

MILTON LIBRARY'S PRESCHOOL LIBRARY PROGRAMS BEGIN ON MARCH 4

For more information and to register, visit or call the library (845-795-2200).

Nature Kids

Mondays, 10:30 to 11:15 a.m.

Ages 3 and up

supercharged story-time exploring the natural world

Preschool Learning Skills

Tuesdays, 10:30 to 11:15 a.m.

Ages 3 and up

fun activities encouraging reading development

Both Classes with Tammy Foster
lifelong early-childhood educator



Family Music Time

6 Thursdays starting March 7

18 months to 5 years 10:45 to 11:30 a.m.

With Laura Leigh

Local artist and musician

An interactive music, songwriting, and
storytelling workshop for parents and children
ages 18 months to 5 years.

This workshop is made possible by
NYSCLA with the support of the Office of
the Governor & the NYS legislature.



ONGOING LIBRARY CLUBS

LEGO CLUB

Mondays, 4:15 to 5:15 p.m.

Grades K and up Begins in March.

Lego free-builds and activities.

KNITTING GROUP

Tuesdays, 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Work on group or individual projects.

Share expertise. Bring your needles.

ART ESCAPE

Wednesdays, On Hiatus TBA

Pursue creative endeavors in a supportive, friendly
atmosphere. Bring your art projects.

BOOK LOVERS' CLUB

3rd Wednesday, 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Consult our website and social media
for current book selections.

TEA, TALKS & WORKSHOPS

2nd and 4th Fridays, 3:30 to 5:00 p.m.

New series begins in March..

Consult staff/website for scheduled content.

WRITERS' GROUP

Third Thursday & Saturday, 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.

Explore writing techniques and discuss all
things related to books.

ANIME CLUB

1st and 3rd Saturdays, 2:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Age 13 and older

Anime, manga, cosplay, games, and more.



OUR COMMUNITY VALUES AND SUPPORTS OUR LIBRARY

Every year, despite the real challenges of pandemic and inflation, the generosity of individuals, families, and local businesses wows our staff and board. These direct donations, along with such fundraising projects as raffle baskets and book sales, augment SHHFL's annual library tax levy income of \$189,200 (approved by public vote in November 2023 as a municipal ballot proposition).

The operating budget pays for salaries, library collection materials, technology, ongoing programming for children and

seniors, and everyday services and supplies that keep the library running — from electricity to toilet paper. *It does not cover remodeling and renovation costs, which are funded by grants and donations earmarked for our Capital Campaign.*

One reason our little library is able to meet high standards of service (to which even large libraries aspire) is that our community values and supports our work. We heartily thank all who responded to our end-of-year appeal, and apologize if we missed adding your name to our "honor roll" before going to print.

YOUR LIBRARY THANKS YOU FOR RESPONDING TO OUR END-OF-YEAR APPEAL!

Julie and Anthony Amodeo in memory of James & Cecilia VanVliet
Mr. & Mrs. James Appler, Jr. in memory of Norma Appler
Frances Biancardi in memory of Dr. Anthony E. Biancardi
James & Monica Bishop in memory of Joy Donaldson
Stephanie Calabrese in memory of Geraldine Wilkinson
Donna Castrogiovanni
Sabrina Chesser in memory of Cindy Chesser
Judy & Steven Clarke in memory of Marion & Leonard Clarke
Debra Ferguson in memory of Michael & Naomi LaPolla
Grace U. Ford in memory of Hope Perkins Featherstone
Mary C. Graham
Kenneth T. Halstead
Paul & Mary Ibsen in memory of Josephine Ibsen, Bill & Sally Wilson
June E. Jennison in memory of Edwin D. Jennison Sr.
Bina Jhanji in memory of Subhash Jhanji
Ardis Ketterer in memory of Peg Ketterer
Maribeth & Dan King
Al & Cindy Lanzetta
Michael & Linda LaPolla in honor of SHHFL Staff & Board of Trustees
Lastra Research Group
Greg & Anna Lobdell in memory of Jane Santora
Rebecca A. Low in memory of Charles & Roseanne Lake
Peter J. Lyons
Gedney & MaryAnn Mackey

Ellen Mann
Irene Martin in memory of Tom & Jean Jenkins
Donna Martuscello in memory of Viola B. Danna, Book Lover and Friend
Mr. & Mrs. James McManus on the occasion of A Merry Christmas
Mary & Ralph McMullen on the occasion of Megan Soucier getting her MILS degree '23
Robby & Terry Nicoletti
Donna M. Nowak in honor of Your Helpful, Kind, Pleasant Staff
Natalie & Nicholas Pascale
Anna Pendino in memory of Anna, Joseph, & Flora Kramer, and Janie Santora
Susan Peters & Duncan Clark
George & Marie Rusk
Michael Russin in memory of Janet Russin
Joseph P. Russo in memory of Patricia K. Russo
Edward & Katherine Sagarese in memory of Janet M. Russin
Patricia Sansone on the occasion of MHS Class of 2024
James & Linda Scott in honor of Ardis Ketterer
Marie, Frank & Gerri Taddeo & Family in memory of Joseph & Susie Taddeo
Josephine Totten in memory of Mr. & Mrs. Fred Diorio
Margery VanVliet in memory of James VanVliet III
Rosemary & Jerry Wein in memory of Jim Santora
Kathy & David White in honor of The Wonderful Staff at SHHFL
Joann Woods in memory of Anthony & Ann Bivona and daughter Roseann
Marjorie Wrage in memory of Marjorie Brehm Boyden

Our special thanks go out to **Edouard DeSoto**, who included the library in his birthday celebration.

We are also grateful to all the local businesses who contributed goods to our fundraising efforts, and to the **Russo Family, Sawyer Savings Bank, and Stewart Shops** for their generous donations.

Sarah Hull Hallock Free Library 2024 Programs for all ages!

Chinese Brush Painting

at the Sarah Hull Hallock Free Library

56-58 Main Street, Milton, NY 12547



Sat., March 16

1:00-3:30 pm

Create a beautiful piece of art as you learn traditional Chinese brushwork.

Ages 10 to adult.

Space limited; call to register.

845-795-2200



Council on the Arts

This artist-led workshop is made possible by the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of the Office of the Governor and the New York State Legislature.

After School Art Club

Sarah Hull Hallock Free Library

With local artist Laura Leigh

For Children Ages 7 And Up

Young artists will have the opportunity to learn fundamental drawing and painting skills while also discovering their own artistic style.

Local artist Laura Leigh will work with each student individually to foster a love for creating art. Projects will include animal drawing, abstract painting, landscapes, making paint from natural materials, and more!



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Visit: 56-58 Main Street, Milton, NY 12547 Call: 854-795-2200 Email: miltonlibrary@live.com

Check our website for more programs for all ages!

You are invited to pave our path to the future! Participate in the year's first capital fundraiser!

Changes are happening at our library! We welcome Betty Diorio as our interim Library Director, who's busy working on a slate of adult and children's programming. Our search for a permanent Library Director is on-going with panel interviews tentatively scheduled for the first week of March. Veronica Evanega has installed a mounting system for our artwork which has finally been returned to the library from storage. The bricks arrived in mid-November, but the ground was too frozen for the installation. We will be working with Steve Riviaccio, Top Seed Landscaping to have them installed as Spring approaches. The brick fundraiser continues, and orders will be submitted at the end of each quarter, i.e. end of March. So come on in and enjoy your renovated library and all that it has to offer for FREE! Best always, Maribeth Wooldridge-King, President, Board of Trustees



4" X 8" brick 3 lines \$100
8" X 8" brick 6 lines \$200

Purchase bricks online with credit card:

www.bricksrus.com/donorsite/miltonlibrary

Or visit us in person to pick up an order form and see a sample brick.

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Betty Diorio, Interim Director

Maribeth King, President, Board of Trustees

Rosemary Wein, Vice President

Ardis Ketterer, Chief Financial Officer

Susan Trapani, Secretary

Library Board Meetings: Fourth Wednesday of the Month at 7:00 p.m.

Exceptions: November 29; No December Meeting

Library Hours

Monday — Thursday
10:00 a.m. — 6:00 p.m.

Friday
10:00 a.m. — 5:00 p.m.

Saturday
10:00 a.m. — 2:00 p.m.

Sunday Closed

Holiday Closures

New Year's Day, MLK Day,
Memorial Day, Independence Day,
Labor Day, Veterans' Day,
Thanksgiving (Thurs. & Fri.),
Christmas Eve & Day, New Year's Eve