



CLIFTON PARK  
HALFMOON  
PUBLIC  
LIBRARY

**MAY/JUNE 2026  
PROGRAMS**

# Discover. Learn. Do.

Check out all of the great programs we have to offer including:

- America 250 programs
- National Ride-a-Bike Day
- Volunteer opportunities for teens
- Story Time
- Friend Speed Dating
- Computer classes
- Book Clubs

**THE LIBRARY WILL  
BE CLOSED:**

**May 25-Memorial Day**

**June 19-Juneteenth**

**July 4 & 5-Independence Day**

**HELP US SAVE PAPER!**

Look for the QR Codes located near our Program Brochures to download a copy right to your phone!



SCAN ME!



**The Flip Side of History:  
Stories from the Useless  
Information Podcast**  
Monday, June 1 at 6 pm

Author Steve Silverman, host of the popular Useless Information podcast, shares a selection of his favorite stories, including hard to believe true stories featuring local people. This program is sure to entertain! For adults & teens.



**Sogetsu Japanese Flower  
Arrangement Show**  
Saturday, June 20, 1-4:30 pm  
Sunday, June 21, 12:30-4 pm

The New York State Capital District Sogetsu Study Group invites you to an exhibition of Japanese Flower arrangements. These arrangements showcase the philosophy of the Sogetsu School of Ikebana. All ages are welcome to enjoy this unique exhibit.



**Dinoman, Dinosaurs:  
Summer Reading Kick-Off!**  
Thursday, June 25  
3 pm OR 6 pm

Dinosaur tracks lead right to the Library, but have no fear, Dinoman is here! With magic, merry mayhem, and magnificent props, the audience will take a trip throughout the Mesozoic era. For all ages, with an adult.



# BOOKS & READING

## For Adults

### HYBRID: Banned Book Club \*R

Mondays at 7 pm

- May 4: *Red at the Bone* by Jacqueline Woodson

Next meeting: July 6

### Silent Book Club at MochaLisa's Caffe, CP

(Adults & Teens)

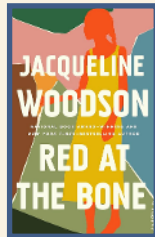
Thursdays at 6 pm

May 28, June 25

### HYBRID: Daytime Book Club \*R

Thursdays at 2 pm

- May 21: *Culpability* by Bruce Holsinger
- June 18: *Isola* by Allegra Goodman



## Virtual Author Talks

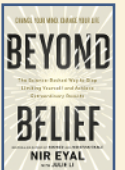
Enjoy a range of talks from bestselling authors and today's thought leaders from the comfort of your own home. \*R

May 7 at 7 pm  
Marjan Kamali



May 12 at 2 pm  
Dr. Vivienne Ming  
Watch live for a chance to win a copy of *Robot-Proof*.

May 19 at 2 pm  
Nir Eyal



June 3 at 2 pm  
Smithsonian Curator  
Mary Savig



June 11 at 7 pm  
Matt Dinniman

June 18 at 2 pm  
Ted Page



June 23 at 2 pm  
Sana Javeri Kadri & Asha Loupy  
Watch live for a chance to win a copy of their cookbook!

## For Teens

### Teen Book Club (Gr. 6-12) \*R

Thursdays at 6:30 pm  
May 28, June 18

### Read the Rainbow Book Club (Gr. 6-8) \*R

Thursdays at 7:30 pm  
May 14, June 18

### Awesome Animal Book Club (Gr. 2-5) \*R

Tuesdays at 4 pm

May 19: *Narwhals*

June 9: *Dinosaurs*



## DIGITAL MATERIALS

### Libby Basics \*R

- May 13 at 10 am
- June 22 at 10 am

### Libby Like a Pro \*R

- May 13 at 11 am
- June 22 at 12 pm

### FREE Digital Newspapers \*R

- May 14 at 11 am
- June 3 at 2 pm

### Stream Free TV & Movies with Hoopla \*R

- May 21 at 1 pm
- June 11 at 11 am



Need help with our digital resources or your device?

Fill out a **Get Help** form on our website to make a one-on-one appointment.

**cphlibrary.org > Services > Get Help**

HYBRID=attend in person or on ZOOM

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# CELEBRATE AMERICA'S 250th



## George Washington in Upstate New York

Tuesday, May 12 at 2 pm

Washington's career took him throughout the Americas, including key visits to New York.



## Community Field Trip: Schuyler Mansion, Albany \*R

Friday, May 15 at 10:30 am

Meet us at the historic home of Revolutionary War Major General, US Senator, agrarian, and businessman Philip J. Schuyler for a guided tour.



## Revolutionary Women

Monday, June 8 at 6 pm

Vintage Visitors' Phyllis Chapman joins us to present historic personifications of notable American women.



## Community Field Trip: Saratoga Battlefield, Stillwater \*R

Friday, June 12 at 10 am

Meet us at the Battlefield's Visitors Center for a docent-led caravan tour of this historic site.



## Concert: Cosby Gibson--Songs of the American Revolution

Sunday, June 14 at 2:30 pm

Join us for an afternoon of music featuring descriptive narrative and anecdotes about the American Revolution.

## DESIGN A BOOKMARK CONTEST: MAY 1-31

Create an original bookmark for the Library! Pick up a template at the Ask Desk or print one from home. There will be a competition for kids (PreK-Gr. 5), teens (Gr. 6-12), and adults. Visit our website for details.



## SHENENDEHOWA K-12 ART SHOW: MAY 21-27

Stop by the Library to see an exhibit of art projects from Shen CSD art classes. All are welcome to view these student-created masterpieces!



## FOCUS ON SUSTAINABILITY

### Jigsaw Puzzle & Board Game Swap

No donations please.

Saturday, May 2 & Sunday, May 3



### National Ride-A-Bike Day

Learn about safety, bikeable trails in our area, or try an e-bike. Family bike ride led by the Town of Clifton Park at 2 pm. For all ages.



Sunday, May 3, 1-4 pm

### Guided Nature Walk \*R

Meet us at Mohawk Landing Nature Preserve for a guided walk led by Cornell Cooperative Extension. Dress for outdoor weather/terrain.

Tuesday, June 9 at 9 am

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=Sustainable Program

# FOR CHILDREN & FAMILIES

## Monday Funday Craft: Upcycled Egg Carton Wreaths

(Gr. K-2) \*R

Monday, May 4 at 4 pm



## Library Explorers:

### Art (Gr. K-3) \*R

Read a nonfiction book about art

followed by a hands-on craft led by the Tang Museum.

Wednesday, May 6 at 4 pm

## Make-It Monday: Decorate a Spring Wreath

(Gr. 3-5) \*R

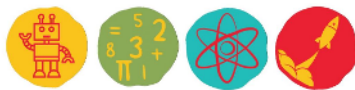
Monday, May 11 at 4 pm

## Reading Therapy Dogs

(Gr. 1-4) \*R

At 4 pm

- May 12: **Sophie**
- May 21: **Sophie Mae**
- June 4: **Sophie**



## Adventures in STEAM

(Gr. K-5, with adult) \*R

Mondays at 11 am

- May 18: **Flight**
- June 22: **Snap Circuits**

## Kids Paint & Sip (Gr. 2-5) \*R

Mondays at 4 pm

- May 18: **Dots**
- June 15: **Dinosaurs**

## Sensory Play Time \*R

- May 19 at 9:30 am: **Toddlers under 24 mos.**
- May 19 at 10:30 am: **Babies 0-12 mos.**

## Music & Motion (Ages 0-6)

Fridays at 10 am

May 29, June 26

## Play, Learn, & Grow!

(Ages 4-5, with adult) \*R

Tuesday, June 23 at 10 am

## Chalk the Walk!

Let's get ready for Summer Reading by decorating the Library's walkway.

Monday, June 29 at 10:30 am

## Tuesday Crafternoon: Dino Dot Painting

(Gr. K-5, with adult)

Tuesday, June 30 at 2 pm



## BOOKS FOR BABIES

May 4-10

Help foster an early love of reading! Pick up a special packet for your newborn at the Circulation Desk or in the Children's Library. Generously sponsored by the CPH Friends of the Library.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>Family Story Time</b> 10 am May 4-June 8 (no ST 5/25)	<b>Terrific Twos Story Time</b> 10 am For ages 24-36 mos. with adult. *R May 5	<b>Preschool Story Time &amp; Craft</b> 10:30 am For ages 3-5 with adult. *R May 6-27	<b>Family Story Time</b> 10 am May 7-June 11	<b>Wonderful Walkers</b> 9:30 am For walking toddlers under 24 mos. with adult. *R May 15 June 12
<b>Summer Story Time</b> 10 am (On the Back Lawn, weather permitting) June 15-29	<b>ZOOM: PJ Story Time</b> 7 pm *R May 5, 19 June 2, 16	<b>Sensory Story Time</b> 4 pm For ages 5-10 with adult. *R May 13	<b>Summer Story Time</b> 10 am (On the Back Lawn, weather permitting) June 18, 25	<b>Baby Story Time</b> 10:30 am For ages 0-12 mos. with adult. *R May 15 June 12
<b>SATURDAY STORY TIME:</b> May 2 & June 13 at 10 am				

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For details and to register: [cphlibrary.org](http://cphlibrary.org)

# TEEN PROGRAMS (Gr. 6-12, except where noted)



## TEEN CRAFT CORNER

Work on a craft when you visit the Teen Place, *while supplies last*.

May: Pot Holder Weaving

June: Sign Your Name Like It's 2600 BCE



### VolunTEENs: Plan a Program \*R

Help plan and run a program for other teens. (two-day session)  
Friday, May 8 at 4 pm AND  
Friday, May 15 at 3 pm

### Paint & Sip \*R

Mondays at 4:30 pm  
May 11, June 8



### Teen Time \*R

A fun program created and run by other teens!  
Friday, May 15 at 3:30 pm

### Snack Attack: Make Your Own Granola \*R

Monday, May 18 at 4 pm

### VolunTEENs: Library Decorations \*R

Wednesday, May 20 at 4 pm  
Tuesday, June 2 at 4 pm

### VolunTEENs: Book Displays \*R

Monday, June 1 at 4:30 pm

### VolunTEENs: Summer Reading Orientation (Gr. 9-12) \*R

Help with our summer reading programs for kids. Please register for one training session only.

**Registration opens May 9**

- Thursday, June 4 at 7 pm
- Thursday, June 11 at 7 pm



### Pride Party \*R

Celebrate Pride Month at this fun crafting party!  
Friday, June 12 at 4:30 pm

### Upgrade Your Order: Make Your Own Pizza \*R

Monday, June 22 at 4 pm

### Speed Jigsaw Puzzling Challenge (Ages 12+ & Adults) \*R

Monday, June 22 at 6:30 pm

### Teen Make & Sip: Marbled Paper \*R

Wednesday, June 24 at 4 pm



## Summer Reading Challenge Begins

Stop by the Library to pick up your Summer Reading materials and join us for a summer filled with reading challenges, fun programs, and exciting prizes! There will be a challenge for kids, teens, and adults.

**June 15-August 31**



Don't forget to follow us on social media for all the latest!

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# ADULT PROGRAMS

## Monthly Events

### All Abilities Art Club

Wednesdays at 11 am  
May 13, June 10

### Cinema Club

Thursdays at 6:30 pm  
May 14                      June 11



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### Genealogy Assistance

Thursdays at 11 am  
May 7, June 4, July 2

### Inclusible Games

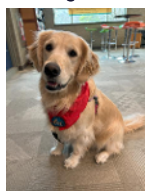
For all abilities and interests!  
Thursdays at 10 am  
May 14, June 18

### HYBRID: Journaling \*R

Wednesdays at 6:30 pm  
May 6, June 3

### Therapy Dogs for Adults

At 10 am  
May 6                      June 16



## GENERAL INTEREST

Passing the Time in  
Victorian Saratoga County  
Friday, May 1 at 2 pm

Community Field Trip:  
Clifton Park's Heritage  
Square \*R

Saturday, May 2 at 10 am

Elder Law Basics \*R

Monday, May 11 at 5:30 pm

The Tax Man Cometh:  
Using Tax Records to Dig  
Up Ancestors

Meeting of the Capital District  
Genealogical Society, followed  
by Zoom presentation.

Saturday, June 27 at 1 pm

## CRAFTS & COOKING

Crafty Adults: Handbuilding  
with Clay Workshop \*R

Fridays, 1-3 pm  
(four-week class)  
May 1, 8, 22, 29

Cookie Decorating \*R

Thursday, May 28 at 6 pm

Living Dough:  
An Introduction to  
Sourdough \*R

Monday, June 1 at 6 pm

Adult Make & Sip:  
Marbled Paper \*R

Wed., June 24 at 7 pm

## HEALTH & WELLNESS

GLP-1s Demystified \*R

Monday, May 18 at 6 pm

Radiant Morning Yoga \*R

Wednesdays at 10 am  
June 3, 10, 17, 24

## JUST FOR FUN

Board Game Social

Recommended for adults  
ages 20-30.

Sundays, 1-4 pm  
May 24, June 7

Speed Jigsaw Puzzling  
Challenge

(For adults & ages 12+) \*R  
Monday, June 22 at 6:30 pm

## Watercolor Workshop: Painting Local Wildlife \*R



Celebrate *Fuzz: When Nature Breaks the Law*  
by Mary Roach by painting local wildlife using  
watercolors. Part of the NEA Big Read Initiative.  
Friday, May 29 at 2 pm

## PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT

### Friend Speed Dating \*R



A low-key social event for  
adults in their 20s, 30s, and  
40s to make new friends.

Saturday, May 2 at 2 pm

### Inclusible Game Night



Join us for a disability/  
neurodiverse-friendly  
community game night.  
For adults, teens, and families.  
Thursday, May 7 at 6:30 pm

# COMPUTERS & TECHNOLOGY

## TECH-TALK LIVE WEBINARS \*R

Wednesdays at 3 pm on ZOOM.  
Attend online, from home.

- May 6: Scrub Your Name from the Web
  - May 20: Discover AI Resources
  - June 10: Power BI: Do You Need It?
  - June 24: Add Audio & Video to Presentations
- Find more: [cphlibrary.org](http://cphlibrary.org)  
> Research > Technology



## SENIOR PLANET

FROM AARP

### Setting Up Passwords App on Your iPhone \*R

May 4 at 2 pm

### Smartphone Camera Uses Beyond Photography \*R

May 11 at 4 pm

### Using Google Drive \*R

May 18 at 2 pm

### AI & Disinformation \*R

May 21 at 11 am

### Getting to Know Your iPhone \*R

June 1 at 2 pm

### Using Facebook Marketplace \*R

June 4 at 11 am

### Intro to Chatting with AI \*R

June 8 at 4 pm

### Outdoor Adventure Apps \*R

June 22 at 2 pm



## Drop-In Tech Help with High School Volunteers

Drop in for basic tech help with your device.  
No registration required.

May 4, May 19, June 1  
4-5 pm

## DIGITAL RESOURCE SPOTLIGHT



Did you know you can access the *New York Times* and *Wall Street Journal* for free with your library card? Go to [cphlibrary.org](http://cphlibrary.org) >

Research > Newspapers and start reading today!



## ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNING (ELL)

We offer **English Language Learning** classes for all levels of English learners. Classes are free and open to the public. For more information, email [cph-ell@sals.edu](mailto:cph-ell@sals.edu).

- **Beginner**
- **Advanced Beginner**
- **Intermediate** (Grammar)
- **Intermediate** (on ZOOM)
- **Conversation Group**
- **U.S. Citizenship Group**

Spring session ends June 18;  
Fall session begins Sept. 15.

### Summer Conversation Group

begins July 7 & 8

Tuesdays: 7-8 pm

Wednesdays: 10-11 am



### Become an English Language Volunteer at the Library this Summer!

Help our adult students gain a better understanding of the English language and American culture.

For more information, contact the ELL Coordinator:  
[cph-ell@sals.edu](mailto:cph-ell@sals.edu)

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