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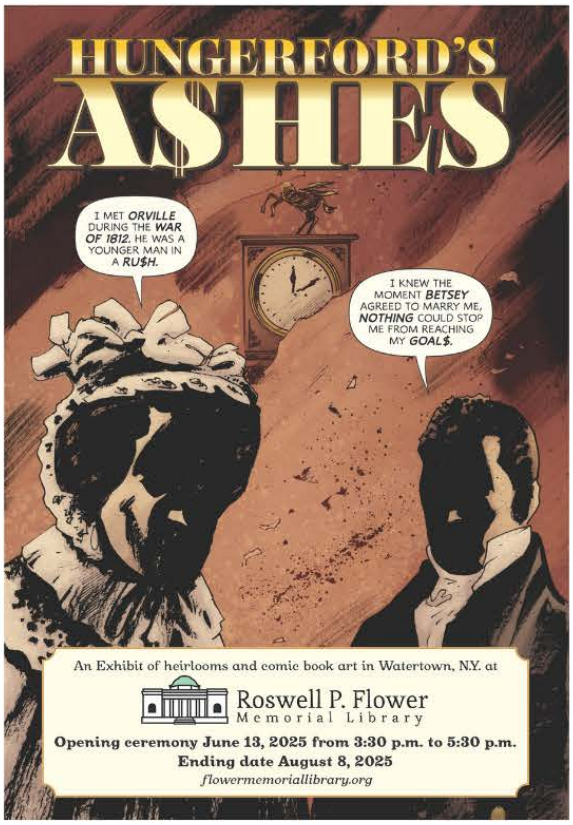
Flower Memorial Library Newsletter



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Photo of one of our bronze Rancoulet statues, located in our upstairs Mezzanine.



Join us in celebrating the rich history of the North Country through the remarkable story of the Hungerford family. From transporting essential goods from New York City during the War of 1812 to helping complete the Watertown and Rome Railroad, the Hungerfords played a key role in connecting our region to the wider world.

In their honor, a unique art exhibit will showcase personal heirlooms alongside vibrant, comic book-style illustrations that bring their legacy to life.

***Opening Ceremony*: June 13 at 3:30pm**
(Enjoy light refreshments as we kick off the exhibit!)

***Exhibit Dates*: June 13–August 8**

***Location*: South Reading Room**

Early Literacy Information

Farmers Market Story Time

For all ages and abilities
Presented by: Jamie
Outside on the Library's Side Lawn at 10:30am
Every Wednesday

Nothing says summer like an outdoor story time! Join Mrs. Jamie every Wednesday throughout the summer for a story time on the lawn. We'll read stories, dance, sing, and have some silly fun.

Join us in the Children's Room if there's inclement weather!

Music and Movement



For ages 0-5
Facilitated by: Jamie
(with guest Sarah Wolfe)
Children's Room at 10:30am
Monday June 9

Does your child like to sing, dance, or just wiggle around? If so, come join guest Sarah Wolfe for a fun music and movement program! Music and Movement is a joyful and interactive music program that encourages little ones to get their bodies moving, their voices singing, and to make some beautiful noise. The session includes a sing-along with Sarah playing the ukulele.

Toddler Painting

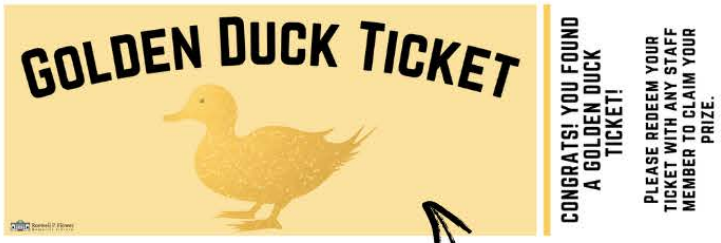


For ages 0-5
Presented by: Jamie
Children's Room at 10:30am
Friday June 27: Ice Cream Cone

Join us in the Children's Room for some fun process painting! This month's process painting will involve using sponges to create paper ice cream cones. You will get to pick which "flavor" you create!

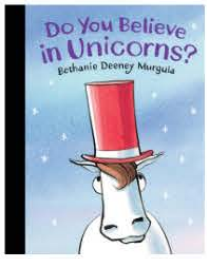
The Golden Quack Quest

Throughout the summer, staff will be hiding golden duck tickets around the building. Anyone who finds a ticket gets a stuffed duck toy! Simply hand the ticket to any staff member to claim your prize.



Look for these tickets around the building! Any age can redeem a ticket. Only one ticket redemption per person.

New in our Children's Room!











Events for Kids, Tweens, and Teens

Note: If you are 18-years-old and still attend high school, you may attend teen events.

Kids & Tween Art Club



For ages 6-12
Facilitated by: Suzie
(with guest Shalaina Thompson)
Children's Room at 4pm
Friday June 6

Get messy and explore the world of art! Projects will be announced at the start of each event.

Teen Open Gaming



For ages 12-17
Presented by: Ashley M.
Teen Space from 4pm - 5pm
Every Friday EXCEPT 6/13

Stop by Fridays for videogames, board games, and a snack!

Note: Limited to 12 participants. First come, first served.

Kids & Tween Take & Make Crafts

For ages 3-12
Presented by: Jamie
Circulation Desk at 9am
Saturday June 7

On one Saturday of each month, grab a craft kit to make with your little ones!
This month: Father's Day Can Cooler

Note: Limit of 1 kit per child on a first come, first served basis. No reservation option.

Dragon Egg Painting



For ages 3-12
Presented by: Jamie
Children's Room at 6pm
Tuesday June 10

To kick off our summer reading program, "Fire & Fantasy with Roswell," let's paint some dragon eggs!

We will provide the foam eggs and art supplies. All you need to do is bring yourself and your littles!

Note: Limit of 50 participants. Participants will be determined on a first come first served basis. No registration option. Eggs must be painted during the event in order to receive one.

Teen Snack & Craft: DIY Mini Libraries

For ages 12-17
Presented by: Ashley M.
Teen Space at 6pm
Wednesday June 11



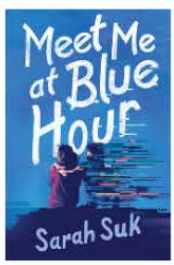
Let's get crafty! Design your very own miniature library! These mini libraries will be made in a tin and feature wooden shelves, tiny books, and more! All supplies and snacks will be provided.

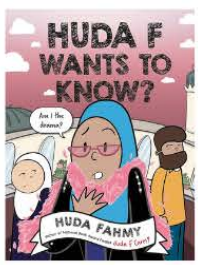
Note: Limit of 10 participants. First come, first served.

New in our Teen Space!











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Tiny Art



For ages 12-17
Presented by: Ashley M.
Future Makerspace at 10am
Saturday June 14

Feeling crafty? Make tiny art! Anything goes for this tiny art project! Draw or paint anything you'd like on a tiny canvas! All projects will be created on a 4"x4" canvas.

Limited to 15 participants. First come, first served.

Teen Book Display Brigade

For ages 12-17
Presented by: Ashley M.
Teen Space from 4pm - 5pm
Thursday June 26

Are you creative – looking for a volunteer opportunity – a total bookworm? Then join our Book Display Brigade! Channel your inner designer and help make a book display for the Teen Space. Participants gain 1 hour of volunteer time for attendance.

Book Character Bingo

For all ages and abilities
Presented by: Jamie
Children's Room at 10am
Saturday June 28

Join us for a fun morning of Bingo! But, there's a twist. Instead of matching a ball with a letter and number to what's on your board, you have to match the book character Mrs. Jamie holds up!



Fun Fact!

Did you know you can check out themed backpacks from the library? They're available for all ages and packed with fun and educational materials!

Our collection includes:

Early Literacy Backpacks – Perfect for young learners with themes like Feelings, Animals, Cars, Colors, and Music.

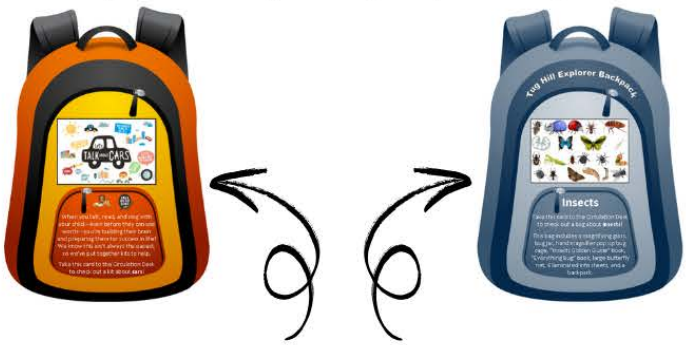
Tug Hill Explorer Backpacks – Dive into nature with themes like Ponds & Streams, Wildlife Signs & Tracking, Insects, and Birds.

(Special thank you to the Tug Hill Tomorrow Land Trust for their generous donation of these outdoor adventure backpacks!)

To check out a backpack, stop in the Children's Room and grab a backpack card of your choice from our backpack wall. Take the card to the Circulation Desk and our staff will hand you the backpack!

Stop by the library to explore something new today!

The *fine print: Checkout is for 28 days. No holds. No renewals. No late fees, Any age can check out a backpack. Limit of 1 backpack per library card.*



Just look for these backpack cards in the Children's Room!



Our Summer Reading Programs for all ages start this month! For every hour you read, your earn one prize entry. To learn more about our *Fire & Fantasy with Roswell* Summer Reading Programs, contact our librarians!

For children (ages 0-12): Mrs. Jamie
jlaplaca@ncls.org or 315-785-7709

For teens (ages 12-18): Mrs. Ashley M.
amorrison@ncls.org or 315-785-7714

For adults (ages 18+): Ms. Amanda
atehonica@ncls.org or 315-785-7715

Information for Both Youth & Adults

We will be closed Thursday, June 19 for Juneteenth.
We reopen on Friday, June 20 at 10am.



Library Board of Trustees Monthly Meeting

For all ages and abilities
Facilitated by: Suzie
Future Makerspace at 4pm
Tuesday June 10

The Board of Trustees monthly meeting is held in the library's Future Makerspace. Meeting documents are listed on the library's website.

LEGO Club

For all ages and abilities
Presented by: Jamie
Community Room at 4pm
Thursday June 12

Come build with us! Themed builds will be announced at each event.

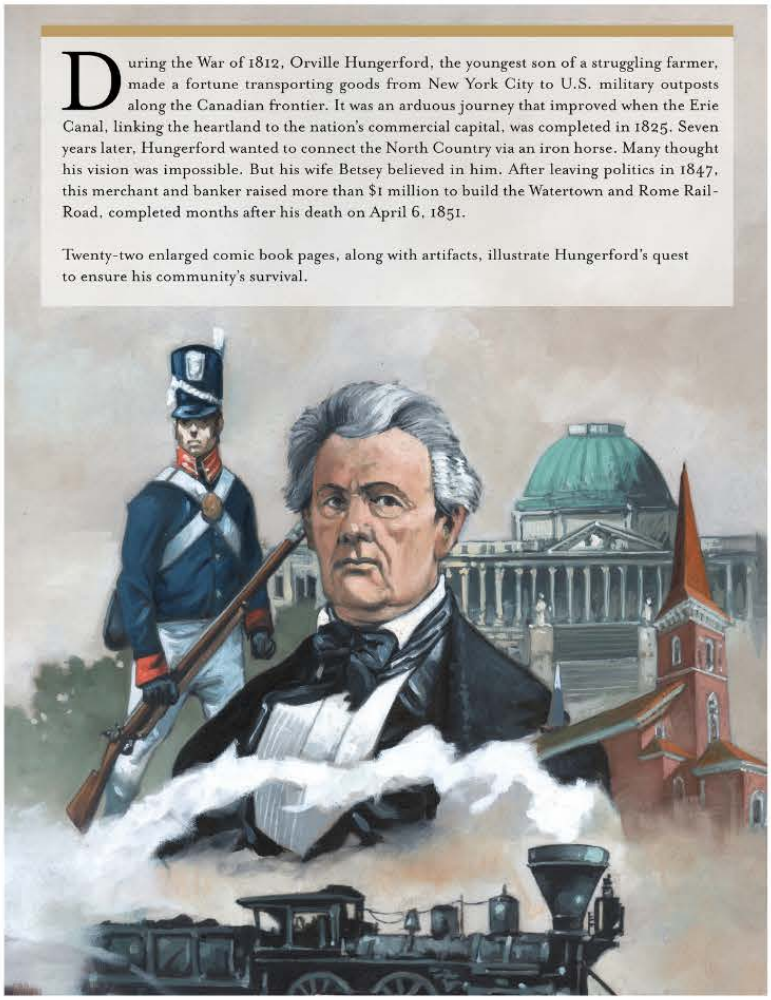


Hungerford Family Art Exhibit Opening Ceremony

For all ages and abilities
Facilitated by: Suzie
South Reading Room at 3:30pm
Friday June 13

Celebrate North Country history through the eyes of a local family, the Hungerfords. During the War of 1812, Orville Hungerford transported goods from New York City to U.S. military outposts along the Canadian frontier. It was an arduous journey that improved when the Erie Canal, linking the heartland to the nation's commercial capital, was completed in 1825. Seven years later, Hungerford wanted to connect the North Country via an iron horse. In 1851, the Watertown and Rome Railroad was completed months after his death.

The Hungerfords have made many generous contributions to the North County over the years. To honor this local family, we will have a display of their family heirlooms as well as comic book art detailing the history of the family. Light refreshments will be provided. The displays will be up in our South Reading Room from June 13 – August 8.


During the War of 1812, Orville Hungerford, the youngest son of a struggling farmer, made a fortune transporting goods from New York City to U.S. military outposts along the Canadian frontier. It was an arduous journey that improved when the Erie Canal, linking the heartland to the nation's commercial capital, was completed in 1825. Seven years later, Hungerford wanted to connect the North Country via an iron horse. Many thought his vision was impossible. But his wife Betsey believed in him. After leaving politics in 1847, this merchant and banker raised more than $1 million to build the Watertown and Rome Rail-Road, completed months after his death on April 6, 1851.

Twenty-two enlarged comic book pages, along with artifacts, illustrate Hungerford's quest to ensure his community's survival.

Excerpt from the family's comic book, Hungerford's Ashes.

Events for Adults

Adult Book Clubs

Original Book Club
For ages 18+
Facilitated by: Amanda
Future Makerspace at 6:30 pm
Monday June 9

This month we will be voting for the book club's 2025-2026 titles.



VIRTUAL Between the Covers: Romance Book Club
For ages 18+
Facilitated by: Ashley P.
On Zoom at 6:30 pm
Wednesday June 18

Join us to chat about all things books and romance! At this meeting we'll discuss *Flawless* by Elsie Silver. The Zoom information for this event can be found on our website event calendar.

Spice Club - Fennel Seeds
For ages 18+
Presented by: Ashley P.
Circulation Desk at 9am
Monday June 2

Explore the world of flavor. The packet will include a spice sample, recipe cards, history of the spice, and a list of cookbooks you can check out from the library.

If you miss the kits, you can still get a peek at the recipes by visiting the homepage of our website!

Smile More Jar Etching
For ages 18+
Presented by: Amanda
Future Makerspace at 6:15pm
Monday June 2

Turn a simple glass jar into a personalized gift for yourself or someone who could use a smile. Etching cream and vinyl stencils will be used to create the project. All materials will be provided.

Note: Limit of 15 participants. No registration option. In-person only. A lottery will be used to determine participants if necessary.



Immigration Clinic with Hiscock Legal Aid Society

For ages 18+
Facilitated by: Ashley P.
Community Room OR Virtual from 12pm - 3pm
Thursday June 5

Need immigration advice? Hiscock Legal Aid Society Immigration Program may be able to help. Issues addressed at this clinic include adjustment of status, DACA, Asylum, naturalization/citizenship, and more.

For more information, call 315-218-0152 or email immigration-intake@hlalaw.org. If you need an interpreter one can be provided at no cost. Services are free! Call the new Americans hotline at 1-800-566-7636 for urgent immigration assistance.

This event is held in partnership with the New York State Office of New Americans. The link to our virtual option via Zoom can be found on our website.

Macrame Jar Hanger Kit



For ages 18+
Presented by: Amanda
Circulation Desk at 9am
Saturday June 7

Learn how easy it is to create a macrame hanger and repurpose glass jars. Instructions, jar and macrame cord will be provided. Fairy lights will not be included in the kit.

Limit 1 kit per person, max of 2 if picking up for a friend! Available while supplies last.

Memory Lane Show and Tell: Featuring You, Our Seniors!



For ages 18+
Facilitated by: Ashley P.
Community Room at 10am
Tuesday June 10

Want to share your treasured possessions and fond memories with new listeners? Here's your opportunity! Bring in your favorite small, handheld items and share associated tales of the past with friends who will truly appreciate them. Items must be appropriate for all audiences. Time limits for sharing will apply.

Lunch and a Movie: Wicked

For ages 18+
Facilitated by: Ashley P.
Community Room at 12pm
Saturday June 21

Join us for a free showing of *Wicked* and enjoy a pizza lunch on us! From imdb.com: Elphaba, a young woman ridiculed for her green skin, and Galinda, a popular girl, become friends at Shiz University in the Land of Oz. After an encounter with the Wonderful Wizard of Oz, their friendship reaches a crossroads.

Total run time: 2 hours, 41 minutes. Rated PG.

Photo/Note Holder



For ages 18+
Presented by: Amanda
Future Makerspace at 6:15pm
Monday June 23

Display your photos or notes or shopping lists in an eye catching way. Elevate the look of a basic frame by adding a background and bulldog clips. All materials will be provided.

Limit 15 participants. No registration option. In-person only. A lottery will be used to determine participants if necessary.

DIY Video Game for Adults!



For ages 18+
Presented by: Ashley P.
Future Makerspace at 6:30pm
Wednesday June 25

Explore the world of video game creation using the library's Bloxel accounts and equipment. Characters, motions, backgrounds, and games are entirely customizable – all you need to bring is your creativity! Some computer skills are necessary for successful play, but video game skills are not.

Wednesday, June 25th @ 6:30pm
Focus: Game Familiarity and Character Creation

Wednesday, July 2nd @ 6:30pm
Focus: Background and Course Creation

Wednesday, July 9th @ 6:30pm
Focus: Wrap-up and Game Play

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Youth Services

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2 ***Children's & Teens' Summer Reading Begins!*** @ 9 am	3	4	5	6 Ages 6-12 Art Club @ 4 pm	7 Ages 3-12 Take & Make Kit @ 9 am
8	9 Ages 0-5 Music & Movement @ 10:30 am	10 All Ages Board Meeting @ 4 pm Ages 3-12 Dragon Egg Painting @ 6 pm	11 Ages 12-17 Teen Snack & Craft: DIY Mini Libraries @ 6 pm	12 All Ages LEGO Club @ 4 pm	13 All Ages Hungerford Family Art Exhibit Opening Ceremony @ 3:30 pm	14 Ages 12-17 Tiny Art @ 10 am
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