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FOR KIDS! *Read Across America with **The Cat in the Hat!**

Monday, March 2 at 10:30 am

Read Across America Day, also known as Dr Seuss Day, is a yearly event we are excited to celebrate! The Cat in the Hat is coming to HPL! Show includes story, songs, and puppets.

Ages 2 and up. *Register at HobokenLibrary.org, starting Sunday, March 1, at 10:30 am.



FOR KIDS! **A Seat for Rosa**

Tuesday, March 3 at 4:30pm



When a child tells his aunt about a bully on his bus, she gives him advice by recounting the tale of Rosa Parks and the events that led to a revolution in racial justice. This poignant production includes many songs of the Civil Rights era and brings this time to life. Through this

exploration of that era, students learn how individuals can work together to fight injustice and oppression.

Grades 3 - 8. First come, first served.

From the Director

Introducing Automatic Renewals

You know that feeling you get when you're not done reading a library book, or you never got around to watching that DVD you borrowed, and you realize it's due *tomorrow*?

Don't worry about it. We've just launched "Automatic Renewals," a system that renews all eligible items you borrow from us or any other library in our BCCLS consortium.

Auto renewals happen three days before an item is due; we'll notify you via email or text when material has been renewed. Please check your account to ensure that we have your current contact information.

There are a few "renewal" exceptions – for example, the item has reached its renewal limit, or is on hold for another customer – but those are designed so everyone has timely access to our collection.

As always, it's our goal to improve your library experience. I hope you enjoy this new feature.

– Lina Podles



Please join us at the Library for New Jersey's 6th Annual Makers Day

Saturday, March 21, 11 am - 4 pm

*There is a lot to do and enjoy at
HPL's Makers Day Celebration*

This very special day enables you to use our brand-new 3D Printer, Oculus, Cricut Machine, and more. There is something for everyone, and all events are free.

Marvel at the Sky Dome Planetarium

Third Floor Gallery • 11 am, 12 pm, 1 pm & 2 pm

Please get tickets at the Third Floor Welcome Desk

Take yourself and your kids on a journey through the universe from the comfort of the Library.

This inflatable planetarium will dazzle budding astronomers as they are taken on a tour of the solar system. FYI: Floor seating only.

Create Some Really Cool Crafts

Third Floor Craft Room • 11 am - 3 pm

Please join us in Craft Room and make some cool crafts while you wait to enter the Planetarium. You can make buttons, create other-worldly figures with the Cricut machine, and more. Ages 5+

Relax with Stress Balls

Third Floor Alcove • 12 pm - 2 pm

You just can't let go of those squishy stress balls, and that's because while you're squeezing and squishing, your body

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Adults

Musical Events!

*A Springtime Concert by the New Jersey Symphony Trio

Sunday, March 15 at 1 pm

Please join us to welcome Spring with beautiful music performed by a trio from the New Jersey Symphony. That's right a free concert in the Library's beautiful Lower level. Everyone welcome! Please register for this concert at the events calendar at HobokenLibrary.org.

St Patrick's Day's Concert at Hoboken Senior Center

Tuesday, March 17 at 12 pm

Please join us as the Hoboken Library brings "The Joy of the Fiddle" – an Irish Music Concert -- to the Senior Center for St. Patrick's Day. The concert will be performed by Dr. David Podles, concert violinist.

Steampunk:

Discussion & Steampunk Metal Craft

Thursday, March 12 at 6:30 pm

What is Steampunk? Actress, tour guide, and bestselling author of Gaslamp Fantasy and Steampunk novels Leanna Renee Hieber will host a lively discussion about Steampunk, a fun name for Victorian-Styled Science Fiction and Fantasy written in the modern era. You'll even make your own fantasy medal. For adults and teens.

Wellness Weekend: Stay Safe with Basic Self-Defense

Saturday, March 14 at 12 pm

This lecture-based self-defense class is about empowering men and women with the knowledge and tools to keep them safe. The goal of this program is to become familiar with the basics of self-defense: awareness, avoidance, and self-protection. Men and women will learn how to use their own bodies to defend themselves.

Writer's Workspace

Monday, March 16 at 6:30 pm

Join the Hoboken Public Library Writer's Workshop to discuss your writing in a friendly and constructive atmosphere. For more information and to submit your work in advance to the group please email: hplwriters@gmail.com



Book Discussions

Mystery Book Club

Sharp Objects by Gillian Flynn

Tuesday, March 10 at 6:30 pm

Sci-Fi Movie

WonderWoman

Monday, March 23 at 4 pm

Sci-Fi Book Discussion

The Gate to Women's Country: A Novel by Sheri S. Tepper

Monday, March 23 at 6 pm

Join us for this NEW Book Club

NEW Romance Book Club The Gown

by Jennifer Robson

Tuesday, March 31 at 6:30 pm

Women: Create More Balance in Your Lives

Tuesday, March 17 at 6 pm

Presenter Neeta Jain will help women get empowered and inspired to be their healthiest and strongest selves. Neeta is a holistic health coach who has studied at the Institute of Integrative Nutrition. She will demonstrate how to eat healthier, and how to honor traditional diets while blending in with the modern lifestyle. Women 18+.

Celebrate the 15th Anniversary of "The Office"

Tuesday, March 24 at 6 pm

Join us in celebrating the highest streamed show currently on Netflix with fun trivia, funny memorable clips, and winner giveaways!



ESL Conversational Classes at the Library

Wednesdays at 6:30 pm

Join the FREE Conversational English classes at the Main Library at 500 Park Avenue. For students from all over the world! Sponsored and run by the Friends of the Library, these lively hours of conversation with experienced tutors will help you expand your vocabulary.



Adults

Cultural Club Event

Commemorating the 200th Anniversary of *Frankenstein* A Cultural Club Lecture

Monday, March 9 at 10 am

Please join the Cultural Club as Dina Gerasia, a professional museum educator, discusses *Frankenstein* — a classic of world literature and horror.

In 1815, under dark, brooding skies and as part of a game, teenager Mary Shelley sat down to write what is widely considered to be literature's greatest monster. Her novel gave birth to the trope of the mad scientist and heralded in the science fiction genre.



Mocktails with Thirsty Radish

Seasonal Mocktails: Taste a Drink and Learn the Art of Non-Alcoholic Mixology

Thursday, March 26 at 7 pm

Mocktails are perfect for special events and everyday enjoyment. Learn how to use seasonal ingredients to make these flavorful and sophisticated non-alcoholic drinks. Sample a new flavor combination while we discuss the art of making drinks, syrups, infusions, and edible garnishes. We will even explore how to use herbs and spices to approximate the flavors of popular cocktail spirits.



Private cooking instructor, recipe developer, and writer Vanessa Young will open your eyes – and your palate – to the possibilities.

Morning & Afternoon Art with Liz Ndoye

Celebrating Women Artists

Wednesdays, 10 am & 1 pm

Art teacher Liz Cohen Ndoye will hold a new series of four art classes highlighting the work of different women artists. Liz will introduce you to the extraordinary work of Kiki Smith, Judith Scott, Liz Larner, and Latoya Ruby Frazier.



The work of Kiki Smith will kick off this month's art classes.

Please attend only the morning or afternoon sessions.

Teens/Tweens

National Oreo Cookie Day!

Friday, March 6 at 3:30 pm

At the Grand Street Branch, 124 Grand Street,
AND Annex 1, 256 5th Street

March 6th is National Oreo Cookie Day, so let's celebrate! We will have special Trivia Cards to see how many fun facts we can learn about this dynamic treat! First come, first served.



Makerspace

Monday, March 9 at 1 pm

Come have fun and learn how to make buttons, key chains, magnets and lots more. We have a virtual reality headset, 3D printer and other creative activities. Ages 5 +.

By the way, if you missed News12NewJersey's profile on our Makerspace, you can view it at bit.ly/HPLMakerspace

Paper Crane Workshop

Wednesday, March 11 at 3:30 pm

We invite you to this special Paper Crane Workshop, to support Sendai, Japan after it was hit by a massive earthquake and tsunami that occurred March 11, 2011.

Teen Advisory Board

at the TEEN ZONE, 256 Fifth Street

Wednesday, March 25 at 4 pm

All teens are welcome to participate in this monthly event and help the teen librarians plan programs and more.

TEEN ZONE

at the TEEN ZONE, 256 Fifth Street

Tuesdays – Thursdays, 3 pm - 6 pm; Fridays, 3 pm - 5 pm

Do homework, play games, or browse books. Whatever. All teens welcome.



New Jersey's 6th Annual Makers Day

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and mind are relaxing. Come to the Alcove and we'll show you how to make your own stress balls.

The Library's Makerspace

Lower-Level Large Program Room • 11 am - 3 pm

Join us to discover gaming on the library's Oculus (a virtual reality headset), and learn about our new 3D Printer.

Groove with the Guitar Guy

Lower-Level Large Program Room • 2 pm - 4 pm

Rich Casella from the Guitar Den will be exhibiting his invention called the Airsynth. It's a motion detector that emits sounds according to the position of your hands in the air. Try it out for yourself!

Children

NEW What-to-Make Wednesday **SLIME**

Wednesday, March 25 at 3:30 pm

"What-to-Make Wednesday" is a new weekly series where kids are invited to get MESSY while exploring new materials. This week, we are making SLIME! No registration required. First come, first slimed. Ages 8+.

***Family FUNday: Animal Embassy!**

Saturday, March 7 at 1 pm

This month's Family FUNday is going to be a great time! Join Animal Embassy on a journey through the four major tropical rainforest regions of the world! Library patrons will meet Animal Ambassadors such as a Jungle Carpet Python, a family of Red-foot Tortoises, Red-eyed Tree Frogs, a Solomon Islands Monkey-Tailed Skink and a Spectacled Owl or Eclectus Parrot.

Family FUNday is sponsored by Friends of the Hoboken Public Library and contributions from its generous members.

***Boogie Woogie Babies**

Monday, March 9 at 10:30 am

Boogie Woogie Babies is a 45-minute dance class for Baby and Me! Our class consists of singing and dancing that encourages socialization and the development of fine motor skills. Ages 6 months - 3 years old.

***Mommy & Me Yoga**

Monday, March 16 at 10:30 am

Partner with your toddler to enjoy age appropriate stories, Yoga poses, and music. Ages 1 - 2 years.

***Cooks and Books**

Monday, March 27 at 3:15

Budding chefs learn easy preparation with Dietitian Elisabeth Holtzer from Hoboken ShopRite. Ages 4+.

Grand Street Play Group

Wednesdays, 1 pm - 3 pm

Join us for our Play Group at 124 Grand Street. All ages.

Block Party

Thursdays at 3:30 pm

Do you love LEGO bricks? Come build with us on! Ages 4+

Be sure to read about these important events for children:

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STORY TIME

Story Time at the Hoboken Fire Department Museum

215 Bloomfield Street

Sunday, March 1 at 1:30 pm

This story time program is designed especially for the youngest museum guests Stories and songs about city life. For youngsters 2 - 5 years.



***Story Time**

Tuesdays & Thursdays at 10:30 am

These stories, songs, and simple rhymes are sure to delight children ages 6 months - 2 ½ years.

Story Time

Tuesdays & Thursdays at 11:30 am

Stories, songs, and simple rhymes for children ages 6 months - 2 ½ years.

***Yoga Story Time**

Wednesday, March 4 at 4:15 pm

Join Carolyn Brush for a special story time that includes yoga poses and puppets! For children ages 4+ years. Tickets only need to be reserved for the participating children, not for adults

***Mrs. M's Story Time & Craft**

Wednesdays at 10:30 am

Join Mrs. M every Wednesday for a story and craft time! There are 20 spots for each session -- first come, first served! For children ages 2 1/2 +. **Children must have a Hoboken Library Card with them to attend. Doors open at 10:15; doors close and program starts at 10:30.**

Grand Street Story Time

Fridays at 11 am & 12 pm

Join us for Story Time at 124 Grand Street. All ages.

TOYBRARY Open Play

ANNEX 1, 256 Fifth Street

Mondays, 3 pm – 6 pm

Tuesdays, 10:30 am – 2 pm

Wednesdays, 10:30 am – 12 pm

Thursdays, 10:30 am – 12 pm

We continue to accept donations of gently used toys to add to our TOYBRARY collection. Please drop your toy donations at the Children's Room at the Main Library at 500 Park Avenue.

And **THANK YOU** to all who have donated. You have made the TOYBRARY a fun and welcoming place.

*** Programs marked with an asterisk require registration. Please register starting 10:30 am March 1 at the Events Calendar at www.HobokenLibrary.org**