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Petit Branch Library
March 2026 Events

Art Exhibit

**Women’s History Month Exhibition:
 Focus on the Feminine
 Various Artists
 Throughout March**

Every March for Women’s History Month Petit Branch Library hosts a special exhibition of art by women of the community and by men whose art is focused on women. This year’s exhibit will feature two-dimensional art including drawing, painting, printmaking, mixed media and photography, as well as sculptures.

**Focus on the Feminine Art Reception
 Saturday, March 21
 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

A reception will be held with some of the artists of this month’s exhibit. Light refreshments will be provided.



A Library is More Than Just Books

Petit has books, audiobooks, movies, magazines, and music, but do you know about all the other things we have that you can check out with your library card? See below for some of the fun things we have available! Drop by or give us a call for more information about each item.

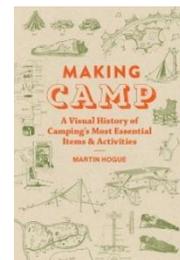
- **Starblast Tabletop Telescope**
- **Kill A Watt Electricity Usage Monitor**
- **Nature Discovery Backpack**
- **Mental Health Backpacks**
- **Chromebooks**
- **Mobile Wi-Fi Hotspots**
- **Bike Locks**
- **Children’s Toys**
- **Local Passes:** Onondaga County Park Pass, Empire Pass, MOST pass, & Everson Museum Pass

For Adults

***Making Camp* by Martin Hogue
 Saturday, April 4
 2:30 p.m.**

Join us for a talk by local author Martin Hogue on his book *Making Camp: A Visual History of Camping’s Most Essential Items and Activities*. From the early days of recreational camping in the late nineteenth century through the multitude of modern camping options available today, Hogue explores the history and evolution of the popular activity through the lens of its most important and familiar components: the campsite, the campfire, the picnic table, the map, the tent, the sleeping bag, as well as the oft invisible systems for delivering water and managing trash.

Martin Hogue is a licensed architect and an Associate Professor in the Department of Landscape Architecture at Cornell University. His most recent research focuses on camping culture in the United States





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For Children

Make Your Own: 3D Paper Rainbow
Monday, March 2 – Saturday, March 14
 Drop by Petit anytime to create a 3D rainbow from cardstock.

Read, Sing, and Play: Story Time
Tuesdays, March 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31
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.

Saturday Story Time
Saturday, March 14
10:30 a.m.
 All the fun of Tuesday’s “Read, Sing, and Play” but on Saturday! Combined toddler and preschool story time intended for ages birth to 5 years and their families or caregivers. Includes stories, rhymes, fingerplays, and songs.

Make Your Own: Paper Plate Umbrella
Monday, March 16 – Saturday, March 28
 Rainy days are here! Protect yourself from the downpour by making and decorating your own paper plate umbrella.

All Things Maple with Young Naturalists
Saturday, March 21
11:00 a.m.
 What makes a sugar maple different from other maples? Join Young Naturalists to learn about the maple trees that share their syrup with us.
Recommended for ages 5-12, but all are welcome.

Spring Break Events

Anti-Gravity Galaxy in a Bottle
Saturday, March 28
3:00 p.m.
 Join us to create an anti-gravity galaxy in a bottle from water, baby oil, food coloring, glitter, and Orbeez. Best for ages 5 and up, but all are welcome. **Space is limited. Registration required. Call or drop by to register.**

Make Your Own: Buttons
Saturday, March 28 – Saturday, April 4
 Stop in anytime during the week to create your own buttons. We will have many designs to choose from, including designs from old books.

Retro Game Con
Thursday, April 2
4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
 Syracuse’s video game expo lands in your local library with heaps of gaming fun! Come hang out with us as we explore the creativity and nostalgia of classic gaming. Join us for video games, tabletop games, and kid’s crafts.
For kids and teens.

Tutoring

FREE K-12 Tutoring
Thursdays, March 5, 19, & 26
4:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
 ESF Student Tutors will be at Petit for FREE drop-in support for K-12 students in reading, writing, science, and math. No tutoring on March 12.

EmpowerCNY Tutoring at Petit
Saturdays, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
 High school volunteers from EmpowerCNY are available on Saturdays to tutor students in upper elementary and middle school grades. Registration is required.
Please register at: empowercny.org.

