

BOOK TALK

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Winter/Spring 2026

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Library Closings

Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Monday, January 19th

Easter
Sunday, April 5th

Memorial Day
Monday, May 25th

Juneteenth
Friday, June 19th

Independence Day
Saturday, July 4th

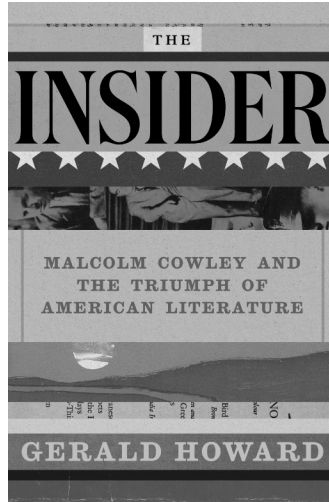
Weather related closings
will be announced on
the library's answering
machine and social media.



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The Authors' Circle Presents



Gerald Howard

author of

The Insider

Malcolm Cowley
and the Triumph of
American Literature

in conversation
with Katie Rosman

Sunday, January 25th at 3pm

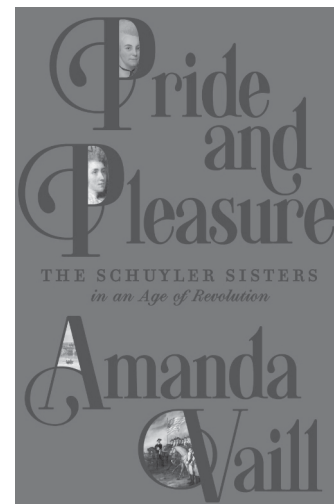
Amanda Vaill

author of

Pride and Pleasure

The Schuyler Sisters
in an Age of Revolution

in conversation
with Gerald Howard



Sunday, April 12th 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 will open at 9am on the date listed.

All programs are subject to change.

Adult Programs

Hygge Night at the Library

Thursday, February 19th at 6:30pm

Hygge—a Danish word for comfort, warmth, and togetherness—is all about creating a sense of calm and contentment on a chilly evening. Join us for a relaxing night filled with crafts, coloring, simple DIY kits, and warm drinks and snacks. **Registration opens for Tuxedo residents Monday, February 2nd, and non-residents Friday, February 13th.**



Iceland: The Land of Fire and Ice

Thursday, February 26th at 6:30pm

Presented by Chris McCormack, Travel Guide/Photographer

Chris will share his stories about traveling through Iceland, as well as useful apps, websites, and the different options you have to explore Iceland. **Registration opens for Tuxedo residents Monday, February 9th, and non-residents Friday, February 20th.**



Chair Yoga

Mondays at 10am, March 2nd, 9th, 16th & 23rd, April 13th, 20th & 27th, May 4th

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. **Registration opens for Tuxedo residents Monday, February 16th, and non-residents Friday, February 27th. Reminder: Have your library card number to register.**



Spice of the Month Take & Make Kit



Available starting Mondays, February 2nd, March 2nd, April 6th, May 4th & June 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.

February registration opens for Tuxedo residents Tuesday, January 20th, and non-residents Friday, January 30th.

Please register for each month's kit individually.

Find past recipes at tuxedoparklibrary.org/spice

Fans of Fiction Hybrid Book Club

Thursdays at 7pm

March 5th, April 9th & June 4th

March's book selection is

Wild Dark Shore by Charlotte McConaghy

April's book selection is

Isola by Allegra Goodman

June's book selection is

The Correspondent by Virginia Evans



Come find your next favorite book, explore a new genre, and enjoy conversation with fellow booklovers. **Registration opens Thursday, February 5th.**

Take & Make: Paint-by-Numbers Kit

Kit available Monday, March 9th

Unwind with our Take & Make Paint-by-Numbers Kit! Pick up a kit and enjoy a relaxing, creative project at home. Each kit includes a paint-by-numbers design, paints, and brushes. **Registration opens for Tuxedo residents Tuesday, February 17th, and non-residents Friday, March 6th.**



Alzheimer's Association - Empowered Caregiver

Tuesday, March 10th at 1pm

Presented by Sharon Mills Besheer, Alzheimer's Association, Orange County Community Educator

Caring for someone living with dementia can be both meaningful and challenging. The Alzheimer's Association's *Empowered Caregiver* education series is designed to provide practical guidance, emotional support, and essential tools to help caregivers navigate their responsibilities with confidence. **Registration opens Monday, February 2nd.**



Garden Photography: The Basics

Thursday, March 19th at 6:30pm

Presented by Brooke Moore, Master Gardener at Cornell Cooperative Ext.

Discover how to capture the beauty of your garden through photography. This presentation introduces the basics of lighting, composition, and camera settings to help you create stunning images of plants and landscapes. **Registration opens for Tuxedo residents Monday, February 23rd, and non-residents Friday, March 13th.**



Pen and Ink Art Class

Wednesday, March 25th from 6:30pm - 8pm

Presented by Danielle Lafayette, Art Teacher

Celebrate the arrival of spring with the beauty of seasonal vegetation and fresh spring produce. Participants will explore line, texture, and detail while creating expressive drawings inspired by nature. **Registration opens for Tuxedo residents Monday, March 2nd, and non-residents Friday, March 20th.**



Building a Legacy: The Founding of Tuxedo Park Library

Thursday, March 26th at 6:30pm

Presented by Christopher Gow,
Tuxedo Historical Society Trustee

Explore the origins of the Tuxedo Park Library and the vision behind its founding, highlighting the library's founding charter, architect Bruce Price, and the fascinating characters and personalities who helped shape this historic institution. **Registration opens for Tuxedo residents Tuesday, March 3rd, and non-residents Friday, March 20th.**



Stop, Think, Act: How to Recognize and Avoid Scams and Identity Theft

Tuesday, April 7th at 1pm

Presented by Kim Maercklein,
Consumer Education, NYS Division of
Consumer Protection



It's not all in your head. Fraud has increased significantly over the past few years. Fraudsters are becoming more sophisticated, using advanced technology, and taking more money than ever. Join us to learn how to recognize the signs of fraud, current trends, and reduce the risk of becoming a victim. **Registration opens Tuesday, March 3rd.**

Alzheimer's Awareness

Tuesday, April 14th at 1pm

Presented by Sharon Mills Besheer,
Alzheimer's Association, Orange
County Community Educator



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A brief overview of both Alzheimer's and dementia, key statistics and populations at increased risk, warning signs and available treatment options, science-backed tips for brain health at any age, and how the Association helps. **Registration opens Tuesday, March 10th.**

White Chicken Chili Cooking Demo

Thursday, April 16th at 6pm

Presented by Morgan Kratzer, MS, RDN, ShopRite
Dietitian

Join us for a step-by-step presentation on preparing this nutritious dish. Participants will learn key cooking methods, ingredient substitutions, and flavor-building techniques. Recipe cards and tasting samples will be provided. **Registration opens for Tuxedo residents Monday, March 23rd, and non-residents Friday, April 10th.**



Stop Procrastinating: How to Sort Out Your Home this Spring via Zoom

Thursday, April 23rd at 6:30pm

Presented by Jamie Novak, Author
Log on and learn where to begin and what to tackle in which order. Jamie, an organization expert, will show you how editing your home can give you peace of mind. **Registration opens Tuesday, March 24th.**



AARP Smart Driver Course

Tuesday, April 28th from 9am - 4pm

Presented by Thomas Barone, AARP
Smart Driver Instructor



Driver Safety



This refresher course is specially designed for motorists 50 years and over. The library will provide a deli style lunch for attendees. \$25 for AARP members, \$30 for non-members. **Registration opens for Tuxedo residents Wednesday, April 1st, and non-residents Wednesday, April 15th. In person registration at the library is required along with payment by check payable to AARP.**

Herb Gardens

Thursday, April 30th at 6:30pm

Presented by Gigi Sobiech-Swales, Master
Gardener at Cornell Cooperative Ext.

Learn what herbs need to thrive, how to display them beautifully, and how to make the most of your harvest through culinary use and preservation.



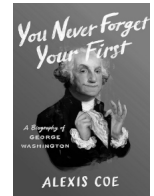
Registration opens for Tuxedo residents Monday, April 6th, and non-residents Friday, April 24th.

OrangeReads: America 250 - George Washington Biography Book Discussion

Thursday, May 7th at 7pm

Moderated by Meredith Cohen, English
Teacher, Monroe-Woodbury High School

This program is part of the 250 Commission as we celebrate America 250 with a community book discussion of *You*



Never Forget Your First: A Biography of George Washington by Alexis Coe. This engaging read offers a fresh, thoughtful look at America's first president and the complexities behind the legend. **Registration opens for Tuxedo residents Tuesday, March 31st, and non-residents Friday, April 24th.**

Strawberry Spinach Salad Cooking Demo

Thursday, June 11th at 6pm

Presented by Morgan Kratzer, MS,
RDN, ShopRite Dietitian



Learn how to prepare this bright, seasonal dish made with spinach, strawberries, and perfectly balanced toppings, all brought together with a homemade dressing. **Registration opens for Tuxedo residents Monday, May 18th, and non-residents Friday, June 5th.**

How to Use Today's AI Tools to Simplify Life

Thursday, June 25th from 6:30pm - 8pm

Presented by Eddi Khaytman,
AI Consultant, Promo Ambitions

A deep dive into how AI tools can be leveraged to simplify your daily tasks, enhance productivity, and bring efficiency to personal and professional endeavors. **Registration opens for Tuxedo residents Monday, June 1st, and non-residents Thursday, June 18th.**



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

Blind Date with a Book

Sunday, February 1st - Saturday, February 28th

Stop by the library 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 in for a sweet prize. Reviews may be submitted up to the day of the drawing, **Sunday, March 1st**. We will have adult books in the main room, YA in the teen room, and **Blind Playdate with a Book** in the children's room. *No registration necessary. Limit one book per person.*



Oreo Cookie Day

Friday, March 6th from 1pm - 4pm

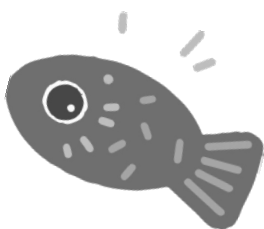
Celebrate America's favorite cookie: The Oreo! Drop in and taste test different flavors of Oreos, then vote for your favorite. Whether you dunk 'em, twist 'em, or eat 'em whole, Oreos put a smile on everyone's face. *No registration necessary.*



Guess the Swedish Fish

Friday, May 1st - Sunday, May 31st

In need of a sweet treat? Try your luck at guessing how many Swedish Fish are in the bowl at the circulation desk. Whoever is the closest in guessing the correct number will win the filled bowl! The winner will be announced **Tuesday, June 2nd**. *No registration necessary.*



Ice Cream Party!

Saturday, June 27th from 12pm - 2pm

Welcome summer at the library with this sweet ice cream celebration! Choose from our variety of ice cream flavors, sprinkles, and toppings to make your very own ice cream sundae! Dairy-free alternatives will be available. **Registration opens Monday, May 18th.**



Tween & Teen Programs

Crafting with Olivia

Tuesdays at 4pm

Ages 8 - 12

A special craft night just for tweens! Tweens can enjoy a night in being creative with Ms. Olivia. Snacks will be provided. **February registration opens Tuesday, January 20th.**

February 17th

Cozy Mug Cakes

March 31st

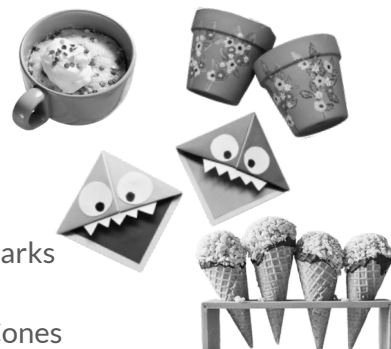
Paint a Flower Pot

April 14th

Monster Corner Bookmarks

June 9th

Rice Krispy Ice Cream Cones



Teen Craft Night

Wednesdays at 6pm

Ages 12 - 17

Come to the library to create a fun craft with Ms. Olivia! Crafts will range from baking to painting. Snacks will be provided. **February registration opens Tuesday, January 20th.**

February 18th

Mini Chocolate Lava Cakes

March 11th

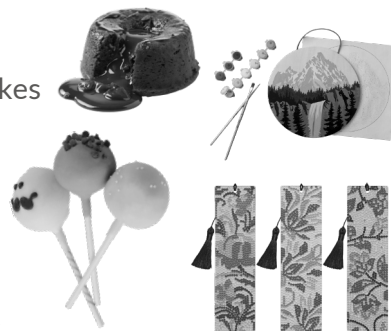
Paint-by-Numbers

April 8th

Homemade Cake Pops

May 6th

Diamond Art Bookmark



SAT & ACT Tips and Tricks

Wednesday, February 25th at 6pm

High School Sophomores & Juniors

Presented by Jeffrey Forman,

Current Educator and

Standardized Test Tutor

Nervous about standardized tests? Join us at the library for this SAT and ACT presentation that will get you ready just in time for test season. Pizza will be served. **Registration opens Tuesday, January 20th.**



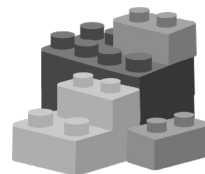
Tween LEGO Night

Tuesday, May 5th at 4pm

Ages 8 - 12

Let's build together! Each tween will receive and build a small LEGO set.

Snacks will be served. **Registration opens Monday, April 20th.**



Children's Programs

Baby Story Time

Tuesdays from 4pm - 4:45pm

January 27th, February 24th, March 24th, April 21st & June 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. **January registration opens Monday, January 5th.**



Holiday Story Time

Wednesdays at 4pm

Ages 3 - 8

Join Ms. Olivia 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! **February registration opens Tuesday, January 20th.**

February 11th

Be Mine, Valentine Story Time

March 18th

Shamrock Story Time

April 22nd

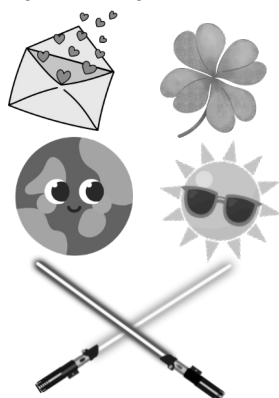
For What It's Earth Story Time

May 6th

Star Wars Story Time

June 17th

It's Summer! Story Time



Dr. Seuss Celebration!

Wednesday, March 4th at 4pm

Ages 3 - 8

Let's celebrate Dr. Seuss's birthday and Read Across America Week in style at the library! We will read some classic Dr. Seuss stories, make a craft, and have a small birthday snack. **Registration opens Monday, February 16th.**



Tuney Tots

Thursdays at 10:30am

April 2nd, 9th & 16th

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 opens Monday, March 23rd.**



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



Stamford Museum & Nature Center



WESTCHESTER CHILDREN'S MUSEUM

More info at tuxedoparklibrary.org/museum-passes

Happy Spring Recess!

There will be a different program to enjoy every weekday while school is out.

Take & Make Craft Kit

Monday, March 30th • All Day

Stop by the library to pick up an extra special take and make craft to complete at home during your week off. Available while supplies last.

Movie Matinee

Tuesday, March 31st at 1pm

Popcorn will be served at this special midday movie showing! Movie TBA.

Fun with Perler Beads!

Wednesday, April 1st at 1pm

Stop by the program room to create a keychain out of perler beads.

LEGOmania!

Thursday, April 2nd at 1pm

Stop by to build whatever your heart desires with our LEGO bricks.

Paint Party

Friday, April 3rd at 1pm

Let's end Spring Recess with a messy good time. Kids can paint a canvas however they wish.

No registration necessary. 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 13th

Tissue Paper Heart

March 13th

Clothespin Leprechaun

April 10th

Spring Rose Craft

May 15th

Paper Loop Flower Sign

June 12th

Summer Drink Magnet



Coffee Time Tech Tips

Wednesdays at 11am

Join Gia, our Digital Navigator, for a cup of coffee and to learn a new tech skill!

February 4th: Conquer your 2026 reading goals with our eBooks and eAudiobooks in the Libby app.

March 4th: Learn a new skill with the hundreds of self-paced online courses available on **Universal Class**, free with your library card.

April 1st: Study in a virtual classroom with a live tutor and get essay feedback for free with your library card on **Tutor.com**. *Students of all ages welcome!*

Registration opens Monday, January 12th.

Digital Navigator Office Hours

Wednesdays at 11am

February 18th, March 18th,

April 15th & June 17th

You've got tech questions, and our Digital Navigator has got tech answers. Drop in during office hours and 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.*



Summer Reading Sneak Peek!

Summer Reading will kick off in Tuxedo Park in mid-July! Dig into some good books and join us here at your library for a summer of reading, creating, and learning.

Art on Display

April 6th - June 1st

Tuxedo Park School students showcased their creativity through hands-on art projects!

Third graders explored bold design by creating patterned letter artworks using custom stencils, while fifth graders crafted striking self-portraits by collaging newspaper to capture light and shadow. Come see the creativity and talent of these young artists at the library this Spring!



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

for our 21st Annual Memorial Day Community Picnic

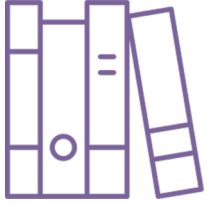
Monday, May 25th



Volunteers and committee members are needed to make our **21st Annual Memorial Day Community 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

19,948



Number of library sponsored programs offered to you

209



Number of digital library materials you checked out

19,046



Number of attendees at library sponsored programs

3,386



Number of your reference questions answered

13,440



Number of your wi-fi and internet sessions

12,826

Museum Pass



Free admission for up to four guests

Equipment



Mobile Wi-Fi Hotspots

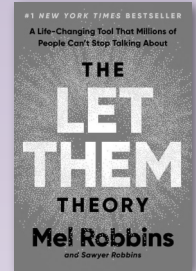
Adult DVD



Adult Fiction Print & eAudiobook

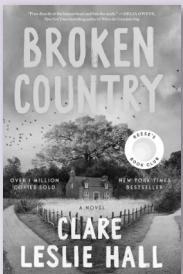


Adult Nonfiction Print & eBook



Top Checkouts of 2025 Releases

Adult Fiction eBook



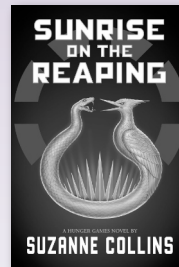
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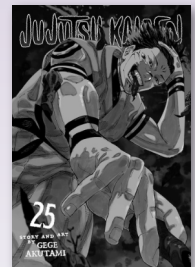
Magazine Print



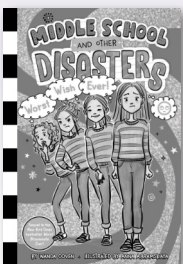
Young Adult Fiction Print, eBook & eAudiobook



Young Adult Manga



Children's Fiction Print



Children's Nonfiction Print



Children's Graphic Novel



Children's Picture Book



Children's Board Book



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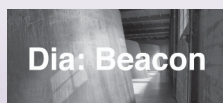
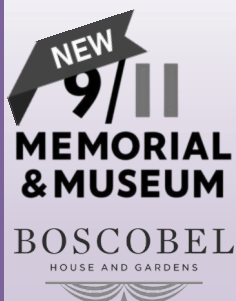
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Museum Membership Passes

Visit the Library and *check out* a museum!



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Stamford Museum
& Nature Center

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