



Labor Day - Memorial Day
 Mon: 2:00-7:00 PM
 Tue-Thu: 10:00 AM -7:00 PM
 Fri: 10:00 AM-5:00 PM
 Sat: 10:00 AM-4:00 PM

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DECEMBER/JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2023-2024



**DON'T
FORGET**

HOLIDAY CLOSURES

CHRISTMAS
DECEMBER 25, 2023

NEW YEAR'S DAY
JANUARY 1, 2024

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY
JANUARY 15, 2024

PRESIDENTS' DAY
FEBRUARY 19, 2024

HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

KIDS & CAREGIVERS GINGERBREAD ORNAMENT CRAFT
NOVEMBER 25, 2023
11 AM

FRIENDS OF THE GPL PRESENT :
A HOLIDAY CONCERT WITH THE DREAMCATCHERS
NOVEMBER 30, 2023
6 PM

HOLIDAY COOKIE EXCHANGE
DECEMBER 4, 2023
5:30 PM

KIDS & CAREGIVERS COOKIE DECORATING
DECEMBER 9, 2023
10:30 AM

POLAR EXPRESS STORY TIME
DECEMBER 16, 2023
10 AM

MERRY SWIFTMAS!
DECEMBER 16, 2023
2 PM

GPL: Your Award-Winning Library!

The Library is delighted to announce that we have been named the winner of four regional and state library awards this year! The New York Library Association's Public Library Section bestowed upon us the 2023 Public Libraries Building Award, for our renovated facility and how we've used it to support the community. Teen Librarian Lex Lanza was also chosen for the NYLA Conference Scholarship Award. In addition, the Mohawk Valley Library System recognized Jean LaPorta, Friends of the GPL president, as the recipient of the Wusterbarth Volunteer Service Award (a much-deserved honor). Finally, the Library received the MVLS 2023 Library Recognition Award for our teen LGBTQIA+ social and support group, School's Out. Huzzah to our dedicated staff and volunteers!

FYI

NEW PARK & PARKING

Phase one of our new auxiliary parking lot and green space should be completed by year's end! This will provide additional parking spaces, as well as much-needed outdoor programming space for when the warm weather rolls around again. We hope you enjoy these new areas!



GENTLE YOGA CLASSES



We've teamed up with Blooming Lotus Yoga to bring easy, entry-level yoga classes to the Library! If you've been wondering what all the yoga hoopla is about, these classes are a great way to explore. So, why not give it a whirl? See our adult events page, inside, for dates and times.

GET NOTARIZED @ GPL

The Library is now offering free notary services to Gloversville Public Library card holders! Notary services are available by calling the Library and checking availability. Please be sure to bring appropriate legal identification, as well as your Gloversville Public Library card.



NEED TO KNOW INFO

What's Gloversville Reading?



Fiction

1. *Tom Lake* by Ann Patchett [Fict Pat]
2. *The Covenant of Water* by Abraham Verghese [Fict Ver]
3. *Bright Young Women* by Jessica Knoll [Fict Kno]
4. *Lessons in Chemistry* by Bonnie Garmus [Fict Gar]
5. *The Armor of Light* by Ken Follett [Fict Fo]
6. *Fourth Wing* by Rebecca Yarros [Fict War]

Nonfiction

1. *Enough* by Cassidy Hutchinson [B Hutchins Hut]
2. *Astor* by Anderson Cooper [B Astor Co]
3. *Democracy Awakening* by Heather Cox Richardson [320.473 Ric]
4. *Outlive* by Peter Attia and Bill Gifford [612.68 Att]
5. *Killing the Witches* by Bill O'Reilly and Martin Dugard [974.45 ORe]
6. *Elon Musk* by Walter Isaacson [B Musk Isa]

Board of Trustees Meetings

Third Tuesday of Every Month
6:00 PM @ GPL



The public is welcome

Event Registration Information

- All events take place at the Library, unless otherwise noted.
- No registration required, unless otherwise noted.
- To register, visit www.gloversvillelibrary.org and click on the Calendar of Events icon.
- Or call (518) 725-2819 to register by phone.
- Information in this newsletter is subject to change. Please visit our website or our social media platforms for the most current information.



Meeting & Study Rooms



Did you know you can reserve meeting rooms of different sizes and a small study room by calling us or booking online?

Visit www.gloversvillelibrary.org and select the Reserve Meeting Rooms icon or phone us at (518) 725-2819.

Libby: eBooks Made Easy

With the Libby app, you can browse, checkout, download, and stream the Library's collection of eBooks and digital audiobooks. And now there are even more items to choose from: Gloversville patrons are now able to borrow from the collections of the Southern Adirondack Library System, the Upper Hudson Library System, and the Mid Hudson Library System. Want to know how? Have questions? Call the Library at (518) 725-2819, or stop by for in-person assistance.



Library Cards

Getting a library card is easy and free. GPL has two kinds:

Traditional Card: Our full-service card for residents in our service area. Those ages 18+ can sign themselves up by presenting a photo ID and a piece of addressed mail or check. Children and teens must have a parent/guardian present, with the above required items.

Core Card: Our limited-service card for those who aren't eligible for a traditional card. Those age 18+ can sign themselves up at the Library. Children and teens must have an adult present to get a card. Core cards do not require documentation.

For more information call (518) 725-2819 or drop by the Library to sign-up.

ADULT EVENTS & SERVICES

HOLIDAY COOKIE EXCHANGE

**December 4
@ 5:30 PM**

Bake your favorite holiday cookie and bring 3-4 dozen to share! Email your recipe to nhauser@mvls.info or drop off a copy at the Library by November 29.



Registration required

HEALTH & WELLNESS

Gentle Yoga Essentials with Blooming Lotus Yoga

November 17; December 1, 15, 29;
January 5 & 19; February 2 & 16
@ 11 AM

Registration Required

Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group

November 15, December 20,
January 17, February 21
@ 10 AM



Public Narcan Training

December 14, February 18,
@ 2 PM
January 11 @ 6 PM



CRAFTING CLASSES

Crafts & Cookies Day

December 30 @ 1 PM

Registration required

Joy of Coloring

December 6, January 3, February 7
@ 5:30 PM

Adult Crafting

November 29, December 27, January 24, February 28
@ 1:30 PM & 5:30 PM

Registration required

Take Home Adult Crafting Kits

Call us at (518) 725-2819 or go online to register, then come pick up your kit!

EASY EATS CLUB

**November 8,
January 10
@ 5:30 PM**

Make and share simple recipes using a variety of healthy foods.

**Ages 18+
Registration required**



DEFENSIVE DRIVING

Six-hour in-person course from the Empire Safety Council. Save 10% on auto insurance for three years!

April 13 @ 10 AM

Registration required by March 6 with payment of \$35 per Driver (Cash or Check) Checks payable to: Gloversville Public Library

WRITE ON!

A group for adult & teen creative writers!

**November 17, December 15,
January 19, February 16
@ 3 PM**

Try your hand at our monthly writing prompt, meet other local writers, and bring your current projects to share for feedback

Ages 13+

BOOK DISCUSSION

Books N' Brews

A Gloversville Public Library & Johnstown Public Library Collaboration

@ Plaza Italian Bistro
130 N. Pine St., Gloversville

Join us each meeting for good company and engaging conversations over food and drinks. The first round of appetizers is always on us!

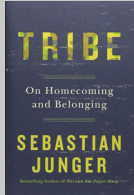
December 20 @ 6 PM



The Authenticity Project
by Clare Pooley

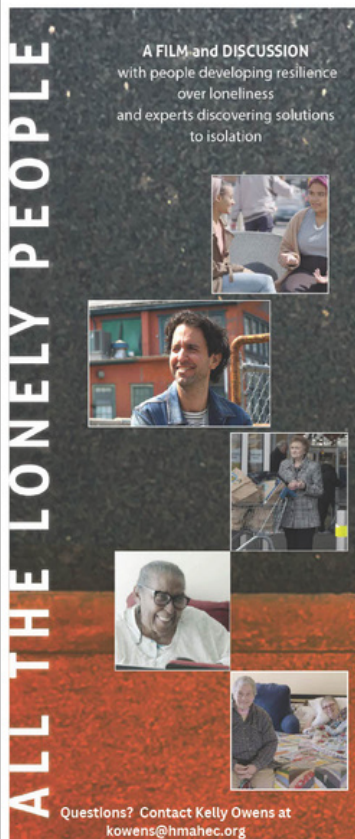
February 21 @ 6 PM

Tribe
by Sebastian Junger



Space is limited
Registration required
Copies available at both libraries

SCREENING EVENT



Join us for a screening of the film, *All the Lonely People*, followed by a panel discussion with local community members and professionals on the impact of isolation related to mental health, aging and more.

Upcoming events:

- **Monday, November 13th:**
Crandall Public Library,
Glens Falls
- **Tuesday, November 14th:**
Gloversville Public Library,
Gloversville
- **Wednesday, November 15th:**
Clifton Park/Halfmoon Public
Library, Clifton Park
- **Thursday, November 16th:**
Albany Public Library - Washington
Ave, Albany

Each event will take place
1:00pm-3:00pm

Register to participate:
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ATLP2023>

ATLP2023



Questions? Contact Kelly Owens at
kowens@hmahec.org



NEW PROGRAM

Join us for a short hike and discussion. Pandemic isolation was tough, and shed light on health disparities in the queer community. We'll gently unpack our experiences, and share ways to find joy and support. Afterwards, there'll be an optional social excursion to Indian Ladder Farms (refreshments available for purchase). Call Lex or Valerie at the Library to register.



HOLIDAY CONCERT



The Friends of the
Gloversville Public Library
Present

A holiday music celebration with
THE DREAMCATCHERS

November 30
@ 6 PM
Limited Seating
Registration Required

Light Refreshments will be served

LOCAL HISTORY ROOM

LOCAL HISTORY RESOURCE SPOTLIGHT: YEARBOOKS

Weather outside frightful? Well, then it's the perfect time to stop by the LHR and check out all our available resources. One of our favorites is our collection of Gloversville High School yearbooks, spanning from 1904 to 2022. Our collection isn't quite complete, but we do have many items from those years. Did you know that early editions of Gloversville yearbooks had four issues per year? Newer ones are the traditional one edition per year. So, whether you are looking for historical or recent class information, GPL has you covered.



LOCAL HISTORY ROOM HOURS

By Appointment: Tue: 10 AM-3 PM / Thu: 2-7 PM

Drop In: Sat: 11 AM-3 PM

Call or email for more info & appointments:
(518) 725-2819 / gpllocalhistory@mvl.s.info

ALL AGES EVENTS & SERVICES

Unless otherwise noted, children under age 7 must be accompanied by an adult caregiver for all programs



MERRY SWIFTMAS!



December 16 @ 2 PM

Have a Blank Space on your holiday calendar?

Join us for a night of T. Swift karaoke!

Enjoy snacks, sing along with other Swifties, and make friendship bracelets, too (they make great holiday gifts). So grab your Cardigan and celebrate the season in Style!

Registration required



OPEN MIC NIGHT

January 17 @ 5 PM

Have a thing that you do? Come share it with the community! Sing, recite poetry, juggle bowling balls, tell (family-friendly) jokes, play an instrument, perform magic tricks, burp the alphabet...whatever your jam is, this is your chance to get it on!

**Limited spaces available
Registration required**

**Light refreshments
will be served**

POLAR EXPRESS STORY TIME

December 16 @ 10:30 AM

All aboard for our favorite story time of the year!

Join The Conductor for a classic literary journey suitable for kids of all ages, and take home a cozy treat.



TEEN EVENTS & SERVICES

SCHOOL'S OUT

**November 13 & 27, December 11,
January 8 & 22, February 12 & 26 @ 3 PM**
Drop in to School's Out, our LGBTQIA+
connection & support group
Grades 6-12



WRITE ON!

**November 17, December 15, January 19,
February 16 @ 3 PM**
Monthly creative writing group for
teens and adults
Ages 13+



ANIME AFTERNOONS

**November 15, December 20, January 17,
February 21 @ 3 PM**
Enjoy screenings of your favorite anime series,
while munching on Japanese snacks
Ages 10+



THE CREATIVE ZONE

**November 28, January 23, February 27
The Loft @ 3:30 PM**
Explore low-key creative projects and
chill after school.
Grades 6-12



For
teens,
too!

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December 16 @ 2 PM

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Teens are invited to join us for a night of T. Swift karaoke!
Enjoy snacks, sing along with other Swifties, and make
friendship bracelets, too (they make great holiday gifts).
So grab your Cardigan and celebrate the season in Style!

Registration required

TEEN



**November 24,
February 23
@ 2 PM**

Here's a chance to prove that
you're both smart and fast.
Bring your cell phone (which
you'll need to play along) and
see how high you can score in
this challenging multi-subject
trivia throwdown match.

Ages 12-17

Art Cart Hour

**December 19,
February 20
@ 5 PM**

We're rolling out our new
Art Cart! Drop in for an
open art hour featuring
a variety of supplies and
inspiration. There's no
wrong way to get crafty!

Ages 12-17



STORY TIMES

Thursday Story Time

November 9, 16, 30
December 7, 14, 21, 28
January 4, 11, 18, 25
February 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
@ 10:30 AM

There's fun for all ages at Mrs. Barry's weekly story time. Each session, there will be themed stories, followed by a craft or other activity.

Stay-at-Home Story Time

November 11, December 9,
January 13, February 10
@ 10:30 AM
via Facebook

Join Sonny for a fun and funny virtual story time on Facebook. New sessions are uploaded the second Saturday of every month and are viewable on demand.



Story Time Dress-Up Days!

Every Fourth Thursday
November 30, December 28,
January 25, February 29
@ 10:30 AM



We're using our imaginations during special Dress-Up Days at Story Time once each month.

That's right! On the fourth Thursday of every month, we'll have a guest reader dressed as a favorite character join us to share stories and spark imaginations.

Dressing up isn't required, but everyone (kids and caregivers, too!) are encouraged to dress in costume as anyone or anything!

Homeschool Lunch Hour

November 10, 17, 26
December 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
January 5, 12, 19, 26
February 2, 9, 16, 23
@ 12:30 PM



Local homeschool students are invited to bring their lunch for an hour of socializing with other area homeschoolers, while enjoying games and activities.

CLUB BABY

November 14 & 28, December 12 & 26,
January 9 & 23, February 6 & 20
@ 10 AM



Join the club for our youngest library-goers and their caregivers! Each session will have plenty of time for kids to play and caregivers to socialize, as well as fun stories and songs for the little ones. Designed to foster early language development and a love of reading!!

Ages Birth - 24 months with a caregiver
(Sorry older siblings, this program is just for babies)

This is a drop-in class and limited to the first 10 babies each session.

Super Chefs

December 12,
February 13

@ 4 PM

Simple, yummy, dishes will be prepared and sampled, as kids learn about nutrition, measuring, kitchen safety, and etiquette.

Ages 6-11

Registration required



Creative Crafters

Third Tuesdays
@ 5:30 PM

Roll up those sleeves, dress for a mess, and get crafting! We'll gather once a month for guided craft activities and good fun.

December 19: Wax Paper Lanterns
January 16: Borax Crystals
February 20: Pinecone Hedgehogs

Ages 5+

Do-It-Yourself Crafternoons

November 8,
December 13,
January 10
February 14

@ 4:30 PM

We'll provide simple directions to make some cool crafts, or use our supplies to make your own original creation.

Ages 8-12



The Most Wonderful Time of the Year!

Kids & Caregivers Gingerbread Ornament Craft

November 25 @ 11 AM

Calling all families! Get ready for winter by making festive gingerbread ornaments to bring home and use as decorations this holiday season.

Registration required

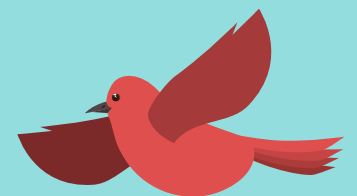


Kids & Caregivers Holiday Cookie Decorating

December 9 @ 10 AM

What is more fun than decorating holiday cookies? Eating them! Come and do both at this fun, creative, and yummy family event.

Registration required



Winter Warm-Up December 27 @ 12:30 PM

Get out of the house and the snow! There'll be activities, entertainment, and the chance for older kids and teens to warm up to old and new friends.

Ages 10+
(sorry, no younger children)

Light refreshments served

