Spring has Sprung
Celebrate at your Library!

An Evening with David Bouchier!
“Why I Love Libraries!”
ISA349
Monday, April 20
7:00 – 9:00 pm
David Bouchier is an award-winning weekly essayist and broadcaster for National Public Radio. His essays and audio are “full of unexpected observations and whimsical opinions” and can be found at http://www.wshu.org. In honor of National Library Week (April 19-25), Mr. Bouchier will share his witty, entertaining, and enlightening observations about public libraries – their history and his own personal experiences of them. Mr. Bouchier hails from the UK and he and his wife have divided their time between Stony Brook, Long Island and a small village in France for many years. Mr. Bouchier's commentaries and opinion columns have appeared in many newspapers and magazines, here and in Britain, and his humor column Out of Order appeared for ten years in the New York Times. He has written many books which can be found in most bookstores and libraries, including ours. Mr. Bouchier is a professor currently teaching in the Osher Lifelong Learning Program (OLLI) at Stony Brook University. In addition to all of that he also holds a PhD from the London School of Economics. Register soon to join us for what promises to be a very entertaining evening full of witty observations and dry humor!

For Children and Families

Jester Jim Show
Saturday, March 28
ISJ334
3:00 – 4:00 pm
Ages: Infants – Grade 6 with caregiver
This is not your ordinary juggling show! With a trunk full of props and a looping machine, Jester Jim puts on a juggling and beatbox show that will have you falling off your seat with laughter!

MUSHER! The Iditarod
ISJ301
Sunday, March 29
2:30 – 3:45 pm
Program is for all ages: families, adults, and teens
Mush! Mush! Mush! Meet three-time Iditarod participant Karen and her sled dog Noggin! Learn about the 1,000-mile sled race and check out her racing sled. Registration is for all ages. For this program please register for each child and adult.
**ADULT PROGRAMS**

**Introduction to Spanish**  
**ISL204**  
3 Thursdays: March 5, 19; April 2  
*(Please Note: No classes on March 12 or 26)*  
6:30 – 7:30 pm  
Join librarian Adriana LoDolce and learn Spanish for everyday situations while watching a short and entertaining Spanish-language soap opera. Anyone who wants to improve his/her Spanish speaking skills, is invited to attend.

**English for the Entire Family**  
**ISL200**  
3 Thursdays: March 5, 19; April 2  
*(Please Note: No classes on March 12 or 26)*  
7:30 – 8:30 pm  
Learn to communicate in English with greater confidence. Practice conversing with a native speaker. Adults and children (with their adults) are welcome. Attend all or some of the dates – your choice!

**English and Spanish Conversation Group**  
**ISL201**  
4 Wednesdays: March 11, 18; April 8, 22  
*(Please Note: No classes on March 25; April 1 or 15)*  
11:00 am – 12:30 pm  
Join librarian Adriana LoDolce for this informal conversation group. Anyone who wants to improve his/her English speaking skills, as well as anyone who wants to improve his/her Spanish speaking skills, is invited to attend. Let’s learn from each other and get some good conversations going! Conversation starters will be provided. Quiet activities for young children will be available for those who need to bring along their little ones. You do not need to sign up in advance, but it would be helpful to know how many patrons to expect. Walk-ins are welcome!

**AARP Defensive Driving**  
**ISA106**  
Thursday, March 12  
9:00 am – 4:00 pm  
OR  
Thursday, April 23  
9:00 am – 4:00 pm  
Fee: $20.00 AARP members / $25.00 non-AARP members  
AARP sponsors this one-day course geared for drivers aged 50 and over. Fee via check or money order payable to AARP, is due upon registration. No cash accepted. A separate check or money order and an Islip Library card is required for each registrant. You must bring your NYS Driver’s License to the class. Please arrive to the program on time, otherwise you will not be admitted. **Please note: beginning in July 2020 AARP rates will increase to: $25.00 per person (AARP member) or $30.00 per person (non-AARP member).**

**Senior Exercise with Joy**  
**ISA125**  
Fridays: March 13, 20, 27;  
April 3, 10, 17, 24; May 1  
9:30 – 10:30 am  
Fee: $45.00  
This 8-week class series led by Joy Walker, is a low impact interval training workout. Please bring a set of light hand weights to class.

**Senior Advocate**  
**Monday, March 9**  
10:00 am – 12:00 noon  
An advocate from the Suffolk County Office of the Aging will be available in the Library to answer your questions regarding various programs and services for seniors. You can receive help in filling out forms and applications, and obtain referrals to agencies that may be of further assistance. Anyone with questions regarding services to seniors is welcome. **This service is available every other month at the Library. No registration is necessary for this one-on-one, walk-in service.**

**Willing Hearts, Helpful Hands: Alzheimer’s Disease Caregiver Support Initiative**  
**Monday, March 9**  
11:30 am – 12:30 pm  
As part of the Parker Jewish Institute Caregiver Ambassador Program, a licensed social worker will meet one-on-one with caregivers to assist with information and referrals regarding caregiver programs, medical care for the patient, respite care, benefits, support groups, etc… **No registration is necessary for this one-on-one, walk-in service.**

**Free Blood Pressure Screening**  
**Monday, March 9**  
12:00 – 1:00 pm  
Have your blood pressure taken by a registered nurse from the Good Samaritan Hospital Medical Center. Medical insurance is not required for this program. **No registration is necessary for this one-on-one, walk-in service.**

**HIICAP: Health Insurance Information Counseling and Assistance Program**  
**ISL203**  
Monday, March 9  
12:30 – 2:30 pm  
A volunteer from the Retired & Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) will be here to meet, one-on-one, with seniors to assist in selecting and using Medicare and other health and long-term care insurance. **Please register in advance to make an appointment for this program.**

**American Sign Language for Beginners**  
**ISL205**  
2 Mondays: March 16 and 23  
6:30 – 8:30 pm  
Join Professor Nancy O’Donnell of Molloy College and learn to sign. This program is intended for learners 16 years of age and over.

**Irish Soda Bread Muffins with Chef Rob Scott**  
**ISA337**  
Thursday, March 19  
1:00 pm  
Fee: $5.00  
Make Irish soda bread muffins with Chef Rob Scott. Everyone will mix 10 muffins ready to take home and bake. **Please bring to class: large bowl, muffin pan, mixing spoon.**
Ellis Island, a storied location in America, is synonymous with immigration. Between 1892, when it opened as the East Coast’s central immigration processing center, and 1954, when it was shut down, 12 million immigrants from every corner of the world began their life in America through its gates. Its impact continues to be felt, as historians estimate that nearly 40% of Americans today can trace their ancestry to Ellis Island. How did this small island in the East River come to be the epicenter of American immigration in the late 19th and early 20th century? In this talk, accompanied by slides, architectural historian and historic preservationist Jane Cowan will guide us through Ellis Island’s past. She will discuss the Island’s history, development, architecture, years of decline, and eventual rebirth as a museum and historic landmark. Additionally, she will explore the experiences of some of the many immigrants who passed through the grand Beaux-Arts building compound. Come find out why Ellis Island is known as the “Island of Hope, Island of Tears.”

St. Patrick’s Day Concert with the Boston Burglars
ISA340
Sunday, March 22  1:30 pm
Combining their Irish and American musical backgrounds, the band’s playlist covers many styles of American popular music - rock, standards, country, Latin, and disco - plus the music found in Irish pubs and dancehalls. The group’s emphasis on vocal harmonies and varied instrumentation creates a continually dynamic musical performance.

Pinstripes and Tales: Curious Stories the Yankees Told Me
ISA341
Tuesday, March 24  7:00 pm
Join us for this entertaining and informative presentation with author Bill Schulman, a former writer for various New York Yankee publications. During the presentation he will share interesting stories of his interaction with former players as well as a general discussion of Yankee history. Mr. Schulman is also a stand-up comedian so prepare to be entertained! Each registrant will receive a free copy of Mr. Schulman’s book, Pinstripes and Tales.

Book Discussion: The Silent Wife
ISA342
Friday, March 27  11:30 am – 12:30 pm
Join librarian Alicia Collumbell for a discussion of The Silent Wife by A.S.A. Harrison. Described as “a deliciously wicked pleasure”, this novel is for any reader who loves a thriller with twists and turns that leave you guessing. Jodi and Todd are at a bad place in their marriage. Much is at stake, including the affluent life they lead in their beautiful waterfront Chicago condo. The story escalates as it rushes helplessly toward the main event. He is a committed cheater. She lives and breathes denial. He exists in dual worlds, while she likes to settle scores. He decides to play for keeps and she has nothing left to lose. Told in alternating voices, The Silent Wife, is about a marriage in the throes of dissolution, a couple headed for catastrophe, concessions that cannot be made and promises that won’t be kept. Refreshments will be provided; please bring your own beverage. A copy of the book will be available to check out upon registration at the Adult Reference Desk, beginning Monday, March 2.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON MOVIES: Strong Communities ISA328
In recognition of this year’s National Library Week theme Strong Communities, join us on Fridays at 2:00 pm featuring these films demonstrating the power of community.

The Best of Enemies (2019) March 20
Taraji P. Henson, Sam Rockwell, Babou Ceesay

McFarland USA (2015) April 3
Kevin Costner, Maria Bello, Ramiro Rodriguez

Front of the Class (2008) April 17
James Wolk, Treat Williams, Dominic Scott Kay

In a Class of His Own (1999) April 24
Lou Diamond Phillips, Lee Jay Bamberly, Lenno Britos

Adult Tabletop Gaming ISA343
Saturday, March 28  10:00 am – 1:00 pm
Why should teens have all the fun?! Join us for Quest Masters Guild D&D 5E! Players will have their choice of characters from dozens of pre-made sheets that they can customize and equip! There will also be a Magic the Gathering Tournament with prize cards to win! Masters will be available to help teach the basics of these great tabletop games for those who want to learn! Drop in anytime between 10:00 am and 1:00 pm! Our Nintendo 64 will be set up as well, and a light breakfast will be served. Join the fun!

Buzz of the Beekeeper ISA352
Monday, March 30  7:00 pm
Join professional Beekeeper Gerald Raffa as he speaks about the importance of bees for pollination, food, and flowers. He will also show photos and explain which bee is the Queen, drone, and worker bee; he will discuss the different roles that each of these bees play in the daily life of a bee colony. He’ll also talk about the bee dance called the “Wiggle Waggle.” It is a real dance that the bees do to communicate with other bees as to what they have found, (water; nectar; pollen; new hives) and how the other bees can locate these resources. Enjoy a honey tasting following the presentation! A question and answer session will follow.

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Shredding Day
Thursday, April 2
3:00 – 6:00 pm
A shredding truck from A Shred Away will be in the Islip Library parking lot for on-site shredding of your personal documents. This is a perfect opportunity to get rid of clutter, safely and privately! You can watch as your documents are shredded. There is no need to remove staples or paper clips from your documents. This service is for private, personal shredding only - no business or commercial shredding please. **No registration necessary.**

American Red Cross CPR/AED Certification
ISA344
Saturday, April 4  9:30 am – 1:00 pm
Fee: $55.00
(includes 2 year certification)
Get a two-year certification through the American Red Cross in CPR and AED. **This class is also open to teens.**

Piano Recital with Melissa Lanfrit-Hait
ISA345
Sunday, April 5  1:30 pm
Join us for this piano recital focusing on music spanning 100 years: Mid-19th Century Romanticism through Mid-20th Century Modernism. Works by Chopin, Brahms, Janacek, Debussy, Prokofiev, and Khachaturian will be performed and discussed.

Vinyasa Flow Yoga
ISA346
4 Mondays: April 6, 13, 20, 27
6:00 – 7:15 pm
This 4-week session Vinyasa Flow Yoga Class with Shazia Luqman will include a blissful combination of strengthening the body then relaxing and winding down. Vinyasa flow classes provide the opportunity to become present by attuning to the breath while practicing sun salutations and traditional yoga postures. This deep breathing provides body awareness for deepening into postures and focusing on body alignment. Build strength, increase flexibility, and cultivate a deep sense of calm and presence.

Quilting Workshop
ISA241
Monday, April 6
6:30 pm &
Monday, May 4
6:30 pm
Professional quilters Gloria Bleidner and Sandra Sievers will assist quilters of all skill levels with quilting techniques in this group setting. Please bring your own supplies and sewing machine if you have one. New patterns and projects are available each month.

Tidy Up with the KonMari Method
ISA347
Tuesday, April 7
7:00 pm
Join Patty Morrissey, professional organizer and certified KonMari consultant, dubbed a “Jedi-level practitioner of the KonMari Method” by Men’s Fitness Magazine and a “magician” by CBS This Morning and learn to declutter. She is an official lecturer for KonMari Media, Inc., teaching workshops and consultant certification courses from NYC to Hong Kong. Learn how to make space and time for what matters to you most. The KonMari Method is based on Marie Kondo’s bestselling book The Life-changing Magic of Tidying Up.

Child of Holocaust Survivors,
Dr. William Reszelbach
ISA348
Tuesday, April 14
7:00 pm
Dr. William Reszelbach, a child of Holocaust survivors, will discuss his childhood growing up in Brooklyn, and share his parents’ experiences living under Hitler’s rule. In September 1939, Hitler’s forces invaded Poland, where Reszelbach’s father lived with his former wife and children. On his way to get a haircut for Rosh Hashanah, he was abducted by the Nazis. He went on to survive four concentration camps and to meet Reszelbach’s mother at a displaced persons facility after the war in 1945. She had survived by hiding in a Catholic neighbor’s home in Poland for three years. A question and answer session will follow.

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Suffolk Library System Mobile Service Outlet: The SLED
ISA341
Tuesday, April 21
3:00 – 8:00 pm
Suffolk Cooperative Library System’s new mobile service outlet, the SLED (Suffolk Libraries Empowering Discovery) will be here in the Library’s parking lot. Hop aboard! This mobile unit offers full state-of-the-art technology with all kinds of fun things to explore. Census information/assistance will be available. Also, you can get your picture taken with the changeable Green Screen backdrop! Learn all about Live-brary downloads to access ebooks and audiobooks onto your device. **No registration required – all are welcome!**

An Afternoon of Classical Guitar
with Carlos Pavan
ISA340
Saturday, April 25
3:00 – 4:00 pm
Relax and unwind as you listen to New York based composer/guitarist Carlos Pavan skillfully blend Argentine rhythms with classical and jazz concepts. His program will feature traditional music from Argentina and contemporary original compositions. Carlos has performed in major venues such as Lincoln Center, the New England Conservatory, New York City Center, New Jersey Tango Festival, Connecticut Festival Guitars of the World, and Kaufman Center as well as in France, Argentina, Canada, Ireland, Portugal, and Japan.
Approximate return time: 6:30 pm
Michael, and a tour of the Montauk Point Lighthouse.

Guided tour of Southampton and Montauk with Bruce

Cost for trip includes transportation via motorcoach, lunch, and a tour of the Montauk Point Lighthouse. 

Approximate return time: 6:30 pm

Please note: Last day to register is Tuesday, April 21 by 9:00 pm.

Fancy Candy Striped Tulip Painting Program - ISA350

Tuesday, April 28
7:00 pm
Fee: $5.00

Join artist Laura Goetz as she instructs you how to paint your interpretation of unique variegated tulips. A variety of colors will be available from which to choose. Beginners are welcome. Unleash your creativity! Please note: During the month of May, we will display the matted paintings of class participants in the Library's Gallery Hallway.

On-Your-Own LIRR Trip to NYC - ISA173

Saturday, April 25
Cost: $10.25/person for round-trip ticket
Cash, check, or money order payable to Islip Public Library
Meet at the Islip Train Station: 8:50 am

Travel at group discount on the Long Island Railroad, departing from the Islip train station. With your ticket you can return home ANYTIME the SAME DAY. On the day of the trip, please arrive at the Islip train station by 8:50 am where you will be issued your return ticket(s) by a Library staff member. Please make sure that you receive your return ticket(s) before you board the train. Everyone will board the 9:02 am train as a group and must sit in the FIRST CAR from Islip to Jamaica and from Jamaica to Penn Station (change trains in Jamaica). Then you’re on your own! Come home anytime that day (before midnight). Please note: Last day to register is Tuesday, April 21 by 9:00 pm.

Approximate return time: 7:00 pm

Jim Dykes.

The trip includes transportation via Hampton Jitney motorcoach, lunch at Sylvia’s Restaurant, and a tour of Harlem with guide Jim Dykes.

Approximate return time: 7:00 pm

Join librarian Carol Curtis for a discussion of Min Jin Lee’s epic historical novel, chronicling four generations of an ethnic Korean family. The family lived in Japanese-occupied Korea in the early 20th century and then in Japan from the years prior to WWII to the late 1980s. This sprawling novel shares the story of people exiled from their homeland- outsiders, minorities, and the politically disenfranchised. It’s also about Japan’s colonization of Korea, World War II, family, love, and the changing role of women. It is the characters’ secret selves, their private desires, hopes, and hardships that provide the novel’s powerful moments. Refreshments will be provided at the discussion. Registration begins Monday, March 2, copies of the book will be available to check out beginning Wednesday, April 1.

Tour Discussion: Pachinko - ISA351

Thursday, April 30
7:00 – 8:30 pm

Bus Trips

Tour of Southampton & Montauk Point / Lunch at Gosman’s Dock - ISA470

Date: Saturday, May 2
Cost: $100.00/person
Check or money order payable to the Islip Public Library
Departure from Islip Library: 7:30 am
Registration begins: Monday, March 2 at 9:00 pm
Registration ends: Tuesday, March 31 at 9:00 pm
Please note: No refunds issued after Tuesday, March 31 unless we can fill your seat.

Our day will begin in Southampton, where we will meet our step-on tour guide, Bruce Michael in historic Southampton Village, the oldest English settlement in New York State. Bruce will lead us through former farmlands, now the location of the estates of the rich and famous. Weather permitting, we’ll stop for a little stroll at America’s number one beach, Cooper’s Beach. From there, we will travel to the heart of Southampton Village’s shopping district, then continue out to Montauk. Upon arrival in Montauk, the history of the area will be described from its origins as the home of the Montaukett Indians, to its development as a fishing village and now the center of beautiful properties, a quaint downtown, and the magnificent harbor front where we’ll have lunch overlooking the water at the historic Gosman’s Dock Restaurant. After lunch we will visit the Montauk Lighthouse, the oldest lighthouse in New York, authorized during the Presidency of George Washington. You can climb the 137 steps (if you wish) to the top of the tower, or explore the exhibits in the “keeper’s house” museum and shop in the gift shop. Explore the grounds. On the way back to Southampton, we’ll travel through horse country, known for its sprawling farms, adjacent to the location of the annual Hampton Horse Show.

Cost for trip includes transportation via motorcoach, lunch, guided tour of Southampton and Montauk with Bruce Michael, and a tour of the Montauk Point Lighthouse.

Approximate return time: 6:30 pm

Tour of Harlem / Lunch at Sylvia’s - ISA471

Date: Saturday, May 30
Bus departs East Islip Library: 10:00 am
Bus departs Islip Library: 10:15 am
Fee: $85.00/person
Registration begins: Monday, March 2 at 6:30 pm
Registration ends: Tuesday, April 28 at 9:00 pm
Please note: No refunds issued after Tuesday, April 28 unless we can fill your seat.

Spend a day in Harlem, the New York City neighborhood with a history that spans 400 years. Beginning as a Dutch farm village, it later became an elegant suburb. We’ll enjoy a family style lunch at the world famous Sylvia’s Restaurant. Following lunch enjoy a bus and walking tour of Harlem with step-on tour guide, Jim Dykes. On the tour, we’ll see the oldest house in Manhattan, drive by historic churches such as The Riverside Church (built by John D. Rockefeller Jr.), the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, and the Abyssinian Baptist Church. See gorgeous 19th century architecture and lovely streets lined with brownstones and brick townhouses. We’ll drive by Grant’s Tomb, the greatest tomb ever built for a United States President, and see where Bill Clinton’s office is located. We’ll stop for pictures at Hamilton Grange, the restored 1795 country house of Alexander Hamilton and see elegant nearby Convent Ave. Visit the site where the famed NAACP was founded on Feb. 12, 1909. Hear about how Harlem grew into the most famous African-American neighborhood in the United States between the World Wars and became a famous “nightclub district.” Drive by the Apollo Theatre where the careers of many music giants such as Duke Ellington, Count Basie, Ella Fitzgerald, Michael Jackson & the Jackson Five were launched. See the Harlem Walk of Fame to Music Legends. Walk the cobblestoned streets of one of Harlem’s 6 landmarked districts and hear about the multi-million dollar real estate values there today. Learn the circumstances that brought about the biggest apartment building boom in the country from 1900-1929. See the mosque where Malcolm X led his congregation and where he was tragically assassinated on February 21, 1965.

Please note: all stops are traffic and time permitting. Cost of the trip includes transportation via Hampton Jitney motorcoach, lunch at Sylvia’s Restaurant, and tour of Harlem with tour guide Jim Dykes.

Approximate return time: 7:00 pm

Fancy Candy Striped Tulip Painting Program - ISA350

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7:00 pm
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Bus Trips
COMPUTER CLASSES

Computer Classes are for Islip Library Cardholders only

Book a Librarian
Schedule a 30-minute one-on-one appointment with a librarian to assist you with computer or device help, e-downloads, online databases, and other Library services. Fill out a form online from our website or at the Adult Reference Desk. For more information, please call us at (631) 581-5933.

Please Note: This service is available only to Islip Library cardholders.

MARCH

Introduction to Microsoft Excel: Part 1
Wednesday, March 11
6:30 – 8:30 pm
ISA511
Join librarian Greg Klein in this hands-on workshop about Microsoft Excel. Excel is a software program used to create and manage spreadsheets. During this workshop you will learn the basic features of Microsoft Excel: how to input data into cells, add formulas, and how to format the sheet. This program is intended for those who already have basic computer knowledge.

Introduction to Microsoft Excel: Part 2
Wednesday, March 18
6:30 – 8:30 pm
ISA512
Join librarian Greg Klein in this hands-on workshop about Microsoft Excel. During this workshop you will learn how to create charts, graphs, and advanced formulas. You must have taken Introduction to Microsoft Excel: Part 1 class, or have good knowledge of Microsoft Excel before you take this class.

Introduction to Computers
Saturday, March 28
10:00 am
ISA584
This is a slow-paced, user-friendly, hands-on class for first-time computer users. Using Windows computers, this class covers the basic in a way that even the most inexperienced user will understand. We will cover turning the computer on, the desktop, using the mouse, opening and closing programs, understanding Windows elements, getting out of trouble, and turning the computer off.

How to Improve Your Cell Phone Photography
Tuesday, March 31
7:00 pm
ISA589
Professional photographer Jim Kennedy will discuss the various ways of improving the quality of your cellphone images. Whether you use your phone for family pictures, selfies, landscapes, nature, or another type of photography, Jim will show you how to get better images. He will discuss lighting, composition, accessories, and more. A printed handout entitled “Jim’s Top 10 Cellphone Photography Tips” will be provided for each attendee.

APRIL

Streaming TV
Wednesday, April 15
6:30 – 8:30 pm
ISA578
Streaming TV services are an inexpensive alternative to cable TV for people looking to “cut the cord.” Librarian Greg Klein will share information about a variety of streaming services as well as about what equipment would be needed in order to stream.

Introduction to Adobe Photoshop: Hands-on Class
Wednesday, April 22
6:30 pm
ISA590
Learn some tricks of graphic artists by working with images and pictures in Adobe Photoshop. During this hands-on class with an instructor from Sharper Training Solutions, learn how to alter images by sizing, shaping, and coloring. Re-touch, filter, and add effects to create works of art or to refine your digital photos.
**BIENVENIDOS**

**Esquina español**

Las clases son gratis. No se requiere tener una tarjeta de biblioteca. Para más información o para obtener ayuda gratis e individual de un bibliotecario con una cita de aproximadamente 30 minutos comuníquese con la Sra. LoDolce (631-581-5933 ext. 215 / alodolce@isliplibrary.org) o hable con nosotros en el escritorio de información y referencia.

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**Tiempo silencioso y amigable para jugar**  
**ISL102**  
3 martes, el 3 de marzo; el 7 de abril; el 5 de mayo  
4:30 – 5:15 pm  
Recomendado para los niños de 18 meses a 8 años y sus cuidadores  
Un programa diseñado para proveer un ambiente más tranquilo y sereno para niños con necesidades especiales y sus familias, pero abierto a todos los niños. Se requiere registrarse.

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**Película familiar en español**  
**ISL104**  
sábado, el 21 de marzo  
3:00 – 4:30 pm  
Recomendado para los niños de 3 meses a 12 años y sus cuidadores  
Disfruta de uno de los últimos lanzamientos en DVD en español con subtítulos en inglés. Los participantes votarán al comienzo del programa para determinar la película que se mostrará.

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**Introducción al inglés para niños**  
**ISL103**  
3 jueves, el 5 y 19 de marzo; el 2 de abril (no habrá clases el 12 ni el 26 de marzo)  
6:00 – 6:30 pm  
Recomendado para los niños de 18 meses a 8 años y sus cuidadores  
Disfrute aprendiendo un nuevo idioma con su hijo en un ambiente divertido y relajante.

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**Boletos de tren con descuento a la ciudad**  
**ISA173**  
sábado, el 25 de abril  
Viaje en grupo, regrese a cualquier hora el mismo día: $10.25 ida y vuelta. Los boletos deben ser comprados antes de martes, el 21 de abril en la biblioteca de Islip. Reúñase con un representante de la biblioteca en las 8:50 am en la estación de tren de Islip. El representante le dará su boleto de regreso antes de abordar el tren. El grupo tiene que sentarse en el primer vagón, incluso después de cambiar de tren en la estación de tren de Jamaica. Puedes pagar usando cheque, efectivo o giro postal.

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**Los niños leen a un perro**  
**ISL101**  
jueves, el 23 de abril  
7:00 – 8:00 pm  
Los niños pueden practicar la lectura con un perro de terapia de Pet Partners en un ambiente relajado y sin presiones.

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**Examen de la tensión arterial**  
**ISL200**  
lunes, el 9 de marzo  
12:00 – 1:00 pm  
Los adultos mayores de 18 años pueden tomar su presión arterial gratis con enfermeras del Good Samaritan Hospital Medical Center en la biblioteca de Islip. **No necesitas inscribirte ni seguro médico.**

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**Grupo de conversación de inglés y español**  
**ISL201**  
4 miércoles, el 11 y 18 de marzo; el 8 y 22 de abril (no habrá clases el 25 de marzo ni el 1 o 15 de abril)  
11:00 am – 12:30 pm  
Ven a nuestro grupo de conversación con Adriana LoDolce. Si deseas mejorar tu inglés o español conversacional estás invitado a asistir. Aprendemos juntos con unas buenas conversaciones. Actividades sencillas estarán disponibles si necesitas traer a tus hijos pequeños. **No necesitas inscribirte.**

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**Prepárese para solicitar la ciudadanía estadounidense**  
**Ayuda gratis e individual con una cita**  
Usted practicará la entrevista y las preguntas de la sección de educación cívica del examen de naturalización con un bibliotecario. Una cita se puede hacer en línea (http://isliplibrary.org/espanol/), en persona, por teléfono (631-581-5933 ext. 215), o correo electrónico (alodolce@isliplibrary.org) con la Sra. LoDolce.
CHILDREN’S PROGRAMS

For all programs you may register in person with a valid Islip Public Library card. • Children too young/old for a program may attend with preschool-aged siblings when a caregiver is required. • If you are more than 5 minutes late for a program and have not called to have your child’s spot held, we will assume you are not planning to attend and will allow patrons in the Library to fill available spots. • If you do not want us to use a photo/video of your child, please notify a Librarian.

Save The Date!
2nd Annual Comic-Con!! ISJ799
Saturday, June 20 10:00 am – 1:00 pm
Register now to reserve your spot for Comic-Con Summer Reading Club
Kick-off Event. It will be EPIC with a life size droid, super heroes, princesses, the Saber Guild Endor, balloon artists, games, out-of-this-world crafts and so much more! Child or family member must have an Islip Public Library card to register for this event.

1000 Books Before Kindergarten or 1KB4K Club!
Reading to your children, from birth through 5 years, is an important step in helping them acquire the skills they need to be ready to read. The librarians are here to help you foster a love of reading. Register to participate at the Children’s Reference Desk.

BABIES, TODDLERS & PRESCHOOLERS
(Ages birth to five years old with caregiver; see program descriptions for specific age ranges)

Tuesday Drop-in Storytime & Playtime!
Every Tuesday from 10:30 – 11:30 am
Ages 2 ½ – 5 years with caregiver; siblings welcome.
Join us as we read an assortment of stories, directly followed by songs, crafts, and always playtime! You don’t have to wait, this is a drop-in program EVERY Tuesday, come on down! Child or caregiver must have an Islip Library card to attend. Grandparents are welcome to bring their grandkids!

Evening Edition: Ultimate Playdate ISJ354
3 Tuesdays, March 3, April 7 and May 5 5:30 – 7:00 pm
Ages infants – 5 years with caregiver
Read...Play...Grow! See the full description above. This is a No Stress Program! If you cannot make the 5:30 start time, notify us and we will hold spot. Please indicate dates you cannot attend.

Ultimate Playdate ISJ330 and ISJ395
Every Wednesday, 10:00 – 11:30 am
Every Friday, 10:00 – 11:30 am
Ages infants – 5 years with caregiver
Read...Play...Grow! Playing and learning go hand-in-hand. Join our fun playdate group where children can connect with other children and have the opportunity to build their social skills by engaging in creative and unstructured play. Registration for this session is for March 4 – May 1. Please indicate dates you cannot attend.

Sing and Sign (Language), Springtime Signs:
Lisamarie Curley ISJ315
Friday, March 13 1:30 – 2:15 pm
Ages infants – 5 years with caregiver
You can learn to sign at any age. Preschoolers who sign are learning a second language. Babies who learn sign language have the ability to tell you what they want before they can talk. Help your child develop future literacy. We sing, we play, we sign. Come have fun with us!

Parachute Party ISJ747
Saturday, March 14 and/or Monday, April 27 10:30 – 11:00 am
Ages 18 months – 5 years with caregiver
Let’s have fun playing games, doing silly dances, and more starring our giant parachute! Please indicate dates you cannot attend.

Happy Birthday Everyone! ISJ320
Monday, March 16 10:30 – 11:15 am
Ages 18 months – 5 years with caregiver
Happy birthday to you! We are celebrating everyone’s birthdays today with crafts, songs, and a special surprise!
Babies, Toddlers, & Preschoolers Continued
(Ages birth to five years old with caregiver; See program descriptions for specific age ranges)

Jump for Joy: Shapes ISJ303
Thursday, March 19 6:00 – 7:00 pm
Ages 18 months – 5 years with caregiver
Everyone will “Jump for Joy” with Joy Oddo’s lively, upbeat program. Joy’s favorite story books come to life through music and dance. Have fun with musical instruments, parachutes, puppets, and props.

Music Together: Tot Music ISJ321
2 Mondays, April 13 and May 4 10:30 – 11:15 am
Ages infants – 5 years with caregiver
Enjoy dancing, rhythms, instruments, and singing in this fun and nurturing class. Please indicate date you cannot attend.

A Time for Kids ISJ770
Saturday, March 21, Bird Puppet; 11:00 am – 12:00 pm
Thursday, April 2, Big Fish Kite; 1:30 – 2:30 pm
Ages 18 months – 5 years with caregiver
Get ready for an hour’s worth of fun with A Time for Kids, filled with a craft, listening activities, movement, music, puzzles, and more. Please indicate date you cannot attend.

Finger Paint Fun ISJ746
Thursday, April 16 10:30 – 11:00 am
Ages infants – 5 years with caregiver
Come join in as we paint away the morning using our fingers, stencils, Q-tips, shaving cream, and more. Dress for a mess!

Evening Edition:
Finger Paint Fun ISJ785
Monday, March 23 6:30 – 7:00 pm
Ages infants – 5 years with caregiver
Come join in as we paint away the evening using our fingers, stencils, Q-tips, shaving cream, and more. Dress for a mess.

Starry Night Storytime ISJ732
Thursday, April 16 6:30 – 7:00 pm
Ages 2 ½ – Grade 1 with caregiver
Get ready for some super stories, crafts, and fun. We will end the evening with our patent pending sleep routine guaranteed to get your kids to sleep. Pajamas and siblings welcome!

Musical Mother Goose ISJ360
Monday, April 6 10:30 – 11:00 am
Ages infants – 24 months with caregiver
Have fun with songs, fingerplays, rhymes, and more using puppets and props.

Suffolk Library System Mobile Service Outlet: The SLED ISJ747
Tuesday, April 21 3:00 – 8:00 pm
Suffolk Cooperative Library System’s new mobile service outlet, the SLED (Suffolk Libraries Empowering Discovery) will be here in the Library’s parking lot. Hop aboard! This mobile unit offers full state-of-the-art-technology with all kinds of fun things to explore. Census information/assistance will be available. Also, you can get your picture taken with the changeable Green Screen backdrop! Learn all about Live-brary downloads to access ebooks and audiobooks onto your device. No registration required – all are welcome!

Backpack Storytime
Our latest Backpack Storytime is “Money Matters.” Teach your child the basics about what money is and how to count it. Our kit includes various denominations of play coins and bills, a play wallet, a toy ATM machine, a DVD about making change, several books, and suggestions of other ways to play and learn. Check it out!
CHILDREN’S PROGRAMS

SCHOOL AGE (see program descriptions for specific grade ranges, ♦ denotes programs with age-ranges that include toddlers/preschoolers)

♦ Lights Up, Sound Down Playdate ISL102
3 Tuesdays, March 3 (registration from last month carried over), April 7 and May 5 4:30 – 5:15 pm
Ages 18 months to 8 years with caregiver
Join our fun playdate group where children can connect with other children as they build their social skills and engage in creative and unstructured play in a calm supportive environment. This program is designed especially for children with developmental delays, for those along the autism spectrum, and for others with special needs. A representative from Islip School District’s Special Education PTA (SEPTA) will discuss additional resources that may be available. This is an inclusive program; all children are welcome. If you need special accommodations to attend, please contact us one week prior to the program.

♦ Introduction to Spanish ISL103
3 Thursdays, March 5, 19; April 2
(Please Note: No Classes on March 12 or 26)
6:00 – 6:30 pm
Recommended for ages 3 months to 10 years and their caregivers
Enjoy learning a new language with your child in a fun, relaxing atmosphere. Please indicate dates you cannot attend.

Build Your Own Bird Feeder ISJ755
Saturday, March 7
(registration from last month carried over)
10:00 am – 4:00 pm
Grades K – 6 with caregiver (hammer used)
Register and come anytime between 9:30 am and 4:00 pm to build your own bird feeder. We provide the parts, you assemble and paint. Hammering is involved so a caregiver is required to be in attendance.

Chess Buddies: Knights of the Square Table ISJ327
Monday, March 9
6:30 – 7:15 pm
Grades K – 4
Grades 5 – 6 are welcome to participate as assistants
Checkmate! Have you ever wanted to learn how to play chess? Do you already know how to play chess and are looking for someone to play with? Join us for Chess Buddies and play against your friends or our Master Chess Librarian!

Celebrate the Green! ISJ322
Tuesday, March 10 7:00 – 7:45 pm
Grades 1 – 4
Get ready to celebrate St. Patrick’s Day by making a colorful wall hanging to bring home. Share some traditional Irish stories and songs too!

Paint Night Party ISJ724
Wednesday, March 11
6:30 – 7:30 pm
Grades 3 – 6
Channel your inner creative genius! Try a variety of materials and techniques to build a one-of-a-kind masterpiece.

♦ Drop-in Crafts: Springtime, Earth Day ISJ313
Saturdays, March 14 and April 18
10:00 am – 4:00 pm
Ages 36 months – Grade 6 with caregiver
Drop in and create a unique craft with a variety of materials while supplies last. Children aged 9 and under must be accompanied by an adult as per Library policy.

Crime Lab: LI Science Center ISJ323
Wednesday, March 18
6:30 – 7:30 pm
Grades 3 – 5
Solve the crime of the missing Madagascar hissing roaches! Working in teams, investigate a crime scene using the techniques of fingerprinting, chromatography, and various clues.

♦ Circle of Friends ISJ326
Tuesday, March 24
4:30 – 5:30 pm
Ages 24 months – Grade 6 with caregiver
Partner with your child in a calm, supportive environment that provides an intimate setting for learning through sensory activities. Lisa Joy Walters, a NYS certified special education teacher with over 20 years of experience, is the presenter. This program is designed for children with developmental delays, for those along the autism spectrum, and for others with special needs. This is an inclusive program; all children are welcome. If you need special accommodations to attend, please contact us one week prior to program.

♦ Book Buddies ISJ313
Wednesday, March 25
6:00 – 6:30 pm
Ages 48 months – Grade 3
Ms. Barell will kick off Book Buddies with a story and some cookies. After that the kids will break off to read to or with teen volunteers. This is a super fun way to get your kids into reading!
Mosaic Picture Frame: Catherine Martin  
**ISJ328**  
**Thursday, March 26**  
**6:30 – 7:30 pm**  
**Grades K – 3**  
Use mosaic pieces and grout to create a colorful picture frame.

Turtle Tracker: Michelle Skoblicki  
**ISJ329**  
**Monday, March 30**  
**6:00 – 6:45 pm**  
**Grades K – 2**  
Learn about turtles that are native to Long Island and how you can protect and save them. Meet a live turtle friend and create a terrific turtle craft.

Sandpiper Craft Club  
**ISJ314**  
**Wednesday, April 1**  
**6:00 – 6:45 pm**  
**Grades K – 2**  
Winter is over and spring is in the air! Come join our fun craft club to make bright and colorful spring crafts!

TomatoMania Pizza Party!  
**ISJ331**  
**Thursday, April 9**  
**6:00 – 6:45 pm**  
**Grades K – 3**  
This program is all about tomatoes. We will read a tomato story, make a tomato craft, and eat pizza. This program is going to be saucy! You even get to bring home a tomato plant.

Lego Block Party  
**ISJ324**  
**Wednesday, April 15**  
**6:00 – 6:45 pm**  
**Grades K – 6**  
Are you ready to build? Come to our Lego program and build something grand!

Family Builders Unite  
**ISJ788**  
**Monday, April 13**  
**6:00 – 7:30 pm**  
**36 months – Grade 6 with caregiver**  
Calling all builders! Build with blocks, train tracks, magnet tiles, K’nex, puzzles, and more! Caregivers are encouraged to join in the fun and help create some elaborate masterpieces!

Upcycling with Linda from Sew What’s New and Yarn, Too!  
**ISJ332**  
**Wednesday, April 22**  
**6:00 – 7:00 pm**  
**Grades 4 – 6**  
Celebrate Earth Day by learning how to transform used clothing into something fresh and new! Join local business owner Linda Lisenbarth to find out how you can creatively reuse materials destined to be discarded and reduce your impact on the environment.

Magnets to Go:  
**Brookhaven National Laboratory**  
**ISJ333**  
**Thursday, April 23**  
**6:30 – 7:30 pm**  
**Grades 3 – 6**  
This interactive program focuses on the science behind magnetic properties and electromagnetism. Experiment with and explore magnetic and non-magnetic metals, north and south poles, magnetic fields, and attracting and repelling forces. Discover how electromagnets and generators work.

Paws for Reading: Children Read to a Dog!  
**ISL101**  
**Thursday, April 23**  
**7:00 – 8:00 pm**  
This program is for any child (with caregiver) who is practicing their reading. Read aloud to a registered therapy dog from Pet Partners in a fun, non-judgmental atmosphere. The dogs’ handlers will be present with the dogs.

Tech Club: 3D Pen Sculptures  
**ISJ300**  
**Tuesday, April 28**  
**6:30 – 7:15 pm**  
**Grades 3 – 6**  
Use your imagination and create a masterpiece with our 3D pens! Similar to a 3D printer, these handheld pens melt plastic filament to be molded into different shapes. Draw in the air or on a pattern to make a cool 3D object of your very own.

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FABULOUS FAMILY PROGRAMS (see program descriptions for specific age ranges)

Storytime Yoga: Pajama Edition ISJ720
Thursday, March 12  6:30 – 7:15 pm
Ages 36 months – Grade 4 with caregiver
Children and caregivers will enjoy storytime together in a way that combines literacy, physical activity, and creativity. This program will get children ready for bedtime, so wearing pajamas is encouraged! Please bring 2 yoga mats or towels: 1 for the caregiver and 1 for the child. Namaste.

Family Movie Matinee: FROZEN II ISJ775
Sunday, March 15  1:00 – 3:00 pm
Ages infants – Grade 6 with caregiver
Join us as we watch Frozen II. Come in early to create your very own magical snowflake wand and decorate a crown! Snacks provided.

Family Movie in Spanish/español ISL104
Saturday, March 21  3:00 – 4:30 pm
Ages infant – 12 years with caregiver
Improve your family’s Spanish speaking skills while enjoying snacks! Watch one of the newest DVD releases on the big screen in Spanish with English subtitles. There will be a vote at the beginning of the program to determine which movie will be shown.

Jester Jim Show ISJ334
Saturday, March 28  3:00 – 4:00 pm
Ages infants – Grade 6 with caregiver
“This is not your ordinary juggling show!” With a trunk full of props and a looping machine, Jester Jim puts on a juggling and beatbox show that will have you falling off your seat with laughter!

MUSH! The Iditarod ISJ301
Sunday, March 29  2:30 – 3:45 pm
This program is for all ages: families, adults, and teens!
Mush! Mush! Mush! Meet three-time Iditarod participant Karen and her sled dog Noggin! Learn about the 1,000-mile sled race and check out her racing sled. Registration is for all ages. For this program please register for each child and adult.

Candy Bunny Hutch ISJ335
Saturday, April 4  11:00 am – 12:00 pm or 3:00 – 4:00 pm
Ages 36 months – Grade 4 with caregiver
Design a candy bunny hutch with your family. Use as a holiday centerpiece if you can wait that long to eat it!

Sensory Friendly Movie: Spies in Disguise ISJ778
Sunday, April 19  1:00 – 3:00 pm
Ages 12 and under with caregiver
Children and caregivers are invited for a showing of a sensory-friendly film on our big screen. The lights will be slightly turned up, and the sound slightly turned down to ensure that everyone can enjoy the film in a comfortable and relaxed setting. This is an inclusive program; all children are welcome.

Music, Bubbles and Comedy Show: Turtle Dance Music ISJ336
Saturday, May 2  3:00 – 4:00 pm
Ages 24 months – Grade 6 with caregiver
Enjoy this high-energy performance about why libraries rock! The show engages children of all ages with songs, comedy, bubbles, and music technology. It is crafted especially for children on the Autism Spectrum. Each song is accompanied by hands-on, visual, and sensory experiences designed to help kids learn and have fun at the same time. Kids will dance, sing, and understand why libraries are so important for our future. This is an inclusive program; all children and welcome.
**TEEN PROGRAMS**

**MARCH**

**PS4 VR Drop-In Fridays**

Fridays, January March 6, 13, and April 3, 10 & 24
3:00 – 4:30 pm

Do you want to play VR games with your friends after school? Hang out in our Teen Room and explore the world of VR! No need to register, just drop-in!

**Mini Succulent Magnets**

Wednesday, March 11
3:00 – 4:00 pm

Join us to make adorable mini magnet plant holders and choose a mini succulent to plant and take care of at home.

**3.14 is Pi Day!**

Saturday, March 14
3:00 – 3:45 pm

Who doesn’t love Pi and pie? Join local baker Amy Gordon of A Touch of Sweetness and make yummy no-bake pies for Pi Day!

**Teens vs. Librarians Trivia: Fantastic Fiction!**

Monday, March 16
3:00 – 4:00 pm

Do you think you know more about YA fiction books than your two favorite librarians? Go head to head against Mr. Irish and Ms. B to take home the title of Fiction Fanatic! All questions will be based on the most popular YA fiction books!

**Perler Bead Party**

Friday, March 20
3:00 – 4:30 pm

The perler beads have taken over the Teen Room! Get creative and colorful, there will be templates to help you create something great!

**SAT Prep**

Wednesdays and Thursdays
March 25, 26 and April 1, 2, 8 and 9
6:00 – 8:00 pm

This 6-session course will help prepare you for the SAT. Gregg Zehentner, teacher with over 15 years of experience will share tips and tricks, and get you ready to take the test. All teaching materials will be provided. $100.00 fee (cash or check) is due upon registration.

**Slice and Dice with the Quest Masters Guild**

Saturdays: March 28 & April 25
1:30 – 4:30 pm

The Quest Masters Guild will be running D&D 5E! Players will have their choice of characters from dozens of pre-made sheets that they can customize and equip! There will also be a Magic the Gathering Tournament with prize cards to win! Lay waste to the nasty critters with a roll of the dice and eat pizza while playing!

**APRIL**

**American Red Cross CPR/AED Certification**

Saturday, April 4
9:30 am – 1:00 pm

Fee: $55.00 (includes 2 year certification)

Get a two-year certification through the American Red Cross in CPR and AED. Please Note: This class is also open to adults.

**Board Game Night!**

Wednesday, April 8
7:00 – 8:30 pm

Join Ms. B to try out our new board games for the Teen Room. Snack on some goodies and meet new friends!

**Fairy Garden Jars**

Tuesday, April 14
4:00 – 5:00 pm

Decorate a cool fairy garden jar with glitter, flowers, and a unique fairy silhouette.

**DIY Sugar Body Scrub**

Friday, April 17
3:00 – 4:30 pm

Make your own scented sugar scrub. A variety of scents and colors will be available. Keep for yourself or present as a gift.

**Anti-Bullying Self-Defense Class**

Saturday, April 18
3:00 – 4:00 pm

Join a professional martial artist to learn how to prevent bullying. Learn self-defense movements you can use to defend yourself.

**Snack Around the World**

Monday, April 20
3:30 – 4:30 pm

Join us to try some yummy and interesting snacks from around the world. This is the place for you! Hang out with your friends as we take our taste buds on a trip while playing “Country Jeopardy!” This month we sample treats from “Down Under,” - Australia!

**Teens vs. Librarians: 1-2-Switch!**

Monday, April 27
6:30 – 7:30 pm

Do you think you can beat Mr. Irish and Ms. B in 1-2-Switch! Better bring your A-game because we are the 1-2-Switch champs! Prizes will be awarded!

**MAY**

**Free Comic Book Day/Creative World Building Workshop**

Saturday, May 2
1:00 – 3:00 pm

Who doesn’t love free comic books and superheroes? Join a published author as he helps you create amazing worlds and super characters! There will be plenty of free comics and even fun raffles!
Volunteer Programs

Volunteer and receive a certificate stating the time you’ve earned.

**Juicebox Paint Volunteers**  
**ISY225**  
**Wednesday, March 4**  
5:15 – 6:15 pm  
Calling all artists at heart! Would you like to help younger children develop a love of painting? We could use your help during our awesome Juice Box Painting program.

**Book Buddies**  
**ISY298**  
**Wednesday, March 25**  
5:45 – 6:30 pm  
Become a book buddy by reading to young children and listening while they practice their reading with you! Training, prep-time, and clean-up are included.

**Teen Advisory Board**  
**ISY216**  
**Thursdays, March 26 & April 23**  
3:30 – 4:30 pm  
Get involved by joining our Teen Advisory Board. We welcome your suggestions for teen programs and materials. Snack on some goodies.

**Create Your Own Support Buttons**  
**ISY287**  
**Friday, March 27**  
3:00 – 4:45 pm  
In honor of the Islip Public Library being a safe place for all teens, join Ms. B as we create buttons for support, encouragement, and ‘good vibes’ for ourselves and each other.

**Sandpiper Craft Club**  
**ISY239**  
**Wednesday, April 1**  
5:45 – 6:45 pm  
Do you love to make crafts? Join us as we assist the younger kids with their brand-new craft club!

**Candy Bunny Hutch Helpers!**  
**ISY297**  
**Saturday, April 4**  
10:30 am – 12:00 pm or 2:30 – 4:00 pm  
Assist local families as they create a candylicious bunny hutch for Spring!

**TomatoMania!**  
**ISY247**  
**Thursday, April 9**  
5:45 – 6:45 pm  
Come help the Children’s Department kick off their TomatoMania program with a fun pizza party!

**The Buzz of the Bees**  
**ISY250**  
**Saturday, April 11**  
2:00 – 3:15 pm  
Join professional beekeeper Gerald Raffa as he speaks about how important bees are for the ecosystem and about his advocacy for the preservation of bees. He will also answer any questions you may have.

**Upcycling Program Helpers**  
**ISY259**  
**Wednesday, April 22**  
6:00 – 7:00 pm  
Help our Children’s Department celebrate Earth Day by assisting children as they learn how to transform used clothing into something fresh and new! Local business owner Linda Lisenbarth will demonstrate how to creatively reuse materials destined to be discarded and reduce your impact on the environment.

**ATTENTION PARENTS:**

Please be aware that permission of a parent or guardian is not required for teens to access Library PCs and the Internet in our Adult and Teen areas. If you have any concerns in that regard, please contact the Library Director or speak with a librarian at the Adult Reference Desk.
New Islip Library Website coming soon!

Look for our new website going “Live” soon! We’ve made the site easier for you to navigate as well as more exciting to view with new features to highlight our services, resources, building, and staff! Check out all that we have to offer!
Find us at: isliplibrary.org

Public Computers

We’ve made some changes to the Adult Department public computers and printing in the Library. A more powerful and intuitive computer management system called Cassie (by Librarica, LLC) has replaced our former system. Cassie also features a high-yield printer. The new technology and software will eliminate some printing issues that had existed with the previous system, and provide higher quality print jobs. In addition Cassie provides for easier toggling between browsers and a more user-friendly interface for accessing our research databases. Later this year, we’ll be replacing some of our existing computers with newer ones that offer the latest technology! Stay tuned!

Large Print Collection

We’ve expanded the shelf space for our increasingly popular Large Print book collection. Romance paperback books that had previously been shelved in the area have been relocated to a new free-standing carousel. Fiction and non-fiction large print books are continually added to our collection based on popularity, reviews, and patron requests. As always, we welcome your suggestions for new acquisitions.

Display Cases & Gallery Hallway

In March, the Library Display Cases will feature a display by Susan Kubell about brain awareness, Alzheimer’s Disease, and dementia.

Our Gallery Hallway will feature the artwork of Islip Public School students.

In April, the Library Display Cases will feature information about Boating Safety and the U.S. Coast Guard.

Our Gallery Hallway will feature an exhibit of photography by Laura Paesano of Laura Pea Photography.

Calling all artists, crafters, collectors, and hobbyists!

Do you have a special collection or artwork that you would like to share? The Library welcomes individuals and community groups to exhibit their items in our Display Cases and/or in our Gallery Hallway. The Library Display Cases are located in the Lobby of our Main Entrance. The Gallery Hallway is the hallway leading to our smaller meeting room. Please call the Library at (631) 581-5933 x.212 and speak with L. Farr about setting up an exhibit.
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**FROM THE HELM**

Mary Schubart, Library Director

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**10 Most Frequently Borrowed NYPL Books**

Founded in 1895, the New York Public Library has lent millions of books over its history. In honor of its 125th anniversary this year, a team of its library experts came up with a number of key factors to compile a list of the Library’s ten most borrowed books of all time. Not surprisingly, more than half the books were written for children or young readers. (Shorter books enjoy faster turnover, and some titles have appeared on school reading lists, which also boosts circulation.)

There were some surprises, however. _Harry Potter and the Sorcerer’s Stone_, which was only published in the U.S. in 1998, was only one spot behind _How to Win Friends and Influence People_, the ultimate self-help book that was published over eighty years ago! How many of the books have you read?

1. _The Snowy Day_, by Ezra Jack Keats (485,583 checkouts)
2. _The Cat in the Hat_, by Dr. Seuss (469,650)
3. _1984_, by George Orwell (441,770)
4. _Where the Wild Things Are_, by Maurice Sendak (436,016)
5. _To Kill a Mockingbird_, by Harper Lee (422,912)
6. _Charlotte’s Web_, by E.B. White (337,948)
7. _Fahrenheit 451_, by Ray Bradbury (316,404)
8. _How to Win Friends and Influence People_, by Dale Carnegie (284,524)
9. _Harry Potter and the Sorcerer’s Stone_, by J.K. Rowling (231,022 and expected to climb the list in the years to come, along with other titles in the series).
10. _The Very Hungry Caterpillar_, by Eric Carle: 189,550 checkouts

_Goodnight Moon_, by Margaret Wise Brown received an Honorable Mention due to a piece of library trivia: Anne Carroll Moore, an early and influential librarian at NYPL so disliked the book that she refused to purchase it. It did not enter the Library’s collection until 1972, twenty-five years after its publication date, which explains why it doesn’t appear higher on the list, or even at the #1 spot! Given how effectively it has been lulling children to sleep since 1947, it’s expected to climb the list in the years to come.