



July/August 2022

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2023 Library Budget Vote & Election

Tuesday, September 13th from 9 am to 9 pm in the library.

A public hearing to review the 2023 Preliminary Budget will be held on Tuesday, August 9th at 7 pm in the library. The proposed budget will be presented to the community for a public vote on Tuesday, September 13th from 9 am to 9 pm. A second proposition on the ballot will

be to elect Trustees to fill two open positions on the Library Board of Trustees. The elected Trustees will each serve a 5-year term that will begin on January 1, 2023. You must be a resident of the Town of East Greenbush to become a Trustee and to vote in this election.

Visit our website at <https://eglibrary.org/about/board/>

Summer Reading Challenge

Discover "Oceans of Possibilities" at the library!



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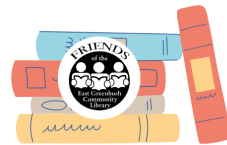
Kids, teens, and adults are invited to participate in this year's Summer Reading Challenge (SRC), *Oceans of Possibilities*, from June 27th through August 12th. We are excited once again to offer Beanstack, a program that allows

participants to easily track their reading progress via a convenient mobile app or computer. Paper reading logs are available upon request.

Kids and teens can earn virtual badges by reading and completing activities, and then come into the library and pick up a matching button to add to your summer reading ribbon! Each badge you complete will earn an entry into our end-of-summer grand prize raffles! Our youth services events this summer will include storytimes, crafts,

and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) programs. Most programs will require registration; check our event calendar for more details and registration information.

Adults can also log their reading, complete challenge activities, and attend programs to earn virtual badges and raffle ticket entries towards great prizes. Join us in celebrating summer with good reads and fun times!



The Friends will be hosting a **mini book sale for kids, tweens and teens**. Sale items will be on display in the hall **starting June 27th**. Payment is accepted at the Circulation Desk.



Elks Fund Youth Summer Science Series

The library partners with the Elks to provide fun and engaging science programs for kids.

Since 1958, the Rensselaer Elks Lodge #2073 in East Greenbush has been a staple in the community focused on youth activities, education, aiding the less fortunate, and supporting veterans and our troops. Since inception, they have given back over \$1.6 million dollars to local schools and organizations. This year the library received a \$3,000 grant from the Rensselaer Elks, as part of the Elks National Foundation, to provide programming for a *Summer Science Series* for youth.

Elks member, Gregory Collins, says "we are excited about this new partnership with the East Greenbush Community Library and the positive impact we will have on children throughout the entire Summer. Your library is one of the finest in the area and offers fun,

interesting educational opportunities for local youth. It makes great sense for us to join forces in our effort to inspire young people to reach their full potential and learn about the world around them. Rensselaer Elks Lodge continues to be fully committed to our youth." Molly Chatt, Head of Youth Services, was thrilled about the partnership as well. We thank the Elks for their generous donation to the library. Through this grant the library is able to provide lots of great science programs for kids of all ages to enjoy. Turn to pages 2 and 4 for a full list of programs in the Summer Science Series.

The Elks dedicate this program to Eileen L. Collins who served as a teacher in East Greenbush for 25 years and specialized in science.

Programs For Kids

Registration is required unless noted otherwise. Go to events.eglibrary.org.

Summer Storytime! (babies, toddlers & preschoolers)

Wednesdays: July 6, 13, 20, 27, August 3, 10 | 10 am OR 11 am
Young children will enjoy stories, songs, rhymes and more!
No registration required.

Playtime! (babies, toddlers & preschoolers)

Wednesdays: July 6, 13, 20, 27, August 3, 10 | 10 am to Noon
Drop-in and play at the library! We have blocks, puzzles, tunnel and other fun toys. Caregivers must remain in the room with children. *No registration required.*

Magic Show with Jim Snack (ages 4+)

Tuesday, July 12th | 6:30 pm
Join us for an amazing magic show!

Friday Fun Under The Tent!

Fridays: July 15, 22, 29, August 5, 12, 19 & 26 | 10-2 pm
Stop by the library's big tent outside for lawn games and activities. Enjoy a different art activity each week—sand art, suncatchers and more! *No registration required.*

Ocean Painting (ages 9+)

Tuesday, July 26th | 1:30 pm on the patio
Follow along in a step-by-step painting class with a local artist to create an ocean-inspired masterpiece. Be sure to dress for a mess!

Pirate School (ages 4+)

Wednesday, July 27th | 6:30 pm
Learn how to be a good pirate in this swashbuckling comedy variety show with performer David Engel!

The Puppet People (ages 4+)

Tuesday, August 2nd | 11 am
The Puppet People present The Elephant Child—a funny, contemporary adaptation of Rudyard Kipling's classic tale of how elephants got their long noses.

Tri-City ValleyCats Visit (ages 3+)

Friday, August 5th | 10 am
Meet a few baseball players from the ValleyCats and the team mascot, SouthPaw.



SUMMER SCIENCE SERIES

These programs are sponsored by the Rensselaer Elks Lodge #2073. See page 1 for details. **Registration required, go to events.eglibrary.org.**

Meet A Rooster & Hen: Chicken Incubation (ages 5+)

Tuesday, June 28th | 2 pm
Educator George Steele teaches the life cycle of birds with a chicken egg incubation project! See a hen and a rooster and learn about how to take care of an incubator. Visit us again later this summer when the chicks hatch.

Candling: Chicken Incubation (ages 5+)

Wednesday, July 6th | 2 pm
George Steele will make his second visit of the summer to see how our chicken eggs are doing. Children will be candling the eggs to observe chick embryo growth in this session.

Dive Into Reading! (ages 6+)

Thursday, July 7th | 2 pm
Learn about the wonders of the marine environment with Steve "The Dirtmeister" Tomecek as he demonstrates simple experiments to unlock the mysteries of how fish and other sea creatures can survive in the ocean depths.



Silent Wings: Birds Of Prey (ages 5+)

Thursday, July 14th | 11 am
The Wildlife Institute of Eastern New York is bringing live birds of prey and will teach us about their behaviors and adaptations.

Uncharted Wild—Reptile Show (ages 5+)

Monday, July 18th | 2 pm OR
Tuesday, July 19th | 6:30 pm
See vibrantly colored exotic animals, learn fun facts, and hear a few wild stories of our animals' lives.



Mad Science—Walloping Weather (ages 5+)

Monday, July 25th | 1 pm OR 2 pm
Neither rain, nor sleet, nor snow will prevent us from enjoying our hands-on exploration of the science of meteorology! Discover how tornadoes and thunderstorms form and how powerful they can be.

Ocean Ecology With Via Aquarium (ages 6+)

Thursday, August 4th | 1 pm
Learn about ocean ecology and our invertebrate friends! We'll discuss fish anatomy, adaptations, and conservation, and have some touch-friendly aquatic invertebrates that guests can interact with.

Puddles! (ages 4-7)

Tuesday, August 9th | 11 am
Author Anita Sanchez will share her new picture book *Hello, Puddle!* and introduce some live puddle-loving creatures including snails and water insects.

***Science programs for Tween/Teens are listed on page 4.**

Programs For Tweens/Teens (Grades 6-12) See page 4 for Summer Science Series programs for tweens/teens.

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Cupcake Bash (grades 6+)

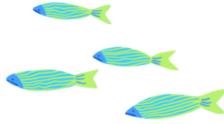
Thursday, June 30th | 2 pm

Bash Parties will be here with all the goods for some frosted fun! You'll make two cupcakes to eat or take home.

Aquarium Night Lights (grades 6+)

Tuesday, July 6th | 6:30 pm

Create your own light up aquarium with a mason jar, aquarium plants, and plastic sea creatures.



Ocean Painting (grades 6+)

Tuesday, July 26th | 3 pm on the patio

Follow along in a step-by-step painting class with a local artist to create an ocean-inspired masterpiece. Be sure to dress for a mess!



Teen Movie: Jungle Cruise (grades 6+)

Friday, July 29th | 2 pm

Enjoy popcorn and watch Jungle Cruise (rated PG-13) at the library.

Recycled Book Bags (grades 6+)

Friday, July 8th | 2 pm

Repurpose a beloved old t-shirt into a book bag for your library materials!

Breakout! (ages 9+)

Wednesday, July 13th | 2 pm OR 3 pm

Work together as a group to solve a breakout room; discover clues, crack codes, and unlock the box before time runs out!

Anime Night (grades 6+)

Wednesday, July 20th | 6 pm

Join us for an evening of anime and snacks and find out more about our school year Anime Club.

Tie-Dye For Teens (grades 6+)

Monday, August 8th | 2 pm on the patio

Design and dye your very own colorful creation! Please bring a pre-washed white t-shirt, pillowcase, mask, socks, or other white cotton item of your choosing. Be sure to dress for a mess! *Rain date is August 11th.*

Read It Forward: Virtual Author Visit (grades 6+)

Wednesday, August 10th | 5:30 pm

Pick up a free copy of *Beyond the Bright Sea* by Lauren Wolk in the Children's Room, then share it with a friend when you're finished. Join us for pizza at 5:30, followed by a video chat with the author at 6pm!

Programs For Adults See page 4 for more programs. Registration is required at events.eglibrary.org.



OUTDOOR CONCERT SERIES

This year's summer concert series is co-sponsored by The Friends of the Library and a new sponsor, the Music Performance Trust Fund (MPTF). The MPTF funds admission-free, live, quality music performed by professional musicians, in an effort to enrich the lives through music and to contribute to the public's knowledge and appreciation of music.

Bring a blanket and beach chair. Rain location is indoors. Register at events.eglibrary.org to secure a spot.

Band Of Gold Quintet

Thursday, June 30th | 7 pm on the lawn

Tony Schettino and his Band of Gold are a mainstay of the local music scene. They play a wide repertoire spanning many generations of popular music.



Hot Vox Trio

Thursday, July 14th | 7 pm on the lawn

3-2-1...Three voices, two guitars, one harmonica performing great 60s and 70s folk and R&B tunes with lots of heart and harmony!



Musicats

Thursday, July 28th | 7 pm on the lawn

Enjoy an evening of smooth, sultry jazz featuring works from Louis Armstrong's Hot Five, Sidney Bechet, King Oliver and many others as well as old timey arrangements of more modern tunes.



Roben Kosek Jazz & Blues





Thursday, August 11th | 7 pm on the lawn

Listen to American popular songs played with loving tenderness; nurturing the unique quality of each one. Their repertoire includes instrumentals, Latin songs, sambas, bossa novas, French café selections, as well as more contemporary pieces.





East Greenbush Community Library

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Hours: Call or check website for updates.

Mon & Fri 10–6; Tue/Wed/Thu 10–8; Sat 10–5

Closed Sunday in July & August

Holiday Closings: Monday 7/4, Sunday 9/4 & Monday, 9/5

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The Friends of the Library, *Contributing Authors*

Programs For Adults

See inside for more programs. **Registration required.**

Wireless Wednesday Drop-In Tech Help

Wednesdays: July 6, 20 & August 3, 17, 31 | 3:30-5:30 pm

Stop in to ask one of our local technology experts your questions. Remember to bring the device you are asking about with you. *Masks are required for all participants.*

Adult Craft—DIY Bulletin Board

Tuesday, July 12th | 4 pm

Make a personal bulletin board from fun fabric.

Name That Opera

Thursday, July 21st | 6:30 pm in the library

If you know nothing about opera, this is a great introduction. We will see how opera is used in unexpected ways in popular culture, specifically movies and commercials. You can enjoy this "hybrid" program on the big screen in our MP room or on Zoom.

Virtual Trivia Night

Thursday, August 2nd | 7 pm via Zoom

Find out what everyone is raving about! Compete for prizes and bragging rights. Join as an individual or team.

Adult Craft—Cigar Keepsake Box

Tuesday, August 9th | 4 pm

Create a unique keepsake box with cigar boxes.



Summer Reading Challenge

June 27th - August 12th. See details inside.



Wednesday Farmers' Market

Every Wednesday from 4-7pm

For Tweens/Teens

See page 3 for more tween & teen programs. **Registration is required at events.eglibrary.org.**



SUMMER SCIENCE SERIES

*Sponsored by the Rensselaer Elks Lodge #2073.
See inside for full list of programs in this series.*

Mad Science

Playing With Polymers/Matter (grades 6+)

Monday, July 11th | 2 pm on the patio

See why chemicals have all the fun! We'll explore, create, and play with the most entertaining and useful molecule known to science, and discover its many shapes and forms! We'll even make a polymer that you get to take home and keep. Our original recipe of slime in a Mad Science® Activity Cup.

Ocean Ecology With Via Aquarium (grades 6+)

Thursday, August 4th | 2:30 pm

Learn about ocean ecology, specifically our invertebrate friends! We'll discuss fish anatomy, adaptations, and conservation, and have some touch-friendly aquatic invertebrates that guests can interact with.