

QUEENS BOROUGH PUBLIC LIBRARY
SWEEPSTAKES RULES

1. No purchase or payment of any kind is necessary to enter or win this Sweepstakes.
2. Eligibility: This Sweepstakes is open to all eligible residents of the United States of America age 13 and over. Employees of the Queens Borough Public Library (the “Library”) and immediate family members and/or those living in the same household as an Employee of the Library are not eligible to participate in the Sweepstakes. The Sweepstakes is subject to all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations, and is void where prohibited by law.
3. How the Sweepstakes Works (including Period and Location):

To enter the Sweepstakes, an entrant (“You”) must submit a post on their Instagram account using the hashtag #QPL125 and tagging @qplnyc (<https://www.instagram.com/qplnyc/>) on the post (the “Entry”). The post must be relevant to QPL’s 125 Things to Do list.

Entries that do not provide the information or adhere to the specifications QPL requested therein, or otherwise do not adhere to the rules stated herein (the “Rules”), may be disqualified at the sole discretion of the Library. You may submit multiple entries. If you use fraudulent methods to attempt to circumvent the Rules, any and all of your submissions may be removed from eligibility at the sole discretion of the Library.

Entries will be accepted online starting on March 19, 2022 at 12:00pm E.S.T and ending on May 19, 2022 at 11:59pm E.S.T.

4. Winner Selection and Notification:

Winner(s) will be selected in a random drawing by the Library.

Ten (10) winners will be selected at the end of the sweepstakes period. The winners will be notified via e-mail within fourteen (14) days from the sweepstakes end date. The Library shall have no liability for any Winner’s failure to receive such notice due to spam, junk e-mail or other security settings, or the provision of incorrect or otherwise non-functioning contact information. In the event that a Winner cannot be contacted, is ineligible, or fails to claim the prize within seven (7) days from the time award notification was sent, the Prize may be forfeited and an alternate Winner may be selected. Receipt by a Winner of a Prize is conditioned upon compliance with any and all federal, state, and local laws and regulations. Any violation of the Rules by a Winner will result in that Winner’s disqualification from the Sweepstakes and all privileges as a Winner will be immediately terminated.

5. Prizes: Each Winner will receive the following prizes (the “Prize(s)”): a QPL branded tote bag.

6. The total value of all prizes does not exceed \$5,000. No cash or other Prize substitution shall be permitted, except at the Library's discretion. The Prizes may not be transferred or assigned to others. Any and all Prize-related expenses, including without limitation any and all federal, state, and/or local taxes, shall be the sole responsibility of the Winners. Acceptance by any Winner of a Prize constitutes permission for the Library to use that Winner's name, likeness, and entry for purposes of advertising and trade without further compensation, unless prohibited by law. For Sweepstakes eligible to entrants ages 13-17, if any Winner is under the age of 18, they must have a permission form for such usage signed by their guardian before receiving a Prize. Such permission form will be provided by the Library upon notification to the Winner.
7. Odds: The odds of winning depend on the number of eligible entries received.
8. Rights Granted by You: By submitting any content (e.g., photo, text, etc.) as part of your Entry to this Sweepstakes (the "Content"), You, and in the case of entrants under the age of 18, where applicable, your guardian (together referred to as "You") understand and agree that the Library, including any and all of its representatives, licensees, successors, and assigns, shall have the right, where permitted by law, to print, publish, broadcast, distribute, and use in any media now known or hereafter developed, in perpetuity and throughout the World, without limitation, the Content, as well as your name, portrait, picture, voice, likeness, image, statements about the Sweepstakes, and biographical information, for news, publicity, information, trade, advertising, public relations, and promotional purposes, without any further compensation, notice, review, or consent, unless prohibited by law. You represent and warrant that the Content is an original work of authorship, and does not violate any third party's proprietary, privacy or intellectual property rights. If the Library determines, in its sole discretion, that the Content infringes upon the proprietary, privacy or intellectual rights of another party, You will be disqualified from the Sweepstakes. If a third party claims that the Content constitutes infringement of any proprietary, privacy, or intellectual proprietary rights of a third party, You shall, at your sole expense, defend against or settle such claims. You shall further indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the Library and its trustees, officers, employees, affiliates and assigns from and against any and all liabilities, claims, actions, costs (including reasonable attorneys' fees), expenses, damages and losses which may arise out of allegations of the proprietary, privacy or intellectual rights of a third party.
9. Disclaimer: The Library is not responsible for lost, late, deleted, delayed, stolen, misdirected, incomplete or illegible entries, or other errors of any kind. Disclaimer: The Prizes shall be awarded "as is," without warranty of any kind, express or implied, including, without limitation, any warranty of merchantability or suitability for a particular purpose. The Library reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to cancel, terminate, modify, or suspend the Sweepstakes should non-authorized human intervention, fraud, or other cause beyond the

Library's control corrupt or affect the administration, security, fairness, or proper conduct of the Sweepstakes. In such case, the Library may select the Winner from all eligible entries received prior to and/or after (if appropriate) the action taken by the Library. Sweepstakes. The Library reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to disqualify any individual who tampers or attempts to tamper with the entry process or the operation of the Sweepstakes or otherwise violates these Rules.

10. Release: By participating in this Sweepstakes, You agree to be fully and unconditionally bound by the Rules, and You represent and warrant that You meet the eligibility requirements. In addition, You agree to accept the decisions of the Library as final and binding as they relate to this Sweepstakes. By participating in this Sweepstakes, you further agree to release and hold harmless the Library and its trustees, officers, employees, affiliates, and assigns from and against any and all claims, demands, or causes of action that may arise in connection with Your participation in the Sweepstakes and/or your acceptance, possession, use, or misuse of any Prize or any portion thereof.
11. Privacy Policy: Information submitted as part of an Entry is subject to the privacy policy stated on the Library website, as well as the privacy policy of the relevant social media platform (e.g. Instagram, Facebook, Twitter).
12. Winners List: To obtain a copy of the Winner's name or a copy of these Official Rules, mail your request along with a stamped, self-addressed envelope to: Queens Borough Public Library, Attn: Marketing Dept., 89-11 Merrick Boulevard, Jamaica, New York 11432.
13. Sponsor: The Sponsor of the Sweepstakes is Queens Borough Public Library, 89-11 Merrick Boulevard, Jamaica, New York 11432. The Sweepstakes is in no way sponsored, endorsed, administered by, or associated with any social media platform, including Facebook, Instagram and Twitter.