

## KIDS IMAGINATION STATION!

Wednesdays  
at 4:00pm

## THE ART AND ACTIVISM OF FAITH RINGGOLD

Saturday, July 26th  
at 12:00pm

## ADVENTURER'S CLUB: A TRAVEL DISCUSSION GROUP

2nd Wednesdays at 2:00pm  
4th Wednesdays at 6:00pm

## BATTLE OF THE BOOKS BAKE SALE!

Saturday, July 12th  
from 10:00am to 12:00pm

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# BOOK REPORT

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**S**ummer is one of our favorite and busiest seasons at the Library, and we're excited to give all of our patrons the chance to Color Your World! Families and individuals can sign up at the Library throughout the summer to join our Summer Reading Program for the chance to read some great books and maybe even win some prizes!

We have a whole bunch of opportunities for you to add a splash of color to your world. For adults, we've got a great presentation on The Art and Activism of Faith Ringgold on July 26th where local art historian Maria Ausherman will discuss the legacy of this incredible artist. You should also be sure to register for our Indigo Dyeing Workshop before August 9th as space is limited, and this unique program is not one to be missed! And when you stop by the Library, be sure to contribute to our first ever Collaborative Summer Sketchbook: anyone can add their own artistic entry to this group art project that will serve as a snapshot of 2025.

For kids, we'll be painting the town red (and orange and blue and yellow and...) as we continue some of our favorite craft times! Older kids can drop into our Wednesday Imagination Station to explore different artistic mediums, while the little ones should check out Art Focus Fridays in the mornings. Plus, look out for Rhonda's Reptiles, a chance to get up close and personal with all sorts of scaly critters on July 22nd, and the return of our Teddy Bear Picnic on August 14th, where kids can bring their favorite stuffed friend for a special story time and leave them at the Library overnight for a sleepover!

Teens can join in the fun as well, with a No Bake Baking Contest on July 25th (to avoid using our ovens in the summer), an indoor AC Beach Day on August 14th, and two new LGBTQIA+ book clubs! Speaking of book clubs, don't forget to cheer on our two Battle of the Books teams as they practice hard to take home the prize! Our High School team will compete in August against other MHLS Libraries' teams, and our Middle School team will compete in September. We have some incredibly strong readers in our community, and win or lose we could not be more proud!

Have you heard? For the first time ever, we're collaborating with all of the other libraries in the Mid-Hudson System for the MHLS Road Trip! Participation is easy: just pick up your map at the Library and bring it around to visit as many libraries in the system as you can. You and your family can earn more prizes the more libraries you visit. Visit all 70 locations, and you can get a unique special edition library card! Be sure to check out all of the unique offerings each library has to offer, and be sure to tag us on social media as you progress!

To sum things up: we've got a lot going on this summer! So be sure to stop by for a program, a book, some computer time...or just to chill out in the AC. We're here for you, and cannot wait to bring these fantastic programs to our neighbors!



-Matt Pavloff, Director

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# Adults

## NNCC Movie Matinee Series

The Neighbors of Northern Columbia County are back with a new film series featuring some fantastic classics! Come enjoy a weekday matinee the third Tuesday of each month at 1:00pm. Enjoy light refreshments and learn about this amazing volunteer organization that supports aging in place.

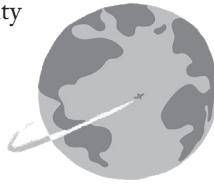
- Tuesday, July 15: Moby Dick
- Tuesday, Aug 19: The Graduate
- Tuesday, Sept 16: Mutiny on the Bounty

## Adventurer's Club: A Travel Discussion Group

Second Wednesdays at 2:00pm

Fourth Wednesdays at 6:00pm

Come, fellow adventurers, and share your stories of vacations, excursions, and trips with other travelers! Get great tips on destinations and travel recommendations, while gaining inspiration for upcoming vacations and adventures. Whether you're a seasoned jetsetter or looking to start seeing the world, this is the group for you!



## Collaborative Summer Sketchbook

July and August

Throughout the summer, we're inviting our neighbors to drop in and leave their mark on the Library in a unique way! Bring your creativity to us and leave your mark in our first summer sketchbook, a small collaborative community art archive. The book will close at the end of August, at which point it will be added to our collection for future generations to check out!



## Bridging the Digital Divide

*Keeping healthcare accessible for you!*

The medical landscape has changed drastically in a relatively short time, and we know how difficult it can be to keep up. With most healthcare providers requiring online portals, apps, and eSignatures, it can be tough to understand new trends and expectations. Thanks to a grant through the Network of the National Library of Medicine, we are able to ensure that you and your neighbors can always access necessary medical information at the Library, regardless of income or internet accessibility! The NNLM has generously assisted our purchase of new patron computers and accessories for helping you access these vital records regardless of common barriers. Our new color printer will ensure that you can save hard copies of sensitive records, and as always we offer free scanning and faxing services. These new computers are safe, speedy, and secure, and our knowledgeable staff are ready to assist.



## The Art and Activism of Faith Ringgold

Saturday, July 26 at 12:00pm

Join us for an in depth look at artist and activist Faith Ringgold. Learn how she combined social justice with contemporary art through her unique story quilts, and how the Harlem Renaissance informed her art and identity. Attendees will gain insight into her distinctive techniques, which combine painting and quilting to address themes of race, gender, and identity. Art historian and author Maria Ausherman will lead this presentation and discuss the historical context in which Faith worked.



## Cookbook Club

Sunday, July 27 at 4:00pm

At the Stuyvesant Town Hall



Do you love to cook? Are you looking for a chance to try out new recipes and chat with other local kitchen enthusiasts? Then stop by the Library and sign up for our Cookbook Club! Choose a recipe and bring it down to the Stuyvesant Town Hall for a potluck meal! This quarter, we'll be featuring the book There's Always Room at the Table by Kaleb Wyse. Registration and a good appetite are required for this event.

## Watercolor Workshop for Beginners

Wednesday, July 30 at 6:00pm

Learn the basics of watercolor painting and take home a new skill! The class includes all art materials for use during the session and 2 hours of step-by-step instruction from watercolor artist Kayla Jolin. Perfect for beginners but suitable for all skill levels. Bring a date, come alone, or invite your best friends and tap into your creative side! Space is limited, so visit our website or call the library to sign up today!

## Indigo Dyeing with Flowering Heart Homestead

Saturday, Aug 9 at 10:00am

Come learn about the history of Indigo, its impact on societies, and dyeing techniques from many cultures such as shibori and katazome from Japan, and tie and dye from Africa. Each student will work on experimenting and creating designs on cotton. Simple cotton scarves and handkerchiefs will be provided to practice on, and students may bring a small natural fiber item from home to dye.

# Children

## Summer Reading Challenge 2025

June 26th to August 15th

We've reimagined our Summer Reading Challenge with a colorful new twist! This year, when you sign your kids up for summer reading, they'll pick a team with a corresponding color. Log their reading and report it to the Library to add splashes of color to our summer reading rainbow! Check in each week and watch the rainbow grow!

## Imagination Station – Color Your World Edition!

Wednesdays at 4:00pm, ages 5 – 12

Join us for a drop-in craft or art project! Each week will feature different crafts or mediums to work with. This summer, we'll be making stained glass, sand art, cyanotypes, and more--let your imagination run wild!



## Family Story Times

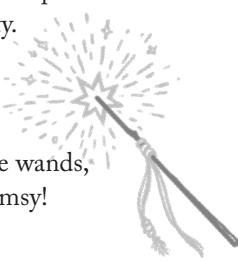
Thursdays at 10:30am, all ages!

Join us for our classic family storytimes! We will share songs, stories, and games together.

## Art Focus Fridays

Fridays at 10:30am, 18 months to 5 years

Join us for painting time! We will explore a new art medium every week including watercolors, clay, fingerpaints, and more! This program has the potential to be messy to please dress little ones in clothes you don't mind getting dirty.



## Fairy Magic

Thursday, July 10 at 4:00pm

Join us for a day of fairy magic! We'll make wands, potions, and more at this afternoon of whimsy!

## Rhonda's Reptiles

Tuesday, July 22 at 4:00pm

Join Rhonda Leavitt and her fabulous reptiles! You'll get up close and personal with snakes, lizards, turtles, and some of the coolest reptiles around.



## Teddy Bear Picnic

Thursday, Aug 14th at 10:30am

We're bringing back our classic Teddy Bear Picnic! Bring your favorite stuffy or bear and we'll celebrate them with a very special story time! They're welcome to stay for a special sleepover where you never know what kind of shenanigans they will get up to...



# Adults Cont'd

## Adult Game Night: Slide Decks

Friday, Sept 5 at 5:00pm

Do you have a passion or interest that you just HAVE to share with others? Of course you do! We've all got a niche obsession that we want to share with the world. Well, now's your chance! Sign up for our slide decks presentation night. Put together a 3-5 minute presentation, get dressed up, and share your knowledge with the world! Visit our website for more information and to register today.

## Fortune Smiles Tarot Club

Wednesday, Sept 10 at 5:30pm

If you're interested in learning the art of tarot, you will not want to miss our newest meetup! Our tarot club will provide attendees with the chance to develop a deeper understanding of the individual cards and how to interpret them through hands-on practice. Help us get this new and exciting club off the ground as we learn together.

## Maryann Proper

• presents •

## The Hill Trying Times

Friday, Sept 12 at 2:00pm

We first introduced local author Maryann Proper when she presented her book A Story from a Basket Maker's Daughter: The Hill, and we are very glad to have her back to present the sequel! Join us for a discussion and reading from her second novel, The Hill: Trying Times. Books will be available for purchase, and as an added bonus Maryann may share some details from her newest book series for attendees!

## Poetry Night

Wednesday, Sept 18 at 5:30pm

Poetry is an art that deserves to be spoken aloud as well as read silently. We are excited to offer you the chance to share some of your favorite poems with others! Bring a work by a poet you love, or something you've written yourself, and experience the joy of sharing poetry! Plus, we will have information on The Poetry Caravan, a local volunteer group dedicated to sharing poems with the community.

## 4th Annual Mini-Renaissance Faire

Sunday, Sept 28 from 2:00pm-5:00pm

Hear ye, year ye! Take a step back in time and join us once again for our Mini-Renaissance Faire in the field across the street from the Library! We'll have lots of craft vendors, educational demonstrations, crafts for kids, and more for the whole family to enjoy. Dress up in your favorite medieval costume and spend the afternoon reveling with friends and family!

# Teens & Tweens

## GRADES 5-12

### Color Tag

*Wednesday, July 9 at 6:00pm-7:00pm (Rain Date 7/16)*

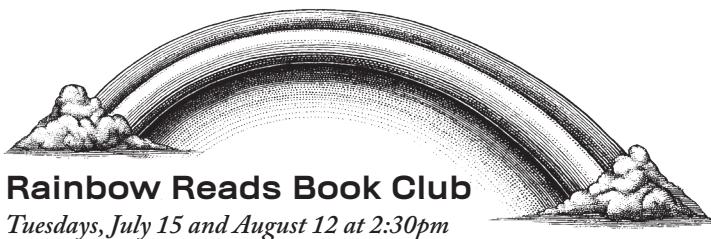
*Rothermel Park*

Unleash an attack of colors! Fling non-toxic, biodegradable colored powder at each other at Rothermel Park. Be sure to wear old clothes in case of stains and bring a towel for the trip home!

### Candy Sushi

*Friday, July 11 at 3:00pm*

Tweens in Grades 4-8 can join us for an afternoon of (candy) sushi making! We'll use rice crispies and gummy candies galore to create chewy, sweet, and sour sushi confections!



### Rainbow Reads Book Club

*Tuesdays, July 15 and August 12 at 2:30pm*

This summer, explore middle grade books with us that star LGBTQIA+ characters and themes! It's a big, beautiful world out there! Check our library's event calendar for book selections! This club is open to kids Grades 4 to 8.

### No Bake Baking Contest

*Friday, July 25 at 2:00pm*

Show us your culinary skills! Make any dessert at home using a no-bake recipe (so you don't have to use the oven in July!) Then, bring your no-bake and a copy of the recipe to the Library on July 25, where we will sample each other's dishes and the judging will commence! The winner of our contest will receive a small prize and extra Summer Reading raffle entries for the teen program. Can't make it to the program but still want to participate? Drop off your dish no earlier than Thursday, July 24 with your recipe, full name, and phone or email.

### Nailed It Art Pieces

*Friday, Aug 8 at 3:00pm*

Recreate famous works of art for your own enjoyment! The catch: instead of paint, you'll be given an assortment of pasta, glitter, and pompoms. We're sure they'll turn out splendid!

### Minecraft Movie Matinee

*Friday, Aug 15 at 2:00pm-4:00pm*

Wrap up the summer with a showing of A Minecraft Movie! Before the show begins, test your knowledge of the game with a Minecraft Crating Quiz for some blocky prizes. A Minecraft Movie is rated PG.

## AGES 13-19

### Queerly Beloved Teen Book Club

*Sundays, June 29 and July 20 at 1:00pm*

Sometimes it's romance, sometimes it's sci-fi, and sometimes it's just life. This summer we're reading a selection of LGBTQIA+ books for teens! For book selections and future meeting dates, please visit our website for details!

### TAB Summer Vacation

This summer, our volunteer group is taking some time to relax! We'll still listen to your ideas, but we're doing something a little different for our July and August meetings! Check out our website for all of the details.

- ☛ Thursday, July 17 at 4:00pm - Meet at the Rothermel Park Empire State Trail Head; walk 1 mile down the Empire State Trail for ice cream in the village, courtesy of the Library!
- ☛ Thursday, Aug 14 at 4:00pm - It's AC Beach Day! We're having a beach day in our air-conditioned meeting room! Sandcastle building, the sound of waves, fancy lemonade, and more!

*Regular Teen Advisory Board Meetings will resume on Tuesday, Sept 16 at 4:00pm!*

### Jackbox Party

*Friday, July 11 at 4:30-6:30pm*

Trivia Murder Party - Quiplash - Guesspionage - and more! Come enjoy the full range of games from Jackbox Party Pack 3 with fellow high schoolers!



### Stab Your Friends! With Swords! Safely!

*Friday, July 18 at 4:00pm*

Learn the unsubtle art of German longsword fighting with Tanya of Sleepy Hollow Swords! Participants will learn the basics of posture, slashing, and parrying with historical replicas, and can learn more about the new fencing club right in the Village. Space is limited, so contact the Library to register today!

### Clash of the Game Show Titans

*Friday, Aug 1 at 7:00pm*

We at Kinderhook have a history of hosting our own versions of game shows—Jeopardy, Wheel of Fortune, Game Changer. Now get ready for a clash of as many game shows as we can muster in this Frankenstein'd Game Show Clash! Please RSVP on the Library's website to attend this program.

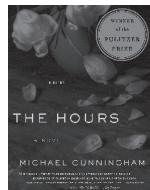
# Book Clubs

**IF YOU'RE LOOKING FOR SOME GREAT BOOKS AND CONVERSATION,  
DROP IN AND JOIN ONE OF OUR BOOK CLUBS!**

## Next Page Book Club

*Meets on the first Tuesday at 6:00pm*

- ☛ July 1 - *The Hours* by Michael Cunningham
- ☛ Aug 5 - *James* by Percival Everett
- ☛ Sept 2 - *Cutting for Stone* by Abraham Vergeze



## The Thursday Book Club

*Meets on the second Thursday at 2:00pm*

- ☛ July 10 - *The Instrumentalist* by Harriet Constable
- ☛ Aug - **No Meeting**
- ☛ Sept 11 - *Once Upon a Time on the Banks* by Cathie Pelletier



## Book Brunch with Matt

*Sundays, July 13, Aug 17, and Sept 21 at 11:00am*

Join our director to learn about some new great additions to the Library's collection over fresh coffee and bagels!



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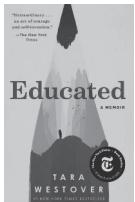
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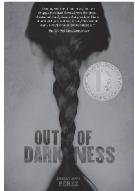
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## Nonfiction Book Club

*Meets on the third Monday at 7:30pm*

- ☛ July 21 - *Educated* by Tara Westover
- ☛ Aug - **No Meeting**
- ☛ Sept 15 - *Fields of Blood* by Karen Armstrong



## Banned Books Book Club

*Meets on the third Monday at 5:30pm*

- ☛ July 21 - *Out of Darkness* by Ashley Hope Perez
- ☛ Aug 18 - *The Kite Runner* by Khaled Hosseini
- ☛ Sept 15 - *Sold* by Patricia McCormack

LET'S BE FRIENDS

# Get Your Library Card Today!

**H**aving a library card means you can have 24-hour access, 7 days a week to the collections of 66 libraries in the Mid-Hudson Library System. Just fill out this form and bring to the library with some form of identification and proof of local residency such as:

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## Library Card Application

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