



# NEWSLETTER OF THE LYME PUBLIC LIBRARY



January • February • March 2021

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

### **PICK UP & GO BOOKS for Pre-school Children Ages 2-5: beginning January 13**

In lieu of traditional story hour, the Library will have an assortment of themed picture and board books selected and packaged for pickup during regular library hours. Stop in and pick up some collections for quality story times at home.

### **OPEN STUDIO: Still Life with Kristen Thornton for students in grades 6-12 via Zoom, Wednesdays from 6:30-7:30 pm, January 13-March 31.**

Students will recreate Still Life exhibits from their choice of media and materials, i.e. painting (watercolors/oils) or drawing (charcoals/pastels). Kristen Thornton will guide them through their projects as they work at their individual paces. Limited to 10 participants. Students must register via email at [programreg@lymepl.org](mailto:programreg@lymepl.org) by the Wednesday prior to each program so that they can receive the Zoom link for each session. Supplies for each program will be available to pick up at the library on the previous Saturday, Tuesday, and Wednesday.

**PICK-UP & GO PROJECTS: Art (Grades K-5) and Science (Grades 3-5)**  
Kristen Thornton will prepare monthly art and science project kits for children to pick up at the library and complete at home on their own schedules. The kits will include step-by-step instructions and materials. The specific project details will be announced on our website and social media platforms. Limited to 12 children. Please call to register or email [programreg@lymepl.org](mailto:programreg@lymepl.org) by the following dates and specify art, science, or both.

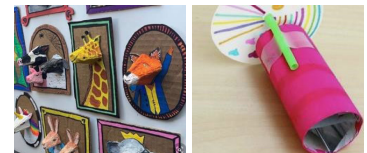
### **JANUARY**

**Art project:** Winter Landscapes on craft paper  
**Science project:** Mechanical Hand  
**Register by Jan. 13**  
**Pick up materials between Jan. 16-23**



### **FEBRUARY**

**Art project:** Story Book Animal Portraits  
**Science project:** Kaleidoscope  
**Register by Feb. 10**  
**Pick up materials between Feb. 13-20**



### **MARCH**

**Art project:** Gustav Klimt, Tree of Life  
**Science project:** Sprout House  
**Register by Mar. 10**  
**Pick up materials between Mar. 13-20**



## *President's Message from the Friends of the Lyme Public Library*

**“The only thing you absolutely have to know is the location of the library.”**

—ALBERT EINSTEIN

*And what would we do without our library!* We have access to an exceptional collection of library resources absolutely free to help us get through these long days of seclusion. Also, the program committee has been working diligently to put together a nice array of programs for the winter months. The programs span a variety of topics including Climate Change, Raptors, Asian Fusion Cooking, and more. If you need information or assistance to register and join a Zoom event, please contact the library staff and learn how easy it is to access and enjoy online programming. We look forward to seeing you online!

Deborah Giaconia, *President* Jo-Ann Shettles, *Vice-President*

## PROGRAMS SPONSORED BY



Please email [programreg@lymepl.org](mailto:programreg@lymepl.org)  
to receive the Zoom link for these events.

### *Climate Change and You*

presented by Patricia Sisson  
Thursday, January 14, 7pm

Patricia Sisson, a member of the Climate Reality Leadership Corps, will cover a broad range of environmental issues that relate to global warming, and highlight the most powerful actions that individuals can take to help solve this truly existential crisis.



*Raptors of Connecticut* presented by Joe Attwater  
Saturday, January 23, 2pm

In this webinar sponsored with the Lyme Land Trust, teacher-naturalist Joe Attwater, who leads many of the bird-related educational programs for the CT Audubon Society, will teach participants which species you can expect to see in Connecticut, how to identify them, as well as what makes these birds such incredible hunters.



*Valentine's Day Workshop*  
presented by Lori Neumann  
Saturday, February 6, 2pm

A Valentine's Day Workshop with Lori Neuman is in the works. Please check the Lyme Public Library Website ([lymepl.org](http://lymepl.org)) for updated information. Space will be limited and there will be a materials fee.

*Save the Sound: Exploring the Importance of Pollinator Pathways*

presented by Jim Sirch and  
Mary Ellen Lemay  
Thursday, February 18, 7pm

Local eco-friendly gardening experts Jim Sirch and Mary Ellen Lemay will teach you about the benefits of pollinator pathways and how you can create your own.



*Eco-Safari of the Connecticut Watershed*  
presented by Jim Arrigoni  
Saturday, February 27, 2pm

In this interactive webinar, conservation biologist Jim Arrigoni will take you on a virtual tour of the watershed, highlighting the flora and fauna and unique aspects of its natural and human history.



### *Animal Tracking*

presented by the Denison Pequotsepos Nature Center  
Saturday, March 6, 2pm

In this Zoom presentation sponsored with the Lyme Land Trust, you will learn to identify the tracks of local wildlife as well as how to interpret the stories they tell. In addition, you will also meet an owl who leaves telltale tracks behind from a hunt! Founded in 1946, DPNC provides environmental education programming for all ages on a wide variety of natural history and environmental science topics.



Whitetail Deer

*Asian Fusion Cooking Demonstration with Chef James Martell*  
presented by James Martell

Thursday, March 11, 5pm

James Martell, the head chef at On the Rocks Restaurant at the Fox Hopyard Golf Club in East Haddam will demonstrate how to prepare an Asian Fusion dinner as well as mocktails and cocktails to complement the dish. Learn how he makes tuna rolls, quick kimchi, and Buffalo chicken Rangoon.



*The Other Side of the Ice*  
presented by Sprague Theobald  
Saturday, March 20, 3pm

An award-winning documentary filmmaker and expert sailor, Sprague Theobald couldn't have known just how life-changing his journey through the Northeast Passage would be. Unrelenting cold, hungry polar bears, and a haunting landscape littered with sobering artifacts from the tragic Franklin Expedition of 1845 make *The Other Side of the Ice* a harrowing story of survival, adventure, and, ultimately, redemption.



### *Cookbook Club*

The cookbook club is still meeting virtually. Anyone is welcome to participate. Make each month's themed selection by the date listed, send a photo to [kvarady@lymepl.org](mailto:kvarady@lymepl.org), and we will post your creations on our social media accounts.

January 9: A breakfast dish

February 13: Any type of pie (*February is National Pie Month!*)

March 13: A Crock Pot recipe

## BOOK NOOK

**Happy New Year!** The highlight of our January focus will be a special collection of Lakeside Classics, the longest continuously running series of Americana, dating from 1965-2018, and we also have on display a collection of artist books featuring specific artists, art design and technique. We will also have a nice assortment of both fiction and non-fiction books for adults and children. We sincerely appreciate all of the donations that make the Book Nook an appealing 'book shop' within our library!

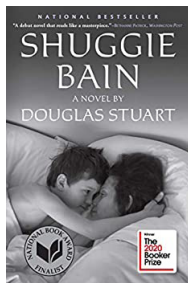
## PATRONS' CHOICE

Patrons have recommended these titles  
from the Lyme Public Library Collection

### *Shuggie Bain*

by Douglas Stuart

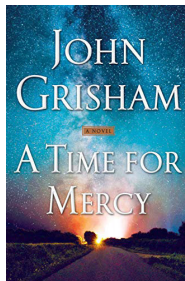
Winner of the 2020 Booker Prize for fiction. "A heartbreaking story of addiction, sexuality, and love, Shuggie Bain is an epic portrayal of a working-class family that is rarely seen in fiction... it is a blistering debut by a brilliant novelist who has a powerful and important story to tell." —Amazon.com



### *A Time for Mercy*

by John Grisham

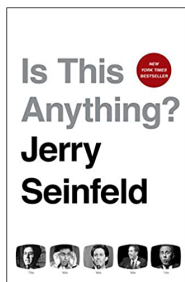
Grisham brings back Jake Brigance, the hero of *A Time to Kill*, to defend a teenager who kills a Sheriff's Deputy. The New York Times calls Grisham "a master of plotting and pacing."



### *Is This Anything?*

by Jerry Seinfeld

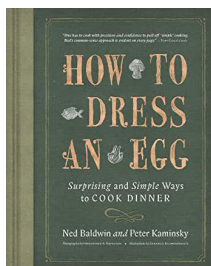
Seinfeld has saved his material since the beginning of his career and selected his favorites organized by decade for this volume. Amazon.com says, "... readers will witness the evolution of one of the great comedians of our time and gain new insights into the thrilling but unforgiving art of writing stand-up comedy."



### *How to Dress an Egg: Surprising and Simple Ways to Cook Dinner*

by Ned Baldwin  
and Peter Kaminsky

Baldwin, a home cook who taught himself to be an excellent chef, offers recipes and techniques to help readers do the same.



## Top Ten Books of 2020 as Chosen by the *New York Times* (and the Lyme Library has them all!)

*The Children's Bible* by Lydia Millet

*Deacon King Kong* by James McBride

*Hamnet* by Maggie O'Farrell

*Homeland Elegies* by Ayad Akhtar

*The Vanishing Half* by Brit Bennett

*Hidden Valley Road* by Robert Kolker

*A Promised Land* by Barack Obama

*Shakespeare in a Divided America* by James Shapiro

*Uncanny Valley* by Anna Wiener

*War: How Conflict Shaped Us* by Margaret MacMillan

## LIBRARY NEWS

### SimplyE, eBook, and Digital Audiobook News



Lyme Library patrons can now use the *SimplyE* app, which combines titles from multiple eBook and audiobook providers

into a single, easy-to-use list! Browsing, searching, and downloading are simple. The app includes titles from Recorded Books, Overdrive, Baker & Taylor, DPLA Open Bookshelf and more! Download *SimplyE*, log in with your library card and PIN, and start reading! The app is available on the App Store or Google Play. The library staff can provide assistance and more information.\*

You may see some changes in the content of our digital platforms in the coming months. Last summer the parent company of Recorded Books, Inc. purchased Overdrive. As a result, Recorded Books' eBook, digital magazine, and digital audiobook offerings will be migrating to the Overdrive platform, and RB's physical Books on CD business was transferred to Blackstone Audio. In addition, Hoopla will have RB eBook and digital audiobook titles available also. For the foreseeable future, our digital video offerings such as *Acorn TV*, *IndieFlix*, *Qello Concerts*, and the *Great Courses* will still be available via the RB Digital app on our website.

\*After December 30, the RB Digital eBook and audiobook collection provided by the CT State Library will no longer be available via the RB Digital app but will be available via the *SimplyE* app.

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## LIBRARY CLOSED

**New Year's Eve & Day: December 31 and January 1**

## TEMPORARY LIBRARY HOURS DUE TO COVID-19

**Sunday & Monday: Closed**

**Tuesday: 10am to 5pm**

**Wednesday: 10am to 5pm  
(Curbside Service Only)**

**Thursday: 10am to 8pm**

**Friday: 10am to 5pm  
(Curbside Service Only)**

**Saturday: 10am to 4pm**

