



NYACK  LIBRARY



Annual Report to the Community



2024



Welcome Message



A message from the Library Board President

The Annual Report is an opportunity to reflect on Nyack Library's major accomplishments during the year. The Board successfully completed contract negotiations with the staff association, which acknowledges the value our staff brings to the community. The new contract also establishes a structure that will attract talented employees to Nyack.

The Board conducted another Community Forum to gather input from our patrons. We are looking to boost community participation in the next forum in June. Additionally, the Board approved a budget that increases programs and services within the state budget cap.

With many changes on the national level, stable local resources are more important than ever. Nyack Library seeks to offer reliable, trusted, and well-supported materials and programs to help enrich the lives of our patrons. I want to thank my fellow trustees for contributing their experience, perspectives, and hard work to continually improve our beloved library.



Steve Cea



A message from the Library Director

This year we made great progress in shoring up our Library infrastructure. We installed a new roof and started work on upgrading our HVAC with heat pumps to create a comfortable environment for our patrons. We transitioned to an open-source catalog, creating efficiency opportunities for our staff and increasing accessibility for our patrons.

We remain committed to creating an inclusive environment. We completed a belonging and inclusion survey to identify areas the Library can make staff feel valued. The Library collaborated with Valley Cottage Library to host a very successful vendor fair that put the spotlight on businesses of color in our community. We increased our library communications in Spanish to better serve our bilingual patrons.

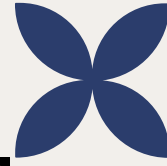


Eric McCarthy

Our staff development day featured a valuable session with the former head of the American Library Association (ALA), inspiring new approaches to service and leadership. We're also proud to announce Tracy Dunstan's promotion to Assistant Director, a well-deserved recognition of her dedication and leadership. We look forward to continuing our mission of fulfilling your cultural, intellectual, educational, and recreational needs.



Most Borrowed Titles



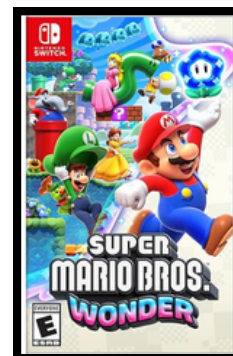
Most Borrowed YA Title

Most Borrowed DVD Title



Most Borrowed Juvenile Title

Most Borrowed Video Game



Meet Our Team

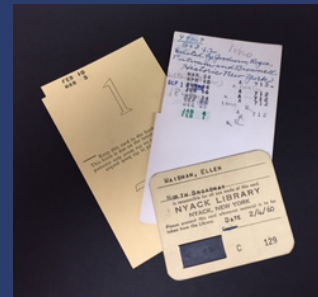


Who We Are



Esther Schwartz, Business Manager
Minerva Parker, Administrative Assistant
Jeff Flournoy, Maintenance Technician
Kat Sullivan, Reference Librarian/Local History Archivist
Nanor Pogossian, Librarian, Programs & Community Engagement
Kristine M. Kumpf, Information Specialist for Programs
Brendan Grella, Technical Services Specialist
Amanda Thurston, Senior Access Services Clerk
Morgan Strand, Teen Services Specialist
Carlos Risario, Children's Librarian
Lou Moreno, IT Administrator
Mike Grella, Librarian, Collections & Digital Services

Mady, Rachel, Jada, Dan, Khalil, Jean, Rachele, Paula, Michael R., Nex, Sharon, Bock, Georgia, Carol, Martie, Madavena, Tania, Belinda, Gabbie, Trizza, Sydnie, Dee, Kim, Aurora, Rosemary, Lukas, Vi, Diana & Alexis



Aldona Pilmanis
Head of Youth & Teen Services



Terri Evans
Head of Circulation



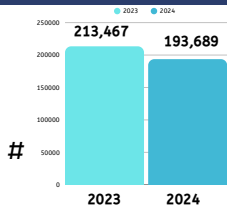
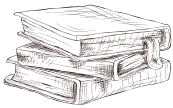
Tracy Dunstan
Assistant Director & Head of Adult Services

2024 by the numbers

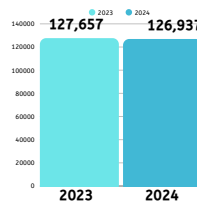


39,185 +27.04%
questions answered

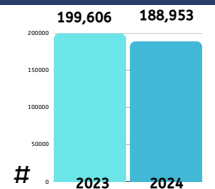
2024: Gifts & Grants: \$ 36,899



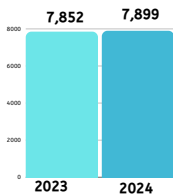
-9.24%
physical & digital items checked out at Nyack Library



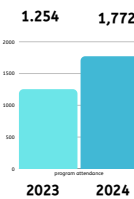
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#on-site Wi-Fi sessions provided



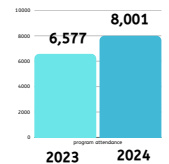
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in-person visits to the Library



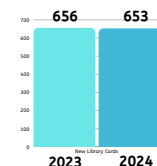
+0.60%
attendance at youth services programs



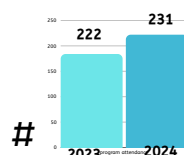
+41.3%
attendance at teen programs



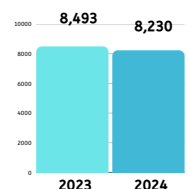
+21.7%
attendance at adult programs



-0.03%
of library cards issued



+4.1%
Wi-Fi hotspots & laptops borrowed for home use



-3.10%
of Nyack residents have a library card

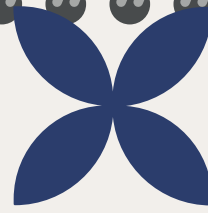
Renovations & Repairs



We have been working hard to make Nyack Library a resource for Nyackers for generations yet to come. The maintenance of the building has been a priority and work has been completed on a new covering on the rear roof of the building. Leaks have been permanently patched in this area of the building. Work has begun on replacing aging boilers with energy efficient heat pumps. Both of these projects were funded with grants from New York State.



Programming



Youth Services & Teens

This past year both the Children's and Teen Rooms continued to create hundreds of engaging, educational, and fun programs for children ages birth through age eighteen. Early literacy story times, craft programs, art programs, book clubs, STEM programs, book to movie programs, Manga Club, LEGO Club, READ to a Dog programs, parenting programs, Summer Reading Programs and multicultural performances to name a few! Both the Children's and Teen Rooms received Smart Boards this past year, which opened up new programming opportunities!

The Children's Room also received a new couch for our ever-popular Toddler Area, allowing more parents to sit, cuddle, and read with their little ones. It was a very welcome upgrade from the well-loved seating that had been there since the expansion!

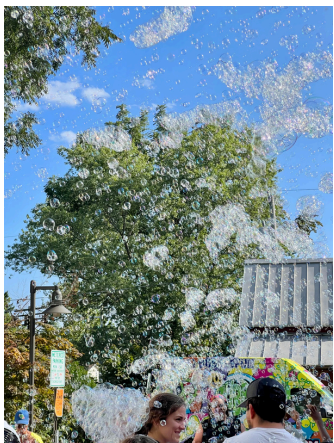
We greatly appreciate the support of our patrons, who allow us to continue creating worthwhile and socially engaging experiences in a welcoming environment!

Adult Services

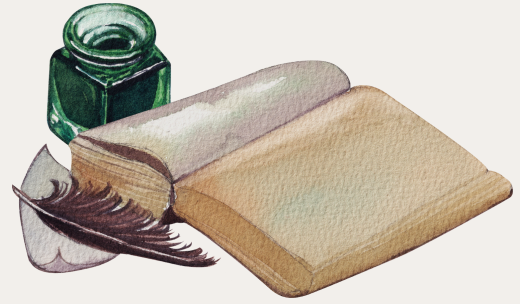
This year, the programs office worked hard to continue bringing engaging and representative programming to our patrons. We added the popular Virtual Author talks, which gives patrons more access to best-selling authors. In addition, we had cat adoptions, popular and well-received open mic nights, and the BIPOC Businesses event with Valley Cottage which brought in over 400 people to the library.

**2,520 Room
Reservations**

ROOMS



Thank You!



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