This spring, summer and fall we will be continuing with our mission to engage local residents in collaborative art projects crafted by and for the community. We will be working again with local mosaic artist Libby Hintz to create unique mosaic mural pieces to be installed at the Selden building. In-person kick-off sessions, on Saturday, June 5th at 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. and Sunday, June 6th at 2:00 p.m., will feature an artist talk, instruction and a hands-on opportunity to begin working on the project, inspired by the color scheme and design elements found within the library. There will also be an opportunity to participate via Take & Make program kits. Registration for kick-off sessions and Take & Make kits is required and will start on Friday, May 28th. Throughout the coming months, community members attending programs at the library will have opportunities to take part in this special project. See page 7 or visit www.mcplibrary.org/community-art for a list of drop-in opportunities and workshop dates with Libby. Then join us again this fall for grouting workshops and the Installation Celebration on Saturday, October 23rd!

This project is made possible with funds from the Decentralization Program, a regrant program of the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew M. Cuomo and the New York State Legislature, and administered by The Huntington Arts Council.
**Island Idol**

The show must go on! Here at MCPL we are excited to have our talented Middle Country teens once again take to the stage for a night of musical magic! Our 17th annual Island Idol competition will take place on Friday, July 30th, from 6:00 - 10:00 p.m. Family and friends of performers may obtain a ticket to watch the event in person from the Centereach parking lot and others can enjoy the show via live stream.

Audition applications are available online or at any reference desk. Performers in 6th-12th grade may submit applications beginning Monday, May 17 through Tuesday, July 6. Thanks to the Friends of the Middle Country Public Library and ShopRite, a Gallagher Family Market, for sponsoring this inspiring night of teen talent.

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**Spring Jubilee!**

Welcome to the 2021 Spring Jubilee!, a celebration of the 11th year of the Nature Explorium. Pick up a bag of nature activities to celebrate, limited to the first 250 children, and drop in anytime:

- Thursday, June 10th; 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
- Friday, June 11th; 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
- Saturday, June 12th; 10:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Each day at 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. there will be a ladybug release, opportunities for planting and a seed bomb activity.

Visit www.natureexplorium.org or call the youth services desk at 631-585-9393 ext. 559 for more information.

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**Battle Of The Books**

Battle of the Books is a fun summer program for teens entering 6th-9th grade in the fall. If you love reading and trivia competitions, this is your program! We’ll all read the same six books (titles TBA) and at the end of the summer, six members of our team will compete against other Suffolk County libraries in the Battle. All meetings and the final competition will be held via Zoom.

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**Summer In The Museum Corner!**

Beginning in June, families with children in K-5th grade will be able to drop in to explore three different themes in our interactive hands-on learning space!

**Tell the World a Story:** explore folktales around the world through stories, puppet play, musical instruments, games and crafts. Mondays and Thursdays.

**Architecture Around the World:** discover architecture and design around the globe with stories, KEVA planks, an oversized building set, drawing activities, and building prompts. Tuesdays and Fridays.

**One World, Many Games:** play your way around the world with board games, hopscotch, giant connect four, and learn about our global history of games. Wednesdays and Saturdays.

The Museum Corner will be open, Monday through Friday from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. and on Saturday, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. There will be a limit of 12 people and each family will be able to enjoy the space for up to one hour. Adult (parent/caregiver) must be present in the Museum Corner during the session.

Participants are required to wear a mask covering both the nose and mouth during all in-person events. Space in events is limited to ensure physical distancing.
Attending Programs

Online Programs
View and attend MCPL programs for children, teens, and adults from home! Programs take place on a variety of online platforms including Facebook Live, YouTube and Zoom. Many of the library’s online programs are recorded and available to view anytime on our YouTube channel, www.mcpl.tv. Included are programs for all ages such as yoga, cooking programs, art and sensory activities, and story times.

In-Person Programs
The library’s in-person program offerings will continue to expand through the summer and fall. Participants are required to wear a mask covering both the nose and mouth during all in-person events. Space in events is limited to ensure physical distancing.

Registration Information:
- Program listings can be found online at www.mcplibrary.org/calendar
- A valid MCPL library card for each patron (adults, children and teens) is required at time of registration.
- Registration for noted programs will take place online at www.mcplibrary.org, in person, or by calling (631) 585-9393.
- Fee-based programs require payment within three days or registration will be cancelled.
- Program fees are not refundable.
- Please let us know if you require any special accommodations because of a disability.

Learn how to connect to a live program on Zoom at this link: www.mcplibrary.org/connecting-to-zoom/
View upcoming and recorded programs on the library’s YouTube channel at www.mcpl.tv. Subscribe to our channel so you will not miss any of our offerings.
Follow Middle Country Public Library on Facebook as daily announcements will keep you informed of our online program offerings.

Long Island Programs

- The Culper Spy Ring Walking Tour
- Hiking Long Island
- Kayaking on Long Island
- Searching for the Long Island Serial Killer
- West Meadow Beach Walking Tour
- Virtual Guided Woodland Hike

See pages 7 for more information.
These programs are open to ages 14 and over.

Niche Academy
Niche Academy provides brief and easy-to-use tutorials for some of MCPL’s most popular library resources. But it doesn’t stop there. You can also find tutorials on basic computer skills, social media, and more! Look for the blue tab on the right side of our web pages to access Niche Academy.

Music Under the Stars: SouthBound
August 17, 2021 7:00 p.m.
Bring your lawn chairs and join us in the Centereach parking lot for a high energy performance of country, southern and classic rock from SouthBound. Registration for this event is required and will open on July 9th.
This program is supported in part by a Suffolk County Department of Economic Development & Planning Grant sponsored by Legislator Nick Caracappa.

Join us as we get BACK TO BUSINESS! Network with local businesses, learn about new products and services, enter for a chance to win this year’s raffle prize, and support the local economy as we get back to work. Strictly Business: Back to Business will be held in the Centereach parking lot on June 8, 2021 from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. (Rain Date is June 15.) Open to all! Visit www.strictlybusiness tradeshow.org for more information.

Strictly Business
Network, Promote and Build your Business

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**Adults/Seniors**

**Adult programs are for patrons aged 14+.**

**Take & Make Programs**

Please note that some Take & Make Programs have a materials fee. Registrants must pay this fee in order to pick up a kit.

**Butterfly Plate Feeder: A Take & Make Program (A455)**

Make this attractive butterfly feeder for your backyard!

**Registration begins on June 25**

- Tuesday, July 13; 6:30pm - 7:30pm
- Wednesday, July 14; 1:00pm - 2:00pm
- Friday, July 16; 1:00pm - 2:00pm

**Community Mosaic Take & Make (AO444)**

Take home the supplies to create a mosaic tile square that will be joined together to make a beautiful installation in the program hallway at the library’s Selden building.

- Monday, June 7; 10:00am

**Decoupage Wood Crate: A Take & Make Program (A414)**

Decoupage a wood crate, perfect for holding napkins or flowers, using festive scrapbook paper and mod podge.

**Registration begins on May 28**

- Materials Fee: $5
- Wednesday, June 16; 6:00pm

**DIY Summer Fruit Tray: A Take & Make Program (A447)**

Make this fun tray just in time for the summer!

**Registration begins on May 28**

- Materials Fee: $5
- Saturday, June 12; 1:00pm

**DIY Sunflower String Art: A Take & Make Program (A456)**

Give this fun & easy retro craft a try! Create art using embroidery floss to string points together to create a pattern.

**Registration begins on July 9**

- Materials Fee: $10
- Monday, July 19; 6:00pm - 6:45pm

**Dog Biscuits: A Take & Make Program (A0453)**

Make dog biscuits for your favorite furry friend! Register to receive a kit containing the needed supplies and instructions with a link to an instructional video.

**Registration begins on June 25**

- Friday, July 9; 6:30pm - 7:30pm

**Strawberry Shortcakes: A Take & Make Program (A0406)**

Bake six delicious strawberry shortcakes and decorate with your own colorful sanding sugar.

**Registration begins on May 28**

- Tuesday, June 1; 7:00pm - 8:00pm

**Trio of Succulent Magnets: A Take & Make Program (A0413)**

Create a trio of adorable cork magnets filled with a faux succulent.

**Registration begins on May 28**

- Friday, June 11; 6:00pm - 6:30pm

**Backyard Bat Houses (A452)**

This structure will invite some new bat neighbors to move in and help rid your backyard of mosquitoes. In order to complete this project, you’ll need to bring your own hammer and safety goggles.

**Registration begins on June 25**

- Materials Fee: $5
- Thursday, July 8; 1:00pm - 2:00pm
- OR 3:00pm - 4:00pm
- Centereach

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- Friday, July 16; 1:00pm - 2:00pm

**Book Discussions**

**Afternoon Book Discussion (A451)**

Let’s discuss Detransition, Baby by Torrey Peters. Ask a librarian how to borrow a physical copy or an eBook/ eAudio from Livebrary.

**Registration begins on June 25**

- Thursday, July 1; 2:00pm - 3:00pm
- Selden

**History Buffs Book Club (A405)**

Join us for a lively discussion of historical books, events and eras. Contact the Adult Reference Desk to request these titles. Both titles are also available on Libby. Please note that this is an in-person program.

- June – The First Wave: The D-Day Warriors Who Led the Way to Victory in World War II by Alex Kershaw

**Registration begins on May 28**

- Thursdays, June 10, July 22
  - 7:00pm - 8:00pm
  - Selden

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**Business/Finance/Careers**

Visit www.millerbusinesscenter.org for the most up-to-date list of upcoming business programs.

**Career and College Counseling Services***
Looking for a job? Interested in a new career? Need help with the college admissions process? Meet one-on-one virtually with a counselor. Call 631-585-9393 ext. 133 for more information. This confidential service is by appointment only.

**One-on-One Financial Counseling (AO411)**
Personalized financial counseling sessions with a bilingual credit counselor. Topics include: house counseling, financial management and budget counseling, pre-purchase home buyer education. Appointments by Zoom or over the phone.
* Tuesdays, June 8, July 13; 6:00pm - 8:00pm Zoom
* Registration begins on May 28

**Strictly Business: Back to Business (A445)**
Join us for our annual business-to-business networking event as we get back to business in 2021! **Rain Date June 15.**
* Tuesday, June 8; 9:00am - 1:00pm Centereach - Parking Lot

**Citizenship/ESOL/Literacy**

The Literacy Office is open to assist patrons with limited literacy or English proficiency needing help accessing library services and programs. Assistance is available in Centereach. Call 631-585-9393 ext. 248 or 274.

**Basic English Class (A466)**
This class will provide the basics to learn English: learning the alphabet, numbers & simple words.
* Registration begins on May 28
  - Thursdays, June 3, 10, 17, 24, July 1, 8
  - 7:00pm - 8:15pm AND/OR
  - Saturdays, July 10, 17, 24, 31, August 7, 14
  - 10:00am - 11:15am

**Citizenship Preparation (AO408)**
Learn the civics, history and geography you need to know to pass the exam and become a U.S. citizen.
* Wednesdays, June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, July 7
  - 7:00pm - 8:15pm

**English Class: Intermediate (AO469)**
Practice your English skills in a friendly setting. Students will work on reading comprehension, writing and conversation skills.
* Thursdays, June 22, 29, August 5, 12, 19, 26
  - 7:00pm - 8:15pm

**English Conversation Group (AO410)**
Enhance your verbal English language skills through discussions and conversations on topics from the past, present and future.
* Mondays, June 7, 14, 21, 28; 10:30am - 11:30am

**Mujeres Latinas Community Mosaic (A442)**
This community-based public art project will result in the installation of a mosaic mural to be displayed at our library. Join us to work on the community mosaic mural with artist Libby Hintz. This session will be conducted in Spanish.
* Registration begins on May 28
  - Saturday, June 5; 12:00pm - 1:00pm

**Mujeres Latinas: Connecting Through Your Library! (AO454)**
Join us in person for some friendly conversation about what your library can do for you and your family! **Will be conducted in Spanish.**
* Registration begins on June 25
  - Saturday, July 10 AND Saturday, August 14
  - 12:00pm - 1:00pm Centereach

**Writing Workshop for ESOL (AO443)**
The writing workshop will focus on helping English language learners with different aspects of writing including: emails, social media, creative writing, and other daily writing requirements.
* Tuesdays, June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
  - 7:00pm - 8:15pm

**Computer Classes**

**Computer Basics (A400)**
Learn the very basics of using a Windows 10 computer, including powering it on, using the mouse, shortcuts, and more.
* Registration begins on May 28
  - Saturdays, June 12, 19
    - 10:30am - 11:30am OR 12:00pm - 1:00pm Selden

**Excel: Functions (AO436)**
Learn how to use and work with some of Excel's most popular functions, including SUM, AVERAGE, COUNT, IF and more. **Knowledge of Excel required.**
* Tuesday, June 22; 6:30pm - 8:00pm Zoom

**Excel: Intermediate (AO428)**
Expand your knowledge of Excel and learn how to sort and filter data, and create subtotals in a data set. **Knowledge of Excel required.**
* Tuesday, June 1; 6:30pm - 8:00pm

**Introduction to the Internet (A401)**
Learn how to get online, find information, understand the jargon of the Internet, and much more.
* Registration begins on May 28
  - Saturday, July 17
    - 10:30am - 11:30am OR 12:00pm - 1:00pm Selden

**Word: Creating and Working with Tables (AO432)**
Learn how to create and use tables in Microsoft Word. **Knowledge of Word required.**
* Tuesday, July 13; 6:30pm - 8:00pm

**Word: Sections (AO434)**
Take your documents up a notch by learning how to create and format sections in Word. **Knowledge of Word required.**
* Tuesday, July 27; 6:30pm - 8:00pm

**Cooking/Gardening/Home**

**Amazing Vegetarian Appetizers (AO422)**
Create delicious vegetarian appetizers with cauliflower, broccoli rabe flowers, mushrooms and Italian bread.
* Tuesday, August 3; 6:30pm - 7:30pm

**Five Basic Principles for Getting (and Staying) Organized (AO407)**
Learn simple organizing concepts and solutions to common challenges that get people stuck. No matter your level of organization, attendees will feel empowered to start implementing these principles right away.
* Wednesday, June 2; 7:00pm - 8:15pm

**Burritos (AO457)**
Learn how to make authentic Mexican Burritos from scratch! Learn the craft of flour tortilla making with the expert, Chef Maria.
* Wednesday, July 21; 6:30pm - 8:00pm

**Gardening 101: Quick + Easy Vegetables for New Gardeners (AO430)**
Despite all the hype, starting your own garden need not be difficult! Learn good practices required to be a great gardener, tools and tips for success, and suggestions of easy-to-grow herbs and veggies.
* Monday, June 28; 7:00pm - 8:00pm

**Herb Drying Techniques (A459)**
Learn how to dry herbs from your garden and create an herb drying rack. Drying racks will be created with driftwood, hooks, and hemp.
* Registration begins on June 25
  - Tuesday, July 26, 6:00pm - 7:00pm OR
  - Thursday, July 22, 11:00am - 12:00pm Centereach

**Herb Gardens (AO465)**
Herb gardens are an attractive collection of plants with a purpose beyond their natural beauty. Some herbs have culinary attributes, others have medicinal properties. Learn how to select plants and start an herb garden.
* Tuesday, July 6; 7:00pm - 8:00pm

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Culper Spy Ring Walking Tour (A415)
Lead by an educator from the Three Village Historical Society, follow in the actual footsteps of the Culper Spy Ring. Historical places of interest will be pointed out and discussed. This is a 3 mile activity and attendees will meet at the entrance to Frank Melville Park in Setauket. Each patron may register themselves and one guest. Masks and social distancing will be required at all times. Fee: $10 per person by cash, charge or check to MCPL is due within 3 days of registering or your registration will be cancelled.
Saturday, June 19; 10:00am - 12:00pm OR
Wednesday, July 28; 9:00am - 11:00am Off Premises

Hiking Long Island (A409)
Lee McAllister will discuss hiking opportunities through Long Island’s various landscapes. Come learn about the geology, history, flora & fauna that make Long Island an interesting place to hike in any season.
Registration begins on May 28.
Monday, June 7; 7:00pm - 8:15pm Selden

Kayaking on Long Island (A391)
Kevin Stiegelmaier will share all the best places to explore and the info you’ll need to ensure your time on the water is safe and enjoyable.
Registration begins on May 28.
Wednesday, June 17; 6:30pm - 8:00pm Selden

Long Island Parks with Stories to Tell (AO431)*
July is Parks and Recreation Month! Take a video vacation and learn the story behind some of Long Island’s 70,000 acres of recreational and wooded parklands.
Thursday, July 1; 7:00pm - 7:30pm YouTube (MCPL.tv)

Searching for the Long Island Serial Killer (A417)
Join author and journalist Robert P. Ottone for a discussion of the mystery of the Long Island Serial Killer. Learn the facts surrounding the case and the ongoing investigative work bringing us closer to answers.
Registration begins on June 25
Monday, July 12; 7:00pm - 8:00pm Selden/Zoom

Virtual Guided Woodland Hike (AO437)*
Let the Quogue Wildlife Refuge bring the forest to you! “Hike” through habitats while an environmental educator discusses the local flora and fauna, ecology and habitat protection.
Tuesday, July 27; 4:00pm - 5:00pm Zoom

West Meadow Beach Walking Tour (A419)
Join us for a guided walk through West Meadow Beach. Please wear comfortable clothing and walking shoes. Social distancing and masks will be required at all times. Rain date: 7/22. Patrons may register themselves & one guest.
Registration begins on June 25
Thursday, July 15
9:00am - 10:00am OR 10:30am - 11:30am Off Premises

HIICAP (AO139)*
Speak with a volunteer counselor to get answers to your questions about Medicare, Medigap and Medicare Drug Plans, Part D.
Fridays, June 4, 18, July 9, 23 Via Phone

PACE: People with Arthritis Can Exercise (AO433)*
This recreational exercise program is designed to increase range of motion of the joints and increase muscle tone.
Tuesdays, July 13, 20, 27, August 3, 10, 17, 24, 31
12:30pm - 1:30pm Zoom

Topical Tuesdays @ 2: Weight Loss, Food, and Exercise (A468)
Learn how and what type of exercise is the best for weight loss, how to start a weight loss program, and how the right type of food and exercise can turn back the clock.
Registration begins on June 25.
Tuesday, July 20; 2:00pm - 3:00pm Selden

Topical Tuesdays @ 2: Medicaid for Seniors: Long Term Care Assistance (A467)
Daria Gentile, of Emics Elder Care, will discuss long term care and the programs available that help pay for it.
Registration begins on May 28.
Tuesday, June 8; 2:00pm - 3:00pm Selden
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Veteran Community Resource Table (A285)*
Representatives from the Joseph P. Dwyer Peer Support Project will be available to help with the programs and services available in Suffolk County for veterans and their families. No registration required. Available on 3rd Thursday of every month.
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Summer Reading Club Kickoff (J413)
For all ages
Drop in anytime to register for our 2021 Summer Reading Club: Tails & Tales summer-reading-club/

Teen Reading Club: Tails & Tales (TO214)
For teens entering 6th - 12th grade
Go wild this summer with our Tails & Tales summer reading club. Earn a chance to win raffle prizes for every hour read. Read 6 hours and get an invitation to our end of the summer soiree! www.mcplibrary.org/summer-reading-club/
Arts/Crafts/Cooking

Take & Make program bags will include most of the supplies you’ll need plus instructions. Before registering confirm that the kit is for your age/grade. Registrants will be contacted by library staff to schedule pickup.

Chocolate Chip Cookie Pie: A Take & Make Program (TO281)
For teens entering 6th - 12th grade
Make this delicious dessert at home with the Baking Coach!
Registration begins on May 28
Friday, June 11; 4:00pm - 4:30pm YouTube (MCPL.tv)

Digital Art with MediBang (TO277)
For teens entering 6th - 12th grade
Practice your charcoal and pastel technique with a professional artist using MediBang, a free digital painting and manga creation software.
You will receive the Zoom link upon registration.
Wednesdays, July 7, 14, 21; 3:00pm - 4:30pm Zoom

Honey & Lemon Foot Scrub: A Take & Make Program (TO284)
For teens entering 6th - 12th grade
Pamper yourself with this homemade foot scrub!
Registration begins on July 16
Thursday, July 29; 4:00pm - 4:30pm YouTube (MCPL.tv)

Origami for Teens: Seashell & Twist Fish: A Take & Make Program (TO263)
For teens entering 6th - 12th grade
Learn how to make an origami seashell and fish. Please visit the program calendar via the library’s website to access the Zoom link.
Registration begins on May 21
Tuesday, June 6; 6:30pm - 7:30pm Zoom

Painted Pride Flag: A Take & Make Program (TO271)
For teens entering 6th - 12th grade
Create a painted wooden flag to display your LGBTQ pride.
Registration begins on June 11
Monday, June 21; 7:00pm - 8:00pm YouTube (MCPL.tv)

Robot Origami Circuit: A Take & Make Program (TO268)
For teens entering 6th - 12th grade
Combine simple electronics with the centuries-old Japanese paper craft art of Origami.
Registration begins on June 4
Monday, June 14; 3:00pm - 3:30pm YouTube (MCPL.tv)

Seashell Wind Chime: A Take & Make Program (TO273)
For teens entering 6th - 12th grade
Make some cool, coastal-inspired wind chimes to enjoy all summer!
Registration begins on June 18
Wednesday, June 30; 7:00pm - 7:30pm YouTube (MCPL.tv)

Tails & Tales Cupcakes: A Take & Make Program (TO282)
For teens entering 6th - 12th grade
Make cupcakes using cookies, fondant and frosting!
Registration begins on July 2
Friday, July 16; 4:00pm - 4:30pm YouTube (MCPL.tv)

Books/Films/Writing

Tell Us About It Book Club (TO272)
For teens entering 6th - 8th grade
Learn more about the books you are already reading. Please visit the program calendar via the library’s website to access the Zoom link.
Tuesdays, June 22, July 19, 26
7:00pm - 8:00pm In-Person - Centereach

Battle of the Books (TO264)
For teens entering 6th - 9th grade
Remember as many details as you can from each of six books - to be announced - and compete against teens from other Suffolk County libraries! Please visit the program calendar via the library’s website to access the Zoom link.
Wednesdays, June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, July 7, 14, 21, 28, August 4, 11
5:30pm - 6:45pm
Saturday, August 14 - Final Battle
Time TBD

Teen LGBTQIA+ Writing Group (TO287)
For teens entering 6th - 12th grade
Let’s come together and write about experiences relating to LGBTQIA+ through writing and books. Please visit the program calendar via the library’s website to access the Zoom link.
Tuesday, June 22; 6:30pm - 7:30pm Zoom

Teen Writers Café (TO290)
For teens entering 6th - 12th grade
Do you LOVE to write? Join Mr. Barresi live on Zoom to explore poetry, prose, fan fiction and more. Share your own work and participate in fun writing challenges! Please visit the program calendar via the library’s website to access the Zoom link.
Tuesday, June 1 AND Tuesday, July 6
4:00pm - 5:15pm AND 12:00pm - 1:15pm Zoom

Tell Us About It Book Club (TO272)
For teens entering 6th - 8th grade
Welcome to the no-pressure book club! Join a group of readers to talk about what you are already reading. Please visit the program calendar via the library’s website to access the Zoom link.
Tuesdays, June 22, July 27; 5:15pm - 6:15pm Zoom

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College/Careers

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**Community Service**

**Gardening Crew (T212)**
For teens entering 6th - 12th grade
Join us at Hobb’s Community Farm to learn about organic gardening and to serve the community by planting, caring for and harvesting gardens. This program is sponsored by the TD Charitable Foundation. Tuesdays, June 15, July 13; 5:30pm - 7:30pm  Off Premises - Hobb’s Farm

**Green Teens (T0269)**
For teens entering 6th - 12th grade
Discuss environmental issues and work on eco-friendly projects. Club meetings will be held virtually on Zoom. To join, fill out a virtual application available on the library’s website at https://www.mcplibrary.org/teens/just-for-fun/community-service/.

**Media Teens (T0266)**
For teens entering 6th - 12th grade
Help promote library programs and clubs by making videos and taking pictures! Club meetings will be held virtually on Zoom. To join, fill out a virtual application available on the library’s website at https://www.mcplibrary.org/teens/just-for-fun/community-service/.

**The Mutt Club (T0288)**
For teens entering 6th - 12th grade
Do you love animals? Want to personally help local shelters? Become a Mutt Club Member and get involved! Club meetings will be held virtually on Zoom. To join, fill out a virtual application available on the library’s website at https://www.mcplibrary.org/teens/just-for-fun/community-service/.

**Teen Advisory Council (T0291)**
For teens entering 7th - 12th grade
Plan and implement library programs, and provide input on teen services at MCPL. Club meetings will be held virtually on Zoom. To join, fill out a virtual application available on the library’s website at https://www.mcplibrary.org/teens/just-for-fun/community-service/.

**Friday Night Teen Programs**

**Friday Night Fun: Kahoot Teen Trivia Night (T0265)**
For teens entering 6th - 12th grade
Enjoy a fun Friday night playing teen trivia on Kahoot with your friends on Zoom! You will need a laptop or ipad to access the Zoom app and a smartphone with the Kahoot app downloaded. Please visit the program calendar via the library’s website to access the Zoom link.

Fridays, June 4, July 2; 7:00pm - 8:00pm

**Friday Night Teen Programs: Game Night (T0270)**
For teens entering 6th - 12th grade
Log on to challenge friends and librarians to fun games like Mad Libs and Scattergories! Please visit the program calendar via the library’s website to access the Zoom link.

Fridays, June 18, July 16; 7:00pm - 8:00pm

**Friday Night Teen Programs: Jackbox Games (T0274)**
For teens entering 6th - 12th grade
Let’s have some Friday night fun with Jackbox Games! We’ll be playing live on Zoom so be sure to have a smartphone or other device ready to visit Jackbox.tv to play along. Please visit the program calendar via the library’s website to access the Zoom link.

Fridays, June 25, July 23; 7:00pm - 8:00pm

**Friday Night Teen Programs: Video Game Mania (T0267)**
For teens entering 6th - 12th grade
Join us for some video gaming through Zoom! Some of the games we will choose from are Animal Crossing, Among Us and Super Smash Bros. Please visit the program calendar via the library’s website to access the Zoom link.

Fridays, June 11, July 9; 7:00pm - 8:00pm

**Games**

**Island Idol Auditions (T208)**
For teens entering 6th - recently graduated 12th grade
Calling all singers, dancers, actors, guitarists, musicians, and bands! Audition to compete in this summer’s music festival. Performed songs can be originals or covers for judge critique. Selected acts will be notified by Wednesday, July 21st to perform on Friday, July 30th. Audition applications are available online or at any reference desk. Performers in 6th - 12th grade may submit applications beginning Monday, May 17th through Tuesday, July 6th.

Friday, July 16 OR Tuesday, July 20
5:00pm - 8:00pm

**Island Idol Virtual Coaching (TO278)**
For teens entering 6th - recently graduated 12th grade
Planning on auditioning for Island Idol and want some help with your audition piece? Come to one of our virtual coaching sessions with our music and theater professionals. Please visit the program calendar via the library’s website to access the Zoom link.

Tuesday, July 13 OR Wednesday, July 14
5:30pm - 6:30pm OR 7:00pm - 8:00pm

**Science and Technology**

**3D Printing with TinkerCad (T0292)**
For teens entering 6th - 12th grade
Learn how to create a 3D model using TinkerCad, then have it printed on the library’s 3D printer. You will receive a Zoom link upon registration.

Monday, July 12; 6:00pm - 7:00pm

**Long Island Sound at the Library (T209)**
For teens entering 6th - 12th grade
Craft and discuss environmental concerns and solutions in restoring vital habitats connected to the Long Island Sound with Town of Brookhaven Educator, Nicole Pocchiare.

Registration begins on June 25
Saturday, July 24 12:30pm - 1:30pm OR 2:00pm - 3:00pm
In-Person - Centereach

*Open to the Public*
Participants are required to wear a mask covering both the nose and mouth during all in-person events. Space in events is limited to ensure physical distancing.

**Teens LIVE!**

**Teens LIVE! (T206)**
For teens entering 6th - 12th grade
Join your teen librarians for in-person crafts and activities at the library!
**CHOOSE ONE DATE PER THEME:**

**Craftivism Community Service:**
Registration begins on June 25
Tuesdays, July 6, 13, 20, 27
6:30pm - 7:15pm
In-Person - Selden

**Slime Time:**
Registration begins on May 28
Fridays, June 4, 11, 18, 25
5:30pm - 6:15pm
In-Person - Centereach

**Summer Tote:**
Registration begins on May 28
Thursdays, June 3, 10, 17, 24
6:30pm - 7:15pm
In-Person - Selden

**Tech Time:**
Registration begins on June 25
Fridays, July 2, 9, 16, 23
5:30pm - 6:15pm
In-Person - Centereach

**Children and Families**

**Reading Club**

**1000 Books Before Kindergarten (J396)**
Families with children birth - 5 years old (not yet in Kindergarten)
Middle Country Public Library is participating in the national initiative known as 1000 Books Before Kindergarten. This ongoing reading club promotes child and parent bonding through reading with infants, toddlers, and preschoolers. Children will receive a prize for every 100 books read. Sign up at the Youth Services reference desk at 631-585-9393 ext. 559.

**Children's Summer Reading Club Tails & Tales (JO411)**
For children birth - entering 5th grade
Go wild this summer with our Tails & Tales summer reading club. For every half hour read you’ll receive a virtual raffle ticket for a chance to win prizes. Read a total of 4 hours to complete the club, receive a final prize and an invitation to our end of the summer virtual party on August 20th. [www.mcplibrary.org/summer-reading-club/](http://www.mcplibrary.org/summer-reading-club/)

**Summer Reading Club Kickoff (J413)**
For all ages
Drop in anytime to register for our 2021 Summer Reading Club: Tails & Tales and enjoy kick-off activities. **No Registration Required.**
Wednesday, June 23, Thursday, June 24, Friday, June 25
10:00am - 1:00pm, 5:00pm - 8:00pm
Saturday, June 26
10:00am - 1:00pm
In-Person - Centereach

**Infant/Toddler Programs**

**Baby Bee Lullaby Time (JO385)**
For parents/caregivers with children birth - 24 months old
Baby Bee is an early literacy program designed for babies and their caregivers. Join us for songs, rhymes, stories, and fun!
Wednesdays, June 2, July 14
6:30pm - 7:00pm
YouTube (MCPL.tv)

**Dance with Me! (J404)**
For parents/caregivers with children 18 months - 4 years old
Come join Ms. Liz from Great South Bay Dance for creative movement dance activities!
**CHOOSE ONE DATE PER MONTH**
Registration begins on May 28
Tuesday, June 8; 10:00am - 10:30am, 11:00am - 11:30am
Tuesday, June 29; 9:00am - 10:30am, 11:00am - 11:30am
Registration begins on June 25
Monday, July 12; 10:00am - 10:30am, 11:00am - 11:30am
Thursday, July 29; 4:00pm - 4:30pm, 5:00pm - 5:30pm
In-Person - Centereach

**Little Sprouts! (J403)**
For parents/caregivers with children birth - 35 months
**CHOOSE ONE DATE PER THEME**

**Movin’ & Groovin’ Rhymes:**
Registration begins on May 28
Fridays, June 4, 11, 18, 25; 10:00am - 10:30am
In-Person - Centereach

**Peek-a-Book Storytime:**
Registration begins on May 28
Mondays, June 7, 14, 21, 28; 10:00am - 10:30am
In-Person - Centereach

**Romp & Rhyme:**
Registration begins on June 25
Thursdays, July 1, 8, 15; 10:00am - 10:30am
In-Person - Centereach

**Tiny Tales:**
Registration begins on June 25
Tuesday, July 6, 13, 20, 27; 10:00am - 10:30am
In-Person - Selden

**Toddlers Tango! (J398)**
For parents/caregivers with children 18 months - 4 years old
Clap your hands, stomp your feet and wiggle with the beat!
**CHOOSE ONE DATE PER MONTH**
Registration begins on May 28
Tuesday, June 1
10:00am - 10:30am, 11:00am - 11:30am
Tuesday, June 15
6:00pm - 6:30pm, 7:00pm - 7:30pm
In-Person - Centereach

Registration begins on June 25
Saturday, July 3
10:00am - 10:30am, 11:00am - 11:30am
Monday, July 19
10:00am - 10:30am, 11:00am - 11:30am
In-Person - Centereach

**Virtual Toddlers Tango! (JO400)**
For parents/caregivers with children 18 months - 4 years old
Clap your hands, stomp your feet and wiggle with the beat! Please visit the program calendar via the library’s website to access the Zoom link.
Tuesday, June 22
10:00am - 10:30am
AND
Tuesday, July 20
6:30pm - 7:00pm
Zoom

**Gridless Tessellations: A Museum Corner Take & Make Program (JO362)**
For children entering 3rd - 5th grade
Take a look at the past exhibit Pattern Pod! Going gridless makes it fun and easy to create art in repeating patterns.
**Registration begins on June 18**
Wednesday, June 30; 4:00pm - 5:00pm
YouTube (MCPL.tv)

**Jellyfish by the Sea Shore: A Museum Corner Take & Make Program (JO377)**
For children entering K - 2nd grade
Take a look at the past exhibit By The Sea Shore! Learn about jellyfish and create a low relief textile jellyfish sculpture.
**Registration begins on July 9**
Monday, July 19; 3:00pm - 4:00pm
YouTube (MCPL.tv)

**The Museum Corner**

Take & Make program bags will include most of the supplies you’ll need plus instructions. Before registering, confirm that the kit is for your child’s age/grade. Registrants will be contacted by library staff to schedule pickup.

**Middle Country Public Library**

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For all ages
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10:00am - 1:00pm, 5:00pm - 8:00pm
Saturday, June 26
10:00am - 1:00pm
In-Person - Centereach

**Infant/Toddler Programs**

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6:30pm - 7:00pm
YouTube (MCPL.tv)

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**CHOOSE ONE DATE PER MONTH**
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Tuesday, June 8; 10:00am - 10:30am, 11:00am - 11:30am
Tuesday, June 29; 9:00am - 10:30am, 11:00am - 11:30am
Registration begins on June 25
Monday, July 12; 10:00am - 10:30am, 11:00am - 11:30am
Thursday, July 29; 4:00pm - 4:30pm, 5:00pm - 5:30pm
In-Person - Centereach
**Museum Corner Drop-In (J400)**
For families with children entering K - 5th grade (older and younger children welcome).
Come enjoy our interactive learning space! There will be a limit of twelve people in the Museum Corner at one time. Each family can enjoy the space for up to one hour. A parent/caregiver must be present throughout the duration of the session.
No Registration Required.

**Tell the World a Story:**
Mondays & Thursdays - 10:00am - 12:00pm, 1:00pm - 4:00pm
5:00pm - 8:00pm
In-Person - Centereach

**Architecture Around the World:**
Tuesdays & Fridays - 10:00am - 12:00pm, 1:00pm - 4:00pm
5:00pm - 8:00pm
In-Person - Centereach

**One World, Many Games:**
Wednesdays - 10:00am - 12:00pm, 1:00pm - 4:00pm
5:00pm - 8:00pm
In-Person - Centereach

Saturday, June 12
6:00pm - 6:30pm
YouTube (MCPL.tv)
Registration begins on May 28
Let’s plant seeds to grow some of the ingredients for pizza!
For families with children entering K - 5th grade
Program (JO354)

Pizza Garden: A Nature Explorium Take & Make
For families with children entering K - 5th grade
Let’s plant seeds to grow some of the ingredients for pizza!
Registration begins on May 28
Saturday, June 12
6:00pm - 6:30pm
YouTube (MCPL.tv)

**Nature Explorium**

Take & Make program bags will include most of the supplies you’ll need plus instructions. Before registering, confirm that the kit is for your child’s age/grade. Registrants will be contacted by library staff to schedule pickup.

**Den Building: A Nature Explorium Take & Make Program (JO351)**
For families with children 2 - 5 years old
Den building is so much fun and encourages imagination, creativity and love for the outdoors!
Registration begins on May 28
Monday, June 7; 1:00pm - 1:30pm
YouTube (MCPL.tv)

**DIY Garden Decor: A Nature Explorium Take & Make Program (JO358)**
For children entering K - 5th grade
DIY crafts, a ceramic statue and a recycled garden sun catcher.
Registration begins on June 4
Wednesday, June 16; 4:00pm - 4:30pm
YouTube (MCPL.tv)

**Fitness Fun (J414)**
For children entering Pre-K - 5th grade
Miss Jackie will get participants outside and moving with some family-friendly fitness fun in our Nature Explorium that you can easily continue in your own backyard.
**CHOICE ONE DATE**
Registration begins on May 28
Monday, June 28
5:00pm - 6:00pm (entering Pre-K with parent/caregiver)
6:00pm - 7:00pm (entering K - 2nd grade)
7:00pm - 8:00pm (entering 3rd - 5th grade)
In-Person - Centereach

Tuesday, July 27
5:00pm - 6:00pm (entering Pre-K with parent/caregiver)
6:00pm - 7:00pm (entering K - 2nd grade)
7:00pm - 8:00pm (entering 3rd - 5th grade)
In-Person - Centereach

**Outdoor Family Fitness Fun: A Nature Explorium Take & Make Program (JO380)**
For children 3 - 8 years old
Join us for some outdoor family fitness fun!
Registration begins on July 16
Monday, July 26; 10:00am - 10:30am
YouTube (MCPL.tv)

**Yoga with Miss Riann (J410)**
For children entering Pre-K - 5th grade
Miss Riann, a certified yoga instructor, will lead young yogis through poses amongst the beauty of our Nature Explorium.

**Parenting and Child Care Providers**

**Early Childhood Developmental Milestones (JO374)**
For parents/caregivers
New York Therapy Replacement Services, Inc. will be joining us through Zoom for an informational program about early childhood development of children ages birth through 5 years old. Topics discussed include typical development, developmental milestones and what to do if you have concerns about your child’s development. Please visit the program calendar via the library’s website to access the Zoom link.
Tuesday, July 13
7:00pm - 8:00pm
Zoom

**Free Lunch for Kids @ MCPL (J419)**
For children 18 years and younger
The Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) was established to ensure that low-income children, who rely on free or reduced-price school meals, receive meals when school is not in session. Healthy and nutritious meals are offered ONLY to children 18 years of age and younger. This program is designed to fill the nutritional gap for children and is provided by Long Island Cares.
Mondays, July 12, 19, 26
Wednesdays, July 7, 14, 21, 28
Fridays, July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
12:15pm - 1:30pm
In-Person - Centereach

**Long Island Cares Mobile Food Van (J411)**
Open to all
Long Island Cares will have a mobile food pantry van on-site for a three-day food distribution. No identification required.
Wednesdays, June 9, July 14
11:30am - 12:30pm
Centereach-Parking Lot

**SNAP - Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (J408)**
Open to all
Meet with a representative from the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) to get information and help with enrollment.
Wednesdays, June 16, July 21
10:00am - 11:00am
In-Person - Selden

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Preschool Programs

Take & Make program bags will include most of the supplies you’ll need plus instructions. Before registering, confirm that the kit is for your child’s age/grade. Registrants will be contacted by library staff to schedule pickup.

Father’s Day Storycraft Special (J0359)
For parents/caregivers with children 2 - 5 years old
It’s almost Father’s Day! Let’s celebrate by reading a short story and making a special craft with materials you have at home.
Friday, June 18; 10:00am - 10:30am YouTube (MCPL.tv)

Celebration Storycraft (J0404)
For parents/caregivers with children 2 - 5 years old
Join us virtually to see and enjoy frogs, bugs, and animals. Please visit the program calendar via the library’s website to access the Zoom link. Participants are required to wear a mask covering both the nose and mouth during all in-person events.

Diving for Dino’s: A Take & Make Program (J0375)
For parents/caregivers with children 2 - 5 years old
Let’s come together for some fun dinosaur books and rhymes. We will identify some different dinosaurs and have an opportunity to recreate them at home.
Registration begins on July 2
Thursday, July 15; 11:00am - 11:30am YouTube (MCPL.tv)

Father’s Day Fun!: A Take & Make Program (J0356)
For parents/caregivers with children 2 - 5 years old
Build memories with your dad while listening to a story and creating activities to make it a special day for dad!
Registration begins on June 4
Tuesday, June 15; 10:00am - 10:30am YouTube (MCPL.tv)

Fun in the Sun: A Take & Make Program (J0367)
For parents/caregivers with children 2 - 5 years old
Who wants to go to the beach? Join us for a story and some beach fun crafts for you to take to the beach!
Registration begins on June 25
Tuesday, July 6; 1:00pm - 1:30pm YouTube (MCPL.tv)

Green Meadows Farm: Frogs, Bugs & Animals (J0397)
For families
Join us virtually to see and enjoy frogs, bugs, and animals. Please visit the program calendar via the library’s website to access the Zoom link. Participants are required to wear a mask covering both the nose and mouth during all in-person events.
Wednesday, June 9; 6:30pm - 7:00pm Zoom

Jungle Tails: A Take & Make Program (J0378)
For parents/caregivers with children 2 - 5 years old
There are so many different types of jungle animals! Join us for a story and see all the different animals!
Registration begins on July 9
Thursday, July 22; 4:00pm - 4:30pm YouTube (MCPL.tv)

Let’s Go Camping: A Take & Make Program (J0350)
For parents/caregivers with children 3 - 5 years old
Join us for an imaginative adventure, we will be on the lookout for different things in nature and have some fun going on a “bear hunt.”
Registration begins on May 21
Friday, June 4; 1:00pm - 1:30pm YouTube (MCPL.tv)

Little Scientists: Beautiful Bunnies (J0376)
For children 3 - 5 years old
Join Miss Michelle to learn amazing facts about bunnies. Meet a live bunny friend and create a beautiful bunny craft.
Friday, July 16; 10:00am - 10:30am YouTube (MCPL.tv)

Little Scientists: Love You to the Moon (J0353)
For children 3 - 5 years old
Join Miss Michelle to discover the solar system in this interactive science program. Then create your very own rocket craft.
Wednesday, June 9; 10:00am - 10:30am YouTube (MCPL.tv)

Preschool Adventurers (J399)
For parents/caregivers with children 3 - 5 years old
CHOOSE ONE THEME PER MONTH
Art Explorers:
Registration begins on May 28
Wednesdays, June 2, 9, 16
10:00am - 10:45am In-Person - Centereach
Wednesday, June 23
10:00am - 10:45am In-Person - Selden
Registration begins on June 25
Fridays, July 9, 16, 23, 30
10:00am - 10:45am In-Person - Centereach

Simple Stories:
Registration begins on May 28
Thursdays, June 3, 17, 24
10:00am - 10:45am In-Person - Centereach
Thursday, June 10
10:00am - 10:45am In-Person - Selden
Registration begins on June 25
Wednesdays, July 7, 21, 28
10:00am - 10:45am In-Person - Centereach
Wednesday, July 14
10:00am - 10:45am In-Person - Selden

Saturday Stories with Ms. Caroline (J0360)
For parents/caregivers with children 2 - 5 years old
Join Ms. Caroline for a virtual storycraft! We will start by reading a short story and end by going over an activity to do with your little one.
Saturdays, June 26, July 31; 10:00am - 10:30am YouTube (MCPL.tv)

Sensory Play! (J0366)
For parents/caregivers with children 2 - 5 years old
Join us for a few rhymes and stories followed by a variety of sensory activities. After each session a list of materials will be provided.
Saturdays, June 5, July 10; 10:00am - 10:30am YouTube (MCPL.tv)

USA Celebration: A Take & Make Program (J0364)
For parents/caregivers with children 2 - 5 years old
Let’s celebrate America by listening to a story and get creative with activities using red, white, and blue!
Registration begins on June 18
Thursday, July 1; 1:00pm - 1:30pm YouTube (MCPL.tv)

School Age Programs

Take & Make program bags will include most of the supplies you’ll need plus instructions. Before registering, confirm that the kit is for your child’s age/grade. Registrants will be contacted by library staff to schedule pickup.

Bubble Art: A Take & Make Program (J0372)
For children entering K - 5th grade
Have some fun outside with this soap bubble painting! Add some style to your painting with summer shapes.
Registration begins on July 2
Monday, July 12; 3:00pm - 4:00pm YouTube (MCPL.tv)

Cat Kid Trivia (J370)
For children entering 1st - 5th grade
Impress Ms. Caroline with your knowledge of Cat Kid Comic Club by Dav Pilkey! Please visit the program calendar via the library’s website to access the Zoom link.
Thursday, July 8; 2:00pm - 2:45pm Zoom

Comic Book Creation (J0368)
For children entering 3rd - 5th grade
Learn to create your own comic book! You will be contacted with the Zoom link upon registration.
Registration begins on June 25
Wednesdays, July 7, 14, 21; 5:00pm - 6:30pm Zoom
Family Style Baking - Beach Time Cupcakes: A Take & Make Program (JO401)
For families with children entering K - 5th grade
Enjoy family time in the kitchen with a to-go kit containing the items you need to make three beach time cupcakes.
Registration begins on July 9
Wednesday, July 21; 4:00pm - 5:00pm Zoom (MCPL.tv)

Gamers Unite (JO357)
For children entering 4th - 5th grade
Love video games? Let’s meet virtually on Zoom and play them together! Games like Animal Crossing, Super Smash, Among Us -- or bring your ideas for a new game! Please visit the program calendar via the library’s website to access the Zoom link.
Tuesday, June 15
5:00pm - 6:15pm
Thursday, July 15
5:00pm - 6:15pm Zoom

Love Your Pet: A Muttsigrees Take & Make Program (JO399)
For children entering 3rd - 5th grade
Celebrate your love for your best furry friends with this craft kit including pet name acrostic poems, pet portrait art, and more!
Registration begins on June 25
Thursday, July 8; 10:00am - 10:30am YouTube (MCPL.tv)

Make Your Own Emoji (JO363)
For families with children entering 1st - 3rd grade
Let’s make emojis using our own faces! A librarian will walk you through using the app 3DBear for iOS or Android. You will receive a Zoom link upon registration.
Registration begins on June 18
Wednesday, June 30; 5:30pm - 6:30pm Zoom

Origami Fun: Nodding Dog & Sailboat: A Take & Make Program (JO373)
For children entering 3rd - 5th grade
Create an origami tale with the adventures of a nodding dog and a sailboat. Please visit the program calendar via the library’s website to access the Zoom link.
Registration begins on July 2
Tuesday, July 13; 6:30pm - 7:30pm Zoom

Origami Fun: Pretty Kittens: A Take & Make Program (JO352)
For children entering 3rd - 5th grade
Learn the tale of an origami pretty kitty in a basket. Please visit the program calendar via the library’s website to access the Zoom link.
Registration begins on May 28
Tuesday, June 8; 6:30pm - 7:30pm Zoom

Page Turner Adventures
For children entering K - 3rd grade
This 6-week program, featuring 30 programs, will be offered to all library patrons beginning Monday, July 5. Sign up at middlecountry.beanstack.org. Programs are offered from July 5th through August 13th. If you would like to pre-register for a weekly Take & Make craft for the Tuesday programs, please do so with your MCPL library barcode. Take & Make program bags will include most of the supplies you’ll need plus instructions. Registrants will be contacted by library staff to schedule pickup:

Farmyard Friends: A Take & Make Program (JO366)
Registration begins on June 25
Tuesday, July 6

Celebrity Critters: A Take & Make Program (JO392)
Registration begins on July 2
Tuesday, July 13

Fish Tales: A Take & Make Program (JO390)
Registration begins on July 9
Tuesday, July 20

Pet Pals: A Take & Make Program (JO381)
Registration begins on July 16
Tuesday, July 27

Pioneers of Fun! (J406)
For children entering 3rd - 5th grade
Discover fun and exciting arts, places in the world, technology and more.

EXPEDITIONS:
Registration begins on May 28
Tuesdays, June 8, 15, 22, 29
5:30pm - 6:00pm

Registration begins on June 25
Wednesdays, July 7, 14, 21, 28
1:00pm - 1:30pm In-Person - Selden

Tech Time:
Registration begins on May 28
Thursdays, June 3, 10, 17, 24
5:30pm - 6:00pm

Registration begins on June 25
Fridays, July 9, 16, 23, 30
11:30am - 12:00pm In-Person - Centereach

Sign Language with Ms. Jennie (J421)
For children entering 1st - 3rd grade
Learn some fun basic sign language with Ms. Jennie.
Registration begins on June 25
Wednesdays, July 14, 21, 28
10:00am - 10:45am, 10:45am - 11:30am In-Person - Centereach

Story Explorers! (J401)
For children entering K - 2nd grade
Discover fun and exciting arts, technology and more.

STORIES & MORE:
Registration begins on May 28
Thursdays, June 3, 10, 17, 24
4:30pm - 5:00pm

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Fridays, July 9, 16, 23, 30
10:00am - 10:30am In-Person - Centereach

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5:30pm - 6:00pm

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Fridays, July 9, 16, 23, 30
11:30am - 12:00pm In-Person - Selden

Tall Ship Painting: A Take & Make Program (JO355)
For children entering K - 8th grade
Painting with a ColorShield kit makes it easy to create beautiful art. This Tall Ship painting with paper frame and display envelope makes a great gift for Father’s Day.
Registration begins on June 4
Monday, June 14; 4:00pm - 5:00pm YouTube (MCPL.tv)

Tweens Chat & Craft (J409)
For children entering 4th - 6th grade
Relax, socialize and craft at the library with our MCPL social worker!
Sponsored by NY Community Bank Foundation.
Registration begins on May 28
Thursday, July 1, 8, 15, 22; 5:00pm - 6:00pm In-Person - Centereach

Weird But True Trivia (J398)
For children entering 3rd - 5th grade
Can you tell which of these crazy facts are weird but true? Find out in this fun online trivia game! Please visit the program calendar via the library’s website to access the Zoom link.
Thursday, July 29; 6:00pm - 7:00pm Zoom
Executive Board - 2020-2021
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The Friends of the Middle Country Public Library (a.k.a. the Friends) is a non-sectarian, non-commercial organization [501(c) (3)] that was founded in 1994.

Thanks for supporting
Thanks for supporting the Friends during their Spring Fundraiser with See’s Candies! The Friends profited over $600 from the online sale. Watch for other fundraising opportunities in the near future.

Join the Friends at their next General Membership meeting on June 8th at 7:00 p.m. For more information visit the Friends’ webpage.

If you are interested in learning more about the Friends and volunteer opportunities, please attend a meeting or email friends@mcplibrary.org. Membership applications are available at www.mcplibrary.org/friends/ or at the library.

The levels of membership are:
Bronze .......................................$5.00
Silver........................................$10.00
Gold/Business/Organizations ....$25.00
Platinum/Lifetime ...................$100.00

New York Community Bank Foundation has provided $5,000 in support of the Family Center. This grant supports the Family Center social worker and a new program designed to help tweens and teens with emotional well-being amid the COVID-19 pandemic. Support groups will be run as social/emotional groups that inspire conversation through creativity and peer to peer support with the guidance of the social worker. For more information about the Family Center, please contact Kristen Todd-Wurm at 631-585-9393 ext. 212.

Participants are required to wear a mask covering both the nose and mouth during all in-person events. Space in events is limited to ensure physical distancing.

ShopRite Will Sponsor Island Idol
ShopRite of Selden, a Gallagher Family Market, is once again sponsoring Island Idol with a generous $1,000 award. Now in its 17th year, Island Idol is an inspiring night of teen talent with performances by solo artists and music groups across many genres. Entertainment is also provided throughout the night by teenage emcees acting and singing between performances. Island Idol will be held on Friday, July 30th at 6:00 p.m. in MCPL’s Centereach parking lot. For more information about this popular event, please call Kristine Tanzi at 631-585-9393 ext.230

TD Charitable Foundation Supports The Nature Explorium
TD Charitable Foundation continues its support of the Nature Explorium and a variety of other outdoor programs with a generous award of $5,000. The Nature Explorium, an outdoor learning space for children and their families, connects literacy, learning and an appreciation of nature as a regular part of the library visit. For more information, contact Tracy LaStella at 631-585-9393 ext. 220.
Spring Women’s EXPO

The library was excited to hold its first ever spring Women’s EXPO event virtually on April 15th. This event, as well as educational workshops offered by the EXPO planning committee, continued the Miller Center’s mission to support local entrepreneurs affected by the pandemic. The event featured 50+ Long Island women entrepreneurs and had more than 400 visitors to its platform. As always, we are grateful to our sponsors. Their support of this new endeavor is invaluable and helps us continue to support local entrepreneurs. Sponsors include signature sponsor Bank of America, as well as TD Bank, BankUnited, Greater Middle Country Chamber of Commerce, NYS Association for Superintendents of School Buildings & Grounds, and the Times Beacon Record Newspapers. Special thanks to everyone who made this event a huge success.

Page Turner Adventures
For children entering K - 3rd grade

Big news! We’ve partnered with Page Turner Adventures to keep the kids entertained (while sneaking in a little education) all summer long! We have it all - from a “paws-itively” entertaining pup show to creating yummy treats in the kitchen. The kids can actively participate in all the fun from the comfort of home. This 6-week program, featuring 30 programs, will be offered to all library patrons beginning Monday, July 5. Sign up at middlecountry.beanstack.org

Programs are offered to all age eligible children each week day from July 5th through August 13th. If you would like to pre-register for a weekly Take & Make craft for the Tuesday programs, please do so with your MCPL library barcode. Take & Make program bags will include most of the supplies you’ll need plus instructions. For more information, please see page 13 or call the youth services desk at 631-585-9393 ext. 559.

Public Librarian Support Award

We are proud to announce that MCPL Librarian, Alex Blend has been named the winner of the American Library Association’s Business Reference and Services Section (BRASS) Morningstar Public Librarian Support Award. This national award recognizes a librarian who has demonstrated outstanding reference service to the business community. Congratulations, Alex Blend!

Bringing Excellence in Service by Teens Award

Congratulations to Savannah Farrugia, a library page, for being awarded the B.E.S.T. Award (Bringing Excellence in Service by Teens)! This award was established to honor significant contributions by a teenager in library service. Each year, a committee of members of the Young Adult Services Divisions of the Nassau and Suffolk Library Associations selects two winners from each county.

*Open to the Public
HOURS OF SERVICE
CENTEREACH & SELDEN
Monday - Friday: 9:30 A.M. - 9:00 P.M.
Saturday: 9:30 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.
Sunday: 1:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.
(September through June)

For emergency closing information visit www.mcplibrary.org or call 631-585-9393.

Please let us know in advance if you require special accommodations due to a disability.

Adults attending library programs may be photographed and/or videotaped for library publicity. Please notify library staff if you do not want photos taken of you. Library staff will obtain permission from a parent before photographing children or teens.

SAVE THE DATE
- June 5
  10:00 - 11:00 a.m.
  Community Mosaic Kick-Off
  Selden
- June 5
  2:00 - 3:00 p.m.
  Community Mosaic Kick-Off
  Selden
- June 6
  2:00 - 3:00 p.m.
  Community Mosaic Kick-Off
  Selden
- June 8
  9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
  Strictly Business
  Centereach Parking Lot (Rain date: June 15)
- June 10 – June 11
  10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
  Spring Jubilee: A Take and Make Event
  Centereach
- June 12
  10:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
  Spring Jubilee: A Take and Make Event
  Centereach
- June 23 - June 25
  10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
  Summer Reading Club Kick-Off: A Take and Make Event
  Centereach
  5:00 - 8:00 p.m.
- June 26
  10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
  Summer Reading Club Kick-Off: A Take and Make Event
  Centereach
- August 17
  7:00 p.m.
  Music Under the Stars – SouthBound
  Centereach Parking Lot

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CURBSIDE PICKUP
Available in Centereach & Selden

Mon. - Fri. 10am to 8:30pm  Sat. 10am to 4:30pm  Sun. 1:30pm to 4:30pm