

COMSEWOGUE PUBLIC LIBRARY

DECEMBER 2025 / JANUARY & FEBRUARY 2026



GET YOUR GIFTS WRAPPED

Wednesday, December 10, 6 – 8 PM & Saturday, December 20, 10:30 AM – 12:30 PM See pages 5 and 9 for details.

WINTER SEED SOWING

Saturday, January 31 10 AM – 12 PM or 1 – 3 PM See page 5 for details.

THE JOY OF GIVING

See our website for donation details.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

See page 9 for Teens looking to earn community service hours at the Library.
See also our new database with opportunities for all: https://volunteer.cplib.org





Program Registration – Quick Facts

- Registration begins at 9:30 AM <u>two weeks prior</u> <u>to the date of the program</u> unless otherwise noted.
- Three ways to register: online, by phone (option 3 for Adult Services), or in-person.
- A Comsewogue Public Library card barcode is needed to register unless Open To All is indicated.
- Comsewogue Library members may register <u>one guest</u> where Guests Welcome is indicated.
- The general public may register for programs one week after registration has opened, based on availability.

Please arrive <u>on time</u>. If you arrive late, your spot may not be held. Please be courteous by cancelling your spot in advance if you cannot attend. Please stay home if you do not feel well.

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PAYMENT INFORMATION



- Payment is non-refundable and must be made within three days of your registration.
 Failure to do so may cancel your registration.
- If registering online you MUST pay with a credit card during online registration, or
- Register by phone or in-person and pay with a credit card, check, or cash at the Circulation Desk. Checks should be made payable to the Comsewogue Public Library. We cannot accept \$100 bills.



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= Beverages will be provided.



= Fee is due upon registration.



Program is on Facebook. You do not need a Facebook account to view these classes. Links to all videos will be posted on our website following the program. To join visit www.facebook.com/comsewogue.library



Program is on Zoom. The link to join will be e-mailed to you on the date of the program. Or visit **www.cplib.org/ZoomByPhone** for a current list of numbers to join by phone.

Visit www.cplib.org/a-programming for links to previous sessions that have been recorded.

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NOT SURE WHEN TO REGISTER?

Visit www.cplib.org/ whentoregister for a full list of registration dates.

CONCERTS

Pure Joy with Paige Patterson: The Holiday Edition

Sunday, December 7, 1:30 PM Huntington Arts Grant recipient Paige Patterson performs



her crowd-pleasing holiday show with songs to revive your memories of a bygone era and restore your faith in the power of music.

Guests welcome.

The Como Brothers

Sunday, January 11, 1:30 PM Enjoy an afternoon of popular music from the 1950s to today along with original songs that all ages can enjoy. **Guests welcome**.



Blue Bayou:

A Linda Ronstadt Experience Sunday, February 8, 1:30 PM Join Carolyn Benson for this dynamic tribute to Linda Ronstadt, featuring her iconic hits including Blue Bayou, You're No Good, and When Will I Be Loved. Guests welcome.



BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Open to all.



= A copy of the book will be available at the time of registration for Comsewoque members.

Atmospheric Book Club

Monday, January 12 2 - 3:30 PM





Mythic Mystery Book Club

Wednesday, February 11 7 - 8:30 PM

Register starting January 8. Join us to discuss **Bog Queen** by Anna North.



COMPUTER CLASSES

Smartphone Secrets

Saturday, January 10, 2 – 3:30 PM Androids and iPhones can do so much more than call and text! Learn how to customize settings, download and manage apps, and

explore features with Lindsay Citrano. Guests welcome.

Artificial Intelligence for Everyone

Monday, February 2, 7 – 8:30 PM Register starting January 20.

From privacy and bias to its broader impact on society, explore what AI is and how it is transforming work, education, and communication with Tanya Tuzeo.

Fake News Detective

Monday, February 23, 6 – 7 PM Discover fact-checking tools, strategies for evaluating sources, and ways to recognize misleading headlines and clickbait before you hit "share" with Lindsay Citrano.

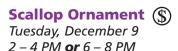
Guests welcome.



CRAFTS

DIY Ugly Sweater

Monday, December 1, 7 - 8:30 PM Get party ready! Decorate a sweater with our fun accessories including pom-poms, jingle bells, ribbon, buttons, and more. Bring your own sweater.



Cost \$5 for materials

Craft a sparkling scallop shell ornament with seashell florals and velvet ribbon with mixed media artist Anna Chan.

Calming Art Club

Wednesdays, December 10 or January 14 or February 4 2 – 3 PM

Choose from different mediums to create your work of art in a laid-back environment with Kristen Duer. Open to all.



Thursday, January 8 1 - 3 PM or 6 - 8 PMRegister starting December 26.

Cost \$5 for materials

Relax and unwind as you create your own sparkling gemstone art with Samantha Rivera. Materials are small, bring glasses or a magnifier if desired.

Valentine's Cloche (\$) Thursday, February 19 2 – 3 PM **or** 7 – 8 PM

Cost \$5 for materials Create a romantic decorative cloche featuring sweet lovebirds surrounded by layers of Valentine's details with artist Lisa Colon.





CULINARY

Sweet & Savory Holidays

Monday, December 8, 4 – 5 PM or 6:30 – 7:30 PM Make a super-sized holiday sprinkle cookie in a fun, hands-on session, while also watching Chef Rob Scott demo Barrister's Chicken Chasseur—a cozy, flavorful dish perfect for the season.

A Taste of Europe

Wednesday, January 7, 4 – 5 PM or 6:30 – 7:30 PM Register starting December 23.

Enjoy Chicken à la Reine and a healthy Mediterranean bean salad in this demo class by Chef Rob Scott.

Healthy Nutrition

Thursday, January 22, 2 – 3 PM **or** 7 – 8 PM Thursday, February 26, 2 – 3 PM or 7 – 8 PM Get budget-friendly and timesaving tips to create delicious healthy meals as you sample tasty recipes in these demo classes by a nutritionist from Cornell Cooperative Extension. Open to all.

Soul Food Basics

Monday, February 9, 5 – 6 PM **or** 6:30 – 7:30 PM Join Chef Cheryl Grigg from Chara's Kitchen & Catering for a cooking demonstration with recipes featuring delicious soul food staples.

DRIVING CLASSES



Defensive Driving

Saturday, December 6, 9:45 AM – 4:30 PM or Saturday, January 17, 9:45 AM – 4:30 PM or Saturday, February 28, 9:45 AM – 4:30 PM

Certificate of completion will be mailed and can be presented to your insurance agent for a possible reduction in points or premium. Bring your driver's license and a non-refundable \$35 cash, check or money order payable to Siegel Consulting.

AARP Smart Driver Course

Monday, December 15 & Tuesday, December 16 10 AM - 1:15 PM or

Wednesday, January 21, 10 AM - 4 PM

Designed for adults 50 and older. Certificate of completion will be mailed and can be presented to your insurance agent for a possible reduction in points or premium. Bring your driver's license and a non-refundable \$30 check or money order made payable to AARP. Present your AARP membership card for a reduced rate of \$25.

Open to all. For the two-session program dates, you must attend both sessions.

FILMS

Open to all. Guests welcome. Film titles are subject to change.

Frosty Films

HOME ALONE (PG) 103 min. Monday, December 22, 2 PM ELF (PG) 95 min.

Tuesday, December 23, 2 PM

EDWARD SCISSORHANDS

(PG-13) 105 min. Tuesday, December 30

2 PM

Everyday Matinees

SUPERMAN (PG-13) 129 min. Thursday, January 15, 2 PM Register starting January 2.

F1: THE MOVIE (PG-13) 155 min. Wednesday, January 28, 2 PM

THE NAKED GUN (PG-13) 85 min. Thursday, February 12, 2 PM

DOWNTON ABBEY:

THE GRAND FINALE (PG) 143 min. Monday, February 23, 2 PM

Sensory-Friendly **Films**

Is your organization looking for a sensoryfriendly day outing? **Contact Adult Services** to ask about scheduling a movie showing from our available titles with lights slightly turned up and sound slightly turned down.

GENERAL INTEREST

ONLINE New English Speakers Friendly Conversation Group



Tuesdays, 12:30 - 1:30 PM

www.cplib.org/english

A tutor from Literacy Suffolk will help you practice English with other new speakers. **Open to all.**

Community Conversation Circle



Fridays, November 28 & January 30 2 - 3:30 PM

Enjoy friendly face-to-face conversation in a safe, non-polarized space guided by facilitator Sanford Hinden. Open to all. **Guests welcome.**

GENERAL INTEREST

Name That Tune

Tuesday, December 2, 4 – 5 PM or 7 – 8 PM Test your knowledge of music with a chance to win prizes in each round, including a bonus holiday round, with your host Theresa Maritato. Guests welcome.

Left Center Right

Wednesday, December 3 2 – 3:30 PM **or** 7 – 8:30 PM

Get ready, set, and roll with this exciting dice game! Includes instruction, followed by 3 rounds with a chance to win prizes with your host

Donna Carucci-Krumm.

Guests welcome.

ONLINE Music, Movies & More Trivia

Tuesday, December 9 Register starting Saturday, December 6 and ending Monday, December 8 at 9 PM.

Work with your team at home and be entered to win a gift card regardless of score. Must have a valid e-mail to play. Open to all.

Get Your Gifts Wrapped

Wednesday, December 10, 6 - 8 PM & Saturday, December 20, 10:30 – 12:30 PM Registration not required.

Drop-in and have your holiday gifts wrapped by teen volunteers. Paper, bows, boxes, and labels provided by the Library. While supplies last.



Reverse Mortgages 101

Thursday, December 11, 2 – 3:30 PM Register starting November 28.

Bust myths and get the facts as you learn all about what a reverse mortgage can offer with Kathie Adler of Cliffco Mortgage Bankers. Open to all. Guests welcome.

Mah-Jongg & More

Fridays, December 12, January 2 & February 6, 1 – 4 PM

Registration not required.



Game Night

Wednesdays, December 17, January 28 & February 25 6:30 - 8:30 PM

Get your game on and play fun modern board and card games! Bring your friends and favorite games, or play one of ours and meet new folks. Open to all. Guests welcome.

Coffee & Coloring

Thursdays, December 18, January 29 or February 26 10 - 11:30 AM

Unleash your inner creativity, lower stress, and enjoy hot coffee as you color a variety of images. Open to all. Guests welcome.

Write This Way

Fridays, December 19, January 16 & February 20, 2 – 4 PM Register starting December 6.

Join Anne Kelly Edmunds for inspiring 'Story Sparks,' group discussion, and feedback to guide you as a writer. Bring a notebook and pen.

Knit & Crochet

Fridays, December 26, January 9 & February 13, 2 – 4 PM

Registration not required.

Bring your current project to work on and chat with others in a relaxed setting. Open to all.

Book Swap

Monday, January 5, 7 – 8 PM or Thursday, January 29 2 – 3 PM

Registration not required.

Swap a few of your owned books and find a few books to take home that are new to you. Books must be clean and in good condition. Open to all.

Workers' Compensation Seminar

Monday, January 26, 7 – 8 PM

Learn all about the process and how to navigate the system with Heather N. Kaplan, Esq. Open to all. **Guests welcome.**

ONLINE Self-Care & Share

Tuesdays, January 27 & February 24, 5:30 PM www.cplib.org/selfcare

Take some time out of your day to focus on positivity and hold space with others looking to do the same led by our social work student intern. Open to all.

Winter Seed Sowing



Saturday, January 31, 10 AM – 12 PM or 1 – 3 PM Create and take home a mini-greenhouse of native plant seeds with Mary Richardson of the Comsewogue Community Garden. Bring a one-gallon plastic jug in a waterproof bag. Guests welcome.

Job Fair



Thursday, February 5, 1 – 3 PM

Registration not required.

Meet job recruiters and organizations representing various industries at this event by the Suffolk County Department of Labor. Open to all.

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GENERAL INTEREST

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AMERICA

Independence Day in American History

Thursday, February 12, 7 – 8:30 PM Explore significant 4th of July events and presidential speeches across our country's history with local historian Rich Acritelli. **Guests welcome.**

Self-Defense

Saturdays, February 14 & 21, 10:30 – 11:30 AM Learn basic Trimm no Shin Karate techniques for self-defense against some of the most common types of attacks with instructors David and Nicole Rodriguez. **Attend both sessions.**

HEALTH & WELLNESS

ONLINE Breathe Together

Tuesdays, 10 AM

10 AM zo

Registration currently taking place. Experience stillness and deep breathing with Charyl Ozkaya of Inner Healing Arts.

Open to all.

Community Blood Drive

Monday, December 29, 1 – 7 PM
Appointments are suggested but walk-ins are welcome. To determine eligibility or make an appointment call New York Blood Center at 1-800-933-2566 or visit www.cplib.org/BloodDrive

Koga Lite

Fridays, January 23, 30 & February 6, 10 – 11 AM Try a low-impact workout combining kickboxing and yoga with instructor Barbara Jempty. Wear comfortable clothing and sneakers. Bring water and optional 1-5 lb. weights. Attend any or all sessions.

Restorative Rhythms

Wednesday, February 4, 7 – 8 PM

Unwind and reconnect your mind and body by enjoying a calming sound bath, followed by a guided hands-on workshop to create your own rain stick using natural materials with Notes & Nirvana.

Healthy Libraries Program (HeLP)

Tuesdays, February 10 & 24, 10:30 AM – 1 PM Healthcare professionals and graduate student interns in social work, public health, nursing, and nutrition can assist with access to in-person and virtual healthcare resources. **Open to all.** For more information call 631-216-8220, or visit www.cplib.org/HealthyLibrariesProgram



ONE-ON-ONE ASSISTANCE

ONLINE Career Counseling

Open to all.

By appointment www.cplib.org/career-counseling

• Job Searching • Resumé Help • Interview Prep

Social Work Services

Tuesdays 10 AM – 4 PM & Thursdays 12 – 6:30 PM (to Dec 12) Tuesdays 12 – 6:30PM & Thursdays 10AM – 4PM (starting Jan 26)

Open to all. By appointment www.cplib.org/social-work

- Housing Mental Health Referrals
- Apply for Benefits Case Management

Technology Help

By appointment www.cplib.org/one-on-one

• eBooks • iPad/Device Help • Email

HIICAP: Health Insurance Information Counseling &

Assistance Program

Friday, November 28 10 AM – 1 PM

Registration currently taking place.

Seniors can meet with a volunteer from the Retired & Senior Volunteer Program for help with Medicare questions and forms. **Open to all.**

ICAP

Careers in New York State Government

Tuesday, December 2 & Monday, February 2 10 AM – 2 PM

Registration not required.

New York State is waiving the Civil Service exam for many positions. Get your civil service questions answered and learn about job opportunities on Long Island. *Open to all.*



Healthcare Enrollment Assistance

Wednesdays, December 3, January 7 & February 4 10 AM – 5 PM

Registration not required.

Health & Welfare Council of Long Island's certified Navigators will help you apply for health insurance through the New York State of Health Marketplace or the Medicare Savings Program. *Open to all.*

Medicaid Enrollment Assistance for the Aged, Blind & Disabled

Wednesdays, December 3, January 7 & February 4

10 AM – 5 PM

Thursday, December 4 10:15 AM – 1:30 PM

Registration not required.

Those 65+, blind, and/or disabled can enroll in selected

Medicaid programs. First come, first served.

No appointment necessary. Open to all.

Senior Advocate

Tuesdays, December 9 & February 10 2:30 – 4:30 PM Registration currently taking place. Seniors can meet with a trained senior advocate



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from the Suffolk County Office for the Aging for benefits counseling and information on county programs and services. **Open to all.**

Support For Veterans

Wednesdays, December 10, January 14 & February 11 10 AM – 12 PM Registration not required.

Meet with a local veteran



to learn about FREE resources for service members, families, and veterans of all eras. **Open to all.**

Eye Health Consultations

Wednesday, December 10, 1 – 3 PM
Registration not required.
FREE vision screenings
and an eyeglass care kit
giveaway provided by
Walmart Vision Center.

Open to all.



SNAP Application Assistance

Wednesdays, December 17, January 28 & February 25 11 AM – 3 PM

Registration not required.

Speak with the Health and Welfare Council of Long Island to see if you qualify for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits. *Call* 516-559-4453 or email communityresponse@hwcli. com for documentation requirements. **Open to all.**

Medicaid & Your Assets

Thursday, January 8, 10:30 AM – 12:30 PM Registration not required.

Speak one-on-one with a Medicaid Specialist about eligibility, asset planning, and mistakes to avoid. **Open to all.**

AARP Income Tax Assistance

Tuesdays, February 3 through April 7 10 AM – 2 PM

Registration for all sessions:

Comsewogue members starting January 13 Opens to all starting January 20

Taxpayers will drop off paperwork and remain on-site while trained AARP volunteers prepare simple 2025

returns. Bring photo
ID, Social Security card,

The power to make it better."

completed copies of last year's income tax forms, and all current and relevant income tax documents. For married-filing-jointly returns, both spouses must be present. No walk-ins.

Looking for tax assistance options? Visit www.cplib/income-tax-forms

for information on other local sites and virtual tax assistance options, including the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program, Free File for State and Federal returns, and more.

Operation Medicine Cabinet

Wednesday, February 4, 11 AM – 12:30 PM Registration not required.

Sixth Precinct Police Officers will be at the library to collect expired and unwanted prescription drugs. Place medications in a plastic bag.

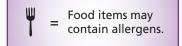
Needles and liquid medications cannot be accepted.

Open to all.





Students in Grades 6-12 may register with your library card in person, online or by phone. Registration begins at 9:30 AM two weeks **prior** to the date of the program unless otherwise noted. Please review registration facts and information at www.cplib.org/tregfacts



EVENTS JUST FOR FUN



Melting **Snowman Painting** Tuesday, December 2 6:30 - 7:15 PM Create your very own melting snowman! Use simple materials such as felt, cotton balls, and googly eyes.



Dungeons & Dragons Thursdays, December 11, January 8, and February 12 6 – 8 PM Join Ouest Master Guild to learn this fantasy table-top role-playing game. Take an epic journey, battle monsters, and win treasure! All levels of experience are welcome. **Register for each session** individually.

Holiday Ornament **Cupcakes** Monday, December 15 7 – 7:45 PM Create festive



Cascading Colorful Candles Thursday, December 18

7 – 7:45 PM Create a unique colorful candle using beeswax and essential oils.

Canvas Art: Yarn Creations

Tuesday, December 23, 7 – 8 PM Get creative with yarn and canvas - you'll leave with a unique masterpiece to take home!

Mario Kart Tournament Friday, December 26

3 - 4 PMJoin other Mario Kart players and go head-to-head!

Winter Wonderland Slime

Monday, December 29 6:30 - 7:15 PM Create festive themed slime with Librarian Ms. Bryanna.

Winter Prism Suncatcher

Monday, January 5, 6:30 – 7:15 PM Create a beautiful prism suncatcher, inspired by the quiet magic of Winter.



K-Pop Demon Hunters

Tuesday, January 13, 6:30 – 7:15 PM Create a K-Pop demon craft while enjoying other themed activities.

Games & Goodies

Monday, January 26 6:30 - 7:15 PM Play board and video games while enjoying

snacks at the Library with Librarian Ms. Bryanna.

Snack Around the World

Wednesday, January 28 7 – 7:45 PM Take your taste buds on a global adventure! Sample snacks from around the

world and enjoy fun, themed activities.

Winter Rock Painting

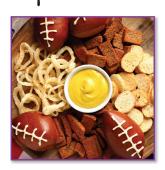
Thursday, January 29, 7 – 8 PM Unwind and paint rocks! Let your imagination run wild as you create wintry décor.

Cricut Crafts: DIY Acrylic Signs

Sunday, February 1, 1:30 – 3 PM Learn some basics in the Cricut design space, then create a personalized acrylic sign.

Game Day Apps

Thursday, February 5 7 – 7:45 PM Get ready for the big day with footballthemed games and appetizers!



DIY T-Shirts

Monday, February 9 6:30 - 7:30 PM Bring in a T-shirt to customize using a variety of craft materials.

Galaxy Resin Art Keychains

Tuesday, February 17 5:30 - 6:30 PM Create a unique keychain using resin and other craft materials.

Teen Karaoke Night

Wednesday, February 18, 7 - 7:45 PM Ready to rock the mic? Join Librarian Mrs. B for some Karaoke where you can let your inner superstar shine!

Robotic Maze

Friday, February 20, 3 - 3:45 PM Work in teams to build and decorate a life-size, Winter-themed maze. Use your knowledge of robotics and coding to navigate through it. This program blends strategy, speed, and a whole lot of snowy fun.

Lego Build Off

Tuesday, February 24, 7:30 - 8:30 PM Step into a frozen world of imagination and design! Using only LEGO bricks and your creative brainpower, you and your team will take on a surprise Winter build challenge.

Stop-Motion Animation

Wednesday, February 25, 6 - 7 PM Create your own stop-motion animation videos using iPads and everyday materials.

VOLUNTEER & EARN COMMUNITY SERVICE

Community service opportunities are for Comsewogue Library cardholders ONLY. Community service hours are based on times listed for each program.

Diamond Art Coasters

Wednesday, December 3, 6 – 7 PM Make diamond coasters to be donated to local patrons.

Gift Wrapping Volunteers

Wednesday, December 10 5:30 - 8 PM

and/OR

Saturday, December 20 10 AM - 12:30 PM Wrap gifts for local patrons and get into the holiday spirit while giving back to your community!

Drop-In Crafts for a Cause

Tuesday, December 16 3:30 - 4:30 PM Make items to be donated to local organizations. **Registration** is not required.

Noon Year's Eve Volunteers

Wednesday, December 31 11 AM - 12 PM Help with our Children's Noon Year's Eve program!

Fleece Blankets

Wednesday, January 7, 6 – 8 PM In this hands-on workshop, we'll create warm and cozy fleece blankets for people in need.

Caring Crafts

Sunday, January 11 1 - 3 PMCreate gift bags and items for children in need.

Dog Treats

Wednesday, January 14 7 – 8 PM In this hands-on class, you will make dog treats to be donated to local animal shelters.

Canva **Coloring Sheets**

Canva Wednesday, January 21, 7 – 8 PM Using Canva, students will learn how to create coloring sheets to be used for our Children's coloring station.

Winter Wreaths

Tuesday, February 3 6:30 - 7:30 PM Create festive wreaths to donate to local organizations.

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Random Acts of Kindness

Wednesday, February 11, 6 - 7 PM Create items to celebrate Random Acts of Kindness Week.

How to Change the World: **World Hunger**

Thursday, February 19, 7 – 8 PM Review food needs and services locally and around the world. Then prepare a nutritious snack with sweet low-cost ingredients.

Shelter Dog Toys

6 – 7 PM Create dog toys for animals at local pet shelters.



SCAN TO REGISTER





Register with your library card in person, online, or by phone at 631-928-1212 ext. 4. **Registration begins at 9:30 AM <u>two weeks</u>** <u>**prior**</u> **to the date of the program** unless otherwise noted. Please review registration facts and information at www.cplib.org/jregfacts



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FAMILY ONE REGISTRATION PER FAMILY .

Gingerbread House Decorating

Saturday, December 13
12:30 – 1:45 PM or 2:15 – 3:30 PM
OR Sunday, December 14
12:30 – 1:45 PM or 2:15 – 3:30 PM
Registration begins December 1.

Families with children 3 and up Decorate your own gingerbread house using cookie cutouts, royal icing and lots of candy, with The Baking Coach.

Life-Size Gingerbread

Wednesday, December 17 6 – 6:45 PM or 7 – 7:45 PM Families with children 2 and up Families will work together to stuff and decorate an oversize paper gingerbread person, creating a fun, festive holiday keepsake



Noon Year's Eve

Wednesday, December 31 11:15 AM – 12 PM

Families with children 3 and up A family-friendly celebration counting down to the New Year

without staying up late! Enjoy stories, crafts, music and dancing, concluding with a balloon drop at 12 PM.



INFANT, TODDLER, AND PRESCHOOL

WITH A CAREGIVER UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

Sensory Sensation

Tuesday, December 2 10 – 10:45 AM **or** 11:15 AM – 12 PM **Birth-PreK**

Join Librarian Ms. Dono and use everyday materials to explore your world and fill your senses.

Babies & Books

Wednesday, December 3 10 – 10:30 AM Birth-12 months



Sing, rhyme, and read with your baby! Join Librarian Mrs. Bush for an interactive session focused on building your child's early literacy skills!

Tot's Night Out

Wednesday, December 3, 5:30 – 6:15 PM

18 months-PreK Join A Time for Kids for stories, singing, crafts, and learning through play.



You & Me

Monday, December 8, 2:30 – 3:15 PM 18-35 months. Siblings not permitted, except for infants in carrier.

Join Miss Nicole from Wisdom Tree Preschool for an afternoon of songs, stories, crafts, and playtime!

Tales for Tots: Dinosaurs Roar

Thursday, December 11 10:30 – 11:15 AM

2.5 years-PreK

Join Librarian Mrs. Bush for a roaring good time! Listen to stories, make a cool craft, and stomp around like dinosaurs.

Zumbini

Friday, December 12 10 – 10:45 AM **or** 11 – 11:45 AM Birth-35 months

A music and movement experience designed to let you and your little ones move, dance, and sing together. The Zumbini program is where the science of child development meets the magic of Zumba!

STEAM Storytime: Snow

Tuesday, December 16, 10 – 10:45 AM 3 years-PreK

Join Librarian Ms. Danielle and explore Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math concepts through crafts, building, and tinkering.

Baby & Me Yoga

Wednesday, December 17 10 – 10:30 AM

Birth-12 months.

Siblings not permitted. Experience the joy of movement and yoga with your little one and instructor Tiffany Valenti. Bring a yoga mat or towel.

Toddler & Me Yoga

Wednesday, December 17 10:45 – 11:30 AM

12-35 months with caregiver.

Siblings not permitted. Learn simple yoga poses along with your toddler and instructor Tiffany Valenti. Bring a yoga mat or towel.

Winter Wonderland Sensory Bins

Thursday, December 18 10:30 – 11:15 AM 18-35 months

Enjoy Winter fun as you explore different sensory bins with Librarian Mrs. Randall.

Kidnastics

Friday, December 19 10 – 10:45 AM **or** 11 – 11:45 AM **12** months-PreK

Enjoy musical warm-ups, obstacle courses, fun activities, and more.

Come Play with PlayHooray

Monday, December 22 10 – 10:45 AM **or** 11 – 11:45 AM **Birth-PreK**

Sing, dance, and play to children's music and contemporary pop music.

Move along to the beat with shakers, hula hoops, bells, scarves,

instruments, and more!

A Time for Kids: Home Sweet Home

Monday, December 29, 10 – 10:45 AM 18 months-PreK

Join A Time for Kids for music, movement, a craft, and playtime.



SCHOOL AGE INDEPENDENT PROGRAMS UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

Snowflake Canvas Painting

Tuesday, December 2, 5:30 – 6:15 PM Grades 3-5

Have fun making your own snowflake painting using tape and tissue paper with Librarian Mrs. Randall.

My Gym at the Library

Thursday, December 4, 6 – 6:45 PM Grades K-2

My Gym will lead you through games, relays, and activities designed to promote and build motor skills, agility, and confidence.

W is for Winter!

Tuesday, December 9 6 – 6:45 PM Grades K-2

It's wintertime!
Celebrate the season with Librarian
Ms. Liana, stories, and a cool craft.

DIY Holiday Cards

Thursday, December 11 5:30 – 6:15 PM Grades 3-5

Create beautiful handmade cards for the holidays with Librarian Ms. Dono.

Snowman Cupcakes Ψ

Monday, December 15 5 – 5:45 PM **or** 6 – 6:45 PM **Grades K-5**

Chef Rob is here to welcome Winter with Snowman Cupcakes that you make at the Library and take home to enjoy!



Thursday, December 18, 5 – 5:45 PM Grades K-2

Thursday, December 18, 6 – 6:45 PM Grades 3-5

Learn how different candles are made. Then, spoon layers of colorful recycled candle wax into a wick candle glass to make a beautifully scented creation.

Make a Mystery Gift

Monday, December 22 6 – 6:45 PM **or** 7:15 – 8 PM

Grades K-5

Make a gift to give to someone special during this holiday

season with Librarian Mrs. Turrise.

Mario Kart Tournament

Friday, December 26 2 – 2:45 PM

Grades K-5

Join other Mario Kart players and go head-to-head. There will be snacks and fun!

Winter Wonderland Slime

Monday, December 29 5:30 – 6:15 PM Grades 3-5 Create festive Winter

Wonderland slime with Librarian Ms. Bryanna.

Broadway Bigs

Tuesday, December 30, 5:30 – 6:15 PM

Grades K-2

Explore theater through games, storytelling, choreography, and song while fostering confidence and teamwork, with a focus on fun and self-expression.



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FAMILY

- 1: Checkers 10 AM 7 PM
- **16: Pajama Storytime** *6:30 7 PM*
- **23: Dino Adventure** 10 AM 7 PM

TODDLER & PRESCHOOL

- 4: Playdough Party 10 AM 12 PM
- 9: I Spy 10 AM 7 PM
- **15:** Let's Code 10 AM 7 PM
- **30: Magnet Madness** *10 AM 12 PM*

SCHOOL AGE

10: Lego Club 5 – 7 PM

29: STEM Center *10 AM – 12 PM*



FAMILY ONE REGISTRATION PER FAMILY _

Family Pictionary

Saturday, January 3, 11 AM – 12 PM Families with children 4 and up Work as a team, show off your doodling skills, and enjoy some quality family fun hosted by Jackie & Chuck!

Vanilla Cinnamon Swirl Bread

Wednesday, January 14
5 – 5:45 PM or 6 – 6:45 PM
Families with children 3 and up
Chef Rob will show your family how
to make a delicious cinnamon swirl
bread, ready to take home and bake!



Thursday, January 29 5:30 – 6:15 PM Families with

children 4 and up

Gather around our 'fire' for a musical story about four animals on the way to Bremen Town. Enjoy activities and a family craft with Librarian Mrs. Quinn.



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Baby Games

Friday, January 2, 10:30 – 11:15 AM Birth-17 months

Socialize while participating in activities designed to stimulate and encourage physical and mental growth, with educator Kathy Roeder.

Fun with Toddlers

Mondays, January 5, 12, 26 & February 2, 10:30 – 11:30 AM 12-35 months

This four-week workshop led by Librarian Mrs. Randall offers free-play, art activities, and circle time with songs, rhymes, and parachute play for you and your little one. Community resource specialists will discuss developmental topics.

A Time for Kids: Hungry Hippos

Thursday, January 8, 10 – 10:45 AM 18 months-PreK

Join A Time for Kids for music, movement, a craft and playtime.

Babies Boogie

Friday, January 9, 10 – 10:45 AM Birth-17 months.

Siblings not permitted. Explore movement and rhythm with instructor Nicole Sparling.

Toddler Tango

Friday, January 9, 11 – 11:45 AM 18-35 months. Siblings not permitted, except for infants in carrier. Explore movement, rhythm, and instruments with instructor Nicole Sparling.

Baby Start

Wednesday, January 14 10 – 10:30 AM

Birth-17 months

Join A Time for Kids for a circle time that incorporates early literacy and language development.

My Gym at the Library

Thursday, January 15 10:30 – 11:15 AM

12-35 months

My Gym will lead your children with music and movement, tumbling and balancing exercises, games, and puppetry.

Evening Mother Goose on the Loose

Thursday, January 15, 5:30 – 6:15 PM Birth-35 months

Share nursery rhymes, finger plays, stories, playtime, and songs. Develop and strengthen motor, social, and early literacy skills with Librarian Mrs. Quinn!

Come Play with PlayHooray

Friday, January 16 10 – 10:45 AM or 11 – 11:45 AM Birth-PreK

Sing, dance, and play to children's music and contemporary pop music. Move along to the beat with shakers, hula hoops, bells, scarves, instruments, and more!



Lullaby Together Time: Bells

Wednesday, January 21 10:30 – 11:15 AM

Birth-12 months

Enjoy songs, rhymes, finger plays, and Library toys with Librarian Mrs. Quinn. Bring a small blanket.



Kidnastics

Thursday, January 22 10 – 10:45 AM **or** 11 – 11:45 AM **12** months-PreK

Enjoy musical warm-ups, obstacle courses, fun activities, and more.



Parachute Play

Saturday, January 24 10:30 – 11:15 AM

3 years-PreK

Get moving with our GIANT parachute as Librarian Mrs. O'Connor shares stories and games.

You & Me

Thursday, January 29, 2:30 - 3:15 PM 18-35 months.

Siblings not permitted, except for infants in carrier. Join Miss Nicole from Wisdom Tree Preschool for an afternoon of songs, stories, crafts, and playtime!



Parent Playdate ____

Fridays, January 30 & February 6 and 13, 10:30 – 11:30 AM

Birth-PreK

Discuss the joys and concerns of parenthood with other parents and Librarian Mrs. Randall, while your children play with age-appropriate toys.

SCHOOL AGE INDEPENDENT PROGRAMS UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

Snowy **Ski Bunny**

Monday, January 5 5:30 - 6:15 PM **Grades K-5** Create an adorable sock

bunny with instructor Lisa Colon.

3D Winter Wonderland

Tuesday, January 6, 6 – 6:45 PM Grades 3-5

Use craft materials to build a snowy scene full of seasonal charm with Librarian Ms. Lozano. A cozy, creative way to explore the season together!

Melting Snowman

Thursday, January 8 6 - 6:45 PM Grades K-2 Listen to a silly snowman story with Librarian Ms. Zarcone. and create vour own melted-snowman slime!



K-Pop Demon Hunters

Tuesday, January 13, 5:30 - 6:15 PM

Grades K-5

Do you like the movie K-Pop Demon **Hunters?** Show us how it's done by making a



Huntrix light stick and singing along to songs from the movie as you seal the Honmoon together, with Librarian Ms. Liana!

Yoga for Kids

Tuesday, January 20 5:30 - 6:15 PM **or** 6:30 - 7:15 PM **Grades K-5**

Stretch, play, and grow! Yoga helps kids build focus, coordination, and confidence. Learn and feel great with instructor Tiffany Valenti.

Ozobot Races

Wednesday, January 21 5:30 - 6:15 PM

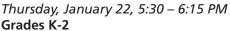
Grades 3-5 Learn about

Ozobots and code your way through a



Winter Robot Race with Librarian Ms. Danielle!

Brrr! Winter is Here!



Join Librarian Ms. Dono for some snowy stories and a unique craft.

Goodies & Games

Monday, January 26 5:30 - 6:15 PM

Grades 3-5

Play board and video games while enjoying some snacks at the Library with Librarian Ms. Bryanna.

SpongeBob's World

Monday, January 26, 6 – 7 PM

Grades K-2

Create SpongeBob and other characters using paint and craft supplies, with instructor Leslie Sattler from Green Earth Craft.

Snackin' Around the World

Wednesday, January 28 6 - 6:45 PM

Grades 3-5

Join Librarian Mrs. B and sample snacks from a different country, and have fun with trivia and treats!

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FAMILY

7: Recycled Art 10 AM - 12 PM & 5 - 7 PM

23: Meet the Guinea Pigs 4 - 4:30 PM



TODDLER & PRESCHOOL

6: Obstacle Course 10 AM - 12 PM

13: Construction Zone 10 AM - 12 PM

20: Music Makers 5 – 7 PM

28: Puzzle Play 10 AM – 4 PM



SCHOOL AGE

15: Model Magic 5 – 7 PM

27: STEM Center



FAMILY ONE REGISTRATION PER FAMILY _

Family Yoga

Saturday, February 7, 2:30 – 3:15 PM Families with children 3 and up Nurture your family's mind, body, and spirit in a supportive and fun environment with yoga instructor Joannie. Bring yoga mats or towels and water bottles.

Karaoke Night

Wednesday, February 18
5:30 – 6:30 PM
Families with
children 3 and up
Pick your favorite tune
and grab the mic for a family-friendly
sing-along with Librarian Mrs. B!

Winter Bingo

Saturday, February 21, 2:30 – 3:15 PM Families with children 3 and up Grab the whole family for a game of Winter Bingo with Librarian Mrs. B.



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A Time for Kids: Valentine's Special

Wednesday, February 4 10 – 10:45 AM 18 months-PreK

Join A Time for Kids for music, movement, a craft and playtime.



Tot's Night Out

Monday, February 9, 5:30 – 6:15 PM 18 months-PreK

A Time for Kids is here for an evening of stories, songs, crafts, and learning through play.

Perky Penguin Play

Tuesday, February 10
10:30 – 11:15 AM
3 years-PreK
Join Librarian
Mrs. 'Pen-Quinn' for penguin stories, games, counting, penguin-dancing, and a craft!



Lil' Athletes: Multi-Sport Fun

Wednesday, February 11 10 – 10:45 AM

18-35 months

Wednesday, February 11

11 - 11:45 AM

3 years-PreK

Coaches from Lil' Athletes will teach children the basics of baseball and hockey in this multi-sport combo class with a fun obstacle course and parachute play!

Baby Start

Thursday, February 12, 10 – 10:30 AM Birth-17 months

Join A Time for Kids for a circle time that incorporates early literacy and language development.

Drama with Your Mama

Wednesday, February 18 10:30 – 11:15 AM

2 years-PreK

Your young performer will build confidence and skills through acting, music, and dance. Led by momtheater professionals, fun activities create a welcoming space for caregivers and their little stars.

Mother Goose on the Loose

Thursday, February 19 10 – 10:45 AM Birth-35 months Share nursery

rhymes, finger



plays, stories, playtime, and songs. Develop and strengthen motor, social, and early literacy skills with Librarian Mrs. B!

Come Play with PlayHooray

Wednesday, February 25 10 – 10:45 AM **or** 11 – 11:45 AM

Birth-PreK

Sing, dance, and play to children's music and contemporary pop music. Move along to the beat with shakers, hula hoops, bells, scarves, instruments, and more!

Baby Bop

Thursday, February 26
5:30 – 6:15 PM
Birth-17 months
Join instructor
Heather Welkes
for creative
movement,
musical
instruments,
bubbles, and more!



Thursday, February 26 6:30 – 7:15 PM

18-35 months

Join Heather Welkes for music and movement! Toddlers will dance and have fun with instruments and bubbles!

Kidnastics

Friday, February 27 10 – 10:45 AM **or** 11 – 11:45 AM **12** months-PreK

Enjoy musical warm-ups, obstacle courses, fun activities, and more.



Book Tasting

Wednesday, February 4 5:30 - 6:15 PM

Grades 3-5

Join Librarian Mrs. B for a fun. restaurant-themed event where you will become a literary food critic! You'll sample books from different genres to find your next great read while enjoying snacks.

Winter Coding Adventure

Wednesday, February 4 6:30 - 7:15 PM

Grades K-2

Let's go on a coding adventure! Learn the basics of coding, and create your own Winter Wonderland adventure with Librarian Ms. Danielle.

Game Day Blast

Thursday, February 5 5 - 5:45 PM **or** 6 - 6:45 PM

Grades K-5

Get ready for the big game with football inspired games and enjoy soft pretzels, chips, salsa, and drinks, with Chef Rob!



Hello Kitty & Friends

Tuesday, February 10, 5:30 - 6:15 PM Grades 3-5

Do you like Hello Kitty and her wonderful assortment of friends? Listen to stories with Librarian Ms. Liana and make a cute craft together!

Valentine's Day Craft

Thursday, February 12 5:30 - 6:15 PM

Grades K-2

Join Librarian Ms. Dono for some Valentine's Day stories and create a beautiful craft.

Parachute Fun

Tuesday, February 17, 6 – 6:45 PM **Grades K-2**

Get moving with our GIANT parachute as Librarian Mrs. O'Connor shares stories and games.

Winter Wonderland Robotic Maze

Friday, February 20, 2 – 2:45 PM **Grades 3-5**

Work in teams to build and decorate a lifesized, winter-themed maze. Then, use your knowledge of robotics and coding to navigate through it. This program blends strategy, speed, and a whole lot of snowy fun.



Snow Globe Fun

Monday, February 23 5:30 - 6:30 PM

Grades K-2

Listen to The Snow Globe Family with Librarian Ms. Bryanna and create a snow globe craft to take home.

LEGO Masters: Winter Build-Off!

Tuesday, February 24 6 – 7 PM

Grades 3-5

Calling all young builders! Join Librarian Ms. Lozano for this building challenge, where teams will race against the clock to design a magical world using LEGO bricks.



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FAMILY

- 3: Pajama Storytime 5:30 - 6 PM
- 17: Table-Top Games 10 AM – 4 PM

TODDLER & PRESCHOOL

- **5: Sensory Fun** *10 AM 7 PM*
- 9: Rails & Trails 10 AM 12 PM
- **20:** Crafty Kids 10 AM 12 PM
- **23:** Construction Zone 10 AM 12 PM & 5 7 PM

SCHOOL AGE

11: 3D Pens

5 – 7 PM

25: Art Smarts

5 – 7 PM



























Mark your calendars for Take Your Child to the Library Day on Saturday,

February 7! From 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM, join us for a day of spectacular, family-friendly fun. We'll have exciting crafts, games, and activities designed to spark imagination and learning. Libraries are essential resources that foster a love for reading and discovery in children. Bring your family and explore all the excitement waiting on our shelves!



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At the end of December, the Comsewoque Public Library will bid a fond farewell to three longtime members of our Library family as they begin their well-earned retirements.

Debbie Bush, Children's Librarian, is retiring after an extraordinary 41 years of service. Generations of families have enjoyed her warmth and dedication to inspiring a lifelong love of reading in our youngest patrons.

Claudia Friszell, Head of the Circulation Department, will retire after more than 23 years of helping to ensure that our Library runs smoothly and that every visitor receives the friendly, efficient service they've come to expect at our front desk.

Len Frosina, Head of the Technical Support Department, is retiring after 26 years of keeping our computer systems reliable, secure, and ready to meet the community's evolving needs.

Together, their combined 90 years of service have left an indelible mark on the Library and the community we serve. Their dedication, expertise, and kindness have touched countless lives. We are deeply grateful for all they have given to the Library and wish them the very best in their next chapters. **Congratulations** and heartfelt thanks to Debbie Bush, Claudia Friszell, and Len Frosina on their well-deserved retirements!

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday through Thursday • 9:30 AM - 9 PM Friday and Saturday • 9:30 AM – 5 PM Sundays (October 5, 2025 to May 17, 2026) • 12 – 4 PM

LIBRARY CLOSINGS

Friday, December 5, Staff Training Day Wednesday, December 24, Christmas Eve Thursday, December 25, Christmas Day Wednesday, December 31, New Year's Eve (1 PM closing) Thursday, January 1, New Year's Day Monday, January 19, Martin Luther King Jr. Day Monday, February 16, President's Day

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