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Technology Learning Center & Homework Center Official Ribbon Cutting!

November 6, 5:30PM | Main Library

The Framingham Public Library proudly welcomes you to our new Technology Learning Center (TLC) and Homework Center!

We are honored to be joined by Mayor Charles Sisitsky for an official ribbon cutting on November 6 at 5:30PM. Celebrate the completion of this project that brings life-changing learning opportunities to our entire community!

Free and open to all, the TLC is Framingham's Community Classroom with a new public computing space and expanded Homework Center, dedicated to transformative learning.

The TLC was made possible thanks to the generous support of our partners: Senator Karen Spilka and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the Framingham Library Foundation, the City of Framingham, and You—our generous community!



City Annual Tree Lighting December 1, 5PM

Join our Bookmobile and the rest of Framingham for this year's annual tree lighting on Friday, December 1 from 5–7:30PM at City Hall Plaza, 150 Concord Street.



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Fall Film Series: Nollelli On Hitchcock: *Strangers on a Train*

November 1, 1PM | Main Library, Costin Room

Revisit the Alfred Hitchcock classic *Strangers on a Train* with Dr. Arthur Nollelli, Jr., Professor Emeritus of English and Film Studies at FSU! Get an introduction to the film, the screening, and a 30-minute post-screening discussion with Art Nollelli!

Horror Mini-Fest: Women in Horror Comics

November 4, 12PM | Main Library, Costin Room

Framingham teams up with Ashland to put on another horror mini-fest—this time comics themed! Meet Alex de Campi, Erica Henderson, and Marjorie Liu, listen to them speak, ask them your burning comics questions, and get your books signed! All ages!

Lifelong Learning Lecture Series:

The “New” American Presidency: The Unitary Executive

November 30, 7PM | Main Library, Costin Room & YouTube Live

Join Dr. David Smalles, Associate Professor of Political Science at FSU, to hear about recent change in presidential power, how these changes compares to earlier understandings of presidential power, and how some 2024 presidential candidates plan to expand that power even further.

Both the Main Library and McAuliffe Branch are closed Saturday, November 11 in observance of Veterans Day. Both libraries close at 5PM on Wednesday, November 22 and remain closed on Thursday, November 23 for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Main Library

49 Lexington Street
508-532-5570
Monday–Thursday 9–9
Friday–Saturday 9–5
Sunday 1–5

Christa McAuliffe Branch Library

746 Water Street
508-532-5636
Monday–Thursday 9:30–9
Friday–Saturday 9:30–5
Sunday 12–4

Sign up for email updates of Library news
and events at framinghamlibrary.org!

Funding for Library programs is provided in
part by the Friends of the Framingham Library.



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**Lunchtime Learning Series:
Massachusetts in World War II**
November 3, 12PM | Main Library,
Costin Room

Join local author Jim Parr as he shares stories from his upcoming book *World War 2 in Massachusetts*.

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**Bob Dodd Sunday Concert Series:
Four Hands Piano Duo**
November 5, 3PM | Main Library, Costin
Room & YouTube Live

Hear pianists Sivan Etedgee and Pei-Yeh Tsai perform! Come by in person or stream at [youtube.com/framinghampubliclibrary](https://www.youtube.com/framinghampubliclibrary).

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Adult Lego Build Night
November 7, 7PM | McAuliffe Branch,
Community Room

Have fun with engineering!! Bring your imagination and your inner child, using our Legos to build a masterful creation.

**McAuliffe Craft Ladies:
Paper Wreaths**
November 15, 7PM | McAuliffe Branch,
Community Room

Create a decorative wreath from scrapbook paper, raffia, twine, and more! Supplies and space are limited. [Registration required](#).

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McAuliffe Dungeons & Dragons Night
November 20, 6PM | McAuliffe Branch,
Community Room

Embark upon a journey of magical realms and boundless imagination. Space is limited. [Registration required](#).

VR Tour: Traveling While Black
November 27–29, 2–7PM | McAuliffe
Branch, Community Room

Experience a cinematic VR journey in the long history of restriction of movement for Black Americans. Call the McAuliffe Branch at 508-532-5636 or [sign up online](#).

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Board Game Night: Azul
November 27, 7PM | McAuliffe Branch,
Community Room

Join us for a night of beautiful patterns and completing sets. Game play takes ~30-45 minutes.

Art Journal Jam for Adults

November 28, 6:30PM | Main Library,
Spark Lab

Bring your own art journal and prepare to get messy in this casual, unstructured session. Space and supplies are limited. [Registration required](#).

Lifelong Learning Lectures

All Lifelong Learning Lectures are held at the Main Library, Costin Room and streamed live on YouTube.

The World's Greatest Diarists

November 2, 7PM with Dr. Helen Heineman, President Emerita, FSU

Textiles as Storytellers: From the Bayeux Tapestry to Bisa Butler

November 9, 7PM with Pam Sebor-Cable, Associate Professor, Fashion Design and Retailing Department, FSU

Collective Journeys: Framingham's Global Migration Story, Past and Present

November 16, 7PM with Anna Tucker, Executive Director, Framingham History Center

The "New" American Presidency: The Unitary Executive

November 30, 7PM with Dr. David Smalles, Associate Professor of Political Science, FSU

In Partnership with FSU

FSU's Arthur Nolletti, Jr. Film Series: *She Said*

November 6, 7PM | Dwight Performing Arts Center at FSU

See the film "She Said" followed by a post-screening Q&A led by Liz Banks and featuring special guest Megan Twohey via Zoom.

Literacy Unlimited

Do you know an adult who speaks English and needs help learning to read or write? We can help! Contact Literacy Unlimited at fplmail4@minlib.net or call us at 508-532-5574. Literacy Unlimited is the Basic Literacy and ESOL tutoring program at the Framingham Library.

BOOK CLUBS

Club de Lectores

A flor de piel de Javier Moro, pgs. 249–496

6 de noviembre, 8PM | Zoom | [Regístrate: bit.ly/FPL-Events](https://bit.ly/FPL-Events).

Main Library Adult Book Club

Something Wonderful: Rodgers and Hammerstein's Broadway Revolution by Todd S. Purdum

November 7, 7PM | Zoom | [Register here](#).

Science Fiction Book Club

Scattered All Over the Earth by Yoko Tawada

November 8, 7PM | Main Library, Costin Room & Zoom | [Register here](#).

McAuliffe Evening Book Club

Smahtguy: The Life and Times of Barney Frank by Eric Orner

November 14, 7PM | McAuliffe Branch, Community Room & Zoom | [Register here](#).

McAuliffe Morning Book Club

Good Omens by Terry Pratchett & Neil Gaiman

November 16, 10AM | McAuliffe Branch, Community Room & Zoom | [Register here](#).



FILMS

Friday Night Film: *The Fabelmans*

PG-13, 2022, 2h 31m

November 3, 7PM | Main Library, Costin Room

Fall Film Series: Nolletti On Hitchcock:

The Man Who Knew Too Much

NR, 1956, 120m

November 8, 1PM | Main Library, Costin Room

McAuliffe Matinee: *Smoke Signals*

PG-13, 1998, 1h 29m

November 9, 1PM | McAuliffe Branch, Community Room

McAuliffe Matinee: *November Man*

R, 2018, 1h 48m

November 15, 1PM | McAuliffe Branch, Community Room

Musicals at McAuliffe: *Guys and Dolls*

NR, 1955, 2hr 20m

November 16, 2PM | McAuliffe Branch, Community Room

McAuliffe Animatinee: *Fortune Favors Lady Nikuko*

NR, 2021, 1h 37m

November 21, 7PM | McAuliffe Branch, Community Room

Monday Matinee: *The Little Mermaid*

PG, 2023, 2h 15m

November 27, 1PM | Main Library, Costin Room

BOOKMOBILE LOCATIONS & EVENTS

Can't find the Bookmobile? See the Bookmobile's full calendar at bit.ly/FPL-BKM. Come out and join us!



ONGOING EVENTS

Tone & Stretch

Mondays, 4:30PM | Zoom
New members register at bit.ly/FPL-Exercise-Classes.

Advanced Poetry Workshop

Tuesdays, 7:30PM | Zoom
This class welcomes serious, experienced poets. Registration required for new members.

Stretch & Relax

Wednesdays, 4:30PM | Zoom
New members register at bit.ly/FPL-Exercise-Classes.

**No class November 1 and 8*

Meditation with Leslie

November 16, 11AM | Zoom
New members register for the Zoom link at bit.ly/FPL-Events.

One-on-One Resume Building

November 2, 9, 16, 22, & 30, 9AM–1:30PM | Zoom
Get resume help and job search assistance with career coach Ed Lawrence. Email elawrence@minlib.net to schedule an appointment.

Monthly Free Practice Interview Group

November 15, 3PM | Main Library, Children's Program Room
Drop in and join our monthly practice interview group led by career coach Ed Lawrence.

Veterans At Ease Coffee Hour

November 17, 10AM | McAuliffe Branch, Community Room
Join local veterans for free coffee and refreshments.

Yarn Social Clubs

Wednesdays and 2nd & 4th Saturdays, 10AM | Main Library
Wednesdays, 6PM | McAuliffe Branch

Puzzle Swaps

November 8, 7PM | Main Library
November 27, 7PM | McAuliffe Branch

YOUNG ADULTS

Weekly Minecraft

Collaborative Build
Every Wednesday, 2:30–4PM | Online | Grades 4–12

Every Wednesday, we work on a group build in Creative Mode. Must be accepted on Minecraft server to participate. For more info, visit framinghamlibrary.org/minecraft.

Maker Mondays: Sticker Making

November 6, 13, 20, & 27 | 3–4:30PM | Main Library, Spark Lab | Grades 6–12
New weekly drop-in program! Come once to test out that month's activity, or come every week to work on a big project!

Girls Who Code

November 6 & 20, 6–7:30 PM | Main Library, Spark Lab | Grades 6–12
Learn to code with hands-on projects and self-guided tutorials. Aimed at girls, non-binary students, and any student who supports the Girls Who Code mission. [Registration required](#). Enter code MA51696.

Early Release Movie

November 7, 12:30–3PM | Both libraries
It's an early release day! We bring a stack of movies—you choose what we watch.

Supporters

FPL Foundation news

Do you have a finance background? Are you looking for a way to give back to the Framingham community? The Framingham Public Library Foundation, which raises funds for library projects, is looking for a new treasurer. We've supported initiatives such as the Christa McAuliffe Branch Library, Bookmobile, and Teen Room.

As a member of the board of directors, you work with us, our bookkeeper, and CPA to keep us up-to-date on the foundation's financial position at our quarterly meetings.

Interested in learning more? Contact Ruth Winett at 508-877-1938 or rwinett@rcn.com. Know anyone interested? Please share!

Video Game Hangout

November 9, 3–5PM | Main Library, Costin Room | Grades 6-12
Play video games and eat snacks!

Zine Club

November 18, 3–4:30PM | Main Library, Spark Lab | Grades 6–12
Come learn about the history of zines and create your own!

Pressed Leaves

November 21, 3–4:30PM | Main Library, Spark Lab | Grades 4–8
November 28, 3–4:40PM | McAuliffe Branch, Craft Room
Make your own fall pressed leaf ornament.

Anime Club

November 25, 1–3PM | Main Library, Costin Room | Grades 6–12
Watch your favorite anime and eat tasty Japanese snacks!



Tag Sale at Friends Book Sale on November 18

Holidays are approaching rapidly. In addition to lots and lots of books, November's sale offers tag sale items. Check out our books, games, and stocking stuffers.

Come to the Main Library from 10AM to 3PM. Friends have early access to the Bag Room and Book Sale Room at 9:30AM. Purchase books in the Friends Bookstore and lobby from 9AM onward.

Join the Friends

It's always the right time to join the Friends. [Join or renew now!](#)

MAIN LIBRARY CHILDREN'S SPECIAL EVENTS

Storywalk™ “We Are Water Protectors”

by Carole Lindstrom

All Month Long | Children's Room | All ages

The story of an Ojibwe girl who fights against an oil pipeline in an effort to protect the water supply of her people.

Baby Fitness

November 4, 9:30AM | Costin Room | Ages 0-3

Join Jessica from Emotions in Motion for a workout with you and your baby! Best suited for pre-walkers and all fitness levels are encouraged. Please bring a mat.

Lego Build

2nd Wednesday and last Monday of the month, 4:30–6:30PM | Ages 5+

Make a LEGO creation based on each month's theme.



Egg Carton Turtles

November 14, 11AM | Spark Lab | Ages 3+

Help celebrate Fred's birthday by making egg carton turtles.

Handprint Acorns

November 1, 10:30AM | Spark Lab | Ages 3+

Make a cute acorn with your handprint!



Native American Totem Poles

November 7, 5PM | Spark Lab | Ages 6+

Totem poles are a significant part of Pacific Northwest Native American cultures, each telling unique stories and reflecting the heritage of specific tribes. Join us in exploring this fascinating tradition and create your own totem pole based on YOUR family! The craft facilitator is not an enrolled tribal member.

Wampum Beading

November 15, 6PM | Spark Lab | Ages 6+

Create jewelry out of wampum shells and learn about the significance of beading in Native American tribes.

Diwali Lanterns & Window Cling Crafts

November 14, 6PM | Spark Lab | All ages

Color in Mandala Window Clings or create a beautiful paper lantern!



Turtle Sugar Cookie Decorating

November 29, 6PM | Spark Lab | All ages

Celebrate Fred the Turtle's birthday by decorating sugar cookies!

MCAULIFFE BRANCH CHILDREN'S SPECIAL EVENTS

Sand Painting Craft

November 7, 1:30PM | Craft Room

Use glue and sand to paint wonderful images in honor of Native American Heritage Month.

Native American Totem Poles

November 8, 3:30PM | Craft Room | Ages 6+

See description for Main Library program on November 7.

Diwali Lanterns & Window Cling Crafts

November 9, 3:30PM | Craft Room | All ages

Color in Mandala Window Clings or create a beautiful paper lantern!

Studio Ghibli Movie & Craft: *My Neighbors the Yamadas*

November 14, 3:30PM | Community & Craft Rooms | Ages 5+

Runtime: 104m. Rated: PG. Closed Captioned.

The Yamadas are a normal Japanese family. Father Takashi and his wife Matsuke argue over a TV remote control, Grandma Shige always brightens the day with her proverbs and daughter Nanoko likes to get lost in a shopping center.



Toddler Craft: Bluey!

November 15, 11AM | Craft Room | Ages 2+

Join us in making your very own Bluey or Bingo Masks!

Spark Lab Satellite: Dried Flower Cards

November 17, 2PM | Craft Room | Ages 8+

These dried flower cards are SO PRETTY! Show your love and affection for someone or just keep the beauty for yourself.

Graphic Novel Author Talk: Jannie Ho

November 18, 11AM | Community Room | Ages 5+

Do you love reading graphic novels? Learn the creative process in creating one! From brainstorming story ideas to designing compelling characters, learn how a manuscript goes from the initial sketches to final art. Explore comics vocabulary such as panels and word balloons as you work on your very own 4-panel comic!

Movie Matinee: *How to Train Your Dragon*

November 22, 2PM | Community Room | Ages 5+

Runtime: 96m. Rated PG. Closed Captioned.



Lego Build

November 30, 3:30PM | Craft Room | Ages 5+

Make a LEGO creation based on each month's theme.

ONGOING EVENTS

Weekly Storytimes, Ages 3–5

Mondays 10–10:30AM | McAuliffe Branch, Children's Room

Thursdays 10–10:30AM | Main Library, Children's Program Room

Drop in every week for age appropriate stories and craft with your favorite Children's Librarian.

Baby Storytime, Ages 0–2 and their caregivers

Tuesdays 10–10:30AM | McAuliffe Branch, Astronaut Grove

Fridays 10:30–11AM | Main Library, Children's Program Room

Sing and play with words, rhyme, and puppets!

Book Buddies: Reading to Dogs

November 4, 11:30–12:30PM | McAuliffe Branch, Craft Room (Arden)

November 15, 3:30–4:30PM | McAuliffe Branch, Craft Room (Duncan)

Improve your reading skills by reading aloud to your new Book Buddy. Registration required. Call or drop by to sign up for a time slot.

SENSORY SERIES

Fun, safe, and simple sensory activities for your child to explore.

Fall Touch Bins, Ages 2–4

November 18, 10:30AM | Main Library, J Program Room

Box Blocks, Ages 2–4

November 21, 6:30PM | Main Library, J Program Room

EARLY CHILDHOOD ALLIANCE EVENTS

Play, Learn, & Grow Together

Mondays and Tuesdays, 10:30AM | [Sign up here!](#)

Let's Go to Kindergarten (Bilingual)

Wednesdays, 3PM and Thursdays, 11AM | [Sign up here!](#)

TWEEN EVENTS

Sewing Workshop: Scrunchies

November 18, 2PM | Main Library, Spark Lab | Grades 4–8

Learn to make your own scrunchies. [Registration required.](#)






Kids Yarn Social Hour

November 30, 7PM | Main Library, Spark Lab | Ages 8+

Learn new stitches, and hangout with other knitters & crocheters!



November

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Storywalk™ “We Are Water Protectors” by Carole Lindstrom All month @ Main			1	2	3	4
			Handprint Acorns 10:30am @ Main			Baby Fitness 9:30am @ Main Sensory Storytime 2pm @ MCA
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
		Sand Painting Craft 1:30pm @ MCA Native American Totem Poles 5pm @ Main	Native American Totem Poles 3:30pm @ MCA Lego Build 4:30pm @ Main	Diwali Lanterns & Window Cling Crafts 3:30pm @ MCA		
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	Studio Ghibli Movie + Craft 1pm @ MCA	Egg Carton Turtles 11am @ Main Diwali Lanterns & Window Cling Crafts 6pm @ Main	Toddler Craft: Bluey 10am @ MCA Wampum Beading 6pm @ Main		Spark Lab Satellite: Dried Flower Cards 2pm @ MCA	Fall Touch Bins 10:30am @ Main Graphic Novel Author Talk: Jannie Ho 11am @ MCA
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
		Box Blocks 6:30pm @ Main	Movie: How to Train Your Dragon 2pm @ MCA Close @ 5pm			
26	27	28	29	30	Studio Ghibli Movie + Craft Tue. Nov. 14., 3:30pm @ MCA	
	Lego Build 4:30pm @ Main		Turtle Sugar Cookie Decorating 6pm @ Main	Lego Build 3:30pm @ MCA Kids Yarn Social Hour 7pm @ Main		
Weekly Storytime (Ages 3-5) McAuliffe: Mondays, 10-11am Main: Thursdays, 10-11am		Weekly Baby Storytime (Ages 0-2) McAuliffe: Tuesdays, 10-10:30am Main: Fridays, 10:30-11am		Sewing Workshop: Scrunchies Sat, Nov. 18 2pm @ Main		Book Buddies Sat. Nov. 4, 11:30pm @ MCA (Arden) Wed. Nov. 15, 3:30pm @ MCA (Duncan)