

# ADULT SERVICES PROGRAMS

Registrations for most programs begin on Wednesday, July 1, at 10am at the Reference Desk, except where noted. If you need special accommodation due to a disability please contact us at least 2 weeks prior to the program.

## Master the Art of Reading at the West Islip Public Library

**Master the Art of Reading** this summer at the West Islip Public Library and explore the world of art, books and more. Get in touch with your creative side, or just sit back and enjoy a great novel! Register at the Reference Desk. The rules are simple: read a book, or listen to an audio book, and write a comment card. When you turn in your card, you will automatically be entered in our weekly raffle. The more you read, the better chance you have to win! The adult program will run *from Monday, July 6 through Friday, August 7*. Prize raffles will be held weekly and a grand prize raffle will be held on August 8th. In addition, all adults who read at least 4 books will be eligible to receive a grand prize. No artistic ability or previous knowledge is required - and it's all FREE! Programs featuring the arts will be held during July and August in support of the theme. Join the fun! Sign up begins Wednesday, July 1.



### Better Flower Photography

**Tuesday, July 7 7-9pm Class limit: 20**  
Join photographer Peter Tejera for this HANDS-ON class where you will learn the basic techniques of flower photography. All skill levels are welcome, but this course will benefit the more advanced flower enthusiasts. You may bring your camera and up to 3 of your own pictures to be critiqued. Prerequisite: you must be familiar with your camera. Registration begins Wednesday, July 1.



### Art Lecture: Gustav Klimt

**Thursday, August 13 7-9pm**  
Known as the "Painter of Women," Gustav Klimt is regarded as one of the most prominent members of the Vienna Art Nouveau movement. This slide/lecture program, presented by Louise Cella Caruso, embodies the psychological and aesthetic preoccupations of turn-of-the-century Vienna's dazzling intellectual world. Registration begins Wednesday, July 1.

### The Agony and the Ecstasy Film

**Tuesday, August 4 6:30-9pm** This 1965 film, starring Charlton Heston and Rex Harrison, is partly based on Irving Stone's biographical novel of the same name. This is the story of the 16th century war of wills between Renaissance artist Michelangelo and "warrior pope" Julius II. Commissioned to paint a religious fresco on the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel, Michelangelo balks at the assignment and is virtually strong-armed into accepting it by Pope Julius who wants to leave something for future generations to remember him by. This film was nominated for 5 Academy Awards. Register beginning Wednesday, July 1.



### Belly Dancing Performance

**Thursday, August 6 7pm**  
This ancient and graceful art form has entranced audiences over thousands of years! Join us at the library for an enthralling performance of Middle Eastern dance that will include a segment of audience participation. Register beginning Wednesday, July 1.



### Adult Art Class: Creative Clay

**Saturday, August 29 2-3:30pm Limit: 20**  
Create cups, bowls, animal sculptures, human figures, or abstract sculptures using slab, coil and exciting hand building techniques with air-drying clay. Students will be encouraged to create their own artistic style and expand their talent, as well as have fun using their imagination as they explore three-dimensional art! This is a great class for reducing stress and for joint mobility! *Materials fee of \$4.00 per person includes clay, paint and all supplies.* Registration begins Wednesday, July 1.

*The Lights on Literature book discussion will return in the Fall!* Join Andrew Hamm on September 23 to discuss 'Blood and Thunder' by Hampton Sides, and on October 28, to discuss 'The Vanishing Face of Gaia' with Carolyn Agenjo. All discussions are held between 7:30 and 9pm. Books will be available prior to discussions.