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CONSERVATORS SPECIAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Conservators are a vital part of The New York Public Library, committed to ensuring that the Library remains a center of knowledge and opportunity for generations to come. Our members enjoy behind-the-scenes access to the Library, attending exclusive salons with today's most exciting writers, journalists, and thinkers; exhibition previews; cocktail receptions; and so much more. More importantly, they comprise a community that is dedicated to furthering the Library's critical work, preserving our magnificent collections, and serving the millions of New Yorkers who visit the Library every year.

MEMBERSHIP LEVELS

Conservator (\$1,500)

Tilden Conservator (\$2,500)

Lenox Conservator (\$6,500)

Astor Conservator (\$12,500)

Carnegie Conservator (\$20,000)

2018-2019 SPECIAL EXHIBITIONS

Blue Prints: The Pioneering Photographs of Anna Atkins

Stephen A. Schwarzman Building
October 19, 2018 through February 17, 2019

Voice of My City: Jerome Robbins and New York

Library for the Performing Arts
September 25, 2018 through March 30, 2019

Stonewall at 50

Stephen A. Schwarzman Building
Opening February 14, 2019

Walt Whitman

Stephen A. Schwarzman Building
March 29, 2019 through July 27, 2019

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Events open to all Conservators unless otherwise noted. In an effort to be green and ensure that your donations directly support Library programs, we will be sending email invitations to our membership events. To update your email address, please call 212.642.0122 or email conservators@nypl.org.

Friday, October 19, 2018, 6:00 PM Curator-Led Tour, 6:30 PM Opening Reception

Stephen A. Schwarzman Building

Exhibition Preview and Opening Reception: Anna Atkins

The Library's latest exhibition explores the work of Anna Atkins (1799-1871), an English botanist and, some argue, the first female photographer. Library curators will lead intimate tours of this stunning exhibition, followed by an opening reception.

Tuesday, October 23, 2018, 5:30 PM

Stephen A. Schwarzman Building

Estate and Gift Planning Seminar

Please join us for a seminar covering a broad range of estate and gift planning concepts. Our featured speaker is Chris Schimmel, Senior Fiduciary Advisory Specialist at The Wells Fargo Private Bank.

Monday, October 29, 2018, 6:30 PM

Stephen A. Schwarzman Building

President's Council Dinner with Michael Beschloss

Each President's Council Dinner gathers the Library's most generous donors for a program featuring today's most prominent literary and cultural figures. Join us as we hear from American historian Michael Beschloss, who will discuss his latest book *Presidents of War*.

President's Council members only



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Fall 2018

NYPL Neighborhood Branches

Education Volunteer Opportunities*

The Library's 88 neighborhood branches throughout the Bronx, Manhattan, and Staten Island offer a wide variety of education volunteer opportunities. The Development Office will happily arrange for patrons to visit early literacy classrooms or sit in on ESOL workshops. These can be scheduled throughout the year.

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Monday, November 5, 2018, 7 PM

Stephen A. Schwarzman Building

Library Lions Gala*

Library Lions is The New York Public Library's largest annual event and one of the most anticipated evenings on New York City's cultural calendar. This year, the Library will honor Ron Chernow, Francis Ford Coppola, Jessye Norman, Claudia Rankine, and Elizabeth Strout.

**Ticketed event. For more information, please visit nypl.org/librarylions, email librarylions@nypl.org, or call our Benefit Events team at 212.930.0019.*

Wednesday, November 7, 2018, 6 PM

Stephen A. Schwarzman Building

Exclusive Showcase of Middle Eastern Manuscripts

The final of three events, this master class will focus on romance.

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Thursday, November 15, 2018, 6:30 PM

Stephen A. Schwarzman Building

Conservators Salon: The Remarkable Friendship of Virginia Woolf and T.S. Eliot

Bill Goldstein, author of *The World Broke in Two: Virginia Woolf, T. S. Eliot, D. H. Lawrence, E. M. Forster and the Year that Changed Literature* will speak in conversation with Min Jin Lee, renowned author of *Pachinko*, about the friendship—and rivalry—between Virginia Woolf and T.S. Eliot. Conservators will have the opportunity to view unique collection items documenting their relationship over many years.



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Thursday, November 29, 2018, 6:30 PM

Stephen A. Schwarzman Building

Tilden Tour of Berg Collection Items

This special tour will be led by NYPL's new Henry W. and Albert A. Berg Curator of English and American Literature, Carolyn Vega, featuring unpublished letters from James Joyce and Emily Brontë poems and drawings, among other special Library collection items.

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Sunday, December 2, 2018, 1-4 PM

Stephen A. Schwarzman Building

Holiday Open House

Ring in the season of giving with fellow Library lovers and join in a proud Library tradition at the Holiday Open House party. Each year, the Stephen A. Schwarzman Building transforms into a festive winter wonderland with a range of activities for guests of all ages.

Tuesday, January 15, 2019

Stephen A. Schwarzman Building

Carnegie Conservators Luncheon with Declan Kiely

Declan Kieley, the Library's Director of Special Collections and Exhibitions, will host an intimate lunch for Library patrons. He will discuss what's on view at the Library and provide a sneak peek of upcoming exhibitions.

Carnegie Conservators and President's Council only

Wednesday, January 30, 2019, 6:30 PM

Stephen A. Schwarzman Building

Book Swap and Mingle

Spend an evening mingling with fellow Library supporters and book lovers while enjoying cocktails and browsing recommended reading lists from our expert librarians. Don't forget to bring a book to swap—you can share the latest bestseller or an old favorite. Come prepared to discover an author or genre that will be "new" to you!



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Thursday, February 14, 2019, 6:00 PM

Stephen A. Schwarzman Building

Exhibition Preview and Opening Reception: Stonewall at 50

Stonewall at 50 will examine LGBT life and activism from 1965-1975, exploring the events leading up to Stonewall and its enduring impact on the LGBT civil rights movement. Join us for the opening reception for this exhibition commemorating one of the most pivotal moments in the LGBT movement.

Friday, March 8, 2019, 3-5 PM

Park Avenue Armory

Conservators Tilden Tour of Antiquarian Book Fair

Join us for this behind-the-scenes tour of the 59th annual New York International Antiquarian Book Fair. Book lovers will be treated to a fascinating treasure trove, with over 200 American and international dealers showcasing a vast selection of rare books, maps, manuscripts, illuminated manuscripts, and ephemera.

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April 18, 2019, 12 PM

Stephen A. Schwarzman Building

Library Lunch*

Each year at the Library Lunch, Library supporters gather under the historic glass dome of the Celeste Bartos Forum to enjoy lunch in the company of friends and hear from today's most prominent writers. Past Lunch programs have featured such luminaries as Hilton Als, Nora Ephron, Jhumpa Lahiri, Gary Shteyngart, and Zadie Smith, and have covered a wide range of topics including art and politics, humor writing, and poetry.

**Ticketed event. For more information, please visit nypl.org/librarylunch, email librarylunch@nypl.org, or call our Benefit Events team at 212.930.0889.*



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May 2019

Celeste Bartos Forum, Stephen A. Schwarzman Building

Spring Dinner*

The New York Public Library's annual Spring Dinner brings together prominent business, philanthropic, and political leaders to celebrate and strengthen the Library's commitment to quality education and lifelong learning. At the Spring Dinner, the Library also presents the annual Brooke Russell Astor Award to an individual who is tireless in their dedication to the city and who has contributed substantially to its enrichment.

**Ticketed event. For more information, please visit nypl.org/springdinner, email springdinner@nypl.org, or call our Benefit Events team at 212.930.0019.*

Wednesday, May 1, 2019, 3:30 PM

Stephen A. Schwarzman Building

Bigelow Society Tea

Each year, the Bigelow Society—the Library's membership group that recognizes the generosity of individuals who have named the Library in their will or trust—gathers for a traditional English Tea and presentation from Library leadership. This year, the Bigelows will be treated to a talk by Declan Kiely, Director of Special Collections & Exhibitions.

For more information, please contact Eric Smith at 212.930.0557 or ericsmith@nypl.org.

Spring 2019

Private residence

Lenox & Astor Reading Group

Attend this intimate reading group held in a member's home, where a distinguished writer will discuss a book that has influenced their work. Previous speakers include Sam Tanenhaus, Rivka Galchen, and Michael Cunningham.

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Spring 2019

Stephen A. Schwarzman Building

Annual Lecture Luncheon

At our annual Lecture Luncheon, supporters of the Library enjoy a boxed lunch and hear from today's most exciting writers and thinkers about their latest work. Most recently, author Walter Isaacson wowed us with his Leonardo da Vinci discoveries and Library Lion honoree Michael Ondaatje discussed his most recent novel, *Warlight*, with acclaimed author Colum McCann.



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Spring 2019

Stephen A. Schwarzman Building

Helen Bernstein Book Award for Excellence in Journalism

Join us for the conferral of the prestigious Helen Bernstein Book Award for Excellence in Journalism, where we will honor five finalists and announce the year's winner. Last year's winner was Masha Gessen for *The Future is History*, with nominees including Sheelah Kolhatkar for *Black Edge* and Joshua Green for *Devil's Bargain*.

Astor Conservators & Carnegie Conservators only

Spring 2019

Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture

Open Archive Reception with Director Kevin Young

The Lapidus Center for the Historical Analysis of Transatlantic Slavery is the only facility of its kind based in a public research library. Join Kevin Young, Director of the Schomburg Center, for a private tour and reception of this remarkable collection.

Spring 2019

Stephen A. Schwarzman Building

Private Tour of the Library's Children's Center

We invite you and your family—or your child's school class—on a behind-the-scenes tour of the Library's Children's Center, featuring the original, beloved Winnie-the-Pooh dolls. The tour includes a private story-time with our acclaimed librarians. Tour dates are dependent on schedule and logistics.

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