

FEBRUARY 2026

# *CALDWELL-LAKE GEORGE LIBRARY*

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



## **INSIDE THIS MONTH'S ISSUE:**

SUSAN BEADLE ART EXHIBIT & RECEPTION

SEAGLE FESTIVAL: FROM PAGE TO STAGE

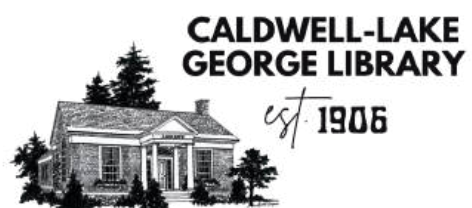
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# *Project Local*

Presented in partnership with the Lake George Arts Project

**February 3rd through March 31st**

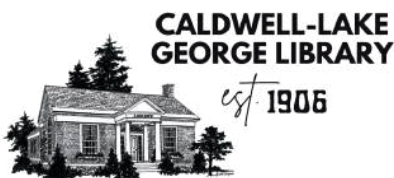
**Meet the Artist: Thursday, February 12<sup>th</sup> 4:00-6:00 PM**

## **Susan Beadle Artist's Statement**

I am a social historian at heart. The combination of history, people and the events that bind them into a compelling story have been my passion. When I stopped teaching History, I needed a way to examine the human condition anew and art became my medium. Art is ancient and personal. Art is emotional and compelling. Art is the human story. I am interested in images that evoke a response or pose the question 'why this?'



Lake George  Arts Project





# Call for Artists

## Lake George Arts Project Call for Art at Caldwell-Lake George Library

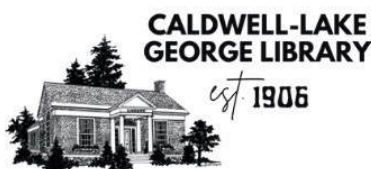
**Applications due: 2/27/26**




Are you a local artist interested in showing your work in Lake George? Caldwell-Lake George Library is once again partnering with the Lake George Arts Project to showcase local artists in the Art Corner of our beautiful historic library on Canada Street. Selected artists will have their work exhibited at the library, with additional display opportunities available at other area businesses through the Lake George Arts Project's **Project Local** initiative.

Visit the link below for full artist and artwork guidelines, a super-easy application process, and details on exhibition dates and artist notifications:

<https://lakegeorgearts.org/project-local-2026-call-for-artists/>





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# STORYTIME & CRAFTS

**FEBRUARY  
2ND**

HOW TO CATCH A  
GROUDHOG BY ALICE  
WALSTEAD & EMMA  
GILLETTE

**FEBRUARY  
9TH**

THE DAYS THE  
CRAYONS QUIT BY  
DREW DAYWALT

**FEBRUARY  
23RD**

RUBY'S CHINESE NEW  
YEAR BY VICKIE LEE

**2:45  
PM**

**CALL TO REGISTER:  
(518) 668-2528**





# *Watercolor Workshop*

## ***Watercolor Workshop with Diane Swanson***

### **DATE & TIME:**

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3RD, 10:00 AM

### **LOCATION:**

336 CANADA STREET  
LAKE GEORGE, NY 12845



We are excited to welcome Diane Swanson back to the library for a hands-on watercolor workshop. Participants will practice watercolor techniques demonstrated by Diane, learning some of the magic of the medium before applying these skills to create their own original painting.

Diane will work with each artist throughout the process, offering individual guidance on composition, color, and brushwork. All materials and instruction are provided, though participants are welcome to bring their favorite watercolor brushes if they wish.

Class size is limited to six participants, and all skill levels are welcome. This event is free; donations are not required but are always appreciated. Please call the library at (518) 668-2528 to register.

**Registration opens January 30th at 10:00 AM.**

# SEAGLE FESTIVAL SEASON PREVIEW: FROM PAGE TO STAGE



*Get an exclusive look at the 2026 season and discover the books that inspired it!*



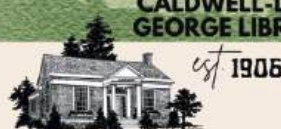
Escape the cold and join Education & Community Engagement Director Josh Cook for an exclusive look at the 2026 season. Discover more about each show through the books and stories that inspired their creation!

**WHERE:** Caldwell-Lake George Library

**WHEN:** 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the Month [Feb 4, Mar 4, Apr 1, May 6]

**TIME:** 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM

Discover more at [www.seaglefestival.org](http://www.seaglefestival.org)





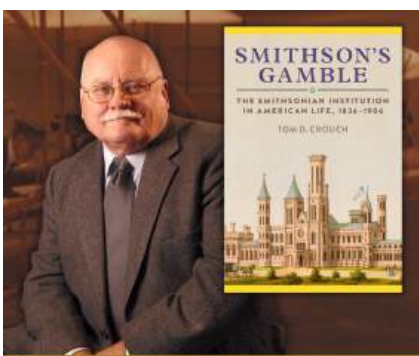
# February Virtual Author Talks

Presented in partnership with the **Library Speakers Consortium**



Join us for an unforgettable experience as we chat with **Vanessa Riley** about her newest book, *Fire Sword and Sea*, based on the folk story of the female pirate Jacquotte Delahaye. The Caribbean Sea, 1675. Jacquotte Delahaye is the mixed-race daughter of a wealthy tavern owner on the island of Tortuga. Jacquotte dreams of joining the seafarers and smugglers whose tall-masted ships cluster in the turquoise waters around Tortuga. For twenty years, Jacquotte raids the Caribbean as Jacques, hiding her gender. When her fellow pirates decide to increase their profits by entering the slave trade, Jacquotte must make a change. **Thursday, February 5th at 7 PM ET** via digital live-stream.

Feminist philosopher **Dr. Lindsey Stewart's** book, *The Conjuring of America: Mojos, Mermaids, Medicine, and 400 Years of Black Women's Magic*, tells the stories of Negro Mammies of slavery; the Voodoo Queens and Blues Women of Reconstruction; and the Granny Midwives and textile weavers of the Jim Crow era. These women, in secrecy and subterfuge, courageously and devotedly continued their practices and worship for centuries and passed down their traditions. This book is a love letter to the real magic Black women used, their herbs, food, textiles, song, and dance, used to sow rebellion, freedom, and hope. **Thursday, February 12th at 2 PM ET** via digital live-stream.



**Tom D. Crouch**, a Smithsonian veteran of almost 45 years, paints a robust picture of a unique American establishment and its lasting legacies in his book *Smithson's Gamble*. Follow the fascinating growth and development of the world's largest museum and research complex during its first 60 years. Told in rich detail, *Smithson's Gamble* reveals how, as it defined a role rooted in curiosity and exploration, the Smithsonian helped to shape the nation's developing identity. **Tuesday, February 24th at 2 PM ET** via digital live-stream



**Submit questions to the author when you register or during the live event online! <https://libraryc.org/lakegeorgelibrary/upcoming>**

**Check out any programs you may have missed here:  
<https://libraryc.org/lakegeorgelibrary/archive>**

# *Paint with Patrice*

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### **DATE & TIME:**

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10TH, 2:00 PM

### **LOCATION:**

336 CANADA STREET  
LAKE GEORGE, NY 12845



In our February session of Paint with Patrice, we will be painting Sun & Moon dot art. This piece is a modified version of dot art, an Australian Aboriginal art originating 50,000 years ago. Patrice will have the sun and moon penciled in to help make it easier and more fun for you to paint in your dots. This is a good piece for those who are just starting to paint.

This workshop will be held on **February 10th at 2:00 pm**, and class size is limited to 8 participants; all abilities are welcome. All supplies and instructions provided. This event is free. Donations are not required but always appreciated. Please call the library at (518) 668-2528 to register.

**Please note: Registration opens on January 30th. To help ensure everyone has an opportunity to participate, we ask that attendees choose one paint class per month. You may join the waitlist for additional classes and attend if space becomes available. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation!**



# Book Club

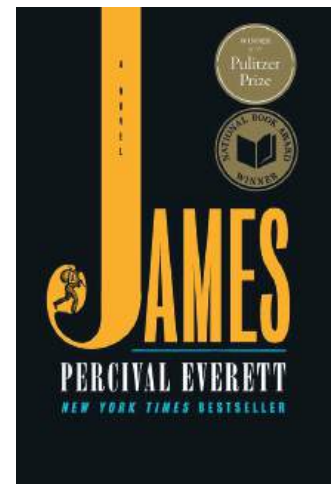
## *Caldwell-Lake George Library Book Club*

### **DATE & TIME:**

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11TH, 6:30 PM

### **LOCATION:**

336 CANADA STREET  
LAKE GEORGE, NY 12845



The Caldwell-Lake George Library Book Club will meet on **Wednesday, February 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm** to discuss ***James*** by Percival Everett.

When Jim overhears that he is about to be sold to a man in New Orleans, separated from his wife and daughter forever, he runs away until he can formulate a plan. Meanwhile, Huck has faked his own death to escape his violent father. As all readers of American literature know, thus begins the dangerous and transcendent journey by raft down the Mississippi River toward the elusive and unreliable promise of the Free States and beyond.

Brimming with the electrifying humor and lacerating observations that have made Everett a literary icon, this brilliant and tender novel radically illuminates Jim's agency, intelligence, and compassion as never before. *James* is destined to be a cornerstone of twenty-first century American literature.

New members are always welcome! Next month's read: *The Frozen River* by Ariel Lawhon.

# Book Sale

## *Friends of Lake George Library Monthly Book Sale*

### **DATE & TIME:**

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14<sup>TH</sup>, 10:00 AM-1:45 PM

### **LOCATION:**

336 CANADA STREET  
LAKE GEORGE, NY 12845



The Friends of Lake George Library will hold their monthly book sale on **Saturday, February 14th, from 10:00 am-1:45 pm** at 336 Canada Street, Lake George.

Save the date: Our February book sale will be held at the same time, same place on **Saturday, March 14th**. The Friends use the funds raised to support a variety of library programs and materials including our very popular painting classes! Thank you, Friends!

The next meeting of the Friends of Lake George Library will be held on **Monday, February 9th at 4:00 pm** at Caldwell-Lake George Library, 336 Canada Street, Lake George. Looking to support our little library? Consider joining our Friends group! New members are always welcome! To join the Friends, visit the library or our website by clicking the button below. **Thank you for supporting the Friends of Lake George Library!**



# *Acrylics & More with Morgan*

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### **DATE & TIME:**

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH, 6:00 PM

### **LOCATION:**

336 CANADA STREET  
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In this painting class, we will be painting ***Lights Aglow*** with local artist Morgan Taylor. Follow along as Morgan demonstrates color, layering, gradients, and other acrylic painting techniques. Participants will take home their very own painting at the end of the class. The class will take place on **February 18th at 6:00pm**. Class size is limited to 12 participants, and all skill levels are welcome. All supplies and instruction will be provided. Please call the library at (518) 668-2528 to register.

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CALDWELL LAKE GEORGE LIBRARY PRESENTS

# COWBOY POET MARK MUNZERT

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 26, 6:30

"HE WEAVES THE ESSENCE OF THE COWBOY CODE AND CAMARADERIE INTO HIS ORIGINAL WORKS. SOMETIMES SPELL BINDING OR PENSIVE, OTHER TIMES LIGHT HEARTED & UPLIFTING." BUD DEWALT, FLAGSTAFF AZ

Please join us as we welcome **Cowboy Poet Mark Munzert** to the library on **Thursday, February 26th at 6:30 pm!**

Mark Munzert shares relatable stories of cowboy culture through poetically revealed scenarios, speaking with appreciation for cowboy mishaps, blessings, sorrows, and whimsy. His playful, enthusiastic, and animated delivery may leave you chuckling, while his more pensive moments can tug hard at your heartstrings. A storyteller through and through, Mark is the **2024 International Western Music Association Poet of the Year**, as well as a writer, entertainer, and proud ambassador of cowboy culture.

Slack your cinch and settle in for a dose of the cowboy code—whether you know you're gettin' it or not. You'll sit taller in the saddle for takin' it all in. Please call the library at (518) 668-2528 to register for this event

To learn more about Mark Munzert, visit his website at: <https://www.markmunzertcowboypoet.com>





# America's News by



## News You Can Use

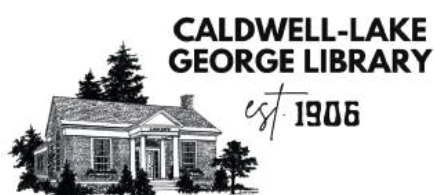
## America's News by NewsBank



Caldwell-Lake George Library is excited to announce a new resource for our cardholders! **America's News** is a digital newspaper collection from NewsBank. This fully searchable collection provides online access to digital newspapers from around the country, including text and full image editions of **The Post Star** and **Times Union**.

With **America's News** you can explore diverse perspectives and stay informed on local, national and global topics, people and events in areas such as business, health, education, environment, politics, social issues and more.

This fully searchable, digital collection provides online access to news articles, magazines, blogs, transcripts, video, online content and more. The news is updated daily. It can be accessed in the library or remotely 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Check this resource out by using the links provided on our website, or by clicking the link below.



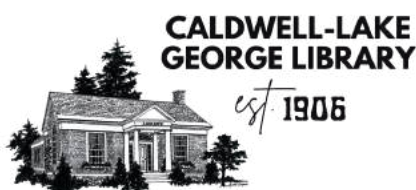
NEW!

# HeritageHub

Discover the premier collection of U.S. obituaries and death notices for in-depth genealogical research, 1824 – today

## Introducing HeritageHub by **NewsBank**<sup>inc.</sup>

Caldwell-Lake George Library is excited to introduce our new genealogy resource, **HeritageHub**. Explore your family history with the premier collection of U.S. obituaries and death notices for in-depth genealogical research from 1704 – today. **HeritageHub** helps you easily identify relatives, uncover new information and potentially unknown family members. Includes deep coverage from all 50 states, hard-to-find content from the mid 1900's, and original obituary images. It can be accessed in the library or remotely 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Check this resource out by using the links provided on our website, or by clicking the link below.





# *Membership Passes*

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Are you planning a trip to **The Wild Center**, **The Hyde Collection**, **Up Yonda Farm** or **The World Awareness Children's Museum**? Stop at the library first to borrow our membership passes for discounted entry!

Visit us to learn more information on benefits from our memberships to area museums.

Patrons can borrow one museum pass at a time for one week before returning it.



## *Contact us:*

**REACH OUT TO US WITH ANY QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE! WE ARE HAPPY TO SERVE YOU.**

**VISIT OUR WEBSITE, FACEBOOK, & INSTAGRAM FOR THE MOST UP TO DATE INFORMATION.**

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