August 6, 2020

A Few Words About Holds

The other week, we suspended Curbside Pick-up and implemented our holds procedures. The big advantage to using holds is that you can now request material from throughout the public libraries in Westchester—a huge plus.

However, we have thousands upon thousands of holds to process—placed before and during pandemic. We are working our way through them and appreciate your patience.

Please help us out by reviewing your account and deleting any holds you may no longer be interested in. If you are not comfortable updating your holds online, call us at (914) 422-1400 and we’ll be happy to assist.

And don’t forget: the holds are now located in the Library’s vestibule, on the left between the two sets of doors. You don’t actually have to enter the Library to pick them up. For your convenience, materials on hold are already checked out to you. Just grab and go!

Best Wishes,

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Big Library Read: The Darwin Affair

OverDrive’s Big Library Read (BLR) is back and the selected title is The Darwin Affair by Tim Mason. Set against the backdrop of London in the summer of 1860, The Darwin Affair is a page-turning mystery that will have you guessing until the very end.

From now until August 17, readers can check out the eBook and digital audiobook of The Darwin Affair without any waitlist or holds. After reading, you can head over to
OverDrive's discussion board to share your thoughts. You can also join the conversation using the hashtag #BigLibraryRead.

Click here to check out this title.

International Film Festival: Get Out Your Handkerchiefs

Tuesday, August 11
2:00-3:00 p.m.
Watch the film on Kanopy, the Library's free streaming service, and join us for a lively discussion.

A worried husband (Gerard Depardieu) finds a lover for his depressed wife (Carole Laure), but she falls in love with a bullied thirteen-year-old math prodigy and wants to have the boy's baby.

Winner of Best Foreign Film at the Academy Awards. Nominated for Best Foreign Film at the Golden Globes, USA.

Documenting COVID-19: The Coronavirus Funnies
A comic submitted by Rainy Horvath to our PandemiComic Prompt.

A comic strip memoir about my life during the not-so-funny Coronavirus Pandemic.

The Coronavirus Funnies.

Submit your own experience.

Do you want to improve your reading skills?

Are you working to complete your high school equivalency diploma?

We are able to provide tutoring and guidance online and/or by phone.

CALL US AND LEAVE A MESSAGE AT (914) 231-3264
Family Fun Friday: Puppet Storytime

Friday, August 6
11:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
Puppeteer Nicola Rose returns (virtually) to the Library for a storytime together with her fuzzy orange puppet friend!

To attend the show at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, August 7, [click here](#) to get the Zoom link! This Program is supported by the White Plains Library Foundation.

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Around the Web

Facts on Coronavirus.

Ibram X. Kendi wonders if we’ve reached the end of America’s denial of racism.

Pete Hamill, journalist and author who captured spirit of New York, dies at 85.

A year after Toni Morrison's death, her visions of love stay with us.

Stephenie Meyer is telling Edward’s story, even if it makes her anxious.

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Photo of The Week
We want your photos! In each issue of *This Week on Martine* we feature one patron submitted photo that was taken in White Plains. To submit your photography for a chance to be featured, visit our [submission page](#), upload a photo, and fill out our form with a short description of the photo and your name.