

Register for programs in person, by telephone at 631-399-1511, or online at www.communitylibrary.org



COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Join us for *The Grand Opening of your new Library!*

We are thrilled to invite you to the ribbon-cutting ceremony for the grand opening of our newly transformed Main Library! Mark your calendar for **Saturday, November 23, at 11:00 am** to celebrate this exciting milestone.

The finishing touches are now being added to prepare for your visit. Books and media are filling the shelves, comfortable seating and workspaces are arranged, and new signage is in place. With everything coming together, we're excited to welcome you back to this beautifully transformed space.



This journey has been about more than construction; it's been about creating a modern, flexible atmosphere to serve our community's evolving needs. From eco-friendly building practices to technology upgrades and accessible designs, every detail was chosen with our patrons in mind. We're looking forward to seeing our community gather, learn, and connect in this dynamic environment.



Thank you for being a part of this journey with us. We can't wait to open our doors and share this wonderful new library with our community!

For more information, visit www.NewCommunityLibrary.org.



Children & Parents

Register for programs three easy ways: in person, online at www.communitylibrary.org or contact the Children's Reference Desk at 631-399-1511 Ext. 2016 for the Moriches Branch or Ext. 1030 for the Mastic Beach Branch or Ext. 2028 for the Main Building.

Crafts-To-Go can be picked up at open library locations. One craft per child, per visit please.

ALL IN-PERSON PROGRAMS ARE OFFERED IN-PERSON ONLY.
SUPPLIES WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE FOR PICK UP.

PROGRAM REGISTRANTS MUST ARRIVE WITHIN 10 MINUTES OF THE START OF EACH PROGRAM OR THEIR RESERVATION WILL BE FORFEITED.

MAKE SURE TO CHECK OUR ONLINE PROGRAM CALENDAR FOR PROGRAM DETAILS.

BABIES / PRESCHOOL

Registration begins one week prior to each session unless otherwise noted.

Explore Everything - Shapes!

Monday, December 2, 11:00 – 11:30 a.m.
Held at our Moriches Branch.
Ages birth-23 months with an adult.

Zumbini

Tuesday, December 3, 11:00 – 11:45 a.m.
Held at our Mastic Beach Branch.
Ages birth-4 years with an adult.

Messy Meetups

Wednesdays, December 4 & 18
10:00 – 11:00 a.m.
Held at our Moriches Branch.
Ages 18 months-5 years with an adult.

Baby Games

Monday, December 9
10:30 – 11:15 a.m.
Held at our Moriches Branch.
Monday, December 16
10:30 – 11:15 a.m.
Held at our Main Building.
Ages birth-18 months with an adult.



Baby Playdate

Fridays, December 13 & 27
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Held at our Moriches Branch.
Fridays, December 6 & 20
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Held at our Mastic Beach Branch.
Please note this is an unstructured meet up.
Ages birth-23 months with an adult.

Little Creators

Art Studio

Monday, December 16
10:00 – 10:30 a.m.
Held at our Main Building.
Ages 18 months-5 years with an adult.

Babies Bonding: Snowy Mittens

Tuesday, December 17, 11:00 – 11:45 a.m.
Held at our Main Building.

Join us for a morning of bonding with your little one! We will read a story together and then create a winter craft for your child. Dress for a mess as we will be using paint! Ages birth-pre-crawling with an adult. No older siblings.



Handprint Snow Globes

Thursday, December 19
11:00 – 11:30 a.m.
Held at our Main Building.
Ages birth-18 months with an adult.



SCHOOL-AGE

These programs are for the registered children only. Adults and siblings must remain outside of the program space. Registration begins one week prior to each session unless otherwise noted.

Tail-Waggin' and Readin' Fun!

Mondays, 4:30 – 5:30 p.m.
Held at our Main Building.
Tuesdays, 4:30 – 5:30 p.m.
Held at our Mastic Beach Branch.
Drop-in. No registration required.
Grades K-5.



Signing with Jessie: ASL (American Sign Language)

Beginners Workshop for Kids
Monday, December 2 & Monday, December 9
4:30 – 5:30 p.m.
Held at our Main Building.
Grades 1-5.



Jingle Bells

Tuesday, December 3
5:00 – 5:45 p.m.
Held at our Main Building.
Join us for a story and jingle bell craft.
Grades K-5.



SCHOOL-AGE Continued

Pokémon Sculpey Clay Creations



Thursday, December 5
4:30 – 5:45 p.m.

Held at our Main Building.

Join art professor Chris Vivas for a fun hands-on workshop where you'll create a Sculpey clay model of your favorite Pokémon character!

Grades 2-5.

Blizzard in a Bottle

Thursday, December 5

6:30 – 7:15 p.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach Branch.

Come join us for a snowflake storytime and a super cool craft!

Grades K-3.

The Snowman

Storytime and Craft

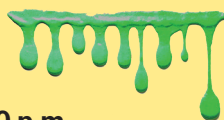
Friday, December 6

4:30 – 5:15 p.m.

Held at our Main Building.

Grades K-2.

Grinch Slime



Saturday,
December 7

11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach Branch.

Grades 3-5.

Storytime and Craft:

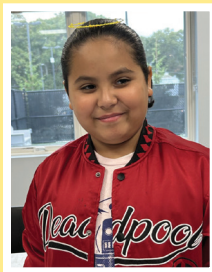
Cocoa Magic

Monday, December 9

4:30 – 5:00 p.m.

Held at our Moriches Branch.

Grades K-2.



Chess Club

Monday,
December 9

6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Held at our Main Building.

Grades 3-5.

Le Petite Picassos:

North Pole Penguin

Tuesday, December 10

5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Held at our Moriches Branch.

Join Le Petite Picassos to create a beautiful winter painting, featuring a penguin in the North Pole! Grades 1-5.

Beginner D&D

Tuesday, December 10

6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach Branch.

Grades 4-5.



STEAM Club: Minecraft EDU

Wednesday, December 11

4:15 – 5:00 p.m.

Held at our Main Building.

Grades 1-5.



Homework Whiz Kids

Thursday, December 12

5:30 – 6:00 p.m.

Held at our Main Building.

Please bring one assignment per child for small-group homework help.

Grades 1-5.

STEM Challenge:

Gumdrop Holiday Tree

Tuesday, December 17

7:00 – 7:30 p.m.

Held at our Moriches Branch.

Using gumdrops and toothpicks, children will try to build the tallest tree that they can. Grades 2-5.



Art Teacher Amy:

Gingerbread Man & Hot Cocoa

Wednesday, December 18

4:30 – 5:30 p.m.

Held at our Main Building.

Paint a Gingerbread Man & Hot Cocoa scene with Art Teacher Amy! Draw and color with oil pastels and watercolors. Step-by-step instruction. No experience necessary. Grades 1-5.

Guided Meditation for Kids

Wednesday, December 18

7:00 – 7:30 p.m.

Held at our Moriches Branch.

Never meditated before? No worries! Bring a blanket and your imagination for a relaxing pre-bedtime experience. Grades K-5.

Stained Glass

Holiday Tree

Thursday, December 19

5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Held at our Moriches Branch.

Drop-in. No registration required. Grades K-5.



Bookworm

Book Club:

Frizzy

Friday,

December 20

4:00 – 4:45 p.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach Branch.

For December we will be reading *Frizzy* by Claribel Ortega. Pick up the book at the front desk starting December 1. Grades 3-5.



LEGO Club

Monday, December 23

3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Held at our Main Building.

Drop-in. No registration required.

Grades 3-5.



Festive Frosting

Thursday, December 26

6:00 – 6:45 p.m. OR

7:15 – 8:00 p.m.

Held at our Main Building.

Join us for festive holiday cookie decorating. No matter what holiday you celebrate, you can design a matching cookie to enjoy.

Grades K-5.

Smash Bros. Tournament

Saturday,

December 28

3:00 – 4:30 p.m.

Held at our Moriches Branch.

Grades 3-5.



FAMILIES

Registration begins one week prior to each session unless otherwise noted.

Grinchmas Fun

Sunday, December 1, 12:45 – 1:30 p.m.

Held at our **Mastic Beach Branch**.

Families with children Grade 5 and younger.

Family Connect: Gratitude Jars

Wednesday, December 4, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Held at our **Moriches Branch**.

Drop-in. No registration required.

Families with children Grade 5 and younger.

Pom-Pom Critters

Saturday, December 7, 2:30 – 3:30 p.m.

Held at our **Mastic Beach Branch**.

Drop-in. No registration required. While supplies last.

Families with children Grade 5 and younger.



Holiday Houses

Saturday, December 14

10:00 – 11:00 a.m. OR 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. OR

Thursday, December 19

4:30 – 5:30 p.m. OR 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Held at our **Main Building**.

Registration begins Saturday, December 7 for all sessions.

Register one child to represent the family. Register for only ONE session. Registration for this program is by phone or in-person only. Children and their families are invited to join us for our annual Holiday

Gingerbread House celebration! Each family will complete one gingerbread house.

All materials and goodies are provided but feel free to bring additional candy/icing. Families with children Grade 5 and younger.



Ugly Sweater Decorating

Friday, December 13, 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.

Held at our **Main Building**.

Saturday, December 14

12:30 – 2:00 p.m.

Held at our **Mastic Beach Branch**.

Drop-in. No registration required.

Space permitting.

Drop-in to upcycle your own sweater into an ugly sweater. **You must provide your own sweater to decorate** - we will provide the materials to decorate with while supplies last.

Families with children Grade 5 and younger.



Snow Much Fun

Saturday, December 28

12:00 – 2:00 p.m.

Held at our **Moriches Branch**.

Drop-in.

No registration required.

Families with children Grade 5 and younger.



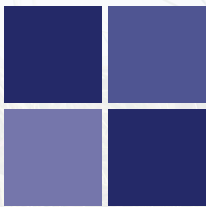
PARENTS

Positive Parenting - VIRTUAL

Tuesdays, January 7, 14, 21, 28, February 4 & 11, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

Registration begins Monday, December 23. Registration for this program is by phone or in-person only.

Learn how to set healthy boundaries, discipline without punishment and treat your children with respect so that they will respect you. Sessions designed for both mandated (certificate included) and non-mandated parents. You must provide an email so the Zoom link can be emailed to you. **Parents.**



Teens

Unless otherwise noted, all programs are for teens in grades 6 through 12.

Register for programs three easy ways: In person, online at www.communitylibrary.org or contact the Teen Reference Desk at 631-399-1511 Ext. 2015 for the Moriches Branch, Ext. 1029 for the Mastic Beach Branch or Ext. 2025 for the Main Building.

Fun and Games

Pin Pals

Earn a pin each time you attend a teen program! You can also trade pins with teen staff while in the library. Use them to decorate your backpack or anything you want!



Kahoot! Trivia - Virtual

Mondays, December 2 & 16 3:00 p.m.

Head on over to our Discord or Instagram and test your knowledge of various trivia topics! You have until Friday to participate.



D&D: Winter Campaign

Mondays, December 2, 16, 30; January 13, 27, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach Branch.

Registration is open.

Join Charlie, Teen Services Librarian, for a unique, custom-made D&D adventure that will span 5 epic sessions! Character sheets and dice will be provided.

Tabletop Wednesdays

Wednesdays, December 4 & 18, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach Branch.

Registration begins 11/27.

Sign up for tabletop gaming adventures designed just for teens! For seasoned players and newbies, a fun and inclusive space to explore various tabletop games.



Retro Gaming

Wednesday, December 11, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Held at our Main Building.

Registration begins 11/27.

Friday, December 20, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach Branch.

Registration begins 12/6.

Pretend it is the arcade days with some retro NES games on the Nintendo Switch! Eat snacks and try to get the highest score!



Mystery Video Game Tournament

Saturday, December 14, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Held at our Moriches Branch.

Registration begins 11/30.

Think you're a video game master? Put your skills to the test, as you won't know which game you're playing until you arrive for the tournament! The overall winner earns themselves a \$20 Nintendo eShop Card!

Harry Potter Trivia Night

Thursday, December 26, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Held at our Main Building.

Registration begins 12/12.

Test your knowledge of the Harry Potter universe and win awesome prizes!



Entertainment

Anime & Superheroes

Mondays, December 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Held at our Moriches Branch.

Registration is open.

Japanese cartoons, a few Marvel moments, snacks and plenty of awesomeness. Register for each session.

After Hours: Teen Takeover

Friday, December 13, 5:45 – 8:00 p.m.

Held at our Main Building.

Registration begins 11/29.

Attention teens! Come to an engaging evening filled with video games, art activities and whatever else all while eating pizza!

Movie Night:

Home Alone

on a Loop
Tuesday, December 17 2:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Held at our Main Building.

This is a drop-in program.

Drop-in and watch the classic *Home Alone*, all night long! Popcorn will be served.



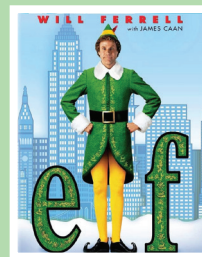
Movie Night: Elf

Thursday, December 19 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Held at our Moriches Branch.

Registration begins 12/5.

Watch *Elf* and eat popcorn!



Pop Culture Club

Thursday, December 19 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach Branch.

Registration begins 12/5.

Join Mr. Casper for a watch party! Watch a variety of current movies/series and stay for a discussion over pizza.

Arts and Crafts

Light-Up Holiday Trees

Monday, December 2, 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Held at our **Mastic Beach Branch**.

Registration is open.

Add some holiday cheer to your room with a lighted-holiday tree made from yarn!



Craft Connections

Mondays, December 2 & 16
6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Held at our **Main Building**.

Registration begins 11/25.

Design bracelets, earrings, necklaces and anything else with our beads and more!



Art Club

Wednesdays, December 4, 11, 18, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Held at our **Main Building**.

This is a drop-in program.

Draw, paint, sketch and explore art with Mr. Casper.

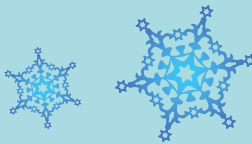
Snowflake Keychains

Thursday, December 12, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Held at our **Main Building**.

Registration begins 11/29.

Use diamond art painting kits to make a sparkly snowflake keychain. These diamond painting snowflakes also make a great holiday gift!



DIY Evergreen Wreaths

Thursday,
December 12
6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

Held at our **Main Building**.

Registration begins 11/27.

Create a beautiful evergreen wreath to take home.



Holiday Lanterns

Wednesday, December 18, 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Held at our **Moriches Branch**.

Registration begins 12/4.

Light up the holidays with a mason jar lantern for the season!

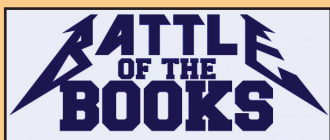
Sharpie Mugs

Thursday,
December 19
6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Held at our **Main Building**.

Registration begins 12/5.

Design your own mug!



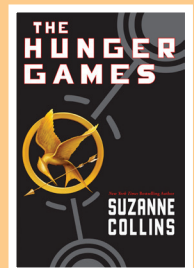
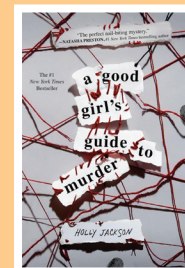
Advanced Battle of the Books

Mondays, December 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Tuesdays, December 3, 10, 17, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Held at our **Main Building**. Registration is open.

Do you have an interest in reading and trivia? Advanced Battle of the Books is a county-wide competition for teens in grades 9 through 12. We will compete against other Suffolk County libraries in 2025. This year's titles are *A Good Girls Guide to Murder* and *The Hunger Games*.



Special Needs

Enrichment: Decorate Cookies

Thursday, December 5
3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Held at our **Moriches Branch**.

Registration is open.

Decorate sugar cookies with Ms. Currao (Special Education teacher at WFHS), Nick Nappi (Program Manager) and other library friends. This program is for those with special needs in grades 6 through 12.



Peanut Butter Penguins

Friday, December 13, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Held at our **Mastic Beach Branch**.

Registration begins 11/29.

Wednesday, December 18
7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Held at our **Main Building**.

Registration begins 12/4.

Make some cute chocolate dipped peanut butter penguin cookies to keep you company through the cold weather!





Reading Buddies
Mondays & Tuesdays,
7:00 – 8:45 p.m.
Held at William Floyd
High School.

Teens in grades 8 through 12 read with younger children during the Library's ENL classes. Potential volunteers must fill out an application before attending. Applications can be picked up in the Teen Department at the Moriches or Mastic Beach branches. Two hour of community service will be given for each session. This is an on-going program.



Color A Smile
Throughout December
Held at our Moriches Branch.

Registration is open. Pick up a packet of "Color A Smile" coloring sheets from the Moriches branch anytime in December. Color all 8 pages at home to earn 2 hours of community service. Return the pages on 12/5, 12/12, 12/19 between 1 and 9 pm or 12/26 between 5 and 9 pm to the Moriches branch.



Community service is for students in grades 6 through 12 that need the hours for religious studies, honor society or graduation. Teens must have an MMSCL library card in good standing.

Cards for Hospitalized Kids

Wednesday, December 4, 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Held at our Moriches Branch.

Registration begins 11/27.

Monday, December 9, 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach Branch.

Registration begins 12/2.

Wednesday, December 11, 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Held at our Moriches Branch.

Registration begins 12/4.

Earn one hour of community service by designing holiday cards for hospitalized kids.



Holiday Greeting Cards

Thursday, December 5

3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Held at our Main Building.

Registration begins 11/27.

Friday, December 6, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Held at the Moriches Branch.

Registration begins 11/29.

Make holiday cards that will bring cheer to seniors living in nursing homes.

Teen Advisory Board

Tuesday, December 10, 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach Branch.

Registration begins 12/3.

Earn one hour of community service and improve the library by sharing your opinions.

Your Library Loves to Help

OMU

Wednesdays, December 11 & 18
7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach Branch.

This is a drop-in program.

A place where any teen can come down to discuss any topic they want in a judge-free atmosphere. Where they will feel accepted and appreciated for the differences that make them unique. It is a place where teens can speak about what is on their minds and any troubles that they come across in their lives as teens.

Let's Talk

Wednesdays, December 11 & 18
8:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach Branch.

This is a drop-in program.

A unique program where teens get to pick topics that are of concern to them that will be discussed among their peers in a judgement free and open atmosphere. They will have the opportunity to learn about topics that interest them and are important to teens in our current world. Snacks will be served for all attendees.



Visit with a Therapy Dog

Thursdays, December 5 & 12
4:30 – 5:30 p.m.

Held at our Moriches Branch.

This is a drop-in program.

Drop-in to pet a therapy dog, tell a story or read a few pages of your favorite book.

Adults

Register for programs three easy ways: in person, online at www.communitylibrary.org or contact the Adult Information Desk at 631-399-1511 Ext. 2014 for the Moriches Branch or Ext. 1028 for the Mastic Beach Branch.

Writing

Creative Writer's Workshop

Thursday, December 12
2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Held at our Moriches Branch.

Registration begins Wednesday, November 27. Express yourself in a safe and friendly environment with Anne Kelly-Edmunds during this monthly creative writing workshop. Create all types of original works in a supportive space.



Everyone Loves a Story

What's on your Nightstand?

Thursday, December 12
6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Held at La Buena Vida Spanish Restaurant
(714 Montauk Hwy, Moriches, NY)

Registration begins Wednesday, December 4.

Deciding what to read next? Join us for a discussion about books at La Buena Vida! There is no assigned reading; chat about what you are currently reading, what you want to read, or your most favorite book of all time. Appetizers will be provided. Wine and beer will be available for purchase.



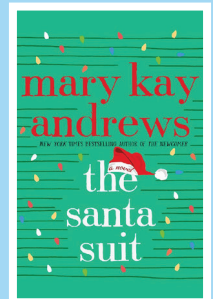
Book Discussion of *The Santa Suit*

Thursday, December 19, 2:30 – 4:00 p.m.

Held at our Main Building.

Registration begins Thursday, December 5

Join us to celebrate the magic of the holidays and second chances while discussing the novella, *The Santa Suit* by Mary Kay Andrews. Newly-divorced Ivy Perkins is looking for change and buys an old farmhouse sight unseen. She didn't bargain on just how much of a labor of love it would be as the previous family left so much junk and furniture behind. At the top of a closet, Ivy finds an old Santa suit – beautifully made and decades old. In the pocket of a suit she finds a note written by a little girl who has one wish, and that is for her father to return home from the war. This discovery sets Ivy off on a mission. Who wrote the note? Did the man ever come home? What mysteries did the Rose family hold? Ivy's quest brings her into the community, at a time when all she wanted to do was be left alone and nurse her wounds. Ivy just might find more than she ever thought a welcoming town, a family reunited, a mystery solved, and a second chance at love. Copies of the book will be available for pick up at our Moriches branch starting November 27.



Take Care of Yourself

Silver Sneaker Full-Body Workout

Tuesdays, December 10 and 17, 1:00 – 2:00 p.m.

Held at our Main Building.

Registration begins Monday, December 2.

Join certified Silver Sneaker instructor, Jennifer, for a light cardiovascular workout that combines strength and resistance training, balance, coordination, and stretching. Wear comfortable clothing. Resistance bands will be provided. This class is done either standing or sitting. Bring light weights and water to class.

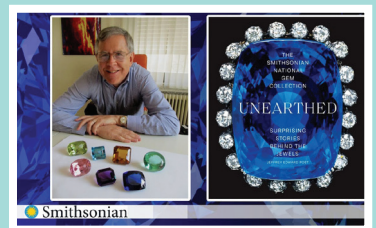


The MMSCL is now participating in **Author Talks**. These free, live virtual presentations are from some of the best-known authors.

Visit <https://library.org/communitylibrary> to see a list of upcoming authors and to register.

Registration begins, Friday, November 22.

The featured December authors are:



Unearthed: Exploring the Smithsonian National Gem Collection with Dr. Jeffrey Post

A Library Speakers Consortium and Smithsonian Institution Collaboration

Wednesday, December 4, 2:00 p.m.

On Pulse-Pounding, Family Driven Mysteries: A Conversation with Laura Dave

New York Times Bestselling Author of *The Last Thing He Told Me*

Wednesday, December 11, 2:00 p.m.



Your Library Loves to Help

Small Business Mentoring

Do you want to open your own business and are not sure where to start? Are you a business owner who needs advice? Meet with a SCORE business mentor for one-to-one help. To register, please call the Adult Reference Desk at 631-399-1511 ext. 1028 or 2014. **Open to all.**

Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group

Thursday, December 5 and 19, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach Branch.

Register now.

The Family and Children's Association is hosting a support group for caregivers who care for someone with dementia or memory loss. This group is for spouses, children, or any other family members or friends who are caring for someone with memory loss. **Open to all.**

Job and Career Counseling

Saturday, December 7, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Held at our Moriches Branch.

Register now.

Register for a one-on-one session with our seasoned Career Counselor for students and professionals to help with resumes, cover letters, interview etiquette, job searching techniques, and career transition advice! *For MMSCL cardholders only. Appointments required.*

Social Work Assistance

The library will be providing social work assistance by our licensed social worker Alex and social work intern Anne. They can help connect individuals to services and appropriate resources for housing and financial assistance, provide referrals for programs, complete various forms and applications, and more. Appointments are required.

Open to all.

Make a one-hour appointment with Alex:

Wednesdays, December 11, 18, 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach Branch.

Thursday, December 19, 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Held at our Moriches Branch.

Make a one-hour appointment with Anne:

Tuesdays, December 3, 10, 17, 12:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Held at our Main Building.

Fridays, December 6, 13, 20, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Held at our Main Building.

HIICAP Medicare Assistance

Wednesday, December 18

2:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach Branch.

Register now.

A HIICAP counselor from RSVP can assist you with Medicare and health insurance questions, reviewing Medicare Part D plans and more. Appointments required. **Open to all.**

Senior Advocate

Friday, December 27, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach Branch.

A representative from the Suffolk County Office of the Aging will meet one-on-one to discuss different benefits and programs available to senior residents. The Advocate is available on a walk-in basis. No appointment required.

Open to all.



Inclusive Services

Enrichment: Cookie Decorating

Thursday, December 5, 4:45 – 5:45 p.m.

Held at our Moriches Branch.

Register now.

Come decorate sugar cookies with Ms. Currao (Special Education teacher at WFHS), Nick Nappi (Program Manager) and your library friends.

This program is for those with special needs that are 18 years and older.



Fun and Games

Board Game Night

Thursday, December 5

6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Attention all tabletop game enthusiasts! Come join Games Master Games for a night filled with board action.

Drop-in program. No registration necessary.



Science

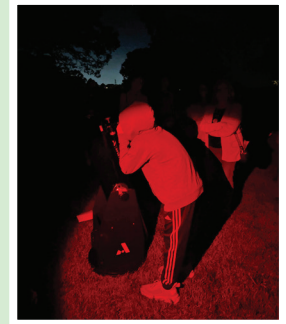
Astronomy Star Party

Tuesday, December 3

7:00 – 8:45 p.m.

Held at our Moriches Branch.

Join the AstroNots for a night of astronomy! Bring your own telescope or look through ours. Through the telescope you will observe galaxies, nebulae, star clusters, and planets while learning how these spectacular objects form and evolve in the universe. Dress warmly and bring a lawn chair! **Drop-in program. No registration necessary.**



Adventures of a Long Island Ghost Hunter

Wednesday, December 11, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Held at our Main Building.

Registration begins Tuesday, November 26.

Join medium and paranormal investigator, Joe Giaquinto for a fascinating talk as he shares his ghostly encounters during paranormal investigations of historic Long Island properties from the Revolutionary War and the Culper Spy Ring. Joe will give a supernatural glimpse into the lives, personalities, and challenges of Long Island's famous historic spirits and how he was able to communicate with them.



Arts and Crafts

Fee based programs are non-refundable. The instructor will provide a materials kit (minus paints) unless otherwise noted. Materials kits will be held for one week after the scheduled class. Intended for adults 18 years and older.

Mugs and Hugs

Monday, December 2, 6:00 – 7:15 p.m.

Held at our **Mastic Beach Branch**.

OR Monday, December 16, 6:00 – 7:15 p.m.

Held at our **Moriches Branch**.

****Please register for only one session.****

Registration begins Monday, November 25.

Create your own painted ceramic mug while exploring themes of gratitude, self-compassion and social connection and learning new ways to care for yourself emotionally! Presented by Healing Arts with Stony Brook University.



Alcohol Ink Ornaments

Monday, December 9

6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Held at our **Main Building**.

Registration begins on Friday, November 29.

Let's learn and have fun with fluid art using alcohol inks. Design two beautifully colored glass ornaments to enhance your holiday decor. Your special creations will also make unique gifts. Demonstration, supplies, tips and techniques will be shared. Presented by Elizabeth, designer. Materials fee: \$5.00 (non-refundable). Due to the nature and materials of the project there will be no refunds or take-home kits available.



Festive Mosaic Trees

Tuesday, December 3

6:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Held at our **Moriches Branch**.

Registration begins on Monday, November 25.

Get into the holiday spirit by creating two beautiful mosaic Christmas trees in this fun, hands-on workshop! You'll learn essential mosaic techniques, including tile cutting, design, and grouting, while crafting festive tree-shaped decorations perfect for your home or as thoughtful gifts. Whether you're new to mosaics or looking to expand your skills, this class offers a creative way to celebrate the season. Materials fee: \$13 per person.



Beginner Sketching and Drawing with Colored Pencils

Tuesday, December 10, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

Held at our **Moriches Branch**.

Registration begins Wednesday, November 27.

Join local artist Jennifer Lucas to learn the basics of sketching and drawing using colored pencils. Materials needed for class: A set of 24 Prismacolor colored pencils (either Premier or Scholar), Prismacolor colorless blender pencil, a plastic eraser, a hand sharpener and a Strathmore colored pencil paper pad. **Open to all.**

Learn the Art of Quilting

Wednesday, December 11, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Held at our **Main Building**.

Register now.

All levels of experience are welcome to join our quilting group! Instructors Gloria and Sandy are here to help you, whether you want assistance with an existing project or need guidance to start something new.

Crochet and Knit

Wednesdays, December 4 and 18

1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

Held at our **Main Building**.

Register now.

All skill levels are welcome! Crochet/Knit instructor Corrine can assist you with an existing project or help you get started on a new one. Bring your own 4-ply yarn and appropriate crochet hooks or knitting needles. **Open to all.**



Sea Glass Evergreen Tree

Wednesday, December 18, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

Held at our **Moriches Branch**.

Registration begins Monday, December 2.

Create stunning evergreen trees made from beautiful sea glass! This hands-on class will guide you through transforming colorful pieces of sea glass into a charming holiday decoration. Each tree will be topped with a whimsical starfish and decorated with pearls. Materials fee of \$15 due at time of registration (non-refundable) Must have a MMSCL card to register.



Snowman Busted Canvas Craft

Wednesday, December 4

7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Held at our **Moriches Branch**.

Registration begins Tuesday, November 26.

Join craft instructor Laurie for a fun workshop where you'll create a charming winter scene on an 8" x 10" canvas. In this class, you'll learn to incorporate techniques like decoupage and painting to bring your vision to life. Materials fee: \$10.00 (non-refundable).



Beginner Painting: Gnome Wall Hanging

Thursday, December 19, 6:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Held at our **Moriches Branch**.

Registration begins

Thursday, December 5.

Join painting instructor Linda and learn how to paint this adorable gnome.

Materials fee: \$12.00 (non-refundable).

Technology



Canva Holiday Cards

Tuesday, December 10, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Held at our Main Building.

Registration begins Tuesday, November 26.

Join us in creating your own personalized holiday cards with Canva. In this class we will be designing a holiday card with Canva to have printed at the end of class. Experience with Canva or having attended our beginner Canva classes is recommended for this program. Materials will be provided. Limit to one greeting card per registrant.

Embroidered Holiday Tea Towels

Wednesday, December 11, 1:00 – 5:00, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Held at our Main Building.

Registration begins Wednesday, November 27.

Use our embroidery machine to personalize your own holiday tea towel. Register to reserve a one-hour one-on-one session.

Sublimation Holiday Ornaments

Tuesday, December 17, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Held at our Main Building.

Registration begins Tuesday, December 3.

Create a personalized holiday ornament, made possible by our sublimation printer. Participants can create a customized design with pictures and/or images of their choice. We will be using Canva to format our designs. Personal images or photographs are acceptable and encouraged! Basic computer knowledge is required. Knowledge of Canva is recommended, but not required.

Sublimation Ink Slate Photo Frames

Wednesday, December 18, 2:00 – 4:00, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Held at our Main Building.

Registration begins Wednesday, December 4.

Turn a beloved photo or image into a slate work of art. Come ready with a photo in your email, on a USB drive, or on a mobile device and we'll transfer it onto a slate blank. Perfect for gifting. One frame with stand will be provided per registrant.

Literacy Services

The Literacy Department proudly serves our diverse community through classes, programs, and events.

Our educational services provide adult classes such as English as a New Language, Citizenship, Friendly Italian Conversation, Family Literacy programs and enrichment for children, volunteer opportunities for teens such as Reading Buddies, and more.

Find us “out and about” in the community offering library outreach and book giveaways, for example, at Laundry Kingdom and the William Floyd schools. Join us to clean up litter during the annual Community Cleanup, celebrate the accomplishments of our students during the annual Celebration of Literacy, and cross from “bridge to beach” during the annual 5K Run/Walk for Literacy.

Our fundraising efforts through the Community Family Literacy Project Inc., a 501c3 organization, support our neighbors through scholarships for WFHS seniors, scholarships for U.S. naturalization, books to build home libraries, and more.

It is our pleasure to serve and support the patrons of the Mastics-Moriches-Shirley community.



English as a New Language (ENL) and Citizenship

Registration ongoing.

Classes offered to district residents include English as a New Language, Family Literacy, and U.S. Citizenship Preparation. For more information, call 631-399-1511 ext. 2002. Pre-registration is required.

Inglés como nuevo idioma (ENL) y ciudadanía

La registración está abierta.

Las clases que se ofrecen sólo a los residentes del distrito incluyen Inglés como Nuevo Idioma, Family Literacy, y Clases de Tutoría de Ciudadanía Estadounidense. Para más información, llame al 631-399-1511, ext. 2002. Se requiere registro.



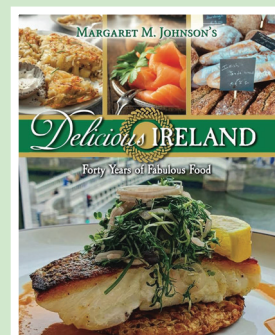
Holiday Afternoon Tea

Wednesday, December 18, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Held at our Main Building.

Registration begins Friday, December 6.

Join Margaret M. Johnson, author of fourteen cookbooks, including *Festive Flavors of Ireland* and her latest, *Delicious Ireland*, with a holiday afternoon tea. A formal tea — sandwiches and savories, scones and fruitcakes, and traditional holiday sweets — will be served, along with exciting new recipes to welcome the season. A sparkling beverage will be served, and Ms. Johnson's cookbooks will be available for sale and signing. **Patrons should bring their own teacup and saucer.**



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Donate clean, gently used or new coats (all sizes welcome).
Donations of new hats, scarves, and gloves will also be
accepted. All donations will be distributed through Angels of
Long Island. You can also drop off at the Senator's Patchogue
office, 90-B West Main Street, Patchogue, NY 11772 .



Chamber of Commerce Annual Christmas Parade

Sunday, December 8, 12 noon

Look for the Library staff marching in this
year's 53rd Annual Christmas Parade, organized
by the Chamber of Commerce of the Mastics and Shirley.
To be held Sunday December 8th, starting at the Kohls
parking lot in Mastic and marching down Montauk Highway
to the Mastic Firehouse. The parade is a beloved annual
event, with over 60 local businesses, fire and ambulance
companies, civic groups and more participating.



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The Board of Trustees meets on the fourth Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Meetings are open and the public is always invited to attend. If you have any questions about any library matter, please call the Library Director, Kerri Rosalia, at 631-399-1511, ext. 1001.



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201 Montauk Highway
Moriches 11955

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Mastic Beach 11951

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*September 8, 2024 through June 8, 2025



COMMUNITY LIBRARY

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