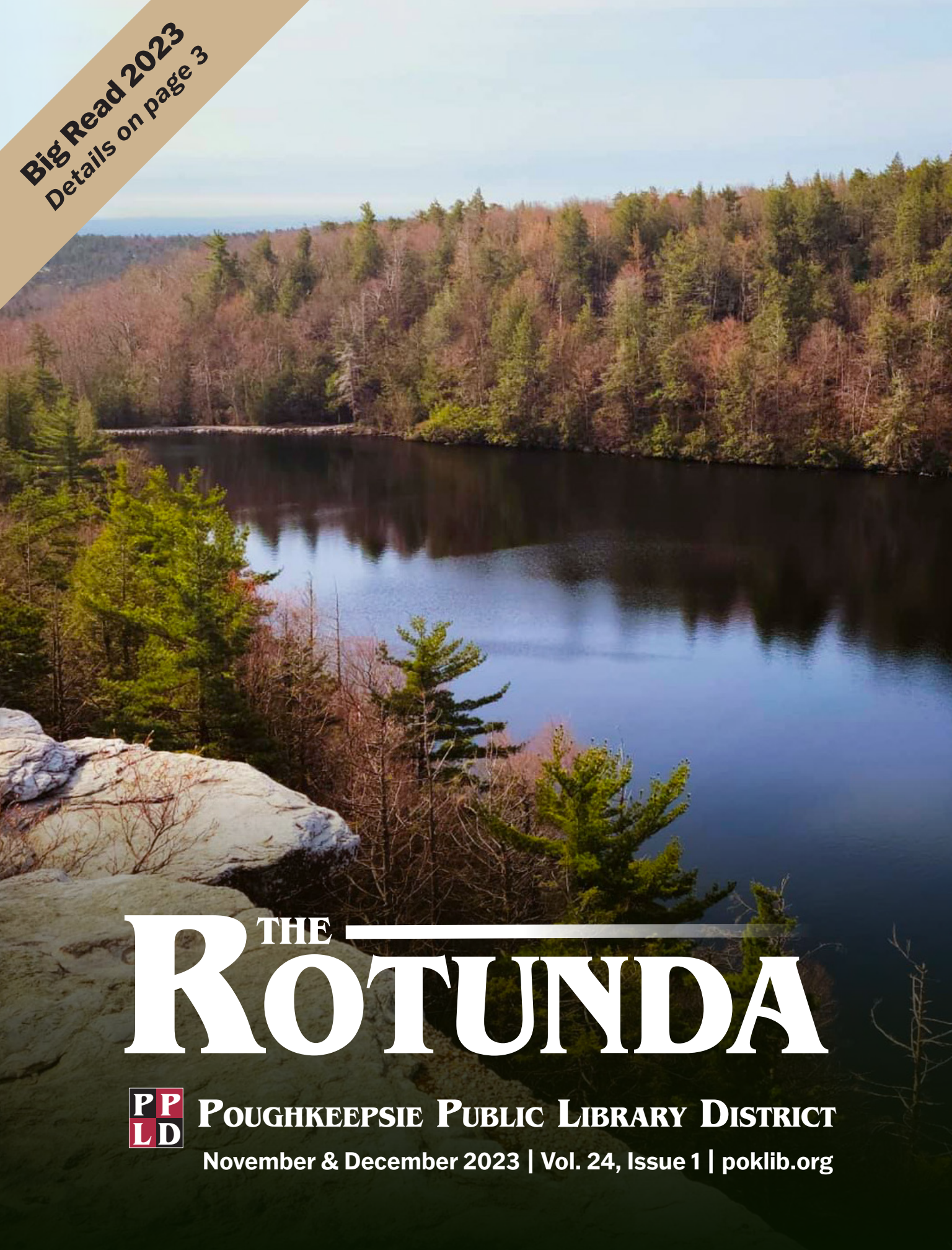


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**POUGHKEEPSIE PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT**

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## ► Registration Opens October 23!

Registration starts at 10 am. Most programs require registration.

Please register at [poklib.org](http://poklib.org) ► Events ► Calendar or (845) 485-3445, x3707 for adult, x3320 for youth, x3321 para español. When registered for a virtual program, you will receive an event link via email. Some programs are recorded and available to view at [youtube.com/poklib01](http://youtube.com/poklib01).

🎥 Program is recorded    🚫 Program is not recorded    🐾 Rover stop

## Upcoming Closures

**Veterans Day**, Saturday, November 11

**Thanksgiving**, Wednesday, November 22 (closing early at 5 pm);  
Closed Thursday, November 23 & Friday, November 24

**Christmas**, Sunday, December 24 & Monday, December 25

**New Year's Eve & Day**, Sunday, December 31 & Monday, January 1

## Cancellation Notifications

There are times when the Library District needs to close, cancel, or postpone a program due to weather or presenter/room conflicts. The Library District will post building closures at [cancellations.com](http://cancellations.com), where patrons can register for immediate email notifications. Program cancellations and postponements will be posted on EventKeeper at [poklib.org/Events](http://poklib.org/Events). Patrons who are registered for affected programs will be notified of changes by email.



Detail of a wintry view of the Hudson and the Walkway by Supervising Library Clerk Tammy Myers.

## Photography Policy

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*On the Cover: A view from Minnewaska State Park by Librarian Krista Miller.*

## About

**Adriance Memorial Library (ADR)**

93 Market Street

Poughkeepsie, NY 12601

Mon–Thu: 9 am – 8:30 pm

Fri & Sat: 9 am – 5 pm Sun: 2–5 pm

Free parking and easy access off Noxon Street

GPS locator: 22 Noxon Street

**Boardman Road Branch Library (BRD)**

141 Boardman Road

Poughkeepsie, NY 12603

Mon–Thu: 9 am – 8:30 pm

Fri & Sat: 9 am – 5 pm Sun: Closed

**Sadie Peterson Delaney African Roots**

**Branch Library (SPD)**, Family Partnership Center

29 N. Hamilton Street, Room 224

Poughkeepsie, NY 12601

We are open during FPC construction!

Mon–Fri: 1–5 pm

Sat: 10 am – 2 pm Sun: Closed

Hours may be liable to change; we suggest checking our website before a visit if you're not sure.

**Friends' Book Store** x3423

141 Boardman Road, at rear of Library

Tue, Thu, Sat: 10 am – 4 pm

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## Vision

The Poughkeepsie Public Library District will have vibrant libraries where people want to be. It will meet the needs of a diverse and growing constituency by providing services and partnering with other community organizations. The Board of Trustees and the staff will work together to serve the public and to respond to the changing nature of library services.

# 2023 Big Read

Registration is required per program.

## Hudson River Commercial Fishing Traditions and the Waterfront

Saturday, November 4, 3 pm, ADR

Join John Mylod for a talk on the history of the Hudson River fishing industry and the history of the Poughkeepsie Waterfront. Mylod has a storied affiliation with the river, having served in leadership capacities in several Hudson-River-based organizations over five decades, and is the author of the 1969 book *Biography of a River*.

## Fish ID Game Kids and families!

Monday, November 6, 5 pm, ADR

Elementary-aged kids and their families are invited to join experts from Cornell Cooperative Extension Dutchess County for a fun game that teaches you how to identify various fish living in the Hudson!



## A Brief History of Rowing on the Hudson

Thursday, November 9, 7 pm, BRD

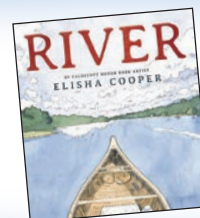
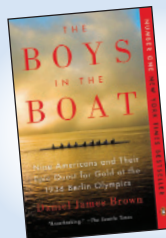


Bill Davies explores the fascinating history of rowing on the Hudson River around Poughkeepsie and Newburgh in the 19th and 20th centuries. Since then, rowing has expanded to many local academic institutions. Bill is a past president of the Mid Hudson Rowing Association and a rowing coach.

## Colors of the Hudson

Saturday, November 11, 10 am, Underwear Factory

Celebrate this year's Big Read title *The Boys in the Boat* with a fun art project. We will create shirts or tote bags with the blades of Hudson Valley crew teams and the blade of your favorite crew!



Explore our 2023 Big Read titles at [poklib.org/big-read](http://poklib.org/big-read)



## Ice Yachts

Sunday, November 12, 1 pm, BRD

Explore the beginnings of iceboating on the Hudson, where the sport developed in the early 1800s, to today. View vintage

slides, photos, and videos. Presenter Brian Reid has been iceboating on the Hudson River since 1990. Following the presentation, participants will be invited to tour the Sports Museum of Dutchess County, where they will be able to enjoy a reception and view an original 1920s iceboat.

## Roosevelt and the River

Tuesday, November 14, 7 pm, Virtual

President Roosevelt loved the Hudson River. Jeff Urbin of the FDR Presidential Library & Museum explores some of the experiences FDR had on and along the Hudson.



## Other People in the Boat: Indigenous Removal in the North

Sunday, November 19, 2:30 pm, BRD

Dr. Christian Crouch considers the relationship between the Muhheacannituck River (the Hudson River) and the original residents of the lands surrounding it. This lecture introduces the significance of the waterway to Indigenous communities and discusses the active removal of these original stewards of the land and waterways in the 19th century by the State of New York.



Learn about this summer's professional development program for Big Read educators on page 7!





# Public Relations Survey

**Q1. Which social media app do you use? Please check all that apply.**

- ☐ Facebook   ☐ Instagram   ☐ LinkedIn   ☐ TikTok   ☐ YouTube  
☐ Threads   ☐ X / Twitter   ☐ What's App

**Q2. Have you seen the Library District's bimonthly magazine, *The Rotunda*?**

- ☐ Yes   ☐ No   ☐ I didn't know the Library District had a magazine

**Q3. How did you receive your copy of the *The Rotunda*? Please check all that apply.**

- ☐ In the mail   ☐ At the library   ☐ Digitally on the website   ☐ At a community event

**Q4. How likely are you to browse through the *The Rotunda* magazine?**

- ☐ Read through it   ☐ Just a glance   ☐ Receive it, but don't read it   ☐ Don't receive it

**Q5. Do you receive the Library District's emails about upcoming programs?**

- ☐ Yes   ☐ No   ☐ I didn't know the Library District sends emails

**Q6. How often do you use the Library District's website, [poklib.org](http://poklib.org)?**

- ☐ Frequently   ☐ Sometimes   ☐ Never

**Q7. If you use the Library District's website, how easy is it for you to use and find what you are looking for?**

- ☐ Very easy   ☐ Somewhat easy   ☐ Not easy

**Q8. How do you prefer to receive news about the Library's upcoming events and programs? Check all that apply.**

- ☐ *The Rotunda*   ☐ Library Website   ☐ Email   ☐ Social media  
☐ Events calendar   ☐ Newspaper   ☐ Radio   ☐ Printed flyers

**Q9. In your household, who uses the Library's services and / or programs? Please check all that apply.**

- ☐ Adults   ☐ College students   ☐ Children   ☐ Teens   ☐ Preschool

**Q10. Yes, I'd like to receive the Library's E-News!**

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP code: \_\_\_\_\_

**Q11. Other ways you would like to hear about what the Library District has to offer:**



**Want to sign up for email updates from PPLD?**

Visit [poklib.org/join-our-mailing-list](http://poklib.org/join-our-mailing-list) to set up notifications.



**Para español, visita [poklib.org/survey](http://poklib.org/survey)**

**Thank you for taking the time to respond to our survey!**

You can fill it out online at [poklib.org/survey](http://poklib.org/survey) or follow the QR code on your mobile device. If you'd like to fill out this paper version, tear off the page and submit the completed survey to the checkout desk at any PPLD location, or mail it to:

Adriance Memorial Library  
ATTN: Administration  
93 Market Street  
Poughkeepsie, NY 12601



# Library Life

## Staff Spotlight: Travis Bland

### How would you describe your position?

First and foremost, as a Security Guard, it's my responsibility to provide a safe and secure environment to all staff and patrons. Working with people has always been challenging because the responsibility of security is truly more than what the eye can see. Although my position is safety and security, it also entails empathic listening, compassion, humility, patience, and vigilance.

### What do you like the most about your job?

The thing I like most about my job is helping people reach their goals by directing and redirecting them when they visit the library. The other factor is being entrusted to carry out my duties.

### Can you share a personal fun fact?

I enjoy playing chess, listening to music, traveling, dancing, and at times trying to carry a tune. I love action movies, and I love stories.



## Operation Warm Coat Giveaway

Saturday, November 18, 10 am - 2 pm, ADR

PPLD has teamed up with Operation Warm to provide free winter coats for children and teens. One coat per person; while supplies last; each child / teen must be present to get a coat. **No registration required.**



*Para conocer más sobre la entrega de abrigos gratuitos para niños y adolescentes en español, consulte la página 21.*

## Check out Poughkeepsie's Little Libraries!



Here's your chance! While you're taking a walk with your family, heading to the playground, or going past a school, you can stop and pick up a free book.

Thanks to the Poughkeepsie Branch of the American

Association of University Women (AAUW, Inc.), Library District staff, and the Friends of the Poughkeepsie Public Library District, there are now brightly colored Little Libraries scattered around our area. Currently there are 11 located near schools, churches, pre-schools, and community centers. All residents are welcome to read a book, take a favorite home to keep, or return books for others to share. The boxes, which resemble large bird houses, were built by community members, Boy Scouts completing Eagle Scout projects, and Girl Scouts.

The Friends generously donate books to keep the boxes stocked. AAUW members visit them regularly to straighten up, bring new books, and make sure the libraries are in good shape. The project has been ongoing for several years. We hope to see you soon at one of our Little Libraries!



## Election Information

Early voting is open from **October 28 - November 5**. The Boardman Road Branch Library is an early voting site. No PPLD location will be a polling site on November 7.

Please visit [elections.dutchessny.gov](https://elections.dutchessny.gov) for more details.



## New Registration Policy Effective September 1:

Due to the number of no-shows at our events, which prevent people from participating, you must respond to the email that you will receive one week before the program in question to confirm your intent to attend. **Your registration is not complete or valid without this verification.** If your plans change after that verification, please deregister.



# Books, Writing, & More

## For Writers

### Exercise Your Writing

*Sundays, November 5, December 3, 2 pm, ADR*

Exercise your writing in this workshop where you receive prompts, write, and then share with the group. Facilitated by Billy Herman. **No registration required.**

### Writing Workshop: Personal Memoir in Poetry

*Thursday, November 9, 6 pm, ADR*

Join Stephanie JT Russell, Dutchess County Poet Laureate, for an evening of reflection and writing. We'll look at great examples of poetry memoir, and discuss themes that participants wish to explore. Afterwards, we'll write one or two "Briefly Remembered" memoir poems. Participants will have an opportunity to submit their work for publishing on the instructor's website. **Registration required.**

### An Evening of Poetry

*Thursdays, 7 pm, ADR*

Featured poet followed by an open mic. **No registration required.**

*November 16: T.C. Gardstein*

*December 21: Janet Stewart*

### Write, Write, and Rewrite

*Saturdays, November 18, December 16,  
10 am - 12 pm, Frances Lehman Loeb Art Center,  
Vassar College*

Bring copies of your work(s) in progress and receive feedback from your peers. All genres welcome. **No registration required.**

### Crash Course for the Beginning Novelist

*Tuesday, December 12, 7 pm, ADR*

We'll go over tools and techniques, the basic blueprint all stories follow, and offer encouragement to help you get started or restarted. Learn skills applicable to all genres of narrative prose. Teens and adults welcome. **Registration required.**

## Meet the Authors



### Tony Musso: *Madams, Mobsters & Murders in the Hudson Valley*

*Monday, November 27, 7 pm, BRD*

The Hudson Valley is known for its quaint rural communities and opulent weekend escapes for the wealthy, but the area's heritage also includes more harrowing tales. *Madams, Mobsters and Murders* is a true reflection of the darker side of life in a region otherwise known for its beauty, peacefulness and quiet way of life. Books will be available for sale and signing. **Registration required.**



### Jodé Millman

*Saturday, November 18, 2:30 pm, BRD*

The idyllic Hudson Valley has a dark underbelly – the perfect setting for murder, mayhem, and crime in fiction and reality. In this presentation, Jodé will discuss the latest mystery in her series, *The Empty Kayak*, and the true crime that served as its inspiration. Books will be available for purchase and signing. **Registration required.**



### Marina Antropow Cramer

*Thursday, December 7, 7 pm, BRD*

Marina will read from her new novel, *Marfa's River*. Marfa is a Ukrainian refugee living alone in post-World War II Europe. *Marfa's River* explores her psychological impact and trauma, while she learns to navigate the bonds of friendship and entertains the possibility of love. Books will be available for purchase and signing. **Registration required.**

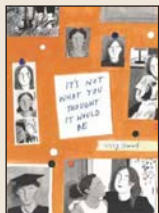




## Graphic Novel Book Club

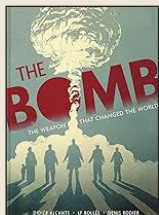
Select Thursdays, 7 pm, Virtual 📺

Teens and adults welcome! **Registration required.**



**November 9: *It's Not What You Thought It Would Be* by Lizzy Stewart**

In a series of interconnected vignettes, *It's Not What You Thought It Would Be* explores the circuitous paths lives can take and the changes in perspective gained along the way.



**December 7: *The Bomb: The Weapon That Changed the World* by Didier Alcante**

Sifting through the history, from Katanga to Japan, through Germany, Norway, the USSR, and New Mexico, *The Bomb* is a succession of incredible but true stories.



## Books & Brews Book Club

Select Wednesdays, 7 pm, Juan Murphy's Pub  
(796 Main Street)

Contact Kira Thompson at x3350 or kthompson@poklib.org for details. **No registration required.**



**November 15: *The Dutch House* by Ann Patchett**

A richly moving story that explores the indelible bond between two siblings, the house of their childhood, and a past that will not let them go. *This is the last meeting of the year; there is no December meeting.*

## Professional Development Day for Big Read Educators

You may know The Big Read as a chance to meet authors and make new friends while enjoying a good book, but less apparent may be The Big Read's longstanding tradition of providing innovative teacher trainings for educators who plan to teach the book across the Hudson Valley.

This year's event, "Finding the Story in History," saw nearly 40 educators from 10 school districts join The Art Effect for a day of immersive workshops, captivating keynotes, and challenging questions, such as: *How can teachers center human stories in the study of history? How can educators use historical nonfiction to engage present-day students? How do we bring historical texts into our classrooms in relevant and meaningful ways?*



First, Bill Jeffway of the Dutchess County Historical Society informed the cultural context for teaching *The Boys In The Boat*, elucidating key ways in which "historical truth" is constructed and in some cases manipulated to erase certain populations. Next, Jeff Urbin of the Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library & Museum provided illuminating resources for teaching *The Boys in the Boat's* narrative through understanding the monstrosities of the Holocaust. Marist professors Elizabeth Clarke and Ann Sandri then regaled the audience with tales of Poughkeepsie's past by examining artifacts

from the once world-renowned Poughkeepsie Regatta, which features prominently in the book. Finally, teachers chose between hands-on trainings in generative writing exercises with *The Ekphrastic Writer* by Janée J. Baugher, and multimedia storytelling with The Art Effect, for engaging ways to help students' performance and understanding.

The Big Read is about more than just words on the page. It's an annual opportunity to reinvigorate our teaching practices and reinvest in our collective humanity by helping students draw parallels between the lives they live and those they read about in class. —**Mary Ellen Iatropoulos**, *The Art Effect*

**Visit [poklib.org/big-read](http://poklib.org/big-read) to sign up for updates on next year's Big Read!**



# Arts & Entertainment

## Gallery Exhibits

### MARY WOJTECKI ROTUNDA GALLERY, ADRIANCE

#### Stephen Connelly

November 8 - January 2



### GROUND FLOOR, ADRIANCE



#### Tiny Art Show

October 16 - November 30

Left: by Margaret Mazurkiewicz

#### Staff Holiday Crafts & Recipes

December 2 - January 2

Right: by Charlotte Tramontana



### BOARDMAN GALLERY



#### Emily Giancarlo

September 28 - January 9

**Interested in Exhibiting?** Local artists and artisans, please email [exhibits@poklib.org](mailto:exhibits@poklib.org) with a few samples of your work in any medium.

## Beginner Sewing Workshops

Learn the basics of sewing, including using a sewing machine, straight-seam stitching, and needle-threading. Little to no experience required. All materials will be included. Participants will make a 10" patchwork square (*shown below*) to bring home.

**Registration is required; please register for only one session as all sessions will cover the same material.**

Saturday, November 4, 2 pm, ADR

Thursday, November 30, 5:30 pm, ADR

Monday, December 4, 2 pm, SPD

Thursday, December 14, 2 pm, ADR



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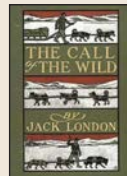
Select Wednesdays, 2 pm, ADR

We'll compare and contrast a book and its movie adaptation. Please come to the program having read the book; we'll watch the movie together, and then discuss.

**Registration required.**

November 8: **The Wizard of Oz (G)** based on **The Wonderful Wizard of Oz** by L. Frank Baum

December 6: **The Call of the Wild (PG)** based on **The Call of the Wild** by Jack London



## Open Mic

Wednesdays, November 8, December 13, 7 pm, ADR

Share your talent – poetry, music, comedy – or just come and watch! Your hosts are Mary Pazienza and Debora Shon. **No registration.**

## Closing Reception: Tiny Art Show

Thursday, November 30, 4:30-5:30 pm, ADR

Meet the artists who participated in this community endeavor. Artists will also be able to take their pieces home this day. **No registration.**



#### Jews Who Rock: A History of Jews in Rock and Roll

Wednesday, December 6,  
3 pm, BRD

Is it possible to observe the Sabbath and still listen to bands like Black Sabbath? Who are the Jews of rock and roll, or the "schul" of rock? Presented by Suzanne Turrisi, a longtime teacher at Temple Beth El. **Registration required.**

## How Disney Conquered the Entertainment Universe

Wednesday, December 13, 7 pm, Virtual 🖥️

Explore this remarkable story of creativity and media growth, and look at how the Walt Disney Company grew from a small cartoon studio in 1923 to the most powerful force in entertainment.

**Registration required.**





# History & Current Events



## Historic Walking Tours with Historian Shannon Butler

Walk through some of Poughkeepsie's historic places. We'll visit with some of the most fascinating characters in local history and discuss the places we explore. These will be outdoor events with lots of walking, so please bring water and dress accordingly with appropriate footwear.

*Registration required per tour.*

### Academy Street Historic District

(20 Carroll Street, Poughkeepsie)

**Saturday, November 4, 11 am**

Meet near the bell tower of Christ Episcopal Church.

### Poughkeepsie Rural Cemetery

(342 South Avenue, Poughkeepsie)

**Wednesday, November 8, 1 pm**

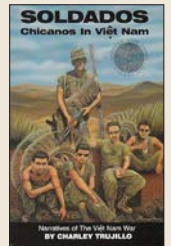
*Photo by Supervising Library Clerk Tammy Myers.*

**For more historical programming,  
please see page 3 (the Big Read) and  
page 12 (Festive Fun).**

## Film Screening and Book Talk: **Soldados: Chicanos in Việt Nam**

**Thursday, November 9, 7 pm, ADR**

Based on the award-winning book with the same title, *Soldados* provides a critical examination of the lingering effects of war. Told primarily from the perspective of four Chicano Vietnam War veterans from a small town in the San Joaquín Valley in California, this film explores intersections of race, immigration, labor, masculinity, and war itself. A critical discussion on some of these issues will follow with a panel of guests. Bilingual program. **No registration required.**



## Great Decisions

**Select Mondays, 6:30 pm,  
BRD**

**No registration required.**



### November 13: Energy Geopolitics

As more countries move toward sustainable energy and supply chain shortages affect the availability of oil and gas, how will this change the way in which the US interacts with the outside world? Presented by Dr. Karen Nichols, Professor at the Oakwood Friends School in Poughkeepsie.

### December 11: Climate Migration

As climate change accelerates and drought and rising sea levels become more common, millions of people in affected regions must uproot themselves and seek safety elsewhere. Presented by Dr. Charlotte Hulme, Assistant Professor of International Affairs and Deputy-Director of the Grand Strategy Program at West Point Military Academy.

## Made in Poughkeepsie: The History of Homegrown Stuff!

**Wednesday, November 29, 6 pm, BRD**

In the 19th and early 20th century, Poughkeepsie produced everything from indestructible pants to steam automobiles. Historian Shannon Butler discusses the various and interesting products that were once made in the Queen City on the Hudson. Back by popular demand, this is a repeat of Shannon's September session. **Registration required.**

# Wellness & Environment



## Free Tai Chi

*Fridays starting November 10, 9:15 am or 10:30 am, BRD*

Free Tai Chi is a public outreach class offered by Complete Reality Tai Chi to promote the health and spiritual benefits of the practice to the community. Please only come to one class, not both. Facilitated by Karen Abramson. Space is limited; first come, first served. **No registration required.**

## Swap It Up!

*Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30 pm, ADR*

Join us for fun swaps this session. **Registration is not required, but please bring something to swap so everyone can participate.** This is a drop-in event, so please join us at any time between the designated start and end times.

*November 15: Puzzles*

*December 20: Board Games*



## Virtual Narcan Training

*Wednesday, November 15*

*and Tuesday, December 12, 6 pm, Virtual* 🖥️

The Dutchess County Department of Behavioral & Community Health online training session explains how/when to administer Narcan. While there is no age minimum for the training, only those 18 years of age and older are eligible to receive a free Narcan kit post-training. Kits will be available from Krista Miller at Adriance Memorial Library. **Registration with birth date required. A link will be emailed prior to the training.**

## Defensive Driving

*Saturday, December 2,  
9:30 am - 3:30 pm, BRD*

Completing the course may provide a 10% discount on your auto insurance as well as the elimination of up to four points from your NYS license. Cost: \$30/person, cash (exact change) or check – no credit cards accepted. Bring your own lunch and pen. Pay the day of the class. The instructor is Staci Cussick. **Registration required; each person must register separately.**



## Know Your Medicare Options

*Saturday, December 2, 10 am, ADR*

Learn with greater clarity what Medicare is, how and when you should sign up, and why it's important to review your options every year. Learn the differences between Supplemental Plans, Medicare Advantage Plans and prescription drug plans. Presented by Debora DeLucia, a local Independent Medicare Consultant. **Registration required.**



## Recognizing Alzheimer's **Series!**

*Thursdays, 11:30 am, BRD*

Offered by the Alzheimer's Association. **Registration required.**

*November 9: Know the 10 Warning Signs*

Learn about the signs of Alzheimer's, benefits of early detection, and Alzheimer's Association resources.

*December 7: Caregiving Through the Holidays: Understanding & Responding to Dementia-Related Behavior*

Learn how to help people with dementia manage stress that can include routine disruption, overstimulation, and confusion.



# Connecting

## Drop In!

### Board Games

*Mondays, 1-4 pm, BRD*

Bring a friend and play games like SCRABBLE®, Mah Jongg, or cards!

### Brain Games

*Fridays, November 3, 10,  
December 1, 8, 10 am, ADR*

An hour of assorted thinking games in a group setting. No judgment; just socialization and fun challenges!

### Chess Club

*Tuesdays, November 14, 28,  
December 12, 3-4:30 pm, BRD*

Play with and learn from others in our community. Bring your own board, or play on one of ours!

### Stitch Your Heart Out

*Fridays starting November 10, 10 am, BRD*

### Pick Up Stitches

*Saturdays starting November 18, 10 am, BRD*

## Brain Games for Seniors

Work that muscle in your noggin with us! Enjoy memory games, trivia, learn something, share something, maybe even a song!

### Town of Poughkeepsie Senior Center (TOP)

*Tuesdays, 10:30 am - 12 pm,  
November 14, December 12*

Located at 14 Abe's Way, Poughkeepsie. Seniors 55+.

### Office For the Aging (OFA)

*Thursdays, November 16, 12:30-2 pm,  
December 21, 11:30 am - 2 pm*

Located at 114 Delafield Street. To reserve a free lunch (served at 11:30 am), please call Cindy at the Office For the Aging at (845) 486-2564 at least 24 hours notice is required (Seniors 60+).

## Ukulele Strumalong

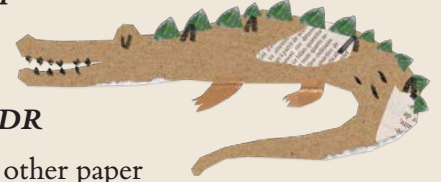
*Tuesdays, November 28, December 26, 6 pm, BRD*

Come and strum songs with other ukulele enthusiasts in a fun and relaxed environment! Music will be projected on a big screen. Players of all abilities are welcome. Please bring your own ukulele. **No registration required.**

## Paper Crafting

*Thursdays, November 30,  
December 14, 6:30-8:30 pm, ADR*

Work on your paper craft with other paper lovers. You can bring your own project and materials and/or use materials the library will provide. **No registration required.**



Scenes from the Golden Gathering September 23 by Veronica Martin-Follette of Extension Services.

## Rover Visits

Rover the Roaming Library Bookmobile will visit these locations so you can sign up for a library card, borrow books, movies, and audiobooks, or learn about any number of services and programs the Library District has to offer. Anyone can visit Rover during these stops. **No registration required.**

### Office For the Aging (OFA)

*Tuesdays, November 21, December 19, 10:30 am - 12 pm,  
114 Delafield Street, Poughkeepsie*

### Town of Poughkeepsie Senior Center (TOP)

*Tuesdays, November 28, December 26, 10:30 am - 12 pm,  
14 Abe's Way, Poughkeepsie*



# Festive Fun

These programs are for adults. *Please see page 21 to learn about seasonal events for children.*

## Make Felt Leaves and Acorns

**Sunday, November 5, 2:30 pm, ADR**

Felting is a fiber art that uses natural materials, such as wool, and special tools to create unique objects both fun and functional. Many who try it consider it therapeutic. In this workshop, participants will make festive felt leaves and acorns. **Registration required.**



## Mexican Cemeteries

**Wednesday, November 1, 6 pm, ADR**

Paul Owen and Danus Sanford share a self-made documentary of their tour of cemeteries and their ways of celebrating the Day of the



Dead in Oaxaca, Chiapas, Jalisco and San Luis Potosi. Join us as we play this video, and enjoy pan de muerto with hot chocolate. This program is bilingual; the film is in Spanish with English subtitles. **Registration required.**

## Day of the Dead Diorama

**Thursday, November 2, 6-7 pm, ADR**

Celebrate the Day of the Dead with us by making a La Catrina doll and diorama. La Catrina has a long history in Mexican culture as a representation of death to be commemorated, and not feared. This is a family crafting program where each family works together to make one Day of the Dead diorama. This program is bilingual. **Registration required.**



## Wreaths: A Circle of Beauty and Meaning

**Thursday, November 16, 6:30 pm, BRD**

The use of wreaths for decoration or seasonal celebration has a long history, but now wreaths are made of every imaginable material and for every reason. People use imagination to celebrate everything from new babies to military homecomings to religious events, and even to feed our feathered friends! Presented by Cornell Cooperative Extension's Master Gardeners. Please note that this is not a crafting program. **Registration required.**



## All-Ages Wreath-Making Workshop

**Thursday, November 30, 4 pm, BRD**

Clear out your craft closet and bring those craft supplies and materials to the library. Together we will make wreaths from leftover craft supplies from the library and the greater community. Let your creativity shine! All ages. **Registration required.**

## The Roosevelts at Christmas

**Tuesday, December 5, 7 pm, Virtual**

Presented by Jeffrey Urbin of the FDR Presidential Library & Museum. Christmas was one of the Roosevelt family's favorite holidays during the dark times of the Great Depression and World War II. Get in the holiday spirit and learn how the Roosevelt family nurtured, shared, and enjoyed the spirit of Christmas. **Registration required.**



## Hanukkah at the Jewish Federation

Please visit [jewishdutchess.org](http://jewishdutchess.org) for more details.

## Celebrate Hanukkah with the Jewish Federation

**Sunday, December 10, 11 am - 12:30 pm, Vassar Temple**

## Hanukkah Care Packages

Know a senior who celebrates Hanukkah and would enjoy receiving a Holiday Care Package? Call or email (845) 471-9811 or [admin@jewishdutchess.org](mailto:admin@jewishdutchess.org)





# Indoor Adventures

## Visit the American Museum of Natural History for Free!



The American Museum of Natural History in New York City (AMNH) is one of the world's preeminent scientific and cultural institutions.

Explore AMNH's many renowned natural history and scientific collections, as well as the new Gilder Center, which features an insectarium and a butterfly vivarium with over 80 different species of butterfly flying about.



PPLD library card holders may reserve this new MAP Pass at [poklib.org](http://poklib.org), and go to the Adriance Library Reference Desk to pick up 1-3 vouchers. AMNH requires that everyone with a voucher make a timed-entry reservation on their website to be admitted. Each voucher includes admission to one of the museum's "add-on" features, like an IMAX film, the Hayden Planetarium Space Show, or a special exhibit. You may reserve two different destination MAP Passes for the same day.



Combine visits by reserving an additional pass, such as the Guggenheim or the Intrepid Sea, Air & Space Museum, to get the most from your visit to New York City.

— Janet Bogenschultz, Assistant to the Director

Visit [poklib.org/map-pass](http://poklib.org/map-pass) or use the QR code to start planning your adventure and learn about the 45+ other venues accessible with a PPLD MAP Pass.



## Tree ID: Conifers

The class of Coniferophyta contains over 600 species, including cedars, junipers, yews, larches, hemlocks, redwoods, and members of the pine family (Pinaceae), which includes true pines, spruces, and firs. Most but not all members of Pinaceae are evergreen and produce cones full of seeds from September to December.



### Pine (*Pinus*)

Though all members of Pinaceae may be accurately called "pines," true pines are members of the genus *Pinus*. They are characterized by having clusters of 2-5 long, soft needles. Species popular in the Hudson Valley include the native white pine (*P. alba*, shown), the Scots pine (*P. sylvestris*), and the Japanese black pine (*P. thunbergii*).



### Spruce (*Picea*)

The needles of spruce trees are distinguishable by their sharp tips and cylindrical form. Their needles, arranged singly (not in clusters), are easy to roll between your fingers. Locally popular spruces include the native white (*P. glauca*), black (*P. mariana*), and red spruces (*P. rubens*); the Norway spruce (*P. abies*); and the Colorado blue spruce (*P. pungens*, shown). They are a favorite hideaway for birds and small mammals, perhaps because of their sharp needles.



### Fir (*Abies*)

Unlike spruce, a single fir needle will not roll in your fingers because they are flat. Fir needles, though also arranged singly, are much softer to the touch. For this reason, they may be a popular wintertime snack for wildlife. The only species native to our region is the balsam fir (*A. balsamea*, shown), but other popular species include the Fraser fir (*A. fraserii*), and the concolor or white fir (*A. concolor*). Despite its name, the massive Douglas fir of the northwest US (*Pseudotsuga menziesii*) is not a member of the fir genus at all.





# Public Computer Center

The Public Computer Center offers drop-in lab time and free classes to address all your technology needs. *All events are at Adriance and are 90 minutes unless otherwise noted. Registration is required for all classes.*

## Personal Assistance *Drop-in; no registration.*

### Computer Lab

*Mondays-Fridays, 11 am - 1 pm*

*Tuesdays, 6-8 pm, ADR; Thursdays, 1-3 pm, BRD*

Receive individualized help addressing your computer-based needs. Specific tasks staff can help with include: learning basic computer skills, creating email accounts, performing job searches, filling out job applications, formatting resumes, filing for unemployment, and creating and editing Microsoft Office documents.

### Teen Tech Helpers

*Saturdays, 9 am - 1 pm*

Students are available to answer tech questions and help you feel more comfortable with your device.



## Testimonials

“This class was EXTREMELY helpful and I learned so much more about the phone I’ve been using for so long!” (*Using a Smartphone*)

“Very well explained for such a complex subject.” (*Excel Functions*)

“The instructor is very engaging and offers insights into the experience of selling online. It was interesting!!” (*Selling Online*)

“This class was very good. The instructor was professional and courteous. So happy to have had the opportunity to take it.” (*Google Drive & Docs*)

“Great introduction and provided exactly what I wanted, I am planning on exploring 3d printing in the future.” (*Intro to 3D Printing Services*)

## Basics

### PC Basics

*Tuesday, November 7, 3:30 pm*



## Technology

*\*Prerequisite: Internet 101 or equiv; other prerequisites noted as applicable.*

### Introduction to Google Drive & Docs

*Monday, November 20, 3 pm*

### Medicare 101 / Navigating the Medicare Website New!

*Monday, November 13, 5:30 pm*

*Wednesday, November 29, 9:30 am*

*Wednesday, December 13, 9:30 am*



## Volunteers Wanted

*Monday, Wednesday, or Friday 11 am - 1 pm, ADR*

Assist patrons with computer issues, transferring photos, scanning documents. This volunteer opportunity is for adults. Contact Tino Muscetta at [tmuscetta@poklib.org](mailto:tmuscetta@poklib.org) or x3380.





## MICROSOFT OFFICE

*All classes are 90 minutes at  
Adriance; prerequisites apply.*

### Excel: Spreadsheets



#### Excel 101

*Monday, November 6, 3 pm*

*Wednesday, November 8, 6:15 pm*

Prerequisite: basic computer skills

#### Excel 102

*Monday, November 13, 3 pm*

*Wednesday, November 15, 6:15 pm*

Prerequisite: Excel 101 or equivalent

#### Excel Tables

*Monday, November 27, 3 pm*

*Wednesday, November 29, 6:15 pm*

Prereq: Excel 101 & Excel 102 or equiv

#### Excel 103

*Monday, December 4, 3 pm*

*Wednesday, December 6, 6:15 pm*

Prereq: Excel 101 & Excel 102 or equiv

#### Excel Functions

*Monday, December 11, 3 pm*

*Wednesday, December 13, 6:15 pm*

Prereq: Excel 101, 102, & 103 or equiv

### Publisher: Layout design



#### DIY with Publisher

*Saturday, November 18, 11 am*

Prerequisite: Word 101 or equiv.

### PowerPoint: Presentations



#### PowerPoint 101

*Saturday, December 9, 11 am*

Prerequisite: basic computer skills

## Betty Cooper Retires

Longtime Technology Instructor Betty Cooper is retiring after ten years of service to PPLD. She began as a volunteer and not long afterward became a part-time instructor for the Public Computer Center. "For those considering volunteering, try it! It's okay if you don't know everything; volunteering is a great way to sharpen your skill set." Betty says it's the people she's most enjoyed and will most miss. "Working alongside such kind, pleasant, and talented good people has made this position so enjoyable."



During her time, she says that assisting the public was truly a rewarding experience since there's always a need for technology assistance. Betty has taught a variety of classes like Smartphone 101, How to Create a Website, and virtual technology classes from home, to name a few. "To hear the feedback and know that you've made an impact and difference is heartwarming." The library is one of the few places where the public can gain free, one-on-one technological assistance.

"Spread the word," she says. "Every public computer class has a survey at the end and that helps us address what needs the public has. We're always looking to see new faces, though we are always happy to see our regulars."

Going forward, Betty will be dedicating her time in retirement to assisting the community through her volunteer efforts with the Ministry of Jehovah's Witnesses. "I feel that should be the focus of my life now because people really need to hear good news." She's very excited and looking forward to the future ahead.

## Borrow a Chromebook!

Chromebooks are a great way to do some work or surf the web on the go. If you're in need of a portable way to access the internet, you may borrow a Chromebook from the Circulation Desk at Adriance Memorial Library. Borrowers must be Poughkeepsie Public Library District resident card holders for at least six months, with no fines, and must be over 18 years old. Please keep in mind that a Chromebook does not have internet access on its own, so you'll have to use it in a place where you can log into Wi-Fi (like the library or a local business with Wi-Fi access).

The Chromebooks are part of the Library District's Library of Things collection, an effort to give patrons a chance to borrow items that might not usually be in a library collection, such as musical instruments or a hiking backpack. Patrons can borrow a Chromebook for three weeks, and will be asked to sign an agreement upon check-out. Patrons who are unfamiliar with using portable devices like this can bring the Chromebook to the Computer Lab from 11 am - 1 pm, weekdays, at the Adriance Memorial Library, where staff can assist one-on-one.

– Crystal Middleton, *Head of Borrower & Technical Services*



# Programas en español



¡Contesta nuestra encuesta!  
Visite [poklib.org/survey](http://poklib.org/survey)

Información e inscripciones con Elva Margarita al (845) 485-3445 x3321 o [ecorbaton@poklib.org](mailto:ecorbaton@poklib.org).

## Asistencia Tecnológica Individual

*Martes y jueves, 2 al 9 de noviembre y del 5 al 21 de diciembre, 9-10:30 am, ADR*

Espacio de apoyo para dudas sobre correo electrónico, llenado de formatos en línea, envío de documentos electrónicos, envío de fax, escaneo de documentos y aplicaciones de trabajo. Acceso gratuito al equipo del Centro de cómputo. *No se requiere cita ni inscripción.*

## Plaza Comunitaria Poughkeepsie

**Alfabetización:** *Martes, 10 am-12 pm y 6-8 pm y jueves, 10 am-12 pm, ADR*

**Primaria:** *Jueves, 6-8 pm, ADR*

**Secundaria:** *Martes, 6-8 pm, ADR*

Ofrecemos clases de alfabetización, primaria y secundaria para personas de 15 años o más. Para inscribirte en las clases de alfabetización, visítanos y pregunta por el período de inscripción. Para las clases de primaria y secundaria, las inscripciones están abiertas. Programa dirigido a hispanohablantes. Clases y material gratuitos. *Inscripción en persona: Presentar acta de nacimiento de su país de origen y una identificación con fotografía.*



## Círculo de tejido y manualidades

*Sábado, 4 y 18 de noviembre,*

*9 y 16 de diciembre, 2-4 pm, ADR*

Grupo informal de adultos que elaboran proyectos personales de tejido, costura, bordado u otra manualidad. Si estas buscando explorar tu creatividad, ven, toma ideas y haz nuevos amigos. *No requiere inscripción.*

## Libros con café: club de lectura virtual en español

*Viernes, 15 de diciembre, 6-8 pm, Virtual*

Libro: *Cuando no quedan mas estrellas que contar*. Escrito por María Martínez. Comparte tus impresiones de la lectura con los miembros del club. Requiere inscripción para obtener prestada una copia del libro y el enlace de Zoom.



## Soldados: Chicanos en Viêt Nam

*Jueves, 9 de noviembre, 7-8 pm, ADR*

Jaime Del Razo y otros panelistas presentan esta película y ofrecen un examen crítico de los efectos persistentes de la guerra por parte de quienes sirvieron en ella, sus familias y sus comunidades. Se abordan cuestiones de raza, inmigración, trabajo, masculinidad y la guerra. Programa bilingüe. *No requiere inscripción.*

## Taller de Naturalización

*Sábado, 4 de noviembre, 11 am - 2 pm, ADR*

Únete a nosotros para comenzar tu viaje hacia la ciudadanía. Citizenshipworks brindará revisión de documentos y apoyo en el trámite de las solicitudes de forma gratuita. Ten en cuenta que se aplican tarifas gubernamentales. Debes ser residente permanente de EE. UU. para participar. ¡Comienza ya! *Requiere inscripción.*

## Semana del Consulado Mexicano sobre Ruedas

*Del 14 al 18 de noviembre, 9 am - 1:30 pm, SPD*

Tramita tu pasaporte, matrícula consular, credencial de elector (INE), impresión de acta de nacimiento y doble ciudadanía (solo con cita) con el Consulado de México en Nueva York, a través de su unidad sobre ruedas. Programa tu cita en: <https://citas.sre.gob.mx/>



*Para conocer más sobre la entrega de abrigos gratuitos para niños y adolescentes, consulte la página 21.*



## Big Read en español

*Viernes, 17 de noviembre, 6-8 pm, Virtual*

Libro: *Remando como un solo hombre (The Boys in the Boat)*, escrito por Daniel James Brown. Discusión de la tercera parte y Cuarta parte. La historia del equipo estadounidense compuesto por ocho remeros y su épica misión de ganar la medalla de oro en 1936 en los Juegos Olímpicos del Berlín de Hitler. Las sesiones de discusión de los miembros del club son virtuales. *Requiere inscripción para obtener prestada una copia del libro y el enlace de Zoom.*



# Día de Muertos



## Paseo por el cementerio

**Miércoles, 1 de noviembre, 1-3 pm, Cementerio Rural de Poughkeepsie**

Paseo por el histórico y hermoso Cementerio Rural de Poughkeepsie. Visitaremos a algunos de los personajes más fascinantes de la historia local, desde empresarios y médicos hasta artistas y músicos. Mientras recorremos la propiedad, hablaremos de la creación del propio cementerio. Este programa es posible gracias a la colaboración entre el Distrito de Bibliotecas Públicas de Poughkeepsie y el Cementerio Rural de Poughkeepsie. Se trata de una actividad al aire libre en la que habrá que caminar mucho, por lo que se recomienda llevar calzado adecuado. Puedes llevar flores y honrar a los fieles difuntos. **Requiere inscripción.**



## Los cementerios mexicanos

**Miércoles, 1 de noviembre, 6-7:30 pm, ADR**

Documental que habla de la tradición del Día de Muertos. Es un recorrido por diferentes cementerios de México. Acompáñanos a ver la primera versión de este trabajo realizado por Paul Owen y Danus Sanford, y, también, disfruta de pan de muerto con chocolate caliente. El video tiene subtítulos en inglés. **Requiere inscripción.**

## Diorama del Día de los Muertos

**Jueves, 2 de noviembre, 6-7 pm, ADR**

Celebra el Día de los Muertos haciendo una catrina en un diorama. La Catrina tiene una larga historia en la cultura mexicana como una representación de la muerte que debe ser conmemorada y no temida. Este es un programa de artesanía familiar donde cada familia trabaja junta para hacer un diorama del Día de los Muertos. Este programa es bilingüe. **Requiere inscripción.**



## Exhibición del Altar de Muertos Tradicional

**Adriance: Del 29 de octubre al 3 de noviembre**

Visita el Altar de Muertos ubicado en el lobby de la planta baja de la Biblioteca Adriance Memorial. Te invitamos a que ubiques los elementos tradicionales que debe tener un altar siguiendo la hoja guía ubicada en el mostrador de circulación.



**Cementerio Rural de Poughkeepsie: Del 30 de octubre al 15 de noviembre en las horas de servicio del cementerio**

Se colocará un Altar de Muertos dentro del mausoleo comunitario. Este proyecto se lleva a cabo con la colaboración de Poughkeepsie Rural Cemetery, PPLD y Revolution Radio.



# La Navidad

## Sabor Latino Navideño

**Sábado, 9 de diciembre, 10 am - 12 pm, ADR**



Charla, preparación y degustación de bebidas navideñas y tradicionales. Si hablas inglés, español o spanglish, ¡eres bienvenido! Solo adultos. **Requiere inscripción.**

## La Posada

**Sábado, 16 de diciembre, 10 am - 12 pm, ADR**



Disfruta de una convivencia navideña con manualidades, juego de lotería, dulces, amigos y mucha diversión.

**Requiere inscripción.**



# Teen

For ages 12-18. *Registration is required unless otherwise noted.* Register at poklib.org or call (845) 485-3445 x3320.

## Shakespeare Globetrotters

*Monday, November 6, 20, 4 pm, ADR*

Learn from DCC professor Dr. Tina Iraca and her Honors Shakespeare students how language impacts translation of transcripts, how iambic pentameter functions in other languages, and the symbolic importance of costuming in storytelling! *Registration required.*



## Anime & Manga Club for Teens

*Wednesday, November 15, December 6, 5 pm, ADR*

Select a popular manga title to read and discuss, then watch an anime episode together. *Register once to attend both programs.*

## Sweet Treats: Cookie Baking & Ugly Sweater Party

*Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, ADR  
December 11, 13, 14, 4-6 pm;  
Saturday, December 16, 2-3 pm*



Baking sessions will culminate in an outrageous Ugly Sweater Holiday Party on Saturday, where we will swap the cookies we baked and dress in our Holiday Worst (prizes awarded for Ugliest and Most Creative Sweaters!). Ingredients and cookingware will be provided.

Please email recipes ahead of your baking session to amessley@poklib.org or khartnett@poklib.org. *Please register for one baking session.*



## Crash Course for the Beginning Novelist

*Tuesday, December 12, 7 pm, ADR*

Learn skills applicable to all genres of narrative prose. *More details on page 6.*



## Video Gaming

*Mondays and Thursdays, 3-5 pm, ADR*

Challenge your friends on our Nintendo Switch!

## Teen Tuesdays

*Select Tuesdays at Adriance; registration required unless indicated.*

### 3D Printing

*November 7, 3:30 pm*

You design it, we'll print it.



### Chess Club

*November 7, 21, December 5, 6-7 pm*

Learn the basics of the game of chess and play against other teens to practice your skills and pick up tricks of the trade from your opponents. Play on our chess sets, or bring your own! No formal instruction will be provided. *No registration required.*

### Teen LEGO Builders

*November 14, 28, 5 pm*

Build LEGO sets, engage in creative and imaginative play, and showcase your unique LEGO creations.

*Register once to attend both programs.*



### Movie Nights

*Tuesdays, 5:30 pm*

Meet other movie enthusiasts and join us for an entertaining evening filled with great movies. *No registration required.*



*November 28: Dune, Part 1*

*December 5: Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*

*December 12: Scrooged*

*December 19: Weird: The Al Yankovic Story*

### Virtual Reality Gaming

*November 28, 3:30 pm*

Explore the Oculus virtual world of fun and games.



# Teen Volunteer Opportunities for Community Service Credit

## Teen Advisory Board

The Teen Advisory Board (TAB) is a group of teenagers who are passionate about reading, learning, and advocating for library services. TAB members work closely with library staff to develop, plan, and implement various activities and programs for the teen community. The purpose of the Teen Advisory Board is to provide a platform for teenagers to have a voice in shaping the library's teen services. If you are interested in joining, please contact Anne Messley at [amessley@poklib.org](mailto:amessley@poklib.org).

## Teen Room Volunteer

*Monday-Thursday, 3-5 pm, ADR*

Teens 13-18 help with book displays, craft activities, and keeping our collection organized. Contact Angela Panzer x3309.

## Be a Homework Helper!

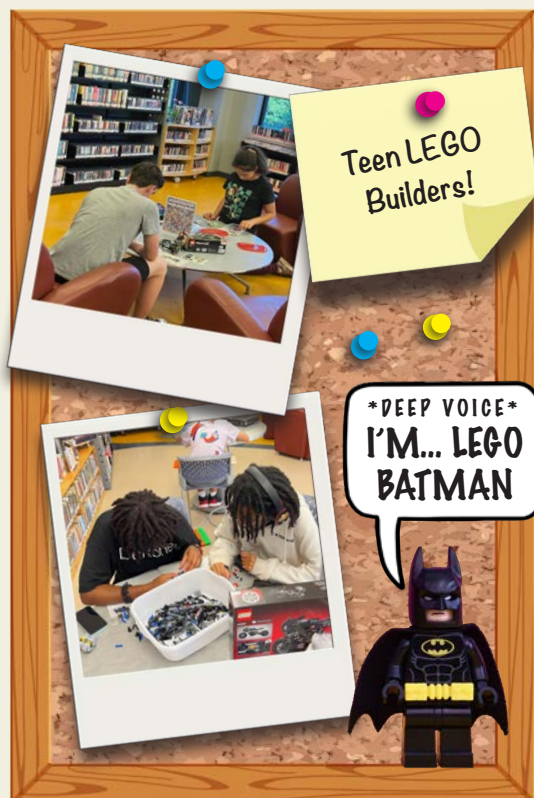
*Thursday, November 9, 4 pm, ADR*

Do you need volunteer hours or enjoy assisting children? Become a homework helper and assist younger kids with homework and reading during the school year! This will be an orientation for teens 14 years and older only. Please contact Liz Asta at [lasta@poklib.org](mailto:lasta@poklib.org). **Registration required.**



Scan the QR code to view details about our several volunteer positions for community service credit and apply. Positions include Teen Room volunteers, homework helpers, and bloggers for Teen Café.

**Required Certificate:** All library volunteers must be certified in NYS Sexual Harassment Prevention Training. Contact Angela Panzer x3309 or x3320 for more information.



## Poughkeepsie Places Third in Battle of the Books Competition!

Poughkeepsie's Battle of the Books team, named "Poughkeepsie Breaks the Universe" placed third in the annual competition on Friday, September 22! This team worked hard all summer long, reading six books in great detail, taking part in six book discussions, and learned how to work together as a competitive team!

"Poughkeepsie Breaks the Universe," named after one of the Battle of the Books titles, placed first in their sub-competition. After advancing to the finals, they competed against Claverack Library, LaGrange Library, and Cold Spring Library. They came in third place in the finals and were awarded a banner to acknowledge their achievement. Congratulations once again to this hard-working team!

– Jolie Hamer-Conroy, *Librarian*



# Early Childhood

The Library District supports early literacy through high-quality programs and resources. We'll help you find the answers you need as you raise the next generation of citizens. For these programs, children must be accompanied by an adult caregiver. *Registration is not required, except where noted. No programs on September 22, 25, October 9.*

## At Adriance

### PLC: Preschool Learning Center Story Time

*Mondays, November 6 - December 11, 10-11:15 am*

*Tuesdays, November 7 - December 12, 10-11:15 am*

Weekly themed stories and music 'n' movement, followed by sensory art activities and developmentally open-ended play in our PLC classroom. For ages 3-5. *Registration required. Please register your child for either a Monday or Tuesday session.*

### Stories in the Story Nook

*Mondays, November 6 - December 11, 4-4:30 pm*

Join us for a storytime in the Story Nook! Recommended for grades PreK-2.

### Toddler Time

*Tuesdays, September 12 - October 17, 10-10:50 am*

A story time for 2-year-olds with books, rhymes, flannel board stories, and music followed by play time.

### Baby Time

*Wednesday, November 8 - December 13, 10-10:50 am*

We'll play, sing, read, listen to music, and move our bodies to help support the development of your baby's pre-literacy, social, and motor skills. Come early or stay late to play and socialize with other babies and caregivers! Siblings are welcome. For 0-24 months.

### Music & Movement

*Thursdays, November 9 - December 14, 10-10:50 am*

Get ready for a wigglin', gigglin', toe-tappin', hand clappin' time! We'll dance, sing, play instruments, and end with interactive play. For ages 2-5.

### Sensory Lab

*Friday, November 10 - December 15, 10-10:45 am*

Enhance fine motor skills through sensory exploration and play. For children aged 18 months to 5 years. Dress for the mess!

## At Boardman Road

### Preschool Story Time

*Mondays, November 6 - December 11, 10-10:30 am*

Stories, songs, action rhymes, and small craft for ages 3-5. Parents and siblings welcome.

### Baby Rhyme & Play Time

*Mondays, November 6 - December 11, 11-11:45 am*

Features songs, rhymes, finger plays, and stories. For 0-18 months.

### Music & Movement

*Tuesdays, November 7 - December 12, 2-2:45 pm*

Get ready for a wigglin', gigglin', toe-tappin', hand clappin' time! We'll dance, sing, play instruments, and end with interactive play. For children ages 2-5.

### Walk & Wiggle

*Wednesdays, November 8 - December 13, 10-10:50 am*

This language enrichment program serves as a transitional story time for walkers as they prepare for toddler story times. The program features, songs, rhymes, fingerplays, and stories. For 18-24 months.

### Toddler Time

*Thursdays, November 9 - December 14, 10-10:30 am*

A story time for 2-year-olds featuring books, rhymes, flannel board stories, and music.

### Toot & Scoot & Play

*Thursdays, November 9 - December 14, 10:40-11:30 am*

Movement and music program featuring songs, instruments, rhymes, and interactive play for children, walkers to age 5.





# Seasonal Shenanigans

*These programs require registration unless otherwise noted.* Register at [poklib.org/Events](http://poklib.org/Events) or call (845) 485-3445 x3320. Please check age appropriateness before registering.



## Introduction to *The Nutcracker* Thursday, November 9, 4 pm, BRD

The program begins with an introduction to the story of *The Nutcracker*, its origins, and its significance in the world of ballet. Children and teens will learn about the characters, the music, and the iconic dance sequences that make up this beloved production.

Recommended for grades 1-5. *Registration required.*

## Operation Warm Coat Giveaway

Saturday, November 18, 10 am - 2 pm, ADR

PPLD has teamed up with Operation Warm to provide free winter coats for families in the community. For children and teens only. One coat per person; while supplies last; children/teens must be present to get a coat. *No registration required.*



## Campaña Obsequio de Abrigos

Sábado, 18 de noviembre, 10 am - 2 pm, ADR

PPLD se ha asociado con Operation Warm para proporcionar abrigos de invierno gratuitos a las familias de la comunidad. Sólo para niños y adolescentes. Un abrigo por persona; mientras duren las reservas; Los niños/adolescentes deben estar presentes para recibir un abrigo. *No es necesario registrarse.*

## A Charlie Brown Thanksgiving Movie Feast

Tuesday, November 21, 4 pm, ADR



We'll watch *A Charlie Brown Thanksgiving* and recreate the Peanuts' Thanksgiving dinner! Recommended for grades 2-6.

## All-Ages Wreath-Making Workshop

Thursday, November 30, 4 pm, BRD



Clear out your craft closet and bring those craft supplies and materials to the library. Together we will make wreaths from left over craft supplies from the library and the greater community. Let your creativity shine! All ages. *Registration required.*

## Paper Plate Snow Globes

Thursday, December 7, 4 pm, ADR

Get creative and get ready for winter by joining us to make a paper plate snow globe. Recommended for grades K-3.



## Winterize It!

Tuesday, December 12, 4 pm, ADR

Upcycle a thrift store painting by adding snow, ice or an abominable snowman! Recommended for grades 2-6.

## Winter White Clay Birds

Thursday, December 14, 4 pm, BRD

Make an air-dry clay bird then add some glitter and a tail feather. Recommended for grades 1-6.



## Gingerbread House Decorating

Monday, December 18, 4:30 pm, ADR

Wednesday, December 20, 4:30 pm, BRD



Join us as we decorate our gingerbread houses for the holiday season! Grades PreK-6. *Please register your child for only one session.*

## Noon Year's Eve

Friday, December 29, 11:30 am - 12:15 pm, ADR

3, 2, 1... Happy New Year! Come dressed in your best to celebrate an early New Year's Eve at the library! All ages welcome.



# Children

## At Adriance

*Registration is required unless otherwise indicated.*

### Chess Club **Series!**

*Tuesdays, November 7, 21, December 5, 6-7 pm*

Learn the basics of the game of chess and play against other kids to practice your skills and pick up tricks of the trade. Play on our chess sets, or bring your own! No formal instruction will be provided. Ages 17 and under. **No registration is required.**

### Guided Meditation Workshop for Kids

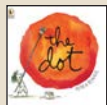
*Wednesday, November 8, 6 pm*

Journey inward as you tap into the ability to heal mind, body, and soul through guided meditation with Ann Elizabeth Byrne from Hudson Valley Meditation and Reiki. Parents are welcome too! Wear comfy clothing. Bring a yoga mat or use ours! Recommended for grades 2-6.

### Little STEAM-ers for Homeschoolers **Series!**

*Wednesdays, 11 am, ADR*

If you're a homeschooler and love the library, come in and have fun completing different STEAM challenges related to some great stories! Recommended for grades 1-4.



**Register once to attend all programs.**

**November 15: *The Dot* by Peter H. Reynolds**  
Project: Longest Paper Chain Challenge



**November 29: *The Crayon Man: The True Story of the Invention of Crayola Crayons* by Natasha Biebow**  
Project: Box Building Design Challenge!



**December 6: *The True Story of the Three Little Pigs* by Jon Scieszka**  
Project: Coding Unplugged

### Big Read: Fish ID Game

*Monday, November 6, 5 pm, ADR*



Elementary-aged kids and their families are invited to join experts from Cornell Cooperative Extension Dutchess County for a fun game that teaches you how to identify various fish living in the Hudson!



### New Registration Policy Effective September 1:

Due to the number of no-shows at our events, which prevent people from participating, you must respond to the email that you will receive one week before the program in question to confirm your intent to attend. **Your registration is not complete or valid without this verification.** If your plans change after that verification, please deregister.

### Floor Is Lava STEM Escape

*Tuesday, November 28, 4 pm*

Put your brains to the test to get from one end of the room to the other in our Floor is Lava arena! Use recycled material to help create passage across the lava but beware because each round will get more difficult. Recommended for grades 2-6.



## At Boardman Road

Registration is required unless otherwise indicated.

### Chess Club **Series!**

Tuesdays, November 14, 28, December 12, 3-4:30 pm

Learn the basics of the game of chess and play against other kids to practice your skills and pick up tricks of the trade. Play on our chess sets, or bring your own! No formal instruction will be provided. Ages 17 and under. **No registration is required.**



### LEGO and More: Brick Building **Series!**

Monday, November 13, December 4, 4 pm

Build creations out of the library's collection of LEGOs. Your LEGO project will be photographed and displayed on the library's social media! All ages welcome, best for ages 5+. **Register once to attend both programs.**



### Kids' Open Art Studio

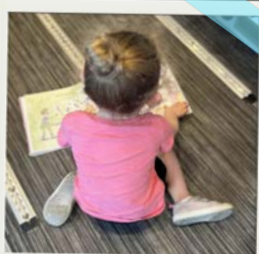
Tuesday, November 14, 4 pm

Join us for an unstructured open art studio for kids! Choose an art project to work on from a selection of

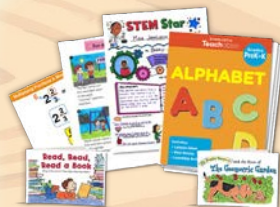
materials. This is a drop-off program but parents are welcome to wait in the children's room. Recommended for grades 3-6.



Sensory Lab



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**It's engaging.** Print out and enjoy activities in any subject: math, science, reading comp, STEM, writing, and beyond. There are also seasonal activities, mini-books, games and puzzles, clip art, and skills sheets.

**It's effective.** Scholastic Teachables has been proven to help kids improve their academic performance.

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**Know of a kid who loves science or needs to catch up?**

Check out ScienceFlix by Scholastic, also available through PPLD's e-Library.



### Whooo's An Artist? Owl Collage!

Monday, November 20, 4 pm

Whoooo wants to be an artist? Come and make your very own owl collage. Recommended for grades K-5.



### K-2 Stories & Crafts

Wednesday, December 6, 4 pm

Join us as we share some of our favorite picture books and make a special craft afterwards. Recommended for grades K-2.

## At the Sadie Peterson Delaney African Roots Branch Library

### Hudson River Scavenger Hunt

Monday, November 5 - Tuesday, January 2

Can you find all nine animals hidden in SPD? **No registration required – just grab a sheet!**



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## Friends News

[www.poklib.org/about-the-friends](http://www.poklib.org/about-the-friends)

The Friends of PPLD is an independent entity organized to support the Library District. Visit the Friends' Book Store: Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday 10 am – 4 pm. (845) 485-3445 x3423 or on Facebook at PoughkeepsieLibraryBookStore.

### Mystery Mondays Book Club

Monthly, select Mondays, 11 am,  
BRD. Registration required.



**November 20: *The White Lioness*  
by Henning Mankell**

Kurt Wallender  
investigates a horrific crime in  
Sweden that is somehow linked  
to apartheid-era South Africa.



**December 18: *The Midnight Line*  
by Lee Child**

Jack Reacher searches  
for the woman whose  
2005 West Point ring he sees in a  
Wisconsin pawn shop.

### Volunteers Needed

Please call or visit the Book Store  
for a volunteer application form,  
(845) 485-3445 x3423.



## Holiday Book Sale



**Friday, November 17 - Sunday, November 19,  
Locust Grove (2683 South Road, Poughkeepsie)**

Don't miss the Friends' annual Holiday Book Sale! Early Bird Sale on Friday morning, and all items half-price on Sunday. The sale features a large number of gift-quality books and media at reasonable prices. An additional room will offer specially priced items.

**Early Bird Sale: Friday, November 17, 8-10 am (tickets required)**

**Open to the Public: Friday, November 17, 11 am - 7 pm;**

**Saturday, November 18, 10 am - 5 pm**

**Open & Everything Half Off: Sunday, November 19, 10 am - 5 pm**

**Tickets for the Early Bird Sale available at [poklib.org/holiday-book-sale](http://poklib.org/holiday-book-sale) starting November 1.**

### Annual Meeting

**Sunday, December 3, 2:30 pm, BRD**

The public is cordially invited to attend the Annual Meeting of the Friends of the Poughkeepsie Public Library District. There will be a short business meeting, followed by an appearance by guest writer and actress from New York City: Prudence Wright Holmes, who will perform her solo show as Louisa May Alcott. **Snow date: Sunday, December 10. Registration required at (845) 485-3445 x3423.**

