BOOK TALK

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Fall 2025

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Library Closings

Veterans Day

Tuesday, November 11th
Thanksgiving Eve
(closing at 5:30)

Wednesday, November 26th

Thanksgiving Day

Thursday, November 27th

Christmas Eve

Wednesday, December 24th

Christmas Day

Thursday, December 25th

New Year's Eve

Wednesday, December 31st

New Year's Day

Thursday, January 1st

Weather related closings will be announced on the library's answering machine and social media.



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The Cuthors' Circle Presents





James Kaplan

author of

3 Shades of Blue

Miles Davis, John Coltrane, Bill Evans, and the Lost Empire of Cool

> in conversation with Gerald Howard

Friday, September 26th at 5:30pm

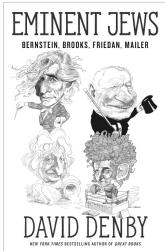
David Denby

author of

Eminent Jews

Bernstein, Brooks, Friedan, Mailer

in conversation with Gerald Howard & Katie Rosman









Sunday, November 16th at 3pm

Attend our author events in person or via Zoom

Live stream 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

Adult programs require registration unless otherwise noted. Register by calling the library or visiting tuxedoparklibrary.org/calendar

Registration for adult programs opens at 9am on the date listed.

All programs are subject to change.

Adult Programs

Healthy Living for the Brain and Body

Tuesday, September 16th at 1pm
Presented by Janet Syvertsen, Senior Director of
Community Engagement, Alzheimer's Association
Hudson Valley, NY Chapter

At any age, there are lifestyle habits we can adopt to help maintain or even potentially improve our health, including keeping our brains healthy and reducing risk of cognitive decline. This workshop covers four areas associated with healthy aging and draws on the latest research, exploring steps to take to improve or maintain overall health in each area.

Great Hikes and Less-Traveled Trails

Registration is open now.

Thursday, September 18th at 7pm Presented by Don Weise, Author, Hike Leader with NY-NJ Trail Conference

Discover your next great hiking trail from Tuxedo's surrounding state forests, parks, and trails including Sterling Forest, Harriman, Bear Mountain, and many more. *Registration is open now.*





Available starting Mondays
October 6th, November 3rd & December 1st

Discover a new spice! Receive a kit that will have a sample packet of that month's spice, some history about it, recipes that feature that spice, and some cookbook recommendations. Share photos of your completed dish and we'll share it on social media.

September registration opens for Tuxedo residents Monday, September 15th, and non-residents Friday, September 26th. Please register for each month's kit individually.

Find past recipes by visiting tuxedoparklibrary.org/spice

Fans of Fiction Hybrid Book Club

Thursdays at 7pm October 2nd, November 6th & December 11th Moderated by Tris Gates-Bonarius

October's book selection is

First Lie Wins by Ashley Elston

November's book selection is

We All Live Here by Jojo Moyes

December's book selection is

The God of the Woods by Liz Moore

Come find your next favorite book, explore a new genre, and enjoy conversation with fellow booklovers. **Registration opens Thursday, September 4th.**

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Chair Yoga

Mondays at 10am
October 6th, 13th & 20th, November 10th,
17th & 24th, December 1st & 8th
Presented by Tammy Quinn, Yoga Instructor
Join Tammy as she guides you through
simple, relaxing stretches that help
strengthen your core, alleviate stress, and
enhance your mobility. Each class builds strength and
stamina, while including stretching, guided meditation
and breathing. Registration opens for Tuxedo residents
Monday, September 22nd, and non-residents Friday,
October 3rd. Reminder: Have your library card number
ready when registering.

Adult Craft Night: Cemeterrariums with Nicole

Thursday, October 9th at 6:30pm
Get creative with a spooky twist at our adult craft night! Build your own mini haunted graveyard terrarium—complete with creepy details and eerie flair. All materials will be provided. Perfect for adding a touch of Halloween to your home décor! Registration opens for Tuxedo residents Tuesday, September 23rd, and non-residents Friday, October 3rd.

The Village: A History of Greenwich Village; 400 years of Tragedy, Bohemians, and the Arts

Thursday, October 16th at 6:30pm Presented by Mario Medici, Lecturer and Licensed NYC Tour Guide Join amateur photographer, art history enthusiast, and avid researcher, Mario Medici, as he takes you on a photographic tour of the sights and



attractions of Greenwich Village based on his own trips to the area and gives you a feel of this diverse and energetic neighborhood. *Registration opens for Tuxedo residents Monday*, *September 29th*, *and non-residents Friday*. *October 10th*.

Adult Halloween Trivia Night with Nicole

Thursday, October 23rd at 6:30pm
Join us for a spooktacular evening of
Halloween-themed trivia at the library!
Test your knowledge of horror movies,
haunted history, creepy creatures, and
all things eerie. Prizes will be awarded,
and frightful fun is guaranteed! Registration opens
for Tuxedo residents Monday, October 6th, and
non-residents Friday, October 17th.

Digital Navigator Office Hours

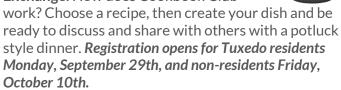
Wednesdays at 11am October 29th, November 19th & December 17th

You've got tech questions, and Gia, our Digital Navigator, has got tech answers. Drop in for Gia's office hours on Wednesday mornings, make yourself a cup of coffee, and ask away. Gia can help you find a starting point for solving a tech problem, explain the basics of tech buzzwords like AI and The Cloud, walk you through using a new device, and lots more. No registration required.

Cookbook Club

Thursdays, October 30th & November 20th at 6:30 pm

& Sunday, December 7th at 12:30pm
Let's get cooking! Pick up a cookbook at
the library and prepare a recipe to share
at our Potluck Dinner. October's theme
is Spooky Snacks. November's theme is
Thankful. December's theme is Cookie
Exchange. How does Cookbook Club



Coffee Time Tech Tips: Universal Class

Wednesday, November 5th at 11am
Join Gia, our Digital Navigator, for a
cup of coffee and to learn a new tech
skill! Learn anything, anytime, anywhere



skill! Learn anything, anytime, anywhere, for free with your library card on Universal Class. Take self-paced courses and earn real grades and feedback on assignments. Gia will help you get started! *Registration opens Monday, October 13th.*

Medicare 101

Saturday, November 8th at 11am Presented by John Bousquet, Representative of the Medicare Resource Group

Current and prospective Medicare recipients can learn about how and when to enroll in Medicare, when you can make changes, and the different types of insurance options available to you. Medicare Resource Group will help you discover resources to simplify your Medicare choices. *Registration opens Tuesday, October 7th.*

Needle Felting Picture - Harvest Bounty

Thursday, November 13th at 6pm
Presented by Jenny Torino, Fiber Artist
Learn the art of needle felting and
craft your own harvest bountyinspired design! Choose from beets,
mushrooms, or flowers while
exploring different fiber types, image
transfer techniques, and needle

felting basics. Perfect for beginners—plus, get tips on where to find supplies for future projects!

Registration opens for Tuxedo residents Monday,
October 20th, and non-residents Friday, November 7th.

Egg Roll in a Bowl Cooking Demonstration

Thursday, December 4th at 6pm
Presented by Morgan Kratzer, MS,
RDN, ShopRite Dietitian
Join us for a fun and flavorful
cooking demonstration as we
prepare "Egg Roll in a Bowl"! This
dish packs all the delicious taste of
a traditional egg roll—without the wrapper. Perfect
for a quick, healthy meal, you'll learn simple
techniques and ingredients to recreate it at home.
Don't miss this tasty and interactive experience!
Registration opens for Tuxedo residents Monday,
November 17th, and non-residents Friday,
November 28th. Reminder: Have your library card
number ready when registering.

Coffee Time Tech Tips: Mango Languages

Wednesday, December 10th at 11am
Join Gia, our Digital Navigator, for a
cup of coffee and to learn a new tech
skill! Learn a new language for free
with your library card via Mango.
Access over 70 world languages with
native speaker audio and immersive
lessons for effective language learning.
Gia will walk you through how to get started!
Registration opens Monday, October 13th.

Iceland: The Land of Fire and Ice

Thursday, January 15th at 6:30pm
Presented by Chris McCormack, Travel Guide and
Photographer

Join us to hear traveler Chris McCormack talk about his experiences traveling through Iceland. Not only will he share his stories, but also useful apps,



websites, and the different options you have to explore Iceland. Don't miss out on the chance to hear about the land of fire and ice. Registration opens for Tuxedo residents Monday, December 29th, and non-residents Friday, January 9th.

Youth programs require registration unless otherwise noted. Families are encouraged to register early, as space and supplies are limited. Registration opens at 9am on the date listed and closes 2 hours prior to the event. Register by calling the library or by visiting tuxedoparklibrary.org/calendar.

All Ages Programs

Banned Books Week

October 5th - October 11th

"Censorship is so 1984. Read for your rights." Banned Books Week is an annual event celebrating the freedom to read. It spotlights current and historical attempts

to censor books in libraries and schools. It brings together the entire book community in shared support of the freedom to seek and to express ideas. Come into the library this week to check out some banned books and pick up some themed merch. Merch available while supplies last. No registration required.

The Great Give Back: 6th Annual Promenade Placemat Project

Saturday, October 18th - Friday, November 21st

This will be the sixth year our community will come together to color and decorate placemats for Thanksgiving dinner at the Promenade Senior Center.
Placemats can be taken home to



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color or be completed in the library. We will then laminate them and distribute to the Promenade. Please return your finished product to the library by **Friday, November 21st.** Placemats will not be accepted after this date.

The Great Give Back: Food Drive

Saturday, October 18th - Friday, November 21st

Give back to your community this year by dropping off various nonperishable food items that we will distribute to the Community Food Pantry serving

Suffern, Hillburn, Sloatsburg and Tuxedo.

Guess the Tootsie Rolls

Saturday, November 1st - Sunday, November 30th



Take a walk on your sweet side with the last guessing game of the year. Try your luck at guessing how many Tootsie Rolls are in the jar at the circulation desk. Whoever is the closest in guessing the correct number will win the filled jar! The winner will be announced Tuesday, December 2nd. No registration necessary.

Election Day is Sweet!

Tuesday, November 4th from 12pm - 4pm

November 4th is both Election Day and National Candy Day! After casting your official vote, stop by

the library to cast a vote for your favorite international candy! We'll have a delicious assortment of treats from around the world for you to sample and choose from. Vote with your taste buds—your sweet opinion matters! *No registration required*.

Live Animal Show

Tuesday, November 4th at 4pm Presented by Rizzo's Wildlife World Come meet some new exotic animal friends at the library! Kids of all ages will learn about seven different

animals, all while having fun! Attendees will be able to touch at least one animal and ask plenty of questions during the Q&A session. *Registration opens Monday*, *October 20th*.

Brownies in a Jar Kit

Kit available Tuesday, December 2nd
Score some brownie points with your
loved ones by using this kit to bake a
delicious batch of brownies! The kit will
include all the dry ingredients you need in
a reusable glass jar and baking instructions.
Registration opens Monday, November 17th.

Family Movie Night

Following the Town Tree Lighting at the Tuxedo Train Station

Join us for a short movie at the library after the Town of Tuxedo Annual Tree Lighting at the Tuxedo Train Station. Pizza and seasonal treats will be served! No registration required.

Tween & Teen Programs

Bullet Journal Club

Wednesdays at 6pm

October 15th, November 19th & December 17th

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. You do not need to attend every session. All materials will be provided. *October registration opens Monday*, *September 22nd*.

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Crafting with Kara

Tuesdays at 4pm

Ages 8 - 11

A special craft night just for tweens! Tweens can enjoy a night in being creative with Ms. Kara. Snacks will be provided. *October registration opens Monday*,

September 22nd.

October 21st

Spooky Lantern Paint Night

November 18th

Bean Mosaics

December 16th

Make a Friendship Bracelet



Wednesdays at 6pm

Ages 11 - 17

Come to the library to create a fun craft with Ms. Kara! Crafts will range from baking to painting. Snacks will be provided. *October registration opens Monday*,

September 22nd.

October 22nd

Hocus Pocus Cupcakes

November 5th

Perler Bead Creations

December 10th

Oreo Ornament Balls



Children's Programs

The Great Science Spooktacular

Wednesday, October 15th at 4pm Ages 4 - 12

Presented by Conrad Cologne, Family Entertainer

Get ready for some spooky

S.T.E.M. fun in this brand-new Conrad show! With clouds of fog, floating eyeballs, and experiments that go bump in the night, you're guaranteed to howl with delight during this haunting science adventure.

Registration opens Monday, September 22nd.

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.

October 24th

Halloween Picture Frame

November 14th
Cornucopia Craft

December 12th

New Year's Clock





Attention Trick-or-Treaters!



Don't forget to visit the library on your candy seeking adventure! Halloween treats will be given out all day on *Friday*, *October 31st*.



Plus, find us at **Tuxedo's Town Trunk or Treat** on **Saturday, October 25th at 3pm** in Powerhouse Park!

Baby Story Time

Tuesdays at 4pm October 28th, November 25th & December 23rd

Ages 0 - 2

Join us for a fun baby story time where we will sing songs and read with baby followed by some free play time. October registration opens Monday, September 22nd.

Holiday Story Time

Wednesdays at 4pm

Ages 3 - 8

Join Ms. Kara as she reads some fun holiday and seasonal stories! Each story time will be filled with books, a craft, a small snack, and of course, lots of fun! October registration opens Monday, September 22nd.

October 29th

Monster Mash Bash

November 19th

Oh, My Gourd! Story Time

December 10th

Snowflake Story Time

Tuney Tots

Thursdays at 10:30am November 6th, 13th & 20th Ages 2 - 5

Presented by Jeannie Pendergrass,

Music Instructor

Tuney Tots is a high energy music & movement program using lots of colorful props. Let your littles get their energy up and out during this hour-long class. Registration begins Monday, October 20th. Thank you to Senator Skoufis for supporting this program!

Bring the family to a museum for FREE with one of our museum passes!







Stamford **Museum** & **Nature** Center

WESTCHESTER CHILDREN'S MUSEUM

For more information visit: tuxedoparklibrary.org/museum-passes

Library Budget News

On Tuesday, November 4, 2025 there will be a proposition on the ballot at the General Election for the Library's budget. For 2026, the Board of Trustees is requesting voters approve an increase of \$17,449 or 2.74% in the Town's annual contribution to the operating budget of the Library.

The proposed budget reflects our ongoing commitment to maintaining a high level of library service to the residents of Tuxedo while controlling costs.

Thank you, Library Board of Trustees











Proposed 2026 Budget

Income	
Revenue from Taxes	\$653,570
Fundraising & Grants	33,400
Fees: fines, faxes, and photocopies	3,350
Interest	5,000
<u>Total Income</u>	\$695,320

Expenses	
Library Staff / Support	\$484,317
Library Materials & Supplies	67,625
Automated Library Systems & IT Support	28,336
Adult, YA & Children's Programs	15,400
Building & Equipment Maintenance	30,605
Utilities	25,687
Insurance & Audit	25,650
Printing, Communications & Postage	5,400
Other Operating Expenses	12,300
<u>Total Expenses</u>	\$695,320







Library News & Services



Take the internet to go with our Wi-Fi hotspots!

Tuxedo Park Library has **free Wi-Fi hotspots** available for checkout. Simply follow the included instructions to power up the hotspot, then connect your device to its fast, powerful Wi-Fi network using the password provided. Hotspots are available at the Circulation Desk to adult TPL patrons for a 14 day loan period.

CR Consumer Reports

Research before you buy! Make better purchasing decisions with your library card. Access Consumer Reports at no cost to you by visiting tuxedoparklibrary.org/consumer-reports

The Library offers a *free*Notary Public service with night and weekend hours.

Please call the Library at 845-351-2207 in advance to confirm that a Notary Public will be available at the time of your visit, and check our website for guidelines.



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- Two small study rooms
- A large meeting table that seats up to eight
- A meeting room for individuals or groups you can book in advance
- Free high-speed internet

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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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The Library Board of Trustees meets on the third Wednesday of the month at 7:30pm. The public is invited to attend.

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Museum Membership Passes

Visit the Library and check out a museum!





























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