

2023 Winter/Spring Events

Salem Free Public Library 860-859-1130

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Sponsored by The Friends of the Salem Library

Children/Family Programs

All Ages! Winter Reading

Jan. 10, 2023 to
Feb. 28, 2023!



Register and pick up your reading log at the circulation desk.

For each book read, up to 5, you will receive a raffle ticket for a chance to win a prize! In addition, if you read 5 books, you can pick out a free book of your choice.

Please turn in your reading log by March 1, 2023.

Valentine Cards

The program is full!

Sat., Feb. 4, 2023

11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Limited to 6 participants, ages 9-12.

Celebrate **Take your Child to the Library Day!** Come make valentines for your family and friends. Each participant can make up to 5 cards.



The Snow Sisters

Sat., Feb. 4, 2023

@ 11:00 a.m.

Celebrate Take Your Child to the Library Day! Come by for a "snowtastic" morning of stories, singing, games and fun! Meet & greets to follow the performance so bring your cameras!



Candy Land

Feb. 7, 2023-Feb. 28, 2023

Come on down to experience the life-sized game of Candy Land at the library! Each participant will receive a sweet treat at completion!



Author Story Time

Sat., Mar. 18, 2023
@ 11:00 a.m.

Celebrate the year of the rabbit! Author, H.J. Errett, will be reading her book, **The Crabbit**, a story about believing in yourself.



Energy in Action Bus: A Mobile Interactive Exhibit

Tue., April 18, 2023

4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

The bus will be in the SFPL parking lot!

Sessions will be 30 minutes long.

Register for a time slot : 4:30-5 or 5:00 -5:30

Step inside the interactive exhibit to learn about the energy grid!

Plasma Tube: learn how your body conducts electricity.

Thermal Tunnel: learn how insulation prevents heat loss.

Generation Station: use your power to discover which light bulb is most efficient.

And more!



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Teen/Adult Programs



Monday Matinee

Mon., Feb. 6, 2023

@ 1:00 p.m.

Cyrano



Hygge Workshop

Program is full! Waiting list only!

Wed., Feb. 15, 2023 @ 4:00 p.m.

Come for an afternoon of comfort! Make beeswax taper candles, a giant paper snowflake and enjoy cookies and a hot cocoa bar. **Limited to 12 teens/adults.**

Milkweed Planting Workshop



Wed., Feb. 22, 2023

@ 4:00 p.m.

Master Gardener, Veronika Burlingham, will talk about pollinators and the importance of milkweed, especially vital as a food source for Monarch butterflies. Participants will plant milkweed seeds to take home and plant in the spring.

Limited to 15, ages 6 to adult.

Great family program!



Backyard Birding

Sat., Feb. 25, 2023 @

12:00 noon

Presented by the CT Audubon Society
You will learn what birds you can expect to see in your backyard this time of year, how to make your yard a bird-friendly habitat, plus tips, tricks & everything you need for making the most of your backyard birding.

Limited to 40 attendees.



The Carroll Sisters

Traditional Celtic Fiddle Music accompanied by cello.

Sat., Mar. 11, 2023 @ 11:00 a.m.

Get in the spirit of St. Patrick's Day by listening to a traditional Celtic fiddle and cello concert.

Limited to 30 attendees.

Iditarod Program



Tues., Mar. 21, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m.

Karen Land, who ran the Iditarod, will give a PowerPoint presentation, show her sled, Arctic gear and two of her dogs. **Limited to 40 attendees.**

Earth and Sky: Nature Meditations in Word and Watercolor



Sat., April 15, 2023 @ 11:00 a.m.

Meet the author, Judy Benson and illustrator, Roxanne Steed. The book is written in essays with beautiful paintings that present insights into the wonders of nature. Books will be available for sale and signing.

Thicker than Water:



the Quest for Solutions to the Plastic Crisis

Author Event with Erica Cirino

Wed., April 19, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m.

Erica Cirino will discuss her journey at sea with scientists collecting plastic aboard a boat in the Great Pacific Garbage Patch and how plastic pollution is threatening wildlife and human health. Includes Q&A and book signing.

Growing Mushrooms Outdoors



Sat., June 3, 2023

11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Intensive workshop presented by Mark Gostkiewicz of *Tri Lea Gable Farm*. You will learn how to grow shitake, oyster and wine cap mushrooms, the lifecycle and needs of fungi, tools needed, safety issues and more! **Limited to 10 adults.**