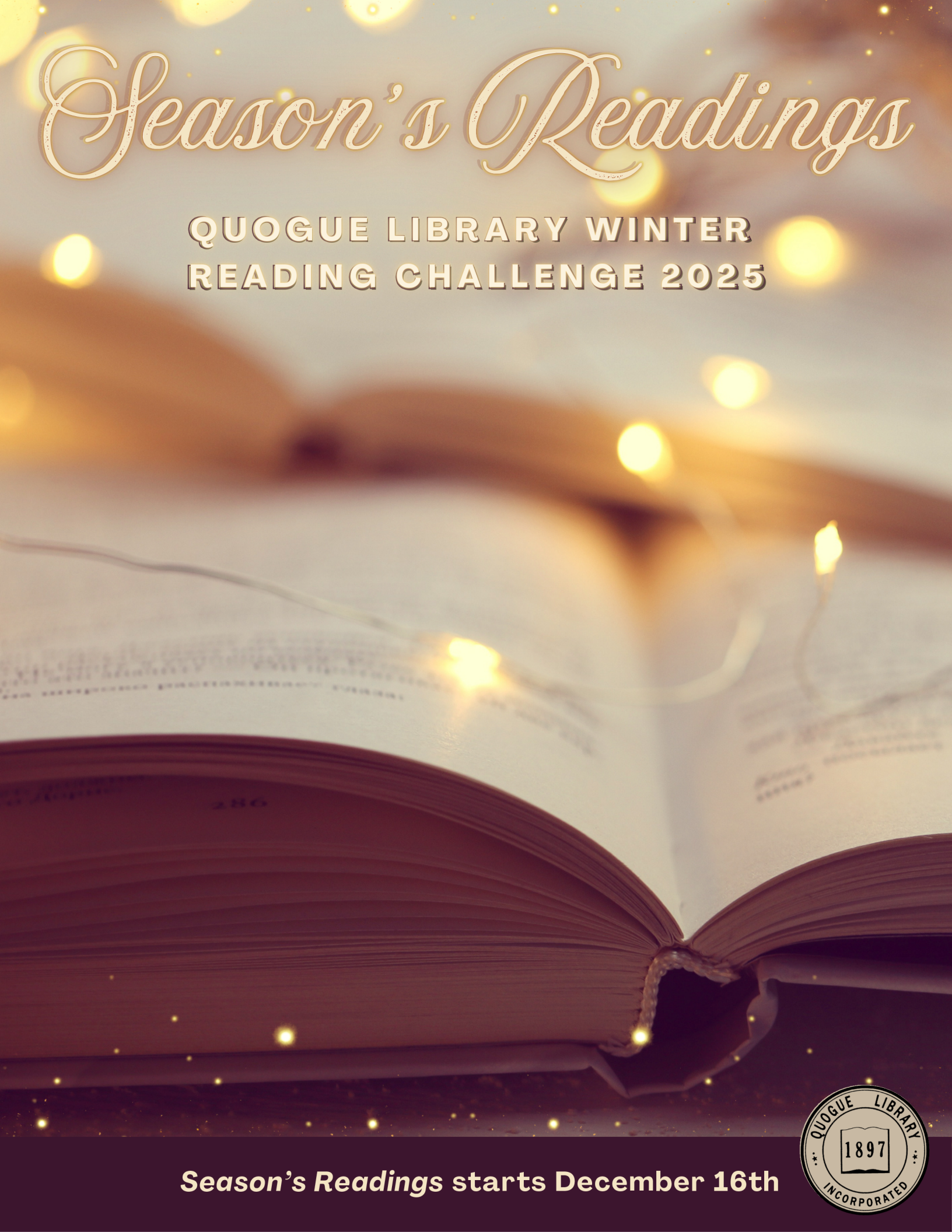


Season's Readings

**QUOGUE LIBRARY WINTER
READING CHALLENGE 2025**



***Season's Readings* starts December 16th**



Season's Readings

QUOGUE LIBRARY WINTER READING CHALLENGE

This holiday season, give yourself the perfect gift—a good book!

Take a break from the holiday rush by joining our *Season's Readings* Winter Reading Challenge. There is no better way to escape the holiday stress than picking up a good book.

- **Pick up a Winter Reading Challenge Kit**, (reading challenge info sheet, raffle tickets, and suggested reading lists) at the Service Desk beginning **Monday, December 16th**
- Read a book from one of the challenges, let us know what you read by filling out the raffle ticket.
- **Completed raffle tickets received before Friday, March 21st** will be entered into the Raffle Prize drawing for a large reading basket!

The more you read, the better your chances of winning!

Can't get to the library? Register online and print a Winter Reading Challenge Kit from the online registration page. Send a picture of completed bookmark(s) raffle tickets to info@quoguelibrary.org

CHALLENGE GUIDELINES

- Must be 18 years or older
- Must register for the Quogue Library Winter Reading Challenge
- Cannot use the same book for multiple raffle tickets
- Prompts do not have to be completed in order (you may also use your own challenge prompts)
- Audiobook, eBook, or print formats are all valid for raffle ticket entries
- Partially completed raffle tickets will not be accepted in raffle drawing
- The potential winner will be selected at random. The winner will receive a large raffle reading basket.
- Raffle ticket(s) must be filled out and submitted by Friday, March 21st to be included in the raffle drawing. The odds of winning depend on the number of eligible raffle tickets received by Friday March 21st, 2025. Many people may enter, but only one person can win. The more books you read, the better your chances of winning!
- The name and photograph of the raffle winner will be announced in Quogue Library marketing

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SEASON'S READINGS PROMPTS

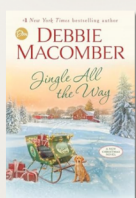
- 1. A holiday romance book
- 2. A holiday non-fiction book
- 3. A holiday book turned into a movie
- 4. A holiday book with food on the cover or in the title
- 5. A holiday book with a magical or supernatural element
- 6. A book about an unconventional holiday
- 7. A science fiction holiday book
- 8. A holiday book that doesn't match our season
- 9. A book set in the holiday season (but not about the holidays)
- 10. The last book you got as a gift or gave as a gift
- 11. A holiday short story/anthology book
- 12. A holiday mystery book
- 13. A holiday thriller book
- 14. A multicultural holiday book
- 15. A holiday book with a musical element
- 16. A holiday book you chose based off the festive cover
- 17. A historical fiction holiday book
- 18. A book from a holiday series
- 19. A crossover holiday book (more than one holiday)
- 20. A holiday book recommended by a friend, blog or the Library
- 21. A book with winter in the title or cover
- 22. A new book released this winter
- 23. A winter classic
- 24. a story to tell while the fireplace crackles
- 25. A book with cold, academic aesthetics
- 26. A book you have been procrastinating to read - that's like a new year's resolution
- 27. A collection of reflective poetry
- 28. Something light-hearted like sledding in the snow

Unwrapping a good read is an essential on your holiday to-do list. These book recommendations spread holiday joy throughout the season including all winter holidays and observances

Christmas



A Jingle Bell Mingle
Julie Murphy & Sierra Simone



Jingle All the Way
Debbie Macomber



The Most Wonderful Crime of the Year
Ally Carter



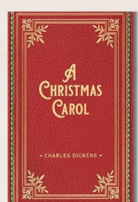
Little Women
Louisa May Alcott



Dear Santa
Debbie Macomber



Christmas at the Mysterious Bookshop
Agatha Christie edited by Otto Penzler



A Christmas Carol
Charles Dickens



A Christmas Duet
Debbie Macomber



Everyone This Christmas Has a Secret
Benjamin Stevenson



Christmas Caramel Murder
Joanne Fluke



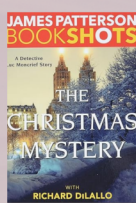
Christmas Flavors of Ireland
Margaret Johnson



Handknit Holidays
Melanie Falick



Christmas Cupcake Murder
Joanne Fluke



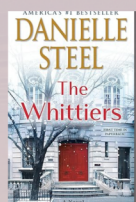
The Christmas Mystery
James Patterson



The Christmas Countdown
Holly Cassidy



The Christmas Spirit
Debbie Macomber



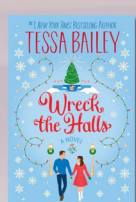
The Whittiers
Danielle Steel



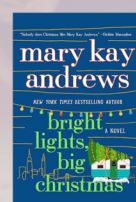
The Nightmare Before Kissmas
Sara Raasch



Merry and Bright
Debbie Macomber

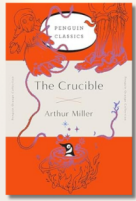


Wreck the Halls
Tessa Bailey



Bright Lights, Big Christmas
Mary Kay Andrews

Hanukkah



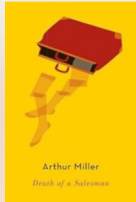
The Crucible
Arthur Miller



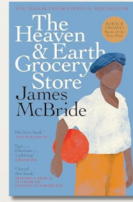
Shanghai
Joseph Kanon



Jewish New York
Deborah Moore



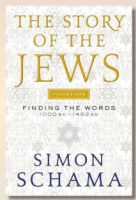
Death of a Salesman
Arthur Miller



The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store
James McBride



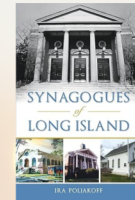
The Book Thief
Marcus Zusak



The Story of the Jews
Simon Schama



The Man in the White Sharkskin Suit
Lucette Lagnado



History of Synagogues on Long Island
Ira Poliakoff



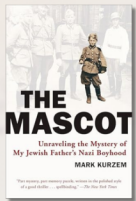
Last Summer at the Golden Hotel
Elyssa Friedland



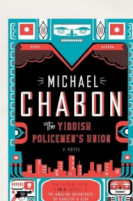
Red Sea Spies
Raffi Beng



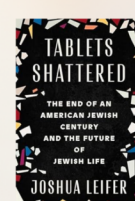
The Five People You Meet In Heaven
Mitch Albom



The Mascot
Mark Kurzem



The Yiddish Policemen's Union
Michael Chabon

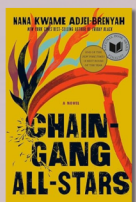


Tablets Shattered
Joshua Leifer



Code Name Sapphire
Pam Jenoff

Kwanzaa



Chain-Gang All-Stars
Nana Kwame Adjei Brown



A Little Kissing Between Friends
Chencia Higgins



Every Man a King
Walter Mosley



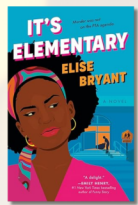
A Love Song for Ricki Wilde
Tia Williams



Such a Fun Age
Kiley Reid



Nightcrawling
Leila Mottley



It's Elementary
Elise Bryant

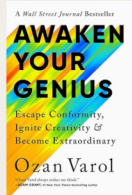


Lady Eve's Last Con
Rebecca Fraimow

New Year's



Oona Out of Order
Margarita Montimore



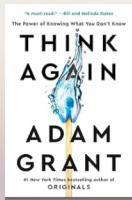
Awaken Your Genius
Ozan Varol



Vegetables Illustrated
Cook's Illustrated



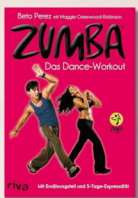
Gentle Nutrition
Rachael Hartley



Think Again
Adam Grant



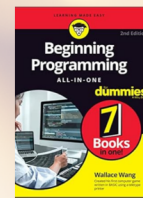
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Charles Petzold



Zumba
Beto Perez



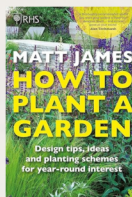
How to Knit
Debbie Bliss



Beginning Programming for Dummies
Wallace Wang

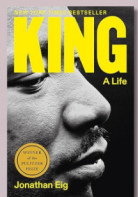


The Well Life
Briana Borten, Dr. Peter Borten, et al.

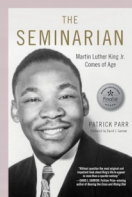


How to Plant a Garden
Matt James

Martin Luther King Jr. Day



King: A Life
Jonathan Eig



The Seminarian
Patrick Parr

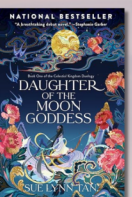


You Have to Be Prepared to Die Before You Can Begin to Live
Paul Kix

Lunar New Year



Lunar Love
Lauren Kung Jessen



Daughter of the Moon Goddess
Sue Lynn Tan



Little Gods
Meng Jin



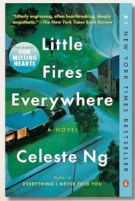
Shanghailanders
Juli Min



Daughters of Shandong
Eve J. Chung



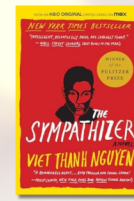
The Expat
Hansen Shi



Little Fires Everywhere
Celeste Ng



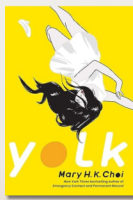
Crazy Rich Asians
Kevin Kwan



The Sympathizer
Viet Thanh Nguyen



Dial A for Aunties
Jesse Q. Sutanto



Yolk
Mary H.K. Choi



Interior China Town
Charles Yu

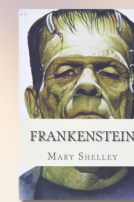
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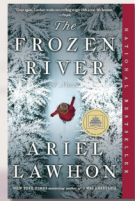
Winter in New York
Josie Silver



Winter Garden
Kristin Hannah



Frankenstein
Mary Shelly



Frozen River
Ariel Lawhon



Winter in Paradise
Elin Hilderbrand



Wild One
Nick Petrie



The Great Alone
Kristin Hannah



Winter Stroll
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The Wood at Midwinter
Susanna Clarke



The Heart in Winter
Kevin Barry



Cold, Cold Bones
Kathy Reichs



The Night Woods
Paula Munier

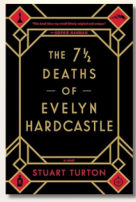


The Complete Autumn & Winter Cookbook
America's Test Kitchen

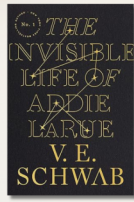


Held
Anne Michaels

Groundhog Day



7 1/2 Deaths of Evelyn Hardcastle
Stuart Turton



The Invisible Life of Addie Larue
V.E. Schwab

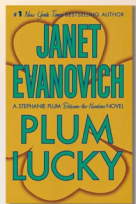


Oona Out of Order
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Fairy Tale
Stephen King

Valentine's Day



Plum Lucky
Janet Evanovich



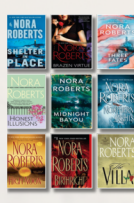
Valentine
Elizabeth Wetmore



Happy Place
Emily Henry



Jane Austen

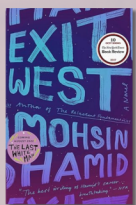


Nora Roberts



Elin Hilderbrand

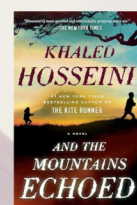
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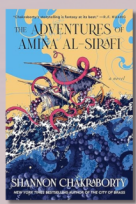
Exit West
Mohsin Hamid



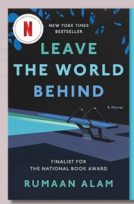
A Thousand Splendid Suns
Khaled Hosseini



And the Mountains Echoed
Khaled Hosseini



Adventures of Amina al-Sirafi
Shannon Chakraborty



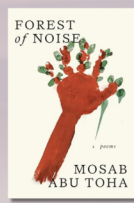
Leave the World Behind
Rumaan Alam



Salt Houses
Hala Alyan



The Bird King
G. Willow Wilson

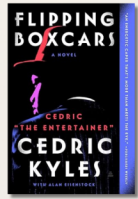


Forest of Noise
Mosab Abu Toha

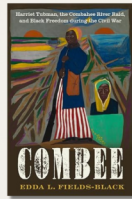


There Are Rivers in the Sky
Elif Shafak

Black History Month



Flipping Boxcars
Cedric Kyles



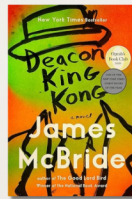
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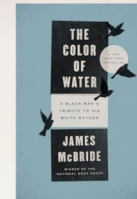
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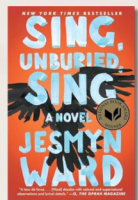
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Margot Lee Shetterly



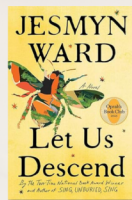
The Color Purple
Alice Walker



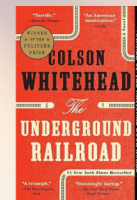
The Trees
Percival Everett



Sing, Unburied, Sing
Jesmyn Ward



Let Us Descend
Jesmyn Ward



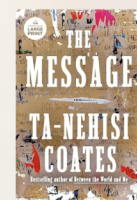
The Underground Railroad
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Harlem Shuffle
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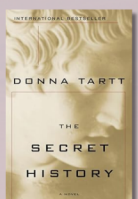


The 1619 Project
Nikole Hannah-Jones



The Message
Ta-Nehisi Coates

Dark Academia



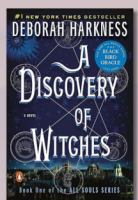
The Secret History
Donna Tartt



Ninth House
Leigh Bardugo



Gothikana
RuNyx



A Discovery of Witches
Deborah Harkness

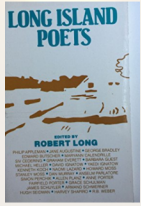


Come & Get it
Kiley Reid



The Teacher
Freida McFadden

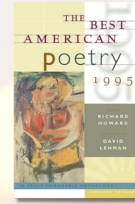
Poetry



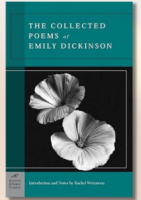
In Autumn: An Anthology of Long Island Poetry



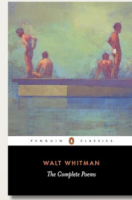
Ariel
Poems by Sylvia Plath



The Best American Poetry 1995
Edited by Richard Howard



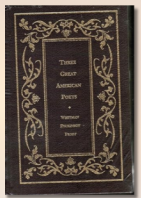
Collected Poems of Emily Dickinson
Emily Dickinson



The Complete Poems
Walt Whitman



E.E. Cummings Complete Poems
E.E. Cummings



Great American Poets
Emily Dickinson

LOOKING FOR MORE WINTER ACTIVITIES? JOIN US FOR THESE PROGRAMS AT THE QL!

Film Feast

Saturday, December 21st | 5:30 PM

The Shop Around the Corner (1940) with James Stewart and directed by Ernst Lubitsch.

Tai Chi

Fridays in January | 10:15 AM - 11:15 AM

Join instructor Andrew Plastrik for a class in Tai Chi form with slow, flowing movements intended to develop balance and coordination, and improve breathing and general health.

iPhone Photo Organization

Saturdays, January 4th & 11th | 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Ever find yourself scrolling back years to find the right picture? Join our tech specialists to learn how to organize, search through them quickly, and so much more.

Virtual Creative Writing Class Series

Wednesdays, January 8th, 22nd & 29th | 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

New York playwright Johnny Culver brings together writers of all genres to share their work and receive feedback to improve their craft. Writers are encouraged to bring their five-minute long or less scripts, stories, poems, recipes, and more to share.

Adult Fiction Book Club

Sunday, January 12th | 12:15 PM - 1:15 PM

Headshot by Rita Bullwinkle.

Those Wise Guys of LI... Owls!!

Wednesday, January 15th | 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM

Using photos and interesting facts, Dianne Taggart, longtime birder, will discuss the magnificent and wonderful owls we see here on Long Island.

Film Feast

Saturday, January 25th | 5:30 PM

Alfred Hitchcock's *Strangers on a Train* (1951)

Preserving Your Story with Oral Histories

Wednesday, January 29th | 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Learn how recording your own oral history can preserve your life story for your family and loved ones. We will discuss the process of digitally recording audio, creating an optional transcript and how to preserve the files to pass down to your family.

Groundhog Day Celebration

Sunday, February 2nd | 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Will we have an early spring or six more weeks of winter? Join us as groundhogs Sam Champion and Al Roker make their 2025 prediction!

With a Song in My Heart: A History of Singing in the Movies

Wednesday, February 5th | 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM

From the moment movies learned to talk, they learned to sing. This talk will look at the varying ways Hollywood captured its star vocalists through the decades, and provided audiences then and now with an invaluable record of indelible performances.

Friday Movie Matinee "Notting Hill"

Friday, February 7th | 1:00 PM - 3:30 PM

Join us for a Friday Movie Matinee featuring "Notting Hill."

Adult Fiction Book Club

Sunday, February 9th | 12:15 PM - 1:15 PM

Kunstlers In Paradise by Cathleen Schine.

Women's Heart Health

Thursday, February 20th | 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

Dr. Edlira Tam, an advanced heart failure and transplant cardiologist and the Associate Director of LVAD and Shock Programs at the Stony Brook Heart Institute, will discuss the contributing risk factors and common misconceptions about heart disease in women, as well as treatment options and suggestions for healthy lifestyle changes.

Film Feast

Saturday, February 22nd | 5:30 PM

Theodore Melfi's *Hidden Figures* (2017)

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