June 2021 Virtual Calendar of Events for Children, Teens, & Families

While the Library is now open for browsing and Trove visits (more info here) and services will be expanding in the coming months, our programs will continue online through at least 2021 with a few exceptions this summer. **Summer Reading at the Library kicks off Monday, June 28th and runs through Friday, August 20th.** Reading activity will be logged online with READSquared. More information on Summer Reading at White Plains Public Library will be on our website soon, including a full lineup of programs and events! In the meantime, join us on Zoom for some exciting events including **WPHS Songwriter’s Club’s Outdoor Performance (6/4), TaleWise presents: The Mummy at Mystery Mansion (6/15), Turtle Dance Music Show: Tails & Tales (6/17),** and more! Find a full listing of events below with details on attending. And if you’d like to hear more from me about our programs and services for youth, be sure to sign up for What’s the Story? here.

And don’t forget, you can reach us Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 914-422-1400, by texting WPPL to 66746, or by emailing us anytime.

Take care,

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To attend a virtual event, either
register through the provided link or, if attendance is open, visit the link for information on joining on the date the event occurs. Events for parents are in orange, kids and family events are in yellow, teen events are in green, and events for assorted age groups are in blue. **NOTE:** To increase security in youth-focused programs, we are now requiring attendees to have a Zoom account to login to the event. **Creating an account** is easy and free.

**Poetry Open Mic**

**Wednesday, June 2**

7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Join Zork and Kristen for the First Wednesday Poetry Open Mic! Pre-registration is required to try and accommodate as many poets as possible. To register to perform, send your name (how you’d like to be introduced), email address, and a short 60-word bio to kthornton@whiteplainslibrary.org.

To simply attend, register [here](#).

Adults & teens welcome!

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**Storytime for Ages 2-6**

*Tuesday, June 1, 8, 15, & 22*  
*Thursday, June 3 & 24*  

11:00 – 11:35 a.m.

Virtual storytime with Trove Librarians for ages 2-6.

For information on joining, click on the date(s) you wish to attend: 6/1, 6/3, 6/8, 6/15, 6/22, 6/24.

We appreciate support from the White Plains Library Foundation for many of our programs. Events funded by the Foundation are noted with an 🌟.
WPHS Song Writer’s Club–Outdoor Performance
Friday, June 4
6:00-7:30 p.m.
Join us in the Library Plaza for a performance by students in the High School’s Songwriters club. They will be performing their own songs as well as covers of popular tunes.
Social distancing is required. Wearing a mask is required. You will be given a contact tracing form upon arrival. Rain date is Friday, June 11.

Virtual Tabletop Games
Monday, June 7 & 21
4:30-6:00 p.m.
Join librarians Ashley and Erik from the Trove and the Edge to play fun virtual tabletop games! We use the platform boardgamearena.com to play the games while we have a conversation on Zoom. Kids and teens who haven’t come to the program before will need to create a free account on boardgamearena.com. For information on joining, click on the date(s) you wish to attend: 6/7, 6/21.

Sunrise Scimitar
Sunday, June 6
2:00 – 3:00 p.m.
On Thursday morning, June 10, early risers in the Northeast US will – weather conditions permitting – be

Zoom Tips & Tricks
Wednesday, June 9
10:30 – 11:15 a.m.
Participants of this session will learn tips and tricks for attending (and hosting) Zoom events. For teens and adults. Click here to register.
treated to the most unusual sunrise of their lives, for we will not see a yellow-orange circle of light, but a large solar eclipse which will transform the Sun into a fiery scimitar! Meteorologist Joe Rao will examine the mechanics of what causes eclipses as well as look at events coming our way in the future. This event was made possible by a partnership with the Dobbs Ferry Public Library and Hendrick Hudson Free Library. Click here to register. Note: the presentation will take place on 6/6, prior to the 6/10 sunrise.

Minecraft for Teens
Tuesday, June 8
4:00-4:45 p.m.
In this session, youth are invited to play Minecraft together online in a safe environment. Activities will include working together to survive in a natural environment or building things collectively in creative mode. All are welcome to partake in some fun with library friends and "Schmeagle" (Digital Media Specialist Austin Olney). Find system requirements and register in advance here.

Bilingual Music Time (PreK-Gr. 2)
Friday, June 11
11:00 – 11:45 a.m.
Join Nancy Hershatter for a fun bilingual music program! For information on joining, click here.
Virtual Youth Meet-up
Thursday, June 10
5:00-5:45 p.m.
Have a computer or smartphone? Join Austin and Kat in a new, virtual online space for teens using the Roblox platform. Participate in a variety of fun activities with friends! Register in advance here.

Digital Library Resources
Tuesday, June 15
2:00-2:45 p.m.
Join Digital Media Specialist Austin Olney and learn about popular online library resources. Beginners are encouraged, all are welcome. For adult and teens. Register in advance here.

TaleWise presents:
The Mummy at Mystery Mansion
Tuesday, June 15
3:30 – 5:00 p.m.
TaleWise presents fun, interactive programs with humor, animation, STEAM activities and learning. THE MUMMY AT MYSTERY MANSION! Frankie and Casey visit their uncle for his annual costume party, only to find out that a creepy mummy has been scaring everyone away! Some say the house is haunted, but Frankie and Casey have a different idea. Join them on their adventure to unravel the mystery of the mummy! Along the way, you’ll explore some spooky and exciting science concepts about blackouts, mummification and more! For information on joining, click here.

3D Design Help
Wednesday, June 16
11:00 – 11:30 a.m.
Baking Bagels with Avery Robinson
Wednesday, June 16 6:00–7:30 p.m.
In a 75-minute virtual workshop, Avery will guide participants in how to make the best bagels you've had since H&H (the original) and also how to make homemade gravlax that'll save you a trip to Russ and Daughters. The lesson is accessible to most any kitchen novice—it is no harder than making challah—and no special equipment is required. The class is a bake-along where Avery coaches participants in how to roll, boil, and bake bagels with him in real time and also how to make their own gravlax with a slicing tutorial. He will provide recipes and a dough-making tutorial video in advance. For adults & families. Click here to register.

Do you need help with a 3D model you are working on or simply want to learn the basics of 3D design? Sign up and get help from Digital Media Specialist Austin Olney in a one-on-one virtual session. For all ages. This event is supported by Con Edison. Register in advance here.

Turtle Dance Music Show: Tails & Tales
Thursday, June 17 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Join Turtle Dance Music for an AWESOME Music, Bubble, and Comedy Show! Each song is accompanied by hands-on, visual, and sensory experiences designed to help kids learn and have fun at the same time. For ages 2-6 and their families. For information on attending click here.
Stories & Stuff  
(Grades K-3)  
Thursday, June 17  
4:30 – 5:30 p.m.  
Join us to listen to some stories and create a craft! Please provide an email address when you register so that we can arrange for you to pickup the craft materials and send you the Zoom link. Click here to register.

Virtual Chess Sessions  
Thursday, June 17  
5:00-5:45 p.m.  
Want to practice playing chess? Sign up to play against a fellow library friend or even challenge Austin Olney, the library’s Digital Media Specialist, to a match. Time slots will be sent following registration. From beginners to experts, all youth are welcome to join! Register in advance here.

TOLERANCE: Coach Vince Lombardi's Winning Formula  
Sunday, June 20  
2:00 – 3:00 p.m.  
One of the greatest coaches in pro football, Vince Lombardi's leadership skills resulted in ten
Spencer!
Friday, June 18
11:00 – 11:45 a.m.
Rock out with Spencer from wherever you are! Music, fun, dancing and more for ages 2-6. For information on joining, click here.

Fortnite with Friends
Tuesday, June 22
4:00-4:45 p.m.
All are welcome to partake in some Fortnite fun with library friends. Squad up with "Schmeagle" (Digital Media Specialist Austin Olney) on either Windows, Android, Xbox One, Xbox Series X/S, Nintendo Switch, or PlayStation 4/5. Register in advance here.

Creative Design Help for Youth and Parents
Thursday, June 24
4:30 – 5:15 p.m.
There are so many ways for youth to be digitally creative, whether it is coding, animation, game development, 3D modeling, audio/video editing, music making or something else altogether! This

Lombardi broke down barriers for athletes of color in Wisconsin's NFL outpost. It should be no surprise Lombardi employed the same successful tactics in changing the Washington Football Team's culture for gay players. John Vorperian, a published sports historian & host of BEYOND THE GAME, will take us back to 1969 to hear Vince Lombardi exploits and how Tolerance finally brought a winning year to the nation capital's fans. Click here to register.
Move & Groove with Miss Jolie (Ages 1-6+)
Tuesday, June 29
11:00 – 11:45 a.m.
Miss Jolie's Music & Movement Class infuses learning and movement with music, stories, and lots of silliness! Jolie brings a twist to classic children's music in addition to engaging children with original interactive songs. Singing, dancing, clapping, snapping, and stomping are highly encouraged! Jolie performs with her ukulele along with other musical instruments and props for the children. For ages 1-6, but open to all. For information on joining, click here.

STEAMy Summer Days
Mondays-Thursdays (except when noted)
1:30–3:30 p.m.

Week 1: 6/28 - 7/2 (Monday-Friday) 3D Prototyping with The Techno Chix
Week 2: 7/6 - 7/9 (Tuesday-Friday) 3D Design and Printing with Woody Poulard
Week 3: 7/12 - 7/15 Learning How to Paint Using Color Theory with Shakira Cherimond
Week 4: 7/19 - 7/23 (Monday-Friday) Introduction to Website Development with Mustafa Ajmal
Week 5: 7/26 - 7/29 Introduction to Photography with Mustafa Ajmal
Week 6: 8/2 - 8/5 Package Design with Shakira Cherimond
Week 7: 8/9 - 8/12 Ecosystem in a Bottle with Chelsea Defino
Week 8: 8/16 - 8/19 Intro to Programming using JavaScript with Dana Pompa

Registration for all of these programs starts on Monday, June 7th, at 10:00 a.m. Registration is through our online calendar.

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