

PATCHOGUE-MEDFORD LIBRARY

September & October 2024

**Open a World of Learning
with your Library Card!**

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Amelia getting her first library card at the Medford Branch!

Gallery Exhibits

On view in the Claire Davidson Siegel Gallery and online at pmlib.org/gallery

Motion in Light | Alina Wilczynski

Presented by the Patchogue Arts Council

September 4 – October 26

Reception & Interactive Experience: Saturday, October 5 from 2-4 pm

Friends of the Library Book Sale!

Saturday, September 7 from 10 am-3 pm
Explore books, DVDs and so much more!


Board of Trustees Meetings:

Tuesdays, September 17 and October 15 at 5:30 pm

Library Closed:

September 2 - Labor Day

Beginning October 6 we will be OPEN on Sundays at the Main Library and the Medford Branch!

 **PLEASE NOTE:** Photos may be taken in the Library and at events for promotional purposes.

THE GREAT GIVE BACK



WHAT'S HIDING IN YOUR CLOSET?

HALLOWEEN COSTUME SWAP SEPTEMBER 17 - OCTOBER 17

Donate your new or clean, gently used costumes and accessories at the Main Library or Medford Branch.

JOIN US ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19
FROM 11 AM-2 PM

Stop by the Main Library during Fall Fest to pick out a new-to-you costume to take home!



A NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR:

When I got the library card, that was when my life began.

—Rita Mae Brown

What a day! What a turnout! What a community! The MEDFORD BRANCH LIBRARY IS OPEN!

Over 500 library friends and family came out on June 11 to celebrate with fun, food and live music. The weather couldn't have been better, and our Medford partners and sponsors were so generous, and our community members were so happy and supportive! Thank you to everyone who helped make it a truly memorable and heartwarming display of community spirit. It's so exciting to see so many new faces; the building is being used even more than we ever dreamed. **Come take a look around, check out the collection, attend a program, sit by the fireplace, enjoy the outdoor patio space, even take a photo in our giant reading chair!** As we look to best serve residents at the Branch, we will continue to evolve our programs to match what you are asking for - please give us feedback! **Scan the QR code, we want to hear from you.**



We hope you all enjoyed an exciting summer participating in the **Adventure Begins at Your Library summer reading experience**. It was nice to see so many of you at the Library for reading, reporting, free lunches, summer classes and workshops; and out in the community at AA5, Circus on Main, Shorefront Park, and the Medford Concerts. We challenged you to read 5 books over the summer to keep your reading skills sharp and over 1000 children and teens took the "Strive for Five" challenge. **A special thanks to our wonderful Friends of the Library group** for sponsoring the prizes for our amazing summer readers. And speaking of the Friends of the Library, be sure to check out their **upcoming book sale on Saturday, September 7 from 10 am-3 pm**. These amazing volunteers keep the regular thrift shelf stocked and curate great discount sales for all the book lovers in our community.

We had a banner summer finding new residents to sign up for library cards - 191 new cards at the Branch in just the first 16 days! (on the cover is Amelia getting her first library card at the new Medford Branch) - but we want more! **September is Library Card sign up month!** Your library card can give you access to so many services, free books, podcasts, music, games, equipment, discount tickets, museums, classes and workshops. Come visit us at any of our three buildings or reach out online at pmlib.org/get-a-card to get started today.

At the Main Library, we are continuing to update the look and feel of the space.

- The main pathway flooring was replaced and looks clean and new.
- We are working with local and nationally recognized artist Cara Lynch to create a mural in the main stairwell that will be an exciting, joyful and colorful addition to the Library. Even more exciting is that the community will be able to participate in its creation! We are hosting a drop-in **Community Painting Party behind the Carnegie Library on Saturday, September 7 from 12-4 pm**. Stop by and be a part of this exciting project! The Zoeller mural, currently in that location, will be removed and preserved to be displayed in a new location, coming soon.
- On display on the Main Floor for the month of September is a historical **exhibit called Recognizing Women's Right to Vote in New York State** - curated by Julia Corrice, Susan Goodier, and Sally Roesch Wagner of the South Central Regional Library Council, in partnership with the Empire State Library Network and New York Heritage Digital Collections, with funding from Humanities New York.
- **The Copy Center** is bustling, the **Marjorie Roe Reading Room** provides a respite for our readers, and the **Tinker Lab** and **Sensory Space** have given children new areas to explore. Our **Makerspace** continues to be booked with appointments and we are looking for ways to expand access to the machines and staff. Presently we are able to offer patrons up to two appointments per week, so please plan ahead for those upcoming holiday projects!

Finally, celebrate our diverse community with the Library - this month there are so many ways to get to know your neighbors: The St. Liberata Italian Festival and Bocce Tournament on September 7, all the Hispanic Heritage Month activities happening from September 15 to October 15, and Arts on Terry with Patchogue Arts Council on September 22.

Whether you're back to school or just waiting for pumpkin spice season to begin, we look forward to seeing you at the Library.

Sincerely,
Danielle Paisley, Director

WE CAN HELP with one-on-one, personal assistance- Call 631-654-4700 for more information.

Meet with a Licensed Social Worker or a Social Work Intern

To make an appointment call ext. 152 or email socialworkers@pmlib.org.

Career Counseling

Mondays from 5:30-8:30 pm
Our bilingual career counselor is available to help with resumes, career advice and job applications. Sign up for a 30-minute appointment.

English Conversation Group

Mondays from 7-8:30 pm
Join us in the Library to practice your English conversation skills.

Bilingual Immigration Counseling

Tuesdays from 3-7 pm
Sign up for a 30-minute appointment with a lawyer to answer your questions about immigration.

One-on-One Genealogy Assistance

Thursdays 6-9 pm by appointment
Get expert assistance for all your genealogy questions, big or small.

Community Legal Help Project

Every 4th Thursday
Do you need help with a legal problem? The Community Legal Help Project will have volunteer attorneys giving free legal information to Suffolk County residents ONLY. Appointments preferred; walk-ins welcome. Call 631-822-3272 to make an appointment.

Healthcare Navigators with HWCL

Tuesdays, September 3, 17, October 1, 15 from 10 am-4 pm
Health & Welfare Council of Long Island's qualified bilingual Healthcare Navigators will help you choose the right plan and help you complete applications for Medicaid, Essential Plans, Child Health Plus and Qualified Health Plans.

Call to schedule an appointment: 516-505-4426.

Senior Advocate

Friday, September 6 from 2:30-4:30 pm
A representative from Suffolk County Office of the Aging will discuss different benefits and programs that Suffolk County offers its senior residents. The Advocate is available on a walk-in basis; no appointment required.

HIICAP (Health Insurance Information Counselling Assistance Program)

Thursdays, September 12 and October 10 from 10 am-1 pm
Trained volunteers provide guidance, by appointment, to those with questions involving Medicare.

Call ext. 152 to make an appointment.

Medicaid Enrollment for the Aged, Blind & Disabled

Mondays, September 23 and October 28 from 3-7 pm
Facilitated enrollers trained by NYS Dept of Health assist the aged, blind and disabled populations to enroll into Medicaid programs free of charge. **Service is on a first-come, first-served basis. A Spanish speaker will be available.**

ADDICTION & RECOVERY HELP

SMART Friends & Family Workshop

Saturdays at 10 am
For family and friends of people with addictive behavior.

SMART Recovery

Saturdays at 12 pm
A workshop for people struggling with addiction.

COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS & EVENTS

Medford Concert Series: Elton John and Billy Joel Tribute Band

Friday, September 6 at 7 pm

Honor our veterans at Medford Memorial Park (next to Carvel), with a night of music. Rain will cancel.

PAC-MoCA L.I. Performance Art Festival

Friday, September 6 - Sunday, September 8

The Patchogue Arts Council program holds hourly art events at various downtown Patchogue venues. For event details and locations, visit patchoguearts.org.

Saint Liberata Festival

Saturday, September 7 from 12-3 pm

Stop by the Carnegie lawn to play Bocce, then go to the Main Library for a simple craft and cotton candy, while supplies last. Rain date: Saturday, September 14.

SCPD 5th Precinct Community Meeting

Tuesdays, September 10 and October 8 at 7 pm

Bilingual officers from the Suffolk County Police Department will discuss crime and policing incidents in our town and answer questions from residents.

NYC Train Tickets

Saturdays, September 21 & October 19

Meet a library representative at the Patchogue Train Station no later than 8:20 am and ride together into Penn Station on the 8:43 am train. Return any time that day.

Non-refundable tickets must be purchased in advance at the Public Services Desk at the MAIN BUILDING via cash or credit card for \$10.75 per person over the age of 5.

Arts on Terry

Sunday, September 22 from 1-4 pm

Meet us on Terry Street for face painting and crafts outside of Museum of Contemporary Arts LI during the Patchogue Arts Council's annual festival.



HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH
September 15 to October 15

Scan the QR code to register and for more Hispanic Heritage Month fun!

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CLASES EN ESPAÑOL

Estas clases se impartirán en la Biblioteca Principal, a menos que se indique lo contrario. Para cualquier programa, regístrese en línea en pmlib.org o llame al 631-654-4700, ext. 153.

Asesoramiento Profesional con Betty Velez

Los lunes de 5:30-8:30 pm (en persona/virtual)

Nuestra consejera profesional bilingüe está disponible para ayudar con currículos, asesoramiento profesional y solicitudes de empleo. Regístrese para una cita de 30 minutos.

Grupo de Conversación en Inglés

Los lunes de 7-8:30 pm

Únase a nosotros en la biblioteca para practicar sus habilidades de conversación en inglés.

Consejería de Inmigración Bilingüe

Los martes de 3-7 pm (en persona)

Regístrese para una cita en persona de 30 minutos con un abogado para responder sus preguntas sobre inmigración.

Alfabetización en Español para Adultos

Los sábados a las 10 am

¡Aprenda a leer y escribir bien en Español con Aura! Las clases son presenciales en la biblioteca principal.

Inglés para Pre-Principiantes con LIEOC

Todos los lunes y miércoles,

3 de septiembre-19 de diciembre de 9:30 am-1 pm

Cada clase se reúne dos veces por semana en persona en la biblioteca. Para adultos mayores de 18 años. El cupo es limitado.

Club de Lectura en Español

Los martes 3 y 17 de septiembre,

1 y 15 de octubre de 7-8:30 pm

Aumenta tu motivación por leer, potencia la confianza y el autoestima, fomenta la socialización y motivación en nuestro club de lectura.

'90s TV Time Warp: Saturday Morning Cartoons

Saturdays, September 28 and October 26 from 10:30 am-12:30 pm

Join us for a morning of cartoon binge-watching, '90s style! Watch or re-watch some animated fare and cartoon reruns from previous decades. Cereal and a craft activity will also be provided! The October date will have a spooky theme. **This is a drop-in style program, but registration is required.**

Bideawee Adoption Event

Saturday, October 5 from 11 am-2:30 pm

Pet adoption event in the rear of the Library. Take home your fur-ever friend today! Donations of clean blankets/towels gladly accepted. Rain will cancel.

MoCA L.I.ghts

Thursday, October 10 - Monday, October 14 from 6-11 pm

The Village of Patchogue will glow again, Patchogue Arts Council will transform downtown into an open-air museum!

Pumpkin Decorating at the Patchogue Fall Fest

Saturday, October 19 from 12-3:30 pm

Meet us on the front lawn of the Carnegie Library for free pumpkin decorating and fall fun! Rain date: Saturday, October 26.

Medford Trunk or Treat

Tuesday, October 29 from 6-8 pm at the Medford Branch

Come in costume and enjoy a fun night of trunk or treating. Rain date: Wednesday, October 30.

Wrap it Up: Holiday Drive

Friday, November 1 - Thursday, December 10

Donate holiday gift wrapping supplies from paper to ribbons, tissue paper and gift bags to be used during our holiday gift wrapping program. Any leftovers will be donated to Angels of Long Island!



Booktoberfest
Goes Exploring...

At Blue Point Brewery

Thursday, October 10 from 7-8:30 pm

Learn the lagers, as we go back to the basics.

At J & R's Steakhouse

Tuesday, October 15 from 7-8:30 pm

Experience Hofbrau's German beer, and German fare pairing!

At Gallo Restaurant

Wednesday, October 23 from 7-8:30 pm

Discover Latin American beers and regional tapas.



For PML PATRONS 21 AND OVER. Scan here to register beginning Tuesday, September 3 online at pmlib.org or call 631-654-4700.

BOOKS & BEER – READ RESPONSIBLY!

LIVE AT THE LIBRARY

Register now.

Watch a Movie Wednesdays at 1 pm

September 18: *In the Heights*

October 30: *Hitchcock's Notorious*

Open Mic Night: Medford Edition

Friday, September 20

from 6-8 pm at the Medford Branch

Listen to others, or perform yourself, in front of a live audience of friends and neighbors on the patio at the Medford Branch. Rain will move indoors.

Musical Fiesta of Latin & Hispanic Countries

Sunday, October 13 at 2 pm

Enjoy a musical travelogue through the richly diverse world of Latin & Hispanic music with acclaimed International Concert Violinist Dr. David Podles.

Computación Básica en Español

Los lunes, 16 de septiembre-16 de diciembre de 7-8:30 pm

Aprenda a utilizar un ordenador, crear una cuenta de correo electrónico y navegar por Internet. Cupo limitado. La inscripción comienza el 3 de septiembre.

Inglés Intermedio

Los martes, 17 de septiembre-17 de diciembre de 7-8:30 pm

Cada clase se reúne una vez por semana en persona en la biblioteca. Para adultos mayores de 18 años. El cupo es limitado. La inscripción empieza el 3 de septiembre.

Construya su Negocio Utilizando las Redes Sociales

Lunes 23 de septiembre de 7-8:30 pm

Para personas que ya tienen un negocio y para quienes están iniciando un negocio. Revisaremos las redes sociales más populares, los beneficios de usarlas y cuáles son las adecuadas para su negocio.

Vacaciones de Lectura: ¡Celebra la Semana de los Libros Prohibidos!

Viernes 27 de septiembre de 5-6 pm en Shorefront Park

Reúnete en el parque para pasar un rato de lectura estructurada y no estructurada raiga una silla de playa y un libro prohibido para leer. La lluvia cancelará el evento.

Técnicas para Posicionamiento de tu Negocio en las Redes Sociales

Sábado 12 de octubre de 2-4 pm

Aprende a crear posts y reels llamativos, trucos para el posicionamiento de marca en redes sociales.

Manualidades - Se proporcionarán materiales.

Calabazas Reusando Telas

Jueves 26 de septiembre de 6-7:30 pm

en la Sucursal en Medford

Haz calabazas para decorar en otoño aplicando técnicas de costura y desarrollando la creatividad.

Centros de Mesa Hechos de Feltro o Tela

Miércoles 23 de octubre de 6-8 pm en la Biblioteca Principal

Crea un elegante centro de mesa para Acción de Gracias con telas y fieltro.

MEET, MAKE & CREATE

Registration for PML cardholders begins two weeks before the program. Out-of-district residents may register one week prior, if space allows.

Needle Felted Gnomes

Wednesday, September 11 from 6-8 pm
Practice the technique transforming wool into 3D objects using needle and felt!

Nostalgia Night: "Saved by the Bell"

Thursday, September 12 at 6:30 pm
Celebrate the timeless charm of "Saved by the Bell" with fellow fans of the popular '90s TV show. Watch video clips, play trivia and enjoy mocktails! Register now.

Bingo With Barbara

Fridays, September 20 and October 18 at 10 am
Play Bingo and win prizes! Register now.

Do the Write Thing

Thursdays, September 19, 26 and October 17 & 24 at 2 pm at the Medford Branch
Write, share, and discuss different kinds of creative writing. Attend in person or via Zoom.

The Golden Years (Bilingual)

Wednesdays September 11, 25 and October 9 & 23 from 10:30 am-12 pm
Enjoy your golden years with friends, games and coffee. Register now.

Faux Caramel Apples

Wednesday, September 18 at 6:30 pm

Book Discussion: Long Island

Tuesday, September 24 at 6:30 pm at the Medford Branch
Discuss Colm Tóibín's newest book. Register now.

Latin Ballroom Dancing

Wednesdays, September 25 and October 16 at 6:30 pm
Wear comfortable clothing.

Stained Glass Maple Leaf

Thursday, September 26 at 6 pm
PML cardholders only.

Reading Vacation: Celebrate Banned Books Week!

Friday, September 27 from 5-6 pm at Shorefront Park in Patchogue
Meet us at the Park for some structured-unstructured reading time. Bring a beach chair and a banned book to read. Rain will cancel. Register now.

Paint Night: Pumpkin Patch

Thursday, October 3 at 6:30 pm

Guitar & Bass Workshop with Joe Loschiavo

Thursday, October 10 at 7 pm

Indigo: It's to Dye for!

Monday, October 14 from 1-3 pm
Experience the magical process of dyeing with fresh Japanese Indigo plant leaves.

AI Art Competition

Monday, October 14 from 6-7 pm
Compete in our AI generated art competition.

WhoDunIt with Hanna

Thursday, October 24 at 6:30 pm
A thrilling mystery book discussion. Register now.

Nostalgia Night: Slayerfest 2024

Tuesday, October 29 from 6-7 pm
Pay tribute to *Buffy* as we play games, enjoy snacks and talk about the show! Register now.

Spooky Bingo with Barbara (Bilingual)

Wednesday, October 30 from 6-7:30 pm
Play Bingo and win prizes! Register now.

FOR ADULTS

Programs take place at the Main Library unless otherwise noted. Registration is ongoing (which means anytime), unless otherwise noted. Visit our events calendar online at pmlib.org or call 631-654-4700, ext. 152 for more information and to register.

LEARN SOMETHING NEW Attend in person or via Zoom, unless otherwise noted.

Virtual Genealogy Discussion Group

Wednesdays, September 11, October 9 & 23 at 10 am
Discuss strategies and learn how others have succeeded with researching ancestors. Attend via Zoom only.

Defensive Driving with Empire Safety Council

Saturday, September 14 from 10:30 am-4:30 pm at the Medford Branch
Licensed drivers can take the course to reduce violation points and get an insurance discount. Payment of \$33 per person to Empire Safety Council is required at the start of class. In person only.

Art Talk: Impressionism

Tuesday, September 17 at 6:30 pm at the Medford Branch
Attend in person or online. This program will also be live streamed in Patchogue.

Free Educational Programs Sponsored by Chase Bank

Finance Friday: Cyber Safety

Friday, September 20 at 12 pm at Chase Bank - 115 East Main Street in Patchogue
Stay informed on cyber safety, scam prevention, spotting common scams for older adults and responding to fraud or identity theft. Refreshments will be served.

Budgeting and Saving

Monday, October 7 at 6:30 pm
Ensure your budget aligns with your values. Learn savings and budgeting strategies to reflect on expenses and future plans. Attend in person or via Zoom.

Utilizing Credit and Reducing Debt

Monday, October 21 at 6:30 pm
Get advice on credit management, credit scores, building credit history and handling delinquent debts.

Barbershop Singing Lessons

Mondays, September 23 & 30 from 6:30-8:30 pm
Learn how to sing a barbershop a cappella song! Attend one or both sessions and bring a refillable water bottle. Registration for PML cardholders begins two weeks before the program. Out-of-district residents may register one week prior, if space allows.

Genealogy: Putting Things in Their Place

Wednesday, September 25 at 10 am
Genealogist, Michael Cassara, explores ways people track down descendants of family keepsakes and return items to their rightful place. Attend via Zoom only.

Art Appreciation | Learning to Look

Wednesday, September 25 at 6:30 pm - Performance Art
Wednesday, October 16 at 6:30 pm - Light Art
This program is presented in partnership with the Patchogue Arts Council and the in-person portion of this program will take place at MoCA LI.

Canva for Beginners

Wednesday, October 2 from 6:30-8:30 pm

Canva: Intermediate

Wednesday, November 13 from 6:30-8:30 pm
Create unique designs using photo editing tools, framing, branding and explore the latest AI tools available. In person only.

Renewable Energy Info for Homeowners

Thursday, October 3 from 7-8:30 pm
Learn about resources offered through LI Clean Energy Hub, PSEG Free Energy Assessment, PSEG Residential Energy Affordability Program and National Grid. Presentations will be bilingual.

Using Artificial Intelligence (AI) Efficiently

Wednesday, October 9 at 6:30 pm
Delve further into our discussion of artificial intelligence and how large language model usage can improve efficiency.

DNA Testing for Your Genealogy Research

Saturday, October 12 at 1 pm at the Medford Branch
Join April Lynne Earle to explore DNA testing basics, including available tests, interpreting results, identifying genetic relationships, and using tools to delve deeper into genetics.

Coffee with a Curator:

Tales of Contact, Cultures, and Community

Saturday, October 19 at 12 pm
Join John Cino and guest curator, Jeremy Dennis of Ma's House, as they discuss the artwork of *Tales of Contact, Cultures, and Community*. This program is presented in partnership with the Patchogue Arts Council and the in-person portion of this program will take place at MoCA LI.

AARP Defensive Driving Course

Monday and Tuesday, October 28 & 29 from 10:30 am-2 pm at the Medford Branch
To receive an auto insurance discount, pay \$30 via check or money order (\$25 with AARP card) per person at the start of class. Bring your AARP card/number and attend both classes. In person only.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Start Your Day the Right Way: Yin Yoga

Tuesdays in September and October at 7 am at the Carnegie Library
Attend in person or via Zoom.

Yoga With Rachel in Medford

Tuesdays in September and October at 6:30 pm at the Medford Branch
Wear comfortable clothes and bring a yoga mat.

Vinyasa Yoga Before Work

Thursdays in September and October at 7 am at the Carnegie Library
Attend in person or via Zoom.

Senior Fitness

Fridays in September and October at 12:30 pm
Get active with a versatile workout combining cardio, strength, balance, and flexibility. Wear comfortable clothes, bring water and optional light weights.

Tai Chi: Part I

Mondays and Fridays, September 6, 9, 20, 23, 30 and October 7, 18, 21, 25, 28 at 3:30 pm
Learn the Basic 6 and Advanced Movement Levels of Tai Chi. Wear comfortable clothing and footwear.

All Levels Yoga Flow

Thursdays, September 12, 19, 26 and October 10, 17, 24 at 10:30 am
Please bring a mat and props you have.

Goat Yoga on The Farm

Friday, September 13 at 6 pm at the Suffolk County Farm
End your day in downward facing dog and with some laughs that will help you to release stress and let go! Please bring your own yoga mat & towel.
Rain Date: Friday, September 20.

Stony Brook Medicine Healthy Libraries Program (HeLP)

Tuesdays, September 17 and October 8, 29 from 2-4:30 pm
Healthcare professionals and graduate student interns will be here to answer questions about health and wellness. No appointment necessary.

Stop the Bleed®

Thursday, September 19 at 6:30 pm
Learn to recognize life-threatening bleeding and intervene effectively. Sponsored by Legislator Caracappa and the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department.

Alzheimer's Monthly Support Group

Mondays, September 23 and October 21 at 1 pm at the Medford Branch
Share practical advice, discuss concerns and get comfort and empathy. Registration recommended, but not required.

Catholic Health Mobile Outreach Bus

Friday, September 27 from 10 am-2 pm
Free health screenings available for adults (18 and older) by a Catholic Health registered nurse. Referrals as needed and resources for those without insurance. No appointment necessary.

FOR TEENS

IN GRADES 6-12

Programs will be held at the Carnegie Library, unless otherwise noted. Register in person, online at pmlib.org or by phone 631-654-4700 ext. 500. Patchogue-Medford Library patrons are given first priority. Please have your library card when registering.

If you need special accommodations, please call ext. 500.



FOLLOW US

SEPTEMBER Register now! Please register for only ONE session of each program.

Bead Pet Keychains

Monday, September 9 from 6:30-7:30 pm
Make your own retro animal-shaped beaded keychain using pony beads!

Play-Doh Day

Monday, September 16 from 6:30-7:30 pm
It's National Play-Doh Day! Join us to mix up your own homemade Play-Doh.

Manga Book Club

Wednesdays, September 18 and October 23 from 5:30-6 pm
Try some Japanese snacks and discuss a new book with us! New books will be given at each session.

Printing with Food

Thursday, September 19 from 5:30-6:30 pm
Play with your food and with paint to print fun patterns on a t-shirt.

Teen Jeopardy

Wednesday, September 25 from 6-7 pm
Join a team and test your knowledge. Do you have what it takes to win Jeopardy?

Universal Yums

Monday, September 30 from 6:30-7:30 pm
Explore other countries through trivia and a variety of snacks! ***This program may not be suitable for Teens with food allergies.**

Family Fiber Art

Tuesday, September 24 from 6-7 pm
Bring your whole family and create a unique piece of mixed media art using thread, book pages and a wooden frame. **This program be held at the Main Library. Registration begins on Tuesday, September 3.**

OCTOBER Register now! Please register for only ONE session of each program.

Mystery Video Game Tournament

Friday, October 4 from 6-8 pm
Compete in a video game tournament against your friends! The winner will receive a small prize and have their name added to our leader board. **This program will be held at the Medford Branch.**

Improv Comedy Workshop

Thursday, October 10 from 6:30-8 pm
Have some laughs, hone your acting skills and practice thinking on the spot with an evening of hilarious improv comedy games.

Teen Paint Night

Wednesday, October 16 from 6-7:30 pm
Unwind with a relaxing paint night! The masterpieces you create will be displayed in our Carnegie Art Gallery this fall.

Bobbinology: Black Cat Tote Bag

Thursday, October 17 from 6-7:30 pm
Learn some sewing skills and make the perfect bag for a candy haul.

Delicious Dirt

Monday, October 21 from 6:30-7:30 pm
Make your own dirt cups using cookies, pudding and candy! ***This program may not be suitable for Teens with food allergies.**

Mini Potion Bottles

Thursday, October 24 from 6-7 pm
Make your own potion bottles to decorate for Halloween! Create potions that are shimmery, slimy, or with a surprise floating inside and label the bottles with something spooky!

DROP-IN! No registration required.

DIY Button Making

Friday, September 6 from 6-7 pm
Use your own designs and artwork to make professional-looking buttons!

Goosebumps Marathon

Friday, September 13 from 5:30-8 pm
Celebrate Friday the 13th with a few scary stories! Drop in for some popcorn and a marathon of the classic 1990s show!

Board Games

Friday, September 20 from 6-8 pm
Play board games with your friends! Play one of the classics, try out something new, or even bring your favorite game from home.

LEGO Night

Friday, September 27 from 6-8 pm
Get your brick on! Stop by Carnegie to build your own creations or build as a team with your friends!

Anime Marathon

Friday, October 18 from 6-8 pm
Eat snacks, color or draw and watch anime with us!

Halloween Movie Marathon

Thursday, October 31 from 2:30-8 pm
Take a break from trick-or-treating for a spooky movie marathon with popcorn and candy!



The Teen Center at the Patchogue-Medford Carnegie Library

160 West Main St. | 631-654-4700, ext. 500

Hours:

Monday-Friday: 2:30-8:30 pm

Saturdays: 12:30-5:30 pm

Sundays: Closed

During School Vacations and Holidays:

Monday-Friday 12:30-8:30 pm

SCHOOL & HOMEWORK HELP

Virtual Tutors

Get online help with your homework from tutors every day from 2-11 pm
For more information call the Carnegie Library at 631-654-4700, ext. 500 or visit pmlib.org/homework-help

Math Homework Help

Thursdays from 4-5 pm (excluding school holidays), beginning October 10
Students in grades 6-12, bring your math homework and questions and receive help from a certified teacher. This program will be held at the Medford Branch.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Toys for Shelter Dogs

Monday, October 7 from 6:30-7:30 pm
October is Adopt a Shelter Dog Month!
Come earn community service credit by making toys to be donated to a local animal shelter.



For more on community service at the Library scan the QR code or get updates for upcoming opportunities by texting @pmlv to 81010



GAMING
AT THE LIBRARY

STREAMING ON TWITCH
WEDNESDAYS AT 4 PM

GAMEPLAY - TUTORIALS - TIPS





Discover the Patchogue-Medford Library's must-listen podcast for modern parents!

Tune in as librarians and busy moms Jessi and Erin learn from the experts on topics ranging from the power of playtime to teen mental health.

Listen on all of your favorite podcast platforms and access the back catalog, resource guides, and trustworthy advice anytime on our website pmlib.org/podcast

FOR PARENTS

Shots for Tots

Tuesdays, September 10 or October 15 from 10 am-3:30 pm
Free immunizations for children (ages infant-18 years) provided by the Suffolk County Department of Health. No registration required.

DROP-IN

No registration required.

Hispanic Heritage Month Adventure!

September 15-October 15
Stop by our activity table all month long for an interactive journey through Hispanic cultures.

Read With A Librarian

Mondays, September 9 and/or October 14 from 5:30-7:30 pm
For ages 3 years-grade 3. Hear a story or practice your reading skills with a librarian! These programs will be held at the Medford Branch.

Messy Medford Monday

Monday, September 30 from 10:30-11:30 am
For ages 2-5 years. Dress for a mess for some fun sensory play! This program will be held at the Medford Branch.

Crafty-Play-Game-Palooza

Monday, October 14 from 10:30 am-1 pm
For families with children of all ages. Open-ended art & free play session! Toy sets, games and art supplies will be available.

Construction Zone

Wednesday, October 30 from 2-4 pm
For ages 2½-5 years. Build with our blocks and use our special tool kits.

LEGO Creation Station

Friday, November 1 from 10:30 am-5 pm
For ages 3 and up. Get ready. Get Set. LEGO. DUPLO and LEGO sets will be out for individual building or family fun!

FOR KIDS

Programs will be held at the Main Library, unless otherwise noted. Register in person, online at pmlib.org or by phone 631-654-4700 ext. 200. Patchogue-Medford Library patrons are given first priority. Please have your library card when registering. **If you or your child need an accommodation, please let us know at registration.**

SEPTEMBER Registration for these events begins on Tuesday, September 3 at 9:30 am. Please register your child for only one session of each program.

INFANT, TODDLER AND PRESCHOOL WITH A PARENT/CAREGIVER

Sensory & Sports

Tuesdays, September 10, 17 and 24
From 4:30-5:15 pm - For ages 18-35 months.
From 5:30-6:15 pm - For ages 3-5 years.
Learn new sports skills and enjoy sensory art play!

Parachute Play

Wednesday, September 11
from 10:30-11 am or 4:30-5 pm
For ages 18 months-3½ years. Songs, dances and games with our parachute. **Please note: The 4:30 pm session will be held at the Medford Branch.**

Signing Stories

Tuesday, September 17
From 10-10:30 am or 10:45-11:15 am
For ages 2 months-4 years. Learn signs in a fun, playful way through stories and songs.

An Apple a Day Storytime

Wednesday, September 18
from 10:30-11:15 am or 4:30-5:15 pm
For ages 12 months-3½ years. Apple trees, applesauce and apple pies, oh my! Enjoy this sweet storytime with songs and a simple craft. **Please note: The 10:30 am session will be held at the Medford Branch.**

To Kindergarten & Beyond: Playdate in the Park

Thursday, September 19 from 4:30-5:30 pm
For families with a child going into kindergarten September 2025. Ready for an amazing school journey? Join us in the park to learn about our monthly kindergarten readiness program, *To Kindergarten & Beyond*. Plus parents will have the chance to chat with a bilingual PMSD kindergarten teacher while children play with future classmates. Don't miss this exciting opportunity to kickstart your child's education! Rain will cancel. **This program will be held at Sean Dixon Park in Medford.**

Music Together

Friday, September 20 from 10:30-11:15 am
For ages 2 months-5 years. Join us for a fun and interactive celebration of music! **This program will be held at the Medford Branch.**

Canta y Baila Conmigo

Friday, September 20 from 11:30 am-12:15 pm
For ages 2 months-5 years. Join us for an immersive Spanish language experience in this music and movement class! **This program will be held at the Medford Branch.**

Tots' Night Out

Monday, September 23 from 6-6:45 pm
For ages 18 months-5 years. Enjoy this fun and hands-on program.

Rock n' Roll Story & Play at the Main Library

Wednesday, September 25 from 4:30-5:15 pm
For ages 2-5 years. Have a rocking good time with this musical story and play session.

Medford Rock n' Roll Story & Play

Friday, September 27 from 10:30-11:15 am
This program will be held at the Medford Branch.

Toddlers Explore

Thursday, September 26 from 4-4:45 pm
For ages 18 months-3½ years. Toddlers play with different hands-on stations and see what they like best. Dress for a bit of a mess!

Beautiful Babies, Wonderful Ones and Terrific Twos

Saturday, September 28
From 10:30-11:15 am - For ages 2-11 months.
From 11:30 am-12:15 pm - For ages 12-23 months.
From 12:30-1:15 pm - For ages 24-35 months.
Enjoy songs, bubbles, parachute play and other age-appropriate games with your child while getting to know other families in your neighborhood. **These programs will be held at the Medford Branch.**

Sensory & Sports

Thursday, October 3
From 4:45-5:30 pm - For ages 18-35 months
From 5:45-6:30 pm - For ages 3-5 years.
Learn new sports skills and enjoy sensory art play! **This program will be held at the Medford Branch.**

Let's Sing!

Friday, October 4 from 10:30-11 am
For ages 2 months-5 years. Enjoy a guitar sing-along to classic children's songs. **This program will be held at the Medford Branch.**

SCHOOL AGE INDEPENDENT PROGRAMS

Ready for School! Sharpening Useful Skills

Monday, September 9 from 5-6 pm
For grades 3-6. Sharpen useful skills and level up your organizational abilities to prepare for an awesome year ahead.

Honor our Heroes

Wednesday, September 11 from 5-6 pm
Let's celebrate our heroes with stories of courage and a patriotic craft honoring their memory in a fun and meaningful way.

Sunflower Wreath Hanger

Friday, September 13 from 4:30-5:15 pm
For grades K-3. Make this festive Fall decoration to hang in your home.

STEM Saturday: Paint Rockets

Saturday, September 21
from 11 am-12 pm or 12:30-1:30 pm
For grades K-6. Art and science combine in this exciting and interactive outdoor class. Dress for a mess. **This program will be held at the Medford Branch.**

Cooking with El Matador in Medford

Monday, September 23 from 6-7 pm
This program will be held at the Medford Branch.

Cooking with El Matador at the Main Library

Monday, September 30 from 6-7 pm
For grades K-6. Learn new recipes, try new food and watch a fun cooking demo with Chef Juan from El Matador restaurant.

Laser Carved Pumpkin Sign

Thursday, October 3
from 10:30-11:30 am or 12:30-1:30 pm
For grades K-6. Use our laser engraver to carve a face you design into a wooden pumpkin sign! Then, use paint to decorate your pumpkin.

TOOLS FOR SCHOOL

To Kindergarten & Beyond: Playdate in the Park

Thursday, September 19 from 4:30-5:30 pm
See details in SEPTEMBER - INFANT, TODDLER & PRESCHOOL.

Walk-in Homework Help

Wednesdays, October 16 & 23 from 4-6 pm
For grades 1-6. Volunteers will be here to help your child with homework. **No registration required.**

Student Success Series

Every Thursday starting October 17 from 5:30-6:30 pm (except for school holidays)
For grades 1-6. A certified teacher will be here to tutor children in math, reading and writing. **Register for ONE session per week beginning October 1.**

OCTOBER Registration for these events begins on Tuesday, October 1 at 9:30 am. Please register your child for only one session of each program.

INFANT, TODDLER AND PRESCHOOL WITH A PARENT/CAREGIVER

To Kindergarten & Beyond: Storytime

Mondays, October 7 and November 4 from 4:30-5:15 pm
For families with a child going into Kindergarten September 2025. Join us for an interactive and bilingual story time to prepare you and your preschooler for Kindergarten!

Happy Feet Music

Wednesday, October 9
From 5-5:45 pm - For ages 2-11 months.
From 6-6:45 pm - For ages 12-35 months.
Get ready to tap your feet and have fun at this interactive music program! **These programs will be held at the Medford Branch.**

Bilingual Art & Songs

Sunday, October 13 from 1:30-2:30 pm
For ages 2-5 years. Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month with themed crafts, activities and a bubble show!

Lil Athletes Kiddies & Junior

Monday, October 14
From 2-2:45 pm - For ages 18-35 months.
From 3-3:45 pm - For ages 3-5 years.
Get ready to work up a sweat! Learn skills and drills for a variety of sports!

Big Green Monster Storytime

Wednesday, October 16
from 10:30-11:15 am or 4:30-5:15 pm
For ages 12 months-3½ years. Chase away some scary monsters in this fun storytime with songs and a simple craft. **Please note: The 4:30 pm session will be held at the Medford Branch.**

SCHOOL AGE INDEPENDENT PROGRAMS

Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration

Tuesday, October 8 from 4:30-5:30 pm
For grades 3-6. Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month by listening to *Felix and the Blue Dragon*. Learn how the event is celebrated throughout Latin America. Listen to music and taste treats from the Latin American cuisine. **This program will be held at the Medford Branch.**

Sew with Me & Small Stitches: Black Cat Tote Bag

Tuesday, October 8
From 5-6:30 pm - For grades 1-3 with a caregiver.
from 7-8:30 pm - For grades 4-6.
Learn some sewing skills and make the perfect bag for a candy haul.

Lil Athletes

Monday, October 14 from 4-4:45 pm
For grades K-6. Get ready to work up a sweat! Learn skills and drills for a variety of sports!

And the Winning Book is...

Friday, October 18 from 4:30-5:30 pm
For grades 4-6. Discuss your favorite book(s) and start a newsletter with them. We will share on the Library's social media during a second session.

Let's Get Movin!

Monday, October 21 from 5:30-6:15 pm
For grades K-6. Get in the game with a variety of sport-ivities with JumpBunch!

Beautiful Babies, Wonderful Ones and Terrific Twos

Thursday, October 17
From 10:30-11:15 am - For ages 2-11 months.
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Enjoy songs, bubbles, parachute play and other age-appropriate games with your child while getting to know other families in your neighborhood.

Let's Get Movin!

Monday, October 21 from 4:30-5:15 pm
For children ages 3-5. Get in the game with a variety of sport-ivities with JumpBunch!

Autumn Fest

Saturday, October 26 from 2-3:30 pm
For ages 18 months-5 years. Join us for a celebration of autumn with crafts, games, face painting, music and snacks.

Medford Monster Mash

Wednesday, October 30 from 11-11:45 am
This program will be held at the Medford Branch.

Monster Mash at the Main Library

Thursday, October 31 from 11-11:45 am
For ages 6 months-5 years. Join us for a Halloween-themed play session and a costume parade around the Library.

Sensory & Sports

Tuesdays, November 5, 12 & 26
From 4:30-5:15 pm - For ages 18-35 months.
From 5:30-6:15 pm - For ages 3-5 years.
Learn new sports skills and enjoy sensory art play!



Ozobot Story Mapping

Thursday, October 24 from 5-6 pm
For grades 1-5. Learn how to code and guide Ozobots through exciting storytelling adventures. **This program will be held at the Medford Branch.**

Make Your Own Burrito

Saturday, October 26 from 12-1 pm
For grades 3-6. Join Geetu to make burritos with delicious and nutritious toppings.

Long Island Culper Spy Ring

Saturday, November 2 from 11 am-12 pm
For grades 4-7. Did you know Long Island had its own Spy Ring with George Washington aka Agent 711? Learn how spy operations were conducted and the secret of creating invisible ink. Create your own special spy code and share with others!



ONE registration per family. Please note the age requirements for each program.

SEPTEMBER

Registration for these events begins on Tuesday, September 3 at 9:30 am.

Family Fiber Art

Tuesday, September 24 from 6-7 pm
For families with children ages 4 years and up. Create a unique piece of mixed media art using thread, book pages and a wooden frame.

Medford Spooky Paint n' Sip

Saturday, October 5 from 11 am-12:30 pm at the Medford Branch

Spooky Paint n' Sip at the Main Library

Sunday, October 6 from 2-3:30 pm
For families with children in grades K-6. Adults and children can each create their own half of a painting to put together for a Halloween themed piece of art while sipping sparkling cider. Note: each family receives 2 canvases.

OCTOBER

Registration for these events begins on Tuesday, October 1 at 9:30 am.

Hometown Explorers: Swan River Schoolhouse

Wednesday, October 9 from 4:30-5:30 pm
For grades 3-6. Explore the historic East Patchogue one-room schoolhouse and see what school was like "in the old days." **This program will be held at the 1858 Swan River Schoolhouse, 31 Roe Avenue, East Patchogue.**

Fat Bear Week

Saturday, October 12
From 11 am-12 pm - For children ages 12 months-5 years.
From 12:30 -1:30 pm - For children in grades K-5.
Join us for storytime and a bear-themed craft! Who will be the chunkiest champion? Learn about the heartwarming world of the annual Fat Bear challenge at Katmai National Park in Alaska, then enjoy a story about these bulking bears and create your own adorably plump bear craft.

Candy Corn Blondies

Tuesday, October 15
from 5-5:45 pm or 6:30-7:15 pm
For families with children in grades K-6. Make this classic treat with a fun Fall twist.

Pumpkin Decorating at the Patchogue Fall Fest

Saturday, October 19 from 12-3:30 pm
Meet us on the front lawn of the Carnegie Library for free pumpkin decorating and fall fun! Rain date: Saturday, October 26. No registration required.

Living with Wildlife on Long Island

Tuesday, October 22 from 6-7 pm
For families with children in grades K-6. See and learn about animals that call Long Island home.

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2151 Horseblock Road | Medford, NY 11763
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Friday-Saturday 10 am-6 pm
Sunday (October-May) 1-5 pm

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Makerspace Classes

Registration begins one month before the class date. Programs take place at the Main Library, unless otherwise noted.

3D Printer Basics

Monday, September 16 at 7 pm

For adults and teens. Kids are welcome to come with an adult. Learn about the Library's printers and how to get started 3D printing. All participants will get to choose an object to 3D print for free.

Advanced 3D

Printing for Cosplay

Saturday, October 5 at 2:30 pm

For adults and teens. Learn about the different types of plastic available for 3D printing cosplay props, how to orient them for optimal printing, and how to finish your props.

Oktoberfest Sublimation Glass

Saturday, September 21

at 3 pm at the Medford Branch

or Saturday, September 28

at 3 pm at the Main Library

For adults. Come down to the Library and use our sublimation printer to design your own 3 oz. ceramic glass for the fall season. One glass per patron.

Laser Carved Pumpkin Sign

Thursday, October 3

at 10:30 am or 12:30 pm

Grades K-6. Use our laser engraver to carve a face you design into a wooden pumpkin sign! Then use paint to decorate your pumpkin. Younger children may need adult assistance with drawing on the computer. Register beginning Tuesday, September 3.

Custom Snack Tray

Saturday, October 12 at 2 pm

For adults. Use Makerspace technology to create a customized snack tray insert for your upcoming autumn gatherings. All materials are included.



Can't make a class?

Book an appointment for a one-on-one tutorial at pmlib.org/makerspace

Please plan ahead for your holiday projects. Patrons are limited to 2 appointments per week.

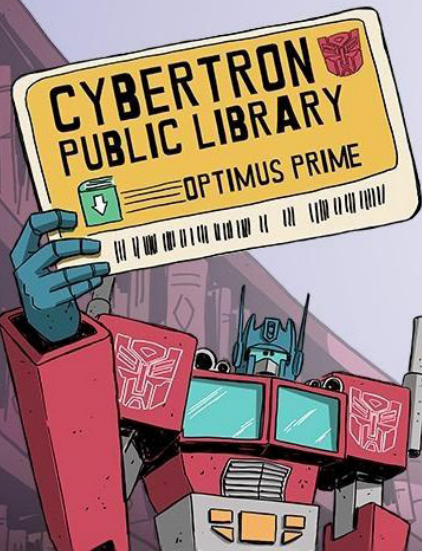


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