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MASTICS MORICHES SHIRLEY COMMUNITY LIBRARY





Holiday Houses

Thursday, December 14, 4:30 – 5:30 p.m. OR 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. Saturday, December 16, 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. OR 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. Held at Mastic Rec Center. Registration begins Thursday, December 7 at 9:00 a.m. for all sessions. Register one child to represent the family. Register for only ONE session. Registration for this program is by phone or in-person only. Families with at least one child grade 6 or younger.







PROJECT UPDATE - Main Library Renovation:

Welcome to this month's update on the renovation of our main library. Our journey towards creating an inviting, modern, and accessible space for our community continues, and we're thrilled to share the latest strides we've made in transforming our library.

Interior Milestones

- Window Installation: The frames for all windows have started to arrive, and some are already installed. This marks a significant step towards enclosing the building and completing the exterior work.
- Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC): We're nearly there! Five out of six rooftop HVAC units have been delivered, bringing us closer to ensuring a comfortable environment for all our patrons.
- **Elevator Update:** Exciting news on the elevator front! One of our ADA-compliant elevators is currently being installed, marking a significant milestone in enhancing accessibility within our library. The second elevator is on its way and is expected to be installed soon, further solidifying our commitment to ensuring that our facilities are accessible to all.
- **Powering Up:** A new transformer from LIPA, along with all electrical transfer switches, has been installed, and we are excited to announce that the power to the building will be turned on soon.
- Water Service Completion: The water service installation is now complete, marking another crucial step in our infrastructure development.
- **Interior Finishing:** The sheetrock work in the basement staff area, IT zone, and the lower-level Teen and Literacy areas is finished, paving the way for further interior work.

Exterior Progress

• **Final Touches:** With the arrival and installation of window frames and glass, we are moving closer to completing the exterior siding, giving our library a renewed, contemporary appearance.

Furnishing and Interior Design

• Selecting the Details: Flooring, ceramic tile, and built-in furniture bids have been awarded. Our library administration, in collaboration with department heads, is diligently finalizing the details for shelving placement and service desk designs. The furniture pricing has been finalized, ensuring that every corner of our library will be both functional and aesthetically pleasing.

Stay Connected: Don't miss out on the visual updates! Check out the latest construction photos in this newsletter and follow the ongoing progress online at: https://buildinginfo.communitylibrary.org.

A Note of Gratitude: Your support and patience have been instrumental in this transformative journey. Each step we take is a step towards a library that embodies the spirit and needs of the Mastics-Moriches-Shirley community. Thank you for being with us on this exciting path of growth and improvement! We are still on track for a fall 2024 opening.



Progress Continues with Exciting Developments





Register for programs three easy ways: in person, online at www.communitylibrary.org or contact the Children's Reference Desk at 631-399-1511 Ext. 2016 for the Moriches Branch or Ext. 1030 for the Mastic Beach Branch.

Crafts-To-Go

Crafts-To-Go can be picked up at open library locations. One craft per child, per visit please.

ALL IN-PERSON PROGRAMS ARE OFFERED IN-PERSON ONLY. SUPPLIES WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE FOR PICK UP.

MAKE SURE TO CHECK OUR ONLINE PROGRAM CALENDAR FOR PROGRAM DETAILS.

PROGRAM REGISTRANTS MUST ARRIVE WITHIN 10 MINUTES OF THE START OF EACH PROGRAM OR THEIR RESERVATION WILL BE FORFEITED.

BABIES / PRESCHOOL & PARENTS

Winter Sensory Play

Friday, December 1, 10:00 – 10:30 a.m. Held at our Moriches branch. Registration begins Friday, November 24. Ages birth-12 months with an adult.

Baby Games

Monday, December 4, 10:30 – 11:15 a.m. Held at our Moriches branch. Registration begins Monday, November 27. Monday, December 18, 10:30 – 11:15 a.m. Held at our Mastic Beach branch. Registration begins Monday, December 11. Ages birth-18 months with an adult.



Baby Playdate

Fridays, December 8, 22, 11:00 – 11:30 a.m. Held at our Moriches branch. Fridays, December 15, 29, 11:00 – 11:30 a.m. Held at our Mastic Beach branch. Registration begins one week prior to each session. Please note this is an unstructured meet up. Ages birth-23 months with an adult.

Kidnastics

Monday, December 11, 11:00 – 11:45 a.m. Held at our Mastic Beach branch. Registration begins Monday, December 4. Ages 18 months-4 years with an adult.



Messy Meetups

Wednesdays, December 6, 13, 20 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. Held at our Moriches branch. Registration begins Wednesday, November 29. Ages 18 months-5 years with an adult.

Winter Storytime Wednesday, December 6 5:00 – 5:30 p.m. Held at our Mastic Beach branch. Registration begins Wednesday, November 29. Ages 2-5 years with an adult.

Little Creators Art Studio

Tuesday, December 12, 10:00 – 10:45 a.m. Held at our Mastic Beach branch. Registration begins Tuesday, December 5. Ages 18 months-5 years with an adult.



PARENTING

Positive Parenting - VIRTUAL

Tuesdays, December 26, January 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. *Registration begins Tuesday, December 19.* Learn how to set healthy boundaries, discipline without punishment and treat your children with respect so that they will respect you. Sessions designed for both mandated (certificate included) and non-mandated parents. You must provide an email so the Zoom link can be emailed to you.

SCHOOL-AGE / TWEEN

Tail-Waggin' and Readin' Fun!

Mondays, 4:30 – 5:30 p.m. Held at our Moriches branch. Tuesdays, 4:30 – 5:30 p.m. Held at our Mastic Beach branch. Drop-In. No registration required. Grades K-6.

Paper Gingerbread House Craft

Saturday, December 2, 2:30 – 3:00 p.m. Held at our Mastic Beach branch. Registration begins Saturday, November 25. Grades K-6.

Chess Club

Monday, December 4, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. Held at our Moriches branch. Registration begins Monday, November 27. Grades 3-6.

Collage Club

Sunday, December 10 12:30 – 3:30 p.m. Held at our Moriches branch. Registration begins Sunday, December 3. Grades 2-6.

Paper Snow Globe Craft Sunday, December 10 2:30 – 3:00 p.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach branch. Registration begins Sunday, December 3. Grades K-6.



Tuesday, December 12 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Held at our Mastic Beach branch. Registration begins Tuesday, December 5. Grades 4-6.

Beginner D&D

These programs are for the registered children only.

Adults and siblings must remain outside of the program space.

Little Sparks & Code Club Wednesday, December 13 4:30 – 5:30 p.m. Held at our Mastic Beach branch. Zins Wednesday, December

Registration begins Wednesday, December 6. Grades K-5.

Homework Club

Thursdays, December 14, 21, & 28 5:00 – 5:30 p.m. - Grades K-3 5:30 – 6:00 p.m. - Grades 4-6 Held at our Mastic Beach branch. Registration begins one week prior to each session.

Holiday Ornament Craft

Sunday, December 17, 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. Held at our Moriches branch. Registration begins Sunday, December 10. Grades K-6.

Books & Bingo: Holiday Disney!

Thursday, December 21, 6:00 – 6:45 p.m. Held at our Moriches branch. Registration begins Thursday, December 14. Grades 1-6.

Bookworm Book Club: The Liahtnina Thief

Friday, December 22, 4:30 – 5:45 p.m. Held at our Moriches branch. Registration begins Friday, December 1. Grades 4-6.



FAMILIES

Let's Get Grinchy!

Friday, December 1, 4:45 – 5:30 p.m. Held at our Mastic Beach branch.

Registration begins Friday, November 24. Register one child to represent the family. Families with children in grades K-6.



Creation Station Wednesdays, December 6 & 27 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. Held at our Moriches branch. Drop-In. No registration required. Families with at least one child grade 6 or younger.

Bedtime Family Guided Meditation

Wednesday, December 13 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. Held at our Moriches branch. Registration begins Wednesday, December 6. Chairs will be available or bring a blanket/mat if you prefer to lie down. Families with children in grades K-6.

Giant Game Play Day

Art Teacher Amy:

Grades 1-5.

Paint a Gingerbread House

Held at the Mastic Rec Center.

Monday, December 11, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

Registration begins Monday, December 4.

Friday, December 8, 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. Held at our Mastic Beach branch. Drop-in. No registration required. Families with at least one child grade 6 or younger.

Ugly Sweater Fun Saturday, December 9 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Held at our Mastic Beach branch. Held at our Moriches branch. Drop-in.

No registration required. Drop-in at any of our locations to upcycle your own sweater into an ugly sweater, for National Ugly Sweater Day December 15th.



You must provide your own sweater to decorate - we will provide the materials to decorate with while supplies last. Families with at least one child grade 6 or younger.



Holiday Houses

Thursday, December 14 4:30 – 5:30 p.m. OR 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. Saturday, December 16 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. OR 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. Held at Mastic Rec Center. Registration begins Thursday, December 7 at 9:00 a.m. for all sessions. Register one child to represent the family. Register for only ONE session. Registration for this program is by phone or in-person only. Families with at least one child grade 6 or younger.

Playdough Drop-In: Holidays!

Thursday, December 21, 3:00 – 6:00 p.m. Held at our Mastic Beach branch Drop-In. No registration required. Families with children grade 6 or younger.

Winter Break Activities and Seed Toss

Wednesday, December 27, 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. & Friday, December 29 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. Held at our Moriches branch Drop-In. No registration required. Families with at least one child grade 6 or younger. Unless otherwise noted, all programs are for teens in grades 6 through 12.

Register for programs three easy ways: In person, online at www.communitylibrary.org or contact the Teen Reference Desk at 631-399-1511 Ext. 2015 for the Moriches Branch or Ext. 1029 for the Mastic Beach Branch.

Fun and Games

Puzzle Night

Monday, December 18, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. Held at our Mastic Beach branch. Wednesday, December 20, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. Held at our Moriches branch. Registration begins 12/4. Work together to complete fun word games and quizzes including Wordle, Redactle, Sporcle, and anything else ending in -le! You might learn something new along the way!

Teens

D&D

Tuesdays, December 19 & 26, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Held at our Mastic Beach branch. Dôđ

Registration begins 12/5. Play with Ms. Chelsea and your friends in an epic table-top adventure full of magic, puzzles and more. Characters and dice will be provided. Register for each session

Board Games & Pizza

Friday, December 15, 5:45 – 7:30 p.m. Held at our Mastic Beach branch. Registration begins 12/1. Sign up to play games like Uno, Bamboozled, and Heads Up and eat pizza!



Theater Appreciation

Improv!

Saturday, December 9, 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Held at our Moriches branch.

This is a drop-in program. Have fun acting out scenes on the spot! Create funny characters, build confidence and make some laughs!

Theater Club

Wednesday, December 13, 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Held at our Moriches branch. This is a drop-in program. Join Mr. Kyle and play theatre games, listen to musicals and talk about all-things theatre!

Teens Read & Write

Advanced Battle of the Books

Mondays, December 4, 11, 18, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. Held at our Mastic Beach branch.

Tuesdays, December 5, 12, 19, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. Held at our Moriches branch.

Registration is open. Do you have an interest in

Do you have an interest in reading and trivia? Advanced Battle of the Books is a county-wide competition for teens



in grades 9 through 12. We will compete against other Suffolk County libraries in February. Attend one of these meetings for more information.

Entertainment

Pizza and a Movie Friday, December 1, 5:45 – 7:30 p.m. Held at our Mastic Beach branch. *Registration begins 11/24.* Sign up to watch *Klaus* and eat pizza!





How the Grinch Stole Christmas Thursday, December 14 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. Held at our Moriches branch.

Held at our Moriches branch. Registration begins 11/30. Come watch How the Grinch Stole Christmas while drinking hot chocolate and cookies.

Pop Culture Club

Thursday, December 21, 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Held at our Mastic Beach branch. Registration begins 12/7. Join Mr. Casper each week for a watch party! Watch a variety of current movies/series and stay for discussion over pizza. Register for each session.



Eats

holiday treats.

Ice Cream Day Taste Test Wednesday, December 13 6:00 – 7:00 n m



6:00 – 7:00 p.m. Held at our Moriches branch. Registration begins 11/29. Come taste and review an assortment of ice cream flavors from Ice Cream Cottage, and learn all about your

favorite sweet treat!

Holiday Treat Decorating Monday, December 18, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. Held at out Mastic Beach branch. Wednesday, December 20, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. Held at our Moriches branch. Registration begins 12/4. Enjoy a cup of hot cocoa and decorate some



Arts and Crafts

Glitter Ornaments

Tuesday, December 5, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. Held at our Moriches branch. Thursday, December 7, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. Held at our Mastic Beach branch.



Registration begins 11/24. Sign up to make glitter ornaments to hang on a tree or decorate your space!

Snowman Mason Jars

Tuesday, December 5, 4:00 – 5:00 pm. Held at our Mastic Beach branch. *Registration begins 11/25.* Make a glistening snowman mason jar with Librarian Maria!

DIY Snowflake Magnets

Tuesday, December 5, 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. Held at our Moriches branch. Friday, December 8, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. Held at our Mastic Beach branch. Registration begins 11/28.

Make wintry magnets to decorate your room with!

Gifts for Gardeners

Wednesday, December 6, 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. Held at our Moriches branch.

Registration begins 11/27. Handmade gifts are the best! Gardeners will be happy to receive seeds in handmade seed envelopes. Learn how to fold decorative paper into envelopes and then choose

from a variety of flower and vegetable seeds to gift your favorite gardeners.

Art Club

Wednesdays, December 6 & 20, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. Held at our Mastic Beach branch.

Fridays, December 1 & 15, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. Held at our Moriches branch. This is a drop-in program. Draw, paint, sketch and explore art with Mr. Casper.

Beading Club

Thursdays, December 7, 14, 21, 28, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. Held at our Mastic Beach branch. This is a drop-in program. Drop-in and make jewelry and keychains using assorted beads on Thursdays!

Dark Frosty Forest Painting

Monday, December 11, 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. Held at our Mastic Beach branch.

Registration begins 11/27. Come and paint with us! Ms. Melissa will show you how to use acrylic paints to create a glow-in-the-dark winter scene.

Cricut Crafts

Tuesday, December 12, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. Held at our Moriches branch. Thursday, December 14, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. Held at our Mastic Beach branch. Registration begins 11/28. Sign up to design and decorate a mug using our Cricut! Please sign up for one session only.

Origami Penguins

Friday, December 15, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. Held at our Mastic Beach branch. Tuesday, December 19, 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. Held at our Moriches branch. Registration begins 12/1.



Come practice the Japanese art of paper folding and make your own penguin to bring to your holiday parties!



Community service is for students in grades 6 through 12. Teens must have an MMSCL library card in good standing.

Reading Buddies

Mondays, throughout the school year, 7:00 – 8:45 p.m. Held at William Floyd High School.

Teens in grades 8–12 read with younger children during the Library's ENL classes at William Floyd High School on Monday nights. Potential volunteers must fill out an application. Applications can be picked up in the Teen Department of the Mastic Beach or Moriches Branch. Two hours of community service is available each Monday night. This is an on-going program.

Make Decorations

Thursday, December 7, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. Held at our Moriches branch. *Registration begins 11/30.* Make decorations that we will used in the Teen Department.

Birthday Cards for Seniors

Tuesday, December 19, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. Held at our Moriches branch. Thursday, December 21, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. Held at our Mastic Beach branch.

Registration begins 12/5. Sign up to write birthday cards for seniors that will be donated to DOROT. One hour of community service will be awarded.



Inclusive Program

Teen Enrichment: Karaoke, Cookies and Cocoa!



Thursday, December 7, 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Held at our Moriches branch. Registration is open. Sign up to sing holiday karaoke songs, eat cookies and drink hot chocolate with Ms. Currao (WFHS Special Education teacher)

and other friends. This is an inclusive program for those that are 6th through 12th grade.

Technology

3D Pens Workshop Tuesday, December 12, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. Held at our Mastic Beach branch. *Registration begins 11/28.* Learn how to draw with a 3D pen!



Your Library Loves to Help

OMU

Wednesdays, December 13 & 20, 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach branch. This is a drop-in program. A place where any teen can come down to discuss any topic they want in a judge-free atmosphere. Where they will feel accepted and appreciated for the differences that make them unique. It is a place where teens can speak about what is on their minds and any troubles that they come across in their lives as teens.

Lofi Lounge

Thursdays, December 7 & 14, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. Held at our Moriches branch. This is a drop-in program. Listen to Lofi and eat snacks with friends while reading, drawing, or doing a puzzle!

Adults

Register for programs three easy ways: in person, online at www.communitylibrary.org or contact the Adult Information Desk at 631-399-1511 Ext. 2014 for the Moriches Branch or Ext. 1028 for the Mastic Beach Branch.

Home Improvement Series



Plumbing Repair Workshop Saturday, December 9, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

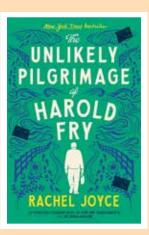
Saturday, December 9, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m Held at our Moriches branch.

Registration begins Thursday, November 30. Join Brian for this hands-on workshop to learn how to make repairs to your home's plumbing system. In this workshop you will learn how to join copper pipes, prevent and repair leaks, cut both PVC pipes and PEX tubing, and unclog drains.

Everyone Loves a Story

Book Discussion of The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry by Rachel Joyce

Thursday, December 28, 2:30 – 4:00 p.m. Held at our Moriches branch. Registration begins Thursday, November 30. Meet Harold Fry, recently retired. He lives in a small English village with his wife, Maureen, who seems irritated by almost everything he does. Little differentiates one day from the next. Then one morning a letter arrives, addressed to Harold in a shaky scrawl, from a woman he hasn't heard from in twenty years. Queenie Hennessy is in hospice and is writing to say goodbye. But before Harold mails off a



quick reply, a chance encounter convinces him that he absolutely must deliver his message to Queenie in person. In his yachting shoes and light coat, Harold Fry embarks on an urgent quest. Determined to walk six hundred miles to the hospice, Harold believes that as long as he walks, Queenie will live.

Copies of the book are available to pick up at our Moriches branch starting Thursday, November 30.

Technology

Crafting with Cricut: Holiday Ornaments

Tuesday, December 5, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Held at the Mastic Recreation Center.

Registration begins Tuesday, November 21. Join us to create your own customized holiday ornaments. Learn how to navigate Cricut's Design Space and create a customized design for your ornament, cut by our Cricut machine. Materials for this craft will be provided (limited to one per registrant).



Machine Embroidered Baking Aprons

Wednesday, December 6 1:00 – 4:00 p.m., 5:00 – 8:00 p.m. Held at the Mastic Recreation Center. Registration begins Wednesday, November 22. Use our embroidery machine to personalize your own holiday cookie-baking apron. Register to reserve a 45-minute one-on-one session.

Budgeting With Excel

Wednesday, December 13, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Held at the Mastic Recreation Center.

Registration begins Wednesday, November 29. It's the shopping season, and that might mean your budget is taking a hit. Learn how you can use Microsoft Excel to create a budget spreadsheet to help keep your finances in check.



Your Library Loves to Help

Small Business Mentoring

Do you want to open your own business and are not sure where to start? Are you a business owner who needs advice? Meet with a SCORE business mentor for one-to-one help. To register, please call the Adult Reference Desk at 631-399-1511 ext. 1028 or 2014. **Open to all.**

Help with Everyday Problems

Tuesdays, December 5 and 12, 12:00 – 3:00 p.m. Held at our Mastic Beach branch.

A Case Manager from Colonial Youth and Family Services can assist patrons with issues relating to housing, insurance, food stamps, emergency services and other advocacy resources and referrals. Appointments required.

Social Worker Assistance

Wednesdays, December 13 and 20, 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. Held at our Mastic Beach branch.

Social Worker Alex can help with locating resources for housing, financial assistance, familial/custodial issues, substance abuse programs and much more. Appointments required.

Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group

Thursdays, December 7 and 21, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. Held at our Mastic Beach branch.

Register now. The Family and Children's Association is hosting a monthly support group for persons who care for someone with dementia or memory loss. The support group provides caregivers with emotional and social support, as well as educational materials to assist with caring for their loved



ones. This group is for spouses, children, or any other family members or friends who are caring for someone with memory loss. **Open to all.**

Senior Advocate

Wednesday, December 20 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Held at our Mastic Beach branch. No appointments required. Open to all.



A representative from the *Suffolk County Office of the Aging* will meet one-on-one to discuss different benefits and programs available to senior residents. The Advocate is available on a walk-in basis.





HIICAP Medicare/ Medicaid Assistance Wednesday, December 20, 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. Held at our Mastic Beach branch.

Register now.

A HIICAP counselor from RSVP can assist you with Medicare and health insurance questions, reviewing Medicare Part D plans and more. Appointments required. **Open to all.**

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program

Thursday, December 21, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Held at our Mastic Beach branch.

A SNAP Program Coordinator from the Health and Welfare Council of Long Island can help individuals and families apply for SNAP. *No appointment required.* **Open to all.**



Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program

Putting Healthy Food Within Reach

Take Care of Yourself

Start Your Day the Right Way Walking Club Tuesdays, December 5, 12, 19

December 5, 12, 19 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. Held at Wertheim National Wildlife Refuge.

Register now. Improve your health with a brisk walk



around the short loop at Wertheim National Wildlife Refuge. We will meet at the Visitor Center and will leave promptly at 9:30 a.m. Please wear appropriate clothing and shoes for cold weather and rugged trails. All participants will receive a coupon for a free small coffee from Tend Coffee in Shirley. Weather permitting. **Open to all.**

Community Outreach Health Bus

Friday, January 5, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Held at our Moriches branch. No appointments required. Open to all. A Catholic Health Services Nurse will be administering flu shots and a variety of medical screening services such as blood pressure, cholesterol, body mass index and glucose to the public. Insurance is not required and there are no fees for the services.



Arts and Crafts

Fee based programs are non-refundable. The instructor will provide a materials kit (minus paints) unless otherwise noted. Intended for adults 18 years and older.

Festive Book Page Wreath

Monday, December 4 6:30 – 9:00 p.m. Held at our Moriches branch. Registration begins Thursday, November 30. Join craft instructor Laurie and learn how to make this festive wreath using book pages. The wreath measures 22" in diameter. Please bring a stapler to class. Materials fee: \$10.00 (non-refundable).

Crochet and Knit

Wednesdays, December 6 and 20, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m. Held at our Moriches branch.

Register now. All skill levels are welcome! Crochet/ Knit instructor Corrine can assist you with an existing project or help you get started on a new one. No formal instruction will be



given but general knowledge will be shared. Bring your own 4 ply yarn and appropriate crochet hooks or knitting needles. **Open to all!**

Beginner Needle Felting: Snowman Ornament Monday, December 11 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Held at our Moriches branch. Registration begins Friday, December 1. Join Anne to learn the art of needle felting



and make an adorable snowman ornament. All materials will be provided, including a felting needle and pad that are yours to keep so that you can practice at home. Materials fee: \$8.00 (non-refundable).

Beginner Sketching and Drawing with Color Pencils

Tuesday, December 12 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. Held at our Mastic Beach branch.



Registration begins Monday, December 4.

Join local artist Jennifer Lucas to learn the basics of sketching and drawing using colored pencil this month! Materials needed for class: A set of 24 Prismacolor colored pencils (either Premier or Scholar), Prismacolor colorless blender pencil, a plastic eraser, and a hand sharpener.

DROP-INS

No registration necessary. While supplies last. Classes will take place at our Moriches branch.

Winter Scarf Wreath

Tuesday, December 12 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. Drop-in to create a beautiful winter wreath using a scarf.





Learn the Art of Quilting

Wednesday, December 13, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Held at our Moriches branch. Register now.

All levels of experience are welcome to join the group. Our instructors Gloria and Sandy can assist you with an existing project or get you started on a new one.

Beginner Painting: Penguin Ornament Thursday, December 14

6:00 – 8:30 p.m. Held at our Moriches branch. Registration begins Wednesday, December 6. Join painting instructor Linda and learn how to paint this adorable penguin ornament. All materials supplied by instructor. Materials fee: \$5.00 (non-refundable).



Curiously Creative Candle Making

Wednesday, December 20, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. Held at our Moriches branch.

Registration begins Friday, December 8. Join Chrissy from Curiously Creative Candles and create your own candle using a variety of colors and scents. Learn the process of layering dry wax granules to create different patterns like an ombre, quilted or tie-dye. All materials will be supplied by the instructor.

Inclusive Services

Adult Enrichment: Holiday Karaoke, Cookies & Cocoa

Thursday, December 7, 4:30 – 5:30 p.m. Held at our Moriches branch. Register now.

Join Ms. Currao (Special Education teacher at WFHS), Nick Nappi (Program

(Program manager) and your friends and sing with us. Cookies and cocoa will be served. This is an inclusive program for those that are 18 years and older.



Writing

Creative Writer's Workshop Thursday, December 14, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Held at our Moriches branch. Registration begins Tuesday, December 5. Express yourself in a safe and friendly environment with Anne Kelly-Edmunds during this monthly creative writing workshop. Create all types of original works in a supportive space.



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Library Purchases 3 Magnifying Devices for use by Low-Vision Patrons

Devices located at our Mastic Beach branch.

A trio of low-vision, life-enhancing equipment was recently brought into the MMSCL collections. We tested all three, aiming the portable, handheld "Looky" at book stacks 10 feet away and the view is astounding! Tiny book titles appeared monstersized before our eyes. A second device read those titles out loud. The third device made document reading a breeze. Devices can be used on-site by any MMSL cardholder by showing your library card to the reference desk.







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NYS Senator Dean Murray - Coat Drive Ending December 15

Drop off at our donation box at the Moriches Branch only. Donate clean, gently used or new coats (all sizes welcome). Donations of new hats, scarves, and gloves will also be accepted. All donations will be distributed through Angels of Long Island. You can also drop off at the Senator's Patchogue office, 90-B West Main Street, Patchogue, NY 11772.



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Check Out our New Seed Library

Located at our Moriches Library Branch

Our seed library is a collection of

open-pollinated and heirloom seeds that you can take home to plant. Our collection of seeds will change seasonally, and some seeds will only be available during specific times.

MMSCL cardholders may obtain 4 seed packets per month. Each packet is labeled with basic directions on how to plant the seeds. You are not required to save and return seeds.

For more information contact the reference desk at 631-399-1511 Ext. 2014 or email clingg@communitylibrary.org



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The Board of Trustees meets on the fourth Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Meetings are open and the public is always invited to attend. If you have any questions about any library matter, please call the Library Director, Kerri Rosalia, at 631-399-1511, ext. 1001.

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Library hours at all locations: Monday – Thursday: 9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m. Friday: 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Saturday: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.* *September 10, 2023 through June 16, 2024

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