

## Upcoming Events

- **DIY Spooky Eyes Decoration**

October 1 | 2:00pm

Make your own spooky decoration for Halloween.

- **Fiber Arts Workshop**

October 8 | 9:00am-4:00pm

Artist Joanne Staley will hold an all day workshop. Space is limited.

- **Eclipse 101**

October 12 | 4:00-6:00pm

Learn all about eclipses at this hands on program.

- **Eclipse Art**

October 13 | 4:00pm

Make art to celebrate the upcoming annular eclipse.

- **Woven Indian Corn**

October 22 | 12:00-4:00pm

The Basket Wiz will hold a workshop to create your own fall-inspired decoration



## Fiat Festi-Fall

We are excited to be partnering with Alfred University to host a community-wide fall festival.

On **Saturday, October 21** there will be several events happening throughout town:

- 12:00-6:00- vendors and food trucks on the Brick Lawn and at the Bandstand (AU)
- 12:00-6:00pm- Bounce house obstacle course at the Bandstand (Box of Books)
- 12:00-6:00pm- Photobooth at the Bandstand (Box of Books)
- 12:00-3:00pm- Face painting at the Bandstand (Box of Books)
- 12:00-3:00pm- Pumpkin carving with Eric Jones on the Brick Lawn (AU)
- 2:00-4:00pm Live music with Matt Burns at the Bandstand (AU)
- 4:00pm- Hike at Pine Hill Trail (AU)
- 6:00pm- Drag Bingo (AU)
- 6:30-8:00pm Glowing Orb Hunt on the side lawn of Jordan Hall (Box of Books)
- 8:15pm- Fireworks viewed from Brick Lawn (AU)

## The Great Give Back

For all our fall programming, we're requesting that participants bring a package of new socks as part of the Great Give Back. The Great Give Back is a state-wide project in which libraries give back to their communities. This year the library will be collecting donations of new socks to donate to Genesis House of Olean, a faith based organization that provides temporary housing and services to individuals and families. If you're attending a program at the library in September or October, OR if you just want to donate, bring a pack of new socks to the library. You can learn more about the Great Give Back here:  
<https://thegreatgiveback.org/>



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## Banned Books Week

The American Library Association and libraries across the US, as well as publishers, book sellers, authors and illustrators, celebrate Banned Books Week October 1-7.

Banned Books Week began in 1982 to raise awareness of your freedom to read and access materials through public libraries. In a recent report from the ALA Office of Intellectual Freedom, there have been 695 attempts to ban 1,915 titles this year [January 1-August 31, 2023]. Additionally, 49% of challenges were on public libraries, compared to just 20% for the same period in 2022.

You can learn more about Banned Books Week by visiting [bannedbooksweek.org](http://bannedbooksweek.org).



## Eclipse Glasses

We will be distributing eclipse glasses ahead of the October 14th annular eclipse. Supplies are limited. Distribution will take place between Sunday, October 1 and Friday, October 13 during regular library hours. Limit 3 pairs per family.

This eclipse will take place Saturday, October 14. It will begin just after noon (12pm) and be at maximum coverage around 1:22pm. Here in New York we will see about 20-25% coverage of the sun. The eclipse will end at 2:36pm



## Holiday Wreath Fundraiser

We will be selling tickets for a holiday wreath fundraiser to benefit the library. Purchase a ticket for \$35. You will get a live Frasier Fir wreath provided by East Wind Nursery, bows and baubles to decorate your wreath. Either take it to-go, or join us for a decorating event on Saturday, December 2 from 10am-12:00pm at the Union University Church Center with hot chocolate and donuts! See library staff or board members for a ticket to reserve your wreath!

## New DVDs

- Abbott Elementary (Season 2)
- Joy Ride
- Master Gardener
- Spider Man: Across the Spiderverse
- Hotel Transylvania: Transformania
- Past Lives
- Little Mermaid
- Elemental

