

Monday 9am-9pm Tuesday 10am-6pm Wednesday 1pm-9pm Thursday 9am-9pm Friday 10am-6pm Saturday 9am-5pm Sunday 1pm-5pm  
OPL is closed on Tuesday, December 25th (open half day for Christmas Eve on Monday, December 24th from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. and Dec. 31st from 9 a.m.-1 p.m.)

## From the Director's Desk

As we finish our yearlong celebration of our quasiquicentennial—or the *much* easier to pronounce 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!—I'd like to thank all of our patrons for celebrating this historic milestone along with us. I would especially like to thank those “mad” partiers who joined us at our “Mad for the Library” fundraiser; it was truly a night to remember, from the costume contest to a great performance by the Mike Risko Band. I'd also like to thank Ossining Wine & Liquor, Villarina's Market, Del Sol Sweet Bakery, and all those who donated items for the evening's silent auction for helping to make the night such a success and for supporting the library so whole heartedly. I hope that you'll be able to join us at our 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Closing Reception on December 8<sup>th</sup>, for a special performance by The New Westchester Symphony Orchestra and final remarks on our milestone. Here's to our next 125 years!

—Karen LaRocca-Fels, OPL Director

Sunday, December 2 at 2 p.m. in the Budarz Theater

### The Nadia Reisenberg Young Artists Series

This series, spotlighting talented young artists, concludes with a performance by pianist Yilun Xu, a prize winner at the 2018 New York International Piano Competition. Presented in association with The Stecher & Horowitz Foundation, the concert will be moderated by Bob Sherman of WQXR.

Friday, December 7 at 7 p.m.

### Friday Night Flick: Crazy Rich Asians

We're keeping the library open late on Friday, December 7, to show the sweetest, funniest, and most romantic comedy of the year: Crazy Rich Asians. The film, based on Kevin Kwan's series of novels, broke box office records and features excellent performances from Constance Wu, Michelle Yeoh, and Harry Golding, in his movie debut. Rated PG-13 (2 hours).



Saturday, December 8 at 2 p.m. in the Budarz Theater

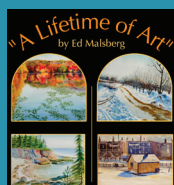
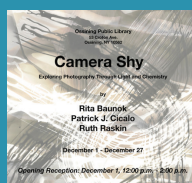
### 125th Anniversary Closing Reception and Concert

We bring our anniversary celebration to a close with a fantastic performance by The New Westchester Symphony Orchestra. We invite you to join us for a wonderful concert, to enjoy light refreshments, and look back at our year of special programming.



The Ossining Public Library will be open from 9 am-1 pm on Dec. 31st and closed on January 1st. Hoping all our patrons have a safe and enjoyable New Year's Eve.

## Art Galleries



### Main Gallery December 1-29

#### Camera Shy: Exploring Photography Through Light & Chemistry by Patrick Cicalo, Ruth Raskin and Rita Baunok

Opening Reception on Saturday, December 1st at 12-2 p.m.  
Light refreshments will be served.  
All are welcome to attend.

### Hallway Gallery December 5-29

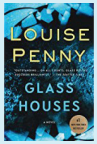
#### A Lifetime of Art by Ed Malsberg

Opening reception on Tuesday, December 11th at 6:30 p.m.  
Light refreshments will be served.  
All are welcome to attend.

All library programs are free, unless otherwise noted.

## Book Club Shelf

**Bodies in the Library Book Club**  
**Budarz Theater • Tuesdays • 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm**



December 4

**Glass Houses by Louise Penny**

In *Glass Houses*, her latest utterly gripping book, number-one New York Times bestselling author Louise Penny shatters the conventions of the crime novel to explore what Gandhi called the court of conscience. A court that supersedes all others.

January 8

**The Oxford Murders**

**by Guillermo Martinez**



When an Argentine math student discovers the smothered body of his landlady, conventional wisdom points to a family member with the most prosaic of motives. But then renowned logician Arthur Seldom, author of a book on the mathematics of serial killers, tells of a strange note left in his mailbox. The note indicates that the murder is the first in a series linked by a mysterious pattern. Each new death is accompanied by a different mathematical shape. It seems that the serial killer can be stopped only if someone can crack the next symbol in the sequence. The leading Oxford logician and the math graduate team up on a quest to crack the cryptic clues.

**Copies of the books can be found at the Information Desk.  
Feel free to bring your lunch and a covered beverage.**

### Allison Robbins is the 2018 Ossining Public Library Employee of the Year!

Every year, the Ossining Rotary Club invites local organizations and agencies to nominate an Employee of the Year for their agency. This year, the Ossining Public Library chose Allison Robbins as the library's Employee of the Year! Allison serves the public with kindness and knowledge, is always helpful to colleagues, demonstrates professionalism, and approaches her job with grace, patience, and good humor. The library is so lucky to have her on staff. Congratulations, Allison!



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Thursday, December 6th at 6:30 p.m.

### The Ossining Documentary & Discussion Series

The next film screening in this series is titled "How to Survive Plague." Join us afterwards for a panel discussion. All are welcome to attend. FREE. In the Budarz Theater.

Monday, December 17 at 7 p.m.

### Library Board of Trustees Meeting

This is the regular monthly meeting of the library Board of Trustees. All are welcome to attend. This meeting is and open to the public. In the Director's Office.

Wednesday, December 19 at 6:30 p.m.

### The Winter Film Series – Multicultural

Our Winter Film Series kicks off with *The Innocents*, Anne Fontaine's World War II drama. The film is a French-Polish-Belgian co-production that earned great acclaim, including several Cesar Award nominations. The film, which runs 1 hour and 55 minutes, begins at 6:30 in the Budarz Theater.



Thursdays, December 20 & 27 at 1:30 p.m. in the Conference Room  
**SBIC**

Do you have questions about Medicare or other senior benefits? Help is here for you on the last two Thursdays each month. This program is for adults ages 60 and older, and those caring for the elderly, will achieve a better understanding of Medicare health plans and prescription drug coverage. Information and counseling is provided about different types of government programs, including federal and state financial assistance programs, and county-wide benefits. This program is offered by the Westchester Library System.

### Automatic Renewals Are Here!

We have made your life a little easier! All renewable items taken out from us will be automatically renewed for you 3 days before their due date. Any express items or items with holds will not renew. Don't forget to give us your email address so that you can receive our notifications. You can now cross 'renew library items' off of your to-do list!



## Seasons Greetings



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## Teens' December Calendar



day	dates	event	time	location
Mondays	3, 10, 17	Magic the Gathering	3:30 p.m.	Teen Room
Tuesdays	11	*BINGO	3:30 p.m.	Teen Room
	4, 11, 18	Math Tutoring	4 - 6 p.m.	Teen Room
Wednesdays	5, 12, 19, 26	Games with James	3:30 p.m.	Teen Room
	5	Decorate the Teen Room for Winter	3:30 p.m.	Teen Room
Thursdays	6	*DIY Holiday Ornaments	4 p.m.	Teen Room
	20	*Decorate Gingerbread People Cookies	4 p.m.	Teen Room
	6, 20, 27	Chess	4:30 p.m.	Teen Room
Fridays	7	Friday Night Flix: Crazy Rich Asians (doors open at 6:45)	7 p.m.	Theater
	21	Friday Night Flix: Elf (doors open at 6:45)	7 p.m.	Theater
	7, 14, 21	Animanga Club	4:30 p.m.	Teen Room
Saturdays	1	Teen Advisory Board	1 p.m.	Teen Meeting Room
	1, 15, 22, 29	Saturday Morning Gaming	11 a.m.	Teen Room
	22	*Teen Treat "Sugar Cookies"	3 p.m.	Teen Room

\*Registration begins 30 minutes before the program

### Winter Fun in the Teen Room!

It's a month of programming guaranteed to put a smile on your face!

This month, the Teen Room is turning into a winter wonderland! Join the Teen Room staff to decorate the Teen Room on **December 5th**, make holiday ornaments on **December 6th**, and decorate gingerbread people cookies on **December 20th**.



MONDAY, DECEMBER 31 | 11:00 A.M. | BUDARZ THEATER

Dance in the New Year a little bit early in the Budarz Theater! We're counting down to noon and toasting 2019! Our Noon Year's celebration is for all ages; children 6 and under must be with an adult.

## Childrens' December Calendar



day	date	event	time
Mondays	3, 10	Mother Goose Time * For ages 1-2 ½ with a grownup	10:00 a.m.
	3, 10	Baby Laptime * For babies up to one year old	11:00 a.m.
	3, 10, 17	New Moms & Infants Support Group * For new parents and their infants	11:15 a.m.
	3, 10	Treasure Hunt * For ages 8-12	4:15 p.m.
	3, 10	Family Game Night * For all ages; children 6 & under must be accompanied by an adult	7:00 p.m.
	31	Noon Year's Eve Party * For all ages; children 6 & under must be accompanied by an adult	11:00 a.m.
Tuesdays	4, 11	Trivia Tuesdays * For grades 3-6	4:15 p.m.
Wednesdays	5, 12	I Heart Art * For ages 5 & up; children 6 & under must be accompanied by an adult	4:15 p.m.
	5	Parent Connections: Creative Make & Take Session	6:30 p.m.
Thursdays	6, 13	Time For Two's * For two year olds, with a grownup	10:00 a.m.
	6, 13, 20	Sing-Alongs and Story-Songs * For ages 3 & up, with a grownup	4:00 p.m.
Fridays	7, 14	Planes, Trains, & Automobiles * For ages 2 & up, with a grownup	11:00 a.m.
	7	OPLbery Club * For OPLbery Club Members Only	4:15 p.m.
	14	Literary Legos * For ages 5 & up; children 6 & under must be accompanied by an adult	4:15 p.m.
Saturdays	1, 8	Family Storytime * For all ages; children 6 & under must be accompanied by an adult	11:30 a.m.
	15	Parent Connections	11:30 a.m.



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## Adults' December Calendar



day	dates	event	time	location
Mondays	3, 10, 17	Computer Class (ENG)	5-7:00 p.m.	Conference Room
	3, 10, 17	Computer Class (SPA)	7-8:00 p.m.	Conference Room
	10, 17	Beginner/Intermediate Yoga	7-8:15 p.m.	Theater
	24	The Library hours are from 9 a.m.-1 p.m.		
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Tuesdays	18	Breaking News Discussion Group	10:15 a.m.	Theater
	4, 11, 18	ESL Class for Beginners	10:15 a.m.	Conference Room
	4	Bodies In The Library Book Club: Glass Houses	12:30 p.m.	Theater
	4, 11, 18	Memoir Writing Class	1:30 p.m.	Conference Room
	4, 11, 18	Mahjong Tournament Day	1:00 p.m.	Gallery
	25	The library is closed for Christmas Day		
Wednesdays	5, 12, 19, 26	Spanish Conversation Group	3:30 p.m.	Conference Room
	5, 12, 19, 26	English Conversation Group	6:30 p.m.	Conference Room
	19	Winter Multicultural Film Series: The Innocents	6:30 p.m.	Theater
Thursdays	6, 13	ESL Class for Beginners	10:15 a.m.	Conference Room
	20, 27	SBIC—Senior Benefits Information Center	1:30 p.m.	Conference Room
	6, 13, 20, 27	Mahjong Regular Play Day	1:00 p.m.	Gallery
	6, 13, 20, 27	Checkmate: Chess Academy	4:30 p.m.	Teen Room
	6	Ossining Documentary & Discussion Series:	6:30 p.m.	Theater
Fridays	7, 14, 21, 28	Mindfulness Class	4:00 p.m.	Conference Room
	7	Friday Night Flix: Crazy Rich Asians	7:00 p.m.	Theater
Saturdays	1, 8, 15, 22	Beginner Yoga	9:00 a.m.	Theater
	8	125th Anniversary Closing Reception & Concert	2:00 p.m.	Theater
Sundays	2	The Nadia Reisenberg Young Artist Series	2:00 p.m.	Theater



Tuesdays and Thursdays, January 3 - April 11

at 10:15-1:15 Conference Room

### Spring Session of ESL Classes Begins in January!

Westchester Community College will be back with a new session of English as a Second Language,

this time for Levels 3 and 4. Registration for this course will be Thursday, January 3, at 10:15 a.m. in the Conference Room. For more information, please call (914)606-5656 or email [LibraryESL@sunywcc.edu](mailto:LibraryESL@sunywcc.edu).



### Mad for the Library Event!



Our amazing librarian Bill Broadnax was decked out in the highest of style as he judged the costume contest.



Taking inspiration from television, our partygoer, Gregory Perry (with wife, Kim) dressed as Captain Kangaroo was the clear choice for Funnies Costume.



The best bouffant we've ever seen—which won a well-deserved award for Caroline Curvan for Best Hair & Makeup—and a flower child (our very own yoga instructor, Sudha Narsipur), were among the guests mingling in the gallery.



Shown here serving up some tasty wines, our graphic designer, Janice Noto-Helmers won the award for Best Dressed Woman's Costume.

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