



BROOKHAVEN FREE LIBRARY

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Central School District

September-October 2024

The Great Give Back

The Great Give Back is a community service initiative intended to provide opportunities for the patrons of the Public Libraries of New York State to participate in meaningful, service-oriented experiences. All activities are eligible for community service credit.



Donate Items for Those in Need

Donations accepted September 7-October 19, during Library hours
Drop off toiletries (bandages, wet wipes, toothbrushes, toothpaste, etc.), small non-perishable food items, socks, gloves and/or water bottles. Items will be used to make personal care kits for those in need.

Paws of War

Donations accepted September 7-October 19, during Library hours
Paws of War trains and places shelter dogs to serve and provide independence to our U.S. military veterans suffering from the emotional effects of war. Donations of food, leashes, toys, and any supplies for cats or dogs.

Kits for Care

Saturday, October 19, 2:00-4:00 PM
Visit us to help decorate and assemble toiletry kits that the Suffolk County PD, 5th Precinct COPE unit will distribute to those in need.
Please register.

Community Clean-up

All welcome • Saturday, October 19 at 9:00 AM
The Brookhaven Village Association and BFL are teaming up to help keep our local streets clean! Meet at the Library; all supplies will be provided and participants will be invited to meet back at the Library for a thank you brunch at 11:00 AM. **Please register.**

Jack-o-Lantern Blaze - Pumpkin Carving Contest and Fall Celebration

All welcome
Sunday, October 20,
4:00-6:30 PM
Rain or shine
H.O.G. Farm –
319 Beaver Dam Road,
Brookhaven



It's BACK! Set the sky ablaze at our **8th Annual Jack-o-Lantern Carving Contest!**

We've lined up live music from the band Nina, Et. Cetera, games, crafts and more! A food truck will also be there, ready to serve up yummy treats for purchase. All carving supplies will be provided; one pumpkin per family. Pumpkins will be lit after sundown so you can vote for your favorite entry. **Registration is required, please be sure to do so.**

BACK TO SCHOOL WITH BFL

We're heading to our District's Meet the Teacher nights to wish families a happy and successful school year. Please visit our table to learn more about the services we do to support the educational and social needs of your child. You will also have a chance to enter our raffle for a basket stuffed with back-to-school goodies!



Back to School Ice Cream Social

Tuesday, September 3,
6:00-7:00 PM
Students of all ages are welcome
You did it! You made it through the exhausting first day of school. Get your pajamas on and join your friends to socialize, and make your own ice cream sundaes. **Please register.**

Essential Item Collection Drive

All welcome
3rd Saturday of the Month, 9:00 AM-12:00 PM
St. James Episcopal Church - 260 Beaver Dam Road, Brookhaven
Non-perishable food items, toiletries and clothes are collected each month for our fellow community members in need. Check our website or social media for updates. **No registration required.**

Peace Pole Ceremony

All welcome
Saturday, September 14, 1:00 PM
Brookhaven Free Library, South Country Peace Group and Old South Haven Presbyterian Church invite you to gather for the unveiling of a Peace Pole in honor of the beloved, Reverend Thomas J. Philipp.
No registration required.



Tickets & Museum Passes

Discount Tickets - While supplies last. Some restrictions may apply; prices may vary; please inquire for more information.

Adventure Land - \$27.50 each; Tickets valid 6/1-9/29

The Gateway - BFL cardholders only; savings of approximately 50%

Long Island Aquarium - \$27 each; No expiration

Watch Hill Ferry - \$16 adult /\$9 child RT; Tickets valid May to mid-October

Museum Passes - Call or reserve online.
Please call the institution to confirm operating hours and guidelines prior to your visit.

9/11 Memorial and Museum
Brooklyn Botanical Garden
Children's Museum of the East End
Cradle of Aviation Museum
Empire State Pass
Harbes Barnyard Adventure
Long Island Children's Museum
Long Island Maritime Museum
LT Michael P. Murphy Navy Seal Museum
Montauk Point Lighthouse Museum
Parrish Art Museum
South Fork Natural History
Museum and Nature Center
Vanderbilt Mansion, Museum
and Planetarium

9/11
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REGISTRATION BEGINS SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7. All event/ticket fees are collected at the Circulation Desk. There are no refunds. When registering for classes or events, verify that your contact information is up to date. Class size varies by class/event. Patrons who arrive 15-minutes or later may have their space given to another patron if there is a waitlist or may not be allowed to join late. If you cannot attend, please notify us so that someone else can participate.

Classes & Events For ADULTS

18 years and up

Fall Welcome Sign

Adults 18 years and up
Tuesday, September 10, 6:30-7:30 PM
Spruce up your front door with this Fall festive wreath. **Please register.**



Sleep Sound, Sound Bath

Adults 18 years and up
Mondays, September 16, October 21, 8:00-9:00 PM
Vibrations from quartz and Tibetan singing bowls are said to promote relaxation and offer powerful healing properties. Instructor Christine Santanastaso will begin with a short overview and verbal meditation. **Please register.**

Book Club

Adults 18 years and up • 10:00-11:00 AM
Tuesday, September 10 – *In an Instant* by Suzanne Redfearn
Tuesday, October 8 – *Rebecca* by Daphne Du Maurier
Copies of each title will be available at the Circulation Desk. **Please register.**



Book Club Turned Movie Night: Rebecca (1940)

Adults 18 years and up
Monday, October 7, 6:30-9:00 PM
Join us at our featured presentation based on Daphne Du Maurier's 1938 book and directed by Alfred Hitchcock. **Please register.**

Tuesday Matinee

Adults 18 years and up
Tuesdays, September-October, 2:00-4:00 PM
Please note, titles may vary based on availability. **No registration required.**
9/10 – *Challengers* (2024)
9/17 – *The Ministry of Ungentlemanly Warfare* (2024)
9/24 – *Perfect Days* (2023)
10/1 – *If* (2024)
10/8 – *Origin* (2023)
10/15 – *Godzilla x Kong - The New Empire* (2024)
10/22 – *The Bikeriders* (2023)
10/29 – *Ghostbusters: Frozen Empire* (2024)



Bingo

Adults 18 years and up
Thursdays, September 12, October 10, 2:00-3:00 PM
Join in on the fun and win prizes! **Please register.**

Clases de ENL

Adultos de 18 en adelante
23 de septiembre – 28 de octubre, 6:00-7:00 PM
Únase con nosotros en semanalmente para una clase de inglés dado por la instructora Marie Knapp. Las clases se centrarán en la práctica de hablar, leer y escribir. Todos los niveles de habilidad son bienvenidos. **Por favor regístrese.**

Art with Friends

Adults 18 years and up

Friday Afternoon Creatives

Fridays, September-October, 2:00-4:00 PM
Bring a creative project to work on in the company of other creative people. No formal instruction is provided, but advice is shared. **No registration required.**

Illustration Alliance

Thursdays, September 12, October 10, 6:30-7:30 PM
Join resident artist Tom for an ongoing series of drawing lessons focusing on the basics of illustration. Beginners are welcome. **Please register.**

Saturdays with Artist Linda-Lee

10:00 AM-12:00 PM
September 14 – Harvest Water Color Painting
October 26 – Fall Foliage Painting
Create unique art projects with the direction of artist Linda-Lee. **Please register.**



Nautical Flag Drawing and Painting

Wednesday, September 25, 6:30-7:30 PM
Boaters all around the world use nautical flags to display messages. Join us to learn these codes and to create a piece of art for your boat or your home. **Please register.**



Liverpool Rummy

Adults 18 years and up
Thursdays, September 19, October 17, 2:00-3:00 PM
Join us for this delightfully fun card game and refreshments. **Please register.**

Saturday Social

Adults 18 years and up
Saturdays, September 21 & October 5, 10:00-11:00 AM
Join us for coffee, muffins, games and fun at our new meeting spot, Brookhaven Free Library! **Please register.**

Empire Safety Council Defensive Driving Course

Adults 16 and up
Saturday, October 12, 9:30 AM-3:30 PM
Cost: \$35
Recognized by all NYS insurance companies, this class can help reduce auto collision and liability insurance rates by 10%. If you have incurred violations in the past 18 months prior to completing the course, up to four points will be reduced on your driving record. There is no exam and fee will be collected at the start of class. **Please register.**



Empire Safety Council

Sustainable Thinking

Garden Club

All welcome
Wednesdays, September 11-October 30, 3:30-4:30 PM
Let's get ready for a new season! **Please register.**

Seine Netting with FoBB

Adults 18 and up
Saturday, September 14, 10:00 AM-2:00 PM
Mother's Beach - Beach Road, Bellport
Join our Friends of Bellport Bay to Seine various organisms and learn about how necessary these creatures are to clean and protect our waters. **Please register.**



Don't trash it, Patch it!

All welcome
Wednesday, October 16, 6:30-7:30 PM
Bring an item that needs mending (tears, holes, worn hems) and learn to make decorative repairs with visible mending. **Please register.**

FIREPLACE LITERARY CLUB

Wednesday, September 18, 12:30 PM

Long Island Maritime Museum – 88 West Avenue, West Sayville
Admission is \$8.00 per person.
Please feel free to bring lunch.

Wednesday, October 16, 1:30 PM

Post-Morrow Foundation – 16 Bay Road, Brookhaven
Guest Speaker – Rolf Beuttenmuller, ScrollSaw Woodworking & Crafts will discuss the beauty of wood and its use to create decorative and unique things. He might even bring some to sell!

New members are always welcome – call 631-286-1136 for information.

Children's Programs

Registration Begins Saturday, September 7. All event/ticket fees are collected at the Circulation Desk. There are no refunds. When registering for classes or events, verify that your contact information is up to date. Class size varies by class/event. Patrons who arrive 15-minutes or later may have their space given to another patron if there is a waitlist or may not be allowed to join late. If you cannot attend, please notify us so that someone else can participate.

Early Education Classes & Events for Birth – Pre-K

Construction Toddlers

Birth-Age 3 with a caregiver
Monday, September 16-October 28, 10:00-11:00 AM
Block play requires fine and gross motor skills and enhances children's problem-solving abilities and mathematical skills.
Please register.

Berkner, Books & Songs

Birth-Age 3 with a caregiver
Tuesdays, September 17, 24, 10:00-11:00 AM
Let's dance, sing, and have fun jamming to acclaimed children's musical artist and songwriter, Laurie Berkner! **Please register.**

Together Time Stories, Rhymes & Songs

Birth-Age 3 with a caregiver
Wednesdays, September-October, 10:00-10:30 AM
Join us to share in special time with your little ones while promoting essential pre-literacy skills. Meghan VK will make special appearances on **September 18** and **October 16** to treat us to musical fun! **Please register.**



Messy Play Days

Birth-Pre-K with a caregiver
Thursdays, September 12-October 24, 10:00-11:00 AM
Messy play lets children explore with their senses to develop motor skills, imagination and creativity. Let's get messy!
Please register.

Community Storytime - New Day

Birth-Pre-K with a caregiver
Fridays, September 13-October 25, 10:00-11:00 AM
Let's explore and enjoy our beautiful community together. Meet at various locations to partake in a lively storytime. Locations will be emailed to you within 24 hours of the class.
Please register.



Not-So-Spooky Stories & Crafts

Birth-Pre-K with a caregiver
Tuesdays, October 1-29, 10:00-11:00 AM
Ghostly goblins, silly monsters and library bats don't scare us!
Please register.

Classes & Events for School Age Children

Smokey Bears Reading Challenge

All School age Children
September 9-October 18
Celebrate Smokey's 80th birthday by learning about wildfire prevention and the environment through books and challenges. **Please register.**



Little Farmers Art Showcase

Families with Children of all ages
Saturday, September 14, 1:00-3:00 PM
Walk through and enjoy beautiful artwork created by Little Farmers Preschool – Cornell Cooperative Extension of Suffolk. Refreshments will be served. **Please register.**

Back to School Necessities

All School age Children
Saturday, September 7, 10:00 AM-4:00 PM, anytime
Miss Daniela will have the Cricut on hand to help you decorate all your back to school necessities. Bring your own, or use what we have. **Please register.**

Fall Craft Club

Pre-K-Grade 2
Mondays, September 9-October 21, 4:30-5:30 PM
Nature walks around the library, books, friends and crafts galore!
Please register.

Happy Birthday Roald Dahl!

Grades 1-4
Wednesday, September 18, 4:30-5:30 PM
Celebrate the splendiferous works of Roald Dahl with storytelling, poetry and a birthday Snozzcumber cake.
Please register.



Chocolate Milkshake Day

All School age Children
Saturday, September 21, 12:00-1:00 PM
If you like chocolate milkshakes, today is your lucky day! **Please register.**



We all Toot!

Grades 1-3
Wednesdays, October 2 & 9, 6:00-7:00 PM
We will tackle this controversial and sometimes embarrassing topic in a fun and tactful way. **Please register.**

Halloween Stories and Crafts

Grades 2-5
Tuesdays, October 8 & 22, 4:30-5:30 PM
Join us for some ghoulish stories and crafts with friends.
Please register.



Haunted House Escape Room

Grades 3-4
Tuesday, October 29, 5:00-6:00 PM
Work together to solve puzzles or live in the library forever!
Please register.

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For Families:

Homeschool Co-Op

Homeschool Families with children ages 5 and up
Fridays, September 13-October 25, 10:00 AM-12:00 PM
If you homeschool your children, this group is for you! Take part in unique learning activities and support each other through your schooling journey. **Please register.**



It's Halloween!

Families with Children of all ages
Thursday, October 31, 10:00 AM-7:30 PM
We want to see you in your costumes. We will have crafts and treats galore!
No registration required.

Classes & Events For TEENS & TWEENS

Pre-Licensing Class

Age 16 and up • Cost: \$40

Saturday, September 28, 10:00 AM-3:00 PM

This course is designed for new drivers ages 16 and up who are applying for their first drivers license in New York. The course allows you to complete your DMV pre-licensing requirement. You must complete this course before you sign up for your road test at the DMV. It is a mandatory course for New York State Permit Holders ages 16 and up. You will not be able to schedule or take your road test if you have not completed the 5-hour pre-licensing course and received an MV-278 completion certificate. There is no formal exam and fee will be collected at the start of class.

Please register.



Slime Workshop

Grades 5 and up

Tuesday, October 1, 6:30-7:30 PM

It's slippery, sticky, and gooey! Let's have fun! **Please register.**



Haunted House Escape Room

Grades 5 and up

Tuesday, October 29, 6:30-7:30 PM

Work together to solve puzzles or live in the library forever! **Please register.**

GAMERS CORNER

Grades 4 and up

MINECRAFT Meetup

Thursdays, September 19, October 17, 6:30-7:30 PM

Feel free to bring your own device or use ours. **Please register.**

Acron: Attack of the Squirrel, Virtual Reality

Grades 4 and up

Thursdays, September 26, October 24, 6:30-7:30 PM

Try out our META Oculus to experience this hilarious game. **Please register.**



Super Smash Bros Casual Battle!

Grades 4 and up

Thursday, October 3, 6:30-7:30 PM

Super Smash Bros. warriors, battle to victory in this epic Nintendo Switch favorite! **Please register.**



Community Service For Teens

Grades 6 and up

Call or email bfl events@brookhavenfreelibrary.org for information

Kit Creators

Help us assemble craft kits for all ages

Garden Club

See page 2 for details

Helping Hands at HOG Farm

Dates TBD

HOG -- 319 Beaver Dam Road, Brookhaven

Make a positive impact on your community by lending a hand at the HOG Farm. **Please register.**



Help for the School Year is Here!

A Library card is needed for most online resources. Can't find yours?

Don't have one? Just email bfl@brookhavenfreelibrary.org and we can help!

ABC Mouse

Get free at-home access to the #1 online learning program for children ages 2-8+ with your BFL card! With more than 10,000+ learning activities and more than 850 lessons, the award-winning ABCmouse.com is the most comprehensive early learning site on earth.



Brainfuse

Students can receive help or practice skills with a live tutor between the hours of 2:00-11:00 PM. Count on Brainfuse for that. They also offer specialized assistance and resources for college students, adult learners, job seekers, veterans and language learners. See how Brainfuse can enhance your life by clicking the icon on our website.



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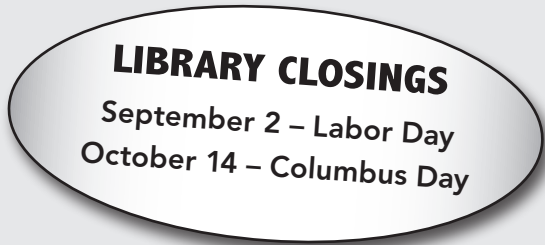
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Upcoming Board Meetings:

Tuesday, September 17, 7:00 PM

Tuesday, October 15, 7:00 PM

MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION:

Patrons please note that during Library events and visits, staff may take photographs for Library publicity. Please inform us if you do not want photos taken of you or your child.