

WINTER/SPRING | 2025

# Greenwood Lake Public Library

## Hours:

Sunday 11-3  
Monday 9-5  
Tuesday 9-9\*  
Wednesday 9-9\*  
Thursday 9-9\*  
Friday 9-5  
Saturday 10-4

## Contact Us:

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## Winter Hours:

\*From January 2nd-March 11th the library will close at **8pm** on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings. All other hours will remain the same.

## Happy New Year Everyone,

*I can't say I'm mad about seeing 2024 in the rearview mirror; it certainly gave us much to reflect on. I'll never, ever forget the unceasing work our brave first responders executed this past fall. I'll always remember the selfless acts of service our residents performed to help support those men and women. It is engrained in my memory the vast emergency resources and volunteer manpower that came to our aid when we needed it most. I know you all join me in honoring the memory of that outstanding young man, Dariel Vasquez, who lost his life in the fight to keep us safe. May we keep him, and his family, in our hearts forever.*

*As we start this new year at the library, we continue to bridge traditions and trends. Even with dramatically increased costs, our e-books, e-audiobooks and streaming services are expanding. If you are a user of these formats, please take advantage of what we offer. Your wallet will thank you! If you need help to set up usage accounts, we are here to make that easier. But if you want to hold a book, pop in a DVD or listen to some classic rock on CD, we still strive to meet those demands too. Upcoming programs are just as diverse. We have a lecture on AI as well as traditional music concerts, we have an afternoon of live theatre and one of arts and crafts, plus much, much more.*

*We are continuing with our building upgrades in the late spring. A new ramp into the Youth Room will help parents access this area from the parking lot much more safely and easily. Another grant from the NYS Library Construction Aid makes this important project possible. This program receives strong, ongoing support from both of our state legislators, Senator Skoufis and Representative Brabenec and we are so grateful for that.*

*So if you haven't already, raise a cup to the future, take some time to honor the past and then come on over to the library... we'll be doing the same.*

**Jill Cronin, Library Director**

*"I am not afraid of tomorrow, for I have seen yesterday  
and I love today."  
- William Allen White*

## Announcements

### Upcoming Budget Vote:

The Library's annual Budget and Trustee vote will be held on Thursday, May 15th, 2025 in the Library from Noon - 8PM. All registered voters of the Greenwood Lake Union Free School District (not just the Village) are eligible to vote on our 2025-2026 Operating Budget. There are no Trustee seats to fill for this upcoming term. Please check our website under "General Information" for proposed budget information. Announcements regarding the vote, or upcoming meetings of the Board appear on the main page of our website. You can also call Sandra Newman, Treasurer, at ext. 102 with any questions.

### Tax Aide Information:

Tax Aide will be offering free tax help for individuals at the library this February-April. Appointments can be made in mid January by calling 1-800-899-1479 or 211

### Emergency Closings:

Please check our website and Facebook page for announcements about library closures this winter. Or call for updated hours.

### Holiday Closings:

January 1st: CLOSED NEW YEAR'S DAY  
April 20th: CLOSED EASTER  
May 25th & 26th: CLOSED MEMORIAL DAY

Scan the QR code and sign up to have library news and events delivered straight to your inbox.



# From the children's room

## Story Times

February 5th-May 23rd  
Introduce your child to the joys of reading with storytelling, crafts, and activities.

**Wednesdays:** **Fridays:**  
**PJ Storytime** **Little Listeners**  
(1yr-Pre-school) (ages 2-3)  
6:30-7:15pm 11:00-11:45am

### Kid's Crafternoons

ages 4 and up  
Saturdays

February 22nd & April 26th  
1PM-2PM

Unleash your creativity with Miss Casey in these fun-tastic crafting sessions!

### Zumbini - Children's Zumba

For children ages 0-4 & their caregivers.  
Second and fourth Thursdays

February 13th & 27th,

March 13th & 27th,

April 10th & 24th

11AM-11:45AM

Get ready to wiggle and giggle with Zumba made just for the tiny tots! This program promotes cognitive, social, emotional and motor skill development.



### Share a Book with Shea: Read to a Therapy Dog

February-May  
4th Wednesday of the month  
4PM-5PM

Kindergarten and up  
Even dogs love storytime at the library! Sign up for a 15 minute slot and read to a therapy dog. Registration is limited. One sign up per child per month.

### Community Craft Night: Valentines for Veterans

Thursday February 6th  
5PM-7PM

This family-friendly program is suitable for all ages. Let's work together to create a memorable Valentine's Day for a deserving group. Stay tuned for more Community Craft Nights!

### Kids Concert with Mr.Kurt

Saturday February 8th  
11AM-11:45AM

An unforgettable musical adventure. Kids will enjoy a lively program packed with fun songs, energetic movement, and, of course, tons of bubbles.

### Dino Detectives

Saturday April 12th  
11AM- 11:45AM

Embark on a prehistoric journey with Steve "The Dirtmeister". This high energy interactive science show is fun for all!



#### Registration Information:

- Begins Monday January 13th at 9am.
- Required for all programs
- Remains open until programs are full.

Register online, by phone or at the front desk.  
Programs are for children ages 2-10 unless otherwise noted.  
Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult.

### The Storycrafters: Tales from Celtic Lands

Saturday March 22nd  
11AM- 12PM

Join us for enchanting folktales, whimsical fairy tales, and delightful ballads from Ireland and Scotland.

### Mid-Hudson Discovery Museum Science Workshops

One hour session for ages 7-12.

Please only choose one workshop per child.

#### Mission to Space

Saturday May 10th  
11AM- 12PM

Participants will design and build their own simple model spacecraft to accomplish the goals of their mission.

#### Engineering a Fairy Tale

Saturday May 10th  
12:30PM- 1:30PM

Using the fairy tale classic, The Three Little Pigs, students design and construct the strongest house that will withstand the huffing and puffing of the big bad wolf.

## Young Adult Programs

ages 10-17

Registration begins Monday, January 13th at 9:00 am and is required for all programs. Registration remains open until programs are full.

Register by phone, online or at the front desk.



Scan the QR code to view the events calendar and register for programs.

### Cooking Class

Tuesdays  
February 11th,  
March 11th & April 8th  
4:00PM-5:00PM  
Explore your culinary skills and whip up some delicious recipes along the way. Class meets once a month.

### Crafternoons

Saturdays  
March 22nd & May 24th  
1:00PM-2:00PM  
Bring a friend & join Miss Casey for these fun afternoon crafting sessions.



### Fantastic Fossils

Saturday April 12th  
1:00PM-2:00PM  
Join us for an exciting, hands-on session where young paleontologists can dig into the mysteries of the past. Explore the science behind what fossils are and how they are formed.

## Digital Resources for Kids!



Tumblebooks is a digital resource for kids accessible through our E-library page. It offers ebooks, book read-alongs (with audio and moving pictures), educational games, puzzles and more!

Do you or your child like to read comics & graphic novels?



Then ComicsPlus is for you! This digital resource is accessible through our online databases page. Browse the full collection or the kid's collection to find your next great read!

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## Chair Yoga

February, March, April  
Tuesdays **11:30AM-12:30PM**  
May & June  
Mondays **11AM-12PM**

Stretch it out with Sara! She'll have you bending and stretching like a pro. This hour of gentle yet effective exercise is designed to increase flexibility and muscle tone. Participants can join in virtually from home or here at the library. **Registration is required.**

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**5PM-7PM**

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## Victory Garden Program

Saturday February 15th  
**1PM-2PM**

Bracco Farms will explore various growing techniques. From soil preparation to best harvesting practices. This session will help you savor the delight of fresh produce from your very own garden.

## The Bravest Pets of Gotham

Tales of Four-legged Firefighters  
of Old New York

Thursday March 20th  
**7PM-8PM**

Author Peggy Gavan shares tales from her new book. Copies of the book will be available for purchase with part of the proceeds being donated to the Tunnels for Towers Foundation.

## It's Up in the Air!

Saturday, March 29th  
**1 PM - 2 PM**

Join us for a delightful and interactive musical comedy cabaret that promises laughter and lively tunes. Get ready for an experience where anything can happen!

## Composting at Home & in the Community

Saturday April 5th  
**12:30PM-2PM**

Learn composting from the experts, Jim Hall from Cornell Cooperative and Ermin Siljkovic from Orange County's Environmental Facilities and Services.

## Understanding Artificial Intelligence

Thursday April 10th  
**6:30PM-8PM**

PromoAmbitions introduces us to the world of artificial intelligence. If you're curious about AI, bring your questions and let's discuss!

## Poetry Reading by J.R. Solonche

Saturday April 19th  
**1PM-2PM**

The Poet Laureate of Orange County delights us with an afternoon poetry reading. Books will be available for purchase with proceeds being donated to the Food Bank of the Hudson Valley.

## Basket Weaving with Robin

Saturday May 3rd  
**9:30AM-3PM**

Master weaver Robin helps us in the creation of another lovely basket. Registration will be limited, please sign up early.

## Painting with Patty

Thursday May 15th  
**6PM-8PM**

Let's get creative with local artist Patty Kaminski! Art is messy so dress appropriately. Registration will be limited, please sign up early.

## Women's Self-Defense & Personal Protection

Saturday May 31st  
**1PM-2:30PM**

Master Instructor Guy Vellella uses his decades of knowledge to empower women with effective self-defense techniques.

## Music Programs

### Roots of Black Music: Part Three

Saturday February 1st  
Presented via Zoom

**1PM-2PM**

Karlus Trapp continues our virtual journey through the roots of black music in America. Dance along from the comfort of your own home or join us here and watch on the big screen.

### St. Patrick's Day Celebration

Sunday March 9th  
**1PM-2PM**

Authentic Irish fiddler Brian Conway and his family are celebrating St. Patrick's Day! Delight in the enchanting sounds of the fiddle, bodhran, and uilleann pipes.

### 80's Pop, Rock and R&B

Saturday May 17th  
**1PM-2PM**

Deb De Lucca & Art Garner entertain us with some 80's hits! Get ready to sing and dance while enjoying this nostalgic journey.

## CLUB CORNER

Register online @  
[www.gwllibrary.org](http://www.gwllibrary.org)  
or call 845-477-8377  
**NEW MEMBERS WELCOME**

### Nights of Needlecraft Tuesdays

January 7th, February 4th &  
March 3rd 6:15-7:30pm  
April 1st, May 6th & June 3rd  
6:30-8:00pm

### Booklovers Club Tuesdays

January 28th & February 25th  
6:15-7:30pm  
March 25th, April 22nd, May  
27th & June 24th 6:30-8:00pm

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*Library Board*

**Kayla Andrews, President**  
**Nancy Clifford, Vice President**  
**Patricia Nolan, Finance Officer**  
**Vicky Sarine, Secretary**  
**Deb Searle, Trustee**

The Library Board meets on the 3rd Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm. The public is welcome to attend.

*With Gratitude*

We'd like to do a giant shout out to Dawn Mazur. Every year this talented artist creates a masterpiece of textile art for us to raffle off as a fundraiser. We can't thank you enough Dawn!

Another on-going supporter of the library is Ms. C. Taylor whose generosity helps keep our digitization project afloat. We certainly appreciate it.

And we won't let the opportunity to thank all our local Firefighters, Police Officers and Ambulance Squad members go by. Your incredible bravery, commitment to service and sheer fortitude will never be forgotten by us or the community you serve. Thank You.

*Museum Passes*

Open to Greenwood Lake resident patrons. For details on passes offered, please call 845-477-8377 ext. 101

American Museum of Natural History	Hudson River Maritime Museum
Brooklyn Botanical Gardens	Thomas P. Morahan Waterfront Park
Museum at Bethel Woods	9/11 Memorial & Museum
Katonah Museum of Art	<i>Liberty Science Center - Discount entry with library card</i>
Storm King Art Center	
Empire Pass (7 day loan)	
Motorcyclopedia Museum	<b>No renewals/\$10 late fee per day</b>
Old Rhinebeck Aerodrome	<b>*You must call the individual institutions in regard to reservations and restrictions. *</b>
Intrepid: Sea, Air & Space	
Hudson Highlands Nature Museum	

*Art Gallery*

The Works of Art Gallery features a new local artist every month. If you are interested in displaying your work please contact Tech Services at 845-477-8377 ext. 111 or email chriswheeling@rcls.org.

January: Bruce Young  
 February: Jessie Taylor  
 March: Renelle Loray  
 April: John Dinkey  
 May: Sarah McHugh



*Digital Navigator*

Having technical difficulties with your phone or tablet? Need some help accessing online resources or getting connected to family and friends? Stop by the computer services desk and chat with Aimee, our Digital Navigator, or reach out to set up an appointment. Call 845-477-8377 ext. 107 or email amorrow@rcls.org.



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- Hoopla:** ebooks, audiobooks, movies & tv shows.
- Tumblebooks:** ebooks, audiobooks, puzzles & games.
- Kanopy:** movies & tv shows.
- Comics Plus:** comic books & graphic novels.



To learn more call the front desk at 845-477-8377 ext. 101 or stop by with your device and we will be happy to get you started.

**Local History Digitization Project**

Help us keep Greenwood Lake's rich history alive for future generations. Please consider making a donation to this important project; you may use this coupon when doing so. Thank you!

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