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Newark Public Library Announces November Programs

The Newark Public Library presents its programming schedule for November. All library programs are free and open to the public. For more information, please call the number listed with the program description. Program information may also be found at www.npl.org for adult programs and at kidsplace.npl.org for children's programs.

The Main Library and all branches will have the following closings in November:

Monday, November 2 – In accordance with a scheduled furlough for all employees of City of Newark agencies

Tuesday, November 3 – Election Day

Monday, November 9 – Delayed opening. Main Library and all branches will open at 11:00 am.

Wednesday, November 11 – Veterans Day

Wednesday, November 25 – In accordance with a scheduled furlough for all employees of City of Newark agencies

Thursday, November 26 – Thanksgiving Day

The Main Library and all branches will be open on Friday, November 27, and Saturday, November 28.

"Posing Beauty" by Dr. Deborah Willis

Wednesday, November 4, 6:00 – 8:00 pm, Main Library, 5 Washington Street, Centennial Hall, Second Floor

Dr. Willis will present a lecture and book signing of her latest book, "Posing Beauty," which explores the contested ways that African and African American beauty have been represented in historical and contemporary contexts through a diverse range of media, including video, fashion, and advertising. To RSVP, please call 973-733-7793 or email rsvp@npl.org.

"Midnight: A Gangster Love Story" by Sister Souljah

Wednesday, November 4, 6:30 – 8:00 pm, Main Library, James Brown African American Room, First Floor

The Frances E.W. Harper Literary Society will discuss "Midnight: A Gangster Love Story" during its November meeting. For more information, please call 973-733-5411.

Newark Public Library - November 2009 Programs

The following exhibitions continue during November:

New Jersey Through Artists' Eyes: Garden State Iconography

Runs September 28 – December 31, 2009, Main Library, 5 Washington Street, Third Floor Gallery. Curated by Chad Leinaweaver and William J. Dane, this exhibition displays the work of a variety of artists depicting New Jersey scenes using a variety of formats. For more information, please call the Special Collections Division at 973-733-7745.

A Journey from Ancient Times: Peruvians in New Jersey

Runs September 17 – December 31, 2009, Main Library, 5 Washington Street, Second Floor Gallery Part of the library's Hispanic Heritage Celebration, this exhibition showcases the history, cultural traditions, and experiences of the Peruvian immigrant community, which is one of the fastest growing Latino groups in our state. Curated by Ingrid Betancourt.

Tahuantinsuyo: Music of the Andes

Saturday, November 7, 2:00 – 4:00 pm, Main Library, 5 Washington Street, Centennial Hall, Second Floor

The Quechua name for the Inca Empire was Tahuantinsuyo, which means the four regions of the world. Using a spectacular slideshow as a backdrop, this pioneer folk music group takes the audience on a visual and musical tour of the world of the Inca. Their rhythms, melodies, and instruments are part of an ancient musical tradition and their haunting sounds transcend time and place. For more information, please call 973-733-7772. This program is part of the library Hispanic Heritage Celebration, which is made possible in part by funds from the New Jersey State Council on the Arts/Department of State, a partner agency of the National Endowment for the Arts and administered by the Essex County Division of Cultural and Historic Affairs.

Book Signing with Marita Golden

Saturday, November 14, 12:00 – 2:00 pm, Main Library, 5 Washington Street, Centennial Hall, Second Floor

Marita Golden's books address some of the major concerns and questions of African Americans, particularly women. She will read from her latest book, "It's All Love: Black Writers on Soul Mates, Family and Friends."

Newark Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting

Wednesday, November 18, 5:00 – 7:00 pm, Main Library, 5 Washington Street, Auditorium, Fourth Floor The library's Board of Trustees will conduct their bimonthly meeting.

Children's Programs at Main Library

Learn All About Veterans Day

Monday and Tuesday, November 9 and 10, 3:30 – 5:00 pm, Main Library, 5 Washington Street, Children's Room

Children are invited to learn more about Veterans Day through word searches, puzzles, and other activities. This program is suitable for children and young teens. For more information, please call 973-733-7797.

Celebrate National Gaming Day

Friday, November 13, 3:00 – 4:30 pm, Main Library, 5 Washington Street, Children's Room Children are invited to showcase their skills in a gaming contest. They can choose either Monopoly or Scrabble. Prizes will be awarded to the winners. Suitable for children and younger teens. For more information, please call 973-733-7797.

Native American Stories featuring Tchin

Saturday, November 14, 2:00 pm, Main Library, 5 Washington Street, Auditorium, Fourth Floor Join nationally known artist and educator Tchin, a Blackfoot/Narragansett artist, as he captivates the audience with Native American stories, art, music, and culture. For more information, please call 973-733-7797.

Thanksgiving Arts & Crafts

Wednesday, November 18, 3:30 – 5:00 pm, Main Library, 5 Washington Street, Children's Room Children are invited to craft a colorful turkey. All supplies will be provided. For more information, please call 973-733-7797.

Learn All About Thanksgiving Day

Tuesday, November 24, 3:30 – 5:30 pm, Main Library, 5 Washington Street, Children's Room Join us for activities such as word searches, quizzes, etc. to find out why this holiday has meaning for all Americans. Suitable for children and early teens. For more information, please call 973-733-7797.

Free American Sign Language (ASL) Classes

Saturdays, November 7, 14, 21, 28, 10:30 am – 12:00 pm, Main Library, 5 Washington Street, Special Services Room, Third Floor

American Sign Language for beginners—Levels I (new) and II (returning beginners). For more information, please call Margaret George at 973-733-5412 (voice) or Lolata Greggs at 866-977-6858 (video phone).

The branch libraries are presenting programs for children and adults. The schedule is listed below.

Clinton Branch, 739 Bergen Street, 973-733-7754

Wednesdays, November 4 & 18, 5:30 – 7:00 pm. Crochet & Knitting Club for Adults – Join us at the library to crochet and knit your own scarves, hats, shawls, and blankets for the winter. The library will provide materials and refreshments. For more information, please call the Clinton Branch at 973-733-7754.

Tuesday, November 10, 3:30 – 4:30 pm. Celebrate National Young Readers Day – To celebrate National Young Readers Day, children can listen to a story and then act out the story using hand puppets. For children up to eighth grade. For more information, please call the Clinton Branch at 973-733-7754.

Friday, November 13, 3:30 – 4:30 pm. <u>B-I-N-G-O</u> – Bing-o is its name-o and it's at the Clinton branch. For children up to eighth grade. For more information, please call the Clinton Branch at 973-733-7754.

Wednesday, November 18, 3:00 – 4:30 pm. Celebrate Thanksgiving and Be Creative – Children can show their creativity by making a Thanksgiving craft. Make Thanksgiving cards for your friends and family, too. For children up to eighth grade. For more information, please call the Clinton Branch at 973-733-7754.

Monday, November 23, 10:30 – 11:30 am. <u>Thanksgiving + Storytime = Fun</u> – Toddlers and preschoolers may join us for Thanksgiving stories and crafts. Daycare groups please notify us at least a day in advance if you wish to attend. For more information, please call the Clinton Branch at 973-733-7754.

North End Branch, 722 Summer Avenue, 973-733-7683

Wednesday, November 4, 3:30 pm. <u>Let's Bead</u> – Create the American Flag using pony beads. Suitable for ages 7 and over. Please call 973-733-7683 for more information.

Wednesday, November 18, 2:00 pm. Gobble! Gobble! – Let's make turkeys using a variety of craft supplies. Suitable for all ages. Please call 973-733-7683 for more information.

Wednesdays, November 18 and 25, 4:00 pm. See You at the Movies – Children will watch a movie of their choosing. Suitable for all ages. Please call 973-733-7683 for more information.

Monday – Tuesday, November 23 – 24, 3:30 pm. <u>Celebrate National Game & Puzzle Week</u> – Enjoy a variety of board games. Suitable for all ages. Please call 973-733-7683 for more information.

Roseville Branch, 99 Fifth Street, 973-733-7770

Wednesday, November 4, 3:30 – 4:30 pm. <u>Native American Bracelets</u> – Create a bracelet for both boys and girls, with Native American designs. For second graders and up. For more information, please call the Roseville Branch at 973-733-7770.

Wednesday, November 4, 6:00 pm. Open House – Come meet the new manager and staff. Refreshments will be served. For more information, please call the Roseville Branch at 973-733-7770.

Friday, November 13, 3:30 – 4:30 pm. <u>Beaded Corn Magnet</u> – Create this beaded corn magnet to represent how the American Indians taught the Pilgrims how to plant corn. For second graders and up. For more information, please call the Roseville Branch at 973-733-7770.

Wednesday, November 18, 3:30 – 4:30 pm. <u>Thankful Tree</u> – Create a beautiful thankful tree of handprint leaves that will express the words of thankfulness. For second graders and up. For more information, please call the Roseville Branch at 973-733-7770.

Wednesday, November 18, 6:00 pm. <u>Cinema Night</u> – "The Secret Life of Bees" features Queen Latifah, Dakota Fanning, Jennifer Hudson, Alicia Keys and Sophie Okonedo, and is a must-see film about a beekeeping family. For more information, please call the Roseville Branch at 973-733-7770.

Friday, November 20, 3:30 – 4:30 pm. <u>Thankfulness Book</u> – Express your feelings of why you are thankful for the people and things in your lives. For second graders and up. For more information, please call the Roseville Branch at 973-733-7770.

Springfield Branch, 50 Hayes Street, 973-733-7736

Wednesday, November 4, 11, 18, 5:00 – 7:00 pm, and Saturdays, November 7, 14, 21, 28, 11:00 am – 1:00 pm. Free College Preparatory Classes – FREE sessions will include: Prep for SAT and HSPA; SAT and ACT registration; assistance with completing scholarship and financial aid applications; assistance with personal statements; obtain college applications. Open to high school juniors and seniors. For more information, please contact the Springfield Branch at 973-733-7736, or call Mr. Brown, Coordinator, at 862-368-4261.

Vailsburg Branch, 75 Alexander Street, 973-733-7749

Wednesday, November 4, 4:00 pm. Spelling Bee – Are you the human dictionary or do you just love to spell? Well, why not come on down for a rousing afternoon of spelling? Bee there or bee square. For more information, please call the Vailsburg Branch at 973-733-7749.

Wednesdays, November 4 and 18, 5:00 pm. <u>Fabulous Fall Movie Night</u> – Leaves are beginning to fall and great movies are coming to call. See Hollywood's best and brightest on our silver screen.

Located here in the children's room. For more information, please call the Vailsburg Branch at 973-733-7749.

Friday, November 6, 4:00 pm. Cooking with Chef Adam – Study with a master of the culinary arts. Get ready to chop, dice, and sizzle in the world-renowned kitchen, located in the children's room. You'll be a chef in no time. For more information, please call the Vailsburg Branch at 973-733-7749.

Saturdays, November 7 and 21, 10:00 am. <u>Imagination Station Storytime</u> – All aboard! Come to the Vailsburg Children's Room and let your imagination take you to magical far-off places. For more information, please call the Vailsburg Branch at 973-733-7749.

Wednesday, November 18, 4:00 pm. Arts and Crafts – Calling all artists! Come on in, and let your inner artist run wild. We have various projects that are demanding your personal creativity. For more information, please call the Vailsburg Branch at 973-733-7749.

Friday, November 20, 4:00 pm. <u>Vailsburg Idol</u> – Do you have any talents? Sure you do—We all do! Come in as we bring Hollywood straight to Newark. For more information, please call the Vailsburg Branch at 973-733-7749.

Friday, November 27, 4:00 pm. ...And BINGO Was His Name-o – It's time to get out of the BIN and GO GO GO. Please come to the Children's Room for a rousing night of Library Bingo. Come for a night of fun and prizes. For more information, please call the Vailsburg Branch at 973-733-7749.

Van Buren Branch, 140 Van Buren Street, 973-733-7750

Saturdays, November 7 and 21, 11:00 am – 12:00 pm, Children's Room. Saturday Story Hour – Start your weekend with a story. Appropriate for all ages. For more information, please call the Van Buren Branch at 973-733-3897.

Tuesday, November 17, 4:00 – 5:00 pm, Program Room. <u>Twilight Tuesday for Teens</u> – Excited for the New Moon release? So are we! Stop by the Van Buren Branch to make a Twilight-themed bracelet to wear on the movie's opening night. For more information, please call the Van Buren Branch at 973-733-3897.

Wednesday, November 18, 3:00 – 5:00 pm, Program Room. Wii Wednesday for Kids of All Ages – Need a break from homework? Take a turn on the Wii. Play a board game or puzzle while you wait. Appropriate for all ages. For more information, please call the Van Buren Branch at 973-733-3897.