

Membership Terms

Memberships run from January 1 to December 31.

Members who join prior to September 1 will need to renew their membership in the following calendar year in order to continue their benefits.

Members who join the Friends after September 1 of a calendar year will have their membership benefits for the entire calendar year that follows.

Member-Only Benefits

From time to time the Friends may host Friends-only activities. The Friends reserve the right to apply benefits to any or all membership levels.

Such events and applicable member benefits will be discussed at a Board meeting and/or a Membership Committee meeting. Members are welcome to attend all Board meetings and/or participate on the Membership Committee.

The Friends reserve the right to change benefits at any time WITH notice. Such notice will be provided at a Board meeting and included in meeting minutes.

Friends-Only Shopping Time

The Friends-Only Shopping time slot will be decided prior to each book sale and will occur prior to public sale hours.

Notice of this designated private shopping time will be sent via email only to the email address of record for members in good standing. The time slot will not appear on the official hours of the book sale postings.

Friends are limited to the purchase of 50 items at this private shopping time slot. Of this 50-item limit, no more than 5 of those items can be puzzles.

Membership status will be checked at the door prior to admission to the sale. Adult guests of Friends will not be admitted during this time slot. Children, however, will be allowed to accompany their parents.

Due to logistics, some portions of the inventory may not be available for this special shopping time slot.

Membership Tiers

Each tier includes the benefits as follows:

Book Lover - \$10-\$49

- Benefits:
 - o voting rights,
 - newsletter and Friends notices
 - Hot Off the Press Collection access*
 - Museum Pass access*
 - o eligible to hold a board position

Book Collector - \$50-\$99

- Benefits include all Book Lover benefits plus:
 - o invite to Friends Only shopping time at the book sales

Knowledge Seeker - \$100 - \$249

- Benefits include all the Book Collector benefits plus:
 - o a tote bag (or similar gift)

Benefactor - \$250 +

- Benefits include all the Knowledge Seeker benefits plus:
 - o a special gift that varies from year to year

*Note: Museum passes and Hot of the Press items are only available for East Greenbush and Schodack cardholders and current Friends members with an Upper Hudson Library System library card.