable and non-transferable. Teen Services programs are open to those in grades 6-12 (up to age 18) unless otherwise noted. When registering online, please indicate name and grade in the note field. Check the Library's calendar or contact the Library for availability. Programs that include food may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

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Teen Take and Make - Oreo Brownies Commack Building

There are two things that will help get over the back to school blues; Oreos and brownies! Kits will be available at the Commack Building beginning September 1 and must be picked up by September 15. Supplies are available on a first come, first served basis.



TEEN SCENE

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Dungeons and Dragons

S-Tuesday, September 12 • 6:00-8:00pm

Join us for a round of this classic role-playing game! Perfect for players of all skill levels, this campaign will introduce you to the game and its rules while you play. Dice and snacks will be provided.

Nature Suncatchers

N-Tuesday, September 12 • 7:00-8:00pm

Using an embroidery hoop, create a unique suncatcher displaying flowers, leaves and other items found in nature.



Scorch Art

N-Saturday, September 16 • 2:30-3:30pm

Using scorch pens and heat we will create a personalized wood piece for any occasion.

Teen Bingo Night

C-Tuesday, September 19 • 7:00-8:00pm

Join us for bingo and win some stellar prizes!

Games and Goodies

S-Wednesday, September 20 • 7:00-8:00pm

Come enjoy a fun evening of video and board games and snacks.

Watercolor Wreath

N-Thursday, September 21 • 7:00-8:00pm

Using simple watercolor techniques, design a floral wreath for the fall season.

Retro Game Night

K-Wednesday, September 27 • 7:00-8:00pm

Kick it old school with a night of retro video and board games. Pizza and snacks will be provided.



Anime and Manga Club

S-Wednesday, September 27 • 7:00-8:30pm

Join us to discuss manga, watch anime and enjoy Japanese snacks.

Volunteer Opportunities

EACH TEEN WILL RECEIVE
COMMUNITY SERVICE CREDIT FOR
THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMS

Notes and Totes Volunteers

N-Friday, September 8 • 4:30-5:30pm

Let's decorate note cards and tote bags for patrons in local group homes to use when they visit the Library.

Decorate to Donate Volunteers

S-Tuesday, September 12 • 4:30-5:30pm

Join us to make seasonal decorations that will be donated to local nursing homes.

Catnip Kitten Toy Volunteers

N-Thursday, September 14 • 7:00-8:00pm

Help assemble catnip toys for the kittens at the Smithtown Animal Shelter.



Junior LEGO® Buddies Volunteers

K-Monday, September 18 • 4:00-5:00pm

Be paired with a younger child and help them with a LEGO® creation.

Chess and Checkers Buddies Volunteers

C-Wednesday, September 20 • 4:00-5:00pm

Teach younger children how to play chess and checkers. You do not have to be an expert to volunteer but knowledge of the rules is required.

LEGO® Masters Volunteers

S-Monday, September 25 • 2:30-3:30pm

Pair up with a younger child to complete challenges, build cool creations and compete to see if you're the ultimate LEGO® builders.



Courage Cards and Kits Volunteers

C-Monday, September 25 • 4:30-5:30pm

September is National Recovery Month. Show your support for those coping with addiction by making necessity kits that will be donated to local recovery organizations.

Bookmark Volunteers

N-Monday, September 25 • 7:00-8:00pm

Teen volunteers are needed to design and make bookmarks. Bookmarks will be sent to patrons who are enjoying The Smithtown Library's Homebound Mail Service.

Book Buddies Volunteers

K-Thursday, September 28 • 4:00-5:00pm

Read to a younger book buddy. It is a rewarding experience that you won't want to miss.

Teens Read Banned Books

Get ready for **Banned Books Week** by telling us all about your favorite banned book. *Registration begins on August 14 and ends on September 15. Forms must be submitted by September 28 to receive community service.*



Teen Volunteer Opportunity in a Box

Can't fit our volunteer opportunities into your schedule? The Smithtown Library now offers one-hour volunteer sessions by appointment! Teens may schedule up to two time slots per month. For more information or to schedule a session, contact any Reference Desk.

ADULTS

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Adult Program Information

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Take and Make - Apple Trio

Take home a bag filled with the supplies needed to make three miniature wooden apples to decorate for the fall. A hot glue gun is also required to complete this project. *Online and in person registration begins on September 1 and ends on September 15. Supply bags can be picked up from the building of your choice beginning September 20. When registering online, please indicate pick up building. Fee: \$10.00 per person.*



Take and Make - Tea Towel Set

Take home a bag filled with the supplies needed to make three funny tea towels. *Online and in person registration begins on September 11 and ends on September 25. Supply bags can be picked up from the building of your choice beginning September 29. When registering online, please indicate pick up building. Fee: \$8.00 per person.*



Commack Game Day

Wednesdays • 12:00-2:30pm

We provide the space, tables, chairs and a variety of games. Meet friends here or make new ones. *No registration required.*

Unsung Heroes - Labor Leaders

Wednesday, September 6 • 7:00-8:00pm

There's more to labor history in America than Samuel Gompers and Cesar Chavez. Join **Howard Rosenberg** as he explores the history-changing impact of Louis Tikas who led mineworkers during the Ludlow Massacre, Larry Itliong, leader of the Manong farmworkers during the Delano Grape Strike and more!



Commack Continued

The Owls of Long Island

Monday, September 11 • 7:00-8:00pm

Long-time birder **Dianne Taggart** will present stunning photos and fun facts about the different owls that can be found on Long Island.



One-On-One Medicare Counseling and Assistance

Tuesday, September 12 • 10:00am, 10:45am, 11:30am OR 12:15pm

Register for an appointment to meet individually with a Suffolk County **RSVP** (Retired Senior Volunteer Program) volunteer from **HIICAP** (Health Insurance Information, Counseling & Assistance Program) to answer questions and provide information specific to your own needs regarding your Medicare health insurances and benefits, Medicare Savings Programs and EPIC.

All Abilities Game Day

Thursday, September 13 • 10:00-11:00am

Join us playing some fun games. This program is geared towards patrons 18 years and older with sensory issues, those on the autism spectrum or those who have other specific needs. *Registration begins on August 30.*

Catholic Health Services Health Screening

Thursday, September 14 • 10:00am-2:00pm

Visit the traveling community outreach bus in our parking lot courtesy of **Catholic Health Services**. This outreach program provides free blood pressure, cholesterol, body mass index and glucose screenings along with patient education and referrals as needed; first come, first served. *No registration required.*

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Commack Continued

Benign Prostate Disease - The Latest Innovations in Treatment

Wednesday, September 20 • 7:00-7:45pm

Alexander Epelbaum, MD, Medical Director, Robotic Surgery Program at St. Catherine of Siena Hospital, will discuss the latest breakthrough treatments for men suffering from enlarged prostate. He will review multiple medical and surgical treatment options for Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia (BPH).

Apple Pie Streusel Bread with Chef Rob

Tuesday, September 26 • 6:30-8:30pm

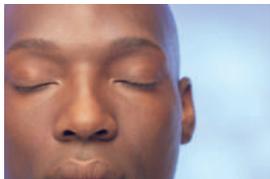
Join Chef Rob Scott for this hands-on class as he teaches you to make a large bread filled with apples, spices and a streusel topping. Please bring two large crisp apples, peeler, 9x5 loaf pan, one large bowl, two medium bowls and a rubber spatula. Fee: \$12.00 per person.



Detox Your Mind Through Meditation

Wednesday, September 27 • 7:00-8:30pm

Many of us tend to our physical well-being but often neglect the health of our minds. By befriending our mind, we can wipe the slate clean and detoxify our negative thought patterns and calm the body. Join John Bednarik long-time meditator and learn how to implement a simple yet very powerful meditation technique that can be life-changing. There will be a short meditation sitting.



Kings Park

Game Day

Mondays • 12:30-2:30pm

We provide the space, tables, chairs and a variety of games. Meet friends here or make new ones. No registration required.

Chair Yoga

Fridays, September 1, 8, 22 & 29 • 10:00-11:00am

Join Donna Landini for this gentle form of yoga that is performed sitting in a chair or standing and using the chair for support. Chair Yoga is a relaxing fitness class, perfect for beginners and seniors. Please note: there will be no class on September 15. Fee: \$12.00 per person.



Career Counseling

Thursday, September 7 • 4:00, 4:45, 5:30 or 6:15pm

Career advisor Richard Gluck, will assist you one-on-one with your resume, give direction on a new career path and help you navigate the ever-changing world of job searching.

Coin and Stamp Appraisal

Saturday, September 9 • 1:00-4:00pm

Frank McAlonan will help patrons to assign a value to their stamp and coin collections. Register for a fifteen-minute appointment to ask individual, specific questions.

Irish History, Culture and Traditions

Thursdays, September 14, 21, 28, October 5, 12 & 19 • 12:30-2:30pm

Join historian and philosopher Tom O'Reilly as he delivers lectures on Irish history, culture and traditions.

Kings Park Continued

Personalized Pumpkin Patch

Thursday, September 14 • 6:15-8:15pm

Join us to paint a piece of personalized fall decor for your home! Please provide town name for your sign upon registering for this program. Fee: \$10.00 per person.



All Abilities Game Night

Tuesday, September 19 • 6:00-7:00pm

Join us in playing some fun games. This program is geared towards patrons 18 years and older with sensory issues, those on the autism spectrum or those who have other specific needs. Registration begins on August 30.

Defensive Driving

Wednesday, September 27 • 9:30am-4:30pm

Telephone, online and in person registration begins two months prior to program date. Classes are open to Smithtown Library cardholders only until one week prior to the program, when, space permitting, all individuals regardless of library district are welcome to register. Open to all adult drivers regardless of age. Please bring your license to class. Must have a library card to register; one registration per library card. Please note: cash payment only is due to the instructor at the beginning of class. Fee: \$30.00 per person.



ADULTS

Registration is required for these programs unless otherwise indicated • All program fees are non-refundable • Register online at www.smithlib.org

Nesconset

Game Day

Mondays • 12:00-3:00pm

We provide the space, tables, chairs and a variety of games. Meet friends here or make new ones. *No registration required.*

9/11 - Another Day That Will Live in Infamy

Tuesday, September 5 • 7:00-8:30pm

Gerald Raffa, who was a federal agent employed by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATFE) on 9/11, will speak about his terrifying experience of being caught in the Towers' collapse, as well as the prelude to 9/11 and the ramifications of the attacks both immediately afterwards and decades later.



Morning Bingo for Adults

Wednesday, September 6 • 10:00-11:30am

Join us for a morning of action-packed bingo excitement. Refreshments will be provided and prizes will be awarded.

One-On-One Medicare Counseling and Assistance

Thursday, September 7 • 12:00, 12:45, 1:30 OR 2:15pm

Register for an appointment to meet individually with a Suffolk County **RSVP** (Retired Senior Volunteer Program) volunteer from **HIICAP** (Health Insurance Information, Counseling & Assistance Program) to answer questions and provide information specific to your own needs regarding your Medicare health insurances and benefits, Medicare Savings Programs and EPIC.

Nesconset Continued

A Matter of Balance

Thursdays, September 7, 14, 21, 28, October 5, 12, 19 & 26 • 10:00am-12:00pm

This evidence-based program for older adults emphasizes practical strategies to manage falls. Participants will learn to reduce fall risks at home, set goals for increasing activity and exercise to increase strength and balance. *Sponsored by Suffolk County RSVP. Please note: weeks 1 and 2 are informational on how to prevent falls; exercises will be incorporated in weeks 3-8.*

Metal Embossed Sunflowers

Thursday, September 7 • 6:30-8:30pm

Bonnie Schwartz returns to teach the art of metal embossing. Using a 5x7 piece of heavy-gauge aluminum, participants will emboss and color a pretty sunflower design. *Fee: \$12.00 per person.*



Maximizing Your Social Security Benefit

Wednesday, September 13 • 6:30-8:00pm

Wes H. Triani, LUTCF, FSS, will facilitate this interactive workshop and will educate you on the various choices you're given when considering to take Social Security benefits. Spousal and divorce aspects of Social Security will also be discussed.

Striking Out Strokes Through Nutrition

Monday, September 18 • 7:00-8:30pm

Registered Dietitian **Alyssa Morando** from St. Charles Hospital, will discuss how proper nutrition can significantly reduce stroke risks.



Nesconset Continued

All Abilities Sensory Movie

Wednesday, September 20 • 9:30am-12:00pm

Super Mario Brothers Movie

Rated PG; runtime 92 minutes.

Join us for our sensory friendly movie. This program is geared towards patrons 18 years and older with sensory issues, those on the autism spectrum or those who have other specific needs. *Registration begins on August 30.*



All Abilities Bingo Night

Tuesday, September 26 • 6:00-7:00pm

Join us for our noncompetitive, slow paced bingo night. This program is geared towards patrons 18 years and older with sensory issues, those on the autism spectrum or those who have other specific needs. *Registration begins on August 30.*

All Abilities Wind Chimes

Friday, September 29 • 10:00-11:00am

Add some whimsy outside by painting these cute moon wind chimes. This program is geared towards patrons 18 years and older with sensory issues, those on the autism spectrum or those who have other specific needs. *Registration begins on August 30.*

Smithtown

Art Group

Tuesdays • 12:00-2:15pm

Fulfill your passion for art. Bring your supplies and work on your current project while you share ideas and learn new techniques from others in a relaxed atmosphere. *No registration required.*

Game Night

Thursdays • 6:30-8:30pm

We provide the space, tables, chairs and a variety of games. Meet friends here or make new ones. *No registration required.*

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Smithtown Continued

Game Day

Fridays • 11:00am-1:30pm

We provide the space, tables, chairs and a variety of games. Meet friends here or make new ones. *No registration required.*



Film and Discussion

Friday, September 1 • 6:30-8:30pm

Join **Joyann Cirigliano** of the Four Harbors Audubon Society for a viewing and discussion of *The Biggest Little Farm*, a testament to the complexity of nature and an epic odyssey to attempt to farm within a reawakening ecosystem outside of Los Angeles.

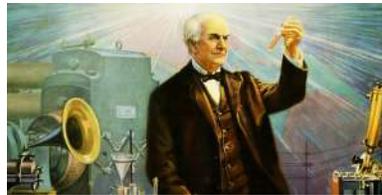


Smithtown Continued

Thomas A. Edison - A Life of Invention!

Thursday, September 21 • 7:00-8:00pm

Join **Edward Sierra** for an engaging and informative presentation on the amazing life and work of Thomas A. Edison arguably the most prolific inventor in American history. He held 1,093 U.S. patents, including for the light bulb, the phonograph, the motion picture camera and a battery for an electric car.



One-On-One Genealogy Research

**Saturday, September 23 • 11:00am, 12:00pm
OR 1:00pm**

Having trouble with your family tree? Register for a one-hour session with genealogist **April Earle** for individual assistance in your genealogy research. *This program will occur monthly; patrons may register for one session every six months.*



Smithtown Continued

Enhance the Energy in Your Surroundings

Thursday, September 28 • 7:00-8:00pm

Join certified life coaches **Patricia Scully** and **Linda Mazza** for their coach approach to Feng Shui. In this interactive program, explore methods to “clear the clutter” from the inside out, utilize some of the secrets of implementing Feng Shui in your surroundings and learn to reframe your state of mind to create an environment that reflects the life you want.

Adult Writers Group

Tuesday, September 5 • 7:00-8:30pm

Meet with our local group to share ideas and get feedback on your latest writing efforts. *No registration required.*

Bingo Night for Adults

Friday, September 15 • 7:00-8:30pm

Join us for an evening of action-packed bingo excitement. Refreshments will be provided and prizes will be awarded.

Protecting the Home and Other Assets

Tuesday, September 19 • 11:00am-12:30pm

Jennifer Raguso, Esq. will discuss how to protect your assets with estate planning and elder law. Discover the essentials in the implementation of an asset protection plan for a Senior and their family, the long- and short-term tax consequences, the financial implications of this type of planning and how it is evolving in 2023.

Historic Crimes of Long Island - Misdeeds from the 1600s to the 1950s

Tuesday, September 26 • 7:00-8:30pm

True crimes and why people are led to commit them have fascinated people for centuries. In her book, *Historic Crimes of Long Island; Misdeeds from the 1600s to the 1950s*, award-winning author and historian **Kerriann Flanagan Brosky** uncovers some of the most ghastly historical crimes committed on Long Island – from the tar, feathering and murder of Charles Kelsey in 1872, to the kidnapping of Alice Parson in 1937, to the scandalous slaying of William “Billy” Woodward, Jr. by his glamorous wife Ann in 1955. Join her as she discusses some of Long Island’s most horrific crimes. Book sale and signing to follow.

Infamous Long Island



2023
Long Island
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Program Series



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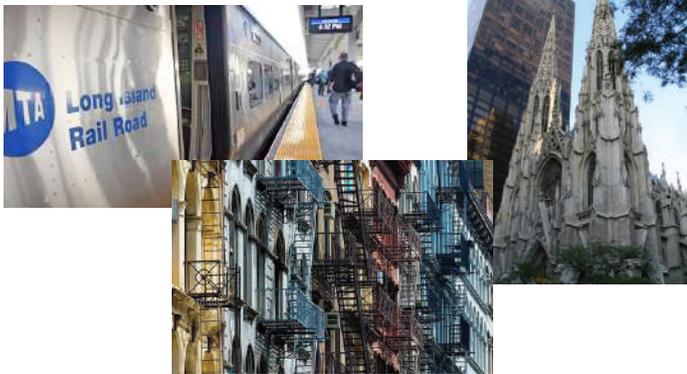
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Coming in October

On-Your-Own Train Trip to NYC

Saturday, October 7 • 7:45am

Enjoy a day in the city with reduced-rate tickets via the LIRR and the Library! Register for the trip by Thursday, September 28 and then pick up your ticket(s) at the Smithtown Building starting Monday, October 2. On the day of the train trip, all patrons must meet a staff member at the Smithtown Train Station and leave on the 8:09am train. Everyone must be in the first car together and transfer at Huntington. You will arrive at Penn Station at 10:28am and must return home on any train prior to midnight. *Registration begins two months prior to train trip date. Those under 5 ride free, those under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. If the minimum requirement of 30 registrants is not met, The Smithtown Library reserves the right to cancel the trip. Fee: \$10.50 per person.*



The Green Thumb Project

It's time to show off your gardening skills! Did you grow awesome flowers, fruits or vegetables using the Library's Smithtown Grows seed library this summer? Take a picture of the best products of your "green thumb" and submit it via a form on our website during the month of September for a chance to win a fun prize!



Smithtown Underground's 31 Days of Halloween Horror Movie Challenge

Join us as we count down the days of October, with Smithtown Underground's 31 Days of Halloween Horror Movie Challenge. Watch movies to complete challenges and receive raffle tickets for a chance to win a basket full of horrors. Stop by the Adult Reference Desk to sign up, starting Monday, September 25 and receive the list of challenges.



Smithtown Underground's 3rd Annual All-Nighter

Saturday, September 30 - Sunday, October 1 • 6:45pm-7:00am

Join us as we kick off the 31 Days of Halloween with our 3rd annual all-night movie marathon. 12 Hours! 7 Movies! 3 Mystery Movies! Raffles will be conducted throughout the night; you must be present to claim a prize. Light refreshments will be provided as well as pizza at midnight. There will be no re-admittance into the building if you leave before the end of the program. This program is open to all adults as well as teens accompanied by an adult chaperone.

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Movies at the Library

Commack

Thursday Movie of the Week

• Thursday, September 7 • 1:30pm

Mafia Mamma

Rated R; runtime 97 minutes.

• Thursday, September 14 • 1:30pm

Love Again

Rated PG-13; runtime 104 minutes.

• Thursday, September 21 • 1:30pm

About My Father

Rated PG-13; runtime 90 minutes.

• Thursday, September 28 • 1:30pm

Sweetwater

Rated PG-13; runtime 119 minutes.



Kings Park

Friday Movie of the Week

• Friday, September 1 • 2:15pm

Book Club: The Next Chapter

Rated PG-13; runtime 107 minutes.

• Friday, September 8 • 2:15pm

Are You There God? It's Me, Margaret

Rated PG-13; runtime 106 minutes.

• Friday, September 15 • 2:15pm

To Catch a Killer

Rated R; runtime 118 minutes.

• Friday, September 22 • 2:15pm

BlackBerry

Rated R; runtime 121 minutes.

• Friday, September 29 • 2:15pm

You Hurt My Feelings

Rated R; runtime 93 minutes.

Nesconset

New Movie Matinee

• Wednesday, September 20 • 1:00pm

Are You There God? It's Me, Margaret

Rated PG-13; runtime 106 minutes.

Smithtown

Friday Movie Matinee

• Friday, September 1 • 2:00pm

Champions

Rated PG-13; runtime 124 minutes.

• Friday, September 8 • 2:00pm

Book Club: The Next Chapter

Rated PG-13; runtime 107 minutes.

• Friday, September 15 • 2:00pm

BlackBerry

Rated R; runtime 121 minutes.

• Friday, September 22 • 2:00pm

Gringa

Rated NR; runtime 102 minutes.

• Friday, September 29 • 2:00pm

About My Father

Rated PG-13; runtime 90 minutes.

Friday Night Movie

• Friday, September 8 • 6:15pm

Book Club: The Next Chapter

Rated PG-13; runtime 107 minutes.

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS

Copies of the books are available at the Circulation Desk of their respective buildings. Book discussion groups denoted with an asterisk (*) will take place both in person as well as on Zoom. Login information for Zoom, if applicable, will be sent to the email address associated with your library card on the day of the event.

Commack

Commack Book Discussion Group*

Monday, September 11 • 12:00-1:00pm

The Personal Librarian by Marie Benedict

Kings Park

Killer Reads Book Discussion Group*

Tuesday, September 12 • 11:00am-12:00pm

A Dangerous Business by Jane Smiley

Nesconset

Tea-rrific Reads Book Discussion Group

Tuesday, September 26 • 2:00-3:00pm

The Warsaw Orphan by Kelly Rimmer

Night Owl Cafe Book Discussion Group

Thursday, September 28 • 7:00-8:00pm

The Music of Bees by Eileen Garvin

Smithtown

Sports Pages Book Discussion Group

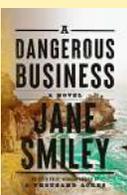
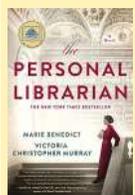
Tuesday, September 5 • 10:30am-12:30pm

The Boys of Summer by Roger Kahn

Clue-A Mystery Book Discussion Group*

Wednesday, September 13 • 2:30-3:30pm

The Last Party by Clare Mackintosh



Smithtown Book Discussion Group

Thursday, September 21 • 10:45am-12:45pm

Cabin Fever by Michael Smith and Jonathan Franklin

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A LETTER FROM THE *Director*

I'd like to thank everyone who participated in the Library's Summer Reading Programs. It is delightful to see how many adults, teens and children participate in these important programs each year and we hope that those of you who joined us this enjoyed the experience as much as we did providing it to you. We also had another successful Summer Concert Series, made possible by a Suffolk County Omnibus Grant obtained by Legislator Robert Trotta.

I encourage everyone to utilize your Library often and to take full advantage of all the resources available to you.



Robert Lusak
Library Director



SAVE THE DATE

SMITHCON

SATURDAY, 11.4.23

Save the Date

The Great Give Back 2023
October 21

Celebrate this county-wide day of volunteering by joining the Library for an event. Details to follow in the October newsletter.



THE
GREAT
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BACK

Library Budget Vote and Trustee Election

2024 Budget Vote and Trustee Election

Tuesday, October 10, 2023 • 9:30am-9:00pm

The 2024 Budget

The Library Board is reviewing several budget proposals. Their goal is to adopt a budget that is balanced with an emphasis on service, resources and fiscal prudence. As details become available, they will be posted on the Library's website.

Who Can Vote?

Smithtown Special Library District residents who are registered to vote with the Suffolk County Board of Elections.

Voter Registration

Voter registration forms and information can be obtained through the Suffolk County Board of Elections, the post office or any Smithtown Library Building.

Absentee Voting

Smithtown Library Absentee Ballot Applications are available at all Smithtown Library Buildings.

Library Trustee Candidate Information

If interested in running for a Library Trustee position, contact the Administration Office at (631) 360-2489 for details. Petitions are available in the Administration Office Monday-Friday between 9:30am & 5:00pm.

Please visit the Library's website at www.smithlib.org or call our Administration office at (631)360-2489 for more details.

Votación de presupuesto

Martes, 10 de octubre de 2023 • 9:30-21:00

El presupuesto de 2024

La Junta de la biblioteca está examinando varias propuestas de presupuesto. Su objetivo es aprobar un presupuesto que es equilibrado con un énfasis en servicio, los recursos y la prudencia fiscal. Medida que los datos disponibles, se publicarán en la Página Web de la biblioteca.

¿Quién puede votar?

Residentes del Smithtown especial biblioteca distrito inscritos para votar en la Junta de elecciones del Condado de Suffolk.

Registro de votantes

Información y formularios de inscripción de votante se pueden obtener a través de la Junta de elecciones, la oficina de correos o cualquier edificio de la biblioteca de Smithtown del Condado de Suffolk.

Votación en ausencia

Aplicaciones de boleta Smithtown Library están disponibles en todos los edificios de biblioteca Smithtown.

Biblioteca Fiduciario candidato información

Si está interesado en postularse para un puesto de administrador de la biblioteca, comuníquese con la Oficina de Administración al (631) 360-2489 para obtener más detalles. Las peticiones están disponibles en la Oficina de Administración de lunes a viernes de 9:30am a 5:00pm.

Por favor visite el sitio web de la biblioteca en www.smithlib.org o llame a nuestra oficina de administración en (631)360-2489 para más detalles.

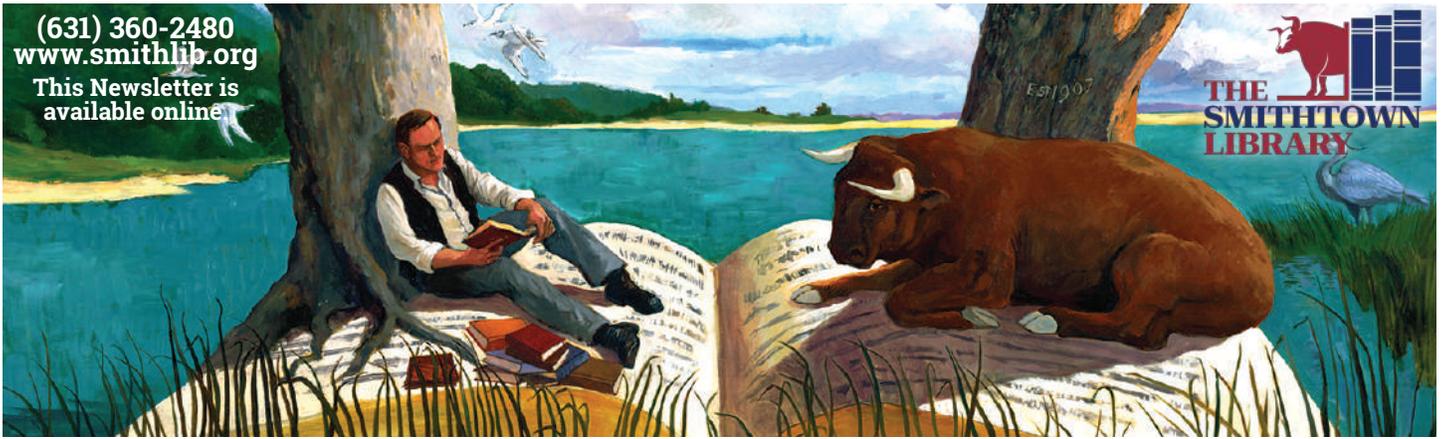
Announcement from The Smithtown Library

The Library's 2024 Budget Vote & Trustee Election will be held on Tuesday, October 10, 2023. Those who are interested in running for the position of Library Trustee should contact the Administration Office at (631) 360-2489 for information on filing a petition.

There are four (4) seats up for election this year. Two of the seats will have a three-year term beginning on January 1, 2024 and ending December 31, 2026. The other two seats will run from October 2023 through December 2024 (these two seats are currently being served by temporary appointment made due to the resignation of previously elected Trustees).

Petitions will be available in the Administration Office beginning Friday, August 11, Monday - Friday, 9:30am-5:00pm; the deadline to file petitions with the Administration Office is Monday, September 11.

(631) 360-2480
www.smithlib.org
This Newsletter is
available online



**Smithtown Building,
Long Island Room,
Patent and Trademark
Resource Center &
Passport Acceptance Facility**

1 North Country Road
Smithtown, New York 11787
MONDAY 9:30am-9:00pm
TUESDAY 9:30am-9:00pm
WEDNESDAY 9:30am-9:00pm
THURSDAY 9:30am-9:00pm
FRIDAY 9:30am-9:00pm
SATURDAY 9:30am-5:00pm
SUNDAY 1:00-5:00pm
(Sept-May)

Commack Building
3 Indian Head Road
Commack, New York 11725

MONDAY 9:30am-9:00pm
TUESDAY 9:30am-9:00pm
WEDNESDAY 9:30am-9:00pm
THURSDAY 9:30am-9:00pm
FRIDAY 9:30am-6:00pm
SATURDAY 9:30am-5:00pm
SUNDAY 1:00-5:00pm
(Sept-May)

Kings Park Building
1 Church Street
Kings Park, New York 11754

MONDAY 9:30am-9:00pm
TUESDAY 9:30am-9:00pm
WEDNESDAY 9:30am-9:00pm
THURSDAY 9:30am-9:00pm
FRIDAY 9:30am-6:00pm
SATURDAY 9:30am-5:00pm
SUNDAY CLOSED

**Nesconset Building &
Administration/
Business Office**

148 Smithtown Boulevard
Nesconset, New York 11767
MONDAY 9:30am-9:00pm
TUESDAY 9:30am-9:00pm
WEDNESDAY 9:30am-9:00pm
THURSDAY 9:30am-9:00pm
FRIDAY 9:30am-6:00pm
SATURDAY 9:30am-5:00pm
SUNDAY CLOSED

*The Library will be closed on Monday, September 4
in observance of Labor Day.
The Smithtown & Commack Buildings will reopen on
Sundays beginning Sunday, September 10.*

In Exhibit
Do you have an exhibit you would like to
share with your community?
We would love to hear from you.
Please call:
Gina Ferreira
(631) 360-2480 ext. 235

**Nesconset
Community Room
Display Case
Pyro and Paints**
View of a collection of animal and nature themed
hand-burned wood artwork.

**Smithtown
Community Room
Art Group**
View oil, watercolor, acrylic, pastel, colored pencil and mixed
media works by talented artists of **The Smithtown Library's
Art Group.**

**Infamous
Long Island**

**2023
Long Island
Room
Exhibit**



Through the years, Long Island has played host to its share of shocking crimes and scandals, tragic man-made disasters and controversial locations and communities. To illustrate this, the Long Island Room has assembled a collection of materials that will reveal the history behind some of Long Island's most infamous people, places and events. This exhibit will be on view through December 2023.

Board of Trustees Meeting
Tuesday, September 19 • 6:30pm
Community Room at the
Smithtown Building
The public is welcome.

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Program registration is on a first-come, first-served basis—a place in the program cannot be guaranteed. Dates, times, programs and locations are subject to change. All fees are non-refundable and non-transferable.



Library staff may take photographs or video recordings at Library programs for use in publicity. This includes use in our Newsletter, website and social media. Please inform us if you do not want photos or videos taken of you or your child.



The Library cannot accept bills larger than \$20.00 in payment for overdue items or program registration. Thank you for your cooperation.



The Library is glad to provide reasonable accommodations for patrons with special needs. Please call us two weeks prior to a program to make arrangements.



Assistive Listening Device available: a portable listening device is shared among all four Library buildings and is available for use during Library programs. The device must be reserved in advance by contacting a Reference Librarian in any Library building.

Weather/Emergency Closing Information

For weather closings/delayed openings please visit:

- Telephone: (631) 360-2480
- Web: www.smithlib.org
- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/thesmidthtownlibrary>
- Twitter: @SmithLibRef
- Instagram: @smithlibref
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