

The Newsletter of the Northport-East Northport Public Library

FOR ADULTS

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Long Island's White Shark Research

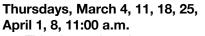
Tuesday, March 2, 7:00 p.m.

Long Island's coastal waterways have an abundance of sharks, all of which we know very little about. In 2015, a small group of researchers was the first to deploy a satellite tag on a juvenile great white shark off of the south shore. Over two subsequent summers, a partnership with OCEARCH enabled the tagging of an additional 20 white sharks near Montauk. In this presentation, learn about the continued work of the Shark Research and Education Program of the South Fork Natural History Museum. Registration is underway. **NENA003**

Introduction to Tai Chi for Arthritis

Wednesdays, March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, 10:00 a.m. This five-session course led by Mindy Giambalvo is an introduction to the evidence-based Tai Chi for Arthritis program. The focus of the program is to improve balance and increase flexibility. An added benefit of tai chi is that it is considered a moving meditation that may help to reduce stress. Note: Participant accepts responsibility for any potential injury associated with this class by proceeding through the Zoom link. As with all exercise programs, please check with your healthcare provider before registering. Registration begins February 22. NENA010

Living Healthy Workshop





This six-week series presented by a trained volunteer from Suffolk Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) aims to help you feel better, take control of your life, and get connected. Geared towards seniors and people with an ongoing health condition, the workshop's purpose is to provide physical and emotional skills that may help you maintain an active and fulfilling lifestyle. Registration begins February 22. **NENA007**

What's Next? Navigating the Job Market for College Students and Graduates

Monday, March 8, 7:00 p.m.

Attention recent and upcoming college graduates! Join College & Career Coach Scott Gibney for a presentation on how to prepare for the workforce. Mr. Gibney will discuss internships and experiential training, best networking practices, how to market yourself, and more. Bring your questions! Registration begins February 22. **NENR296**

Colon Cancer Awareness – What Everyone Should Know

Thursday, March 11, 7:00 p.m.

Dr. David Rivadeneira, Director of the Northwell Health Cancer Institute at Huntington, will explore aspects of colorectal cancer including diagnosis, cutting-edge treatment technologies, risk-reducing strategies, and the importance of colonoscopies. Registration is underway. **NENA016**

Traditional Irish Soda Bread



Friday, March 12, 5:00 p.m.

Simply Creative Chef Rob Scott will demonstrate how to make traditional Irish soda bread. The recipe will be provided to registrants ahead of the program. Registration is underway. **NENA011**

Women in Comedy

Tuesday, March 16, 2:00 p.m.

In a field dominated by male comedians, this laugh-provoking lecture explores some of the most beloved funny ladies who have entertained us in motion pictures and on television. Join Sal St. George and discover the groundbreaking and sidesplitting stories of Fanny Brice, Mae West, Phyllis Diller, Totie Fields, and Joan Rivers. Registration is underway. **NENA012**

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Current Events in Perspective

Wednesday, March 17, 10:30 a.m.

Join Michael D'Innocenzo, Distinguished Professor Emeritus of History at Hofstra University, to explore significant national and international developments. All attending are welcome to share their views and pose questions. Registration is underway. **NENA013**

Virtual Guided Woodland Hike

Tuesday, March 23, 4:00 p.m.

There's so much to learn about in the forest! Educators from Quogue Wildlife Refuge will "hike" with you through habitats including the Pine Barrens, a field, a pond, and a bog. Topics include local flora and fauna, fire ecology, forest layers, decomposition, succession, and habitat protection. Registration is underway. **NENA014**

Opioid Overdose Prevention Training

Tuesday, March 23, 7:00 p.m.

CN Guidance & Counseling Services will conduct an online training for all interested adults (16 years and older) on how to recognize the signs of an opioid overdose and administer Naloxone (Narcan). A Naloxone Medical Review Form will be emailed to you prior to the program; the completed form must be returned to the trainer to receive your kit by mail. Registration begins March 1. **NENR298** *This program is cosponsored by the Northport-East Northport Community Drug and Alcohol Task Force.*

Cinema at the Library: Transit

Wednesday, March 24, 6:30 p.m. Join Cinema Arts Center co-director Dylan Skolnick to discuss the film *Transit*. In Christian Petzold's brilliant and haunting modern-day adaptation of Anna Seghers'

1942 novel, Georg, a German refugee, flees to Marseille, assuming the identity of a recentlydeceased writer whose papers he is carrying. There he delves into the delicate and complex culture of the refugee community, and meets and falls in love with a mysterious woman. Before the discussion you may view the film using Kanopy. Visit the Downloads page on the library website for instructions: **www. nenpl.org/downloads/index.php** DVD and Blu-ray versions of the film are also available. Registration begins March 10. **NENR295**

Medicare Counseling (by phone) Wednesday, March 10 NENA020



Wednesday, March 10 NENA020 Tuesday, March 16 NENA021 10:00, 10:30, 11:00, or 11:30 a.m.



Rethinking the Big, Bad Wolf

Wednesday, March 24, 7:00 p.m.

Writer and scientist Erica Cirino has traveled to remote corners of New Mexico in search of the United States' most endangered wolf, the Mexican gray wolf. Along the way, she learned of the stereotype of the "big, bad wolf" and how it has led to the wolves' widespread persecution and demise. Join us and listen to Erica tell her stories from the field. Registration is underway. **NENA019**



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

Page Turners

Thursday, March 11, 2:00 p.m.

Join Page Turners leader Donna Diamond to discuss *Ask Again, Yes* by Mary Beth Keane. Registration begins March 1. **NENA017**

Between the Lines

Monday, March 15, 7:00 p.m.

Join Librarians Connor McCormack and Meagan White for a discussion of *The Ten Thousand Doors of January* by Alix E. Harrow. Registration begins March 1. **NENR297**

Novel Ideas

Monday, March 29, 7:00 p.m.

Join Librarian Candace Reeder to discuss *The Vanishing Half* by Brit Bennett (Long Island Reads 2021 selection). Registration begins March 1. **NENA018**

Short Story Central

Tuesday, April 6, 7:00 p.m.

Join us as we discuss selections from The High Places by Fiona McFarlane. Stories will be available for pick up at the Northport building Circulation Desk beginning March 1. Registration begins March 1. **NENR304**







A volunteer from the Health Insurance Information Counseling Assistance Program (HIICAP) of RSVP Suffolk will answer your questions about Medicare and supplementary insurance in a one-on-one phone consultation. Registration begins March 1.

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Computer Classes

Introduction to Google Apps & Docs

Thursday, March 4, 7:00 p.m.

Learn how to create a Google account and use the applications Calendar, Maps, Drive, Docs, and Sheets. For intermediate computer users. Registration is underway. **NENC409**

Introduction to Google Forms

Thursday, March 11, 2:00 p.m.

Learn about Forms, Google's free app for surveys, quizzes, opinion polls, event registration, and more. See how to customize forms, and learn how to import form submission results into a spreadsheet for analysis and other uses. Registration is underway. **NENC410**

Inside Your iPad and iPhone

Thursday, March 18, 7:00 p.m.

Learn about the Apple iPad and iPhone settings for apps, display options, privacy, managing battery life, and more. Introduction to the iPad and iPhone class or equivalent experience with your device is required. Have your device and Apple ID and password on hand, or just follow along. Registration is underway. **NENC411**

Microsoft Office Tips & Tricks

Thursday, March 25, 7:00 p.m.

Review the most popular Microsoft Office functions for Word, Excel, and PowerPoint. A general knowledge of the Office programs is required. Registration is underway. **NENC412**

🦳 Gallery Exhibit 🦳

Northport:



Annual Art Exhibit by the Students of the Northport-East Northport School District.

Inquiries about displaying your artwork in the library galleries are welcome. Please contact Kathryn Heaviside, Gallery Coordinator, 631-261-6930, ext. 319.



Language Learning & Literacy

Dynamic English

Thursdays, March 4, 11, 18, 25, April 8, 15, 22, 29, 7:00 p.m.

Develop your English vocabulary, grammar, reading, and pronunciation with this friendly English conversation group. Registration begins February 22. **NENR293**

Let's Learn English

Fridays, March 5, 12, 19, 26, April 9, 16, 23, 30, 2:00 p.m.

In this fun interactive program you will learn Basic English vocabulary, pronunciation, conversation, and reading and writing skills in collaboration with Literacy Suffolk. New students may apply through Literacy Suffolk and be matched with a personal tutor to help them on their English language journey. Registration is underway. Call 631-261-2313, ext 210, to register.

Pronunciation Practice

Mondays, March 8, 15, 22, April 5, 12, 19, 26, 5:00 p.m.

Develop your English pronunciation skills with a certified Speech Language Pathologist and Accent Modification Trainer. You will learn how to use Standard American English sounds and strategies that will help you to get your point across. Registration begins February 22. **NENR292**

Everyday Spanish

Tuesdays, March 9, 16, 23, April 6, 13, 20, 27, 4:00 p.m.

Spanish conversation with a focus on building listening skills, improving comprehension, and mastering key vocabulary to help you start conversing in Spanish immediately. Please note: this is not a traditional leveled Spanish language class. Registration begins February 22. **NENR294**



The Library is hosting a Virtual Job Fair sponsored by Suffolk County One Stop Employment Center. Approximately 10 companies from different industries will be available to discuss current job opportunities. Bring your questions. Registration begins March 24. *NENR299*

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Annual Library Vote

Tuesday, April 6, 2021 9:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.

The Library's annual vote will be for two purposes: to vote on the Library budget for 2021/2022 and to elect one trustee whose term will commence on July 1, 2021 as a result of the expiration of the term of office presently held by Margaret Hartough.

Important Voting Facts:

Public Information Meeting -

Tuesday, March 23, 7:30 p.m. Northport building

Who Can Vote - Anyone who is

- 1. at least 18 years of age;
- 2. a citizen of the United States;
- a resident of the Northport-East Northport School District for at least 30 days;
- 4. registered to vote.

If you have not voted within four years in a general, school, or library election, registration is required. You need to register prior to March 26 in person or by mail with the Suffolk County Board of Elections in Yaphank. Applications are available in both library buildings. Registration for only library and school district elections may be made in person prior to March 26 at the office of the School District Clerk, 158 Laurel Avenue, Northport, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. any day that school is in session.

Absentee Ballot Applications are available in both library buildings.

Responsive and Responsible

"Libraries are the most democratic and one of the most important institutions that we have in this world. The onset of the COVID pandemic has not only revealed the extent to which people rely on libraries, but in this moment where people are desperate for normalcy, stability, safety, and also craving information, while libraries are not as open physically to some, they continue to provide invaluable services in every way they possibly could," said New York City Council Member Jimmy Van Bramer in his opening remarks during an oversight hearing on New York City's public libraries and COVID-19.

Early in the pandemic, when the Library was not able to be physically open, and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) was scarce, we worked in partnership with the Suffolk Cooperative Library System to print face shields for healthcare workers using 3D printers. We provided Wi-Fi access to the internet from outside the buildings and added Wi-Fi printing when access to the lobbies was restored. The Library also significantly expanded investment in online digital collections, which now contain over 800,000 ebooks, audiobooks, videos, and subscriptions. In anticipation of increasing demands arising from virtual learning mandates, the Library expanded access to Brainfuse, a leading online tutoring provider. Brainfuse includes live online tutoring for children from grades K-12, as well as test preparation and homework help. This service also helps adult learners and includes resources such as professional resume and cover letter assistance as well as the Microsoft Office Essential Skills Series.

The Northport-East Northport Public Library reopened its buildings in June. Our staff continues to serve the community in person while adhering to strict safety protocols and virtually by massively increasing our digital presence. The Circulation area is an example of some of the safety measures in place including socially-distanced checkouts and returns where patrons can request items online or by phone, pick up materials in the lobby, and then return them to drop-off bins where the items are placed in quarantine for a period of time.

Continued investment in the library's physical space as well as its virtual presence affords patrons a choice in how they might access and enjoy library information, materials, and professional guidance. The budget calculations include increased costs for pandemic-related requirements such as PPE, sanitizing products and frequent changing of high-filtration air filters, as well as more online programs and resources than ever before.

This budget proposal reflects the Library Board's long-standing commitment to provide exceptional library service to the community. As dedicated stewards, we have carefully and thoroughly evaluated each component of the budget to effectively allocate resources in support of the Library's mission to "inform, educate and culturally enrich the residents of all ages of the district through the selection, organization, promotion and dissemination of all forms of expression." This budget proposal ensures the continuation of our standard of excellence while complying with the property tax levy limit set by New York State.

Library Board of Trustees

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Library Activities 2019/2020*

21,838 residents in the community have Library cards

277,850 visits were made to the Library

4,211 visits were made to the Library Courtyard

The Library has 91,968 books for adults 80,748 books for children 60,027 DVDs, compact discs, audiobooks, video games, and Playaways

Our programs entertained, educated, and enriched **10,096** adults **1,713** teens **12,947** children

84,928 reference questions were answered
43,057 asked by adults
5,023 asked by teens
36,848 asked by children

283,603 items were checked out

46,609 items were interlibrary loaned

79,763 items were downloaded

116,149 patrons used the Library's Internet access

10,685 patrons used the Library's computer software

42,475 items were purchased from the Library Café

669,047 visits were made to the Library website and social media

*Statistical report June 2020

Proposed Library Operating Budget 2021/2022

	BUDGET <u>2020/2021</u>	PROPOSED BUDGET <u>2021/2022</u>
LIBRARY MATERIALS & PROGRAMS		
Books, Periodicals & Electronic Resources	475,500	505,800
DVDs, CDs, Audiobooks	129,100	130,600
Adult, Young Adult & Children's Programming	147,400	137,600
LIBRARY OPERATIONS		
	118,400	113,500
Computer Hardware & Software Online Public Access Catalog & Circulation Control	50,800	52,300
Telecommunications	47,900	50,400
Equipment	44,200	41,200
Office & Library Supplies	46,000	48,600
Café Supplies, NYS Sales Tax	53,700	38,800
Printing & Postage	73,800	74,900
Professional Development & Training	30,100	32,300
Accounting & Legal Fees	90,400	101,600
SCLS Plan of Service Participation	75,300	76.600
	10,000	70,000
LIBRARY BUILDINGS & MAINTENANCE		
Fuels & Utilities	119,700	114,000
Facilities Repairs & Improvements	63,000	65,000
Maintenance Supplies	25,700	27,500
Building & Equipment Service Contracts	233,300	228,400
Insurance	138,500	162,700
EMPLOYEE SALARIES Sunday & Holiday Professional Clerical/Technical, Café & Library Pages Custodial & Security	177,800 2,837,600 2,191,300 520,000	180,000 2,945,800 2,131,600 533,200
MANDATED & EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	122 200	437,700
Social Security	433,300 779,800	437,700 821,000
Retirement, Deferred Compensation Health Insurance, Disability & Group Life	1,239,100	1,122,000
Health insurance, Disability & Group Life	1,200,100	1,122,000
CAPITAL & TECHNOLOGICAL IMPROVEMENTS	9,000	100,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	10,151,100	10,273,100
ANTICIPATED REVENUE		
Fines & Fees	30,900	23,500
Interest, Library System Grant	44,400	59,000
Café	63,300	18,000
Unrestricted Fund Appropriation	0	0
TOTAL REVENUE	138,600	100,500
TOTAL TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION	10,012,500	10,172,600*

*This amount is less than the property tax levy limit set by New York State for our Library.

FOR TEENS

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Registration for Teen Programs and Volunteer Opportunities begins March 1.

Calligraffiti with Helen Murdock Prep

Tuesdays, March 9, 16, 23, 30, 4:00-5:00 p.m.

We know you know how to talk and text, but come back to the power of the pen! Learn this method of boldstyle brush lettering called Calligraffiti. All you need is a brush marker. Optional additional supplies include a thin marker and white gel pen. **NENY801**

Nintendo Night:

The History of Nintendo Box Art

Friday, March 12, 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Come join your fellow gaming fans in this online celebration of all things Nintendo! This month we will be discussing the history of Nintendo box art. Please pick up your Nintendo Night participation packet at the Northport building Teen Center by March 11. **NENY802**

Dungeons & Dragons

Saturday, March 13, 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Do you love tabletop RPGs, or are you looking to learn the basics of Dungeons & Dragons? Come join your friends in this fun D&D quest. **NENY803**

Take and Make Kits

Registration and pickup begins March 1. All kits are to be picked up at the Northport building Teen Center by Friday, March 26.

Rainbow Trinket Holder

Create your own design on a ceramic rainbow-shaped box. **NENY804**

Sand Art

Make colorful sand art. Each kit includes instructions and supplies to make two projects. **NENY805**

Button Monogram Wall Hanging

Using a variety of different colored buttons and some tacky glue, create a wall hanging for your room. **NENY806**

Teen Volunteer Opportunities Open to students in grades 7-12 Teens may participate in a total of three hours of volunteer time this month.

Lucky Wreaths for Senior Living

Pick up a packet that contains all the materials you need to make two wreaths for local senior living residents. Wreaths must be returned to the Northport building Teen Center by March 15. Two hours of volunteer credit will be awarded. **NENY809**

Teen Advisory Board: Dog Biscuits for Local Shelter Pups

Monday, March 22, 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Learn about your local animal shelters and whip up a batch of dog biscuits to bake for the pups that are staying there. Earn two hours of volunteer time for making the biscuits and delivering them to the Northport building Teen Center. Please deliver your biscuits no later than March 26. The recipe will be emailed to registrants before the program. **NENY807**

Chat About a Charity

Research a charity of your choice and answer some questions about it. Instructions and questions will be emailed to registrants. Responses must be emailed to **teenvolunteer@nenpl.org** by March 31. One hour of volunteer credit will be awarded. **NENY808**

Changes to the SAT: An Informational Meeting

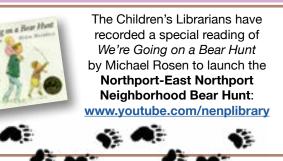
Wednesday, March 10, 6:00-7:00 p.m. For high school students and parents

Join us in this virtual meeting with Mindy Lampert from C2 Education. She will discuss what "SAT Test Optional" means and how students can position themselves well to gain admission, secure scholarship funds, and be placed in the right course level once they start attending. **NENY810**

FOR CHILDREN

Northport-East Northport Neighborhood Bear Hunt

Join us as we emerge from winter hibernation, and go on a neighborhood bear hunt! Come to either library building to pick up a coloring sheet of the Library Bear statue, or download a copy from the library website: <u>www.nenpl.org/childrens/index.php</u> Color your bear and proudly display it in a window of your home for all to see. Hunt for Library Bears as you walk the streets of Northport and East Northport, while enjoying the onset of spring. Be sure to tag us @nenpl or #nenplbearhunt.



FOR CHILDREN

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> Registration for the following **Road to Reading** programs is underway. Individual registration is required for each session of a series program.

Storytime Virtual Tidbits

Choose one or more of the following sessions: Friday, March 5, 10:00 a.m. NENJ219 Friday, March 12, 10:00 a.m. NENJ220 Friday, March 19, 10:00 a.m. NENJ221 Friday, March 26, 10:00 a.m. NENJ222 Children birth–5 years with adult; siblings welcome

This quick splash of great books, fingerplays, and songs—specially selected by our Librarians—will add a little fun to your Fridays. Participate live via Zoom at 10:00 a.m. Friday, or watch the video anytime through Sunday night. *Registrants will be emailed a link to the live Zoom meeting and the recording.* (20 min.)

Time for Tots

Choose one or more of the following sessions: Tuesday, March 9, 10:00 a.m. NENJ223 Tuesday, March 16, 10:00 a.m. NENJ224 Tuesday, March 23, 10:00 a.m. NENJ225 Children 2–5 years with adult; siblings welcome

This fun and fast-paced preschool program includes music, movement, and storytelling. Children will participate in various activities with items from home to help develop fine motor skills. (30 min.)

Dance with Me

March 1–31

Children 2–5 years with adult; siblings welcome

Have fun jumping, swaying, singing, and listening to a movement-inspired story with a professional dance instructor. *Registrants will be emailed a link to watch the video at the time of their choosing. The link will be active from March 1, 9:00 a.m. through March 31, 9:00 p.m.* (30 min.) Registration is underway. NENJ242

Moms' Group

Wednesdays, March 3, 10, 17, 24, 10:00 a.m.

Children birth–3 years with mother; siblings welcome

Led by a trained facilitator, this weekly discussion group will introduce various topics and activities that celebrate and explore motherhood. (60 min.) Registration is underway. **NENJ238**

Turn the page for more children's programs

Sing & Play

Choose one or more of the following sessions: Monday, March 1, 11:00 a.m. NENJ209 Monday, March 8, 11:00 a.m. NENJ210 Children birth–5 years with adult; siblings welcome Sing and dance along to a variety of music with Molly Mouse. (30 min.)

Panda-monium PJ Storytime



Tuesday, March 16, 7:00 p.m.

Children birth–5 years with adult; siblings welcome Celebrate National Panda Day with us as we read, sing, and learn about these adorable and fascinating animals! (30 min.) NENJ226

Signing Stories

Thursday, March 25, 10:00 a.m.

Children birth–5 years with adult; siblings welcome Children will get an introduction to sign language in this fun and interactive program that may help enhance their developing communication skills. (30 min.) NENJ230

Happiness Packet Children in grades K–5

Earn your Ambassador of Happiness badge and certificate as we celebrate International Day of Happiness on March 20. Your packet is full of mindfulness exercises and craft ideas, optimistic quotes, puzzles, stickers, and a happy face token to remind you to look on the bright side every day. Available now; no registration required.

Take 'n Make Snowman Maraca Available March 6

Children 4 years and up

Shake winter away with a musical instrument that you decorate at home. *Please include your preference for pickup location (N or EN) with your registration.* Registration is underway. NENJ232

The Bookmark Spot

Stop by the Library and pick up the March bookmark by Lilyana DeMarco A reading list compiled by Children's Librarians is on the back.



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FOR CHILDREN

Hide & Seek Creatures

Thursday, March 11, 11:00 a.m.

Children 3–5 years with adult; siblings welcome A Long Island Aquarium educator will explain how

and why aquatic animals camouflage themselves. (40 min.) Registration is underway. **NENJ237**

Shearly Delightful Sheep



Thursday, March 18, 11:00 a.m.

Children 3–5 years with adult; siblings welcome Learn how sheep, goats, llamas, and rabbits provide us with fibers that we can turn into clothing. (30 min.) Registration is underway. **NENJ239**

Take 'n Make March Madness CanvasAvailable March 20

Children in grades K-5

Join in the March Madness fun by designing your own canvas board. You will personalize your canvas by making your first initial look like a basketball. Your kit includes a canvas to color, a basketball sticker, a letter design guide, and a ribbon for hanging. *Please include your preference for pickup location (N or EN) with your registration.* Registration is underway. NENJ231

Peep Sushi

March 22–April 16

Children in grades K–5

Celebrate the new season by learning to make faux sushi using a spring favorite: marshmallow Peeps! *Registrants will be emailed the recipe as well as a link* to watch the video at the time of their choosing. The link will be active from March 22, 9:00 a.m. through April 16, 9:00 p.m. (20 min.) Registration is underway. NENJ233

Paws to Read

Thursday, March 25, 6:30 p.m. Children in grades 1-5 with adult

Grab a book and Zoom with a certified therapy dog. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Please select

a 15-minute time slot when registering. Registration is underway. NENJ234

Nature at Night

Friday, March 26, 7:00 p.m.

Children in grades K-5

A Cornell Cooperative Extension educator shares fascinating information about how night creatures such as bats, owls, and even bugs, benefit our environment while we are asleep. (40 min.) Registration is underway. NENJ240

Storytime with Moana

Saturday, March 27, 11:00 a.m. Children 3 years and up



Join the Wayfinder Chief for a fun-filled half hour of stories and songs. (30 min.) Registration is underway. NENJ244

Spring Break Hip Hop

Tuesday, March 30, 3:00 p.m.

Children 7 years and up

An instructor from the Great South Bay Dance Company conducts a class that includes a warm-up, stretching, step-by-step technique, a fun dance combination, and a dance game finale. (40 min.) Registration is underway. NENJ241

Adventures in Art: Family Portraits with Renoir and Cassatt

Wednesday, March 31, 11:00 a.m.

Children in grades K-5

Take a deep dive into the paintings of these famous artists and create your own family portrait. Join the class live via Zoom, or watch a recording at the time of your choosing. *Registrants will be emailed a link to the live Zoom meeting and the recording.* (45 min.) Registration is underway. NENJ236