November Calendar of Events for Adults

We know your schedule will get busier in the next two months, but we've still got some exciting programming taking place, including an author event with Anita Hill (11/1). This month you can get crafty with Kat and Christiane and make a candle shade for your fall table, learn about both the art and the history of the Metropolitan Museum of Art (11/7), or join us for one of our five book discussions. Find a full listing of programs below with details on attending.

You can reach us Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. at 914-422-1400, by texting WPPL to 66746, or by emailing us anytime.

Ideas for programs or activities? Send them my way.

Take care,

Brian Kenney
Library Director
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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. Adult events are in

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orange, events for parents are in yellow, 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.

**Future is Female Book Discussion**

**Monday, November 1**

2:00–3:00 p.m.

Ellen O'Connell, White Plains resident and retired English teacher, will moderate a discussion of *The Paris Library*, by Janet Skeslien Charles. Based on the true story of the heroic staff of the American Library in Paris during the Nazi occupation, this instant bestseller was described as “an ode to the importance of libraries, books, and the human connections we find.

**An Author Visit**

**with Anita Hill**

**Monday, November 1**

7:00–8:00 p.m.

Anita will discuss her new book, *Believing: Our Thirty-Year Journey to End Gender Violence*, a combination of memoir, personal accounts, law, and social analysis. *Believing* is a story of America’s three decades long reckoning with gender violence, one that offers insights into its roots, and paths to creating dialogue and substantive change. Click here to register.

Thanks to support from a Foundation donor, we have a number of copies of *Believing* available to share with the community. If you’d like a copy, ask for one from a staff member at the
Digital Library Resources
Wednesday, November 3
10:30–11:00 a.m.
Join Digital Media Specialist Austin Olney and learn about popular online library resources. Beginners are encouraged, all are welcome.
For adults, parents.
Register in advance here.

Virtual Tech Help
Wednesday, November 3
Tuesday, November 9

Poetry Slam & Open Mic
Wednesday, November 3
7:00–9:00 p.m.
Join Zork and Kristen for the First Wednesday Poetry Slam! Pre-
2:00–3:00 p.m.

Wednesday, November 17
10:30–11:30 a.m.
Need help with a general computer issue or have questions about a particular piece of technology? Ask Digital Media Specialist Austin Olney in this virtual assistance program. Whether a beginner or advanced user, all are welcome. Register in advance for the date(s) you wish to attend: 11/3, 11/9, 11/17. Please be sure to provide your email address.

Quick n Easy Candle Shade
Thursday, November 4
7:00–8:00 p.m.
Nothing softens the atmosphere in a room like candlelight—especially for fall holiday meals. Join Kat and Christiane to construct an elegant paper shade to pair with a tabletop LED light or candle. Registration through our Library calendar is limited and required. Those registered will be notified when they can pick up their bag of supplies for the program. Click here to register.

Masterpieces of The Metropolitan Museum of Art Virtual Tour
Sunday, November 7
2:00–3:00 p.m.
Our virtual tour explores world famous stunning masterpieces, from European paintings to Egyptian monuments to colossal columns, covering thousands of years. The history and founding of the museum is uncovered through vintage photos and behind the scene stories. Join this fascinating tour for a wonderful sense of engagement and passion, and view stellar works of art as you are led along with fresh eyes. Click here to register.
Slow Reading Book Discussion
Monday, November 8 & 22
2:00–4:00 p.m.
For the last four fall sessions, the group will revisit Elizabeth Strout's character Olive Kitteridge, discussing selected stories from Strout's 2019 collection, Olive, Again. The stories for 11/8 are “Arrested” and “Labor” and the stories for 11/22 are “Motherless Child” and “Light.” Texts are available in the Library's physical collection and through OverDrive/Libby. Leading the group is Ellen Lambert, who has a Ph.D. from Yale in English and taught high-school English at The Dalton School for over 25 years. Feel free to contact Ellen at ellenzlambert@gmail.com or 914-582-4050 with any questions. For information on joining, click on the link.

Understanding the Process of Becoming a U.S. Citizen
Monday, November 8
6:00–7:00 p.m.
Community Relations Officer Shyconia Burden will discuss the naturalization application process. Learn what the eligibility requirements are before applying and how to qualify for any exceptions and accommodations. Officer Burden will answer any questions about the citizenship and the naturalization process. For information on attending, click here.

Zoom Tips & Tricks
Wednesday, November 10
10:30–11:00 a.m.
Participants of this session will learn tips and tricks for attending (and
date(s) you wish to attend: 11/8, 11/22.

English Conversation Group
Wednesday, November 10 & 24
2:00–3:00 p.m.
ESL speakers, come practice your English conversation skills in this fun, supportive virtual setting! Feel free to bring your own conversation topics. For information on joining, click on the date(s) you wish to attend: 11/10, 11/24.

Leyes de Empleo y Manejo de Personal para Pequeños Negocios
El martes 16 de noviembre
6:00–8:00 p.m.
Las leyes de empleo también aplican para los pequeños negocios; por este motivo es necesario mantenerse informado y entender las regulaciones sobre el manejo de personal de una manera básica. Registro. This program on employment law is presented in Spanish.
Book 'Em

Wednesday, November 17
2:30–3:30 p.m.
Library Director Brian Kenney will lead a discussion of Isabella Maldonado's The Cipher.
“Maldonado expertly ratchets up the tension as the pieces of the puzzle neatly fall into place. Suspense fans will be enthralled from the very first page.”—Publishers Weekly. This title is available in our physical collection. For information on joining, click here.

Common Ground

Thursday, November 18
6:00–8:00 p.m.
Common Ground is a community conversation series where participants can express their viewpoints and listen to different perspectives in a civic environment. These conversations are offered through a partnership with the League of Women Voters of White Plains, the Library, and the YWCA White Plains & Central Westchester. This month's topic is: "How can a

Short Story Book Discussion Series

Thursday, November 18
2:00–4:15 p.m.
Join Librarian Barbara Wenglin for our fall series using the anthology 100 Years of the Best American Short Stories focusing on the theme of couples. For this session, read "What We Talk About When We Talk About Anne Frank" by Nathan Englander. Two middle-aged couples reunite after taking different life paths—and play a scary parlor game. Anthology is available to borrow in print, also as an eBook in Hoopla and Libby/OverDrive. Program made possible with support of the Friends of the Library. Click here to register for full series and attend when you can.
Rotary Club Blood Drive
Tuesday, November 30
1:00–7:00 p.m.
Museum Gallery & Auditorium
The Rotary Club of White Plains together with the White Plains Bar Association and the New York Blood Center are sponsoring a blood drive. This program will be held in the Museum Gallery & Auditorium.

Forever Young Adult Book Club
Thursday, November 18
7:00–8:00 p.m.
Forever Young Adult is a group for YA fans who are a little less "Y" and a bit more "A." Whether you're a regular YA reader or you need a break from your usual "To Read" list, all are welcome! We will discuss The Astonishing Color of After by Emily X.R. Pan at this session. This book is available in print and as an eBook and audiobook from OverDrive/Libby. This book club is made possible by a partnership between Yonkers Public Library and White Plains Public Library. For information on attending, click here.