



# PROGRAM GUIDE

## JANUARY FEBRUARY 2025

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## Repeat Play: The Art of Pattern

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**OPALKA GALLERY**

### HIGHLIGHTING BLACK VOICES & CULTURE

We're proud to partner with local artists, authors, and performers for many of our Martin Luther King Jr. Day and Black History Month programs! We invite you to learn, explore, and celebrate together as a community.

**BRUNCH & A MOVIE: "SELMA"**

Jan. 3 (Fri) | 1-3 pm | Howe | Ages 18+.

**MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. MURAL PROJECT**

Jan. 13 (Mon) | 6-7:30 pm | Pine Hills | All ages.

**MARTIN KING LUTHER JR. DAY STORYTIME**

Jan. 14 (Tue) | 10:30-11:30 am | Howe | Ages 2-5.

**VIRTUAL AUTHOR TALK:**

**TIFFANY JEWELL ON UNPACKING A HISTORY OF SYSTEMIC RACISM IN THE AMERICAN EDUCATION SYSTEM**

Jan. 19 (Sun) | 2-3:30 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill | Ages 18+.

**EXPRESSING THE DREAM: AN MLK DAY CELEBRATION OF POETRY, DANCE, DRUMMING & ART**

Jan. 20 (Mon) | 3-6 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill | All ages.

**ABSTRACT EXPRESSIONS:**

**ART INSPIRED BY ALMA WOODSEY THOMAS**

Feb. 8 (Sat) | 3-4:30 pm | Washington | Ages 18+.

**BLACK HISTORY MONTH BINGO**

Feb. 8 (Sat) | 3:30-4:30 pm | Howe | All ages.

**BLACK HISTORY MONTH CONCERT: LUCIA & LEVI**

Feb. 15 (Sat) | 2-3 pm | Pine Hills | Ages 18+.

**BOOK REVIEW: AFROTURISM: A HISTORY OF BLACK FUTURES**

Feb. 18 (Tue) | 2-3 pm | Washington | Ages 18+.

**VIRTUAL AUTHOR TALK:**

**LEE HAWKINS ON I AM NOBODY'S SLAVE**

Feb. 18 (Tue) | 2-3:30 pm | Howe & North Albany & Online | Ages 18+.

**THE AFRICAN DIASPORA: SACRED DANCES & DRUMS**

Feb. 24 (Mon) | 4-6 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill | All ages.

< See inside pages for full descriptions. >

# ALL AGES

## LEARN BRAILLE

**Jan. 2-31 | During Open Hours | Howe**

Learn Braille and then test your new knowledge with an interactive touch program. | All ages. | Drop in.

## MAKERS AT THE ALBANY MADE CREATIVE LAB

➤ **Every Tuesday | 3-6 pm**

➤ **Every Thursday | 4:30-7:30 pm**

### Washington

Use 3D printers, sewing machines, art implements, and more. | Made possible in part by a generous donation to the Friends & Foundation of APL from the Bender Family Foundation. | All ages. | No registration.

## BEVERAGES & BOARD GAMES

**Jan. 10 & Feb. 14 (Fri) | 1-3 pm | Howe**

Sit and sip while you play board games, card games, and puzzles. | All ages. | No registration.

## MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. MURAL PROJECT

**Jan. 13 (Mon) | 6-7:30 pm | Pine Hills**

Contribute to this mural project that will feature iconic images and inspiring words from Dr. King and other Civil Rights leaders. We'll display the mural for MLK Jr. Day and Black History Month. | All ages. | No registration.

## SENSORY STATIONS

**Jan. 14, 28 & Feb. 11, 25 (Tue) | 4-5 pm | Delaware**

Explore our sensory stations with kinetic sand, Orbeez, discovery bins, fidget toys, stress balls, tea tastings, and more. | All ages. | Drop in.

## EXPRESSING THE DREAM: AN MLK DAY CELEBRATION

**Jan. 20 (Mon) | 3-6 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch**

➤ **Poetry Writing** | Local author Jillian Baxter leads us in writing poems inspired by poets from the Civil Rights Movement.

➤ **Movement and Dance** | Tsehaya D. Smith focuses on expressing ideas from participants' poetry.

➤ **Participatory Drumming** | Artists Marla Perez, Howard Underwood, and John Dickson lead the session.

➤ **"It's a Wrap" Art Creation** | Artist Eric Treece focuses on creating expressions of the participants' dreams.

Celebrate the legacy of Martin Luther King Jr. in this special creative afternoon provided in partnership with ArtPartners/Tsehaya & Co., a community-based professional dance training. | All ages. | Registration required.

## DEAL ME A STORY

**Jan. 20 (Mon) | 5:30-6:15 pm | Zoom**

Join this quick online writing session to help get your creative process started. | All ages. | Registration required.

## ARBOR HILL/WEST HILL FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

**Jan. 27 (Mon) | 6-7:30 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill**

Enjoy family-friendly movie "Harold and the Purple Crayon" (PG, 2024). | All ages. | Drop in.

## PUZZLES

**Jan. 27-31 (Mon-Fri) | During Open Hours | Delaware**

Celebrate National Puzzle Day all week by helping to complete our library jigsaw puzzle. | All ages. | Drop in.

## PUZZLEPALOOZA

**Jan. 29 (Wed) | 5-7:30 pm | Pine Hills**

It's National Puzzle Day, and we've got all kinds of puzzles for you to enjoy. | All ages. | No registration.

## NORTH ALBANY FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

➤ **Jan. 29 | "Matilda" (PG, 1996)**

➤ **Feb. 26 | "Ratatouille" (G, 2007)**

**Wednesdays | 5-7:30 pm | North Albany**

Snacks and drinks, too. | All ages. | Registration required.

## LIBRARY LOVE

**Feb. 1-14 | During Open Hours | Bach**

Show the library some love by making valentines to decorate our branch. | All ages. | Drop in.

## VALENTINE'S DAY CARDS

**Feb. 1-14 | During Open Hours | North Albany**

Decorate a Valentine's Day Card. | All ages. | Drop in.

## TELL US WHY YOU LOVE THE LIBRARY

**Feb. 1-28 | During Open Hours | Howe**

Create a poster telling why you love the library. The posters will be displayed in the branch. | All ages. | Drop in.

## CAT CASTLES

**Feb. 5 (Wed) | 5:30-7:30 pm | North Albany**

Use cardboard, paint, and glue to decorate a castle for your cat. | All ages. | Registration required.

## BLACK HISTORY MONTH BINGO

**Feb. 8 (Sat) | 3:30-4:30 pm | Howe**

Listen to music by talented Black musicians and play BINGO. | All ages. | Registration required.

## ESCAPE TO THE TROPICS

**Feb. 21 (Fri) | 3:30-5 pm | North Albany**

Enjoy our summer-themed party! We'll have tropical music and crafts. | All ages. | Registration required.

## CHINESE NEW YEAR: YEAR OF THE SNAKE

**Feb. 22 (Sat) | 12:30-1:30 pm | Howe**

It's the Year of the Snake and we're learning about them with Reptile Adventure. | All ages. | Registration required.

## THE AFRICAN DIASPORA: SACRED DANCES AND DRUMS

**Feb. 24 (Mon) | 4-6 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch**

Learn about and practice African/Afro-Cuban dance and drumming with dancer/choreographer/filmmaker, Omonike Akinyemi and master drummers Howard Underwood and John Dickson. Presented in partnership with ArtPartners/Tsehaya & Company. | All ages. | Registration required.

# ADULTS

## GENTLE MOVEMENT GROUP

**Every Monday | 12:15-1:15 pm | Howe & Zoom**

Light movement exercises. Participate at Howe, or from home on Zoom. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

## CITIZENSHIP & NATURALIZATION PREPARATION CLASS

**Every Monday | 2:30-4 pm | Howe**

For immigrants and newcomers who are preparing for the USCIS citizenship and naturalization process. Presented by Refugees and Immigrants Support Services of Emmaus, Inc. (RISSE). | Ages 18+. | No registration.

## ONE-ON-ONE COMPUTER & TECH HELP

- **Every Monday | 12-12:30 pm | Delaware**
- **Every Thursday | 2-2:30 pm & 3-3:30 pm | Pine Hills**
- **Jan. 9 & Feb. 13 (Thu) | 11 am-1 pm | Bach**
- **Jan. 13 & Feb. 10 (Mon) | 4:30-5:30 pm | North Albany**

Bring your device and questions. NNORC leads the Bach sessions. | Ages 18+. | Registration required for help at Bach, Delaware, and Pine Hills; drop in at North Albany.

## ENGLISH AS A NEW LANGUAGE CLASS

- **Every Tuesday | 10:30 am-12 pm | Pine Hills**
- **Every Tuesday | 1:30-3 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill**

Literacy Volunteers of Rensselaer Co. teaches this class. | Ages 18+. | Register at (518) 244-4650 or [lvorc.org](http://lvorc.org).

## COFFEE & A MOVIE

**Every Wednesday | 1-3 pm | Washington**

Enjoy a movie and coffee. Talk to community service providers. | Ages 18+. | Drop in.

## RESUME ASSISTANCE

**Every Thursday | 1-2 pm | Delaware**

Get help writing resumes and cover letters in this one-on-one session. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

## CITY NEIGHBORHOOD SPECIALIST OFFICE HOURS

- **Arbor Hill Area | Every Thursday | 3-4 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch** | Meet Lori Kochanski.
- **Delaware Area | Every Wednesday | 12-1:30 pm | Delaware Branch** | Meet Tabora Marcus.
- **Pine Hills Area | Every Thursday | 10:30 am-12:30 pm | Pine Hills Branch** | Meet Alex Word.
- **West Hill Area | Every Tuesday | 3-5 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill Branch** | Meet Maribel Ramos Rodriguez.

The city's neighborhood reps answer your questions and hear concerns. | Ages 18+. | Drop in.

## STITCH ANGELS

**Every Friday | 12:30-2:30 pm | Delaware**

Work on your knitting or crocheting projects with fellow fiber artists. | Ages 18+. | No registration.

## TEA & COLORING

**Jan. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 (Thu) | 12:15-1 pm | Delaware**

Celebrate National Hot Tea Month with hot tea and coloring sheets. | Ages 18+. No registration.

## NNORC COMMUNITY NURSE

**Jan. 2, 16 & Feb. 6, 20 (Thu) | 1-2 pm | Bach**

Susan Riback, NNORC community health nurse educator, does blood pressure checks, medication reviews, and discusses health concerns. | Ages 18+. | Drop in.

## ONCE-A-MONTH BRUNCH & A MOVIE

- **Jan. 3 | "Selma" (PG-13, 2014)**
- **Feb. 7 | "The Notebook" (PG-13, 2004)**

**Fridays | 1-3 pm | Howe**

Enjoy a movie, coffee or tea, and a light breakfast. | Ages 18+. | No registration.

## STOP! IT'S PUZZLE TIME!

**Jan. 6 (Mon) | 5-7 pm | Howe**

Relax and work on a puzzle with a group or on your own. | Ages 18+. | No registration.

## BEGINNING CROCHET: FLOWER COASTERS

**Jan. 6 (Mon) | 6-7:30 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill**

"Genie of all Trades," an experienced crochet artist, teaches how to make a flower-shaped coaster. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

## WITH PEN IN HAND

**Jan. 6, 20 & Feb. 3, 17 (Mon) | 2-3:30 pm | Howe**

Learn to express yourself and share your work. Facilitated by Misty Yarnall. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

## MYSTERY BOOK CLUB

- **Jan. 6 | *The Word is Murder* by A. Horowitz**
- **Feb. 3 | *Murders in Great Diddling* by K. Bivald**

**Mondays | 6:30-7:45 pm | Zoom**

Read at home and join us on Zoom for a spirited discussion. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

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# ADULTS

## WINTER SCENE MASON JAR CRAFT

**Jan. 7 (Tue) | 6-7:30 pm | Washington**

We'll create a winter scene in a mason jar. Miss Virginia leads the class. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

## TUESDAY BOOK TALKS

- **Jan. 7 | Author Talk** | Jim & Carol McCord read from *Time and Place + West and East: Poems & Images*.
- **Jan. 14 | Book Review** | *Sippi* reviewed by actor/teacher Donald "The Soul Man" Hyman.
- **Jan. 21 | Book Review** | *The Box: How the Shipping Container Made the World Smaller & the World Economy Bigger* reviewed by attorney Charlie Pensabene.
- **Jan. 28 | Book Review** | *Knife: Meditations After an Attempted Murder* reviewed by lawyer John McGuire.
- **Feb. 4 | Book Review** | *The Deepest Well* reviewed by Wizard's Wardrobe co-founder Debra Fagans.
- **Feb. 11 | Book Review** | *The Long 20th Century: Money, Power & the Origins of Our Times* reviewed by Daniel Plaat, SUNY Institutional Research & Data Analytics.
- **Feb. 18 | Book Review** | *Afrofuturism: A History of Black Futures* reviewed by librarian Roger Green.
- **Feb. 25 | Book Review** | *The Labor of Lunch: Why We Need Real Food and Real Jobs in American Public Schools* reviewed by UAlbany History Prof. Kendra Smith-Howard.

**Tuesdays | 2-3 pm | Washington**

Weekly book talks hosted by Friends & Foundation of APL. | Ages 18+. | No registration.

## SEWING GROUP

**Jan. 7 & Feb. 4 (Tue) | 4:30-5:30 pm | Howe**

Newly arrived immigrants learn to sew while practicing their English language skills. Hosted by Stitching Exchange. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

## YARN OVER & YAP

**Jan. 7 & Feb. 4 (Tue) | 5:30-7:30 pm | Delaware**

Bring your current craft project to work on while we talk, laugh, and watch a movie. | Ages 18+. | No registration.

## PUZZLE TRADING

**Jan. 8 (Wed) | 5-7:30 pm | North Albany**

Bring some of your well-loved, but in good shape, puzzles to trade with others. | Ages 18+. | No registration.

## LUNCHTIME LURE MODULES: POKEMON GO!

**Jan. 8, 15, 22, 29 (Wed) | 12:30-1 pm | Delaware**

Visit our Pokémon Go! Lure modules behind the library. | Ages 18+. | Drop in.

## ONE STITCH AT A TIME

**Jan. 8, 22 & Feb. 5, 19 (Wed) | 1-2 pm | Bach**

Bring your current project and work on it among other fabric artists. | Ages 18+. | No registration.

## CHARACTER DESIGN ART PROGRAM

**Jan. 8, 15, 22, 29 (Wed) | 6-7:30 pm | Howe**

Explore the fundamentals of figure drawing using a wooden model. Get guided instructions and work at your own pace. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

## CREATE A VISION BOARD

**Jan. 9 (Thu) | 6-7:30 pm | Washington**

Make a vision board with your 2025 goals. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

## COMMUNITY ART

**Jan. 9 & Feb. 13 (Thu) | 6-7:30 pm | Bach**

Paint with a group. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

## DOCUMENTARY & DISCUSSION: "NAMELESS"

**Jan. 11 (Sat) | 10:30 am-12 pm | Washington**

This program for Human Trafficking Awareness Day is presented by the Albany County Crime Victim and Sexual Violence Center. View this documentary that looks at the historical and cultural roots of human trafficking in the US. A panel discussion follows. Counselors will be on hand to help participants. Light refreshments, too. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

## ART SUPPLY & CRAFT SWAP

**Jan. 11 (Sat) | 3-4:30 pm | Washington**

Bring handmade crafts, extra art supplies, and crafting tools to exchange with others. Leftovers will be donated to Grassroots Givers or used for APL programs. | Ages 18+. | No registration.

## PAINT 'N' SIP PLUS

➤ **Jan. 13 | Ceramic Necklace or Keychain**

➤ **Feb. 3 | Mosaic Glass Coaster**

**Mondays | 6-7:30 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill**

Make an art piece in a relaxing atmosphere while enjoying refreshments. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

## APL BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

➤ **Jan. 13 | Regular Meeting**

➤ **Feb. 11 | Regular Meeting**

➤ **Feb. 25 | Budget Session**

**Tuesdays | 6-7:30 pm | Washington**

Attend in person, or watch on YouTube. Public comment in person, or: (518) 290-6905 or [publiccomment@albanypubliclibrary.org](mailto:publiccomment@albanypubliclibrary.org). | Ages 18+. | Drop in.

## ALL ABILITIES SOCIAL GROUP

➤ **Jan. 14, 28 & Feb. 11, 25 (Tue) | 12-2 pm | Delaware**

➤ **Jan. 15 & Feb. 5, 19 (Wed) | 1-2:30 pm | Pine Hills**

Caregivers can stop in with their groups for various activities for all abilities. | Ages 18+. | No registration.

## FREE HIV & HEP C TESTING

**Jan. 14, 28 & Feb. 11, 25 (Tue) | 2-5 pm | Washington**

Free and discreet testing provided by In Our Own Voices. | Ages 18+. | No registration.

# ADULTS

## BOOK CLUB BEFORE DINNER

- > **Jan. 14** | **Britt-Marie Was Here** by F. Backman
  - > **Feb. 11** | **Red Island House** by A. Lee
- Tuesdays | 5-6 pm | North Albany**  
Join us for book discussions | Ages 18+. | No registration.

## SILENT BOOK CLUB

- Jan. 14 & Feb. 11 (Tue) | 5-6:30 pm | Uncommon Grounds at University Plaza (1225 Western Ave.)**  
Bring a book and enjoy the peace of reading among fellow book lovers. | Ages 18+. | Drop in.

## NOVEL NIGHT BOOK CLUB

- > **Jan. 14** | **God Help the Child** by T. Morrison
  - > **Feb. 11** | **The Sellout** by P. Beatty
- Tuesdays | 6-7 pm | Washington**  
Read at home and join us for a lively discussion. | Ages 18+. | No registration.

## VIRTUAL AUTHOR TALK WITH T.J. KLUNE: "THE MAGIC OF FOUND FAMILY"

- > **Jan. 15 (Wed) | 2-3:30 pm | Online** | Watch livestream from anywhere.
  - > **Jan. 17 (Fri) | 2-3:30 pm | Howe** | Watch recording together at the branch.
- This is part of our virtual author talk series available to all APL patrons. Klune is known for the Cerulean Chronicles series. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

## TALKING BOOK & BRAILLE LIBRARY

- Jan. 15 (Wed) | 6-7 pm | Pine Hills**  
Learn how to apply for and request materials from this free lending library available to people who have difficulty reading standard print due to impairment or disability. | Ages 18+. | No registration.

## MARTIAL ARTS MOVIE NIGHT

- Jan. 15 & Feb. 5 (Wed) | 5-7 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill**  
Enjoy classic, new, and influential martial arts films. | Ages 18+. | No registration.

## NOVELS AFTER NOON

- > **Jan. 16** | **The Art Thief** by M. Finkel
  - > **Feb. 20** | **James** by P. Everett
- Thursdays | 2-3 pm | Bach**  
Fun book discussions. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

## MEET THE APPS: LIBBY & HOOPLA

- Jan. 16 & Feb. 20 (Thu) | 5-5:30 pm | Delaware**  
Learn how to access digital books, movies, more on your phone, tablet. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

## MOON SPACE: BREASTFEEDING SUPPORT GROUP

- Jan. 16 & Feb. 20 (Thu) | 5:15-7 pm | Washington**  
Learn from a lactation educator. Bring your infant. Light snacks, tea provided. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

## TRUE CRIME IN THE ADIRONDACKS

- > **Jan. 15** | **"Murder on Whiteface"** | Author Tim Rowland discusses a 1924 unsolved double murder on Whiteface Mountain trail.
  - > **Feb. 12** | **"Escape from Dannemora"** | Author Michael Benson discusses the June 2015 prison escape of two murderers and the subsequent manhunt.
- Wednesdays | 7-8 pm | Zoom**  
These online programs are hosted by Adirondack Experience: The Museum on Blue Mountain Lake. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

## VIRTUAL AUTHOR TALKS

- > **Jan. 17** | **Freida McFadden** | **"Psychological Thrillers and the Queen of Twists"** | Author of The Housemaid series talks about writing psychological thrillers.
  - > **Feb. 21** | **Rick Steves** | **"European Travel Tips and Tools"** | Travel guidebook author shares info on how to safely and successfully tour countries in Europe.
- Fridays | 1-2:30 pm | Pine Hills**  
Watch these recorded programs (part of a virtual author talk series available to APL patrons) in a group setting. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

## JUST KEEP WRITING

- Jan. 17 & Feb. 21 (Fri) | 4-5:30 pm | Washington**  
Participate in our fiction writing group. | Ages 14+. | Registration required.

## LET ME BE PERFECTLY QUEER: LGBTQ+ BOOK CLUB

- Jan. 17 & Feb. 21 (Fri) | 6-7 pm | Zoom**  
We discuss books that center on queer ideas, stories, and experiences. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

## CRAFTING YOUR BUSINESS DREAM

- Jan. 18 (Sat) | 12:30-2:30 pm | Pine Hills**  
Artisans and handcrafters learn how to turn their hobbies into businesses from Leah LaFera, of Sweet Sprig natural soap and skincare company. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

## MUSIC & MOCKTAILS WITH SLINGSHOT

- Jan. 18 (Sat) | 3-4 pm | Howe**  
Enjoy a performance by popular band Slingshot and tasty mocktails. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

## VIRTUAL AUTHOR TALK WITH TIFFANY JEWELL: "UNPACKING A HISTORY OF SYSTEMIC RACISM IN THE AMERICAN EDUCATION SYSTEM"

- Jan. 19 (Sun) | 2-3:30 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill**  
We'll watch this program (part of the virtual author talk archive available to all APL patrons) and enjoy light refreshments. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

## CINEMANIA

- > **Jan. 20** | **"The Princess Bride"** (PG, 1987)
  - > **Feb. 17** | **"Fences"** (PG, 2016)
- Mondays | 6-7:45 pm | Pine Hills**  
Enjoy these films. | Ages 18+. | No registration.

# ADULTS

## TALES OF ALBANY: A LOCAL HISTORY BOOK CLUB

> **Jan. 21** | *The Crazy Ladies of Pearl Street* by Trevanian

> **Feb. 18** | *Winter Sisters* by R. Oliveira

**Tuesdays** | 6:30-7:30 pm | **Washington**

We're discussing historical novels focused on our beloved Albany. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

## MEDITATION SERIES: "HOW TO PUT DOWN YOUR PHONE: ANCIENT TIPS FOR MANAGING A BUSY MIND & WORLD"

**Jan. 22, 29 & Feb. 5, 12 (Wed)** | 2:30-3:30 pm | **Pine Hills**

Learn to turn off distractions and tune into your mind with Elissa Kane of the Shambhala Meditation Center. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

## PERSONAL GROWTH BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

> **Jan. 22** | *Life Changing Magic of Tidying Up* by M. Kondo

> **Feb. 26** | *Radical Compassion* by T. Branch

**Wednesdays** | 6:30-7:30 pm | **Pine Hills**

Explore personal development and cultivate a sense of community. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

## LET'S TALK ALBANY:

### "BEYOND THE PINES: COLONIAL SCHENECTADY"

**Jan. 23 (Thu)** | 1-2 pm | **Bach**

Schenectady County Historical Society explores old Schenectady with us. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

## VIRTUAL AUTHOR TALK WITH AMANDA MONTELL:

### "NOTES ON MODERN IRRATIONALITY"

**Jan. 23 (Thu)** | 2-3:30 pm | **Delaware & Online**

Watch this livestream (part of the virtual author talk service available to all APL patrons) at the branch, or online from anywhere. | Ages 18+. | No registration.

## INDIE LENS POP-UP FILM SERIES

> **Jan. 25** | "Free for All: The Public Library"

> **Feb. 22** | "Bike Vessel"

**Saturdays** | 2-4 pm | **Pine Hills**

Watch a new documentary from the PBS Independent Lens film series, then participate in a community conversation led by WHMT. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

## VIRTUAL AUTHOR TALK WITH SETH FISHMAN:

### "AN INSIDE LOOK AT WORKING WITH A LITERARY AGENT"

**Jan. 28 (Tue)** | 1-2:30 pm | **Bach & Online**

Hear from a literary agent in this livestream (part of the virtual author talk service available to all APL patrons) at the branch, or online from anywhere. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

## VIRTUAL AUTHOR TALK WITH SABRINA SHOLTS:

### "THE HUMAN DISEASE: HOW WE CREATE PANDEMICS, FROM OUR BODIES TO OUR BELIEFS"

**Feb. 4 (Tue)** | 2-3:30 pm | **Howe & North Albany & Online**

Watch the livestream (part of the Library Speakers Consortium service available to all APL patrons) at North Albany and Howe, or online from anywhere. Sholts is from the Smithsonian's National Museum of Natural History. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

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## CROCHET VALENTINE HEARTS

**Feb. 3 (Mon)** | 5:30-7:30 pm | **Howe**

Crochet a heart shape that can be used to decorate a card or gift. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

## MAKE A VALENTINE'S DAY CARD

**Feb. 4 (Tue)** | 6-7:30 pm | **Washington**

Make Valentine's Day cards with Miss Virginia. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

## WATERCOLOR VALENTINES

**Feb. 5 (Wed)** | 6-7:30 pm | **Pine Hills**

Use watercolor paints to create valentines. Extras will be donated to seniors. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

## ART & SIP

**Feb. 6, 13, 20, 27 (Thu)** | 5-6 pm | **Howe**

Make art and enjoy a warm beverage. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

## HOMEBUYER 101

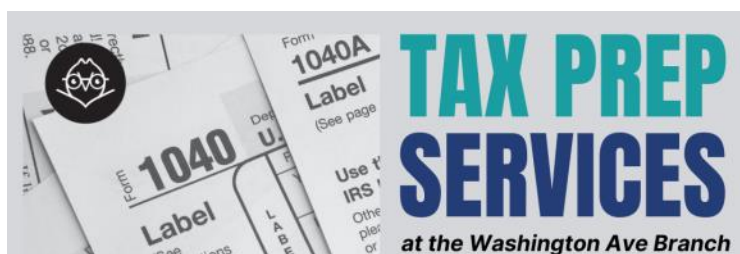
**Feb. 7 (Fri)** | 1-2:30 pm | **Washington**

Get tips on buying a home from Affordable Housing Partnership of the Capital Region, Inc. Call AHP at (518) 434-1730 to register. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

## ALBANY AMOUR

**Feb. 8 (Sat)** | 11 am-12 pm | **Washington**

Hear tales of sweet, scandalous, and notorious Albany relationships, including Alexander and Eliza Hamilton, Stephen and Harriet Myers, and the one at the center of the historic Cherry Hill murder. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.



**TAX PREP SERVICES**  
at the Washington Ave Branch

The library is hosting **FREE in-person tax preparation assistance** through the NYS Taxpayer Assistance Program (TAP) and IRS Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program (VITA). **Appointment required.**

## Guided Assistance from TAP

**Mondays:** Starting Feb. 3

**Every Other Tuesday:** Starting Feb. 4

**Make Appointment:** [www.tax.ny.gov/tap/](http://www.tax.ny.gov/tap/)

## Form Preparation by VITA

**Thursdays:** Starting Jan. 30

**Make Appointment:** [www.unitedwaygcr.org/cash/](http://www.unitedwaygcr.org/cash/)

# ADULTS

## ABSTRACT EXPRESSIONS

**Feb. 8 (Sat) | 3-4:30 pm | Washington**

For Black History Month, create art inspired by Alma Woodsey Thomas. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

## VIRTUAL AUTHOR TALK WITH WAUBGESHIG RICE:

**"DYSTOPIAN TROPES FROM AN INDIGENOUS PERSPECTIVE"**

**Feb. 11 (Tue) | 7-8:30 pm | Online**

Watch this livestream (part of the virtual author talk service available to all APL patrons) online from anywhere. Rice is author of *Moon of the Turning Leaves*. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

## CRAFTING FOR SENIORS

**Feb. 12 (Wed) | 1-2 pm | Bach**

Create a colorful yarn "painting" in this session geared toward older adults. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

## PAPER CURLING CRAFT: COLORFUL SNOWFLAKES

**Feb. 12 (Wed) | 5:30-7:30 pm | North Albany**

Instructor Stacey Kennedy teaches us how to curl paper into snowflakes. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

## DATE NIGHT AT THE LIBRARY

**Feb. 12 (Wed) | 6-7:45 pm | Pine Hills**

Celebrate Valentine's Day with a date at the library. Explore an art exhibit, do a book-locating competition, guess your date's book preferences, enjoy light fare and sweets, make a craft, and borrow a mystery batch of date-night DVDs. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

## BLACK HISTORY MONTH CONCERT: LUCIA & LEVI

**Feb. 15 (Sat) | 2-3 pm | Pine Hills**

Popular duo Lucia and Levi highlight Blues legends in this live performance. Program generously funded by the Music Performance Trust Fund. | Ages 18+. | No registration.

## VIRTUAL AUTHOR TALK WITH LEE HAWKINS:

**"I AM NOBODY'S SLAVE"**

**Feb. 18 (Tue) | 2-3:30 pm | Howe & North Albany & Online**

Watch this livestream (part of the virtual author talk service available to all APL patrons) at Howe or North Albany, or online from anywhere. The author is a Pulitzer Prize finalist. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

## 3D DESIGN 101

**Feb. 18 (Tue) | 4:30-5:30 pm | North Albany**

Learn basic 3D design concepts and Tinkercad modeling program. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

## AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

**Feb. 21 (Fri) | 11:30 am-3:30 pm | Washington**

Walk-ins welcome. Or make appointment: 1-800-733-2767 or [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org). | Ages 18+. | Registration optional.

## CROCHET 101 WORKSHOP

**Feb. 22 (Sat) | 1-3 pm | Washington**

Learn crochet basics from Kaila Kurz thanks to a generous donation to Friends & Foundation of APL from the Bender Family Foundation. | Ages 18+. | Registration required.

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## MINI MAKERS AT THE ALBANY MADE CREATIVE LAB

**Every Monday | 4-5:30 pm | Washington**

Join us in the makerspace for shrinky dinks, buttons, perler beads, more. Made possible in part by a generous donation to FFAPL from the Bender Family Foundation. | Ages 6-14. | No registration.

## READING WITH ROCKET

**Every Tuesday | 3:30-4:30 pm | Delaware**

Read to Rocket, a certified therapy dog and great listener. Bring your own book, or ask the librarian for a recommendation. | Ages 5-17. | Drop in.

## BOOK BUDDIES

**Every Tuesday | 3:30-4 pm | Pine Hills**

Together we'll read librarian-selected picture books and do a craft or activity. | Ages 4-8. | No registration.

## CRAFTER SCHOOL PARTY

**Every Tuesday | 4-5 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill**

Arts and crafts fun. | Ages 5-11. | No registration.

## GAMERS UNITE

**Every Wednesday | 4-5:30 pm | Washington**

Play board or video games. | Ages 10-17. | Drop in.

## AFTER SCHOOL GAMING

**Every Thursday | 4-5 pm | Pine Hills**

Hang out at the library and play board and video games with your friends. | Ages 11-17. | No registration.

## MINECRAFT MAYHEM

**Every Thursday | 6-7:30 pm | Washington**

Build your Minecraft world. | Ages 6-14. | Drop in.

## TEEN FRIDAYS

**Every Friday | 3:30-5 pm | North Albany**

Play video games, watch anime, and do some crafts. | Ages 11-17. | Drop in.

## SUPER SMASH FRIDAYS

**Every Friday | 4-5 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill**

Bring your friends to play Super Smash Bros. | Ages 13-17. No registration.

# YOUTH

## GAMING ZONE

**Every Friday | 4:30-5:45 pm | Howe**  
Play Xbox, Switch, or PS4. | Ages 11-17. | Drop in.

## LEGO CLUB

**Jan. 2 & Feb. 6 (Thu) | 4-5 pm | Delaware**  
Build whatever you can imagine using our LEGO bricks. | Ages 4-11. | No registration.

## COMICS COLLAGE

**Jan. 7 (Tue) | 4-5 pm | Bach**  
Cut up old 1980s comic books and make your own paneled collage. | Ages 11-17. | Registration required.

## NOT A NUMBER GROUP

**Jan. 7, 14, 21, 28 & Feb. 4, 11 (Tue) | 3:30-4:30 pm | Pine Hills**  
Teens learn to identify and use healthy support systems to decrease the likelihood of child trafficking and exploitation. Presented by Albany County Crime Victim and Sexual Violence Center. Register by calling the Center at (518) 447-4938. | Ages 11-17. Registration required.

## KITCHEN SCIENCE

**Jan. 8 (Wed) | 3:30-4:30 pm | Pine Hills**  
Explore three states of matter using common kitchen ingredients with help from Children's Museum at Saratoga. | Ages 5-11. | Registration required.

## DUNGEONS & DRAGONS 101

**Jan. 8, 29 & Feb. 12 (Wed) | 4-6 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill**  
Learn how to make your characters and worlds come alive. | Ages 11-17. | Registration required.

## FUN AT 4

> **Jan. 8 | Construction Zone**  
> **Jan. 15 | Sock Snowpeople**  
> **Jan. 22 | Shrinky Dinks**  
> **Feb. 26 | House of Cards**  
**Wednesdays | 4-5 pm | Bach**  
Enjoy a different art, science, or game activity each week. | Ages 5-11. | No registration.

## LIBRARY SCIENTISTS

> **Jan. 9 (Thu) | 3:30-4:30 pm | North Albany | Oobleck**  
> **Jan. 23 (Thu) | 3:30-4:30 pm | North Albany | Sound**  
> **Feb. 6 (Thu) | 3:30-4:30 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill | Electromagnets**  
> **Feb. 20 (Thu) | 2-3 pm | Pine Hills | Cloud in a Jar**  
**Thursdays | Various Branches**  
Join us for fun and engaging science experiments. | Ages 5-11. | Registration required.

## ANIME NIGHT

**Jan. 9 & Feb. 13 (Thu) | 4-5:30 pm | Washington**  
Watch anime while enjoying snacks together. | Ages 11-17. | No registration.

## SPANISH MUSIC & DANCE CLASS

**Jan. 10 (Fri) | 2-2:45 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill**  
Canta y Baila Conmigo brings us this fun, dynamic movement and music class conducted in Spanish. | Ages 0-6. | Registration required.

## "PIZZA AND TACO" BOOK RELEASE PARTY

**Jan. 10 (Fri) | 4-5 pm | Delaware**  
Celebrate the release of *Pizza and Taco: Coolest Club Ever* with trivia, a book talk, and, of course, pizza and tacos! | Ages 5-11. | Registration required.

## YARN PAINTING

**Jan. 14 (Tue) | 6-7 pm | Washington**  
Paint with yarn on canvas. | Ages 5-11. | Registration required.

## MULTIPLAYER

**Jan. 14, 28 & Feb. 11, 25 (Tue) | 4-5 pm | Bach**  
Play Super Smash Bros., Mario Kart, and more fun games together. | Ages 11-17. | Drop in.

## ELEMENTARY ART

> **Jan. 15 | Splatter & Blow Painting**  
> **Jan. 21 | Pottery**  
**Tuesdays | 4-5 pm | Delaware**  
Create at the library. | Ages 5-11. | Registration required.

## MY FIRST BOOK CLUB

> **Jan. 16 & Feb. 13 (Thu) | 3:30-4:30 pm | Bach**  
> **Jan. 31 & Feb. 28 (Fri) | 4:30-5:30 pm | Arbor/West**  
A book club just for kids who have graduated from storytime and are starting to read on their own. Each session includes reading together, and a craft. No preparation needed. | Ages 4-8. | Registration required.

## TABLETOP RPG TIME

**Jan. 16 & Feb. 20 (Thu) | 4-5:30 pm | Washington**  
Learn to play tabletop role-playing games in the Forged in the Dark system. | Ages 10-17. | Registration required.

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App Store | Get it on  
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## CRAFTERNOON

**Jan. 16 & Feb. 20 (Thu) | 4-5 pm | Delaware**

We'll do a different craft project each session. | Ages 5-11. | No registration.

## PAGE TURNERS

> **Jan. 16 | *Alone*** by M. Freeman

> **Feb. 13 | *From the Desk of Zoe Washington*** by J. Marks  
**Thursdays | 6:30-7:30 pm | Zoom**

Read the month's book at home and join us on Zoom for a fun discussion. | Ages 9-14. | Registration required.

## GAME ON SATURDAY

**Jan. 18 & Feb. 15 (Sat) | 2-4 pm | Howe**

Bring your friends and your "A-game" to play video games together. | Ages 11-17. | No registration.

## PRESCHOOL ART: POTTERY

**Jan 21 (Tue) | 3-4 pm | Delaware**

Make pottery. | Ages 0-5. | Registration required.

## PANCAKES

**Jan. 21 (Tue) | 4-5 pm | Bach**

Eat pancakes! | Ages 11-17. | Registration required.

## BLIZZARD IN A JAR

**Jan. 22 (Wed) | 4-5 pm | North Albany**

Mix mineral oil, food dye, and glitter in a mason jar to make a blizzard. | Ages 11-17. | Registration required.

## TEEN ANIMANGA CLUB

**Jan. 22 (Wed) | 5-7 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill**

Share your love of anime and manga while enjoying snacks. | Ages 11-17. | No registration.

## ARTISTS UNITE

**Jan. 27 & Feb. 24 (Mon) | 6-7:30 pm | Pine Hills**

Create art using our supplies and instruction books. | Ages 11-17. | Registration required.

## SLIME

**Jan. 28 (Tue) | 4-5 pm | Washington**

Make slime. | Ages 5-17. | Registration required.

## CELEBRATE KOREAN LUNAR NEW YEAR

**Jan. 29 (Wed) | 4-5 pm | Bach**

Celebrate Seollal, Korean Lunar New Year. Justin and Min share some Seollal traditions with us, including Bojagi, fabric gift wrapping. | Ages 6-12. | Registration required.

## CELEBRATING SNAKES

**Jan. 30 (Thu) | 5-5:45 pm | Delaware**

Celebrate Lunar New Year, the Year of the Snake! Participate in snake-themed crafts and science experiments. | Ages 5-11. | Registration required.

## ANIME CLUB FOR TEENS & ADULTS

**Jan. 30 (Thu) at 5-6 pm & Feb. 26 (Wed) at 6-7 pm | Howe**

Watch anime, draw and read manga. | Ages 13+. | No registration.

## TAKE YOUR CHILD TO THE LIBRARY DAY

> **Growing Readers Glow Party | 11:30 am-12:30 pm | Howe**

> **1st Saturday for Families: Let's Glow | 10:30-11:30 am | Washington**

> **Glow in the Dark Slime | 2-3 pm | Pine Hills**

**Feb. 1 | Saturday | Various Branches**

It's Take Your Child to the Library Day. Please visit to see what we have to offer, and participate in these fun glow parties! | Ages 0-8. | No registration.

## BOOKMARK BUNCH

**Feb. 5 (Wed) | 4-5 pm | Bach**

We'll read a few chapters of *The Magnificent Makers #1: How to Test a Friendship* together, do some activities, and enjoy a snack. You get to take the book home to keep. | Ages 7-12. | Registration required.

## FEED THE BIRDS


**Feb. 10 (Mon) | 6:30-7:30 pm | Pine Hills**

A wildlife educator from the Albany Pine Bush Preserve teaches us about birds and their habitat. Pinecone bird-feeder craft, too. | Ages 5-11. | Registration required.

## POLAROID VALENTINES

**Feb. 11 (Tue) | 6-7 pm | Washington**

Make a personalized valentine featuring a photo of you. | Ages 5-11. | Registration required.



**ALBANY MADE Creative Lab**  
AT ALBANY PUBLIC LIBRARY

# Makers

at the Albany Made Creative Lab

**All ages**  
TUESDAYS 3-6PM  
THURSDAYS 4:30-7:30PM

**Ages 6-14**  
MONDAYS 4-5:30PM

- art supplies
- graphics and video editing programs
- digital cameras
- color printer
- keyboard, guitars, and music editing equipment
- sewing machines
- fiber arts materials
- hand & power tools
- 3D printers
- bike repair kit

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## VALENTINE SWEETS MINUTE-TO-WIN-IT

Feb. 12 (Wed) | 4-5 pm | Bach

Play Minute-to-Win-It challenges with candy. | Ages 5-11. | Registration required.

## POINTILISM ART

Feb. 12 (Wed) | 4-5 pm | Delaware

Make a painting. | Ages 11-17. | No registration.

## PERLER BEAD CRAFTING

Feb. 13 (Thu) | 4-5 pm | Delaware

Make something cool. | Ages 11-17. | No registration.

## SPECIAL WMHT STORYTIME & CRAFT: QUACK & COUNT

Feb. 13 (Thu) | 4:30-5:30 pm | North Albany

Barbara Lukas from WMHT reads Quack and Count and leads a themed craft.. Get a copy of the book and activities to take home. | Ages 2-8. | Registration required.

## PAINT-FREE WATERCOLOR

Feb. 27 (Thu) | 4:30-5:30 pm | Delaware

Use tissue paper to make watercolor-style mosaic art. | Ages 5-11. | No registration.

## SCHOOL BREAK FUN

FEBRUARY 17-21

### ALL WEEK | MONDAY-FRIDAY

**Storywalk: Snowflake Bentley** | During Open Hours | Washington | Ages 3-17. | Drop in to do the indoor storywalk plus an activity booklet.

### FEBRUARY 17 | MONDAY

- **Popsicle Stick Engineering** | 2-3 pm | Delaware | Ages 5-11. | No registration.
- **Activities** | 2-3 pm | Howe | Ages 11-17. | No registration.
- **The Snowy Day Storytime & Craft** | 2-3 pm | Pine Hills | Ages 4-8. | No registration.
- **Bean Portraits** | 2-3 pm | Washington | Ages 5-11. | No registration.
- **Curiosity Club: Dinosaur Art** | 4-5 pm | Bach | Ages 3-6. | Registration required.
- **Slime Time** | 4:30-5:30 pm | North Albany | Ages 5-11. | Registration required.
- **WMHT Storytime & Craft: Cat in the Hat** | Feb. 17 (Mon) | 4-5:30 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill | Ages 2-8. | Registration required. | Meet the Cat in the Hat and get a copy of the book to keep at home.

### FEBRUARY 18 | TUESDAY

- **DIY Pop Sockets** | 2-3 pm | Delaware | Ages 11-17. | Registration required.
- **No Two Alike Storytime & Craft** | 2-3 pm | Pine Hills | Ages 4-8. | No registration.
- **Paper Plate Rainbows** | 2-3 pm | Washington | Ages 5-11. | No registration.
- **Super Smash Bros. Tournament** | 3-5 pm | Ages 10-17. | Registration required.
- **Pixel Perlers** | 3:30-5 pm | Bach | Ages 11-17. | Registration required.

### FEBRUARY 19 | WEDNESDAY

- **Pony Bead Keychains** | 2-3 pm | Delaware | Ages 5-17. | No registration.
- **Activities** | 2-3 pm | Howe | Ages 11-17. | No registration.
- **Birds of Prey** | 2-3 pm | North Albany | Ages 5-11. | Registration required. | Meet birds from Whispering Willow Wild Care.
- **Bear Snores On Storytime & Craft** | 2-3 pm | Pine Hills | Ages 4-8. | No registration.
- **Yarn Bookmarks** | 2-3 pm | Washington | Ages 5-11. | No registration.
- **Poetry Workshop** | 4-5 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill | Ages 5-11. | Registration required. | Led by Dr. Tammy Ellis-Robinson, poet/managing editor of Skribblers Magazine.
- **Winter Watercolor Paint & Sip** | 4-5 pm | Bach | Ages 6-11. | Registration required.

### FEBRUARY 20 | THURSDAY

- **LEGO Art** | 2-3 pm | North Albany | Ages 11-17. | Registration required.
- **Build Snowpeople** | 2-3 pm | Washington | Ages 5-11. | No registration.

### FEBRUARY 21 | FRIDAY

- **Activities** | 2-3 pm | Howe | Ages 11-17. | No registration.
- **Magnet Mania** | 2-3 pm | Washington | Ages 5-11. | No registration.
- **Magic of Electricity** | 3-4 pm | Arbor Hill/West Hill | Ages 5-11. | Registration required. | Hosted by Museum of Innovation and Science (MiSci).
- **Bouncy Ball Challenge** | 3:30-4:30 pm | Delaware | Ages 4-11. | Drop in.

# GROWING READERS STORYTIMES AND PLAYGROUPS

PROGRAM NAME	DESCRIPTION	AGES	DATES	TIME	BRANCH
<b>1st Saturday for Families</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Jan. 4   Winter Wonderland</li> <li>▶ Feb. 1   Let's Glow</li> </ul>	0-8	Sat: Jan. 4 & Feb. 1	10:30 am	<b>Washington</b>
<b>All Together Tales Storytime</b>	Sensory friendly, interactive stories, songs, dance, play.	3-7	Every Monday	4:30 pm	<b>Arbor Hill/ West Hill</b>
<b>Baby Storytime + Play &amp; Grow</b>	Stories, songs, and rhymes. Followed by unstructured playtime.	0-2	Every Wednesday	10:30 am	<b>Bach</b>
			Every Thursday	10:30 am	<b>Pine Hills</b>
			Every Monday	10:30 am	<b>Washington</b>
<b>Growing Readers Stories &amp; Play</b>	Storytime and playtime at three branches. Sign up for the APL Growing Readers club—for reading tips and free books—while you're there.	0-5	Every Saturday	11:30 am	<b>Howe</b>
			Every Saturday	10:30 am	<b>Pine Hills</b>
			Sat: Jan. 11, 18, 25 & Feb. 8, 15, 23	10:30 am	<b>Washington</b>
<b>Gruff &amp; Friends Storytime</b>	Stories, fun with friendly monster Gruff.	1-4	Every Tuesday	10:30 am	<b>Pine Hills</b>
<b>Martin Luther King Jr. Day Storytime</b>	Special storytime celebrating MLK.	2-5	Tuesday: Jan. 14	10:30 am	<b>Howe</b>
<b>Pajama Storytime</b>	Join us in your jammies for books, songs, and cozy fun.	2-7	Every Tuesday	6:30 pm	<b>Bach</b>
<b>Playdough Playtime</b>	Learn letters, numbers, shapes, and more using playdough.	0-5	Mondays: Jan. 6 & Feb. 3	4 pm	<b>Arbor Hill/ West Hill</b>
<b>Preschool Storytime + Play &amp; Grow</b>	Stories and fun, then unstructured playtime.	2-5	Every Wednesday	10:30 am	<b>Delaware</b>
<b>Sensory Friendly Storytime &amp; Play</b>	Dimmer lights, fidget toys, and fun songs followed by playtime.	0-5	Every Wednesday	10:30 am	<b>Washington</b>
<b>Storytime</b>	Stories, songs, and rhymes.	0-5	Every Monday	10:30 am	<b>N. Albany</b>
<b>Toddler &amp; Preschool Storytime + Playtime</b>	Stories, songs, rhymes, then unstructured playtime.	1-4	Every Monday	10:30 am	<b>Bach</b>
			Every Friday	10:30 am	<b>Washington</b>
<b>Tuesday Storytime + Playgroup</b>	Stories, songs, dancing, playing, crafts.	2-5	Every Tuesday	10:30 am	<b>Howe</b>



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