

Salem Free Public Library's Events

Salem Knitters-The knitting group meets on Thursdays from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, in the reading area of the Salem Free Public Library. The group meets weekly to work on their own projects or to contribute to the annual knitted goods sale to benefit the Friends of the Salem Library. Refreshments are served. Just drop in!

Seniors Drop-in-The seniors meet every Tuesday from 12-4 in the program room. Come to the library to play Wii Sports games, such as baseball, boxing, bowling, golf and tennis as well as card and board games. Potluck refreshments are served. *Sponsored by the Salem Recreation Department.*

Mahjongg Group-Meets every Monday at 12:30 p.m. in the library's program room. New players welcome!

Author Event & Book Signing with Martin Podskoch-Wednesday, July 31, 2019 @ 6:00 p.m. In this new book, *Connecticut 169 Club*, Martin encourages travelers to visit all of the towns and villages of our beautiful and unique state. The book serves as a guide, passport and journal, with spaces to write about your experiences and to get the book signed by a resident or business in each town. Books will be available for sale and signing. Limit 40. Call 860-859-1130 to register.

Senior Movie- Friday, August 9, 2019 @ 1:00 p.m. Please note the new time! The movie this month is *The Mustang*. Free popcorn!

Salem's Got Talent!-Saturday, August 10, 2019, from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. As part the town's bicentennial celebration, the Salem Free Public Library is having a talent show. Do you have a talent you would like to share? Register to perform in a 15 minute time slot to be part of this event. The event is limited to 12 performers and performances must be suitable for all ages. Participants from Salem and surrounding towns are welcome. Audience limit is 40 attendees. Call 860-859-1130 to register.

Flower Arranging-Wednesday, August 21, 2019 @ 6:30. Come learn how to make a fresh flower arrangement with Leslie Collins of *Collins Farm*. All materials provided! Limit 15, age 18 & up. Call 860-859-1130 to register.

Introduction to Shinrin Yoku-Saturday, September 7, 2019 @ 11:00 a.m. Presented by Alexandra Lowry, Certified Forest and Parks Association Ramble Guide. Come learn about the amazing healing power of shinrin-yoku, also known as "forest bathing." Scientific research has now caught up with the ancient knowledge that time spent in forests have a direct, measurable and profound effect on the human spirit and physical well-being. The program is suitable for teens & adults. Limit 40. Call 860-859-1130 to register.

2019 Connecticut Authors Trail- Wednesday, September 11, 2019 @ 6:00 p.m. Authors Ehris Urban and Velya Jance-Urban will discuss their book, *How to Survive a Brazilian Betrayal: a Mother-Daughter Memoir*. In the book, a kooky, gregarious mother & a perceptive, poised daughter introduce readers to their offbeat Connecticut family. They take the reader along on a heart-wrenching, hilariously honest journey when they move to rural Brazil to run a dairy farm and open an English school. When they follow their hearts to Ponte Nova, an explosion of betrayal leaves them dazed and grieving. Broke and broken, they are forced to return to the United States and navigate their rebirth in a foreclosed 1770 New England farmhouse. Books will be available for sale and signing after the discussion. Attendees will receive a raffle ticket for a chance to win a gift basket at the end of the program. You must be present to win. Limit 40. Call 860-859-1130 to register.

Artemis Rising -Saturday, September 28, 2019 @ 11:00 a.m. A group poetry reading by the Connecticut based poetry circle, *Artemis Rising*. *Artemis Rising* is a group of women who have been meeting for over 20 years to support one another in their work as poets by giving both encouragement and critique. They will read from their original work and host an open mic for any poets in the audience who wish to share their work. Refreshments will be served. Books will also be available for sale. Call 860-859-1130 to register. Limit 40.

The Not-So-Good-Life of the Colonial Goodwife-Wednesday, October 9, 2019 @ 6:00 p.m. Featuring dynamic mother/daughter duo, Velya Jancz-Urban and Ehris Urban of the *Grounded Goodwife*, this program will cover what the history books skip over! Laugh, grimace and honor our foremothers' journeys while learning about the issues faced by New England's colonial women. Limit 40. Call 860-859-1130 to register.

Before Salem: Witch Hunting in the Connecticut River Valley, 1647-1663. Wednesday, October 30, 2019 @ 6:00 p.m. Presented by the author, Richard Ross, III, this book offers a fresh assessment of the first outbreak of witch accusations, trials and executions in the Connecticut River Valley. Books will be available for sale and signing. Limit 40 adults. Call 860-859-1130 to register.

Shoreline Ringers, Inc. - Saturday, November 2, 2019 @ 11:00 a.m. Come and learn about the art of handbell ringing with the *Shoreline Ringers*. *Shoreline Ringers, Inc.* is a community handbell choir formed in September 2006. This presentation will review the history of bells, a variety of techniques and a few performance pieces. Limit 40. Call 860-859-1130 to register.

Hungrytown Concert- Wednesday, November 6, 2019 @ 6:00 p.m. This is a return performance by the husband/wife duo, *Hungrytown*. Rebecca Hall and Ken Anderson play a wonderful blend of acoustic based folk music with wonderful harmonies. Their cds will be available for sale and signing. Limit 40. Call 860-859-1130 to register.

The Crate: A Story of War, a murder and Justice- Wednesday, November 20, 2019 @ 6:00 p.m. Presented by the author, Deborah Levison. *The Crate* is a true story of a gruesome crime that involved her family of Holocaust survivors. In 2010, her family discovered a wooden crate, nailed tightly shut and hidden underneath their cherished lakeside cottage. They were not prepared for the horrific contents of the crate! The themes are relevant and timely: of refugees and the need for sanctuary; domestic violence and racial intolerance; and the seemingly limitless human capacity for evil. Books will be available for sale and signing. Limit 40 adults. Call 860-859-1130 to register.

Children's Events- Summer Reading "A Universe of Stories"

Lost in the Solar System with Miss Frizzle-Wednesday, July 17, 2019 @ 6:00 p.m. Presented by Rochelle Weinrauch of *Simply Enchanted*. Bring your imagination and join your favorite science teacher, Miss Frizzle, on a field trip to space! Along with her story, interactive games and activities, you will learn about the solar system. The program is recommended for ages 5 and up. Limit 20 participants.

Over the Moon Animal Adventure with Animal Embassy-Saturday, July 20, 2019 @ 11:00 a.m. Join Animal Embassy on this nocturnal journey through the fascinating night life of the animal kingdom! This program will help children to understand the differences between nocturnal, diurnal and crepuscular animals by providing live examples of each. This program is suitable for ages 4 & up, with a parent. Limit 40 attendees.

Saturn & Space Rocks & Star Wheels, Oh My!- Wednesday, July 24, 2019 @ 6:00 p.m. Presented by Solar System Ambassador, Kristine Larsen, PhD. Have you ever wanted to hold a space rock in your hand or stuff Saturn's rings in your pocket? Do you know how to find the *Big Dipper* or *Orion* from your backyard? Join us on a hands-on journey across the solar system and beyond! This program is recommended for ages 5-12. Limit 25 participants. Call 860-859-1130 to register.

Outer Space and Aliens Clay Cartoon Fun-Saturday, July 27, 2019 @ 11:00 a.m. Presented by Debi Hamuka-Falkenham. Children will use *Crayola Model Magic* to create a clay alien figure and then draw a scenery background for their clay character creation. Suitable for ages 5-12. Limit 15 participants. Call 860-859-1130 to register.

Summer Reading Finale: Magic Show with Mr. Magic– Wednesday, August 7, 2019 @ 6:00 p.m. Come join us for a fun, family event as we close the 2019 summer reading program. Salem Valley Farms ice cream will be served at the end of the program. Limit 40 attendees. Call 860-859-1130 to register.

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