The Authors’ Circle Presents:

Eric Klinenberg
author of

2020
One City, Seven People, and the Year Everything Changed
in conversation with Gerald Howard

Sunday, March 10th at 3PM

Special Author Event

Rowena Scherer
author of

A Taste of the World
Celebrating Global Flavors

Rowena Scherer, founder and CEO of eat2explore, will discuss the process of writing her cookbook with The New York Times reporter Katie Rosman, then treat in person guests to a cooking demonstration!

Sunday, April 7th at 2:30PM

Attend our author events in person or via Zoom
Livestream registrants will receive an email shortly before the program with information on how to attend via Zoom.

Register by calling the library or visiting tuxedoparklibrary.org/calendar
Programs are in person, hybrid, or virtual, and require registration unless otherwise noted. Register by calling the library or by visiting tuxedoparklibrary.org/calendar. Once registered for a virtual program, an email will be sent to you shortly before the program with information on how to attend via Zoom.

All programs are subject to change. Recorded programs can be viewed on our Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube.

## Adult Programs

### Fans of Fiction Hybrid Book Club
**In Person and via Zoom simultaneously**

**Thursdays at 7pm**
- February 1st, March 7th, April 4th, May 2nd, and June 6th
  - Moderated by Tris Gates-Bonarius

*February’s book selection is: “The Rosie Effect” by Graeme Simsion*

*March’s book selection is: “White Teeth” by Zadie Smith*

Come join fellow booklovers as they discuss each month’s book of choice in an engaging and relaxed atmosphere. *Upon registration, copies of the title will be available in various formats.*

### Scholar Led Book Discussion:
**A Doll’s House by Henrik Ibsen**
**Thursdays at 7pm**
- February 15th and April 18th
  - Led by Ovidio Alvarez, Researcher

*Causing great controversy upon its release, A Doll’s House criticizes 19th century marriage norms. Join Ovidio as he guides you through a stimulating conversation about the play’s legacy.*

*A copy will be available upon registration.*

### Blind Date with a Book!
**Thursday, February 1st — Wednesday, February 14th**

Stop by the library during these two weeks to choose your blind date! Books will be covered with only a brief “profile.” Spend some time with your book and rate your “date” with a review to be entered into a drawing for a sweet prize. Reviews may be submitted up to the day of the drawing. **Thursday, February 29th.**

### Cross Stitch: A Calming Craft for All
**Thursday, February 22nd at 7pm**
**Presented by Kate Vitiello, Sustainable Artist**

In this class, you will learn the basic tools needed to begin your cross stitching journey. In addition to expressing creativity, cross stitching can also be a form of meditation. *Supplies will be provided. Participants are encouraged to bring their own scissors.*

### Spice of the Month — Take and Make Kit
**Mondays, March 4th, April 1st, May 6th, and June 3rd**

Each kit will include a packet of the monthly spice, two simple recipes, and information about the spice. Share photos of your completed dish and offer your opinions of the featured spice and we’ll post it on our social media!

### Simply Spring
**Thursday, March 14th at 7pm**
**Presented by Barbara Sikorsky, Local Foodie**

As the season transitions to spring, schedules tend to become busier. Having access to quick and easy meals during this time can be incredibly convenient! Barbara will show you several simple recipes to brighten up your spring table.
Write Your Own Way
A Generative Writing Workshop
Thursday, March 21st at 7pm
Presented by Gabrielle Esposito, Librarian, Writer
Unleash your creativity and overcome writer's block through a series of engaging prompts and writing exercises! Whether you're a beginner or an experienced writer seeking inspiration, you'll generate a piece of new material in this workshop.

An Introduction to Meditation
Thursday, March 28th at 7pm
Presented by Tatyana Kochergina, Founder and President of Balance with TK
Tatyana will introduce you to the practice of meditation and show you how you can incorporate mindfulness into your everyday life.

Tai Chi — Series of Six Classes
Mondays at 9am
April 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th, and May 6th
Presented by David Halpin, Owner of Sun Tao Studios, Yoga and Tai Chi Instructor
Join David for this easy to follow and enjoyable class. Learn balance, breathing, and mindfulness techniques. Beginners to advanced welcome.

Painted Wine Glasses
Thursday, April 11th at 7pm
Presented by June Van Dunk, Local Artist
June will teach you how to create a unique, hand-painted wine glass that will take your celebrations to the next level!

Charcuterie Board Making 101
Thursday, April 25th at 7pm
Presented by Nicole Dillon, Founder of Women Who Brunch
Nicole will teach you how to make a presentable and delicious charcuterie board. You'll learn basic techniques, including how to style and slice a variety of cheeses, meats, and fruits, and elevate your board with bright fresh flavors and colors for spring. After the demo, we'll snack on our delicious spread!

Small Space Gardening
Thursday, May 9th at 7pm
Presented by Anthony Bracco, Owner of Bracco Farms in Pine Island
Mr. Bracco will share the growing methods used at Bracco Farms, then demonstrate how to adapt their methods to your small space garden.

AARP Smart Driver Course
Tuesday, April 30th from 9am — 4pm
Presented by Thomas Barone, AARP Smart Driver Instructor
This refresher course is specially designed for motorists 50 years and over. There is a $25 fee for AARP members and a $30 fee for non-members. Registration in person at the library is required along with payment by check, payable to AARP. Registration begins Monday, April 1st for Tuxedo residents and Monday, April 15th for non-residents. The library will provide a deli style lunch for attendees.

The History of the Erie Canal and a 400 Mile Bike Adventure
Thursday, June 13th at 7pm
Presented by Wendy Dulin, Cycling Enthusiast and Tuxedo Resident
Join Wendy as she cycles a 400 mile scenic tour of the Erie Canal, from Buffalo to Albany. Wendy will speak about the incredible history of the canal, and some fun facts along the way.

All Ages Programs

National Oreo Day
Wednesday, March 6th from 1pm — 4pm on our Main Floor
Celebrate America’s favorite cookie: The Oreo! Drop in and taste test different flavors of Oreos, then vote for your favorite. Whether you dunk ‘em, twist ‘em, or eat ‘em whole, Oreos put a smile on everyone’s face.

Guess the Lego
April 1st — April 30th
Take a guess at how many Lego are in the jar at the circulation desk and whoever has the closest guess will win the filled jar! The winner will be announced the first week in May.

Solar Eclipse
Monday, April 8th at approximately 3:15 pm
Another partial solar eclipse will be visible here in Tuxedo Park this Spring! Eclipse glasses will be available at the library for pickup starting Monday, March 18th and are limited to one pair per household. Drop by the library all day on Monday, April 8th for a special eclipse themed snack.
**Children’s Programs**

**Summer Reading 2024 Sneak Peek: Adventure Begins at Your Library!**
Summer Reading will kick off in Tuxedo Park in mid-July! Grab some good books and join us here at your library for a summer of events, prizes, and adventure.

**Smokey Bear Reading Challenge**

**Celebrate Smokey Bear’s 80th Birthday!**

**February to June**
**Ages 3 – 12**

This program is designed to be a fun and easy way to engage children in reading about wildfire prevention, forests, and natural resource careers, while exploring their local environment! Read at least three books on wildfire prevention or the environment to earn badges and other prizes! Stop by the circulation desk to pick up your Smokey Bear reading log.

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**Tween & Teen Programs**

**Youth programs are in person and require registration unless otherwise noted. Families are encouraged to register early, as space and supplies are limited. Registration closes 2 hours prior to the event. To register, please call the library or visit tuxedoparklibrary.org/calendar.**

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**Bullet Journal Club**
**Wednesdays from 6 – 7:30pm**
**February 14th, March 20th, April 3rd, May 22nd, and June 12th**
**Ages 12 – 18**

Join the Bullet Journal Club! A bullet journal can be a planner, a diary, or anything else you can imagine! This in person craft club will be held once a month throughout the school year. **You do not need to attend every session. All materials will be provided.**

**The Digital SAT: Tips and Tricks**
**Thursday, February 29th at 6pm**
**High School Juniors and Seniors**
**Presented by Michelle Sale, Educational Consultant**

Get ready for the new digital age of the SAT with this helpful presentation about the new format of the stress inducing test. Pizza will be provided!

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**Teen Craft Nights**

**Wednesdays at 6pm**
**Ages 10 – 17**

Come to the library to create a fun craft with Ms. Kara! Crafts will range from baking to painting. Snacks will be provided. **Please register for each craft individually.**

- **February 21st**
  Make Your Own Chocolate
- **March 6th**
  Oreo Cookie Truffles
- **April 17th**
  Paint a Keepsake Box
- **May 8th**
  Yarn Monogram

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**Holiday Story Time**

**Wednesdays at 4pm**
**Ages 3 – 8**

Join Ms. Kara as she reads some fun seasonal stories! Each story time will be filled with books, a craft, a small snack, and, of course, lots of fun! **Please register for each story time individually.**

- **February 14th**
  Love You to Pieces Story Time
- **March 6th**
  Just Our Luck Story Time
- **April 17th**
  Love Our Earth Story Time
- **May 1st**
  Star Wars Day Story Time
- **June 12th**
  Celebrate Summer Story Time

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**Baby Story Time**

**Tuesdays from 4 – 4:45pm**
**February 27th, March 26th, April 23rd, May 7th, and June 18th**
**Ages 0 – 2**

Join Ms. Kara for a fun baby story time, where we will sing songs and read with baby, followed by some free play time.
1,000 Books Before Kindergarten

How Does 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten Work?

1. Register — At Tuxedo Park Library and take home your first reading log, or email Ms. Kara at kgemian@rcls.org for contactless registration.

2. Track Your Reading — Write down the titles of the books that you read together.

3. Show Us Your Reading Log — When you reach 25 books, bring in your reading log and get a small prize! Then bring your log every 100 books for cool stickers and incentives.

4. Read More Books! — When you get all the way to 1,000 books read, you will receive a medal and bookish goodies.

Happy Spring Recess!
There will be a different program to enjoy every weekday while school is out.

Monday, March 25th
Take and Make! Stop by the library any time to pick up an extra special craft kit for your week off.

Tuesday, March 26th at 1pm
Fun with Perler Beads! Stop by the program room to make a keychain out of melty perler beads.

Wednesday, March 27th at 4pm
littleBits Experiments! Become an engineer and invent with littleBits, a fun and accessible way to learn about tech and electronics through play.

Thursday, March 28th at 1pm
LEGOmania! Stop by to build whatever your heart desires with our boxes of LEGO bricks.

Friday, March 29th at 1pm
Paint Party! Let’s end Spring Recess with a messy good time at the library. Kids can paint a blank canvas however they wish.

No registration required. Open to all school ages.

Crafternoons

Self-guided craft kits will be available to pick up in the children’s room to take home to complete. No registration necessary, while supplies last.

February 16th
Mini Felt Pillow

March 8th
Handprint Leprechaun

April 19th
Earth Mosaic

May 3rd
Wookie Paper Bag Craft

June 14th
Flag Craft

Ask about being a Friend of the Library

Find us on social media
New Museum Passes
We’re pleased to announce five new museum passes coming Spring 2024!

Brooklyn Botanic Garden
Brooklyn, NY
A sprawling urban garden bordering Prospect Park.
www.bbg.org

Hudson River Museum
Yonkers, NY
Art, science, an historic home, and a planetarium.
www.hrm.org

Mohonk Preserve
Gardiner, NY
70 miles of trails to hike, climb, and horseback ride.
www.mohonkpreserve.org

Stamford Museum & Nature Center
Stamford, CT
80+ acres of nature trails and an active working farm.
www.stamfordmuseum.org

Westchester Children’s Museum
Rye, NY
A vibrant, interactive space for play and discovery.
www.discoverwcm.org

Volunteers Needed for our 19th Annual Memorial Day Community Picnic & Fundraiser
Monday, May 27th

Volunteers and committee members are needed to make our Annual Memorial Day Picnic a success! Committee members will assist library personnel with planning the event. On Memorial Day, volunteers are needed to help us with setup, serving food, running game booths, and cleanup.

Please contact Assistant Director Cathy Sandak at (845) 351-2207 x18 or csandak@rcls.org to join the planning committee, to volunteer with us on Memorial Day, or to inquire about further details.
Tuxedo Park Library By The Numbers

- Number of physical library materials you checked out: **20,845**
- Number of digital library materials you checked out: **15,394**
- Number of library sponsored programs offered to you: **187**
- Number of attendees at library sponsored programs: **2,582**
- Number of your wi-fi and internet sessions: **20,399**
- Number of your reference questions answered: **10,170**

Top Checkouts in 2023

- *The Wager* by David Grann
- *The Covenant of Water* by Abraham Verghese
- *White House by the Sea* by Kate Stone
- *A Man Called Otto* by John Grisham
- *The House in the Pines* by Ana Reyes
- *The Covenant of Water* by Abraham Verghese
- *Kirby’s: Return to Dreamland* by Floorish and Filipe
- *Dig, Rumble, Dug!* by D. D. W. and S. D. T.
- *Sleepy Sheepy* by J. S. Q. and D. D. T.
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Monday, Tuesday, Friday: 9AM - 5:30PM
Wednesday, Thursday: 9AM - 9PM
Saturday: 10AM - 4PM
Sunday: 11AM - 3PM (September - June)

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Museum Membership Passes
Visit the Library and check out a Museum!

See pg. 6 for our new Spring 2024 offerings!

The library has museum passes for you to borrow! They are available for checkout at the Circulation Desk. Enjoy a day out at one of these great museums!

Patrons are responsible for calling the Museum directly for information on hours of operation, admission, closings, and parking.