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DIRECTOR'S NOTE

It is going to be a busy Spring at the Carpenter Memorial Library Building! We are going under construction again! Our public, lower level, restrooms are finally getting a renovation! We are replacing the two out dated and plumbing

challenged restrooms with three single use, fully accessible restrooms in the same floor plan. We hope to have the project completed by April.



We are also pleased and very thankful to announce that Senator Jeanne Shaheen supported a congressional spending request from our library to do restoration and lead paint abatement in some areas of the Carpenter

Memorial Building. The Library has been awarded \$874,000 under the auspices of the Department of Housing and Urban Development. The Library staff will be working with the City's Facility Division to start planning this project later on in 2023.

And finally, be sure to review all the wonderful programs and activities the library staff have planned for our community as we enter the warmer months.

Warm regards,

Denise van Zanten
Library Director



Manchester City Library

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NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK 2023, APRIL 23-29, WILL BE CELEBRATED WITH THE THEME "THERE'S MORE TO THE STORY."

The Manchester City Library is full of stories in a variety of formats from books, audiobooks, DVDs and streaming media. But there is more, our library lends out museum passes, framed artwork, gives out crafting projects and provides a space for the community to meet. Library programming brings communities together for entertainment, education, and connection through book clubs, storytimes, movie nights, crafting classes, and lectures. On Friday April 28th both library buildings will have treats out for library visitors to show our appreciation for your patronage as we celebrate Library Patron Appreciation Day!

Stop by the library during National Library Week and find out more about our story.

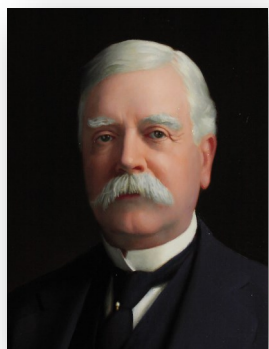
HISTORY OF THE MANCHESTER CITY LIBRARY



Elenora Blood Carpenter

The Carpenter Memorial Library building was presented to the City by Frank P. Carpenter in memory of his wife, Elenora Blood Carpenter. At the dedication held on November 18, 1914, Mr. Carpenter said, "It is my expectation and belief that the library in its new home which we are now dedicating, will take on new life and usefulness, that it will be used freely, and that every man, woman and child in Manchester will feel that it is intended for them."

Ground was broken in 1912 and the corner stone for the library was laid in June of 1913. The Carpenter Memorial Library Building was the largest and best equipped of any city library in the state at the time. The beautiful, Italian Renaissance-style marble building sits at the head of the Concord Common (now



Frank P. Carpenter

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Victory Park) and is known as the Jewel in the Crown of the Queen City. Mr. Carpenter spared no expense, and the state of the art building took two years to complete at a cost of \$350,000. The modern conveniences at that time included central air and vacuum systems, an electric dumbwaiter and an elevator. The library was the first to have a children's room with small chairs and low shelving suitable for young patrons.

The building formally opened its doors to the public with much fanfare in 1914. The Carpenter Memorial Library, so many years later, continues to serve the Manchester community from this classic building with a wide range of classic and modern library services. Today, the library also provides services from our branch on the west side and we are on the road bringing books to children via our bookmobile. The library staff and Trustees believe that we continue to fulfill Mr. Carpenter's wish for many generations of Manchester residents to have access to a library that is free to every man, woman and child in our community!



NEW FICTION COMING SOON!

Here's a sneak peek at some of the new fiction coming out over the next few months. It's not too early to get yourself on the waiting list for these hot titles:

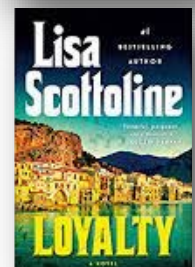
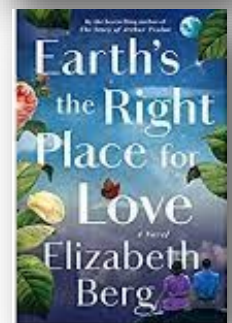
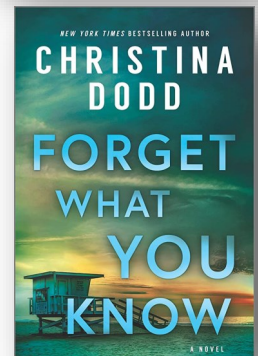
- Dodd, Christina – Forget what you know

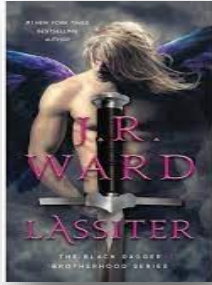
A submerged car is pulled from the bottom of the lake, the driver shot in the back of the head. No other bodies are found; only the legendary Dragon's Heart remains inside, and as it rises to the surface, greedy collectors from around the world gather. They'll stop at nothing to gain possession of the priceless artifact. Due out March 7.

- Berg, Elizabeth – Earth's the right place for love
Arthur becomes friends with the hottest girl in his class, even though she has a crush on his older brother, and must come to terms with grief and how to go on when a sudden tragedy changes his world. Due out March 21.

- Scottoline, Lisa – Loyalty
Franco Fiorvante is a handsome lemon-grower who has toiled for years on the estate of boss Baron Zito. Determined to secure a prosperous future, Franco will do anything to prove his loyalty to

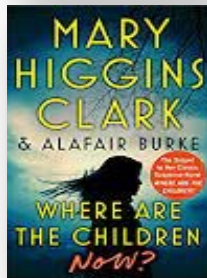
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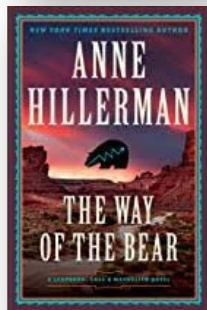


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the Baron. But when Zito asks him to arrange the kidnapping of a little boy, Franco crosses the point of no return, setting in motion the making of the world's first Mafia family. Due out March 28.

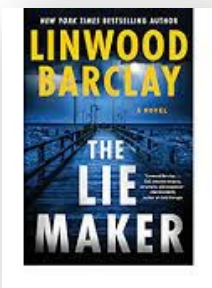


- Ward, J.R. – Lassiter
In the latest installment of the popular Black Dagger Brotherhood series, a fallen angel finds love with a mysterious female who could be his destiny ... or the embodiment of his utter destruction. Due out April 11.



- Clark, Mary Higgins – Where are the children now?

Lawyer-turned-podcaster Melissa and her brother Mike must draw on the experience of their own abduction as children when Melissa's stepdaughter goes missing to save her from the trauma they still struggle with – or worse. Due out April 18.



- Hillerman, Anne – The way of the bear

Navajo Tribal Police officers Jim Chee and Bernadette Manuelito must use all their experience, skill and intuition to solve a series of murders involving fossil harvesting,



ancient lore, greed, and rejected love linked to Utah's Bears Ears National Park. Due out April 25.

- Barclay, Linwood – The lie maker

Jack Givins desperately tries to track down his father – who was taken into witness protection years ago – before his enemies can get to him. Due out May 16.

- Nesbo, Jo – Killing moon

Brilliant rogue police investigator Harry Hole – last seen heading to Los Angeles – is back in Oslo, this time as an outsider, assembling his own team to help find a serial killer. Due out May 30.



- Weir, Alison – The king's pleasure

Brings to life the story of Henry VIII, the idealistic monarch who expanded Parliament, founded the Royal Navy, modernized medical training, composed music and poetry, and patronized the arts. Had fate been kinder to him, the history of England would have been very different. Due out May 30.

ADULT PROGRAMMING

Signups are appreciated! To sign up for any of the following programs, use the links provided with the program description, or visit www.manchesterlibrary.org and click on "Upcoming Events" to view the library calendar. You can also call us at 603-624-6550 x7620.

Signing up lets us know how many people to expect for a program, allows us to send you any handouts, follow-up emails with a program recording (if being recorded), and notify you of any unexpected changes. We'll send you reminder emails, as well as any zoom links for the program.



LIBRARY CHALLENGES!

MCL Seed Library Available April – August 2023 Main Library, 2nd Floor

Introducing the Manchester Seed Library! Interested in starting a garden? What about trying out a new type of produce? Whether you are a beginner or experienced gardener, the Manchester Seed Library will be a wonderful

resource for many different varieties of seed options to try in your own garden each season. Interested in how it works? [Read more...](#)

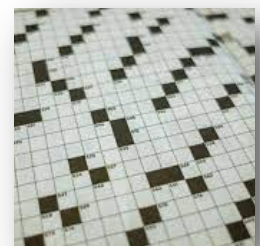
We would love to see your thriving gardens! Share pictures with us on social media by tagging @manchlbrary or using #Manchesterseedlibrary.



NYT CROSSWORD PUZZLES

Daily at Main and West

There are many reasons to enjoy crossword puzzles. They offer a chance to relax, keep your mind engaged, and just have fun! We are now offering daily crossword puzzles from the New York Times at both the Main and West library branches. Pick up a puzzle during our normal business hours and challenge yourself! Monday's puzzle is always the easiest, and they get harder as the week goes on. See how you do Monday to Sunday! Answers are also provided, if you want to see how you did!





ADULT DIY

These craft kits are for adults only and are available for pickup at the Information Desk while supplies last! Due to limited supplies, kits cannot be reserved and are available on a first-come-first-served basis.

ACRYLIC PAINTING



Tuesday, March 14, 2023

Acrylic painting is a versatile, accessible medium that is super easy to get started in! These kits have been put together to pair with a beginner painting class through [Creativebug](#), a free database filled with thousands of fine art and hand-crafting classes. Pick up a kit and watch along with instructor Jessie Jennings of Plaid Crafts as she teaches you the basics of [Acrylic Painting](#). Colors provided in the kit will vary from colors suggested in the class. A Manchester City Library card is required to access Creativebug.

For more information, call Sue Harmon at 603-624-6550 x 7620 or email sharmon@manchesternh.gov.



MACRAME KEYCHAINS

Tuesday, April 11, 2023

For April, we will be making fun and easy macramé keychains. These are perfect presents that special someone or to make for yourself. You will learn a few easy and basic macramé skills with this project.

For more information, please contact Yvonne Loomis at 603-624-6550 ext. 7619 or e-mail yloomis@manchesternh.gov. Happy crafting!

BEADED GARDEN STAKES

Tuesday, May 9, 2023

This is the perfect craft for the stylish gardener! Whether your plants are indoor or outdoor, novice or expert, every garden can use a little sparkle to brighten up the day! These stylish garden stakes come together in a few minutes, and can be stuck right into the dirt by your favorite plant!

For more information, call Sue Harmon at 603-624-6550 x 7620 or email sharmon@manchesternh.gov.



ADULT BOOK CLUBS

THURSDAY EVENING BOOK CLUB

Do you like talking about books as much you enjoy reading them? Consider joining our monthly book club! We meet in the Hunt Room on the second Thursday of the month, September through June, and you can attend either in person or via Zoom. Selections include fiction, nonfiction and biographies, both recent and classic.

For more information, or to make a recommendation, contact Steve Viggiano at sviggiano@manchesternh.gov. Call (603) 624-6550 x 7620 to reserve a print copy of the book.

- **Thursday, March 9, 2023, 6:30-8:00PM**

***Vanderbilt: The Rise and Fall of an American Dynasty*, by Anderson Cooper.**

Anderson Cooper joins with historian Katherine Howe to explore the story of his legendary family, the Vanderbilts, whose patriarch, Cornelius Vanderbilt, built two empires--one in shipping and another in railroads--through ruthlessness, cunning, and a pathological desire for money.

- **Thursday, April 13, 2023, 6:30-8:00PM**

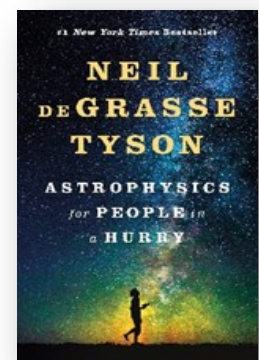
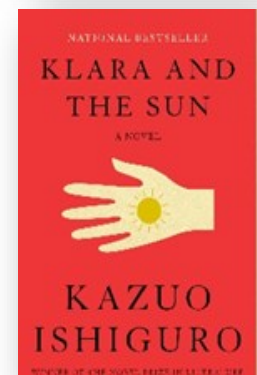
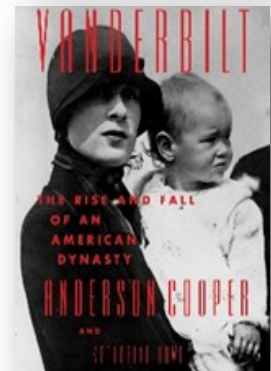
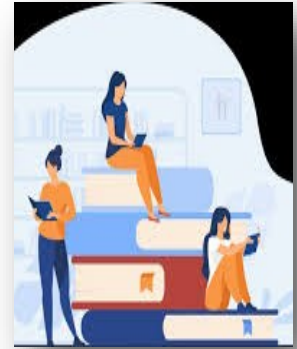
***Klara and the Sun*, by Kazuo Ishiguro.**

Waiting to be chosen by a customer, an Artificial Friend programmed with high perception observes the activities of shoppers while exploring fundamental questions about what is means to love.

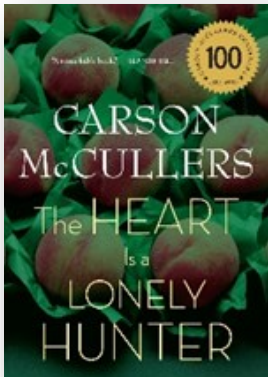
- **Thursday, May 11, 2023, 6:30-8:00PM**

***Astrophysics for People in a Hurry*, by Neil deGrasse Tyson.**

The notable host of *StarTalk* reveals just what people need to be fluent and ready for the next cosmic headlines: from the Big Bang to black holes, from quarks to quantum mechanics, and from the search for planets to the search for life in the universe.



BROWN BAG BOOK CLUB



The Brown Bag Book Club meets on the last Tuesday of each month from 12:15-1:30PM in the Hunt Room. For more information, call the Information Desk at 603-624-6550 x7619.

- **Tuesday, March 28, 2023 12:15-1:30PM**

***The Heart is a Lonely Hunter*, by Carson McCullers.**

John Singer is a deaf man who lives in a 1930's mill town in Georgia. When his mute companion of ten years is declared insane, Singer becomes a sounding board for the town's misfits.

- **Tuesday, April 25, 2023 12:15-1:30PM**

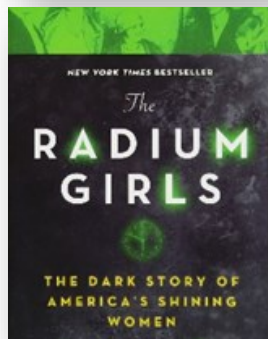
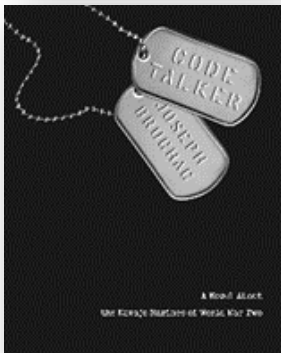
***Code Talker: The First and Only Memoir by one of the Original Navajo Code Talkers of WWII*, by Chester Nez and Judith Scheiss Avita.**

During WWII the Japanese managed to crack every code the United States used until the Marines turned to their Navajo recruits to develop the only unbroken code in modern warfare.

- **Tuesday, May 30, 2023 12:15-1:30PM**

***The Radium Girls: The Dark Story of America's Shining Women*, by Kate Moore.**

A true story of the brave women who were exposed to radium in factories during the early twentieth century, and their heartbreaking battle against their employers, their doctors, and the government.



WRITERS GROUP [SIGN UP HERE!](#)

Wednesdays in the Hunt Room at 6:30 PM

March 15 | April 19 | May 17

Join the Manchester City Library on the third Wednesday of each month at 6:30pm for our new writers group! Meet with other writers and discuss what you're writing, critique others work, and give feedback. This group is open to writers of all abilities and ages. Virtual attendance now available on Zoom! For questions, call Tess at 603-624-6550 x7620 or email tkimsey@manchesternh.gov.

Signup for this program is not required for in-person attendance, but if you'd like a reminder email, you can sign up through our library calendar! For virtual attendance, please sign up to receive the zoom link.





**Remembering Together | [Sign Up Here!](#)
Mondays at the Senior Center
or on Zoom, 10:30 AM
March 13 & 20 | April 10 & 17 | May 8 & 15**

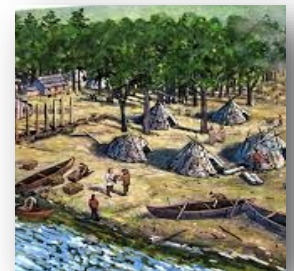
Our lives are made up of stories. The Remembering Together program offers seniors a unique opportunity to share with one another some of their memorable life stories. These stories are often a source of encouragement, mutual appreciation, perspective, and a sense of connection. Of course, there are also times when a story gives everyone a good laugh. Attend In-Person or Virtually via Zoom! For questions, call Susan Harmon at 603-624-6550 x7620 or email sharmon@manchesternh.gov



**Tangled Lives: Native People and English Settlers
in Colonial New England | [Sign Up Here!](#)**

**Wednesday, March 8 at 6:30pm
In-Person in the Library Auditorium**

Tangled Lives blends and juxtaposes material from Abenaki and English tradition, tracing some of the intertwined threads in the relationships between English settlers and Native peoples as they struggled to control the Abenaki land of northern New England – land to which each group felt entitled, land on which different cultures clashed, mingled, and merged. Exploring questions of responsibility and justice, the stories reveal the way English and Native people in this region saw one another as defenders and trespassers, pursuers and refugees, relatives and aliens, kind neighbors and ruthless destroyers. This program is brought to you by the New Hampshire Humanities Council.



**Faberge Imperial Easter Eggs: An Interactive and Beautifully
Illustrated Presentation | [Sign Up Here!](#)**

**Tuesday, March 14, at 6:00 PM
In-Person in the Library Auditorium**

This unique and beautifully illustrated presentation will focus on the life and remarkable work of master jeweler and artist, Peter Carl Fabergé. The program will feature a spectacular photo-tour of Fabergé collections at the world famous museums and private collectors around the world. Emphasis is on the important role of egg painting in Slavic culture and on the unique development of this major art form from a traditional craft to the level of exquisite fine art under the patronage of the tsars. The



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fascinating history of these eggs and their role in the dramatic events of the last decades of Romanov rule in Russia and in the years following the Bolshevik Revolution will also be discussed. This program is brought to you by the New Hampshire Humanities Council.

For questions, call Nic Young at 603-624-6550 x7620 or email nyoung3@manchesternh.gov.



HISTORY OF AMERICA'S KITCHENS | [SIGN UP HERE!](#)

Monday, March 20, 2023
7:00-8:00 PM on Zoom

From the colonial period to the present, the kitchen has been a source of nourishment and comfort. The way Americans have lived with their kitchens has changed dramatically over the course of three centuries. Historic New England curator Nancy Carlisle will discuss how the American kitchen has evolved from the seventeenth-

century to the present. Drawing on her book *America's Kitchens*, co-authored with Melinda Narardinov, Ms. Carlisle will discuss the technological and social changes that have taken place in this room and suggest how these innovations have transformed kitchen work and changed women's lives. For questions, call Caitlin or Yvonne at 603-624-6550 x7620 or email library@manchesternh.gov.



RESILIENT RAPTORS: COURTSHIP & CONSTRUCTION | [Sign up Here!](#)

Tuesday, March 28, 2023
6:30-7:30 PM on Zoom

Bird nests are as unique to a species as their plumage, with nesting materials ranging from grasses and twigs to spit, mud, and even metal wire. Some species construct their nests together, while others spend significant energy independently creating a nest in an effort to attract a mate. Let's explore some truly astounding avian architects before examining the construction and maintenance behind the Bald Eagle's impressive egg abode and their deep commitment to the territory where they choose to place it. If you think the housing market is tough in NH, wait until you see what real estate is like from a Bald Eagle's perspective! This program is presented by the NH Audubon.

For questions, call Susan Harmon at 603-624-6550 x7620 or email sharmon@manchesternh.gov.

AUTHOR TALK - BLACK RODEO: A HISTORY OF THE AFRICAN AMERICAN WESTERN, BY MIA MASK | [Sign Up Here!](#)

Wednesday, March 29, 2023

7:00 – 8:00 PM on Zoom

African American westerns have a rich cinematic history and visual culture. Mia Mask examines the African American western hero within the larger context of film history by considering how Black westerns evolved and approached wide-ranging goals.

For questions, call Amy H. at 603-624-6550 x7620 or email ahanmer@manchesternh.gov.



ADVENTURES IN SEED STARTING | [SIGN UP HERE!](#)



Wednesday, April 5, 2023

6:00-7:30 PM

In-Person in the Winchell Room

There's nothing like the taste of homegrown vegetables! The options and varieties of produce are endless when you start your plants from seed. Whether you're new to gardening or a vegetable growing veteran, join us for an exciting hour of seed starting tips and tricks. You will also be able to start your own plant for this year's garden! Space is limited, so please sign up to reserve your spot!

For questions, call Caitlin at 603-624-6550 x7620 or email cdionne@manchesternh.gov.



BUILDING AND UNDERSTANDING FAMILY TREES | [SIGN UP HERE!](#)

Tuesday, April 11, 2023

6:30-7:30 on Zoom

This program will teach you how to build and better understand your family tree. Eric Migdal will discuss the differences of pedigree and family group trees, as well as how to

gather accurate information, and how to understand and analyze relationships. He will also cover ways to share and publish family trees.

For questions, call Caitlin at 603-624-6550 x7620 or email cdionne@manchesternh.gov.



MARC CHAGALL: JOY, COLOR & A CELEBRATION OF JEWISH CULTURE | [Sign Up Here!](#)



Monday, April 17, 2023

7:00-8:00 PM on Zoom

Image: Marc Chagall. Paris Through the Window, 1913. Guggenheim Museum.

Marc Chagall's colorful, abstracted paintings integrate a variety of elements from the modernist movements of the early twentieth century. His work is singular among his peers for its incorporation of Jewish themes, reflecting the artist's cultural roots. This program provides an introduction to Chagall's personal and professional resilience, his work and favorite subjects.

For questions, call Sue Harmon at 603-624-6550 x7620 or email sharmon@manchesternh.gov.

RESILIENT RAPTORS: DEVELOPMENTAL STAGES

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Tuesday, April 25, 2023

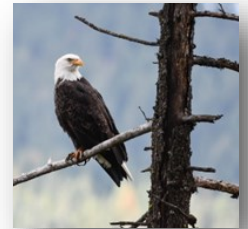
6:30-7:30 on Zoom

As April's lengthening days offer extended time to hunt and feed, the rapid development of eaglets becomes more easily observable. This webinar discusses the successional stages of development expected to occur in the 11-12 weeks between hatching and fledging, and the demands



placed on the parent eagles by their increasingly ravenous offspring. Hunting techniques, food webs, and challenges faced by both parents and offspring will be covered. This program is presented by the NH Audubon.

For questions, call Susan Harmon at 603-624-6550 x7620 or email sharmon@manchesternh.gov.



GETTING YOUR GARDEN READY FOR SPRING

| [Sign Up Here!](#)

Wednesday, May 3, 2023

6:00-7:00PM on Zoom OR

Live in the Library Auditorium

In this presentation, attendees will learn some best practices for getting their vegetable and flower gardens ready for spring, ensuring that both



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plants and planting areas are properly prepared for a bountiful harvest. In addition to covering the vegetable and perennial gardens, attendees will learn best practices on how to bring their lawn out of hibernation, how to care for trees and shrubs, dealing with aggressive weeds, the benefits of composting, managing pests and diseases, and tending to tools and supplies.

For questions, call Tess at 603-624-6550 x7620 or email tkimsey@manchesternh.gov.



RESILIENT RAPTORS: CONTAMINATION & CONTINUED DILIGENCE | [SIGN UP HERE!](#)

**Tuesday, May 23, 2023
6:30-7:30 PM on Zoom**

This final program dovetails back to our pilot webinar as we return to the topic of ecosystem contamination and how it persists today. While there are readily available alternatives, lead (Pb) is still used in hunting ammunition and in fishing tackle. This creates significant ongoing threats to

wildlife, both from current use and the legacy of old ammo and fishing tackle left in lakes, streams, and forests. We will conclude by presenting the various steps we can collectively take to ensure the continued success of our Bald Eagle population. This program is presented by the NH Audubon.

For questions, call Susan Harmon at 603-624-6550 x7620 or email sharmon@manchesternh.gov.



**TENANT RIGHTS: AN INFORMATION SESSION
BY 603 LEGAL AID | [SIGN UP HERE!](#)**

**Wednesday, May 24, at 6:00 PM
In-Person in the Winchell Room**

When you rent housing, there are many laws that affect your relationship as a tenant with your landlord. Marta Hurgin, Legal Director for 603 Legal Aid, will present on the topic of Tenant Rights and go over some of the fundamental laws that all renters should know, followed by a Q&A. Following the presentation, renters who need legal assistance can complete an intake with a 603 Legal Aid staff member.

For questions, call Susan Harmon at 603-624-6550 x7620 or email sharmon@manchesternh.gov.



REVOLUTIONARY DESIGN: MODERN ARCHITECTURE IN NEW ENGLAND | [Sign Up Here!](#)

**Thursday, May 25, 2023
7:00-8:00 PM on Zoom**

Image: Louis Kahn. Class of 1945 Library, Phillips Exeter Academy, 1972.

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New England is known for its history and its traditions, but it is also home to some daring and inventive modern designs from some of the world's leading architects. How do giants in the field like Frank Lloyd Wright, Walter Gropius, Louis Kahn, Philip Johnson and Maya Lin combine the expected and familiar with the innovative and experimental? This program introduces audiences to each architect and walks you through their notable works in New England locales.

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Teen Thursdays

Thursdays: 3/9, 3/16, 3/23, 3/30

3:00 – 4:30 pm

Winchell Room

Every Thursday, come hang out in the Winchell Room after school. We'll have snacks, video games, arts and craft supplies, and other games. For teens in grades 6 - 12.



Teen Thursday: Paint Pen Mugs

Thursday: 3/16

3:30 – 4:30

Winchell Room

Join us for a special Teen Craft during our regular Teen Thursday Drop-in time. We will be decorating mugs using oil-based paint pens. Create your own design or use a stencil. For teens in grades 6 – 12.

Registration in advance is appreciated, to make sure we have enough supplies, by not required.



Teen Thursday: Wafflepalooza

Thursday: 3/23

3:30 – 4:30

Winchell Room

Join us for a special Teen Wafflepalooza during our regular Teen Thursday Drop-in time. Make your own waffle and experiment with a variety of fun toppings. For teens in grades 6 – 12.

Registration in advance is appreciated, to make sure we have enough supplies, by not required. If you have food allergies or restrictions, please email Dori in advance at deisenstat@manchesternh.gov.

Teen Movie & Pizza Night**Wednesday 3/29****5:30 – 7:45 pm****Auditorium***Movie: Twilight, rated PG-13**

Come for a movie and pizza in the auditorium, where we'll watch a teen movie on the big screen. For teens in grades 6 – 12.

Registration requested by not required. If you have food allergies or restrictions, please email Dori in advance at deisenstat@manchesternh.gov.

* Please note the movie selection is tentative and may change. Visit the Teen Services website at www.teens.manchesterlibrary.org for movie selection updates.

APRIL**Teen Thursdays****Thursdays: 4/6, 4/13, 4/20****3:00 – 4:30 pm****Winchell Room**

Every Thursday, come hang out in the Winchell Room after school. We'll have snacks, video games, arts and craft supplies, and other games. For teens in grades 6 - 12.

Teen Thursday: Masking Tape Art**Thursday: 4/13****3:30 – 4:30****Winchell Room**

Join us for a special Teen Craft during our regular Teen Thursday Drop-in time. We will be painting canvases using an easy masking tape technique. For teens in grades 6 – 12.

Registration in advance is appreciated, to make sure we have enough supplies, by not required.

Teen Movie & Pizza Night**Wednesday 4/26****5:30 – 7:45 pm****Auditorium***Movie: The Hate U Give, rated PG-13**

Come for a movie and pizza in the auditorium, where we'll watch a teen movie on the big screen. For teens in grades 6 – 12.

Registration requested by not required. If you have food allergies or restrictions, please email Dori in advance at deisenstat@manchesternh.gov.

* Please note the movie selection is tentative and may change. Visit the Teen Services website at www.teens.manchesterlibrary.org for movie selection updates.





Teen & Tween Gaming Afternoon

Friday 4/28

1:00 – 4:00 pm

Winchell Room



Drop in for some friendly competition with the library's Nintendo Switch. We'll have a variety of games available. For Teens and Tweens in grades 4 – 12.

MAY

Teen Thursdays

Thursdays: 5/4, 5/11, 5/18, 5/25

3:00 – 4:30 pm

Winchell Room



Every Thursday, come hang out in the Winchell Room after school. We'll have snacks, video games, arts and craft supplies, and other games. For teens in grades 6 - 12.

Teen Thursday: Murder Mystery!

Thursday: 5/11

3:30 – 4:30

Winchell Room



Join us for a special Teen Murder Mystery during our regular Teen Thursday Drop-in time. Someone has been murdered, and it's up to you to put together the clues and solve the mystery! For teens in grades 6 – 12. Registration requested by not required.

Teen Movie & Pizza Night

Wednesday 5/31

5:30 – 7:30 pm

Auditorium

Movie: TBD



Come for a movie and pizza in the auditorium, where we'll watch a teen movie on the big screen. Please note the movie will be rated PG-13. Visit the Teen Services website at www.teens.manchesterlibrary.org for movie selection updates. For teens in grades 6 – 12.

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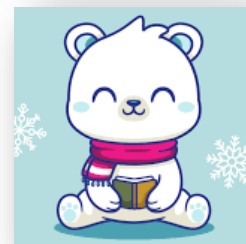
FAMILY & BABY STORYTIMES

Our spring storytimes have begun. **Family Storytime** for 2-5 years old will be held Thursday mornings. There are two sessions; 10:00 am & 11:00 am. And for our youngest patrons, 0-23 months, **Lap-sit storytime** will be on Friday mornings at 10:00 am. All sessions are in the Winchell Room and there is no registration for either storytime. This session will run until the week of May 15th.



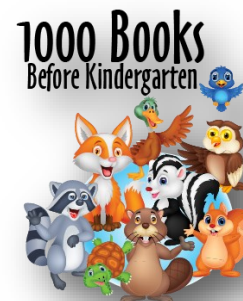
WINTER READING PROGRAM

Readers of all ages will explore fun and exciting events this winter as Manchester City Library presents winter reading program for ages 5-12 years. It will begin from Tuesday, January 3, 2023 to Saturday, April 1, 2023. We will be using an online program, READsquared to register, track your reading by entering minutes, earn badges and win prizes. You can register for an individual account or a family account at manchesternh.readsquared.com. Once you are registered, stop a Reference Desk to pick up your Winter Reading packet. In the packet, you will find a reading game board, reading logs, program list and a list of winter challenges.



1000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN

Don't forget we are offering a reading program for our youngest readers. Through READsquared, parents can register their children ages 1-5 for our 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten. You will create an account where you can enter the number of books they read, listen to storytimes, or use the several booklists that the staff have put together. Once registered, don't forget to pick up your reading bag. Kids will earn little prizes as they read towards their goal of 1,000 books before Kindergarten.



ELEMENTARY EXPERIMENTS

1st & 3rd Tuesdays – 3:30 pm Facebook & YouTube

4th or 5th Tuesday – 3:30 pm Winchell Room

In Elementary Experiments anyone grades 1-6 can join us for activities and crafts with a STEAM focus (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math). On the 1st and 3rd Tuesday we will post videos on Facebook and YouTube to accommodate busy school schedules. Then, on the last Tuesday of the month at 3:30 pm we will do all of that month's posted activities and crafts in person! Please register on our website or call 603-624-6550 ext. 7628 so we make sure to have enough supplies for everyone!

Dates for Sessions on Facebook & YouTube – Tuesdays, March 7 & 21st, April 4th & 18th; May 2 & 16th

Dates for In-Person/Winchell Room – Tuesdays, March 28; April 25; May 30





FAMILY GAME NIGHT

Tuesday Nights, 5:00-7:30

Children's Room

Drop by the children's room on Tuesday nights for Family Game Night. We will have different board games and puzzles for families to enjoy as you browse for books. For more information, please call 624-6550 ext. 7628.

LEGO AFTERNOONS

Wednesdays, March 8th, April 5th, May 10th

3:00-4:30 pm, Winchell Room

Once a month, come build with the 10,000 Lego pieces that have been donated by Lego System. This is a drop in session, no registration is required. This program is for ages 3-12 years old. For more information, please call 624-6550 ext. 7628



CONSTRUCTION PARTY

Tuesday, March 14th, 2023

10:00 am Winchell Room

Bring your hardhats and toolbelts! On Tuesday, March 14, 2023 beginning at 10:00 am in the Winchell Room we will be having a Construction Party. Come listen to your favorite construction stories, play fun games and make a simple craft. This program is for children 2 to 5 years old. Registration is recommended to make we have enough material for everyone. For more information, please call 624-6550 ext. 7628.



WEST MANCHESTER BRANCH LEGOS & CRAFT AFTERNOON

Thursdays, March 16, April 20, May 18th

3:00-4:30 pm, Meeting Room

Kids in grades K-5 are invite to join Ms. Rose for a fun afternoon of Legos and crafts. You can create a Lego masterpiece that will be displayed in the library. Also each month, there will be a fun craft to make using different craft materials. You will be making crafts that will bend, jump, make sound or are from recyclable materials that be taken home to enjoy. For more information, please call 603-624-6560.



LITTLE ARTIST STORIES

Tuesday, April 11, 2023

10:00 am Winchell Room

Calling all young artist! On Tuesday, April 11, 2023 beginning at 10:00 am in the Winchell Room we will be having a messy art storytime for all little artists. We will listen to creative stories and make a cool project for you to

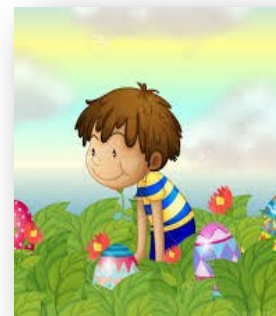


STORYTIME AT THE MALL**Tuesday, April 4, 2023****11:30 am, JC Penney's Sitting Area**

Manchester City Library Children's Room and the Mall of New Hampshire for a special holiday storytime on Tuesday, April 4, 2023 beginning at 11:30 am. This storytime will include 3 or 4 stories and a simple craft basis on a theme. We will be joined by a special guest. Recommended ages 2-6 years old. Registration is not required. For more information, please call 603-624-6550 ext. 7628.

**SPRING CELEBRATION****Thursday, April 6, 2023****11:00 am, Winchell Room**

Let's celebrate the arrival of Spring with a celebration on Thursday, April 6, 2023 beginning at 11:00 am in the Winchell Room. We will read spring stories, make a simple craft and go on a small egg hunt on the library lawn. Children ages 1-5 years old are invited to this celebration. Registration is recommended. For more information, please call at 624-6550 ext. 7628.

**SPRING CELEBRATION****Friday, April 7, 2023****3:30 pm, Winchell Room**

Let's celebrate the arrival of Spring with a celebration on Friday, April 7 after school beginning at 3:30 pm. We will read spring stories, make a simple craft and go on a small egg hunt on the library lawn. Children grades K-5 are invited to this celebration. Registration is recommended. For more information, please call at 624-6550 ext. 7628.

**A BLUEY PARTY****Tuesday, May 16, 2023****10:00 am Winchell Room**

Let's go on a road trip to the land Down Under. On Tuesday, May 16, 2023 beginning at 10:00 am in the Winchell Room we will be having a Bluey Party. We will travel to Australia with Bluey and his family listening to stories, play fun games and make a simple craft. This program is for children 2 to 5 years old. Registration is recommended to make we have enough material for everyone. For more information, please call 624-6550 ext. 7628.





CREATIVE DAY – PEEPS DIORAMA DAY!

Monday, March 20, 2023

Noon to 4:00 pm, Winchell Room

On your day off from school, families are invited to drop by the Winchell Room on Monday, March 20, 2023 from noon to 4:00 pm for Peep Diorama Day! You will be given 3 peeps and other materials such as construction paper, jewels, pom-poms, glitter, etc. to create a scene. If you have a shoe box or small box at home, please feel free to bring it to create your diorama. There will be a small amount of shoe boxes available for those who don't have a small box at home. For more information, please call 603-624-6550 ext. 7628.



TEDDY BEAR PICNIC

Come join us for the Manchester City Library's Annual **Teddy Bear Picnic. Tuesday, April 25, 2023** at 11:30 am, we will gather in the Children's Room. When everyone is ready, we will parade through the library and then outside to the side lawn for a picnic. Beginning at 12:00 pm, **Musician Mr. Aaron**, will be on the south lawn for a foot stomping interactive concert. Don't forget to bring your teddy bears! Registration is not required. Social distancing will be at this program. For more information, please call 624-6550 ext. 7628.



We have many activities planned for you during your break from school.

On Monday, April 24, 2023 – **Lego Day**– Drop by the Winchell Room from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm to create a Lego masterpiece for our display case. This program is for ages 3 -12 years.



On Monday, April 24, 2023, at 2:00 pm, we will be hosting a **Family Movie** in the auditorium. All ages are welcome.

Come join us for the Manchester City Library's Annual **Teddy Bear Picnic.** On Tuesday, April 25, 2023 at 11:30 am, we will gather in the Children's Room. When everyone is ready, we will parade through the library and then outside to the side lawn for a picnic. Beginning at noon, Musician Mr. Aaron will be returning to the auditorium with a fun toe-tapping show. Don't forget to bring your teddy bears! Registration is not required. For more information, please call 624-6550 ext. 328.



SPRING
BREAK



**On Tuesday, April 25, 2023 –
ELEMENTARY EXPERIMENTS–**

Join Ms. Yvonne at 3:30 pm in the Winchell Room to check out several activities and/or crafts based on science, technology, engineering, art and math. For grades 3-6



On Wednesday, April 26, 2023-DOWN ON THE FARM STORYTIME – Join Ms. Karyn and Eddy, Manchester's Comfort Pony at 10:00 am in the Winchell Room for farm stories, games and a take-home craft. This program is for ages 2-7 years. Registration is recommended. For more information, please call 603-624-6550 ext. 7628.



On **Wednesday, April 26, 2023, THE MINIONS ARE BACK!** We will be having a **Minion Party** at 3:00 pm in the Winchell Room. Not only do

they love bananas but they also love their library. There will be minion activities and refreshments. You will make your very own minion pal. For grades K-5. Registration is required. For more information, please call 624-6550 ext. 7628.



On Thursday, April 27, 2023 –

FAMILY STORYTIME – Join Ms. Rose at 10:00 am and 11:00 am in the Winchell Room for stories, finger plays, and songs. For ages 2-5 years. There will be a take and make craft after the program. This is a drop in program. For more information, please call 603-624-6550 ext. 7628.



On Thursday, April 27, 2023 - CREATIVE DAY -

Drop in from 1pm to 4pm and use recycled materials to build the best sailboat! Race it across our "pond" to get your best time and see where you land on the leaderboard.
For more information, please call 603-624-6550 ext. 7628.



On Friday, April 28, 2023 – BABY STORYTIME –

Join Ms. Karyn at 10:00 am for a singing, dancing and stories. There might even be bubbles! For ages, 6 to 24 months. This is a drop in program. For more information, please call 603-624-6550 ext. 7628.



On Friday, April 28, 2023 - Join us for a **Gaming Afternoon** in the Winchell Room from 1:00 to 4:00 pm For more information, please call 624-6550 ext. 7628



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