

Monday 9am-9pm Tuesday 10am-6pm Wednesday 1pm-9pm Thursday 9am-9pm Friday 10am-6pm Saturday 9am-5pm Sunday 1pm-5pm
Monday, February 18th, the library is closed in honor of President's Day

Coming Soon! A New Catalog

In March, all of the public libraries in Westchester County will be moving to a new catalog system. For you, this means an improved interface with better—and easier!—search capabilities, greater control over your notifications, and better access to what's available through the library! Stay tuned for more information about the new catalog in the March edition of the Update; we'll also be posting information on the library's website. We're very excited about the change and are looking forward to an improved experience for our patrons.

Thank You to New York State Assemblywoman Sandy Galef! Assemblywoman Sandy Galef secured a \$40,000 Budget Aid grant for the library, which we plan to use to fill a variety of needs to better allow us to provide quality programs and services to meet the needs of our community.

—Karen LaRocca-Fels, OPL Director

From the Director's Desk

Sunday, February 24th at 2 p.m. in the 2nd Floor Conference Room

Ossining Public Library Ancestry Group Black History Month Presentation – Revisiting American History: What The History Books Didn't Tell You About Slavery. The Little Bertie County Genealogy Society researchers will present an overview of African slavery and African Free People of Color in the antebellum south. We will also share our research specifically about the lives of our families through the lens of the slaves and free people of color in North Carolina.

Thursday, February 7th at 6:30 p.m.

The Ossining Documentary & Discussion Series



Join us for a panel discussion following the film, "I'm Not Your Negro". For more information on this film please visit www.ossiningdocumentaries.org. All are welcome to attend. In the Budarz Theater.

Saturday, February 16th at 3 p.m.

Talk-Culture: Literary Book Club



Introducing a new book discussion group that focuses on the literary works of African-American authors. All discussions take place on the third Saturday of every month at 3:00 p.m. February 16th is the kick-off event with light refreshments. The first book to be discussed is titled "Just Mercy: A Story of Justice and Redemption" by Bryan Stevenson. Copies of each month's book can be found at the Information Desk. Any questions please call 914-941-2416 ext. 327 or jtrapasso@wlsmail.org. In the 2nd Floor Conference Room.



Sunday, February 17th at 2 p.m.

A Special Multi-Media Jazz Concert Featuring Ted Daniel

Come and see this special performance in celebration of African American History Month featuring Ossining's own Ted Daniel on the trumpet. Accompanying the ensemble performance will also be a visual component and historical narration. Don't miss it! All are welcome to attend. Snow date is Sunday, February 24th. In the Budarz Theater.

Friday, February 22nd at 7 p.m.

A Star is Born Friday Night Flix

It proved that Lady Gaga is a serious actress, it cemented Bradley Cooper's place as a film icon and excellent director, and now it's our latest Friday Night Flix! Join us on Friday, February 22nd, for a screening of the most buzzed-about movie of 2018: A Star Is Born. With near unanimous critical acclaim, it's a film you won't want to miss. The doors open at 6:45 and the film begins at 7 p.m.



Art Galleries



Main Gallery February 1-29

In celebration of African American Heritage Month Exhibit — Art by Bentley

Opening Reception on Saturday, February 2nd at 2-4 p.m.
Light refreshments will be served. All are welcome to attend.

Hallway Gallery February 1-29

Roosevelt Student Art Show

A special exhibit by Terrie Bentley's 5th Grade Art Class at Roosevelt School.

Book Club Shelf

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

February 5th

The Trespasser by Tana French

Expand your horizons! Be an armchair traveler and a detective at the same time, and experience sleuthing everywhere from the U.K. and Scandinavia to Egypt and Japan. What can you learn about other cultures based on their investigators? Which detective traditions do authors follow, and what new ground do they break? This month, we're reading Tana French's *The Trespasser*, which *The New York Times* calls "required reading for anyone who appreciates tough, unflinching intelligence and ingenious plotting". Copies of the discussion books are available at the Information Desk on the 1st floor. Feel free to bring your lunch and a (covered) beverage!

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Talk Culture Book Club
2nd Fl. Conf. Rm. • Saturday • 3 p.m.

February 16th

Just Mercy A Story of Justice and Redemption
by Bryan Stevenson



Just Mercy is a legal memoir set in the 80's and early 90's and follows Stevenson's legal career as an advocate for Alabama prisoners who have been condemned to death, especially prisoners who have been wrongly condemned and unjustly treated by the legal system.

Spanish Book Discussion Group
YA Study Room • Wed., Feb. 27 • 7 p.m.

Cuando Ya no Importe by Juan Carlos Onetti

Bienvenidos al diario de Carr, un intelectual de poca monta que acaba de ser abandonado por su esposa. Tras años de compartir única y exclusivamente miserias espirituales y materiales, para Carr, el abandono de su esposa no es un evento trágico sino una oportunidad para reinventar su vida. Y es así como se establece en la ciudad de Santa María, donde trabaja en una presa.



Copies of the books can be found at the Information Desk.

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Thursday, February 21st at 7 p.m.

Presentation of Essential Oils – Health & Wellness Series



Natural, Safe, and Effective Remedies for Cold and Flu Season. Shannon McGee is a wellness advocate who uses all natural, toxic free essential oils to help restore physical wellness and mental & emotional balance. Pre-registration is required. To register please call 914-941-2416 ext. 327 or jtrapasso@wlsmail.org or register on our online calendar. Snow date is Thursday, Feb. 28th. In the 2nd Floor Conference Room.

Monday, February 25th 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.

Saturday, February 23rd at 11 a.m.

Himalayan Singing Bowls & Aromatherapy



De-stress and learn about Himalayan singing bowls and then see a live performance by local artist, teacher, performer, Beverly Spencer. In the 2nd floor Conference Room.



Wednesday, February 13th at 6:30 p.m.

Winter Film Series – Multicultural

The third and final film in this series to be shown is titled "Illegal" by Oliver Masset-Depasse. The film is one hour and thirty minutes. In French and Russian with English subtitles. All are welcome to attend. In the Budarz Theater.

FRIENDS OF THE OSSINING PUBLIC LIBRARY BOOK DONATION NOTICE

The Library will resume accepting book donations as of February 1, 2019, continuing through April 15, 2019.

We greatly appreciate your contributions of gently used books, CDs, DVDs and audio books.

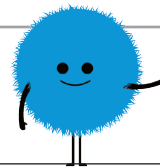
Please: NO textbooks
NO encyclopedias
NO magazines
NO cassette tapes
NO moldy, dusty or shabby/tattered books

The items you donate are earmarked to be offered at our periodic book sales. The proceeds from those sales are a vital source of funding for the worthwhile activities and programs that cannot be included in the Library's budget. Thank you for assisting the important mission of the Friends.

For more information, call (914) 941-2416, or visit: www.ossininglibrary.org



Childrens' February Calendar



For program details, go to:
www.ossininglibrary.org



Day	Dates	Event	Time
Mondays	4, 11, 25	Mother Goose Time For ages 1-2 ½ with a grownup	10 a.m.
	4, 11, 25	New Moms & Infants Support Group * For new parents and their infants	11 a.m.
	4, 11, 25	Use Your Brain For ages 8 and up	4:15 p.m.
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Tuesdays	5, 12, 26	Planes, Trains & Automobiles For ages 2 & up, with a grownup	2 p.m.
	5, 12, 26	Trivia Tuesdays For grades 3-6	4:15 p.m.
Wednesdays	6, 13, 20, 27	I ♥ Art; For ages 5 & up; children 6 & under must be accompanied by an adult	4:15 p.m.
Thursdays	7, 14, 21	Time For Two's * For two year olds, with a grownup	10 a.m.
	7, 14, 21, 28	Thursday Afternoon Games * For all ages; children 6 & under must be accompanied by an adult	4 p.m.
Fridays	8, 15, 22	Baby Play Time *For babies younger than 1 year	11 a.m.
		First Steps in the Library For preschoolers, with a grownup; dates to be determined	1:30 p.m.
	22	Literary Legos For ages 5 & up; children 6 & under must be accompanied by an adult	4:15 p.m.
Saturdays	2, 16, 23	Family Storytime For all ages; children 6 & under must be accompanied by an adult	11:30 a.m..
	9	Parent Connections For parents and their children up to age 4	11:30 a.m.
	9	Black History Family Celebration; children 6 & under must be with an adult	2 p.m.
	23	Spanish For Kids; beginner level begins at 2 p.m./elementary at 3 p.m.	2-3:45 p.m.
Sundays	3	Reading to Lexie For all readers 12 & younger	2:30 p.m.



Planes, Trains, and Automobiles is now on Tuesdays! Our popular program for children ages 2 and up is now on Tuesdays at 2:00 p.m. Join us for stories, and enjoy free play with our collection of planes, trains, and cars!



Saturdays, February 23rd,
also on March 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30
Beginner Level at 2-2:45 p.m.; Elementary
Level at 3-3:45 p.m.

Spanish For Kids We are excited to welcome Mayte Garcia, teacher and speech-language pathologist, who will offer two levels of Spanish classes. In the beginner category, children in grades K-2 will focus on building Spanish language skills with vocabulary through storytelling, songs and play. The Elementary level, for grades 3-5, will build on students' Spanish skills and follow the school-based curriculum for grammar, vocabulary, and comprehension. This is a fantastic opportunity for young students to learn a new language. To learn more, contact Carry Cubillos at (914)941-2416, ext. 348. In the Sally Read Dow Children's Program Room

Saturday, February 9th at 2 p.m.

Black History Month Family Celebration

Are you ready to hear stories about tricksters and clever animals? Enjoy entertaining tales from Aesop's Fables, and Anansi the Spider and other African tales. There will be a lot of singing, dancing, and storytelling as we celebrate African Heritage at this "can't miss" program! In the Budarz Theater.



Teen Program

Saturday, February 23rd at 1 p.m. in the Budarz Theater

Family Drumming Circle

The Teen Room invites patrons of all ages to a Black History Month Celebration for the entire community! Join us as we learn, play, dance, and sing at this high-energy afternoon.



Saturday, February 9th and Thursday, February 14th

Valentine's Day Fun in the Teen Room!

There's love in the air in the Teen Room this month and we have the sweet programming to prove it! Join our Teen staff as we celebrate Valentine's Day. We'll be making D.I.Y. cards for the special people in our lives on Saturday, February 9th, and enjoying a delicious Valentine's Day Cupcake at our Teen Treat on Thursday, February 14th.



Teens' February Calendar

Day	Dates	Event	Time	Location
Mondays	4, 11	BEAMS	3 - 6 p.m.	Teen Room
	4, 11, 25	Magic the Gathering	3:30 p.m.	Teen Room
	18	Library is closed in honor of Presidents Day		
Tuesdays	5, 12, 26	Battle of the Brains — Teen Trivia	3:30 p.m.	Teen Room
	5, 12, 26	Math Tutoring	4 - 6 p.m.	Teen Room
Wednesdays	6, 13, 20, 27	Games with James	3:30 p.m.	Teen Room
	6, 13	BEAMS	3 - 6 p.m.	Teen Room
	6, 13, 27	Steamstatic Wednesdays	4 p.m.	Teen Room
	20	Black History Month Celebration	4:30 p.m.	Teen Room
Thursdays	7, 14, 21, 28	Chess	4:30 p.m.	Teen Room
	14	Teen Treat — Valentine's Day Cupcakes	3:30 p.m.	Teen Room
Fridays	1, 8, 15	BEAMS	3 - 6 p.m.	Teen Room
	1, 8, 15, 22	Animanga Club	4 p.m.	Theater
	1, 8, 15	Chess	4:30 p.m.	Teen Room
Saturdays	2	Teen Advisory Board	1 p.m.	Theater
	2	Sat. Afternoon Movie — Groundhog Day (doors open 1:45)	2 p.m.	Theater
	2, 9, 16, 23	Saturday Afternoon Gaming	3:30 p.m.	Teen Room
	9	DIY Valentine's Day Cards	2 p.m.	Teen Room
	16	Teen Dating Violence Workshop	1 p.m.	Theater
	23	Community Drumming Circle — For all ages	1 p.m.	Theater

Adults' February Calendar

Day	Dates	Event	Time	Location
Mondays	4, 11, 25	Computer Class (ENG)	5-7 p.m.	Conference Room
	4, 11, 25	Computer Class (SPA)	7-8 p.m.	Conference Room
	4, 11, 25	Beg./Interm. Yoga	7-8:15 p.m.	Theater
	25	Library Board of Trustees Meeting	7 p.m.	Director's Office
	18	Library is closed in honor of Presidents Day		
Tuesdays	5, 12, 19, 26	ESL Class	10:15 a.m.	Conference Room
	5, 12, 19, 26	Bodies Book Club	12:30 p.m.	Theater
	5, 12, 19, 26	Mahjong Tournament Day	1 p.m.	Gallery
	5, 19	Memoir Writing Class	1:30 p.m.	Conference Room
Wednesdays	6, 13, 20, 27	Spanish Conv. Group	3:30 p.m.	Conference Room
	6, 13, 20, 27	English Conv. Group	6:30 p.m.	Conference Room
	6, 13, 20, 27	SCORE — Small Biz Assistance.	7 p.m.	Café Area
	13	Winter Film Series — Multicultural	6:30 p.m.	Theater
	27	Spanish Book Discussion Group	7 p.m.	YA Study Room
Thursdays	7, 14, 21, 28	Mahjong Game Day	1 p.m.	Gallery
	7	The Ossining Documentary & Discussion Series	6:30 p.m.	Theater
	7, 14, 21, 28	Tax-Aide	10 a.m.	Theater
	21, 28	SBIC — Senior Benefit Info. Centers	1:30 p.m.	Conf. Room
	21	Essential Oils Presentation	7 p.m.	Conference Room
Fridays	1, 8, 15, 22	Mindfulness Class	4:30 p.m.	Conference Room
	1, 8, 15, 22	Chess (All Ages)	4:30 p.m.	Teen Room
	22	Friday Night Flix—A Star is Born (R) doors open 6:45	7 p.m.	Theater
Saturdays	2, 9, 16, 23	Beginner Yoga	9 a.m.	Theater
	2, 16	Ancestry Group	1 p.m.	Conference Room
	16	Talk Culture Book Group	3 p.m.	Conference Room
	23	Himalayan Singing Bowls	11 a.m.	Conference Room
	23	Community Drumming Circle	1 p.m.	Theater
SUNDAYS	17	Ted Daniel Ensemble Jazz Concert	2 p.m.	Theater
	24	Revisiting American History Presentation	2 p.m.	Conference Room