



**Middletown**  
PUBLIC LIBRARY

# Library Hours

**Monday - Thursday: 10:00 am-8:00 pm**

**Friday - Saturday: 10:00 am-5:00 pm**

**Sunday: Closed**

## Monthly Newsletter - January 2026

Welcome to the January edition of the Middletown Public Library Newsletter!

We're excited to share updates, upcoming events, and resources with our community through our new newsletter platform, Patron Point. This new system helps us reach all of our patrons more easily so you never miss out on what's going on at the library.

## Adult Services Programs!

Join us for fun, hands-on  
programs led by Julie!

- ★ Maker's Monday – Try out  
a new craft every Monday!
- ★ Cookbook Club – 2nd  
Thursday of every month
- ★ Plant Parent Group – 3rd  
Thursday of every month

## START THE NEW YEAR WITH MEDITATION

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28TH

6:30 TO 7:30 PM  
IN THE MEETING ROOM

No experience necessary.  
No registration required.  
Adults only 18+

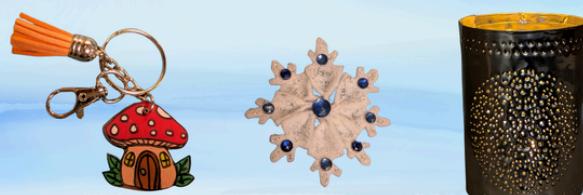


## Maker Mondays for Adults 6-7 PM

January 5<sup>th</sup> - Shrinky Dink Keychains

January 12<sup>th</sup> - Felt Snowflake Brooch

January 26<sup>th</sup> - Punched Tin Lantern



Registration Required  
For Adults 18+ only



## New Year Meditation with Dr. Alan Post!

The New Year is the time for a clean  
slate!

Join Dr. Alan Post, longtime meditator,  
for this powerful workshop and  
meditation sitting.

Bring joy, peace, positivity, and  
relaxation into your daily life and  
begin the New Year with a fresh start!

No experience necessary.  
No registration required.  
Adults only 18+

Registration required for all programs unless stated  
otherwise! Find the QR Code to register on page 7!

# Youth Services Programs!

Exciting and engaging activities for kids of all ages, from babies to teens! Whether you're looking for a hands-on craft or a relaxing story time, our Youth Services department has a program for you!

January 2026						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>find joy</b> Cold Cold fingers, Cold toes, Pink sky, Pink nose. Hard ground, Bare trees, Branches crack, Puddles freeze. Frost white, Sun red, Warm room, Warm bed.  <i>You are never too old to play in the snow.</i> <b>A SNOWFLAKE IS WINTER'S BUTTERFLY.</b>	<b>Key:</b> green = story time purple = tween + teen red = young kids blue = all ages *** = registration  <b>4</b> Story Time 11-11:30am <b>5</b> Adventures Around the World 4-6pm <b>11</b> Poster League Storytime*** 11-12pm <b>12</b> PS4 Gaming Grades 4-5:30pm Ages 6-12 <b>13</b> Slime Time*** 6-7pm 7-12 yrs <b>18</b> Martin Luther King Jr. Day <b>Closed</b> <b>19</b> RL Story Time*** 10:30-11:30am <b>20</b> Anime Club*** 8-7pm <b>25</b> Hot Cocoa Playdoh 11-11:30am	<b>6</b> Winter Friends 10:30-11:15am <b>7</b> May Your New Year Dreams Come True! <b>14</b> Lego Club 4-6pm <b>15</b> Little Crafters 11:30am Read to a therapy dog*** 4-5pm Air dry clay mosaics*** 6-7pm 10-16 <b>21</b> Winter Friends 10:30-11:15am <b>22</b> Family Game Night 5:7pm <b>27</b> Wooden Bookmarks Wonders*** 8-7:15pm Ages 10-16	<b>1</b> <b>HAPPY NEW YEAR!</b> <b>Closed</b> <b>8</b> Little Crafters 11:30am Read to a therapy dog*** 4-5pm Air dry clay mosaics*** 6-7pm 10-16 <b>16</b> Bilingual Story Time 10:30-11:30am <b>17</b> Painted Puzzles*** 2-3:15 PM Ages 10-16 <b>23</b> Little Crafters 11:30am DIY Mini Cottagescore Garden*** 6-7pm Ages 10-16 <b>30</b> Sensory play 11-12pm Read to a therapy dog*** 4-5pm Musical Mandalas*** 6-7pm Ages 10-16	<b>2</b> <b>3</b> <b>9</b> Clay Play! 11-12pm <b>10</b> Miss Mel Story Favorites 11-11:30am <b>11</b> Resolution Readers*** 1:30-2:30pm Ages 10-16 <b>18</b> <b>19</b> <b>20</b> <b>21</b> <b>22</b> <b>23</b> <b>24</b> <b>25</b> <b>26</b> <b>27</b> <b>28</b> <b>29</b> <b>30</b> <b>31</b>	<b>1</b> <b>2</b> <b>3</b> <b>4</b> <b>5</b> <b>6</b> <b>7</b> <b>8</b> <b>9</b> <b>10</b> <b>11</b> <b>12</b> <b>13</b> <b>14</b> <b>15</b> <b>16</b> <b>17</b> <b>18</b> <b>19</b> <b>20</b> <b>21</b> <b>22</b> <b>23</b> <b>24</b> <b>25</b> <b>26</b> <b>27</b> <b>28</b> <b>29</b> <b>30</b> <b>31</b>	

## Tiny Art Exhibit! Open to All Ages!

Ready to show off your artistic talents? Create a tiny masterpiece and submit it to MPL's Tiny Art Exhibit!

You can choose to design your tiny canvas at home with your own materials **OR** to attend one of our two decorating events in the library!

### Dates to Know:

January 7th **»** Canvas pick up

January 9th **»** In-Person Decorating Event  
1:00 - 2:00 PM

January 24th **»** In-Person Decorating Event  
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

January 29th **»** Opening Night  
5:30 - 7:00 PM

Registration required for in-person decorating events.

Canvases available while supplies lasts. First come, first serve.

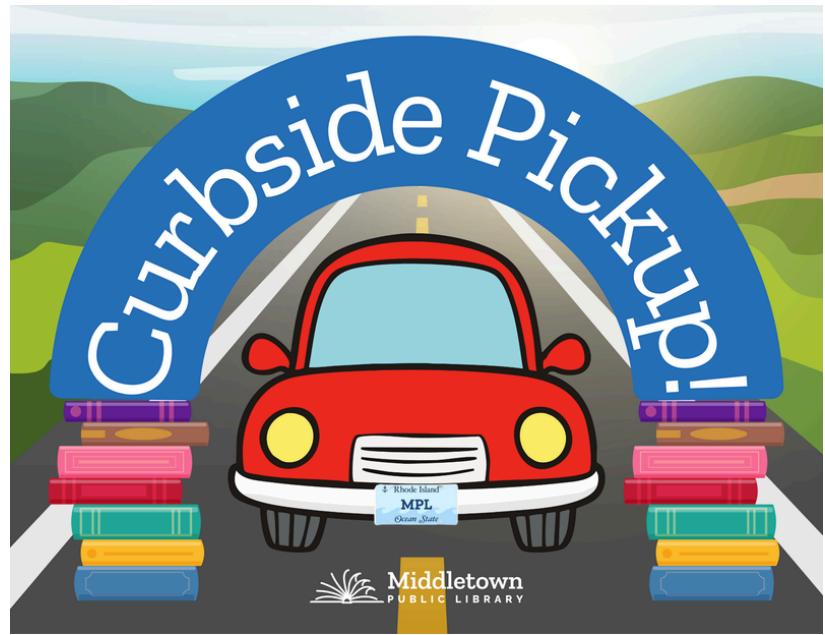
All ages are welcome to participate!



# Curbside Pickup

This winter, the Middletown Public Library will be offering curbside pickup to make borrowing materials more convenient during the winter season!

More information, including details on how to utilize this service, will be shared on our website and social media in the next few days, so stay tuned!



## Holiday Hours Notice



The library will be **closed on Monday, January 19th** in honor of Martin Luther King Jr Day.

We look forward to seeing you at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, January 20th!

Our online resources are always available on our website!

# Did you know...

## You have free access to the New York Times through Middletown Public Library!

### Read Onsite at the Library

Stay informed with free access to NYTimes.com while visiting Middletown Public Library. Use our public computers or your own device to read today's news.

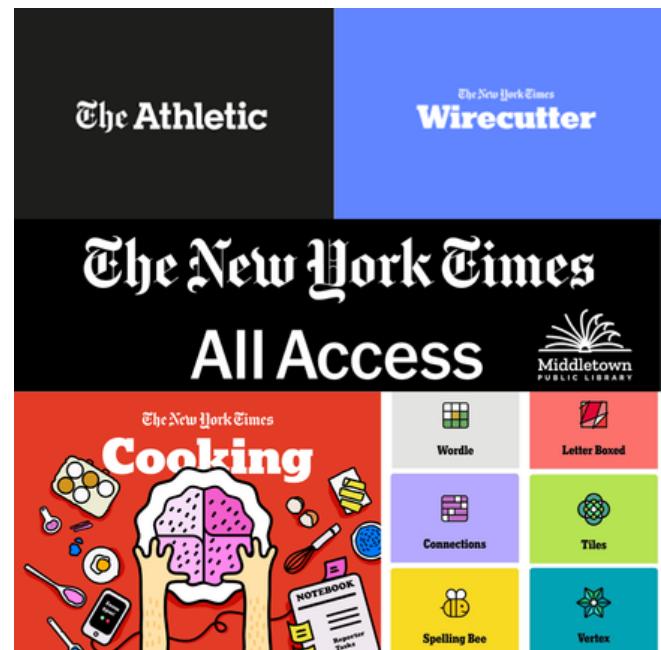
*Please note: Onsite access includes news only and does not include NYT apps, Games, Cooking, Wirecutter, or The Athletic.*

### Get Full Access from Home

Take the New York Times with you wherever you go! Middletown Public Library cardholders can unlock New York Times All Access remotely.

Simply visit the Library Catalog homepage to redeem a 24-hour access code and create a free NYT account.

Enjoy unlimited access to News, Games, Cooking, Wirecutter, The Athletic, and all New York Times apps on Android and iOS.



Scan QR code for more information!



## Become a Friend of the Library!



The Friends of the Middletown Public Library are a nonprofit that supports the library through fundraising and advocacy, helping fund programs, events, books, media, and equipment beyond the library's budget.

To learn more, join, or volunteer, email [friendsmembers@middletownlibraryri.org](mailto:friendsmembers@middletownlibraryri.org) or pick up an application at the library.

## The Friends Bookstore

The Friends of the Middletown Public Library are excited to announce another Jewelry Sale, scheduled for May 1st and 2nd, 2026.

Our last sale was a great success, with proceeds supporting a variety of library programs, so be sure to save the date!

In addition, the Friends' Annual Meeting will take place on Friday, March 13, 2026, at Johnny's Atlantic Beach Club. Join us for an evening of good food, good company, and fun as we celebrate and support our library!

All donations can be dropped off with the bookstore attendant or at the Public Services desk.

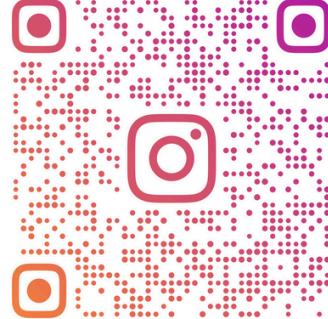


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register for one of our programs!



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