

FREE TUTORING

Empower CNY Tutoring
Saturdays, April 4, 11, 18, 25
1:30-3:00 pm
3rd Fl. Community Room

Free tutoring for kids in grades K-8, with volunteer high school tutors. Call to confirm and please visit <https://www.empowercny.org/> to register.



CENTRAL TECH HELP

If you need help with digital job applications, resumes, emails, or cell phone assistance, Central Library **tech help** are at during the following times:

- **Mondays** 9-12 & 12-3 p.m.
- **Tuesdays** 9-12 p.m.
- **Wednesdays** 9-12 & 12-3 p.m.
- **Thursdays** 2-5 p.m.
- **Fridays** 12-3 p.m.



For additional **tech help**, please schedule an appointment with staff by calling 315-435-1900.

1st FLOOR ART EXHIBIT:

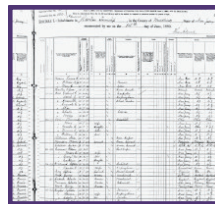
HOLLY LONG

Local artist, Holly Long, works with acrylic paint and will have her artwork featured on the 1st floor in April and May.



LOCAL HISTORY & GENEALOGY

OCPL Genealogy Group: "Federal Census Deep Dive: Beyond the Basics"
Friday, April 24
10:00 - 11:00 am EST



The federal census is often the backbone of genealogical research—but there's far more to it than names and dates. In this session, we'll explore how to analyze census records more deeply, uncovering clues about households, relationships, occupations, and community context.

Learn strategies for tracking families across decades, recognizing common pitfalls, and using census data alongside other records to strengthen your research and resolve lingering questions.

Please register online at onlib.org to receive the Zoom link to this program. REGISTRATION REQUIRED. *

SPECIAL EXHIBIT

"Urban Renewal in New York State"
3rd Floor



For the month of April 2026, the Local History & Genealogy Department will be hosting a free traveling exhibit. This exhibit explores urban renewal in New York State, where projects in ninety communities reshaped cities—often displacing vulnerable residents.



April 6
National Library Day



April 22
Earth Day

NEW MONTHLY FILM SERIES!

Possessed, Mutated Monstrified: Cinema & Discussion Series
Saturday, April 11
2:30 pm - 4:30 pm
in Community Room



Join us for a surprise free film screening featuring films at the intersection of fantasy, suspense, and horror, with themes that explore the body, technology, culture, and power — with discussion to follow. Adults only.
Ages 18+. REGISTRATION ENCOURAGED

BOOK CLUB

Page Turners Book Club
Tuesday, April 21
5:30 pm - 6:30 pm
3rd Fl. CNY Meeting Room



Join the Page Turners for book discussions via Zoom or in person in the 3rd floor CNY Meeting Room.



April's Titles: "Attack of the Black Rectangles" by Amy Serig King & "Julian is a Mermaid" by Jessica Love

ADULT PROGRAMS

Your Community's Health Resources
Tues, April 21 & Wed, April 22
12:00 - 2:00 pm

Free Community Health Resources
 Speak to representatives from the following organizations:

- The Prevention Network
- Planned Parenthood
- Helio Health Outreach
- Syracuse VA Medical Center
- Helio Health Recovery Center
- F.A.C.E.S.
- Nascentia Health
- PICHC (Reach CNY)
- Salvation Army Day Program



Organizations subject to change

APRIL IS NATIONAL POETRY MONTH



MONDAY MOVIE MATINEE

Avatar: Fire and Ash (2025)- PG-13
Monday, April 27
12:00 pm
Community Room

This epic science fiction film series sees the conflict on Pandora escalating as Jake and Neytiri's family encounter a new, aggressive Na'vi tribe.

Walk-ins welcome! 3 hr. 17 min.



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MAKERSPACE PROGRAMS

NEW WEEKLY PROGRAM!

Cricut Vinyl Cutter Training

Wednesdays,
April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

5:00- 7:00 pm



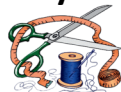
Learn about our Cricut Maker, and how to prepare designs on the Cricut Design Space so you can make vinyl decals, stickers, T-shirts, mugs & more.

REGISTRATION ENCOURAGED Ages 12+.

Appliqué Mini Quilting With Sydney

Fridays, April 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

2:00 pm- 4:00 pm



Learn to create imaginative mini-quilts using appliqué. All experience levels welcome!

Ages 12+. Walk-ins welcome!

Register online at www.onlib.org, *
by phone, or in-person!

Makerspace Repair Clinic

Saturday, April 4

10:00 am- 1:00 pm



Bring your broken items to the Makerspace's first Repair Café to get it fixed by one of our volunteer repair coaches. Our repair coaches can help with small appliances, clothing, electronics, hemming and more. Ages 12+. REGISTRATION REQUIRED *

MAKERSPACE TRAININGS

Music Studio + GarageBand Training

Wednesdays, April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

10:00- 11:30 am *



MAKERSPACE PROGRAMS

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!

Open Mic Night

Tuesday, April 14

5:00 pm - 7:00 pm



Come to our Open Mic Night to share something you've created in a relaxed, supportive space, up to 5 minutes. Sing. Recite poetry. Have fun.

Find more info at onlib.org.

Walk-ins welcome! Ages 12+
REGISTRATION ENCOURAGED

Dungeons & Dragons:

One-Shot Campaign

Saturday, April 18

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

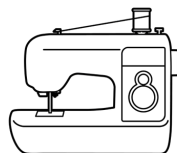


Join us for our monthly D&D program with a seasoned DM. Patrons may print some minifigs with our 3D printers! New and experienced players welcome. REGISTRATION ENCOURAGED. Ages 12+.

Makerspace Sewing Open Studio

Tuesday, April 28

5:00 pm - 7:00 pm



Learn how to sew using our Brother CS - 6000i sewing machines, including how to load the spool, some basic stitching, edges, and embroideries. No experience required. All materials are provided. Instructor will also provide help with any ongoing sewing projects you may have. REGISTRATION ENCOURAGED Ages 12+.

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FOR THE KIDS

Monthly Grab and Go Craft:

Handprint Lilies.

While supplies last.



Haiku Contest

Submit by Wednesday, April 29

Age Groups: 10-11, 12-13, 14-18

Haiku is a traditional form of Japanese poetry with three unrhymed lines with a 5-7-5 syllable structure. The top 3 poems from each age group will win a T-shirt from the Makerspace featuring their poems printed with the Cricut. Complete the form to enter.



Master Builders

Ages 3 to 12

Tuesdays @ 3:00 pm

in KidSpace



Each week we will use different building materials to expand your creative building and design skills including LEGO® and more! Walk-ins welcome!

Game On!

Ages 3 to 12

Wednesdays @ 3:00 pm

in KidSpace



Play board and video games with your friends and family! Walk-ins welcome!

Read to a Therapy Cat - Phoebe

Saturday, April 11 @ 10:30 am

in the Laptop Lab



Stop by and read to Phoebe, a therapy cat! She loves tunnels, cuddling, running crazy and playing with water. Walk-ins welcome!

STORYTIMES

Little Listeners

Ages 18 to 36 months

Mondays @ 10:30 am
in the Laptop Lab



A fun storytime featuring books, songs, games, and playtime with our toys and sensory bins! Walk-ins welcome! Note: cancelled 4/13

Alphabet Academy

Ages 3 to 5

Thursdays @ 10:30 am
in the Laptop Lab



Let's practice the alphabet together! This storytime will feature a letter of the week to help your child learn the shapes and sounds of letters. Following storytime, participants can enjoy the stations for hand-on practice with the letter of the week and sensory activities. Walk-ins welcome!

Books 'n Babies

Ages Birth to 18 months

Fridays @ 10:30 am

in the Laptop Lab



A lapsit storytime featuring books, songs, and bounces! After storytime is over little ones and their parents can play and visit in the storytime room. Walk-ins welcome! Note: cancelled 4/10

Family Storytime

All Ages

Saturdays, April 11 & 25
@ 10 am



in the Laptop Lab

An all-ages storytime program featuring songs, rhymes, movement, and stories! Walk-ins welcome!

