

The Ultimate Book of Lighthouses- History, Legend, Lore, Design, Technology, Romance-by Samuel Willard Crompton LIGHT 387.155 CRO

Talks about many different types of lighthouse styles and historical purposes, dating back to the Ancient Egyptians. Photographs are also included.

**The Egyptians were one of the first known civilizations to create some sort of lighthouse structure, in order to help them guide their ships to land without danger.*

Flora and Fauna

A Field Guide to Long Island's Woodlands- by Linda Springer-Rushia and Pamela G. Stewart REF LH 574.5267 SPR

A guide to the different types of animals and plants that are located within the woodlands of Long Island.

Native and Near Native: An Introduction to Long Island Plants- by Albert Hostek REF 581.9741 HOS

A look at the different types of plants that can be found on Long Island. This book is useful for trips to the parks, camping, and research for projects or even just for fun.

The Trees of Long Island... by George Hugo Peters REF LH 582.16 PET

Talks about the importance of trees on Long Island, the ways in which they are used and how the placement of certain trees shapes our neighborhoods.

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A Pathway To Local History @ the East Islip Public Library



East Islip is a wonderful place to live and learn. Whether you need information for class projects, book reports or even to read something educational and fun, the Local History Room of the East Islip Public Library can help you find what you need. There are many great and exciting books on subjects ranging from East Islip, to Long Island History, Lighthouses, New York History and Native Americans, along with almanacs, microfilm, microfiche and magazines. You may come to visit the beautiful display of historical pictures of East Islip, or view historical objects in the display cases. If you would like to learn more about local history, this is the place to come. To find out more information, ask a librarian at the Reference Desk, and they will be able to assist you.

Islip Town

Along the Great South Bay: From Oakdale to Babylon, The Story of a Summer Spa, 1840 to 1940- by Harry W. Havemeyer REF LH 974.725 HAV

Includes historical information on Islip and the surrounding towns from the 1800's into the 1900's. Discusses the Nicoll family, wars on Long Island, and the town of Islip since the Gilded Age.

East Of Islip: An Early History-by the East Islip Public Library REF LH 917.4721 EAS 2001 REV.

A book on how the town of East Islip began, where the name of Islip comes from, the history of the town seal, Long Island Native American tribes, etc.

**William Nicoll named the town of Islip after his hometown of North Hampshire.*

Some of Town of Islip's Early History- by George Lewis Weeks REF LH 979.7 WEE

Discusses William Nicoll, the town seal, early documents, historical figures and the beginnings of railroads.

The East Islip Historical Society DVD is a ten-minute educational look into the makings of the Local History Room. This DVD includes an introduction and slide show of real pictures from many years ago. You can borrow and view this DVD by asking a librarian at the Reference Desk.

Suffolk

Suffolk- A Pictorial History- by Christopher R. Vagas REF LH 974.725 VAG

Describes how Long Island was discovered, with a brief introduction into Prehistoric times, Colonial times, its role in the Constitution, etc. It also displays wonderful pictures and time lines.

**Motor Parkway was once nicknamed Willie K's Speedway, after William Vanderbilt Jr. who was the 1st man to create America's first super highway.*

Suffolk County's Ten Great Townships of Long Island- by The Board of Supervisors REF LH 917.4725 SUF

Includes information on ten Long Island towns. Also goes into the history of the Town of Islip and how it became established.

Suffolk County NY- by Jeannette E. Rattray REF LH917.4721 MAC

Describes how the land of Long Island formed, the Native American tribes and the history of early settlers.

Long Island

Long Island Maps And Their Makers- by David Yehling Allen REF LH 912 ALL

Historical maps of Long Island and how they were made.

Long Island: Our Story- written and edited by the staff of Newsday REF LH 974.721 LON

Each article written reflects the progression of Long Island from the Ice Age to the Space Age. Includes pictures, maps and graphs.

Long Island Railroad: A Comprehensive History- by Vincent F. Seyfried REF 385.097421

Many pictures of the Long Island trains and the different stations that are located throughout the island.

**Fun Fact: The Long Island Railroad did not reach Montauk until the late 1890's.*

Our Long Island- by George Mannello REF LH 974.721 MAN

You will find activities such as filling in the missing word and drawing maps of Long Island. Also included are the different names of the Native American tribes, along with many pictures.

**The map of Long Island resembles a big fish.*

**Long Island is 118 miles in length from New York Bay to Montauk and 15 miles in width.*

New York State

Blue Water Views of Old New York- selected by John Beard REF LH 974.71 BLU

Describes the history surrounding the waters of Manhattan, Brooklyn, Staten Island and Long Island.

New York in The American Revolution- by Wilbur Cortez Abbott Ref LH 974.71 Abb

Discusses New York's role during the revolution, the role of the British in New York and the struggle for independence.

The Encyclopedia of New York State- Edited by Peter Eisenstadt and Laura-Eve Moss REF 974.7003 ENC

An excellent reference source about New York State. Alphabetically listed, including information on the towns and cities, important people and places, inventions and important moments in history.

The Nation's Register of Historic Places in New York- prepared by the N.Y. State of Parks and Recreations REF LH 917.47 NAT

This is a booklet with pictures and captions, on a variety of historic places throughout the entire state of New York from Albany to Wyoming.

**Montauk Point Lighthouse was built In January of 1796, with the permission of George Washington*

Native American History

Between Ocean And Empire- An Illustrated History of Long Island- edited by Robert B. Mackay, Geoffrey L. Rossano and Carol A Travnor REF LH 974.721 BET

Includes details of the Native American culture, European settlers and colonial times. It also includes historical pictures, paintings and influential figures of Long Island such as Walt Whitman.

**Walt Whitman was one of the first influential poets of his time. Born in 1819 in Huntington, Long Island.*

Long Island's First Inhabitants- Paleo – Archaic-Transitional-Woodland and Indians of The Northwest- A 9000 year history of the Indian occupation of Long Island by William E Golder REF LH 974.921 GOL

Describes the Native American way of life, the tools that were used, pottery, clothing, etc. Includes pictures, and drawings, and step-by-step instructions on how they made certain things.

Examples of Native American-named places- **Setauket- Land At The Mouth of The River*

**Patchogue- Land Beyond The Hill *Massapequa- Great Water Land *Merrick- Plains Country *Rockaway- Sandy Land*

The Indian Place- Names on Long Island- by William Wallace Tooker REF LH 910.3 TOO

An alphabetical listing of the Native American names of areas on Long Island, including explanations, the different pronunciations and adaptations of each word.

The Thirteen Tribes of Long Island- by Paul Bailey REF LH 974.721 BAI

A small pamphlet that summarizes the different tribes, the meanings of their names and their ways of life.

"We Are Still Here!": The Algonquian Peoples of Long Island Today- by John A. Strong REF LH 970.3 STR

A more current look into the lives of the Native American tribes that still exist on Long Island. Includes the Shinnecocks, Poospatucks, Montauketts and the Matinecocks.

Lighthouses

New York Lighthouses of the Greater New York Harbor, Hudson River and Long Island- by Jim Crowley LIGHT 387.155 CRO

Contains a description of each lighthouse with accompanying pictures. Explains when each one was built, where it is located and the changes that have occurred to the buildings throughout the years.

**The Reddish Brown stripe on the Montauk Lighthouse was often the first landmark that immigrants saw when coming over from different countries.*

The Lighthouse Almanac A Compendium of Science, History, and Fascinating Lore About Our Favorite Seamarks- compiled by Elinor DeWire LIGHT 387.155 LIG

Includes a collection of poems, descriptions of certain stars and constellations, facts and publications from the beginning of the 1900 to the present time, recipes and trivia.

**Fun Fact- Dry Tortugas Lighthouse in Florida is located in the Keys. The name means "dry turtles", and this lighthouse is named this because the Keys resemble the backs of turtles.*

