



A Message from the Director

Dear Baldwin Community,

If you visit the Library this November, you will see a new addition to our artwork: a mosaic of an underwater scene. This was completed with the help of the Baldwin community working with a Long Island artist. Similar to the murals that were created last year with a group of Baldwin students, I think that this mosaic is emblematic of the community's investment in the Library. We have so much to be thankful for, in large part due to the input you have shared and the trust you have put in us.

We are pleased to announce that our renovated second floor should be open by early 2026. This first phase includes a much larger Teen space, a maker space, a gaming room, a recording studio, a second large community room, several individual and small group study rooms, and more.

The next phases of the project will reimagine the lower floors of the building, from the Reference area to the Children's Room. We will do our best to keep disruption of services to a minimum, though some will be inevitable and we apologize in advance for any inconvenience you may experience. We are sure that it will be worth it in the end.

As a reminder, we are lucky to be part of a strong consortium that allows Baldwin residents to check out almost all materials from any public library in Nassau. We can order materials for you and you are also welcome to visit neighboring libraries. In addition, we offer a robust collection of online services, including eBooks, downloadable audiobooks, eMagazines, streaming media, and research databases.

The impetus for this project was the community. We listened to what you said you wanted to see in your library. At every turn, our goal has been to deliver on that promise.

Wishing you a happy and healthy holiday season,

Elizabeth Olesh

Library Director

PORTABLE PLANTETARIUM: First Skies *(Ages 5 to Adult)*

Saturday, November 29, 2:00-3:00PM

Join "That Planetarium Guy" Tom Barry for an exploration of the stars, planets, and the moon as they appear in Baldwin's night sky. Learn about constellations and mythology from ancient and indigenous cultures, including Native American.

This program is not appropriate for children under the age of 5.

Registration for Baldwin School District residents begins Saturday, November 15. All others may register beginning Saturday, November 22.



WINTER READING CHALLENGE

BPL Book Bingo

(Adults 18 and over)

December 15 - February 27

Take a chance on reading! Stop by the Reference Desk and pick up a bingo card or we can email you a copy to download and print on your own. One card per patron.

Here's How It Works:

- Complete "bingo" vertically, horizontally, OR diagonally by reading or listening to five books following the cues on the bingo card. You do not need to complete the whole card.
- Place an X in each box you complete.
- Be sure also to fill in the back of the bingo card with your name, phone number, email address, and the titles of the five books you read or listened to.
- Bring your completed card to the Reference Desk and you will be entered to win a \$25.00 gift card.
- Four prizes will be awarded: one prize per winner.
- Bingo cards must be received by 4:30PM on Friday, February 27.
- If you win a raffle prize, you will be notified by telephone or email on or before Friday, March 6.
- If you do not pick up your prize by Friday, March 13, another winner will be selected.

Questions? Stop by the Reference Desk or call 516-223-6228 ext. 145. Please note: ReadSquared will still be available as an online tool to help you keep track of your reading.

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CHILDREN'S CORNER

Register for Children's programs via the Library Events Calendar, in person at the Children's Reference Desk, or by telephone, unless otherwise noted. Library card required for registration. Baldwin School District residents receive priority when registering for programs. All others may register for programs one week after registration begins.

Ten minutes after an in-person program has begun, individuals from the waiting list who have come to attend the program will be allowed to enter and may take the place of individuals who have not yet arrived. If you take any photos while you're at a Library event, tag us on Facebook and Instagram @baldwinlibny or email it to Childrens@baldwinpl.org.

Child ID Program (All Ages)

Compliments of New York Life

Saturday, November 22 @ 11:00AM-2:00PM

Pick up a FREE Child ID Card that includes your child's personal contact information, photo, date of birth, age, gender, eye and hair color, and a fingerprint image.

No registration required.

ART CORNER

Drop-In Crafts

Make a craft to take home!

November: Dinosaur Keychains

December: Pipe Cleaner Snowflakes

No registration required. While supplies last.

Babies, Toddlers, and Preschoolers

My First Signs

Presented by Miss Jessie

(Ages 3 Months – 2 Years with Parent/Caregiver)

Wednesday, November 5 @ 10:30AM

Learn to communicate with your little one through sign language with an emphasis on vocabulary relevant to young learners. This program features songs, books, and fingerplays.

Registration is ongoing.

Story Time

(Ages 2 - 4 Years with Parent/Caregiver)

Join us for stories, songs, and a craft.

Thursdays @ 11:15AM

November 6, 13, 20 & December 4, 11, 18

Registration for Baldwin School District residents is ongoing. All others may register beginning Wednesday, October 29.

Tuney Tots

(18 Months to not yet in Kindergarten)

Presented by Miss Jeannie

A fun-filled music and movement class featuring parachute activities, limbo, bubbles, dance, ribbons, scarves, and hula hoops to promote knowledge of colors, shapes, numbers, letters, seasons and the senses, spatial awareness, and body awareness.

Two Sessions - Sign up for one session or both:

Sunday, November 9 @ 1:30PM

Registration for Baldwin District residents begins Saturday, October 25. All others may register beginning Saturday, November 1.

Saturday, November 29 @ 11:00AM

Registration for Baldwin School District residents, begins Saturday, November 15. All others may register beginning Saturday, November 22.

Music for Aardvarks

(Ages 4 Months-4 Years with Parent/Caregiver)

Presented by Music for Aardvarks

Wednesdays @ 10:00AM

November 12, 19, 26 & December 3

Classes that incorporate singing, dancing, musical storytelling, and instrumental jam sessions for a rockin' good time.

Registration for Baldwin School District residents begins Wednesday, October 29. All others may register beginning Wednesday, November 5.

Playtime (Ages 1 - 3 Years with Parent/Caregiver)

Playtime and circle time for tots.

Tuesdays @ 10:00AM

November 18, 25, & December 2, 9, 16

Registration is ongoing.

January 6, 13, 20, 27 & February 3 & 10

Registration for Baldwin School District residents begins Tuesday, December 23. All others may register beginning Tuesday, December 30.

Do Re Mi & Me

Music & Sign Language

(Ages 12 Months – 4 Years with Parent/Caregiver)

Presented by Miss Jessie

Wednesdays @ 10:30AM

December 10, 17 & January 7, 14

Children will explore rhythm, expression, and basic musical concepts while learning to connect those experiences through visual language. This live music program features egg shakers, rhythm sticks, bells, xylophones, themed movement, scarves, and ASL signs.

Registration for Baldwin School District residents begins Wednesday, November 26. All others may register beginning Wednesday, December 3.

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Babies, Toddlers, and Preschoolers

The Ms. Rachel Experience

(Ages 6 Months - 5 Years with Parent/Caregiver)

Tuesday, December 30 @ 10:00AM

Join Erinn, a Ms. Rachel impersonator, for a fun, educational, and interactive musical journey featuring instruments, singing, dancing, puppets, scarves, bubbles, and more!



Registration for Baldwin School District residents begins Tuesday, December 16. All others may register beginning Tuesday, December 23.

Story Time

(Ages 2 - 4 Years with Parent/Caregiver)

Join us for stories, songs, and a craft.

Thursdays @ 11:15AM

January 8, 15, 22, 29 & February 5, 12

Registration for Baldwin School District residents begins Tuesday, December 23. All others may register beginning Tuesday, December 30.

Children in Grades K - 6

TAKE AND MAKE:

Red, White, and Blue Bracelets

(Grades K-5)

(Available at the Children's Reference Desk)

November 3 - November 10

Take home craft kit. While supplies last.

No registration required.



Tycoon/Obstacle Course Challenge

(Grades 3-6)

Presented by Arrayscape Gaming

Saturday, November 8 @ 1:00PM

Join fellow ROBLOX fans "IRL" and compete in various Tycoon and Obstacle Course ("Obby") games. Individual iPads will be provided for use during the program. No need to bring your own.

Registration for Baldwin School District residents begins Saturday, October 25. All others may register beginning Saturday, November 1.

Dinovember Clay



Celebrate Dinovember by creating a variety of dinosaurs and other prehistoric creatures out of clay.

Grades K - 2: Monday, November 10 @ 4:00PM

Registration for Baldwin School District residents begins Saturday, November 1. All others may register beginning Saturday, November 8.

Grades 3 - 6: Monday, November 17 @ 4:00PM

Registration for Baldwin School District residents begins Monday, November 3. All others may register beginning Monday, November 10.

Girls Who Code* (Grades 3 - 6)

Tuesdays @ 7:00PM

November 18 & December 16

Build the foundational skills and understanding of computer science concepts through reading, discussion, activities, and sisterhood!

Registration is ongoing.

*This program is designed for female participants but all children in Grades 3-6 are welcome, regardless of gender identity.

FAMILY PROGRAM: Apple Pie

(Grades Pre-K - 5)

Presented by Fanny Cakes



SESSION I: Saturday, November 22 @ 10:30AM

SESSION II: Saturday, November 22 @ 12:00PM

Create an apple pie from scratch just in time for Thanksgiving! Bring a mixing bowl and a rolling pin with you. We'll provide the rest. **One pie per family.**

In-person and phone registration for Baldwin School District residents begins Monday, November 3. All others may register starting Monday, November 10. No online registrations.

Portable Planetarium: First Skies

(Ages 5 to Adult)

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FAMILY PROGRAM: Gingerbread House

Presented by Fanny Cakes

(Grades Pre-K - 5)

SESSION I: Saturday, December 6 @ 10:30AM

SESSION II: Saturday, December 6 @ 12:00PM

Using an assortment of candies and icing, families will decorate their very own gingerbread house. *One per family.*

In-person and phone registration for Baldwin School District residents begins Friday, November 21. All others may register beginning Friday, November 28. No online registrations.

Make a Winter Mobile (Grades K - 2)

Monday, December 15 @ 4:00PM

Create your own winter mobile by using a variety of materials like beads, cupcake liners, pinecones, and twigs to bring seasonal magic to your home!

Registration for Baldwin School District residents begins Monday, December 1. All others may register beginning Monday, December 8.

Make Your Own Vision Board

(Grades 3 - 6)

Wednesday, December 17 @ 4:00PM

Envision what you want 2026 to look like by creating your own vision board.

Registration for Baldwin School District residents begins Wednesday, December 3. All others may register beginning Wednesday, December 10.

Animals Alive (Grades K - 5)

Presented by Alley Pond Environmental Center

SESSION I: Saturday, December 27 @ 11:00AM

SESSION II: Saturday, December 27 @ 12:00PM

Observe and ask questions about a range of live animals (mammal, bird, reptile, etc.) right here in the Community Room.

Registration for Baldwin School District residents begins Saturday, December 13. All others may register beginning Saturday, December 20. Please register all children and parents/caregivers who will be in attendance. Out of respect to the animals, attendance is capped at 30 people.

Family Pasta Making with Judy's Cucina (Grades K - 5)

Presented by Judy Boshnack

Monday, December 29 @ 2:00PM

Using pasta boards and cavatelli makers, Judy Boshnack will teach families how to make 1-pound of embossed cavatelli out of semolina pasta dough to bring home to cook or freeze.

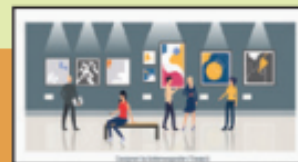
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Family Bingo (Grades K - 5)

Tuesday, December 30 @ 12:30PM

Need something fun to do for winter break? Come join us for Family Bingo!

Registration for Baldwin School District residents begins Tuesday, December 16. All others may register beginning Tuesday, December 23.



EXHIBITS

NOVEMBER / DECEMBER

U.S. National Park Visits by Photographer Earl Dawson

Local photographer Earl Dawson has been taking photographs for 40 plus years. During that period, he has spent "quite a bit of time" in national and state parks including Grand Teton, Yellowstone, Yosemite, Zion, Joshua Tree, and Bryce Canyon, trying to capture America's natural beauty on film. In this exhibition, *U.S. National Park Visits*, Dawson includes some of his favorite park landscapes. You can see some of his work in the Atrium in November and December and more examples at www.earldawsonphotography.com.

Library Board Meetings

The regular monthly Library Board Meetings will take place on Wednesdays, November 19 and December 17 at 7:00PM in person and via Zoom.

Meeting ID: 830 7717 1570

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CURRENT HOURS

Monday-Wednesday: 9-9

Thursday: 11-9, Friday: 9-5

Saturday: 9-5, Sunday: 1-5

SPECIAL HOURS

Election Day: Tuesday, November 4, 1-5

Thanksgiving Eve: Wednesday, November 26, 9-5

Christmas Eve: Wednesday, December 24, 9-12

New Year's Eve: Wednesday, December 31, 9-5

CLOSED

Veterans Day: Tuesday, November 11

Thanksgiving Day: Thursday, November 27

Christmas Day: Thursday, December 25

New Year's Day: Thursday, January 1

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