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Petit Branch Library
March 2024 Events

Art Exhibit

**Dancing in the Light – and Other Play-Filled
Scenes in Leaves, Fields, and Snow**
Deborah Holihan and Paula Uche
Throughout March

More information about the exhibit and the artists can be found through the calendar at onlib.org.

For Everyone

**Westcott Community Center Food Pantry Drive
Throughout March**

Petit will be collecting food for the Westcott Food Pantry. Any donations are appreciated as there is a particularly high need for food at this time. A longer list can be found through the calendar at onlib.org but a few suggested items include: canned goods, boxed mac and cheese, rice, pasta, oatmeal.

Houseplant Swap
Saturday, March 2
2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Do you want to share in the joy of houseplant ownership with others and expand your own houseplant collection? Then bring in your cuttings and propagations to swap and share with other houseplant enthusiasts at Petit's houseplant swap! We will have labels for your plants and a staff member will check plants over as they arrive. So stop by to meet other houseplant lovers, network, and bring home new plants for your collection!



Total Solar Eclipse: What You Need to Know
Saturday, March 30
2:30 p.m.

Have you heard? A total solar eclipse will be visible in Syracuse on April 8, 2024! Learn all you need to know about this rare occurrence and how to view it safely by attending this short program presented by The M.o.S.T. The first 30 people who arrive and attend the whole program will receive a free pair of solar eclipse viewing glasses at the end of the presentation.

For Adults

And the Oscar Goes To...
Now Until Saturday, March 9

Think you know which movies will win at the Academy Awards? Drop by, fill out a ballot, and predict the Oscars for a chance to win a \$25 gift card to Movie Tavern or Regal Cinemas. Winner will be the person with the most number of correct predictions. In the event of a tie, winner will be drawn at random from eligible ballots.



The Saturday Stitch
Saturday, March 9
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Join us at Petit for a monthly meet up of needle artists! Knitters, crocheters, embroiderers, hand sewers, and more are all welcome to bring their current projects and socialize with other crafters for a relaxing morning. All experience levels welcome.

Live Oaks and Dead Folks
Saturday, March 9
2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Join us on a virtual tour to meet some of the famous, infamous, and even bizarre residents of Syracuse's historic Oakwood Cemetery. The tour lecture will be given by a special guest, Mrs. Olivia Slocum Sage. Sage is one of Oakwood's many wealthy and not so well known (look her up if you must!) permanent residents. This is a great opportunity to learn more about who's buried in Oakwood and their interesting lives.

Westcott Readers – Book Discussion Group
Monday, March 25
6:30 p.m.

Join us to discuss *The Book of Lost Names* by Kristin Harmel. Inspired by an astonishing true story from World War II, a young woman with a talent for forgery helps hundreds of Jewish children flee the Nazis in this unforgettable historical novel. Attend either in person or via Zoom. If attending via Zoom please register in advance through the calendar event at onlib.org.



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For Adults and Teens

Haudenosaunee Women – From SkyWoman to Influence on American Suffrage

Saturday, March 23

2:30 p.m.

This presentation discusses the role that women play in Haudenosaunee communities throughout history. Starting with the Creation Story and SkyWoman, the talk will highlight the important responsibilities women have with the culture, government, and communities of the Haudenosaunee. Comparisons between these responsibilities and freedoms to those of American women, the role that Haudenosaunee women played in influencing the ideas of early suffragists, connections to modern traditions and issues, such as the MMIW movement, will be discussed as well.

Coming in April...

Calligraphy Workshop: The East Asian Language of Writing

Saturday, April 6

2:30 p.m.

Calligraphy is a visual art form prized for its grace and structured beauty, and is applied to poetry and displayed written-art in China and Japan. Join us at Petit to learn the background and the process of creating visually pleasing and meaningful artworks and some Zen Buddhist words and Japanese poetry together. **Minimum 10 participants needed to run the program. Registration required. Call or drop by to register.**

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For Kids and Teens

Toadstool Fairy Lights

Saturday, March 16

2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Join us in designing your own mini glowing toadstool garden that can sit in the palm of your hand and light up a corner of your desk. Using hot glue, LED fairy lights, and some other cottage-core adornments, you can build a battery powered, glowing mushroom forest. While we craft, we will also discuss some topics in biology, such as microclimates and bioluminescence.

Recommended for ages 8-18, due to ample hot glue use. Space is limited. Call or stop by to register.

For Children

Science Saturday with the Young Naturalists

Saturday, March 2

11:00 a.m.

Do you love science, nature, and animals? Then drop in for a fun hour with the Young Naturalists to learn all about the natural world. **Recommended for ages 5-12, but all are welcome.**

Read, Sing and Play: Story Time

Tuesdays, March 5, 12, 19 & 26

10:30 a.m.

Combined toddler and preschool story time for children ages 1½ to 5 and their families or caregivers. Includes stories, rhymes, fingerplays, and songs. We ask that daycare centers, nursery schools, preschools, and pre-kindergarten programs please make an appointment for a special story time.

Make Your Own: Cupcake Liner Shamrocks

Monday, March 4 – Saturday, March 16

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day by making your own shamrock using cupcake liners and construction paper.

