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DIRECTOR'S NOTE

Over the next few months we will be posting updates about two upcoming projects that we will be undertaking.

The first one is lead paint abatement and restoration at the Main Library Building. Funding for this project was procured from Senator Shaheen via the NH State Library.

The main library has been painted many times, over its 109 years, and under the many layers down on the first and second floors there is lead paint which we would like to remove. The building also hasn't had a refreshing of its paint since 2006 when the HVAC project was completed.

An amazing fact is that our Children's Area did not have any lead paint when we checked that area before starting its renovation. How come you may ask? That area of the library wasn't utilized as a public space until the mid -1980s thus the paint was not updated during the year's paint had the lead as an additive. Guess nobody thought the storage room needed any sprucing up! Thank goodness!

So what does this mean? We aren't sure yet how it will impact services. We'll be starting the planning process this Fall with our architect. I do think some areas of the building and some parts of the collection (which will need to be shrink wrapped) will be unavailable as we stage the project through different areas. For now, know that I will be keeping the public posted via our blogs, signs and social media as the project is planned and implemented.

As to the second project, we'll be creating a Makerspace at our Branch location as well in 2024! The funds for this project were given to the library as part of the City's Capital Improvement requests. More to come on that as well!

Have a wonderful fall season and enjoy all the activities staff have planned!

Warm regards,

Denise van Zanten
Library Director



Manchester City Library
-Copper Beech Tree-

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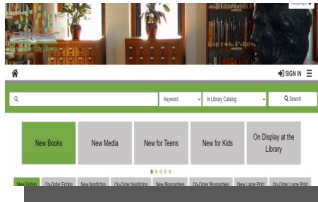


INTRODUCING THE ASPEN DISCOVERY PLATFORM

GMILCS libraries are unveiling a new online catalog, the Aspen Discovery platform, to enhance and enrich your experience.

Aspen makes searching for books and materials easier, pulling all library resources together in one search. Patrons can create and share lists of materials and online content or peruse curated lists created by their local library staff. Readers can easily search for titles in every format available, read book reviews, and even rate items and see how others rated them.

The GMILCS Aspen Discovery catalog launches on August 23. You can preview it now by visiting <https://discover.manchesterlibrary.org>.



LEARNINGEXPRESS COMING THIS FALL

LearningExpress Library Complete is an easy-to-use e-learning platform featuring online tutorials, practice tests and e-books to help you achieve your educational and professional goals. In addition to helping you improve your reading, writing, math and basic science skills, LearningExpress Library offers tools and resources to help you search for jobs, build workplace skills and prepare for career certification exams. You'll also find college and grad school admissions test prep, HiSET® test prep, U.S. citizenship test prep and much more.

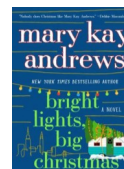
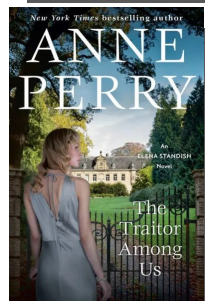
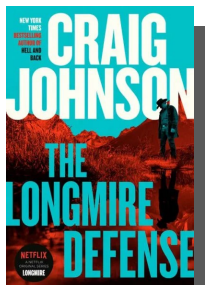
More information to come. LearningExpress is being made available to Manchester City Library patrons courtesy of Southern New Hampshire University, as part of the City of Manchester's Build Back Better regional challenge. For more information, visit

<https://www.eda.gov/funding/programs/american-rescue-plan/build-back-better/finalists/city-of-manchester>

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:

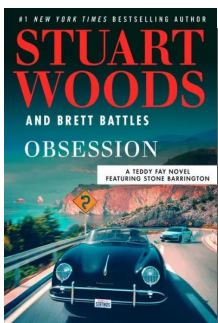
- Johnson, Craig – The Longmire defense
Deep in the heart of the Wyoming countryside, Sheriff of Absaroka County Walt Longmire is called to a crime scene like few others that he has seen. This crime brings up issues that go back to Walt's grandfather's time in Wyoming, as the revelations he learns about his grandfather provide clues and motives for Walt's investigation. Due out September 5.
- Perry, Anne – The traitor among us
Elena Standish investigates the murder of a fellow MI6 agent near the country estate of one of England's most influential families – a family with alleged ties to fascists. Due out September 12.
- Andrews, Mary Kay – Bright lights, big Christmas
Newly single and unemployed,



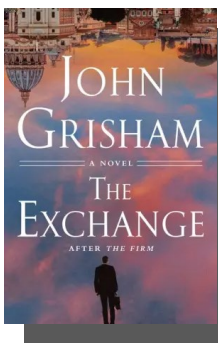
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Kerry Tolliver moves back home to her family's Christmas tree farm, where she is guilt tripped into helping her brother sell trees in New York City. Surrounded by warm childhood memories, sparkling possibility, and the magic of Christmas in the city, will Kerry finally get the second chance she needs to find herself...and maybe even find love? Due out September 26.

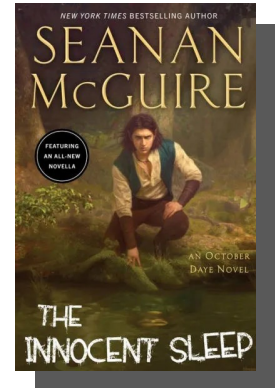


- Woods, Stuart – Obsession
While filming on location in scenic Santa Barbara, California, Peter Barrington and Ben Bacchetti look to expand Centurion Studio's business by making a deal with a young Croatian billionaire. But when the magnate's wife is kidnapped, Teddy Fay is brought in to assess the threat and recover the young woman. Due out October 10.

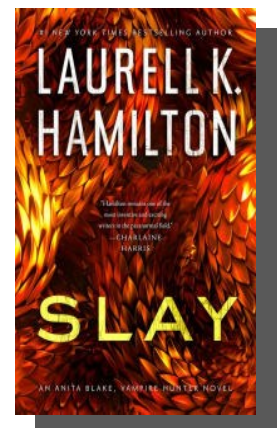


- Grisham, John – The exchange
Fifteen years after Mitch and Abby McDeere exposed the crimes of Memphis law firm Bendini, Lambert and Locke, they are living in Manhattan, where Mitch is a partner at the largest law firm in the world. When a mentor in Rome asks him for a favor, Mitch finds himself at the center of a sinister plot that has worldwide implications, in this sequel to The Firm. Due out October 17.

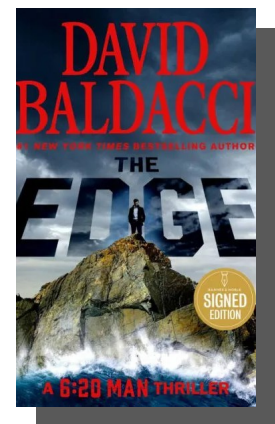
- McGuire, Seanan – The innocent sleep
For one bright, shining moment, Tybalt, King of Cats, had everything he had ever wanted. After centuries of searching for a family of his own, he had finally found a way to construct the life of his dreams and was looking forward to a period of peace. But alas, fate – and Titania – had other ideas. Now Tybalt must find the woman he loves in a world designed to keep them apart. Due out October 23.



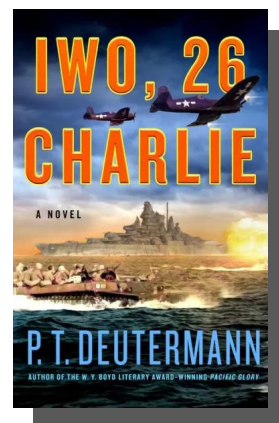
- Hamilton, Laurell K. – Slay
The wedding of necromancer Anita Blake to Jean-Claude, the vampire king of America, hits the next daunting challenge: a visit from her family. And with the malicious force that casts a shadow on St. Louis still lurking and threatening to destroy them all, not only will wedding bells not ring, but there may be no future at all for the vampire hunter and her husband-to-be. Due out November 7.



- Baldacci, David – The edge
Retired from the Army's most prestigious special ops force, Travis Devine is now part of an elite undercover team in Homeland Security. When a high ranking analyst for the CIA is found dead, Devine packs his bags and heads for the small town of Potter, Maine. But small towns can harbor big secrets, and not everyone wants to share them with outsiders. Due out November 14.



- Deutermann, Peter T. – Iwo, 26 Charlie
During the ferocious battle for control of Iwo Jima, gunnery liaison officer Lee Bishop is pulled from his station aboard the USS Nevada to serve on shore as a spotter, calling in coordinates for the ship to target with missiles. But Bishop is completely unready for what he will witness and experience. Due out November 28.





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

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!



NaNoWriMo - NATIONAL NOVEL WRITING MONTH

Writing an entire novel in the span of one month seems daunting, but it's possible! Starting October 1st, pick up a notebook and some writing prompts at the Information Desk to get started – while supplies last! Find out more information on NaNoWriMo.

The writers group meets the third Wednesday of the month at 6:30 pm in the Hunt room or via Zoom. Check the [Library Calendar](#) for upcoming dates here:

Contact Tess at 603-624-6550 ex.7620 or tkimsey@manchesternh.gov for more information.



THE BIG READ

In partnership with New Hampshire Humanities (NHH), the Manchester City Library will support the statewide NEA [Big Read](#) of *The Bear* by Andrew Krivak from 9/1/23-11/30/2023. An initiative of the NEA, in partnership with Arts Midwest, a Big Read broadens our understanding of our world, our communities, and ourselves through

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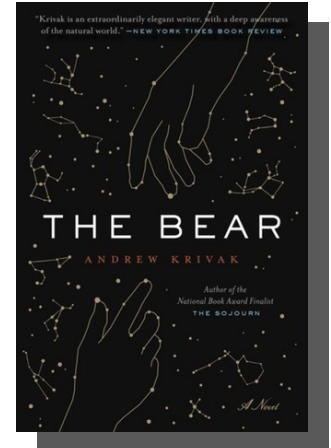
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the power of a shared reading experience. In partnership with the Center for the Book at the NH State Library, NH State Council for the Arts, NH Department of Corrections-Family Connections Center, 50 local libraries and community organizations, scholars, The McAuliffe Shepard Discovery Center, and Gibson’s Bookstore in Concord, NHH’s Big Read will bring more than 5,000 Granite Staters together to discuss a selected book, *The Bear* by NH author Andrew Krivak.

The Bear offers readers an opportunity to join an unimaginable journey into a world both familiar and unknown as we consider what future we want for New Hampshire. Set in a post-apocalyptic future, it is a story of the last two people on earth—a father and daughter. The novel explores powerful themes about the importance of intergenerational storytelling, our complicated relationship with the environment, and how to prepare for an unknown future. With a home in Jaffrey, Andrew Krivak, has shared how Mt. Monadnock inspired the book’s setting, making *The Bear* a timely, local choice for our statewide read.

The Big Read will take place from September through November 2023 and will feature book discussions, public programs, and a public Q&A with Andrew Krivak, all free and open to the public. Events will take place in all ten counties.

The Big Read will culminate with public discussion and book signing with author Andrew Krivak at the Bank of New Hampshire Stage in Concord on October 14, 2023. For a complete list of Big Read partner organizations, questions, and or more information, visit <http://www.nhhumanities.org/bigread>, or contact New Hampshire Humanities at (603) 224-4071 or email info@nhhumanities.org.



Andrew Krivak



Manchester City Library Big Read Programs
NEA Big Read is a program of the National Endowment for the Arts
in partnership with Arts Midwest.

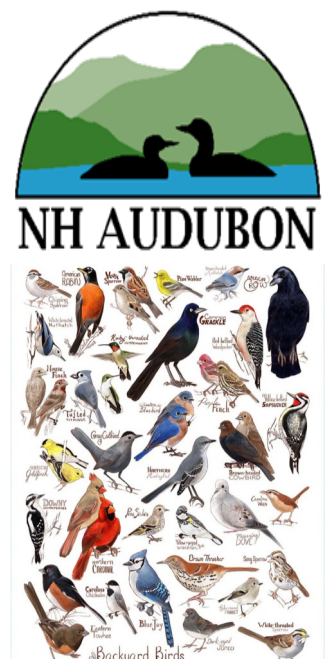
Wilderness Talk
with the New Hampshire Audubon | [Sign up Here!](#)

Tuesday, September 19, 2023 at 6:30 PM
In the Winchell Room

Come learn about local New Hampshire wildlife with the [New Hampshire Audubon](#)! This program delves into a wide variety of wildlife, including animals

and their interactions with each other, and their habitats. It’s a little bit of everything for everyone, with a focus on migration and winter preparation for some of our local wildlife species.

For questions, call Emily Mierswa at 603-624-6550 x7620 or emierswa@manchesternh.gov.





MOVIE SCREENING: DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS HONOR AMONG THIEVES

Thursday, September 14, 2023 Showings at
Noon and 5:40 PM

In the Auditorium

A screening of Dungeons & Dragons:

Honor Among Thieves rated PG-13.

For questions, call Caleb Moshier at 603-624-6560 x7692 or email

cmoshier@manchesternh.gov



Jackson Pollock, Lee Krasner & Abstract Expressionism

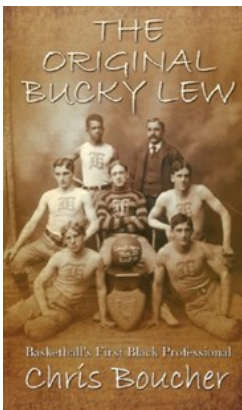
| [Sign up Here!](#)

Thursday, September 21, 2023
At 7:00 PM on Zoom

Jackson Pollock is the famous originator of the drip and splatter paintings that came to epitomize Abstract Expressionism at the middle of the twentieth century. Pollock served as the de facto leader of the movement, a masculine cowboy representing “action painting.” Only in recent years has the art world turned its attention to the contributions of women artists working at the same time, including Lee Krasner, Jackson Pollock’s wife. This program explores the relationships of the artists, their work, and the enduring legacy in this revolutionary movement. *Image: Lee Krasner. Thaw. 1957. Private Collection.*

Jane Oneail curates and delivers art appreciation programs to audiences throughout New England and beyond. Jane holds a master’s in Art History from Boston University and a master’s in Education from Harvard University. For more information, visit iamculturallycurious.com.

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



Author Talk: *The Original Bucky Lew: Basketball's First Black Professional*, by Chris Boucher | [Sign up here!](#)

Tuesday, September 26, 2023 at 6:30 PM
In the Auditorium

Bucky Lew became basketball's first Black professional when he stepped onto the court in 1902. In a career that spanned roughly 25 years, he was also the first Black coach, manager, referee, and even team owner in otherwise white leagues. Manchester and the Franco-American community played important roles in Lew’s career.

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Chris Boucher lives north of Boston with his wife and near his sons and grandson. He is passionate about basketball, learning, and writing. While his hoops skills remain on the amateur side, he has put in the work to earn

masters' degrees in education and creative writing to improve there. You can find him online at chrisboucher.net!

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



Author Talk: *Flashbulb Memories*, by Gail Walsh Chop and Margaret Corbett Wiley | [Sign up Here!](#)

Wednesday, September 27, 2023 at 6:30 PM
In the Auditorium

Manchester natives Gail Walsh Chop and Margaret Corbett Wiley wove their pasts into this fictionalized 'true' crime novel: *Flashbulb Memories*. Set in 1960's Manchester and based on a real murder, *Flashbulb Memories* is a tale of lost innocence, resilience in the face of fear, and the redeeming power of family love.

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



Movie Screening: The Super Mario Bros. Movie

Thursday, September 28, 2023
Showings at Noon and 5:40 PM
In the Auditorium

A screening of The Super Mario Bros. Movie rated PG.

For questions, call Caleb Moshier at 603-624-6560 x7692 or email cmoshier@manchesternh.gov



In the Haunted Present: Jews in a Non-Jewish World featuring Dara Horn | [Sign Up Here!](#)

Tuesday, October 3, 2023 at 5:30 PM
Virtual and Screened Live in the Auditorium

In her latest book, *People Love Dead Jews*, acclaimed author Dara Horn explores a pointed question: Why do far too many people seem to love dead Jews, but ignore the living ones? In 2023, the Holocaust continues to make headlines, fill our films and fiction, and generate extraordinary interest far beyond our community. Yet ignorance and indifference towards Jew-hatred today seems to be higher than ever. What's going on?

Dara Horn is the award-winning author of six books and a regular columnist for Tablet. This lecture is brought to you by the Cohen Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies at Keene State College in recognition of their 40th anniversary.

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





WHAT'S UP IN TONIGHT'S SKY AND SKY WATCH | [Sign up Here!](#)

**Tuesday, October 10, 2023 at 6:30 PM
In the Auditorium**

The Manchester City Library invites you to a stellar sky watching program with the [New Hampshire Astronomical Society](#)! Join us on Tuesday, October 10th at 6:30pm in the Auditorium for a discussion on what we will be viewing in tonight's sky. The presentation will be followed with a sky watch at Bishop Field in Merrimack.

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

BIG READ BOOK CLUB:

THE BEAR, BY ANDREW KRIVAK | [Sign up Here!](#)

**Thursday, October 26 at 6:30 PM
In the Winchell Room & Zoom!**

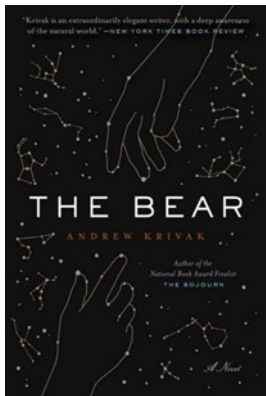
As part of the NEA Big Read, The Manchester City Library will host NH Humanities Scholar Damian Costello, who will lead a book discussion of *The Bear* by Andrew Krivak.

In an Edenic future, a girl and her father live close to the land in the shadow of a lone mountain. They possess a few remnants of civilization: some books, a pane of glass, a set of flint and steel, a comb. The father teaches the girl how to fish and hunt, the secrets of the seasons and the stars. He is preparing her for an adulthood in harmony with nature, for they are the last of humankind. But

when the girl finds herself alone in an unknown landscape, it is a bear that will lead her back home through a vast wilderness that offers the greatest lessons of all, if she can only learn to listen.

NH Humanities Scholar Damian Costello received his Ph.D. in theological studies from the University of Dayton and specializes in the intersection of Catholic theology, Indigenous spiritual traditions and colonial history.

Call Steve Viggiano at 603-624-6550 x7623 or email sviggiano@manchesternh.gov for more information.



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. One kit per person. These kits are for Adults only. Pick up at the Main Branch library in the Rotunda.



ICE T-DYE T-SHIRTS

Tuesday, September 12, 2023

Follow along with a [Creativebug online class](#) as Lesley Ware, maker and author of three books on sewing and fashion, takes you step-by-step through the fun and fascinating process of transforming an old T-shirt with dye. Kits will include the materials needed to dye an old shirt.

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



AUTUMN LEAF LUMINARIES

Tuesday, October 10, 2023

Ready for fall? Dispel the advancing darkness of fall with a little color and light. These beautiful luminaries look gorgeous on the dinner table, the porch, or anywhere else you want to add a touch of warm autumn color. For more information please contact Yvonne L. at 603-624-6550 ext. 7619 or e-mail yloomis@manchesternh.gov. Autumn light and love to you all! Happy crafting.



PERLER BEAD ART

Tuesday, November 14, 2023

Not just for kids! Follow along with a [Creativebug online class](#) with Courtney Cerruti to explore this bright, colorful, and graphic medium. Perler beads can be fused together with an iron to create keychains, coasters, and other fun projects! Or you can have fun creating different fun designs over and over! For more information, call Sue Harmon at 603-624-6550 x 7620 or email sharmon@manchesternh.gov.



Adult Book Clubs

Wednesday 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 Wednesday 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.

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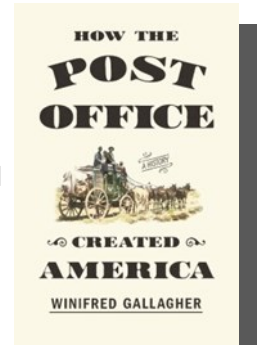
- Wednesday, September 13, 2023, 6:30-8:00 PM

My Brilliant Friend, by Elena Ferrante. Beginning in the 1950s Elena and Lila grow up in Naples, Italy, mirroring two different aspects of their nation.

- Wednesday, October 11, 2023, 6:30-8:00 PM

How the Post Office Created America: A History, by Winifred Gallagher.

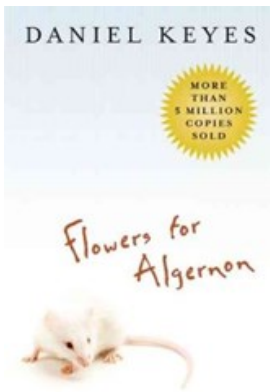
A history of the U.S. Post Office traces its origins and leaders and describes its role in every major event in American history, from the Revolutionary War to the dawn of the Internet age.



- Wednesday, November 8, 2023, 6:30-8:00 PM

Flowers for Algernon, by Daniel Keyes.

Charlie Gordon, a youth with limited mental capabilities, along with a laboratory rat named Algernon become the joint objects of a scientific alteration to see if Charlie can become "normal."



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 x7620.

- Tuesday, September 26, 2023 12:15-1:30 PM

Wake Up With a Purpose! What I've Learned in My First Hundred Years, by Jean Delores Schmidt.

Known simply as "Sister Jean," the Loyola College matriarch and college basketball icon invites you into her remarkable memoir filled with history, wonder, and common-sense wisdom for this century and beyond.

- Tuesday, October 31, 2023 12:15-1:30 PM

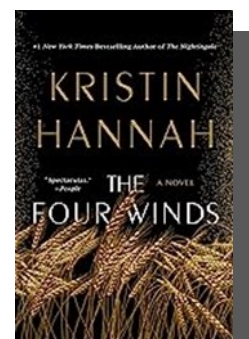
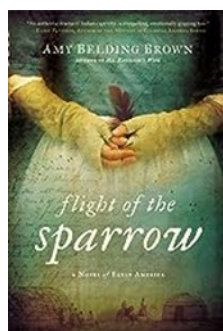
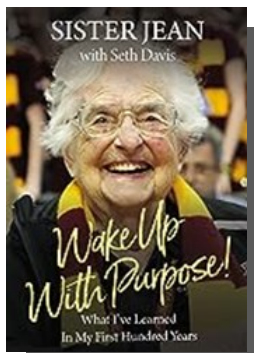
The Four Winds: A Novel, by Kristin Hannah.

Texas 1934. The Dust Bowl has arrived with a vengeance. Elsa Martinelli must choose to fight for the land she loves or go West to California in search of a better life for her family.

- Tuesday, November 28, 2023 12:15-1:30 PM

Flight of the Sparrow: A Novel of Early America, by Amy Belding Brown.

Mary Rowlandson was held captive after an Indian attack. Her true narrative explores the meanings of freedom, faith and acceptance.



Writers Group | [Sign Up Here!](#)

Wednesdays in the Hunt Room at 6:30 PM
September 20 | October 18 | November 15

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.



Remembering Together | [Sign Up Here!](#)

Mondays at the Senior Center or on Zoom, 10:30 AM
September 11 & 18 | October 16 & 30 | November 6 & 13

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



Seed Saving | [Sign Up Here!](#)

Tuesday, September 5 at 5:30pm

In-Person in the Winchell Room



Learn about seed saving with UNH Extension Master Gardener Donna Lussier! During this presentation, attendees will learn why saving seeds is important, what kinds of seeds to save and when to harvest them, the different methods for processing seeds and preparing them for storage, and several tips and tricks to ensure successful germination.

Donna Lussier has been a UNH Extension Master Gardener since 2017 and a Master Gardener Speakers Bureau presenter since 2018. She is extensively involved in her own gardens and works at a garden center during the gardening months.

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



Google Docs Basics | [Sign up Here!](#)



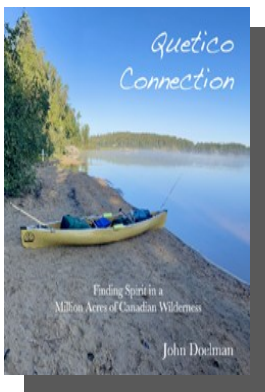
Thursday, October 12 at 2:30 PM
In the Winchell Room

This easy, relaxed class will be 1 hour. Familiarity with Microsoft Word or other word processing program would be helpful but is not necessary. To get the most out of the program, you'll need a Gmail account. Stop by the info desk ahead of time if you'd like help setting one up. Some skills participants will learn are: Basic text formatting such as bold, italic, font size, font color. You will also learn editing features such as cut, copy, paste, and spell check. We will create a document and share it. Please bring your laptop. If you don't have a laptop one may be available for you. Class size is limited to five participants.

For questions, call Amy H. at 603-624-6550 x7619 or email ahanmer@manchesternh.gov.

Author Talk: *Quetico Connection: Finding Spirit in a Million Acres of Canadian Wilderness*, by John Doelman | [Sign up Here!](#)

Tuesday, November 14, 2023 at 6:00 PM
In the Auditorium



Quetico Connection is a threaded collection of intimate, yet simple, poems and photos which began on a two-week solo canoe trip into Quetico. The reading and presentation here will blend vivid photography, stills and videos, with a little history of place, and a compelling narrative interspersed with poetry from the book and a few that promise a next edition. It is sure to be a memorable evening.

Doelman is a semi-retired real estate broker in Florida who now lives permanently in New Hampshire. John has been creatively writing, especially poetry, since the 2nd grade. The outdoors has been one of Doelman's great loves for over 50 years. Five weeks in the wilderness changed his life and launched a deep love of paddling. In 2012 Doelman discovered Quetico Provincial Park in NW Ontario while searching online for a new place to canoe camp. His life changed.

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

DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS AT THE MANCHESTER CITY LIBRARY AND THE WEST BRANCH LIBRARY

Time and Place TBA

Starting on September 5th you can fill out an interest sheet for this program at the Manchester City Library or West Manchester Branch Library. Let us know when you are available to play and get a chance to be a player in the first game! No experience necessary. Separate groups for adults and teenagers.

For questions, call Caleb Moshier at 603-624-6560 x7692 or email cmoshier@manchesternh.gov.



TEEN PROGRAMS

TEEN THURSDAYS

Thursdays: 9/14 – 11/30 (no meeting 11/23)

3:00 pm – 4:30 pm

Main Library, Winchell Room

Every Thursday, come hang out in the Winchell Room after school. We'll have snacks, arts and craft supplies, Nintendo Switch, and other games. Once or twice a month we'll have a special structured craft or activity. Check the teen website for details at www.teens.manchesterlibrary.org. For teens in grades 6 - 12.



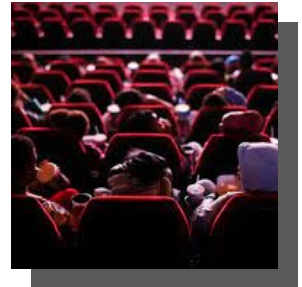
TEEN TUESDAYS AT WEST

Monthly on Tuesdays: 9/26, 10/17, and 11/21

3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

West Branch

Once a month is Teen Tuesdays at West! We'll have snacks, a special craft or activity, Nintendo Switch, and other games. For teens in grades 6 - 12.



Wednesdays: 9/20, 10/25, and 11/29

5:30 pm – 7:45 pm

Main Library, Auditorium

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

Registration requested by not required. If you have food allergies or restrictions, let us know when you register or email Dori in advance at mclyouthservices@manchesternh.gov.

Visit the Teen Services website at www.teens.manchesterlibrary.org for movie selection updates.





This Fall we are having in person Elementary Experiments every 2nd Wednesday and 4th Tuesday of the month at 3:30pm in the Winchell Room

Here are the dates and program descriptions:

- **Elementary Experiments – Bubbles!**

Wednesday, September 13, 2023

Attendees grades 1-6 will be trying to Build a Better Bubble and Experimenting with 3D Bubble wands.

- **Elementary Experiments – Carbonation**

Tuesday, September 26, 2023

Attendees grades 1-6 will be launching things in the air with carbonation, and learning about Carbon Dioxide Gas.

- **Elementary Experiments – Anatomy**

Wednesday, October 6, 2023

Attendees grades 1-6 will be making models of the heart, and learning about how lungs work.

- **Elementary Experiments – Ooky Science**

Tuesday, October 24, 2023

Attendees grades 1-6 will be getting into the spooky spirit with Slow Bubbling Slime and candy durability testing.

- **Elementary Experiments – Earthquake!**

Wednesday, November 8, 2023

Attendees grades 1-6 will be working with an earthquake simulator shake table to test builds and home-made seismographs.

- **Elementary Experiments – Air Drop**

Tuesday, November 21, 2023

Attendees grades 1-6 will be brainstorming how to best build for an air drop, packaging and egg and also designing a parachute.

If you can't make it to the program, we will have a video on our Facebook and Youtube page if you want to try the activities at home! Please register for this event so we have enough supplies for everyone to enjoy! For more information, please call 603-624-6550 ext. 7628.

CREATIVE DAY / MARVEL DAY



Tuesday, September 19, 2023

1:00-4:00 pm, Winchell Room

Anyone grades 1-6, drop in at the Manchester City Library's Winchell Room any time between 1:00 pm-4:00pm to celebrate the day off with creative crafts and fun games featuring some of your favorite Marvel Superheroes! Crafts will be out all afternoon and games will be called about every half hour. For more information, please call 603-624-6550 ext. 7628.



LEGO AFTERNOONS

Every month, come build with the 10,000 Lego pieces that have been donated by Lego System. This drop in session will be on Wednesdays, **September 20 &**

October 18, from 3:00-4:30 pm. This program is for ages 3-12 years old. For more information, please call 624-6550 ext. 7628

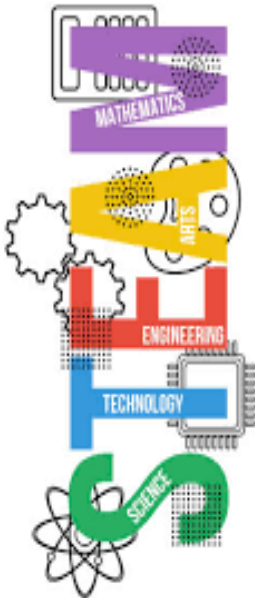
STORYTIME SCIENCE

Tuesday Morning October 3, 2023

Wednesday Morning, November 15, 2023

Winchell Room, 10:00 am

The Children's Room staff are very excited to announce a new Storytime program with SEE Science Center. Once a month, kids ages 2-6 years old are invited to join Ms. Yvonne and Ms. Becky from the SEE Science Center for Storytime Science. This storytime is based on a STEM/STEAM theme with hands-on activities afterwards. Some themes could be construction, insects, space, weather, animals and so much more. Registration will be required to make sure that we have enough materials for everyone. This program is a great way to introduce our youngest patrons to fun STEM/STEAM hands on activities. For more information, please call 603-624-6550 ext. 7628.



CREATIVE DAY / ZOMBIE GAMES

Friday, October 6, 2023

1:00-4:00 pm, Winchell Room

Anyone grades 1-6, who wants to celebrate the spooky season at the beginning of October as well as the end can drop in at the Manchester City Library's Winchell Room any time between 1:00-4:00 pm. We will be playing different zombie themed games though the afternoon. For more information, please call 603-624-6550 ext. 7628.



STORYTIME AT THE MALL OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Tuesday, October 10, 2023

11:30-12:30, Mall Food Court Play Area

Manchester City Library Children’s Room and the Mall of New Hampshire have teamed up for Storytime at the Mall. Our next Mall Storytime will be on Tuesday, October 10, 2023 beginning at 11:30 am in their food court play area. Ms. Karyn will read fun stories based on a theme. Afterwards, there is a cute craft to make and take home. Recommended for all ages. Registration is not required. For more information, call 603-624-6550 ext. 7628



Tuesday, October 24, 2023

10:00 – 11:00 am Winchell Room

On Tuesday, October 24, at 10:00 am, we are having a Halloween Party for ages 1-5 years old in our Winchell Room. We will listen to fun stories, play games such as “Pin the Boo on the

Ghost” and go on a pumpkin hunt. We will make a cute craft to take home. Come dressed in your costume! Registration is requested to make sure that we have enough supplies prepared for all. For more information, please call 603-624-6550 ext. 7628.



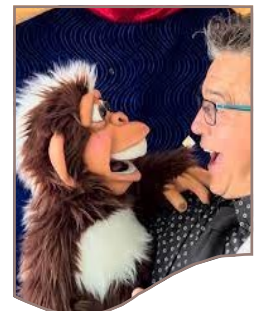
FAMILY EVENT-MAGIC FRED



Wednesday, November 1, 2023

6:00 pm, Library Auditorium

Families are invited on November 1, 2023 at 6:00 pm in our auditorium for a fun magic show by Magic Fred. This one-of-a-kind, fun, interactive magic show will amaze kids of all ages. Kids can come dressed in their costumes. For more information, please call 603-624-6550 ext. 7628





HAPPY BIRTHDAY, SESAME STREET!

Tuesday, November 14, 2023
10:00-11:00 Winchell Room

We are celebrating Sesame Street's birthday! Join us on Tuesday, November 14 at 10:00 am in the Winchell Room as we celebrate their birthday with stories, songs, games and a craft based on your favorite Sesame Street characters. This program is for children 2 to 5 years old.

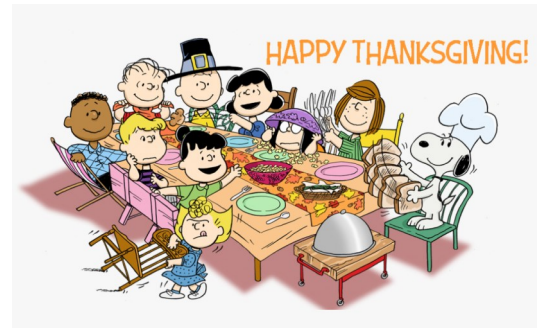
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A CHARLIE BROWN THANKSGIVING FAMILY PARTY

Wednesday, 11/15
4:00 pm – 6:00 pm
Winchell Room

Join us to celebrate Thanksgiving Peanuts style at this drop-in, all ages family event! Try to answer trivia questions based on Charles Schultz's Peanuts and A Charlie Brown Thanksgiving. Our casual trivia game will start at 5:00 pm. Before and after, stick around for special Charlie Brown Thanksgiving inspired snacks, crafts, and activities. No registration



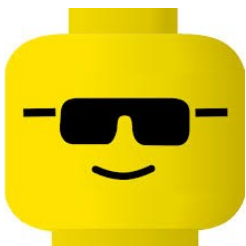
required. For more information, contact the Children's Room at 603-624-6550 ext. 7628.



LEGO AFTERNOON

Friday, November 24, 2023
1:00-4:00 pm, Winchell Room

On Friday, November 24th, from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm, you can drop by the Winchell Room and build a Lego creation with our 10,000 pieces of Legos. All creations will be on display in the children's room for everyone to enjoy. This program is for ages 3-12 years old. For more information, please call 624-6550 ext. 7628.



-SUMMER WRAP UP-

“All Together Now” summer reading program was a huge success. There were 294 children & teens who signed up for the program and read over 3,000 hours.

We would like to thank the following for helping make our summer reading program “All Together Now” a huge success!

Altitude Trampoline Park – Concord
 The Beach Plum
 Ben & Jerry’s Ice Cream
 Butterfly Place
 Captain’s Cove Adventure Golf
 Chucksters
 CJ’s/T-Bones/Cactus Jack’s
 Clark’s Bears
 Currier Museum of Art
 Fresh Start Mobile Farmer’s Market
 Fun Spot
 Granite State Credit Union
 Manchester Library Trustees



Manchester School District – Bookmobile
 Majestic Theater
 McDonalds
 Mel’s Funway Park
 Nadeau’s Subs
 NH Audubon Center - Massabesic
 New Hampshire Fish & Game
 Pirate’s Cove Adventure Golf
 Pizza Hut
 Santa’s Village
 Seacoast Science Center
 SEE Science Center
 Triangle Credit Union
 UNH Marine Docents

Manchester City Library

405 Pine Street
 Manchester, NH 03104

Monday & Friday

9am-5pm

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

9am-8pm

Saturday

9am-2pm

West Manchester Branch Library

76 North Main Street
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Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday

1pm-5pm

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-Holiday Closures-

- September 2nd & September 4th
Labor Day weekend
- October 9th
Columbus Day
- November 7th
Election Day
- November 10th & November 11th
Veteran’s Day
- November 22nd both
buildings closing at 5pm
- November 23rd
Thanksgiving