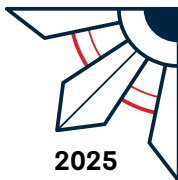


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FREE TUTORING

Empower CNY Tutoring

Saturdays, December 6, 13, 20, 27

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:

MARK TOPP

Mark Topp, a Syracuse-based artist, is known for his realist pastel and oil paintings of landscapes and cityscapes. He will be displaying his artwork through December and January on the 1st floor.



LOCAL HISTORY & GENEALOGY

New Zeta Book Scanner Available in Local History and Genealogy!

Our department is now equipped with a new Zeutschel Zeta Book Scanner, designed to produce high-quality digital images while protecting fragile materials.

The scanner features an adjustable cradle for bound volumes, thirty-two available languages, and direct output to a USB flash drive.



Staff are available upon request to assist you.

OCPL Genealogy Group: "Plotting Your 2026 Genealogical Journey"

Friday, December 19

10:00 - 11:00 am EST

Online via Zoom Only



Chart a course for your 2026 genealogy goals! Join librarian **Kate Kisselstein** for a reflective and practical session on reviewing past progress, setting new research goals, and organizing your next genealogical adventure.

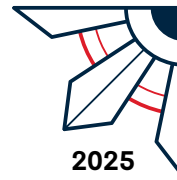
REGISTRATION REQUIRED. *

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



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SPECIAL EVENT

Noon Years Eve Party

Wednesday, December 31

11:30 am - 12:30 pm

in the Community Room

Kick off the New Year with a party!

We'll have music, refreshments, photo backdrop, and a balloon drop at noon.

Walk-ins welcome. Ages 2 to 8.



Central Library is in the Downtown Committee of Syracuse's Window Wonderland decorating contest. Scan the QR code to vote. You can vote every day.



BOOK CLUB



Page Turners Book Club

Tuesday, December 16

5:30 - 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.

December's Title:

"Sula" by Toni Morrison



CLOSED: JAN 1



CLOSED: DEC 25

Central Library will be **CLOSED**
Thurs., December 25 for **Christmas Day**.



CLOSING AT 5 PM:
DEC 24 and DEC 31

Central Library will **CLOSE** at **5 PM**
Wed., December 24
and **Wed, December 31.**
for **Christmas Eve** and **New Year's Eve**.



MOVIE MATINEE for ADULTS

Monday Movie Matinee:

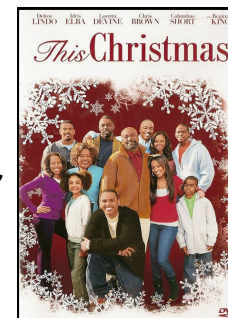
This Christmas (2007) - PG-13

Monday, December 22

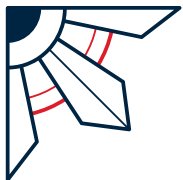
12:00 pm

Community Room

This Christmas-time story centers on the Whitfield family, whose eldest comes home for the first time in four years, and the rest of the clan
Walk-ins welcome! 148 mins.

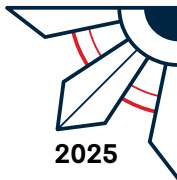


Central Library will be **CLOSED**
Thurs., January 1 for **New Year's Day**.



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MAKERSPACE PROGRAMS

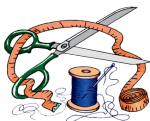
Appliqué Mini Quilting With Sydney

**NEW TIME! Every Friday,
December 5, 12, 19, 26**

2:00 pm- 4:00 pm

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

Ages 12+. Walk-ins welcome!



Learn Video Editing with DaVinci Resolve

Thursday, December 11

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Join us for a two-hour hands-on workshop introducing participants to professional video editing and color grading using DaVinci Resolve.

REGISTRATION ENCOURAGED. Ages 12+.



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



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Read a
New Book
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MAKERSPACE TRAININGS

Ages 12+. REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Music Studio + GarageBand Training

Tuesdays, Dec. 2, 9, 16

10:00- 11:30 am



MAKERSPACE PROGRAMS

Dungeons & Dragons:

One-Shot Campaign

Saturday, December 13

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+.**



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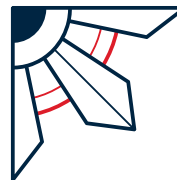
Makerspace Sewing Open Studio

Wednesday, December 17

5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

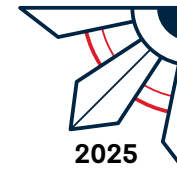
Learn how to sew using our Brother CS - 6000i sewing machines, including how to load the spool, some basic stitching, edges, and embroideries. No experience required. All materials are provided. Instructor will also provide help with any ongoing sewing projects you may have.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED Ages 12+. *



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FOR THE KIDS

Monthly Grab and Go Craft:

Q-Tip Snowflake

While supplies last.



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, December 13

@ 10:30 am

in the Laptop Lab

Stop by and read to Phoebe (our first therapy cat at Central!). **Walk-ins welcome!**



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Ages 2 to 8. 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!**



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. If you start attending mid-alphabet, that's ok, we'll start again from the A after Z! 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!

Family Storytime

All Ages

Saturdays, December 6 & 20 @ 10 am

in the Laptop Lab

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

