NEA Big Read - Lab Girl by Hope Jahren

October 4 - November 7, 2020

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* Program requires registration

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NEA Big Read is designed to broaden our understanding of our world, our communities, and ourselves through the joy of sharing a good book.
Saturday, October 10
One of Atkins' cyanotypes. Register.

Sunday, October 11
A Celebration of Trees 250 pm, PFLD-Audience
Wood type for us, as how do they function, and can what go wrong? A presentation by Joyce Delius Tomesellati of CDDC, Register.

Monday, October 12
Nature Walk
4-5 pm (same walk), EnvironmentalCenter at Vassar Barns
Join myself and Wild environmental Educator Lauren Bell to learn about various trees, and how to look for them.

Wednesday, October 14
Botanical Drawing
5-7 pm, Millbrook Library/Virtual
Learn to create pen and ink drawings of various plants. No experience necessary. Register.

Thursday, October 15
A virtual program of the Harvard's Glass Flowers. Register.

Friday, October 16
Big Read Book Discussion 3 pm, PFLD-Audience
A virtual discussion of At Home and At War (1943) by Dr. James Cotter, retired Professor of History and coordinator of New Paltz's Zero Waste Action. Register.

Saturday, October 20
Vegette Recipe #2 3:30-4:30 pm, PFLD-Audience

Sunday, October 21
Little Read: The Magic Tree 7-8 pm, LaGrange Library
Stories, activities, and craft for grades K-2. Register.

Monday, October 26

Tuesday, November 2
Big Read Book Discussion 7 pm, PFLD-Audience
Join a lively discussion of Lab Girl. Register.

Wednesday, November 3
Changing Landscape of Plants: At Home and At War 7-8 pm, PFLD-Audience
Learn to use the iNaturalist app. Join scientists to use the app to submit observations. Check onlin. Register.

Thursday, November 12
In a World of Change 7 pm, LaGrange Library
A virtual presentation, organized by the staff of the New Paltz Library. Register.

Friday, November 13
Big Read Book Discussion 7 pm, PFLD-Audience
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Saturday, November 21
Gorillas in the Mist 7-8 pm, PFLD-Audience
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Sunday, November 22
Memoir-Writing Workshop 9:30-11:30 am, PFLD-Adriance
Register.

Monday, November 23
Second Life of Trees 2:30-4 pm, PFLD-Audience
Learn about the plants, animals, and other life they need to clean their homes? A light-hearted look at the environment. Register.

Tuesday, November 24
Plant Invaders: Call to Action 3:30 pm, PFLD-Audience
Do you know about the invasive species that are killing plants in the Hudson Valley, how to identify them, why they are problematic, and what we can do with them? Register.

Wednesday, November 25
Composting 101 6:30-8 pm, Millbrook Library
Learn how to set up your own backyard composting system. Guest presenter is Ryan Lusskin, Ulster County Compost coordinator and organizer of New Paltz Zero Waste Action Plan Register.

Thursday, November 26
NEA Big Read Film Festival 7 pm, Hyde Park Library
Contagion (2011)

Saturday, November 7
Nature's Best Hopel 2:30 pm-4:30 pm, PFLD-Audience
Wrap up this year's Big Read with a poster presentation by author and researcher Doug Tallamy. Register.

Sunday, November 8
Big Read Book Discussion 7 pm, PFLD-Audience
Register.

Monday, November 9
Big Read Book Discussion 7 pm, PFLD-Audience
Join a lively discussion of Lab Girl. Register.

Tuesday, November 10
Veggie Teen Recipes #2 3:15 pm, Location TBD

Wednesday, November 11
Hiking 101 9 am, Boardwalk Park
A presentation for people with little or no previous experience hiking. Presented by Ashland Wind, Register.

Thursday, November 12
Big Read Book Discussion 7 pm, Hyde Park Library
Join a lively discussion of Lab Girl. Register.

Friday, November 13
Restoring Local Landscapes: Plants, Present and Future 3:30 pm, PFLD-Audience
Dr. Margaret Robinson of the USPS will present on the role of plants in the context of climate change
and the hidden benefits of biodiversity. Register.

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