

# SSPL

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## PROGRAM GUIDE

November & December, 2025

### ART & MUSIC, & MOVIES

#### The Basics of Comic Creation

Monday, Nov. 3 | 6-7 p.m. | Friends' Coffee Shop

Learn the basics of the classic 4 panel comic strip form! Get an introduction to pacing, character creation, and finding creativity when you don't feel creative. Participants will write and draw a comic themselves and work on several with the group. The workshop is taught by Elizabeth Jancewicz and Eric Stevenson. Register online.

#### Handcraft Meet-Ups

Tuesdays, Nov. 4, 18, 25 & Dec. 2 - 30 | Noon-1 p.m. | Online

Join our informal online knitting and handcrafting meet up. This gathering is a perfect opportunity to knit, crochet, embroider or do other handwork while chatting with others who are working on their own projects. \*No program on Oct. 14. Register online.

#### Make It! Crafting Programs

Multiple Dates | Multiple Times | Multiple Locations

Join us late fall and early winter for our ongoing crafting series. Crafts include a Crocheted Dishcloth, Decoupaged Holiday Tray, Floral Book Vase, Quilled Holiday Ornaments, and Mini Books! Register online.

#### Sewing Skills 101: Everything You Need to Get Started

Friday, Nov. 7 | 10-11 a.m. | Susman Room

This sewing skills class will cover all of the tools, notions, fabric types, and resources you need to know about to start your journey or expand your toolkit, and help you feel less intimidated by sewing. Register online.

#### Cumulus Reverie

Sunday, Nov. 16 | 2:30-4 p.m. | Community Room

Performed by DUO EVOL, this performance combines the sounds of flute and cello with dreamy animation created by Tiny Planet Productions. More than a concert, Cumulus Reverie is a sight and sound experience for the senses. Co-sponsored by SaratogaARTS. No registration. *All Ages Welcome!*

#### Make It Sew! Reusable Gift Bags

Friday, Dec. 5 | 10 a.m.- 12:30 p.m. | Community Room

Go green this holiday season by replacing your paper gift wrap with reusable fabric gift bags. We'll show you how to make them in this class for sewing beginners! Register online.

### BOOK GROUPS & LITERATURE DISCUSSIONS

#### Read Against the Machine

Mondays, Nov. 3 & Dec. 1 | 7-8 p.m. | Computer Lab

Read Against the Machine is an ongoing reading group that meets the first Monday of each month and focuses on non-fiction titles that examine social issues of all types. Register online.

#### Read with Pride

Thursdays, Nov. 6 & Dec. 11 | 7-8 p.m. | Susman Room

Read with Pride is an ongoing reading group that meets the first Thursday of each month and reads fiction and nonfiction from the LGBTQ+ community. Co-sponsored by Saratoga PRIDE. Register online. *Teens welcome too!*

#### Book Club is My Alibi

Wednesdays, Nov. 12 & Dec. 10 | 7-8 p.m. | View Calendar for Room

A book group for fans of true crime! Join us for a different book discussion each month. Please check our Events Calendar for titles. Register online.

#### Poetry Café

Thursdays, Nov. 13 & Dec. 11 | 5:30-6:30 p.m. | Online with Zoom

Join this online librarian-led poetry discussion group! A handout of poems for discussion will be available at the information desk prior to the meeting, and will be emailed to registrants. Register online.

#### Her Story Book & Discussion Group

Thursdays, Nov. 13 & Dec. 11 | 6-7 p.m. | Friends Coffee Shop

In this group, we'll explore the various experiences of women over time and across the globe. Topics may include the following: Mental Health, Women in Business, Women Across the Globe, Motherhood, and more. Register online.

#### Fables & Fantasies: A Romantasy Book Club

Tuesdays, Nov. 18 & Dec. 16 | 6:30-7:30 p.m. | Friends' Coffee Shop

Fables & Fantasies is a new book discussion group focusing on the "Romantasy" genre - a mashup of romance and fantasy. Register online.

#### Better Off Read

Tuesdays, Nov. 18 & Dec. 9 | 11 a.m.-12 p.m. | Friends' Coffee Shop

Better Off Read meets on the second Tuesday of the month at 11 a.m. in the Susman Room. Join us for a monthly book discussion covering mostly mysteries but includes variety of genres. Check our website for titles. Register online.

#### Books & Tea Discussion Group

Thursdays, Nov. 20 & Dec. 18 | 3:30-4:45 p.m. | Susman Room

Books and Tea is an ongoing reading group that meets the third Thursday of each month. Copies of each month's book selection may be obtained in the Reading Group Collection or by placing holds from the online public catalog. Register online.

#### A New Chapter

Thursday, Nov. 20 | 7-8 p.m. | Susman Room

Friday, Dec. 19 | 2-3 p.m. | Susman Room

A New Chapter is an ongoing reading group that reads fiction across all genres. This collaboration between Healing Springs Recovery Center and SSPL provides a space for people in recovery to meet and connect, but all are welcome to attend. Co-sponsored by Healing Springs. Register online.

Please visit our online Events Calendar for monthly book discussion titles or scan the QR Code here for a direct link.

