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Spring/Summer 2019

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Stony Brook iCreate Tour

On Wednesday, April 17th CATS hosted a tour of Stony Brook University's iCREATE labs. The tour was broken up into two parts: a tour of the Innovation Lab and a tour of their collaborative idea space, the Innovation Greenhouse. Staff demonstrated various technologies including their laser engraver, CNC machine, 3D printers, sewing machines, Sphero Mini Robots, 3Doodler pens, and Oculus Go virtual reality headsets. Thank you to the 26 people who attended the tour and thanks to the wonderful staff at iCREATE for giving us a peek into these technologies, programs, and training methods!

"LOOKING FORWARD": UPCOMING PROGRAMS

2019 Long Island Library Conference
Thursday, May 9th at the Melville Marriott

Visit us at the CATS table and enter our raffle to win an Amazon Echo and an Amazon Firestick! And don't forget to check out the CATS sponsored program **"Podcasting Basics: From Concept to Reality"** presented by Chris DeCristofaro, Technology Librarian at the Sachem Public Library. This program will not only walk you through the entire podcasting process, from inception to recording and posting, but will also suggest very affordable and easy-to-use equipment that won't break the bank!

Technology Petting Zoo
Thursday, October 3rd, 10:30 a.m.
We are pleased to announce our first joint CATS/TIF Technology Petting Zoo! During this free program, we will exchange ideas and information about the latest in technology, STEM programming, activities, lending, and services for all ages. Interested Suffolk and Nassau libraries are asked to run a table to show off equipment, devices, materials, programs, and ideas.

Libraries that are interested in showcase can apply here:
 https://goo.gl/forms/OTKT8T23Y0NNNgEH2

TECHNOLOGY INFORMATION FORUM

The Technology Information Forum (TIF) is a committee of the Computer and Technical Services Division of Suffolk County Library Association. The purpose of the Committee is to serve as a forum for discussion of all issues related to computers and technology in libraries.

Spring and Summer TIF Meetings:

- June 6th-John Jermain Library
- July- OFF
- August- OFF
- September 5th – Joint Nassau/Suffolk Meeting at The Bethpage Library
- October 3rd – Location TBA
- November 7th – Smithtown Main
- December -Annual Meeting at SCLS Date TBA

TIF meetings can provide CEU credits, so be sure to sign your name on the attendance sheet! And if you can't make it to the meeting, be sure to watch the livestream on our Facebook page:
https://www.facebook.com/technologyinformationforum/

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