



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.

Thank you for being part of our community!

Adult Services Programs!

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

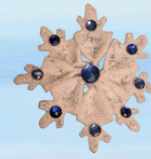
- ★ Maker's Monday – Try out a new craft every Monday!
- ★ Cookbook Club – 2nd Thursday of every month
- ★ Plant Parent Group – 3rd Thursday of every month

Maker Mondays for Adults 6-7 PM

January 5th - Shrinky Dink Keychains

January 12th - Felt Snowflake Brooch

January 26th - Punched Tin Lantern



Registration Required
For Adults 18+ only



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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+



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
find joy Cold Cold fingers, Cold toes, Pink nose, Hard ground, Bare trees, Branches crack, Puddles freeze, Frost white, Sun red, Warm room, Warm bed.	4 Story Time 11-11:30am 11 Potter League Storytime... 11-12pm Slime Time... 6-7pm 7-12 yrs 18 Martin Luther King Jr. Day Closed	5 Adventures Around the World 4-6pm 12 PSS Gaming Grades 4-5:30pm Ages 6-12 Glamoured Glass... 6-7:15 pm Ages 10-16 19 Rt Story Time... 10:30-11:30 Anime Club... 6-7pm 26 Wooden Bookmark Wonders! ... 6-7:15pm Ages 10-16	6 Winter Friends 10:30-11:15am 13 Lego Club 4-6pm 20 Winter Friends 10:30-11:15am Family Game Night 5-7pm 27 Lego Club 4-6pm 28 Sensory play, 11-12pm Read to a therapy dog... 4-5pm Musical Mandalas... 6-7pm Ages 10-16	7 HAPPY NEW YEAR! Closed 14 DIY Mini Bookshelves 6-7pm Ages 10-16 FULL REGISTRATION 21 Little Crafters 11-12pm DIY Mini Cottagecore Garden... 6-7pm Ages 10-16 29 Sensory play, 11-12pm Read to a therapy dog... 4-5pm Musical Mandalas... 6-7pm Ages 10-16	8 Clay Play! 11-12pm 15 Bilingual Story Time 10:30-11:30am 22 Clay Play! 11-12pm 29 Sensory play, 11-12pm Read to a therapy dog... 4-5pm Musical Mandalas... 6-7pm Ages 10-16	9 Miss Mel Story Favorites 11-11:30am 16 Painted Puzzles... 2-3:15 PM Ages 10-16 23 Resolution Readers... 1:30-2:30pm Ages 10-16 30 Resolution Readers... 1:30-2:30pm Ages 10-16
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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.

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**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 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.

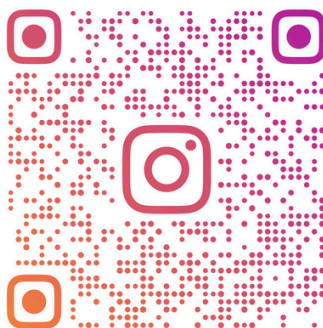


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