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## Mission Statement

The Wayne Public Library is committed to providing outstanding materials, access and services that assist the individuals' quest for knowledge and provides for an informed citizenry in a democratic society. It serves the life-long informational, educational, cultural and recreational needs of the community.

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Monday—Thursday: 9:00 am – 9:00 pm

Friday: 9:00 am – 5:30 pm

Saturday: 10:00 am – 5:00 pm

Sunday: 1:00 pm—5:00 pm

Closed Sundays from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day.

## UPCOMING HOLIDAY HOURS & CLOSING INFORMATION

Visit [waynepubliclibrary.org](http://waynepubliclibrary.org)  
and click on *About Us*

### Juneteenth, Thursday, June 19

We are open regular hours  
9:00 AM - 9:00 PM

### Independence Day

Friday, July 4

**CLOSED**



## ADULT SUMMER READING PROGRAM: "COLOR OUR WORLD!"

Wayne residents (age 18 and older) are encouraged to participate in our Adult Summer Reading program! It begins **Monday, June 23**, at 9:00 AM and runs through Thursday, August 18, at 5:00 PM.

Pick up your reading log in-person by presenting your active Wayne library card at the Reference Desk.



One log per patron. First 100 people to register receive a goody bag with one free prize ticket to enter!

### What Do I Have to Do to Participate?

All you have to do is read a book, magazine, listen to an audiobook or watch a DVD by using items from our collection or from one of our PALS Plus Digital resources!

Each log has 4 tickets. To **enter the prize drawings**, each ticket must be filled out completely with your name, library card number, phone and email address along with the 3 items you have read/listened to/watched. Clip the ticket off your log sheet to enter it in one of the prize boxes at the Reference Desk! (Prizes will also be listed on the Library's website).

Visit our website & online calendar for programs held throughout the summer!

Fun crafts, movies, music programs, knit & crochet, book groups and more!

Consider joining one of our adult book discussion groups (see pages 13-14).

For information about Libby and Hoopla, see page 11.

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**Tuesdays; Public portion  
begins @ 7:00 PM**

**June 10**

*Location: GAFMC Board Room*

**For programs held online via ZOOM**

If using a tablet or smartphone, you will need to download the app; computer users click on the link provided in the invite; landline phone users can dial the number provided.



JOIN US FOR OUR

**4th Annual Book Festival**

June 14TH | 11:00AM - 4:00PM

Celebrate the 4th Annual Passaic County Book Festival, a full-day event filled with engaging panels, poetry sessions, and author meet-and-greets. Enjoy family-friendly activities like arts and crafts, story time for kids, and even reading to dogs. With delicious food truck options and a vibrant literary atmosphere, this festival is a perfect celebration of creativity, knowledge, and the written word for all ages!

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are on YouTube Page!**

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Check out the many programs produced by  
the library for all ages on our YouTube page!





*Presented by the Rabbi Israel S. Dresner Library at Temple Beth Tikvah and the Wayne Public Library*

## The Unfinished Business of Freedom: A Juneteenth Perspective on Freedom

**Thursday, June 19 @ 12:30 PM**

**Location: Room A/B**

This program celebrates the observance of Juneteenth and continues the philosophy of Rabbi Dresner to make the world a better place. This program at the Library features speaker Pastor Wayne Coleman, singer Leon B. Moses and accompanist Ron Foster on piano.

To register online: <https://waynepubliclibrary.libcal.com/event/13320699>

For more information, contact Janette Pardo or Karin Kwesela at 973-694-4272 x5401.

**Pastor Wayne Coleman** is the senior pastor at Madison Avenue CRC in Paterson. The majority of Pastor Wayne's time in the ministry was spent in Holland, Michigan where he served for over twenty years as church planner and community leader for social justice and racial reconciliation. In 2004, he and his wife Ruth received the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Social Justice Award from the city of Holland, and it is where they started the very first Juneteenth festival. As a pastor he has over twenty-five years of experience serving in the areas of missional outreach, and missional leadership development, social justice, youth ministry/education, racial reconciliation, church revitalization and urban ministry. Pastor Wayne was also the first African American ordained in the CRC Holland Classis as a Minister in Word and Sacrament.



**Leon B. Moses** is a gifted percussionist and vocalist. It was in the church where his love of music began. Leon sang with the great James Edward Cleveland, an American gospel singer, musician and composer. He has traveled with many musicians including: The Staple Singers, The Sensational Nightingales and The Mighty Clouds of Joy. He recorded his first R&B songs in 1974 called *The World Today* and *The Funky Bump*. These two songs were revived in March 2023 in England. In 1985, Leon recorded *She's Too Serious*, which was distributed by Cotabato Records CBS Associates. Currently Leon is recording Gospel music with producer Kenny Davis, Ron Foster and others.



**Ron Foster** organized the group RonFo & Kindred Spirits Gospel/Jazz Ensemble & Orchestra in 1999; it is comprised of local and world-class jazz performers, including a trombone, tenor & alto saxes, trumpets and rhythm section. Most of the music is written and/or arranged by Ron Foster who also conducts the strings & horn sections when budget allows for a large group. Kindred Spirits has performed on the stages of Beacon Theater in New York, the Wang Center for the Performing Arts in Boston, and Symphony Hall in Newark. Ron Foster is currently the Minister of Music at the St. Paul Baptist Church located in Passaic, New Jersey.



**Rabbi Israel S. Dresner** was the spiritual leader of Temple Beth Tikvah in Wayne from 1970-1995, and continued as Rabbi Emeritus until his death in 2022. Rabbi Dresner was recognized as a leading clergyman in the Civil Rights movement, working alongside Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. His prodigious memory and his love of learning inspired him to share his learning and to promote intellectual curiosity to as many people as he could reach. Rabbi Dresner bequeathed more than one thousand books of Jewish interest to Temple Beth Tikvah, and upon his death, the books were catalogued and shelved in what has become the Rabbi Israel S. Dresner Memorial Library at Temple Beth Tikvah.



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**Information about the Rabbi Israel S. Dresner Center & Library** is located at Temple Beth Tikvah, 950 Preakness Ave., Wayne, NJ. The Dresner Library has fascinating fiction, engaging biographies, heaps of history, heartwarming humor, books on music and song and much more. The Dresner Center offers relevant topic lectures and programs often in partnership with other community organizations including the Wayne Public Library. The Rabbi Israel S. Dresner Center seeks to foster understanding and scholarship through inclusive, intergenerational, collaborative educational programs on a broad range of topics, including Jewish Culture and History, for the greater Wayne Community and beyond.

The library is open by appointment only. To schedule a visit, please email: [library@dresnercenter.org](mailto:library@dresnercenter.org)



## LUNCHBOX LEARNING series

This series takes place in Room A/B. Doors open at 12:00 PM; program begins @ 12:30 PM.

All are welcome. (*Groups: Please call in advance*).


For information, contact Reference Staff at: 973-694-4272 x5401.



## Celebrating Jazz Icon Chick Corea

## Wednesday, June 11

*Presented by Sanford Josephson,  
Editor of Jersey Jazz Magazine*



Chick Corea was one of jazz piano's greatest innovators. His band, Return to Forever, introduced a generation of young listeners to jazz. But his roots were deeper than that. Inspired by legendary keyboardists like Bud Powell and Thelonious Monk, Corea succeeded Herbie Hancock in Miles Davis' Quintet; learned his skills as a sideman with Stan Getz, and Freddie Hubbard, led several different types of bands, and performed with and composed for several symphony orchestras. He released nearly 90 albums and won 24 Grammy Awards.

Please register online:

<https://waynepubliclibrary.libcal.com/event/14591209>

### The French Quarter 5 (*Dixieland band music*)

## Wednesday, June 25

*Join us for an exciting concert of Dixieland Band  
music featuring The French Quarter 5!*

The band is comprised of Bruce Schaffel (clarinet), Bill Ash (trumpet), Pete Stern (trombone), Everett Fink (tuba) and Steve Lucas (banjo).

**Please register online:**

<https://waynepubliclibrary.libcal.com/event/12901068>



*Partially made possible with assistance from the Friends of the Wayne Public Library.*

## IN-PERSON PROGRAMS



# Jazz Concert

## WPL Spring Jazz Concert Series

**Max & Friends present ...*The Music of Max!***

**Thursday, June 12 @ 7:00 PM**

*Location:* Room A/B

*Featuring:*

Max Morden (*trumpet*)

John Priori (*piano*)

Mark Peterson (*bass*)

Gene Lewin (*drums*)



**Space is limited; registration is required online:** <https://waynepubliclibrary.libcal.com/event/13240735>

For more information or questions, contact Patty Slezak at: 973-694-4272 x5401

## IN-PERSON PROGRAM



## Movies and Film Discussion

Tuesdays @ 2:00 PM  
Wednesdays @ 6:30 PM  
Thursdays @ 2:00 PM



**Movies at  
the Library**

*\* Tuesday viewings  
are shown with subtitles.*

**Black Bag**

Rated R  
93 Minutes

\* June 17—2:00 PM  
Room A/B  
June 18—6:30 PM  
Room A/B  
June 19—2:00 PM  
Story Time Room

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No registration  
is required.

Admission is on  
a first-come,  
first-serve basis.

### IN-PERSON PROGRAM



**hoopla**

### Foreign Film Discussion Club

**Museo (Spanish)**

**Wednesday, June 18 @ 7:00 PM**

Participants watch the movie before the meeting to discuss.  
This film can be streamed (free) via hoopla, and will be available  
on DVD at the Wayne Public Library.

**Register on the Library's online calendar to receive the Zoom link  
for discussion, and to access the link to view the film online.**

<https://waynepubliclibrary.libcal.com/event/12881899>

For information contact Patty Slezak at: [slezakp@waynepubliclibrary.org](mailto:slezakp@waynepubliclibrary.org) or call 973-694-4272 x5401



### VIRTUAL PROGRAM



### Anime/Manga/Graphic Novel Club's Watch Party Presentation

**Monday, June 30 from 6:30 PM—8:30 PM**      **Location: Room A/B**

**Your Name** (Movie for 12+) Runtime: 1 hour 40 minutes

Subtitled in English with Japanese language spoken.

<https://waynepubliclibrary.libcal.com/event/14658140>

For information contact Arwen Fitzgerald at: [fitzgeralda@waynepubliclibrary.org](mailto:fitzgeralda@waynepubliclibrary.org) or call 973-694-4272 x5401

### IN-PERSON PROGRAM



# Summer Anime Samplers! ✨

Thursdays from 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

June 5<sup>th</sup> - Yuri on Ice

June 12<sup>th</sup> - Ouran High School Host Club

June 19<sup>th</sup> - Heaven Official's Blessing (Tian Guan Ci Fu)

June 26<sup>th</sup> - Free!

See you there!

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The Anime/Manga/Graphic Novel Club  
would like to invite you to join us!

Come try something new or see  
an old favorite in these 1-3 episode  
runs of various anime shows,  
running from June through August.

Location: Story Time Room  
(June 5 and June 12)

Room A/B (June 19)

Board Room (June 26)



*The Friends are thrilled to celebrate our dedicated volunteers  
and our 25th year of supporting our library.*

Want to join our organization? Contact Brenda Jezierski (973) 809-6887,  
or fill out a membership form in the Friends Room



Pictured L to R: Board members Pat Hazuda, Brenda Jezierski,  
Fern Weis, Sandy Sternberg, Maureen Avrach, Angie Calandra,  
Lauri Meyers and Nancy Roward.

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from 9:00 AM-4:00 PM at the garage entrance of the  
Library (off Nellis Dr. across from the tennis courts);  
ring the door buzzer to contact staff.

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DONATIONS**  
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## Wellness Programs



### Sit, Stand and Be Fit with d.e.b.

Join us for a special IN-PERSON class with certified fitness professional Debra Hanoka, MPH ACE, CPT.

**Thursday, June 19 from 6:15 PM-7:00 PM**



We'll do a variety of stretches, strengthening exercises, and cardio dancing. A chair is used for seated and standing exercises and support. This class is designed to increase muscle strength, range of movement and improve activities for daily living.

Class can be modified depending on fitness levels.  
Age should not be a barrier to improve your health!

Space is limited. Email Eleana to get your invite to register:  
[cordovae@waynepubliclibrary.org](mailto:cordovae@waynepubliclibrary.org)

**IN-PERSON PROGRAM**



### Sit, Stand and Be Fit with d.e.b.

Zoom in to do a variety of stretches, strengthening exercises, and cardio dancing with certified fitness professional Debra Hanoka, MPH ACE, CPT.



**Tuesdays from 5:15 PM-6:00 PM**

**June 3**

**June 24**

A chair is used for seated and standing exercises and support. This class is designed to increase muscle strength, range of movement and improve activities for daily living.

Class can be modified depending on fitness levels. Age should not be a barrier to improve your health!

*Equipment:* A sturdy chair is needed. Light weights & resistance bands can be used but are optional.

Register via Zoom in advance IF not already registered (information available on the library's online calendar):

<https://waynepubliclibrary.libcal.com/calendar>

OR email Eleana to get your invite to register:

[cordovae@waynepubliclibrary.org](mailto:cordovae@waynepubliclibrary.org)

**VIRTUAL PROGRAM**



## Special Needs Information

### **Housing Options for Adults with Intellectual or Developmental Disabilities**

*Presented by Paul Aronsohn, Ombudsman for Individuals with Intellectual or Developmental Disabilities and Their Families*

**Wednesday, June 11 @ 7:00 PM**      *Location:* Room A/B



Finding a long-term housing solution for your child with intellectual or developmental disabilities poses unique challenges for families. Join the Wayne Public Library and Paul Aronsohn for an important discussion on housing options that can impact your family.

Register online at: <https://waynepubliclibrary.libcal.com/event/14430813>

For more information, contact Nick Bastean at: [basteann@waynepubliclibrary.org](mailto:basteann@waynepubliclibrary.org) or 973-694-4272 x5404

**IN-PERSON PROGRAM**



## Digital Assistance continued

### The Scam Landscape & Staying Safe: Empowering individuals with proven tools to spot and avoid identity theft and other fraud



presented by AARP New Jersey

Wednesday, June 18 @ 12:30 PM Location: Room A/B



The goal of the workshop is to increase awareness and promote safe online habits among participants.

Register online at: <https://waynepubliclibrary.libcal.com/event/14290254>

For more information, contact Karen Wronko at: [wronkok@waynepubliclibrary.org](mailto:wronkok@waynepubliclibrary.org) or 973-694-4272 x5401

## IN-PERSON PROGRAM



### 8 Fiction Titles to Kick Off Summer Reading @ WPL

#### **Cattail Lane** by Fran Kimmel

An uplifting family drama about overcoming the past and the extraordinary power of second chances.

#### **Falling Overboard** by Sarah Wilson

Forbidden love on the sun-kissed Mediterranean.

#### **Gold Coast Dilemma** by Nana Malone

A romance about a Ghanaian American heiress faced with the dilemma of choosing between culture and a love connection.

#### **Light Through the Storm** by Margalit Ganor

A perilous journey through the unthinkable. A riveting story of hope and survival. Can their faith shield them against unbridled hatred?

#### **Saltwater** by Katy Hays

On glittering Capri, anything can be a mirage. And no one holds a grudge like family.

#### **Summer of You and Me** by Denise Hunter

Maggie Reynolds is finally ready for love again—until the past shows up in the form of someone who may or may not be the late husband she thought she'd lost.

#### **Swept Away** by Beth O'Leary

Two strangers find themselves stranded together at sea.

#### **Tides of Time** by Sarah M. Eden

In 1793, a storm propels Lili forward through time, kindling a love that transcends the ages.



## Writing Programs

### Author Chats with Janette

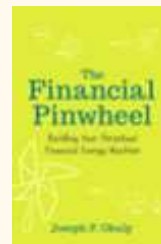
Assistant Director Janette Pardo hosts chats with local authors. Q&A follows.  
For more information, email Janette: [pardoj@waynepubliclibrary.org](mailto:pardoj@waynepubliclibrary.org)

#### Joseph Okaly

**Tuesday, June 3 @ 2:00 PM**



Joe Okaly currently is the owner of *New Horizons Wealth Management*, a husband, father, and a coach. Helping as many middle-class families as possible is the goal for all his combined ventures, whether it be through advising traditional clients, producing podcasts, authoring books, or producing online resources. Joe holds Series 7, 24, and 66 Securities Licenses as well as a CFP and CFS designation. He also has Life, Health, and Long-Term Care Insurance licenses. He and his family reside in the Packanack Lake Community of Wayne, NJ.



The Zoom link is located on the online calendar at: <https://waynepubliclibrary.libcal.com/event/14405455>

## VIRTUAL PROGRAM



#### Jessica Lauryn

**Monday, June 23 @ 7:00 PM**



#1 Bestselling Author Jessica Lauryn has been writing since before she could hold a pen! She always loved books as a child and, when she was six, watching soap operas with her mother, she fell in love with romance. Now a busy mom of two, married to her real-life hero, Jessica writes as often as she can. Villains often reform in her novels, and just may become heroes themselves! Jessica makes her home in rural Hunterdon County, New Jersey. A passionate idealist, Jessica aims for her readers to always envision the possibility of having romance in their lives, to insist upon having it, to hold onto it, and to never settle for anything less!



The Zoom link is located on the online calendar at: <https://waynepubliclibrary.libcal.com/event/14066330>

## VIRTUAL PROGRAM



#### Author Meet & Greet: Miriam Simon

**Wednesday, June 25 at 7:00 PM**

*Location: Room A/B*



Miriam will read an excerpt from her memoir, Tattoos and Pearls: Combining Street Wisdom with Corporate Strategy, followed by a Q & A with the author.

Miriam Simon, a seasoned business executive, excels in leadership and driving success in HR within transportation. She received the YMCA Corporate Achiever Award and holds a bachelor's degree from Centenary University. Miriam volunteers as Senior Advisor to an Employee Business Resource Group and is a founding member of Latina's 100. She shares her resiliency story in a best-selling anthology and is pursuing a coaching certification. An advocate for positive change, Miriam leverages her roles as an author, speaker, and community service enthusiast, underscoring her commitment to ethical practices and social impact in the HR industry.

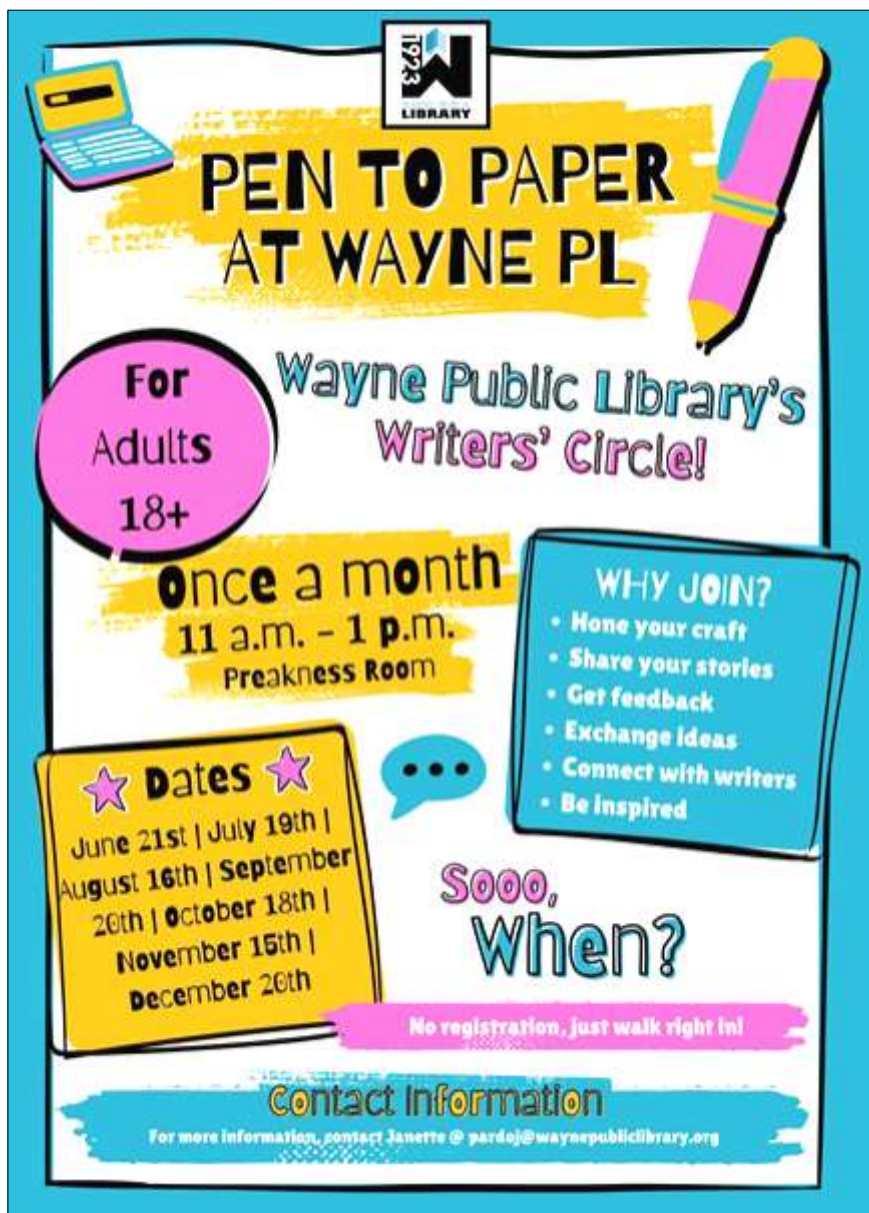
For more information, contact Janette Pardo at: [pardoj@waynepubliclibrary.org](mailto:pardoj@waynepubliclibrary.org)



## IN-PERSON PROGRAM



## Writing Programs continued



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AT WAYNE PL**

**For Adults 18+**

**Wayne Public Library's Writers' Circle!**

**Once a month**  
11 a.m. – 1 p.m.  
Preakness Room

**WHY JOIN?**

- Hone your craft
- Share your stories
- Get feedback
- Exchange ideas
- Connect with writers
- Be inspired

**Dates**  
June 21st | July 19th |  
August 16th | September  
20th | October 18th |  
November 15th |  
December 20th


**Sooo, When?**

**No registration, just walk right in!**

**Contact Information**  
For more information, contact Janette @ [parde@waynepubliclibrary.org](mailto:parde@waynepubliclibrary.org)

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Access the PALSPlus library catalog, place holds, renew materials, borrow eBooks, digital audiobooks, magazines and much more...

The app also has a digital version of your library card!

## Digital Assistance

### Social Media 101

**Tuesday, June 24 at 2:30 PM**

*Location:* ESL Room

This program is geared towards adults and seniors interested in learning about and using Social Media, with a strong focus on Facebook and Instagram. Looking to make posts, how to understand clickbait, how to use a hashtag? Get your answers to these questions and more.

**Register online for June 24 at:** <https://waynepubliclibrary.libcal.com/event/14626348>

For info, contact Karin Kwesela at: 973-694-4272 x5401 or by email: [kweselaik@waynepubliclibrary.org](mailto:kweselaik@waynepubliclibrary.org)



## IN-PERSON PROGRAM



### Bring Your Own Device

*Apple, Android, Windows and Kindle Oh My!*

If you have a smartphone, tablet, laptop or e-reader and need some help, this is the place for you. Staff members are available to answer your questions and make you more comfortable when using your device.

Online registration is encouraged for each session. Walk-ins will be assisted if time is available.

*Location:* Preakness Room

**Session 1: Monday,  
June 2 @ 2:00 PM**

**Session 3: Monday,  
June 9 @ 2:00 PM**

**Session 5: Monday,  
June 16 @ 2:00 PM**

**Session 7: Monday  
June 23 @ 2:00 PM**

**Session 9: Monday  
June 30 @ 2:00 PM**

**Session 2: Wednesday,  
June 4 @ 2:00 PM**

**Session 4: Wednesday  
June 11 @ 2:00 PM**

**Session 6: Wednesday,  
June 18 @ 2:00 PM**

**Session 8: Wednesday,  
June 25 @ 2:00 PM**



**To register for each session: [https://  
waynepubliclibrary.libcal.com/](https://waynepubliclibrary.libcal.com/) (Search 'BYOD')**

For more information or any questions about the BYOD program, contact Nick Bastean at: [basteann@waynepubliclibrary.org](mailto:basteann@waynepubliclibrary.org) or Karin Kwesela at: [kweselaik@waynepubliclibrary.org](mailto:kweselaik@waynepubliclibrary.org)

## IN-PERSON PROGRAMS



## DIGITAL DATABASES

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Wayne residents can download 8 items per month! Sign up for FREE with your active PALS Plus Library card and email address.

Visit your device's App Store to download the hoopla app today!



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Magazines do not count against a user's checkout limit. Subscribe (for free) to receive the latest issues.

## Craft Corner

### Open Knit, Crochet, Needlework Group

Meets twice a month on Mondays  
from 12:30 PM—2:30 PM

June 9 and June 23

Location: Room B

This is not an instructor led class—it is open time to work on your needlework projects at the library.  
No registration necessary!



### IN-PERSON PROGRAM



For information about any of the knit, crochet and needlework groups or programs listed here, contact Karen Wronko at:

**973-694-4272 x5411** or by email:  
**wronkok@waynepubliclibrary.org**



### Keep You in Stitches Knit & Crochet Group

Thursdays from 6:00 PM—8:00 PM

June 5 (Story Time Room)

July 10 (Room A/B)

### IN-PERSON PROGRAM



### WPL's Knitting Group on Zoom Mondays from 11:30 AM—12:30 PM

The Monday Knitting group participants work on knitting projects and share tips and information with each other as well as socialize. Knitting level is intermediate to more experienced knitters. This group is virtual and meets weekly via Zoom meetings.

### VIRTUAL PROGRAM



### Shawl Collar Cardigan Knit-a-Long for Intermediate Level Knitters

Beginning June 5 at 6:00 PM

Location: Story Time Room



The Knit-A-Long will be held during the **Open Knit, Crochet and Needle Work Group** on Mondays and the Monthly Thursday evening **Keep You in Stitches Knit and Crochet Group** Meetings (see above). The Knit-A-Long will continue until everyone completes their sweater. Meeting dates for all meetings are listed on the Library's online calendar.

To Register and get the pattern, please email Karen at [wronkok@waynepubliclibrary.org](mailto:wronkok@waynepubliclibrary.org)

### IN-PERSON PROGRAM



### Crafts in the Stacks: Adult craft hour in the library

**Friday, June 27 @ 1:30 PM**

Location: Story Time Room

*Join us this month and create a wind chime!  
We will be using chimes, beads and string.*

Registration open on Monday, June 16, 2025.

To register (or have questions), call the Reference Desk: 973-694-4272 x5401

or email Karin Kweselaik: [kweselaik@waynepubliclibrary.org](mailto:kweselaik@waynepubliclibrary.org)

Register online at: <https://waynepubliclibrary.libcal.com/event/13750129>



### IN-PERSON PROGRAM





Group	Date	Time	Title	Author	Availability	Facilitator
<b>Romantic Fiction Group</b> (Hybrid Meeting)	Wednesday June 4	10:30 AM	<i>Varina Palladino's Jersey Italian Love Story</i> <i>Author will be attending this meeting.</i>	Terri-Lynne DeFino	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Print copies</li> <li><u>Libby:</u></li> <li>• eBook</li> <li>• eAudiobook</li> </ul>	Janette Pardo
<b>Romantasy Group</b> (In-person Meeting)	Monday June 9	7:00 PM	<i>The Hurricane Wars</i>	Thea Guanzon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Print copies</li> <li><u>hoopla:</u></li> <li>• eBook</li> <li>• eAudiobook</li> </ul>	Emily Weiss
<b>Page Turners Group</b> (Hybrid Meeting)	Wednesday June 11	10:30 AM	<i>Miss Morgan's Book Brigade</i>	Janet Skeslien Charles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Print copies</li> <li><u>Libby &amp; hoopla:</u></li> <li>• eBook</li> <li>• eAudiobook</li> </ul>	Janette Pardo
<b>Cozy Mystery Group</b> (In-person Meeting)	Friday June 13	11:00 AM	<i>Now or Never</i>	Janet Evanovich	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Print copies</li> <li><u>Libby:</u></li> <li>• eBook</li> </ul>	Karen Wronko
<b>Anime/Manga/Graphic Novel Club</b> (In-person Meeting)	Saturday June 14	11:30 AM	<i>Cat's Café and The Science of Ghosts</i> <i>Two titles to be read</i>	Matt Tarpley and Lilah Sturges	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Print copy</li> <li><u>hoopla:</u></li> <li>• eBook</li> </ul>	Arwen Fitzgerald
<b>Evening Group</b> (In-person Meeting)	Tuesday June 17	7:00 PM	<i>Remarkably Bright Creatures</i>	Shelby Van Pelt	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Print copies</li> <li><u>Libby &amp; hoopla:</u></li> <li>• eBook</li> <li>• eAudiobook</li> </ul>	Patty Slezak
<b>Non-Fiction Group</b> (Hybrid Meeting)	Wednesday June 18	10:00 AM	<i>The Anxious Generation</i>	Jonathan Haidt	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Print copies</li> <li><u>Libby:</u></li> <li>• eBook</li> <li>• eAudiobook</li> </ul>	Nick Bastean
<b>Monday Monthly Book Talk</b> (Virtual Meeting)	Monday June 23	6:15 PM	<i>In Farleigh Field</i>	Rhys Bowen	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Print copies</li> </ul>	Eleana Cordova

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Monday, June 9 @ 7:00 PM Location: ESL Room

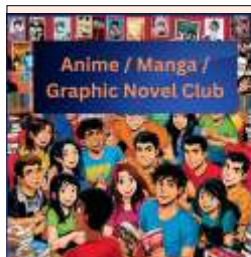
Have a thirst for adventure? Do you love love? Join our monthly Romantasy book discussion to get the best of both worlds! *May selection: **The Hurricane Wars** by Thea Guanzon.*

Print copies are available at the reference desk. eBooks and digital audiobooks are available on hoopla.



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## IN-PERSON PROGRAM



Please join us for our **Adult Anime, Manga & Graphic Novel Club** where adults can discuss their favorite manga, graphic novels & anime! Members can have fun sharing some of their favorite (or least favorite) bits of media and connecting with others who enjoy similar topics. We will share in collaborative discussions and recommendations.

Our book recommendation for this month is *Cat's Café* by Matt Tarpley and *The Science of Ghosts* by Lilah Sturges. Both are available in hoopla.

Open to all adults, 18+ Saturday, June 14 @ 11:30 AM Location: Room A/B

Registration is requested: <https://waynepubliclibrary.libcal.com/event/14190668>

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## IN-PERSON PROGRAM



## Silent Book Club

Saturday, June 21 @ 10:30 AM

Location: Room A/B

Have you ever wanted to join a book club, but didn't like the books being chosen? Do you like to read, but feel like you never have the time? Then this is the book club for you, a light discussion before and after a full hour of reading time. Come relax and read and maybe even get a few book suggestions.

If you are planning to listen to an audiobook, please bring headphones!

For more information, contact Karin Kwesela at [kweselaik@waynepubliclibrary.org](mailto:kweselaik@waynepubliclibrary.org) or call 973-694-4272 x5401

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What are the Benefits of Book Groups

- ◆ Reading stimulates the mind and helps to preserve memory and thinking skills. It can help to lower your blood pressure and improve your mood.
- ◆ Social connections can improve stress management and reduce depression and anxiety. Book clubs provide a place where you feel like you belong. Make new friends too!
- ◆ Expand your views and broaden your perspectives by reading more diversely.

## Language Programs

### ESL Students

For all those that have applied or that do apply to the ESL program, please be patient with us as we work on placing you with an appropriate class and tutor. We are working as quickly as possible to find you the best match.

It may take some time until you are able to be placed. While you are waiting, please check out the **ESL Conversation Café** which is held on Saturdays at 1:00 PM—a relaxed atmosphere with conversation, games and more!

For more information, contact to Karin and Arwen at:  
wplesl461@gmail.com.

### ESL CONVERSATION CAFÉ

*Join us for casual conversation, games and more!*

**Saturdays from 1:00 PM—2:00 PM**

**Location: ESL Room**



For more info, reach out to Karin & Arwen at:  
wplesl461@gmail.com

Registration is encouraged at:  
<https://waynepubliclibrary.libcal.com/calendar>

### IN-PERSON PROGRAM



### Volunteers Needed

We are looking for volunteer tutors to help out with our ESL program, especially tutors interested in helping advance students and those available during evening hours (though any help is appreciated!)

If interested or looking for more information, reach out to Karin & Arwen at: wplesl461@gmail.com

### Casual Spanish 45-minute Conversation Classes for Adults

*Zoom in for a casual and virtual gathering, while picking up common vocabulary and phrases in Spanish!*

**Mondays from 5:00 PM —5:45 PM (twice/month)**



**June 9      June 23**

We'll focus on pronunciation and practicality.

During the class, the screen is shared; as phrases come up, they are typed out. Afterwards, Eleana emails what was written for your review.

Register directly via Zoom (link in calendar listing):  
<https://waynepubliclibrary.libcal.com/calendar>

OR email Eleana to register:

[cordovae@waynepubliclibrary.org](mailto:cordovae@waynepubliclibrary.org)

### VIRTUAL PROGRAM



Pronunciator is a fun and **free** way to learn any of 315 languages with Personalized Courses, movies, chat, and more.  
Learn online, either on your desktop computer or mobile device!

Register online with your active library card from any of the PALS Plus Libraries.

Go to [www.waynepubliclibrary.org](http://www.waynepubliclibrary.org) and click on the **SEARCH** menu option, then click on **Access Online Databases**.

## Games

### Make Your Move! Board and Card Game Events!

**Adults, Teens and Families Welcome!**

**Mondays, June 2 , June 16 , June 30**

6:30 PM—8:15 PM in the Preakness Room

**Thursdays, June 5 , June 19 , June 26**

6:30 PM—8:15 PM in the ESL room

**Every Friday in June**

2:30 PM—4:15 PM in the ESL Room



Learn how to play a new game, discover a new favorite and share the fun!

*June's Featured Games: Give Me the Brain and Ticket to Ride*

Each session features a live demonstration of a cool game to introduce you to its unique gameplay and strategies. Bring friends, make new ones, and enjoy an evening of laughter and camaraderie. The event is free, open to all, and no registration is required.

**Please note:** children under age 10 must be accompanied by an individual aged 14 or older.

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**IN-PERSON PROGRAM**



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**Cablevision Channel 77**

**FIOS Channel 44**



### ROLLS & REALMS



**Rolls & Realms:** *Storytelling Game Nights*

**Adults: Every Monday from 6:00 PM—8:30 PM**

*Location: and Story Time Room (June 2, June 16, June 23 and June 30)  
or the Preakness Room (June 9)*

Come and embark on a storytelling adventure with us! D&D and a few other roleplaying style games will be available for participants to join. Whether you are brand-new or a long-time fan we can help you jump into the amazing and creative worlds of tabletop roleplaying games. Create your character, roll some dice, and venture forth in this series of collaborative storytelling sessions.

Calling for Game Masters! Anyone interested in becoming a DM or Game Master please email:

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For more information: <https://waynepubliclibrary.libcal.com/event/13918049>

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