

The Bayport-Blue Point Library is the community’s portal to life-long learning and is dedicated to promoting knowledge, fostering creativity and bettering lives.



## GRAND OPENING NEWS

The Bayport-Blue Point Public Library has set **Saturday, December 18 at 11:00am** for the grand opening of its new facility on the grounds of the former site of the St. Ursula Center at 186 Middle Road in Blue Point. The old library will be closing on December 1 to start the move into the new facility.

The public is invited to the grand opening event, which will include a ribbon-cutting ceremony and tours of the new facility.

As the library prepares to launch its new site – and to allow time to transfer materials from the current to the new location – library services will be limited

to online programs, phone or email reference, and limited availability to pick-up holds and materials from curbside pickup. Patrons requiring in-person library services during this period are encouraged to take advantage of inter-library loan privileges at neighboring libraries such as Patchogue-Medford and Sayville.

“The opening of our new, cutting edge library represents an exciting milestone in the history of the Bayport and Blue Point communities,” said Ronald F. Devine, Jr., President of the Bayport-Blue Point Public Library board of trustees. “We invite members of the community at large to join us on December 18.”



### Activities for all ages from 12-5pm

- **Live music** by the Bay Area Friends of the Fine Arts and J.K. Hodge
- Frank Giebfried Presents *What Came Before* in the **Gene Horton Local History Room**
- Meet the Machines in **The Fulcrum**
- Explore the **Nature Discovery Center** and take a stroll through the **Storywalk**
- STEAM Building Activities in the **Children’s Program Room**
- Tour Dedicated Spaces for **Families, Teens and Adults**
- Visit the **Front Desk** to Receive a Commemorative Grand Opening Library Card
- And much, much more!

**Saturday, December 18, 2021 | 11am-5pm**  
**186 Middle Road, Blue Point**

*Join us to celebrate the grand opening of the new library!*

**Opening Ceremony  
and Ribbon Cutting at 11am**

Bayport-Blue Point Public Library  
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# ADULT PROGRAMS

Program registration begins on **Saturday, December 4 at 10am**. Since the library will be closed in order to move to its new facility, please register for events on our website or by phone. Registration is required for all programs unless otherwise noted.



## Visual History of Santa (Virtual)

**Tuesday, December 14, 7:00 pm**

Think you know about Santa Claus? Think again! The legend of Santa began with St. Nicholas in modern-day Turkey. Christmas was banned in England and the early days of colonial America. The image of Santa was largely a product of commercialism. Join us on Zoom as we explore the visual image of this iconic symbol of Christmas, generosity, and the Season of Giving. Registration required.



## Smart Home Equipment: What You Need to Know! (Virtual)

**Wednesday, December 15, 7:00 pm**

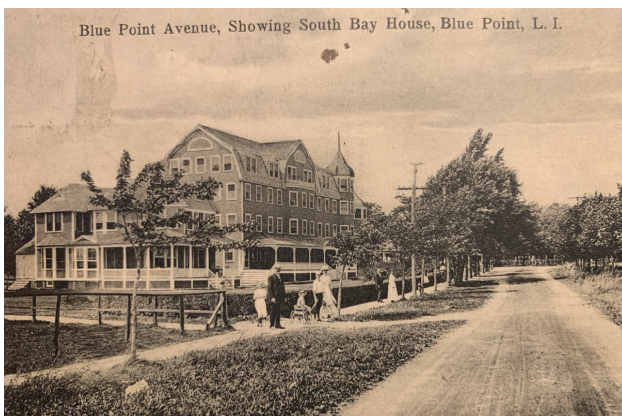
Do you have a smart home device sitting in the box because you are not quite sure what to do with it? Do you plan to buy one during the holidays? If so, this class is for you! Technology instructor and mechanical engineer Jonathon Greene will be on Zoom to help you navigate different smart home technology. Registration required.



## Winter Warmers with Chef Rob (Virtual)

**Thursday, December 16, 6:00 pm**

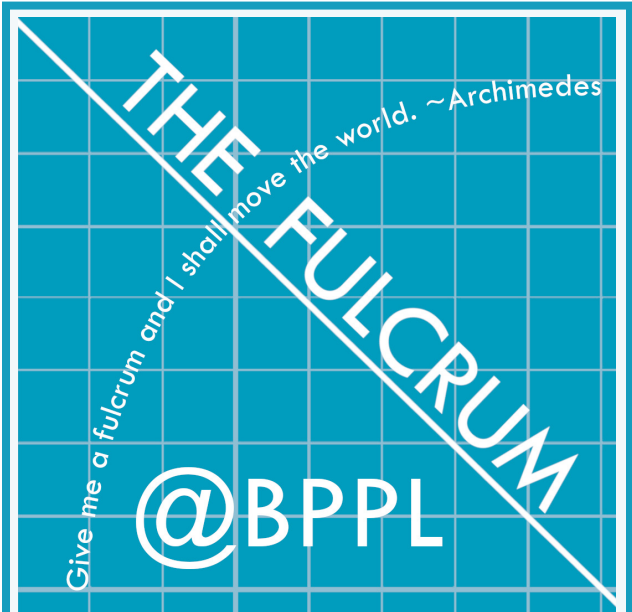
Chef Rob will be on the library's Facebook page to show you how to make a Yukon gold potato and leek soup and a winter chocolate snowstorm cookie. No registration required.



## What Came Before: A Brief History of the South Bay House and the St. Ursula Center (IN Library)

**Saturday, December 18, 12pm**

To celebrate the opening of our new library, travel back in time with presenter Frank Giebried and learn about what came before. The South Bay House was perhaps the grandest of Blue Point's many summer vacation destinations. This massive boarding house could accommodate 300 visitors in over 100 rooms. Guests enjoyed fine dining, live music and dancing in the evenings, and many activities on the bay. The Ursuline sisters purchased the property in 1935 and used their convent as a novitiate, religious training center, and retirement home. The sisters were a positive force in our community for over 80 years. Come travel back in time and explore the fascinating histories that took place on the grounds of our library! **This is a special Grand Opening program that will take place in the new Gene Horton Local History Room. No registration required.**



## Welcome to Your New Makerspace: The Fulcrum @ BBPL

The Fulcrum is your dedicated space to learn, dream, and create with technology. Equipped with 3D printers, a laser cutter, sewing machines, a Cricut, a poster printer and more, we offer a full range of classes plus one-on-one sessions. We can't wait to see you!

## CLASSES FOR ADULTS

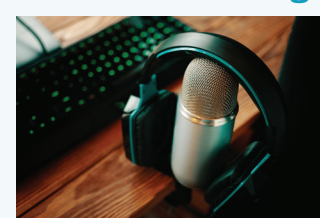
### Introduction to Canva

**Monday, December 20, 7pm**

**Instructor: Jerry Sullivan**

Join Jerry to explore the design platform Canva. This class will cover setting up an account and creating an initial design. Basic computer skills needed for this hands-on class.

### Podcast Recording and Editing



**Tuesday,  
December 21, 7pm  
Instructor:  
Alexander  
Cranshaw**

Learn how to record your own podcast in the BBPL Recording Studio. We'll also cover how to edit and mix podcast recordings using the amazing, free program, Audacity.



### Intro to 3D Design

**Thursday, December 23, 7pm**

**Instructor: Stephen Burg**

Learn the basics of 3D design using Tinkercad. Afterwards, we'll print your design with our 3D printer.

### Streaming: An Introduction

**Wednesday, December 29, 7pm**

**Instructor: Tyler Kassten**

Learn how to use our microphones, mixers, and Streamlabs OBS to stream to Youtube, or twitch! We'll discuss the do's and don'ts of streaming, how to properly set up accounts for your platform of choice, and how to utilize a variety of free assets to make your stream look fantastic!

## LIBRARY INFORMATION

**Telephone:** 631-363-6133

**Email:** Contactus@bbpliblibrary.org

**Website:** bayportbluepointlibrary.org

**Hours:** Due to COVID-19, Library operating hours may be modified. Please visit our website for our updated hours.

### Library Closed:

Christmas Eve, Dec. 24 / Christmas Day, Dec. 25  
New Year's Eve, Dec. 31 / New Year's Day, Jan. 1

Library Board meetings are held on the second Wednesday of the month at 7pm.

Please notify the Library if you need special accommodations due to a disability. The Raymond Davis Jr. Community Room is Equipped with assisted listening devices.

### Library Board of Trustees

Ronald F. Devine, Jr., *President*  
Mary Ellen Adams | Stephanie Heineman  
Susan Kennedy-Smith | Kim McAward

### Library Director

Michael Firestone





# Young Adult Programs

Young Adult registration begins, Saturday, December 4, 10am. Programs are for teens in grades 6-12. Patrons who register for programs that require fees have one week to come in and pay for the program before their spot is released. Please follow each program's instructions, and have Teen's Library Card available. If you have allergies, please be aware that the Library cannot guarantee that the materials/foods are free of ingredients that may affect you. Online registration is available; please check out the Library's webpage: <http://bayportbluepointlibrary.org/> or call or come in to register.

## Opening Day Celebrations:

- Come in and play some video games with us on our all new 65 inch TV
- Make kindness rocks to put outside around new building
- Join us in the Makerspace and learn how to use some cool new machines



### Gingerbread House Making

**Sunday, December 19, 2:30-3:30 pm**

Come to the library and join Miss Kelly for a classic holiday activity. Construct your own gingerbread house; a prize will be awarded for most creative looking house.

### Diamond Dot Posters

**Monday, December 20, 4pm**

Miss Kelly will have winter-themed poster kits on hand for you to make. You never know...it could make a nice gift!



### Introduction to Sewing

**Tuesday, December 21, 4 pm**

Want to learn to sew? Learn the basics of the sewing machine from our sewing expert, librarian Donna.

### Homemade Holiday Gifts

**Tuesday, December 21, 6pm**

Sooo, you haven't found that perfect gift yet, huh? Or any gift? We will be making DIY gifts in mason jars so you don't end up going empty-handed.



### Dungeons and Dragons

**Wednesday, December 22, 7pm**

Join in on the action and adventure with Librarian Tyler as we campaign our way through the world of Dungeons and Dragons. D&D is a game about adventure, mystery and drama in a fantasy based world! Meet new friends and have fun rolling dice, fighting monsters, and saving the realm!



### Game Day Marathon

**Thursday, December 23 & 30, 11am-4pm**

Board games, card games, video games! Try something new, play an old classic; whatever you feel like! Come on in and have some fun and maybe even challenge the librarians.

### No-Sew Blankets

**Tuesday, December 28, 6pm**

In the spirit of the holiday season, we will be making blankets together to donate to shelters in the area. All supplied will be provided to you. (1 hour of community service)



## MOVIE MONDAYS @ 1PM



### Cruella

**December 20 (PG-13)**

**2 h 14 min**

**Starring:** Emma Stone, Emma Thompson, Joel Fry

**Plot:** A live-action prequel feature film following a young Cruella de Vil.



### Respect

**December 27 (PG-13)**

**2 h 25 min**

**Starring:** Jennifer Hudson, Forest Whitaker, Marlon Wayans

**Plot:** Following the rise of Aretha Franklin's career from a child singing in her father's church's choir to her international superstardom, RESPECT is the remarkable true story of the music icon's journey to find her voice.



# From the Children's Room

REGISTRATION PROCEDURES: REGISTRATION FOR DECEMBER CHILDREN’S PROGRAMS BEGINS ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4TH AT 10:00 AM. FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE AND TO ACCOMMODATE BUSY SCHEDULES THE LIBRARY OFFERS REGISTRATION OPTIONS: ONLINE AND CALL IN. Register by phone. Please have your child’s library card available. All children must have their own library card and a password to register online. Caregivers please call to register non-district resident children who will then be placed in programs according to availability. To help us better serve you, please plan to attend all programs your child is registered for. Call in advance if your child will be late or is not able to join us.

Many different foods and materials are used in our programs. If your child has allergies, please be aware that the Library cannot guarantee that these materials are free of ingredients that may affect your child.

Photos may be taken at our Library programs for publicity purposes.

Please let us know if you do not want photos taken of your child.

## OPENING DAY! SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18TH

**Library Grand Opening Charm**  
**12:00-5:00pm**  
Make a beaded keepsake for opening day.

**Preschool Storytime**  
**12:00-1:00pm**  
Our librarians will be reading some of their favorite stories.

**Winter Craft Workshop**  
**1:30-3:00pm**  
Get ready to make some fun winter crafts.

**STEAM Building Activity**  
**3:30-4:30pm**  
Design and build using critical thinking and problem solving skills in this creative STEAM program.

**Find the Gingerbread Man**  
**12:00-5:00pm**  
Find the Gingerbread Man hiding in the Children’s Department to earn a raffle ticket for a chance to win a Gingerbread House.

## FAMILY PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES

**Mitten Tree**  
Starting on Saturday, December 18 through Sunday, January 2nd patrons may bring in new or handmade mittens, gloves, hats or scarves to be hung on the Mitten Tree. These items will be donated to local agencies for children in our community.



**Grab N’ Go Picture Book Bundles**  
Don’t have time to browse the bookshelves or does your little one just love to be read books about dinosaurs, sharks or princesses. We have themed book bundles for you to choose from on display at the library for quick check out.

**Grab N’ Go Movie Night Bags**  
The children’s staff have assembled bags with one of their favorite kids movies. The bags include: a popcorn packet, coloring pages and activity sheets to go along with the movie. While supplies last.



**Gingerbread Houses (In the Library)**  
**Sunday, December 19, 1:00-2:00pm, OR 4:00-5:00pm, 11 families. Children must be 3 years of age through the 5th grade**  
Cost per family: \$6.00 (One gingerbread house per family). Payable by credit card or check made out to the Bayport-Blue Point Public Library. Enjoy a beloved family tradition. We will have everything you need to decorate a delicious gingerbread house. All you need to bring is your creativity! Use your adult library card to register your family and let us know how many family members will be attending.

**YOUNGER CHILDREN**  
**(Baby, Toddler and Preschool)**  
*Check description for age requirements*



**1000 Books Before Kindergarten**

We would like to invite you to participate in this free program which encourages you to

read 1,000 books with your child before he or she starts kindergarten. Simply read a book to your newborn, infant, and/or toddler and then record it. If you read just 1 book a night, you will have read about 365 books in a year. At that rate you can read over 1,000 books in just three years! The key is perseverance! The concept is simple and the rewards are priceless. Sign up at the Children’s Reference Desk.

**Storytime (In the Library)**  
**Monday, December 20, 10:00am, 12 children age 3-5 years**  
Join us for storytime! We invite 3-5 year-olds and their caregivers to join us in sharing stories, finger plays, songs, and other age appropriate activities.

**Weather Windmill (In the Library)**  
**Tuesday, December 28, 10:00am OR 11:00am, 10 children from 18 months through 5 years**  
It’s getting cold outside! Learn about the weather and play some games with “A Time for Kids”. They have lots of musical fun and activities planned for you and your little one.

**SCHOOL AGE**  
**(K - 5th Grade)**  
*Check description for grade requirements*

**Beginning Readers Challenge**

**For children in grades K-2nd**

We have a special set of reading challenges for kids in grades K-2. We want to find out how many books you read together with an adult, and how many books



you can read on your own! The more you read the more chances you have to earn raffles and prizes! Complete the challenge by reading a total of 1000 books! Once you’ve completed this program ask about our Independent Readers Challenge.

**Independent Readers Challenge**

**For children in grades 3-5th**

Are you a fantasy fan? Do you love to read mysteries? Or do you like to read all different kinds of books? Kids in grades 3-5 are invited to take on our Reading Challenge. Read books of all different genres for a chance to earn raffles and prizes! Read 8 books in each of the 16 genres to complete the challenge!



**Lemon Blizzard Crinkle Cookies (Virtual/Grab and Go)**

**Monday, December 20, 6:30pm, one per family children in Grades K-5**

Join Chef Rob as he demonstrates how to make delicious Lemon Blizzard Cookies virtually. These cookies are perfect for a holiday treat. Register for this program and get your Grab and Go non-perishable ingredients for the program. (FB)

**Movie Matinee (In the Library)**  
**Wednesday, December 29, 2:00pm, 20 children in Grades K-5**

Join your friends at the library for a viewing of the movie “Peter Rabbit 2” (PG) - 90 minutes. Snacks and drinks will be served. Children with food allergies may want to bring their own snack.

## AT YOUR LIBRARY:



**Homework Help Got homework?**  
Connect with an online tutor using Brainfuse. Online certified tutors are available to help you with your homework. Brainfuse also offers skills-building, writing assistance, flash cards, test preparation and more. Brainfuse is available on the Children’s web page under “Homework Sites”. Ask a librarian if you need assistance.

The library subscribes to **MUZZY ONLINE** Available in the library or at home from our website, Muzzy Online is a fun way for children to learn a foreign language. Learn English, French, Spanish, Italian and German. Ask a librarian for more information.

The library subscribes to **WORLD BOOK ONLINE** Available in the library or at home from our website, the World Book Online subscription consists of three parts: World Book Online for Kids, World Book Online Info Finder and World Book Online Reference Center. Ask a librarian for more information.

**TumbleBooks**

Have animated stories read to you online and then play a game based on the story. TumbleBooks is available on the Children’s web page.

**New Baby Kits** are available at the Children’s Reference Desk for any Bayport or Blue Point resident who has had a new baby during the last six months.

**Get Well Kits** can be picked up at the Children’s Reference Desk to brighten a sick child’s day.