

# Thankful

## ***A Message from the Board of Trustees***

Dear Baldwin Community,

It has been several months since the Baldwin Public Library was compelled to suspend normal operations in response to COVID-19. The Board of Trustees would like to thank our administration, staff, and the community for their support and understanding during this time.

Throughout the pandemic, our administrators have provided solid information that has enabled us to determine how best to plan and proceed in an uncertain, fearful, and constantly changing environment.

We always knew our staff was one of the most resourceful, knowledgeable, and downright nicest around, but we didn't realize how accurate this was until they were asked to work under conditions



no one had ever anticipated. They quickly pivoted to providing virtual programs, curbside service, and grab-and-go lunches for kids, even though their personal lives were also impacted.

Thank you for a job well done, without complaint. We truly appreciate all of you.

And finally, to our community, thank you. You recognized the severity of this threat and helped us to keep everyone, employees and public, well and safe. You offered encouragement and kindness, and for that we are truly grateful.

Sincerely,

***The Board of Trustees of the  
Baldwin Public Library***

## **The Great Book Giveaway**

Saturday, November 28, 11AM-3PM, while supplies last  
(rain date: Saturday, December 5)

Looking for a **free** alternative to big box shopping over Thanksgiving weekend? Join us for our first ever Great Book Giveaway. We've got lots of books for all ages that we haven't been able to sell, so grab a BPL bag and fill it for free at this outdoor, socially distanced event. It's our gift to you this holiday season. No registration required, but masks are. Please note that we are not accepting donations for this event - we already have too much!

## **Social Work Consultant**

We are excited to welcome another resource not found on our shelves - our social work consultant, Molly Miskiewicz. Molly offers free assistance to our community in a number of areas, including food and housing aid applications, job and career counseling, physical health, mental health, family issues, volunteer and community service opportunities, and much more. Walk-in visits are available on Mondays and Fridays from 12:00-5:00PM or for an appointment, contact Molly at [socialwork@baldwinpl.org](mailto:socialwork@baldwinpl.org) or by calling (516) 672-8607.

## **Tips and Tricks for Getting Through the Holidays**

November 9 @ 7:00PM OR November 21 @ 4:00PM

While falling leaves, turkey, and pumpkin pie often symbolize thankfulness and family gathering, the holiday season can be an emotionally triggering and difficult time of the year for many, particularly during such uncertain times. Join Molly Miskiewicz for tips and tricks to help you get through the holidays. To reserve your spot and receive the login information, RSVP to Molly at [socialwork@baldwinpl.org](mailto:socialwork@baldwinpl.org) or by calling (516) 672-8607.



# ADULT PROGRAMS



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## BPL Tech Help How to Use Microsoft Excel

Thursday, November 5, 6:30-8:30PM

Learn how to use Microsoft Excel from basic to more advanced in 2 hours. Prerequisite - you must have Microsoft Excel installed on the device you will be using for this class. For password, RSVP to [baldwinzoom@baldwinpl.org](mailto:baldwinzoom@baldwinpl.org).

## NEW Rules: What You Need to Know About Medicaid Changes

Tuesday, November 10 @ 2:00PM

Attorney Moriah Adamo will discuss recent changes to Medicaid including: what coverage is available, information about Savings Plans, and how to get enrollment assistance to apply. For password, RSVP to [baldwinzoom@baldwinpl.org](mailto:baldwinzoom@baldwinpl.org).

## St. Francis Hospital Outreach Bus: Health Screening and Flu Shots

Monday, November 30, 10:00AM-2:00PM



(last screening at 1:45PM)

Registered nurses from St. Francis Hospital will provide a health screening, including a brief cardiac history,

blood pressure, and simple finger stick blood test for cholesterol and diabetes. **Flu shots will be available.**

## Career Path Center Workshop

Professional career counselor Etta Banks from the Hempstead Works Career Center will help you jumpstart your career. For password, RSVP to [baldwinzoom@baldwinpl.org](mailto:baldwinzoom@baldwinpl.org).

### Developing Job Interview Skills

November 6, 10:00-11:00AM

Are you prepared for your next job interview? Learn how to ask and answer key questions, including salary negotiations.

## Get Live Career Assistance and More with JobNow!

**JobNow** (from Brainfuse) provides résumé-building templates and tools, real-time interview coaching, and expert career advice, including live online one-on-one interaction with a job

coach. Not sure how to start your job search?

Use eParachute (based on the best-selling book,

*What Color is Your Parachute?*) to help you discover the career of your dreams.



The Adult Learning Center features test preparation (including high school equivalency and U.S. Citizenship exams), writing assistance, help with Microsoft Word, Excel and PowerPoint, skill-building in math, reading and writing, and live online tutoring.

Live job coaches and tutors are available Mondays – Fridays from 10:00AM to 11:00PM, and Saturdays and Sundays from 2:00PM to 11:00PM, in English or Spanish. The other **JobNow** resources are available any time. You can even submit a résumé or cover letter for review and receive feedback from a **JobNow** coach within 24 hours.

Create a free account to make best use of **JobNow's** features. Click the blue Login button, then "Sign Up" under the login box.

Visit [www.baldwinpl.org](http://www.baldwinpl.org) and click on "Learning & Research" near the top of the page, then select "Research/Databases" from the dropdown menu. **JobNow** is under "Career & Test Preparation" on the subject list. You'll need your 14-digit library card barcode to access from home. Our Reference Librarians will be happy to show you how to use **JobNow** or any of our other online services; just visit us at the Adult Reference Desk.



### Classic Film Discussions *British and French New Wave Cinema*

View the films at home; available on Kanopy (free streaming service - information on access is available on the Library's website). DVDs are also available for request by contacting 223-6228, x 145. Discussion facilitator: Christopher Woods. For password, RSVP to [bplreadersadvisory@baldwinpl.org](mailto:bplreadersadvisory@baldwinpl.org).

#### ***Breathless (1960)***

**Saturday, November 21 @ 1:00PM**

Perhaps no film better represents French New Wave cinema than Director Jean-Luc Godard's debut effort, *Breathless* (1960). The film launched the sensational career of actor Jean-Paul Belmondo, with a memorable performance from American actress Jean Seberg. The story (François Truffaut) is a quirky homage to American Film Noir, with a new, existential take on gangster films, set against the backdrop of early 1960s Paris.

#### ***A Taste of Honey (1961)***

**Saturday, December 19 @ 1:00PM**

This film was one of the first to address topics of unwed mothers, interracial couples, and homosexuality. Academy Award winning Director Tony Richardson presents kitchen sink realism in this landmark film. Rita Tushingham plays a dispossessed teenage seeking a better life in the gritty setting of industrial Manchester.

### Bullet Journaling: Fun AND Helpful



**Monday, November 16  
@ 7:00PM**

Become more organized using the bullet journal method! Combining the functions of a to-do-list, a planner, and a diary, a bullet journal will help manage professional, health, financial, and personal goals. Participants will learn

how to create an index, design schedules, and utilize various templates and tracking methods for optimal organization. A bullet journal and pen will be provided to those who register, while supplies last. RSVP to [baldwinzoom@baldwinpl.org](mailto:baldwinzoom@baldwinpl.org) for password.

### Interactive Writing Prompt Workshop with Erin Coughlin

**Thursday, December 3, 7:00-8:30PM**

Jump start your writing! Learn all the tricks and tips you need to become a stronger and more confident writer.

Participate in fun writing prompts, exercises and games in a constructive, judgement free group. All writers of all levels welcome! Please RSVP to [baldwinzoom@baldwinpl.org](mailto:baldwinzoom@baldwinpl.org) for the program password.

### Create Your Own Sculpture

**Thursday, November 19 @ 7:00PM**

Artist and author Meagan Meehan will discuss the basic concepts of sculpture and guide participants in creating their own work of art. Kits with all materials needed for the program will be provided upon registration while supplies last. For password, RSVP to [baldwinzoom@baldwinpl.org](mailto:baldwinzoom@baldwinpl.org).

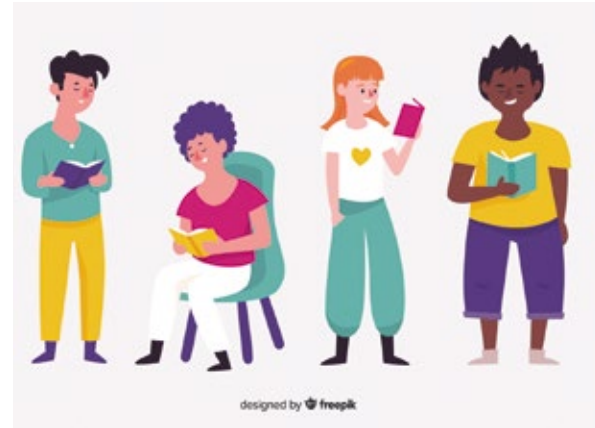
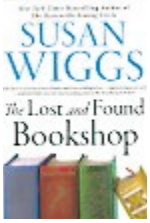


## Afternoon Book Discussions

### *The Lost and Found Bookshop* by Susan Wiggs

Wednesday, November 4, 2:00-3:30PM

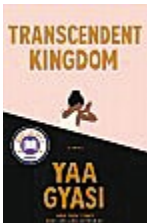
If you had to start over, what would you do and who would you be? Natalie Harper confronts this question when she needs to run her mother's struggling bookshop in San Francisco and becomes the caretaker for her grandfather, who is her oldest living relative. This novel is available on OverDrive and at the Library one month before the program. Request it by calling 223-6228, x145. Discussion leader: Head of Adult Services Wendy Rathjens. To register, RSVP to [bplreadersadvisory@baldwinpl.org](mailto:bplreadersadvisory@baldwinpl.org).



### *Transcendent Kingdom* by Yaa Gyasi

Wednesday, December 2, 2:00-3:30PM

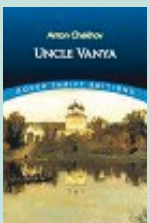
Gifty's immigrant family from Ghana relocates to Alabama. She is a PhD candidate studying reward-seeking behavior in mice and the neural circuits of depression and addiction. Her life is filled with challenges: her brother is a heroin addict and her mother is suicidal. She also must come to terms with faith and science as she pursues her career and is determined to discover the scientific basis for the suffering she sees all around her. This novel is available on OverDrive and at the Library one month before the program. Request it by calling 223-6228, x145. Discussion leader: Librarian Clay Kuunifaa. To register, RSVP to [bplreadersadvisory@baldwinpl.org](mailto:bplreadersadvisory@baldwinpl.org).



## Literary Book Discussions

### *Influences of 19th and 20th Century Drama*

These plays are available on OverDrive and at the Circulation Desk one month prior to the program – place a request by calling 223-6228, x145. To register, RSVP to [bplreadersadvisory@baldwinpl.org](mailto:bplreadersadvisory@baldwinpl.org) for password. Facilitator: Christopher Woods.



### *Uncle Vanya* by Anton Chekhov

Monday, November 16, 7:00-8:30PM

This play presents passion, May-November romance, unrequited love, jealousies, hate, familial resentments, joy, and despair between family and friends on a Provincial estate in late Czarist Russia.

### *Six Characters in Search of an Author* by Luigi Pirandello

Monday, December 14, 7:00-8:30PM

One of the earlier Modernist writers, Nobel Laureate Luigi Pirandello would influence later giants of letters, such as Beckett, Sartre, and many more through to this day. In this play, Pirandello exhibits not only his mastery of psychological characterization, but also several genres of modern literature, as well as the very mechanics of Theatre itself. In this seemingly illogical story of a play within a play, several people crash a rehearsal for a new production and vie with the director and actors for the virtual authorship and control of the story.



## Fiction Sampler

Curious about different genres of fiction but not sure where to start? Try a different type of fiction each month with librarian Anne O'Reilly.

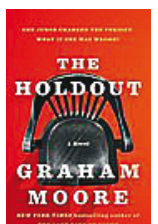
### November = Mystery!

#### *The Holdout*

by Graham Moore

Tuesday, November 24  
7:00-8:00PM

Ten years ago Maya Seale was the holdout juror of a very high profile case that changed the lives of all involved forever. Now a reality show wants to bring the jury together to discuss the case...and another juror ends up dead. Was Maya right or wrong all along and are other jurors now in danger too?



## ADULT PROGRAMS

# Keep Your Body, Mind, and Spirit in Top Form!

To register, please RSVP to [baldwinzoom@baldwinpl.org](mailto:baldwinzoom@baldwinpl.org) for the password.

### Zoom Zumba

Mondays, November 2, 9, 16, 30 @ 10:00AM

Instructor Linda Salamone will get participants moving in this energizing class.

### Monday Meditation

Mondays, November 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 @ 6:00PM

David from the Kadampa Meditation Center of Long Island will teach and guide you through your meditation practice. Beginners and new participants always welcome.



### Yoga for Beginners

Wednesdays November 4, 18, 25 @ 9:00AM

Instructor Jean will guide participants in these restorative sessions.

### Chair Yoga - NEW!

Fridays November 6, 13, 20 @ 9:00AM

Instructor Augusta Berner will guide this class utilizing a chair to perform Yoga poses that are kind to the body.

### Tuesday Morning Meditation

Tuesdays, November 10, 17, 24 @ 9:00AM

Holly from the Kadampa Meditation Center of Long Island will guide you to start your morning meditation. Beginners and new participants always welcome.



### Meditation: Transforming Painful Emotions

Saturdays, November 7 and 21 @ 3:00PM

Are there painful emotions that are stopping you from moving forward? Evelyn from the Kadampa Meditation Center will help you navigate how to deal with them through meditation. Attend both sessions or just one.

## TEENS - GRADES 6-12

### ZOOM Book Chat Club - Grades 6-12

Monday, November 9, 5:00-6:00PM



Pick a biography or autobiography of a person you admire, or someone you just want to learn more about. Check it out or download on a device to read,

and then come share their life story. To register, send an email to [teens@baldwinpl.org](mailto:teens@baldwinpl.org).

### Live Homework Help Tutor.com

Take advantage of our online tutoring service, **Tutor.com**. This is free to all Baldwin Public Library cardholders through our website. To use this service go to: <https://www.baldwinpl.org/tutor/> then click "Access Now."



### Virtual Chess - Grades 3-12



Starting in December, the Library will host the Long Island Chess Nuts virtually on Zoom once a month on Saturday afternoons.

### Teen Advisory Group

Wednesday, November 18, 7:00-8:00PM

Teens in grades 6-12, would you like to have a voice when it comes to teen services @ your library? Join TAG. Help with new program ideas. Be in a safe place to talk about whatever is on your mind. Community service credit will be awarded so make sure to keep track of your hours. To sign up, please send an email to [teens@baldwinpl.org](mailto:teens@baldwinpl.org).





### Stuff-a-Bear “To-Go” Stuffed Animal Kits with Online Tutorial

#### ***Presented by Fun Stuff Express***

**Ages 2 & Up with Assistance of Parent/Caregiver**

Come in and pick up a stuffed animal “To-Go” pack. Each pack will include a 16 inch animal, a pack of vacuum sealed sanitary and safe stuffing, carrying case for the animal, a birth certificate, a custom size t-shirt for the animal, 2 washable markers to decorate the shirt, a comb, and a satin heart or star. There is also a YouTube tutorial that will be emailed to each registrant explaining the stuffing process. ***Online and phone registration begins November 2 and is limited to 25 participants.***

### Painting Party Presented by Key to My Art

Join us for a step-by-step painting class. Each child will be provided with a canvas and kit of painting supplies that must be picked up from the Library. Each registrant will also be emailed the Zoom link and password. ***Online and phone registration begins on November 2 and is limited to 20 participants per grade level session.***

**Grades K - 2**

**Saturday, November 28 @ 11:30AM**

**Grades 3 - 6**

**Saturday, November 28 @ 1:00PM**



### Apple Crumb Pie Kits with Instructional Video

#### ***Presented by the Baking Coach***

**Grades K - 6 with Parent/Caregiver**

***One kit per family***

Pick up a kit of ingredients and make an apple crumb pie to bake and eat now or freeze until Thanksgiving.



Everything will be provided EXCEPT: 2 sticks of butter, water, a pie pan and a cookie sheet. Participants will also have access to a recipe and instructional video from our website to

assist them. ***Online and phone registration begins November 2 and is limited to 15 families.***

### Story Time – Ages 2 – 4

**Mondays, November 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 @ 11:00AM**

Join Miss Mariel for ONLINE Story Time on Zoom! You don't need an account to participate. ***Online or phone registration starts October 19.***

### November Take & Make Crafts for All Ages

Starting November 2, swing by the Children's Room to pick up a fall themed craft that can be completed at home. Materials available while supplies last.

### Free Online Tutoring with Tutor.com

Kids, do you need help with your schoolwork while social distancing? Take advantage of our free online tutoring service, Tutor.com. Free with your Baldwin library card. Find it at [www.baldwinpl.org/subjects/childrens-databases](http://www.baldwinpl.org/subjects/childrens-databases).





# GRAB AND GO

baldwin public library

Monday - Wednesday:  
9AM - 9PM

Thursday: 11AM - 9PM

Friday & Saturday:  
9AM - 5PM

- Enter the building through the main entrance by the parking lot to browse and select materials.
- Please limit your visit to 1 hour per day. The number of people admitted to the building at any one time will be limited.
- As mandated by the Governor, masks or other secure face coverings will be required for entry. Also, please practice social distancing of least 6 feet. Markers have been placed throughout the Library for your convenience.
- Library Takeout, a curbside service, will still be available.
- Limited computer access will be available for up to 1 hour per person / per day.
- At this time, tables and chairs will not be available other than at public computers.
- All items should be returned to the book and media drops located outside of the Library. Returns will not be accepted at any service desk inside the building. Returned items will be quarantined. Fines will not be charged while items are in quarantine.
- Donated materials will not be accepted until further notice.
- No need to wait on line to check out! Try one of our self-check kiosks located in the Adult Reference and Children's Departments and in our Media Gallery (where our DVDs and CDs are located).

## You've Got to Have Friends



During this difficult period, many programs that ordinarily have fees, such as exercise and cooking classes, are being offered to the public at no cost, thanks to a generous gift from the **Friends of the Library**. To become a member or make a donation, visit [baldwinpl.org/friends](http://baldwinpl.org/friends).

## Library Board Meeting

The Library Board of Trustees will meet online on Wednesday, November 18 at 7PM. Those who would like to attend should contact [eolesh@baldwinpl.org](mailto:eolesh@baldwinpl.org) by 5PM on November 18.

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### HOURS

Monday-Wednesday 9-9  
Thursday 11-9  
Friday & Saturday 9-5

### CLOSED

Veterans Day, November 11  
Thanksgiving, November 26

### SPECIAL HOURS

Election Day, November 3, 1-5  
Thanksgiving Eve, November 25, 9-5

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