**IN-PERSON CONCERT**

**Swingin’ the Season**

Performed by *Sentimental Journey Big Band* with Vocalist Altha Morton and Director Curt Morton

Co-sponsored by the Music Performance Trust Fund

Sunday, December 3 at 2:00 pm
Headquarters, Manalapan

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**VIRTUAL PROGRAM**

**Festival of Lights: History of Hanukkah Celebrations in America**

Live Zoom presentation by Historian Jo Ann Tufo

Wednesday, December 13 at 10:30 am

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**IN-PERSON CONCERT**

**A New Year’s Celebration with Peas and Carrots**

Performed by *Musicians Lisa Withers and Billy Harkowsky*

Friday, December 29 at 2:00 pm
Headquarters, Manalapan

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**VIRTUAL CONCERT**

**The Spirit of Christmas**

Performed by *Flutist Pamela Whitman and Bassist Rich Kurtz*

Available to view via Library Website from December 1 through December 31
DECEMBER 2023 VIRTUAL PROGRAMS

These programs may be on Zoom or available via Library website MonmouthCountyLib.org.
* Indicates that registration is required. Please find registration on Library website under “Upcoming Events” (scan code, above).

Meditate with Singing Bowl & Choose Your Own Path Yoga: Virtual Series
Presented by Steven Russell, Becoming Sound Yoga
Available to view via Library website

Virtual English as a Second Language Classes
Monmouth County Residents invited
Contact Literacy NJ’s Jhanna Even for details
732-702-1895 or jeven@literacynj.org

Chef Rob’s Quick Bites
Quick takes on popular recipes by Chef Rob Scott.
Links and recipes available on Library website
Saturdays at 3:00 pm
December 2: Butternut Squash Beef Stew
December 9: Melt-In-Your-Mouth Butter Cookies
December 16: Bakery Style Dinner Rolls
December 23: Chocolate Dipped Winter Butter Cookies
December 30: Roasted Shrimp Sliders

* Stocking Your Mediterranean Pantry
Live Zoom presentation by Rachel Tansey, MA, Rutgers Family & Community Health Science
In partnership with Moorestown Library
Tuesday, December 5 at 10:30 am

* What’s New with Medicare in 2024
Live Zoom presentation by Jenéé Farley, Family and Children’s Services Director of Volunteer Services
Tuesday, December 5 at 3:00 pm

* From Saint to Santa
Live Zoom presentation by Art Historian Michael Norris, Ph.D.
Tuesday, December 12 at 10:30 am

* The Misunderstood Mrs. Winchester: Reclaiming Myth and Clarifying History
Live Zoom presentation by Author, Actress and NYC Ghost Tour Guide Leanna Renee Hieber
Tuesday, December 12 at 6:30 pm

* 180 Turning Lives Around: Introduction to Services and Community Advocates
Live Zoom presentation by Kate Gerahty, Confidential Sexual Violence Advocate Manager
Wednesday, December 13 at 6:30 pm

* Lost & Found: Virtual Bereavement Support Group
Live Zoom program facilitated by Beth Stamp
Wednesday, December 20 at 6:45 pm

VIRTUAL LITERARY CORNER

* Author Talk with Victoria Aveyard
Live from the Monmouth County Virtual Library
Tuesday, December 5 at 7:00 pm

* Author Talk with Stephanie Land
Live from the Monmouth County Virtual Library
Tuesday, December 12 at 2:00 pm
DECEMBER 2023 IN-PERSON PROGRAMS

Registration to attend as noted on the Library website.

The Billy Lawlor Trio
Presents Jazzy Holidays
Performed by Musicians Billy Lawlor, Gary Mazzaroppi, and Tommy Labella
Saturday, December 2 at 2:00 pm
Howell Branch

The Art of Coziness: Food, Holistic Strategies, and Seasonal Tips for a Cozier Life
Presented by Writer and Educator Vanessa Young
Monday, December 4 at 1:30 pm
Eastern Branch, Shrewsbury

One-on-One SHIP Q&A at HQ
Confidential help for County residents on Medicare and Medicaid. Provided by Family and Children’s Service
Offered on a first come, first serve basis.
Monday, December 4 at 2:30 pm
Headquarters, Manalapan

Play Bridge
In-person sessions for knowledgeable players. Not a teaching session; seating limited; first come, first seated.
Mondays, December 4, 11, and 18 at 6:00 pm
Headquarters, Manalapan

Play Duplicate Bridge
In-person sessions for knowledgeable players. Not a teaching session; seating limited; first come, first seated.
Wednesdays, December 6, 13, 20, and 27 at 12:00 pm
Headquarters, Manalapan

* English as a Second Language (ESL) Classes
Co-sponsored with Literacy NJ Monmouth
Wednesdays, December 6 and 13 at 6:00 pm
Ocean Township Branch

Learn to Play Bridge
In-person instruction by Pat Guadagno
Beginners welcome; seating limited; first come, first seated.
Thursdays, December 7, 14, 21, and 28 at 9:30 am
Eastern Branch, Shrewsbury

Navesink Brass Holiday Concert
Performed by the Navesink Brass Quintet
Sunday, December 10 at 2:00 pm
Eastern Branch, Shrewsbury

* Recycled Wreaths: Book Paper Origami
Presented by Local Craft Enthusiast Caitlin Dwight
Thursday, December 14 at 6:30 pm
Allentown Branch

An Afternoon Musical Interlude
Performance by Charlie’s Band
Wednesday, December 20 at 2:00 pm
Ocean Township Branch

IN-PERSON LITERARY CORNER

* Writers Workshop
Facilitated by Molly Fox, MS Ed.
Friday, December 8 at 10:30 am
Eastern Branch, Shrewsbury

Holmdel Book Club
The Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo: A Novel
by Taylor Jenkins Reid
Moderated by Trish Shrodo
Thursday, December 14 at 10:30 am
Holmdel Branch

‘Square of Friends’ Book Club
Take My Hand
by Dolen Perkins-Valdez
Moderated by Beth Miller
Wednesday, December 20 at 2:00 pm
Eastern Branch, Shrewsbury

West Long Branch Book Club
Bring a biography or memoir of your choice to share.
Moderated by Veronica Stevens
Thursday, December 21 at 2:00 pm
West Long Branch Library

Colts Neck Book Club
Black Cake: A Novel
by Charmaine Wilkerson
Moderated by Sabrina Pisciotta
Thursday, December 21 at 6:00 pm
Colts Neck Branch
MOMENTS ARE IN PERSON

Scan for times, titles and locations
or visit: https://bit.ly/MCLMovies

Hazlet Township Branch
weekly on Wednesdays at 2:00 pm

Headquarters, Manalapan
on Tuesday, December 12 at 2:00 pm

Holmdel Branch
weekly on Wednesdays at 6:00 pm

Howell Branch
on Tuesdays, December 5 and 19
at 2:00 pm

Ocean Township Branch
weekly on Thursdays at 2:00 pm

Wall Township Branch
on Tuesdays, December 5, 12 and 19
at 2:00 pm

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- Timely Topics
- Operating Hours
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Wall Library Book Sale
Saturday, December 2 through Thursday, December 14
Wall Township Branch

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We look forward to seeing you!