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Friends of the Bronxville Public Library



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The Bronxville Public Library - *Your Community Resource!*

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Dear Friends of the Bronxville Public Library:

The Friends of the Bronxville Public Library, "FOBPL," end 2016 on a high note and we have you to thank! Due to your generous donations in 2016, we funded a wide array of programs, special events, reading/learning tools and capital projects, all to the benefit of our devoted patrons.

**Programs:** To name a few, our music program sponsored "The Art of the Harpsichord" with Sandor Szabo as well as a viola and percussion performance by duoJalal. Our authors' program sponsored a poetry reading commemorating the Irish Spring Easter Uprising and our film series sponsored the political documentaries "Primary" and "Crisis." In addition, our Museum Pass program remains very popular as we provide free passes to a number of NYC and upstate cultural institutions. Our allocation to children's and adult programs made both Musical Munchkins and health/wellness lectures possible.

**Special Events:** The FOBPL hosted its "Favorite American Authors and Their Favorite Cocktails" fundraiser in February with a salute to famous female authors (inspired by this year's Sadie Hawkins Day). We had over 100 people join us for the event where we highlighted our beautiful library, its wonderful collection as well as enjoyed our authors' favorite drinks, a musical rendition by Diana Templeton, and tasty hor d'oeuvres!

**Reading/Learning Tools:** The FOBPL expanded the library's online resources with a purchase of additional Kindles, databases (Literature Resource Center and ScienceFlix for students) and The New York Times Historical database. In addition, the FOBPL purchased electronic circuit boards for middle school students.

**Capital Projects:** The FOBPL was proud to sponsor the restoration of the library's Tiffany grandfather clock to its original splendor, along with funding the trust that enables appraisals to be done on the library's art collection every five years. The FOBPL also purchased a new Steinway upright piano for the Yeager Room at a very attractive price and received a credit for our old piano, which provided us with many years of service. In addition, the FOBPL contributed half the funding for the new A/V system in the Yeager Room, which was in great need of an upgrade.

The FOBPL could not be happier with the response of our generous donors to all that has been accomplished this year. **We thank you** and wish you a very happy holiday season. Please continue to join us for our many programs and events throughout 2017.

Sincerely,

Louis A. Parks,

President, Friends of the Bronxville Public Library

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## Music Programs...enjoy a performance

### Trio Shalva

**Sunday, January 22 at 3 pm**

Trio Shalva is a bold and genre-bending group formed by three jazz musicians, all born and raised in Israel, who first started playing together in New York City four years ago. Their collaboration creates a powerful new realm of music where Hebrew folk traditions and contemporary jazz are woven together seamlessly to create a fabric of sound that will transport any listener through time and space to a new Middle Eastern musical landscape. Assaf Gleizner (piano/melodica), Koby Hayon (bass/acoustic guitar/oud), and Nadav Snir-Zelniker (drums/percussion), each a sensitive player in his own right, create an innovative richness of sound that both honors the musicians' homeland and pushes the boundaries of modern jazz.

"Shalva" is the Hebrew word for "serenity." Mr. Gleizner, Mr. Hayon, and Mr. Snir-Zelniker paint broad, colorful strokes that shift effortlessly from ethereal, melancholy melodies to grand, exotic themes.



### Ani Kalayjian and Friends

**Sunday February 5 2017, 3pm**

Hailed by the Los Angeles Times as "representing the young, up-and-coming generation," and as a "superb cellist with a large, expressive singing tone, passionate musicianship, and magnificent playing" by Journal Tribune, Ani Kalayjian enjoys an exciting career that has taken her to Japan, Australia, Canada, Europe, and across the United States, both as a soloist and chamber musician. Recognized for her innovative programs and passion for bringing her music to a wide audience, Ani's recent performances range from a concert for the Princes of Qatar & Princess Eugenie of England at the Frick Museum to outreach performances at St Jude's Children's Cancer Hospital, Insan School, Karageusian Foundation for Syrian & Iraqi refugees, and the Byblos Armenian Genocide orphanage. Come and join us for an afternoon of chamber music as we welcome Ani and her fellow musicians back to the Yeager Room.

## Enjoy the Benefits of Being an FOBPL Member!

**The Museum Pass Program** is made possible through generous funding from the **FOBPL**. The program is available to FOBPL members who joined the Friends with a donation of \$20 or more. Passes to the following museums provide the perfect activity for adults and children of all ages.

- American Museum of Natural History
- Boscobel House and Garden
- The Frick
- The New York Historical Society
- The Guggenheim
- Intrepid Sea, Air & Space Museum
- Katonah Museum of Art
- Neuberger Museum of Art
- Stepping Stones Museum
- The Children's Museum of Manhattan
- Stone Barns Center for Food & Agriculture

Reservations may be made in person or by calling the Reference Desk at 914-337-7680, ext. 24. The passes are available for a 3-day lending period, including holidays and weekends.

# Adult Programs...attend a workshop...listen to a lecture...and so much more

## **Author Talk with Jacqueline Goldstein**

**Saturday, January 7 at 2 pm**

Join Westchester author, Jacqueline Goldstein as she reads excerpts from her book, [Ms. Murphy's Makeover](#).

## **Lotus Flower Lanterns**

**Friday, January 13 at 10:30 am**

The members of the Korean Spirit and Culture Promotion Project will teach you how to make a beautiful lotus flower lantern using colorful paper and wire frames. *Registration required.*

## **10 Signs of Alzheimer's Disease**

**Friday, January 20 at 11 am**

This program provides information about memory loss versus normal aging. Learn about risk factors, the ten warning signs of Alzheimer's disease and resources to help.

*Registration required.*

## **Fall Prevention**

**Thursday, January 26 at 1:30 pm**

Participants are introduced to the risk factors of falling and how to protect themselves. *Registration required.*

## **Mah Jongg**

**Beginning on Friday, January 27 at 11 am**

(January 27th, February 3rd, 10th, 17th at 11am)

Join us for four lessons of Mah Jongg.

*Space is limited. Registration required.*

## **Dating After 50**

**Saturday, February 4 at 12 pm**

This seminar encourages single people in their fifties and beyond to look at each encounter as an adventure, a pathway to learning more about themselves and as a possible introduction to the dating scene. Topics will include understanding the difference between dating when in your twenties and dating in your fifties and beyond; getting past the introduction; discarding game-playing; discovering the value of maturity in relationships; and tips on safe dating.

*Registration required.*

## **The Basics of Alzheimer's Disease**

**Thursday, February 9 at 1:30 pm**

This program covers topics such as warning signs, differences in dementias, how to get a proper diagnosis, stages of the disease, treatment options, research and services to help.

*Registration required.*

## **Learn to Paint Like Georgia O'Keeffe**

**Friday, February 24 10:30 am**

Learn to paint in the style of Georgia O'Keeffe while learning more about the artist and her style of painting. No artistic experience necessary.

*Space is limited. Registration required.*

## **Celtic Irish Music and Song**

**Thursday, March, 9 at 2 pm**

Listen to Ian Gallagher on vocals and guitar.

## **Great Women in World History**

**Wednesday, March 22 at 2 pm**

Discover the background and accomplishments of nine notable women who had a profound impact on world history.

*Registration required.*

## **Healthy Living for Your Brain and Body**

**Friday, March 24, 2017 at 11 am**

This workshop covers four areas of lifestyle habits that are associated with healthy aging: cognitive activity, exercise, diet & nutrition, and social engagement. A discussion will follow on what we can do to improve or maintain our overall health.

*Registration required.*

## **She Did It Her Way**

**Thursday, March 30 at 2:30 pm**

Join us for this musical performance that celebrates the lives, romances, careers and hit songs of vocalists and recording artists such as Billie Holiday, Peggy Lee, Dinah Shore, Judy Garland, Marlene Dietrich and more.

Performed by Ken Lelen.

## **Poetry Reading**

**Sunday, April 2 at 3 pm**

Celebrate National Poetry Month by joining us for a poetry extravaganza exploring race, family and class, featuring poets Michael Collins, Claudia Nash and Lisa Rhodes-Ryabchich.

## **Rainforest Butterflies**

**Tuesday, April 4 at 2 pm**

Join us for a spectacular display of tropical rainforest butterflies and moths, many collected by the presenter during his numerous expeditions. Differences between butterflies and moths, tropical rainforest climate and geography, insect body parts, predation, camouflage, life-cycle and other topics will be discussed. *Registration required.*

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## Adult Programs continued...

### **Hemingway's Paris** **Thursday, April 20 at 2 pm**

Join Elizabeth Kemble as she shares the places that Hemingway frequented in Paris, such as La Closerie des Lilas, the café where he wrote his masterpiece, The Sun Also Rises. She will also talk about the famous people he associated with and the painters who influenced his prose.

### **The Bronx: The Way It Was** **Monday, April 24 at 3 pm**

Take a stroll through the Bronx of yesteryear. This fun walk down memory lane includes close to 500 never-before-seen photos of the Bronx the way it was back in the decades of the 1940's, 1950's, and 1960's.

**The Friends of the Bronxville Public Library, Inc.** is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to supporting the Bronxville Public Library. Our mission is to focus public attention on the Library's services, facilities, and needs; sponsor special projects; secure materials that are beyond the reach of the regular Library budget; and perform other services that are helpful to this beloved 105-year-old institution.

### **Library Hours:** **Labor Day to May 31**

Monday: 9:30 am - 5:30 pm  
Tuesday: 1:00 pm - 9:00 pm  
Wednesday: 9:30 am - 5:30 pm  
Thursday: 1:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Friday: 9:30 am - 5:30 pm  
Saturday: 9:30 am - 5:00 pm  
Sunday: 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

### **2017 Holiday Closings**

New Year's Day, January 1  
Martin Luther King Jr. Day, January 16  
President's Day, February 20  
Good Friday, April 14  
Easter Sunday, April 16

*Please note: library doors are locked 5 minutes prior to the closing time for safety reasons; thank-you for your cooperation when you check out your books at the time of the announcement. The library closes at 1 pm on the day before Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve.*